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AMENDMENT NO. 2 TO

FORM S-3 REGISTRATION STATEMENT UNDER THE SECURITIES ACT OF 1933

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> FIRST UNION CORPORATION (Exact name of registrant as specified in its charter) NORTH CAROLINA (State or other jurisdiction of incorporation or organization)

56-0898180 (I.R.S. Employer Identification No.)

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THE REGISTRANTS HEREBY AMEND THIS REGISTRATION STATEMENT ON SUCH DATE OR DATES AS MAY BE NECESSARY TO DELAY ITS EFFECTIVE DATE UNTIL THE REGISTRANTS SHALL FILE A FURTHER AMENDMENT WHICH SPECIFICALLY STATES THAT THIS REGISTRATION STATEMENT SHALL THEREAFTER BECOME EFFECTIVE IN ACCORDANCE WITH SECTION 8(A) OF THE SECURITIES ACT OF 1933 OR UNTIL THIS REGISTRATION STATEMENT SHALL BECOME EFFECTIVE ON SUCH DATE AS THE COMMISSION, ACTING PURSUANT TO SAID SECTION 8(A), MAY DETERMINE.

PROSPECTUS SUPPLEMENT (SUBJECT TO COMPLETION, DATED DECEMBER 30, 1996) (TO PROSPECTUS DATED , 1996)

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FIRST UNION CAPITAL I % CUMULATIVE TRUST PREFERRED CAPITAL SECURITIES, SERIES A (LIQUIDATION AMOUNT \$25.00 PER PREFERRED SECURITY) GUARANTEED, TO THE EXTENT DESCRIBED HEREIN, BY FIRST UNION CORPORATION

% CUMULATIVE TRUST PREFERRED CAPITAL SECURITIES, SERIES A (THE THE "SERIES A PREFERRED SECURITIES "), OFFERED HEREBY REPRESENT PREFERRED UNDIVIDED BENEFICIAL INTERESTS IN THE ASSETS OF FIRST UNION CAPITAL I, A STATUTORY BUSINESS TRUST CREATED UNDER THE LAWS OF THE STATE OF DELAWARE (THE "SERIES A ISSUER "). FIRST UNION CORPORATION, A NORTH CAROLINA CORPORATION (THE "CORPORATION "), WILL BE THE OWNER OF ALL OF THE COMMON UNDIVIDED

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SEE "RISK FACTORS " BEGINNING ON PAGE S-7, FOR CERTAIN INFORMATION RELEVANT TO AN INVESTMENT IN THE SERIES A PREFERRED SECURITIES, INCLUDING THE PERIOD AND CIRCUMSTANCES DURING AND UNDER WHICH PAYMENT OF DISTRIBUTIONS ON THE SERIES A PREFERRED SECURITIES MAY BE DEFERRED AND CERTAIN RELATED UNITED STATES FEDERAL INCOME TAX CONSEQUENCES.

APPLICATION WILL BE MADE TO LIST THE SERIES A PREFERRED SECURITIES ON THE NEW YORK STOCK EXCHANGE (THE "NYSE "). TRADING OF THE SERIES A PREFERRED SECURITIES ON THE NEW YORK STOCK EXCHANGE IS EXPECTED TO COMMENCE WITHIN A 30-DAY PERIOD AFTER THE DATE OF THIS PROSPECTUS SUPPLEMENT. SEE "UNDERWRITING ".

THESE SECURITIES ARE NOT DEPOSITS OR OTHER OBLIGATIONS OF A BANK AND ARE NOT INSURED BY THE FEDERAL DEPOSIT INSURANCE CORPORATION OR ANY OTHER GOVERNMENTAL

AGENCY.

THESE SECURITIES HAVE NOT BEEN APPROVED OR DISAPPROVED BY THE SECURITIES AND EXCHANGE COMMISSION OR ANY STATE SECURITIES COMMISSION NOR HAS THE SECURITIES AND EXCHANGE COMMISSION OR ANY STATE SECURITIES COMMISSION PASSED UPON THE ACCURACY OR ADEOUACY OF THIS PROSPECTUS SUPPLEMENT OR THE ANY REPRESENTATION TO PROSPECTUS TO WHICH IT RELATES. THE CONTRARY IS A CRIMINAL OFFENSE.

PRICE \$25.00 PER SERIES A PREFERRED SECURITY AND ACCRUED DISTRIBUTIONS, IF ANY

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	PRICE TO PUBLIC (1)	AND DISCOUNTS (2)	SERIES A ISSUER (3)(4)
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PER SERIES A PREFERRED SECURITY	\$25.00	(3)	\$25.00
TOTAL	Ş	(3)	Ş

 | | |(1) PLUS ACCRUED DISTRIBUTIONS, IF ANY, FROM . 1997.

- (2) THE SERIES A ISSUER AND THE CORPORATION HAVE EACH AGREED TO INDEMNIFY THE SEVERAL UNDERWRITERS AGAINST CERTAIN LIABILITIES, INCLUDING LIABILITIES UNDER THE SECURITIES ACT OF 1933, AS AMENDED (THE "SECURITIES ACT "). SEE "UNDERWRITING ".
- (3) IN VIEW OF THE FACT THAT THE PROCEEDS OF THE SALE OF THE SERIES A PREFERRED SECURITIES WILL BE INVESTED IN THE SERIES A SUBORDINATED DEBENTURES, THE CORPORATION HAS AGREED TO PAY TO THE UNDERWRITERS AS COMPENSATION FOR THEIR ARRANGING THE INVESTMENT THEREIN OF SUCH PROCEEDS \$. PER SERIES A IN THE AGGREGATE). SEE "UNDERWRITING ". PREFERRED SECURITY (OR \$
- (4) EXPENSES OF THE OFFERING PAYABLE BY THE CORPORATION ARE ESTIMATED TO BE \$.

THE SERIES A PREFERRED SECURITIES OFFERED HEREBY ARE OFFERED SUBJECT TO PRIOR SALE, WHEN, AS AND IF ACCEPTED BY THE UNDERWRITERS NAMED HEREIN. IT IS EXPECTED THAT DELIVERY OF THE SERIES A PREFERRED SECURITIES WILL BE MADE ON OR , 1997, THROUGH THE BOOK-ENTRY FACILITIES OF THE DEPOSITORY ABOUT TRUST COMPANY ("DTC ") AGAINST PAYMENT THEREFOR IN IMMEDIATELY AVAILABLE FUNDS.

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BENEFICIAL INTERESTS IN THE ASSETS OF THE SERIES A ISSUER ("SERIES A COMMON SECURITIES " AND, COLLECTIVELY WITH THE SERIES A PREFERRED SECURITIES, THE "SERIES A SECURITIES "). THE SERIES A ISSUER EXISTS FOR THE SOLE PURPOSE OF ISSUING THE SERIES A SECURITIES AND INVESTING THE PROCEEDS THEREOF IN \$ INITIAL PRINCIPAL AMOUNT OF % JUNIOR SUBORDINATED DEFERRABLE INTEREST DEBENTURES, SERIES A (THE "SERIES A SUBORDINATED DEBENTURES "), TO BE ISSUED BY THE CORPORATION. THE SERIES A SUBORDINATED DEBENTURES WILL MATURE ON , 2027, WHICH DATE MAY BE (I) SHORTENED TO A DATE NOT EARLIER THAN

, 2002, OR (II) EXTENDED TO A DATE NOT LATER THAN , 2046, IN EACH CASE IF CERTAIN CONDITIONS ARE MET. THE SERIES A PREFERRED SECURITIES WILL HAVE A PREFERENCE UNDER CERTAIN CIRCUMSTANCES WITH RESPECT TO DISTRIBUTIONS (AS DEFINED HEREIN) AND AMOUNTS PAYABLE ON LIQUIDATION, REDEMPTION OR OTHERWISE OVER THE SERIES A COMMON SECURITIES. SEE "DESCRIPTION OF PREFERRED SECURITIES -- SUBORDINATION OF COMMON SECURITIES " IN THE ACCOMPANYING PROSPECTUS.

HOLDERS OF THE SERIES A PREFERRED SECURITIES WILL BE ENTITLED TO RECEIVE PREFERENTIAL CUMULATIVE CASH DISTRIBUTIONS ACCRUING FROM THE DATE OF ORIGINAL ISSUANCE AND PAYABLE QUARTERLY IN ARREARS ON THE LAST DAY OF MARCH, JUNE, SEPTEMBER AND DECEMBER OF EACH YEAR, COMMENCING MARCH 31, 1997, AT THE ANNUAL RATE OF % OF THE LIQUIDATION AMOUNT OF \$25.00 PER SERIES A PREFERRED SECURITY ("DISTRIBUTIONS "). SUBJECT TO CERTAIN EXCEPTIONS DESCRIBED HEREIN, THE CORPORATION HAS THE RIGHT TO DEFER PAYMENT OF INTEREST ON THE SERIES A SUBORDINATED DEBENTURES AT ANY TIME OR FROM TIME TO TIME FOR A PERIOD NOT EXCEEDING 20 CONSECUTIVE QUARTERS WITH RESPECT TO EACH DEFERRAL PERIOD (EACH, AN "EXTENSION PERIOD "), PROVIDED THAT NO EXTENSION PERIOD MAY EXTEND BEYOND THE STATED MATURITY (AS DEFINED HEREIN) OF THE SERIES A SUBORDINATED DEBENTURES. UPON THE TERMINATION OF ANY SUCH EXTENSION PERIOD AND THE PAYMENT OF ALL AMOUNTS THEN DUE, THE CORPORATION MAY ELECT TO BEGIN A NEW EXTENSION PERIOD SUBJECT TO THE REQUIREMENTS SET FORTH HEREIN. IF INTEREST PAYMENTS ON THE SERIES A SUBORDINATED DEBENTURES ARE SO DEFERRED, DISTRIBUTIONS ON THE SERIES A PREFERRED SECURITIES WILL ALSO BE DEFERRED AND THE CORPORATION WILL NOT BE PERMITTED, SUBJECT TO CERTAIN EXCEPTIONS DESCRIBED HEREIN, TO DECLARE OR PAY ANY CASH DISTRIBUTIONS WITH RESPECT TO THE CORPORATION'S CAPITAL STOCK OR DEBT SECURITIES OF THE CORPORATION THAT RANK PARI PASSU WITH OR JUNIOR TO THE SERIES A SUBORDINATED DEBENTURES. DURING AN EXTENSION PERIOD, INTEREST ON THE SERIES A SUBORDINATED DEBENTURES WILL CONTINUE TO ACCRUE (AND THE AMOUNT OF DISTRIBUTIONS TO WHICH HOLDERS OF THE SERIES A PREFERRED SECURITIES ARE ENTITLED WILL % PER ANNUM, COMPOUNDED QUARTERLY FROM THE ACCUMULATE) AT THE RATE OF RELEVANT PAYMENT DATE FOR SUCH INTEREST, AND HOLDERS OF THE SERIES A PREFERRED SECURITIES WILL BE REQUIRED TO RECOGNIZE INCOME (IN THE FORM OF ORIGINAL ISSUE DISCOUNT) FOR UNITED STATES FEDERAL INCOME TAX PURPOSES. SEE "CERTAIN TERMS OF SERIES A SUBORDINATED DEBENTURES -- OPTION TO EXTEND INTEREST PAYMENT PERIOD " AND "CERTAIN FEDERAL INCOME TAX CONSEQUENCES -- INTEREST INCOME AND ORIGINAL ISSUE DISCOUNT "

THE SERIES A SUBORDINATED DEBENTURES ARE UNSECURED AND SUBORDINATED TO ALL SENIOR DEBT (AS DEFINED IN THE ACCOMPANYING PROSPECTUS) OF THE CORPORATION. SUBSTANTIALLY ALL OF THE CORPORATION'S EXISTING INDEBTEDNESS CONSTITUTES SENIOR DEBT. BECAUSE THE CORPORATION IS A HOLDING COMPANY, THE RIGHT OF THE CORPORATION TO PARTICIPATE IN ANY DISTRIBUTION OF ASSETS OF ANY SUBSIDIARY, INCLUDING ITS BANK AND NONBANK SUBSIDIARIES, UPON SUCH SUBSIDIARY'S LIQUIDATION OR REORGANIZATION OR OTHERWISE, IS SUBJECT TO THE PRIOR CLAIMS OF CREDITORS OF THAT SUBSIDIARY, EXCEPT TO THE EXTENT THAT THE CORPORATION MAY ITSELF BE RECOGNIZED AS A CREDITOR OF THAT SUBSIDIARY. ACCORDINGLY, THE SERIES A SUBORDINATED DEBENTURES (AND THEREFORE THE SERIES A PREFERRED SECURITIES) WILL BE EFFECTIVELY SUBORDINATED TO ALL EXISTING AND FUTURE LIABILITIES OF THE CORPORATION'S SUBSIDIARIES, AND HOLDERS THEREOF SHOULD LOOK ONLY TO THE ASSETS OF THE CORPORATION FOR PAYMENTS ON THE SERIES A SUBORDINATED DEBENTURES. SEE "DESCRIPTION OF SUBORDINATED DEBENTURES -- SUBORDINATION " IN THE ACCOMPANYING PROSPECTUS.

THE CORPORATION HAS, THROUGH THE SERIES A GUARANTEE, THE TRUST AGREEMENT, THE SERIES A SUBORDINATED DEBENTURES, THE INDENTURE AND THE EXPENSE AGREEMENT (EACH AS DEFINED HEREIN), TAKEN TOGETHER, FULLY AND UNCONDITIONALLY GUARANTEED ALL OF THE SERIES A ISSUER'S OBLIGATIONS UNDER THE SERIES A PREFERED SECURITIES. SEE "RELATIONSHIP AMONG PREFERED SECURITIES, CORRESPONDING JUNIOR SUBORDINATED DEBENTURES AND GUARANTEES -- FULL AND UNCONDITIONAL GUARANTEE " IN THE ACCOMPANYING PROSPECTUS. THE SERIES A GUARANTEE OF THE CORPORATION GUARANTEES THE PAYMENT OF DISTRIBUTIONS AND PAYMENTS ON LIQUIDATION OR REDEMPTION OF THE SERIES A PREFERED SECURITIES, BUT ONLY IN EACH CASE TO THE EXTENT OF FUNDS HELD BY THE SERIES A ISSUER, AS DESCRIBED HEREIN. SEE "DESCRIPTION OF GUARANTEES " IN THE ACCOMPANYING PROSPECTUS. IF THE CORPORATION DOES NOT MAKE INTEREST PAYMENTS ON THE SERIES A SUBORDINATED DEBENTURES HELD BY THE SERIES A ISSUER, THE SERIES A ISSUER WILL HAVE INSUFFICIENT FUNDS TO PAY DISTRIBUTIONS ON THE SERIES A PREFERRED SECURITIES. THE SERIES A GUARANTEE DOES NOT COVER PAYMENT OF DISTRIBUTIONS WHEN THE SERIES A ISSUER DOES NOT HAVE SUFFICIENT FUNDS TO PAY SUCH DISTRIBUTIONS. IN SUCH EVENT, A HOLDER OF THE SERIES A PREFERRED SECURITIES MAY INSTITUTE A LEGAL PROCEEDING DIRECTLY AGAINST THE CORPORATION TO ENFORCE PAYMENT OF SUCH DISTRIBUTIONS TO SUCH HOLDER. SEE "DESCRIPTION OF JUNIOR SUBORDINATED DEBENTURES -- ENFORCEMENT OF CERTAIN RIGHTS BY HOLDERS OF PREFERRED SECURITIES "IN THE ACCOMPANYING PROSPECTUS. THE OBLIGATIONS OF THE CORPORATION UNDER THE SERIES A GUARANTEE AND THE SERIES A PREFERRED SECURITIES ARE SUBORDINATE AND JUNIOR IN RIGHT OF PAYMENT TO ALL SENIOR DEBT OF THE CORPORATION.

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THE SERIES A PREFERRED SECURITIES ARE SUBJECT TO MANDATORY REDEMPTION, IN WHOLE OR IN PART, UPON REPAYMENT OF THE SERIES A SUBORDINATED DEBENTURES AT MATURITY OR THEIR EARLIER REDEMPTION. THE SERIES A SUBORDINATED DEBENTURES ARE REDEEMABLE PRIOR TO MATURITY AT THE OPTION OF THE CORPORATION (I) ON OR AFTER , 2002, IN WHOLE AT ANY TIME OR IN PART FROM TIME TO TIME, OR (II) AT ANY TIME PRIOR TO , 2002 IN WHOLE (BUT NOT IN PART), AT ANY TIME WITHIN 90 DAYS FOLLOWING THE OCCURRENCE AND CONTINUATION OF A TAX EVENT OR

TIME WITHIN 90 DAYS FOLLOWING THE OCCURRENCE AND CONTINUATION OF A TAX EVENT OR A CAPITAL TREATMENT EVENT (EACH AS DEFINED HEREIN), IN EACH CASE AT A REDEMPTION PRICE EQUAL TO THE ACCRUED AND UNPAID INTEREST ON THE SERIES A SUBORDINATED DEBENTURES SO REDEEMED TO THE DATE FIXED FOR REDEMPTION, PLUS 100 PERCENT OF THE PRINCIPAL AMOUNT THEREOF. SEE "CERTAIN TERMS OF SERIES A PREFERRED SECURITIES -- REDEMPTION ".

THE HOLDER OF THE SERIES A COMMON SECURITIES (I.E., THE CORPORATION) WILL HAVE THE RIGHT AT ANY TIME TO TERMINATE THE SERIES A ISSUER AND CAUSE THE SERIES A SUBORDINATED DEBENTURES TO BE DISTRIBUTED TO THE HOLDERS OF THE SERIES A PREFERRED SECURITIES IN EXCHANGE THEREFOR UPON LIQUIDATION OF THE SERIES A ISSUER. SEE "CERTAIN TERMS OF SERIES A PREFERRED SECURITIES -- LIQUIDATION OF SERIES A ISSUER AND DISTRIBUTION OF SERIES A SUBORDINATED DEBENTURES TO HOLDERS ".

THE SERIES A SUBORDINATED DEBENTURES ARE UNSECURED AND SUBORDINATED TO ALL SENIOR DEBT OF THE CORPORATION.

IN THE EVENT OF THE TERMINATION OF THE SERIES A ISSUER, AFTER SATISFACTION OF LIABILITIES TO CREDITORS OF THE SERIES A ISSUER IN ACCORDANCE WITH APPLICABLE LAW AND THE EXPENSE AGREEMENT, THE HOLDERS OF THE SERIES A PREFERRED SECURITIES WILL BE ENTITLED TO RECEIVE AS A PREFERENCE A LIQUIDATION AMOUNT OF \$25.00 PER SERIES A PREFERRED SECURITY, PLUS ACCUMULATED AND UNPAID DISTRIBUTIONS THEREON TO THE DATE OF PAYMENT, WHICH MAY BE IN THE FORM OF A DISTRIBUTION OF SUCH AMOUNT IN SERIES A SUBORDINATED DEBENTURES, SUBJECT TO CERTAIN EXCEPTIONS. SEE "DESCRIPTION OF PREFERRED SECURITIES -- LIQUIDATION DISTRIBUTION UPON TERMINATION " IN THE ACCOMPANYING PROSPECTUS.

THE SERIES A PREFERRED SECURITIES WILL BE REPRESENTED BY GLOBAL CERTIFICATES REGISTERED IN THE NAME OF DTC OR ITS NOMINEE. BENEFICIAL INTERESTS IN THE SERIES A PREFERRED SECURITIES WILL BE SHOWN ON, AND TRANSFERS THEREOF WILL BE EFFECTED ONLY THROUGH, RECORDS MAINTAINED BY PARTICIPANTS IN DTC. EXCEPT AS DESCRIBED IN THE ACCOMPANYING PROSPECTUS, SERIES A PREFERRED SECURITIES IN CERTIFICATED FORM WILL NOT BE ISSUED IN EXCHANGE FOR THE GLOBAL CERTIFICATES. SEE "BOOK-ENTRY ISSUANCE " IN THE ACCOMPANYING PROSPECTUS.

THIS PROSPECTUS SUPPLEMENT TOGETHER WITH THE ACCOMPANYING PROSPECTUS MAY BE USED BY FIRST UNION CAPITAL MARKETS CORP., AN AFFILIATE OF THE CORPORATION, IN CONNECTION WITH OFFERS AND SALES RELATED TO MARKET MAKING TRANSACTIONS IN THE SERIES A PREFERRED SECURITIES EFFECTED FROM TIME TO TIME AFTER THE COMMENCEMENT OF THE OFFERING TO WHICH THIS PROSPECTUS SUPPLEMENT RELATES. FIRST UNION CAPITAL MARKETS CORP. MAY ACT AS PRINCIPAL OR AGENT IN SUCH TRANSACTIONS, INCLUDING AS AGENT FOR THE COUNTERPARTY WHEN ACTING AS PRINCIPAL OR AS AGENT FOR BOTH COUNTERPARTIES, AND MAY RECEIVE COMPENSATION IN THE FORM OF DISCOUNTS AND COMMISSIONS, INCLUDING FROM BOTH COUNTERPARTIES WHEN IT ACTS AS AGENT FOR BOTH. SUCH SALES WILL BE MADE AT PREVAILING MARKET PRICES AT THE TIME OF SALE, AT PRICES RELATED THERETO OR AT NEGOTIATED PRICES.

NO DEALER, SALESPERSON OR OTHER INDIVIDUAL HAS BEEN AUTHORIZED TO GIVE ANY INFORMATION OR TO MAKE ANY REPRESENTATIONS OTHER THAN THOSE CONTAINED OR

INCORPORATED BY REFERENCE IN THIS PROSPECTUS SUPPLEMENT OR THE ACCOMPANYING PROSPECTUS IN CONNECTION WITH THE OFFER MADE BY THIS PROSPECTUS SUPPLEMENT AND THE ACCOMPANYING PROSPECTUS AND, IF GIVEN OR MADE, SUCH INFORMATION OR REPRESENTATIONS MUST NOT BE RELIED UPON AS HAVING BEEN AUTHORIZED BY THE CORPORATION, THE SERIES A ISSUER OR BY THE UNDERWRITERS. NEITHER THE DELIVERY OF THIS PROSPECTUS SUPPLEMENT AND THE ACCOMPANYING PROSPECTUS NOR ANY SALE MADE HEREUNDER AND THEREUNDER SHALL UNDER ANY CIRCUMSTANCE CREATE AN IMPLICATION THAT THERE HAS BEEN NO CHANGE IN THE AFFAIRS OF THE CORPORATION OR THE SERIES A ISSUER SINCE THE DATE HEREOF. THIS PROSPECTUS SUPPLEMENT AND THE ACCOMPANYING PROSPECTUS DO NOT CONSTITUTE AN OFFER OR SOLICITATION BY ANYONE IN ANY JURISDICTION IN WHICH SUCH OFFER OR SOLICITATION IS NOT AUTHORIZED OR IN WHICH THE PERSON MAKING SUCH OFFER OR SOLICITATION IS NOT QUALIFIED TO DO SO OR TO ANYONE TO WHOM IT IS UNLAWFUL TO MAKE SUCH OFFER OR SOLICITATION.

IN CONNECTION WITH THIS OFFERING, THE UNDERWRITERS MAY OVER-ALLOT OR EFFECT TRANSACTIONS WHICH STABILIZE OR MAINTAIN THE MARKET PRICE OF THE SERIES A PREFERRED SECURITIES AT A LEVEL ABOVE THAT WHICH MIGHT OTHERWISE PREVAIL IN THE OPEN MARKET. SUCH TRANSACTIONS MAY BE EFFECTED ON THE NYSE OR OTHERWISE. SUCH STABILIZING, IF COMMENCED, MAY BE DISCONTINUED AT ANY TIME.

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SUMMARY OF THE OFFERING

THE FOLLOWING IS A SUMMARY OF CERTAIN INFORMATION CONTAINED HEREIN AND SHOULD BE READ IN CONJUNCTION WITH SUCH INFORMATION CONTAINED ELSEWHERE IN THIS PROSPECTUS SUPPLEMENT AND IN THE ACCOMPANYING PROSPECTUS AND IS SUBJECT TO, AND QUALIFIED IN ITS ENTIRETY BY REFERENCE TO, SUCH INFORMATION. CAPITALIZED TERMS USED HEREIN HAVE THE RESPECTIVE MEANINGS ASCRIBED TO THEM ELSEWHERE IN THIS PROSPECTUS SUPPLEMENT AND IN THE ACCOMPANYING PROSPECTUS.

GENERAL

The Series A Preferred Securities represent preferred undivided beneficial interests in the assets of the Series A Issuer and will have a preference under certain circumstances with respect to Distributions and amounts payable on liquidation, redemption or otherwise over the Series A Common Securities. See "Description of Preferred Securities -- Subordination of Common Securities" in the accompanying Prospectus. The sole assets of the Series A Issuer will be the Series A Subordinated Debentures, and payments under the Series A Subordinated Debentures are unsecured subordinated debt securities issued under

an Indenture between the Corporation and Wilmington Trust Company, as trustee.

DISTRIBUTIONS

Holders of the Series A Preferred Securities will be entitled to receive as a preference cumulative Distributions accruing from the date of original issuance and payable quarterly in arrears on the last day of March, June, September and December of each year, commencing March 31, 1997, at the per annum rate set forth on the cover page of this Prospectus Supplement to the persons in whose names the Series A Preferred Securities are registered at the close of business on the relevant record dates. See "Certain Terms of Series A Preferred Securities -- Distributions".

The Series A Subordinated Debentures are unsecured and rank subordinate and junior in right of payment to all Senior Debt of the Corporation. The ability of the Series A Issuer to pay amounts due on the Series A Preferred Securities is solely dependent upon the Corporation making payments on the Series A Subordinated Debentures as and when required. See "Risk Factors -- Ranking of Subordinated Obligations Under Series A Guarantee and Series A Subordinated Debentures".

OPTION TO EXTEND INTEREST PAYMENT PERIOD

So long as no Debenture Event of Default (as defined in the accompanying Prospectus) has occurred and is continuing, the Corporation has the right to defer payments of interest on the Series A Subordinated Debentures at any time or from time to time by extending the interest payment period thereon for Extension Periods of up to 20 consecutive quarters with respect to each deferral period; provided, however, that no Extension Period may extend beyond the Stated Maturity of the Series A Subordinated Debentures. If interest payments on the Series A Subordinated Debentures are deferred, Distributions on the Series A Preferred Securities also will be deferred and the Corporation will not be permitted, subject to certain exceptions set forth herein, to declare or pay any cash distributions with respect to the Corporation's capital stock or debt securities of the Corporation that rank PARI PASSU with or junior to the Series A Subordinated Debentures. During an Extension Period, Distributions on the Series A Preferred Securities will continue to accumulate and Distributions that are in arrears will bear interest on the amount thereof at the per annum rate set forth on the cover page of this Prospectus Supplement (to the extent permitted by applicable law), compounded quarterly, and holders of the Series A Preferred Securities will be required to recognize income (in the form of original issue discount) for United States federal income tax purposes in advance of receipt of cash attributable to such income. Upon the termination of any Extension Period and the payment of all amounts then due, the Corporation may elect to begin a new Extension Period, subject to the requirements set forth herein.

The Corporation has no current plan to exercise its right to defer payments of interest by extending the interest payment period on the Series A Subordinated Debentures. However, should the Corporation elect to exercise such right in the future, the market price of the Series A Preferred Securities is likely to be affected. See "Risk Factors -- Option to Extend Interest Payment Period; Tax Consequences", "Certain Terms of Series A Subordinated Debentures -- Option to Extend Interest Payment Period" and "Certain Federal Income Tax Consequences -- Interest Income and Original Issue Discount".

REDEMPTION

The Series A Preferred Securities are subject to mandatory redemption, in whole or in part, upon repayment of the Series A Subordinated Debentures at maturity or upon their earlier redemption. The Series A Subordinated Debentures are redeemable, at the option of the Corporation, (i) on or after , 2002, in whole at any time or in part from time to time, or (ii) at any time prior to , 2002, in whole (but not in part), within 90 days following the occurrence and

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continuation of a Tax Event or a Capital Treatment Event. See "Risk Factors -- Tax Event or Capital Treatment Event Redemption" and "Certain Terms of Series A Subordinated Debentures -- Redemption".

See "Risk Factors -- Possible Tax Law Changes Affecting the Series A Preferred Securities" for a discussion of certain legislative proposals that, if adopted, could give rise to a Tax Event, which may permit the Corporation to cause a redemption of the Series A Preferred Securities prior to , 2002. No sinking fund will be established for the benefit of the Series A Preferred Securities.

EXCHANGE OF SERIES A PREFERRED SECURITIES FOR SERIES A SUBORDINATED DEBENTURES

The holder of the Series A Common Securities (I.E., the Corporation) has the right to terminate the Series A Issuer at any time and, after satisfaction of liabilities to creditors of the Series A Issuer in accordance with applicable law and the Expense Agreement, cause the Series A Subordinated Debentures to be distributed to the holders of the Series A Preferred Securities in liquidation of the Series A Issuer. See "Certain Terms of Series A Preferred Securities -- Liquidation of Series A Issuer and Distribution of Series A Subordinated Debentures to Holders".

SHORTENING OR EXTENSION OF STATED MATURITY OF SERIES A SUBORDINATED DEBENTURES

If certain conditions set forth herein are met, the Stated Maturity of the Series A Subordinated Debentures may be (i) shortened to a date not earlier than , 2002, or (ii) extended to a date not later than , 2046. See "Certain Terms of Series A Subordinated Debentures -- General".

SERIES A GUARANTEE

The payment of Distributions and payments on the liquidation of the Series A Issuer or the redemption of the Series A Preferred Securities are guaranteed by the Corporation to the extent that the Series A Issuer has sufficient funds available therefor. See "Risk Factors -- Rights Under Series A Guarantee" herein and "Description of Guarantees" in the accompanying Prospectus. Taken together, the obligations of the Corporation under the Trust Agreement, the Series A Subordinated Debentures, the Indenture, the Series A Guarantee and the Expense Agreement constitute a full and unconditional guarantee by the Corporation of the obligations of the Series A Issuer under the Series A Preferred Securities.

LISTING

Application will be made to list the Series A Preferred Securities on the NYSE. Trading of the Series A Preferred Securities on the NYSE is expected to commence within a 30-day period after the date of this Prospectus Supplement. See "Underwriting".

USE OF PROCEEDS

The proceeds to be received by the Series A Issuer from the sale of Series A Preferred Securities will be used to purchase the Series A Subordinated Debentures from the Corporation. The Corporation intends that the proceeds of such purchase will be added to its general corporate funds and will be used for general corporate purposes.

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THE INFORMATION IN THIS PROSPECTUS SUPPLEMENT SUPPLEMENTS, AND SHOULD BE READ IN CONJUNCTION WITH, THE INFORMATION CONTAINED IN THE ACCOMPANYING PROSPECTUS. AS USED HEREIN, (I) THE "INDENTURE" MEANS THE INDENTURE, AS AMENDED AND SUPPLEMENTED FROM TIME TO TIME, BETWEEN THE CORPORATION AND WILMINGTON TRUST COMPANY, AS TRUSTEE (THE "DEBENTURE TRUSTEE"), PURSUANT TO WHICH THE SERIES A SUBORDINATED DEBENTURES WILL BE ISSUED, (II) THE "TRUST AGREEMENT" MEANS THE AMENDED AND RESTATED TRUST AGREEMENT, AS AMENDED OR SUPPLEMENTED FROM TIME TO TIME, RELATING TO THE SERIES A ISSUER, AMONG THE CORPORATION, AS DEPOSITOR, WILMINGTON TRUST COMPANY, AS PROPERTY TRUSTEE (THE "PROPERTY TRUSTEE"), WILMINGTON TRUST COMPANY, AS DELAWARE TRUSTEE (THE "DELAWARE TRUSTEE"), AND THE ADMINISTRATIVE TRUSTEES NAMED THEREIN (THE "ADMINISTRATIVE TRUSTEES" AND TOGETHER WITH THE PROPERTY TRUSTEE AND DELAWARE TRUSTEE, THE "ISSUER TRUSTEES"), (III) THE "EXPENSE AGREEMENT" MEANS THE AGREEMENT AS TO EXPENSES AND LIABILITIES ENTERED INTO BY THE CORPORATION, AS HOLDER OF THE COMMON SECURITIES, PURSUANT TO THE TRUST AGREEMENT, AND (IV) THE "SERIES A GUARANTEE" MEANS THE GUARANTEE ENTERED INTO BY THE CORPORATION FOR THE BENEFIT OF THE HOLDERS OF SERIES A PREFERRED SECURITIES PURSUANT TO THE GUARANTEE AGREEMENT (THE "GUARANTEE AGREEMENT"), AS AMENDED OR SUPPLEMENTED FROM TIME TO TIME, BETWEEN THE CORPORATION AND WILMINGTON TRUST COMPANY, AS TRUSTEE (THE "GUARANTEE TRUSTEE"). EACH OF THE OTHER CAPITALIZED TERMS USED IN THIS PROSPECTUS SUPPLEMENT AND NOT OTHERWISE DEFINED IN THIS PROSPECTUS SUPPLEMENT HAS THE MEANING SET FORTH IN THE ACCOMPANYING PROSPECTUS.

RISK FACTORS

Prospective purchasers of the Series A Preferred Securities should carefully review the information contained in this Prospectus Supplement and in the accompanying Prospectus and should particularly consider the following matters. In addition, because holders of Series A Preferred Securities may receive Series A Subordinated Debentures in exchange therefor upon liquidation of the Series A Issuer, prospective purchasers of Series A Preferred Securities are also making an investment decision with regard to the Series A Subordinated Debentures and should carefully review all the information regarding the Series A Subordinated Debentures contained herein and in the accompanying Prospectus.

RANKING OF SUBORDINATED OBLIGATIONS UNDER SERIES A GUARANTEE AND SERIES A SUBORDINATED DEBENTURES

The obligations of the Corporation under the Series A Guarantee and under the Series A Subordinated Debentures are unsecured and rank subordinate and junior in right of payment to all Senior Debt of the Corporation. Substantially all the Corporation's indebtedness constitutes Senior Debt. Because the Corporation is a holding company, the right of the Corporation to participate in any distribution of assets of any subsidiary, upon such subsidiary's liquidation or reorganization or otherwise (and thus the ability of holders of the Series A Preferred Securities to benefit indirectly from such distribution), is subject to the prior claims of creditors of that subsidiary, except to the extent that the Corporation may itself be recognized as a creditor of that subsidiary. Accordingly, the Series A Subordinated Debentures will be effectively subordinated to all existing and future liabilities of the Corporation's subsidiaries, and holders of Series A Subordinated Debentures should look only to the assets of the Corporation for payments on the Series A Subordinated Debentures. See "The Corporation". None of the Indenture, the Series A Guarantee, the Trust Agreement or the Expense Agreement places any limitation on the amount of secured or unsecured debt, including Senior Debt, that may be incurred by the Corporation. See "Description of Guarantees -- Status of Guarantees" and "Description of Junior Subordinated Debentures -- Subordination" in the accompanying Prospectus.

The ability of the Series A Issuer to pay amounts due on the Series A Preferred Securities is solely dependent upon the Corporation making payments on the Series A Subordinated Debentures as and when required.

OPTION TO EXTEND INTEREST PAYMENT PERIOD; TAX CONSEQUENCES

So long as no Debenture Event of Default has occurred and is continuing, the Corporation has the right under the Indenture to defer the payment of interest on the Series A Subordinated Debentures at any time or from time to time for a period not exceeding 20 consecutive quarters with respect to each Extension Period, provided that no Extension Period may extend beyond the Stated Maturity of the Series A Subordinated Debentures. As a consequence of any such deferral, quarterly Distributions on the Series A Preferred Securities by the Series A Issuer will be deferred (and the amount of Distributions to which holders of the Series A Preferred Securities are entitled will accumulate additional Distributions thereon at the rate of % per annum, compounded quarterly from the relevant payment date for such Distributions) during any such Extension Period. During any such Extension Period, the Corporation may not, and may not permit any subsidiary of the Corporation to, (i) declare or pay any dividends or distributions on, or redeem, purchase, acquire, or make a liquidation payment with respect to, any of the Corporation's capital stock, or (ii) make any payment of principal, interest or premium, if any, on or repay, repurchase or redeem any debt securities of the Corporation (including other Junior Subordinated Debentures as defined in the accompanying Prospectus) that rank PARI PASSU in all respects with or junior in interest to the Series A

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Subordinated Debentures (other than (a) repurchases, redemptions or other acquisitions of shares of capital stock of the Corporation in connection with any employment contract, benefit plan or other similar arrangement with or for the benefit of one or more employees, officers, directors or consultants, in connection with a dividend reinvestment or stockholder stock purchase plan or in connection with the issuance of capital stock of the Corporation (or securities convertible into or exercisable for such capital stock) as consideration in an acquisition transaction entered into prior to the applicable Extension Period, (b) as a result of any exchange or conversion of any class or series of the Corporation's capital stock (or any capital stock of a subsidiary of the

Corporation) for any class or series of the Corporation's capital stock or of any class or series of the Corporation's indebtedness for any class or series of the Corporation's capital stock, (c) the purchase of fractional interests in shares of the Corporation's capital stock pursuant to the conversion or exchange provisions of such capital stock or the security being converted or exchanged, (d) any declaration of a dividend in connection with any stockholder's rights plan, or the issuance of rights, stock or property under any stockholder's rights plan, or the redemption or repurchase of rights pursuant thereto, or (e) any dividend in the form of stock, warrants, options or other rights where the dividend stock or the stock issuable upon exercise of such warrants, options or other rights is the same stock as that on which the dividend is being paid or ranks PARI PASSU with or junior to such stock). Prior to the termination of any such Extension Period, the Corporation may further defer the payment of interest, provided that no Extension Period may exceed 20 consecutive quarters or extend beyond the Stated Maturity of the Series A Subordinated Debentures. Upon the termination of any Extension Period and the payment of all interest then accrued and unpaid (together with interest thereon at the annual rate of

%, compounded quarterly, to the extent permitted by applicable law), the Corporation may elect to begin a new Extension Period subject to the above requirements. There is no limitation on the number of times that the Corporation may elect to begin an Extension Period. See "Certain Terms of Series A Preferred Securities -- Distributions" and "Certain Terms of Series A Subordinated Debentures -- Option to Extend Interest Payment Period".

Should an Extension Period occur, a holder of the Series A Preferred Securities will be required to recognize income (in the form of original issue discount) in respect of its PRO RATA share of the Series A Subordinated Debentures held by the Series A Issuer for United States federal income tax purposes. As a result, a holder of the Series A Preferred Securities will be required to include such income in gross income for United States federal income tax purposes in advance of the receipt of cash attributable to such income, and will not receive the cash related to such income from the Series A Issuer if the holder disposes of the Series A Preferred Securities prior to the record date for the payment of Distributions. See "Certain Federal Income Tax Consequences -- Interest Income and Original Issue Discount" and " -- Sales or Redemption of Series A Preferred Securities".

The Corporation has no current plan to exercise its right to defer payments of interest by extending the interest payment period on the Series A Subordinated Debentures. However, should the Corporation elect to exercise such right in the future, the market price of the Series A Preferred Securities is likely to be affected. A holder that disposes of its Series A Preferred Securities during an Extension Period, therefore, might not receive the same return on its investment as a holder that continues to hold its Series A Preferred Securities. In addition, as a result of the existence of the Corporation's right to defer interest payments, the market price of the Series A Preferred Securities (which represent preferred undivided beneficial interests in the assets of the Series A Issuer) may be more volatile than the market prices of other securities on which original issue discount accrues that are not subject to such deferrals.

TAX EVENT OR CAPITAL TREATMENT EVENT REDEMPTION

Upon the occurrence and continuation of a Tax Event or Capital Treatment Event, the Corporation has the right to redeem the Series A Subordinated Debentures in whole (but not in part) within 90 days following the occurrence of such Tax Event or Capital Treatment Event and therefore cause a mandatory redemption of the Series A Preferred Securities before , 2002, the date on which the Series A Preferred Securities otherwise would first become redeemable. The Corporation has committed to the Federal Reserve Bank of Richmond that it will not exercise such right without the Corporation having received the prior approval of the Board of Governors of the Federal Reserve System (the "Federal Reserve Board"), if then so required under applicable capital guidelines or policies of the Federal Reserve Board.

A "Tax Event" means the receipt by the Series A Issuer of an opinion of counsel experienced in such matters to the effect that, as a result of any amendment to, or change (including any announced prospective change) in, the laws (or any regulations thereunder) of the United States or any political subdivision or taxing authority thereof or therein, or as a result of any official administrative pronouncement or judicial decision interpreting or applying such laws or regulations, which amendment or change is effective or such pronouncement or decision is announced on or after the date of issuance of the Series A Preferred Securities under the Trust Agreement, there is more than an insubstantial risk that (i) the Series A Issuer is, or will be within 90 days of the date of such opinion, subject to United States federal income tax with respect to income

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received or accrued on the Series A Subordinated Debentures, (ii) interest payable by the Corporation on the Series A Subordinated Debentures is not, or

within 90 days of such opinion, will not be, deductible by the Corporation, in whole or in part, for United States federal income tax purposes, or (iii) the Series A Issuer is, or will be within 90 days of the date of the opinion, subject to more than a DE MINIMIS amount of other taxes, duties or other governmental charges.

See " -- Possible Tax Law Changes Affecting Series A Preferred Securities" for a discussion of certain legislative proposals that, if adopted, could give rise to a Tax Event, which may permit the Corporation to cause a redemption of the Series A Preferred Securities prior to , 2002.

A "Capital Treatment Event" means the reasonable determination by the Corporation that, as a result of the occurrence of any amendment to, or change (including any announced prospective change) in, the laws (or any rules or regulations thereunder) of the United States or any political subdivision thereof or therein, or as a result of any official or administrative pronouncement or action or judicial decision interpreting or applying such laws, rules or regulations, which amendment or change is effective or which pronouncement, action or decision is announced on or after the date of issuance of the Series A Preferred Securities, there is more than an insubstantial risk that the Corporation will not be entitled to treat an amount equal to the aggregate Liquidation Amount of the Series A Preferred Securities as "tier 1 capital" (or the then equivalent thereof) for purposes of the capital adequacy guidelines of the Federal Reserve Board, as then in effect and applicable to the Corporation.

EXCHANGE OF SERIES A PREFERRED SECURITIES FOR SERIES A SUBORDINATED DEBENTURES

The holder of the Series A Common Securities (I.E., the Corporation) will have the right at any time to terminate the Series A Issuer and, after satisfaction of the liabilities of the Series A Issuer in accordance with applicable law and the Expense Agreement, to cause the Series A Subordinated Debentures to be distributed to the holders of the Series A Preferred Securities in exchange therefor upon liquidation of the Series A Issuer. The Corporation has committed to the Federal Reserve Bank of Richmond that, for so long as the Corporation (or an affiliate) is the holder of the Series A Common Securities, it will not exercise such right without the Corporation having received the prior approval of the Federal Reserve Board, if then so required under applicable capital guidelines or policies of the Federal Reserve Board. See "Certain Terms of Series A Preferred Securities -- Liquidation of Series A Issuer and Distribution of Series A Subordinated Debentures to Holders".

Under current United States federal income tax law, a distribution of the Series A Subordinated Debentures in exchange for the Series A Preferred Securities upon liquidation of the Series A Issuer will not be a taxable event to holders of the Series A Preferred Securities. Should there occur a change in law, a change in legal interpretation, a Tax Event, or other circumstances, however, such a distribution of the Series A Subordinated Debentures by the Series A Issuer could be a taxable event to the holders of the Series A Preferred Securities. See "Certain Federal Income Tax Consequences -- Distribution of Series A Subordinated Debentures to Holders of Series A Preferred Securities".

SHORTENING OF STATED MATURITY OF SERIES A SUBORDINATED DEBENTURES

The Corporation will have the right at any time to shorten the maturity of the Series A Subordinated Debentures to a date not earlier than , 2002, provided that the Corporation has committed to the Federal Reserve Bank of Richmond that it will not exercise such right without the Corporation having received the prior approval of the Federal Reserve Board, if then so required under applicable capital guidelines or policies of the Federal Reserve Board.

EXTENSION OF STATED MATURITY OF SERIES A SUBORDINATED DEBENTURES

The Corporation will also have the right to extend the maturity of the Series A Subordinated Debentures whether or not the Series A Issuer is liquidated and the Series A Subordinated Debentures are distributed to holders of the Series A Preferred Securities to a date no later than the 49th anniversary of the first Distribution payment date of the Series A Preferred Securities (I.E., , , 2046), provided that the Corporation can extend the maturity only if at the time such election is made and at the time of such extension (i) the Corporation is not in bankruptcy, otherwise insolvent or in liquidation, (ii) if the Series A Issuer has not been liquidated, the Corporation is not in default in the payment of any interest or principal on the Series A Subordinated Debentures, (iii) the Series A Issuer is not in arrears on payments of Distributions on the Series A Preferred Securities and no deferred Distributions are accumulated and unpaid, (iv) the Series A Subordinated Debentures are rated not less than either BBB- by Standard & Poor's Ratings Services or Baa3 by Moody's Investors Service, Inc. or the equivalent by any other nationally recognized statistical rating organization, and (v) after such extension, the Series A Subordinated Debentures shall not have a remaining term to maturity of more than 30 years. To the extent that the Stated Maturity

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of the Series A Subordinated Debentures is extended at such time as the Series A Preferred Securities are outstanding, the Series A Preferred Securities would remain outstanding until such extended date or until redeemed at an earlier date.

MARKET PRICES

There can be no assurance as to the market prices for the Series A Preferred Securities, or the Series A Subordinated Debentures that may be distributed in exchange for Series A Preferred Securities if a liquidation of the Series A Issuer occurs. Accordingly, the Series A Preferred Securities that an investor may purchase, whether pursuant to the offer made hereby or in the secondary market, or the Series A Subordinated Debentures that a holder of the Series A Preferred Securities may receive on liquidation of the Series A Issuer, may trade at a discount to the price that the investor paid to purchase the Series A Preferred Securities offered hereby. In addition, because the Corporation has the right (i) to shorten the Stated Maturity of the Series A Subordinated Debentures, or (ii) to extend the maturity of the Series A Subordinated Debentures (subject to the conditions described above), there can be no assurance that the Corporation will not exercise its option to change the maturity of the Series A Subordinated Debentures as permitted by the terms thereof and of the Indenture. Because holders of the Series A Preferred Securities may receive Series A Subordinated Debentures on termination of the Series A Issuer, prospective purchasers of the Series A Preferred Securities are also making an investment decision with respect to the Series A Subordinated Debentures and should carefully review all the information regarding the Series A Subordinated Debentures contained herein and in the accompanying Prospectus. See "Certain Terms of Series A Subordinated Debentures" herein and "Description of Junior Subordinated Debentures -- Corresponding Junior Subordinated Debentures" in the accompanying Prospectus.

RIGHTS UNDER SERIES A GUARANTEE

The Series A Guarantee will be qualified as an indenture under the Trust Indenture Act of 1939, as amended (the "Trust Indenture Act"). Wilmington Trust Company will act as the indenture trustee under the Series A Guarantee for the purpose of compliance with the Trust Indenture Act and will hold the Series A Guarantee for the benefit of the holders of the Series A Preferred Securities. Wilmington Trust Company will also act as Debenture Trustee for the Series A Subordinated Debentures, and as Property Trustee and Delaware Trustee under the Trust Agreement. The Series A Guarantee guarantees to the holders of the Series A Preferred Securities the following payments, to the extent not paid by the Series A Issuer: (i) any accumulated and unpaid Distributions required to be paid on the Series A Preferred Securities, to the extent that the Series A Issuer has funds on hand available therefor at such time, (ii) the redemption price with respect to any Series A Preferred Securities called for redemption, to the extent that the Series A Issuer has funds on hand available therefor at such time, and (iii) upon a voluntary or involuntary termination, winding-up or liquidation of the Series A Issuer (unless the Series A Subordinated Debentures are distributed to holders of the Series A Preferred Securities), the lesser of (a) the aggregate of the Liquidation Amount and all accumulated and unpaid Distributions to the date of payment to the extent that the Series A Issuer has funds on hand available therefor at such time, and (b) the amount of assets of the Series A Issuer remaining available for distribution to holders of the Series A Preferred Securities in liquidation of the Series A Issuer.

The holders of not less than a majority in aggregate Liquidation Amount of the Series A Preferred Securities have the right to direct the time, method and place of conducting any proceeding for any remedy available to the Guarantee Trustee in respect of the Series A Guarantee or to direct the exercise of any trust power conferred upon the Guarantee Trustee under the Series A Guarantee. Any holder of the Series A Preferred Securities may institute a legal proceeding directly against the Corporation to enforce its rights under the Series A Guarantee without first instituting a legal proceeding against the Series A Issuer, the Guarantee Trustee or any other person or entity. If the Corporation were to default on its obligation to pay amounts payable under the Series A Subordinated Debentures, the Series A Issuer would lack funds for the payment of Distributions or amounts payable on redemption of the Series A Preferred Securities or otherwise, and in such event, holders of the Series A Preferred Securities would not be able to rely upon the Series A Guarantee for payment of such amounts. Instead, in the event (i) a Debenture Event of Default shall have occurred and be continuing, and (ii) such event is attributable to the failure of the Corporation to pay interest on or principal of the Series A Subordinated Debentures on the payment date on which such payment is due and payable, then a holder of the Series A Preferred Securities may institute a legal proceeding directly against the Corporation for enforcement of payment to such holder of the principal of or interest on such Series A Subordinated Debentures having a principal amount equal to the aggregate Liquidation Amount of the Series A Preferred Securities of such holder (a "Direct Action"). In connection with such Direct Action, the Corporation will have a right of set-off under the Indenture to the extent of any payment made by the Corporation to such holder of the Series A Preferred Securities in the Direct Action. Except as described herein, holders of the Series A Preferred Securities will not be able to exercise directly any other remedy available to the holders of the Series A Subordinated Debentures or assert directly any other rights in

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respect of the Series A Subordinated Debentures. See "Description of Junior Subordinated Debentures -- Enforcement of Certain Rights of Holders of Preferred Securities" and " -- Debenture Events of Default", and "Description of Guarantees" in the accompanying Prospectus. The Trust Agreement provides that each holder of the Series A Preferred Securities, by acceptance thereof, agrees to the provisions of the Series A Guarantee and the Indenture.

LIMITED VOTING RIGHTS

Holders of the Series A Preferred Securities generally will have limited voting rights relating only to the modification of the Series A Preferred Securities and the exercise of the Series A Issuer's rights as holder of Series A Subordinated Debentures and the Series A Guarantee. Holders of the Series A Preferred Securities will not be entitled to vote to appoint, remove or replace the Property Trustee, the Delaware Trustee or any Administrative Trustee, and such voting rights are vested exclusively in the holder of the Series A Common Securities (I.E., the Corporation) except, with respect to the Property Trustee and Delaware Trustee, upon the occurrence of certain events described in the accompanying Prospectus. The Property Trustee, the Administrative Trustees and the Corporation may amend the Trust Agreement without the consent of holders of the Series A Preferred Securities to ensure that the Series A Issuer will be classified for United States federal income tax purposes as a grantor trust or as other than as an association taxable as a corporation, unless such action materially adversely affects the interests of such holders. See "Description of Preferred Securities -- Voting Rights; Amendment of Each Trust Agreement" and -- Removal of Issuer Trustees" in the accompanying Prospectus.

TRADING CHARACTERISTICS OF SERIES A PREFERRED SECURITIES

Application will be made to list the Series A Preferred Securities on the NYSE. The Series A Preferred Securities may trade at prices that do not fully reflect the value of accrued but unpaid interest with respect to the underlying Series A Subordinated Debentures. A holder of the Series A Preferred Securities that disposes of its Series A Preferred Securities between record dates for payments of Distributions (and consequently does not receive a Distribution from the Series A Issuer for the period prior to such disposition) nevertheless may be required to include accrued but unpaid interest on the Series A Subordinated Debentures through the date of disposition in income as ordinary income and to add such amount to its adjusted tax basis in the Series A Preferred Securities disposed of. Such holder would recognize a capital loss to the extent the selling price (which may not fully reflect the value of accrued but unpaid interest) is less than its adjusted tax basis (which will include accrued but unpaid interest). Subject to certain limited exceptions, capital losses cannot be applied to offset ordinary income for United States federal income tax purposes. See "Certain Federal Income Tax Consequences -- Sales or Redemption of Series A Preferred Securities".

As indicated above, application will be made to list the Series A Preferred Securities on the NYSE. If the Series A Preferred Securities are not listed on a national securities exchange or the Nasdaq National Market and the Underwriters do not make a market for the Series A Preferred Securities, the liquidity of the Series A Preferred Securities could be adversely affected.

POSSIBLE TAX LAW CHANGES AFFECTING SERIES A PREFERRED SECURITIES

On March 19, 1996, the Revenue Reconciliation Bill of 1996 (the "Revenue Reconciliation Bill"), the revenue portion of President Clinton's budget proposal, was introduced in the 104th Congress. The Revenue Reconciliation Bill, if enacted into law, would have, among other things, generally denied interest deductions for interest on an instrument issued by a corporation that has a maximum weighted average maturity of more than 40 years. The Revenue Reconciliation Bill also would have generally denied interest deductions for interest on an instrument, issued by a corporation, that has a maximum term of more than 20 years and that is not shown as indebtedness on the separate balance sheet of the issuer or, where the instrument is issued to a related party (other than a corporation), where the holder or some other related party issues a related instrument that is not shown as indebtedness on the issuer's consolidated balance sheet. For purposes of determining the weighted average maturity or the term of an instrument, any right to extend would be treated as if exercised. The above-described provisions were proposed to be effective as to instruments issued on or after December 7, 1995. If either provision were to have applied to the Series A Subordinated Debentures, the Corporation would have been unable to deduct interest on the Series A Subordinated Debentures. However, on March 29, 1996, the Chairmen of the Senate Finance and House Ways and Means Committees issued a joint statement to the effect that it was their intention that the effective date of the President's legislative proposals, presumably including the Revenue Reconciliation Bill, if adopted, would be no earlier than the date of appropriate Congressional action. Under current law, the Corporation will be able to deduct interest on the Series A Subordinated Debentures. Although the 104th Congress adjourned without enacting the above-described provisions of the Revenue Reconciliation Bill, there can be no assurance that current or future legislative proposals or final legislation will not

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adversely affect the ability of the Corporation to deduct interest on the Series A Subordinated Debentures. Accordingly, there can be no assurance that a Tax Event will not occur. See "Certain Terms of Series A Subordinated Debentures -- Redemption" herein and "Description of Preferred Securities -- Redemption or Exchange; TAX EVENT REDEMPTION" in the accompanying Prospectus. See also "Certain Federal Income Tax Consequences -- Possible Tax Law Changes" herein.

THE SERIES A ISSUER

The Series A Issuer is a statutory business trust created under Delaware law pursuant to (i) the Trust Agreement and (ii) the filing of a certificate of trust with the Delaware Secretary of State on November 6, 1996. The Series A Issuer's business and affairs are conducted by the Issuer Trustees: Wilmington Trust Company, as Property Trustee and Delaware Trustee, and two individual Administrative Trustees who are employees or officers of or affiliated with the Corporation. The Series A Issuer exists exclusively for the purposes of (i) issuing and selling the Series A Securities, (ii) using the proceeds from the sale of the Series A Securities to acquire the Series A Subordinated Debentures, and (iii) engaging in only those other activities necessary or incidental thereto (such as registering the transfer of the Series A Preferred Securities). Accordingly, the Series A Subordinated Debentures will be the sole assets of the Series A Issuer, and payments under the Series A Subordinated Debentures will be the sole revenue of the Series A Issuer. All of the Series A Common Securities will be owned by the Corporation. The Series A Common Securities will rank PARI PASSU, and payments will be made thereon PRO RATA, with the Series A Preferred Securities, except that upon the occurrence and continuance of an Event of Default (as defined in the accompanying Prospectus) under the Trust Agreement resulting from a Debenture Event of Default, the rights of the Corporation as holder of the Series A Common Securities to payment in respect of Distributions and payments upon liquidation, redemption or otherwise will be subordinated to the rights of the holders of the Series A Preferred Securities. See "Description of Preferred Securities -- Subordination of Common Securities" in the accompanying Prospectus. The Corporation will acquire the Series A Common Securities in an aggregate liquidation amount equal to approximately three percent of the total capital of the Series A Issuer. The Series A Issuer has a term of 55 years, but may terminate earlier as provided in the Trust Agreement. See "The Issuers" in the accompanying Prospectus.

It is anticipated that the Series A Issuer will not be subject to the reporting requirements under the Securities Exchange Act of 1934, as amended (the "Exchange Act").

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THE CORPORATION

The Corporation is a North Carolina-based, multi-bank holding company registered under the Bank Holding Company Act of 1956, as amended (the "BHCA"). Through its banking subsidiaries, the Corporation provides a wide range of commercial and retail banking services and trust services in North Carolina, Florida, South Carolina, Georgia, Tennessee, Virginia, Maryland, Delaware, Pennsylvania, New Jersey, New York, Connecticut and Washington, D.C. The Corporation also provides various other financial services, including mortgage banking, leasing, investment banking, insurance and securities brokerage services, through other subsidiaries. As of September 30, 1996, and for the nine months then ended, the Corporation reported assets of \$133.9 billion, net loans of \$92.5 billion, deposits of \$91.4 billion, stockholders' equity of \$8.7 billion and net income applicable to common stockholders of \$1.0 billion, and as of such date the Corporation operated through over 2,100 offices in 38 states, Washington, D.C. and four foreign countries. The Corporation is the sixth largest bank holding company in the United States, based on assets at September 30, 1996.

HISTORY AND BUSINESS

The Corporation was incorporated under the laws of North Carolina in 1967. Pursuant to a corporate reorganization in 1968, First Union National Bank of North Carolina and First Union Mortgage Corporation, a mortgage banking firm acquired by First Union National Bank of North Carolina in 1964, became subsidiaries of the Corporation.

Since the 1985 Supreme Court decision upholding regional interstate banking legislation, the Corporation has concentrated its efforts on building a large, regional banking organization in what it perceives to be some of the better banking markets in the eastern region of the United States. Since November 1985, the Corporation has completed 72 banking-related acquisitions, including the more significant acquisitions (I.E., involving the acquisition of \$3.0 billion or more of assets or deposits) set forth in the following table.

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NAME	HEADQUARTERS	DEPOSITS (1)(2)	ACCOUNTING TREATMENT	COMPLETION DATE
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Atlantic Bancorporation	Florida	\$ 3.8 billion	common stock/pooling	November 1985
Northwestern Financial Corporation	North Carolina	3.0 billion	common stock/pooling	December 1985
First Railroad & Banking Company of Georgia	Georgia	3.7 billion	common stock/pooling	November 1986
Florida National Banks of Florida, Inc	Florida	7.9 billion	cash/preferred stock/purchase	January 1990
Southeast banks	Florida	9.9 billion	cash, notes/preferred stock/purchase	September 1991
Resolution Trust Company ("RTC") acquisitions	Florida, Georgia, Virginia	5.3 billion	cash/purchase	1991-1994
Dominion Bankshares Corporation	Virginia	8.9 billion	common stock/preferred stock/pooling	March 1993
Georgia Federal Bank, FSB	Georgia	4.0 billion	cash/purchase	June 1993
First American Metro Corp	Virginia	4.6 billion	cash/purchase	June 1993
American Savings of Florida, F.S.B	Florida	3.3 billion	common stock/purchase	July 1995
First Fidelity Bancorporation ("FFB")	New Jersey, Pennsylvania	35.3 billion	common stock/preferred stock/pooling	January 1996
Center Financial Corporation ("CFC")				

 Connecticut | \$ 4.0 billion | common stock/purchase | November 1996 |

- (1) The dollar amounts indicated represent the assets of the related organization as of the last reporting period prior to acquisition, except for (i) the dollar amount relating to RTC acquisitions, which represents savings and loan deposits acquired from the RTC, and (ii) the dollar amount relating to Southeast banks, which represent assets of the two banking subsidiaries of Southeast Banking Corporation acquired from the Federal Deposit Insurance Corporation (the "FDIC").
- (2) In addition, the Corporation acquired (i) Lieber & Company, a mutual fund advisory company with approximately \$3.4 billion in assets under management, in June 1994, and (ii) Keystone Investments, Inc., a mutual fund advisory company with \$11.8 billion in assets under management, in December 1996. The consideration paid by the Corporation in such acquisitions was common stock; and both acquisitions were accounted for as poolings of interests.

The Corporation is continually evaluating acquisition opportunities and

frequently conducts due diligence activities in connection with possible acquisitions. As a result, acquisition discussions and, in some cases negotiations, frequently take

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place and future acquisitions involving cash, debt or equity securities can be expected. Acquisitions typically involve the payment of a premium over book and market values, and therefore, some dilution of the Corporation's book value and net income per common share may occur in connection with any future transactions.

SUPERVISION AND REGULATION

The following discussion sets forth certain of the material elements of the regulatory framework applicable to bank holding companies and their subsidiaries and provides certain specific information relevant to the Corporation. This regulatory framework is intended primarily for the protection of depositors and the federal deposit insurance funds and not for the protection of security holders. To the extent that the following information describes statutory and regulatory provisions, it is qualified in its entirety by reference to the applicable statutory and regulatory provisions. A change in applicable statutes, regulations or regulatory policy may have a material effect on the business of the Corporation.

GENERAL. As a bank holding company, the Corporation is subject to regulation under the BHCA and to its examination and reporting requirements. Under the BHCA, bank holding companies generally may not directly or indirectly acquire the ownership or control of more than five percent of the voting shares or substantially all of the assets of any company, including a bank, without the prior approval of the Federal Reserve Board. In addition, bank holding companies are generally prohibited under the BHCA from engaging in nonbanking activities, subject to certain exceptions.

The earnings of the Corporation are affected by general economic conditions, management policies and the legislative and governmental actions of various regulatory authorities, including the Federal Reserve Board, the Office of the Comptroller of the Currency (the "OCC"), which is the principal regulator of the Corporation's national bank subsidiaries, and the FDIC, which is the principal federal regulator of the Corporation's state-chartered bank subsidiaries. In addition, there are numerous governmental requirements and regulations which affect the activities of the Corporation.

PAYMENT OF DIVIDENDS. The Corporation is a legal entity separate and distinct from its banking and other subsidiaries. A major portion of the Corporation's revenues result from amounts paid as dividends to the Corporation by its national bank subsidiaries. The prior approval of the OCC is required if the total of all dividends declared by a national bank in any calendar year will exceed the sum of such bank's net profits for that year and its retained net profits for the preceding two calendar years, less any required transfers to surplus. Federal law also prohibits any national bank from paying dividends which would be greater than such bank's undivided profits after deducting statutory bad debt in excess of such bank's allowance for loan losses. Similar dividend limitations apply to the Corporation's two state-chartered bank subsidiaries.

Under the foregoing dividend restrictions and certain restrictions applicable to certain of the Corporation's nonbanking subsidiaries, as of September 30, 1996, the Corporation's subsidiaries, without obtaining affirmative governmental approvals, could pay aggregate dividends of \$430 million to the Corporation. In the first nine months of 1996, the Corporation's subsidiaries paid \$1.1 billion in cash dividends to the Corporation.

In addition, the Corporation and its bank subsidiaries are subject to various general regulatory policies and requirements relating to the payment of dividends, including requirements to maintain adequate capital above regulatory minimums. The appropriate federal regulatory authority is authorized to determine under certain circumstances relating to the financial condition of a national bank or bank holding company that the payment of dividends would be an unsafe or unsound practice and to prohibit payment thereof. The OCC (the appropriate agency with respect to the Corporation's national bank subsidiaries) and the FDIC (the appropriate agency with respect to the Corporation's state-chartered bank subsidiaries) have indicated that paying dividends that deplete a bank's capital base to an inadequate level would be an unsound and unsafe banking practice. The OCC, the FDIC and the Federal Reserve Board have each indicated that banking organizations should generally pay dividends only out of current operating earnings.

BORROWINGS, ETC. There are also various legal restrictions on the extent to which each of the Corporation and its nonbank subsidiaries can borrow or otherwise obtain credit from its bank subsidiaries. In general, these restrictions require that any such extensions of credit must be secured by designated amounts of specified collateral and are limited, as to any one of the Corporation or such nonbank subsidiaries, to ten percent of the lending bank's capital stock and surplus, and as to the Corporation and all such nonbank subsidiaries in the aggregate, to 20 percent of such lending bank's capital stock and surplus.

The Federal Deposit Insurance Act, as amended (the "FDIA"), among other things, imposes liability on an institution the deposits of which are insured by the FDIC, such as the Corporation's subsidiary national banks, for certain potential obligations to the FDIC incurred in connection with other FDIC-insured institutions under common control with such institution.

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Under the National Bank Act, if the capital stock of a national bank is impaired by losses or otherwise, the OCC is authorized to require payment of the deficiency by assessment upon the bank's stockholders, pro rata and, to the extent necessary, if any such assessment is not paid by any stockholder after three months' notice, to sell the stock of such stockholder to make good the deficiency. Under Federal Reserve Board policy, the Corporation is expected to act as a source of financial strength to each of its subsidiary banks and to commit resources to support each of such subsidiaries. This support may be required at times when, absent such Federal Reserve Board policy, the Corporation may not find itself willing or able to provide it.

Any capital loans by a bank holding company to any of its subsidiary banks are subordinate in right of payment to deposits and to certain other indebtedness of such subsidiary banks. In the event of a bank holding company's bankruptcy, any commitment by the bank holding company to a federal bank regulatory agency to maintain the capital of a subsidiary bank will be assumed by the bankruptcy trustee and entitled to a priority of payment.

CAPITAL ADEQUACY. The minimum guidelines for the ratio of capital to risk-weighted assets (including certain off-balance sheet activities, such as standby letters of credit) is eight percent. At least half of the total capital is to be composed of common equity, retained earnings and a limited amount of qualifying perpetual preferred stock, less certain intangibles ("tier 1 capital" and, together with tier 2 capital, "total capital"). The remainder may consist of subordinated debt, qualifying preferred stock and a limited amount of the loan loss allowance ("tier 2 capital"). At September 30, 1996, the Corporation's tier 1 and total capital ratios were 6.38 percent and 10.94 percent, respectively.

In addition, the Federal Reserve Board has established minimum leverage ratio guidelines for bank holding companies. These guidelines provide for a minimum leverage ratio of tier 1 capital to adjusted average quarterly assets ("leverage ratio") equal to three percent for bank holding companies that meet certain specified criteria, including having the highest regulatory rating. All other bank holding companies will generally be required to maintain a leverage ratio of from at least four to five percent. The Corporation's leverage ratio at September 30, 1996, was 5.23 percent. The guidelines also provide that bank holding companies experiencing internal growth or making acquisitions will be expected to maintain strong capital positions substantially above the minimum supervisory levels without significant reliance on intangible assets. Furthermore, the guidelines indicate that the Federal Reserve Board will continue to consider a "tangible tier 1 leverage ratio" (deducting all intangibles) in evaluating proposals for expansion or new activity. The Federal Reserve Board has not advised the Corporation of any specific minimum leverage ratio or tangible tier 1 leverage ratio applicable to it.

Each of the Corporation's subsidiary national banks is subject to similar capital requirements adopted by the OCC or the FDIC. Each of the Corporation's subsidiary banks had a leverage ratio in excess of 5.17 percent, as of September 30, 1996. As of that date, the federal banking agencies have not advised any of the subsidiary national banks of any specific minimum leverage ratio applicable to it.

Banking regulators continue to indicate their desire to raise capital requirements applicable to banking organizations, including a proposal to add an interest rate risk component to risk-based capital guidelines.

PROMPT CORRECTIVE ACTION. The FDIA, among other things, requires the federal banking agencies to take "prompt corrective action" in respect of depository institutions that do not meet minimum capital requirements. The FDIA establishes five capital tiers: "well capitalized"; "adequately capitalized"; "undercapitalized"; "significantly undercapitalized"; and "critically undercapitalized". A depository institution's capital tier will depend upon how its capital levels compare to various relevant capital measures and certain other factors, as established by regulation.

The federal bank regulatory agencies have adopted regulations establishing relevant capital measures and relevant capital levels applicable to FDIC-insured banks. The relevant capital measures are the total capital ratio, tier 1 capital ratio and the leverage ratio. Under the regulations, a FDIC-insured bank will be (i) "well capitalized" if it has a total capital ratio of ten percent or greater, a tier 1 capital ratio of six percent or greater and a leverage ratio

of five percent or greater and is not subject to any order or written directive by the OCC to meet and maintain a specific capital level for any capital measure; (ii) "adequately capitalized" if it has a total capital ratio of eight percent or greater, a tier 1 capital ratio of four percent or greater and a leverage ratio of four percent or greater (three percent in certain circumstances) and is not "well capitalized"; (iii) "undercapitalized" if it has a total capital ratio of less than eight percent, a tier 1 capital ratio of less than four percent or a leverage ratio of less than four percent (three percent in certain circumstances); (iv) "significantly undercapitalized" if it has a total capital ratio of less than six percent, a tier 1 capital ratio of less than three percent or a leverage ratio of less than three percent; and (v) "critically undercapitalized" if its tangible equity is equal to or less than two percent of average quarterly tangible assets. As of September 30, 1996, all of the Corporation's deposit-taking subsidiary banks had capital levels that qualify them as being "well capitalized" under such regulations.

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The FDIA generally prohibits a FDIC-insured depository institution from making any capital distribution (including payment of a dividend) or paying any management fee to its holding company if the depository institution would thereafter be undercapitalized. "Undercapitalized" depository institutions are subject to growth limitations and are required to submit a capital restoration plan. The federal banking agencies may not accept a capital plan without determining, among other things, that the plan is based on realistic assumptions and is likely to succeed in restoring the depository institution's capital. In addition, for a capital restoration plan to be acceptable, the depository institution's parent holding company must guarantee that the institution will comply with such capital restoration plan. The aggregate liability of the parent holding company is limited to the lesser of: (i) an amount equal to five percent of the depository institution's total assets at the time it became "undercapitalized"; and (ii) the amount which is necessary (or would have been necessary) to bring the institution into compliance with all capital standards applicable with respect to such institution as of the time it fails to comply with the plan. If a depository institution fails to submit an acceptable plan, it is treated as if it is "significantly undercapitalized".

"Significantly undercapitalized" insured depository institutions may be subject to a number of requirements and restrictions, including orders to sell sufficient voting stock to become "adequately capitalized", requirements to reduce total assets, and cessation of receipt of deposits from correspondent banks. "Critically undercapitalized" institutions are subject to the appointment of a receiver or conservator.

DEPOSITOR PREFERENCE STATUTE. Under federal law, deposits and certain claims for administrative expenses and employee compensation against an insured depository institution would be afforded a priority over other general unsecured claims against such an institution, including federal funds and letters of credit, in the "liquidation or other resolution" of such an institution by any receiver.

INTERSTATE BANKING AND BRANCHING LEGISLATION. The Riegle-Neal Interstate Banking and Branching Efficiency Act of 1994 (the "IBBEA") authorizes interstate acquisitions of banks and bank holding companies without geographic limitation beginning one year after enactment. In addition, beginning June 1, 1997, a bank may merge with a bank in another state as long as neither of the states has opted out of interstate branching between the date of enactment of the IBBEA and May 31, 1997. The IBBEA further provides that states may enact laws permitting interstate merger transactions prior to June 1, 1997. A bank may establish and operate a DE NOVO branch in a state in which the bank does not $\bar{\text{maintain}}$ a branch if that state expressly permits DE NOVO branching. Once a bank has established branches in a state through an interstate merger transaction, the bank may establish and acquire additional branches at any location in the state where any bank involved in the interstate merger transaction could have established or acquired branches under applicable federal or state law. A bank that has established a branch in a state through DE NOVO branching may establish and acquire additional branches in such state in the same manner and to the same extent as a bank having a branch in such state as a result of an interstate merger. If a state opts out of interstate branching within the specified time period, no bank in any other state may establish a branch in the opting out state, whether through an acquisition or DE NOVO.

FDIC INSURANCE ASSESSMENTS; DIFA. The FDIC reduced the insurance premiums it charges on bank deposits insured by the Bank Insurance Fund ("BIF") to the statutory minimum of \$2,000.00 for "well capitalized" banks, effective January 1, 1996. Premiums related to deposits assessed by the Savings Association Insurance Fund ("SAIF"), including savings association deposits acquired by banks, continued to be assessed at a rate of between 23 cents and 31 cents per \$100.00 of deposits. On September 30, 1996, the Deposit Insurance Funds Act of 1996 ("DIFA") was enacted and signed into law. DIFA is expected to reduce the amount of semi-annual FDIC insurance premiums for savings association deposits acquired by banks to the same levels assessed for deposits insured by BIF. The Corporation currently estimates such reductions in premiums may amount to approximately \$35 million pre-tax per year. DIFA also provides for a special one-time assessment imposed on deposits insured by the SAIF, including such deposits held by banks, to recapitalize the SAIF to bring the SAIF up to statutory required levels. The Corporation accrued for the one-time assessment in the third quarter of 1996 in the amount of \$86 million after tax in connection with the SAIF recapitalization.

DIFA further provides for assessments to be imposed on insured depository institutions with respect to deposits insured by the BIF (in addition to assessments currently imposed on depository institutions with respect to SAIF-insured deposits) to pay for the cost of Financing Corporation funding. The Corporation currently estimates assessments may amount to up to \$14 million after-tax in 1997 with similar assessments per year through 1999 (or earlier if no savings associations exist prior to December 31, 1999) in connection with such funding.

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CONSOLIDATED RATIOS OF EARNINGS TO FIXED CHARGES

The following table sets forth the Corporation's ratios of earnings to fixed charges for the years and periods indicated:

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	NINE MONTHS ENDED					
	SEPTEMBER 30,	YEARS ENDED DECEMBER 31,			IBER 31,	
	1996	1995	1994	1993	1992	1991
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Consolidated Ratios of Earnings to Fixed Charges						
Excluding interest on deposits	2.23X	2.75	3.55	3.95	2.71	1.80
Including interest on deposits	1.46X	1.54	1.73	1.70	1.32	1.17
Consolidated Ratios of Earnings to Fixed Charges and Preferred Stock						
Dividends						
Excluding interest on deposits	2.22X	2.67	3.10	3.59	2.43	1.69
Including interest on deposits	1.45X	1.53	1.67	1.67	1.30	1.15

 | | | | | |For purposes of computing these ratios, earnings represent income from continuing operations before extraordinary items and cumulative effect of a change in accounting principle plus income taxes and fixed charges (excluding capitalized interest). Fixed charges, excluding interest on deposits, represent interest (other than on deposits, but including capitalized interest), one-third (the proportion deemed representative of the interest factor) of rents and all amortization of debt issuance costs. Fixed charges, including interest on deposits, represent all interest (including capitalized interest), one-third (the proportion deemed representative of the interest factor) of rents and all amortization of debt issuance costs.

USE OF PROCEEDS

All of the proceeds from the sale of Series A Preferred Securities will be invested by the Series A Issuer in Series A Subordinated Debentures. The Corporation intends that the proceeds from the sale of the Series A Subordinated Debentures will be added to its general corporate funds and will be used for general corporate purposes.

The Corporation is required by the Federal Reserve Board to maintain certain levels of capital for bank regulatory purposes. See "The Corporation -- Supervision and Regulation; CAPITAL ADEQUACY". On October 21, 1996, the Federal Reserve Board announced that cumulative preferred securities having the characteristics of the Series A Preferred Securities which qualify as a minority interest could be included as tier 1 capital for bank holding companies. Such tier 1 capital treatment, together with the Corporation's ability to deduct, for income tax purposes, interest payable on the Series A Subordinated Debentures, will provide the Corporation with a more cost-effective means of obtaining capital for regulatory purposes than other tier 1 capital alternatives currently available to it.

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CAPITALIZATION

The following table sets forth the consolidated capitalization of the Corporation and its subsidiaries as of September 30, 1996 and as adjusted to give effect to the consummation of the offering of the Series A Preferred Securities. The following data should be read in conjunction with the consolidated financial statements and notes thereto of the Corporation and its subsidiaries incorporated herein by reference. See "Incorporation of Certain Documents by Reference" in the accompanying Prospectus. Also shown below are certain consolidated regulatory capital ratios of the Corporation and its subsidiaries at September 30, 1996. For additional discussion of regulatory capital requirements applicable to the Corporation, see "The Corporation -- Supervision and Regulation; CAPITAL ADEQUACY".

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	SEPTEMBER 30, 1996		
(DOLLARS IN MILLIONS)	HISTORICAL	AS ADJUSTED	
<s></s>	<c></c>	<c></c>	
LONG-TERM DEBT GUARANTEED PREFERRED BENEFICIAL INTERESTS IN CORPORATION'S JUNIOR SUBORDINATED DEFERRABLE INTEREST	\$ 7,332	7,332	
DEBENTURES (1) STOCKHOLDERS' EQUITY		1,000	
Preferred stock Preferred stock, no par value per share, authorized 10,000,000 shares, none issued Class A, no par value per share, authorized 40,000,000 shares			
Series B \$2.15 Cumulative Convertible, 1,910,946 issued (2) Common stock, \$3.33 1/3 par value; authorized 750,000,000 shares,	48	48	
outstanding 270,507,508 shares	901	901	
Paid-in capital	1,408,	1,408	
Retained earnings	6,431	6,431	
Unrealized loss on debt and equity securities	(99)	(99)	
Total stockholders' equity	8,689	8,689	
Total capitalization	\$ 16,021	17,021	

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	THE	REGULATORY
	CORPORATION	MINIMUM
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CONSOLIDATED REGULATORY CAPITAL RATIOS (AT SEPTEMBER 30, 1996)		
Tier 1 capital to risk-adjusted assets (3)	6.38%	4.00
Total capital to risk-adjusted assets (4)	10.94	8.00
Leverage (5)	5.23	(6)

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- (1) As described herein, the sole assets of the Series A Issuer will be \$ the Series A Subordinated Debentures. The Series A Subordinated Debentures will mature on , 2026, which date may be shortened to a date not , 2046, , 2002, or extended to a date not later than earlier than if certain conditions are met. The Series A Subordinated Debentures will accrue interest at a rate of % per annum. The Corporation owns all of the Series A Common Securities of the Series A Issuer, which accumulate Distributions at the rate of % per annum. It is anticipated that the Series A Issuer will not be subject to the reporting requirements under the Exchange Act. See "Accounting Treatment". On November 27, 1996, First Union Institutional Capital I, a statutory business trust created under Delaware law, issued \$500 million of Guaranteed Preferred Beneficial Interests in Corporation's Junior Subordinated Deferrable Interest Debentures.
- (2) The outstanding shares of the Series B Cumulative Convertible Class A Preferred Stock were redeemed on November 15, 1996.
- (3) Tier 1 capital consists of common equity, retained earnings and a limited amount of qualifying perpetual preferred stock (including the Series A Preferred Securities), less certain intangibles.
- (4) Total capital consists of tier 1 capital and subordinated debt, qualifying preferred stock and a limited amount of the loan loss allowance. At least half of a bank holding company's total capital is to be composed of tier 1 capital.
- (5) The leverage ratio is defined as the ratio of tier 1 capital divided by adjusted average quarterly assets.
- (6) Federal Reserve Board guidelines provide for a minimum leverage ratio of three percent for bank holding companies that meet certain specified criteria, including that they have the highest regulatory rating. All other bank holding companies will be required to maintain a leverage ratio of three percent plus an additional amount of at least 100 to 200 basis points. The guidelines also provide that banking organizations experiencing internal growth or making acquisitions will be

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expected to maintain strong capital positions substantially above the minimum supervisory levels, without significant reliance on intangible assets.

ACCOUNTING TREATMENT

For financial reporting purposes, the Series A Issuer will be treated as a subsidiary of the Corporation, and accordingly, the accounts of the Series A Issuer will be included in the consolidated financial statements of the Corporation. The Series A Preferred Securities will be presented as a separate line item in the consolidated balance sheets of the Corporation, entitled "Guaranteed Preferred Beneficial Interests in Corporation's Junior Subordinated Deferrable Interest Debentures", which will be classified similar to minority interests and appropriate disclosures about the Series A Preferred Securities, the Series A Guarantee and the Series A Subordinated Debentures will be included in the notes to the consolidated financial statements. For financial reporting purposes, the Corporation will record Distributions payable on the Series A Preferred Securities as an expense in the Corporation's consolidated statements of income.

The Corporation has agreed that future financial reports of the Corporation will: (i) present the preferred securities issued by the Issuers (as defined in the accompanying Prospectus) on the balance sheet as a separate line item entitled "Guaranteed Preferred Beneficial Interests in Corporation's Junior Subordinated Deferrable Interest Debentures", which will be classified similar to minority interests; (ii) include in a footnote to the Corporation's consolidated financial statements disclosure that the sole assets of the Issuers are the Junior Subordinated Debentures (specifying as to each Issuer the principal amount, interest rate and maturity date of the Junior Subordinated Debentures held) and whether Staff Accounting Bulletin 53 treatment is sought; (iii) include, in an audited footnote to the consolidated financial statements, disclosure that (a) the Issuers are wholly-owned; (b) the sole assets of the Issuers are the Junior Subordinated Debentures (specifying as to each Issuer the principal amount, interest rate and maturity date of the Junior Subordinated Debentures held); and (c) the obligations of the Corporation under the applicable documents, in the aggregate, constitute a full and unconditional guarantee by the Corporation of the Issuer's obligations under the Preferred Securities (as defined in the accompanying Prospectus) issued by each Issuer.

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CERTAIN TERMS OF SERIES A PREFERRED SECURITIES

GENERAL

The following summary of certain terms and provisions of the Series A Preferred Securities, which describes the material terms thereof, supplements the description of the terms and provisions of the Preferred Securities set forth in the accompanying Prospectus under the heading "Description of Preferred Securities", to which description reference is hereby made. This summary of certain terms and provisions of the Series A Preferred Securities does not purport to be complete and is subject to, and qualified in its entirety by reference to, the Trust Agreement. The form of the Trust Agreement has been filed as an exhibit to the Registration Statement of which this Prospectus Supplement and the accompanying Prospectus form a part.

DISTRIBUTIONS

The Series A Preferred Securities represent beneficial interests in the Series A Issuer, and Distributions on each Series A Preferred Security will be payable as a preference at the annual rate of % of the stated Liquidation Amount of \$25.00, quarterly in arrears on March 31, June 30, September 30 and December 31 of each year, to the holders of the Series A Preferred Securities on the relevant record dates. The record dates will be, for so long as the Series A Preferred Securities remain in book-entry form, one Business Day prior to the relevant Distribution payment date and, in the event the Series A Preferred Securities are not in book-entry form, the 15th day of the month in which the relevant Distribution payment date occurs. Distributions will accumulate from the date of original issuance. The first Distribution payment date for the Series A Preferred Securities will be March 31, 1997. The amount of Distributions payable for any period will be computed on the basis of a 360-day year of twelve 30-day months. In the event that any date on which Distributions are payable on the Series A Preferred Securities is not a Business Day (as defined in the accompanying Prospectus), then payment of the Distributions payable on such date will be made on the next succeeding Business Day (and without any additional Distributions or other payment in respect of any such delay), except that, if such Business Day is in the next succeeding calendar year, such payment shall be made on the immediately preceding Business Day, in each case with the same effect as if made on the date such payment was originally payable. See "Description of Preferred Securities -- Distributions" in the accompanying Prospectus.

So long as no Debenture Event of Default has occurred and is continuing,

the Corporation has the right under the Indenture to defer the payment of interest on the Series A Subordinated Debentures at any time or from time to time for a period not exceeding 20 consecutive quarters with respect to each Extension Period, provided that no Extension Period may extend beyond the Stated Maturity of the Series A Subordinated Debentures. As a consequence of any such election, quarterly Distributions on the Series A Preferred Securities will be deferred by the Series A Issuer during any such Extension Period. Distributions to which holders of the Series A Preferred Securities are entitled will accumulate additional Distributions thereon at the rate per annum of thereof, compounded quarterly from the relevant payment date for such Distributions. The term "Distributions" as used herein shall include any such additional Distributions. During any such Extension Period, the Corporation may not, and may not permit any subsidiary of the Corporation to, (i) declare or pay any dividends or distributions on, or redeem, purchase, acquire, or make a liquidation payment with respect to, any of the Corporation's capital stock or (ii) make any payment of principal, interest or premium, if any, on or repay, repurchase or redeem any debt securities of the Corporation (including other Junior Subordinated Debentures) that rank PARI PASSU in all respects with or junior in interest to the Series A Subordinated Debentures (other than (a) repurchases, redemptions or other acquisitions of shares of capital stock of the Corporation in connection with any employment contract, benefit plan or other similar arrangement with or for the benefit of one or more employees, officers, directors or consultants, in connection with a dividend reinvestment or stockholder stock purchase plan or in connection with the issuance of capital stock of the Corporation (or securities convertible into or exercisable for such capital stock) as consideration in an acquisition transaction entered into prior to the applicable Extension Period, (b) as a result of any exchange or conversion of any class or series of the Corporation's capital stock (or any capital stock of a subsidiary of the Corporation) for any class or series of the Corporation's capital stock or of any class or series of the Corporation's indebtedness for any class or series of the Corporation's capital stock, (c) the purchase of fractional interests in shares of the Corporation's capital stock pursuant to the conversion or exchange provisions of such capital stock or the security being converted or exchanged, (d) any declaration of a dividend in connection with any stockholder's rights plan, or the issuance of rights, stock or other property under any stockholder's rights plan, or the redemption or repurchase of rights pursuant thereto, or (e) any dividend in the form of stock, warrants, options or other rights where the dividend stock or the stock issuable upon exercise of such warrants, options or other rights is the same stock as that on which the dividend is being paid or ranks PARI PASSU with or junior to such stock). Prior to the termination of any such Extension

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Period, the Corporation may further defer the payment of interest, provided that no Extension Period may exceed 20 consecutive quarters or extend beyond the Stated Maturity of the Series A Subordinated Debentures. Upon the termination of any such Extension Period and the payment of all amounts then due, the Corporation may elect to begin a new Extension Period. There is no limitation on the number of times that the Corporation may elect to begin an Extension Period. See "Certain Terms of Series A Subordinated Debentures -- Option to Extend Interest Payment Period" and "Certain Federal Income Tax Consequences -- Interest Income and Original Issue Discount".

The Corporation has no current plan to exercise its right to defer payments of interest by extending the interest payment period on the Series A Subordinated Debentures.

REDEMPTION

Upon the repayment or redemption, in whole or in part, of the Series A Subordinated Debentures, whether at Stated Maturity or upon earlier redemption as provided in the Indenture, the proceeds from such repayment or redemption shall be applied by the Property Trustee to redeem a Like Amount (as defined in the accompanying Prospectus) of the Series A Securities, upon not less than 30 nor more than 60 days notice prior to the date fixed for repayment or redemption, at a redemption preference with respect to the Series A Preferred Securities (the "Redemption Price") equal to the aggregate Liquidation Amount of such Series A Preferred Securities, plus accumulated and unpaid Distributions thereon to the date of repayment or redemption (the "Redemption Date"). See "Description of Preferred Securities -- Redemption or Exchange" in the accompanying Prospectus. For a description of the Stated Maturity and redemption provisions of the Series A Subordinated Debentures, see "Certain Terms of Series A Subordinated Debentures -- General" and " -- Redemption".

LIQUIDATION OF SERIES A ISSUER AND DISTRIBUTION OF SERIES A SUBORDINATED DEBENTURES TO HOLDERS

The holder of the Series A Common Securities (I.E., the Corporation) will have the right at any time to terminate the Series A Issuer and cause the Series A Subordinated Debentures to be distributed to the holders of the Series A

Preferred Securities in exchange therefor upon liquidation of the Series A Issuer. The Corporation has committed to the Federal Reserve Bank of Richmond that, so long as the Corporation (or an affiliate) is the holder of the Series A Common Securities, it will not exercise such right without having received the prior approval of the Federal Reserve Board to do so, if then so required under applicable capital guidelines or policies of the Federal Reserve Board.

Under current United States federal income tax law, a distribution of the Series A Subordinated Debentures in exchange for Series A Preferred Securities will not be a taxable event to holders of the Series A Preferred Securities. Should there be a change in law, a change in legal interpretation, a Tax Event or other circumstances, however, the distribution could be a taxable event to holders of the Series A Preferred Securities. See "Certain Federal Income Tax Consequences -- Distribution of Series A Subordinated Debentures to Holders of Series A Preferred Securities". If the Corporation elects neither to redeem the Series A Subordinated Debentures prior to maturity nor to terminate the Series A Issuer and distribute the Series A Subordinated Debentures to holders of the Series A Preferred Securities in exchange therefor, the Series A Preferred Securities will remain outstanding until the Stated Maturity of the Series A Subordinated Debentures.

If the Corporation elects to terminate the Series A Issuer and thereby causes the Series A Subordinated Debentures to be distributed to holders of the Series A Preferred Securities in exchange therefor upon liquidation of the Series A Issuer, the Corporation shall continue to have the right to shorten or extend the maturity of the Series A Subordinated Debentures, subject to certain conditions as described under "Certain Terms of Series A Subordinated Debentures -- General".

LIQUIDATION VALUE

The preference payable on the Series A Preferred Securities in the event of any liquidation of the Series A Issuer is \$25.00 per Series A Preferred Security, plus accumulated and unpaid Distributions, which may be in the form of a distribution of a Like Amount of Series A Subordinated Debentures, subject to certain exceptions. See "Description of Preferred Securities -- Liquidation Distribution Upon Termination" in the accompanying Prospectus.

REGISTRATION OF SERIES A PREFERRED SECURITIES

The Series A Preferred Securities will be represented by global certificates registered in the name of DTC or its nominee. Beneficial interests in the Series A Preferred Securities will be shown on, and transfers thereof will be effected only through, records maintained by participants in DTC. Except as described below and in the accompanying Prospectus, Series A Preferred Securities in certificated form will not be issued in exchange for the global certificates. See "Book-Entry Issuance" in the accompanying Prospectus.

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A global security shall be exchangeable for Series A Preferred Securities registered in the names of persons other than DTC or its nominee only if (i) DTC notifies the Series A Issuer that it is unwilling or unable to continue as a depositary for such global security and no successor depositary shall have been appointed, or if at any time DTC ceases to be a clearing agency registered under the Exchange Act at a time when DTC is required to be so registered to act as such depositary, (ii) the Series A Issuer in its sole discretion determines that such global security shall be so exchangeable, or (iii) there shall have occurred and be continuing a Debenture Event of Default with respect to the Series A Subordinated Debentures. Any global security that is exchangeable pursuant to the preceding sentence shall be exchangeable for definitive certificates registered in such names as DTC shall direct. It is expected that such instructions will be based upon directions received by DTC from its Participants (as defined in the accompanying Prospectus) with respect to ownership of beneficial interests in such global security. In the event that Series A Preferred Securities are issued in certificated form, such Series A Preferred Securities will be in denominations of \$25.00 and integral multiples thereof and may be transferred or exchanged at the offices described below.

Payments on Series A Preferred Securities represented by a global security will be made to DTC, as the depositary for the Series A Preferred Securities. In the event Series A Preferred Securities are issued in certificated form, the Liquidation Amount and Distributions will be payable, the transfer of the Series A Preferred Securities will be registrable, and Series A Preferred Securities will be exchangeable for Series A Preferred Securities of other denominations of a like aggregate Liquidation Amount, at the corporate trust office of the Property Trustee in New York, New York, or at the offices of any paying agent or transfer agent appointed by the Administrative Trustees, provided that payment of any Distribution may be made at the option of the Administrative Trustees by check mailed to the addresses of the persons entitled thereto or by wire transfer. In addition, if the Series A Preferred Securities are issued in certificated form, the record dates for payment of Distributions will be the 15th day of the last month of each calendar quarter. For a description of DTC and the terms of the depositary arrangements relating to payments, transfers, voting rights, redemptions and other notices and other matters, see "Book-Entry Issuance" in the accompanying Prospectus.

CERTAIN TERMS OF SERIES A SUBORDINATED DEBENTURES

GENERAL

The following summary of certain terms and provisions of the Series A Subordinated Debentures, which describes the material terms thereof, supplements the description of the terms and provisions of the Junior Subordinated Debentures set forth in the accompanying Prospectus under the headings "Description of Junior Subordinated Debentures" and "Description of Junior Subordinated Debentures -- Corresponding Junior Subordinated Debentures", to which description reference is hereby made. (For purposes of such description, the Series A Subordinated Debentures are the Corresponding Junior Subordinated Debentures with respect to the Series A Preferred Securities.) The summary of certain terms and provisions of the Series A Subordinated Debentures set forth below does not purport to be complete and is subject to, and qualified in its entirety by reference to, the Indenture. The form of Indenture has been filed as an exhibit to the Registration Statement of which this Prospectus Supplement and the accompanying Prospectus form a part.

Concurrently with the issuance of the Series A Preferred Securities, the Series A Issuer will invest the proceeds thereof, together with the consideration paid by the Corporation for the Series A Common Securities, in the Series A Subordinated Debentures issued by the Corporation. The Series A Subordinated Debentures will bear interest payable, at the annual rate of of the principal amount thereof, quarterly in arrears on March 31, June 30, September 30 and December 31 of each year (each, an "Interest Payment Date"), commencing March 31, 1997, to the person in whose name each Series A Subordinated Debenture is registered, subject to certain exceptions, at the close of business on the Business Day next preceding such Interest Payment Date. It is anticipated that, until the liquidation, if any, of the Series A Issuer, each Series A Subordinated Debentures will be held in the name of the Property Trustee in trust for the benefit of the holders of the Series A Preferred Securities. The amount of interest payable for any period will be computed on the basis of a 360-day year of twelve 30-day months. In the event that any date on which interest is payable on the Series A Subordinated Debentures is not a Business Day, then payment of the interest payable on such date will be made on the next succeeding Business Day (and without any interest or other payment in respect of any such delay), except that, if such Business Day is in the next succeeding calendar year, such payment shall be made on the immediately preceding Business Day, in each case with the same force and effect as if made on the date such payment was originally payable. Accrued interest that is not paid on the applicable Interest Payment Date will bear additional interest on the amount thereof (to the extent permitted by law) at the rate per annum of

% thereof, compounded quarterly. The term "interest" as used herein shall include quarterly interest payments, interest on quarterly interest payments not paid on the applicable Interest Payment Date and Additional Sums (as defined in the accompanying Prospectus), as applicable.

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The Series A Subordinated Debentures will be issued as a series of junior subordinated deferrable interest debentures under the Indenture. The Series A Subordinated Debentures will mature on , 2027 (such date, as it may be shortened or extended as hereinafter described, the "Stated Maturity"). Such date may be shortened at any time by the Corporation to any date not earlier than , 2002, provided that the Corporation has committed to the Federal Reserve Bank of Richmond that it will not exercise such right without having received the prior approval of the Federal Reserve Board to do so, if then so required under applicable capital guidelines or policies of the Federal Reserve Board. Such date may also be extended at any time at the election of the Corporation for one or more periods, but in no event to a date later than

, 2046, provided that at the time such election is made and at the time of extension (i) the Corporation is not in bankruptcy, otherwise insolvent or in liquidation, (ii) the Corporation is not in default in the payment of any interest or principal on the Series A Subordinated Debentures, (iii) the Series A Issuer is not in arrears on payments of Distributions on the Series A Preferred Securities and no deferred Distributions are accumulated and unpaid, (iv) the Series A Subordinated Debentures are rated not less than either BBB- by Standard & Poor's Ratings Services or Baa3 by Moody's Investors Service, Inc. or the equivalent by any other nationally recognized statistical rating organization, and (v) after such extension, the Series A Subordinated Debentures

shall not have a remaining term to maturity of more than 30 years. In the event the Corporation elects to shorten or extend the Stated Maturity of the Series A Subordinated Debentures, it shall give notice to the Property Trustee, the Administrative Trustees and the Debenture Trustee, and the Debenture Trustee shall give notice of such shortening or extension to the holders of the Series A Subordinated Debentures, and, if the Series A Preferred Securities are outstanding, the Property Trustee shall give notice of such shortening or extension to the holders of the Series A Preferred Securities, no more than 30 and no less than 60 days prior to the effectiveness thereof.

The Series A Subordinated Debentures will be unsecured and will rank junior and subordinate in right of payment to all Senior Debt of the Corporation. Because the Corporation is a holding company, the right of the Corporation to participate in any distribution of assets of any subsidiary, upon such subsidiary's liquidation or reorganization or otherwise (and thus the ability of holders of the Series A Preferred Securities to benefit indirectly from such distribution), is subject to the prior claims of creditors of that subsidiary, except to the extent that the Corporation may itself be recognized as a creditor of that subsidiary. Accordingly, the Series A Subordinated Debentures will be effectively subordinated to all existing and future liabilities of the Corporation's subsidiaries, and holders of Series A Subordinated Debentures should look only to the assets of the Corporation for payments on the Series A Subordinated Debentures. The Indenture does not limit the incurrence or issuance of other secured or unsecured debt of the Corporation, including Senior Debt, whether under the Indenture or any existing or other indenture that the Corporation may enter into in the future or otherwise. See "Description of Junior Subordinated Debentures -- Subordination" in the accompanying Prospectus.

OPTION TO EXTEND INTEREST PAYMENT PERIOD

So long as no Debenture Event of Default has occurred and is continuing, the Corporation has the right to defer the payment of interest on the Series A Subordinated Debentures at any time or from time to time for a period not exceeding 20 consecutive quarters with respect to each Extension Period; provided, however, that no Extension Period may extend beyond the Stated Maturity of the Series A Subordinated Debentures. At the end of such Extension Period, the Corporation must pay all interest then accrued and unpaid (together with interest thereon at the annual rate of %, compounded quarterly, to the extent permitted by applicable law). During an Extension Period, interest will continue to accrue and holders of Series A Subordinated Debentures (or holders of Series A Preferred Securities while such series is outstanding) will be required to recognize income (in the form of original issue discount) for United States federal income tax purposes. See "Certain Federal Income Tax Consequences -- Interest Income and Original Issue Discount".

During any such Extension Period, the Corporation may not, and may not permit any subsidiary of the Corporation to, (i) declare or pay any dividends or distributions on, or redeem, purchase, acquire, or make a liquidation payment with respect to, any of the Corporation's capital stock, or (ii) make any payment of principal, interest or premium, if any, on or repay, repurchase or redeem any debt securities of the Corporation (including other Junior Subordinated Debentures) that rank PARI PASSU in all respects with or junior in interest to the Series A Subordinated Debentures (other than (a) repurchases, redemptions or other acquisitions of shares of capital stock of the Corporation in connection with any employment contract, benefit plan or other similar arrangement with or for the benefit of one or more employees, officers, directors or consultants, in connection with a dividend reinvestment or stockholder stock purchase plan or in connection with the issuance of capital stock of the Corporation (or securities convertible into or exercisable for such capital stock) as consideration in an acquisition transaction entered into prior to the applicable Extension Period, (b) as a result of any exchange or conversion of any class or series of the Corporation's capital stock (or any capital stock of a subsidiary of the Corporation) for any class or series of the

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Corporation's capital stock or of any class or series of the Corporation's indebtedness for any class or series of the Corporation's capital stock, (c) the purchase of fractional interests in shares of the Corporation's capital stock pursuant to the conversion or exchange provisions of such capital stock or the security being converted or exchanged, (d) any declaration of a dividend in connection with any stockholder's rights plan, or the issuance of rights, stock or other property under any stockholder's rights plan, or the redemption or repurchase of rights pursuant thereto, or (e) any dividend in the form of stock, warrants, options or other rights where the dividend stock or the stock issuable upon exercise of such warrants, options or other rights is the same stock as that on which the dividend is being paid or ranks PARI PASSU with or junior to such stock). Prior to the termination of any such Extension Period, the Corporation may further defer the payment of interest, provided that no Extension Period may exceed 20 consecutive quarters or extend beyond the Stated Maturity of the Series A Subordinated Debentures. Upon the termination of any such Extension Period and the payment of all amounts then due on any Interest Payment Date, the Corporation may elect to begin a new Extension Period subject to the above requirements. No interest shall be due and payable during an Extension Period, except at the end thereof. The Corporation must give the Property Trustee, the Administrative Trustees and the Debenture Trustee notice of its election of such Extension Period at least one Business Day prior to the earlier of (i) the date the Distributions on the Series A Preferred Securities would have been payable except for the election to begin such Extension Period, or (ii) the date the Administrative Trustees are required to give notice to the NYSE, the Nasdaq National Market or other applicable self-regulatory organization or to holders of the Series A Preferred Securities of the record date for such Distributions or the date such Distributions are payable, but in any event not less than one Business Day prior to such record date. The Debenture Trustee shall give notice of the Corporation's election to begin a new Extension Period to the holders of the Series A Subordinated Debentures, and, if the Series A Preferred Securities are outstanding, the Property Trustee shall give notice of the Corporation's election to begin a new Extension Period to the holders of the Series A Preferred Securities. There is no limitation on the number of times that the Corporation may elect to begin an Extension Period. See "Description of Junior Subordinated Debentures -- Option to Extend Interest Payment Date" in the accompanying Prospectus.

ADDITIONAL SUMS

If the Series A Issuer is required to pay any additional taxes, duties or other governmental charges as a result of a Tax Event, the Corporation will pay as additional amounts on the Series A Subordinated Debentures such Additional Sums as shall be required so that the Distributions payable by the Series A Issuer shall not be reduced as a result of any such additional taxes, duties or other governmental charges.

REDEMPTION

The Series A Subordinated Debentures are redeemable prior to maturity at the option of the Corporation (i) on or after , 2002, in whole at any time or in part from time to time, or (ii) at any time prior to

, 2002, in whole (but not in part), within 90 days following the occurrence and continuation of a Tax Event or Capital Treatment Event, in each case at a Redemption Price equal to the accrued and unpaid interest on the Series A Subordinated Debentures so redeemed to the date fixed for redemption, plus 100 percent of the principal amount thereof. The Corporation has committed to the Federal Reserve Bank of Richmond that it will not exercise its redemption option without having received the prior approval of the Federal Reserve Board to do so, if then so required under applicable capital guidelines or policies of the Federal Reserve Board. See "Description of Junior Subordinated Debentures -- Redemption" in the accompanying Prospectus.

DISTRIBUTION OF SERIES A SUBORDINATED DEBENTURES

As described under "Certain Terms of Series A Preferred Securities -- Liquidation of Series A Issuer and Distribution of Series A Subordinated Debentures to Holders", under certain circumstances involving the liquidation of the Series A Issuer, Series A Subordinated Debentures may be distributed to the holders of the Series A Preferred Securities in exchange therefor upon liquidation of the Series A Issuer, after satisfaction of liabilities to creditors of the Series A Issuer in accordance with applicable law and the Expense Agreement. If distributed to holders of Series A Preferred Securities in liquidation, the Series A Subordinated Debentures will initially be issued in the form of one or more global securities and DTC, or any successor depositary for the Series A Preferred Securities, will act as depositary for the Series A Subordinated Debentures. It is anticipated that the depositary arrangements for the Series A Subordinated Debentures would be substantially identical to those in effect for the Series A Preferred Securities. If the Series A Subordinated Debentures are distributed to the holders of Series A Preferred Securities upon the liquidation of the Series A Issuer, the Corporation will use its reasonable best efforts to list the Series A Subordinated Debentures on the NYSE or such other stock exchanges, if any, on which the

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Series A Preferred Securities are then listed. There can be no assurance as to the market price of any Series A Subordinated Debentures that may be distributed to the holders of Series A Preferred Securities.

REGISTRATION OF SERIES A SUBORDINATED DEBENTURES

The Series A Subordinated Debentures will be represented by global

securities registered in the name of DTC or its nominee. Beneficial interests in the Series A Subordinated Debentures will be shown on, and transfers thereof will be effected only through, records maintained by participants in DTC. Except as described below and in the accompanying Prospectus, Series A Subordinated Debentures in certificated form will not be issued in exchange for the global securities. See "Book-Entry Issuance" in the accompanying Prospectus.

A global security shall be exchangeable for Series A Subordinated Debentures registered in the names of persons other than DTC or its nominee only if (i) DTC notifies the Corporation that it is unwilling or unable to continue as a depositary for such global security and no successor depositary shall have been appointed, or if at any time DTC ceases to be a clearing agency registered under the Exchange Act at a time when DTC is required to be so registered to act as such depositary, (ii) the Corporation in its sole discretion determines that such global security shall be so exchangeable, or (iii) there shall have occurred and be continuing a Debenture Event of Default with respect to such global security. Any global security that is exchangeable pursuant to the preceding sentence shall be exchangeable for definitive certificates registered in such names as DTC shall direct. It is expected that such instructions will be based upon directions received by DTC from its Participants with respect to ownership of beneficial interests in such global security. In the event that Series A Subordinated Debentures are issued in definitive form, such Series A Subordinated Debentures will be in denominations of \$25.00 and integral multiples thereof and may be transferred or exchanged at the offices described below.

Payments on Series A Subordinated Debentures represented by a global security will be made to DTC, as the depositary for the Series A Subordinated Debentures. In the event Series A Subordinated Debentures are issued in certificated form, principal and interest will be payable, the transfer of the Series A Subordinated Debentures will be registrable, and Series A Subordinated Debentures will be exchangeable for Series A Subordinated Debentures of other denominations of a like aggregate principal amount, at the corporate trust office of the Debenture Trustee in New York, New York, or at the offices of any paying agent or transfer agent appointed by the Corporation, provided that payment of interest may be made at the option of the Corporation by check mailed to the addresses of the persons entitled thereto or by wire transfer. In addition, if the Series A Subordinated Debentures are issued in certificated form, the record dates for payment of interest will be the 15th day of the last month of each calendar quarter. For a description of DTC and the terms of the depositary arrangements relating to payments, transfers, voting rights, redemptions and other notices and other matters, see "Book-Entry Issuance" in the accompanying Prospectus.

CERTAIN FEDERAL INCOME TAX CONSEQUENCES

The following is a summary of the principal United States federal income tax consequences of the purchase, ownership and disposition of Series A Preferred Securities. This summary only addresses the tax consequences to a person that acquires Series A Preferred Securities on their original issue at their original offering price and that is (i) an individual citizen or resident of the United States, (ii) a corporation or partnership organized in or under the laws of the United States or any state thereof or Washington, D.C., or (iii) an estate or trust the income of which is subject to United States federal income tax regardless of source (a "United States Person"). This summary does not address all tax consequences that may be applicable to a United States Person that is a beneficial owner of Series A Preferred Securities, nor does it address the tax consequences to (i) persons that are not United States Persons, (ii) persons that may be subject to special treatment under United States federal income tax law, such as banks, insurance companies, thrift institutions, regulated investment companies, real estate investment trusts, tax-exempt organizations and dealers in securities or currencies, (iii) persons that will hold Series A Preferred Securities as part of a position in a "straddle" or as part of a "hedging", "conversion" or other integrated investment transaction for federal income tax purposes, (iv) persons whose functional currency is not the United States dollar, or (v) persons that do not hold Series A Preferred Securities as capital assets.

The statements of law or legal conclusion set forth in this summary constitute the opinion of Sullivan & Cromwell, special tax counsel to the Corporation and the Series A Issuer. This summary is based upon the Internal Revenue Code of 1986, as amended (the "Code"), Treasury Regulations, Internal Revenue Service rulings and pronouncements and judicial decisions now in effect, all of which are subject to change at any time. Such changes may be applied retroactively in a manner that could cause the tax consequences to vary substantially from the consequences described below, possibly adversely affecting a beneficial owner of Series A Preferred Securities. In particular, legislation has been proposed that could adversely affect the Corporation's ability to deduct interest on the Series A Subordinated Debentures, which may in turn permit the Corporation to cause a redemption of the Series A Preferred Securities. See " -- Possible Tax Law Changes". The authorities on which this summary is based are subject to various interpretations, and it is therefore possible that the federal income tax treatment of the purchase, ownership and disposition of Series A Preferred Securities may differ from the treatment described below.

PROSPECTIVE INVESTORS ARE ADVISED TO CONSULT WITH THEIR OWN TAX ADVISORS IN LIGHT OF THEIR OWN PARTICULAR CIRCUMSTANCES AS TO THE FEDERAL TAX CONSEQUENCES OF THE PURCHASE, OWNERSHIP AND DISPOSITION OF SERIES A PREFERRED SECURITIES, AS WELL AS THE EFFECT OF ANY STATE, LOCAL OR FOREIGN TAX LAWS.

CLASSIFICATION OF SERIES A ISSUER

In the opinion of Sullivan & Cromwell, under current law and assuming compliance with the terms of the Trust Agreement and certain other factual matters, the Series A Issuer will not be classified as an association taxable as a corporation for United States federal income tax purposes. As a result, each beneficial owner of the Series A Preferred Securities (a "Securityholder") will be required to include in its gross income its PRO RATA share of the interest income, including original issue discount, paid or accrued with respect to the Series A Subordinated Debentures whether or not cash is actually distributed to the Securityholders. See " -- Interest Income and Original Issue Discount".

INTEREST INCOME AND ORIGINAL ISSUE DISCOUNT

Under recently issued Treasury Regulations applicable to debt instruments issued on or after August 13, 1996 (the "Regulations"), a contingency that stated interest will not be timely paid that is "remote" because of the terms of the relevant debt instrument will be ignored in determining whether a debt instrument is issued with original issue discount ("OID"). As a result of the terms and conditions of the Series A Subordinated Debentures that prohibit certain payments with respect to the Corporation's capital stock and indebtedness if the Corporation elects to extend interest payment periods, the Corporation believes that the likelihood of its exercising its option to defer payments is remote. Based on the foregoing, the Corporation believes that the Series A Subordinated Debentures will not be considered to be issued with OID at the time of their original issuance, and accordingly, a Securityholder should include in gross income such holder's allocable share of interest on the Series A Subordinated Debentures.

Under the Regulations, if the Corporation exercised its option to defer any payment of interest, the Series A Subordinated Debentures would at that time be treated as issued with OID, and all stated interest on the Series A Subordinated Debentures would thereafter be treated as OID as long as the Series A Subordinated Debentures remained outstanding. In such event, all of a Securityholder's taxable interest income with respect to the Series A Subordinated Debentures would be accounted for as OID on an economic accrual basis regardless of such holder's method of tax accounting, and actual distributions of stated interest would not be reported as taxable income. Consequently, a Securityholder would be required to include in gross income OID even though the Corporation would not make any actual cash payments during an Extension Period.

The Regulations have not been addressed in any rulings or other interpretations by the Internal Revenue Service, and it is possible that the Internal Revenue Service could take a position contrary to the interpretation herein.

Because income on the Series A Preferred Securities will constitute interest or OID, corporate Securityholders will not be entitled to a dividends-received deduction with respect to any income recognized with respect to the Series A Preferred Securities.

DISTRIBUTION OF SERIES A SUBORDINATED DEBENTURES TO HOLDERS OF SERIES A PREFERRED SECURITIES

Under current law, a distribution by the Series A Issuer of the Series A Subordinated Debentures as described under "Certain Terms of Series A Preferred Securities -- Liquidation of Series A Issuer and Distribution of Series A Subordinated Debentures to Holders" will be non-taxable and will result in the Securityholder receiving directly his PRO RATA share of the Series A Subordinated Debentures previously held indirectly through the Series A Issuer, with a holding period and aggregate tax basis equal to the holding period and aggregate tax basis such Securityholder had in its Series A Preferred Securities before such distribution. If, however, the liquidation of the Series A Issuer were to occur because the Series A Issuer is subject to United States federal income tax with respect to income accrued or received on the Series A Subordinated Debentures, the distribution of Series A Subordinated Debentures to Securityholders by the Series A Issuer would be a taxable event to the Series A Issuer and each Securityholder, and each Securityholder would recognize gain or loss as if the Securityholder had exchanged its Series A Preferred Securities for the Series A Subordinated Debentures it received upon the

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liquidation of the Series A Issuer. A Securityholder will accrue interest in respect of Series A Subordinated Debentures received from the Series A Issuer in the manner described above under " -- Interest Income and Original Issue Discount".

SALES OR REDEMPTION OF SERIES A PREFERRED SECURITIES

A Securityholder that sells (including a redemption for cash) Series A Preferred Securities will recognize gain or loss equal to the difference between its adjusted tax basis in the Series A Preferred Securities and the amount realized on the sale of such Series A Preferred Securities. Assuming that the Corporation does not exercise its option to defer payment of interest on the Series A Subordinated Debentures, and the Series A Subordinated Debentures are not considered issued with OID, a Securityholder's adjusted tax basis in the Series A Preferred Securities generally will be its initial purchase price. If the Series A Subordinated Debentures are deemed to be issued with OID as a result of the Corporation's deferral of any interest payment, a Securityholder's adjusted tax basis in the Series A Preferred Securities generally will be its initial purchase price, increased by OID previously includible in such holder's gross income to the date of disposition and decreased by Distributions or other payments received on the Series A Preferred Securities since and including the date of the first Extension Period. Such gain or loss generally will be a capital gain or loss (except to the extent any amount realized is treated as a payment of accrued interest with respect to such Securityholder's PRO RATA share of the Series A Subordinated Debentures required to be included in income) and generally will be a long-term capital gain or loss if the Series A Preferred Securities have been held for more than one year.

Should the Corporation exercise its option to defer any payment of interest on the Series A Subordinated Debentures, the Series A Preferred Securities may trade at a price that does not accurately reflect the value of accured but unpaid interest with respect to the underlying Series A Subordinated Debentures. In the event of such a deferral, a Securityholder who disposes of its Series A Preferred Securities between record dates for payments of Distributions thereon will be required to include in income as ordinary income accrued but unpaid interest on the Series A Subordinated Debentures to the date of disposition and to add such amount to its adjusted tax basis in its PRO RATA share of the underlying Series A Subordinated Debentures deemed disposed of. To the extent the selling price is less than the Securityholder's adjusted tax basis, such holder will recognize a capital loss. Subject to certain limited exceptions, capital losses cannot be applied to offset ordinary income for United States federal income tax purposes.

BACKUP WITHHOLDING TAX AND INFORMATION REPORTING

The amount of interest income paid and OID accrued on the Series A Preferred Securities held of record by United States Persons (other than corporations and other exempt Securityholders) will be reported to the Internal Revenue Service. "Backup" withholding at a rate of 31 percent will apply to payments of interest to non-exempt United States Persons unless the Securityholder furnishes its taxpayer identification number in the manner prescribed in applicable Treasury Regulations, certifies that such number is correct, certifies as to no loss of exemption from backup withholding and meets certain other conditions.

Payment of the proceeds from the disposition of Series A Preferred Securities to or through the United States office of a broker is subject to information reporting and backup withholding unless the holder or beneficial owner establishes an exemption from information reporting and backup withholding.

Any amounts withheld from a Securityholder under the backup withholding rules will be allowed as a refund or a credit against such Securityholder's United States federal income tax liability, provided the required information is furnished to the Internal Revenue Service.

It is anticipated that income on the Series A Preferred Securities will be

reported to holders on Form 1099 and mailed to holders of the Series A Preferred Securities by January 31 following each calendar year.

POSSIBLE TAX LAW CHANGES

As discussed above, the Revenue Reconciliation Bill would have, among other things, generally denied interest deductions for interest on an instrument issued by a corporation that has a maximum weighted average maturity of more than 40 years. The Revenue Reconciliation Bill also would have generally denied interest deductions for interest on an instrument issued by a corporation that has a maximum term of more than 20 years and that is not shown as indebtedness on the separate balance sheet of the issuer or, where the instrument is issued to a related party (other than a corporation), where the holder or some other related party issues a related instrument that is not shown as indebtedness on the issuer's consolidated balance sheet. For purposes of determining the weighted average maturity or the term of an instrument, any right to extend would be treated as exercised. The above-described provisions were proposed to be effective as to instruments issued on or after

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December 7, 1995. If either provision were to have applied to the Series A Subordinated Debentures, the Corporation would have been unable to deduct interest on the Series A Subordinated Debentures. However, on March 29, 1996, the Chairmen of the Senate Finance and House Ways and Means Committees issued a joint statement to the effect that it was their intention that the effective date of the President's legislative proposals, presumably including the Revenue Reconciliation Bill, if adopted, would be no earlier than the date of appropriate Congressional action. Under current law, the Corporation will be able to deduct interest on the Series A Subordinated Debentures. Although the 104th Congress adjourned without enacting the above-described provisions of the Revenue Reconciliation Bill, there can be no assurance that current or future legislative proposals or final legislation will not adversely affect the ability of the Corporation to deduct interest on the Series A Subordinated Debentures. Accordingly, there can be no assurance that a Tax Event will not occur. See "Description of Preferred Securities -- Redemption or Exchange; TAX EVENT OR CAPITAL TREATMENT EVENT REDEMPTION".

UNDERWRITERS

Under the terms and subject to the conditions contained in the Underwriting Agreement dated the date hereof, each of the Underwriters named below, for whom are acting as

representatives (the "Representatives"), has severally agreed to purchase, and the Series A Issuer has agreed to sell to each of the Underwriters, severally, the respective number of the Series A Preferred Securities set forth opposite its name below:

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UNDERWRITER

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The Underwriting Agreement provides that the obligations of the Underwriters to pay for and accept delivery of the Series A Preferred Securities are subject to the approval of certain legal matters by their counsel and to certain other conditions. The Underwriters are committed to take and pay for all of the Series A Preferred Securities if any are taken.

The Underwriters initially propose to offer the Series A Preferred Securities directly to the public at the price to public set forth on the cover page of this Prospectus Supplement, and all or part to certain dealers at a price that represents a concession not in excess of \$. per Series A Preferred Security. The Underwriters may allow, and such dealers may reallow, a concession not in excess of \$. per Series A Preferred Security to certain other dealers. After the initial public offering, the offering price and other selling terms may be varied by the Representatives.

In view of the fact that the proceeds from the sale of the Series A Preferred Securities will be used to purchase the Series A Subordinated Debentures issued by the Corporation, the Underwriting Agreement provides that the Corporation will pay to the Underwriters, as compensation for their services, an amount of \$ per Series A Preferred Security (or \$ in the aggregate).

Prior to this offering, there has been no public market for the Series A Preferred Securities. Application will be made to list the Series A Preferred Securities on the NYSE. Listing is contingent upon meeting the requirements of the NYSE, including those relating to distribution. In order to meet one such requirement, the Underwriters will undertake to sell lots of 100 or more Series A Preferred Securities to a minimum of 400 beneficial holders. Trading of the Series A Preferred Securities on the NYSE is expected to commence within a 30-day period after the date of this Prospectus Supplement. The Underwriters have advised the Corporation that they intend to make a market in the Series A Preferred Securities prior to commencement of trading on the NYSE, but are not obligated to do so and may discontinue market making at any time without notice. No assurance can be given as to the liquidity of the trading market for the Series A Preferred Securities.

The Corporation and the Series A Issuer have agreed to indemnify the several Underwriters against, or contribute to payments that the Underwriters may be required to make in respect of, certain liabilities, including liabilities under the Securities Act of 1933, as amended.

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Certain of the Underwriters or their affiliates have provided from time to time, and expect to provide in the future, investment or commercial banking services to the Corporation and its affiliates, for which such Underwriters or their affiliates have received or will receive customary fees and commissions.

VALIDITY OF SECURITIES

Certain matters of Delaware law relating to the validity of the Series A Preferred Securities, the enforceability of the Trust Agreement and the creation of the Series A Issuer will be passed upon by Richards, Layton & Finger, special Delaware counsel to the Corporation and the Series A Issuer. The validity of the Series A Guarantee and the Series A Subordinated Debentures will be passed upon for the Corporation by Marion A. Cowell, Jr., Executive Vice President, Secretary and General Counsel of the Corporation, and for the Underwriters by Sullivan & Cromwell, New York, New York. Mr. Cowell and Sullivan & Cromwell each will rely upon the opinion of Richards, Layton & Finger as to matters of Delaware law; Sullivan & Cromwell will rely upon the opinion of Mr. Cowell as to matters of North Carolina law; and Mr. Cowell will rely upon the opinion of Sullivan & Cromwell as to matters of New York law. Mr. Cowell is a stockholder of the Corporation and holds options to purchase additional shares of the Corporation's Common Stock. Sullivan & Cromwell regularly perform legal services for the Corporation and its subsidiaries. Members of Sullivan & Cromwell performing these legal services own shares of capital stock of the Corporation.

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SUBJECT TO COMPLETION, DATED DECEMBER 30, 1996

\$500,000,000

FIRST UNION CORPORATION JUNIOR SUBORDINATED DEFERRABLE INTEREST DEBENTURES

FIRST UNION CAPITAL I FIRST UNION CAPITAL II FIRST UNION CAPITAL III PREFERRED SECURITIES GUARANTEED, TO THE EXTENT DESCRIBED HEREIN, BY FIRST UNION CORPORATION

First Union Corporation, a North Carolina corporation (the "Corporation"), may from time to time offer in one or more series or issuances its junior subordinated deferrable interest debentures (the "Junior Subordinated Debentures"). The Junior Subordinated Debentures will be unsecured and subordinate and junior in right of payment to all Senior Debt (as defined herein) of the Corporation. See "Description of Junior Subordinated Debentures -- Subordination". If provided in an accompanying Prospectus Supplement, the Corporation will have the right to defer payments of interest on any series of Junior Subordinated Debentures by extending the interest payment period thereon at any time or from time to time for up to such number of consecutive interest payment periods (which shall not extend beyond the Stated Maturity (as defined herein) of the Junior Subordinated Debentures) with respect to each deferral period as may be specified in such Prospectus Supplement (each, an "Extension Period"). See "Description of Junior Subordinated

Debentures -- Option to Extend Interest Payment Date".

First Union Capital I, First Union Capital II and First Union Capital III, each a statutory business trust created under the laws of the State of Delaware (each, an "Issuer," and collectively, the "Issuers"), may severally offer, from time to time, preferred securities ("Preferred Securities") representing preferred undivided beneficial interests in the assets of such Issuer. The Corporation will be the owner of the common securities (the "Common Securities") representing common undivided beneficial interests in the assets of such Issuer. The payment of periodic cash distributions ("Distributions") with respect to the Preferred Securities of each Issuer and payments on liquidation or redemption with respect to such Preferred Securities, in each case out of funds held by such Issuer, are each fully and unconditionally guaranteed by the Corporation to the extent described herein (each, a "Guarantee"). See "Description of Guarantees". The obligations of the Corporation under each Guarantee will be subordinate and junior in right

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THESE SECURITIES ARE NOT DEPOSITS OR OTHER OBLIGATIONS OF A BANK AND ARE NOT INSURED BY THE FEDERAL DEPOSIT INSURANCE CORPORATION OR ANY OTHER GOVERNMENTAL AGENCY.

THESE SECURITIES HAVE NOT BEEN APPROVED OR DISAPPROVED BY THE SECURITIES AND EXCHANGE COMMISSION OR ANY STATE SECURITIES COMMISSION NOR HAS THE SECURI-

> TIES AND EXCHANGE COMMISSION OR ANY STATE SECURITIES COMMISSION PASSED UPON THE ACCURACY OR ADEQUACY OF THIS PROSPECTUS. ANY REPRESENTATION TO THE CONTRARY IS A CRIMINAL OFFENSE.

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of payment to all Senior Debt of the Corporation. Concurrently with the issuance by an Issuer of its Preferred Securities, such Issuer will invest the proceeds thereof and any contributions made in respect of the Common Securities in a corresponding series of the Corporation's Junior Subordinated Debentures (the "Corresponding Junior Subordinated Debentures") with terms corresponding to the terms of that Issuer's Preferred Securities (the "Related Preferred Securities"). The Corresponding Junior Subordinated Debentures will be the sole asset of each Issuer, and payments under the Corresponding Junior Subordinated Debentures will be the only revenue of each Issuer. If provided in an accompanying Prospectus Supplement, the Corporation may redeem the Corresponding Junior Subordinated Debentures (and cause the redemption of the Related Preferred Securities) or may terminate each Issuer and cause the Corresponding Junior Subordinated Debentures to be distributed to the holders of the Related Preferred Securities in exchange therefor. See "Description of Preferred Securities -- Liquidation Distribution Upon Termination".

Holders of the Preferred Securities will be entitled to receive preferential cumulative cash Distributions accumulating from the date of original issuance and payable periodically as specified in an accompanying Prospectus Supplement. If provided in an accompanying Prospectus Supplement, the Corporation will have the right to defer payments of interest on any series of Corresponding Junior Subordinated Debentures by extending the interest payment period thereon at any time or from time to time for one or more Extension Periods (which shall not extend beyond the Stated Maturity of the Corresponding Junior Subordinated Debentures). If interest payments are so deferred, Distributions on the Related Preferred Securities will also be deferred and the Corporation will not be permitted, subject to certain exceptions set forth herein, to declare or to pay any cash distributions with respect to the Corporation's capital stock or debt securities that rank PARI PASSU with or junior to the Corresponding Junior Subordinated Debentures. During an Extension Period, Distributions will continue to accumulate (and the Preferred Securities will accumulate additional Distributions thereon at the rate per annum set forth in the related Prospectus Supplement). See "Description of Preferred Securities -- Distributions".

Taken together, with respect to a series of Preferred Securities, the Corporation's obligations under the Corresponding Junior Subordinated Debentures, the Indenture, the applicable Trust Agreement, the applicable Expense Agreement and the applicable Guarantee (each as defined herein), in the aggregate, provide a full and unconditional guarantee of payment of Distributions and other amounts due on such series of Preferred Securities. See "Relationship Among Preferred Securities, Corresponding Junior Subordinated Debentures and Guarantees -- Full and Unconditional Guarantee".

The Junior Subordinated Debentures and Preferred Securities may be offered in amounts, at prices and on terms to be determined at the time of offering; provided, however, that the aggregate initial public offering price of all Preferred Securities (including the Corresponding Junior Subordinated Debentures) issued pursuant to the Registration Statement (as defined herein) of which this Prospectus forms a part shall not exceed \$500,000,000. Certain specific terms of the Junior Subordinated Debentures or Preferred Securities in respect of which this Prospectus is being delivered will be described in an accompanying Prospectus Supplement, including without limitation and where applicable and to the extent not set forth herein, (i) in the case of Junior Subordinated Debentures, the specific designation, aggregate principal amount, denominations, Stated Maturity (including any provisions for the shortening or extension thereof), interest payment dates, interest rate (which may be fixed or variable) or method of calculating interest, if any, applicable Extension Period or interest deferral terms, if any, place or places where principal, premium, if any, and interest, if any, will be payable, any terms of redemption, any sinking fund provisions, terms for any conversion or exchange into other securities, initial offering or purchase price, methods of distribution and any other special terms, and (ii) in the case of Preferred Securities, the identity of the Issuer, specific title, aggregate amount, stated liquidation preference, number or amount of securities, Distribution rate or method of calculating such rate, applicable Extension Period or Distribution deferral terms, if any, place or places where Distributions will be payable, any terms of redemption, exchange, initial offering or purchase price, methods of distribution and any other special terms.

The Prospectus Supplement also will contain information, as applicable, about certain United States federal income tax consequences relating to the Junior Subordinated Debentures and Preferred Securities.

The Junior Subordinated Debentures and Preferred Securities may be sold to or through underwriters, through dealers, remarketing firms or agents or directly to purchasers. See "Plan of Distribution". The names of any underwriters, dealers, remarketing firms or agents involved in the sale of Junior Subordinated Debentures or Preferred Securities in respect of which this Prospectus is being delivered and any applicable fee, commission or discount arrangements with them will be set forth in the applicable Prospectus Supplement. Such Prospectus Supplement will state whether the Junior Subordinated Debentures or Preferred Securities will be listed on any national securities exchange or automated quotation system. If the

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Junior Subordinated Debentures or Preferred Securities are not listed on any national securities exchange or automated quotation system, there can be no assurance that there will be a secondary market for the Junior Subordinated Debentures or Preferred Securities.

This Prospectus may not be used to consummate sales of Junior Subordinated Debentures or Preferred Securities unless accompanied by a Prospectus Supplement.

NO DEALER, SALESPERSON OR OTHER INDIVIDUAL HAS BEEN AUTHORIZED TO GIVE ANY INFORMATION OR MAKE ANY REPRESENTATIONS OTHER THAN THOSE CONTAINED OR INCORPORATED BY REFERENCE IN THIS PROSPECTUS AND THE APPLICABLE PROSPECTUS SUPPLEMENT, AND IF GIVEN OR MADE, SUCH INFORMATION OR REPRESENTATIONS MUST NOT BE RELIED UPON AS HAVING BEEN AUTHORIZED BY THE CORPORATION, THE ISSUERS OR ANY AGENT, UNDERWRITER OR DEALER. NEITHER THE DELIVERY OF THIS PROSPECTUS AND THE APPLICABLE PROSPECTUS SUPPLEMENT NOR ANY SALE MADE HEREUNDER AND THEREUNDER SHALL UNDER ANY CIRCUMSTANCE CREATE AN IMPLICATION THAT THERE HAS BEEN NO CHANGE IN THE AFFAIRS OF THE CORPORATION OR THE ISSUERS SINCE THE DATE HEREOF. THIS PROSPECTUS AND THE APPLICABLE PROSPECTUS SUPPLEMENT DO NOT CONSTITUTE AN OFFER OF ANY SECURITIES OTHER THAN THOSE TO WHICH THEY RELATE, OR AN OFFER TO SELL OR A SOLICITATION OF AN OFFER TO BUY THOSE TO WHICH THEY RELATE, IN ANY JURISDICTION TO ANY PERSON TO WHOM IT IS UNLAWFUL TO MAKE SUCH OFFER OR SOLICITATION IN SUCH JURISDICTION.

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AVAILABLE INFORMATION

The Corporation is subject to the informational requirements of the Securities Exchange Act of 1934, as amended (the "Exchange Act"), and in accordance therewith, files reports, proxy statements and other information with the Securities and Exchange Commission (the "Commission"). Such reports, proxy statements and other information can be inspected and copied at the public reference facilities of the Commission at Room 1024, 450 Fifth Street, N.W., Washington, D.C. 20549 and at the regional offices of the Commission located at 7 World Trade Center, 13th Floor, Suite 1300, New York, New York 10048 and Suite 1400, Citicorp Center, 14th Floor, 500 West Madison Street, Chicago, Illinois 60661. Copies of such material can also be obtained at prescribed rates by writing to the Public Reference Section of the Commission at 450 Fifth Street, N.W., Washington, D.C. 20549. Such material may also be accessed electronically by means of the Commission's home page on the Internet at http://www.sec.gov. In addition, such reports, proxy statements and other information concerning the Corporation can be inspected at the offices of the New York Stock Exchange, Inc., 20 Broad Street, New York, New York 10005.

The Corporation and the Issuers have filed with the Commission a Registration Statement on Form S-3 (together with all amendments and exhibits thereto, the "Registration Statement") under the Securities Act of 1933, as amended (the "Securities Act"), with respect to the securities offered hereby. This Prospectus does not contain all the information set forth in the Registration Statement, certain portions of which have been omitted as permitted by the rules and regulations of the Commission. For further information with respect to the Corporation and the securities offered hereby, reference is made to the Registration Statement and the exhibits and the financial statements, notes and schedules filed as a part thereof or incorporated by reference therein, which may be inspected at the public reference facilities of the Commission, at the addresses set forth above or on the Commission's Internet home page. Statements made in this Prospectus concerning the contents of any documents referred to herein are not necessarily complete, and in each instance are qualified in all respects by reference to the copy of such document filed as an exhibit to the Registration Statement.

No separate financial statements of any Issuer have been included herein. The Corporation and the Issuers do not consider that such financial statements would be material to holders of the Preferred Securities because each Issuer is a newly formed special purpose entity, has no operating history or independent operations and is not engaged in and does not propose to engage in any activity other than holding as trust assets the Corresponding Junior Subordinated Debentures of the Corporation and issuing the Trust Securities. Furthermore, with respect to a series of Preferred Securities, taken together, the Corporation's obligations under the Corresponding Junior Subordinated Debentures, the Indenture, the applicable Trust Agreement, the applicable Expense Agreement and the applicable Guarantee provide, in the aggregate, a full and unconditional guarantee of payment of Distributions and other amounts due on such series of Preferred Securities. See "The Issuers", "Description of Preferred Securities", "Description of Junior Subordinated Debentures" and "Description of Guarantees". In addition, the Corporation does not expect that any of the Issuers will be filing reports under the Exchange Act with the Commission.

INCORPORATION OF CERTAIN DOCUMENTS BY REFERENCE

The following documents filed by the Corporation with the Commission (File No. 1-10000) pursuant to Section 13(a) or 15(d) of the Exchange Act are incorporated into this Prospectus by reference:

- the Corporation's Annual Report on Form 10-K for the fiscal year ended December 31, 1995;
- the Corporation's Quarterly Reports on Form 10-Q for the quarters ended March 31, 1996, June 30, 1996 and September 30, 1996; and
- the Corporation's Current Reports on Form 8-K dated January 10, February 9, August 20, September 6 and October 16, 1996.

Each document or report filed by the Corporation pursuant to Section 13(a), 13(c), 14 or 15(d) of the Exchange Act after the date hereof and prior to the termination of any offering of securities made by this Prospectus shall be deemed to be incorporated by reference into this Prospectus and to be a part of this Prospectus from the date of filing of such document. Any statement contained herein or in the applicable Prospectus Supplement, or in a document all or a portion of which is incorporated or deemed to be incorporated by reference herein or therein, shall be deemed to be modified or superseded for purposes of the Registration Statement, this Prospectus and such Prospectus Supplement to the extent that a statement contained herein or in any other subsequently filed document which also is or is deemed to be incorporated by reference herein modifies or supersedes such statement. Any such statement so modified or superseded shall not be deemed, except as so modified or superseded, to constitute a part of the Registration Statement, this Prospectus or any Prospectus Supplement.

The Corporation will provide without charge to any person to whom this Prospectus is delivered, on the written or oral request of such person, a copy

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of any or all of the foregoing documents incorporated by reference herein (other than exhibits not specifically incorporated by reference into the texts of such documents). Requests for such documents should be directed to: Investor Relations, First Union Corporation, Two First Union Center, Charlotte, North Carolina 28288-0206, telephone number (704) 374-6782.

THE ISSUERS

Each Issuer is a statutory business trust created under Delaware law pursuant to (i) a trust agreement executed by the Corporation, as Depositor, and the Delaware Trustee (as defined herein) of such Issuer and (ii) the filing of a certificate of trust with the Delaware Secretary of State. Each trust agreement will be amended and restated in its entirety (each, as so amended and restated, a "Trust Agreement") substantially in the form filed as an exhibit to the Registration Statement of which this Prospectus forms a part. Each Trust Agreement will be qualified as an indenture under the Trust Indenture Act of 1939, as amended (the "Trust Indenture Act"). Each Trust Agreement is subject to amendment from time to time, as described under "Description of Preferred Securities -- Voting Rights; Amendment of Each Trust Agreement". Each Issuer exists exclusively for the purposes of (i) issuing and selling its Trust Securities, (ii) using the proceeds from the sale of such Trust Securities to acquire a series of Corresponding Junior Subordinated Debentures from the Corporation, and (iii) engaging in only those other activities necessary or incidental thereto. Accordingly, a series of Corresponding Junior Subordinated Debentures will be the sole assets of each Issuer, and payments under the Corresponding Junior Subordinated Debentures will be the sole revenue of each Issuer.

All of the Common Securities of each Issuer will be owned by the Corporation. The Common Securities of an Issuer will rank PARI PASSU, and payments will be made thereon PRO RATA, with the Preferred Securities of such Issuer, except that upon the occurrence and continuance of an Event of Default (as defined herein) under a Trust Agreement resulting from a Debenture Event of Default (as defined herein under the Indenture), the rights of the Corporation as holder of the Common Securities to payment in respect of Distributions and payments upon liquidation, redemption or otherwise will be subordinated to the rights of the holders of the Preferred Securities of such Issuer. See "Description of Preferred Securities in an aggregate liquidation amount equal to not less than three percent of the total capital of each Issuer.

Unless otherwise specified in the applicable Prospectus Supplement, each Issuer has a term of approximately 55 years, but may terminate earlier as provided in the applicable Trust Agreement. Each Issuer's business and affairs are conducted by its trustees, each initially appointed by the Corporation as holder of the Common Securities. The trustees for each Issuer (collectively, the "Issuer Trustees") will be Wilmington Trust Company, as the Property Trustee (the "Property Trustee"), Wilmington Trust Company, as the Delaware Trustee (the "Delaware Trustee"), and two individual trustees (the "Administrative Trustees") who are employees or officers of or affiliated with the Corporation. Wilmington Trust Company, as Property Trustee, will act as sole indenture trustee under each Trust Agreement for purposes of compliance with the Trust Indenture Act. Wilmington Trust Company will also act as trustee under the Guarantees and the Indenture. See "Description of Guarantees" and "Description of Junior Subordinated Debentures". The holder of the Common Securities of an Issuer (I.E., the Corporation), or the holders of a majority in Liquidation Amount of the Preferred Securities if an Event of Default under the Trust Agreement for such Issuer has occurred and is continuing, will be entitled to appoint, remove or replace the Property Trustee and/or the Delaware Trustee for such Issuer. In no event will the holders of the Preferred Securities have the right to vote to appoint, remove or replace the Administrative Trustees; such voting rights are vested exclusively in the holder of the Common Securities (I.E., the Corporation). The duties and obligations of each Issuer Trustee are governed by the applicable Trust Agreement. The holder of the Common Securities (I.E., the Corporation) will pay all fees and expenses related to each Issuer and the offering of the Preferred Securities and will pay, directly or indirectly, all ongoing costs, expenses and liabilities of each Issuer.

Unless otherwise indicated in the applicable Prospectus Supplement, the principal executive office of each Issuer is in care of First Union Corporation, One First Union Center, Charlotte, North Carolina 28288-0013, Attention: Secretary, and its telephone number is (704) 374-6565.

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THE CORPORATION

The Corporation is a North Carolina-based, multi-bank holding company

registered under the Bank Holding Company Act of 1956, as amended. Through its banking subsidiaries, the Corporation provides a wide range of commercial and retail banking services and trust services in North Carolina, Florida, South Carolina, Georgia, Tennessee, Virginia, Maryland, Delaware, Pennsylvania, New Jersey, New York, Connecticut and Washington, D.C. The Corporation also provides various other financial services, including mortgage banking, leasing, investment banking, insurance and securities brokerage services, through other subsidiaries.

Financial and other information relating to the Corporation, including information relating to the Corporation's directors and executive officers, is set forth in the documents filed by the Corporation under the Exchange Act and incorporated by reference herein, copies of which may be obtained from the Corporation as indicated under "Available Information". See "Incorporation of Certain Documents by Reference".

The principal executive offices of the Corporation are located at One First Union Center, Charlotte, North Carolina 28288-0013, and its telephone number is (704) 374-6565.

USE OF PROCEEDS

Except as otherwise set forth in the applicable Prospectus Supplement, the Corporation intends to use the proceeds from the sale of its Junior Subordinated Debentures (including Corresponding Junior Subordinated Debentures issued to the Issuers in connection with the investment by the Issuers of all of the proceeds from the sale of Related Preferred Securities) for general corporate purposes, including working capital, capital expenditures, investments in or loans to subsidiaries, refinancing of debt, including outstanding commercial paper and other short-term bank indebtedness, redemption of shares of its outstanding common and preferred stock, the satisfaction of other obligations or for such other purposes as may be specified in the applicable Prospectus Supplement. To the extent applicable, more detailed description of the use of proceeds of any specific offering will be set forth in the Prospectus Supplement pertaining to such offering.

DESCRIPTION OF JUNIOR SUBORDINATED DEBENTURES

The Junior Subordinated Debentures are to be issued in one or more series under a Junior Subordinated Indenture, as supplemented from time to time (as so supplemented, the "Indenture"), between the Corporation and Wilmington Trust Company, as trustee (the "Debenture Trustee"). This summary of certain terms and provisions of the Junior Subordinated Debentures, Corresponding Junior Subordinated Debentures and the Indenture, which when taken together with any supplementary information set forth in the applicable Prospectus Supplement describes the material terms thereof, does not purport to be complete and is subject to, and is qualified in its entirety by reference to, the Indenture, the form of which is filed as an exhibit to the Registration Statement of which this Prospectus forms a part, and to the Trust Indenture Act. The Indenture is qualified under the Trust Indenture Act. Whenever particular defined terms of the Indenture (as supplemented or amended from time to time) are referred to herein or in a Prospectus Supplement, such defined terms are incorporated herein or therein by reference.

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Except as otherwise provided in the applicable Prospectus Supplement, each series of Junior Subordinated Debentures will rank PARI PASSU with all other series of Junior Subordinated Debentures and will be unsecured and subordinate and junior in right of payment to the extent and in the manner set forth in the Indenture to all Senior Debt of the Corporation. See " -- Subordination". The Corporation is a holding company and almost all of the operating assets of the Corporation and its consolidated subsidiaries are owned by such subsidiaries. The Corporation relies primarily on dividends from such subsidiaries to meet its obligations. The payment by the Corporation's bank subsidiaries, in particular, are subject to restrictions under federal (and, in the case of state-chartered banks, state) law. Because the Corporation is a holding company, the right of the Corporation to participate in any distribution of assets of any subsidiary upon such subsidiary's liquidation or reorganization or otherwise, is subject to the prior claims of creditors of the subsidiary, except to the extent the Corporation may itself be recognized as a creditor of that subsidiary. Accordingly, the Junior Subordinated Debentures will be effectively subordinated to all existing and future liabilities of the Corporation's subsidiaries, and holders of Junior Subordinated Debentures should look only to the assets of the Corporation for payments on the Junior Subordinated Debentures. Except as otherwise provided in the applicable Prospectus Supplement, the Indenture does not limit the incurrence or issuance of other secured or unsecured debt of the Corporation, including the Senior Debt, whether under the Indenture, any other existing indenture or

any other indenture that the Corporation may enter into in the future or otherwise. See " -- Subordination" and the Prospectus Supplement relating to any offering of Preferred Securities (including Corresponding Junior Subordinated Debentures).

The Junior Subordinated Debentures will be issuable in one or more series pursuant to an indenture supplemental to the Indenture, a resolution of the Corporation's Board of Directors or a committee thereof or an order of an authorized officer or officers of the Corporation, as provided in the Indenture.

The applicable Prospectus Supplement or Prospectus Supplements will describe the following terms of the Junior Subordinated Debentures: (i) the title of the Junior Subordinated Debentures; (ii) any limit upon the aggregate principal amount of the Junior Subordinated Debentures; (iii) the date or dates on which the principal of the Junior Subordinated Debentures is payable (the "Stated Maturity") or the method of determination thereof; (iv) the rate or rates, if any, at which the Junior Subordinated Debentures shall bear interest, the Interest Payment Dates on which any such interest shall be payable, the right, if any, of the Corporation to defer or extend an Interest Payment Date, and the Regular Record Date for any interest payable on any Interest Payment Date or the method by which any of the foregoing shall be determined; (v) the place or places where, subject to the terms of the Indenture as described below under " -- Payment and Paying Agents", the principal of and premium, if any, and interest on the Junior Subordinated Debentures will be payable and where, subject to the terms of the Indenture as described below under " -- Denominations, Registration and Transfer", the Junior Subordinated Debentures may be presented for registration of transfer or exchange and the place or places where notices and demands to or upon the Corporation in respect of the Junior Subordinated Debentures and the Indenture may be made ("Place of Payment"); (vi) any period or periods within or date or dates on which, the price or prices at which and the terms and conditions upon which Junior Subordinated Debentures may be redeemed, in whole or in part, at the option of the Corporation or a holder thereof; (vii) the obligation or the right, if any, of the Corporation or a holder thereof to redeem, purchase or repay the Junior Subordinated Debentures and the period or periods within which, the price or prices at which, the currency or currencies (including currency unit or units) in which and the other terms and conditions upon which the Junior Subordinated Debentures shall be redeemed, repaid or purchased, in whole or in part, pursuant to such obligation; (viii) the denominations in which any Junior Subordinated Debentures shall be issuable if other than denominations of \$25.00 and any integral multiple thereof; (ix) if other than in United States dollars, the currency or currencies (including currency unit or units) in which the principal of (and premium, if any) and interest (including Additional Interest (as defined herein)), if any, on the Junior Subordinated Debentures shall be payable, or in which the Junior Subordinated Debentures shall be denominated; (x) any additions, modifications or deletions in the events of default ("Debenture Events of Default") or covenants of the Corporation specified in the Indenture with respect to the Junior Subordinated Debentures; (xi) if other than the principal amount thereof, the portion of the principal amount of Junior Subordinated Debentures that shall be payable upon declaration of acceleration of the maturity thereof; (xii) any additions or changes to the Indenture with respect to a series of Junior Subordinated Debentures as shall be necessary to permit or facilitate the issuance of such series in bearer form, registrable or not registrable as to principal, and with or without interest coupons; (xiii) any index or indices used to determine the amount of payments of principal of and premium, if any, on the Junior Subordinated Debentures and the manner in which such amounts will be determined; (xiv) the terms and conditions relating to the issuance of a temporary Global Junior Subordinated Debenture (as defined herein) representing all of the Junior Subordinated Debentures of such series and the exchange of such temporary Global Junior Subordinated Debenture for definitive Junior Subordinated Debentures of such series; (xv) subject to the terms described under " -- Global Junior Subordinated Debentures", whether the Junior Subordinated Debentures of the series shall be issued in whole or in part in the form of one or more Global Junior Subordinated Debentures, and in such case, the Depositary (as defined herein) for such Global Junior Subordinated Debentures, which Depositary shall be a clearing agency registered under the Exchange Act; (xvi) the appointment of any Paying Agent or Agents (as defined herein); (xvii) the terms and conditions of any obligation or right of the Corporation or a holder to convert or exchange the Junior Subordinated Debentures into Preferred Securities; (xviii) the form of Trust Agreement, Guarantee and Expense Agreement, if applicable; (xix) the relative degree, if any, to which such Junior Subordinated Debentures of the series shall be senior to or be subordinated to other series of such Junior Subordinated Debentures or other indebtedness of the Corporation in right of payment, whether such other series of Junior Subordinated Debentures or other indebtedness are outstanding or not; and (xx) any other terms of the Junior Subordinated Debentures not inconsistent with the provisions of the Indenture.

Junior Subordinated Debentures may be sold at a substantial discount below their stated principal amount, bearing no interest or interest at a rate which at the time of issuance is below market rates. Certain United States federal income tax consequences and special considerations applicable to any such Junior Subordinated Debentures will be described in the applicable Prospectus Supplement.

If the purchase price of any of the Junior Subordinated Debentures is payable in one or more foreign currencies or currency units or if any Junior Subordinated Debentures are denominated in one or more foreign currencies or currency units

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or if the principal of, premium, if any, or interest, if any, on any Junior Subordinated Debentures is payable in one or more foreign currencies or currency units, the restrictions, elections, certain United States federal income tax consequences, specific terms and other information with respect to such series of Junior Subordinated Debentures and such foreign currency or currency units will be set forth in the applicable Prospectus Supplement.

If any index is used to determine the amount of payments of principal of, premium, if any, or interest on any series of Junior Subordinated Debentures, special United States federal income tax, accounting and other considerations applicable thereto will be described in the applicable Prospectus Supplement.

DENOMINATIONS, REGISTRATION AND TRANSFER

Unless otherwise specified in the applicable Prospectus Supplement, the Junior Subordinated Debentures will be issuable only in registered form without coupons in denominations of \$25.00 and any integral multiple thereof. Junior Subordinated Debentures of any series will be exchangeable for other Junior Subordinated Debentures of the same issue and series, of any authorized denominations, of a like aggregate principal amount, of the same original issue date and Stated Maturity and bearing the same interest rate.

Junior Subordinated Debentures may be presented for exchange as provided above, and may be presented for registration of transfer (with the form of transfer endorsed thereon, or a satisfactory written instrument of transfer, duly executed), at the office of the appropriate Securities Registrar or at the office of any transfer agent designated by the Corporation for such purpose with respect to any series of Junior Subordinated Debentures and referred to in the applicable Prospectus Supplement, without service charge and on payment of any taxes and other governmental charges as described in the Indenture. The Corporation will appoint the Debenture Trustee as Securities Registrar under the Indenture. If the applicable Prospectus Supplement refers to any transfer agents (in addition to the Securities Registrar) initially designated by the Corporation with respect to any series of Junior Subordinated Debentures, the Corporation may at any time rescind the designation of any such transfer agent or approve a change in the location through which any such transfer agent acts, provided the Corporation maintains a transfer agent in each Place of Payment for such series. The Corporation may at any time designate additional transfer agents with respect to any series of Junior Subordinated Debentures.

In the event of any redemption, neither the Corporation nor the Debenture Trustee shall be required to (i) issue, register the transfer of or exchange Junior Subordinated Debentures of any series during a period beginning at the opening of business 15 days before the day of selection for redemption of Junior Subordinated Debentures of that series and ending at the close of business on the day of mailing of the relevant notice of redemption, or (ii) transfer or exchange any Junior Subordinated Debentures so selected for redemption, except, in the case of any Junior Subordinated Debentures being redeemed in part, any portion thereof not to be redeemed.

GLOBAL JUNIOR SUBORDINATED DEBENTURES

The Junior Subordinated Debentures of a series may be issued in whole or in part in the form of one or more Global Junior Subordinated Debentures ("Global Junior Subordinated Debentures") that will be deposited with, or on behalf of, a depositary (the "Depositary") identified in the Prospectus Supplement relating to such series. Global Junior Subordinated Debentures may be issued only in fully registered form and in either temporary or permanent form. Unless and until it is exchanged in whole or in part for the individual Junior Subordinated Debentures represented thereby, a Global Junior Subordinated Debenture may not be transferred except as a whole by the Depositary for such Global Junior Subordinated Debenture to a nominee of such Depositary or by a nominee of such Depositary to such Depositary or another nominee of such Depositary or by the Depositary or any nominee to a successor Depositary or any nominee of such successor.

The specific terms of the depositary arrangement with respect to a series of Junior Subordinated Debentures will be described in the Prospectus Supplement relating to such series. The Corporation anticipates that the following provisions will generally apply to depositary arrangements. Upon the issuance of a Global Junior Subordinated Debenture, and the deposit of such Global Junior Subordinated Debenture with or on behalf of the Depositary, the Depositary for such Global Junior Subordinated Debenture or its nominee will credit, on its book-entry registration and transfer system, the respective principal amounts of the individual Junior Subordinated Debentures represented by such Global Junior Subordinated Debenture to the accounts of persons that have accounts with such Depositary ("Participants"). Such accounts shall be designated by the dealers, underwriters or agents with respect to such Junior Subordinated Debentures or by the Corporation if such Junior Subordinated Debentures are offered and sold directly by the Corporation. Ownership of beneficial interests in a Global Junior Subordinated Debenture will be limited to

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Participants or persons that may hold interests through Participants. Ownership of beneficial interests in such Global Junior Subordinated Debenture will be shown on, and the transfer of that ownership will be effected only through, records maintained by the applicable Depositary or its nominee (with respect to interests of Participants) and the records of Participants (with respect to interests of persons who hold through Participants). The laws of some states require that certain purchasers of securities take physical delivery of such securities in definitive form. Such limits and such laws may impair the ability to transfer beneficial interests in a Global Junior Subordinated Debenture.

So long as the Depositary for a Global Junior Subordinated Debenture, or its nominee, is the registered owner of such Global Junior Subordinated Debenture, such Depositary or such nominee, as the case may be, will be considered the sole owner or holder of the Junior Subordinated Debentures represented by such Global Junior Subordinated Debenture for all purposes under the Indenture governing such Junior Subordinated Debentures. Except as provided below, owners of beneficial interests in a Global Junior Subordinated Debenture (i) will not be entitled to have any of the individual Junior Subordinated Debentures of the series represented by such Global Junior Subordinated Debenture registered in their names, (ii) will not receive or be entitled to receive physical delivery of any such Junior Subordinated Debentures of such series in certificated form, and (iii) will not be considered the owners or holders thereof under the Indenture.

Payments of principal of (and premium, if any) and interest on individual Junior Subordinated Debentures represented by a Global Junior Subordinated Debenture registered in the name of a Depositary or its nominee will be made to the Depositary or its nominee, as the case may be, as the registered owner of the Global Junior Subordinated Debenture representing such Junior Subordinated Debentures. None of the Corporation, the Debenture Trustee, any Paying Agent, or the Securities Registrar for such Junior Subordinated Debentures will have any responsibility or liability for any aspect of the records relating to or payments made on account of beneficial ownership interests of the Global Junior Subordinated Debenture representing such Junior Subordinated Debentures or for maintaining, supervising or reviewing any records relating to such beneficial ownership interests.

The Corporation expects the Depositary for a series of Junior Subordinated Debentures or its nominee, on receipt of any payment of principal, premium or interest in respect of a permanent Global Junior Subordinated Debenture representing any of such Junior Subordinated Debentures, will credit Participants' accounts with payments in amounts proportionate to their respective beneficial interest in the principal amount of such Global Junior Subordinated Debenture for such Junior Subordinated Debentures as shown on the records of such Depositary or its nominee. The Corporation also expects payments by Participants to owners of beneficial interests in such Global Junior Subordinated Debenture held through such Participants will be governed by standing instructions and customary practices, as is now the case with securities held for the accounts of customers in bearer form or registered in "street name". Such payments will be the responsibility of such Participants.

Unless otherwise specified in the applicable Prospectus Supplement, if a Depositary for a series of Junior Subordinated Debentures is at any time unwilling, unable or ineligible to continue as depositary and the Corporation is unable to locate a qualified successor, the Corporation will issue certificated Junior Subordinated Debentures of such series in exchange for the Global Junior Subordinated Debenture representing such series of Junior Subordinated Debentures. In addition, the Corporation may at any time and in its sole discretion, subject to any limitations described in the Prospectus Supplement relating to such Junior Subordinated Debentures, determine not to have any Junior Subordinated Debentures, and in such event, will issue definitive certificates for Junior Subordinated Debenture of such series in exchange for the Global Junior Subordinated Debenture representing such series of Junior Subordinated Debentures. Further, if the Corporation so specifies with respect to the Junior Subordinated Debentures of a series, an owner of a beneficial interest in a Global Junior Subordinated Debenture representing Junior Subordinated Debentures of such series may, on terms acceptable to the Corporation, the Debenture Trustee and the Depositary for such Global Junior Subordinated Debenture, receive individual Junior Subordinated Debentures of such series in exchange for such beneficial interests, subject to any limitations described in the Prospectus Supplement relating to such Junior Subordinated Debentures. In any such instance, an owner of a beneficial interest in a Global Junior Subordinated Debenture will be entitled to physical delivery of certificated Junior Subordinated Debentures of the series represented by such Global Junior Subordinated Debenture equal in principal amount to such beneficial interest and to have such Junior Subordinated Debentures of such series so issued will be issued in denominations, unless otherwise specified by the Corporation, of \$25.00 and integral multiples thereof.

PAYMENT AND PAYING AGENTS

Unless otherwise indicated in the applicable Prospectus Supplement, payment of principal of (and premium, if any) and any interest on Junior Subordinated Debentures will be made at the office of the Debenture Trustee in the City of New York

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or at the office of such paying agent or paying agents ("Paying Agents") as the Corporation may designate from time to time in the applicable Prospectus Supplement, except that at the option of the Corporation payment of any interest may be made (i), except in the case of Global Junior Subordinated Debentures, by check mailed to the address of the Person entitled thereto as such address shall appear in the Securities Register, or (ii) by transfer to an account maintained by the Person entitled thereto as specified in the Securities Register, provided that proper transfer instructions have been received by the applicable Regular Record Date. Unless otherwise indicated in the applicable Prospectus Supplement, payment of any interest on Junior Subordinated Debentures will be made to the Person in whose name such Junior Subordinated Debenture is registered at the close of business on the Regular Record Date for such payment, except in the case of Defaulted Interest (as defined in the Indenture). The Corporation may at any time designate additional Paying Agents or rescind the designation of any Paying Agent; however the Corporation will at all times be required to maintain a Paying Agent in each Place of Payment for each series of Junior Subordinated Debentures.

Any moneys deposited with the Debenture Trustee or any Paying Agent, or then held by the Corporation in trust, for the payment of the principal of (and premium, if any) or interest on any Junior Subordinated Debenture and remaining unclaimed for two years after such principal (and premium, if any) or interest has become due and payable shall, at the request of the Corporation, be repaid to the Corporation and the holder of such Junior Subordinated Debenture shall thereafter look, as a general unsecured creditor, only to the Corporation for payment thereof.

OPTION TO EXTEND INTEREST PAYMENT DATE

If provided in the applicable Prospectus Supplement, the Corporation shall have the right at any time and from time to time during the term of any series of Junior Subordinated Debentures to defer payment of interest for up to such number of consecutive interest payment periods as may be specified in the applicable Prospectus Supplement, subject to the terms, conditions and covenants, if any, specified in such Prospectus Supplement, provided that such Extension Period may not extend beyond the Stated Maturity of such series of Junior Subordinated Debentures. Certain United States federal income tax consequences and special considerations applicable to any such Junior Subordinated Debentures will be described in the applicable Prospectus Supplement.

REDEMPTION

Unless otherwise indicated in the applicable Prospectus Supplement, Junior Subordinated Debentures will not be subject to any sinking fund.

Unless otherwise indicated in the applicable Prospectus Supplement, the Corporation may, at its option, redeem the Junior Subordinated Debentures of any series in whole at any time or in part from time to time, provided that the Corporation has committed to the Federal Reserve Bank of Richmond that it will not exercise its redemption option without having received the prior approval of the Board of Governors of the Federal Reserve System (the "Federal Reserve Board") to do so, if then so required under applicable capital guidelines or policies of the Federal Reserve Board. If the Junior Subordinated Debentures of any series are so redeemable only on or after a specified date or upon the satisfaction of additional conditions, the applicable Prospectus Supplement will specify such date or describe such conditions. Junior Subordinated Debentures in denominations larger than \$25.00 may be redeemed in part but only in integral multiples of \$25.00. Except as otherwise specified in the applicable Prospectus Supplement, the redemption price for any Junior Subordinated Debenture so redeemed shall equal any accrued and unpaid interest (including Additional Interest) thereon to the redemption date, plus 100 percent of the principal amount thereof.

Except as otherwise specified in the applicable Prospectus Supplement, if a Tax Event or a Capital Treatment Event (each as defined herein) in respect of a series of Junior Subordinated Debentures shall occur and be continuing, the Corporation may, at its option, redeem such series of Junior Subordinated Debentures in whole (but not in part) at any time within 90 days of the occurrence of such Tax Event or Capital Treatment Event, at a redemption price equal to 100 percent of the principal amount of such Junior Subordinated Debentures then outstanding plus accrued and unpaid interest to the date fixed for redemption. "Tax Event" means the receipt by an Issuer of a series of Preferred Securities of an opinion of counsel experienced in such matters to the effect that, as a result of any amendment to, or change (including any announced proposed change) in, the laws (or any regulations thereunder) of the United States or any political subdivision or taxing authority thereof or therein, or as a result of any official administrative pronouncement or judicial decision interpreting or applying such laws or regulations, which amendment or change is effective or which pronouncement or decision is announced on or after the date of issuance of such Preferred Securities under the related Trust Agreement, there is more than an insubstantial risk that (i) such Issuer is, or will be within 90 days of the date of such opinion, subject to United States federal income tax

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with respect to income received or accrued on the series of Corresponding Junior Subordinated Debentures, (ii) interest payable by the Corporation on such series of Corresponding Junior Subordinated Debentures is not, or within 90 days of the date of such opinion, will not be, deductible by the Corporation, in whole or in part, for United States federal income tax purposes, or (iii) such Issuer is, or will be within 90 days of the date of such opinion, subject to more than a DE MINIMIS amount of other taxes, duties or other governmental charges.

A "Capital Treatment Event" means the reasonable determination by the Corporation that, as a result of the occurrence of any amendment to, or change (including any announced prospective change) in, the laws (or any rules or regulations thereunder) of the United States or any political subdivision thereof or therein, or as a result of any official or administrative pronouncement or action or judicial decision interpreting or applying such laws, rules or regulations, which amendment or change is effective or which pronouncement, action or decision is announced on or after the date of issuance of the Preferred Securities, there is more than an insubstantial risk that the Corporation will not be entitled to treat an amount equal to the aggregate Liquidation Amount (as defined herein) of the Preferred Securities as "tier 1 capital" (or the then equivalent thereof) for purposes of the capital adequacy guidelines of the Federal Reserve Board, as then in effect and applicable to the Corporation.

Notice of any redemption will be mailed at least 45 days but not more than 75 days before the redemption date to each holder of Junior Subordinated Debentures to be redeemed at its registered address. Unless the Corporation defaults in payment of the redemption price, on and after the redemption date interest ceases to accrue on such Junior Subordinated Debentures or portions thereof called for redemption.

RESTRICTIONS ON CERTAIN PAYMENTS

The Corporation will also covenant, as to each series of Junior Subordinated Debentures, that it will not, and will not permit any subsidiary of the Corporation to, (i) declare or pay any dividends or distributions on, or redeem, purchase, acquire, or make a liquidation payment with respect to, any of the Corporation's capital stock, or (ii) make any payment of principal, interest or premium, if any, on or repay, repurchase or redeem any debt securities of the Corporation (including other Junior Subordinated Debentures) that rank PARI PASSU in all respects with or junior in interest to the Junior Subordinated Debentures or make any guarantee payments with respect to any guarantee by the Corporation of the debt securities of any subsidiary of the Corporation if such guarantee ranks PARI PASSU in all respects with or junior in interest to the Junior Subordinated Debentures other than (a) repurchases, redemptions or other acquisitions of shares of capital stock of the Corporation in connection with

any employment contract, benefit plan or other similar arrangement with or for the benefit of one or more employees, officers, directors or consultants, in connection with a dividend reinvestment or stockholder stock purchase plan or in connection with the issuance of capital stock of the Corporation (or securities convertible into or exercisable for such capital stock) as consideration in an acquisition transaction entered into prior to the applicable Extension Period, (b) as a result of any exchange or conversion of any class or series of the Corporation's capital stock (or any capital stock of a subsidiary of the Corporation) for any class or series of the Corporation's capital stock or of any class or series of the Corporation's indebtedness for any class or series of the Corporation's capital stock, (c) the purchase of fractional interests in shares of the Corporation's capital stock pursuant to the conversion or exchange provisions of such capital stock or the security being converted or exchanged, (d) any declaration of a dividend in connection with any stockholder's rights plan, or the issuance of rights, stock or other property under any stockholder's rights plan, or the redemption or repurchase of rights pursuant thereto, or (e) any dividend in the form of stock, warrants, options or other rights where the dividend stock or the stock issuable upon exercise of such warrants, options or other rights is the same stock as that on which the dividend is being paid or ranks PARI PASSU with or junior to such stock), if at such time (i) there shall have occurred any event of which the Corporation has actual knowledge that (a) with the giving of notice or the lapse of time, or both, would constitute a Debenture Event of Default with respect to the Junior Subordinated Debentures of such series, and (b) in respect of which the Corporation shall not have taken reasonable steps to cure, (ii) if such Junior Subordinated Debentures are held by an Issuer of a series of Related Preferred Securities, the Corporation shall be in default with respect to its payment of any obligations under the Guarantee relating to such Related Preferred Securities, or (iii) the Corporation shall have given notice of its selection of an Extension Period as provided in the Indenture with respect to the Junior Subordinated Debentures of such series and shall not have rescinded such notice, or such Extension Period, or any extension thereof, shall be continuing.

MODIFICATION OF INDENTURE

From time to time the Corporation and the Debenture Trustee may, without the consent of the holders of any series of Junior Subordinated Debentures, amend, waive or supplement the Indenture for specified purposes, including, among other things, curing ambiguities, defects or inconsistencies (provided that any such action does not materially adversely affect the

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interest of the holders of any series of Junior Subordinated Debentures or, in the case of Corresponding Junior Subordinated Debentures, the holders of the Related Preferred Securities so long as they remain outstanding) and qualifying, or maintaining the qualification of, the Indenture under the Trust Indenture Act. The Indenture contains provisions permitting the Corporation and the Debenture Trustee, with the consent of the holders of not less than a majority in principal amount of each outstanding series of Junior Subordinated Debentures affected, to modify the Indenture in a manner affecting adversely the rights of the holders of such series of the Junior Subordinated Debentures in any material respect, provided that no such modification may, without the consent of the holder of each outstanding Junior Subordinated Debenture so affected, (i) change the Stated Maturity of any series of Junior Subordinated Debentures (except as otherwise specified in the applicable Prospectus Supplement), or reduce the principal amount thereof, or reduce the rate or extend the time of payment of interest thereon, or (ii) reduce the percentage of principal amount of Junior Subordinated Debentures of any series, the holders of which are required to consent to any such modification of the Indenture, provided that, in the case of Corresponding Junior Subordinated Debentures, so long as any of the Related Preferred Securities remain outstanding, (a) no such modification may be made that adversely affects the holders of such Preferred Securities in any material respect, and no termination of the Indenture may occur, and no waiver of any Debenture Event of Default or compliance with any covenant under the Indenture may be effective, without the prior consent of the holders of at least a majority of the aggregate Liquidation Amount of all outstanding Related Preferred Securities affected unless and until the principal of the Corresponding Junior Subordinated Debentures and all accrued and unpaid interest thereon have been paid in full and certain other conditions have been satisfied and (b) where a consent under the Indenture would require the consent of each holder of Corresponding Junior Subordinated Debentures, no such consent will be given by the Property Trustee without the prior consent of each holder of Related Preferred Securities.

In addition, the Corporation and the Debenture Trustee may execute, without the consent of any holder of Junior Subordinated Debentures, any supplemental indenture to the Indenture for the purpose of creating any new series of Junior Subordinated Debentures. The Indenture provides that any one or more of the following described events with respect to a series of Junior Subordinated Debentures that has occurred and is continuing constitutes a Debenture Event of Default with respect to such series of Junior Subordinated Debentures:

(i) failure for 30 days to pay any interest on such series of the Junior Subordinated Debentures, including any Additional Interest in respect thereof, when due (subject to the deferral of any interest payment in the case of an Extension Period); or

(ii) failure to pay any principal or premium, if any, on such series of Junior Subordinated Debentures when due, whether at maturity, upon redemption by declaration or otherwise; or

(iii) failure to observe or perform any other covenants contained in the Indenture for 90 days after written notice to the Corporation from the Debenture Trustee or the holders of at least 25 percent in aggregate outstanding principal amount of such series of outstanding Junior Subordinated Debentures; or

(iv) certain events of bankruptcy, insolvency or reorganization of the Corporation.

The holders of a majority in aggregate outstanding principal amount of such series of Junior Subordinated Debentures have the right to direct the time, method and place of conducting any proceeding for any remedy available to the Debenture Trustee. The Debenture Trustee or the holders of not less than 25 percent in aggregate outstanding principal amount of Junior Subordinated Debentures may declare the principal (or if the Preferred Securities of such series are Discount Securities (as defined herein), such portion of the principal amount as may be specified in a Prospectus Supplement) due and payable immediately upon a Debenture Event of Default, and in the case of Corresponding Junior Subordinated Debentures, should the Debenture Trustee or such holders of such Corresponding Junior Subordinated Debentures fail to make such declaration, the holders of at least 25 percent in aggregate Liquidation Amount of the Related Preferred Securities shall have such right. The holders of a majority in aggregate outstanding principal amount of Junior Subordinated Debentures may annul such declaration. In the case of Corresponding Junior Subordinated Debentures, should the holders of such Corresponding Junior Subordinated Debentures fail to annul such declaration and waive such default, the holders of a majority in aggregate Liquidation Amount of the Related Preferred Securities shall have such right.

The holders of a majority in aggregate outstanding principal amount of each series of Junior Subordinated Debentures affected thereby may, on behalf of the holders of all the Junior Subordinated Debentures of such series, waive any default,

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except a default in the payment of principal or interest (including any Additional Interest) (unless such default has been cured and a sum sufficient to pay all matured installments of interest and principal (including any Additional Interest) due otherwise than by acceleration has been deposited with the Debenture Trustee) or a default in respect of a covenant or provision which under the Indenture cannot be modified or amended without the consent of the holder of each outstanding Junior Subordinated Debenture of such series. In the case of Corresponding Junior Subordinated Debentures, should the holders of such Corresponding Junior Subordinated Debentures fail to annul such declaration and waive such default, the holders of a majority in aggregate Liquidation Amount of the Related Preferred Securities shall have such right. The Corporation is required to file annually with the Debenture Trustee a certificate as to whether or not the Corporation is in compliance with all the conditions and covenants applicable to it under the Indenture.

In case a Debenture Event of Default shall occur and be continuing as to a series of Corresponding Junior Subordinated Debentures held by the Property Trustee, the Property Trustee will have the right to declare the principal of and the interest on such Corresponding Junior Subordinated Debentures, and any other amounts payable under the Indenture, to be forthwith due and payable and to enforce its other rights as a creditor with respect to such Corresponding Junior Subordinated Debentures.

ENFORCEMENT OF CERTAIN RIGHTS BY HOLDERS OF PREFERRED SECURITIES

If (i) a Debenture Event of Default has occurred and is continuing and (ii) such event is attributable to the failure of the Corporation to pay interest or

principal on a series of Corresponding Junior Subordinated Debentures on the date such interest or principal is due and payable, then a holder of the Related Preferred Securities may institute a legal proceeding directly against the Corporation for enforcement of payment to such holder of the principal of or interest (including any Additional Interest) on such Corresponding Junior Subordinated Debentures having a principal amount equal to the aggregate Liquidation Amount of the Related Preferred Securities of such holder (a "Direct Action"). The Corporation may not amend the Indenture to remove the foregoing right to bring a Direct Action without the prior written consent of the holders of all the Related Preferred Securities outstanding. If the right to bring a Direct Action is removed, the applicable Issuer may become subject to the reporting obligations under the Exchange Act. The Corporation has the right under the Indenture to set-off any payment made to such holder of Related Preferred Securities by the Corporation in connection with a Direct Action.

The holders of a series of Related Preferred Securities would not be able to exercise directly any remedies other than those set forth in the preceding paragraph available to the holders of the series of Corresponding Junior Subordinated Debentures unless there shall have been an Event of Default under the Trust Agreement. See "Description of Preferred Securities -- Events of Default; Notice".

CONSOLIDATION, MERGER, SALE OF ASSETS AND OTHER TRANSACTIONS

The Indenture provides that the Corporation will not consolidate with or merge into any other Person or convey, transfer or lease its properties and assets substantially as an entirety to any Person, and no Person will consolidate with or merge into the Corporation or convey, transfer or lease its properties and assets substantially as an entirety to the Corporation, unless (i) in case the Corporation consolidates with or merges into another Person or conveys or transfers its properties and assets substantially as an entirety to any Person, the successor Person is organized under the laws of the United States or any state or Washington, D.C., and such successor Person expressly assumes the Corporation's obligations on the Junior Subordinated Debentures issued under the Indenture; (ii) immediately after giving effect thereto, no Debenture Event of Default, and no event which, after notice or lapse of time or both, would become a Debenture Event of Default, shall have occurred and be continuing; and (iii) certain other conditions as prescribed in the Indenture are met.

The general provisions of the Indenture do not afford holders of the Junior Subordinated Debentures protection in the event of a highly leveraged or other transaction involving the Corporation that may adversely affect holders of the Junior Subordinated Debentures.

SATISFACTION AND DISCHARGE

The Indenture provides that when, among other things, all Junior Subordinated Debentures not previously delivered to the Debenture Trustee for cancellation (i) have become due and payable, or (ii) will become due and payable at their Stated Maturity within one year, and the Corporation deposits or causes to be deposited with the Debenture Trustee funds, in trust, for the purpose and in an amount in the currency or currencies in which the Junior Subordinated Debentures are payable sufficient to pay and discharge the entire indebtedness on the Junior Subordinated Debentures not previously delivered to the Debenture Trustee for cancellation, for the principal (and premium, if any) and interest (including Additional Interest) to the

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date of the deposit or to the Stated Maturity, as the case may be, then the Indenture will cease to be of further effect (except as to the Corporation's obligations to pay all other sums due pursuant to the Indenture and to provide the officers' certificates and opinions of counsel described therein), and the Corporation will be deemed to have satisfied and discharged the Indenture.

CONVERSION OR EXCHANGE

If and to the extent indicated in the applicable Prospectus Supplement, the Junior Subordinated Debentures of any series may be convertible or exchangeable into Junior Subordinated Debentures of another series or into Preferred Securities (including, but not limited to, Related Preferred Securities). The specific terms on which Junior Subordinated Debentures of any series may be so converted or exchanged will be set forth in the applicable Prospectus Supplement. Such terms may include provisions for conversion or exchange, either mandatory, at the option of the holder, or at the option of the Corporation, in which case the number of Preferred Securities or other securities to be received by the holders of Junior Subordinated Debentures would be calculated as of a time and in the manner stated in the applicable Prospectus Supplement.

SUBORDINATION

The Indenture provides that any Junior Subordinated Debentures issued thereunder will be subordinate and junior in right of payment to all Senior Debt of the Corporation to the extent provided in the Indenture. Upon any payment or distribution of assets to creditors upon any liquidation, dissolution, winding up, reorganization, assignment for the benefit of creditors, marshaling of assets or any bankruptcy, insolvency, debt restructuring or similar proceedings in connection with any insolvency or bankruptcy proceeding of the Corporation, the holders of Senior Debt will first be entitled to receive payment in full of principal of (and premium, if any) and interest, if any, on such Senior Debt before the holders of Junior Subordinated Debentures or, in the case of Corresponding Junior Subordinated Debenture held by the Property Trustee, the Property Trustee on behalf of the holders thereof, will be entitled to receive or retain any payment in respect of the principal of (and premium, if any) or interest, if any, on the Junior Subordinated Debentures.

In the event of the acceleration of the maturity of any Junior Subordinated Debentures, the holders of all Senior Debt outstanding at the time of such acceleration will first be entitled to receive payment in full of all amounts due thereon (including any amounts due upon acceleration) before the holders of Junior Subordinated Debentures will be entitled to receive or retain any payment in respect of the principal of (or premium, if any) or interest, if any, on the Junior Subordinated Debentures.

No payments on account of principal (or premium, if any) or interest, if any, in respect of the Junior Subordinated Debentures may be made if there shall have occurred and be continuing a default in any payment with respect to Senior Debt or an event of default with respect to any Senior Debt resulting in the acceleration of the maturity thereof, or if any judicial proceeding shall be pending with respect to any such default.

"Debt" means, with respect to any Person, whether recourse is to all or a portion of the assets of such Person and whether or not contingent, (i) every obligation of such Person for money borrowed; (ii) every obligation of such Person evidenced by bonds, debentures, notes or other similar instruments, including obligations incurred in connection with the acquisition of property, assets or businesses; (iii) every reimbursement obligation of such Person with respect to letters of credit, bankers' acceptances or similar facilities issued for the account of such Person; (iv) every obligation of such Person issued or assumed as the deferred purchase price of property or services (but excluding trade accounts payable or accrued liabilities arising in the ordinary course of business); (v) every capital lease obligation of such Person; (vi) all Other Financial Obligations (as defined herein); and (vii) every obligation of the type referred to in clauses (i) through (vi) of another Person and all dividends of another Person the payment of which, in either case, such Person has guaranteed or is responsible or liable, directly or indirectly, as obligor or otherwise.

"Other Financial Obligations" means, with respect to any Person, all obligations of such Person to make payment pursuant to the terms of financial instruments, such as (i) securities contracts and foreign currency exchange contracts, (ii) derivative instruments, such as swap agreements (including interest rate and foreign exchange rate swap agreements), cap agreements, floor agreements, collar agreements, interest rate agreements, foreign exchange rate agreements, options, commodity futures contracts, commodity option contracts, and (iii) in the case of both (i) and (ii) above, similar financial instruments.

"Senior Debt" means the principal of (and premium, if any) and interest, if any (including interest accruing on or after the filing of any petition in bankruptcy or for reorganization relating to the Corporation whether or not such claim for post-

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petition interest is allowed in such proceeding), on Debt, whether incurred on or prior to the date of the Indenture or thereafter incurred, unless, in the instrument creating or evidencing the same or pursuant to which the same is outstanding, it is provided that such obligations are not superior in right of payment to the Junior Subordinated Debentures or to other Debt which is PARI PASSU with, or subordinated to, the Junior Subordinated Debentures; provided, however, that Senior Debt shall not be deemed to include (i) any Debt of the Corporation which when incurred and without respect to any election under Section 1111(b) of the United States Bankruptcy Code of 1978, as amended, was without recourse to the Corporation, (ii) any Debt of the Corporation to any of its subsidiaries, (iii) Debt to any employee of the Corporation, and (iv) any other debt securities issued pursuant to the Indenture. Senior Debt includes, without limitation, Debt issued (i) under the indenture, dated as of April 1, 1983, and amended thereafter, between the Corporation and Chemical Bank, as trustee, and (ii) except to the extent otherwise provided with respect to any series of debt securities issued after the date hereof, under the indenture,

dated as of March 15, 1986, and amended thereafter, between the Corporation and Harris Trust and Savings Bank, as trustee.

The Indenture places no limitation on the amount of additional Senior Debt that may be incurred by the Corporation. The Corporation expects from time to time to incur additional indebtedness constituting Senior Debt.

The Indenture provides that the foregoing subordination provisions, insofar as they relate to any particular issue of Junior Subordinated Debentures, may be changed prior to such issuance. Any such change would be described in the applicable Prospectus Supplement.

ISSUER EXPENSES

Pursuant to an Agreement as to Liabilities and Expenses, entered into by the Corporation, as holder of the Common Securities of the applicable Issuer, pursuant to the applicable Trust Agreement (each, an "Expense Agreement"), with respect to each series of Corresponding Junior Subordinated Debentures, the Corporation, as holder of the Common Securities of the applicable Issuer, will unconditionally agree with such Issuer that the Corporation will pay the full amount of any costs, expenses or liabilities of such Issuer, other than obligations of such Issuer to pay to the holders of the Related Preferred Securities of such Issuer the amounts due such holders pursuant to the terms thereof. Such payment obligation will include any such costs, expenses or liabilities of the Issuer that are required by applicable law to be satisfied in connection with a termination of such Issuer.

GOVERNING LAW

The Indenture and the Junior Subordinated Debentures will be governed by and construed in accordance with the laws of the State of New York.

INFORMATION CONCERNING DEBENTURE TRUSTEE

The Debenture Trustee shall have and be subject to all the duties and responsibilities specified with respect to an indenture trustee under the Trust Indenture Act. Subject to such provisions, the Debenture Trustee is under no obligation to exercise any of the powers vested in it by the Indenture at the request of any holder of Junior Subordinated Debentures, unless offered reasonable indemnity by such holder against the costs, expenses and liabilities which might be incurred thereby. The Debenture Trustee is not required to expend or risk its own funds or otherwise incur personal financial liability in the performance of its duties if the Debenture Trustee reasonably believes that repayment or adequate indemnity is not reasonably assured to it.

CORRESPONDING JUNIOR SUBORDINATED DEBENTURES

The Corresponding Junior Subordinated Debentures may be issued in one or more series under the Indenture with terms corresponding to the terms of a series of Related Preferred Securities. In that event, concurrently with the issuance of the Related Preferred Securities, the Issuer of the Related Preferred Securities will invest the proceeds thereof and the consideration paid by the Corporation for the Common Securities of such Issuer in such series of Corresponding Junior Subordinated Debentures issued by the Corporation to such Issuer. Each series of Corresponding Junior Subordinated Debentures will be in the principal amount equal to the aggregate Liquidation Amount of the Related Preferred Securities and the Common Securities of such Issuer and, unless otherwise specified in the applicable Prospectus Supplement, will rank PARI PASSU with all other series of Junior Subordinated Debentures. Holders of the Related Preferred Securities for a series of Corresponding Junior Subordinated Debentures will have the rights in connection with modifications to the Indenture or upon occurrence of Debenture Events of Default described under " -- Modification of Indenture" and " -- Debenture Events of Default", unless otherwise provided in the Prospectus Supplement for such Related Preferred Securities.

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Unless otherwise provided in the applicable Prospectus Supplement, if a Tax Event or Capital Treatment Event in respect of an Issuer of Related Preferred Securities shall occur and be continuing, the Corporation may, at its option, redeem the Corresponding Junior Subordinated Debentures at any time within 90 days of the occurrence of such Tax Event or Capital Treatment Event, in whole but not in part, subject to the provisions of the Indenture and whether or not such Corresponding Junior Subordinated Debentures are then otherwise redeemable at the option of the Corporation, provided that the Corporation has committed to the Federal Reserve Bank of Richmond that it will not exercise its redemption option without having received the prior approval of the Federal Reserve Board to do so, if then so required under applicable capital guidelines or policies of the Federal Reserve Board. The redemption price for any Corresponding Junior Subordinated Debentures shall be equal to 100 percent of the principal amount of such Corresponding Junior Subordinated Debentures then outstanding, plus accrued and unpaid interest to the date fixed for redemption. For so long as the applicable Issuer is the holder of all the outstanding series of Corresponding Junior Subordinated Debentures, the proceeds of any such redemption will be used by the Issuer to redeem the corresponding Trust Securities in accordance with their terms. The Corporation may not redeem a series of Corresponding Junior Subordinated Debentures in part unless all accrued and unpaid interest has been paid in full on all outstanding Corresponding Junior Subordinated Debentures of such series for all interest periods terminating on or prior to the redemption date.

The Corporation will covenant in the Indenture as to each series of Corresponding Junior Subordinated Debentures, that if and so long as (i) the Issuer of the Related Preferred Securities is the holder of all such Corresponding Junior Subordinated Debentures, (ii) a Tax Event in respect of such Issuer has occurred and is continuing, and (iii) the Corporation has elected, and has not revoked such election, to pay Additional Sums (as defined herein) in respect of such Related Preferred Securities, the Corporation will pay to such Issuer such Additional Sums. The Corporation will also covenant, as to each series of Corresponding Junior Subordinated Debentures, (i) to maintain directly or indirectly 100 percent ownership of the Common Securities of the Issuer to which such Corresponding Junior Subordinated Debentures have been issued, provided that certain successors which are permitted pursuant to the Indenture may succeed to the Corporation's ownership of the Common Securities, (ii) not to voluntarily terminate, wind-up or liquidate any Issuer and (a) in connection with a distribution of Corresponding Junior Subordinated Debentures to the holders of the Related Preferred Securities in exchange therefor upon liquidation of such Issuer, or (b) in connection with certain mergers, consolidations or amalgamations permitted by the related Trust Agreement, and (iii) to use its reasonable efforts, consistent with the terms and provisions of the related Trust Agreement, to cause such Issuer to remain classified as a grantor trust or not to become an association taxable as a corporation for United States federal income tax purposes.

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DESCRIPTION OF PREFERRED SECURITIES

Pursuant to the terms of the Trust Agreement for each Issuer, the Issuer Trustees on behalf of such Issuer may issue the Preferred Securities and the Common Securities. The Preferred Securities of a particular series will represent preferred undivided beneficial interests in the assets of the applicable Issuer and the holders thereof will be entitled to a preference in certain circumstances with respect to Distributions and amounts payable on redemption or liquidation over the Common Securities of such Issuer, as well as other benefits as described in the applicable Trust Agreement. This summary of certain provisions of the Preferred Securities and each Trust Agreement, which when taken together with any supplementary material set forth in the applicable Prospectus Supplement describes the material terms thereof, does not purport to be complete and is subject to, and qualified in its entirety by reference to, all the provisions of each Trust Agreement, including the definitions therein of certain terms, and the Trust Indenture Act. Wherever particular defined terms of a Trust Agreement (as amended or supplemented from time to time) are referred to herein or in a Prospectus Supplement, such defined terms are incorporated herein or therein by reference. The form of the Trust Agreement has been filed as an exhibit to the Registration Statement. Each of the Issuers is a legally separate entity and the assets of one are not available to satisfy the obligations of any of the others.

GENERAL

The Preferred Securities of an Issuer will rank PARI PASU, and payments thereon will be made PRO RATA, with the Common Securities of that Issuer except as described under " -- Subordination of Common Securities". Legal title to a series of Corresponding Junior Subordinated Debentures will be held by the Property Trustee in trust for the benefit of the holders of the Related Preferred Securities and Common Securities. Each Guarantee Agreement executed by the Corporation for the benefit of the holders of an Issuer's Preferred Securities will be a guarantee on a subordinated basis with respect to such Preferred Securities but will not guarantee payment of Distributions or amounts payable on redemption or liquidation of such Preferred Securities when such Issuer does not have funds on hand available to make such payments. See "Description of Guarantees".

DISTRIBUTIONS

Distributions on the Preferred Securities will be cumulative, will accumulate from the date of original issuance and will be payable on such dates as specified in the applicable Prospectus Supplement. In the event that any date on which Distributions are payable on the Preferred Securities is not a Business Day (as defined herein), payment of the Distribution payable on such date will be made on the next succeeding day that is a Business Day (and without any interest or other payment in respect to any such delay) except that, if such Business Day is in the next succeeding calendar year, payment of such Distribution shall be made on the immediately preceding Business Day, in each case with the same force and effect as if made on such date (each date on which Distributions are payable in accordance with the foregoing, a "Distribution Date"). A "Business Day" shall mean any day other than a Saturday or a Sunday, or a day on which banking institutions in The City of New York are authorized or required by law or executive order to remain closed or a day on which the corporate trust office of the Property Trustee or the Debenture Trustee is closed for business.

Each Issuer's Preferred Securities represent preferred undivided beneficial interests in the assets of the applicable Issuer, and the Distributions on each Preferred Security will be payable at a rate specified in the applicable Prospectus Supplement for such Preferred Securities. The amount of Distributions payable for any period will be computed on the basis of a 360-day year of twelve 30-day months unless otherwise specified in the applicable Prospectus Supplement. Distributions to which holders of Preferred Securities are entitled will accumulate additional Distributions at the rate per annum if and as specified in the applicable Prospectus Supplement. The term "Distributions" as used herein includes any such additional Distributions unless otherwise stated.

If provided in the applicable Prospectus Supplement, the Corporation has the right under the Indenture, pursuant to which it will issue a series of Corresponding Junior Subordinated Debentures, to defer the payment of interest at any time or from time to time on such series of Corresponding Junior Subordinated Debentures for a period which will be specified in such Prospectus Supplement, provided that no such Extension Period may extend beyond the Stated Maturity of the Corresponding Junior Subordinated Debentures. As a consequence of any such extension, Distributions on the Related Preferred Securities would be deferred (but would continue to accumulate additional Distributions thereon at the rate per annum set forth in the Prospectus Supplement for such Related Preferred Securities) by the Issuer of such Related Preferred Securities during any such Extension Period. During such Extension Period, the Corporation may not, and may not permit any subsidiary of the Corporation to, (i) declare or pay any dividends or distributions on, or redeem, purchase, acquire or make a liquidation payment with respect to, any of the Corporation's capital stock, or (ii) make any payment of principal, interest or

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premium, if any, on or repay, repurchase or redeem any debt securities of the Corporation that rank PARI PASSU in all respects with or junior in interest to the Corresponding Junior Subordinated Debentures or make any guarantee payments with respect to any guarantee by the Corporation of debt securities of any subsidiary of the Corporation if such guarantee ranks PARI PASSU in all respects with or junior in interest to the Corresponding Junior Subordinated Debentures (other than (a) repurchases, redemptions or other acquisitions of shares of capital stock of the Corporation in connection with any employment contract, benefit plan or other similar arrangement with or for the benefit of one or more employees, officers, directors or consultants, in connection with a dividend reinvestment or stockholder stock purchase plan or in connection with the issuance of capital stock of the Corporation (or securities convertible into or exercisable for such capital stock) as consideration in an acquisition transaction entered into prior to such Extension Period, (b) as a result of any exchange or conversion of any class or series of the Corporation's capital stock (or any capital stock of a subsidiary of the Corporation) for any class or series of the Corporation's capital stock or of any class or series of the Corporation's indebtedness for any class or series of the Corporation's capital stock, (c) the purchase of fractional interests in shares of the Corporation's capital stock pursuant to the conversion or exchange provisions of such capital stock or the security being converted or exchanged, (d) any declaration of a dividend in connection with any stockholder's rights plan, or the issuance of rights, stock or other property under any stockholder's rights plan, or the redemption or repurchase of rights pursuant thereto, or (e) any dividend in the form of stock, warrants, options or other rights where the dividend stock or the stock issuable upon exercise of such warrants, options or other rights is the same stock as that on which the dividend is being paid or ranks PARI PASSU with or junior to such stock.

The revenue of each Issuer available for distribution to holders of any series of Related Preferred Securities will be limited to payments under the Corresponding Junior Subordinated Debentures in which the Issuer will invest the proceeds from the issuance and sale of its Trust Securities. See "Description of Junior Subordinated Debentures -- Corresponding Junior Subordinated Debentures". If the Corporation does not make interest payments on such Corresponding Junior Subordinated Debentures, the Property Trustee will not have funds available to pay Distributions on the Related Preferred Securities. The payment of Distributions (if and to the extent the Issuer has funds legally available for the payment of such Distributions and cash sufficient to make such payments) is guaranteed by the Corporation on a limited basis as set forth herein under "Description of Guarantees".

Distributions on the Preferred Securities will be payable to the holders thereof as they appear on the register of the related Issuer on the relevant record dates, which, as long as the Preferred Securities remain in book-entry form, will be one Business Day prior to the relevant Distribution Date. Subject to any applicable laws and regulations and the provisions of the applicable Trust Agreement, each such payment will be made as described under "Book-Entry Issuance". In the event any Preferred Securities are not in book-entry form, the relevant record date for such Preferred Securities shall be the date specified in the applicable Prospectus Supplement.

REDEMPTION OR EXCHANGE

MANDATORY REDEMPTION. Upon the repayment or redemption, in whole or in part, of any series of Corresponding Junior Subordinated Debentures, whether at maturity or upon earlier redemption as provided in the Indenture, the proceeds from such repayment or redemption shall be applied by the Property Trustee to redeem a Like Amount (as defined herein) of the related Trust Securities, upon not less than 30 nor more than 60 days notice, at a redemption price (the "Redemption Price") equal to the aggregate Liquidation Amount of such Trust Securities, plus accumulated but unpaid Distributions thereon to the date of repayment or redemption (the "Redemption Date") and the related amount of the premium, if any, paid by the Corporation upon the concurrent repayment or redemption of such Corresponding Junior Subordinated Debentures. See "Description of Junior Subordinated Debentures -- Redemption". If less than all of any series of Corresponding Junior Subordinated Debentures are to be repaid or redeemed on a Redemption Date, then the proceeds from such repayment or redemption shall be allocated to the redemption PRO RATA of the Related Preferred Securities and Common Securities. The amount of premium, if any, paid by the Corporation upon the repayment or redemption of all or any part of any series of any Corresponding Junior Subordinated Debentures to be repaid or redeemed on a Redemption Date shall be allocated to the redemption PRO RATA of the Related Preferred Securities and Common Securities.

The Corporation will have the right to redeem any series of Corresponding Junior Subordinated Debentures (i) on or after such date as may be specified in the applicable Prospectus Supplement, in whole at any time or in part from time to time, (ii) at any time, in whole (but not in part), upon the occurrence of a Tax Event or Capital Treatment Event, or (iii) as may be otherwise specified in the applicable Prospectus Supplement, provided that the Corporation has committed to the Federal Reserve Bank of Richmond that it will not exercise any such right without having received the prior approval of the Federal Reserve Board to do so, if then so required under applicable capital guidelines or policies of the Federal Reserve Board.

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DISTRIBUTION OF CORRESPONDING JUNIOR SUBORDINATED DEBENTURES. The Corporation has the right at any time to terminate any Issuer and, after satisfaction of the liabilities of creditors of such Issuer in accordance with applicable law and the applicable Expense Agreement, cause the series of Corresponding Junior Subordinated Debentures in respect of the Related Preferred Securities and Common Securities issued by such Issuer to be distributed to the holders of such Related Preferred Securities and Common Securities in liquidation of the Issuer. The Corporation has committed to the Federal Reserve Bank of Richmond, however, that for so long as the Corporation (or an affiliate) is the holder of the Common Securities of an Issuer it will not exercise such right with respect to such Issuer without having received the prior approval of the Federal Reserve Board to do so, if then so required under applicable capital quidelines or policies of the Federal Reserve Board.

TAX EVENT OR CAPITAL TREATMENT EVENT REDEMPTION. If a Tax Event or Capital

Treatment Event in respect of a series of Related Preferred Securities and Common Securities shall occur and be continuing, the Corporation has the right to redeem the Corresponding Junior Subordinated Debentures in whole (but not in part) and thereby cause a mandatory redemption of such Preferred Securities and Common Securities in whole (but not in part) at the applicable Redemption Price within 90 days following the occurrence of such Tax Event or Capital Treatment Event. In the event a Tax Event or Capital Treatment Event in respect of a series of Related Preferred Securities and Common Securities has occurred and is continuing and the Corporation does not elect to redeem the Corresponding Junior Subordinated Debentures and thereby cause a mandatory redemption of such series of Related Preferred Securities and Common Securities or to liquidate the related Issuer and cause the Corresponding Junior Subordinated Debentures to be distributed to holders of such series of Related Preferred Securities and Common Securities in exchange therefor upon liquidation of the Issuer as described above, such series of Related Preferred Securities and Common Securities will remain outstanding and Additional Sums may be payable on the Corresponding Junior Subordinated Debentures.

Unless otherwise provided in the applicable Prospectus Supplement:

"Additional Sums" means the additional amounts as may be necessary in order that the amount of Distributions then due and payable by an Issuer on the outstanding Preferred Securities and Common Securities of the Issuer shall not be reduced as a result of any additional taxes, duties and other governmental charges to which such Issuer has become subject as a result of a Tax Event.

"Like Amount" means (i) with respect to a redemption of any series of Trust Securities, Trust Securities of such series having a Liquidation Amount equal to that portion of the principal amount of Corresponding Junior Subordinated Debentures to be contemporaneously redeemed in accordance with the Indenture, allocated to the Common Securities and to the Related Preferred Securities based upon the relative Liquidation Amounts of such classes and the proceeds of which will be used to pay the Redemption Price of such Trust Securities, and (ii) with respect to a distribution of Corresponding Junior Subordinated Debentures to holders of any series of Trust Securities in connection with a dissolution or liquidation of the related Issuer, Corresponding Junior Subordinated Debentures having a principal amount equal to the Liquidation Amount of the Trust Securities of the holder to whom such Corresponding Junior Subordinated Debentures are distributed.

"Liquidation Amount" means the stated amount of 25.00 per Trust Security.

After the liquidation date fixed for the distribution of any Corresponding Junior Subordinated Debentures in exchange for any series of Related Preferred Securities (i) such series of Related Preferred Securities will no longer be deemed to be outstanding, (ii) the Depositary or its nominee, as the record holder of such series of Related Preferred Securities, will receive a registered global certificate or certificates representing the Corresponding Junior Subordinated Debentures to be delivered upon such distribution, and (iii) any certificates representing such series of Related Preferred Securities not held by the Depositary or its nominee will be deemed to represent the Corresponding Junior Subordinated Debentures having a principal amount equal to the Liquidation Amount of such series of Related Preferred Securities, and bearing accrued and unpaid interest in an amount equal to the accrued and unpaid Distributions on such series of Related Preferred Securities until such certificates are presented to the Administrative Trustees or their agent for transfer or reissuance.

There can be no assurance as to the market prices for any series of Related Preferred Securities, or the Corresponding Junior Subordinated Debentures that may be distributed in exchange for such series of Related Preferred Securities, if a liquidation of the Issuer were to occur. Accordingly, the Related Preferred Securities that an investor may purchase, or the Corresponding Junior Subordinated Debentures that the investor may receive on dissolution and liquidation of an Issuer, may trade at a discount to the price that the investor paid to purchase the Related Preferred Securities.

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POSSIBLE TAX LAW CHANGES. On March 19, 1996, the Revenue Reconciliation Bill of 1996 (the "Revenue Reconciliation Bill"), the

revenue portion of President Clinton's budget proposal, was introduced in the 104th Congress. If enacted, the Revenue Reconciliation Bill would have generally denied interest deductions for interest on an instrument issued by a corporation that has a maximum weighted average maturity of more than 40 years. The Revenue Reconciliation Bill also would have generally denied interest deductions for interest as an instrument, issued by a corporation, that has a maximum term of more than 20 years and that is not shown as indebtedness on the separate balance sheet of the issuer or, where the instrument is issued to a related party (other than a corporation), where the holder or some other related party issues a related instrument that is not shown as indebtedness on the issuer's consolidated balance sheet. For purposes of determining the weighted average maturity or the term of an instrument, any right to extend would be treated as exercised. The above-described provisions of the Revenue Reconciliation Bill were proposed to be effective as to instruments issued on or after December 7, 1995. If either provision were to have applied to the Preferred Securities of any series, the Corporation would have been unable to deduct interest on the Preferred Securities of such series. However, on March 29, 1996, the Chairmen of the Senate Finance and House Ways and Means Committees issued a joint statement to the effect that it was their intention that the effective date of the President's legislative proposals, if adopted, would be no earlier than the date of appropriate Congressional action. Under current law, the Corporation will be able to deduct interest on the Preferred Securities. Although the 104th Congress adjourned without enacting the above-described provisions of the Revenue Reconciliation Bill, there can be no assurance that current or future legislative proposals or final legislation will not affect the ability of the Corporation to deduct interest on the Preferred Securities. Such a change could give rise to a Tax Event, which may permit the Corporation to cause a redemption of the Preferred Securities, as described more fully herein.

REDEMPTION PROCEDURES

Related Preferred Securities redeemed on each Redemption Date shall be redeemed at the applicable Redemption Price with the applicable proceeds from the contemporaneous redemption of the Corresponding Junior Subordinated Debentures. Redemptions of the Related Preferred Securities shall be made and the Redemption Price shall be payable on each Redemption Date only to the extent that the related Issuer has funds on hand and available for the payment of such Redemption Price. See " -- Subordination of Common Securities".

If the Property Trustee gives a notice of redemption in respect of a series of Preferred Securities, then by 12:00 noon, New York City time, on the Redemption Date, to the extent funds are available, the Property Trustee will deposit irrevocably with the Depositary funds sufficient to pay the applicable Redemption Price and will give the Depositary irrevocable instructions and authority to pay the Redemption Price to the holders of such Preferred Securities. See "Book-Entry Issuance". If such Preferred Securities are no longer in book-entry form, the Property Trustee, to the extent funds are available, will irrevocably deposit with the Paying Agent for such Preferred Securities funds sufficient to pay the applicable Redemption Price and will give such Paying Agent irrevocable instructions and authority to pay the Redemption Price to the holders thereof upon surrender of their certificates evidencing such Preferred Securities. Notwithstanding the foregoing, Distributions payable on or prior to the Redemption Date for any Preferred Securities called for redemption shall be payable to the holders of such Preferred Securities on the relevant record dates for the related Distribution Dates. If notice of redemption shall have been given and funds deposited as required, then upon the date of such deposit, all rights of the holders of such Preferred Securities so called for redemption will cease, except the right of the holders of such Preferred Securities to receive the Redemption Price and any unpaid Distributions payable in respect of the Preferred Securities on or prior to the Redemption Date, but without interest thereon, and such Preferred Securities will cease to be outstanding. In the event that any date fixed for redemption of Preferred Securities is not a Business Day, then payment of the Redemption Price payable on such date will be made on the next succeeding day which is a Business Day (and without any interest or other payment in respect of any such delay), except that, if such Business Day falls in the next calendar year, such payment will be made on the immediately preceding Business Day. In the event that payment of the Redemption Price in respect of Preferred Securities called for redemption is improperly withheld or refused and not paid either by the Issuer or by the Corporation pursuant to the Guarantee as described under "Description of Guarantees", Distributions on such Preferred Securities will continue to accrue at the then applicable rate, from the Redemption Date originally established by the Issuer for such Preferred Securities to the date such Redemption Price is actually paid, in which case the actual payment date will be the date fixed for redemption for purposes of calculating the

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Subject to applicable law (including, without limitation, United States federal securities law), the Corporation or its subsidiaries may at any time and from time to time purchase outstanding Preferred Securities by tender, in the open market or by private agreement.

Payment of the Redemption Price on any Preferred Securities (or any distribution of Corresponding Junior Subordinated Debentures in exchange for Related Preferred Securities upon liquidation of the Issuer) shall be made to the applicable recordholders thereof as they appear on the register for such Preferred Securities on the relevant record date, which shall be one Business Day prior to the relevant Redemption Date (or liquidation date); provided, however, that in the event that any Preferred Securities are not in book-entry form, the relevant record date for such Preferred Securities shall be a date at least 15 days prior to the Redemption Date (or liquidation date), as specified in the applicable Prospectus Supplement.

If less than all of the outstanding Trust Securities of an Issuer are to be redeemed on a Redemption Date, then the aggregate Liquidation Amount of such Trust Securities to be redeemed shall be allocated PRO RATA to the outstanding Preferred Securities and Common Securities based upon the relative Liquidation Amounts of such classes. The particular Preferred Securities to be redeemed shall be selected on a PRO RATA basis not more than 60 days prior to the Redemption Date by the Property Trustee from the outstanding Preferred Securities not previously called for redemption, by such method as the Property Trustee shall deem fair and appropriate and which may provide for the selection for redemption of portions (equal to \$25.00 or an integral multiple of \$25.00 in excess thereof) of the Liquidation Amount of Preferred Securities of a denomination larger than \$25.00. The Property Trustee shall promptly notify the trust registrar and transfer agent in writing of the Preferred Securities selected for redemption, and in the case of any Preferred Securities selected for partial redemption, the Liquidation Amount thereof to be redeemed. For all purposes of each Trust Agreement, unless the context otherwise requires, all provisions relating to the redemption of Preferred Securities shall relate, in the case of any Preferred Securities redeemed or to be redeemed only in part, to the portion of the aggregate Liquidation Amount of Preferred Securities which has been or is to be redeemed.

Notice of any redemption will be mailed at least 30 days but not more than 60 days before the Redemption Date to each holder of Preferred Securities to be redeemed at its registered address. Unless the Corporation defaults in payment of the Redemption Price on the Corresponding Junior Subordinated Debentures, on and after the Redemption Date interest will cease to accrue on such Corresponding Junior Subordinated Debentures or portions thereof (and Distributions will cease to accrue on such Preferred Securities or portions thereof) called for redemption.

SUBORDINATION OF COMMON SECURITIES

Payment of Distributions on, and the Redemption Price of, each Issuer's Preferred Securities and Common Securities, as applicable, shall be made PRO RATA based on the Liquidation Amount of such Preferred Securities and Common Securities; provided, however, that if, on any Distribution Date or Redemption Date (or liquidation date), a Debenture Event of Default shall have occurred and be continuing, no payment of any Distribution on, or Redemption Price of (or Liquidation Distribution (as defined herein) in respect of) any of the Issuer's Common Securities, and no other payment on account of the redemption, liquidation or other acquisition of such Common Securities, shall be made unless payment in full in cash of all accumulated and unpaid Distributions on all of the Issuer's outstanding Preferred Securities for all Distribution periods terminating on or prior thereto, or in the case of payment of the Redemption Price the full amount of such Redemption Price on all of the Issuer's outstanding Preferred Securities then called for redemption (or in the case of payment of the Liquidation Distribution the full amount of such liquidation on all outstanding Preferred Securities) shall have been made or provided for, and all funds available to the Property Trustee shall first be applied to the payment in full in cash of all Distributions on, or Redemption Price of, the Issuer's Preferred Securities then due and payable.

In the case of any Event of Default with respect to a series of

Related Preferred Securities resulting from a Debenture Event of Default with respect to the Corresponding Junior Subordinated Debentures, the Corporation as holder of the applicable Issuer's Common Securities will be deemed to have waived any right to act with respect to any such Event of Default until the effect of all such Events of Default with respect to such Preferred Securities have been cured, waived or otherwise eliminated. See " -- Events of Default; Notice". Until any such Events of Default with respect to such series of Related Preferred Securities have been so cured, waived or otherwise eliminated, the Property Trustee shall act solely on behalf of the holders of such series of Related Preferred Securities and not on behalf of the holder of the Issuer's Common Securities (I.E., the Corporation), and only the holders of such series of Related Preferred Securities will have the right to direct the Property Trustee to act on their behalf.

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LIQUIDATION DISTRIBUTION UPON TERMINATION

Pursuant to each Trust Agreement, each Issuer shall automatically terminate upon expiration of its term and shall terminate on the first to occur of:

(i) certain events of bankruptcy, dissolution or liquidation of the holder of its Common Securities (I.E., the Corporation);

(ii) the distribution of a Like Amount of Corresponding Junior Subordinated Debentures to the holders of its related Trust Securities, if the holder of the Common Securities (I.E., the Corporation) has given written direction to the Property Trustee to terminate such Issuer (which direction is optional and wholly within the discretion of the holder of the Common Securities (I.E., the Corporation));

(iii) redemption of all of its Preferred Securities as described under " -- Redemption or Exchange; MANDATORY REDEMPTION"; and

(iv) the entry of an order for the dissolution of the Issuer by a court of competent jurisdiction.

If an early termination occurs as described in clause (i), (ii) or (iv) above, the Issuer shall be liquidated by the Issuer Trustees as expeditiously as the Issuer Trustees determine to be possible by distributing, after satisfaction of liabilities to creditors of such Issuer in accordance with applicable law and the applicable Expense Agreement, to the holders of such Issuer's Trust Securities in exchange therefor a Like Amount of the Corresponding Junior Subordinated Debentures, unless such distribution is determined by the Property Trustee not to be practical, in which event such holders will be entitled to receive out of the assets of the Issuer available for distribution to holders, after satisfaction of liabilities to creditors of such Issuer in accordance with applicable law and the applicable Expense Agreement, an amount equal to, in the case of holders of Preferred Securities, the aggregate of the Liquidation Amount of such Preferred Securities, plus accrued and unpaid Distributions thereon to the date of payment (such amount being the "Liquidation Distribution"). If such Liquidation Distribution can be paid only in part because such Issuer has insufficient assets available to pay in full the aggregate Liquidation Distribution, then the amounts payable directly by such Issuer on its Preferred Securities shall be paid on a PRO RATA basis. The holder of such Issuer's Common Securities (I.E., the Corporation) will be entitled to receive distributions upon any such liquidation PRO RATA with the holders of the Preferred Securities, except that if a Debenture Event of Default has occurred and is continuing, such Preferred Securities shall have a priority over the Common Securities.

EVENTS OF DEFAULT; NOTICE

Any one of the following events constitutes an "Event of Default" under each Trust Agreement (an "Event of Default") with respect to the Preferred Securities issued thereunder (whatever the reason for such Event of Default and whether it shall be voluntary or involuntary or be effected by operation of law or pursuant to any judgment, decree or order of any court or any order, rule or regulation of any administrative or governmental body):

(i) the occurrence of a Debenture Event of Default under the Indenture (see "Description of Junior Subordinated Debentures -- Debenture Events of Default"); or (ii) default by the Property Trustee in the payment of any Distribution when it becomes due and payable, and continuation of such default for a period of 30 days; or

(iii) default by the Property Trustee in the payment of any Redemption Price of any Trust Security when it becomes due and payable; or

(iv) default in the performance, or breach, in any material respect, of any covenant or warranty of the Issuer Trustees in such Trust Agreement (other than a covenant or warranty a default in the performance of which or the breach of which is dealt with in clause (ii) or (iii) above), and continuation of such default or breach for a period of 60 days after there has been given, by registered or certified mail, to the defaulting Issuer Trustee or Trustees by the holders of at least 25 percent in aggregate Liquidation Amount of the outstanding Preferred Securities of the applicable Issuer, a written notice specifying such default or breach and requiring it to be remedied and stating that such notice is a "Notice of Default" under such Trust Agreement; or

(v) the occurrence of certain events of bankruptcy or insolvency with respect to the Property Trustee and the failure by the Corporation to appoint a successor Property Trustee within 90 days thereof.

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Within five Business Days after the occurrence of any Event of Default actually known to the Property Trustee, the Property Trustee shall transmit notice of such Event of Default to the holders of the related Issuer's Preferred Securities, the Administrative Trustees and the Corporation, as Depositor, unless such Event of Default shall have been cured or waived. The Corporation, as Depositor, and the Administrative Trustees are required to file annually with the Property Trustee a certificate as to whether or not they are in compliance with all the conditions and covenants applicable to them under each Trust Agreement.

If a Debenture Event of Default has occurred and is continuing, Preferred Securities shall have a preference over Common Securities as described above. See " -- Liquidation Distribution Upon Termination". The existence of an Event of Default does not entitle the holders of Preferred Securities to accelerate the maturity thereof.

REMOVAL OF ISSUER TRUSTEES

Unless a Debenture Event of Default shall have occurred and be continuing, any Issuer Trustee may be removed at any time by the holder of the Common Securities (I.E., the Corporation). If a Debenture Event of Default has occurred and is continuing, the Property Trustee and the Delaware Trustee may be removed at such time by the holders of a majority in Liquidation Amount of the outstanding Preferred Securities. In no event will the holders of the Preferred Securities have the right to vote to appoint, remove or replace the Administrative Trustees, which voting rights are vested exclusively in the Corporation as the holder of the Common Securities. No resignation or removal of an Issuer Trustee and no appointment of a successor trustee shall be effective until the acceptance of appointment by the successor trustee in accordance with the provisions of the applicable Trust Agreement.

CO-TRUSTEES AND SEPARATE PROPERTY TRUSTEE

Unless an Event of Default shall have occurred and be continuing, at any time or from time to time, for the purpose of meeting the legal requirements of the Trust Indenture Act or of any jurisdiction in which any part of the assets of an Issuer may at the time be located, the Corporation, as the holder of the Common Securities, and the Administrative Trustees shall have power to appoint one or more persons either to act as a co-trustee, jointly with the Property Trustee, of all or any part of such assets, or to act as separate trustee of any such assets, in either case with such powers as may be provided in the instrument of appointment, and to vest in such person or persons in such capacity any property, title, right or power deemed necessary or desirable, subject to the provisions of the applicable Trust Agreement. In case a Debenture Event of Default has occurred and is continuing, the Property Trustee alone shall have power to make such appointment. Any Person into which the Property Trustee, the Delaware Trustee or any Administrative Trustee that is not a natural person may be merged or converted or with which it may be consolidated, or any Person resulting from any merger, conversion or consolidation to which such Trustee shall be a party, or any Person succeeding to all or substantially all the corporate trust business of such Trustee, shall be the successor of such Trustee under each Trust Agreement, provided such Person shall be otherwise qualified and eligible.

MERGERS, CONSOLIDATIONS, AMALGAMATIONS OR REPLACEMENTS OF ISSUERS

An Issuer may not merge with or into, consolidate, amalgamate, or be replaced by, or convey, transfer or lease its properties and assets substantially as an entirety to any corporation or other Person, except as described below. An Issuer may, at the request of the holder of the Common Securities (I.E., the Corporation), with the consent of the Administrative Trustees and without the consent of the holders of the Preferred Securities of such Issuer, merge with or into, consolidate, amalgamate, or be replaced by or convey, transfer or lease its properties and assets substantially as an entirety to a trust organized as such under the laws of any state; provided, that (i) such successor entity either (a) expressly assumes all of the obligations of such Issuer with respect to such Preferred Securities, or (b) substitutes for such Preferred Securities other securities having substantially the same terms as such Preferred Securities (the "Successor Securities") so long as the Successor Securities rank the same as such Preferred Securities in priority with respect to distributions and payments upon liquidation, redemption and otherwise, (ii) the Corporation expressly appoints a trustee of such successor entity possessing the same powers and duties as the Property Trustee as the holder of the Corresponding Junior Subordinated Debentures, (iii) the Successor Securities are listed, or any Successor Securities will be listed upon notification of issuance, on any national securities exchange or other organization on which such Preferred Securities are then listed, if any, (iv) such merger, consolidation, amalgamation, replacement, conveyance, transfer or lease does not cause such Preferred Securities (including any

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Successor Securities) to be downgraded by any nationally recognized statistical rating organization, $\left(\nu\right)$ such merger, consolidation, amalgamation, replacement, conveyance, transfer or lease does not adversely affect the rights, preferences and privileges of the holders of such Preferred Securities (including any Successor Securities) in any material respect, (vi) such successor entity has a purpose substantially identical to that of the Issuer, (vii) prior to such merger, consolidation, amalgamation, replacement, conveyance, transfer or lease, the holder of the Common Securities has received an opinion from independent counsel to the Issuer experienced in such matters to the effect that (a) such merger, consolidation, amalgamation, replacement, conveyance, transfer or lease does not adversely affect the rights, preferences and privileges of the holders of such Preferred Securities (including any Successor Securities) in any material respect, and (b) following such merger, consolidation, amalgamation, replacement, conveyance, transfer or lease, neither the Issuer nor such successor entity will be required to register as an investment company under the Investment Company Act of 1940, as amended (the "Investment Company Act"), and (viii) the Corporation or any permitted successor or assignee owns all of the Common Securities of such successor entity and guarantees the obligations of such successor entity under the Successor Securities at least to the extent provided by the Guarantee. Notwithstanding the foregoing, an Issuer shall not, except with the consent of holders of 100 percent in Liquidation Amount of such Preferred Securities, consolidate, amalgamate, merge with or into, or be replaced by or convey, transfer or lease its properties and assets substantially as an entirety to any other entity or permit any other entity to consolidate, amalgamate, merge with or into, or replace it if such consolidation, amalgamation, merger, replacement, conveyance, transfer or lease would cause the Issuer or the successor entity to be classified as an association taxable as a corporation or as other than a grantor trust for United States federal income tax purposes.

VOTING RIGHTS; AMENDMENT OF EACH TRUST AGREEMENT

Except as provided below and under "Description of Guarantees -- Amendments and Assignment" and as otherwise required by law and the applicable Trust Agreement, the holders of Preferred Securities will have no voting rights.

Each Trust Agreement may be amended from time to time by the Corporation, the Property Trustee and the Administrative Trustees, without the consent of the holders of Preferred Securities (i) to cure any ambiguity, correct or supplement any provisions in such Trust Agreement that may be inconsistent with any other provision, or to make any other provisions with respect to matters or questions arising under such Trust Agreement, which shall not be inconsistent with the other provisions of such Trust Agreement, or (ii) to modify, eliminate or add to any provisions of such Trust Agreement to such extent as shall be necessary to ensure that the Issuer will not be classified for United States federal income tax purposes as an association taxable as a corporation or as other than a grantor trust at all times that any Trust Securities are outstanding or to ensure that the Issuer will not be required to register as an "investment company" under the Investment Company Act; provided, however, that in the case of either clause (i) or clause (ii), such action shall not adversely affect in any material respect the interests of any holder of Preferred Securities, and any amendments of such Trust Agreement shall become effective when notice thereof is given to the holders of Trust Securities. Each Trust Agreement may be amended by the Issuer Trustees and the Corporation with (i) the consent of holders representing not less than a majority (based on Liquidation Amounts) of the outstanding Trust Securities, and (ii) receipt by the Issuer Trustees of an opinion of counsel to the effect that such amendment or the exercise of any power granted to the Issuer Trustees in accordance with such amendment will not cause the Issuer to be classified as an association taxable as a corporation or affect the Issuer's status as a grantor trust for United States federal income tax purposes or the Issuer's exemption from status as an "investment company under the Investment Company Act, provided that without the consent of each holder of Trust Securities, such Trust Agreement may not be amended to (i) change the amount or timing of any Distribution on the Trust Securities or otherwise adversely affect the amount of any Distribution required to be made in respect of the Trust Securities as of a specified date, or (ii) restrict the right of a holder of Trust Securities to institute suit for the enforcement of any such payment on or after such date.

So long as any series of Corresponding Junior Subordinated Debentures are held by the Property Trustee, the Issuer Trustees shall not (i) direct the time, method and place of conducting any proceeding for any remedy available to the Debenture Trustee, or executing any trust or power conferred on the Property Trustee with respect to such series of Corresponding Junior Subordinated Debentures, (ii) waive any past default that is waiveable under the Indenture, (iii) exercise any right to rescind or annul a declaration that the principal of such series of Corresponding Junior Subordinated Debentures shall be due and payable, or (iv) consent to any amendment, modification or termination of the Indenture or such series of Corresponding Junior Subordinated Debentures, where such consent shall be required, without, in each case, obtaining the prior approval of the holders of a majority in aggregate Liquidation Amount of all outstanding Related Preferred Securities; provided, however, that where a consent under the Indenture would require the consent of each holder of such Related Corresponding Junior Subordinated Debentures, no such consent shall be given by the Property Trustee without the prior consent of each holder of the Related Preferred Securities. The Issuer Trustees shall not revoke any action previously authorized or approved

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by a vote of the holders of the Related Preferred Securities except by subsequent vote of the holders of the Related Preferred Securities. The Property Trustee shall notify each holder of such Related Preferred Securities of any notice of default with respect to the Corresponding Junior Subordinated Debentures. In addition to obtaining the foregoing approvals of the holders of the Related Preferred Securities, prior to taking any of the foregoing actions, the Issuer Trustees shall obtain an opinion of counsel experienced in such matters to the effect that the Issuer will not be classified as an association taxable as a corporation or as other than a grantor trust for United States federal income tax purposes on account of such action.

Any required approval of holders of a series of Preferred Securities may be given at a meeting of holders of such series of Preferred Securities convened for such purpose or pursuant to written consent. The Property Trustee will cause a notice of any meeting at which holders of such series of Preferred Securities are entitled to vote, or of any matter upon which action by written consent of such holders is to be taken, to be given to each holder of record of such series of Preferred Securities in the manner set forth in the applicable Trust Agreement.

No vote or consent of the holders of Preferred Securities will be required for an Issuer to redeem or cancel Preferred Securities in accordance with the applicable Trust Agreement. Notwithstanding that holders of a series of Preferred Securities are entitled to vote or consent under any of the circumstances described above, any Preferred Securities that are owned by the Corporation, the Issuer Trustees or any affiliate of the Corporation or any Issuer Trustee, shall, for purposes of such vote or consent, be treated as if they were not outstanding.

GLOBAL PREFERRED SECURITIES

The Preferred Securities of a series may be issued in whole or in part in the form of one or more global Preferred Securities ("Global Preferred Securities") that will be deposited with, or on behalf of, the Depositary identified in the Prospectus Supplement relating to such series. Unless otherwise indicated in the applicable Prospectus Supplement for such series, the Depositary will be The Depository Trust Company ("DTC"). Global Preferred Securities may be issued only in fully registered form and in either temporary or permanent form. Unless and until it is exchanged in whole or in part for the individual Preferred Securities represented thereby, a Global Preferred Security may not be transferred except as a whole by the Depositary for such Global Preferred Security to a nominee of such Depositary or by a nominee of such Depositary to such Depositary or another nominee of such Depositary or by the Depositary or any nominee to a successor Depositary or any nominee of such successor.

The specific terms of the depositary arrangement with respect to a series of Preferred Securities will be described in the Prospectus Supplement relating to such series. The Corporation anticipates that the following provisions will generally apply to depositary arrangements.

Upon the issuance of a Global Preferred Security, and the deposit of such Global Preferred Security with or on behalf of the Depositary, the Depositary for such Global Preferred Security or its nominee will credit, on its book-entry registration and transfer system, the respective aggregate Liquidation Amounts of the individual Preferred Securities represented by such Global Preferred Security to the accounts of Participants. Such accounts shall be designated by the dealers, underwriters or agents with respect to such Preferred Securities or by the Corporation if such Preferred Securities are offered and sold directly by the Corporation. Ownership of beneficial interests in a Global Preferred Security will be limited to Participants or persons that may hold interests through Participants. Ownership of beneficial interests in such Global Preferred Security will be shown on, and the transfer of that ownership will be effected only through, records maintained by the applicable Depositary or its nominee (with respect to interests of Participants) and the records of Participants (with respect to interests of persons who hold through Participants). The laws of some states require that certain purchasers of securities take physical delivery of such securities in definitive form. Such limits and such laws may impair the ability to transfer beneficial interests in a Global Preferred Security.

So long as the Depositary for a Global Preferred Security, or its nominee, is the registered owner of such Global Preferred Security, such Depositary or such nominee, as the case may be, will be considered the sole owner or holder of the Preferred Securities represented by such Global Preferred Security for all purposes under the Trust Agreement governing such Preferred Securities. Except as provided below, owners of beneficial interests in a Global Preferred Security will not be entitled to have any of the individual Preferred Securities of the series represented by such Global Preferred Security registered in their names, will not receive or be entitled to receive physical delivery of any such Preferred Securities of such series in certificated form and will not be considered the owners or holders thereof under the Indenture.

Payments of principal of (and premium, if any) and interest on individual Preferred Securities represented by a Global Preferred Security registered in the name of a Depositary or its nominee will be made to the Depositary or its nominee, as the

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case may be, as the registered owner of the Global Preferred Security representing such Preferred Securities. None of the Corporation, the Property Trustee, any Paying Agent, or the Securities Registrar for such Preferred Securities will have any responsibility or liability for any aspect of the records relating to or payments made on account of beneficial ownership interests of the Global Preferred Security representing such Preferred Securities or for maintaining, supervising or reviewing any records relating to such beneficial ownership interests. The Corporation expects that the Depositary for a series of Preferred Securities or its nominee, upon receipt of any payment of any Liquidation Amount, premium or Distributions in respect of a Global Preferred Security representing any of such Preferred Securities, including payment of any Redemption Price therefor, will credit Participants' accounts with payments in amounts proportionate to their respective beneficial interest in the aggregate Liquidation Amount of such Global Preferred Security for such Preferred Securities as shown on the records of such Depositary or its nominee. The Corporation also expects that payments by Participants to owners of beneficial interests in such Global Preferred Security held through such Participants will be governed by standing instructions and customary practices, as is now the case with securities held for the accounts of customers in bearer form or registered in "street name". Such payments will be the responsibility of such Participants.

Unless otherwise specified in the applicable Prospectus Supplement, if a Depositary for a series of Preferred Securities is at any time unwilling, unable or ineligible to continue as depositary and a successor depositary is not appointed by the Issuer, or if there shall have occurred and be continuing a Debenture Event of Default with respect to such series of Preferred Securities, then within 90 days thereof the Issuer will issue definitive certificates for Preferred Securities of such series in exchange for the Global Preferred Security or Securities representing such series of Preferred Securities. In addition, the Issuer may at any time and in its sole discretion, subject to any limitations described in the Prospectus Supplement relating to such Preferred Securities, determine not to have any Preferred Securities of such series represented by one or more Global Preferred Securities and, in such event, will issue individual Preferred Securities of such series in exchange for the Global Preferred Security or Securities representing such series of Preferred Securities. Further, if the Issuer so specifies with respect to the Preferred Securities of a series, an owner of a beneficial interest in a Global Preferred Security representing Preferred Securities of such series may, on terms acceptable to the Issuer, the Property Trustee and the Depositary for such Global Preferred Security, receive individual Preferred Securities of such series in exchange for such beneficial interests, subject to any limitations described in the Prospectus Supplement relating to such Preferred Securities. In any such instance, an owner of a beneficial interest in a Global Preferred Security will be entitled to physical delivery of individual Preferred Securities of the series represented by such Global Preferred Security equal in Liquidation Amount to such beneficial interest and to have such Preferred Securities registered in its name. Individual Preferred Securities of such series so issued will be issued in denominations, unless otherwise specified by the Issuer, of \$25.00 and integral multiples thereof.

PAYMENT AND PAYING AGENCY

Payments in respect of the Preferred Securities shall be made to the Depositary, which shall credit the relevant accounts at the Depositary on the applicable Distribution Dates or, if any Issuer's Preferred Securities are not held by the Depositary, such payments shall be made by check mailed to the address of the holder entitled thereto as such address shall appear on the applicable Securities Register. Unless otherwise specified in the applicable Prospectus Supplement, the Paying Agent shall initially be the Property Trustee and any co-paying agent chosen by the Property Trustee and acceptable to the Administrative Trustees. The Paying Agent shall be permitted to resign as Paying Agent upon 30 days' written notice to the Property Trustee. In the event that the Property Trustee shall no longer be the Paying Agent, the Administrative Trustees shall appoint a successor (which shall be a bank or trust company acceptable to the Administrative Trustees) to act as Paying Agent.

REGISTRAR AND TRANSFER AGENT

Unless otherwise specified in the applicable Prospectus Supplement, the Property Trustee will act as registrar and transfer agent for the Preferred Securities.

Registration of transfers of Preferred Securities will be effected without charge by or on behalf of each Issuer, but upon payment of any tax or other governmental charges that may be imposed in connection with any transfer or exchange. The Issuers will not be required to register or cause to be registered the transfer of their Preferred Securities after such Preferred Securities have been called for redemption.

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The Property Trustee, other than during the occurrence and continuance of an Event of Default, undertakes to perform only such duties as are specifically set forth in the applicable Trust Agreement and, after such Event of Default, must exercise the same degree of care and skill as a prudent person would exercise or use in the conduct of his or her own affairs. Subject to this provision, the Property Trustee is under no obligation to exercise any of the powers vested in it by the applicable Trust Agreement at the request of any holder of Preferred Securities unless it is offered reasonable indemnity against the costs, expenses and liabilities that might be incurred thereby. If no Event of Default has occurred and is continuing under the applicable Trust Agreement and the Property Trustee is required to decide between alternative causes of action, construe ambiguous provisions in such Trust Agreement or is unsure of the application of any provision of such Trust Agreement, and the matter is not one on which holders of Preferred Securities are entitled under such Trust Agreement to vote, then the Property Trustee shall take such action as is directed by the Corporation and if not so directed, shall take such action as it deems advisable and in the best interests of the holders of the Preferred Securities and will have no liability except for its own bad faith, negligence or willful misconduct.

MISCELLANEOUS

The Administrative Trustees for each Issuer are authorized and directed to conduct the affairs of and to operate such Issuer in such a way that such Issuer will not be deemed to be an "investment company" required to be registered under the Investment Company Act and will not be classified as an association taxable as a corporation or as other than a grantor trust for United States federal income tax purposes, and so that the Corresponding Junior Subordinated Debentures held by such Issuer will be treated as indebtedness of the Corporation for United States federal income tax purposes. In this connection, the Corporation and the Administrative Trustees are authorized to take any action, not inconsistent with applicable law, the certificate of trust of each Issuer or each Trust Agreement, that the Corporation and the Administrative Trustees determine in their sole discretion to be necessary or desirable for such purposes, as long as such action does not materially adversely affect the interests of the holders of the Related Preferred Securities.

Holders of the Preferred Securities have no preemptive or similar rights.

No Issuer may borrow money or issue debt or mortgage or pledge any of its assets.

BOOK-ENTRY ISSUANCE

DTC will act as Depositary for all of the Preferred Securities and the Junior Subordinated Debentures, unless otherwise referred to in the Prospectus Supplement relating to an offering of Preferred Securities or Junior Subordinated Debentures. The Preferred Securities and the Junior Subordinated Debentures will be issued only as fully-registered securities registered in the name of Cede & Co. (DTC's nominee). One or more fully-registered global certificates will be issued for the Preferred Securities of each Issuer and the Junior Subordinated Debentures, representing in the aggregate the total number of such Issuer's Preferred Securities or aggregate principal balance of Junior Subordinated Debentures, respectively, and will be deposited with DTC.

DTC is a limited purpose trust company organized under the New York Banking Law, a "banking organization" within the meaning of the New York Banking Law, a member of the Federal Reserve System, a "clearing corporation" within the meaning of the New York Uniform Commercial Code, and a "clearing agency" registered pursuant to the provisions of Section 17A of the Exchange Act. DTC holds securities that its Participants deposit with DTC. DTC also facilitates the settlement among Participants of securities transactions, such as transfers and pledges, in deposited securities through electronic computerized book-entry changes in Participants' accounts, thereby eliminating the need for physical movement of securities certificates. "Direct Participants" include securities brokers and dealers, banks, trust companies, clearing corporations and certain other organizations. DTC is owned by a number of its Direct Participants and by the New York Stock Exchange, Inc., the American Stock Exchange, Inc. and the National Association of Securities Dealers, Inc. Access to the DTC system is also available to others such as securities brokers and dealers, banks and trust companies that clear through or maintain custodial relationships with Direct Participants, either directly or indirectly ("Indirect Participants"). The rules applicable to DTC and its Participants are on file with the Commission.

Purchases of Preferred Securities or Junior Subordinated Debentures within the DTC system must be made by or through Direct Participants, which will receive a credit for the Preferred Securities or Junior Subordinated Debentures on DTC's records. The ownership interest of each actual purchaser of each Preferred Security and each Junior Subordinated Debenture ("Beneficial Owner") is in turn to be recorded on the Direct and Indirect Participants' records. Beneficial Owners

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will not receive written confirmation from DTC of their purchases, but Beneficial Owners are expected to receive written confirmations providing details of the transactions, as well as periodic statements of their holdings, from the Direct or Indirect Participants through which the Beneficial Owners purchased Preferred Securities or Junior Subordinated Debentures. Transfers of ownership interests in the Preferred Securities or Junior Subordinated Debentures are to be accomplished by entries made on the books of Participants acting on behalf of Beneficial Owners. Beneficial Owners will not receive certificates representing their ownership interests in Preferred Securities or Junior Subordinated Debentures, except in the event that use of the book-entry system for the Preferred Securities of such Issuer or Junior Subordinated Debentures is discontinued.

DTC has no knowledge of the actual Beneficial Owners of the Preferred Securities or Junior Subordinated Debentures; DTC's records reflect only the identity of the Direct Participants to whose accounts such Preferred Securities or Junior Subordinated Debentures are credited, which may or may not be the Beneficial Owners. The Participants will remain responsible for keeping account of their holdings on behalf of their customers.

Conveyance of notices and other communications by DTC to Direct Participants, by Direct Participants to Indirect Participants, and by Direct Participants and Indirect Participants to Beneficial Owners and the voting rights of Direct Participants, Indirect Participants and Beneficial Owners will be governed by arrangements among them, subject to any statutory or regulatory requirements as may be in effect from time to time.

Redemption notices will be sent to Cede & Co. as the registered holder of the Preferred Securities or Junior Subordinated Debentures. If less than all of an Issuer's Preferred Securities or the Junior Subordinated Debentures are being redeemed, DTC's current practice is to determine by lot the amount of the interest of each Direct Participant to be redeemed.

Although voting with respect to the Preferred Securities or the Junior Subordinated Debentures is limited to the holders of record of the Preferred Securities or Junior Subordinated Debentures, in those instances in which a vote is required, neither DTC nor Cede & Co. will itself consent or vote with respect to Preferred Securities or Junior Subordinated Debentures. Under its usual procedures, DTC would mail an omnibus proxy (the "Omnibus Proxy") to the relevant Trustee as soon as possible after the applicable record date. The Omnibus Proxy assigns Cede & Co.'s consenting or voting rights to those Direct Participants to whose accounts such Preferred Securities or Junior Subordinated Debentures are credited on the applicable record date (identified in a listing attached to the Omnibus Proxy).

Distribution payments on the Preferred Securities or the Junior Subordinated Debentures will be made by the relevant Trustee to DTC. DTC's practice is to credit Direct Participants' accounts on the relevant payment date in accordance with their respective holdings shown on DTC's records unless DTC has reason to believe that it will not receive payments on such payment date. Payments by Participants to Beneficial Owners will be governed by standing instructions and customary practices and will be the responsibility of such Participant and not of DTC, the relevant Trustee, the Issuer thereof or the Corporation, subject to any statutory or regulatory requirements as may be in effect from time to time. Payment of Distributions to DTC is the responsibility of the relevant Trustee, disbursement of such payments to Direct Participants is the responsibility of DTC, and disbursements of such payments to the Beneficial Owners is the responsibility of Direct and Indirect Participants.

DTC may discontinue providing its services as Depositary with respect to any of the Preferred Securities or the Junior Subordinated Debentures at any time by giving reasonable notice to the relevant Trustee and the Corporation. In the event that a successor Depositary is not obtained, definitive Preferred Security or Junior Subordinated Debenture certificates representing such Preferred Securities or Junior Subordinated Debentures are required to be printed and delivered. The Corporation, at its option, may decide to discontinue use of the system of book-entry transfers through DTC (or a successor Depositary). After a Debenture Event of Default, the holders of a majority in Liquidation Amount of Preferred Securities or aggregate principal amount of Junior Subordinated Debentures may determine to discontinue the system of book-entry transfers through DTC. In any such event, definitive certificates for such Preferred Securities or Junior Subordinated Debentures will be printed and delivered. The information in this section concerning DTC and DTC's book-entry system has been obtained from sources that the Issuers and the Corporation believe to be accurate, but the Issuers and the Corporation assume no responsibility for the accuracy thereof. Neither the Issuers nor the Corporation has any responsibility for the performance by DTC or its Participants of their respective obligations as described herein or under the rules and procedures governing their respective operations.

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DESCRIPTION OF GUARANTEES

A Guarantee will be executed and delivered by the Corporation concurrently with the issuance by each Issuer of its Preferred Securities. Wilmington Trust Company will act as indenture trustee ("Guarantee Trustee") under each Guarantee for the purposes of compliance with the Trust Indenture Act and each Guarantee will be qualified as an indenture under the Trust Indenture Act. This summary of certain provisions of the Guarantees, which describes the material terms thereof, does not purport to be complete and is subject to, and qualified in its entirety by reference to, all of the provisions of each Guarantee, including the definitions therein of certain terms, and the Trust Indenture Act. The form of the Guarantee has been filed as an exhibit to the Registration Statement of which this Prospectus forms a part. Reference in this summary to Preferred Securities means that Issuer's Preferred Securities to which a Guarantee relates. The Guarantee Trustee will hold each Guarantee for the benefit of the holders of the related Issuer's Preferred Securities.

GENERAL

The Corporation will unconditionally agree to pay in full on a subordinated basis, to the extent set forth herein, the Guarantee Payments (as defined herein) to the holders of the Preferred Securities, as and when due, regardless of any defense, right of set-off or counterclaim that such Issuer may have or assert other than the defense of payment. The following payments with respect to the Preferred Securities, to the extent not paid by or on behalf of the related Issuer (the "Guarantee Payments"), will be subject to the Guarantee: (i) any accumulated and unpaid Distributions required to be paid on such Preferred Securities, to the extent that such Issuer has funds on hand available therefor at such time; (ii) the Redemption Price with respect to any Preferred Securities called for redemption, to the extent that such Issuer has funds on hand available therefor at such time; or (iii) upon a voluntary or involuntary termination, winding-up or liquidation of such Issuer (unless Corresponding Junior Subordinated Debentures are distributed to holders of any Related Preferred Securities in exchange therefor), the lesser of (a) the Liquidation Distribution, and (b) the amount of assets of such Issuer remaining available for distribution to holders of Preferred Securities, after satisfaction of liabilities to creditors of such Issuer in accordance with applicable law and the applicable Expense Agreement. The Corporation's obligation to make a Guarantee Payment may be satisfied by direct payment of the required amounts by the Corporation to the holders of the Related Preferred Securities or by causing the Issuer to pay such amounts to such holders.

Each Guarantee will be an unconditional guarantee on a subordinated basis of the related Issuer's obligations under the Preferred Securities, but will apply only to the extent that such related Issuer has funds sufficient to make such payments, and is not a guarantee of collection.

If the Corporation does not make interest payments on Corresponding Junior Subordinated Debentures, if any, held by the Issuer, the Issuer will not be able to pay Distributions on the Related Preferred Securities issued by it and will not have funds legally available therefor. Each Guarantee will rank subordinate and junior in right of payment to all Senior Debt of the Corporation. See " -- Status of the Guarantees". Because the Corporation is a holding company, the right of the Corporation to participate in any distribution of assets of any subsidiary upon such subsidiary's liquidation or reorganization or otherwise, is subject to the prior claims of creditors of that subsidiary, except to the extent the Corporation may itself be recognized as a creditor of that subsidiary. Accordingly, the Corporation's obligations under the Guarantees will be effectively subordinated to all existing and future liabilities of the Corporation's subsidiaries, and claimants should look only to the assets of the Corporation for payments thereunder. See "The Corporation". Except as otherwise provided in the applicable Prospectus Supplement, the Guarantees do not limit the incurrence or issuance of other secured or unsecured debt of the Corporation, including Senior Debt, whether under the Indenture, any other existing indenture or any other indenture that the Corporation may enter into in the future or otherwise.

The Corporation will, with respect to each series of Preferred Securities, through the applicable Guarantee, the applicable Trust Agreement, the applicable

series of Corresponding Junior Subordinated Debentures, the Indenture and the applicable Expense Agreement, taken together, fully and unconditionally guarantee all of the Issuer's obligations under such Preferred Securities. No single document standing alone or operating in conjunction with fewer than all of the other documents constitutes such a guarantee. It is only the combined operation of these documents that has the effect of providing a full and unconditional guarantee of the Issuer's obligations with respect to such Preferred Securities. See "Relationship Among Preferred Securities, the Corresponding Junior Subordinated Debentures and Guarantees".

STATUS OF GUARANTEES

Each Guarantee will constitute an unsecured obligation of the Corporation and will rank subordinate and junior in right of payment to all Senior Debt of the Corporation in the same manner as Junior Subordinated Debentures.

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Each Guarantee will rank PARI PASSU with any other Guarantee issued by the Corporation. Each Guarantee will constitute a guarantee of payment and not of collection (I.E., the guaranteed party may institute a legal proceeding directly against the Guarantor to enforce its rights under the Guarantee without first instituting a legal proceeding against any other person or entity). Each Guarantee will be held for the benefit of the holders of the Related Preferred Securities. Each Guarantee will not be discharged except by payment of the Guarantee Payments in full to the extent not paid by the Issuer or upon distribution to the holders of the Related Preferred Securities with respect to a series of Corresponding Junior Subordinated Debentures. None of the Guarantees places a limitation on the amount of additional Senior Debt that may be incurred by the Corporation. The Corporation expects from time to time to incur additional indebtedness constituting Senior Debt.

AMENDMENTS AND ASSIGNMENT

Except with respect to any changes which do not materially adversely affect the rights of holders of the Series of Related Preferred Securities (in which case no vote will be required), no Guarantee may be amended without the prior approval of the holders of not less than a majority of the aggregate Liquidation Amount of such Preferred Securities. The manner of obtaining any such approval will be as set forth under "Description of Preferred Securities -- Voting Rights; Amendment of Each Trust Agreement". All guarantees and agreements contained in each Guarantee shall bind the successors, assigns, receivers, trustees and representatives of the Corporation and shall inure to the benefit of the holders of the Series of Related Preferred Securities then outstanding.

EVENTS OF DEFAULT

An event of default under each Guarantee will occur upon the failure of the Corporation to perform any of its payment or other obligations thereunder. The holders of not less than a majority in aggregate Liquidation Amount of the Series of Related Preferred Securities have the right to direct the time, method and place of conducting any proceeding for any remedy available to the Guarantee Trustee in respect of the related Guarantee or to direct the exercise of any trust or power conferred upon the Guarantee Trustee under such Guarantee.

Any holder of the series of Related Preferred Securities may institute a legal proceeding directly against the Corporation to enforce its rights under the related Guarantee without first instituting a legal proceeding against the Issuer, the Guarantee Trustee or any other person or entity.

The Corporation, as guarantor, is required to file annually with the Guarantee Trustee a certificate as to whether or not the Corporation is in compliance with all the conditions and covenants applicable to it under the Guarantee.

INFORMATION CONCERNING GUARANTEE TRUSTEE

The Guarantee Trustee, other than during the occurrence and continuance of an event of default under any Guarantee, undertakes to perform only such duties as are specifically set forth in such Guarantee and, after an event of default under such Guarantee, must exercise the same degree of care and skill as a prudent person would exercise or use in the conduct of his or her own affairs. Subject to this provision, the Guarantee Trustee is under no obligation to exercise any of the powers vested in it by any Guarantee at the request of any holder of the series of Related Preferred Securities unless it is offered reasonable indemnity against the costs, expenses and liabilities that might be incurred thereby.

TERMINATION OF GUARANTEES

Each Guarantee will terminate and be of no further force and effect upon full payment of the Redemption Price of the series of Related Preferred Securities, upon full payment of the amounts payable upon liquidation of the related Issuer or upon distribution of such Corresponding Junior Subordinated Debentures to the holders of such Related Preferred Securities in exchange therefor. Each Guarantee will continue to be effective or will be reinstated, as the case may be, if at any time any holder of the series of Related Preferred Securities must restore payment of any sums paid under such Related Preferred Securities or such Guarantee.

GOVERNING LAW

Each Guarantee will be governed by and construed in accordance with the laws of the State of New York.

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THE EXPENSE AGREEMENT

Pursuant to the applicable Expense Agreement, the Corporation will, as holder of the Common Securities of the applicable Issuer unconditionally guarantee to each person or entity to whom such Issuer becomes indebted or liable, the full payment of any costs, expenses or liabilities of the Issuer, other than obligations of such Issuer to pay to the holders of any of such Issuer's Preferred Securities or other similar interests in such Issuer of the amounts due such holders pursuant to the terms of such Preferred Securities or such other similar interests, as the case may be. Each Expense Agreement is intended to be enforceable by third parties.

RELATIONSHIP AMONG PREFERRED SECURITIES, CORRESPONDING JUNIOR SUBORDINATED DEBENTURES AND GUARANTEES

FULL AND UNCONDITIONAL GUARANTEE

Payments of Distributions and other amounts due on any series of Preferred Securities (to the extent the Issuer thereof has funds available for the payment of such Distributions) are unconditionally guaranteed by the Corporation as and to the extent set forth under "Description of Guarantees". Taken together, with respect to each series of Preferred Securities the Corporation's obligations under each series of Corresponding Junior Subordinated Debentures, the Indenture, the applicable Trust Agreement, the applicable Expense Agreement, and the applicable Guarantee will provide, in the aggregate, a full and unconditional guarantee of payment of Distributions and other amounts due on such series of Preferred Securities. No single document standing alone or operating in conjunction with fewer than all of the other documents constitutes such guarantee. It is only the combined operation of these documents that will have the effect of providing a full and unconditional guarantee of the Issuer's obligations under such Issuer's Preferred Securities. If and to the extent that the Corporation does not make payments on any series of Corresponding Junior Subordinated Debentures, such Issuer will not pay Distributions or other amounts due on its Related Preferred Securities. The Guarantees do not cover payment of Distributions when the Issuer does not have sufficient funds to pay such Distributions. In such event, the remedy of a holder of a series of Preferred Securities is to institute a legal proceeding directly against the Corporation pursuant to the terms of the Indenture for enforcement of payment of such amounts. The obligations of the Corporation under each Guarantee are subordinate and junior in right of payment to all Senior Debt of the Corporation.

SUFFICIENCY OF PAYMENTS

As long as payments of interest and other payments are made when due on

each series of Corresponding Junior Subordinated Debentures, such payments will be sufficient to cover Distributions and other payments due on the Related Preferred Securities, primarily because (i) the aggregate principal amount of each series of Corresponding Junior Subordinated Debentures will be equal to the sum of the aggregate stated Liquidation Amount of the Related Preferred Securities and Common Securities; (ii) the interest rate and interest and other payment dates on each series of Corresponding Junior Subordinated Debentures will match the Distribution rate and Distribution and other payment dates for the Related Preferred Securities; (iii) the Corporation shall pay for all and any costs, expenses and liabilities of such Issuer except the Issuer's obligations to holders of its Preferred Securities under such Preferred Securities; and (iv) each Trust Agreement further provides that the Related Issuer will not engage in any activity that is not consistent with the limited purposes of such Issuer.

Notwithstanding anything to the contrary in the Indenture, the Corporation has the right to set-off any payment it is otherwise required to make thereunder with and to the extent the Corporation has theretofore made, or is concurrently on the date of such payment making, a payment under the related Guarantee.

ENFORCEMENT RIGHTS OF HOLDERS OF PREFERRED SECURITIES

A holder of any Related Preferred Security may institute a legal proceeding directly against the Corporation to enforce its rights under the related Guarantee without first instituting a legal proceeding against the Guarantee Trustee, the related Issuer or any other person or entity.

A default or event of default under any Senior Debt of the Corporation would not constitute a Debenture Event of Default (and therefore would not constitute an Event of Default under a Trust Agreement). However, in the event of payment defaults under, or acceleration of, Senior Debt of the Corporation, the subordination provisions of the Indenture provide that no payments may be made in respect of any Junior Subordinated Debentures until such Senior Debt has been paid in full or any payment default thereunder has been cured or waived. Failure to make required payments on any series of Junior Subordinated Debentures would constitute a Debenture Event of Default (and, therefore, an Event of Default under a Trust Agreement).

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LIMITED PURPOSE OF ISSUERS

Each Issuer's Preferred Securities evidence preferred undivided beneficial interests in the assets of such Issuer, and each Issuer exists for the sole purpose of issuing its Related Preferred Securities and Common Securities and investing the proceeds thereof in Corresponding Junior Subordinated Debentures. A principal difference between the rights of a holder of such Preferred Security and a holder of a Corresponding Junior Subordinated Debenture is that a holder of a Corresponding Junior Subordinated Debenture is entitled to receive from the Corporation the principal amount of and interest accrued on Corresponding Junior Subordinated Debentures held, while a holder of Preferred Securities is entitled to receive Distributions from such Issuer (or from the Corporation under the applicable Guarantee) if and to the extent such Issuer has funds available for the payment of such Distributions.

RIGHTS UPON TERMINATION

Upon any voluntary or involuntary termination, winding-up or liquidation of any Issuer involving the liquidation of the Corresponding Junior Subordinated Debentures, the holders of the Related Preferred Securities will be entitled to receive, out of the assets held by such Issuer, the Liquidation Distribution in cash. See "Description of Preferred Securities -- Liquidation Distribution Upon Termination". Upon any voluntary or involuntary liquidation or bankruptcy of the Corporation, the Property Trustee, as holder of the Corresponding Junior Subordinated Debentures, would be a subordinated creditor of the Corporation, subordinated in right of payment to all Senior Debt of the Corporation as set forth in the Indenture, but entitled to receive payment in full of principal and interest, before any stockholders of the Corporation receive payments or distributions. Since the Corporation is the guarantor under each Guarantee and has agreed to pay for all costs, expenses and liabilities of each Issuer (other than the Issuer's obligations to the holders of its Preferred Securities), the positions of a holder of such Preferred Securities and a holder of such Corresponding Junior Subordinated Debentures relative to other creditors and to stockholders of the Corporation in the event of liquidation or bankruptcy of the Corporation are expected to be substantially the same.

PLAN OF DISTRIBUTION

The Junior Subordinated Debentures or the Preferred Securities may be sold in a public offering to or through underwriters or dealers designated from time to time. The Corporation and each Issuer may sell all or a portion of its Junior Subordinated Debentures or Preferred Securities as soon as practicable after effectiveness of the Registration Statement of which this Prospectus is a part. The names of any underwriters or dealers involved in the sale of the Junior Subordinated Debentures or Preferred Securities in respect of which this Prospectus is delivered, the amount or number of Junior Subordinated Debentures and Preferred Securities to be purchased by any such underwriters and any applicable commissions or discounts will be set forth in the applicable Prospectus Supplement.

Underwriters may offer and sell Junior Subordinated Debentures or Preferred Securities at a fixed price or prices, which may be changed, or from time to time at market prices prevailing at the time of sale, at prices related to such prevailing market prices or at negotiated prices. In connection with the sale of Preferred Securities, underwriters may be deemed to have received compensation from the Corporation and/or the applicable Issuer in the form of underwriting discounts or commissions and may also receive commissions. Underwriters may sell Junior Subordinated Debentures or Preferred Securities to or through dealers, and such dealers may receive compensation in the form of discounts, concessions or commissions from the underwriters.

Any underwriting compensation paid by the Corporation and/or the applicable Issuer to underwriters in connection with the offering of Junior Subordinated Debentures or Preferred Securities, and any discounts, concessions or commissions allowed by such underwriters to participating dealers, will be described in a Prospectus Supplement. Underwriters and dealers participating in the distribution of Junior Subordinated Debentures or Preferred Securities may be deemed to be underwriters, and any discounts and commissions received by them and any profit realized by them on resale of such Junior Subordinated Debentures or Preferred Securities may be deemed to be underwriting discounts and commissions, under the Securities Act. Underwriters and dealers may be entitled, under agreement with the Corporation and the applicable Issuer, to indemnification against and contribution toward certain civil liabilities, including liabilities under the Securities Act, and to reimbursement by the Corporation for certain expenses.

In connection with the offering of the Preferred Securities of any Issuer, such Issuer may grant to the underwriters an option to purchase additional Preferred Securities to cover over-allotments, if any, at the initial public offering price (with an additional underwriting commission), as may be set forth in the accompanying Prospectus Supplement. If such Issuer grants any over-allotment option, the terms of such over-allotment option will be set forth in the Prospectus Supplement for such Preferred Securities.

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Underwriters and dealers may engage in transactions with, or perform services for, the Corporation and/or the applicable Issuer and/or any of their affiliates in the ordinary course of business.

The Junior Subordinated Debentures and the Preferred Securities will be new issues of securities and will have no established trading market. Any underwriters to whom Junior Subordinated Debentures or Preferred Securities are sold for public offering and sale may make a market in such Junior Subordinated Debentures and Preferred Securities, but such underwriters will not be obligated to do so and may discontinue any market making at any time without notice. Such Junior Subordinated Debentures or Preferred Securities may or may not be listed on a national securities exchange or the Nasdaq National Market. No assurance can be given as to the liquidity of or the existence of trading markets for any Junior Subordinated Debentures or Preferred Securities.

This Prospectus may be used, together with the applicable Prospectus Supplement, by First Union Capital Markets Corp. In connection with offers and sales related to market-making transactions in Junior Subordinated Debentures or Preferred Securities effected from time to time after the commencement of the offering to which such Prospectus Supplement relates, First Union Capital Markets Corp. may act as principal or agent in such transactions, including as agent for the counterparty when acting as principal or as agent for both counterparties, and may receive compensation in the form of discounts and commissions, including from both counterparties when it acts as agent for both. Such sales will be made at prevailing market prices at the time of sale, at prices related thereto or at negotiated prices.

First Union Capital Markets Corp. is a wholly owned subsidiary of the Corporation and an affiliate of each of the Issuers.

The Corporation has been advised by First Union Capital Markets Corp. that, subject to applicable laws and regulations, First Union Capital Markets Corp. may make a market in Junior Subordinated Debentures or Preferred Securities. However, they are not obligated to do so and any market-making may be discontinued at any time without notice. In addition, such market-making activity is subject to the limits imposed by the Securities Act, the Exchange Act and federal banking laws and regulations. There can be no assurance that an active trading market will be sustained.

The Corporation may agree to indemnify First Union Capital Markets Corp. with respect to certain liabilities in connection with this Prospectus, including liabilities under the Securities Act.

VALIDITY OF SECURITIES

Unless otherwise indicated in the applicable Prospectus Supplement, certain legal matters will be passed upon for the Corporation by Marion A. Cowell, Jr., Executive Vice President, Secretary and General Counsel of the Corporation, and certain matters of Delaware law will be passed upon for the Corporation and the Issuers by Richards, Layton & Finger, special Delaware counsel to the Corporation and the Issuers. The validity of the Guarantees and the Junior Subordinated Debentures will be passed upon for the Underwriters by Sullivan & Cromwell, New York, New York. Sullivan & Cromwell will rely upon the opinion of Richards, Layton & Finger as to matters of Delaware law and the opinion of Mr. Cowell as to matters of North Carolina law; Mr. Cowell will rely upon the opinion of Sullivan & Cromwell as to matters of New York law. Mr. Cowell is a stockholder of the Corporation and holds options to purchase additional shares of the Corporation's Common Stock. Sullivan & Cromwell regularly preform legal services for the Corporation and its subsidiaries. Members of Sullivan & Cromwell performing these legal services own shares of capital stock of the Corporation.

EXPERTS

The Corporation's consolidated balance sheets as of December 31, 1995 and 1994, and the related consolidated statements of income, changes in stockholders' equity and cash flows for each of the years in the three-year period ended December 31, 1995, included in the Corporation's 1995 Supplemental Annual Report to Stockholders, which is incorporated by reference in the Corporation's 1995 Annual Report on Form 10-K and incorporated by reference herein, have been incorporated by reference herein in reliance upon the report of KPMG Peat Marwick LLP, independent certified public accountants, incorporated by reference herein and upon the authority of said firm as experts in accounting and auditing. The aforementioned report of KPMG Peat Marwick LLP covering the Corporation's consolidated financial statements refers to a change in the method of accounting for investments.

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PART II. INFORMATION NOT REQUIRED IN PROSPECTUS

ITEM 14. OTHER EXPENSES OF ISSUANCE AND DISTRIBUTION.

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Registration fee	\$151 , 516
Blue Sky fees and expenses (including counsel fees)	5,000
Fees of rating agencies	500,000
Trustees' fees and expenses	25,000
Printing and engraving	75,000
Accounting fees and expenses	15,000
Legal fees and expenses	75,000
Listing fees and expenses	65,000
Miscellaneous	13,484
Total	\$925 , 000

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ITEM 15. INDEMNIFICATION OF DIRECTORS AND OFFICERS.

Sections 55-8-50 through 55-8-58 of the North Carolina Business Corporation Act ("NCBCA") contain specific provisions relating to indemnification of directors and officers of North Carolina corporations. In general, the statute provides that (i) a corporation must indemnify a director or officer who is wholly successful in defense of a proceeding to which he or she is a party because of their status as such, unless limited by the articles of incorporation, and (ii) a corporation may indemnify a director or officer if he or she is not wholly successful in such defense, if it is determined as provided in the statute that the director or officer meets a certain standard of conduct, provided when a director or officer is liable to the corporation, the corporation may not so indemnify. The statute also permits a director or officer of a corporation who is a party to a proceeding to apply to the courts for indemnification, unless the articles of incorporation provide otherwise, and the court may order indemnification under certain circumstances set forth in the statute. The statute further provides that a corporation may in its articles of incorporation or bylaws or by contract or resolution provide indemnification in addition to that provided by the statute, subject to certain conditions set forth in the statute.

The Corporation's Bylaws provide for the indemnification of the Corporation's directors and executive officers by the Corporation against liabilities arising out of their status as such, excluding any liability relating to activities which were at the time taken, known or believed by such person to be clearly in conflict with the best interests of the Corporation. The Corporation's Articles provide for the elimination of the personal liability of each director of the Corporation to the fullest extent permitted by the provisions of the NCBCA, as the same may from time to time be in effect.

The Corporation maintains directors and officers liability insurance, which provides coverage of up to \$80,000,000, subject to certain deductible amounts. In general, the policy insures (i) the Corporation's directors and officers against loss by reason of any of their wrongful acts, and/or (ii) the Corporation against loss arising from claims against the directors and officers by reason of their wrongful acts, all subject to the terms and conditions contained in the policy.

Under the Amended and Restated Trust Agreements, the Corporation will agree to indemnify each of the Issuer Trustees, and to hold such Issuer Trustees harmless, against any loss, damage, claims, liability or expense incurred without negligence or bad faith on their part, arising out of or in connection with the acceptance or administration of such Trust Agreements, including the costs and expenses of defense against any claim or liability in connection with the exercise or performance of any of their powers or duties under the Trust Agreements.

Insofar as indemnification for liabilities arising under the Securities Act of 1933 may be permitted to directors, officers and controlling persons of each Registrant pursuant to the provisions described under Item 15 above, or otherwise (other than insurance), each Registrant has been advised that in the opinion of the Securities and Exchange Commission such indemnification is against public policy as expressed in the Act and is, therefore, unenforceable. In the event that a claim for indemnification against such liabilities (other than insurance or the payment by each Registrant of expenses incurred or paid by a director, officer or controlling person of each Registrant in the successful defense of any action, suit or proceeding) is asserted by such director, officer or controlling person in connection with the securities being registered, each Registrant will, unless in the opinion of its counsel the matter has been settled by the controlling precedent, submit to a court of appropriate jurisdiction the question whether such indemnification by it is against public policy as expressed in the Act and will be governed by the final adjudication of such issue.

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ITEM 16. EXHIBITS.

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- 25(f) Form T-1 Statement of Eligibility of Wilmington Trust Company under the Guarantee for the benefit of the holders of Preferred Securities of First Union Capital II
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- 27 The Corporation's Financial Data Schedule (Incorporated by reference to Exhibit (27) to the Corporation's 1996 Third Quarter Report on Form 10-Q.)

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ITEM 17. UNDERTAKINGS.

Each of the undersigned Registrants, hereby undertakes that, for purposes of determining any liability under the Securities Act of 1933, as amended, each filing a Registrant's annual report pursuant to Section 13(a) or Section 15(d) of the Securities Exchange Act of 1934 that is incorporated by reference in this Registration Statement shall be deemed to be a new registration statement relating to the securities offered herein, and the offering of such securities at that time shall be deemed to be the initial bona fide offering thereof.

Each of the undersigned Registrants hereby also undertakes:

(1) to file, during any period in which offers or sales are being made, a post-effective amendment to this Registration Statement:

(i) to include any prospectus required by Section 10(a)(3) of the Securities Act of 1933;

(ii) to reflect in the prospectus any facts or events arising after the effective date of this Registration Statement (or the most recent post-effective amendment thereto) which, individually or in the aggregate, represent a fundamental change in the information set forth in this Registration Statement. Notwithstanding the foregoing, any increase or decrease in volume of securities offered (if the total dollar value of securities offered would not exceed that which was registered) and any deviation from the low or high end of the estimated maximum offering range may be reflected in the form of prospectus filed with the Commission pursuant to Rule 424 (b) if, in the aggregate, the changes in volume and price represent no more than a 20 percent change in the maximum aggregate offering price set forth in the "Calculation of Registration Fee" table in effective registration statement; and

(iii) to include any material information with respect to the plan of distribution not previously disclosed in this Registration Statement or any material change to such information in this Registration Statement;

provided, however, that paragraphs (1) (i) and (1) (ii) do not apply if the information required to be included in a post-effective amendment by those paragraphs is contained in periodic reports filed by a Registrant pursuant to Section 13 or Section 15(d) of the Securities Exchange Act of 1934 that are incorporated by reference in this Registration Statement.

(2) that, for the purpose of determining any liability under the Securities Act of 1933, each such post-effective amendment shall be deemed to be a new registration statement relating to the securities offered therein, and the offering of such securities at that time shall be deemed to be the initial bona fide offering thereof.

(3) to remove from registration by means of a post-effective amendment any of the securities being registered which remain unsold at the termination of the

offering.

(4) to provide to the underwriter at the closing specified in the underwriting agreement certificates in such denominations and registered in such names as required by the underwriter to permit prompt delivery to each purchaser.

(5) That, for the purposes of determining any liability under the Securities Act of 1933:

(i) The information omitted from the form of prospectus filed as part of this Registration Statement in reliance upon Rule 430A and contained in the form of prospectus filed by the Registration pursuant to Rule 424(b)(1) or (4) or 487(h) under the Securities Act shall be deemed to be part of this Registration Statement as of the time it was declared effective.

(ii) Each post-effective amendment that contains a form of prospectus shall be deemed to be a new Registration Statement relating to the securities offered therein, and the offering of such securities at that time shall be deemed to be the initial bona fide offering thereof.

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SIGNATURES

Pursuant to the requirements of the Securities Act of 1933, as amended, First Union Corporation certifies that it has reasonable grounds to believe that it meets all of the requirements for filing on Form S-3 and has duly caused this Registration Statement to be signed on its behalf by the undersigned, thereunto duly authorized, in the City of Charlotte, State of North Carolina, as of the 30th day of December, 1996.

FIRST UNION CORPORATION (Registrant) By: /s/ MARION A. COWELL, JR. MARION A. COWELL, JR., EXECUTIVE VICE PRESIDENT, SECRETARY AND GENERAL COUNSEL

CAPACITY

Pursuant to the requirements of the Securities Act of 1933, as amended, this Registration Statement has been signed below by the following persons in the capacities indicated below and as of the date indicated above.

SIGNATURE

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SIGNATURE	CAPACITI	
*EDWARD E. CRUTCHFIELD EDWARD E. CRUTCHFIELD	<c> Chairman and Chief Executive Officer and Director</c>	<c></c>
*ROBERT T. ATWOOD ROBERT T. ATWOOD	Executive Vice President and Chief Financial Officer	
*JAMES H. HATCH JAMES H. HATCH	Senior Vice President and Corporate Controller (Principal Accounting Officer)	
*EDWARD E. BARR EDWARD E. BARR	Director	
G. ALEX BERNHARDT	Director	
*W. WALDO BRADLEY W. WALDO BRADLEY	Director	
*ROBERT J. BROWN ROBERT J. BROWN	Director	
*ROBERT T. DAVIS ROBERT T. DAVIS	Director	
*R. STUART DICKSON R. STUART DICKSON	Director	
*B.F. DOLAN B.F. DOLAN	Director	

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*RODDEY DOWD, SR. RODDEY DOWD, SR.	Director
*JOHN R. GEORGIUS JOHN R. GEORGIUS	Director
ARTHUR M. GOLDBERG	Director
*WILLIAM N. GOODWIN WILLIAM N. GOODWIN	Director
*BRENTON S. HALSEY BRENTON S. HALSEY	Director
*HOWARD H. HAWORTH HOWARD H. HAWORTH	Director
FRANK M. HENRY	Director
LEONARD G. HERRING	Director
*JUAN RODRIGUEZ INCIARTE JUAN RODRIGUEZ INCIARTE	Director
JACK A. LAUGHERY	Director
*MAX LENNON MAX LENNON	Director
*RADFORD D. LOVETT RADFORD D. LOVETT	Director
*JOSEPH NEUBAUER JOSEPH NEUBAUER	Director
*HENRY D. PERRY, JR. HENRY D. PERRY, JR.	Director
*RANDOLPH N. REYNOLDS RANDOLPH N. REYNOLDS	Director
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RUTH G. SHAW	
*CHARLES M. SHELTON, SR. CHARLES M. SHELTON, SR.	Director
*LANTY L. SMITH LANTY L. SMITH	Director
*ANTHONY P. TERRACCIANO ANTHONY P. TERRACCIANO	Director
DEWEY L. TROGDON	Director
JOHN D. UIBLE	Director
*B.J. WALKER B.J. WALKER	Director
* By: Marion A. Cowell, Jr., Attorney-in-Fact	
/s/ MARION A. COWELL, JR. MARION A. COWELL, JR.	

 |Date: December 30, 1996

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Pursuant to the requirements of the Securities Act of 1933, as amended, First Union Capital I certifies that it has reasonable grounds to believe that it meets all the requirements for filing on Form S-3 and has duly caused this Registration Statement to be signed on its behalf by the undersigned, thereunto duly authorized, in the City of Charlotte, State of North Carolina, as of the 30th day of December, 1996.

FIRST UNION CAPITAL I

By: First Union Corporation, as Depositor

By: /s/ KENNETH R. STANCLIFF KENNETH R. STANCLIFF SENIOR VICE PRESIDENT

Pursuant to the requirements of the Securities Act of 1933, as amended, First Union Capital II certifies that it has reasonable grounds to believe that it meets all the requirements for filing on Form S-3 and has duly caused this Registration Statement to be signed on its behalf by the undersigned, thereunto duly authorized, in the City of Charlotte, State of North Carolina, as of the 30th day of December, 1996.

FIRST UNION CAPITAL II

By: First Union Corporation, as Depositor

By: /s/ KENNETH R. STANCLIFF KENNETH R. STANCLIFF SENIOR VICE PRESIDENT

Pursuant to the requirements of the Securities Act of 1933, as amended, First Union Capital III certifies that it has reasonable grounds to believe that it meets all the requirements for filing on Form S-3 and has duly caused this Registration Statement to be signed on its behalf by the undersigned, thereunto duly authorized, in the City of Charlotte, State of North Carolina, as of the 30th day of December, 1996.

FIRST UNION CAPITAL III

By: First Union Corporation, as Depositor

By: /s/ KENNETH R. STANCLIFF KENNETH R. STANCLIFF SENIOR VICE PRESIDENT

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25(c)	Form T-1 Statement of Eligibility of Wilmington Trust Company to act as trustee under the Amended and Restated Trust Agreement of First Union Capital II		Filed herewith
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- 27 The Corporation's Financial Data Schedule

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Incorporated by reference to Exhibit (27) to the Corporation's 1996 Third Quarter Report on Form 10-Q

FIRST UNION CAPITAL

Trust Preferred Securities

(Liquidation amount \$25 per Preferred Security)

guaranteed by

FIRST UNION CORPORATION

Underwriting Agreement

_____, 199___

To the Representatives named in Schedule I hereto of the Underwriters named in Schedule II hereto

Dear Sirs:

First Union Capital , a statutory business trust formed under the laws of the State of Delaware (the "Trust") and First Union Corporation a North Carolina corporation (the "Guarantor"), as depositor of the Trust and as Guarantor under the Guarantee referred to herein, propose to sell to the underwriters named in Schedule II hereto (the "Underwriters"), for whom you are acting as representatives (the "Representatives"), the trust preferred securities referred to in Schedule I hereto (the "Securities") in the aggregate amount set forth in such Schedule I. The proceeds of the sale of the Securities and of the common securities of the Trust (the "Common Securities") to be sold by the Trust to the Guarantor are to be invested in the junior subordinated deferrable interest debentures of the Guarantor (the "Subordinated Debentures") referred to in Schedule I hereto, to be issued pursuant to a junior subordinated indenture (the "Indenture") between the Guarantor and the trustee named in Schedule I (the "Debenture Trustee"). The Securities will be guaranteed on a subordinated basis by the Guarantor to the extent set forth in the guarantee agreement referred in Schedule I hereto (the "Guarantee") between the Company and the Guarantee trustee named in Schedule I (the "Guarantee Trustee").

1. Representations and Warranties. Each of the Guarantor and the Trust jointly and severally represents and warrants to, and agrees with, each Underwriter that:

(a) The registration statement (File No. 333-15743) (the "registration statement") on Form S-3 in respect of the Securities, the

Subordinated Debentures and the Guarantee, including a prospectus which, as supplemented, shall be used in connection with the sale of the Securities, have been filed with the Securities and Exchange Commission (the "Commission"), in the forms heretofore delivered to the

Representatives. The registration statement, as it may have been amended prior to the date of this Agreement, has become effective under the Securities Act of 1933, as amended (the "Act"). (The registration statement, as amended to the date of this Agreement, is hereinafter referred to as the "Registration Statement"; such prospectus (which shall be in the form in which it has been most recently filed, or transmitted for filing, with the Commission on or before the date of this Agreement, as the same is proposed to be added to or changed), as supplemented by a prospectus supplement relating to the Securities, the Subordinated Debentures and the Guarantee, filed or transmitted for filing with the Commission pursuant to Rule 424 under the Act and used in connection with the sale of the Securities, is hereinafter referred to as the "Prospectus"; and such prospectus supplement is hereinafter referred to as the "Prospectus Supplement". Any reference herein to the Registration Statement, a preliminary prospectus or the Prospectus shall be deemed to refer to and include the documents incorporated by reference therein pursuant to Item 12 of Form S-3 which were filed under the Securities Exchange Act of 1934, as amended (the "Exchange Act"), on or before the date of this Agreement, and any reference herein to the terms "amend", "amendment" or "supplement" with respect to the Registration Statement or the Prospectus shall be deemed to refer to and include the filing of any document under the Exchange Act deemed to be incorporated therein by reference after the date of this Agreement.)

(b) The Registration Statement, at the time it became effective, and any amendments thereof filed prior to the date hereof, as of their respective effective dates, conformed in all material respects to the requirements of the Act, the Trust Indenture Act of 1939, as amended (the "Trust Indenture Act"), and the respective rules and regulations of the Commission thereunder; the Registration Statement and the Prospectus, as of the date of the Prospectus Supplement, and any amendments thereof and supplements thereto, as of their respective effective or issue dates, will conform in all material respects to the requirements of the Act, the Trust Indenture Act and the respective rules and regulations of the Commission thereunder, including, without limitation, compliance with the safe harbor provisions of Rule 175 under the Act pertaining to "forward looking statements", and no such document, as of such respective dates and, in the case of the Prospectus and any amendments thereof or supplements thereto, as of the Closing Date (as hereinafter defined), included or will include any untrue statement of a material fact or omitted or will omit to state any material fact required to be stated therein or necessary to make the statements therein not misleading, provided that the Guarantor and the Trust make no representations or warranties as to (i) the Statements of Eligibility (Forms T-1) under the Trust Indenture Act of the Debenture Trustee, the Property Trustee identified in Schedule I and the Guarantee Trustee (the "Form T-1s") or (ii) the information contained in or omitted from the Prospectus or any amendment thereof or supplement thereto in reliance upon and in conformity with information furnished in writing to the Guarantor and the Trust by or on behalf of any Underwriter specifically for use in connection with the preparation of the Prospectus or any amendment thereof or supplement thereto.

(c) The Guarantor has been duly incorporated, is validly existing as a corporation in good standing under the laws of its jurisdiction of incorporation and

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has all power and authority (corporate and other) necessary to own or hold its material properties and to conduct its business substantially in the manner in which it presently conducts such business.

(d) The Trust has been duly created and is validly existing as a statutory business trust in good standing under the laws of the State of Delaware with the power and authority (trust and other) to own its property and conduct its business as described in the Registration Statement and Prospectus, and the Trust has conducted and will conduct no business other than the transactions contemplated by this Agreement and the trust agreement among the Guarantor, as depositor, and the trustees named therein (the "Trustees") (as amended and restated from time to time, the "Trust Agreement") and described in the Prospectus; the Trust is not a party to or bound by any agreement or instrument other than this Agreement, the Trust Agreement and the agreements and instruments contemplated by the Trust Agreement and described in the Prospectus; the Trust has no liabilities or obligations other than those arising out of the transactions contemplated by this Agreement and the Trust Agreement and described in the Prospectus; and the Trust is not a party to or subject to any action, suit or proceeding of any nature.

(e) The Securities have been duly authorized, and, when issued, delivered and paid for pursuant to this Agreement, will have

been duly and validly issued and fully paid and non-assessable beneficial interests in the Trust entitled to the benefits of the Trust Agreement, and the Securities will conform in all material respects to the description thereof in the Prospectus; the Subordinated Debentures, the Indenture, the Guarantee and the Trust Agreement each have been duly authorized and, at the Closing Date (as defined in Section 3 hereof), will constitute a valid and legally binding instrument, enforceable in accordance with its terms, subject, as to enforcement, to bankruptcy, insolvency, fraudulent transfer, reorganization, moratorium and similar laws of general applicability relating to or affecting creditors' rights and to general equity principles; and the Subordinated Debentures, the Indenture, the Guarantee and the Trust Agreement will conform in all material respects to the descriptions thereof in the Prospectus.

(f) The holders of the Securities will be entitled to the same limitation of personal liability extended to stockholders of private corporations for profit organized under the General Corporation Law of the State of Delaware.

(g) The Trust has all power and authority necessary to execute and deliver this Agreement and the Securities and to perform its obligations hereunder and thereunder; the issue and sale of the Securities and the Common Securities by the Trust, the purchase of the Subordinated Debentures by the Trust and the compliance by the Trust with all of the provisions of the Securities, the Trust Agreement and this Agreement and the consummation of the transactions herein and therein contemplated will not constitute a breach of or default under any indenture, mortgage, deed of trust, loan agreement or other agreement or instrument to which the Trust is a party or by which the Trust is bound or to which any of the property or assets of the Trust is subject, nor will such action result in any violation of the provisions of the Trust

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Agreement or any law, order, rule, regulation or decree of any court, governmental agency or authority located in the United States having jurisdiction over the Trust or any of its properties; and no consent, authorization or order or, or filing or registration with, any court or governmental agency or authority is required for the issue and sale of the Securities and the Common Securities by the Trust, the purchase of the Subordinated Debentures by the Trust or the consummation by the Trust of the transactions contemplated by this Agreement or the Trust Agreement except such as have been made or obtained or will be made or obtained prior to the Closing Date and except such as may be required under applicable state securities or "blue sky" laws.

(h) The Guarantor has all corporate power and authority necessary to execute and deliver this Agreement, the Indenture, the Subordinated Debentures, the Guarantee and the Trust Agreement and to perform its obligations hereunder and thereunder; the execution, delivery and performance of this Agreement, the Indenture, the Subordinated Debentures, the Guarantee and the Trust Agreement by the Guarantor and compliance with the provisions hereof and thereof by the Guarantor will not constitute a breach of or default under, the corporate charter or by-laws of the Guarantor, or any material agreement, indenture or other instrument relating to indebtedness for money borrowed to which the Guarantor is a party, or, to the best of the Guarantor's knowledge, any law, order, rule, regulation or decree of any court, governmental agency or authority located in the United States having jurisdiction over the Guarantor or any property of the Guarantor, which breach or default would be reasonably likely to have a material adverse effect on the Guarantor and its subsidiaries taken as a whole; and, no consent, authorization or order of, or filing or registration with, any court or governmental agency or authority is required for the execution, delivery and performance of this Agreement, the Indenture, the Subordinated Debentures, the Guarantee and the Trust Agreement by the Guarantor except such as have been made or obtained or will be made or obtained on or before the Closing Date (as defined in Section 3) and except such as may be required under applicable state securities or "blue sky" laws.

(i) The Common Securities have been duly authorized and at the Closing Date will have been duly and validly issued and fully paid and non-assessable beneficial interests in the Trust and will conform in all material respects to the description thereof contained in the Prospectus; the issuance of the Common Securities is not subject to preemptive or other similar rights; on the Closing Date, all of the issued and outstanding Common Securities of the Trust will be directly owned by the Guarantor, free and clear of all liens, encumbrances, equities or claims; and the Common Securities and the Securities are the only interests authorized to be issued by the Trust.

(j) Neither the Trust nor the Guarantor is or, after giving effect to the offering and sale of the Securities, will be an "investment company" or an entity "controlled" by an "investment company", as such terms are defined in the Investment Company Act of 1940, as amended (the "Investment Company Act").

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2. Purchase and Sale. Subject to the terms and conditions and in reliance upon the representations and warranties herein set forth, the Guarantor and the Trust agree that the Trust will sell to each Underwriter, and each Underwriter agrees, severally and not jointly, to purchase from the Trust, at the purchase price set forth in Schedule I hereto, the number of Securities set forth opposite such Underwriter's name in Schedule II hereto.

As compensation to the Underwriters for their commitments hereunder, and in view of the fact that the proceeds from the sale of the Securities will be used by the Trust to purchase the Subordinated Debentures, the Guarantor on the Closing Date will pay by wire transfer of immediately available funds to the Representatives, for the accounts of the several Underwriters, the amount per Security set forth in Schedule I hereto in respect of the Securities to be delivered by the Trust hereunder on the Closing Date.

3. Delivery and Payment. Delivery of and payment for the Securities shall be made at the office, on the date and at the time specified in Schedule I hereto, which date and time may be postponed by agreement between the Representatives, the Trust and the Guarantor (such date and time of delivery of and payment for the Securities being herein called the "Closing Date"). The Securities to be purchased by each Underwriter hereunder will be represented by one or more global Securities which will be deposited by or on behalf of the Trust with The Depositary Trust Company ("DTC") or its designated custodian. Delivery of the Securities shall be made by causing DTC to credit the Securities to the account of the Representatives at DTC, for the respective accounts of the several Underwriters, against payment by the several Underwriters through the Representatives of the purchase price thereof to or upon the order of the Trust in the manner and type of funds specified in Schedule I.

The Trust and the Guarantor agree to have the certificates representing the Securities available for checking in New York, New York, on the business day prior to the Closing Date.

4. Offering by Underwriters. It is understood that the several Underwriters propose to offer the Securities for sale as set forth in the Prospectus.

5. Agreements. The Trust and the Guarantor jointly and severally agree with the several Underwriters that:

(a) The Guarantor and the Trust will cause the Prospectus to be filed, or transmitted for filing, with the Commission pursuant to Rule 424 under the Act and will promptly advise the Representatives when the Prospectus has been so filed or transmitted for filing, and prior to the termination of the offering of the Securities to which such Prospectus relates also will promptly advise the Representatives (i) when any amendment to the Registration Statement has become effective or any further supplement to the Prospectus has been so filed or transmitted for filing, (ii) of any request by the Commission for any amendment of the Registration Statement or the Prospectus or for any additional information, (iii) of the issuance by the Commission of any stop order suspending the effectiveness of the Registration Statement or the institution or threatening of any proceeding for that purpose, and (iv) of the receipt by

the Guarantor or the Trust of any notification with respect to the suspension of the qualification of the Securities for sale in any jurisdiction or the initiation or threatening of any proceeding for such purpose. Each of the Guarantor and the Trust will use its best efforts to prevent the issuance of any such stop order and, if issued, to obtain as soon as possible the withdrawal thereof. The Guarantor and the Trust will not file or transmit for filing any amendment to the Registration Statement or supplement to the Prospectus unless they have has furnished you a copy for your review prior to filing or transmission for filing.

(b) If, at any time when a prospectus relating to the Securities or the Subordinated Debentures is required to be delivered under the Act, any event occurs as a result of which the Prospectus as then amended or supplemented would include any untrue statement of a material fact or omit to state any material fact necessary to make the statements therein in the light of the circumstances under which they were made not misleading, or if it shall be necessary to amend or supplement the Prospectus to comply with the Act or the rules and regulations of the Commission thereunder, the Guarantor and the Trust promptly will prepare and file or transmit for filing with the Commission, subject to paragraph (a) of this Section 5, an amendment or supplement which will correct such statement or omission or effect such compliance.

(c) The Guarantor will make generally available to its security holders and to the Representatives as soon as practicable, but not later than 45 days after the end of the 12-month period beginning at the end of the fiscal quarter of the Guarantor during which the filing, or transmission for filing, of the Prospectus pursuant to Rule 424 under the Act occurs (except not later than 90 days after the end of such period if such quarter is the last fiscal quarter), an earnings statement (which need not be audited) of the Guarantor and its subsidiaries, covering such 12-month period, which will satisfy the provisions of Section 11(a) of the Act.

(d) Each of the Guarantor and the Trust will use its best efforts to furnish in New York City to each of the Underwriters prior to 10:00 a.m., New York City time, on the New York business day next succeeding the date of this Agreement and from time to time, as many copies of the Prospectus, each related preliminary prospectus supplement and all amendments of and supplements to such documents as may be reasonably requested.

(e) The Guarantor will pay all expenses incident to the performance of each of its and the Trust's obligations under this Agreement, and will pay the expenses of printing and filing all documents relating to the offering and mailing and delivering such to Underwriters and dealers, any filing fee incident to any required review by the National Association of Securities Dealers, Inc. of the terms of the sale of the Securities, all expenses in connection with the qualification of the Securities for offering and sale under state securities laws (including the fees and disbursements of counsel to the Underwriters in connection with such qualification and the preparation of the Blue Sky and legal investment surveys), any taxes payable in connection with the sale and delivery of the Securities by the Trust to the Underwriters, and any fees charged for rating the Securities.

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(f) Each of the Guarantor and the Trust will use its best efforts to arrange for the qualification of the Securities for sale under the laws of such jurisdictions as the Representatives may designate, to maintain such qualifications in effect so long as required for the distribution of the Securities and to arrange for the determination of the legality of the Securities for purchase by institutional investors; provided that the Guarantor shall not be required to qualify to do business in any jurisdiction where it is not now qualified or to take any action which would subject it to general or unlimited service of process in any jurisdiction where it is not now so subject.

(g) During the period beginning from the date of this Agreement and continuing to and including the Closing Date, the Guarantor will not offer, sell, contract to sell or otherwise dispose of any of securities which are substantially similar to the Subordinated Debentures or the Guarantee without the prior written consent of the Representatives.

(h) The Guarantor will issue the Guarantee concurrently with the issue and sale of the Securities as contemplated herein; and

6. Conditions to the Obligations of the Underwriters. The obligations of the Underwriters to purchase the Securities shall be subject to

the accuracy of the representations and warranties on the part of each of the Guarantor and the Trust contained herein as of the date hereof and the Closing Date, to the accuracy of the statements of the Guarantor and the Trust made in any certificates pursuant to the provisions hereof, to the performance by each of the Guarantor and the Trust of its obligations hereunder and to the following additional conditions:

(a) No stop order suspending the effectiveness of the Registration Statement shall have been issued and no proceedings for that purpose shall have been instituted and be pending or have been threatened as of the Closing Date; and all requests for additional information on the part of the Commission shall have been complied with.

(b) The Guarantor shall have furnished to the Representatives a certificate, dated the Closing Date, of the Guarantor, signed by the principal financial or accounting officer of the Guarantor, to the effect that, to the best of his knowledge after reasonable investigation:

> (i) The representations and warranties of the Guarantor in this Agreement are true and correct in all material respects on and as of the Closing Date with the same effect as if made on the Closing Date and the Guarantor has complied with all the agreements and satisfied all the conditions on its part to be performed or satisfied at or prior to the Closing Date, in all material respects;

(ii) No stop order suspending the effectiveness of the Registration Statement has been issued and no proceedings for that purpose have been instituted and are pending or, to his knowledge, have been threatened as of such date;

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(iii) Since the date of the most recent financial statements included in the Prospectus, there has been no material adverse change in the financial position, long-term debt, stockholders' equity, results of operations or prospects relating thereto of the Guarantor and its subsidiaries consolidated, except as set forth in or contemplated by the Prospectus; and

(iv) Since the date of this Agreement, (A) no downgrading has occurred in the rating accorded the

Guarantor's unsecured debt securities or preferred stock as described in Section 6(h)(i) and (B) no announcement has been made with respect to any rating accorded the Guarantor's unsecured debt securities or preferred stock as described in Section 6(h)(ii).

(c) The Trust shall have furnished to the Representatives a certificate, dated the Closing Date, of the Trust, signed by an Administrative Trustee of the Trust, to the effect that, to the best of such Trustee's knowledge after reasonable investigation:

(i) The representations and warranties of the Trust in this Agreement are true and correct in all material respects on and as of the Closing Date with the same effect as if made on the Closing Date and the Trust has complied with all the agreements and satisfied all the conditions on its part to be performed or satisfied at or prior to the Closing Date, in all material respects; and

(ii) No stop order suspending the effectiveness of the Registration Statement has been issued and no proceedings for that purpose have been instituted and are pending or, to such trustee's knowledge, have been threatened as of such date.

(d) The Guarantor shall have furnished to the Underwriters the opinion, dated the Closing Date, of Marion A. Cowell, Jr., Executive Vice President, Secretary and General Counsel of the Guarantor, to the effect that:

(i) The Guarantor has been duly incorporated and is validly existing as a corporation in good standing under the laws of the State of North Carolina, with corporate power and authority under such laws to own its properties and conduct its business as described in the Prospectus;

(ii) The Subordinated Debentures have been duly authorized, executed, issued and delivered and, assuming authentication by the Debenture Trustee in the manner contemplated in its certificate, constitute valid and legally binding obligations of the Guarantor entitled to the benefits provided by the Indenture; and the Subordinated Debentures and the Indenture conform in all material respects to the descriptions thereof in the Prospectus as amended or supplemented;

(iii) The Indenture has been duly authorized, executed and delivered by the Guarantor, has been duly qualified under the Trust Indenture Act and constitutes a valid and legally binding obligation of the Guarantor enforceable in accordance with its terms, subject to bankruptcy, insolvency, fraudulent transfer, reorganization, moratorium and similar laws of general applicability relating to or affecting creditors' rights and to general equity principles;

(iv) The Guarantee has been duly authorized, executed and delivered by the Guarantor, has been duly qualified under the Trust Indenture Act and constitutes a valid and legally binding obligation of the Guarantor enforceable in accordance with its terms, subject to bankruptcy, insolvency, fraudulent transfer, reorganization, moratorium and similar laws of general applicability relating to or affecting creditors' rights and to general equity principles;

(v) The Guarantor has all corporate power and authority necessary to execute and deliver this Agreement, the Indenture, the Subordinated Debentures, the Guarantee and the Trust Agreement and to perform its obligations hereunder and thereunder; this Agreement has been duly authorized, executed and delivered by the Guarantor; the execution, delivery and performance of this Agreement, the Indenture, the Subordinated Debentures, the Guarantee and the Trust Agreement by the Guarantor and compliance with the provisions hereof and thereof by the Guarantor will not constitute a breach of or default under, the corporate charter or by-laws of the Guarantor, or any material agreement, indenture or other instrument relating to indebtedness for money borrowed known to such counsel to which the Guarantor is a party, or, to the best of such counsel's knowledge, any law, order, rule, regulation or decree of any court, governmental agency or authority located in the United States having jurisdiction over the Guarantor or any property of the Guarantor, which breach or default would be reasonably likely to have a material adverse effect on the Guarantor and its subsidiaries taken as a whole; and no consent, authorization or order of, or filing or registration with, any court or governmental agency is required for the execution, delivery and performance of this Agreement, the Indenture, the Subordinated Debentures, the Guarantee or the Trust Agreement by the Guarantor except such as may be required under applicable state securities or "blue sky" laws or as have been duly made or obtained; and

(vi) The Securities have been duly authorized by the Guarantor as Depositor on behalf of the Trust; the issue and sale of the Securities and the Common Securities by the Trust, the purchase of the Subordinated Debentures by the Trust and the compliance by the Trust with all of the provisions of the Securities, the Trust Agreement and this Agreement and the consummation of the transactions herein and therein contemplated will not conflict with or result in a breach or violation of any of the terms or provisions of, or constitute a default under, any agreement or instrument to which the Trust is a party or by which the Trust is bound or to which any of the property or assets of the Trust is subject;

(vii) The Registration Statement has become effective under the Act, and, to the best of the knowledge of such counsel, no stop order suspending the

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effectiveness of the Registration Statement has been issued and no proceedings for that purpose have been instituted or are pending or threatened under the Act, and each part of the Registration Statement, when such part became effective, any amendments thereof filed prior to the date of this Agreement, as of their respective effective dates, and the Registration Statement and the Prospectus, as of the date of the Prospectus Supplement, and each amendment thereof or supplement thereto, as of their respective effective or issue dates, appeared on their face to be appropriately responsive in all material respects to the requirements of the Act, the Trust Indenture Act and the respective rules and regulations of the Commission thereunder; such counsel has no reason to believe that any part of the Registration Statement, when such part became effective, contained any untrue statement of a material fact or omitted to state any material fact required to be stated therein or necessary to make the statements therein not misleading, or that the Prospectus, as of the date of the Prospectus Supplement, or any amendments thereof or supplements thereto, as of their respective effective or issue dates, contained any untrue statement of a material fact or omitted to state any material fact necessary to make the statements therein, in the light of the circumstances under which they were made, not misleading, or that, as of the Closing Date, either the Prospectus or any further amendment or supplement thereto made by the Company prior to the Closing Date contained any untrue statement of a material fact or omitted to state any material fact necessary to make the statements therein, in the light of the circumstances under which they were made, not misleading; it being understood that such counsel need express no opinion as to the Form T-1s, as to the financial statements or other financial data contained in any part of the Registration Statement or the Prospectus, as to any statements or omissions made in reliance upon or in conformity with information furnished in writing to the Guarantor and the Trust by or on behalf of an Underwriter for use therein.

As to those matters which relate to the Debenture Trustee, such counsel may rely upon the certificate or certificates of the Debenture Trustee, and as to matters governed by New York law, upon the opinion of Sullivan & Cromwell.

(e) Richards, Layton & Finger, special Delaware Counsel to the Guarantor and the Trust, shall have furnished to the Underwriters an opinion, dated the Closing Date, to the effect that:

(i) The Trust has been duly created and is validly existing in good standing as a business trust under the Delaware Business Trust Act, and all filings required under the laws of the State of Delaware with respect to the creation and valid existence of the Designated Trust as a business trust have been made;

(ii) Under the Delaware Business Trust Act and the Trust Agreement, the Trust has the power and authority to own property and conduct its business, all as described in the Prospectus;

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(iii) The Trust Agreement constitutes a valid and legally binding obligation of the Guarantor and the Trustees, enforceable against the Guarantor and the Trustees, in accordance with its terms, subject, as to enforcement, to bankruptcy, insolvency, fraudulent transfer, reorganization, moratorium and similar laws of general applicability relating to or affecting creditors' rights and to general equity principles;

(iv) Under the Delaware Business Trust Act and the Trust Agreement, the Trust has the power and authority to (a) execute and deliver this Agreement and to perform its obligations under this Agreement, and (b) issue and perform its obligations under the Securities and the Common

Securities;

(v) Under the Delaware Business Trust Act and the Trust Agreement, the execution and delivery by the Trust of this Agreement and the performance by the Trust of its obligations hereunder, have been duly authorized by all necessary action on the part of the Trust;

(vi) The Securities have been duly authorized by the Trust and duly and validly issued and, subject to the qualifications set forth herein, are fully paid and nonassessable beneficial interests in the Trust and are entitled to the benefits provided by the Trust Agreement; the Securityholders, as beneficial owners of the Trust, will be entitled to the same limitation of personal liability extended to stockholders of private corporations for profit organized under the General Corporation Law of the State of Delaware; provided that such counsel may note that the Securityholders may be obligated, pursuant to the Trust Agreement, to (a) provide indemnity and/or security in connection with and pay taxes or governmental charges arising from transfers or exchanges of Securities certificates and the issuance of replacement Securities certificates and (b) provide security and indemnity in connection with requests of or directions to the Property Trustee (as defined in the Trust Agreement) to exercise its rights and remedies under the Trust Agreement;

(vii) The Common Securities have been duly authorized by the Trust and validly issued and are fully paid and nonassessable beneficial interests in the Trust;

(viii) Under the Delaware Business Trust Act and the Trust Agreement, the issuance of the Securities and the Common Securities is not subject to preemptive rights;

(ix) The issuance and sale by the Trust of Securities and the Common Securities, the execution, delivery and performance by the Trust of this Agreement, the consummation by the Trust of the transactions contemplated hereby and compliance by the Trust with its obligations hereunder will not violate (a) any of the provisions of the Certificate of Trust of the Trust or the Trust Agreement, or (b) any applicable Delaware law or administrative regulation;

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(x) Assuming that the Trust derives no income from or connected with services provided within the State of Delaware and has no assets, activities (other than maintaining the Delaware Trustee (as defined in the Trust Agreement) and the filing of documents with the Secretary of State of the State of Delaware) or employees in the State of Delaware, no authorization, approval, consent or order of any Delaware court or governmental authority or agency is required to be obtained by the Trust solely in connection with the issuance and sale of the Securities and the Common Securities. In rendering the opinion expressed in this paragraph (x), such counsel need express no opinion concerning the securities laws of the State of Delaware;

(xi) Assuming that the Trust derives no income from or connected with services provided within the State of Delaware and has no assets, activities (other than maintaining the Delaware Trustee and the filing of documents with the Secretary of State of the State of Delaware) or employees in the State of Delaware, the Securityholders (other than those holders of the Securities who reside or are domiciled in the State of Delaware) will have no liability for income taxes imposed by the State of Delaware solely as a result of their participation in the Trust, and the Trust will not be liable for any income tax imposed by the State of Delaware;

(f) Sullivan & Cromwell, special tax counsel to the Guarantor, shall have furnished to the Representatives an opinion, dated the Closing Date, to the effect that such firm confirms its opinion set forth in the Prospectus under the caption "Certain Federal Income Tax Consequences";

(g) The Representatives shall have received from Sullivan & Cromwell, counsel for the Underwriters, such opinion or opinions, dated the Closing Date, with respect to such matters as the Representatives may reasonably require.

As to matters governed by North Carolina law, Sullivan & Cromwell may rely upon the opinion of Marion A. Cowell, Jr. delivered pursuant to Section 6(c).

(h) KPMG Peat Marwick, as independent accountants of the Guarantor, shall have furnished to the Representatives a letter, dated as of the Closing Date, to the effect set forth in Schedule III hereto.

(i) Subsequent to the date hereof, there shall not have occurred any change, or any development involving a prospective change, in or affecting the financial position, long-term debt, stockholders' equity or results of operations of the Guarantor and its consolidated subsidiaries which the Representatives conclude, after consultation with the Guarantor, in the judgment of the Representatives is so material and adverse as to make it impractical or inadvisable to proceed with the public offering or the delivery of the Securities as contemplated by the Prospectus.

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(j) The Guarantor shall have furnished to the Representatives such further information, certificates and documents as they may reasonably request prior to the Closing Date.

(k) Subsequent to the date of this Agreement, (i) no downgrading shall have occurred in the rating accorded the Guarantor's unsecured debt securities or preferred stock by Standard & Poor's Ratings Group or by Moody's Investors Service, Inc. and (ii) neither such organization shall have publicly announced that it has under surveillance or review, with possible negative implications, its rating of any of the Guarantor's unsecured debt securities or preferred stock.

(1) The Securities shall have been duly listed, subject to notice of issuance, on the New York Stock Exchange.

If any of the conditions specified in this Section 6 shall not have been fulfilled in all material respects when and as provided in this Agreement, or if any of the opinions and certificates mentioned above or elsewhere in this Agreement shall not be in all material respects reasonably satisfactory in form and substance to the Representatives and their counsel, this Agreement and all obligations of the Underwriters hereunder may be cancelled at, or at any time prior to, the Closing Date by the Representatives. Notice of such cancellation shall be given to the Guarantor and the Trust in writing or by telephone or telegraph confirmed in writing.

7. Indemnification and Contribution. (a) Each of the Guarantor and the Trust agrees, jointly and severally, to indemnify and hold harmless each Underwriter and each person who controls any Underwriter within the meaning of either the Act or the Exchange Act against any and all losses, claims, damages or liabilities, joint or several, to which they or any of them may become subject under the Act, the Exchange Act or other Federal or state statutory law or regulation, at common law or otherwise, insofar as such losses, claims, damages or liabilities (or actions in respect thereof) arise out of or are based upon any untrue statement or alleged untrue statement of a material fact contained in the registration statement or in any amendment thereof filed prior to the date hereof, or in the Registration Statement or the Prospectus, or in any amendment thereof or supplement thereto, or in any related preliminary prospectus or preliminary prospectus supplement, or arise out of or are based upon the omission or alleged omission to state therein a material fact required to be stated therein or necessary to make the statements therein not misleading, and agrees to reimburse each such indemnified party for any legal or other expenses reasonably incurred by them in connection with investigating or defending any such loss, claim, damage, liability or action; provided, however, that (i) neither the Guarantor nor the Trust will be liable in any such case to the extent that any such loss, claim, damage or liability arises out of or is based upon any such untrue statement or alleged untrue statement or omission or alleged omission made therein in reliance upon and in conformity with written information furnished to the Guarantor or the Trust by or on behalf of any Underwriter through the Representatives specifically for use in the Prospectus or any supplement thereto or any related preliminary prospectus or preliminary prospectus supplement or of the Form T-1s, and (ii) such indemnity with respect to any related preliminary prospectus or preliminary prospectus supplement shall not inure to the benefit of any Underwriter (or any person controlling such Underwriter) from

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whom the person asserting any such loss, claim, damage or liability purchased the Securities which are the subject thereof if such person was not sent or given a copy of the Prospectus (or the Prospectus as amended or supplemented), excluding documents incorporated therein by reference, at or prior to the confirmation of the sale of such Securities to such person in any case where such delivery is required by the Act and the untrue statement or omission of a material fact contained in such related preliminary prospectus or preliminary prospectus supplement was corrected in the Prospectus (or the Prospectus as amended or supplemented). This indemnity agreement will be in addition to any liability which the Guarantor or the Trust may otherwise have.

(b) Each Underwriter severally agrees to indemnify and hold harmless the Guarantor and the Trust, each of the Guarantor's directors, each of the Guarantor's officers who signed the Registration Statement and each person who controls the Guarantor or the Trust within the meaning of either the Act or the Exchange Act, to the same extent as the foregoing indemnity from the Guarantor and the Trust to each Underwriter, but only with reference to written information furnished to the Guarantor and the Trust by or on behalf of such Underwriter through the Representatives specifically for use in the Prospectus or any supplement thereto or any related preliminary prospectus or preliminary prospectus supplement. This indemnity agreement will be in addition to any liability which any Underwriter may otherwise have.

(c) Promptly after receipt by an indemnified party under Section 7(a) or (b) of notice of the commencement of any action, such indemnified party will, if a claim in respect thereof is to be made against the indemnifying party under such subsection, notify the indemnifying party in writing of the commencement thereof; but the omission so to notify the

indemnifying party will not relieve the indemnifying party from any liability which it may have to any indemnified party otherwise than under Section 7(a) or (b). In case any such action is brought against any indemnified party, and it notifies the indemnifying party of the commencement thereof, the indemnifying party will be entitled to participate therein, and to the extent that it may elect by written notice delivered to the indemnified party promptly after receiving the aforesaid notice from such indemnified party, to assume the defense thereof, with counsel satisfactory to such indemnified party; provided that, if the defendants in any such action include both the indemnified party and the indemnifying party and the indemnified party shall have reasonably concluded that there may be legal defenses available to it and/or other indemnified parties which are different from or additional to those available to the indemnifying party, the indemnified party or parties shall have the right to select separate counsel to assert such legal defenses and to otherwise participate in the defense of such action on behalf of such indemnified party or parties. Upon receipt of notice from the indemnifying party to such indemnified party of its election so to assume the defense of such action and approval by the indemnified party of counsel, the indemnifying party will not be liable to such indemnified party under Section 7(a) or (b) for any legal or other expenses subsequently incurred by such indemnified party (other than reasonable costs of investigation) in connection with the defense thereof unless (i) the indemnified party shall have employed separate counsel in connection with the assertion of legal defenses in accordance with the proviso to the next preceding sentence (it being understood, however, that the indemnifying party shall not be liable for the expenses of more than one separate national counsel, approved by the Representatives, representing the indemnified parties who are parties to such action), (ii) the

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indemnifying party shall not have employed counsel satisfactory to the indemnified party to represent the indemnified party within a reasonable time after notice of commencement of the action or (iii) the indemnifying party has authorized the employment of counsel for the indemnified party at the expense of the indemnifying party; and except that, if clause (i) or (iii) is applicable, such liability shall be only in respect of the counsel referred to in such clause (i) or (iii).

(d) If the indemnification provided for in this Section 7 is unavailable to or insufficient to hold harmless an indemnified party under subsection (a) or (b) above in respect of any losses, claims, damages or liabilities (or actions in respect thereof) referred to therein, then each indemnifying party shall contribute to the amount paid or payable by such indemnified party as a result of such losses, claims, damages or liabilities (or actions in respect thereof) in such proportion as is appropriate to reflect the relative benefits received by the Trust and the Guarantor on the one hand and

the Underwriters of the Securities on the other from the offering of the Securities to which such loss, claim, damage or liability (or action in respect thereof) relates. If, however, the allocation provided by the immediately preceding sentence is not permitted by applicable law or if the indemnified party failed to give the notice required under subsection (c) above, then each indemnifying party shall contribute to such amount paid or payable by such indemnified party in such proportion as is appropriate to reflect not only such relative benefits but also the relative fault of the Guarantor and the Trust on the one hand and the Underwriters of the Securities on the other in connection with the statements or omissions which resulted in such losses, claims, damages or liabilities (or actions in respect thereof), as well as any other relevant equitable considerations. The relative benefits received by the Trust and the Guarantor on the one hand and such Underwriters on the other shall be deemed to be in the same proportion as the total net proceeds from such offering (before deducting expenses) received by the Trust bear to the total underwriting discounts and commissions received by such Underwriters. The relative fault shall be determined by reference to, among other things, whether the untrue or alleged untrue statement of a material fact or the omission or alleged omission to state a material fact relates to information supplied by the Guarantor or the Trust on the one hand or such Underwriters on the other and the parties' relative intent, knowledge, access to information and opportunity to correct or prevent such statement or omission. The Trust, the Guarantor and the Underwriters agree that it would not be just and equitable if contribution pursuant to this subsection (d) were determined by pro rata allocation (even if the Underwriters were treated as one entity for such purpose) or by any other method of allocation which does not take account of the equitable considerations referred to above in this subsection (d). The amount paid or payable by an indemnified party as a result of the losses, claims, damages or liabilities (or actions in respect thereof) referred to above in this subsection (d) shall be deemed to include any legal or other expenses reasonably incurred by such indemnified party in connection with investigating or defending any such action or claim. Notwithstanding the provisions of this subsection (d), no Underwriter shall be required to contribute any amount in excess of the amount by which the total price at which the applicable Securities underwritten by it and distributed to the public were offered to the public exceeds the amount of any damages which such Underwriter has otherwise been required to pay by reason of such untrue or alleged untrue statement or omission or alleged omission. No person quilty of fraudulent misrepresentation (within the meaning of Section 11(f) of the Act) shall be entitled to contribution from any person who was not quilty of such fraudulent misrepresentation. The

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obligations of the Underwriters of Securities in this subsection (d) to contribute are several in proportion to their respective underwriting obligations with respect to the Securities and not joint. 8. Termination. This Agreement shall be subject to termination in the absolute discretion of the Representatives, by notice given to the Guarantor and the Trust prior to delivery of and payment for the Securities, if prior to such time (i) trading in securities generally on the New York Stock Exchange shall have been suspended or materially limited, (ii) a general moratorium on commercial banking activities in New York shall have been declared by either Federal or New York State authorities, or (iii) there shall have occurred any material outbreak or escalation of hostilities or other calamity or crisis the effect of which on the financial markets of the United States is such as to make it, in the reasonable judgment of the Representatives, impracticable or inadvisable to proceed with the public offering or the delivery of the Securities as contemplated by the Prospectus.

9. Representations and Indemnities to Survive. The respective agreements, representations, warranties, indemnities and other statements of the Guarantor or its officers, of the Trust and of the Underwriters set forth in or made pursuant to this Agreement will remain in full force and effect, regardless of any investigation made by or on behalf of any Underwriter, the Guarantor or the Trust or any of the officers, directors or controlling persons referred to in Section 7 hereof, and will survive delivery of and payment for the Securities. The provisions of Sections 5(e) and 7 hereof shall survive the termination or cancellation of this Agreement.

10. Successors. This Agreement will inure to the benefit of and be binding upon the parties hereto and their respective successors, heirs, executors, administrators and the officers and directors and controlling persons referred to in Section 7 hereof, and no other person will have any right or obligation hereunder.

11. APPLICABLE LAW. THIS AGREEMENT WILL BE GOVERNED BY AND CONSTRUED IN ACCORDANCE WITH THE LAWS OF THE STATE OF NEW YORK.

12. Counterparts; Notices. This Agreement may be signed in any number of counterparts, each of which shall be deemed an original, which taken together shall constitute one and the same instrument.

All notices hereunder shall be in writing or by telegram if promptly confirmed in writing, and if to the Underwriters shall be sufficient in all respects if delivered or sent by registered mail to the address of the Representatives as set forth in Schedule I hereto; and if to the Guarantor or the Trust shall be sufficient in all respects if delivered or sent by registered mail to its address set forth in the Registration Statement, Attention: Secretary; provided, however, that any notice to an Underwriter pursuant to Section 7 (c) hereof shall be delivered or sent by registered mail to such Underwriter at its address set forth in its Underwriters' Questionnaire, or telex constituting such Questionnaire, which address will be supplied to the Guarantor by the Representatives upon request. 13. Action by Underwriters. Any action under this Agreement taken by the Underwriters jointly or by Morgan Stanley & Co. Incorporated on behalf of you as the Representatives will be binding upon all the Underwriters.

If the foregoing is in accordance with your understanding of our agreement, please sign and return to us four counterparts hereof, whereupon this letter and your acceptance shall represent a binding agreement among the Trust, the Guarantor and the Underwriters.

Very truly yours,

FIRST UNION CAPITAL

By_____ Title:

FIRST UNION CORPORATION

By____ Title:

The foregoing Agreement is hereby confirmed and accepted as of the date first above written.

By:

On behalf of the Underwriters set forth in Schedule II

By:

Name: Title:

SCHEDULE I

TITLE OF SECURITIES:

% Cumulative Trust Preferred Capital Securities
NUMBER OF SECURITIES:

PRICE TO PUBLIC:

\$25 per Security plus accrued Distributions, if any,
from _____, 199___

PURCHASE PRICE BY UNDERWRITERS:

\$25 per Security plus accrued Distributions, if any,
from _____, 199___

UNDERWRITERS' COMPENSATION PER SECURITY:

SPECIFIED FUNDS FOR PAYMENT OF PURCHASE PRICE:

Immediately available funds by wire

AMOUNT OF COMMON SECURITIES:

TRUST AGREEMENT:

DESIGNATION OF SUBORDINATED DEBENTURES:

AGGREGATE PRINCIPAL AMOUNT OF SUBORDINATED DEBENTURES:

INDENTURE:

GUARANTEE:

CLOSING DATE:

_____, 199__; 9:30 a.m. (Eastern Standard Time)

CLOSING LOCATION:

Sull	livan 8	& Cro	omwell	L
125	Broad	Stre	eet	
New	York,	New	York	10004

NAME OF REPRESENTATIVES:

ADDRESS FOR NOTICES, ETC.:

Attn:

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SCHEDULE II

Number of Securities to be Purchased

Underwriter

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SCHEDULE III

Pursuant to Section 6(h) of the Underwriting Agreement, the independent accountants of the Guarantor shall provide a comfort letter to the effect that:

(i) They are independent certified public accountants with respect to the Guarantor and its subsidiaries within the meaning of the Act and the applicable published rules and regulations thereunder;

(ii) In their opinion, the financial statements and any supplementary financial information and schedules examined by them and included or incorporated by reference in the Prospectus as amended or supplemented comply as to form in all material respects with the applicable accounting requirements of the Act or the Exchange Act, as applicable, and the published rules and regulations thereunder;

(iii) On the basis of limited procedures, not constituting an audit, consisting of a reading of the unaudited financial statements and other information referred to below, a reading of the latest available interim financial statements of the Guarantor and its subsidiaries, inspection of the minute books of the Guarantor and its subsidiaries since the date of the latest audited financial statements included or incorporated by reference in the Prospectus as amended or supplemented, inquiries of officials of the Guarantor and its subsidiaries responsible for financial and accounting matters and such other inquiries and procedures as may be specified in such letter, nothing came to their attention that caused them to believe that:

(A) the unaudited consolidated statements of income, consolidated balance sheets and consolidated statements of changes in financial position included or incorporated by reference in the Guarantor's most recent Quarterly Report on Form 10-Q incorporated by reference in the Prospectus (if any) as amended or supplemented does not comply as to form in all material respects with the applicable accounting requirements of the Exchange Act as it applies to Form 10-Q and the related published rules and regulations thereunder or are not in conformity with generally accepted accounting principles applied on a basis substantially consistent with that of the audited consolidated financial statements included or incorporated by reference in the Guarantor's Annual Report on Form 10-K filed for the year ended December 31, 1995;

(B) any unaudited financial data included in the Prospectus as amended or supplemented as at any time, or for any period ending, after the end of the latest interim period covered by a Quarterly Report on Form 10-Q of the Guarantor or year ended for which the Guarantor has filed an Annual Report on Form 10-K (whichever is more recent) (and any data for any comparable prior period included therein) do not agree with the corresponding amounts in the unaudited consolidated financial statements from which such data are derived, or any such unaudited financial data were not determined on a basis substantially consistent with the basis for the corresponding amounts in the audited consolidated financial statements included or incorporated by reference in the Guarantor's Annual Report on Form 10-K filed for the year ended December 31, 1995;

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(C) the unaudited pro forma consolidated condensed financial statements (if any) included or incorporated by reference in the Prospectus do not comply as to form in all material respects with the applicable accounting requirements of the Act and the published rules and regulations thereunder or the pro forma adjustments have not been properly applied to the historical amounts in the compilation of those statements;

(D) as of a specified date not more than five days prior to the date of delivery of such letter there have been any changes in the capital stock (other than issuances of capital stock upon exercise of options and stock appreciation rights, upon earn outs of performance shares and upon conversions of convertible securities, in each case which were outstanding on the date of the latest audited financial statements included or incorporated by reference in the Prospectus as amended or supplemented) or long-term debt of the Guarantor or any of its subsidiaries, or any decreases in consolidated stock- holders' equity, consolidated assets, consolidated deposits, or allowance for loan losses of the Guarantor or other items specified by the Representatives, or any increases in any items specified by the Representatives, in each case as compared with amounts shown in the latest balance sheet included or incorporated by reference in the Prospectus as amended or supplemented except in each case for changes, increases or decreases which the Prospectus as amended or supplemented discloses have occurred or may occur or which are described in such letter; and

(E) for the period from the date of the latest financial statements included or incorporated by reference in the Prospectus as amended or supplemented to the end of the latest period for which financial statements are available there were any decreases in consolidated net interest income, net interest income after provision for loan losses, or the total or per share amounts of net income of the Guarantor or other items specified by the Representatives, or any increases in any items specified by the Representatives, in each case as compared with the comparable period of the preceding year and with any other period of corresponding length specified by the Representatives, except in each case for increases or decreases which the Prospectus as amended or supplemented discloses have occurred or may occur or which are described in such letter;

(iv) In addition to the examination referred to in their report(s) included or incorporated by reference in the Prospectus and the limited procedures, inspection of minute books, inquiries and other procedures referred to in subparagraph (iii) above, they have carried out certain specified procedures, not constituting an audit, with respect to certain amounts, percentages and financial information specified by the Representatives which are derived from the general accounting records of the Guarantor and its subsidiaries, which appear in the Prospectus as amended or supplemented (excluding documents incorporated by reference), in exhibits to the Registration Statement specified by the Representatives, or in documents incorporated by reference in the Prospectus specified by the Representatives, and have compared certain of such amounts, percentages and financial information with the accounting records of the Guarantor and its subsidiaries and have found them to be in agreement.

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Exhibit 4(a)

FIRST UNION CORPORATION

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WILMINGTON TRUST COMPANY

TRUSTEE

INDENTURE

DATED AS OF _____, ____

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Note: This reconciliation and tie shall not, for any purpose, be deemed to be a part of the Junior Subordinated Indenture.

INDENTURE, dated as of _____, ___, between FIRST UNION CORPORATION, a North Carolina corporation (hereinafter called the "Company"), having its principal office at One First Union Center, Charlotte, North Carolina 28288, and WILMINGTON TRUST COMPANY, a Delaware banking corporation, as Trustee (hereinafter called the "Trustee").

RECITALS OF THE COMPANY

The Company has duly authorized the execution and delivery of this Indenture to provide for the issuance from time to time of its unsecured junior subordinated debt securities in series (hereinafter called the "Securities") of substantially the tenor hereinafter provided, including, without limitation, Securities issued to evidence loans made to the Company of the proceeds from the issuance from time to time by one or more business trusts (each a "First Union Trust," and, collectively, the "First Union Trusts") of preferred trust interests in such Trusts (the "Preferred Securities") and common interests in such Trusts (the "Common Securities" and, collectively with the Preferred Securities, the "Trust Securities"), and to provide the terms and conditions upon which the Securities are to be authenticated, issued and delivered.

All things necessary to make the Securities, when executed by the Company and authenticated and delivered hereunder and duly issued by the Company, the valid obligations of the Company, and to make this Indenture a valid agreement of the Company, in accordance with their and its terms, have been done.

NOW THEREFORE, THIS INDENTURE WITNESSETH: For and in consideration of the premises and the purchase of the Securities by the Holders thereof, it is mutually covenanted and agreed, for the equal and proportionate benefit of all Holders of the Securities or of any series thereof, as follows:

ARTICLE I

DEFINITIONS AND OTHER PROVISIONS OF GENERAL APPLICATION

SECTION 1.1. DEFINITIONS.

For all purposes of this Indenture, except as otherwise expressly provided or unless the context otherwise requires:

(1) The terms defined in this Article have the meanings assigned to them in this Article, and include the plural as well as the singular;

(2) All other terms used herein which are defined in the Trust Indenture Act, either directly or by reference therein, have the meanings assigned to them therein;

(3) All accounting terms not otherwise defined herein have the meanings assigned to them in accordance with generally accepted accounting principles, and the term "generally accepted accounting principles" with respect to any computation required or permitted hereunder shall mean such accounting principles which are generally accepted

at the date or time of such computation; PROVIDED, that when two or more principles are so generally accepted, it shall mean that set of principles consistent with those in use by the Company; and

(4) The words "herein," "hereof" and "hereunder" and other words of similar import refer to this Indenture as a whole and not to any particular Article, Section or other subdivision.

"ACT" when used with respect to any Holder has the meaning specified in Section 1.4.

"ADDITIONAL INTEREST" means the interest, if any, that shall accrue on any

interest on the Securities of any series the payment of which has not been made on the applicable Interest Payment Date and which shall accrue at the rate per annum specified or determined as specified in such Security.

"ADDITIONAL SUMS" has the meaning specified in Section 10.6.

"ADDITIONAL TAXES" means the sum of any additional taxes, duties and other governmental charges to which a First Union Trust has become subject from time to time as a result of a Tax Event.

"ADMINISTRATIVE TRUSTEE" means, in respect of any First Union Trust, each Person identified as an "Administrative Trustee" in the related Trust Agreement, solely in such Person's capacity as Administrative Trustee of such First Union Trust under such Trust Agreement and not in such Person's individual capacity, or any successor Administrative Trustee appointed as therein provided.

"AFFILIATE" of any specified Person means any other Person directly or indirectly controlling or controlled by or under direct or indirect common control with such specified Person; PROVIDED, HOWEVER, no First Union Trust to which Securities have been issued shall be deemed to be an Affiliate of the Company. For the purposes of this definition, "control" when used with respect to any specified Person means the power to direct the management and policies of such Person, directly or indirectly, whether through the ownership of voting securities, by contract or otherwise; and the terms "controlling" and "controlled" have meanings correlative to the foregoing.

"AUTHENTICATING AGENT" means any Person authorized by the Trustee pursuant to Section 6.14 to act on behalf of the Trustee to authenticate Securities of one or more series.

"BOARD OF DIRECTORS" means either the board of directors of the Company or any committee of that board duly authorized to act hereunder.

"BOARD RESOLUTION" means a copy of a resolution certified by the Secretary or an Assistant Secretary of the Company to have been duly adopted by the Board of Directors, or such committee of the Board of Directors or officers of the Company to which authority to act on

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behalf of the Board of Directors has been delegated, and to be in full force and effect on the date of such certification, and delivered to the Trustee.

"BUSINESS DAY" means any day other than (i) a Saturday or Sunday, (ii) a day on which banking institutions in The City of New York are authorized or required by law or executive order to remain closed or (iii) a day on which the Corporate Trust Office of the Trustee, or, with respect to the Securities of a series initially issued to a First Union Trust, the principal office of the Property Trustee under the related Trust Agreement, is closed for business.

"CAPITAL TREATMENT EVENT" means the reasonable determination by the Company that, as a result of the occurrence of any amendment to, or change (including any announced prospective change) in, the laws (or any rules or regulations thereunder) of the United States or any political subdivision thereof or therein, or as a result of any official or administrative pronouncement or action or judicial decision interpreting or applying such laws, rules or regulations, which amendment or change is effective or which pronouncement, action or decision is announced on or after the date of issuance of the Preferred Securities of a First Union Trust, there is more than an insubstantial risk that the Company will not be entitled to treat an amount equal to the aggregate Liquidation Amount of such Preferred Securities as "tier 1 capital" (or the then equivalent thereof) for purposes of the capital adequacy guidelines of the Federal Reserve Board, as then in effect and applicable to the Company.

"COMMISSION" means the Securities and Exchange Commission, as from time to time constituted, created under the Exchange Act, or if at any time after the execution of this instrument such Commission is not existing and performing the duties now assigned to it under the Trust Indenture Act, then the body performing such duties on such date. "COMMON SECURITIES" has the meaning specified in the first recital of this Indenture.

"COMMON STOCK" means the common stock, par value $3.33 \ 1/3$ per share, of the Company.

"COMPANY" means the Person named as the "Company" in the first paragraph of this instrument until a successor corporation shall have become such pursuant to the applicable provisions of this Indenture, and thereafter "Company" shall mean such successor corporation.

"COMPANY REQUEST" and "COMPANY ORDER" mean, respectively, the written request or order signed in the name of the Company by the Chairman of the Board of Directors, the Chairman of the Executive Committee of the Board of Directors, a Vice Chairman of the Board of Directors, the Chief Executive Officer, the President, the Chief Operating Officer, a Vice Chairman or a Vice President, and by the Treasurer, an Assistant Treasurer, the Secretary or an Assistant Secretary of the Company, and delivered to the Trustee.

"CORPORATE TRUST OFFICE" means the principal office of the Trustee at which at any particular time its corporate trust business shall be administered.

"CORPORATION" includes a corporation, association, company, joint-stock company or business trust.

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"DEBT" means with respect to any Person, whether recourse is to all or a portion of the assets of such Person and whether or not contingent, (i) every obligation of such Person for money borrowed; (ii) every obligation of such Person evidenced by bonds, debentures, notes or other similar instruments, including obligations incurred in connection with the acquisition of property, assets or businesses; (iii) every reimbursement obligation of such Person with respect to letters of credit, bankers' acceptances or similar facilities issued for the account of such Person; (iv) every obligation of such Person issued or assumed as the deferred purchase price of property or services (but excluding trade accounts payable or accrued liabilities arising in the ordinary course of business); (v) every capital lease obligation of such Person; (vi) all Other Financial Obligations of such Person; and (vii) every obligation of the type referred to in clauses (i) through (vi) of another Person and all dividends of another Person the payment of which, in either case, such Person has guaranteed or is responsible or liable, directly or indirectly, as obligor or otherwise.

"DEFAULTED INTEREST" has the meaning specified in Section 3.7.

"DEPOSITARY" means, with respect to the Securities of any series issuable or issued in whole or in part in the form of one or more Global Securities, the Person designated as Depositary by the Company pursuant to Section 3.1 with respect to such series (or any successor thereto).

"DISCOUNT SECURITY" means any security which provides for an amount less than the principal amount thereof to be due and payable upon a declaration of acceleration of the Maturity thereof pursuant to Section 5.2.

"DISTRIBUTIONS," with respect to the Trust Securities issued by a First Union Trust, means amounts payable in respect of such Trust Securities as provided in the related Trust Agreement and referred to therein as "Distributions."

"DOLLAR" means the currency of the United States of America that, as at the time of payment, is legal tender for the payment of public and private debts.

"DTC" means The Depository Trust Company.

"EVENT OF DEFAULT" unless otherwise specified in a supplemental indenture creating a series of Securities has the meaning specified in Article V.

"EXCESS PROCEEDS" has the meaning specified in Section 13.13.

"EXCHANGE ACT" means the Securities Exchange Act of 1934 and any statute successor thereto, in each case as amended from time to time.

"EXTENSION PERIOD" has the meaning specified in Section 3.11.

"FIRST UNION GUARANTEE" means the guarantee by the Company of distributions on the Preferred Securities of a First Union Trust to the extent provided in a guarantee agreement.

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"FIRST UNION TRUST" has the meaning specified in the first recital of this Indenture.

"GLOBAL SECURITY" means a Security in the form prescribed in Section 2.4 evidencing all or part of a series of Securities, issued to the Depositary or its nominee for such series, and registered in the name of such Depositary or its nominee.

"HOLDER" means a Person in whose name a Security is registered in the Securities Register.

"INDENTURE" means this instrument as originally executed or as it may from time to time be supplemented or amended by one or more indentures supplemental hereto entered into pursuant to the applicable provisions hereof and shall include the terms of each particular series of Securities established as contemplated by Section 3.1.

"INTEREST PAYMENT DATE" means as to each series of Securities the Stated Maturity of an installment of interest on such Securities.

"MATURITY" when used with respect to any Security means the date on which the principal of such Security becomes due and payable as therein or herein provided, whether at the Stated Maturity or by declaration of acceleration, call for redemption or otherwise.

"NOTICE OF DEFAULT" means a written notice of the kind specified in Section 5.1(3).

"OFFICERS' CERTIFICATE" means a certificate signed by the Chairman of the Board of Directors, a Vice Chairman of the Board of Directors, the President or a Vice President, and by the Treasurer, an Assistant Treasurer, the Secretary or an Assistant Secretary of the Company, and delivered to the Trustee.

"OPINION OF COUNSEL" means a written opinion of counsel, who may be counsel for the Company, and who shall be acceptable to the Trustee.

"ORIGINAL ISSUE DATE" means the date of issuance specified as such in each Security.

"OTHER FINANCIAL OBLIGATIONS" means, with respect to a Person, all obligations of such Person to make payment pursuant to the terms of financial instruments, such as (i) securities contracts and foreign currency exchange contracts, (ii) derivative instruments, such as swap agreements (including interest rate and foreign exchange rate swap agreements), cap agreements, floor agreements, collar agreements, interest rate agreements, foreign exchange rate agreements, options, commodity futures contracts, commodity option contracts, and (iii) in the case of both (i) and (ii) above, similar financial instruments.

"OUTSTANDING" means, when used in reference to any Securities, as of the date of determination, all Securities theretofore authenticated and delivered under this Indenture, except:

(i) Securities theretofore canceled by the Trustee or delivered to the Trustee for cancellation;

(ii) Securities for whose payment money in the necessary amount has been theretofore deposited with the Trustee or any Paying Agent in trust for the Holders of such Securities; and

(iii) Securities in substitution for or in lieu of which other Securities have been authenticated and delivered or which have been paid pursuant to Section 3.6, unless proof satisfactory to the Trustee is presented that any such Securities are held by Holders in whose hands such Securities are valid, binding and legal obligations of the Company;

PROVIDED, HOWEVER, that in determining whether the Holders of the requisite principal amount of Outstanding Securities have given any request, demand, authorization, direction, notice, consent or waiver hereunder, Securities owned by the Company or any other obligor upon the Securities or any Affiliate of the Company or such other obligor shall be disregarded and deemed not to be Outstanding, except that, in determining whether the Trustee shall be protected in relying upon any such request, demand, authorization, direction, notice, consent or waiver, only Securities which a Responsible Officer of the Trustee knows to be so owned shall be so disregarded. Securities so owned which have been pledged in good faith may be regarded as Outstanding if the pledgee establishes to the satisfaction of the Trustee the pledgee's right so to act with respect to such Securities and that the pledgee is not the Company or any other obligor upon the Securities or any Affiliate of the Company or such other obligor. Upon the written request of the Trustee, the Company shall furnish to the Trustee promptly an Officers' Certificate listing and identifying all Securities, if any, known by the Company to be owned or held by or for the account of the Company, or any other obligor on the Securities or any Affiliate of the Company or such obligor, and, subject to the provisions of Section 6.1, the Trustee shall be entitled to accept such Officers' Certificate as conclusive evidence of the facts therein set forth and of the fact that all Securities not listed therein are Outstanding for the purpose of any such determination.

"PAYING AGENT" means the Trustee or any Person authorized by the Company to pay the principal of (and premium, if any) or interest on any Securities on behalf of the Company.

"PERSON" means any individual, corporation, partnership, joint venture, trust, unincorporated organization or government or any agency or political subdivision thereof.

"PLACE OF PAYMENT" means, with respect to the Securities of any series, the place or places where the principal of (and premium, if any) and interest on the Securities of such series are payable pursuant to Sections 3.1 and 3.11.

"PREDECESSOR SECURITY" of any particular Security means every previous Security evidencing all or a portion of the same debt as that evidenced by such particular Security; and, for the purposes of this definition, any security authenticated and delivered under Section 3.6 in lieu of a lost, destroyed or stolen Security shall be deemed to evidence the same debt as the lost, destroyed or stolen Security.

"PREFERRED SECURITIES" has the meaning specified in the first recital of this Indenture.

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"PROCEEDING" has the meaning specified in Section 13.2.

"PROPERTY TRUSTEE" means, in respect of any First Union Trust, the commercial bank or trust company identified as the "Property Trustee" in the related Trust Agreement, solely in its capacity as Property Trustee of such First Union Trust under such Trust Agreement and not in its individual capacity, or its successor in interest in such capacity, or any successor property trustee appointed as therein provided.

"REDEMPTION DATE," when used with respect to any Security to be redeemed, means the date fixed for such redemption by or pursuant to this Indenture.

"REDEMPTION PRICE," when used with respect to any Security to be redeemed, means the price at which it is to be redeemed pursuant to this Indenture.

"REGULAR RECORD DATE" for the interest payable on any Interest Payment Date with respect to the Securities of a series means, unless otherwise provided pursuant to Section 3.1 with respect to Securities of a series, the date which is fifteen days next preceding such Interest Payment Date (whether or not a Business Day).

"RESPONSIBLE OFFICER" means when used with respect to the Trustee, any officer assigned to the Corporate Trust Office, including any managing director, vice president, assistant vice president, assistant treasurer, assistant secretary or any other officer of the Property Trustee customarily performing functions similar to those performed by any of the above designated officers, and also, with respect to a particular matter, any other officer, to whom such matter is referred because of such officer's knowledge of and familiarity with the particular subject.

"SECURITIES" or "SECURITY" means any debt securities or debt security, as the case may be, authenticated and delivered under this Indenture.

"SECURITIES ACT" means the Securities Act of 1933 (or any successor statute), as it may be amended from time to time.

"SECURITIES REGISTER" and "SECURITIES REGISTRAR" have the respective meanings specified in Section 3.5.

"SENIOR DEBT" means the principal of (and premium, if any) and interest, if any (including interest accruing on or after the filing of any petition in bankruptcy or for reorganization relating to the Company whether or not such claim for post-petition interest is allowed in such proceeding), on Debt, whether incurred on or prior to the date of the Indenture or thereafter incurred, unless, in the instrument creating or evidencing the same or pursuant to which the same is outstanding, it is provided that such obligations are not superior in right of payment to the Securities or to other Debt which is PARI PASSU with, or subordinated to, the Securities; PROVIDED, HOWEVER, that Senior Debt shall not be deemed to include (i) any Debt of the Company which when incurred and without respect to any election under Section 1111(b) of the United States Bankruptcy Code of 1978, as amended, was without recourse to the Company, (ii) any Debt of the Company to any of its subsidiaries, (iii) Debt to any employee of the Company, and (iv) any

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other debt securities issued pursuant to the Indenture. Senior Debt includes, without limitation, Debt issued (i) under the indenture, dated as of April 1, 1983, and amended thereafter, between the Company and Chemical Bank, as trustee, and (ii) except to the extent otherwise provided with respect to any series of debt securities issued after the date hereof, under the indenture, dated as of March 15, 1986, and amended thereafter, between the Company and Harris Trust and Savings Bank, as trustee.

"SPECIAL RECORD DATE" for the payment of any Defaulted Interest means a date fixed by the Trustee pursuant to Section 3.7.

"STATED MATURITY" when used with respect to any Security or any installment of principal thereof or interest thereon means the date specified pursuant to the terms of such Security as the date on which the principal of such Security or such installment of interest is due and payable, in the case of such principal, as such date may be shortened or extended as provided pursuant to the terms of such Security and this Indenture.

"SUBSIDIARY" means a corporation more than 50% of the outstanding voting stock of which is owned, directly or indirectly, by the Company or by one or more other Subsidiaries, or by the Company and one or more other Subsidiaries. The term Subsidiary shall not include any First Union Trust. For purposes of this definition, "voting stock" means stock which ordinarily has voting power for the election of directors, whether at all times or only so long as no senior class of stock has such voting power by reason of any contingency.

"TAX EVENT" means the receipt by a First Union Trust of an opinion of counsel experienced in such matters to the effect that, as a result of any amendment to, or change (including any announced prospective change) in, the laws (or any regulations thereunder) of the United States or any political subdivision or taxing authority thereof or therein, or as a result of any official administrative pronouncement or judicial decision interpreting or applying such laws or regulations, which amendment or change is effective or which pronouncement or decision is announced on or after the date of issuance of the Preferred Securities of such First Union Trust, there is more than an insubstantial risk that (i) such First Union Trust is, or will be within 90 days of the date of such Opinion of Counsel, subject to United States Federal income tax with respect to income received or accrued on the corresponding series of Securities issued by the Company to such First Union Trust, (ii) interest payable by the Company on such corresponding series of Securities is not, or within 90 days of the date of such Opinion of Counsel, will not be, deductible by the Company, in whole or in part, for United States Federal income tax purposes or (iii) such First Union Trust is, or will be within 90 days of the date of such Opinion of Counsel, subject to more than a DE MINIMIS amount of other taxes, duties or other governmental charges.

"TRUST AGREEMENT" means the Trust Agreement (or an Amended and Restated Trust Agreement) under which a First Union Trust is created and providing for the issuance of Trust Securities by such First Union Trust, in each case as amended from time to time.

"TRUSTEE" means the Person named as the "Trustee" in the first paragraph of this instrument until a successor Trustee shall have become such pursuant to the applicable provisions of this

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Indenture, and thereafter "Trustee" shall mean or include each Person who is then a Trustee hereunder and, if at any time there is more than one such Person, "Trustee" as used with respect to the Securities of any series shall mean the Trustee with respect to Securities of that series.

"TRUST INDENTURE ACT" means the Trust Indenture Act of 1939 (15 U.S.C. ss.ss. 77aaa-77bbb), as amended and as in effect on the date as of this Indenture, except as provided in Section 9.5.

"TRUST SECURITIES" has the meaning specified in the first recital of this Indenture.

"VICE PRESIDENT" when used with respect to the Company, means any duly appointed vice president, whether or not designated by a number or a word or words added before or after the title "vice president."

SECTION 1.2. COMPLIANCE CERTIFICATE AND OPINIONS.

Upon any application or request by the Company to the Trustee to take any action under any provision of this Indenture, the Company shall furnish to the Trustee an Officers' Certificate stating that all conditions precedent (including covenants, compliance with which constitutes a condition precedent), if any, provided for in this Indenture relating to the proposed action have been complied with and an Opinion of Counsel stating that in the opinion of such counsel all such conditions precedent (including covenants compliance with which constitute a condition precedent), if any, have been complied with, except that in the case of any such application or request as to which the furnishing of such documents is specifically required by any provision of this Indenture relating to such particular application or request, no additional certificate or opinion need be furnished.

Every certificate or opinion with respect to compliance with a condition or covenant provided for in this Indenture (other than the certificates provided pursuant to Section 10.4) shall include:

(1) a statement that each individual signing such certificate or opinion has read such covenant or condition and the definitions herein relating thereto;

(2) a brief statement as to the nature and scope of the examination or investigation upon which the statements or opinions contained in such certificate or opinion are based;

(3) a statement that, in the opinion of each such individual, he has made such examination or investigation as is necessary to enable him to express an informed opinion as to whether or not such covenant or condition has been complied with; and

(4) a statement as to whether, in the opinion of each such individual, such condition or covenant has been complied with.

SECTION 1.3. FORMS OF DOCUMENTS DELIVERED TO TRUSTEE.

In any case where several matters are required to be certified by, or covered by an opinion of, any specified Person, it is not necessary that all such matters be certified by, or covered by

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the opinion of, only one such Person, or that they be so certified or covered by only one document, but one such Person may certify or give an opinion with respect to some matters and one or more other such Persons as to other matters, and any such Person may certify or give an opinion as to such matters in one or several documents.

Any certificate or opinion of an officer of the Company may be based, insofar as it relates to legal matters, upon a certificate or opinion of, or representations by, counsel, unless such officer knows, or in the exercise of reasonable care should know, that the certificate or opinion or representations with respect to matters upon which his certificate or opinion is based are erroneous. Any such certificate or Opinion of Counsel may be based, insofar as it relates to factual matters, upon a certificate or opinion of, or representations by, an officer or officers of the Company stating that the information with respect to such factual matters is in the possession of the Company, unless such counsel knows, or in the exercise of reasonable care should know, that the certificate or opinion or representations with respect to such matters are erroneous.

Where any Person is required to make, give or execute two or more applications, requests, consents, certificates, statements, opinions, or other instruments under this Indenture, they may, but need not, be consolidated and form one instrument.

SECTION 1.4. ACTS OF HOLDERS.

(a) Any request, demand, authorization, direction, notice, consent, waiver or other action provided by this Indenture to be given to or taken by Holders may be embodied in and evidenced by one or more instruments of substantially similar tenor signed by such Holders in person or by an agent duly appointed in writing; and, except as herein otherwise expressly provided, such action shall become effective when such instrument or instruments is or are delivered to the Trustee, and, where it is hereby expressly required, to the Company. Such instrument or instruments (and the action embodied therein and evidenced thereby) are herein sometimes referred to as the "Act" of the Holders signing such instrument or instruments. Proof of execution of any such instrument or of a writing appointing any such agent shall be sufficient for any purpose of this Indenture and (subject to Section 6.1) conclusive in favor of the Trustee and the Company, if made in the manner provided in this Section.

(b) The fact and date of the execution by any Person of any such instrument or writing may be proved by the affidavit of a witness of such execution or by the certificate of any notary public or other officer authorized by law to take acknowledgments of deeds, certifying that the individual signing such instrument or writing acknowledged to him the execution thereof. Where such execution is by a Person acting in other than his individual capacity, such certificate or affidavit shall also constitute sufficient proof of his authority.

(c) The fact and date of the execution by any Person of any such instrument or writing, or the authority of the Person executing the same, may also be proved in any other manner which the Trustee deems sufficient and in accordance with such reasonable rules as the Trustee may determine.

(d) The ownership of Securities shall be proved by the Securities Register.

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(e) Any request, demand, authorization, direction, notice, consent, waiver or other action by the Holder of any Security shall bind every future Holder of the same Security and the Holder of every Security issued upon the transfer thereof or in exchange therefor or in lieu thereof in respect of anything done or suffered to be done by the Trustee or the Company in reliance thereon, whether or not notation of such action is made upon such Security.

(f) The Company may set any day as a record date for the purpose of determining the Holders of Outstanding Securities of any series entitled to give, make or take any request, demand, authorization, direction, notice, consent, waiver or other action provided or permitted by this Indenture to be given, made or taken by Holders of Securities of such series, PROVIDED that the Company may not set a record date for, and the provisions of this paragraph shall not apply with respect to, the giving or making of any notice, declaration, request or direction referred to in the next paragraph. If any record date is set pursuant to this paragraph, the Holders of Outstanding Securities of the relevant series on such record date, and no other Holders, shall be entitled to take the relevant action, whether or not such Holders remain Holders after such record date, PROVIDED that no such action shall be effective hereunder unless taken on or prior to the applicable Expiration Date (as hereinafter in this Section 1.4(f) provided) by Holders of the requisite principal amount of Outstanding Securities of such series on such record date. Nothing in this paragraph shall be construed to prevent the Company from setting a new record date for any action for which a record date has previously been set pursuant to this paragraph (whereupon the record date previously set shall automatically and with no action by any Person be cancelled and of no effect), and nothing in this paragraph shall be construed to render ineffective any action taken by Holders of the requisite principal amount of Outstanding Securities of the relevant series on the date such action is taken. Promptly after any record date is set pursuant to this paragraph, the Company, at its own expense, shall cause notice of such record date, the proposed action by Holders and the applicable Expiration Date to be given to the Trustee in writing and to each Holder of Securities of the relevant series in the manner set forth in Section 1.6.

The Trustee may set any day as a record date for the purpose of determining the Holders of Outstanding Securities of any series entitled to join in the giving or making of (i) any Notice of Default, (ii) any declaration of acceleration referred to in Section 5.2, (iii) any request to institute proceedings referred to in Section 5.7(2) or (iv) any direction referred to in Section 5.12, in each case with respect to Securities of such series. If any record date is set pursuant to this paragraph, the Holders of Outstanding Securities of such series on such record date, and no other Holders, shall be entitled to join in such notice, declaration, request or direction, whether or not such Holders remain Holders after such record date, PROVIDED that no such action shall be effective hereunder unless taken on or prior to the applicable Expiration Date by Holders of the requisite principal amount of Outstanding Securities of such series on such record date. Nothing in this paragraph shall be construed to prevent the Trustee from setting a new record date for any action for which a record date has previously been set pursuant to this paragraph (whereupon the record date previously set shall automatically and with no action by any Person be cancelled and of no effect), and nothing in this paragraph shall be construed to render ineffective any action taken by Holders of the requisite principal amount of Outstanding Securities of the relevant series on the date such action is taken. Promptly after any record date is set pursuant to this paragraph, the Trustee, at the Company's expense, shall cause notice of such record date, the proposed action

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by Holders and the applicable Expiration Date to be given to the Company in writing and to each Holder of Securities of the relevant series in the manner set forth in Section 1.6.

With respect to any record date set pursuant to this Section, the party hereto which sets such record dates may designate any day as the "Expiration Date" and from time to time may change the Expiration Date to any earlier or later day, PROVIDED that no such change shall be effective unless notice of the proposed new Expiration Date is given to the other party hereto in writing, and to each Holder of Securities of the relevant series in the manner set forth in Section 10.6, on or prior to the existing Expiration Date. If an Expiration Date is not designated with respect to any record date set pursuant to this Section, the party hereto which set such record date shall be deemed to have initially designated the 180th day after such record date as the Expiration Date with respect thereto, subject to its right to change the Expiration Date as provided in this paragraph. Notwithstanding the foregoing, no Expiration Date shall be later than the 180th day after the applicable record date.

(g) Without limiting the foregoing, a Holder entitled hereunder to take any action hereunder with regard to any particular Security may do so with regard to all or any part of the principal amount of such Security or by one or more duly appointed agents each of which may do so pursuant to such appointment with regard to all or any part of such principal amount.

SECTION 1.5. NOTICES, ETC. TO TRUSTEE AND COMPANY.

Any request, demand, authorization, direction, notice, consent, waiver or Act of Holders or other document provided or permitted by this Indenture to be made upon, given or furnished to, or filed with,

(1) the Trustee by any Holder, any holder of Preferred Securities or the Company shall be sufficient for every purpose hereunder if made, given, furnished or filed in writing to or with the Trustee at its Corporate Trust office, or

(2) the Company by the Trustee, any Holder or any holder of Preferred Securities shall be sufficient for every purpose (except as otherwise provided in Section 5.1) hereunder if in writing and mailed, first class, postage prepaid, to the Company addressed to it at the address of its principal office specified in the first paragraph of this instrument or at any other address previously furnished in writing to the Trustee by the Company.

SECTION 1.6. NOTICE TO HOLDERS; WAIVER.

Where this Indenture provides for notice to Holders of any event, such notice shall be sufficiently given (unless otherwise herein expressly provided) if in writing and mailed, first class postage prepaid, to each Holder affected by such event, at the address of such Holder as it appears in the Securities Register, not later than the latest date, and not earlier than the earliest date, prescribed for the giving of such notice. In any case where notice to Holders is given by mail, neither the failure to mail such notice, nor any defect in any notice so mailed, to any particular Holder shall affect the sufficiency of such notice with respect to other Holders. In case, by reason of the suspension of or irregularities in regular mail service or for any other reason, it shall be impossible or impracticable to mail notice of any event to Holders when said notice is required to be given pursuant to any provision of this Indenture or of the relevant Securities, then any manner of giving such notice as shall be satisfactory to the Trustee shall be deemed to be a sufficient giving of such notice. Where this Indenture provides for notice in any manner, such notice may be waived in writing by the Person entitled to receive such notice, either before or after the event, and such waiver shall be the equivalent of such notice. Waivers of notice by Holders shall be filed with the Trustee, but such filing shall not be a condition precedent to the validity of any action taken in reliance upon such waiver.

SECTION 1.7. CONFLICT WITH TRUST INDENTURE ACT.

If any provision of this Indenture limits, qualifies or conflicts with the duties imposed by any of Sections 310 to 317, inclusive, of the Trust Indenture Act through operation of Section 318(c) thereof, such imposed duties shall control.

SECTION 1.8. EFFECT OF HEADINGS AND TABLE OF CONTENTS.

The Article and Section headings herein and the Table of Contents are for convenience only and shall not affect the construction hereof.

SECTION 1.9. SUCCESSORS AND ASSIGNS.

All covenants and agreements in this Indenture by the Company shall bind its successors and assigns, whether so expressed or not.

SECTION 1.10. SEPARABILITY CLAUSE.

In case any provision in this Indenture or in the Securities shall be invalid, illegal or unenforceable, the validity, legality and enforceability of the remaining provisions shall not in any way be affected or impaired thereby.

SECTION 1.11 BENEFITS OF INDENTURE.

Nothing in this Indenture or in the Securities, express or implied, shall give to any Person, other than the parties hereto and their successors and assigns, and the Holders of the Securities, any benefit or any legal or equitable right, remedy or claim under this Indenture.

SECTION 1.12. GOVERNING LAW.

This Indenture and the Securities shall be governed by and construed in accordance with the laws of the State of New York.

SECTION 1.13. NON-BUSINESS DAYS.

In any case where any Interest Payment Date, Redemption Date or Stated Maturity of any Security shall not be a Business Day, then (notwithstanding any other provision of this Indenture

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or the Securities) payment of interest or principal (and premium, if any) need not be made on such date, but may be made on the next succeeding Business Day (and no interest shall accrue for the period from and after such Interest Payment Date, Redemption Date or Stated Maturity, as the case may be, until such next succeeding Business Day except that, if such Business Day is in the next succeeding calendar year, such payment shall be made on the immediately preceding Business Day (in each case with the same force and effect as if made on the Interest Payment Date or Redemption Date or at the Stated Maturity).

ARTICLE II

SECTION 2.1. FORMS GENERALLY.

The Securities of each series and the Trustee's certificate of authentication shall be in substantially the forms set forth in this Article, or in such other form or forms as shall be established by or pursuant to a Board Resolution or in one or more indentures supplemental hereto, in each case with such appropriate insertions, omissions, substitutions and other variations as are required or permitted by this Indenture and may have such letters, numbers or other marks of identification and such legends or endorsements placed thereon as may be required to comply with applicable tax laws or the rules of any securities exchange or as may, consistently herewith, be determined by the officers executing such securities, as evidenced by their execution of the Securities. If the form of Securities of any series is established by action taken pursuant to a Board Resolution, a copy of an appropriate record of such action shall be certified by the Secretary or an Assistant Secretary of the Company and delivered to the Trustee at or prior to the delivery of the Company Order contemplated by Section 3.3 with respect to the authentication and delivery of such Securities.

The Trustee's certificate of authentication shall be substantially in the form set forth in this Article.

The definitive Securities shall be printed, lithographed or engraved or produced by any combination of these methods, if required by any securities exchange on which the Securities may be listed, on a steel engraved border or steel engraved borders or may be produced in any other manner permitted by the rules of any securities exchange on which the Securities may be listed, all as determined by the officers executing such Securities, as evidenced by their execution of such securities.

Securities distributed to holders of Book-Entry Preferred Securities shall be distributed in the form of one or more Global Securities registered in the name of a Depositary or its nominee, and deposited with the Security Registrar, as custodian for such Depositary, or held by such Depositary, for credit by the Depositary to the respective accounts of the beneficial owners of the Securities represented thereby (or such other accounts as they may direct). Securities distributed to holders of Preferred Securities other than Book-Entry Preferred Securities shall not be issued

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in the form of a Global Security or any other form intended to facilitate book-entry trading in beneficial interests in such Securities.

SECTION 2.2. FORM OF FACE OF SECURITY.

FIRST UNION CORPORATION (TITLE OF SECURITY)

No.

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FIRST UNION CORPORATION, a corporation organized and existing under the laws of Delaware (hereinafter called the "Company", which term includes any successor corporation under the Indenture hereinafter referred to), for value received, hereby promises to pay to , or registered assigns, the principal Dollars [if the Security is a Global Security, then insert, if sum of applicable -- , or such other principal amount as may be set forth in the records of the Securities Registrar hereinafter referred to in accordance with , . The Company further promises to pay interest on the Indenture,] on said principal sum from , or from the most recent interest payment date (each such date, an "Interest Payment Date") on which interest has been paid or duly provided for, [monthly] [quarterly] [semi-annually] [IF APPLICABLE, INSERT--(subject to deferral as set forth herein)] in arrears on [INSERT APPLICABLE INTEREST PAYMENT DATES] of each year, commencing, , at the rate of % per annum, until the principal hereof shall have become due and

payable, [if applicable, insert -- plus Additional Interest, if any,] until the principal hereof is paid or duly provided for or made available for payment [if applicable, insert--and on any overdue principal and (without duplication and to the extent that payment of such interest is enforceable under applicable law) on any overdue installment of interest at the rate of % per annum, compounded [monthly] [quarterly] [semi-annually]]. The amount of interest payable for any period less than a full interest period shall be computed on the basis of twelve 30-day months and a 360-day year and the actual number of days elapsed in a partial month in a period. In the event that any date on which interest is payable on this Security is not a Business Day, then a payment of the interest payable on such date will be made on the next succeeding day which is a Business Day (and without any interest or other payment in respect of any such delay), except that, if such Business Day is in the next succeeding calendar year, such payment shall be made on the immediately preceding Business Day, in each case with the same force and effect as if made on the date the payment was originally payable. A "BUSINESS DAY" shall mean any day other than (i) a Saturday or Sunday, (ii) a day on which banking institutions in The City of New York are authorized or required by law or executive order to remain closed or (iii) a day on which the Corporate Trust Office of the Trustee [IF APPLICABLE, INSERT--, or the principal office of the Property Trustee under the Trust Agreement hereinafter referred to for [First Union Capital ,]] is closed for business. The interest installment so payable, and punctually paid or duly provided for, on any Interest Payment Date will, as provided in the Indenture, be paid to the Person in whose name this Security (or one or more Predecessor Securities is registered at the close of business on the Regular Record Date for such interest installment, which shall be the [INSERT DEFINITION OF REGULAR RECORD DATES]. Any such interest installment not so punctually paid or duly provided for shall

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forthwith cease to be payable to the Holder on such Regular Record Date and may either be paid to the Person in whose name this Security (or one or more Predecessor Securities) is registered at the close of business on a Special Record Date for the payment of such Defaulted Interest to be fixed by the Trustee, notice whereof shall be given to Holders of Securities of this series not less than 10 days prior to such Special Record Date, or be paid at any time in any other lawful manner not inconsistent with the requirements of any securities exchange on which the Securities of this series may be listed, and upon such notice as may be required by such exchange, all as more fully provided in said Indenture.

[IF APPLICABLE, INSERT--So long as no Event of Default has occurred and is continuing, the Company shall have the right at any time during the term of this Security to defer payment of interest on this Security, at any time or from time to time, for up to consecutive [monthly] [quarterly] [semi-annual] interest payment periods with respect to each deferral period (each an "EXTENSION PERIOD"), during which Extension Periods the Company shall have the right to make partial payments of interest on any Interest Payment Date, and at the end of which the Company shall pay all interest then accrued and unpaid (together with Additional Interest thereon to the extent permitted by applicable law); PROVIDED, HOWEVER, that no Extension Period shall extend beyond the Stated Maturity of the principal of this Security; PROVIDED, FURTHER, that during any such Extension Period, the Company shall not, and shall not permit any Subsidiary of the Company to, (i) declare or pay any dividends or distributions or redeem, purchase, acquire or make a liquidation payment with respect to, any of the Company's capital stock or (ii) make any payment of principal of or interest or premium, if any, on or repay, repurchase or redeem any debt security of the Company that ranks PARI PASSU in all respects with or junior in interest to this Security or make any guarantee payments with respect to any guarantee by the Company of the debt securities of any Subsidiaries of the Company if such guarantee ranks PARI PASSU in all respects with or junior in interest to this Security (other than (a) repurchases, redemptions or other acquisitions of shares of capital stock of the Company in connection with any employment contract, benefit plan or other similar arrangement with or for the benefit of one or more employees, officers, directors or consultants, in connection with a dividend reinvestment or stockholder stock purchase plan or in connection with the issuance of capital stock of the Company (or securities convertible into or exercisable for such capital stock) as consideration in an acquisition transaction entered into prior to the applicable Extension Period, (b) as a

result of any exchange or conversion of any class or series of the Company's capital stock (or any capital stock of a subsidiary of the Company) for any class or series of the Company's capital stock or of any class or series of the Company's indebtedness for any class or series of the Company's capital stock, (c) the purchase of fractional interests in shares of the Company's capital stock pursuant to the conversion or exchange provisions of such capital stock or the security being converted or exchanged, (d) any declaration of a dividend in connection with any stockholder's rights plan, or the issuance of rights, stock or other property under any stockholder's rights plan, or the redemption or repurchase of rights pursuant thereto, or (e) any dividend in the form of stock, warrants, options or other rights where the dividend stock or the stock issuable upon exercise of such warrants, options or other rights where the dividend stock or the stock issuable upon exercise of such warrants, options or other rights is the same stock as that on which the dividend is being paid or ranks PARI PASSU with or junior to such stock). Prior to the termination of any such Extension Period, the Company may further extend the interest payment period, PROVIDED that no Extension Period shall exceed consecutive [months] [quarters] [semi-annual

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periods] or extend beyond the Stated Maturity of the principal of this Security. Upon the termination of any such Extension Period and upon the payment of all accrued and unpaid interest and any Additional Interest then due, the Company may elect to begin a new Extension Period, subject to the above requirements. No interest shall be due and payable during an Extension Period except at the end thereof. The Company shall give the Holder of this Security and the Trustee notice of its election to begin any Extension Period at least one Business Day prior to the earlier of (i) the date the Distributions on the Preferred Securities would have been payable except for the election to begin such Extension Period or, (ii) the date the Property Trustee is required to give notice to the holders of such Preferred Securities of the record date or the date such Distributions are payable, but in any event not less than one Business Day prior to begin a new Extension Period to the holders of the Company's election to begin a new Extension Period to the holders of the Preferred Securities.]

Payment of the principal of (and premium, if any) and interest on this Security will be made at the office or agency of the Company maintained for that purpose in the United States, in such coin or currency of the United States of America as at the time of payment is legal tender for payment of public and private debts [if applicable, insert--; PROVIDED, HOWEVER, that at the option of the Company payment of interest may be made (i) by check mailed to the address of the Person entitled thereto as such address shall appear in the Securities Register or (ii) by wire transfer in immediately available funds at such place and to such account as may be designated by the Person entitled thereto as specified in the Securities Register].

The indebtedness evidenced by this Security is, to the extent provided in the Indenture, subordinate and junior in right of payments to the prior payment in full of all Senior Debt, and this Security is issued subject to the provisions of the Indenture with respect thereto. Each Holder of this Security, by accepting the same, (a) agrees to and shall be bound by such provisions, (b) authorizes and directs the Trustee on his behalf to take such actions as may be necessary or appropriate to effectuate the subordination so provided and (c) appoints the Trustee his attorney-in-fact for any and all such purposes. Each Holder hereof, by his acceptance hereof, waives all notice of the acceptance of the subordination provisions contained herein and in the Indenture by each holder of Senior Indebtedness, whether now outstanding or hereafter incurred, and waives reliance by each such holder upon said provisions.

Reference is hereby made to the further provisions of this Security set forth on the reverse hereof, which further provisions shall for all purposes have the same effect as if set forth at this place.

Unless the certificate of authentication hereon has been executed by the Trustee referred to on the reverse hereof by manual signature, this Security shall not be entitled to any benefit under the Indenture or be valid or obligatory for any purpose.

IN WITNESS WHEREOF, the Company has caused this instrument to be duly executed under its corporate seal.

FIRST UNION CORPORATION

Bv:

[PRESIDENT OR VICE PRESIDENT]

Attest:

[SECRETARY OR ASSISTANT SECRETARY]

SECTION 2.3. FORM OF REVERSE OF SECURITY.

This Security is one of a duly authorized issue of securities of the Company (herein called the "SECURITIES"), issued and to be issued in one or more series under a Indenture, dated as of ______, ____ (herein called the "INDENTURE"), between the Company and Wilmington Trust Company, as Trustee (herein called the "TRUSTEE", which term includes any successor trustee under the Indenture), to which Indenture and all indentures supplemental thereto reference is hereby made for a statement of the respective rights, limitations of rights, duties and immunities thereunder of the Trustee, the Company and the Holders of the Securities, and of the terms upon which the Securities are, and are to be, authenticated and delivered. This Security is one of the series designated on the face hereof [, limited in aggregate principal amount to \$].

All terms used in this Security that are defined in the Indenture [IF APPLICABLE, INSERT--or in the Amended and Restated Trust Agreement, dated as of ______, ____, as amended (the "Trust Agreement"), for [First Union Capital ,] among FIRST UNION CORPORATION, as Depositor, and the Trustees named therein, shall have the meanings assigned to them in the Indenture [if applicable, insert--or the Trust Agreement, as the case may be].

[IF APPLICABLE, INSERT--The Company may at any time, at its option, on or after _____, ____, and subject to the terms and conditions of Article XI of the Indenture, redeem this Security in whole at any time or in part from time to time, without premium or penalty, at a redemption price equal to 100% of the principal amount thereof plus accrued and unpaid interest [if applicable, insert--including Additional Interest, if any] to the Redemption Date.]

In the event of redemption of this Security in part only, a new Security or Securities of this series for the unredeemed portion hereof will be issued in the name of the Holder hereof upon the cancellation hereof.

The Indenture contains provisions for satisfaction and discharge of the entire indebtedness of this Security upon compliance by the Company with certain conditions set forth in the Indenture.

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The Indenture permits, with certain exceptions as therein provided, the Company and the Trustee at any time to enter into a supplemental indenture or indentures for the purpose of modifying in any manner the rights and obligations of the Company and of the Holders of the Securities, with the consent of the Holders of not less than a majority in principal amount of the Outstanding Securities of each series to be affected by such supplemental indenture. The Indenture also contains provisions permitting Holders of specified percentages in principal amount of the Securities of each series at the time Outstanding, on behalf of the Holders of all Securities of such series, to waive compliance by the Company with certain provisions of the Indenture and certain past defaults under the Indenture and their consequences. Any such consent or waiver by the Holder of this Security shall be conclusive and binding upon such Holder and upon all future Holders of this Security and of any Security issued upon the registration of transfer hereof or in exchange herefor or in lieu hereof, whether or not notation of such consent or waiver is made upon this Security.

[IF THE SECURITY IS NOT A DISCOUNT SECURITY, -- As provided in and subject to the provisions of the Indenture, if an Event of Default with respect to the Securities of this series at the time Outstanding occurs and is continuing, then and in every such case the Trustee or the Holders of not less than 25% in principal amount of the Outstanding Securities of this series may declare the principal amount of all the Securities of this series to be due and payable immediately, by a notice in writing to the Company (and to the Trustee if given by Holders), PROVIDED that, in the case of the Securities of this series issued to a First Union Trust, if upon an Event of Default, the Trustee or the Holders of not less than 25% in principal amount of the Outstanding Securities of this series fails to declare the principal of all the Securities of this series to be immediately due and payable, the holders of at least 25% in aggregate Liquidation Amount of the Preferred Securities of such First Union Trust then outstanding shall have such right by a notice in writing to the Company and the Trustee; and upon any such declaration the principal amount of and the accrued interest (including any Additional Interest) on all the Securities of this series shall become immediately due and payable, provided that the payment of principal and interest (including any Additional Interest) on such Securities shall remain subordinated to the extent provided in Article XIII of the Indenture.]

[IF THE SECURITY IS A DISCOUNT SECURITY, -- As provided in and subject to the provisions of the Indenture, if an Event of Default with respect to the Securities of this series at the time Outstanding occurs and is continuing, then and in every such case the Trustee or the Holders of not less than such portion of the principal amount as may be specified in the terms of this series may declare an amount of principal of the Securities of this series to be due and payable immediately, by a notice in writing to the Company (and to the Trustee if given by Holders), provided that, in the case of the Securities of this series issued to a First Union Trust, if upon an Event of Default, the Trustee or the Holders of not less than 25% in principal amount of the Outstanding Securities of this series fails to declare the principal of all the Securities of this series to be immediately due and payable, the holders of at least 25% in aggregate Liquidation Amount of the Preferred Securities of such First Union Trust then outstanding shall have such right by a notice in writing to the Company and the Trustee. Such amount shall be equal to--INSERT FORMULA FOR DETERMINING THE AMOUNT. Upon any such declaration, such amount of the principal of and the accrued interest (including any Additional Interest) on all the Securities of this series shall become immediately due and payable, provided that the payment of principal and interest

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(including any Additional Interest) on such Securities shall remain subordinated to the extent provided in Article XIII of the Indenture. Upon payment (i) of the amount of principal so declared due and payable and (ii) of interest on any overdue principal and overdue interest (in each case to the extent that the payment of such interest shall be legally enforceable), all of the Company's obligations in respect of the payment of the principal of and interest, if any, on this Security shall terminate.]

No reference herein to the Indenture and no provision of this Security or of the Indenture shall alter or impair the obligation of the Company, which is absolute and unconditional, to pay the principal of (and premium, if any) and interest on this Security at the times, place and rate, and in the coin or currency, herein prescribed.

As provided in the Indenture and subject to certain limitations therein set forth, the transfer of this Security is registrable in the Securities Register,

upon surrender of this Security for registration of transfer at the office or agency of the Company maintained under Section 10.2 of the Indenture duly endorsed by, or accompanied by a written instrument of transfer in form satisfactory to the Company and the Securities Registrar duly executed by, the Holder hereof or his attorney duly authorized in writing, and thereupon one or more new Securities of this series, of authorized denominations and for the same aggregate principal amount, will be issued to the designated transferee or transferees. No service charge shall be made for any such registration of transfer or exchange, but the Company may require payment of a sum sufficient to cover any tax or other governmental charge payable in connection therewith.

Prior to due presentment of this Security for registration of transfer, the Company, the Trustee and any agent of the Company or the Trustee shall treat the Person in whose name this Security is registered as the owner hereof for all purposes, whether or not this Security be overdue, and neither the Company, the Trustee nor any such agent shall be affected by notice to the contrary.

The Securities of this series are issuable only in registered form without coupons in minimum denominations of \$_____ and any integral multiples of \$_____ in excess thereof. As provided in the Indenture and subject to certain limitations therein set forth, Securities of this series are exchangeable for a like aggregate principal amount of Securities of such series of a different authorized denomination, as requested by the Holder surrendering the same.

The Company and, by its acceptance of this Security or a beneficial interest therein, the Holder of, and any Person that acquires a beneficial interest in, this Security agree that for United States Federal, state and local tax purposes it is intended that this Security constitute indebtedness.

THE INDENTURE AND THIS SECURITY SHALL BE GOVERNED BY AND CONSTRUED IN ACCORDANCE WITH THE LAWS OF THE STATE OF NEW YORK, WITHOUT REGARD TO CONFLICTS OF LAWS PRINCIPLES THEREOF.

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SECTION 2.4. ADDITIONAL PROVISIONS REQUIRED IN GLOBAL SECURITY.

Any Global Security issued hereunder shall, in addition to the provisions contained in Sections 2.2 and 2.3, bear a legend in substantially the following form:

"This Security is a Global Security within the meaning of the Indenture hereinafter referred to and is registered in the name of a Depository or a nominee of a Depositary. This Security is exchangeable for Securities registered in the name of a person other than the Depositary or its nominee only in the limited circumstances described in the Indenture and may not be transferred except as a whole by the Depositary to a nominee of the Depositary or by a nominee of the Depositary to the Depositary or another nominee of the Depositary."

SECTION 2.5. FORM OF TRUSTEE'S CERTIFICATE OF AUTHENTICATION.

This is one of the Securities referred to in the within mentioned $\ensuremath{\mathsf{Indenture}}$.

Dated:

Wilmington Trust Company, as Trustee Bv:

AUTHORIZED SIGNATORY

ARTICLE III

SECTION 3.1. TITLE AND TERMS.

The aggregate principal amount of Securities which may be authenticated and delivered under this Indenture is unlimited.

The Securities may be issued in one or more series. There shall be established in or pursuant to a Board Resolution, and set forth in an Officers' Certificate, or established in one or more indentures supplemental hereto, prior to the issuance of Securities of a series:

(a) the title of the securities of such series, which shall distinguish the Securities of the series from all other Securities;

(b) the limit, if any, upon the aggregate principal amount of the Securities of such series which may be authenticated and delivered under this Indenture (except for Securities authenticated and delivered upon registration of transfer of, or in exchange for, or in lieu of, other Securities of the series pursuant to Section 3.4, 3.5, 3.6, 9.6 or 11.6 and except for any Securities which, pursuant to Section 3.3, are deemed never to have been authenticated and delivered

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hereunder); PROVIDED, HOWEVER, that the authorized aggregate principal amount of such series may be increased above such amount by a Board Resolution to such effect;

(c) the Stated Maturity or Maturities on which the principal of the Securities of such series is payable or the method of determination thereof;

(d) the rate or rates, if any, at which the Securities of such series shall bear interest, if any, the rate or rates and extent to which Additional Interest, if any, shall be payable in respect of any Securities of such series, the Interest Payment Dates on which such interest shall be payable, the right, pursuant to Section 3.11 or as otherwise set forth therein, of the Company to defer or extend an Interest Payment Date, and the Regular Record Date for the interest payable on any Interest Payment Date or the method by which any of the foregoing shall be determined;

(e) the place or places where the principal of (and premium, if any) and interest on the Securities of such series shall be payable, the place or places where the Securities of such series may be presented for registration of transfer or exchange, and the place or places where notices and demands to or upon the Company in respect of the Securities of such series may be made;

(f) the period or periods within or the date or dates on which, if any, the price or prices at which and the terms and conditions upon which the Securities of such series may be redeemed, in whole or in part, at the option of the Company;

(g) the obligation or the right, if any, of the Company to redeem, repay or purchase the Securities of such series pursuant to any sinking fund, amortization or analogous provisions, or at the option of a Holder thereof, and the period or periods within which, the price or prices at which, the currency or currencies (including currency unit or units) in which and the other terms and conditions upon which Securities of the series shall be redeemed, repaid or purchased, in whole or in part, pursuant to such obligation;

(h) the denominations in which any Securities of such series shall be issuable, if other than denominations of \$25 and any integral multiple of \$25 in excess thereof;

(i) if other than Dollars, the currency or currencies (including currency unit or units) in which the principal of (and premium, if any) and interest, if any, on the Securities of the series shall be payable, or in which the Securities of the series shall be denominated and the manner of determining the equivalent thereof in Dollars for purposes of the definition of Outstanding;

(j) the additions, modifications or deletions, if any, in the Events of Default or covenants of the Company set forth herein with respect to the Securities of such series;

(k) if other than the principal amount thereof, the portion of the principal amount of Securities of such series that shall be payable upon declaration of acceleration of the Maturity thereof;

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(1) the additions or changes, if any, to this Indenture with respect to the Securities of such series as shall be necessary to permit or facilitate the issuance of the Securities of such series in bearer form, registrable or not registrable as to principal, and with or without interest coupons;

(m) any index or indices used to determine the amount of payments of principal of and premium, if any, on the Securities of such series or the manner in which such amounts will be determined;

(n) whether the Securities of the series, or any portion thereof, shall initially be issuable in the form of a temporary Global Security representing all or such portion of the Securities of such series and provisions for the exchange of such temporary Global Security for definitive Securities of such series;

(o) if applicable, that any Securities of the series shall be issuable in whole or in part in the form of one or more Global Securities and, in such case, the respective Depositories for such Global Securities, the form of any legend or legends which shall be borne by any such Global Security in addition to or in lieu of that set forth in Section 2.4 and any circumstances in addition to or in lieu of those set forth in Section 3.5 in which any such Global Security may be exchanged in whole or in part for Securities registered, and any transfer of such Global Security in whole or in part may be registered, in the name or names of Persons other than the Depositary for such Global Security or a nominee thereof;

(p) the appointment of any Paying Agent or Agents for the Securities of such series;

(q) the terms of any right to convert or exchange Securities of such series into any other securities or property of the Company, and the additions or changes, if any, to this Indenture with respect to the Securities of such series to permit or facilitate such conversion or exchange;

(r) if applicable, the First Union Trust, Trust Agreement and First Union Guarantee relating to the Securities of such series;

(s) the relative degree, if any, to which the Securities of the series shall be senior to or be subordinated to other series of Securities in right of payment, whether such other series of Securities are Outstanding or not;

(t) if applicable, that the subordination provisions of Article Thirteen shall apply to the Securities of the series or that any different subordination provisions, including a different definition of the term 'Senior Debt' shall apply to the Securities of such series; and

(u) any other terms of the Securities of such series (which terms shall not be inconsistent with the provisions of this Indenture).

All Securities of any one series shall be substantially identical except as to denomination and except as may otherwise be provided herein or in or pursuant to such Board Resolution and set forth in such Officers' Certificate or in any such indenture supplemental hereto. If any of the terms of the series are established by action taken pursuant to a Board Resolution, a copy of an appropriate record of such action shall be certified by the Secretary or an Assistant Secretary of the Company and delivered to the Trustee at or prior to the delivery of the Officers' Certificate setting forth the terms of the series.

The Securities shall be subordinated in right of payment to Senior Debt as provided in Article XIII.

SECTION 3.2. DENOMINATIONS.

The Securities of each series shall be in registered form without coupons and shall be issuable in denominations of \$25 and any integral multiple of \$25 in excess thereof, unless otherwise specified as contemplated by Section 3.1.

SECTION 3.3. EXECUTION, AUTHENTICATION, DELIVERY AND DATING.

The Securities shall be executed on behalf of the Company by its President or one of its Vice Presidents under its corporate seal reproduced or impressed thereon and attested by its Secretary or one of its Assistant Secretaries. The signature of any of these officers on the Securities may be manual or facsimile.

Securities bearing the manual or facsimile signatures of individuals who were at any time the proper officers of the Company shall bind the Company, notwithstanding that such individuals or any of them have ceased to hold such offices prior to the authentication and delivery of such Securities or did not hold such offices at the date of such Securities. At any time and from time to time after the execution and delivery of this Indenture, the Company may deliver Securities of any series executed by the Company to the Trustee for authentication, together with a Company Order for the authentication and delivery of such Securities, and the Trustee in accordance with the Company Order shall authenticate and deliver such Securities. If the form or terms of the Securities of the series have been established by or pursuant to one or more Board Resolutions as permitted by Sections 2.1 and 3.1, in authenticating such Securities, and accepting the additional responsibilities under this Indenture in relation to such Securities, the Trustee shall be entitled to receive, and (subject to Section 6.1) shall be fully protected in relying upon, an Opinion of Counsel stating,

(1) if the form of such Securities has been established by or pursuant to Board Resolution as permitted by Section 2.1, that such form has been established in conformity with the provisions of this Indenture;

(2) if the terms of such Securities have been established by or pursuant to Board Resolution as permitted by Section 3.1, that such terms have been established in conformity with the provisions of this Indenture; and

(3) that such Securities, when authenticated and delivered by the Trustee and issued by the Company in the manner and subject to any conditions specified in such Opinion of Counsel, will constitute valid and legally binding obligations of the Company enforceable in accordance

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with their terms, subject to bankruptcy, insolvency, fraudulent transfer, reorganization, moratorium and similar laws of general applicability relating to or affecting creditors' rights and to general equity principles.

If such form or terms have been so established, the Trustee shall not be required to authenticate such Securities if the issue of such Securities pursuant to this Indenture will affect the Trustee's own rights, duties or immunities under the Securities and this Indenture or otherwise in a manner which is not reasonably acceptable to the Trustee.

Notwithstanding the provisions of Section 3.1 and of the preceding paragraph, if all Securities of a series are not to be originally issued at one time, it shall not be necessary to deliver the Officers' Certificate otherwise required pursuant to Section 3.1 or the Company Order and Opinion of Counsel otherwise required pursuant to such preceding paragraph at or prior to the authentication of each Security of such series if such documents are delivered at or prior to the authentication upon original issuance of the first Security of such series to be issued.

Each Security shall be dated the date of its authentication.

No Security shall be entitled to any benefit under this Indenture or be valid or obligatory for any purpose, unless there appears on such Security a certificate of authentication substantially in the form provided for herein executed by the Trustee by the manual signature of one of its authorized officers, and such certificate upon any Security shall be conclusive evidence, and the only evidence, that such Security has been duly authenticated and delivered hereunder. Notwithstanding the foregoing, if any Security shall have been authenticated and delivered hereunder but never issued and sold by the Company, and the Company shall deliver such Security to the Trustee for cancellation as provided in Section 3.9, for all purposes of this Indenture such Security shall be deemed never to have been authenticated and delivered hereunder and shall never be entitled to the benefits of this Indenture.

SECTION 3.4. TEMPORARY SECURITIES.

Pending the preparation of definitive Securities of any series, the Company may execute, and upon Company Order the Trustee shall authenticate and deliver, temporary Securities which are printed, lithographed, typewritten, mimeographed or otherwise produced, in any denomination, substantially of the tenor of the definitive Securities of such series in lieu of which they are issued and with such appropriate insertions, omissions, substitutions and other variations as the officers executing such Securities may determine, as evidenced by their execution of such Securities.

If temporary Securities of any series are issued, the Company will cause definitive Securities of such series to be prepared without unreasonable delay. After the preparation of definitive Securities, the temporary Securities shall be exchangeable for definitive Securities upon surrender of the temporary Securities at the office or agency of the Company designated for that purpose without charge to the Holder. Upon surrender for cancellation of any one or more temporary Securities, the Company shall execute and the Trustee shall authenticate and deliver in exchange therefor one or more definitive Securities of the same series, of any authorized denominations

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having the same Original Issue Date and Stated Maturity and having the same terms as such temporary Securities. Until so exchanged, the temporary Securities of any series shall in all respects be entitled to the same benefits under this Indenture as definitive Securities of such series.

SECTION 3.5. REGISTRATION, TRANSFER AND EXCHANGE.

The Company shall cause to be kept at the Corporate Trust Office of the Trustee a register in which, subject to such reasonable regulations as it may prescribe, the Company shall provide for the registration of Securities and of transfers of Securities. Such register is herein sometimes referred to as the "Securities Register." The Trustee is hereby appointed "Securities Registrar" for the purpose of registering Securities and transfers of Securities as herein provided.

Upon surrender for registration of transfer of any Security at the office or agency of the Company designated for that purpose the Company shall execute, and the Trustee shall authenticate and deliver, in the name of the designated transferee or transferees, one or more new Securities of the same series of any authorized denominations, of a like aggregate principal amount, of the same Original Issue Date and Stated Maturity and having the same terms.

At the option of the Holder, Securities may be exchanged for other Securities of the same series of any authorized denominations, of a like aggregate principal amount, of the same Original Issue Date and Stated Maturity and having the same terms, upon surrender of the Securities to be exchanged at such office or agency. Whenever any securities are so surrendered for exchange, the Company shall execute, and the Trustee shall authenticate and deliver, the Securities which the Holder making the exchange is entitled to receive.

All Securities issued upon any transfer or exchange of Securities shall be the valid obligations of the Company, evidencing the same debt, and entitled to the same benefits under this Indenture, as the Securities surrendered upon such transfer or exchange.

Every Security presented or surrendered for transfer or exchange shall (if so required by the Company or the Securities Registrar) be duly endorsed, or be accompanied by a written instrument of transfer in form satisfactory to the Company and the Securities Registrar, duly executed by the Holder thereof or his attorney duly authorized in writing.

No service charge shall be made to a Holder for any transfer or exchange of Securities, but the Company may require payment of a sum sufficient to cover any tax or other governmental charge that may be imposed in connection with any transfer or exchange of Securities.

The provisions of Clauses (1), (2), (3) and (4) below shall apply only to Global Securities:

(1) Each Global Security authenticated under this Indenture shall be registered in the name of the Depositary designated for such Global Security or a nominee thereof and delivered to such Depositary or a nominee thereof or custodian therefor, and each such Global Security shall constitute a single Security for all purposes of this Indenture.

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(2) Notwithstanding any other provision in this Indenture, no Global Security may be exchanged in whole or in part for Securities registered, and no transfer of a Global Security in whole or in part may be registered, in the name of any Person other than the Depositary for such Global Security or a nominee thereof unless (A) such Depositary (i) has notified the Company that it is unwilling or unable to continue as Depositary for such Global Security or (ii) has ceased to be a clearing agency registered under the Exchange Act at a time when the Depositary is required to be so registered to act as depositary, in each case unless the Company has approved a successor Depositary within 90 days, (B) there shall have occurred and be continuing an Event of Default with respect to such Global Security, (C) the Company in its sole discretion determines that such Global Security will be so exchangeable or transferable or (D) there shall exist such circumstances, if any, in addition to or in lieu of the foregoing as have been specified for this purpose as contemplated by Section 3.1.

(3) Subject to Clause (2) above, any exchange of a Global Security for other Securities may be made in whole or in part, and all Securities issued in exchange for a Global Security or any portion thereof shall be registered in such names as the Depositary for such Global Security shall direct.

(4) Every Security authenticated and delivered upon registration of transfer of, or in exchange for or in lieu of, a Global Security or any portion thereof, whether pursuant to this Section, Section 3.4, 3.6, 9.6 or 11.6 or otherwise, shall be authenticated and delivered in the form of, and shall be, a Global Security, unless such Security is registered in the name of a Person other than the Depositary for such Global Security or a nominee thereof.

Neither the Company nor the Trustee shall be required, pursuant to the provisions of this Section, (a) to issue, transfer or exchange any Security of

any series during a period beginning at the opening of business 15 days before the day of selection for redemption of Securities pursuant to Article XI and ending at the close of business on the day of mailing of notice of redemption or (b) to transfer or exchange any Security so selected for redemption in whole or in part, except, in the case of any Security to be redeemed in part, any portion thereof not to be redeemed.

SECTION 3.6. MUTILATED, DESTROYED, LOST AND STOLEN SECURITIES.

If any mutilated Security is surrendered to the Trustee together with such security or indemnity as may be required by the Company or the Trustee to save each of them harmless, the Company shall execute and the Trustee shall authenticate and deliver in exchange therefor a new Security of the same issue and series of like tenor and principal amount, having the same Original Issue Date and Stated Maturity, and bearing a number not contemporaneously outstanding.

If there shall be delivered to the Company and to the Trustee (i) evidence to their satisfaction of the destruction, loss or theft of any Security, and (ii) such security or indemnity as may be required by them to save each of them harmless, then, in the absence of notice to the Company or the Trustee that such Security has been acquired by a bona fide purchaser, the Company shall execute and upon its request the Trustee shall authenticate and deliver, in lieu of any such

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destroyed, lost or stolen Security, a new Security of the same issue and series of like tenor and principal amount, having the same Original Issue Date and Stated Maturity as such destroyed, lost or stolen Security, and bearing a number not contemporaneously outstanding.

In case any such mutilated, destroyed, lost or stolen Security has become or is about to become due and payable, the Company in its discretion may, instead of issuing a new Security, pay such Security.

Upon the issuance of any new Security under this Section, the Company may require the payment of a sum sufficient to cover any tax or other governmental charge that may be imposed in relation thereto and any other expenses (including the fees and expenses of the Trustee) connected therewith.

Every new Security issued pursuant to this Section in lieu of any destroyed, lost or stolen Security shall constitute an original additional contractual obligation of the Company, whether or not the destroyed, lost or stolen Security shall be at any time enforceable by anyone, and shall be entitled to all the benefits of this Indenture equally and proportionately with any and all other Securities duly issued hereunder.

The provisions of this Section are exclusive and shall preclude (to the extent lawful) all other rights and remedies with respect to the replacement or payment of mutilated, destroyed, lost or stolen Securities.

SECTION 3.7. PAYMENT OF INTEREST; INTEREST RIGHTS PRESERVED.

Interest on any Security of any series which is payable, and is punctually paid or duly provided for, on any Interest Payment Date, shall be paid to the Person in whose name that Security (or one or more Predecessor Securities) is registered at the close of business on the Regular Record Date for such interest in respect of Securities of such series, except that, unless otherwise provided in the Securities of such series, interest payable on the Stated Maturity of the principal of a Security shall be paid to the Person to whom principal is paid. The initial payment of interest on any Security of any series which is issued between a Regular Record Date and the related Interest Payment Date shall be payable as provided in such Security or in the Board Resolution pursuant to Section 3.1 with respect to the related series of Securities.

Any interest on any Security which is payable, but is not timely paid or duly provided for, on any Interest Payment Date for Securities of such series (herein called "Defaulted Interest"), shall forthwith cease to be payable to the registered Holder on the relevant Regular Record Date by virtue of having been such Holder, and such Defaulted Interest may be paid by the Company, at its election in each case, as provided in Clause (1) or (2) below:

(1) The Company may elect to make payment of any Defaulted Interest to the Persons in whose names the Securities of such series in respect of which interest is in default (or their respective Predecessor Securities) are registered at the close of business on a Special Record Date for the payment of such Defaulted Interest, which shall be fixed in the following manner. The Company shall notify the Trustee in writing of the amount of Defaulted Interest proposed

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to be paid on each Security and the date of the proposed payment, and at the same time the Company shall deposit with the Trustee an amount of money equal to the aggregate amount proposed to be paid in respect of such Defaulted Interest or shall make arrangements satisfactory to the Trustee for such deposit prior to the date of the proposed payment, such money when deposited to be held in trust for the benefit of the Persons entitled to such Defaulted Interest as in this Clause provided. Thereupon the Trustee shall fix a Special Record Date for the payment of such Defaulted Interest which shall be not more than 15 days and not less than 10 days prior to the date of the proposed payment and not less than 10 days after the receipt by the Trustee of the notice of the proposed payment. The Trustee shall promptly notify the Company of such Special Record Date and, in the name and at the expense of the Company, shall cause notice of the proposed payment of such Defaulted Interest and the Special Record Date therefor to be mailed, first class, postage prepaid, to each Holder of a Security of such series at the address of such Holder as it appears in the Securities Register not less than 10 days prior to such Special Record Date. The Trustee may, in its discretion, in the name and at the expense of the Company, cause a similar notice to be published at least once in a newspaper, customarily published in the English language on each Business Day and of general circulation in the Borough of Manhattan, The City of New York, but such publication shall not be a condition precedent to the establishment of such Special Record Date. Notice of the proposed payment of such Defaulted Interest and the Special Record Date therefor having been mailed as aforesaid, such Defaulted Interest shall be paid to the Persons in whose names the Securities of such series (or their respective Predecessor Securities) are registered on such Special Record Date and shall no longer be payable pursuant to the following Clause (2).

(2) The Company may make payment of any Defaulted Interest in any other lawful manner not inconsistent with the requirements of any securities exchange on which the Securities of the series in respect of which interest is in default may be listed and, upon such notice as may be required by such exchange (or by the Trustee if the Securities are not listed), if, after notice given by the Company to the Trustee of the proposed payment pursuant to this Clause, such payment shall be deemed practicable by the Trustee.

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

SECTION 3.8. PERSONS DEEMED OWNERS.

The Company, the Trustee and any agent of the Company or the Trustee may treat the Person in whose name any Security is registered as the owner of such Security for the purpose of receiving payment of principal of and (subject to Section 3.8) any interest on such Security and for all other purposes whatsoever, whether or not such Security be overdue, and neither the Company, the Trustee nor any agent of the Company or the Trustee shall be affected by notice to the contrary. No holder of any beneficial interest in any Global Security held on its behalf by a Depositary shall have any rights under this Indenture with respect to such Global Security, and such Depositary may be treated by the Company, the Trustee and any agent of the Company or the Trustee as the owner of such Global Security for all purposes whatsoever. Notwithstanding the foregoing, nothing herein shall prevent the Company, the Trustee or any agent of the Company or the Trustee from giving effect to any written certification, proxy or other authorization furnished by a Depositary or impair, as between a Depositary and such holders of beneficial interests, the operation of customary practices governing the exercise of the rights of the Depositary (or its nominee) as Holder of any Security.

SECTION 3.9. CANCELLATION.

All Securities surrendered for payment, redemption, transfer or exchange shall, if surrendered to any Person other than the Trustee, be delivered to the Trustee, and any such Securities and Securities surrendered directly to the Trustee for any such purpose shall be promptly canceled by it. The Company may at any time deliver to the Trustee for cancellation any Securities previously authenticated and delivered hereunder which the Company may have acquired in any manner whatsoever, and all Securities so delivered shall be promptly canceled by the Trustee. No Securities shall be authenticated in lieu of or in exchange for any Securities canceled as provided in this Section, except as expressly permitted by this Indenture. All canceled Securities shall be destroyed by the Trustee and the Trustee shall deliver to the Company a certificate of such destruction.

SECTION 3.10. COMPUTATION OF INTEREST.

Except as otherwise specified as contemplated by Section 3.1 for Securities of any series, interest on the Securities of each series for any partial period shall be computed on the basis of a 360-day year of twelve 30-day months and the actual days elapsed in a partial month in such period, and interest on the Securities of each series for a full period shall be computed by dividing the rate per annum by two.

SECTION 3.11. DEFERRALS OF INTEREST PAYMENT DATES.

If specified as contemplated by Section 2.1 or Section 3.1 with respect to the Securities of a particular series, so long as no Event of Default has occurred and is continuing, the Company shall have the right, at any time during the term of such series, from time to time to defer the payment of interest on such Securities for such period or periods as may be specified as contemplated by Section 3.1 (each, an "EXTENSION PERIOD") during which Extension Periods the Company shall have the right to make partial payments of interest on any Interest Payment Date. No Extension Period shall end on a date other than an Interest Payment Date. At the end of any such Extension Period the Company shall pay all interest then accrued and unpaid on the Securities (together with Additional Interest thereon, if any, at the rate specified for the Securities of such series to the extent permitted by applicable law); PROVIDED, HOWEVER, that no Extension Period shall extend beyond the Stated Maturity of the principal of the Securities of such series; PROVIDED, FURTHER, that during any such Extension Period, the Company shall not, and shall not permit any Subsidiary to, (i) declare or pay any dividends or distributions on, or

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redeem, purchase, acquire or make a liquidation payment with respect to, any of the Company's capital stock, or (ii) make any payment of principal of or interest or premium, if any, on or repay, repurchase or redeem any debt security of the Company that ranks PARI PASSU in all respects with or junior in interest to the Securities of such series or make any guarantee payments with respect to any guarantee by the Company of the debt securities of any Subsidiary of the Company that by their terms rank PARI PASSU in all respects with or junior in interest to the securities of such series (other than (a) dividends or distributions in Common Stock, (b) any declaration of a dividend in connection with the implementation of the Company's stockholders' rights plan or any successor to such plan, or the issuance of rights, stock or other property under any such plan, or the redemption or repurchase of any such rights pursuant thereto, (c) payments under any First Union Guarantee, and (d) purchases of Common Stock related to the issuance of Common Stock or rights under any of the Company's benefit plans for its directors, officers or employees, related to the issuance of Common Stock under a dividend reinvestment and stock purchase plan or related to the issuance of Common Stock (or securities convertible into or exchangeable for Common Stock) as consideration in an acquisition transaction entered into prior to such Extension Period). Prior to the termination of any such Extension Period, the Company may further extend the interest payment period, PROVIDED that no Extension Period shall exceed the period or periods specified in such Securities or extend beyond the Stated Maturity of the principal of such Securities. Upon termination of any Extension Period and upon the payment of all accrued and unpaid interest and any Additional Interest then due on any Interest Payment Date, the Company may elect to begin a new Extension Period, subject to the above requirements. No interest shall be due and payable during an Extension Period, except at the end thereof. The Company shall give the Trustee notice of its election to begin any such Extension Period as specified pursuant to Section 3.1.

The Trustee, at the expense of the Company, shall promptly give notice of the Company's election to begin any such Extension Period to the Holders of the Outstanding Securities of such series.

SECTION 3.12. RIGHT OF SET-OFF.

With respect to the Securities of a series issued to a First Union Trust, notwithstanding anything to the contrary herein, the Company shall have the right to set-off any payment it is otherwise required to make thereunder in respect of any such Security to the extent the Company has theretofore made, or is concurrently on the date of such payment making, a payment under the First Union Guarantee relating to such Security or under Section 5.8 hereof.

SECTION 3.13. AGREED TAX TREATMENT.

Each Security issued hereunder shall provide that the Company and, by its acceptance of a Security or a beneficial interest therein, the Holder of, and any Person that acquires a beneficial interest in, such Security agree that for United States Federal, state and local tax purposes it is intended that such Security constitutes indebtedness.

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SECTION 3.14. CUSIP NUMBERS.

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

ARTICLE IV

SATISFACTION AND DISCHARGE

SECTION 4.1. SATISFACTION AND DISCHARGE OF INDENTURE.

This Indenture shall, upon Company Request, cease to be of further effect (except as to any surviving rights of registration of transfer or exchange of Securities herein expressly provided for and as otherwise provided in this Section 4.1) and the Trustee, on demand of and at the expense of the Company, shall execute proper instruments acknowledging satisfaction and discharge of

this Indenture, when

(1) either

(A) all Securities theretofore authenticated and delivered (other than (i) Securities which have been destroyed, lost or stolen and which have been replaced or paid as provided in Section 3.6 and (ii) Securities for whose payment money has theretofore been deposited in trust or segregated and held in trust by the Company and thereafter repaid to the Company or discharged from such trust, as provided in Section 10.3) have been delivered to the Trustee for cancellation; or

 $\,$ (B) all such Securities not theretofore delivered to the Trustee for cancellation

- (i) have become due and payable, or
- (ii) will become due and payable at their Stated Maturity within one year of the date of deposit, or
- (iii) are to be called for redemption within one year by the Trustee in the name, and at the expense, of the Company,

and the Company, in the case of Clause (B) (i), (ii) or (iii) above, has deposited or caused to be deposited with the Trustee as trust funds in trust for such purpose an amount in the currency or currencies in which the Securities of such series are payable sufficient to pay and discharge the entire indebtedness on such Securities not

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theretofore delivered to the Trustee for cancellation, for principal (and premium, if any) and interest (including any Additional Interest) to the date of such deposit (in the case of Securities which have become due and payable) or to the Stated Maturity or Redemption Date, as the case may be;

(2) the Company has paid or caused to be paid all other sums payable hereunder by the Company; and

(3) the Company has delivered to the Trustee an Officers' Certificate and an Opinion of Counsel each stating that all conditions precedent herein provided for relating to the satisfaction and discharge of this Indenture have been complied with.

Notwithstanding the satisfaction and discharge of this Indenture, or the earlier resignation or removal of the Trustee or any Authenticating Agent, the obligations of the Company to the Trustee under Section 6.7, the obligations of the Company to any Authenticating Agent under Section 6.14 and, if money shall have been deposited with the Trustee pursuant to subclause (B) of clause (1) of this Section, the obligations of the Trustee under Section 4.2 and the last paragraph of Section 10.3 shall survive.

SECTION 4.2. APPLICATION OF TRUST MONEY.

Subject to the provisions of the last paragraph of Section 10.3, all money deposited with the Trustee pursuant to Section 4.1 shall be held in trust and applied by the Trustee, in accordance with the provisions of the Securities and this Indenture, to the payment, either directly or through any Paying Agent (including the Company acting as its own Paying Agent) as the Trustee may determine, to the Persons entitled thereto, of the principal (and premium, if any) and interest for the payment of which such money or obligations have been deposited with or received by the Trustee.

ARTICLE V

REMEDIES

SECTION 5.1. EVENTS OF DEFAULT.

"Event of Default," wherever used herein with respect to the Securities of any series, means any one of the following events (whatever the reason for such Event of Default and whether it shall be voluntary or involuntary or be effected by operation of law or pursuant to any judgment, decree or order of any court or any order, rule or regulation of any administrative or governmental body):

(1) default in the payment of any interest upon any Security of that series, including any Additional Interest in respect thereof, when it becomes due, and continuance of such default for a period of 30 days (subject to the deferral of any due date in the case of an Extension Period); or

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(2) default in the payment of the principal of (or premium, if any, on) any Security of that series at its Maturity; or

(3) default in the performance, or breach, in any material respect, of any covenant of the Company in this Indenture (other than a covenant a default in the performance of which or the breach of which is elsewhere in this Section specifically dealt with), and continuance of such default or breach for a period of 90 days after there has been given, by registered or certified mail, to the Company by the Trustee or to the Company and the Trustee by the Holders of at least 25% in principal amount of the Outstanding Securities of that series a written notice specifying such default or breach and requiring it to be remedied; or

(4) the entry of a decree or order by a court having jurisdiction in the premises adjudging the Company a bankrupt or insolvent, or approving as properly filed a petition seeking reorganization, arrangement, adjustment or composition of or in respect of the Company under any applicable Federal or State bankruptcy, insolvency, reorganization or other similar law, or appointing a receiver, liquidator, assignee, trustee, sequestrator (or other similar official) of the Company or of any substantial part of its property or ordering the winding up or liquidation of its affairs, and the continuance of any such decree or order unstayed and in effect for a period of 60 consecutive days; or

(5) the institution by the Company of proceedings to be adjudicated a bankrupt or insolvent, or the consent by it to the institution of bankruptcy or insolvency proceedings against it, or the filing by it of a petition or answer or consent seeking reorganization or relief under any applicable Federal or State bankruptcy, insolvency, reorganization or other similar law, or the consent by it to the filing of any such petition or to the appointment of a receiver, liquidator, assignee, trustee, sequestrator (or other similar official) of the Company or of any substantial part of its property, or the making by it of an assignment for the benefit for creditors, or the admission by it in writing of its inability to pay its debts generally as they become due and its willingness to be adjudicated a bankrupt, or the taking of corporate action by the Company in furtherance of any such action; or

(6) any other \mbox{Event} of Default provided with respect to Securities of that series.

SECTION 5.2. ACCELERATION OF MATURITY; RESCISSION AND ANNULMENT.

If an Event of Default (other than an Event of Default specified in Section 5.1(4) or 5.1(5)) with respect to Securities of any series at the time Outstanding occurs and is continuing, then and in every such case the Trustee or the Holders of not less than 25% in principal amount of the Outstanding Securities of that series may declare the principal amount (or, if the Securities of that series are Discount Securities, such portion of the principal amount as may be specified in the terms of that series) of all the Securities of that series to be due and payable immediately, by a notice in writing to the Company (and to the Trustee if given by Holders), PROVIDED that, in the case of the Securities of a series issued to a First Union Trust, if, upon an Event of Default, the Trustee or the Holders of not less than 25% in principal amount of the Outstanding Securities of that series fail to declare the principal of all the Securities of that series to be immediately due and payable, the holders of at least 25% in aggregate Liquidation Amount (as

defined in the related Trust Agreement) of the corresponding series of Preferred Securities then outstanding shall have such right by a notice in writing to the Company and the Trustee; and upon any such declaration such principal amount (or specified portion thereof) of and the accrued interest (including any Additional Interest) on all the Securities of such series shall become immediately due and payable. Payment of principal and interest (including any Additional Interest) on such Securities shall remain subordinated to the extent provided in Article XIII notwithstanding that such amount shall become immediately due and payable as herein provided. If an Event of Default specified in Section 5.1(4) or 5.1(5) with respect to Securities of any series at the time Outstanding occurs, the principal amount of all the Securities of that series (or, if the Securities of that series are Discount Securities, such portion of the principal amount of such Securities as may be specified by the terms of that series) shall automatically, and without any declaration or other action on the part of the Trustee or any Holder, become immediately due and payable.

At any time after such a declaration of acceleration with respect to Securities of any series has been made and before a judgment or decree for payment of the money due has been obtained by the Trustee as hereinafter in this Article provided, the Holders of a majority in principal amount of the Outstanding Securities of that series, by written notice to the Company and the Trustee, may rescind and annul such declaration and its consequences if:

(1) the Company has paid or deposited with the Trustee a sum sufficient to pay:

(A) all overdue installments of interest (including any Additional Interest) on all Securities of that series,

(B) the principal of (and premium, if any, on) any Securities of that series which have become due otherwise than by such declaration of acceleration and interest thereon at the rate borne by the Securities, and

(C) all sums paid or advanced by the Trustee hereunder and the reasonable compensation, expenses, disbursements and advances of the Trustee, its agents and counsel; and

(2) all Events of Default with respect to Securities of that series, other than the non-payment of the principal of Securities of that series which has become due solely by such acceleration, have been cured or waived as provided in Section 5.13.

In the case of Securities of a series issued to a First Union Trust, the holders of a majority in aggregate Liquidation Amount (as defined in the Trust Agreement under which such First Union Trust is formed) of the related series of Preferred Securities issued by such First Union Trust shall also have the right to rescind and annul such declaration and its consequences by written notice to the Company and the Trustee, subject to the satisfaction of the conditions set forth in Clauses (1) and (2) above of this Section 5.2.

No such rescission shall affect any subsequent default or impair any right consequent thereon.

SECTION 5.3. COLLECTION OF INDEBTEDNESS AND SUITS FOR ENFORCEMENT BY TRUSTEE.

The Company covenants that if:

(1) default is made in the payment of any installment of interest (including any Additional Interest) on any Security when such interest becomes due and payable and such default continues for a period of 30 days, or

(2) default is made in the payment of the principal of (and premium, if any, on) any Security at the Maturity thereof,

the Company will, upon demand of the Trustee, pay to the Trustee, for the benefit of the Holders of such Securities, the whole amount then due and payable on such Securities for principal, including any sinking fund payment or analogous obligations (and premium, if any) and interest (including any Additional Interest); and, in addition thereto, all amounts owing the Trustee under Section 6.7.

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

If an Event of Default with respect to Securities of any series occurs and is continuing, the Trustee may in its discretion proceed to protect and enforce its rights and the rights of the Holders of Securities of such series by such appropriate judicial proceedings as the Trustee shall deem most effectual to protect and enforce any such rights, whether for the specific enforcement of any covenant or agreement in this Indenture or in aid of the exercise of any power granted herein, or to enforce any other proper remedy.

SECTION 5.4. TRUSTEE MAY FILE PROOFS OF CLAIM.

In case of the pendency of any receivership, insolvency, liquidation, bankruptcy, reorganization, arrangement, adjustment, composition or other judicial proceeding relative to the Company or any other obligor upon the Securities or the property of the Company or of such other obligor or their creditors,

(a) the Trustee (irrespective of whether the principal of the Securities of any series shall then be due and payable as therein expressed or by declaration or otherwise and irrespective of whether the Trustee shall have made any demand on the Company for the payment of overdue principal (and premium, if any) or interest (including any Additional Interest)) shall be entitled and empowered, by intervention in such proceeding or otherwise,

(i) to file and prove a claim for the whole amount of principal (and premium, if any) and interest (including any Additional Interest) owing and unpaid in respect to the Securities and

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to file such other papers or documents as may be necessary or advisable and to take any and all actions as are authorized under the Trust Indenture Act in order to have the claims of the Holders and any predecessor to the Trustee under Section 6.7 allowed in any such judicial proceedings; and

(ii) in particular, the Trustee shall be authorized to collect and receive any moneys or other property payable or deliverable on any such claims and to distribute the same in accordance with Section 5.6; and

(b) any custodian, receiver, assignee, trustee, liquidator, sequestrator (or other similar official) in any such judicial proceeding is hereby authorized by each Holder to make such payments to the Trustee for distribution in accordance with Section 5.6, and in the event that the Trustee shall consent to the making of such payments directly to the Holders, to pay to the Trustee any amount due to it and any predecessor Trustee under Section 6.7.

Nothing herein contained shall be deemed to authorize the Trustee to authorize or consent to or accept or adopt on behalf of any Holder any plan of reorganization, arrangement, adjustment or composition affecting the Securities or the rights of any Holder thereof, or to authorize the Trustee to vote in respect of the claim of any Holder in any such proceeding; PROVIDED, HOWEVER, that the Trustee may, on behalf of the Holders, vote for the election of a trustee in bankruptcy or similar official and be a member of a creditors' or other similar committee.

SECTION 5.5. TRUSTEE MAY ENFORCE CLAIM WITHOUT POSSESSION OF SECURITIES.

All rights of action and claims under this Indenture or the Securities may be prosecuted and enforced by the Trustee without the possession of any of the Securities or the production thereof in any proceeding relating thereto, and any such proceeding instituted by the Trustee shall be brought in its own name as trustee of an express trust, and any recovery of judgment shall, after provision for the payment of all the amounts owing the Trustee and any predecessor Trustee under Section 6.7, its agents and counsel, be for the ratable benefit of the Holders of the Securities in respect of which such judgment has been recovered.

SECTION 5.6. APPLICATION OF MONEY COLLECTED.

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

FIRST: To the payment of all amounts due the Trustee and any predecessor Trustee;

SECOND: Subject to Article XIII, to the payment of the amounts then due and unpaid upon such series of Securities for principal (and premium, if any) and interest (including any

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

THIRD: The balance, if any, to the Person or Persons entitled thereto.

SECTION 5.7. LIMITATION ON SUITS.

No Holder of any Securities of any series shall have any right to institute any proceeding, judicial or otherwise, with respect to this Indenture or for the appointment of a receiver, assignee, trustee, liquidator, sequestrator (or other similar official) or for any other remedy hereunder, unless:

(1) such Holder has previously given written notice to the Trustee of a continuing Event of Default with respect to the Securities of that series;

(2) the Holders of not less than 25% in principal amount of the Outstanding Securities of that series shall have made written request to the Trustee to institute proceedings in respect of such Event of Default in its own name as

Trustee hereunder;

(3) such Holder or Holders have offered to the Trustee reasonable indemnity against the costs, expenses and liabilities to be incurred in compliance with such request;

(4) the Trustee for 60 days after its receipt of such notice, request and offer of indemnity has failed to institute any such proceeding; and

(5) no direction inconsistent with such written request has been given to the Trustee during such 60-day period by the Holders of a majority in principal amount of the Outstanding Securities of that series;

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

SECTION 5.8. UNCONDITIONAL RIGHT OF HOLDERS TO RECEIVE PRINCIPAL, PREMIUM AND INTEREST; DIRECT ACTION BY HOLDERS OF PREFERRED SECURITIES.

Notwithstanding any other provision in this Indenture, the Holder of any Security shall have the right which is absolute and unconditional to receive payment of the principal of (and premium, if any) and (subject to Section 3.8) interest (including any Additional Interest) on such Security on the respective Stated Maturities expressed in such Security (or, in the case of redemption, on the Redemption Date) and to institute suit for the enforcement of any such

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payment, and such right shall not be impaired without the consent of such Holder. In the case of Securities of a series issued to a First Union Trust, any holder of the corresponding series of Preferred Securities issued by such First Union Trust shall have the right, upon the occurrence of an Event of Default described in Section 5.1(1) or 5.1(2), to institute a suit directly against the Company for enforcement of payment to such holder of principal of (premium, if any) and (subject to Section 3.8) interest (including any Additional Interest) on the Securities having a principal amount equal to the aggregate Liquidation Amount (as defined in the Trust Agreement under which such First Union Trust is formed) of such Preferred Securities of the corresponding series held by such holder.

SECTION 5.9. RESTORATION OF RIGHTS AND REMEDIES.

If the Trustee, any Holder or any holder of Preferred Securities has instituted any proceeding to enforce any right or remedy under this Indenture and such proceeding has been discontinued or abandoned for any reason, or has been determined adversely to the Trustee, such Holder or such holder of Preferred Securities, then and in every such case the Company, the Trustee, the Holders and such holder of Preferred Securities shall, subject to any determination in such proceeding, be restored severally and respectively to their former positions hereunder, and thereafter all rights and remedies of the Trustee, the Holders and the holders of Preferred Securities shall continue as though no such proceeding had been instituted.

SECTION 5.10. RIGHTS AND REMEDIES CUMULATIVE.

Except as otherwise provided in the last paragraph of Section 3.6, no right or remedy herein conferred upon or reserved to the Trustee or to the Holders is intended to be exclusive of any other right or remedy, and every right and remedy shall, to the extent permitted by law, be cumulative and in addition to every other right and remedy given hereunder or now or hereafter existing at law or in equity or otherwise. The assertion or employment of any right or remedy hereunder, or otherwise, shall not prevent the concurrent assertion or employment of any other appropriate right or remedy. SECTION 5.11. DELAY OR OMISSION NOT WAIVER.

No delay or omission of the Trustee, any Holder of any Security or any holder of any Capital Security to exercise any right or remedy accruing upon any Event of Default shall impair any such right or remedy or constitute a waiver of any such Event of Default or an acquiescence therein.

Every right and remedy given by this Article or by law to the Trustee or to the Holders and the right and remedy given to the holders of Preferred Securities by Section 5.8 may be exercised from time to time, and as often as may be deemed expedient, by the Trustee, the Holders or the holders of Preferred Securities, as the case may be.

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SECTION 5.12. CONTROL BY HOLDERS.

The Holders of a majority in principal amount of the Outstanding Securities of any series shall have the right to direct the time, method and place of conducting any proceeding for any remedy available to the Trustee or exercising any trust or power conferred on the Trustee, with respect to the Securities of such series, PROVIDED that:

(1) such direction shall not be in conflict with any rule of law or with this Indenture,

(2) the Trustee may take any other action deemed proper by the Trustee which is not inconsistent with such direction, and

(3) subject to the provisions of Section 6.1, the Trustee shall have the right to decline to follow such direction if a Responsible Officer or Officers of the Trustee shall, in good faith, determine that the proceeding so directed would be unjustly prejudicial to the Holders not joining in any such direction or would involve the Trustee in personal liability.

SECTION 5.13. WAIVER OF PAST DEFAULTS.

The Holders of not less than a majority in principal amount of the Outstanding Securities of any series and, in the case of any Securities of a series issued to a First Union Trust, the holders of Preferred Securities issued by such First Union Trust may waive any past default hereunder and its consequences with respect to such series except a default:

(1) in the payment of the principal of (or premium, if any) or interest (including any Additional Interest) on any Security of such series, or

(2) in respect of a covenant or provision hereof which under Article IX cannot be modified or amended without the consent of the Holder of each Outstanding Security of such series affected.

Any such waiver shall be deemed to be on behalf of the Holders of all the Securities of such series or, in the case of a waiver by holders of Preferred Securities issued by such First Union Trust, by all holders of Preferred Securities issued by such First Union Trust.

Upon any such waiver, such default shall cease to exist, and any Event of Default arising therefrom shall be deemed to have been cured, for every purpose of this Indenture; but no such waiver shall extend to any subsequent or other default or impair any right consequent thereon.

SECTION 5.14. UNDERTAKING FOR COSTS.

All parties to this Indenture agree, and each Holder of any Security by his acceptance thereof shall be deemed to have agreed, that any court may in its discretion require, in any suit for the enforcement of any right or remedy under this Indenture, or in any suit against the Trustee for any action taken or omitted by it as Trustee, the filing by any party litigant in such suit of an undertaking to pay the costs of such suit, and that such court may in its reasonable costs, including reasonable attorneys' fees, against any party litigant in such suit, having due regard to the merits and good faith of the claims or defenses made by such party litigant; but the provisions of this Section shall not apply to any suit instituted by the Trustee, to any suit instituted by any Holder, or group of Holders, holding in the aggregate more than 10% in principal amount of the Outstanding Securities of any series, or to any suit instituted by any Holder for the enforcement of the payment of the principal of (or premium, if any) or interest (including any Additional Interest) on any Security on or after the respective Stated Maturities expressed in such Security.

SECTION 5.15. WAIVER OF USURY, STAY OR EXTENSION LAWS.

The Company covenants (to the extent that it may lawfully do so) that it will not at any time insist upon, or plead, or in any manner whatsoever claim or take the benefit or advantage of, any usury, stay or extension law wherever enacted, now or at any time hereafter in force, which may affect the covenants or the performance of this Indenture; and the Company (to the extent that it may lawfully do so) hereby expressly waives all benefit or advantage of any such law, and covenants that it will not hinder, delay or impede the execution of any power herein granted to the Trustee, but will suffer and permit the execution of every such power as though no such law had been enacted.

ARTICLE VI

THE TRUSTEE

SECTION 6.1. CERTAIN DUTIES AND RESPONSIBILITIES.

The duties and responsibilities of the Trustee shall be as provided by the Trust Indenture Act. Notwithstanding the foregoing, no provision of this Indenture shall require the Trustee to expend or risk its own funds or otherwise incur any financial liability in the performance of any of its duties hereunder, or in the exercise of any of its rights or powers, if it shall have reasonable grounds for believing that repayment of such funds or adequate indemnity against such risk or liability is not reasonably assured to it. Whether or not therein expressly so provided, every provision of this Indenture relating to the conduct or affecting the liability of or affording protection to the Trustee shall be subject to the provisions of this Section.

SECTION 6.2. NOTICE OF DEFAULTS.

Within 90 days after actual knowledge by a Responsible Officer of the Trustee of the occurrence of any default hereunder with respect to the Securities of any series, the Trustee shall transmit by mail to all Holders of Securities of such series, as their names and addresses appear in the Securities Register, notice of such default, unless such default shall have been cured or waived; PROVIDED, HOWEVER, that, except in the case of a default in the payment of the principal of (or premium, if any) or interest (including any Additional Interest) on any Security of such series, the Trustee shall be protected in withholding such notice if and so long as the board of directors, the executive committee or a trust committee of directors and/or Responsible Officers

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of the Trustee in good faith determines that the withholding of such notice is in the interests of the Holders of Securities of such series; and PROVIDED, FURTHER, that, in the case of any default of the character specified in Section 5.1(3), no such notice to Holders of Securities of such series shall be given until at least 30 days after the occurrence thereof. For the purpose of this Section, the term "default" means any event which is, or after notice or lapse of time or both would become, an Event of Default with respect to Securities of such series.

SECTION 6.3. CERTAIN RIGHTS OF TRUSTEE.

Subject to the provisions of Section 6.1:

(a) the Trustee may rely and shall be protected in acting or refraining from acting upon any resolution, certificate, statement, instrument, opinion, report, notice, request, direction, consent, order, bond, debenture, Security or other paper or document believed by it to be genuine and to have been signed or presented by the proper party or parties;

(b) any request or direction of the Company mentioned herein shall be sufficiently evidenced by a Company Request or Company Order and any resolution of the Board of Directors may be sufficiently evidenced by a Board Resolution;

(c) whenever in the administration of this Indenture the Trustee shall deem it desirable that a matter be proved or established prior to taking, suffering or omitting any action hereunder, the Trustee (unless other evidence be herein specifically prescribed) may, in the absence of bad faith on its part, rely upon an Officers' Certificate;

(d) the Trustee may consult with counsel and the advice of such counsel or any Opinion of Counsel shall be full and complete authorization and protection in respect of any action taken, suffered or omitted by it hereunder in good faith and in reliance thereon;

(e) the Trustee shall be under no obligation to exercise any of the rights or powers vested in it by this Indenture at the request or direction of any of the Holders pursuant to this Indenture, unless such Holders shall have offered to the Trustee reasonable security or indemnity against the costs, expenses and liabilities which might be incurred by it in compliance with such request or direction;

(f) the Trustee shall not be bound to make any investigation into the facts or matters stated in any resolution, certificate, statement, instrument, opinion, report, notice, request, direction, consent, order, bond, indenture, Security or other paper or document, but the Trustee in its discretion may make such inquiry or investigation into such facts or matters as it may see fit, and, if the Trustee shall determine to make such inquiry or investigation, it shall be entitled to examine the books, records and premises of the Company, personally or by agent or attorney; and

(g) the Trustee may execute any of the trusts or powers hereunder or perform any duties hereunder either directly or by or through agents or attorneys and the Trustee shall not be

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responsible for any misconduct or negligence on the part of any agent or attorney appointed with due care by it hereunder.

SECTION 6.4. NOT RESPONSIBLE FOR RECITALS OR ISSUANCE OF SECURITIES.

The recitals contained herein and in the Securities, except the Trustee's certificates of authentication, shall be taken as the statements of the Company, and neither the Trustee nor any Authenticating Agent assumes any responsibility for their correctness. The Trustee makes no representations as to the validity or sufficiency of this Indenture or of the Securities. Neither the Trustee nor any Authenticating Agent shall be accountable for the use or application by the Company of the Securities or the proceeds thereof.

SECTION 6.5. MAY HOLD SECURITIES.

The Trustee, any Authenticating Agent, any Paying Agent, any Securities Registrar or any other agent of the Company, in its individual or any other

capacity, may become the owner or pledgee of Securities and, subject to Sections 6.8 and 6.13, may otherwise deal with the Company with the same rights it would have if it were not Trustee, Authenticating Agent, Paying Agent, Securities Registrar or such other agent.

SECTION 6.6. MONEY HELD IN TRUST.

Money held by the Trustee in trust hereunder need not be segregated from other funds except to the extent required by law. The Trustee shall be under no liability for interest on any money received by it hereunder except as otherwise agreed with the Company.

SECTION 6.7. COMPENSATION AND REIMBURSEMENT.

The Company agrees

(1) to pay to the Trustee from time to time reasonable compensation for all services rendered by it hereunder in such amounts as the Company and the Trustee shall agree from time to time (which compensation shall not be limited by any provision of law in regard to the compensation of a trustee of an express trust);

(2) to reimburse the Trustee upon its request for all reasonable expenses, disbursements and advances incurred or made by the Trustee in accordance with any provision of this Indenture (including the reasonable compensation and the expenses and disbursements of its agents and counsel), except any such expense, disbursement or advance as may be attributable to its negligence or bad faith; and

(3) to indemnify the Trustee for, and to hold it harmless against, any loss, liability or expense (including the reasonable compensation and the expenses and disbursements of its agents and counsel) incurred without negligence or bad faith, arising out of or in connection with the acceptance or administration of this trust or the performance of its duties hereunder, including the costs and expenses of defending itself against any claim or liability in connection with the

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exercise or performance of any of its powers or duties hereunder. This indemnification shall survive the termination of this Agreement.

To secure the Company's payment obligations in this Section, the Company and the Holders agree that the Trustee shall have a lien prior to the Securities on all money or property held or collected by the Trustee. Such lien shall survive the satisfaction and discharge of this Indenture.

When the Trustee incurs expenses or renders services after an Event of Default specified in Section 5.1(4) or (5) occurs, the expenses and the compensation for the services are intended to constitute expenses of administration under the Bankruptcy Reform Act of 1978 or any successor statute.

SECTION 6.8. DISQUALIFICATION; CONFLICTING INTERESTS.

The Trustee for the Securities of any series issued hereunder shall be subject to the provisions of Section 310(b) of the Trust Indenture Act. Nothing herein shall prevent the Trustee from filing with the Commission the application referred to in the second to last paragraph of said Section 310(b).

SECTION 6.9. CORPORATE TRUSTEE REQUIRED; ELIGIBILITY.

There shall at all times be a Trustee hereunder which shall be

(a) a corporation organized and doing business under the laws of the United States of America or of any State or Territory or the District of Columbia, authorized under such laws to exercise corporate trust powers and subject to supervision or examination by Federal, State, Territorial or District of Columbia authority, or (b) a corporation or other Person organized and doing business under the laws of a foreign government that is permitted to act as Trustee pursuant to a rule, regulation or order of the Commission, authorized under such laws to exercise corporate trust powers, and subject to supervision or examination by authority of such foreign government or a political subdivision thereof substantially equivalent to supervision or examination applicable to United States institutional trustees,

in either case having a combined capital and surplus of at least \$50,000,000, subject to supervision or examination by Federal or State authority. If such corporation publishes reports of condition at least annually, pursuant to law or to the requirements of the aforesaid supervising or examining authority, then, for the purposes of this Section, the combined capital and surplus of such corporation shall be deemed to be its combined capital and surplus as set forth in its most recent report of condition so published. If at any time the Trustee shall cease to be eligible in accordance with the provisions of this Section, it shall resign immediately in the manner and with the effect hereinafter specified in this Article. Neither the Company nor any Person directly or indirectly controlling, controlled by or under common control with the Company shall serve as Trustee for the Securities of any series issued hereunder.

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SECTION 6.10. RESIGNATION AND REMOVAL; APPOINTMENT OF SUCCESSOR.

(a) No resignation or removal of the Trustee and no appointment of a successor Trustee pursuant to this Article shall become effective until the acceptance of appointment by the successor Trustee under Section 6.11.

(b) The Trustee may resign at any time with respect to the Securities of one or more series by giving written notice thereof to the Company. If an instrument of acceptance by a successor Trustee shall not have been delivered to the Trustee within 30 days after the giving of such notice of resignation, the resigning Trustee may petition any court of competent jurisdiction for the appointment of a successor Trustee with respect to the Securities of such series.

(c) The Trustee may be removed at any time with respect to the Securities of any series by Act of the Holders of a majority in principal amount of the Outstanding Securities of such series, delivered to the Trustee and to the Company.

(d) If at any time:

(1) the Trustee shall fail to comply with Section 6.8 after written request therefor by the Company or by any Holder who has been a bona fide Holder of a Security for at least six months, or

(2) the Trustee shall cease to be eligible under Section 6.9 and shall fail to resign after written request therefor by the Company or by any such Holder, or

(3) the Trustee shall become incapable of acting or shall be adjudged a bankrupt or insolvent or a receiver of the Trustee or of its property shall be appointed or any public officer shall take charge or control of the Trustee or of its property or affairs for the purpose of rehabilitation, conservation or liquidation,

then, in any such case, (i) the Company, acting pursuant to the authority of a Board Resolution, may remove the Trustee with respect to all Securities, or (ii) subject to Section 5.14, any Holder who has been a bona fide Holder of a Security for at least six months may, on behalf of himself and all others similarly situated, petition any court of competent jurisdiction for the removal of the Trustee with respect to all Securities and the appointment of a successor Trustee or Trustees. (e) If the Trustee shall resign, be removed or become incapable of acting, or if a vacancy shall occur in the office of Trustee for any cause with respect to the Securities of one or more series, the Company, by a Board Resolution, shall promptly appoint a successor Trustee with respect to the Securities of that or those series. If, within one year after such resignation, removal or incapability, or the occurrence of such vacancy, a successor Trustee with respect to the Securities of any series shall be appointed by Act of the Holders of a majority in principal amount of the Outstanding Securities of such series delivered to the Company and the retiring Trustee, the successor Trustee so appointed shall, forthwith upon its acceptance of such appointment, become the successor Trustee with respect to the Securities of such series and

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supersede the successor Trustee appointed by the Company. If no successor Trustee with respect to the Securities of any series shall have been so appointed by the Company or the Holders and accepted appointment in the manner hereinafter provided, any Holder who has been a bona fide Holder of a Security for at least six months may, subject to Section 5.14, on behalf of himself and all others similarly situated, petition any court of competent jurisdiction for the appointment of a successor Trustee with respect to the Securities of such series.

(f) The Company shall give notice of each resignation and each removal of the Trustee with respect to the Securities of any series and each appointment of a successor Trustee with respect to the Securities of any series by mailing written notice of such event by first-class mail, postage prepaid, to the Holders of Securities of such series as their names and addresses appear in the Securities Register. Each notice shall include the name of the successor Trustee with respect to the Securities of such series and the address of its Corporate Trust Office.

SECTION 6.11. ACCEPTANCE OF APPOINTMENT BY SUCCESSOR.

(a) In case of the appointment hereunder of a successor Trustee with respect to all Securities, every such successor Trustee so appointed shall execute, acknowledge and deliver to the Company and to the retiring Trustee an instrument accepting such appointment, and thereupon the resignation or removal of the retiring Trustee shall become effective and such successor Trustee, without any further act, deed or conveyance, shall become vested with all the rights, powers, trusts and duties of the retiring Trustee; but, on the request of the Company or the successor Trustee, such retiring Trustee shall, upon payment of its charges, execute and deliver an instrument transferring to such successor Trustee all the rights, powers and trusts of the retiring Trustee and shall duly assign, transfer and deliver to such successor Trustee all property and money held by such retiring Trustee hereunder.

(b) In case of the appointment hereunder of a successor Trustee with respect to the Securities of one or more (but not all) series, the Company, the retiring Trustee and each successor Trustee with respect to the Securities of one or more series shall execute and deliver an instrument in writing or an indenture supplemental hereto wherein each successor Trustee shall accept such appointment and which (1) shall contain such provisions as shall be necessary or desirable to transfer and confirm to, and to vest in, each successor Trustee all the rights, powers, trusts and duties of the retiring Trustee with respect to the Securities of that or those series to which the appointment of such successor Trustee relates, (2) if the retiring Trustee is not retiring with respect to all Securities, shall contain such provisions as shall be deemed necessary or desirable to confirm that all the rights, powers, trusts and duties of the retiring Trustee with respect to the Securities of that or those series as to which the retiring Trustee is not retiring shall continue to be vested in the retiring Trustee, and (3) shall add to or change any of the provisions of this Indenture as shall be necessary to provide for or facilitate the administration of the trusts hereunder by more than one Trustee, it being understood that nothing herein or in such instrument in writing or supplemental indenture shall constitute such Trustees co-trustees of the same trust and that each such Trustee shall be trustee of a trust or trusts hereunder separate and apart from any trust or trusts hereunder administered by any other such Trustee; and upon the execution and delivery of such instrument in writing or

supplemental indenture the resignation or removal of the retiring Trustee shall become effective to the extent provided therein and each

such successor Trustee, without any further act, deed or conveyance, shall become vested with all the rights, powers, trusts, and duties of the retiring Trustee with respect to the Securities of that or those series to which the appointment of such successor Trustee relates; but, on request of the Company or any successor Trustee, such retiring Trustee shall duly assign, transfer and deliver to such successor Trustee all property and money held by such retiring Trustee hereunder with respect to the Securities of that or those series to which the appointment of such successor Trustee relates.

(c) Upon request of any such successor Trustee, the Company shall execute any and all instruments for more fully and certainly vesting in and confirming to such successor Trustee all rights, powers and trusts referred to in paragraph (a) or (b) of this Section, as the case may be.

(d) No successor Trustee shall accept its appointment unless at the time of such acceptance such successor Trustee shall be eligible under this Article.

SECTION 6.12. MERGER, CONVERSION, CONSOLIDATION OR SUCCESSION TO BUSINESS.

Any corporation into which the Trustee may be merged or converted or with which it may be consolidated, or any corporation resulting from any merger, conversion or consolidation to which the Trustee shall be a party, or any corporation succeeding to all or substantially all of the corporate trust business of the Trustee, shall be the successor of the Trustee hereunder, provided such corporation shall be otherwise eligible under this Article, without the execution or filing of any paper or any further act on the part of any of the parties hereto. In case any Securities shall have been authenticated, but not delivered, by the Trustee then in office, any successor by merger, conversion or consolidation to such authenticating Trustee may adopt such authentication and deliver the Securities so authenticated, and in case any Securities shall not have been authenticated, any successor to the Trustee may authenticate such Securities either in the name of any predecessor Trustee or in the name of such successor Trustee, and in all cases the certificate of authentication shall have the full force which it is provided anywhere in the Securities or in this Indenture that the certificate of the Trustee shall have.

SECTION 6.13. PREFERENTIAL COLLECTION OF CLAIMS AGAINST COMPANY.

If and when the Trustee shall be or become a creditor of the Company (or any other obligor upon the Securities), the Trustee shall be subject to the provisions of the Trust Indenture Act regarding the collection of claims against the Company (or any such other obligor).

SECTION 6.14. APPOINTMENT OF AUTHENTICATING AGENT.

The Trustee may appoint an Authenticating Agent or Agents with respect to one or more series of Securities which shall be authorized to act on behalf of the Trustee to authenticate Securities of such series issued upon original issue and upon exchange, registration of transfer or partial redemption thereof or pursuant to Section 3.6, and Securities so authenticated shall be entitled to the benefits of this Indenture and shall be valid and obligatory for all purposes as if authenticated by the Trustee hereunder. Wherever reference is made in this Indenture to the authentication and delivery of Securities by the Trustee or the Trustee's certificate of

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authentication, such reference shall be deemed to include authentication and delivery on behalf of the Trustee by an Authenticating Agent. Each

Authenticating Agent shall be acceptable to the Company and shall at all times be a corporation organized and doing business under the laws of the United States of America, or of any State or Territory or the District of Columbia, authorized under such laws to act as Authenticating Agent, having a combined capital and surplus of not less than \$50,000,000 and subject to supervision or examination by Federal or State authority. If such Authenticating Agent publishes reports of condition at least annually, pursuant to law or to the requirements of said supervising or examining authority, then for the purposes of this Section the combined capital and surplus of such Authenticating Agent shall be deemed to be its combined capital and surplus as set forth in its most recent report of condition so published. If at any time an Authenticating Agent shall cease to be eligible in accordance with the provisions of this Section, such Authenticating Agent shall resign immediately in the manner and with the effect specified in this Section.

Any corporation into which an Authenticating Agent may be merged or converted or with which it may be consolidated, or any corporation resulting from any merger, conversion or consolidation to which such Authenticating Agent shall be a party, or any corporation succeeding to all or substantially all of the corporate trust business of an Authenticating Agent shall be the successor Authenticating Agent hereunder, provided such corporation shall be otherwise eligible under this Section, without the execution or filing of any paper or any further act on the part of the Trustee or the Authenticating Agent.

An Authenticating Agent may resign at any time by giving written notice thereof to the Trustee and to the Company. The Trustee may at any time terminate the agency of an Authenticating Agent by giving written notice thereof to such Authenticating Agent and to the Company. Upon receiving such a notice of resignation or upon such a termination, or in case at any time such Authenticating Agent shall cease to be eligible in accordance with the provisions of this Section, the Trustee may appoint a successor Authenticating Agent which shall be acceptable to the Company and shall give notice of such appointment in the manner provided in Section 1.6 to all Holders of Securities of the series with respect to which such Authenticating Agent will serve. Any successor Authenticating Agent upon acceptance of its appointment hereunder shall become vested with all the rights, powers and duties of its predecessor hereunder, with like effect as if originally named as an Authenticating Agent. No successor Authenticating Agent shall be appointed unless eligible under the provision of this Section.

The Trustee agrees to pay to each Authenticating Agent from time to time reasonable compensation for its services under this Section, and the Trustee shall be entitled to be reimbursed for such payments, subject to the provisions of Section 6.7.

If an appointment with respect to one or more series is made pursuant to this Section, the Securities of such series may have endorsed thereon, in addition to the Trustee's certificate of authentication, an alternative certificate of authentication in the following form:

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This is one of the Securities referred to in the within mentioned $\ensuremath{\mathsf{Indenture}}$.

Dated:

Wilmington Trust Company, As Trustee

By:

AS AUTHENTICATING AGENT

By:

AUTHORIZED OFFICER

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ARTICLE VII

HOLDER'S LISTS AND REPORTS BY TRUSTEE AND COMPANY

SECTION 7.1. COMPANY TO FURNISH TRUSTEE NAMES AND ADDRESSES OF HOLDERS.

The Company will furnish or cause to be furnished to the Trustee:

(a) monthly, quarterly or semi-annually, as the case may be, not more than 15 days after each Regular Record Date in each year, a list, in such form as the Trustee may reasonably require, of the names and addresses of the Holders as of such Regular Record Date, and

(b) at such other times as the Trustee may request in writing, within 30 days after the receipt by the Company of any such request, a list of similar form and content as of a date not more than 15 days prior to the time such list is furnished,

EXCLUDING from any such list names and addresses received by the Trustee in its capacity as Securities Registrar.

SECTION 7.2. PRESERVATION OF INFORMATION, COMMUNICATIONS TO HOLDERS.

(a) The Trustee shall preserve, in as current a form as is reasonably practicable, the names and addresses of Holders contained in the most recent list furnished to the Trustee as provided in Section 7.1 and the names and addresses of Holders received by the Trustee in its capacity as Securities Registrar. The Trustee may destroy any list furnished to it as provided in Section 7.1 upon receipt of a new list so furnished.

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(b) The rights of Holders to communicate with other Holders with respect to their rights under this Indenture or under the Securities, and the corresponding rights and privileges of the Trustee, shall be as provided in the Trust Indenture Act.

(c) Every Holder of Securities, by receiving and holding the same, agrees with the Company and the Trustee that neither the Company nor the Trustee nor any agent of either of them shall be held accountable by reason of the disclosure of information as to the names and addresses of the Holders made pursuant to the Trust Indenture Act.

SECTION 7.3. REPORTS BY TRUSTEE.

(a) The Trustee shall transmit to Holders such reports concerning the Trustee and its actions under this Indenture as may be required pursuant to the Trust Indenture Act, at the times and in the manner provided pursuant thereto.

(b) Reports so required to be transmitted at stated intervals of not more than 12 months shall be transmitted no later than 60 days after September 30 in each calendar year, commencing with the first September 30 after the first issuance of Securities under this Indenture.

(c) A copy of each such report shall, at the time of such transmission to Holders, be filed by the Trustee with each securities exchange upon which any Securities are listed and also with the Commission. The Company will notify the Trustee when any Securities are listed on any securities exchange.

SECTION 7.4. REPORTS BY COMPANY.

The Company shall file with the Trustee and with the Commission, and transmit to Holders, such information, documents and other reports, and such summaries thereof, as may be required pursuant to the Trust Indenture Act at the times and in the manner provided in the Trust Indenture Act; PROVIDED that any such information, documents or reports required to be filed with the Commission pursuant to Section 13 or Section 15(d) of the Exchange Act shall be filed with the Trustee within 15 days after the same is required to be filed with the Commission. Notwithstanding that the Company may not be required to remain subject to the reporting requirements of Section 13 or 15(d) of the Exchange Act, the Company shall continue to file with the Commission and provide the Trustee with the annual reports and the information, documents and other reports which are specified in Sections 13 and 15(d) of the Exchange Act. The Company also shall comply with the other provisions of Trust Indenture Act Section 314(a).

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ARTICLE VIII

CONSOLIDATION, MERGER, CONVEYANCE, TRANSFER OR LEASE

SECTION 8.1. COMPANY MAY CONSOLIDATE, ETC., ONLY ON CERTAIN TERMS.

The Company shall not consolidate with or merge into any other Person or convey, transfer or lease its properties and assets substantially as an entirety to any Person, and no Person shall consolidate with or merge into the Company or convey, transfer or lease its properties and assets substantially as an entirety to the Company, unless:

(1) in case the Company shall consolidate with or merge into another Person or convey, transfer or lease its properties and assets substantially as an entirety to any Person, the Person formed by such consolidation or into which the Company is merged or the Person which acquires by conveyance or transfer, or which leases, the properties and assets of the Company substantially as an entirety shall be organized and existing under the laws of the United States of America or any State or the District of Columbia and shall expressly assume, by an indenture supplemental hereto, executed and delivered to the Trustee, in form reasonably satisfactory to the Trustee, the due and punctual payment of the principal of (and premium, if any) and interest (including any Additional Interest) on all the Securities and the performance of every covenant of this Indenture on the part of the Company to be performed or observed;

(2) immediately after giving effect to such transaction, no Event of Default, and no event which, after notice or lapse of time, or both, would become an Event of Default, shall have happened and be continuing;

(3) in the case of the Securities of a series issued to a First Union Trust, such consolidation, merger, conveyance, transfer or lease is permitted under the related Trust Agreement and First Union Guarantee and does not give rise to any breach or violation of the related Trust Agreement or First Union Guarantee; and

(4) the Company has delivered to the Trustee an Officers' Certificate and an Opinion of Counsel, each stating that such consolidation, merger, conveyance, transfer or lease and any such supplemental indenture comply with this Article and that all conditions precedent herein provided for relating to such transaction have been complied with; and the Trustee, subject to Section 6.1, may rely upon such Officers' Certificate and Opinion of Counsel as conclusive evidence that such transaction complies with this Section 8.1.

SECTION 8.2. SUCCESSOR CORPORATION SUBSTITUTED.

Upon any consolidation or merger by the Company with or into any other Person, or any conveyance, transfer or lease by the Company of its properties and assets substantially as an entirety to any Person in accordance with Section 8.1, the successor Person formed by such consolidation or into which the Company is merged or to which such conveyance, transfer or lease is made shall succeed to, and be substituted for, and may exercise every right and power of, the Company under this Indenture with the same effect as if such successor Person had been named as the Company herein; and in the event of any such conveyance, transfer or lease the Company shall be discharged from all obligations and covenants under the Indenture and the Securities and may be dissolved and liquidated.

Such successor Person may cause to be signed, and may issue either in its own name or in the name of the Company, any or all of the Securities issuable hereunder which theretofore shall not have been signed by the Company and delivered to the Trustee; and, upon the order of such successor Person instead of the Company and subject to all the terms, conditions and limitations in this Indenture prescribed, the Trustee shall authenticate and shall deliver any Securities which previously shall have been signed and delivered by the officers of the Company to the Trustee for authentication pursuant to such provisions and any Securities which such successor Person thereafter shall cause to be signed and delivered to the Trustee on its behalf for the purpose pursuant to such provisions. All the Securities so issued shall in all respects have the same legal rank and benefit under this Indenture as the Securities theretofore or thereafter issued in accordance with the terms of this Indenture as though all of such Securities had been issued at the date of the execution hereof.

In case of any such consolidation, merger, sale, conveyance or lease, such changes in phraseology and form may be made in the Securities thereafter to be issued as may be appropriate.

ARTICLE IX

SUPPLEMENTAL INDENTURES

SECTION 9.1. SUPPLEMENTAL INDENTURES WITHOUT CONSENT OF HOLDERS.

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

(1) to evidence the succession of another Person to the Company, and the assumption by any such successor of the covenants of the Company herein and in the Securities contained; or

(2) to convey, transfer, assign, mortgage or pledge any property to or with the Trustee or to surrender any right or power herein conferred upon the Company; or

(3) to establish the form or terms of Securities of any series as permitted by Sections 2.1 or 3.1; or

(4) to add to the covenants of the Company for the benefit of the Holders of all or any series of Securities (and if such covenants are to be for the benefit of less than all series of Securities, stating that such covenants are expressly being included solely for the benefit of such series) or to surrender any right or power herein conferred upon the Company; or

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(5) to add any additional Events of Default for the benefit of the Holders of all or any series of Securities (and if such additional Events of Default are to be for the benefit of less than all series of Securities, stating that such additional Events of Default are expressly being included solely for the benefit of such series); or (6) to change or eliminate any of the provisions of this Indenture, PROVIDED that any such change or elimination (a) shall become effective only when there is no Security Outstanding of any series created prior to the execution of such supplemental indenture which is entitled to the benefit of such provision or (b) shall not apply to any Outstanding Securities; or

(7) to cure any ambiguity, to correct or supplement any provision herein which may be defective or inconsistent with any other provision herein, or to make any other provisions with respect to matters or questions arising under this Indenture, PROVIDED that such action pursuant to this clause (7) shall not adversely affect the interest of the Holders of Securities of any series in any material respect or, in the case of the Securities of a series issued to a First Union Trust and for so long as any of the corresponding series of Preferred Securities issued by such First Union Trust shall remain outstanding, the holders of such Preferred Securities; or

(8) to evidence and provide for the acceptance of appointment hereunder by a successor Trustee with respect to the Securities of one or more series and to add to or change any of the provisions of this Indenture as shall be necessary to provide for or facilitate the administration of the trusts hereunder by more than one Trustee, pursuant to the requirements of Section 6.11(b); or

(9) to comply with the requirements of the Commission in order to effect or maintain the qualification of this Indenture under the Trust Indenture Act.

SECTION 9.2. SUPPLEMENTAL INDENTURES WITH CONSENT OF HOLDERS.

With the consent of the Holders of not less than a majority in principal amount of the Outstanding Securities of each series affected by such supplemental indenture, by Act of said Holders delivered to the Company and the Trustee, the Company, when authorized by a Board Resolution, and the Trustee may enter into an indenture or indentures supplemental hereto for the purpose of adding any provisions to or changing in any manner or eliminating any of the provisions of this Indenture or of modifying in any manner the rights of the Holders of Securities of such series under this Indenture; PROVIDED, HOWEVER, that no such supplemental indenture shall, without the consent of the Holder of each Outstanding Security affected thereby,

(1) except to the extent permitted by Section 3.11 or as otherwise specified as contemplated by Section 2.1 or Section 3.1 with respect to the deferral of the payment of interest on the Securities of any series, change the Stated Maturity of the principal of, or any installment of interest (including any Additional Interest) on, any Security, or reduce the principal amount thereof or the rate of interest thereon or reduce any premium payable upon the redemption thereof, or reduce the amount of principal of a Discount Security that would be due and payable upon a declaration of acceleration of the Maturity thereof pursuant to Section 5.2, or change the place of payment where, or the coin or currency in which, any Security or interest thereon is

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payable, or impair the right to institute suit for the enforcement of any such payment on or after the Stated Maturity thereof (or, in the case of redemption, on or after the Redemption Date), or

(2) reduce the percentage in principal amount of the Outstanding Securities of any series, the consent of whose Holders is required for any such supplemental indenture, or the consent of whose Holders is required for any waiver (of compliance with certain provisions of this Indenture or certain defaults hereunder and their consequences) provided for in this Indenture, or

(3) modify any of the provisions of this Section, Section 5.13 or Section 10.5, except to increase any such percentage or to provide that certain other provisions of this Indenture cannot be modified or waived without the consent of the Holder of each Security affected thereby; or

(4) modify the provisions in Article XIII of this Indenture with respect to the subordination of Outstanding Securities of any series in a manner adverse to the Holders thereof;

PROVIDED, FURTHER, that, in the case of the Securities of a series issued to a First Union Trust, so long as any of the corresponding series of Preferred Securities issued by such First Union Trust remains outstanding, (i) no such amendment shall be made that adversely affects the holders of such Preferred Securities in any material respect, and no termination of this Indenture shall occur, and no waiver of any Event of Default or compliance with any covenant under this Indenture shall be effective, without the prior consent of the holders of at least a majority of the aggregate Liquidation Amount of such Preferred Securities then outstanding unless and until the principal (and premium, if any) of the Securities of such series and all accrued and, subject to Section 3.7, unpaid interest (including any Additional Interest) thereon have been paid in full and (ii) no amendment shall be made to Section 5.8 of this Indenture that would impair the rights of the holders of Preferred Securities provided therein without the prior consent of the holders of each Capital Security then outstanding unless and until the principal (and premium, if any) of the Securities of such series and all accrued and (subject to Section 3.7) unpaid interest (including any Additional Interest) thereon have been paid in full.

A supplemental indenture that changes or eliminates any covenant or other provision of this Indenture that has expressly been included solely for the benefit of one or more particular series of Securities or Preferred Securities, or which modifies the rights of the Holders of Securities or holders of Preferred Securities of such series with respect to such covenant or other provision, shall be deemed not to affect the rights under this Indenture of the Holders of Securities or holders of Preferred Securities of any other series.

It shall not be necessary for any Act of Holders under this Section to approve the particular form of any proposed supplemental indenture, but it shall be sufficient if such Act shall approve the substance thereof.

SECTION 9.3. EXECUTION OF SUPPLEMENTAL INDENTURES.

In executing or accepting the additional trusts created by any supplemental indenture permitted by this Article or the modifications thereby of the trusts created by this Indenture, the

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Trustee shall be entitled to receive, and (subject to Section 6.1) shall be fully protected in relying upon, an Officers' Certificate and an Opinion of Counsel stating that the execution of such supplemental indenture is authorized or permitted by this Indenture, and that all conditions precedent have been complied with. The Trustee may, but shall not be obligated to, enter into any such supplemental indenture which affects the Trustee's own rights, duties or immunities under this Indenture or otherwise or that may subject it to any liability.

SECTION 9.4. EFFECT OF SUPPLEMENTAL INDENTURES.

Upon the execution of any supplemental indenture under this Article, this Indenture shall be modified in accordance therewith, and such supplemental indenture shall for(m a part of this Indenture for all purposes; and every Holder of Securities theretofore or thereafter authenticated and delivered hereunder shall be bound thereby.

SECTION 9.5. CONFORMITY WITH TRUST INDENTURE ACT.

Every supplemental indenture executed pursuant to this Article shall conform to the requirements of the Trust Indenture Act as then in effect.

SECTION 9.6. REFERENCE IN SECURITIES TO SUPPLEMENTAL INDENTURES.

Securities authenticated and delivered after the execution of any supplemental indenture pursuant to this Article may, and shall if required by the Company, bear a notation in form approved by the Company as to any matter provided for in such supplemental indenture. If the Company shall so determine, new Securities of any series so modified as to conform, in the opinion of the Company, to any such supplemental indenture may be prepared and executed by the Company and authenticated and delivered by the Trustee in exchange for Outstanding Securities of such series.

SECTION 9.7. SUBORDINATION UNIMPAIRED.

No provision in any supplemental indenture that affects the superior position of any holder of Senior Debt shall be effective against any such holder of Senior Debt, unless such holder shall have consented thereto.

ARTICLE X

COVENANTS

SECTION 10.1. PAYMENT OF PRINCIPAL, PREMIUM AND INTEREST.

The Company covenants and agrees for the benefit of each series of securities that it will duly and punctually pay the principal of (and premium, if any) and interest on the Securities of that series in accordance with the terms of such Securities and this Indenture.

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SECTION 10.2. MAINTENANCE OF OFFICE OR AGENCY.

The Company will maintain in each Place of Payment for any series of Securities, an office or agency where Securities of that series may be presented or surrendered for payment and an office or agency where Securities of that series may be surrendered for transfer or exchange and where notices and demands to or upon the Company in respect of the Securities of that series and this Indenture may be served. The Company initially appoints the Trustee, acting through its Corporate Trust Office, as its agent for said purposes. The Company will give prompt written notice to the Trustee of any change in the location of any such office or agency. If at any time the Company shall fail to maintain such office or agency or shall fail to furnish the Trustee with the address thereof, such presentations, surrenders, notices and demands may be made or served at the Corporate Trust Office of the Trustee, and the Company hereby appoints the Trustee as its agent to receive all such presentations, surrenders, notices and demands.

The Company may also from time to time designate one or more other offices or agencies where the Securities may be presented or surrendered for any or all of such purposes, and may from time to time rescind such designations; PROVIDED, HOWEVER, that no such designation or rescission shall in any manner relieve the Company of its obligation to maintain an office or agency in each Place of Payment for Securities of any series for such purposes. The Company will give prompt written notice to the Trustee of any such designation and any change in the location of any such office or agency.

SECTION 10.3. MONEY FOR SECURITY PAYMENTS TO BE HELD IN TRUST.

If the Company shall at any time act as its own Paying Agent with respect to any series of Securities, it will, on or before each due date of the principal of (and premium, if any) or interest on any of the Securities of such series, segregate and hold in trust for the benefit of the Persons entitled thereto a sum sufficient to pay the principal (and premium, if any) or interest so becoming due until such sums shall be paid to such Persons or otherwise disposed of as herein provided, and will promptly notify the Trustee of its failure so to act.

Whenever the Company shall have one or more Paying Agents, it will, prior to 10:00 a.m. New York City time on each due date of the principal of or interest on any Securities, deposit with a Paying Agent a sum sufficient to pay the principal (and premium, if any) or interest so becoming due, such sum to be held in trust for the benefit of the Persons entitled to such principal and premium (if any) or interest, and (unless such Paying Agent is the Trustee) the Company will promptly notify the Trustee of its failure so to act. The Company will cause each Paying Agent other than the Trustee to execute and deliver to the Trustee an instrument in which such Paying Agent shall agree with the Trustee, subject to the provisions of this Section, that such Paying Agent will:

(1) hold all sums held by it for the payment of the principal of (and premium, if any) or interest on Securities in trust for the benefit of the Persons entitled thereto until such sums shall be paid to such Persons or otherwise disposed of as herein provided;

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(2) give the Trustee notice of any default by the Company (or any other obligor upon the Securities) in the making of any payment of principal (and premium, if any) or interest;

(3) at any time during the continuance of any such default, upon the written request of the Trustee, forthwith pay to the Trustee all sums so held in trust by such Paying Agent; and

 $\ensuremath{\left(4\right)}$ comply with the provisions of the Trust Indenture Act applicable to it as a Paying Agent.

The Company may at any time, for the purpose of obtaining the satisfaction and discharge of this Indenture or for any other purpose, pay, or by Company Order direct any Paying Agent to pay, to the Trustee all sums held in trust by the Company or such Paying Agent, such sums to be held by the Trustee upon the same trusts as those upon which such sums were held by the Company or such Paying Agent; and, upon such payment by any Paying Agent to the Trustee, such Paying Agent shall be released from all further liability with respect to such money.

Any money deposited with the Trustee or any Paying Agent, or then held by the Company, in trust for the payment of the principal of (and premium, if any) or interest on any Security and remaining unclaimed for two years after such principal (and premium, if any) or interest has become due and payable shall be paid on Company Request to the Company, or (if then held by the Company) shall (unless otherwise required by mandatory provision of applicable escheat or abandoned or unclaimed property law) be discharged from such trust; and the Holder of such Security shall thereafter, as an unsecured general creditor, look only to the Company for payment thereof, and all liability of the Trustee or such Paying Agent with respect to such trust money, and all liability of the Company as trustee thereof, shall thereupon cease; PROVIDED, HOWEVER, that the Trustee or such Paying Agent, before being required to make any such repayment, may at the expense of the Company cause to be published once, in a newspaper published in the English language, customarily published on each Business Day and of general circulation in the Borough of Manhattan, The City of New York, notice that such money remains unclaimed and that, after a date specified therein, which shall not be less than 30 days from the date of such publication, any unclaimed balance of such money then remaining will be repaid to the Company.

SECTION 10.4. STATEMENT AS TO COMPLIANCE.

The Company shall deliver to the Trustee, within 120 days after the end of each calendar year of the Company ending after the date hereof, an Officers' Certificate covering the preceding calendar year, stating whether or not to the best knowledge of the signers thereof the Company is in default in the performance, observance or fulfillment of or compliance with any of the terms, provisions, covenants and conditions of this Indenture, and if the Company shall be in default, specifying all such defaults and the nature and status thereof of which they may have knowledge. For the purpose of this Section 10.4, compliance shall be determined without regard to any grace period or requirement of notice provided pursuant to the terms of this Indenture.

SECTION 10.5. WAIVER OF CERTAIN COVENANTS.

The Company may omit in any particular instance to comply with any covenant or condition provided pursuant to Section 3.1, 9.1(3) or 9.1(4) with respect to the Securities of any series, if before or after the time for such compliance the Holders of at least a majority in principal amount of the Outstanding Securities of such series shall, by Act of such Holders, either waive such compliance in such instance or generally waive compliance with such covenant or condition, but no such waiver shall extend to or affect such covenant or condition except to the extent so expressly waived, and, until such waiver shall become effective, the obligations of the Company in respect of any such covenant or condition shall remain in full force and effect. If the Securities of a series have not been registered under the Securities Act, the Holders of at least a majority in principal amount of such series, by Act of such Holders, may waive compliance by the Company with the Trust Indenture Act with respect to such series unless such compliance is otherwise required by the Trust Indenture Act.

SECTION 10.6. ADDITIONAL SUMS.

In the case of the Securities of a series issued to a First Union Trust, so long as no Event of Default has occurred and is continuing and except as otherwise specified as contemplated by Section 2.1 or Section 3.1, in the event that (i) a First Union Trust is the Holder of all of the Outstanding Securities of such series and (ii) a Tax Event in respect of such First Union Trust shall have occurred and be continuing, the Company shall pay to such First Union Trust (and its permitted successors or assigns under the related Trust Agreement) as Holder of the Securities of such series for so long as such First Union Trust (or its permitted successor or assignee) is the registered holder of any Securities of such series, such additional sums as may be necessary in order that the amount of Distributions (including any Additional Amounts (as defined in such Trust Agreement)) then due and payable by such First Union Trust on the related Preferred Securities and Common Securities that at any time remain outstanding in accordance with the terms thereof shall not be reduced as a result of any Additional Taxes (the "ADDITIONAL SUMS"). Whenever in this Indenture or the Securities there is a reference in any context to the payment of principal of or interest on the Securities, such mention shall be deemed to include mention of the payments of the Additional Sums provided for in this paragraph to the extent that, in such context, Additional Sums are, were or would be payable in respect thereof pursuant to the provisions of this paragraph and express mention of the payment of Additional Sums (if applicable) in any provisions hereof shall not be construed as excluding Additional Sums in those provisions hereof where such express mention is not made; PROVIDED, HOWEVER, that the deferral of the payment of interest pursuant to Section 3.11 or the Securities shall not defer the payment of any Additional Sums that may be due and payable.

SECTION 10.7. ADDITIONAL COVENANTS.

The Company covenants and agrees with each Holder of Securities of each series that it shall not, and it shall not permit any Subsidiary of the Company to, (a) declare or pay any dividends or distributions on, or redeem, purchase, acquire or make a liquidation payment with respect to, any shares of the Company's capital stock, or (b) make any payment of principal of or interest or premium, if any, on or repay, repurchase or redeem any debt securities of the Company that

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ranks PARI PASSU in all respects with or junior in interest to the Securities (other than (a) repurchases, redemptions or other acquisitions of shares of capital stock of the Company in connection with any employment contract, benefit plan or other similar arrangement with or for the benefit of one or more employees, officers, directors or consultants, in connection with a dividend reinvestment or stockholder stock purchase plan or in connection with the issuance of capital stock of the Company (or securities convertible into or exercisable for such capital stock) as consideration in an acquisition transaction entered into prior to the applicable Extension Period, (b) as a result of any exchange or conversion of any class or series of the Company's capital stock (or any capital stock of a subsidiary of the Company) for any class or series of the Company's capital stock or of any class or series of the Company's indebtedness for any class or series of the Company's capital stock, (c) the purchase of fractional interests in shares of the Company's capital stock pursuant to the conversion or exchange provisions of such capital stock or the security being converted or exchanged, (d) any declaration of a dividend in connection with any stockholder's rights plan, or the issuance of rights, stock or other property under any stockholder's rights plan, or the redemption or repurchase of rights pursuant thereto, or (e) any dividend in the form of stock, warrants, options or other rights where the dividend stock or the stock issuable upon exercise of such warrants, options or other rights where the dividend stock or the stock issuable upon exercise of such warrants, options or other rights is the same stock as that on which the dividend is being paid or ranks PARI PASSU with or junior to such stock), if at such time (i) there shall have occurred any event of which the Company has actual knowledge that (A) with the giving of notice or the lapse of time or both, would constitute an Event of Default with respect to the Securities of such series and (B) in respect of which the Company shall not have taken reasonable steps to cure, (ii) if the Securities of such series are held by a First Union Trust, the Company shall be in default with respect to its payment of any obligations under the First Union Guarantee relating to the Preferred Securities issued by such First Union Trust or (iii) the Company shall have given notice of its election to begin an Extension Period with respect to the Securities of such series as provided herein and shall not have rescinded such notice, or such Extension Period, or any extension thereof, shall be continuing.

The Company also covenants with each Holder of Securities of a series issued to a First Union Trust (i) to maintain directly or indirectly 100% ownership of the Common Securities of such First Union Trust; PROVIDED, HOWEVER, that any permitted successor of the Company hereunder may succeed to the Company's ownership of such Common Securities, and (ii) to use its reasonable efforts, consistent with the terms and provisions of such Trust Agreement, to cause such First Union Trust to remain classified as a grantor trust and not an association taxable as a corporation for United States federal income tax purposes.

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ARTICLE XI

REDEMPTION OF SECURITIES

SECTION 11.1. APPLICABILITY OF THIS ARTICLE.

Redemption of Securities of any series (whether by operation of a sinking fund or otherwise) as permitted or required by any form of Security issued pursuant to this Indenture shall be made in accordance with such form of Security and this Article; PROVIDED, HOWEVER, that if any provision of any such form of Security shall conflict with any provision of this Article, the provision of such form of Security shall govern. Except as otherwise set forth in the form of Security for such series, each Security of such series shall be subject to partial redemption only in the amount of \$1,000 or integral multiples thereof.

SECTION 11.2. ELECTION TO REDEEM; NOTICE TO TRUSTEE.

The election of the Company to redeem any Securities shall be evidenced by or pursuant to a Board Resolution. In case of any redemption at the election of

the Company of any of the Securities of any particular series and having the same terms, the Company shall, not less than 30 nor more than 60 days prior to the Redemption Date (unless a shorter notice shall be satisfactory to the Trustee), notify the Trustee of such date and of the principal amount of Securities of that series to be redeemed. In the case of any redemption of Securities prior to the expiration of any restriction on such redemption provided in the terms of such Securities, the Company shall furnish the Trustee with an Officers' Certificate and an Opinion of Counsel evidencing compliance with such restriction.

SECTION 11.3. SELECTION OF SECURITIES TO BE REDEEMED.

If less than all the Securities of any series are to be redeemed, the particular Securities to be redeemed shall be selected not more than 60 days prior to the Redemption Date by the Trustee, from the Outstanding Securities of such series not previously called for redemption, by such method as the Trustee shall deem fair and appropriate and which may provide for the selection for redemption of a portion of the principal amount of any Security of such series, PROVIDED that the unredeemed portion of the principal amount of any Security shall be in a denomination (which shall not be less than the minimum authorized denomination) for such Security. If less than all the Securities of such series and of a specified tenor are to be redeemed (unless such redemption affects only a single Security), the particular Securities to be redeemed shall be selected not more than 60 days prior to the Redemption Date by the Trustee, from the Outstanding Securities of such series and specified tenor not previously called for redemption in accordance with the preceding sentence.

The Trustee shall promptly notify the Company in writing of the Securities selected for partial redemption and the principal amount thereof to be redeemed. For all purposes of this Indenture, unless the context otherwise requires, all provisions relating to the redemption of Securities shall relate, in the case of any Security redeemed or to be redeemed only in part, to the portion of the principal amount of such Security which has been or is to be redeemed. If the

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Company shall so direct, Securities registered in the name of the Company, any Affiliate or any Subsidiary thereof shall not be included in the Securities selected for redemption.

SECTION 11.4. NOTICE OF REDEMPTION.

Notice of redemption shall be given by first-class mail, postage prepaid, mailed not later than the thirtieth day, and not earlier than the sixtieth day, prior to the Redemption Date, to each Holder of Securities to be redeemed, at the address of such Holder as it appears in the Securities Register.

With respect to Securities of each series to be redeemed, each notice of redemption shall state:

(a) the Redemption Date;

(b) the Redemption Price or if the Redemption Price cannot be calculated prior to the time the notice is required to be sent, the estimate of the Redemption Price provided pursuant to the Indenture together with a statement that it is an estimate and that the actual Redemption Price will be calculated on a specified day prior to the Redemption Date;

(c) if less than all Outstanding Securities of such particular series and having the same terms are to be redeemed, the identification (and, in the case of partial redemption, the respective principal amounts) of the particular Securities to be redeemed;

(d) that on the Redemption Date, the Redemption Price will become due and payable upon each such Security or portion thereof, and that interest thereon, if any, shall cease to accrue on and after said date;

(e) the place or places where such Securities are to be surrendered for

payment of the Redemption Price; and

(f) that the redemption is for a sinking fund, if such is the case.

Notice of redemption of Securities to be redeemed at the election of the Company shall be given by the Company or, at the Company's request, by the Trustee in the name and at the expense of the Company and shall not be irrevocable. The notice if mailed in the manner herein provided shall be conclusively presumed to have been duly given, whether or not the Holder receives such notice. In any case, a failure to give such notice by mail or any defect in the notice to the Holder of any Security designated for redemption as a whole or in part shall not affect the validity of the proceedings for the redemption of any other Security.

SECTION 11.5. DEPOSIT OF REDEMPTION PRICE.

Prior to 10:00 a.m. New York City time on the Redemption Date specified in the notice of redemption given as provided in Section 11.4, the Company will deposit with the Trustee or with one or more Paying Agents (or if the Company is acting as its own Paying Agent, the Company

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will segregate and hold in trust as provided in Section 10.3) an amount of money sufficient to pay the Redemption Price of, and any accrued interest (including Additional Interest) on, all the Securities which are to be redeemed on that date.

SECTION 11.6. PAYMENT OF SECURITIES CALLED FOR REDEMPTION.

If any notice of redemption has been given as provided in Section 11.4, the Securities or portion of Securities with respect to which such notice has been given shall become due and payable on the date and at the place or places stated in such notice at the applicable Redemption Price. On presentation and surrender of such Securities at a Place of Payment in said notice specified, the said securities or the specified portions thereof shall be paid and redeemed by the Company at the applicable Redemption Price, together with accrued interest (including any Additional Interest) to the Redemption Date; PROVIDED, HOWEVER, that, unless otherwise specified as contemplated by Section 3.1, installments of interest whose Stated Maturity is on or prior to the Redemption Date will be payable to the Holders of such Securities, or one or more Predecessor Securities, registered as such at the close of business on the relevant record dates according to their terms and the provisions of Section 3.7.

Upon presentation of any Security redeemed in part only, the Company shall execute and the Trustee shall authenticate and deliver to the Holder thereof, at the expense of the Company, a new Security or Securities of the same series, of authorized denominations, in aggregate principal amount equal to the unredeemed portion of the Security so presented and having the same Original Issue Date, Stated Maturity and terms. If a Global Security is so surrendered, such new Security (subject to Section 3.5) will also be a new Global Security.

If any Security called for redemption shall not be so paid upon surrender thereof for redemption, the principal of and premium, if any, on such Security shall, until paid, bear interest from the Redemption Date at the rate prescribed therefor in the Security.

SECTION 11.7. RIGHT OF REDEMPTION OF SECURITIES INITIALLY ISSUED TO A FIRST UNION TRUST.

In the case of the Securities of a series initially issued to a First Union Trust, if specified as contemplated by Section 3.1, the Company, at its option, may redeem such Securities in whole but not in part upon the occurrence and during the continuation of a Tax Event or Capital Treatment Event of such Securities at any time within 90 days following the occurrence of such Tax Event or Capital Treatment Event in respect of such First Union Trust, in each case at a Redemption Price specified as contemplated by Section 3.1.

ARTICLE XII

SINKING FUNDS

SECTION 12.1. APPLICABILITY OF ARTICLE.

The provisions of this Article shall be applicable to any sinking fund for the retirement of Securities of any series except as otherwise specified as contemplated by Section 3.1 for such Securities.

The minimum amount of any sinking fund payment provided for by the terms of any Securities of any series is herein referred to as a "mandatory sinking fund payment," and any sinking fund payment in excess of such minimum amount which is permitted to be made by the terms of such Securities of any series is herein referred to as an "optional sinking fund payment." If provided for by the terms of any Securities of any series, the cash amount of any sinking fund payment may be subject to reduction as provided in Section 12.2. Each sinking fund payment shall be applied to the redemption (or purchase by tender or otherwise) of Securities of any series as provided for by the terms of such Securities.

SECTION 12.2. SATISFACTION OF SINKING FUND PAYMENTS WITH SECURITIES.

In lieu of making all or any part of a mandatory sinking fund payment with respect to any Securities of a series in cash, the Company may at its option, at any time no more than 16 months and no less than 45 days prior to the date on which such sinking fund payment is due, deliver to the Trustee Securities of such series (together with the unmatured coupons, if any, appertaining thereto) theretofore purchased or otherwise acquired by the Company, except Securities of such series that have been redeemed through the application of mandatory or optional sinking fund payments pursuant to the terms of the Securities of such series, accompanied by a Company Order instructing the Trustee to credit such obligations and stating that the Securities of such series were originally issued by the Company by way of bona fide sale or other negotiation for value; PROVIDED that the Securities to be so credited have not been previously so credited. The Securities to be so credited shall be received and credited for such purpose by the Trustee at the redemption price for such Securities, as specified in the Securities so to be redeemed, for redemption through operation of the sinking fund and the amount of such sinking fund payment shall be reduced accordingly.

SECTION 12.3. REDEMPTION OF SECURITIES FOR SINKING FUND.

Not less than 60 days prior to each sinking fund payment date for any series of Securities, the Company will deliver to the Trustee an Officers' Certificate specifying the amount of the next ensuing sinking fund payment for such Securities pursuant to the terms of such Securities, the portion thereof, if any, which is to be satisfied by payment of cash in the currency in which the Securities of such series are payable (except as provided pursuant to Section 3.1) and the portion thereof, if any, which is to be satisfied by delivering and crediting Securities pursuant to Section 12.2 and will also deliver to the Trustee any Securities to be so delivered. Such Officers' Certificate shall be irrevocable and upon its delivery the Company shall be obligated

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to make the cash payment or payments therein referred to, if any, on or before the succeeding sinking fund payment date. In the case of the failure of the Company to deliver such Officers' Certificate (or, as required by this Indenture, the Securities and coupons, if any, specified in such Officers' Certificate), the sinking fund payment due on the succeeding sinking fund payment date for such series shall be paid entirely in cash and shall be sufficient to redeem the principal amount of the Securities of such series subject to a mandatory sinking fund payment without the right to deliver or credit securities as provided in Section 12.2 and without the right to make the optional sinking fund payment with respect to such series at such time.

Any sinking fund payment or payments (mandatory or optional) made in cash plus any unused balance of any preceding sinking fund payments made with respect to the Securities of any particular series shall be applied by the Trustee (or by the Company if the Company is acting as its own Paying Agent) on the sinking fund payment date on which such payment is made (or, if such payment is made before a sinking fund payment date, on the sinking fund payment date immediately following the date of such payment) to the redemption of Securities of such series at the Redemption Price specified in such Securities with respect to the sinking fund. Any sinking fund moneys not so applied or allocated by the Trustee (or, if the Company is acting as its own Paying Agent, segregated and held in trust by the Company as provided in Section 10.3) for such series and together with such payment (or such amount so segregated) shall be applied in accordance with the provisions of this Section 12.3. Any and all sinking fund moneys with respect to the Securities of any particular series held by the Trustee (or if the Company is acting as its own Paying Agent, segregated and held in trust as provided in Section 10.3) on the last sinking fund payment date with respect to Securities of such series and not held for the payment or redemption of particular Securities of such series shall be applied by the Trustee (or by the Company if the Company is acting as its own Paying Agent), together with other moneys, if necessary, to be deposited (or segregated) sufficient for the purpose, to the payment of the principal of the Securities of such series at Maturity. The Trustee shall select the Securities to be redeemed upon such sinking fund payment date in the manner specified in Section 11.3 and cause notice of the redemption thereof to be given in the name of and at the expense of the Company in the manner provided in Section 11.4. Such notice having been duly given, the redemption of such Securities shall be made upon the terms and in the manner stated in Section 11.6. On or before each sinking fund payment date, the Company shall pay to the Trustee (or, if the Company is acting as its own Paying Agent, the Company shall segregate and hold in trust as provided in Section 10.3) in cash a sum in the currency in which Securities of such series are payable (except as provided pursuant to Section 3.1) equal to the principal, premium, if any, and any interest accrued to the Redemption Date for Securities or portions thereof to be redeemed on such sinking fund payment date pursuant to this Section 12.3.

Neither the Trustee nor the Company shall redeem any Securities of a series with sinking fund moneys or mail any notice of redemption of Securities of such series by operation of the sinking fund for such series during the continuance of a default in payment of interest, if any, on any Securities of such series or of any Event of Default (other than an Event of Default occurring as a consequence of this paragraph) with respect to the Securities of such series, except that if the notice of redemption shall have been provided in accordance with the provisions hereof, the Trustee (or the Company, if the Company is then acting as its own Paying Agent) shall redeem such Securities if cash sufficient for that purpose shall be deposited with

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the Trustee (or segregated by the Company) for that purpose in accordance with the terms of this Article XII. Except as aforesaid, any moneys in the sinking fund for such series at the time when any such default or Event of Default shall occur and any moneys thereafter paid into such sinking fund shall, during the continuance of such default or Event of Default, be held as security for the payment of the Securities and coupons, if any, of such series; PROVIDED, HOWEVER, that in case such default or Event of Default shall have been cured or waived herein, such moneys shall thereafter be applied on the next sinking fund payment date for the Securities of such series on which such moneys may be applied pursuant to the provisions of this Section 12.3.

ARTICLE XIII

SUBORDINATION OF SECURITIES

SECTION 13.1. SECURITIES SUBORDINATE TO SENIOR DEBT.

The Company, for itself, its successors and assigns, covenants and agrees, and each Holder likewise covenants and agrees by his acceptance thereof, that the obligations of the Company to make any payment on account of the principal of and interest on each and all of the Securities shall be subordinate and junior, to the extent and in the manner hereinafter set forth, in right of payment to the Company's obligations to the holders of Senior Debt of the Company.

SECTION 13.2. COMPANY NOT TO PAY IF SENIOR DEBT OF COMPANY IS IN DEFAULT.

No payment on account of principal or interest on the Securities shall be made by the Company unless full payment of amounts then due for principal (and premium, if any), sinking funds, and interest on Senior Debt of the Company has been made for duly provided for in money or money's worth in accordance with its terms. No payment on account of principal or interest on the Securities shall be made by the Company if, at the time of such payment or immediately after giving effect thereto, there shall have occurred an event of default with respect to any Senior Debt of the Company or in any instrument under which the same is outstanding, permitting the holders thereof (or a trustee on behalf of the holders thereof) to accelerate the maturity thereof, or an event which, with the giving of notice or the passage of time or both, would constitute such event of default, and such event of default shall not have been cured or waived.

SECTION 13.3. PAYMENT OVER OF PROCEEDS UPON DISSOLUTION, DEFAULT, ETC., OF THE COMPANY.

The Company agrees that upon (i) the occurrence of any event of default referred to in Section 13.2 above which shall not have been cured or waived or (ii) any payment or distribution of assets of the Company of any kind or character, whether in cash, property or securities, to creditors upon any dissolution or winding up or total or partial liquidation or reorganization of the Company, whether voluntary or involuntary or in bankruptcy, insolvency, receivership, conservatorship or other proceedings, all principal (and premium, if any), sinking fund payments

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and interest due or to become due upon all Senior Debt of the Company shall first be paid in full, or payment thereof provided for in money or money's worth in accordance with its terms, before any payment is made on account of the principal of or interest on the indebtedness evidenced by the Securities due and owing at the time and upon any such dissolution or winding up or liquidation or reorganization, any payment or distribution of assets of the Company of any kind or character, whether in cash, property or securities (other than securities of the Company or any other Person provided for by a plan of reorganization or readjustment, the payment of which is subordinate, at least to the extent provided in this Section with respect to the Securities, to the payment in full of all Senior Debt, PROVIDED the rights of the Holders of the Senior Debt are not altered by such reorganization or readjustment), to which the Holders of the Securities would, except for the provisions hereof, be entitled, shall be paid by the Company or by any receiver, trustee in bankruptcy, liquidating trustee, agent or other person making such payment or distribution, or by the Holders or by the Trustee under this instrument if received by them or it, directly to the holders of Senior Debt of the Company (pro rata to each such holder on the basis of the respective amounts of Senior Debt held by such holder) or their representatives, to the extent necessary to pay all Senior Debt of the Company in full, in money or money's worth, after giving effect to any concurrent payment or distribution to or for the holders of such Senior Debt, before any payment or distribution is made to the Holders of the indebtedness evidenced by the Securities or to the Trustee (subject to the provisions of Section 607) under this instrument.

In the event that any payment or distribution of assets of the Company of any kind or character, whether in cash, property or securities, including any such payment or distribution which may be payable or deliverable by reason of the payment of any other indebtedness of the Company being subordinated to the payment of the Securities, not permitted by the foregoing, shall be received by the Trustee or any Holder before all Senior Debt of the Company is paid in full, or provision is made for such payment, in accordance with its terms, such payment or distribution shall be held in trust for the benefit of, and shall be paid over or delivered to, the holders of such Senior Debt of the Company (pro rata to each such holder on the basis of the respective amounts of Senior Debt held by such holder) or their representative or representatives, or to the trustee or trustees under any indenture pursuant to which any instruments evidencing any of such Senior Debt of the Company may have been issued, as their respective interests may appear, or to any receiver, trustee in bankruptcy, liquidating trustee, agent or other person making such distribution, for application to the payment of all Senior Debt of the Company remaining unpaid to the extent necessary to pay all such Senior Debt of the Company in full in accordance with its terms, after giving effect to any concurrent payment or distribution to the holders of such Senior Debt of the Company.

The consolidation of the Company with, or the merger of the Company into, another corporation or the liquidation or dissolution of the Company following the conveyance or transfer of its properties and assets substantially as an entirety to another Person upon the terms and conditions set forth in Article Eight shall not be deemed a dissolution, winding up, liquidation or reorganization for the purposes of this Section if the corporation formed by such consolidation or into which the Company is merged or the Person which acquires by conveyance or transfer such properties and assets substantially as an entirety, as the case may be, shall, as

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a part of such consolidation, merger, conveyance or transfer, comply with the conditions set forth in Article Eight.

SECTION 13.4. SUBROGATION TO RIGHTS OF HOLDERS OF SENIOR DEBT.

Subject to the prior payment in full of all Senior Debt of the Company, the Holders shall be subrogated (equally and ratably with the holders of all indebtedness of the Company which by its express terms is subordinated to indebtedness of the Company to substantially the same extent as the Securities are subordinated and is entitled to like rights of subrogation) to the rights of the holders of such Senior Debt to receive payments or distributions of cash, property and securities applicable to the Senior Debt of the Company until the Securities shall be paid in full. For purposes of such subrogation, no payments or distributions in respect of the Senior Debt of the Company of any cash, property or securities to which the Holders of the Securities or the Trustee would be entitled except for the provisions of this Article, and no payments over pursuant to the provisions of this Article to the holders of Senior Debt by Holders of the Securities or the Trustee, shall, as between the Company, its creditors other than holders of Senior Debt of the Company and the Holders of the Securities, be deemed to be a payment or distribution by the Company to or on account of the Senior Debt of the Company; and no payments or distributions to the Trustee or the Holders of the Securities of cash, property or securities which are applied to the satisfaction of Senior Debt of the Company, as the case may be, by virtue of the subordination herein provided for shall, as between the Company, its creditors other than the holders of Senior Debt of the Company and the Holders of the Securities, be deemed to be a payment by the Company to or on account of the Securities.

SECTION 13.5. RELIANCE ON CERTIFICATE OF LIQUIDATING AGENT.

Upon any payment or distribution of assets of the Company referred to in this Article, the Trustee, subject to the provisions of Section 6.1, and the Holders shall be entitled to rely upon an order or decree made by any court of competent jurisdiction in which such dissolution or winding up or liquidation or reorganization or arrangement proceedings are pending or upon a certificate of the trustee in bankruptcy, receiver, conservator, assignee for the benefit of creditors or other person making such payment or distribution, delivered to the Trustee or to the Holders, for the purpose of ascertaining the persons entitled to participate in such distribution, the holders of the Senior Debt, the amount thereof or payable thereon, the amount or amounts paid or distributed thereon and all other facts pertinent or to this Article. SECTION 13.6. PAYMENT PERMITTED IF NO DEFAULT.

Nothing contained in this Article or elsewhere in this Indenture, or in any of the Securities, shall prevent (a) the Company, at any time except during the pendency of any dissolution, winding up, liquidation or reorganization or other similar proceedings referred to in Section 13.3 or under the conditions described in Section 13.2, from making payments at any time of principal of or interest on the Securities or (b) the application by the Trustee or any Paying Agent of any moneys deposited with it hereunder to the payment of or on account of the principal of or interest on Securities, if, at the time of such application, the Trustee or such Paying Agent, as the case may be, did not have the written notice provided for in Section 13.7

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of any event prohibiting the making of such deposit or if, at the time of such deposit (whether or not in trust) by the Company with the Trustee or any Paying Agent (other than the Company), such payment would not have been prohibited by the provisions of this Article.

SECTION 13.7. TRUSTEE NOT CHARGED WITH KNOWLEDGE OF PROHIBITION.

Anything in this Article or elsewhere in this Indenture contained to the contrary notwithstanding, the Trustee shall not at any time be charged with knowledge of the existence of any facts which would prohibit the making of any payment of moneys to or by the Trustee and, subject to the provisions of Section 6.1, shall be entitled to assume that no event of default or prohibition specified in Section 14.2 has happened, until the Trustee shall have received an Officers' Certificate of the Company to that effect or notice in writing signed by or on behalf of the holders, or their representatives, of at least \$1,000,000 in principal amount of Senior Debt of the Company who shall have been certified by the Company or otherwise established to the reasonable satisfaction of the Trustee to be such holders or representatives or from any trustee under any indenture pursuant to which such Senior Debt shall be outstanding.

SECTION 13.8. PROVISIONS ARE SOLELY TO DEFINE RELATIVE RIGHTS.

The provisions of this Article are and are intended solely for the purpose of defining the relative rights of the Holders on the one hand, and the holders of the Senior Debt on the other. Nothing contained in this Article or elsewhere in this Indenture or in the Securities is intended to or shall (a) impair, as among the Company, its creditors other than holders of Senior Debt and the Holders of the Securities, the obligation of the Company, which is absolute and unconditional (and which, subject to the rights under this Article of the holders of Senior Debt, is intended to rank equally with all other general obligations of the Company), to pay to the Holders of the Securities the principal of (and premium, if any, on) and interest on the Securities as and when the same shall become due and payable in accordance with their terms; (b) affect the relative rights against the Company of the Holders of the Securities and creditors of the Company other than the holders of Senior Debt; or (c) prevent the Trustee or the Holder of any Security from exercising all remedies otherwise permitted by applicable law upon default under this Indenture, subject to the rights, if any, under this Article of the holders of Senior Debt, to receive cash, property and securities otherwise payable or deliverable to the Trustee or such Holder.

SECTION 13.9. NO WAIVER OF SUBORDINATION PROVISIONS.

No right of any present or future holder of any Senior Debt of the Company to enforce subordination as herein provided shall at any time in any way be prejudiced or impaired by any act or failure to act on the part of the Company or by any act or failure to act, in good faith, by any such holder, or by any noncompliance by the Company with the terms, provisions and covenants of this Indenture, regardless of any knowledge thereof any such holder may have or be otherwise charged with.

SECTION 13.10. TRUSTEE TO EFFECTUATE SUBORDINATION.

Each Holder by his acceptance of a Security or Securities authorizes and directs the Trustee in his behalf to take such action as may be necessary or appropriate to effectuate the subordination as provided in this Article and appoints the Trustee his attorney-in-fact for any and all such purposes.

The Trustee, however, shall not be deemed to owe any fiduciary duty to the holders of Senior Debt and shall not be liable to any such holders or creditors if it shall in good faith mistakenly pay over or distribute to or on behalf of Holder of the Securities or the Company moneys or assets to which any holder of Senior Debt shall be entitled by virtue of this Article Thirteen.

SECTION 13.11. RIGHTS OF TRUSTEE AS HOLDER OF SENIOR DEBT.

The Trustee shall be entitled to all the rights set forth in this Article with respect to any Senior Debt which may at any time be held by it, to the same extent as any other holder of Senior Debt, as the case may be, and nothing in this Indenture shall deprive the Trustee of any of its rights as such holder.

SECTION 13.12. ARTICLE APPLICABLE TO PAYING AGENTS.

In case at any time any Paying Agent other than the Trustee shall have been appointed by the Company and be then acting hereunder, the term "Trustee" as used in this Article shall in such case (unless the context shall otherwise require) be construed as extending to and including such Paying Agent within its meaning as fully for all intents and purposes as if such Paying Agent were named in this Article in addition to or in place of the Trustee; PROVIDED, HOWEVER, that Sections 13.8 and 13.11 shall not apply to the Company or any Affiliate of the Company if it or such Affiliate acts as Paying Agent.

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This instrument may be executed in any number of counterparts, each of which so executed shall be deemed to be an original, but all such counterparts shall together constitute but one and the same instrument.

IN WITNESS WHEREOF, the parties hereto have caused this Indenture to be duly executed, and their respective corporate seals to be hereunto affixed and attested, all as of the day and year first above written.

FIRST UNION CORPORATION

By:

Attest:

By:

WILMINGTON TRUST COMPANY, as Trustee

Attest:

By:

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Exhibit 4(h)

AMENDED AND RESTATED TRUST AGREEMENT

among

FIRST UNION CORPORATION, as Depositor,

WILMINGTON TRUST COMPANY, as Property Trustee,

WILMINGTON TRUST COMPANY, as Delaware Trustee,

and

THE ADMINISTRATIVE TRUSTEES NAMED HEREIN

FIRST UNION CAPITAL ____

Dated as of _____ __, ____

FIRST UNION CAPITAL

Certain Sections of this Trust Agreement relating to Sections 310 through 318 of the Trust Indenture Act of 1939:

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successors or assigns, the "Depositor"), (ii) WILMINGTON TRUST COMPANY, a banking corporation organized under the laws of the State of Delaware, as property trustee, (in each such capacity, the "Property Trustee" and, in its separate corporate capacity and not in its capacity as Property Trustee, the "Bank"), (iii) WILMINGTON TRUST COMPANY, a banking corporation organized under the laws of the State of Delaware, as Delaware trustee (the "Delaware Trustee"), (iv) ______, an individual, and ______, an individual, each of whose address is c/o First Union Corporation, One First Union Center, Charlotte, North Carolina 28288-0013 (each an "Administrative Trustee" and collectively the "Administrative Trustees, collectively, the "Trustees") and (v) the several HOLDERS, as hereinafter defined.

WITNESSETH:

WHEREAS, the Depositor and Wilmington Trust Company have heretofore duly declared and established a business trust pursuant to the Delaware Business Trust Act by the entering into that certain Trust Agreement, dated as of November 6, 1996 (the "Original Trust Agreement"), and by the execution and filing by the Wilmington Trust Company with the Secretary of State of the State of Delaware of the Certificate of Trust, filed on November 6, 1996, attached as Exhibit A; and

WHEREAS, the Depositor and the Trustees desire to amend and restate the Original Trust Agreement in its entirety as set forth herein to provide for, among other things, (i) the issuance of the Common Securities by the Trust to the Depositor, (ii) the issuance and sale of the Preferred Securities by the Trust pursuant to the Underwriting Agreement, (iii) the acquisition by the Trust from the Depositor of all of the right, title and interest in the Debentures and (iv) the appointment of the Administrative Trustees;

NOW, THEREFORE, in consideration of the agreements and obligations set forth herein and for other good and valuable consideration, the sufficiency of which is hereby acknowledged, each party, for the benefit of the other parties and for the benefit of the Holders, hereby amends and restates the Original Trust Agreement in its entirety and agrees as follows:

ARTICLE I

INTERPRETATION AND DEFINITIONS

SECTION 1.1. Interpretation.

For all purposes of this Trust Agreement, except as otherwise expressly provided or unless the context otherwise requires:

(a) the terms defined in this Article have the meanings assigned to them in this Article and include the plural as well as the singular;

(b) all other terms used herein that are defined in the Trust Indenture Act, either directly or by reference therein, have the meanings assigned to them therein;

(c) unless the context otherwise requires, any reference to an "Article" or a "Section" refers to an Article or a Section, as the case may be, of this Trust Agreement; and

(d) the words "herein", "hereof" and "hereunder" and other words of similar import refer to this Trust Agreement as a whole and not to any particular Article, Section or other subdivision.

SECTION 1.2. Certain Definitions.

For all purposes of this Trust Agreement, the following terms shall have the meanings assigned below:

"Act" has the meaning specified in Section 6.8.

"Additional Amount" means, with respect to Trust Securities of a given Liquidation Amount and/or a given period, the amount of Additional Interest paid by the Depositor on a Like Amount of Debentures for such period.

"Additional Interest" has the meaning specified in Section 1.2 of the Indenture.

"Additional Sums" has the meaning specified in Section 10.6 of the Indenture.

"Administrative Trustee" means each of the Persons identified as an "Administrative Trustee" in the preamble to this Trustee Agreement, solely in such Person's capacity as Administrative Trustee of the Trust and not in such Person's individual capacity, or such Administrative Trustee's successor in interest in such capacity, or any successor trustee appointed as herein provided.

"Affiliate" of any specified Person means any other Person directly or indirectly controlling or controlled by or under direct or indirect common control with such specified Person; provided, however, that the Trust shall not be deemed an Affiliate of the Depositor. For the purposes of this definition, "control" when used with respect to any specified Person means the power to direct the management and policies of such Person, directly or indirectly, whether through the ownership of voting securities, by contract or otherwise; and the terms "controlling" and "controlled" have meanings correlative to the foregoing.

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"Bank" has the meaning specified in the preamble to this Trust Agreement.

"Bankruptcy Event" means, with respect to any Person:

(a) the entry of a decree or order by a court having jurisdiction in the premises judging such Person a bankrupt or insolvent, or approving as properly filed a petition seeking reorganization, arrangement, adjudication or composition of or in respect of such Person under any applicable Federal or State bankruptcy, insolvency, reorganization or other similar law, or appointing a receiver, liquidator, assignee, trustee, sequestrator (or other similar official) of such Person or of any substantial part of its property or ordering the winding up or liquidation of its affairs, and the continuance of any such decree or order unstayed and in effect for a period of 60 consecutive days; or

(b) the institution by such Person of proceedings to be adjudicated a bankrupt or insolvent, or the consent by it to the institution of bankruptcy or insolvency proceedings against it, or the filing by it of a petition or answer or consent seeking reorganization or relief under any applicable Federal or State bankruptcy, insolvency, reorganization or other similar law, or the consent by it to the filing of any such petition or to the appointment of a receiver, liquidator, assignee, trustee, sequestrator (or similar official) of such Person or of any substantial part of its property, or the making by it of an assignment for the benefit of creditors, or the admission by it in writing of its inability to pay its debts generally as they become due and its willingness to be adjudicated a bankrupt, or the taking of corporate action by such Person in furtherance of any such action.

"Bankruptcy Laws" has the meaning specified in Section

"Board Resolution" means a copy of a resolution certified by the Secretary or an Assistant Secretary of the Depositor to have been duly adopted by the Depositor's Board of Directors, or such committee of the Board of Directors or officers of the Depositor to which authority to act on behalf of the Board of Directors has been delegated, and to be in full force and effect on the date of such certification, and delivered to the Trustees.

"Book-Entry Preferred Securities Certificates" means a beneficial interest in the Preferred Securities Certificates, ownership and transfers of which shall be made through book entries by a Clearing Agency as described in Section 5.11.

"Business Day" means a day other than (a) a Saturday or Sunday, (b) a day on which banking institutions in The City of New York are authorized or required by law or executive order to remain closed, or (c) a day on which the Property Trustee's

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Corporate Trust Office or the Corporate Trust Office of the Debenture Trustee is closed for business.

"Certificate Depository Agreement" means the agreement among the Trust, the Depositor and The Depository Trust Company, as the initial Clearing Agency, dated as of the Closing Date, relating to the Trust Securities Certificates, substantially in the form attached as Exhibit B, as the same may be amended and supplemented from time to time.

"Clearing Agency" means an organization registered as a "clearing agency" pursuant to Section 17A of the Securities Exchange Act of 1934, as amended. The Depository Trust Company will be the initial Clearing Agency with respect to Trust Securities Certificates.

"Clearing Agency Participant" means a broker, dealer, bank, other financial institution or other Person for whom from time to time a Clearing Agency effects book- entry transfers and pledges of securities deposited with the Clearing Agency.

"Closing Date" has the meaning specified in the Underwriting Agreement, which date is also the date of execution and delivery of this Trust Agreement.

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

"Commission" means the Securities and Exchange Commission, as from time to time constituted, created under the Securities Exchange Act of 1934, as amended, or, if at any time after the execution of this Trust Agreement such Commission is not existing and performing the duties now assigned to it under the Trust Indenture Act, then the body performing such duties at such time.

"Common Securities Certificate" means a certificate evidencing Common Securities, substantially in the form attached as Exhibit C.

"Common Security" means an undivided beneficial interest in the assets of the Trust, having a Liquidation Amount of \$25 and having the rights provided therefor in this Trust Agreement, including the right to receive Distributions and a Liquidation Distribution as provided herein.

"Corporate Trust Office" means (i) when used with respect to the Property Trustee, the principal office of the Property Trustee located in Wilmington, Delaware, and (ii) when used with respect to the Debenture Trustee, the principal office of the Debenture Trustee located in Wilmington, Delaware.

"Debenture Event of Default" means an "Event of Default" as defined in the Indenture.

"Debenture Redemption Date" means, with respect to any Debentures to be redeemed under the Indenture, the date fixed for redemption under the Indenture.

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"Debenture Tax Event" means a "Tax Event" as defined in the Indenture.

"Debenture Trustee" means Wilmington Trust Company, a banking corporation organized under the laws of the State of Delaware, and any successor thereto.

"Debentures" means the aggregate principal amount of the Depositor's _____% Junior Subordinated Deferrable Interest Debentures, Series ____, issued pursuant to the Indenture.

"Definitive Preferred Securities Certificates" means either or both (as the context requires) of (a) Preferred Securities Certificates issued as Book-Entry Preferred Securities Certificates as provided in Section 5.11(a) and (b) Preferred Securities Certificates issued in certificated, fully registered form as provided in Section 5.13.

"Delaware Business Trust Act" means Chapter 38 of Title 12 of the Delaware Code, 12 Del. C. (ss.) 3801, et seq., as it may be amended from time to time.

"Delaware Trustee" means the Person identified as the "Delaware Trustee" in the preamble to this Trust Agreement, solely in its capacity as Delaware Trustee of the Trust and not in its individual capacity, or its successor in interest in such capacity, or any successor trustee appointed as herein provided.

"Depositor" has the meaning specified in the preamble to this Trust Agreement.

"Distribution Date" has the meaning specified in Section 4.1(a).

"Distributions" means amounts payable in respect of Trust Securities as provided in Section 4.1.

"Early Termination Event" has the meaning specified in Section 9.2.

"Event of Default" means any one of the following events (whatever the reason for such Event of Default and whether it shall be voluntary or involuntary or be effected by operation of law or pursuant to any judgment, decree or order of any court or any order, rule or regulation of any administrative or governmental body):

(a) the occurrence of a Debenture $\ensuremath{\mathsf{Event}}$ of Default; or

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(b) default by the Property Trustee in the payment of any Distribution when it becomes due and payable, and continuation of such default for a period of 30 days; or

(c) default by the Property Trustee in the payment of any Redemption Price of any Trust Security when it becomes due and payable; or

(d) default in the performance, or breach, in any material respect, of any covenant or warranty of the Trustees in this Trust Agreement (other than a covenant or warranty a

default in the performance or breach of which is described in clause (b) or (c) above) and continuation of such default or breach for a period of 60 days after there has been given, by registered or certified mail, to the defaulting Trustee or Trustees by the Holders of at least 25% in aggregate liquidation preference of the Outstanding Preferred Securities a written notice specifying such default or breach and requiring it to be remedied and stating that such notice is a "Notice of Default" hereunder; or

(e) the occurrence of a Bankruptcy Event with respect to the Property Trustee and the failure by the Depositor to appoint a successor Property Trustee within 90 days thereof.

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

"Expense Agreement" means the Agreement as to Expenses and Liabilities between the Depositor and the Trust, substantially in the form attached as Exhibit D, as amended from time to time.

"Expiration Date" has the meaning specified in Section

9.1.

"Guarantee" means the Guarantee Agreement executed and delivered by the Depositor and Wilmington Trust Company, as trustee, contemporaneously with the execution and delivery of this Trust Agreement, for the benefit of the holders of the Preferred Securities, as amended from time to time.

"Holder" means a Person in whose name a Trust Security or Trust Securities is registered in the Securities Register; any such Person shall be a beneficial owner within the meaning of the Delaware Business Trust Act; provided, however, that for purposes of determining whether the Holders of the requisite amount of Preferred Securities have voted on any matter provided for in this Trust Agreement, so long as Definitive Preferred Securities Certificates have not been issued, the term "Holders" shall refer to the Owners.

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"Indenture" means the Junior Subordinated Indenture, dated as of _____, ___, between the Depositor and the Debenture Trustee, as trustee, as amended or supplemented from time to time.

"Lien" means any lien, pledge, charge, encumbrance, mortgage, deed of trust, adverse ownership interest, hypothecation, assignment, security interest or preference, priority or other security agreement or preferential arrangement of any kind or nature whatsoever.

"Like Amount" means (a) with respect to a redemption of Trust Securities, Trust Securities having a Liquidation Amount equal to the principal amount of Debentures to be contemporaneously redeemed in accordance with the Indenture the proceeds of which will be used to pay the Redemption Price of such Trust Securities, and (b) with respect to a distribution of Debentures to Holders in connection with a dissolution or liquidation of the Trust, Debentures having a principal amount equal to the aggregate Liquidation Amount of the Trust Securities of the Holder to whom such Debentures are distributed.

"Liquidation Amount" means the stated amount of \$25 per Trust Security.

"Liquidation Date" means the date on which Debentures are to be distributed to Holders of Trust Securities in connection with a termination and liquidation of the Trust pursuant to Section 9.4(a).

"Liquidation Distribution" has the meaning specified in Section $9.4\,(d)\,.$

"1940 Act" means the Investment Company Act of 1940, as amended.

"Officers' Certificate" means a certificate signed by the Chairman and Chief Executive Officer, President or a Vice President, and by the Treasurer, an Associate Treasurer, an Assistant Treasurer, the Controller, the Secretary or an Assistant Secretary, of the Depositor, and delivered to the appropriate Trustee. One of the officers signing an Officers' Certificate given pursuant to Section 8.16 shall be the principal executive, financial or accounting officer of the Depositor. Any Officers' Certificate delivered with respect to compliance with a covenant or condition provided for in this Trust Agreement shall include:

> (a) a statement that each officer signing the Officers' Certificate has read the covenant or condition and the definitions relating thereto;

(b) a brief statement of the nature and scope of the examination or investigation undertaken by each officer in rendering the Officers' Certificate;

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(c) a statement that each such officer has made such examination or investigation as, in such officer's opinion, is necessary to enable such officer to express an informed opinion as to whether or not such covenant or condition has been complied with; and

(d) a statement as to whether, in the opinion of each such officer, such condition or covenant has been complied with.

"Opinion of Counsel" means a written opinion of counsel, who may be counsel for the Trust, the Property Trustee or the Depositor and who shall be reasonably acceptable to the Property Trustee.

"Original Trust Agreement" has the meaning specified in the recitals to this Trust Agreement.

"Outstanding", when used with respect to Trust Securities, means, as of the date of determination, all Trust Securities theretofore executed and delivered under this Trust Agreement, except:

> (a) Trust Securities theretofore cancelled by the Securities Registrar or delivered to the Securities Registrar for cancellation;

(b) Trust Securities for the payment or redemption of which money in the necessary amount theretofore has been deposited with the Property Trustee or any Paying Agent for the Holders of such Trust Securities; provided that, if such Trust Securities are to be redeemed, notice of such redemption has been duly given pursuant to this Trust Agreement; and

(c) Trust Securities which have been paid or in exchange for or in lieu of which other Preferred Securities have been executed and delivered pursuant to Sections 5.4, 5.5, 5.11 and 5.13;

provided, however, that in determining whether the Holders of the requisite aggregate Liquidation Amount of Outstanding Preferred Securities have given any request, demand, authorization, direction, notice, consent or waiver hereunder, Preferred Securities owned by the Depositor, any Trustee or any Affiliate of the Depositor or any Trustee shall be disregarded and deemed not to be Outstanding, except that (a) in determining whether any Trustee shall be protected in relying upon any such request, demand, authorization, direction, notice, consent or waiver, only Preferred Securities that such Trustee knows to be so owned shall be so disregarded and (b) the foregoing shall not apply at any time when all the outstanding Preferred Securities are owned by the Depositor, one or more of the Trustees and/or any such Affiliate. Preferred Securities so owned which have been pledged in good faith may be regarded as Outstanding if the pledgee establishes to the

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satisfaction of the Administrative Trustees the pledgee's right so to act with respect to such Preferred Securities and that the pledgee is not the Depositor or any Affiliate of the Depositor.

"Owner" means each Person who is the beneficial owner of a Book-Entry Preferred Securities Certificate as reflected in the records of the Clearing Agency or, if a Clearing Agency Participant is not the Owner, then as reflected in the records of a Person maintaining an account with such Clearing Agency (directly or indirectly, in accordance with the rules of such Clearing Agency).

"Paying Agent" means any paying agent or co-paying agent appointed pursuant to Section 5.9 and shall initially be the Bank.

"Payment Account" means a segregated

non-interest-bearing corporate trust account maintained by the Property Trustee with the Bank in its trust department for the benefit of the Holders in which all amounts paid in respect of the Debentures will be held and from which the Property Trustee, through the Paying Agent, shall make payments to the Holders in accordance with Sections 4.1 and 4.2.

"Person" means any individual, corporation, partnership, joint venture, trust, limited liability company or corporation, unincorporated organization or government or any agency or political subdivision thereof.

"Preferred Security" means an undivided beneficial interest in the assets of the Trust, having a Liquidation Amount of \$25 and having the rights provided therefor in this Trust Agreement, including the right to receive Distributions and a Liquidation Distribution as provided herein.

"Preferred Securities Certificate" means a certificate evidencing Preferred Securities, substantially in the form attached as Exhibit E.

"Property Trustee" means the Person identified as the "Property Trustee" in the preamble to this Trust Agreement, solely in its capacity as Property Trustee of the Trust and not in its individual capacity, or its successor in interest in such capacity, or any successor property trustee appointed as herein provided.

"Redemption Date" means, with respect to any Trust Security to be redeemed, the date fixed for redemption thereof; provided that each Debenture Redemption Date and the stated maturity of the Debentures shall be a Redemption Date for a Like Amount of Trust Securities.

"Redemption Price" means, with respect to any Trust Security, the Liquidation Amount thereof, plus accumulated and unpaid Distributions to the Redemption Date, plus

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the related amount of the premium, if any, paid by the Depositor upon the concurrent redemption of a Like Amount of Debentures, allocated pro rata (based on Liquidation Amounts) among the Trust Securities.

"Relevant Trustee" has the meaning specified in Section 8.10.

"Securities Register" and "Securities Registrar" have the respective meanings specified in Section 5.4.

"Trust" means the Delaware business trust heretofore created,

and continued hereby, and identified on the cover page to this Trust Agreement.

"Trust Agreement" means this Amended and Restated Trust Agreement, as the same may be modified, amended or supplemented in accordance with the applicable provisions hereof, including (i) all exhibits hereto and (ii) for all purposes of this Trust Agreement and any such modification, amendment or supplement, the provisions of the Trust Indenture Act that are deemed to be a part of and govern this Trust Agreement and any such modification, amendment or supplement, respectively.

"Trust Indenture Act" means the Trust Indenture Act of 1939 as in force at the date as of which this Trust Agreement is executed; provided, however, that in the event the Trust Indenture Act of 1939 is amended after such date, "Trust Indenture Act" means, to the extent required by any such amendment, the Trust Indenture Act of 1939 as so amended.

"Trust Property" means (a) the Debentures, (b) the rights of the Trust under the Expense Agreement, (c) the rights of the Property Trustee under the Guarantee, (d) any cash on deposit in, or owing to, the Payment Account and (e) all proceeds and rights in respect of the foregoing and any other property and assets for the time being held or deemed to be held by the Property Trustee pursuant to the trusts of this Trust Agreement.

"Trust Securities Certificate" means any one of the Common Securities Certificates or the Preferred Securities Certificates.

"Trust Security" means any one of the Common Securities or the Preferred Securities.

"Trustees" means, collectively, the Property Trustee, the Delaware Trustee and the Administrative Trustees.

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ARTICLE II

CONTINUATION OF THE TRUST

SECTION 2.1. Name.

The Trust continued hereby shall be known as "First Union Capital ____", as such name may be modified from time to time by the Administrative Trustees following written notice to the Holders of Trust Securities and the other Trustees, in which name the Trustees may conduct the business of the Trust, make and execute contracts and other instruments on behalf of the Trust and sue and be sued.

SECTION 2.2. Office of the Delaware Trustee; Principal Place of Business.

The address of the Delaware Trustee in the State of Delaware is Rodney Square North, 1100 North Market Street, Wilmington, Delaware 19890-0001, Attention: Corporate Trust Administration, or such other address in the State of Delaware as the Delaware Trustee may designate by written notice to the Holders and the Depositor. The principal executive office of the Trust is in care of First Union Corporation, One First Union Center, Charlotte, North Carolina 28288-0013.

SECTION 2.3. Initial Contribution of Trust Property; Organizational Expenses.

The Property Trustee acknowledges receipt in trust from the Depositor in connection with the Original Trust Agreement of the sum of \$10, which constituted the initial Trust Property. The Depositor shall pay organizational expenses of the Trust as they arise or shall, upon request of any Trustee, promptly reimburse such Trustee for any such expenses paid by such Trustee. The Depositor shall make no claim upon the Trust Property for the payment of such expenses.

SECTION 2.4. Issuance of the Preferred Securities.

The Depositor, on behalf of the Trust and pursuant to the Original Trust Agreement, executed and delivered the Underwriting Agreement. Contemporaneously with the execution and delivery of this Trust Agreement, an Administrative Trustee, on behalf of the Trust, shall execute in accordance with Section 5.2 and deliver to the Underwriters named in the Underwriting Agreement Preferred Securities Certificates, registered in the name of the nominee of the initial Clearing Agency, representing ______ Preferred Securities, having an aggregate Liquidation Amount of \$______, against receipt of the aggregate purchase price of such Preferred Securities of \$_____, which amount such Administrative Trustee shall promptly deliver to the Property Trustee.

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SECTION 2.5. Issuance of the Common Securities; Subscription and Purchase of Debentures.

Contemporaneously with the execution and delivery of this Trust Agreement, an Administrative Trustee, on behalf of the Trust, shall execute in accordance with Section 5.2 and deliver to the Depositor Common Securities Certificates, registered in the name of the Depositor, representing _______ Common Securities, having an aggregate Liquidation Amount of \$_______, against payment by the Depositor of such amount, which amount such Administrative Trustee shall promptly deliver to the Property Trustee. Contemporaneously therewith, an Administrative Trustee, on behalf of the Trust, shall subscribe to and purchase from the Depositor Debentures, registered in the name of the Trust and having an aggregate principal amount of \$______, and, in satisfaction of the purchase price for such Debentures, the Property Trustee, on behalf of the Trust, shall deliver to the Depositor the sum of \$_______ (being the sum of the amounts delivered to the Property Trustee pursuant to (i) the second sentence of Section 2.4 and (ii) the first sentence of this Section 2.5).

SECTION 2.6. Declaration of Trust.

The exclusive purposes and functions of the Trust are (a) to issue and sell Trust Securities and to use the proceeds from such sale to acquire Debentures, and (b) to engage in those activities necessary, convenient or incidental thereto. The Depositor hereby appoints the Trustees as trustees of the Trust, to have all the rights, powers and duties set forth herein, and the Trustees hereby accept such appointment. The Property Trustee hereby declares that it will hold the Trust Property in trust upon and subject to the conditions set forth herein for the benefit of the Trust and the Holders. The Administrative Trustees shall have all rights, powers and duties set forth herein and in accordance with applicable law with respect to accomplishing the purposes of the Trust. The Delaware Trustee shall not be entitled to exercise any powers, nor shall the Delaware Trustee have any of the duties and responsibilities, of the Property Trustee or the Administrative Trustees set forth herein. The Delaware Trustee shall be one of the trustees of the Trust for the sole and limited purpose of fulfilling the requirements of Section 3807 of the Delaware Business Trust Act.

 $$\ensuremath{\mathsf{SECTION}}$ 2.7. Authorization to Enter into Certain Transactions.

(a) The Trustees shall conduct the affairs of the Trust in accordance with the terms of this Trust Agreement. Subject to the limitations set forth in Section 2.7(b), and in accordance with the following clauses (i) and (ii), the Trustees shall have the authority to enter into all transactions and agreements determined by the Trustees to be appropriate in exercising the authority,

express or implied, otherwise granted to the Trustees under this Trust Agreement, and to perform all acts in furtherance thereof, including without limitation the following:

(i) As among the Trustees, each Administrative Trustee shall have the power and authority to act on behalf of the Trust with respect to the following matters:

(A) the issuance and sale of the Trust Securities;

(B) to cause the Trust to enter into, and to execute, deliver and perform on behalf of the Trust, the Expense Agreement and the Certificate Depository Agreement and such other agreements as may be necessary or desirable in connection with the purposes and function of the Trust;

(C) assisting in the registration of the Preferred Securities under the Securities Act of 1933, as amended, and under state securities or blue sky laws, and the qualification of this Trust Agreement as a trust indenture under the Trust Indenture Act;

(D) assisting in the listing of the Preferred Securities upon such securities exchange or exchanges as shall be determined by the Depositor and the registration of the Preferred Securities under the Securities Exchange Act of 1934, as amended, and the preparation and filing of all periodic and other reports and other documents pursuant to the foregoing;

(E) the sending of notices (other than notices of default) and other information regarding the Trust Securities and the Debentures to the Holders in accordance with this Trust Agreement;

(F) the appointment of a Paying Agent and Securities Registrar in accordance with this Trust Agreement;

(G) registering transfer of the Trust Securities in accordance with this Trust Agreement;

(H) to the extent provided in this Trust Agreement, the winding up of the affairs of and liquidation of the Trust and the preparation, execution and filing of the certificate of cancellation with the Secretary of State of the State of Delaware;

(I) unless otherwise determined by the Depositor, the Property Trustee or the Administrative Trustees, or as otherwise required by the Delaware Business Trust Act or the Trust Indenture Act, to execute on behalf of the Trust (either acting alone or together with any or all of the Administrative Trustees) any documents that the Administrative Trustees have the power to execute pursuant to this Trust Agreement; and

(J) the taking of any action incidental or convenient to the foregoing as the Trustees may from time to time determine is necessary or advisable to give effect to the terms of this Trust Agreement for the benefit of the Holders (without consideration of the effect of any such action on any particular Holder). (ii) As among the Trustees, the Property Trustee shall have the power, duty and authority to act on behalf of the Trust with respect to the following matters:

(A) the establishment of the Payment Account;

(B) the receipt of the Debentures;

(C) the collection of interest, principal and any other payments made in respect of the Debentures in the Payment Account;

(D) the distribution through the Paying Agent of amounts owed to the Holders in respect of the Trust Securities;

(E) the exercise of all of the rights, powers and privileges of a holder of the Debentures;

(F) the sending of notices of default and other information regarding the Trust Securities and the Debentures to the Holders in accordance with this Trust Agreement;

(G) the distribution of the Trust Property in accordance with the terms of this Trust Agreement;

(H) to the extent provided in this Trust Agreement, the winding up of the affairs of and liquidation of the Trust and the preparation, execution and filing of the certificate of cancellation with the Secretary of State of the State of Delaware;

(I) after an Event of Default (other than under paragraph (b), (c), (d) or (e) of the definition of such term if such Event of Default is by or with respect to the Property Trustee) the taking of any action incidental or convenient to the foregoing as the Property Trustee may from time to time determine is necessary or advisable to give effect to the terms of this Trust Agreement and protect and conserve the Trust Property for the benefit of the Holders (without consideration of the effect of any such action on any particular Holder); and

(J) except as otherwise provided in this Section 2.7(a)(ii), the Property Trustee shall have none of the duties, liabilities, powers or the authority of the Administrative Trustees set forth in Section 2.7(a)(i).

(b) So long as this Trust Agreement remains in effect, the Trust (or the Trustees acting on behalf of the Trust) shall not undertake any business, activities or transaction except as expressly provided herein or contemplated hereby. In particular, the Trustees shall not (i) acquire any investments or engage in any activities not authorized by this Trust Agreement, (ii) sell,

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assign, transfer, exchange, mortgage, pledge, set-off or otherwise dispose of any of the Trust Property or interests therein, including to Holders, except as expressly provided herein, (iii) take any action that would cause the Trust to fail or cease to qualify as a "grantor trust" for United States federal income tax purposes, (iv) incur any indebtedness for borrowed money or issue any other debt or (v) take or consent to any action that would result in the placement of a Lien on any of the Trust Property. The Administrative Trustees shall defend all claims and demands of all Persons at any time claiming any Lien on any of the Trust Property adverse to the interest of the Trust or the Holders in their capacity as Holders.

(c) In connection with the issue and sale of the Preferred Securities,

the Depositor shall have the right and responsibility to assist the Trust with respect to, or effect on behalf of the Trust, the following (and any actions taken by the Depositor in furtherance of the following prior to the date of this Trust Agreement are hereby ratified and confirmed in all respects):

(i) the preparation and filing by the Trust with the Commission and the execution on behalf of the Trust of a registration statement on the appropriate form in relation to the Preferred Securities, including any amendments thereto;

(ii) the determination of the States in which to take appropriate action to qualify or register for sale all or part of the Preferred Securities and the determination of any and all such acts, other than actions which must be taken by or on behalf of the Trust, and the advice to the Trustees of actions they must take on behalf of the Trust, and the preparation for execution and filing of any documents to be executed and filed by the Trust or on behalf of the Trust, as the Depositor deems necessary or advisable in order to comply with the applicable laws of any such States;

(iii) the preparation for filing by the Trust and execution on behalf of the Trust of an application to the New York Stock Exchange or any other national stock exchange or the Nasdaq National Market for listing, upon notice of issuance, of any Preferred Securities;

(iv) the preparation for filing by the Trust with the Commission and the execution on behalf of the Trust of a registration statement on Form 8-A relating to the registration of the Preferred Securities under Section 12(b) or 12(g) of the Exchange Act, including any amendments thereto;

(v) the negotiation of the terms of, and the execution and delivery of, the Underwriting Agreement providing for the sale of the Preferred Securities; and

(vi) the taking of any other actions necessary or desirable to carry out any of the foregoing activities.

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(d) Notwithstanding anything herein to the contrary, the Administrative Trustees are authorized and directed to conduct the affairs of the Trust and to operate the Trust so that the Trust will not be deemed to be an "investment company" required to be registered under the 1940 Act, or to be classified as an association taxable as a corporation or as other than a grantor trust for United States federal income tax purposes and so that the Debentures will be treated as indebtedness of the Depositor for United States federal income tax purposes. In this connection, the Depositor and the Administrative Trustees are authorized to take any action, not inconsistent with applicable law, the Certificate of Trust or this Trust Agreement, that each of the Depositor and any Administrative Trustee determines in its discretion to be necessary or desirable for such purposes, as long as such action does not adversely affect in any material respect the interests of the Holders of the Preferred Securities.

SECTION 2.8. Assets of Trust.

The assets of the Trust shall consist of the Trust Property.

SECTION 2.9. Title to Trust Property.

Legal title to all Trust Property shall be vested at all times in the Property Trustee (in its capacity as such) and shall be held and administered by the Property Trustee for the benefit of the Trust and the Holders in accordance with this Trust Agreement.

ARTICLE III

PAYMENT ACCOUNT

SECTION 3.1. Payment Account.

(a) On or prior to the Closing Date, the Property Trustee shall establish the Payment Account. The Property Trustee and any agent of the Property Trustee shall have exclusive control and sole right of withdrawal with respect to the Payment Account for the purpose of making deposits in and withdrawals from the Payment Account in accordance with this Trust Agreement. All monies and other property deposited or held from time to time in the Payment Account shall be held by the Property Trustee in the Payment Account for the exclusive benefit of the Holders and for distribution as herein provided, including (and subject to) any priority of payments provided for herein.

(b) The Property Trustee shall deposit in the Payment Account, promptly upon receipt, all payments of principal of or interest on, and any other payments or proceeds in respect of, the Debentures.

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(c) Amounts held in the Payment Account shall not be invested by the Property Trustee pending distribution thereof.

ARTICLE IV

DISTRIBUTIONS; REDEMPTION

SECTION 4.1. Distributions.

(a) The Trust Securities represent undivided beneficial interests in the Trust Property, and Distributions (including of Additional Amounts) will be made on the Trust Securities at the rate and on the dates that payments of interest (including Additional Interest) are made on the Debentures. Accordingly:

> (i) Distributions on the Trust Securities shall be cumulative, and will accumulate whether or not there are funds of the Trust available for the payment of Distributions. Distributions shall accrue _ __, 199_, and, except to the extent that the Depositor from exercises its right to defer the payment of interest on the Debentures in accordance with the Indenture, shall be payable quarterly in arrears on March 31, June 30, September 30 and December 31 of each year, commencing on ______, 199_. If any date on which a Distribution otherwise would be payable on the Trust Securities is not a Business Day, then the payment of such Distribution shall be made on the next succeeding day that is a Business Day (and without any interest or other payment in respect of any such delay), or, if such Business Day falls in the next calendar year, on the immediately preceding Business Day, in each case, with the same force and effect as if made on such date (each date on which Distributions are payable in accordance with this Section 4.1(a), a "Distribution Date").

(ii) Assuming that payments of interest on the Debentures are made when due (and before giving effect to Additional Amounts, if applicable), Distributions on the Trust Securities shall be payable at a rate of _____% per annum of the Liquidation Amount of the Trust Securities. The amount of Distributions payable for any full period shall be computed on the basis of a 360-day year of twelve 30-day months. The amount of Distributions for any partial period shall be computed on the basis of the number of days elapsed in a 360-day year of twelve 30-day months. The amount of Distributions payable for any period shall include the Additional Amounts, if any.

(iii) Distributions on the Trust Securities shall be made by the Property Trustee from the Payment Account and shall be payable on each Distribution Date only to the extent that the Trust has funds then on hand and available in the Payment Account for the payment of such Distributions. (b) Distributions on the Trust Securities with respect to a Distribution Date shall be payable to the Holders thereof as they appear on the Securities Register for the Trust Securities on the relevant record date for such Distribution Date, which shall be one Business Day prior to such Distribution Date; provided, however, that in the event that the Preferred Securities do not remain in book-entry-only form, the relevant record date for a Distribution Date shall be the date 15 days prior to such Distribution Date.

SECTION 4.2. Redemption.

(a) On each Debenture Redemption Date and upon the stated maturity of the Debentures, the Trust will be required to redeem a Like Amount of Trust Securities at the Redemption Price.

(b) Notice of redemption shall be given by the Property Trustee by first-class mail, postage prepaid, mailed not less than 30 nor more than 60 days prior to the Redemption Date to each Holder of Trust Securities to be redeemed, at such Holder's address appearing in the Security Register. All notices of redemption shall state:

- (i) the Redemption Date;
- (ii) the Redemption Price;
- (iii) the CUSIP number;

(iv) if less than all the Outstanding Trust Securities are to be redeemed, the identification and the aggregate Liquidation Amount of the Trust Securities to be redeemed; and

 (ν) that on the Redemption Date the Redemption Price in respect of each such Trust Security to be redeemed will be due and that Distributions thereon will cease to accrue on and after said date.

(c) The Trust Securities redeemed on each Redemption Date shall be redeemed at the Redemption Price with the proceeds from the contemporaneous redemption of Debentures. Redemptions of the Trust Securities shall be made and the Redemption Price shall be due on each Redemption Date only to the extent that the Trust has funds then on hand and available in the Payment Account for the payment of such Redemption Price.

(d) If the Property Trustee gives a notice of redemption in respect of any Preferred Securities, then, by 12:00 noon, New York City time, on the Redemption Date, subject to Section 4.2(c), the Property Trustee will, so long as the Preferred Securities are in book-entry-only form, irrevocably deposit with the Clearing Agency for the Preferred Securities funds sufficient to pay the applicable Redemption Price and will give such Clearing Agency irrevocable instructions and authority to pay the Redemption Price to the Holders thereof. If the Preferred Securities are no

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longer in book-entry-only form, the Property

Trustee, subject to Section 4.2(c), will irrevocably deposit with the Paying Agent funds sufficient to pay the applicable Redemption Price and will give the Paying Agent irrevocable instructions and authority to pay the Redemption Price to the Holders thereof upon surrender of their Preferred Securities Certificates. Notwithstanding the foregoing, any Distribution the Distribution Date for which shall occur on or prior to the Redemption Date for any Trust Securities called for redemption shall be payable to the Holders of such Trust Securities as they appear on the Securities Register on the relevant record date for such Distribution Date. If notice of redemption shall have been given and funds deposited as required, then upon the date of such deposit, all rights of Holders of Trust Securities so called for redemption will cease with respect to

such Trust Securities, except the right of such Holders to receive the Redemption Price therefor and any Distribution thereon the Distribution Date for which shall occur on or prior to the Redemption Date, but without interest, and such Trust Securities will cease to be outstanding. In the event that any date on which any Redemption Price is payable is not a Business Day, then payment of the Redemption Price payable on such date will be made on the next succeeding day that is a Business Day (and without any interest or other payment in respect of any such delay), or, if such Business Day falls in the next calendar year, on the immediately preceding Business Day, in each case, with the same force and effect as if made on such date. In the event that payment of the Redemption Price for any Trust Securities called for redemption is improperly withheld or refused and not paid either by the Trust or by the Depositor pursuant to the Guarantee, Distributions on such Trust Securities will continue to accumulate, at the then applicable rate, from the Redemption Date originally established by the Trust for such Trust Securities to the date such Redemption Price is actually paid, in which case the actual payment date will be the date fixed for redemption for purposes of calculating the Redemption Price.

(e) Payment of the Redemption Price for Trust Securities shall be made to the recordholders thereof as they appear on the Securities Register on the relevant record date for the Redemption Date, which shall be one Business Day prior to such Redemption Date; provided, however, that in the event that the Preferred Securities do not remain in book-entry-only form, the relevant record date for a Redemption Date shall be the date fifteen days prior to such Redemption Date.

(f) Subject to Section 4.3(a), if less than all the Outstanding Trust Securities are to be redeemed on a Redemption Date, then the aggregate Liquidation Amount of Trust Securities to be redeemed shall be allocated pro rata (based on Liquidation Amounts) among the Common Securities and the Preferred Securities. The particular Preferred Securities to be redeemed shall be selected pro rata (based upon Liquidation Amounts) not more than 60 days prior to the Redemption Date by the Property Trustee from the Outstanding Preferred Securities not previously called for redemption, by such method (including, without limitation, by lot) as the Property Trustee shall deem fair and appropriate and which may provide for the selection for redemption of portions (equal to \$25 or an integral multiple of \$25 in excess thereof) of the Liquidation Amount of Preferred Securities of a denomination larger than \$25. The Property Trustee shall promptly notify the Security Registrar in writing of the Preferred Securities selected

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for redemption and, in the case of any Preferred Securities selected for partial redemption, the Liquidation Amount thereof to be redeemed. For all purposes of this Trust Agreement, unless the context otherwise requires, all provisions relating to the redemption of Preferred Securities shall relate, in the case of any Preferred Securities redeemed or to be redeemed only in part, to the portion of the Liquidation Amount of Preferred Securities that has been or is to be redeemed.

SECTION 4.3. Subordination of Common Securities.

(a) Payment of Distributions (including Additional Amounts, if applicable) on, and the Redemption Price of, the Trust Securities, as applicable, shall be made, subject to Section 4.2(f), pro rata (based on Liquidation Amounts) among the Common Securities and the Preferred Securities; provided, however, that if on any Distribution Date or Redemption Date any Event of Default resulting from a Debenture Event of Default shall have occurred and be continuing, no payment of any Distribution (including Additional Amounts, if applicable) on, or Redemption Price of, any Common Security, and no other payment on account of the redemption, liquidation or other acquisition of Common Securities, shall be made unless payment in full in cash of all accumulated and unpaid Distributions (including Additional Amounts, if applicable) on all Outstanding Preferred Securities for all Distribution periods terminating on or prior thereto, or in the case of payment of the Redemption Price the full amount of such Redemption Price on all Outstanding Preferred Securities, shall have been made or provided for, and all funds immediately available to the Property Trustee shall first be applied to the payment in full in cash of all Distributions (including Additional Amounts, if applicable) on, or the Redemption Price of, Preferred Securities then due.

(b) In the event of the occurrence of any Event of Default resulting

from any Debenture Event of Default, the Holder of Common Securities will be deemed to have waived any right to act with respect to any such Event of Default under this Trust Agreement until the effect of all such Events of Default with respect to the Preferred Securities have been cured, waived or otherwise eliminated. Until any such Event of Default under this Trust Agreement with respect to the Preferred Securities has been so cured, waived or otherwise eliminated, the Property Trustee shall act solely on behalf of the Holders of the Preferred Securities will have the right to direct the Property Trustee to act on their behalf.

SECTION 4.4. Payment Procedures.

Payments of Distributions (including Additional Amounts, if applicable) in respect of the Preferred Securities shall be made by check mailed to the address of the Person entitled thereto as such address shall appear on the Securities Register or, if the Preferred Securities are held by a Clearing Agency, such Distributions shall be made to such Clearing Agency in immediately available funds, which shall credit the relevant Persons' accounts at such Clearing Agency on the relevant Distribution Dates. Payments in respect of the Common Securities shall be made in such manner as shall be mutually agreed between the Property Trustee and the Common Holder.

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SECTION 4.5. Tax Returns and Reports.

The Administrative Trustees shall prepare (or cause to be prepared), at the Depositor's expense, and file all United States federal, state and local tax and information returns and reports required to be filed by or in respect of the Trust. In this regard, the Administrative Trustees shall (a) prepare and file (or cause to be prepared and filed) the appropriate Internal Revenue Service Form required to be filed in respect of the Trust in each taxable year of the Trust and (b) prepare and furnish (or cause to be prepared and furnished) to each Holder the appropriate Internal Revenue Service form required to be provided on such form. The Administrative Trustees shall provide the Depositor and the Property Trustee with a copy of all such returns and reports promptly after such filing or furnishing. The Trustees shall comply with United States federal withholding and backup withholding tax laws and information reporting requirements with respect to any payments to Holders under the Trust Securities.

SECTION 4.6. Payment of Taxes, Duties, Etc. of the Trust.

Upon receipt under the Debentures of Additional Sums, the Property Trustee shall promptly pay any taxes, duties or governmental charges of whatsoever nature (other than withholding taxes) imposed on the Trust by the United States or any other taxing authority.

SECTION 4.7. Payments under Indenture or Pursuant to Direct Actions.

Any amount payable hereunder to any Holder of Preferred Securities shall be reduced by the amount of any corresponding payment such Holder (or an Owner with respect to the Holder's Preferred Securities) has directly received pursuant to Section 5.8 of the Indenture or Section 5.14 of this Trust Agreement.

SECTION 4.8. Liability of the Holder of Common Securities.

The Holder of the Common Securities shall be liable for the debts and obligations of the Trust as set forth in the Expense Agreement.

ARTICLE V

TRUST SECURITIES CERTIFICATES

SECTION 5.1. Initial Ownership.

Upon the creation of the Trust and the contribution by the Depositor

pursuant to Section 2.3 and until the issuance of the Trust Securities, and at any time during which no Trust Securities are outstanding, the Depositor shall be the sole beneficial owner of the Trust.

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SECTION 5.2. The Trust Securities Certificates.

The Preferred Securities Certificates shall be issued in minimum denominations of \$25 Liquidation Amount and integral multiples of \$25 in excess thereof, and the Common Securities Certificates shall be issued in denominations of \$25 Liquidation Amount and integral multiples thereof. The Trust Securities Certificates shall be executed on behalf of the Trust by manual or facsimile signature of at least one Administrative Trustee. Trust Securities Certificates bearing the manual or facsimile signatures of individuals who were, at the time when such signatures shall have been affixed, authorized to sign on behalf of the Trust, shall be validly issued and entitled to the benefits of this Trust Agreement, notwithstanding that such individuals or any of them shall have ceased to be so authorized prior to the delivery of such Trust Securities Certificates or did not hold such offices at the date of delivery of such Trust Securities Certificates. A transferee of a Trust Securities Certificate shall become a Holder, and shall be entitled to the rights and subject to the obligations of a Holder hereunder, upon due registration of such Trust Securities Certificate in such transferee's name pursuant to Sections 5.4, 5.11 and 5.13.

 $\ensuremath{\mathsf{SECTION}}$ 5.3. Execution and Delivery of Trust Securities Certificates.

At the Closing Date, the Administrative Trustees shall cause Trust Securities Certificates, in an aggregate Liquidation Amount as provided in Sections 2.4 and 2.5, to be executed on behalf of the Trust and delivered to or upon the written order of the Depositor, signed by its chairman of the board, its president, any executive vice president or any vice president, treasurer or assistant treasurer or controller without further corporate action by the Depositor, in authorized denominations.

SECTION 5.4. Registration of Transfer and Exchange of Preferred Securities Certificates.

The Depositor shall keep or cause to be kept, at the office or agency maintained pursuant to Section 5.8, a register or registers for the purpose of registering Trust Securities Certificates and transfers and exchanges of Preferred Securities Certificates (the "Securities Register"), in which the registrar designated by the Depositor (the "Securities Registrar"), subject to such reasonable regulations as it may prescribe, shall provide for the registration of Preferred Securities Certificates and Common Securities Certificates (subject to Section 5.10 in the case of the Common Securities Certificates) and registration of transfers and exchanges of Preferred Securities Certificates as herein provided. The Bank shall be the initial Securities Registrar.

Upon surrender for registration of transfer of any Preferred Securities Certificate at the office or agency maintained pursuant to Section 5.8, the Administrative Trustees or any one of them shall execute and deliver, in the name of the designated transferee or transferees, one or more new Preferred Securities Certificates in authorized denominations of a like aggregate Liquidation Amount dated the date of execution by such Administrative Trustee or Trustees. The Securities Registrar shall not be required to register the transfer of any Preferred Securities that have been called for redemption.

At the option of a Holder, Preferred Securities Certificates may be exchanged for other Preferred Securities Certificates in authorized denominations of the same class and of a like aggregate Liquidation Amount upon surrender of the Preferred Securities Certificates to be exchanged at the office or agency maintained pursuant to Section 5.8.

Every Preferred Securities Certificate presented or surrendered for registration of transfer or exchange shall be accompanied by a written instrument of transfer in form satisfactory to an Administrative Trustee and the Securities Registrar duly executed by the Holder or his attorney duly authorized in writing. Each Preferred Securities Certificate surrendered for registration of transfer or exchange shall be cancelled and subsequently disposed of by an Administrative Trustee or Securities Registrar in accordance with such Person's customary practice.

No service charge shall be made for any registration of transfer or exchange of Preferred Securities Certificates, but the Securities Registrar may require payment of a sum sufficient to cover any tax or governmental charge that may be imposed in connection with any transfer or exchange of Preferred Securities Certificates.

The Property Trustee shall not be required to insure or verify compliance with securities laws, including the Securities Act, Exchange Act and 1940 Act, in connection with transfers and exchanges of Preferred Securities Certificates.

SECTION 5.5. Mutilated, Destroyed, Lost or Stolen Trust Securities Certificates.

If (a) any mutilated Trust Securities Certificate shall be surrendered to the Securities Registrar, or if the Securities Registrar shall receive evidence to its satisfaction of the destruction, loss or theft of any Trust Securities Certificate and (b) there shall be delivered to the Securities Registrar and the Administrative Trustees such security or indemnity as may be required by them to save each of them harmless, then in the absence of notice that such Trust Securities Certificate shall have been acquired by a bona fide purchaser, the Administrative Trustees, or any one of them, on behalf of the Trust shall execute and make available for delivery, in exchange for or in lieu of any such mutilated, destroyed, lost or stolen Trust Securities Certificate, a new Trust Securities Certificate of like class, tenor and denomination. In connection with the issuance of any new Trust Securities Certificate under this Section, the Administrative Trustees or the Securities Registrar may require the payment of a sum sufficient to cover any tax or other governmental charge that may be imposed in connection therewith. Any duplicate Trust Securities Certificate issued pursuant to this Section shall constitute conclusive evidence of an undivided beneficial interest in the Trust Property, as if originally issued, whether or not the lost, stolen or destroyed Trust Securities Certificate shall be found at any time.

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SECTION 5.6. Persons Deemed Holders.

The Trustees or the Securities Registrar shall treat the Person in whose name any Trust Securities Certificate shall be registered in the Securities Register as the owner of such Trust Securities Certificate for the purpose of receiving Distributions and for all other purposes whatsoever, and neither the Trustees nor the Securities Registrar shall be bound by any notice to the contrary.

SECTION 5.7. Access to List of Holders' Names and Addresses.

Each Holder and each Owner shall be deemed to have agreed not to hold the Depositor, the Property Trustee or the Administrative Trustees accountable by reason of the disclosure of its name and address, regardless of the source from which such information was derived.

SECTION 5.8. Maintenance of Office or Agency.

The Administrative Trustees shall maintain an office or offices or agency or agencies where Preferred Securities Certificates may be surrendered for registration of transfer or exchange and where notices and demands to or upon the Trustees in respect of the Trust Securities Certificates may be served. The Administrative Trustees initially designate First Union Corporation, One First Union Center, Charlotte, North Carolina 28288-0013, Attn: Treasurer, as its principal corporate trust office for such purposes. The Administrative Trustees shall give prompt written notice to the Depositor and to the Holders of any change in the location of the Securities Register or any such office or agency.

SECTION 5.9. Appointment of Paying Agent.

The Paying Agent shall make Distributions to Holders from the Payment Account and shall report the amounts of such Distributions to the Property Trustee and the Administrative Trustees. Any Paying Agent shall have the revocable power to withdraw funds from the Payment Account for the purpose of making the Distributions referred to above. The Administrative Trustees may revoke such power and remove the Paying Agent if such Trustees determine in their sole discretion that the Paying Agent shall have failed to perform its obligations under this Trust Agreement in any material respect. The Paying Agent shall initially be the Bank, and any co- paying agent chosen by the Bank, and acceptable to the Administrative Trustees and the Depositor. Any Person acting as Paying Agent shall be permitted to resign as Paying Agent upon 30 days' written notice to the Administrative Trustees, the Property Trustee and the Depositor. In the event that the Bank shall no longer be the Paying Agent or a successor Paying Agent shall resign or its authority to act be revoked, the Administrative Trustees shall appoint a successor that is acceptable to the Property Trustee and the Depositor to act as Paying Agent (which shall be a bank or trust company). The Administrative Trustees shall cause such successor Paying Agent or any additional Paying Agent appointed by the Administrative Trustees to execute and deliver to the Trustees an instrument in which such successor Paying Agent or additional Paying Agent shall agree with the Trustees that as Paying Agent, such successor Paying Agent or additional

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Paying Agent will hold all sums, if any, held by it for payment to the Holders in trust for the benefit of the Holders entitled thereto until such sums shall be paid to such Holders. The Paying Agent shall return all unclaimed funds to the Property Trustee and upon removal of a Paying Agent such Paying Agent shall also return all funds in its possession to the Property Trustee. The provisions of Sections 8.1, 8.3 and 8.6 shall apply to the Bank also in its role as Paying Agent, for so long as the Bank shall act as Paying Agent and, to the extent applicable, to any other paying agent appointed hereunder. Any reference in this Trust Agreement to the Paying Agent shall include any co-paying agent unless the context requires otherwise.

SECTION 5.10. Ownership of Common Securities by Depositor.

At the Closing Date, the Depositor shall acquire and retain beneficial and record ownership of the Common Securities. To the fullest extent permitted by law, other than a transfer in connection with a consolidation or merger of the Depositor into another Person, or any conveyance, transfer or lease by the Depositor of its properties and assets substantially as an entirety to any Person, pursuant to Section 8.1 of the Indenture, any attempted transfer of the Common Securities shall be void. The Administrative Trustees shall cause each Common Securities Certificate issued to the Depositor to contain a legend stating "THIS CERTIFICATE IS NOT TRANSFERABLE".

SECTION 5.11. Book-Entry Preferred Securities Certificates; Common Securities Certificate.

(a) The Preferred Securities Certificates, upon original issuance, will be issued in the form of a typewritten Preferred Securities Certificate or Certificates representing Book-Entry Preferred Securities Certificates, to be delivered to The Depository Trust Company, the initial Clearing Agency, by, or on behalf of, the Trust. Such Preferred Securities Certificate or Certificates shall initially be registered on the Securities Register in the name of Cede & Co., the nominee of the initial Clearing Agency, and no Owner will receive a Definitive Preferred Securities Certificate representing such Owner's interest in such Preferred Securities, except as provided in Section 5.13. Unless and until Definitive Preferred Securities Certificates have been issued to Owners pursuant to Section 5.13:

(i) the Securities Registrar and the Trustees shall be entitled to deal with the Clearing Agency for all purposes of this Trust Agreement relating to the Book-Entry Preferred Securities Certificates (including the payment of the Liquidation Amount of and Distributions on the Preferred Securities evidenced by Book-Entry Preferred Securities Certificates and the giving of instructions or directions to Owners of Preferred Securities evidenced by Book-Entry Preferred Securities Certificates) as the sole Holder of Preferred Securities evidenced by Book-Entry Preferred Securities Certificates and shall have no obligations to the Owners thereof;

(ii) to the extent that the provisions of this Section 5.11 conflict with any other provisions of this Trust Agreement, the provisions of this Section 5.11 shall control; and

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(iii) the rights of the Owners of the Book-Entry Preferred Securities Certificates shall be exercised only through the Clearing Agency and shall be limited to those established by law and agreements between such Owners and the Clearing Agency and/or the Clearing Agency Participants. Pursuant to the Certificate Depository Agreement, unless and until Definitive Preferred Securities Certificates are issued pursuant to Section 5.13, the initial Clearing Agency will make book-entry transfers among the Clearing Agency Participants and receive and transmit payments on the Preferred Securities to such Clearing Agency Participants.

(b) A single Common Securities Certificate representing the Common Securities shall be issued to the Depositor in the form of a definitive Common Securities Certificate.

SECTION 5.12. Notices to Clearing Agency.

To the extent that a notice or other communication to the Owners is required under this Trust Agreement, unless and until Definitive Preferred Securities Certificates shall have been issued to Owners pursuant to Section 5.13, the Trustees shall give all such notices and communications specified herein to be given to Owners to the Clearing Agency, and shall have no obligations to the Owners.

SECTION 5.13. Definitive Preferred Securities Certificates.

If (a) the Depositor advises the Trustees in writing that the Clearing Agency is no longer willing or able to properly discharge its responsibilities with respect to the Preferred Securities Certificates, and the Depositor is unable to locate a qualified successor, (b) the Depositor at its option advises the Trustees in writing that it elects to terminate the book-entry system through the Clearing Agency or (c) there shall have occurred and be continuing an Event of Default, then an Administrative Trustee shall notify the Clearing Agency and the Clearing Agency shall notify all Owners of Preferred Securities Certificates and the other Trustees of the occurrence of any such event and of the availability of the Definitive Preferred Securities Certificates to Owners of such class or classes, as applicable, requesting the same. Upon surrender to an Administrative Trustee of the typewritten Preferred Securities Certificate or Certificates representing the Book Entry Preferred Securities Certificates by the Clearing Agency, accompanied by registration instructions, the Administrative Trustees, or any one of them, shall execute the Definitive Preferred Securities Certificates in accordance with the instructions of the Clearing Agency. Neither the Securities Registrar nor the Trustees shall be liable for any delay in delivery of such instructions and may conclusively rely on, and shall be protected in relying on, such instructions. Upon the issuance

of Definitive Preferred Securities Certificates, the Trustees shall recognize the Holders of the Definitive Preferred Securities Certificates as Holders. The Definitive Preferred Securities Certificates shall be printed, lithographed or engraved or may be produced in any other manner as is reasonably acceptable to the Administrative Trustees, as evidenced by the execution thereof by the Administrative Trustees or any one of them.

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SECTION 5.14. Rights of Holders.

(a) The legal title to the Trust Property is vested exclusively in the Property Trustee (in its capacity as such) in accordance with Section 2.9, and the Holders shall not have any right or title therein other than the undivided beneficial interest in the assets of the Trust conferred by their Trust Securities and they shall have no right to call for any partition or division of property, profits or rights of the Trust except as described below. The Trust Securities shall be personal property giving only the rights specifically set forth therein and in this Trust Agreement. The Trust Securities shall have no preemptive or similar rights. When issued and delivered to Holders of Preferred Securities will be fully paid and nonassessable undivided beneficial interests in the Trust Property. The Holders, in their capacities as such, shall be entitled to the same limitation of personal liability extended to stockholders of private corporations for profit organized under the General Corporation Law of the State of Delaware.

(b) For so long as any Preferred Securities remain Outstanding, if, upon a Debenture Event of Default, the Debenture Trustee fails or the holders of not less than 25% in aggregate principal amount of the outstanding Debentures fail to declare the principal of all of the Debentures to be immediately due, the Holders of at least 25% in aggregate Liquidation Amount of the Preferred Securities then Outstanding shall have such right by a notice in writing to the Depositor and the Debenture Trustee; and upon any such declaration such principal amount of and the accrued interest on all of the Debentures shall become immediately due, provided that the payment of principal and interest on such Debentures shall remain subordinated to the extent provided in the Indenture.

At any time after such a declaration of acceleration with respect to the Debentures has been made and before a judgment or decree for payment of the money due has been obtained by the Debenture Trustee as in the Indenture provided, the Holders of at least a majority in aggregate Liquidation Amount of the Preferred Securities, by written notice to the Property Trustee, the Depositor and the Debenture Trustee, may rescind and annul such declaration and its consequences if:

(i) the Depositor has paid or deposited with the Debenture Trustee a sum sufficient to pay

(A) all overdue installments of interest (including any Additional Interest) on all of the Debentures,

(B) the principal of (and premium, if any, on) any Debentures which have become due otherwise than by such declaration of acceleration and interest thereon at the rate borne by the Debentures, and

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(C) all sums paid or advanced by the Debenture Trustee under the Indenture and the reasonable compensation, expenses, disbursements and advances of the Debenture Trustee and the Property Trustee, their agents and counsel; and

(ii) all Events of Default with respect to the Debentures, other than the non- payment of the principal of the Debentures which has become due solely by such acceleration, have been cured or waived as provided in Section 5.13 of the Indenture.

The Holders of at least a majority in aggregate Liquidation Amount of the Preferred Securities may, on behalf of the Holders of all the Preferred Securities, waive any past default under the Indenture, except a default in the payment of principal or interest (unless such default has been cured and a sum sufficient to pay all matured installments of interest and principal due otherwise than by acceleration has been deposited with the Debenture Trustee) or a default in respect of a covenant or provision which under the Indenture cannot be modified or amended without the consent of the holder of each outstanding Debenture. No such rescission shall affect any subsequent default or impair any right consequent thereon.

Upon receipt by the Property Trustee of written notice declaring such an acceleration, or rescission and annulment thereof, by Holders of Preferred Securities all or part of which is represented by Book-Entry Preferred Securities Certificates, a record date shall be established for determining Holders of Outstanding Preferred Securities entitled to join in such notice, which record date shall be at the close of business on the day the Property Trustee receives such notice. The Holders on such record date, or their duly designated proxies, and only such Persons, shall be entitled to join in such notice, whether or not such Holders remain Holders after such record date; provided, that, unless such declaration of acceleration, or rescission and annulment, as the case may be, shall have become effective by virtue of the requisite percentage having joined in such notice prior to the day which is 90 days after such record date, such notice of declaration of acceleration, or rescission and annulment, as the case may be, shall automatically and without further action by any Holder be canceled and of no further effect. Nothing in this paragraph shall prevent a Holder, or a proxy of a Holder, from giving, after expiration of such 90-day period, a new written notice of declaration of acceleration, or rescission and annulment thereof, as the case may be, that is identical to a written notice which has been canceled pursuant to the proviso to the preceding sentence, in which event a new record date shall be established pursuant to the provisions of this Section 5.14(b).

(c) For so long as any Preferred Securities remain Outstanding, to the fullest extent permitted by law and subject to the terms of this Trust Agreement and the Indenture, upon a Debenture Event of Default specified in Section 5.1(1) or 5.1(2) of the Indenture, any Holder of Preferred Securities shall have the right to institute a proceeding directly against the Depositor, pursuant to Section 5.8 of the Indenture, for enforcement of payment to such Holder of the principal amount of or interest on Debentures having a principal amount equal to the Liquidation Amount of the Preferred Securities of such Holder (a "Direct Action"). Except as set forth in

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Section 5.14(b) and this Section 5.14(c), Holders of Preferred Securities shall have no right to exercise directly any right or remedy available to holders of, or in respect of, Debentures.

ARTICLE VI

ACTS OF HOLDERS; MEETINGS; VOTING

SECTION 6.1. Limitations on Voting Rights.

(a) Except as provided in this Section 6.1, in Sections 5.14, 8.10 and 10.2 and in the Indenture, and as otherwise required by law, no Holder of Preferred Securities shall have any right to vote or in any manner otherwise control the administration, operation and management of the Trust or the obligations of the parties hereto, nor shall anything herein set forth, or contained in the terms of the Trust Securities Certificates, be construed so as to constitute the Holders from time to time as partners or members of an association.

(b) So long as any Debentures are held by the Property Trustee, the Trustees shall not (i) direct the time, method or place of conducting any proceeding for any remedy available to the Debenture Trustee, or executing any trust or power conferred on the Debenture Trustee with respect to such Debentures, (ii) waive any past default which is waivable under Section 5.13 of the Indenture, (iii) exercise any right to rescind or annul a declaration that the principal of all the Debentures shall be due and payable or (iv) consent to any amendment, modification or termination of the Indenture or the Debentures, where such consent shall be required, without, in each case, obtaining the prior approval of the Holders of at least a majority in Liquidation Amount of all Outstanding Preferred Securities, provided, however, that where a consent under the Indenture would require the consent of each holder of Debentures affected thereby, no such consent shall be given by the Property Trustee without the prior written consent of each Holder of Preferred Securities. The Trustees shall not revoke any action previously authorized or approved by a vote of the Holders of Preferred Securities, except by a subsequent vote of the Holders of Preferred Securities. The Property Trustee shall notify all Holders of Preferred Securities of any notice of default received from the Debenture Trustee with respect to the Debentures. In addition to obtaining the foregoing approvals of Holders of Preferred Securities, prior to taking any of the foregoing actions, the Trustees shall, at the expense of the Depositor, obtain an Opinion of Counsel experienced in such matters to the effect that such action shall not cause the Trust to be classified as an association taxable as a corporation for United States federal income tax purposes.

(c) If any proposed amendment to the Trust Agreement provides for, or the Trustees otherwise propose to effect, (i) any action that would adversely affect in any material respect the powers, preferences or special rights of the Preferred Securities, whether by way of amendment to this Trust Agreement or otherwise, or (ii) the dissolution, winding-up or termination of the

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Trust, other than pursuant to the terms of this Trust Agreement, then the Holders of Outstanding Preferred Securities as a class will be entitled to vote on such amendment or proposal and such amendment or proposal shall not be effective except with the approval of the Holders of at least a majority in Liquidation Amount of the Outstanding Preferred Securities. Notwithstanding any other provision of this Trust Agreement, no amendment to this Trust Agreement may be made if, as a result of such amendment, it would cause the Trust to be classified as an association taxable as a corporation for United States federal income tax purposes.

SECTION 6.2. Notice of Meetings.

Notice of all meetings of Holders of Preferred Securities, stating the time, place and purpose of the meeting, shall be given by the Property Trustee pursuant to Section 10.8 to each such Holder at such Holder's address as it appears in the Securities Register as of the record date for such meeting. Such notice shall be sent, first-class mail, at least 15 days and not more than 90 days before the meeting. At any such meeting, any business properly before the meeting may be so considered whether or not stated in the notice of the meeting. Any adjourned meeting may be held as adjourned without further notice.

SECTION 6.3. Meetings of Holders of Preferred Securities.

No annual meeting of Holders is required to be held. The Administrative Trustees, however, shall call a meeting of Holders of Preferred Securities to vote on any matter upon the written request of the Holders of record of at least 25% of the aggregate Liquidation Amount of Outstanding Preferred Securities) and the Administrative Trustees or the Property Trustee may, at any time in their discretion, call a meeting of Holders of Preferred Securities to vote on any matters as to which Holders of Preferred Securities are entitled to vote.

Holders of at least 50% of the Liquidation Amount of Outstanding Preferred Securities, present in person or by proxy, shall constitute a quorum at any meeting of Holders of Preferred Securities.

If a quorum is present at a meeting, an affirmative vote by the Holders of record present, in person or by proxy, holding at least a majority of the Liquidation Amount of Outstanding Preferred Securities held by the Holders of record present, either in person or by proxy, at such meeting shall constitute the action of the Holders of Preferred Securities, unless this Trust Agreement requires a greater number of affirmative votes.

SECTION 6.4. Voting Rights.

In respect of any matter as to which a Holder is entitled to vote, such Holder shall be entitled to one vote for each \$25 of Liquidation Amount Trust Securities held of record by such Holder.

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SECTION 6.5. Proxies, etc.

At any meeting of Holders, any Holder entitled to vote thereat may vote by proxy, provided that no proxy shall be voted at any meeting unless it shall have been placed on file with the Administrative Trustees, or with such other officer or agent of the Trust as the Administrative Trustees may direct, for verification prior to the time at which such vote shall be taken. Pursuant to a resolution of the Property Trustee, proxies may be solicited in the name of the Property Trustee or one or more officers of the Property Trustee. Only Holders of record shall be entitled to vote. When Trust Securities are held jointly by several Persons, any one of them may vote at any meeting in person or by proxy in respect of such Trust Securities, but if more than one of them shall be present at such meeting in person or by proxy, and such joint owners or their proxies so present disagree as to any vote to be cast, such vote shall not be received in respect of such Trust Securities. A proxy purporting to be executed by or on behalf of a Holder shall be deemed valid unless challenged at or prior to its exercise, and the burden of proving invalidity shall rest on the challenger. No proxy shall be valid more than three years after its date of execution.

SECTION 6.6. Holder Action by Written Consent.

Any action which may be taken by Holders at a meeting may be taken without a meeting if Holders holding more than a majority of the aggregate Liquidation Amount of the Outstanding Trust Securities entitled to vote in respect of such action (or such larger proportion thereof as shall be required by any express provision of this Trust Agreement) shall consent to the action in writing.

SECTION 6.7. Record Date for Voting and Other Purposes.

For the purpose of determining the Holders who are entitled to notice of and to vote at any meeting or by written consent, or to participate in any Distribution on the Trust Securities in respect of which a record date is not otherwise provided for in this Trust Agreement, or for the purpose of any other action, the Administrative Trustees may from time to time fix a date, not more than 90 days prior to the date of any meeting of Holders or the payment of a Distribution or other action, as the case may be, as a record date for the determination of the identity of the Holders of record for such purposes.

SECTION 6.8. Acts of Holders.

Any request, demand, authorization, direction, notice, consent, waiver or other action provided or permitted by this Trust Agreement to be given, made or taken by Holders or Owners may be embodied in and evidenced by one or more instruments of substantially similar tenor signed by such Holders or Owners in person or by an agent duly appointed in writing; and, except as otherwise expressly provided herein, such action shall become effective when such instrument or instruments are delivered to an Administrative Trustee. Such instrument or

instruments (and the action embodied therein and evidenced thereby) are herein sometimes referred to as the "Act" of the Holders or Owners signing such instrument or instruments. Proof of execution of any such instrument or of a writing appointing any such agent shall be sufficient for any purpose of this Trust Agreement and (subject to Section 8.1) conclusive in favor of the Trustees, if made in the manner provided in this Section.

The fact and date of the execution by any Person of any such instrument or writing may be proved by the affidavit of a witness to such execution or by a certificate of a notary public or other officer authorized by law to take acknowledgments of deeds, certifying that the individual signing such instrument or writing acknowledged to him the execution thereof. Where such execution is by a signer acting in a capacity other than his individual capacity, such certificate or affidavit shall also constitute sufficient proof of his authority. The fact and date of the execution of any such instrument or writing, or the authority of the Person executing the same, may also be proved in any other manner which any Trustee receiving the same deems sufficient.

The ownership of Preferred Securities shall be proved by the Securities Register.

Any request, demand, authorization, direction, notice, consent, waiver or other Act of the Holder of any Trust Security shall bind every future Holder of the same Trust Security and the Holder of every Trust Security issued upon the registration of transfer thereof or in exchange therefor or in lieu thereof in respect of anything done, omitted or suffered to be done by the Trustees or the Trust in reliance thereon, whether or not notation of such action is made upon such Trust Security.

Without limiting the foregoing, a Holder entitled hereunder to take any action hereunder with regard to any particular Trust Security may do so with regard to all or any part of the Liquidation Amount of such Trust Security or by one or more duly appointed agents each of which may do so pursuant to such appointment with regard to all or any part of such liquidation amount.

If any dispute shall arise between the Holders and the Administrative Trustees or among such Holders or Trustees with respect to the authenticity, validity or binding nature of any request, demand, authorization, direction, consent, waiver or other Act of such Holder or Trustee under this Article VI, then the determination of such matter by the Property Trustee shall be conclusive with respect to such matter.

SECTION 6.9. Inspection of Records.

Upon reasonable notice to the Administrative Trustees and the Property Trustee, the records of the Trust shall be open to inspection by Holders during normal business hours for any purpose reasonably related to such Holder's interest as a Holder.

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ARTICLE VII

REPRESENTATIONS AND WARRANTIES

SECTION 7.1. Representations and Warranties of the Property Trustee and the Delaware Trustee.

The Property Trustee and the Delaware Trustee, each severally on behalf of and as to itself, hereby represents and warrants for the benefit of the Depositor and the Holders that:

> (a) the Property Trustee is a banking corporation, duly organized, validly existing and in good standing under the laws of the State of Delaware;

> (b) the Property Trustee has full corporate power, authority and legal right to execute, deliver and perform its obligations under this Trust Agreement and has taken all necessary action to authorize the execution, delivery and performance by it of this Trust Agreement;

(c) the Delaware Trustee is a banking corporation duly organized, validly existing and in good standing under the laws of the State of Delaware;

(d) the Delaware Trustee has full corporate power, authority and legal right to execute, deliver and perform its obligations under this Trust Agreement and has taken all necessary action to authorize the execution, delivery and performance by it of this Trust Agreement;

(e) this Trust Agreement has been duly authorized, executed and delivered by the Property Trustee and the Delaware Trustee and constitutes the valid and legally binding agreement of each of the Property Trustee and the Delaware Trustee enforceable against each of them in accordance with its terms, subject to bankruptcy, insolvency, fraudulent transfer, reorganization, moratorium and similar laws of general applicability relating to or affecting creditors' rights and to general equity principles;

(f) the execution, delivery and performance of this Trust Agreement has been duly authorized by all necessary corporate or other action on the part of the Property Trustee and the Delaware Trustee and does not require any approval of stockholders of the Property Trustee or the Delaware Trustee and such execution, delivery and performance will not (i) violate the Charter or By-laws of the Property Trustee or the Delaware Trustee, (ii) violate any provision of, or constitute, with or without notice or lapse of time, a default under, or result in the creation or imposition of, any Lien on any properties included in the Trust Property pursuant to the provisions of, any indenture, mortgage, credit agreement, license or other agreement or instrument to which the Property Trustee

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or the Delaware Trustee is a party or by which it is bound, or (iii) violate any law, governmental rule or regulation of the United States or the State of Delaware, as the case may be, governing the banking, trust or general powers of the Property Trustee or the Delaware Trustee (as appropriate in context) or any order, judgment or decree applicable to the Property Trustee or the Delaware Trustee;

(g) neither the authorization, execution or delivery by the Property Trustee or the Delaware Trustee of this Trust Agreement nor the consummation of any of the transactions by the Property Trustee or the Delaware Trustee (as appropriate in context) contemplated herein requires the consent or approval of, the giving of notice to, the registration with or the taking of any other action with respect to any governmental authority or agency under any existing federal law governing the banking, trust or general powers of the Property Trustee or the Delaware Trustee, as the case may be, under the laws of the United States or the State of Delaware;

(h) there are no proceedings pending or, to the best of each of the Property Trustee's and the Delaware Trustee's knowledge, threatened against or affecting the Property Trustee or the Delaware Trustee in any court or before any governmental authority, agency or arbitration board or tribunal which, individually or in the aggregate, would materially and adversely affect the Trust or would question the right, power and authority of the Property Trustee or the Delaware Trustee, as the case may be, to enter into or perform its obligations as one of the Trustees under this Trust Agreement.

SECTION 7.2. Representations and Warranties of Depositor.

The Depositor hereby represents and warrants for the benefit of the Holders that the Trust Securities Certificates issued on the Closing Date on behalf of the Trust have been duly authorized and will have been, duly and validly executed, issued and delivered by an Administrative Trustee pursuant to the terms and provisions of, and in accordance with the requirements of, this Trust Agreement and the Holders will be, as of each such date, entitled to the benefits of this Trust Agreement.

ARTICLE VIII

THE TRUSTEES

SECTION 8.1. Certain Duties and Responsibilities.

(a) The duties and responsibilities of the Trustees shall be as provided by this Trust Agreement and, in the case of the Property Trustee, by the Trust Indenture Act. Notwithstanding the foregoing, no provision of this Trust Agreement shall require the Trustees to expend or risk their own funds or otherwise to incur any financial liability in the performance of any of their

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duties hereunder, or in the exercise of any of their rights or powers, if they shall have reasonable grounds for believing that repayment of such funds or adequate indemnity against such risk or liability is not reasonably assured to it. Whether or not therein expressly so provided, every provision of this Trust Agreement relating to the conduct or affecting the liability of this Section of or affording protection to the Trustees shall be subject to the provisions of this Section 8.1.

(b) No provision in this Trust Agreement shall be construed to release an Administrative Trustee from liability for his own gross negligent action, his own gross negligent failure to act, or his own willful misconduct. To the extent that, at law or in equity, an Administrative Trustee has duties (including fiduciary duties) to the Trust or to the Holders, and liabilities relating thereto, such Administrative Trustee shall not be liable to the Trust or to any Holder for such Trustee's good faith reliance on the provisions of this Trust Agreement. The provisions of this Trust Agreement, to the extent that they restrict the duties and liabilities of the Administrative Trustees otherwise existing at law or in equity, are agreed by the Depositor and the Holders to replace such other duties and liabilities of the Administrative Trustees.

(c) All payments made by the Property Trustee or a Paying Agent in respect of the Trust Securities shall be made only from the revenue and proceeds from the Trust Property and only to the extent that there shall be sufficient revenue or proceeds from the Trust Property to enable the Property Trustee or a Paying Agent to make payments in accordance with the terms hereof. Each Holder, by its acceptance of a Trust Security, agrees that it will look solely to the revenue and proceeds from the Trust Property to the extent legally available for distribution to it as herein provided and that the Trustees are not personally liable to it for any amount distributable in respect of any Trust Security or for any other liability in respect of any Trust Security. This Section 8.1(c) does not limit the liability of the Trustees expressly set forth elsewhere in this Trust Agreement or, in the case of the Property Trustee, in the Trust Indenture Act.

(d) No provision of this Trust Agreement shall be construed to relieve the Property Trustee from liability for its own negligent action, its own negligent failure to act, or its own willful misconduct, except that:

> (i) the Property Trustee shall not be liable for any error of judgment made in good faith by an authorized officer of the Property Trustee, unless it shall be proved that the Property Trustee was negligent in ascertaining the pertinent facts;

> (ii) the Property Trustee shall not be liable with respect to any action taken or omitted to be taken by it in good faith in accordance with the direction of the Holders of not less than a majority in Liquidation Amount of the Trust Securities relating to the time, method and place of conducting any proceeding for any remedy available to the Property Trustee, or exercising any trust or power conferred upon the Property Trustee under this Trust Agreement;

(iii) the Property Trustee's sole duty with respect to the custody, safe keeping and physical preservation of the Debentures and the Payment Account shall be to deal with such property in a similar manner as the Property Trustee deals with similar property for its own account, subject to the protections and limitations on liability afforded to the Property Trustee under this Trust Agreement and the Trust Indenture Act;

(iv) the Property Trustee shall not be liable for any interest on any money received by it except as it may otherwise agree with the Depositor; and money held by the Property Trustee need not be segregated from other funds held by it except in relation to the Payment Account maintained by the Property Trustee pursuant to Section 3.1 and except to the extent otherwise required by law; and

(v) the Property Trustee shall not be responsible for monitoring the compliance by the Administrative Trustees or the Depositor with their respective duties under this Trust Agreement, nor shall the Property Trustee be liable for the default or misconduct of the Administrative Trustees or the Depositor.

SECTION 8.2. Certain Notices.

Within five Business Days after the occurrence of any Event of Default actually known to the Property Trustee, the Property Trustee shall transmit, in the manner and to the extent provided in Section 10.8, notice of such Event of Default to the Holders, the Administrative Trustees and the Depositor, unless such Event of Default shall have been cured or waived.

Within five Business Days after the receipt of notice of the Depositor's exercise of its right to defer the payment of interest on the Debentures pursuant to the Indenture, the Administrative Trustee shall transmit, in the manner and to the extent provided in Section 10.8, notice of such exercise to the Holders and the Property Trustee, unless such exercise shall have been revoked.

SECTION 8.3. Certain Rights of Property Trustee.

Subject to the provisions of Section 8.1:

(a) the Property Trustee may rely and shall be protected in acting or refraining from acting in good faith upon any resolution, Opinion of Counsel, certificate, written representation of a Holder or transferee, certificate of auditors or any other certificate, statement, instrument, opinion, report, notice, request, consent, order, appraisal, bond, debenture, note, other evidence of indebtedness or other paper or document believed by it to be genuine and to have been signed or presented by the proper party or parties;

(b) if (i) in performing its duties under this Trust Agreement the Property Trustee is required to decide between alternative courses of action or (ii) in construing any of the

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provisions of this Trust Agreement the Property Trustee finds the same ambiguous or inconsistent with any other provisions contained herein or (iii) the Property Trustee is unsure of the application of any provision of this Trust Agreement, then, except as to any matter as to which the Preferred Holders are entitled to vote under the terms of this Trust Agreement, the Property Trustee shall deliver a notice to the Depositor requesting written instructions of the Depositor as to the course of action to be taken and the Property Trustee shall take such action, or refrain from taking such action, as the Property Trustee shall be instructed in writing to take, or to refrain from taking, by the Depositor; provided, however, that if the Property Trustee does not receive such instructions of the Depositor within ten Business Days after it has delivered such notice, or such reasonably shorter period of time set forth in such notice (which to the extent practicable shall not be less than two Business Days), it may, but shall be under no duty to, take or refrain from taking such action not inconsistent with this Trust Agreement as it shall deem advisable and

in the best interests of the Holders, in which event the Property Trustee shall have no liability except for its own bad faith, negligence or willful misconduct;

(c) any direction or act of the Depositor or the Administrative Trustees contemplated by this Trust Agreement shall be sufficiently evidenced by an Officers' Certificate;

(d) whenever in the administration of this Trust Agreement, the Property Trustee shall deem it desirable that a matter be established before undertaking, suffering or omitting any action hereunder, the Property Trustee (unless other evidence is herein specifically prescribed) may, in the absence of bad faith on its part, request and rely upon an Officers' Certificate which, upon receipt of such request, shall be promptly delivered by the Depositor or the Administrative Trustees;

(e) the Property Trustee shall have no duty to see to any recording, filing or registration of any instrument (including any financing or continuation statement or any filing under tax or securities laws) or any rerecording, refiling or reregistration thereof;

(f) the Property Trustee may consult with counsel (which counsel may be counsel to the Depositor or any of its Affiliates, and may include any of its employees) and the advice of such counsel shall be full and complete authorization and protection in respect of any action taken, suffered or omitted by it hereunder in good faith and in reliance thereon and in accordance with such advice, such counsel may be counsel to the Depositor or any of its Affiliates, and may include any of its employees; the Property Trustee shall have the right at any time to seek instructions concerning the administration of this Trust Agreement from any court of competent jurisdiction;

(g) the Property Trustee shall be under no obligation to exercise any of the rights or powers vested in it by this Trust Agreement at the request or direction of any of the Holders pursuant to this Trust Agreement, unless such Holders shall have offered to the

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Property Trustee reasonable security or indemnity against the costs, expenses and liabilities which might be incurred by it in compliance with such request or direction;

(h) the Property Trustee shall not be bound to make any investigation into the facts or matters stated in any resolution, certificate, statement, instrument, opinion, report, notice, request, consent, order, approval, bond, debenture, note or other evidence of indebtedness or other paper or document, unless requested in writing to do so by one or more Holders, but the Property Trustee may make such further inquiry or investigation into such facts or matters as it may see fit;

(i) the Property Trustee may execute any of the trusts or powers hereunder or perform any duties hereunder either directly or by or through its agents or attorneys, provided that the Property Trustee shall be responsible for its own negligence or recklessness with respect to selection of any agent or attorney appointed by it hereunder;

(j) whenever in the administration of this Trust Agreement the Property Trustee shall deem it desirable to receive instructions with respect to enforcing any remedy or right or taking any other action hereunder the Property Trustee (i) may request instructions from the Holders of the Trust Securities which instructions may only be given by the Holders of the same proportion in Liquidation Amount of the Trust Securities as would be entitled to direct the Property Trustee under the terms of the Trust Securities in respect of such remedy, right or action, (ii) may refrain from enforcing such remedy or right or taking such other action until such instructions are received, and (iii) shall be protected in acting in accordance with such instructions; and

(k) except as otherwise expressly provided by this Trust Agreement, the Property Trustee shall not be under any obligation to take any action that is discretionary under the provisions of this Trust Agreement.

No provision of this Trust Agreement shall be deemed to impose any duty or obligation on the Property Trustee to perform any act or acts or exercise any right, power, duty or obligation conferred or imposed on it, in any jurisdiction in which it shall be illegal, or in which the Property Trustee shall be unqualified or incompetent in accordance with applicable law, to perform any such act or acts, or to exercise any such right, power, duty or obligation. No permissive power or authority available to the Property Trustee shall be construed to be a duty.

 $\ensuremath{\mathsf{SECTION}}$ 8.4. Not Responsible for Recitals or Issuance of Securities.

The recitals contained herein and in the Trust Securities Certificates shall be taken as the statements of the Trust, and the Trustees do not assume any responsibility for their correctness. The Trustees shall not be accountable for the use or application by the Depositor of the proceeds of the Debentures.

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SECTION 8.5. May Hold Securities.

Any Trustee or any other agent of any Trustee or the Trust, in its individual or any other capacity, may become the owner or pledgee of Trust Securities and, subject to Sections 8.8 and 8.13 and except as provided in the definition of the term "Outstanding" in Article I, may otherwise deal with the Trust with the same rights it would have if it were not a Trustee or such other agent.

SECTION 8.6. Compensation; Indemnity; Fees.

The Depositor agrees:

(a) to pay to the Trustees from time to time reasonable compensation for all services rendered by them hereunder (which compensation shall not be limited by any provision of law in regard to the compensation of a trustee of an express trust);

(b) except as otherwise expressly provided herein, to reimburse the Trustees upon request for all reasonable expenses, disbursements and advances incurred or made by the Trustees in accordance with any provision of this Trust Agreement (including the reasonable compensation and the expenses and disbursements of its agents and counsel), except any such expense, disbursement or advance as may be attributable to its negligence or bad faith; and

(c) to the fullest extent permitted by applicable law, to indemnify and hold harmless (i) each Trustee, (ii) any Affiliate of any Trustee, (iii) any officer, director, shareholder, employee, representative or agent of any Trustee, and (iv) any employee or agent of the Trust or its Affiliates, (referred to herein as an "Indemnified Person") from and against any loss, damage, liability, tax, penalty, expense or claim of any kind or nature whatsoever incurred by such Indemnified Person by reason of the creation, operation or termination of the Trust or any act or omission performed or omitted by such Indemnified Person in good faith on behalf of the Trust and in a manner such Indemnified Person reasonably believed to be within the scope of authority conferred on such Indemnified Person by this Trust Agreement, except that no Indemnified Person shall be entitled to be indemnified pursuant to this Section 8.6 in respect of any loss, damage or claim incurred by such Indemnified Person by reason of negligence or willful misconduct with respect to such acts or omissions.

The provisions of this Section 8.6 shall survive the termination of this Trust Agreement.

No Trustee may claim any lien or charge on any Trust Property as a result of any amount due pursuant to this Section 8.6.

The Depositor and any Trustee (in the case of the Property Trustee, subject to Section 8.8) may engage in or possess an interest in other business ventures of any nature or description, independently or with others, similar or dissimilar to the business of the Trust, and the Trust and the Holders of Trust Securities shall have no rights by virtue of this Trust Agreement in and to such independent ventures or the income or profits derived therefrom, and the pursuit of any such venture, even if competitive with the business of the Trust, shall not be deemed wrongful or improper. Neither the Depositor, nor any Trustee, shall be obligated to present any particular investment or other opportunity to the Trust even if such opportunity is of a character that, if presented to the Trust, could be taken by the Trust, and the Depositor or any Trustee shall have the right to take for its own account (individually or as a partner or fiduciary) or to recommend to others any such particular investment or other opportunity. Any Trustee may engage or be interested in any financial or other transaction with the Depositor or any Affiliate of the Depositor, or may act as depository for, trustee or agent for, or act on any committee or body of holders of, securities or other obligations of the Depositor or its Affiliates.

SECTION 8.7. Corporate Property Trustee Required; Eligibility of Trustees.

(a) There shall at all times be a Property Trustee hereunder with respect to the Trust Securities. The Property Trustee shall be a Person that is eligible pursuant to the Trust Indenture Act to act as such and has a combined capital and surplus of at least \$50,000,000. If any such Person publishes reports of condition at least annually, pursuant to law or to the requirements of its supervising or examining authority, then for the purposes of this Section, the combined capital and surplus of such Person shall be deemed to be its combined capital and surplus as set forth in its most recent report of condition so published. If at any time the Property Trustee with respect to the Trust Securities shall cease to be eligible in accordance with the provisions of this Section, it shall resign immediately in the manner and with the effect hereinafter specified in this Article.

(b) There shall at all times be one or more Administrative Trustees hereunder with respect to the Trust Securities. Each Administrative Trustee shall be either a natural person who is at least 21 years of age or a legal entity that shall act through one or more persons authorized to bind that entity.

(c) There shall at all times be a Delaware Trustee with respect to the Trust Securities. The Delaware Trustee shall either be (i) a natural person who is at least 21 years of age and a resident of the State of Delaware or (ii) a legal entity with its principal place of business in the State of Delaware and that otherwise meets the requirements of applicable Delaware law that shall act through one or more persons authorized to bind such entity.

SECTION 8.8. Conflicting Interests.

If the Property Trustee has or shall acquire a conflicting interest within the meaning of the Trust Indenture Act, the Property Trustee shall either eliminate such interest or resign, to the

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extent and in the manner provided by, and subject to the provisions of, the Trust Indenture \mbox{Act} and this Trust Agreement.

SECTION 8.9. Co-Trustees and Separate Trustee.

Unless an Event of Default shall have occurred and be continuing, at any time or times, for the purpose of meeting the legal requirements of the Trust Indenture Act or of any jurisdiction in which any part of the Trust Property may at the time be located, the Depositor and the Administrative Trustees, by agreed action of the majority of such Trustees, shall have power to appoint, and upon the written request of the Administrative Trustees, the Depositor shall for such purpose join with the Administrative Trustees in the execution, delivery, and performance of all instruments and agreements necessary or proper to appoint, one or more Persons approved by the Property Trustee either to act as co-trustee, jointly with the Property Trustee, of all or any part of such Trust Property, or to the extent required by law to act as separate trustee of any such property, in either case with such powers as may be provided in the instrument of appointment, and to vest in such Person or Persons in the capacity aforesaid, any property, title, right or power deemed necessary or desirable, subject to the other provisions of this Section. If the Depositor does not join in such appointment within 15 days after the receipt by it of a request so to do, or in case a Debenture Event of Default shall have occurred and be continuing, the Property Trustee alone shall have power to make such appointment. Any co-trustee or separate trustee appointed pursuant to this Section shall either be (i) a natural person who is at least 21 years of age and a resident of the United States or (ii) a legal entity with its principal place of business in the United States that shall act through one or more persons authorized to bind such entity.

Should any written instrument from the Depositor be required by any co-trustee or separate trustee so appointed for more fully confirming to such co-trustee or separate trustee such property, title, right, or power, any and all such instruments shall, on request, be executed, acknowledged and delivered by the Depositor.

Every co-trustee or separate trustee shall, to the extent permitted by law, but to such extent only, be appointed subject to the following terms, namely:

(a) The Trust Securities shall be executed and delivered and all rights, powers, duties, and obligations hereunder in respect of the custody of securities, cash and other personal property held by, or required to be deposited or pledged with, the Trustees specified hereunder shall be exercised solely by such Trustees and not by such co-trustee or separate trustee.

(b) The rights, powers, duties, and obligations hereby conferred or imposed upon the Property Trustee in respect of any property covered by such appointment shall be conferred or imposed upon and exercised or performed by the Property Trustee or by the Property Trustee and such co-trustee or separate trustee jointly, as shall be provided in the instrument appointing such co-trustee or separate trustee, except to the extent that under

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any law of any jurisdiction in which any particular act is to be performed, the Property Trustee shall be incompetent or unqualified to perform such act, in which event such rights, powers, duties and obligations shall be exercised and performed by such co-trustee or separate trustee.

(c) The Property Trustee at any time, by an instrument in writing executed by it, with the written concurrence of the Depositor, may accept the resignation of or remove any co-trustee or separate trustee appointed under this Section, and, in case a Debenture Event of Default has occurred and is continuing, the Property Trustee shall have power to accept the resignation of, or remove, any such co-trustee or separate trustee without the concurrence of the Depositor. Upon the written request of the Property Trustee, the Depositor shall join with the Property Trustee in the execution, delivery and performance of all instruments and agreements necessary or proper to effectuate such resignation or removal. A successor to any co-trustee or separate trustee so resigned or removed may be appointed in the manner provided in this Section.

(d) No co-trustee or separate trustee hereunder shall be

personally liable by reason of any act or omission of the Property Trustee or any other trustee hereunder.

(e) The Property Trustee shall not be liable by reason of any act of a co-trustee or separate trustee.

(f) Any Act of Holders delivered to the Property Trustee shall be deemed to have been delivered to each such co-trustee and separate trustee.

SECTION 8.10. Resignation and Removal; Appointment of Successor.

No resignation or removal of any Trustee (the "Relevant Trustee") and no appointment of a successor Trustee pursuant to this Article shall become effective until the acceptance of appointment by the successor Trustee in accordance with the applicable requirements of Section 8.11.

Subject to the immediately preceding paragraph, the Relevant Trustee may resign at any time by giving written notice thereof to the Holders. If the instrument of acceptance by the successor Trustee required by Section 8.11 shall not have been delivered to the Relevant Trustee within 30 days after the giving of such notice of resignation, the Relevant Trustee may petition, at the expense of the Trust, any court of competent jurisdiction for the appointment of a successor Relevant Trustee.

Unless a Debenture Event of Default shall have occurred and be continuing, any Trustee may be removed at any time by Act of the Common Holder. If a Debenture Event of Default shall have occurred and be continuing, the Property Trustee or the Delaware Trustee, or both of them, may be removed at such time by Act of the Holders of a majority in Liquidation Amount

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of the Preferred Securities, delivered to the Relevant Trustee (in its individual capacity and on behalf of the Trust). An Administrative Trustee may be removed by the Common Holder at any time.

If any Trustee shall resign, be removed or become incapable of acting as Trustee, or if a vacancy shall occur in the office of any Trustee for any cause, at a time when no Debenture Event of Default shall have occurred and be continuing, the Common Holder, by Act of the Common Holder delivered to the retiring Trustee, shall promptly appoint a successor Trustee or Trustees, and the retiring Trustee shall comply with the applicable requirements of Section 8.11. If the Property Trustee or the Delaware Trustee shall resign, be removed or become incapable of continuing to act as the Property Trustee or the Delaware Trustee, as the case may be, at a time when a Debenture Event of Default shall have occurred and be continuing, the Preferred Holders, by Act of the Holders of a majority in Liquidation Amount of the Preferred Securities then Outstanding delivered to the retiring Relevant Trustee, shall promptly appoint a successor Relevant Trustee or Trustees, and such successor Trustee shall comply with the applicable requirements of Section 8.11. If an Administrative Trustee shall resign, be removed or become incapable of acting as Administrative Trustee, at a time when a Debenture Event of Default shall have occurred and be continuing, the Common Holder by Act of the Common Holder delivered to the Administrative Trustee shall promptly appoint a successor Administrative Trustee or Administrative Trustees and such successor Administrative Trustee or Trustees shall comply with the applicable requirements of Section 8.11. If no successor Relevant Trustee shall have been so appointed by the Common Holder or the Preferred Holders and accepted appointment in the manner required by Section 8.11, any Holder who has been a Holder of Trust Securities for at least six months may, on behalf of himself and all others similarly situated, petition any court of competent jurisdiction for the appointment of a successor Relevant Trustee.

The Property Trustee shall give notice of each resignation and each removal of a Trustee and each appointment of a successor Trustee to all Holders in the manner provided in Section 10.8 and shall give notice to the Depositor. Each notice shall include the name of the successor Relevant Trustee and the address of its Corporate Trust Office if it is the Property Trustee.

Notwithstanding the foregoing or any other provision of this Trust Agreement, in the event any Administrative Trustee or a Delaware Trustee who is a natural person dies or becomes, in the opinion of the Depositor, incompetent or incapacitated, the vacancy created by such death, incompetence or incapacity may be filled by (a) the unanimous act of the remaining Administrative Trustees if there are at least two of them or (b) otherwise by the Depositor (with the successor in each case being a Person who satisfies the eligibility requirement for Administrative Trustees or Delaware Trustee, as the case may be, set forth in Section 8.7).

SECTION 8.11. Acceptance of Appointment by Successor.

In case of the appointment hereunder of a successor Relevant Trustee, the retiring Relevant Trustee and each successor Relevant Trustee with respect to the Trust Securities shall

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execute and deliver an amendment hereto wherein each successor Relevant Trustee shall accept such appointment and which (a) shall contain such provisions as shall be necessary or desirable to transfer and confirm to, and to vest in, each successor Relevant Trustee all the rights, powers, trusts and duties of the retiring Relevant Trustee with respect to the Trust Securities and the Trust and (b) shall add to or change any of the provisions of this Trust Agreement as shall be necessary to provide for or facilitate the administration of the Trust by more than one Relevant Trustee, it being understood that nothing herein or in such amendment shall constitute such Relevant Trustees co-trustees. Upon the execution and delivery of such amendment, the resignation or removal of the retiring Relevant Trustee shall become effective to the extent provided therein and each such successor Relevant Trustee, without any further act, deed or conveyance, shall become vested with all the rights, powers, trusts and duties of the retiring Relevant Trustee; but, on request of the Trust or any successor Relevant Trustee such retiring Relevant Trustee shall duly assign, transfer and deliver to such successor Relevant Trustee all Trust Property, all proceeds thereof and money held by such retiring Relevant Trustee hereunder with respect to the Trust Securities and the Trust.

Upon request of any such successor Relevant Trustee, the Trust shall execute any and all instruments for more fully and certainly vesting in and confirming to such successor Relevant Trustee all such rights, powers and trusts referred to in the first or second preceding paragraph, as the case may be.

No successor Relevant Trustee shall accept its appointment unless at the time of such acceptance such successor Relevant Trustee shall be qualified and eligible under this Article.

SECTION 8.12. Merger, Conversion, Consolidation or Succession to Business.

Any Person into which the Property Trustee or the Delaware Trustee may be merged or converted or with which it may be consolidated, or any Person resulting from any merger, conversion or consolidation to which such Relevant Trustee shall be a party, or any Person succeeding to all or substantially all the corporate trust business of such Relevant Trustee, shall be the successor of such Relevant Trustee hereunder, provided such Person shall be otherwise qualified and eligible under this Article, without the execution or filing of any paper or any further act on the part of any of the parties hereto.

SECTION 8.13. Preferential Collection of Claims Against Depositor or Trust.

In case of the pendency of any receivership, insolvency, liquidation, bankruptcy, reorganization, arrangement, adjustment, composition or other similar judicial proceeding relative to the Trust or any other obligor upon the Trust Securities or the property of the Trust or of such other obligor or their creditors, the Property Trustee (irrespective of whether any Distributions on the Trust Securities shall then be due and payable as therein expressed or by declaration or otherwise and irrespective of whether the Property Trustee shall have made any demand on the

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Trust for the payment of any past due Distributions) shall be entitled and empowered, to the fullest extent permitted by law, by intervention in such proceeding or otherwise:

(a) to file and prove a claim for the whole amount of any Distributions owing and unpaid in respect of the Trust Securities and to file such other papers or documents as may be necessary or advisable in order to have the claims of the Property Trustee (including any claim for the reasonable compensation, expenses, disbursements and advances of the Property Trustee, its agents and counsel) and of the Holders allowed in such judicial proceeding, and

(b) to collect and receive any moneys or other property payable or deliverable on any such claims and to distribute the same;

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

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

SECTION 8.14. Reports by Property Trustee.

(a) Not later than _____ of each year commencing with _____ _, 199_, the Property Trustee shall transmit to all Holders in accordance with Section 10.8, and to the Depositor, a brief report dated as of the immediately preceding December 31 with respect to:

> (i) its eligibility under Section 8.7 or, in lieu thereof, if to the best of its knowledge it has continued to be eligible under said Section, a written statement to such effect;

(ii) a statement that the Property Trustee has complied with all of its obligations under this Trust Agreement during the twelve-month period (or, in the case of the initial report, the period since the Closing Date) ending with such December 31 or, if the Property Trustee has not complied in any material respect with such obligations, a description of such noncompliance; and

(iii) any change in the property and funds in its possession as Property Trustee since the date of its last report and any action taken by the Property Trustee in the

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performance of its duties hereunder which it has not previously reported and which in its opinion materially affects the Trust Securities.

(b) In addition the Property Trustee shall transmit to Holders such reports concerning the Property Trustee and its actions under this Trust Agreement as may be required pursuant to the Trust Indenture Act at the times and in the manner provided pursuant thereto.

(c) A copy of each such report shall, at the time of such transmission to Holders, be filed by the Property Trustee with each national stock exchange, the Nasdaq National Market or such other interdealer quotation system or self-regulatory organization upon which the Trust Securities are listed or traded, with the Commission and with the Depositor.

SECTION 8.15. Reports to the Property Trustee.

The Depositor and the Administrative Trustees on behalf of the Trust shall provide to the Property Trustee such documents, reports and information as required by Section 314 of the Trust Indenture Act (if any) and the compliance certificate required by Section 314(a) of the Trust Indenture Act in the form, in the manner and at the times required by Section 314 of the Trust Indenture Act.

SECTION 8.16. Evidence of Compliance with Conditions $\ensuremath{\mathsf{Precedent}}$.

Each of the Depositor and the Administrative Trustees on behalf of the Trust shall provide to the Property Trustee such evidence of compliance with any conditions precedent, if any, provided for in this Trust Agreement that relate to any of the matters set forth in Section 314 (c) of the Trust Indenture Act. Any certificate or opinion required to be given by an officer pursuant to

Section 314(c)(1) of the Trust Indenture Act shall be given in the form of an

Officers' Certificate.

SECTION 8.17. Number of Trustees.

(a) The number of Trustees shall be four, provided that the Holder of all the Outstanding Common Securities by written instrument may increase or decrease the number of Administrative Trustees. The Property Trustee and the Delaware Trustee may be the same Person.

(b) If a Trustee ceases to hold office for any reason and the number of Administrative Trustees is not reduced pursuant to Section 8.17(a), or if the number of Trustees is increased pursuant to Section 8.17(a), a vacancy shall occur. The vacancy shall be filled with a Trustee appointed in accordance with Section 8.10.

(c) The death, resignation, retirement, removal, bankruptcy, incompetence or incapacity to perform the duties of a Trustee shall not operate to dissolve, terminate or annul the Trust. Whenever a vacancy in the number of Administrative Trustees shall occur, until such vacancy

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is filled by the appointment of an Administrative Trustee in accordance with Section 8.10, the Administrative Trustees in office, regardless of their number (and notwithstanding any other provision of this Agreement), shall have all the powers granted to the Administrative Trustees and shall discharge all the duties imposed upon the Administrative Trustees by this Trust Agreement.

SECTION 8.18. Delegation of Power.

(a) Any Administrative Trustee may, by power of attorney consistent with applicable law, delegate to any other natural person over the age of 21 his or her power for the purpose of executing any documents contemplated in Section 2.7(a), including any registration statement or amendment thereto filed with the Commission, or making any other governmental filing; and

(b) The Administrative Trustees shall have power to delegate from time to time to such of their number or to the Depositor the doing of such things and the execution of such instruments either in the name of the Trust or the names of the Administrative Trustees or otherwise as the Administrative Trustees may deem expedient, to the extent such delegation is not prohibited by applicable law or contrary to the provisions of this Trust Agreement, as set forth herein.

ARTICLE IX

TERMINATION, LIQUIDATION AND MERGER

SECTION 9.1. Termination Upon Expiration Date.

Unless earlier terminated, the Trust shall automatically terminate on _____, ____ (the "Expiration Date"), following the distribution of the Trust Property in accordance with Section 9.4.

SECTION 9.2. Early Termination.

The first to occur of any of the following events is an "Early

(a) the occurrence of a Bankruptcy Event in respect of, or the dissolution or liquidation of, the Holder of the Common Securities;

(b) the written direction to the Property Trustee from the Holder of the Common Securities at any time to terminate the Trust and, after satisfaction of liabilities to creditors of the Trust as provided by applicable law, distribute Debentures to Holders in exchange for the Preferred Securities; (which direction is optional and wholly within the discretion of the Holder of the Common Securities);

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(c) the redemption of all of the Preferred Securities in connection with the redemption of all the Debentures; and

(d) the entry of an order for dissolution of the Trust by a court of competent jurisdiction.

SECTION 9.3. Termination.

The respective obligations and responsibilities of the Trustees and the Trust shall terminate upon the latest to occur of the following:

(a) the distribution by the Property Trustee to Holders upon the liquidation of the Trust pursuant to Section 9.4, or upon the redemption of all of the Trust Securities pursuant to Section 4.2, of all amounts required to be distributed hereunder upon the final payment of the Trust Securities;

(b) the payment of any expenses owed by the Trust; and

(c) the discharge of all administrative duties of the Administrative Trustees, including the performance of any tax reporting obligations with respect to the Trust or the Holders.

SECTION 9.4. Liquidation.

(a) If an Early Termination Event specified in clause (a), (b) or (d) of Section 9.2 occurs, or upon the Expiration Date, the Trust shall be liquidated by the Trustees as expeditiously as the Trustees determine to be possible by distributing, after satisfaction of liabilities to creditors of the Trust as provided by applicable law, to each Holder a Like Amount of Debentures, subject to Section 9.4(d). Notice of liquidation shall be given by the Property Trustee by first-class mail, postage prepaid mailed not later than 30 nor more than 60 days prior to the Liquidation Date to each Holder of Trust Securities at such Holder's address appearing in the Securities Register. All notices of liquidation shall:

(i) state the Liquidation Date;

(ii) state that from and after the Liquidation Date, the Trust Securities will no longer be deemed to be Outstanding and any Trust Securities Certificates not surrendered for exchange will be deemed to represent a Like Amount of Debentures; and

(iii) provide such information with respect to the mechanics by which Holders may exchange Trust Securities Certificates for Debentures, or if Section 9.4(d) applies receive a Liquidation Distribution, as the Administrative Trustees or the Property Trustee shall deem appropriate. (b) Unless Section 9.2(c) or 9.4(d) applies, in order to effect the liquidation of the Trust and the distribution of Debentures to Holders, the Property Trustee shall establish a record date for such distribution (which shall be not more than 45 days prior to the Liquidation Date) and, either itself acting as exchange agent or through the appointment of a separate exchange agent, shall establish such procedures as it shall deem appropriate to effect the distribution of Debentures in exchange for the Outstanding Trust Securities Certificates.

(c) Unless Section 9.2(c) or 9.4(d) applies, after the Liquidation Date, (i) the Trust Securities will no longer be deemed to be Outstanding, (ii) certificates representing a Like Amount of Debentures will be issued to Holders of Trust Securities Certificates, upon surrender of such certificates to the Administrative Trustees or their agent for exchange, (iii) the Depositor shall use its best efforts to have the Debentures listed on the New York Stock Exchange or on such other exchange, interdealer quotation system or self-regulatory organization as the Preferred Securities are then listed, (iv) any Trust Securities Certificates not so surrendered for exchange will be deemed to represent a Like Amount of Debentures, accruing interest at the rate provided for in the Debentures from the last Distribution Date on which a Distribution was made on such Trust Securities Certificates until such certificates are so surrendered (and until such certificates are so surrendered, no payments of interest or principal will be made to Holders of Trust Securities Certificates with respect to such Debentures) and (v) all rights of Holders holding Trust Securities will cease, except the right of such Holders to receive Debentures upon surrender of Trust Securities Certificates.

(d) If, notwithstanding the other provisions of this Section 9.4, whether because of an order for dissolution entered by a court of competent jurisdiction or otherwise, distribution of the Debentures in the manner provided herein is determined by the Property Trustee not to be practical, then the Trust Property shall be liquidated, and the Trust shall be dissolved, wound up or terminated, by the Property Trustee in such manner as the Property Trustee determines. In such event, on the date of the dissolution, winding up or other termination of the Trust, Holders will be entitled to receive out of the assets of the Trust available for distribution to Holders, after satisfaction of liabilities to creditors of the Trust as provided by applicable law, an amount equal to the Liquidation Amount per Trust Security plus accumulated and unpaid Distributions thereon to the date of payment (such amount being the "Liquidation Distribution"). If, upon any such dissolution, winding up or termination, the Liquidation Distribution can be paid only in part because the Trust has insufficient assets available to pay in full the aggregate Liquidation Distribution, then, subject to the next succeeding sentence, the amounts payable by the Trust on the Trust Securities shall be paid pro rata based upon Liquidation Amounts. The Holder of the Outstanding Common Securities will be entitled to receive Liquidation Distributions upon any such dissolution, winding up or termination pro rata, based upon Liquidation Amount, with Holders of Preferred Securities, except that, if any Debenture Event of Default shall have occurred and be continuing at the time of payment of the Liquidation Distribution, the Preferred Securities shall have a priority over the Common Securities with respect to payment of any amount of Liquidation Distribution.

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 $$\tt SECTION$ 9.5. Mergers, Consolidations, Amalgamations or Replacements of the Trust.

The Trust may not merge with or into, consolidate, amalgamate, or be replaced by, or convey, transfer or lease its properties and assets substantially as an entirety to any Person, except pursuant to this Article IX. At the request of the Holder of the Common Securities, with the consent of the Administrative Trustees and without the consent of the Holders of the Preferred Securities, the Property Trustee or the Delaware Trustee, the Trust may merge with or into, consolidate, amalgamate, or be replaced by or convey, transfer or lease its properties and assets substantially as an entirety to a trust organized as such under the laws of any State; provided, that (i) such successor entity either (a) expressly assumes all of the obligations of the Trust with respect to the Preferred Securities or (b) substitutes for the Preferred Securities other securities having substantially the same terms as the Preferred Securities ("Successor Securities") so long as the Successor Securities rank the same as the Preferred Securities rank in priority with respect to distributions and payments upon liquidation, redemption and otherwise, (ii) the Depositor expressly appoints a trustee of such successor entity possessing the same powers and duties as the Property Trustee as the holder of the Debentures, (iii) the Successor Securities are listed or traded, or any Successor Securities will be listed upon notification of issuance, on any national securities exchange or other organization on which the Preferred Securities are then listed or traded, if any, (iv) such merger, consolidation, amalgamation, replacement, conveyance, transfer or lease does not cause the Preferred Securities (including any Successor Securities) to be downgraded by any nationally recognized statistical rating organization, (v) such merger, consolidation, amalgamation, replacement, conveyance, transfer or lease does not adversely affect the rights, preferences and privileges of the holders of the Preferred Securities (including any Successor Securities) in any material respect, (vi) such successor entity has a purpose substantially identical to that of the Trust, (vii) prior to such merger, consolidation, amalgamation, replacement, conveyance, transfer or lease, the Depositor has received an Opinion of Counsel to the effect that (a) such merger, consolidation, amalgamation, replacement, conveyance, transfer or lease does not adversely affect the rights, preferences and privileges of the Holders of the Preferred Securities (including any Successor Securities) in any material respect, and (b) following such merger, consolidation, amalgamation, replacement, conveyance, transfer or lease, neither the Trust nor such successor entity will be required to register as an investment company under the 1940 Act and (viii) the Depositor owns all of the common securities of such successor entity and guarantees the obligations of such successor entity under the Successor Securities at least to the extent provided by the Guarantee. Notwithstanding the foregoing, the Trust shall not, except with the consent of Holders of all Outstanding Preferred Securities, consolidate, amalgamate, merge with or into, or be replaced by or convey, transfer or lease its properties and assets substantially as an entirety to any other Person or permit any other Person to consolidate, amalgamate, merge with or into, or replace it if such consolidation, amalgamation, merger, replacement, conveyance, transfer or lease would cause the Trust or the successor Person to be classified as an association taxable as a corporation or as other than a grantor trust for United States federal income tax purposes.

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ARTICLE X

MISCELLANEOUS PROVISIONS

SECTION 10.1. Limitation of Rights of Holders.

The death or incapacity, or the dissolution, liquidation, termination, or the bankruptcy of any Person having an interest, beneficial or otherwise, in Trust Securities shall not operate to terminate this Trust Agreement, nor entitle the legal representatives, successors or heirs of such person or any Holder for such person, to claim an accounting, take any action or bring any proceeding in any court for a partition or winding up of the arrangements contemplated hereby, nor otherwise affect the rights, obligations and liabilities of the parties hereto or any of them.

SECTION 10.2. Amendment.

(a) This Trust Agreement may be amended from time to time by the Property Trustee, the Administrative Trustees and the Holder of the Common Securities, without the consent of any Holders, (i) to cure any ambiguity, correct or supplement any provision herein which may be inconsistent with any other provision herein, or to make any other provisions with respect to matters or questions arising under this Trust Agreement, which shall not be inconsistent with the other provisions of this Trust Agreement, or (ii) to modify, eliminate or add to any provisions of this Trust Agreement to such extent as shall be necessary to ensure that the Trust will not be classified for United States federal income tax purposes as an association taxable as a corporation or as other than a grantor trust at any times that any Trust Securities are outstanding or to ensure that the Trust will not be required to register as an investment company under the 1940 Act; provided, however, that in the case of clause (i), such action shall not adversely affect in any material respect the interests of any Holder, and any amendments of this Trust Agreement shall become effective when notice thereof is given to the Holders.

(b) Except as provided in Section 10.2(c) hereof, any provision of this Trust Agreement may be amended by the Trustees and the Holder of the Common Securities with (i) the consent of Trust Holders representing not less than a majority Liquidation Amount of the Outstanding Trust Securities and (ii) receipt by the Trustees of an Opinion of Counsel to the effect that such amendment or the exercise of any power granted to the Trustees in accordance with such amendment will not affect the Trust's status as a grantor trust or cause the Trust to be an association taxable as a corporation for United States federal income tax purposes or the Trust's exemption from status of an investment company under the 1940 Act.

(c) In addition to and notwithstanding any other provision in this Trust Agreement, without the consent of each affected Holder (such consent being obtained in accordance with Section 6.3 or 6.6 hereof), this Trust Agreement may not be amended to (i) change the amount or timing of any Distribution or otherwise adversely affect the amount of any Distribution required to be made as of a specified date or (ii) restrict the right of a Holder to institute suit for

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the enforcement of any such payment on or after such date; notwithstanding any other provision herein, without the unanimous consent of the Holders (such consent being obtained in accordance with Section 6.3 or 6.6 hereof), this paragraph (c) of this Section 10.2 may not be amended.

(d) Notwithstanding any other provisions of this Trust Agreement, no Trustee shall enter into or consent to any amendment to this Trust Agreement which would cause the Trust to be classified as an association taxable as a corporation or not to be a grantor trust for United States federal income tax purposes or fail or cease to qualify for the exemption from status of an investment company under the 1940 Act.

(e) Notwithstanding anything in this Trust Agreement to the contrary, without the consent of the Depositor, this Trust Agreement may not be amended in a manner which imposes any additional obligation or liability on the Depositor.

(f) If any amendment to this Trust Agreement is made, the Administrative Trustees shall promptly provide to the Depositor a copy of such amendment.

(g) Neither the Property Trustee nor the Delaware Trustee shall be required to enter into any amendment to this Trust Agreement which affects its own rights, duties or immunities under this Trust Agreement. The Property Trustee shall be entitled to receive an Opinion of Counsel and an Officers' Certificate stating that any amendment to this Trust Agreement is in compliance with this Trust Agreement.

SECTION 10.3. Separability.

If any provision in this Trust Agreement or in the Trust Securities Certificates shall be invalid, illegal or unenforceable, the validity, legality and enforceability of the remaining provisions shall not in any way be affected or impaired thereby.

SECTION 10.4. Governing Law.

THIS TRUST AGREEMENT AND THE RIGHTS AND OBLIGATIONS OF EACH OF THE HOLDERS, THE TRUST AND THE TRUSTEES WITH RESPECT TO THIS TRUST AGREEMENT AND THE TRUST SECURITIES SHALL BE CONSTRUED IN ACCORDANCE WITH AND GOVERNED BY THE LAWS OF THE STATE OF DELAWARE.

SECTION 10.5. Payments Due on Non-Business Day.

If the date fixed for any payment on any Trust Security shall be a day that is not a Business Day, then such payment need not be made on such date but may be made on the next succeeding day that is a Business Day (except as otherwise provided in Sections 4.1(a) and

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4.2(d)), with the same force and effect as though made on the date fixed for such payment, and no interest shall accrue thereon for the period after such date.

SECTION 10.6. Successors.

This Trust Agreement shall be binding upon and shall inure to the benefit of any successor to the Depositor, the Trust or the Relevant Trustee, including any successor by operation of law. Except in connection with a consolidation, merger or sale involving the Depositor that is permitted under Article Eight of the Indenture and pursuant to which the assignee agrees in writing to perform the Depositor's obligations hereunder, the Depositor shall not assign its obligations hereunder (any purported assignment in contravention of this Section 10.6 being null and void).

SECTION 10.7. Headings.

The Article and Section headings are for convenience only and shall not affect the construction of this Trust Agreement.

SECTION 10.8. Reports, Notices and Demands.

Any report, notice, demand or other communication which by any provision of this Trust Agreement is required or permitted to be given or served to or upon any Holder or the Depositor may be given or served in writing by deposit thereof, first-class postage prepaid, in the United States mail, hand delivery or facsimile transmission, in each case, addressed, (a) in the case of a Holder of Preferred Securities, to such Holder as such Holder's name and address may appear on the Securities Register; and (b) in the case of the Common Holder or the Depositor, to First Union Corporation, One First Union Center, Charlotte, North Carolina 2828-0013, Attention: General Counsel, facsimile no.: (704) 374-3425. Such notice, demand or other communication to or upon a Holder shall be deemed to have been sufficiently given or made, for all purposes, upon hand delivery, mailing or transmission.

Any notice, demand or other communication which by any provision of this Trust Agreement is required or permitted to be given or served to or upon the Trust, the Property Trustee, the Delaware Trustee or the Administrative Trustees shall be given in writing addressed (until another address is published by the Trust) as follows: (a) with respect to the Property Trustee to Wilmington Trust Company, Rodney Square North, 1100 North Market Square, Wilmington, Delaware 19890-0001, Attention: Corporate Trust Administration; (b) with respect to the Delaware Trustee, to Wilmington Trust Company, Rodney Square North, 1100 North Market Square, Wilmington, Delaware 19890-0001; and (c) with respect to the Administrative Trustees, to them at the address above for notices to the Depositor, marked "Attention Administrative Trustees of First Union Capital _____." Such notice, demand or other communication to or upon the Trust or the Property Trustee shall be deemed to have been

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sufficiently given or made only upon actual receipt of the writing by the Trust or the Property Trustee.

SECTION 10.9. Agreement Not to Petition.

Each of the Trustees and the Depositor agree for the benefit of the Holders that, until at least one year and one day after the Trust has been terminated in accordance with Article IX, they shall not file, or join in the filing of, a petition against the Trust under any bankruptcy, insolvency, reorganization or other similar law (including, without limitation, the United States Bankruptcy Code) (collectively, "Bankruptcy Laws") or otherwise join in the commencement of any proceeding against the Trust under any Bankruptcy Law. In the event the Depositor takes action in violation of this Section 10.9, the Property Trustee agrees, for the benefit of Holders, that at the expense of the Depositor, it shall file an answer with the bankruptcy court or otherwise properly contest the filing of such petition by the Depositor against the Trust or the commencement of such action and raise the defense that the Depositor has agreed in writing not to take such action and should be stopped and precluded therefrom and such other defenses, if any, as counsel for the Trustee or the Trust may assert. The provisions of this Section 10.9 shall survive the termination of this Trust Agreement.

SECTION 10.10. Application of Trust Indenture Act.

(a) This Trust Agreement is subject to the provisions of

the Trust Indenture Act that are required to be part of this Trust Agreement and shall, to the extent applicable, be governed by such provisions.

(b) The Property Trustee shall be the only Trustee which is a trustee for the purposes of the Trust Indenture Act.

(c) If any provision hereof limits, qualifies or conflicts with another provision hereof which is required to be included in this Trust Agreement by any of the provisions of the Trust Indenture Act, such required provision shall control. If any provision of this Trust Agreement modifies or excludes any provision of the Trust Indenture Act which may be so modified or excluded, the latter provision shall be deemed to apply to this Trust Agreement as so modified or excluded, as the case may be.

(d) The application of the Trust Indenture Act to this Trust Agreement shall not affect the nature of the Trust Securities as equity securities representing undivided beneficial interests in the assets of the Trust.

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SECTION 10.11. Acceptance of Terms of Trust Agreement, Guarantee and Indenture.

THE RECEIPT AND ACCEPTANCE OF A TRUST SECURITY OR ANY INTEREST THEREIN BY OR ON BEHALF OF A HOLDER OR ANY BENEFICIAL OWNER, WITHOUT ANY SIGNATURE OR FURTHER MANIFESTATION OF ASSENT, SHALL CONSTITUTE THE UNCONDITIONAL ACCEPTANCE BY THE HOLDER AND ALL OTHERS HAVING A BENEFICIAL INTEREST IN SUCH TRUST SECURITY OF ALL THE TERMS AND PROVISIONS OF THIS TRUST AGREEMENT AND AGREEMENT TO THE SUBORDINATION PROVISIONS AND OTHER TERMS OF THE GUARANTEE AND THE INDENTURE, AND SHALL CONSTITUTE THE AGREEMENT OF THE TRUST, SUCH HOLDER AND SUCH OTHERS THAT THE TERMS AND PROVISIONS OF THIS TRUST AGREEMENT SHALL BE BINDING, OPERATIVE AND EFFECTIVE AS BETWEEN THE TRUST AND SUCH HOLDER AND SUCH OTHERS.

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IN WITNESS WHEREOF, the undersigned have executed this amended and Restated Trust Agreement as of the date first above written.

FIRST UNION CORPORATION

By: Name: Title:

WILMINGTON TRUST COMPANY, as Property Trustee

EXHIBIT A

CERTIFICATE OF TRUST

OF

FIRST UNION CAPITAL

THIS CERTIFICATE OF TRUST of First Union Capital ____ (the "Trust"), dated November 6, 1996, is being duly executed and filed by the undersigned, as trustee, to form a business trust under the Delaware Business Trust Act (12 Del. C. ss. 3801 et seq.).

1. Name. The name of the business trust being formed hereby is First Union Capital $__.$

2. Delaware Trustee. The name and business address of the trustee of the Trust, with a principal place of business in the State of Delaware, are Wilmington Trust Company, Rodney Square North, 1100 North Market Square, Wilmington, Delaware 19890-0001, Attention: Corporate Trust Administration.

3. Effective Date. This Certificate of Trust shall be effective as of November 6, 1996.

IN WITNESS WHEREOF, the undersigned, being the trustee of the Trust, have executed this Certificate of Trust as of the date first above written.

WILMINGTON TRUST COMPANY, not in its individual capacity but solely as Trustee

> By:/s/ EMMETT R. Harmon Name: Emmett R. Harmon Title: Vice President

EXHIBIT B

The Depository Trust Company, 55 Water Street, 49th Floor, New York, New York 10041-0099

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Attention:

General Counsel's Office

Re: First Union Capital ____ % Cumulative Trust Preferred Capital Securities, Series A

Ladies and Gentlemen:

The purpose of this letter is to set forth certain matters relating to the issuance and deposit with The Depository Trust Company ("DTC") of the First Union Capital _____% Cumulative Trust Preferred Capital Securities, Series A (the "Preferred Securities"), of First Union Capital ____, a Delaware business trust (the "Issuer"), created and continued pursuant to an Amended and Restated Trust Agreement between First Union Corporation ("First Union Corporation"), Wilmington Trust Company, as Property Trustee, Wilmington Trust Company, as Delaware Trustee, and the Administrative Trustees named therein. The payment of distributions on the Preferred Securities, and payments due upon liquidation of Issuer or redemption of the Preferred Securities, to the extent the Issuer has funds available for the payment thereof are guaranteed by First Union Corporation to the extent set forth in a Guarantee Agreement dated by First Union Corporation with respect to the Preferred Securities. First Union Corporation and the Issuer propose to sell the Preferred Securities to certain Underwriters (the "Underwriters") pursuant to an Underwriting ___, 199_ by and among the Underwriters, the Issuer Agreement dated and First Union Corporation dated ______, ___, and the Underwriters wish to take delivery of the Preferred Securities through DTC. Wilmington Trust Company is acting as transfer agent and registrar with respect to the Preferred Securities (the "Transfer Agent and Registrar").

To induce DTC to accept the Preferred Securities as eligible for deposit at DTC, and to act in accordance with DTC's rules with respect to the Preferred Securities, the Issuer, the Transfer Agent and Registrar and DTC agree among each other as follows:

1. Prior to the closing of the sale of the Preferred Securities to the Underwriters, which is expected to occur on or about ______, ___, there shall be deposited with DTC one or more global certificates (individually and collectively, the "Global Certificate") registered in the name of DTC's Preferred Securities nominee, Cede & Co., representing an aggregate of Preferred Securities and bearing the following legend:

> Unless this certificate is presented by an authorized representative of The Depository Trust Company, a New York corporation ("DTC"), to Issuer or its agent for registration of transfer, exchange, or payment, and any certificate issued is registered in the name of Cede & Co. or in such other name as is requested by an authorized representative of DTC (and any payment is made to Cede & Co. or to such other entity as is requested by an authorized representative of DTC), ANY TRANSFER, PLEDGE, OR OTHER USE HEREOF FOR VALUE OR OTHERWISE BY OR TO ANY PERSON IS WRONGFUL inasmuch as the registered owner hereof, Cede & Co., has an interest herein.

2. The Amended and Restated Trust Agreement of the Issuer provides for the voting by holders of the Preferred Securities under certain limited circumstances (with no provision for revocation of consents or votes by subsequent holders). The Issuer shall establish a record date for such purposes and shall, to the extent possible, give DTC notice of such record date not less than 15 calendar days in advance of such record date.

3. In the event of a stock split, conversion, recapitalization, reorganization or any other similar transaction resulting in the cancellation of all or any part of the Preferred Securities outstanding, the Issuer or the Transfer Agent and Registrar shall send DTC a notice of such event at least 5 business days prior to the effective date of such event.

4. In the event of distribution on, or an offering or issuance of rights with respect to, the Preferred Securities outstanding, the Issuer or the Transfer Agent and Registrar shall send DTC a notice specifying: (a) the amount of and conditions, if any, applicable to the payment of any such distribution or any such offering or issuance of rights; (b) any applicable expiration or deadline date, or any date by which any action on the part of the holders of Preferred Securities is required; and (c) the date any required notice is to be mailed by or on behalf of the Issuer to holders of Preferred Securities or published by or on behalf of the Issuer (whether by mail or publication, the "Publication Date"). Such notice shall be sent to DTC by a secure means (e.g., legible telecopy, registered or certified mail, overnight delivery) in a timely manner designed to assure that such notice is in DTC's possession no later than the close of business on the business day before the Publication Date. The Issuer or the Transfer Agent and Registrar will forward such notice either in a separate secure transmission for each CUSIP number or in a secure transmission of multiple CUSIP numbers (if applicable) that includes a manifest or list of each CUSIP number submitted in that transmission. (The party sending such notice shall have a method to verify subsequently the use of such means and the timeliness of such notice.) The Publication Date shall be not less than 30 calendar days nor more than 60 calendar days prior to the payment of any such distribution or any such offering or issuance of rights with respect to the Preferred Securities. After establishing the amount of payment to be made on the Preferred Securities, the Issuer or the Transfer Agent and Registrar will notify DTC's Dividend Department of such payment 5 business days prior to payment date. Notices to DTC's Dividend Department by telecopy shall be sent to (212) 709-1723. Such notices by mail or by any other means shall be sent to:

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Manager, Announcements Dividend Department The Depository Trust Company 7 Hanover Square, 23rd Floor New York, New York 10004-2695

The Issuer or the Transfer Agent and Registrar shall confirm DTC's receipt of such telecopy by telephoning the Dividend Department at (212) 709-1270.

5. In the event of a redemption by the Issuer of the Preferred Securities, notice specifying the terms of the redemption and the Publication Date of such notice shall be sent by the Issuer or the Transfer Agent and Registrar to DTC not less than 30 calendar days prior to such event by a secure means in the manner set forth in paragraph 4. Such redemption notice shall be sent to DTC's Call Notification Department at (516) 227-4164 or (516) 227-4190, and receipt of such notice shall be confirmed by telephoning (516) 227-4070. Notice by mail or by any other means shall be sent to:

> Call Notification Department The Depository Trust Company 711 Stewart Avenue Garden City, New York 11530-4719

 $\,$ 6. In the event of any invitation to tender the Preferred Securities, notice specifying the terms of the tender and the Publication Date of such

notice shall be sent by the Issuer or the Transfer Agent and Registrar to DTC by a secure means and in a timely manner as described in paragraph 4. Notices to DTC pursuant to this paragraph and notices of other corporate actions (including mandatory tenders, exchanges and capital changes) shall be sent, unless notification to another department is expressly provided for herein, by telecopy to DTC's Reorganization Department at (212) 709-1093 or (212) 709-1094 and receipt of such notice shall be confirmed by telephoning (212) 709-6884, or by mail or any other means to:

> Manager, Reorganization Department Reorganization Window The Depository Trust Company 7 Hanover Square, 23rd Floor New York, New York 10004-2695

7. All notices and payment advices sent to DTC shall contain the CUSIP number or numbers of the Preferred Securities and the accompanying designation of the Preferred Securities, which, as of the date of this letter, is "First Union Capital _____% Cumulative Quarterly Income Preferred Securities, Series A."

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8. Distribution payments or other cash payments that are part of periodic payments with respect to the Preferred Securities evidenced by the Global Certificate shall be received by Cede & Co., as nominee of DTC, or its registered assigns in same-day funds no later than 2:30 p.m. (Eastern Time) on each payment date (or in accordance with existing arrangements between the Issuer or the Transfer Agent and Registrar and DTC). Absent any other arrangements between the Issuer or the Transfer Agent and Registrar and DTC, such funds shall be wired as follows:

> The Chase Manhattan Bank ABA 021000021 For credit to A/C The Depository Trust Company Dividend Deposit Account 066-026776

The Issuer or the Transfer Agent and Registrar shall provide payment information to a standard announcement service subscribed to by DTC. In the unlikely event that no such service exists, the Issuer agrees that it or the Transfer Agent and Registrar shall provide this information directly to DTC in advance of the record date as soon as the information is available. This information should be conveyed directly to DTC electronically. If electronic transmission is not available, absent any other arrangements between the Transfer Agent and DTC, such information should be sent by telecopy to DTC's Dividend Department at (212) 709-1723 or (212) 709-1686, and receipt of such notices shall be confirmed by telephoning (212) 709-1270. Notices to DTC pursuant to the above by mail or by any other means shall be sent to:

> Manager; Announcements Dividend Department The Depository Trust Company 7 Hanover Square; 22nd Floor New York, NY 10004-2695

9. DTC shall receive maturity and redemption payments with respect to the Preferred Securities evidenced by the Global Certificate allocated with respect to each CUSIP number on the payable date in same-day funds by 2:30 p.m. (Eastern Time). Absent any other arrangements between the Transfer Agent and Registrar and DTC, such payments shall be wired as follows:

> The Chase Manhattan Bank ABA 021000021 For credit to A/C The Depository Trust Company Redemption Account 066-027306

in accordance with existing SDFS payment procedures in the manner set forth in DTC's SDFS Paying Agent Operating Procedures, a copy of which has previously

10. DTC shall receive all reorganization payments and CUSIP-level detail resulting from corporate actions (such as tender offers, remarketings, or mergers) on the first payable date in same-day funds by 2:30 p.m. (Eastern Time). Absent any other arrangements between the Transfer Agent and Registrar and DTC, such payments shall be wired as follows:

The Chase Manhattan Bank ABA 021000021 For credit to A/C The Depository Trust Company Reorganization Account 066-027608

11. DTC may by prior written notice direct the Issuer and the Transfer Agent and Registrar to use any other telecopy number or address of DTC as the number or address to which notices or payments may be sent.

12. In the event of a conversion, redemption, or any other similar transaction (e.g., tender made and accepted in response to the Issuer's or the Transfer Agent and Registrar's invitation) necessitating a reduction in the aggregate number of Capital Securities outstanding evidenced by Global Certificates, DTC, in its discretion: (a) may request the Issuer or the Transfer Agent and Registrar to issue and countersign a new Global Certificate; or (b) may make an appropriate notation on the Global Certificate indicating the date and amount of such reduction.

13. DTC may discontinue its services as a securities depositary with respect to the Preferred Securities at any time by giving reasonable notice to the Issuer and the Transfer Agent and Registrar (at which time DTC will confirm with the Issuer or the Transfer Agent and Registrar the aggregate number of Capital Securities deposited with it) and discharging its responsibilities with respect thereto under applicable law. Under such circumstances, the Issuer may determine to make alternative arrangements for book-entry settlement for the Capital Securities, make available one or more separate global certificates evidencing Capital Securities to any Participant having Capital Securities credited to its DTC account, or issue definitive Capital Securities to the beneficial holders thereof, and in any such case, DTC agrees to cooperate fully with the Issuer and the Transfer Agent and Registrar, and to return the Global Certificate, duly endorsed for transfer as directed by the Issuer or the Transfer Agent and Registrar, together with any other documents of transfer reasonably requested by the Issuer or the Transfer Agent and Registrar.

14. In the event that the Issuer determines that beneficial owners of Preferred Securities shall be able to obtain definitive Preferred Securities, the Issuer or the Transfer Agent and Registrar shall notify DTC of the availability of certificates. In such event, the Issuer or the Transfer Agent and Registrar shall issue, transfer and exchange certificates in appropriate amounts, as required by DTC and others, and DTC agrees to cooperate fully with the Issuer and the Transfer Agent and Registrar and to return the Global Certificate, duly endorsed for transfer as directed by the Issuer or the Transfer Agent and Registrar, together with any other documents of transfer reasonably requested by the Issuer or the Transfer Agent and Registrar.

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15. This letter may be executed in any number of counterparts, each of which when so executed shall be deemed to be an original, but all such counterparts shall together constitute but one and the same instrument.

Nothing herein shall be deemed to require the Transfer Agent and

Registrar to advance funds on behalf of First Union Capital .

Very truly yours,

FIRST UNION CAPITAL _____ as Issuer

By: Name: Administrative Trustee

WILMINGTON TRUST COMPANY as Trustee, Transfer Agent and Registrar

By: Name: Title:

RECEIVED AND ACCEPTED:

THE DEPOSITORY TRUST COMPANY

By:

Authorized Officer

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EXHIBIT C

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THIS CERTIFICATE IS NOT TRANSFERABLE

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CERTIFICATE EVIDENCING COMMON SECURITIES

OF

FIRST UNION CAPITAL

% COMMON SECURITIES (LIQUIDATION AMOUNT \$25 PER COMMON SECURITY)

First Union Capital ____, a business trust created under the laws of the State of Delaware (the "Trust"), hereby certifies that First Union Corporation, a North Carolina corporation (the "Holder"), is the registered owner of () common securities of the Trust, representing beneficial interests of the Trust and designated the % Common Securities (Liquidation Amount \$25 per Common Security) (the "Common Securities"). Except as provided in Section 5.10 of the Trust Agreement (as defined below) the Common Securities are not transferable and any attempted transfer hereof shall be null and void. The designations, rights, privileges, restrictions, preferences and other terms and provisions of the Common Securities are set forth in, and this certificate and the Common Securities represented hereby are issued and shall in all respects be subject to the terms and provisions of, the Amended and Restated Trust Agreement of the Trust, dated as of , , as the same may be amended from time to time (the "Trust Agreement"), including the designation of the terms of the Common Securities as set forth therein. The Trust will furnish a copy of the Trust Agreement to the Holder without charge upon written request to the Trust at its principal place of business or registered office.

BY RECEIPT AND ACCEPTANCE OF THIS CERTIFICATE, THE HOLDER AGREES TO BE

BOUND BY THE TRUST AGREEMENT AND IS ENTITLED TO THE BENEFITS THEREUNDER.

IN WITNESS WHEREOF, the undersigned Administrative Trustee of the Trust has executed this certificate as of the \$day\$ of \$\$,\$\$.

FIRST UNION CAPITAL ____

By: Name: Administrative Trustee

EXHIBIT D

AGREEMENT AS TO EXPENSES AND LIABILITIES

AGREEMENT, dated as of _______, 199_, between First Union Corporation, a North Carolina corporation ("the "Corporation"), and First Union Capital ____, a Delaware business trust (the "Trust").

WITNESSETH:

WHEREAS, the Trust intends to issue its Common Securities (the "Common Securities") to and receive Debentures from First Union Corporation and to issue and sell ____% Cumulative Trust Preferred Capital Securities (the "Preferred Securities") with such powers, preferences and special rights and restrictions as are set forth in the Amended and Restated Trust Agreement of the Trust, dated as of _______, 199_ as the same may be amended from time to time (the "Trust Agreement"); and

WHEREAS, the Corporation will directly or indirectly own all of the Common Securities of the Trust and will issue the Debentures;

NOW, THEREFORE, in consideration of the purchase by each holder of the Preferred Securities, which purchase the Corporation hereby agrees shall benefit the Corporation and which purchase the Corporation acknowledges will be made in reliance upon the execution and delivery of this Agreement, the Corporation and Trust hereby agree as follows:

ARTICLE I

SECTION 1.1. Guarantee by the Corporation.

Subject to the terms and conditions hereof, the Corporation hereby irrevocably and unconditionally guarantees to each person or entity to whom the Trust is now or hereafter becomes indebted or liable (the "Beneficiaries") the full payment, when and as due, of any and all Obligations (as hereinafter defined) to such Beneficiaries. As used herein, "Obligations" means any costs, expenses or liabilities of the Trust, other than obligations of the Trust to pay to holders of any Preferred Securities or other similar interests in the Trust the amounts due such holders pursuant to the terms of the Preferred Securities or such other similar interests, as the case may be. This Agreement is intended to be for the benefit of, and to be enforceable by, all such Beneficiaries, whether or not such Beneficiaries have received notice hereof.

SECTION 1.2. Term of Agreement.

This Agreement shall terminate and be of no further force or effect upon the later of (a) the date on which full payment has been made of all amounts payable to all holders of all the Preferred Securities (whether upon redemption, liquidation, exchange or otherwise) and (b) the date on which there are no Beneficiaries remaining; provided, however, that this Agreement shall continue to be effective or shall be reinstated, as the case may be, if at any time any holder of Preferred Securities or any Beneficiary must restore payment of any sums paid in respect of the Preferred Securities, under any Obligation, under the Guarantee Agreement dated the date hereof by the Corporation and Wilmington Trust Company, as guarantee trustee or under this Agreement for any reason whatsoever.

This Agreement shall be continuing, irrevocable, unconditional and absolute.

SECTION 1.3. Waiver of Notice.

The Corporation hereby waives notice of acceptance of this Agreement and of any Obligation to which it applies or may apply, and the Corporation hereby waives presentment, demand for payment, protest, notice of nonpayment, notice of dishonor, notice of redemption and all other notices and demands.

SECTION 1.4. No Impairment.

The obligations, covenants, agreements and duties of the Corporation under this Agreement shall in no way be affected or impaired by reason of the happening from time to time of any of the following:

> a) the extension of time for the payment by the Trust of all or any portion of the Obligations or for the performance of any other obligation under, arising out of, or in connection with, the obligations;

(b) any failure, omission, delay or lack of diligence on the part of the Beneficiaries to enforce, assert or exercise any right, privilege, power or remedy conferred on the Beneficiaries with respect to the Obligations or any action on the part of the Trust granting indulgence or extension of any kind; or

(c) the voluntary or involuntary liquidation, dissolution, sale of any collateral, receivership, insolvency, bankruptcy, assignment for the benefit of creditors, reorganization, arrangement, composition or readjustment of debt of, or other similar proceedings affecting, the Trust or any of the assets of the Trust.

There shall be no obligation of the Beneficiaries to give notice to, or obtain the consent of, the Corporation with respect to the happening of any of the foregoing.

SECTION 1.5. Enforcement.

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A Beneficiary may enforce this Agreement directly against the Corporation and the Corporation waives any right or remedy to require that any action be brought against the Trust or any other person or entity before proceeding against the Corporation.

SECTION 1.6. Subrogation.

The Corporation shall be subrogated to all (if any) rights of the Trust in respect of any amounts paid to the Beneficiaries by the Corporation under this Agreement; provided, however, that the Corporation shall not (except to the extent required by mandatory provisions of law) be entitled to enforce or exercise any rights which it may acquire by way of subrogation or any indemnity, reimbursement or other agreement, in all cases as a result of payment under this Agreement, if, at the time of any such payment, any amounts are due and unpaid

ARTICLE II

SECTION 2.1. Binding Effect.

This Agreement shall bind the successors, assigns, receivers, trustees and representatives of the Corporation and shall inure to the benefit of the Beneficiaries.

SECTION 2.2. Amendment.

So long as there shall remain any Beneficiary or any Preferred Securities of any series shall be outstanding, this Agreement may not be modified or amended in any manner adverse to such Beneficiary or to the holders of the Preferred Securities.

SECTION 2.3. Notices.

Any notice, request or other communication required or permitted to be given hereunder shall be given in writing by delivering the same against receipt therefor by facsimile transmission (confirmed by mail), telex or by registered or certified mail, addressed as follows (and if so given, shall be deemed given when mailed or upon receipt of an answer-back, if sent by telex):

> First Union Capital ____ c/o First Union Corporation One First Union Center Charlotte, North Carolina 28288-0013 Facsimile No.: (704) 374-3425 Attention: General Counsel

First Union Corporation

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One First Union Center Charlotte, North Carolina 28288-0013 Facsimile No.: (704) 374-3425 Attention: General Counsel

SECTION 2.4. Governing Law.

THIS AGREEMENT SHALL BE GOVERNED BY AND CONSTRUED AND INTERPRETED IN ACCORDANCE WITH THE LAWS OF THE STATE OF NEW YORK.

IN WITNESS WHEREOF, the undersigned have executed this Agreement as of the date first above written.

FIRST UNION CORPORATION

By: Name: Title:

FIRST UNION CAPITAL

By: Name: Administrative Trustee

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[IF THE PREFERRED SECURITY IS TO BE A GLOBAL CERTIFICATE INSERT--This Preferred Security is a Global Certificate within the meaning of the Trust Agreement hereinafter referred to and is registered in the name of The Depository Trust Company (the "Depository") or a nominee of the Depository. This Preferred Security is exchangeable for Preferred Securities registered in the name of a person other than the Depository or its nominee only in the limited circumstances described in the Trust Agreement and no transfer of this Preferred Security (other than a transfer of this Preferred Security as a whole by the Depository to a nominee of the Depository or by a nominee of the Depository to the Depository or another nominee of the Depository) may be registered except in limited circumstances.

Unless this Preferred Security is presented by an authorized representative of The Depository Trust Company (55 Water Street, New York) to First Union Capital _____ or its agent for registration of transfer, exchange or payment, and any Preferred Security issued is registered in the name of Cede & Co. or such other name as requested by an authorized representative of The Depository Trust Company and any payment hereon is made to Cede & Co., ANY TRANSFER, PLEDGE OR OTHER USE HEREOF FOR VALUE OR OTHERWISE BY A PERSON IS WRONGFUL inasmuch as the registered owner hereof, Cede & Co., has an interest herein.]

CERTIFICATE NUMBER

NUMBER OF PREFERRED SECURITIES

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CUSIP NO.

CERTIFICATE EVIDENCING PREFERRED SECURITIES

OF

FIRST UNION CAPITAL

% CUMULATIVE TRUST PREFERRED CAPITAL SECURITIES, SERIES A (LIOUIDATION AMOUNT \$25 PER PREFERRED SECURITY)

First Union Capital ____, a business trust created under the laws of the State of Delaware (the "Trust"), hereby certifies that (the "Holder") is the registered owner of () preferred securities of the Trust representing an undivided beneficial interest in the assets of the Trust and designated the First Union Capital _____% Cumulative Trust Preferred Capital Securities, Series A (Liquidation Amount \$25 per Preferred Security) (the "Preferred Securities"). The Preferred Securities are transferable on the books and records of the Trust, in

person or by a duly authorized attorney, upon surrender of this certificate duly endorsed and in proper form for transfer as provided in Section 5.4 of the Trust Agreement (as defined below). The designations, rights, privileges, restrictions, preferences and other terms and provisions of the Preferred Securities are set forth in, and this certificate and the Preferred Securities represented hereby are issued and shall in all respects be subject to the terms and provisions of, the Amended and Restated Trust Agreement of the Trust, dated as of , , as the same may be amended from time to time (the "Trust Agreement"), including the designation of the terms of Preferred Securities as set forth therein. The Holder is entitled to the benefits of the Guarantee Agreement entered into by First Union Corporation, a North Carolina corporation, and Wilmington Trust Company, as guarantee trustee, dated as of 1996, (the "Guarantee"), to the extent provided therein. The Trust will furnish a copy of the Trust Agreement and the Guarantee to the Holder without charge upon written request to the Trust at its principal place of business or registered office.

BY RECEIPT AND ACCEPTANCE OF THIS CERTIFICATE, THE HOLDER AGREES TO BE

BOUND BY THE TRUST AGREEMENT AND IS ENTITLED TO THE BENEFITS THEREUNDER.

IN WITNESS WHEREOF, the undersigned Administrative Trustee of the Trust has executed this certificate as of the \$day\$ of \$,\$.

FIRST UNION CAPITAL ____

By: Name: Administrative Trustee

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ASSIGNMENT

FOR VALUE RECEIVED, the undersigned assigns and transfers this Preferred Security to:

(Insert assignee's social security or tax identification number)

(Insert address and zip code of assignee)

and irrevocably appoints

agent to transfer this Preferred Securities Certificate on the books of the Trust. The agent may substitute another to act for him or her.

Date:

Signature:

(Sign exactly as your name appears on the other side of this Preferred Security

Certificate)

The signature(s) should be guaranteed by an eligible guarantor institution (banks, stockbrokers, savings and loan associations and credit unions with membership in an approved signature guarantee medallion program), pursuant to S.E.C. Rule 17Ad-15.

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Exhibit 4(j)

GUARANTEE AGREEMENT

between

FIRST UNION CORPORATION, as Guarantor,

and

WILMINGTON TRUST COMPANY, as Guarantee Trustee

FIRST UNION CAPITAL ____

Dated as of _____, ____

FIRST UNION CAPITAL ____

Certain Sections of this Guarantee Agreement relating to Sections 310 through 318 of the Trust Indenture Act of 1939:

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GUARANTEE AGREEMENT, dated as of _____, ___, executed and delivered by FIRST UNION CORPORATION, a North Carolina corporation (the "Guarantor") having its principal office at One First Union Center, Charlotte, North Carolina 28288-0013, and WILMINGTON TRUST COMPANY, a banking corporation organized under the laws of the State of Delaware, as trustee (the "Guarantee Trustee"), for the benefit of the Holders (as defined herein) from time to time of the Preferred Securities (as defined herein) of FIRST UNION CAPITAL __, a Delaware business trust (the "Issuer").

WITNESSETH:

WHEREAS, pursuant to an Amended and Restated Trust Agreement, dated as of _____, ____ (the "Trust Agreement"), among the Guarantor, as Depositor, the Property Trustee, the Delaware Trustee and the Administrative Trustees named therein and the Holders from time to time of undivided beneficial interests in the assets of the Issuer, the Issuer is issuing \$______ aggregate Liquidation Amount (as defined in the Trust Agreement) of its _____ % Preferred Securities, Liquidation Amount \$25 per capital security) (the "Preferred Securities") representing preferred undivided beneficial interests in the assets of the Issuer and having the terms set forth in the Trust Agreement;

WHEREAS, the Preferred Securities will be issued by the Issuer and the proceeds thereof, together with the proceeds from the issuance of the Issuer's Common Securities (as defined below), will be used to purchase the Debentures (as defined in the Trust Agreement) of the Guarantor which will be deposited with the Wilmington Trust Company, as Property Trustee under the Trust Agreement, as trust assets; and

WHEREAS, as incentive for the Holders to purchase Preferred Securities the Guarantor desires irrevocably and unconditionally to agree, to the extent set forth herein, to pay to the Holders of the Preferred Securities the Guarantee Payments (as defined herein) and to make certain other payments on the terms and conditions set forth herein.

NOW, THEREFORE, in consideration of the purchase by each Holder of Preferred Securities, which purchase the Guarantor hereby agrees shall benefit the Guarantor, the Guarantor executes and delivers this Guarantee Agreement to provide as follows for the benefit of the Holders from time to time of the Preferred Securities:

ARTICLE I

INTERPRETATION AND DEFINITIONS

SECTION 1.1. Interpretation.

In this Guarantee Agreement, unless the context otherwise requires:

(a) capitalized terms used in this Guarantee Agreement but not defined in the preamble hereto have the respective meanings assigned to them in Section 1.1;

(b) a term defined anywhere in this Guarantee Agreement has the same meaning throughout;

(c) all references to "the Guarantee Agreement" or "this Guarantee Agreement" are to this Guarantee Agreement as modified, supplemented or amended from time to time;

(d) all references in this Guarantee Agreement to Articles and Sections are to Articles and Sections of this Guarantee Agreement unless otherwise specified;

(e) a term defined in the Trust Indenture Act has the same meaning when used in this Guarantee Agreement unless otherwise defined in this Guarantee Agreement or unless the context otherwise requires;

(f) a reference to the singular includes the plural and vice-versa; and

(g) the masculine, feminine or neuter genders used herein shall include the masculine, feminine and neuter genders.

SECTION 1.2. Definitions.

As used in this Guarantee Agreement, the terms set forth below shall, unless the context otherwise requires, have the following meanings:

"Affiliate" of any specified Person means any other Person directly or indirectly controlling or controlled by or under direct or indirect common control with such specified Person; provided, however, that the Issuer shall not be deemed to be an Affiliate of the Guarantor. For the purposes of this definition, "control" when used with respect to any specified Person means the power to direct the management and policies of such Person, directly or indirectly, whether through the ownership of voting securities, by contract or otherwise; and the terms "controlling" and "controlled" have

meanings correlative to the foregoing.

"Board of Directors" means either the board of directors of the Guarantor or any committee of that board duly authorized to act hereunder.

"Common Securities" means the securities representing common undivided beneficial interests in the assets of the Issuer.

"Debt" means with respect to any Person, whether recourse is to all or a portion of the assets of such Person and whether or not contingent, (i) every obligation of such Person for money borrowed; (ii) every obligation of such Person evidenced by bonds, debentures, notes or other similar instruments, including obligations incurred in connection with the acquisition of property, assets or businesses; (iii) every reimbursement obligation of such Person with respect to letters of credit, bankers' acceptances or similar facilities issued for the account of such Person, (iv) every obligation of such Person issued or assumed as the deferred purchase price of property or services (but excluding trade accounts payable or accrued liabilities arising in the ordinary course of business); (v) every capital lease obligation of such Person; (vi) all Other Financial Obligations (as hereinafter defined) of such Person; and (vii) every obligation of the type referred to in clauses (i) through (vi) of another Person and all dividends of another Person the payment of which, in either case, such Person has guaranteed or is responsible or liable, directly or indirectly, as obligor or otherwise.

"Event of Default" means a default by the Guarantor on any of its payment or other obligations under this Guarantee Agreement; provided, however, that, except with respect to a default in payment of any Guarantee Payments, the Guarantor shall have received notice of default and shall not have cured such default within 60 days after receipt of such notice.

"Guarantee Payments" means the following payments or distributions, without duplication, with respect to the Preferred Securities, to the extent not paid or made by or on behalf of the Issuer: (i) any accumulated and unpaid Distributions (as defined in the Trust Agreement) required to be paid on the Preferred Securities, to the extent the Issuer shall have funds on hand available therefor at such time, (ii) the redemption price, including all accumulated and unpaid Distributions to the date of redemption (the "Redemption Price"), with respect to any Preferred Securities called for redemption by the Issuer, to the extent the Issuer shall have funds on hand available therefor at such time, and (iii) upon a voluntary or involuntary termination, winding up or liquidation of the Issuer, unless Debentures are distributed to the Holders, the lesser of (a) the aggregate of the Liquidation Amount of \$25 per Preferred Security plus accumulated and unpaid Distributions on the Preferred Securities to the date of payment to the extent that the Issuer shall have funds available therefor at such time and (b) the amount of

assets of the Issuer remaining available for distribution to Holders in liquidation of the Issuer (in either case, the "Liquidation Distribution").

"Guarantee Trustee" means Wilmington Trust Company, until a Successor Guarantee Trustee has been appointed and has accepted such appointment pursuant to the terms of this Guarantee Agreement, and thereafter means each such Successor Guarantee Trustee.

"Holder" means any holder, as registered on the books and records of the Issuer, of any Preferred Securities; provided, however, that in determining whether the holders of the requisite percentage of Preferred Securities have given any request, notice, consent or waiver hereunder, "Holder" shall not include the Guarantor, the Guarantee Trustee, or any Affiliate of the Guarantor or the Guarantee Trustee.

"Indenture" means the Junior Subordinated Indenture dated as of _____, ____, as supplemented and amended between the Guarantor and Wilmington Trust Company, as trustee.

"List of Holders" has the meaning specified in Section 2.2(a).

"Majority in Liquidation Amount of the Preferred Securities" means, except as provided by the Trust Indenture Act, a vote by the Holder(s), voting separately as a class, of more than 50% of the Liquidation Amount of all then outstanding Preferred Securities issued by the Issuer.

"Officers' Certificate" means, with respect to any Person, a certificate signed by the Chairman or a Vice Chairman of the Board of Directors of such Person or the President or a Vice President of such Person, and by the Treasurer, an Assistant Treasurer, the Secretary or an Assistant Secretary of such Person, and delivered to the Guarantee Trustee. Any Officers' Certificate delivered with respect to compliance with a condition or covenant provided for in this Guarantee Agreement shall include:

(a) a statement that each officer signing theOfficers' Certificate has read the covenant or condition and the definitions relating thereto;

(b) a brief statement of the nature and scope of the examination or investigation undertaken by each officer in rendering the Officers' Certificate;

(c) a statement that each officer has made such examination or investigation as, in such officer's opinion, is necessary to enable such officer to express an informed opinion as to whether or not such covenant or condition has been complied with; and

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(d) a statement as to whether, in the opinion of each officer, such condition or covenant has been complied with.

"Other Financial Obligations" means, with respect to a Person, all obligations to make payment pursuant to the terms of financial instruments, such as (i) securities contracts and foreign currency exchange contracts, (ii) derivative instruments, such as swap agreements (including interest rate and foreign exchange rate swap agreements), cap agreements, floor agreements, collar agreements, interest rate agreements, foreign exchange rate agreements, options, commodity futures contracts, commodity option contracts, and (iii) in the case of both (i) and (ii) above, similar financial instruments. "Person" means a legal person, including any individual, corporation, estate, partnership, joint venture, association, joint stock company, limited liability company, trust, unincorporated association, or government or any agency or political subdivision thereof, or any other entity of whatever nature.

"Responsible Officer" means, with respect to the Guarantee Trustee, any Senior Vice President, any Vice President, any Assistant Vice President, the Secretary, any Assistant Secretary, the Treasurer, any Assistant Treasurer, any Trust Officer or Assistant Trust Officer or any other officer of the Corporate Trust Department of the Guarantee Trustee and also means, with respect to a particular corporate trust matter, any other officer to whom such matter is referred because of that officer's knowledge of and familiarity with the particular subject.

"Senior Debt" means the principal of (and premium, if any) and interest, if any (including interest accruing on or after the filing of any petition in bankruptcy or for reorganization relating to the Guarantor whether or not such claim for post-petition interest is allowed in such proceeding), on Debt, whether incurred on or prior to the date of the Indenture or thereafter incurred, unless, in the instrument creating or evidencing the same or pursuant to which the same is outstanding, it is provided that such obligations are not superior in right of payment to the Debentures or to other Debt which is pari passu with, or subordinated to, the Debentures; provided, however, that Senior Debt shall not be deemed to include (i) any Debt of the Guarantor which when incurred and without respect to any election under Section 1111(b) of the United States Bankruptcy Code of 1978, as amended, was without recourse to the Guarantor, (ii) any Debt of the Corporation to any of its subsidiaries, (iii) Debt to any employee of the Guarantor, and (iv) any other debt securities issued pursuant to the Indenture. Senior Debt includes, without limitation, Debt issued (i) under the indenture, dated as of April 1, 1983, and amended thereafter, between the Guarantor and Chemical Bank, as trustee, and (ii) except to the extent otherwise provided with respect to any series of debt securities issued after the date hereof, under the indenture, dated as of March 15, 1986, and amended thereafter, between the Guarantor and Harris Trust and Savings Bank, as

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trustee.

"Successor Guarantee Trustee" means a successor Guarantee Trustee possessing the qualifications to act as Guarantee Trustee under Section 4.1.

"Trust Indenture Act" means the Trust Indenture Act of 1939, as amended.

Capitalized or otherwise defined terms used but not otherwise defined herein shall have the meanings assigned to such terms in the Trust Agreement as in effect on the date hereof.

ARTICLE II

TRUST INDENTURE ACT

SECTION 2.1. Trust Indenture Act; Application.

(a) As a matter of contract, this Guarantee Agreement is subject to the provisions of the Trust Indenture Act that are or would be required to be part of this Guarantee Agreement if the Trust Indenture Act were applicable and shall, to the extent applicable, be governed by such provisions.

(b) If and to the extent that any provision of this Guarantee Agreement

limits, qualifies or conflicts with the duties imposed by Sections 310 to 317, inclusive, of the Trust Indenture Act, such imposed duties shall control.

SECTION 2.2. List of Holders.

(a) The Guarantor shall furnish or cause to be furnished to the Guarantee Trustee (a) semiannually, on or before June 1 and December 1 of each year, a list, in such form as the Guarantee Trustee may reasonably require, of the names and addresses of the Holders (the "List of Holders") as of a date not more than 15 days prior to the delivery thereof, and (b) at such other times as the Guarantee Trustee may request in writing, within 30 days after the receipt by the Guarantor of any such request, a List of Holders as of a date not more than 15 days prior to the time such list is furnished, in each case to the extent such information is in the possession or control of the Guarantee Trustee may supplied list of Holders or has not otherwise been received by the Guarantee Trustee in its capacity as such. The Guarantee Trustee may destroy any List of Holders previously given to it on receipt of a new List of Holders.

(b) The Guarantee Trustee shall comply with its obligations under Section 311(a), Section 311(b) and Section 312(b) of the Trust Indenture Act.

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SECTION 2.3. Reports by the Guarantee Trustee.

Not later than June 1 of each year, commencing _____, ____, the Guarantee Trustee shall provide to the Holders such reports as are required by Section 313 of the Trust Indenture Act, if any, in the form and in the manner provided by Section 313 of the Trust Indenture Act. The Guarantee Trustee shall also comply with the requirements of Section 313(d) of the Trust Indenture Act.

SECTION 2.4. Periodic Reports to the Guarantee Trustee.

The Guarantor shall provide to the Guarantee Trustee, the Securities and Exchange Commission and the Holders such documents, reports and information, if any, as required by Section 314 of the Trust Indenture Act and the compliance certificate required by Section 314 of the Trust Indenture Act, in the form, in the manner and at the times required by Section 314 of the Trust Indenture Act.

SECTION 2.5. Evidence of Compliance with Conditions Precedent.

The Guarantor shall provide to the Guarantee Trustee such evidence of compliance with such conditions precedent, if any, provided for in this Guarantee Agreement that relate to any of the matters set forth in Section 314(c) of the Trust Indenture Act. Any certificate or opinion required to be given by an officer pursuant to Section 314(c)(1) may be given in the form of an Officers' Certificate.

SECTION 2.6. Events of Default; Waiver.

The Holders of a Majority in Liquidation Amount of the Preferred Securities may, by vote, on behalf of the Holders, waive any past Event of Default and its consequences. Upon such waiver, any such Event of Default shall cease to exist, and any Event of Default arising therefrom shall be deemed to have been cured, for every purpose of this Guarantee Agreement, but no such waiver shall extend to any subsequent or other default or Event of Default or impair any right consequent therefrom.

SECTION 2.7. Event of Default; Notice.

(a) The Guarantee Trustee shall, within 90 days after the occurrence of an Event of Default, transmit by mail, first class postage prepaid, to the Holders, notices of all Events of Default known to the Guarantee Trustee, unless such defaults have been cured before the giving of such notice, provided, that, except in the case of a default in the payment of a Guarantee Payment, the Guarantee Trustee shall be protected in withholding such notice if and so long as the Board of Directors, the executive committee or a trust committee of withholding of such notice is in the interests of the Holders.

(b) The Guarantee Trustee shall not be deemed to have knowledge of any Event of Default unless the Guarantee Trustee shall have received written notice, or a Responsible Officer charged with the administration of this Guarantee Agreement shall have obtained written notice, of such Event of Default.

SECTION 2.8. Conflicting Interests.

The Trust Agreement shall be deemed to be specifically described in this Guarantee Agreement for the purposes of clause (i) of the first proviso contained in Section 310(b) of the Trust Indenture Act.

ARTICLE III

POWERS, DUTIES AND RIGHTS OF THE GUARANTEE TRUSTEE

SECTION 3.1. Powers and Duties of the Guarantee Trustee.

(a) This Guarantee Agreement shall be held by the Guarantee Trustee for the benefit of the Holders, and the Guarantee Trustee shall not transfer this Guarantee Agreement to any Person except a Holder exercising his or her rights pursuant to Section 5.4(iv) or to a Successor Guarantee Trustee on acceptance by such Successor Guarantee Trustee of its appointment to act as Successor Guarantee Trustee. The right, title and interest of the Guarantee Trustee shall automatically vest in any Successor Guarantee Trustee, upon acceptance by such Successor Guarantee Trustee of its appointment hereunder, and such vesting and cessation of title shall be effective whether or not conveyancing documents have been executed and delivered pursuant to the appointment of such Successor Guarantee Trustee.

(b) If an Event of Default has occurred and is continuing, the Guarantee Trustee shall enforce this Guarantee Agreement for the benefit of the Holders.

(c) The Guarantee Trustee, before the occurrence of any Event of Default and after the curing of all Events of Default that may have occurred, shall undertake to perform only such duties as are specifically set forth in this Guarantee Agreement, and no implied covenants shall be read into this Guarantee Agreement against the Guarantee Trustee. In case an Event of Default has occurred (that has not been cured or waived pursuant to Section 2.6), the Guarantee Trustee shall exercise such of the rights and powers vested in it by this Guarantee Agreement, and use the same degree of care and skill in its exercise thereof, as a prudent person would exercise or use under the circumstances in the conduct of his or her own affairs.

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(d) No provision of this Guarantee Agreement shall be construed to relieve the Guarantee Trustee from liability for its own negligent action, its own negligent failure to act or its own willful misconduct, except that:

(i) prior to the occurrence of any Event of Default and after the curing or waiving of all such Events of Default that may have occurred:

(A) the duties and obligations of the Guarantee Trustee shall be determined solely by the express provisions of this Guarantee Agreement, and the Guarantee Trustee shall not be liable except for the performance of such duties and obligations as are specifically set forth in this Guarantee Agreement; and

(B) in the absence of bad faith on the part of the Guarantee Trustee, the Guarantee Trustee may conclusively rely, as to the truth of the statements and the correctness of the opinions expressed therein, upon any certificates or opinions furnished to the Guarantee Trustee and conforming to the requirements of this Guarantee Agreement; but in the case of any such certificates or opinions that by any provision hereof or of the Trust Indenture Act are specifically required to be furnished to the Guarantee Trustee, the Guarantee Trustee shall be under a duty to examine the same to determine whether or not they conform to the requirements of this Guarantee Agreement;

(ii) the Guarantee Trustee shall not be liable for any error of judgment made in good faith by a Responsible Officer of the Guarantee Trustee, unless it shall be proved that the Guarantee Trustee was negligent in ascertaining the pertinent facts upon which such judgment was made;

(iii) the Guarantee Trustee shall not be liable with respect to any action taken or omitted to be taken by it in good faith in accordance with the direction of the Holders of not less than a Majority in Liquidation Amount of the Preferred Securities relating to the time, method and place of conducting any proceeding for any remedy available to the Guarantee Trustee, or exercising any trust or power conferred upon the Guarantee Trustee under this Guarantee Agreement; and

(iv) no provision of this Guarantee Agreement shall require the Guarantee Trustee to expend or risk its own funds or otherwise incur personal financial liability in the performance of any of its duties or in the exercise of any of its rights or powers, if the Guarantee Trustee shall have reasonable grounds for believing that the repayment of such funds or liability is not reasonably assured to it under the terms of this Guarantee Agreement or adequate indemnity against such risk or liability is not reasonably assured to it.

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SECTION 3.2. Certain Rights of Guarantee Trustee.

(a) Subject to the provisions of Section 3.1:

(i) The Guarantee Trustee may rely and shall be fully protected in acting or refraining from acting upon any resolution, certificate, statement, instrument, opinion, report, notice, request, direction, consent, order, bond, debenture, note, other evidence of indebtedness or other paper or document reasonably believed by it to be genuine and to have been signed, sent or presented by the proper party or parties.

(ii) Any direction or act of the Guarantor contemplated by this Guarantee Agreement shall be sufficiently evidenced by an Officers' Certificate unless otherwise prescribed herein.

(iii) Whenever, in the administration of this Guarantee Agreement, the Guarantee Trustee shall deem it desirable that a matter be proved or established before taking, suffering or omitting to take any action hereunder, the Guarantee Trustee (unless other evidence is herein specifically prescribed) may, in the absence of bad faith on its part, request and rely upon an Officers' Certificate which, upon receipt of such request from the Guarantee Trustee, shall be promptly delivered by the Guarantor.

(iv) The Guarantee Trustee may consult with legal counsel, and the written advice or opinion of such legal counsel with respect to legal matters shall be full and complete authorization and protection in respect of any action taken, suffered or omitted to be taken by it hereunder in good faith and in accordance with such advice or opinion. Such legal counsel may be legal counsel to the Guarantor or any of its Affiliates and may be one of its employees. The Guarantee Trustee shall have the right at any time to seek instructions concerning the administration of this Guarantee Agreement from any court of competent jurisdiction.

(v) The Guarantee Trustee shall be under no obligation to exercise any of the rights or powers vested in it by this Guarantee Agreement at the request or direction of any Holder, unless such Holder shall have provided to the Guarantee Trustee such adequate security and indemnity as would satisfy a reasonable person in the position of the Guarantee Trustee, against the costs, expenses (including attorneys' fees and expenses) and liabilities that might be incurred by it in complying with such request or direction, including such reasonable advances as may be requested by the Guarantee Trustee; provided that, nothing contained in this Section 3.2(a) (v) shall be taken to relieve the Guarantee Trustee, upon the occurrence of an Event of Default, of its obligation to exercise the rights and powers vested in it by this Guarantee Agreement.

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facts or matters stated in any resolution, certificate, statement, instrument, opinion, report, notice, request, direction, consent, order, bond, debenture, note, other evidence of indebtedness or other paper or document, but the Guarantee Trustee, in its discretion, may make such further inquiry or investigation into such facts or matters as it may see fit.

(vii) The Guarantee Trustee may execute any of the trusts or powers hereunder or perform any duties hereunder either directly or by or through its agents or attorneys, and the Guarantee Trustee shall not be responsible for any misconduct or negligence on the part of any such agent or attorney appointed with due care by it hereunder.

(viii) Whenever in the administration of this Guarantee Agreement the Guarantee Trustee shall deem it desirable to receive instructions with respect to enforcing any remedy or right or taking any other action hereunder, the Guarantee Trustee (A) may request instructions from the Holders, (B) may refrain from enforcing such remedy or right or taking such other action until such instructions are received, and (C) shall be protected in acting in accordance with such instructions.

(b) No provision of this Guarantee Agreement shall be deemed to impose any duty or obligation on the Guarantee Trustee to perform any act or acts or exercise any right, power, duty or obligation conferred or imposed on it in any jurisdiction in which it shall be illegal, or in which the Guarantee Trustee shall be unqualified or incompetent in accordance with applicable law, to perform any such act or acts or to exercise any such right, power, duty or obligation. No permissive power or authority available to the Guarantee Trustee shall be construed to be a duty to act in accordance with such power and authority.

SECTION 3.3. Indemnity.

The Guarantor agrees to indemnify the Guarantee Trustee for, and to

hold it harmless against, any loss, liability or expense incurred without negligence or bad faith on the part of the Guarantee Trustee, arising out of or in connection with the acceptance or administration of this Guarantee Agreement, including the costs and expenses of defending itself against any claim or liability in connection with the exercise or performance of any of its powers or duties hereunder. The Guarantee Trustee will not claim or exact any lien or charge on any Guarantee Payments as a result of any amount due to it under this Guarantee Agreement.

ARTICLE IV

GUARANTEE TRUSTEE

SECTION 4.1. Guarantee Trustee: Eligibility.

(a) There shall at all times be a Guarantee Trustee which shall:

(i) not be an Affiliate of the Guarantor; and

(ii) be a Person that is eligible pursuant to the Trust Indenture Act to act as such and has a combined capital and surplus of at least \$50,000,000, and shall be a corporation meeting the requirements of Section 310(a) of the Trust Indenture Act. If such corporation publishes reports of condition at least annually, pursuant to law or to the requirements of the supervising or examining authority, then, for the purposes of this Section 4.1 and to the extent permitted by the Trust Indenture Act, the combined capital and surplus of such corporation shall be deemed to be its combined capital and surplus as set forth in its most recent report of condition so published.

(b) If at any time the Guarantee Trustee shall cease to be eligible to so act under Section 4.1(a), the Guarantee Trustee shall immediately resign in the manner and with the effect set out in Section 4.2(c).

(c) If the Guarantee Trustee has or shall acquire any "conflicting interest" within the meaning of Section 310(b) of the Trust Indenture Act, the Guarantee Trustee and Guarantor shall in all respects comply with the provisions of Section 310(b) of the Trust Indenture Act.

 $\ensuremath{\mathsf{SECTION}}$ 4.2. Appointment, Removal and Resignation of the Guarantee Trustee.

(a) Subject to Section 4.2(b), the Guarantee $% \left({{\rm Trustee}} \right)$ The may be appointed or removed without cause at any time by the Guarantor.

(b) The Guarantee Trustee shall not be removed until a Successor Guarantee Trustee has been appointed and has accepted such appointment by written instrument executed by such Successor Guarantee Trustee and delivered to the Guarantor.

(c) The Guarantee Trustee appointed hereunder shall hold office until a Successor Guarantee Trustee shall have been appointed or until its removal or resignation. The Guarantee Trustee may resign from office (without need for prior or subsequent accounting) by an instrument in writing executed by the Guarantee Trustee and delivered to the Guarantor, which resignation shall not take effect until a Successor Guarantee Trustee has been appointed and has accepted such appointment by instrument in writing executed by such Successor Guarantee Trustee and delivered to the Guarantor and the resigning Guarantee Trustee.

(d) If no Successor Guarantee Trustee shall have been appointed and accepted appointment as provided in this Section 4.2 within 60 days after delivery to the Guarantor of an instrument of resignation, the resigning Guarantee Trustee may petition, at the expense of the Guarantor, any court of competent jurisdiction for appointment of a Successor Guarantee Trustee. Such court may thereupon, after prescribing such notice, if any, as it may deem proper, appoint a Successor Guarantee Trustee.

ARTICLE V

GUARANTEE

SECTION 5.1. Guarantee.

The Guarantor irrevocably and unconditionally agrees to pay in full to the Holders the Guarantee Payments (without duplication of amounts theretofore paid by or on behalf of the Issuer), as and when due, regardless of any defense, right of set-off or counterclaim which the Issuer may have or assert. The Guarantor's obligation to make a Guarantee Payment may be satisfied by direct payment of the required amounts by the Guarantor to the Holders or by causing the Issuer to pay such amounts to the Holders.

SECTION 5.2. Waiver of Notice and Demand.

The Guarantor hereby waives notice of acceptance of the Guarantee Agreement and of any liability to which it applies or may apply, presentment, demand for payment, any right to require a proceeding first against the Guarantee Trustee, Issuer or any other Person before proceeding against the Guarantor, protest, notice of nonpayment, notice of dishonor, notice of redemption and all other notices and demands.

SECTION 5.3. Obligations Not Affected.

The obligations, covenants, agreements and duties of the Guarantor under this Guarantee Agreement shall in no way be affected or impaired by reason of the happening from time to time of any of the following:

> (a) the release or waiver, by operation of law or otherwise, of the performance or observance by the Issuer of any express or implied agreement, covenant, term or condition relating to the Preferred Securities to be performed or observed by the Issuer;

(b) the extension of time for the payment by the Issuer of all or any portion of

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the Distributions (other than an extension of time for payment of Distributions that results from the extension of any interest payment period on the Debentures as provided in the Indenture), Redemption Price, Liquidation Distribution or any other sums payable under the terms of the Preferred Securities or the extension of time for the performance of any other obligation under, arising out of, or in connection with, the Preferred Securities;

(c) any failure, omission, delay or lack of diligence on the part of the Holders to enforce, assert or exercise any right, privilege, power or remedy conferred on the Holders pursuant to the terms of the Preferred Securities, or any action on the part of the Issuer granting indulgence or extension of any kind;

(d) the voluntary or involuntary liquidation, dissolution, sale of any collateral, receivership, insolvency, bankruptcy, assignment for the benefit of creditors, reorganization, arrangement, composition or readjustment of debt of, or other similar proceedings affecting, the Issuer or any of the assets of the Issuer;

(e) any invalidity of, or defect or deficiency in, the Preferred Securities;

(f) the settlement or compromise of any obligation guaranteed hereby or hereby incurred; or

(g) any other circumstance whatsoever that might otherwise constitute a legal or equitable discharge or defense of a guarantor, it being the intent of this Section 5.3 that the obligations of the Guarantor hereunder shall be absolute and unconditional under any and all circumstances.

There shall be no obligation of the Holders to give notice to, or obtain the consent of, the Guarantor with respect to the happening of any of the foregoing.

SECTION 5.4. Rights of Holders.

The Guarantor expressly acknowledges that: (i) this Guarantee Agreement will be deposited with the Guarantee Trustee to be held for the benefit of the Holders; (ii) the Guarantee Trustee has the right to enforce this Guarantee Agreement on behalf of the Holders; (iii) the Holders of a Majority in Liquidation Amount of the Preferred Securities have the right to direct the time, method and place of conducting any proceeding for any remedy available to the Guarantee Trustee in respect of this Guarantee Agreement or exercising any trust or power conferred upon the Guarantee Trustee under this Guarantee Agreement; and (iv) any Holder may institute a legal proceeding directly against the Guarantor to enforce its rights under this Guarantee Trustee, the Issuer or any other Person.

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SECTION 5.5. Guarantee of Payment.

This Guarantee Agreement creates a guarantee of payment and not of collection. This Guarantee Agreement will not be discharged except by payment of the Guarantee Payments in full (without duplication of amounts theretofore paid by the Issuer) or upon distribution of Debentures to Holders as provided in the Trust Agreement.

SECTION 5.6. Subrogation.

The Guarantor shall be subrogated to all (if any) rights of the Holders against the Issuer in respect of any amounts paid to the Holders by the Guarantor under this Guarantee Agreement and shall have the right to waive payment by the Issuer pursuant to Section 5.1; provided, however, that the Guarantor shall not (except to the extent required by mandatory provisions of law) be entitled to enforce or exercise any rights which it may acquire by way of subrogation or any indemnity, reimbursement or other agreement, in all cases as a result of payment under this Guarantee Agreement, if, at the time of any such payment, any amounts are due and unpaid under this Guarantee Agreement. If any amount shall be paid to the Guarantor in violation of the preceding sentence, the Guarantor agrees to hold such amount in trust for the Holders and to pay over such amount to the Holders.

SECTION 5.7. Independent Obligations.

The Guarantor acknowledges that its obligations hereunder are independent of the obligations of the Issuer with respect to the Preferred Securities and that the Guarantor shall be liable as principal and as debtor hereunder to make Guarantee Payments pursuant to the terms of this Guarantee Agreement notwithstanding the occurrence of any event referred to in subsections (a) through (g), inclusive, of Section 5.3 hereof.

ARTICLE VI

COVENANTS AND SUBORDINATION

SECTION 6.1. Subordination.

The obligations of the Guarantor under this Guarantee Agreement will constitute unsecured obligations of the Guarantor and will rank subordinate and junior in right of payment to all Senior Debt of the Guarantor.

SECTION 6.2. Pari Passu Guarantees.

The obligations of the Guarantor under this Guarantee Agreement shall rank pari passu with the obligations of the Guarantor under any similar Guarantee Agreements issued by the Guarantor on behalf of the holders of preferred securities issued by any First Union Trust (as defined in the Indenture).

ARTICLE VII

TERMINATION

SECTION 7.1. Termination.

This Guarantee Agreement shall terminate and be of no further force and effect upon (i) full payment of the Redemption Price of all Preferred Securities, (ii) the distribution of Debentures to the Holders in exchange for all of the Preferred Securities or (iii) full payment of the amounts payable in accordance with the Trust Agreement upon liquidation of the Issuer. Notwithstanding the foregoing, this Guarantee Agreement will continue to be effective or will be reinstated, as the case may be, if at any time any Holder must restore payment of any sums paid with respect to Preferred Securities or this Guarantee Agreement.

ARTICLE VIII

MISCELLANEOUS

SECTION 8.1. Successors and Assigns.

All guarantees and agreements contained in this Guarantee Agreement shall bind the successors, assigns, receivers, trustees and representatives of the Guarantor and shall inure to the benefit of the Holders of the Preferred Securities then outstanding. Except in connection with a consolidation, merger or sale involving the Guarantor that is permitted under Article VIII of the Indenture and pursuant to which the successor or assignee agrees in writing to perform the Guarantor's obligations hereunder, the Guarantor shall not assign its obligations hereunder.

SECTION 8.2. Amendments.

Except with respect to any changes which do not adversely affect the rights of the Holders in any material respect (in which case no consent of the Holders will be required), this Guarantee Agreement may only be amended with the prior approval of the Holders of not less

than a Majority in Liquidation Amount of the Preferred Securities. The provisions of Article VI of the Trust Agreement concerning meetings of the Holders shall apply to the giving of such approval.

SECTION 8.3. Notices.

Any notice, request or other communication required or permitted to be given hereunder shall be in writing, duly signed by the party giving such notice, and delivered, telecopied or mailed by first class mail as follows:

> (a) if given to the Guarantor, to the address set forth below or such other address, facsimile number or to the attention of such other Person as the Guarantor may give notice to the Holders:

> > First Union Corporation One First Union Center Charlotte, North Carolina 28288-0013

Facsimile No.: (704)-374-3425 Attention: General Counsel

(b) if given to the Issuer, in care of the Guarantee Trustee, at the Issuer's (and the Guarantee Trustee's) address set forth below or such other address as the Guarantee Trustee on behalf of the Issuer may give notice to the Holders:

> First Union Capital _____ c/o First Union Corporation One First Union Center Charlotte, North Carolina 28288-0013

Facsimile No.: (704)-374-3425 Attention: General Counsel

with a copy to:

Wilmington Trust Company Rodney Square North 1100 North Market Street Wilmington, Delaware 19890-0001

Facsimile No.: (302)-651-1576 Attention: Corporate Trust Administration

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(c) if given to any Holder, at the address set forth on the books and records of the Issuer.

All notices hereunder shall be deemed to have been given when received in person, telecopied with receipt confirmed, or mailed by first class mail, postage prepaid, except that if a notice or other document is refused delivery or cannot be delivered because of a changed address of which no notice was given, such notice or other document shall be deemed to have been delivered on the date of such refusal or inability to deliver.

SECTION 8.4. Benefit.

This Guarantee Agreement is solely for the benefit of the Holders and is not separately transferable from the Preferred Securities.

SECTION 8.5. Governing Law.

THIS GUARANTEE AGREEMENT SHALL BE GOVERNED BY AND CONSTRUED AND INTERPRETED IN ACCORDANCE WITH THE LAWS OF THE STATE OF NEW YORK.

SECTION 8.6. Counterparts.

This instrument may be executed in any number of counterparts, each of which so executed shall be deemed to be an original, but all such counterparts shall together constitute but one and the same instrument.

IN WITNESS WHEREOF, the undersigned have executed this Guarantee Agreement as of the date first above written.

FIRST UNION CORPORATION

By:

Name: Title:

WILMINGTON TRUST COMPANY as Guarantee Trustee

By:

Name: Title:

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Exhibit 5(a)

December 26, 1996

Board of Directors, First Union Corporation, Charlotte, North Carolina 28288.

Gentlemen:

I am Executive Vice President, Secretary and General Counsel of First Union Corporation, a North Carolina corporation (the "Corporation"), and am rendering this opinion in connection with the registration under the Securities Act of 1933 (the "Act") of \$500,000,000 aggregate principal amount of Junior Subordinated Deferrable Interest Debentures (the "Debt Securities") of First Union Corporation, a North Carolina corporation (the "Corporation"), \$500,000,000 aggregate liquidation amount of Preferred Securities (the "Preferred Securities") of First Union Capital I, First Union Capital II and First Union Capital III, each of which is a Delaware statutory business trust (each, an "Issuer"), and the Guarantees with respect to the Preferred Securities (the "Guarantees") to be executed and delivered by the Corporation for the benefit of the holders from time to time of the Preferred Securities.

In that connection, I have examined such documents, corporate records and other instruments as I have deemed necessary for the purposes of this opinion. Based upon the foregoing, I am of the opinion as follows:

(1) The Corporation has been duly incorporated and is a validly existing corporation under the laws of the State of North Carolina.

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(2) When:

(i) the Registration Statement relating to the Debt Securities, the Preferred Securities and the Guarantees has become effective under the Act; (ii) the Indenture relating to the Debt Securities has been duly executed and delivered;

(iii) the Guarantee Agreement relating to the Guarantee with respect to the Preferred Securities of an Issuer has been duly executed and delivered;

(iv) the Amended and Restated Trust Agreement of such Issuer has been duly executed and delivered;

(v) the terms of the Debt Securities and of their issuance and sale have been duly established in conformity with the Indenture so as not to violate any applicable law or result in a default under or breach of any agreement or instrument binding upon the Corporation and so as to comply with any requirement or restriction imposed by any court or governmental body having jurisdiction over the Corporation;

(vi) the terms of the Preferred Securities of such Issuer and of their issuance and sale have been duly established in conformity with the Amended and Restated Trust Agreement of such Issuer so as not to violate any applicable law or result in a default under or breach of any agreement or instrument binding upon such Issuer and so as to comply with any requirement or restriction imposed by any court or governmental body having jurisdiction over such Issuer;

(vii) the Debt Securities have been duly executed and authenticated in accordance with the Indenture and issued and sold as contemplated in the Registration Statement; and

(viii) the Preferred Securities have been duly executed in accordance with the Amended and Restated Trust Agreement of such Issuer and issued and sold as contemplated in the Registration Statement,

the Debt Securities and the Guarantee relating to the Preferred Securities of such Issuer will constitute valid

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and legally binding obligations of the Corporation, subject to bankruptcy, insolvency, fraudulent transfer, reorganization, moratorium and similar laws of general applicability relating to or affecting creditors' rights and to general equity principles.

I note that, as of the date of this opinion, a judgment for money in an action based on a Debt Security denominated in a foreign currency or currency unit in a federal or state court in the United States ordinarily would be enforced in the United States only in United States dollars. The date used to determine the rate of conversion of the foreign currency or currency unit in which a particular Debt Security is denominated into United States dollars will depend upon various factors, including which court renders the judgment. In the case of a Debt Security denominated in a foreign currency, a state court in the State of New York rendering a judgment on such Debt Security would be required under Section 27 of the New York Judiciary Law to render such judgment in the foreign currency in which the Debt Security is denominated, and such judgment would be converted into United States dollars at the exchange rate prevailing on the date of entry of the judgment.

I am licensed to practice law only in the State of North Carolina. The foregoing opinion is limited to the Federal laws of the United States and the laws of the State of North Carolina, and I am expressing no opinion as to the effect of the laws of any jurisdiction. I have relied as to certain matters on information obtained from public officials, officers of the Corporation and other sources believed by me to be responsible.

I understand that the Corporation has received an opinion regarding the Preferred Securities from Richards, Layton & Finger, LLP, special Delaware counsel for the Corporation and the Issuers. I am expressing no opinion with respect to the matters contained in such opinion.

I hereby consent to the use of my name under the heading "Validity of Securities" in the Prospectus forming a part of the Registration Statement and to the use of this opinion for filing with the Registration Statement as Exhibit 5(a) thereto. By providing such consent, I do not admit that I am within the class of persons whose consent is required under Section 7(a) of the Act.

Sullivan & Cromwell may rely on this opinion as if it were addressed to them for purposes of rendering their

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opinion dated the date hereof with respect to the Debt Securities and the Guarantees.

Very truly yours,

Marion A. Cowell, Jr.

[Letterhead of Richards, Layton & Finger]

December 24, 1996

First Union Capital I c/o First Union Corporation One Union Center Charlotte, NC 28288-0013

Re: First Union Capital I

Ladies and Gentlemen:

We have acted as special Delaware counsel for First Union Corporation, a North Carolina corporation (the "Company"), and First Union Capital I, a Delaware business trust (the "Trust"), in connection with the matters set forth herein. At your request, this opinion is being furnished to you.

For purposes of giving the opinions hereinafter set forth, our examination of documents has been limited to the examination of originals or copies of the following:

(a) The Certificate of Trust of the Trust, dated November 6,1996 (the "Certificate"), as filed in the office of the Secretary of State ofthe State of Delaware (the "Secretary of State") on November 6, 1996;

(b) The Trust Agreement of the Trust, dated as of November 6, 1996, among the Company, as Depositor, and the trustee of the Trust named therein;

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(c) Amendment No. 1 to the Registration Statement (the "Registration Statement") on Form S-3, including a preliminary prospectus (the "Prospectus") and preliminary prospectus supplement (the "Prospectus Supplement"), relating to the __% Cumulative Trust Preferred Capital Securities, Series A, of the Trust representing preferred undivided beneficial interests in the assets of the Trust (each, a "Preferred Security" and collectively, the "Preferred Securities"), as proposed to be filed by the Company, the Trust and others as set forth therein with the Securities and Exchange Commission on or about December 24, 1996;

(d) A form of Amended and Restated Trust Agreement of the Trust, to be entered into among the Company, as Depositor, the trustees of the Trust named therein, and the holders, from time to time, of undivided beneficial interests in the assets of the Trust (including Exhibits A, C and E thereto) (the "Trust Agreement"), attached as an exhibit to the Registration Statement; and

(e) A Certificate of Good Standing for the Trust, dated December 24, 1996, obtained from the Secretary of State.

Initially capitalized terms used herein and not otherwise defined are used as defined in the Trust Agreement.

For purposes of this opinion, we have not reviewed any documents other than the documents listed in paragraphs (a) through (e) above. In particular, we have not reviewed any document (other than the documents listed in paragraphs (a) through (e) above) that is referred to in or incorporated by reference into the documents reviewed by us. We have assumed that there exists no provision in any document that we have not reviewed that is inconsistent with the opinions stated herein. We have conducted no independent factual investigation of our own but rather have relied solely upon the foregoing documents, the statements and information set forth therein and the additional matters recited or assumed herein, all of which we have assumed to be true, complete and accurate in all material respects.

With respect to all documents examined by us, we have assumed (i) the authenticity of all documents submitted to us as authentic originals, (ii) the conformity with the originals of all documents submitted to us as copies or forms, and (iii) the genuineness of all signatures. For purposes of this opinion, we have assumed (i) that the Trust Agreement and the Certificate are in full force and effect and have not been amended, (ii) except to the extent provided in paragraph 1 below, the due creation or due organization or due formation, as the case may be, and valid existence in good standing of each party to the

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documents examined by us under the laws of the jurisdiction governing its creation, organization or formation, (iii) the legal capacity of natural persons who are parties to the documents examined by us, (iv) that each of the parties to the documents examined by us has the power and authority to execute and deliver, and to perform its obligations under, such documents, (v) the due authorization, execution and delivery by all parties thereto of all documents examined by us, (vi) the receipt by each Person to whom a Preferred Security is to be issued by the Trust (collectively, the "Preferred Security Holders") of a Preferred Securities Certificate for such Preferred Security and the payment for the Preferred Security acquired by it, in accordance with the Trust Agreement and the Registration Statement, and (vii) that the Preferred Securities are issued and sold to the Preferred Security Holders in accordance with the Trust Agreement and the Registration Statement. We have not participated in the preparation of the Registration Statement and assume no responsibility for its contents.

This opinion is limited to the laws of the State of Delaware (excluding the securities laws of the State of Delaware), and we have not considered and express no opinion on the laws of any other jurisdiction, including federal laws and rules and regulations relating thereto. Our opinions are rendered only with respect to Delaware laws and rules, regulations and orders thereunder that are currently in effect.

Based upon the foregoing, and upon our examination of such questions of law and statutes of the State of Delaware as we have considered necessary or appropriate, and subject to the assumptions, qualifications, limitations and exceptions set forth herein, we are of the opinion that:

1. The Trust has been duly created and is validly existing in good standing as a business trust under the Delaware Business Trust Act.

2. The Preferred Securities will represent valid and, subject to the qualifications set forth in paragraph 3 below, fully paid and nonassessable undivided beneficial interests in the assets of the Trust.

3. The Preferred Security Holders, as beneficial owners of the

Trust, will be entitled to the same limitation of personal liability extended to stockholders of private corporations for profit organized under the General Corporation Law of the State of Delaware. We note that the Preferred Security Holders may be obligated to make payments as set forth in the Trust Agreement.

We consent to the filing of this opinion with the Securities and Exchange Commission as an exhibit to the Registration Statement. In addition, we hereby consent to the use of our name under the heading "Validity of Securities" in the Prospectus and the

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Prospectus Supplement. In giving the foregoing consents, we do not thereby admit that we come within the category of Persons whose consent is required under Section 7 of the Securities Act of 1933, as amended, or the rules and regulations of the Securities and Exchange Commission thereunder. Except as stated above, without our prior written consent, this opinion may not be furnished or quoted to, or relied upon by, any other Person for any purpose.

Very truly yours,

Richards, Layton & Finger

[Letterhead of Richards, Layton & Finger]

December 24, 1996

First Union Capital II c/o First Union Corporation One Union Center Charlotte, NC 28288-0013

Re: First Union Capital II

Ladies and Gentlemen:

We have acted as special Delaware counsel for First Union Corporation, a North Carolina corporation (the "Company"), and First Union Capital II, a Delaware business trust (the "Trust"), in connection with the matters set forth herein. At your request, this opinion is being furnished to you.

For purposes of giving the opinions hereinafter set forth, our examination of documents has been limited to the examination of originals or copies of the following:

(a) The Certificate of Trust of the Trust, dated November 6,1996 (the "Certificate"), as filed in the office of the Secretary of State ofthe State of Delaware (the "Secretary of State") on November 6, 1996;

(b) The Trust Agreement of the Trust, dated as of November 6, 1996, between the Company, as Depositor, and the trustee of the Trust named therein;

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(c) Amendment No. 1 to the Registration Statement (the "Registration Statement") on Form S-3, including a preliminary prospectus (the "Prospectus"), relating to the __% Cumulative Trust Preferred Capital Securities of the Trust representing preferred undivided beneficial interests in the assets of the Trust (each, a "Preferred Security" and collectively, the "Preferred Securities"), as proposed to be filed by the Company, the Trust and others as set forth therein with the Securities and Exchange Commission on or about December 24, 1996;

(d) A form of Amended and Restated Trust Agreement of the Trust, to be entered into among the Company, as Depositor, the trustees of the Trust named therein, and the holders, from time to time, of undivided beneficial interests in the assets of the Trust (including Exhibits A, C and E thereto) (the "Trust Agreement"), attached as an exhibit to the Registration Statement; and

(e) A Certificate of Good Standing for the Trust, dated December 24, 1996, obtained from the Secretary of State.

Initially capitalized terms used herein and not otherwise defined are used as defined in the Trust Agreement.

For purposes of this opinion, we have not reviewed any documents other than the documents listed in paragraphs (a) through (e) above. In particular, we have not reviewed any document (other than the documents listed in paragraphs (a) through (e) above) that is referred to in or incorporated by reference into the documents reviewed by us. We have assumed that there exists no provision in any document that we have not reviewed that is inconsistent with the opinions stated herein. We have conducted no independent factual investigation of our own but rather have relied solely upon the foregoing documents, the statements and information set forth therein and the additional matters recited or assumed herein, all of which we have assumed to be true, complete and accurate in all material respects.

With respect to all documents examined by us, we have assumed (i) the authenticity of all documents submitted to us as authentic originals, (ii) the conformity with the originals of all documents submitted to us as copies or forms, and (iii) the genuineness of all signatures.

For purposes of this opinion, we have assumed (i) that the Trust Agreement and the Certificate are in full force and effect and have not been amended, (ii) except to the extent provided in paragraph 1 below, the due creation or due organization or due formation, as the case may be, and valid existence in good standing of each party to the documents examined by us under the laws of the jurisdiction governing its creation,

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organization or formation, (iii) the legal capacity of natural persons who are parties to the documents examined by us, (iv) that each of the parties to the documents examined by us has the power and authority to execute and deliver, and to perform its obligations under, such documents, (v) the due authorization, execution and delivery by all parties thereto of all documents examined by us, (vi) the receipt by each Person to whom a Preferred Security is to be issued by the Trust (collectively, the "Preferred Security Holders") of a Preferred Securities Certificate for such Preferred Security and the payment for the Preferred Security acquired by it, in accordance with the Trust Agreement and the Registration Statement, and (vii) that the Preferred Securities are issued and sold to the Preferred Security Holders in accordance with the Trust Agreement and the Registration Statement. We have not participated in the preparation of the Registration Statement and assume no responsibility for its contents.

This opinion is limited to the laws of the State of Delaware (excluding the securities laws of the State of Delaware), and we have not considered and express no opinion on the laws of any other jurisdiction, including federal laws and rules and regulations relating thereto. Our opinions are rendered only with respect to Delaware laws and rules, regulations and orders thereunder that are currently in effect.

Based upon the foregoing, and upon our examination of such questions of law and statutes of the State of Delaware as we have considered necessary or appropriate, and subject to the assumptions, qualifications, limitations and exceptions set forth herein, we are of the opinion that:

1. The Trust has been duly created and is validly existing in good standing as a business trust under the Delaware Business Trust Act.

2. The Preferred Securities will represent valid and, subject to the qualifications set forth in paragraph 3 below, fully paid and nonassessable undivided beneficial interests in the assets of the Trust. 3. The Preferred Security Holders, as beneficial owners of the Trust, will be entitled to the same limitation of personal liability extended to stockholders of private corporations for profit organized under the General Corporation Law of the State of Delaware. We note that the Preferred Security Holders may be obligated to make payments as set forth in the Trust Agreement.

We consent to the filing of this opinion with the Securities and Exchange Commission as an exhibit to the Registration Statement. In addition, we hereby consent to the use of our name under the heading "Validity of Securities" in the Prospectus. In giving the foregoing consents, we do not thereby admit that we come within the category of

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Persons whose consent is required under Section 7 of the Securities Act of 1933, as amended, or the rules and regulations of the Securities and Exchange Commission thereunder. Except as stated above, without our prior written consent, this opinion may not be furnished or quoted to, or relied upon by, any other Person for any purpose.

Very truly yours,

Richards, Layton & Finger

[Letterhead of Richards, Layton & Finger]

December 24, 1996

First Union Capital III c/o First Union Corporation One Union Center Charlotte, NC 28288-0013

Re: First Union Capital III

Ladies and Gentlemen:

We have acted as special Delaware counsel for First Union Corporation, a North Carolina corporation (the "Company"), and First Union Capital III, a Delaware business trust (the "Trust"), in connection with the matters set forth herein. At your request, this opinion is being furnished to you.

For purposes of giving the opinions hereinafter set forth, our examination of documents has been limited to the examination of originals or copies of the following:

(a) The Certificate of Trust of the Trust, dated November 6,1996 (the "Certificate"), as filed in the office of the Secretary of State ofthe State of Delaware (the "Secretary of State") on November 6, 1996;

(b) The Trust Agreement of the Trust, dated as of November 6, 1996, between the Company, as Depositor, and the trustee of the Trust named therein;

First Union Capital III December 24, 1996 (c) Amendment No. 1 to the Registration Statement (the "Registration Statement") on Form S-3, including a preliminary prospectus (the "Prospectus"), relating to the __% Cumulative Trust Preferred Capital Securities of the Trust representing preferred undivided beneficial interests in the assets of the Trust (each, a "Preferred Security" and collectively, the "Preferred Securities"), as proposed to be filed by the Company, the Trust and others as set forth therein with the Securities and Exchange Commission on or about December 24, 1996;

(d) A form of Amended and Restated Trust Agreement of the Trust, to be entered into among the Company, as Depositor, the trustees of the Trust named therein, and the holders, from time to time, of undivided beneficial interests in the assets of the Trust (including Exhibits A, C and E thereto) (the "Trust Agreement"), attached as an exhibit to the Registration Statement; and

(e) A Certificate of Good Standing for the Trust, dated December 24, 1996, obtained from the Secretary of State.

Initially capitalized terms used herein and not otherwise defined are used as defined in the Trust Agreement.

For purposes of this opinion, we have not reviewed any documents other than the documents listed in paragraphs (a) through (e) above. In particular, we have not reviewed any document (other than the documents listed in paragraphs (a) through (e) above) that is referred to in or incorporated by reference into the documents reviewed by us. We have assumed that there exists no provision in any document that we have not reviewed that is inconsistent with the opinions stated herein. We have conducted no independent factual investigation of our own but rather have relied solely upon the foregoing documents, the statements and information set forth therein and the additional matters recited or assumed herein, all of which we have assumed to be true, complete and accurate in all material respects.

With respect to all documents examined by us, we have assumed (i) the authenticity of all documents submitted to us as authentic originals, (ii) the conformity with the originals of all documents submitted to us as copies or forms, and (iii) the genuineness of all signatures.

For purposes of this opinion, we have assumed (i) that the Trust Agreement and the Certificate are in full force and effect and have not been amended, (ii) except to the extent provided in paragraph 1 below, the due creation or due organization or due formation, as the case may be, and valid existence in good standing of each party to the documents examined by us under the laws of the jurisdiction governing its creation,

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organization or formation, (iii) the legal capacity of natural persons who are parties to the documents examined by us, (iv) that each of the parties to the documents examined by us has the power and authority to execute and deliver, and to perform its obligations under, such documents, (v) the due authorization, execution and delivery by all parties thereto of all documents examined by us, (vi) the receipt by each Person to whom a Preferred Security is to be issued by the Trust (collectively, the "Preferred Security Holders") of a Preferred Securities Certificate for such Preferred Security and the payment for the Preferred Security acquired by it, in accordance with the Trust Agreement and the Registration Statement, and (vii) that the Preferred Securities are issued and sold to the Preferred Security Holders in accordance with the Trust Agreement and the Registration Statement. We have not participated in the preparation of the Registration Statement and assume no responsibility for its contents.

This opinion is limited to the laws of the State of Delaware (excluding the securities laws of the State of Delaware), and we have not considered and express no opinion on the laws of any other jurisdiction, including federal laws and rules and regulations relating thereto. Our opinions are rendered only with respect to Delaware laws and rules, regulations and orders thereunder that are currently in effect.

Based upon the foregoing, and upon our examination of such questions of law and statutes of the State of Delaware as we have considered necessary or appropriate, and subject to the assumptions, qualifications, limitations and exceptions set forth herein, we are of the opinion that:

1. The Trust has been duly created and is validly existing in good standing as a business trust under the Delaware Business Trust Act.

2. The Preferred Securities will represent valid and, subject to the qualifications set forth in paragraph 3 below, fully paid and nonassessable undivided beneficial interests in the assets of the Trust.

3. The Preferred Security Holders, as beneficial owners of the Trust, will be entitled to the same limitation of personal liability extended to stockholders of private corporations for profit organized under the General Corporation Law of the State of Delaware. We note that the Preferred Security Holders may be obligated to make payments as set forth in the Trust Agreement.

We consent to the filing of this opinion with the Securities and Exchange Commission as an exhibit to the Registration Statement. In addition, we hereby consent to the use of our name under the heading "Validity of Securities" in the Prospectus. In giving the foregoing consents, we do not thereby admit that we come within the category of

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Persons whose consent is required under Section 7 of the Securities Act of 1933, as amended, or the rules and regulations of the Securities and Exchange Commission thereunder. Except as stated above, without our prior written consent, this opinion may not be furnished or quoted to, or relied upon by, any other Person for any purpose.

Very truly yours,

Richards, Layton & Finger

December 26, 1996

First Union Corporation, One First Union Center, Charlotte, North Carolina 28288.

Dear Sirs:

In connection with the registration under the Securities Act "Act") of \$500,000,000 aggregate principal amount of Junior of 1933 (the Subordinated Deferrable Interest Debentures (the "Debt Securities") of First Union Corporation, a North Carolina corporation (the "Corporation"), liquidation amount of Preferred \$500,000,000 Securities (the aggregate "Preferred Securities") of First Union Capital I, First Union Capital II and First Union Capital III, each of which is a business trust created under the laws of the State of Delaware (each, an "Issuer"), and the Guarantees with respect to the Preferred Securities (the "Guarantees") to be executed and delivered by the Corporation for the benefit of the holders from time to time of the Preferred Securities, we, as counsel for the prospective underwriters, have examined such corporate

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records, certificates and other documents, and such questions of law, as we have considered necessary or appropriate for the purposes of this opinion.

Upon the basis of such examination, it is our opinion that, when:

(i) the Registration Statement relating to the Debt Securities, the Preferred Securities and the Guarantees has become effective under the Act;

(ii) the Indenture relating to the Debt Securities has been duly executed and delivered;

(iii) the Guarantee Agreement relating to the Guarantee with respect to the Preferred Securities of a Issuer has been duly executed and delivered;

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(iv) the Amended and Restated Trust Agreement of such Issuer has been duly executed and delivered;

(v) the terms of the Debt Securities and of their issuance and sale have been duly established in conformity with the Indenture so as not to violate any applicable law or result in a default under or breach of any agreement or instrument binding upon the Corporation and so as to comply with any requirement or restriction imposed by any court or governmental body having jurisdiction over the Corporation;

(vi) the terms of the Preferred Securities of such Issuer and of their issuance and sale have been duly established in conformity with the Amended and Restated Trust Agreement of such Issuer so as not to violate any applicable law or result in a default under or breach of any agreement or instrument binding upon such Issuer and so as to comply with any requirement or restriction imposed by any court or governmental body having jurisdiction over such Issuer;

(vii) the Debt Securities have been duly executed and authenticated in accordance with the Indenture and issued and sold as contemplated in the Registration Statement; and

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(viii) the Preferred Securities have been duly executed in accordance with the Amended and Restated Trust Agreement of such Issuer and issued and sold as contemplated in the Registration Statement,

the Debt Securities and the Guarantee relating to the Preferred Securities of such Issuer will constitute valid and legally binding obligations of the Corporation, subject to bankruptcy, insolvency, fraudulent transfer, reorganization, moratorium and similar laws of general applicability relating to or affecting creditors' rights and to general equity principles.

We note that, as of the date of this opinion, a judgment for money in an action based on a Debt Security denominated in a foreign currency or currency unit in a Federal or state court in the United States ordinarily would be enforced in the United States only in United States dollars. The date used to determine the rate of conversion of the foreign currency or currency unit in which a particular Debt Security is denominated into United States dollars will depend upon various factors, including which court renders the judgment. In the case of a Debt Security denominated in a foreign currency, a state court in the State of New York rendering a judgment on such Debt Security would be required under Section 27 of the New York Judiciary Law to render such judgment in the foreign currency in which

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the Debt Security is denominated, and such judgment would be converted into United States dollars at the exchange rate prevailing on the date of entry of the judgment.

The foregoing opinion is limited to the Federal laws of the United States, the laws of the State of New York and the laws of the State of North Carolina, and we are expressing no opinion as to the effect of the laws of any other jurisdiction. With respect to all matters of North Carolina law, we have relied upon the opinion, dated December 26, 1996, of Marion A. Cowell, Jr., and our opinion is subject to the same qualifications and limitations with respect to such matters as are contained in Mr. Cowell's opinion.

We understand that you have received an opinion regarding the Preferred Securities from Richards, Layton & Finger, LLP, special Delaware counsel for the Corporation and the Issuers. We are expressing no opinion with respect to the matters contained in such opinion.

Also, we have relied as to certain matters on information obtained from public officials, officers of the Corporation and other sources believed by us to be responsible.

We hereby consent to the filing of this opinion as an exhibit to the Registration Statement and to the

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references to us under the heading "Validity of Securities" in the Prospectus. In giving such consent, we do not thereby admit that we are in the category of persons whose consent is required under Section 7 of the Act.

Very truly yours,

SULLIVAN & CROMWELL

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December 26, 1996

First Union Corporation, One First Union Center, Charlotte, North Carolina 28288-0013.

Ladies and Gentlemen:

As special tax counsel to First Union Capital I, First Union Capital II and First Union Capital III (each, an "Issuer") and First Union Corporation in connection with the registration of Cumulative Trust Preferred Capital Securities described in a preliminary Prospectus dated December 26 (the "Prospectus") and a preliminary Prospectus Supplement dated December 26, 1996 (the "Prospectus Supplement"), and assuming (i) the holder of the Common Securities of each Issuer will have "substantial assets" (other than the Common Securities) within the meaning of Treasury Regulations Section 301.7701-2(d)(2) and (ii) the operative documents described in the Prospectus and Prospectus Supplement will be performed in accordance with the terms described therein, we hereby confirm to you our

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opinion as set forth under the heading "Certain Federal Income Tax Consequences" in the Prospectus Supplement, subject to the limitations set forth therein. Very truly yours,

SULLIVAN & CROMWELL

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Exhibit 25(a)

Registration No. 333-15743

SECURITIES AND EXCHANGE COMMISSION Washington, D.C. 20549

FORM T-1

STATEMENT OF ELIGIBILITY UNDER THE TRUST INDENTURE ACT OF 1939 OF A CORPORATION DESIGNATED TO ACT AS TRUSTEE

CHECK IF AN APPLICATION TO DETERMINE ELIGIBILITY OF A TRUSTEE PURSUANT TO SECTION 305(b)(2) X

WILMINGTON TRUST COMPANY (Exact name of trustee as specified in its charter)

51-0055023 (I.R.S. employer identification no.)

Delaware (State of incorporation)

Rodney Square North 1100 North Market Street Wilmington, Delaware 19890 (Address of principal executive offices)

Cynthia L. Corliss Vice President and Trust Counsel Wilmington Trust Company Rodney Square North Wilmington, Delaware 19890 (302) 651-8516 (Name, address and telephone number of agent for service)

FIRST UNION CORPORATION

(Exact name of obligor as specified in its charter)

North Carolina (State of incorporation)

56-0898180 (I.R.S. employer identification no.)

One First Union Center Charlotte, North Carolina 28288-0013 (Address of principal executive offices) (Zip Code)

Junior Subordinated Deferrable Interest Debentures of First Union Corporation

ITEM 1. GENERAL INFORMATION.

Furnish the following information as to the trustee:

(a) Name and address of each examining or supervising authority to which it is subject.

Federal Deposit Insurance Co. State Bank Commissioner Five Penn Center Dover, Delaware Suite #2901 Philadelphia, PA

(b) Whether it is authorized to exercise corporate trust powers.

The trustee is authorized to exercise corporate trust powers.

ITEM 2. AFFILIATIONS WITH THE OBLIGOR.

If the obligor is an affiliate of the trustee, describe each affiliation:

Based upon an examination of the books and records of the trustee and upon information furnished by the obligor, the obligor is not an affiliate of the trustee.

ITEM 3. LIST OF EXHIBITS.

List below all exhibits filed as part of this Statement of Eligibility and Qualification.

- A. Copy of the Charter of Wilmington Trust Company, which includes the certificate of authority of Wilmington Trust Company to commence business and the authorization of Wilmington Trust Company to exercise corporate trust powers.
- B. Copy of By-Laws of Wilmington Trust Company.
- C. Consent of Wilmington Trust Company required by Section 321(b) of Trust Indenture Act.
- D. Copy of most recent Report of Condition of Wilmington Trust Company.

Pursuant to the requirements of the Trust Indenture Act of 1939, as amended, the trustee, Wilmington Trust Company, a corporation organized and existing under the laws of Delaware, has duly caused this Statement of Eligibility to be signed on its behalf by the undersigned, thereunto duly authorized, all in the City of Wilmington and State of Delaware on the 23rd day of December, 1996.

WILMINGTON TRUST COMPANY

[SEAL]

Attest: /s/ Debra Eberly

Assistant Secretary

By: /s/ Norma P. Closs

Name: Norma P. Closs Title: Vice President

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EXHIBIT A AMENDED CHARTER Wilmington Trust Company Wilmington, Delaware As existing on May 9, 1987

> Amended Charter or Act of Incorporation of Wilmington Trust Company

Wilmington Trust Company, originally incorporated by an Act of the General Assembly of the State of Delaware, entitled "An Act to Incorporate the Delaware Guarantee and Trust Company", approved March 2, A.D. 1901, and the name of which company was changed to "Wilmington Trust Company" by an amendment filed in the Office of the Secretary of State on March 18, A.D. 1903, and the Charter or Act of Incorporation of which company has been from time to time amended and changed by merger agreements pursuant to the corporation law for state banks and trust companies of the State of Delaware, does hereby alter and amend its Charter or Act of Incorporation so that the same as so altered and amended shall in its entirety read as follows: First: - The name of this corporation is Wilmington Trust Company.

Second: - The location of its principal office in the State of Delaware is at Rodney Square North, in the City of Wilmington, County of New Castle; the name of its resident agent is Wilmington Trust Company whose address is Rodney Square North, in said City. In addition to such principal office, the said corporation maintains and operates branch offices in the City of Newark, New Castle County, Delaware, the town of Newport, New Castle County, Delaware, at Claymont, New Castle County, Delaware, at Greenville, New Castle County, Delaware, and at Milford Cross Roads, New Castle County, Delaware, and shall be empowered to open, maintain and operate branch offices at Ninth and Shipley Streets, 418 Delaware Avenue, 2120 Market Street, and 3605 Market Street, all in the City of Wilmington, New Castle County, Delaware, and such other branch offices or places of business as may be authorized from time to time by the agency or agencies of the government of the State of Delaware empowered to confer such authority.

Third: - (a) The nature of the business and the objects and purposes proposed to be transacted, promoted or carried on by this Corporation are to do any or all of the things herein mentioned as fully and to the same extent as natural persons might or could do and in any part of the world, viz.:

(1) To sue and be sued, complain and defend in any Court of law or equity and to make and use a common seal, and alter the seal at pleasure, to hold, purchase, convey, mortgage or otherwise deal in real and personal estate and property, and to appoint such officers and agents as the business of the

Corporation shall require, to make by-laws not inconsistent with the Constitution or laws of the United States or of this State, to discount bills, notes or other evidences of debt, to receive deposits of money, or securities for money, to buy gold or silver bullion and foreign coins, to buy and sell bills of exchange, and generally to use, exercise and enjoy all the powers, rights, privileges and franchises incident to a corporation which are proper or necessary for the transaction of the business of the Corporation hereby created.

(2) To insure titles to real and personal property, or any estate or interests therein, and to guarantee the holder of such property, real or personal, against any claim or claims, adverse to his interest therein, and to prepare and give certificates of title for any lands or premises in the State of Delaware, or elsewhere.

(3) To act as factor, agent, broker or attorney in the receipt,

collection, custody, investment and management of funds, and the purchase, sale, management and disposal of property of all descriptions, and to prepare and execute all papers which may be necessary or proper in such business.

(4) To prepare and draw agreements, contracts, deeds, leases, conveyances, mortgages, bonds and legal papers of every description, and to carry on the business of conveyancing in all its branches.

(5) To receive upon deposit for safekeeping money, jewelry, plate, deeds, bonds and any and all other personal property of every sort and kind, from executors, administrators, guardians, public officers, courts, receivers, assignees, trustees, and from all fiduciaries, and from all other persons and individuals, and from all corporations whether state, municipal, corporate or private, and to rent boxes, safes, vaults and other receptacles for such property.

(6) To act as agent or otherwise for the purpose of registering, issuing, certificating, countersigning, transferring or underwriting the stock, bonds or other obligations of any corporation, association, state or municipality, and may receive and manage any sinking fund therefor on such terms as may be agreed upon between the two parties, and in like manner may act as Treasurer of any corporation or municipality.

(7) To act as Trustee under any deed of trust, mortgage, bond or other instrument issued by any state, municipality, body politic, corporation, association or person, either alone or in conjunction with any other person or persons, corporation or corporations.

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(8) To guarantee the validity, performance or effect of any contract or agreement, and the fidelity of persons holding places of responsibility or trust; to become surety for any person, or persons, for the faithful performance of any trust, office, duty, contract or agreement, either by itself or in conjunction with any other person, or persons, corporation, or corporations, or in like manner become surety upon any bond, recognizance, obligation, judgment, suit, order, or decree to be entered in any court of record within the State of Delaware or elsewhere, or which may now or hereafter be required by any law, judge, officer or court in the State of Delaware or elsewhere.

(9) To act by any and every method of appointment as trustee, trustee in bankruptcy, receiver, assignee, assignee in bankruptcy,

executor, administrator, guardian, bailee, or in any other trust capacity in the receiving, holding, managing, and disposing of any and all estates and property, real, personal or mixed, and to be appointed as such trustee, trustee in bankruptcy, receiver, assignee, assignee in bankruptcy, executor, administrator, guardian or bailee by any persons, corporations, court, officer, or authority, in the State of Delaware or elsewhere; and whenever this Corporation is so appointed by any person, corporation, court, officer or authority such trustee, trustee in bankruptcy, receiver, assignee, assignee in bankruptcy, executor, administrator, guardian, bailee, or in any other trust capacity, it shall not be required to give bond with surety, but its capital stock shall be taken and held as security for the performance of the duties devolving upon it by such appointment.

(10) And for its care, management and trouble, and the exercise of any of its powers hereby given, or for the performance of any of the duties which it may undertake or be called upon to perform, or for the assumption of any responsibility the said Corporation may be entitled to receive a proper compensation.

(11) To purchase, receive, hold and own bonds, mortgages, debentures, shares of capital stock, and other securities, obligations, contracts and evidences of indebtedness, of any private, public or municipal corporation within and without the State of Delaware, or of the Government of the United States, or of any state, territory, colony, or possession thereof, or of any foreign government or country; to receive, collect, receipt for, and dispose of interest, dividends and income upon and from any of the bonds, mortgages, debentures, notes, shares of capital stock, securities, obligations, contracts, evidences of indebtedness and other property held and owned by it, and to exercise in respect of all such bonds, mortgages, debentures, notes, shares of capital stock, securities, obligations, contracts, evidences of indebtedness and other property, any and all the rights, powers and privileges of individual

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owners thereof, including the right to vote thereon; to invest and deal in and with any of the moneys of the Corporation upon such securities and in such manner as it may think fit and proper, and from time to time to vary or realize such investments; to issue bonds and secure the same by pledges or deeds of trust or mortgages of or upon the whole or any part of the property held or owned by the Corporation, and to sell and pledge such bonds, as and when the Board of Directors shall determine, and in the promotion of its said corporate business of investment and to the extent authorized by law, to lease, purchase, hold, sell, assign, transfer, pledge, mortgage and convey real and personal property of any name and nature and any estate or interest therein.

(b) In furtherance of, and not in limitation, of the powers conferred by the laws of the State of Delaware, it is hereby expressly provided that the said Corporation shall also have the following powers:

(1) To do any or all of the things herein set forth, to the same extent as natural persons might or could do, and in any part of the world.

(2) To acquire the good will, rights, property and franchises and to undertake the whole or any part of the assets and liabilities of any person, firm, association or corporation, and to pay for the same in cash, stock of this Corporation, bonds or otherwise; to hold or in any manner to dispose of the whole or any part of the property so purchased; to conduct in any lawful manner the whole or any part of any business so acquired, and to exercise all the powers necessary or convenient in and about the conduct and management of such business.

(3) To take, hold, own, deal in, mortgage or otherwise lien, and to lease, sell, exchange, transfer, or in any manner whatever dispose of property, real, personal or mixed, wherever situated.

(4) to enter into, make, perform and carry out contracts of every kind with any person, firm, association or corporation, and, without limit as to amount, to draw, make, accept, endorse, discount, execute and issue promissory notes, drafts, bills of exchange, warrants, bonds, debentures, and other negotiable or transferable instruments.

(5) To have one or more offices, to carry on all or any of its operations and businesses, without restriction to the same extent as natural persons might or could do, to purchase or otherwise acquire, to hold, own, to mortgage, sell, convey or otherwise dispose of, real and personal property, of every class and description, in any State, District, Territory or Colony of the United States, and in any foreign country or place.

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(6) It is the intention that the objects, purposes and powers specified and clauses contained in this paragraph shall (except where otherwise expressed in said paragraph) be nowise limited or restricted by reference to or inference from the terms of any other clause of this or any other paragraph in this charter, but that the objects, purposes and powers specified in each of the clauses of this paragraph shall be regarded as independent objects, purposes and powers.

Fourth: - (a) The total number of shares of all classes of stock which the Corporation shall have authority to issue is forty-one million (41,000,000) shares, consisting of:

(1) One million (1,000,000) shares of Preferred stock, par value \$10.00 per share (hereinafter referred to as "Preferred Stock"); and

(2) Forty million (40,000,000) shares of Common Stock, par value \$1.00 per share (hereinafter referred to as "Common Stock").

(b) Shares of Preferred Stock may be issued from time to time in one or more series as may from time to time be determined by the Board of Directors each of said series to be distinctly designated. All shares of any one series of Preferred Stock shall be alike in every particular, except that there may be different dates from which dividends, if any, thereon shall be cumulative, if made cumulative. The voting powers and the preferences and relative, participating, optional and other special rights of each such series, and the qualifications, limitations or restrictions thereof, if any, may differ from those of any and all other series at any time outstanding; and, subject to the provisions of subparagraph 1 of Paragraph (c) of this Article Fourth, the Board of Directors of the Corporation is hereby expressly granted authority to fix by resolution or resolutions adopted prior to the issuance of any shares of a particular series of Preferred Stock, the voting powers and the designations, preferences and relative, optional and other special rights, and the qualifications, limitations and restrictions of such series, including, but without limiting the generality of the foregoing, the following:

> (1) The distinctive designation of, and the number of shares of Preferred Stock which shall constitute such series, which number may be increased (except where otherwise provided by the Board of Directors) or decreased (but not below the number of shares thereof then outstanding) from time to time by like action of the Board of Directors;

(2) The rate and times at which, and the terms and conditions on which, dividends, if any, on Preferred Stock of such series shall be paid, the extent of the preference or relation, if any, of such dividends to the dividends payable on any other class or classes, or series of the same or other class of stock and whether such dividends shall be cumulative or non-cumulative;

(3) The right, if any, of the holders of Preferred Stock of such series to convert the same into or exchange the same for, shares of any other class or classes or of any series of the same or any other class or classes of stock of the Corporation and the terms and conditions of such conversion or exchange;

(4) Whether or not Preferred Stock of such series shall be subject to redemption, and the redemption price or prices and the time or times at which, and the terms and conditions on which, Preferred Stock of such series may be redeemed.

(5) The rights, if any, of the holders of Preferred Stock of such series upon the voluntary or involuntary liquidation, merger, consolidation, distribution or sale of assets, dissolution or winding-up, of the Corporation.

(6) The terms of the sinking fund or redemption or purchase account, if any, to be provided for the Preferred Stock of such series; and

(7) The voting powers, if any, of the holders of such series of Preferred Stock which may, without limiting the generality of the foregoing include the right, voting as a series or by itself or together with other series of Preferred Stock or all series of Preferred Stock as a class, to elect one or more directors of the Corporation if there shall have been a default in the payment of dividends on any one or more series of Preferred Stock or under such circumstances and on such conditions as the Board of Directors may determine.

(c) (1) After the requirements with respect to preferential dividends on the Preferred Stock (fixed in accordance with the provisions of section (b) of this Article Fourth), if any, shall have been met and after the Corporation shall have complied with all the requirements, if any, with respect to the setting aside of sums as sinking funds or redemption or purchase accounts (fixed in accordance with the provisions of section (b) of this Article Fourth), and subject further to any conditions which may be fixed in accordance with the provisions of section (b) of this Article Fourth, then and not otherwise the holders of Common Stock shall be entitled to receive such dividends as may be declared from time to time by the Board of Directors.

> (2) After distribution in full of the preferential amount, if any, (fixed in accordance with the provisions of section (b) of this Article Fourth), to be distributed to the holders of Preferred Stock in the event of voluntary or involuntary liquidation, distribution or sale of assets, dissolution or winding-up, of the Corporation, the holders of the Common Stock

shall be entitled to

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receive all of the remaining assets of the Corporation, tangible and intangible, of whatever kind available for distribution to stockholders ratably in proportion to the number of shares of Common Stock held by them respectively.

(3) Except as may otherwise be required by law or by the provisions of such resolution or resolutions as may be adopted by the Board of Directors pursuant to section (b) of this Article Fourth, each holder of Common Stock shall have one vote in respect of each share of Common Stock held on all matters voted upon by the stockholders.

(d) No holder of any of the shares of any class or series of stock or of options, warrants or other rights to purchase shares of any class or series of stock or of other securities of the Corporation shall have any preemptive right to purchase or subscribe for any unissued stock of any class or series or any additional shares of any class or series to be issued by reason of any increase of the authorized capital stock of the Corporation of any class or series, or bonds, certificates of indebtedness, debentures or other securities convertible into or exchangeable for stock of the Corporation of any class or series, or carrying any right to purchase stock of any class or series, but any such unissued stock, additional authorized issue of shares of any class or series of stock or securities convertible into or exchangeable for stock, or carrying any right to purchase stock, may be issued and disposed of pursuant to resolution of the Board of Directors to such persons, firms, corporations or associations, whether such holders or others, and upon such terms as may be deemed advisable by the Board of Directors in the exercise of its sole discretion.

(e) The relative powers, preferences and rights of each series of Preferred Stock in relation to the relative powers, preferences and rights of each other series of Preferred Stock shall, in each case, be as fixed from time to time by the Board of Directors in the resolution or resolutions adopted pursuant to authority granted in section (b) of this Article Fourth and the consent, by class or series vote or otherwise, of the holders of such of the series of Preferred Stock as are from time to time outstanding shall not be required for the issuance by the Board of Directors of any other series of Preferred Stock whether or not the powers, preferences and rights of such other series shall be fixed by the Board of Directors as senior to, or on a parity with, the powers, preferences and rights of such outstanding series, or any of them; provided, however, that the Board of Directors may provide in the resolution or resolutions as to any series of Preferred Stock adopted pursuant to section (b) of this Article Fourth that the consent of the holders of a majority (or such greater proportion as shall be therein fixed) of the outstanding shares of such series voting thereon shall be required for the issuance of any or all other series of Preferred Stock.

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(f) Subject to the provisions of section (e), shares of any series of Preferred Stock may be issued from time to time as the Board of Directors of the Corporation shall determine and on such terms and for such consideration as shall be fixed by the Board of Directors.

(g) Shares of Common Stock may be issued from time to time as the Board of Directors of the Corporation shall determine and on such terms and for such consideration as shall be fixed by the Board of Directors.

(h) The authorized amount of shares of Common Stock and of Preferred Stock may, without a class or series vote, be increased or decreased from time to time by affirmative vote of the holders of a majority of the stock of the Corporation entitled to vote thereon.

Fifth: - (a) The business and affairs of the Corporation shall be conducted and managed by a Board of Directors. The number of directors constituting the entire Board shall not be less than five nor more than twenty-five as fixed from time to time by vote of a majority of the whole Board, provided, however, that the number of directors shall not be reduced so as to shorten the term of any director at the time in office, and provided further, that the number of directors constituting the whole Board shall be twenty-four until otherwise fixed by a majority of the whole Board.

(b) The Board of Directors shall be divided into three classes, as nearly equal in number as the then total number of directors constituting the whole Board permits, with the term of office of one class expiring each year. At the annual meeting of stockholders in 1982, directors of the first class shall be elected to hold office for a term expiring at the next succeeding annual meeting, directors of the second class shall be elected to hold office for a term expiring at the second succeeding annual meeting and directors of the third class shall be elected to hold office for a term expiring at the third succeeding annual meeting. Any vacancies in the Board of Directors for any reason, and any newly created directorships resulting from any increase in the directors, may be filled by the Board of Directors, acting by a majority of the directors then in office, although less than a quorum, and any directors so chosen shall hold office until the next annual election of directors. At such election, the stockholders shall elect a successor to such director to hold office until the next election of the class for which such director shall have been chosen and until his successor shall be elected and qualified. No decrease in the number of directors shall shorten the term of any incumbent director.

(c) Notwithstanding any other provisions of this Charter or Act of Incorporation or the By-Laws of the Corporation (and notwithstanding the fact that some lesser percentage may be specified by law, this Charter or Act of Incorporation or the By-Laws of the Corporation), any director or the entire Board of Directors of the

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Corporation may be removed at any time without cause, but only by the affirmative vote of the holders of two-thirds or more of the outstanding shares of capital stock of the Corporation entitled to vote generally in the election of directors (considered for this purpose as one class) cast at a meeting of the stockholders called for that purpose.

(d) Nominations for the election of directors may be made by the Board of Directors or by any stockholder entitled to vote for the election of directors. Such nominations shall be made by notice in writing, delivered or mailed by first class United States mail, postage prepaid, to the Secretary of the Corporation not less than 14 days nor more than 50 days prior to any meeting of the stockholders called for the election of directors; provided, however, that if less than 21 days' notice of the meeting is given to stockholders, such written notice shall be delivered or mailed, as prescribed, to the Secretary of the Corporation not later that the close of the seventh day following the day on which notice of the meeting was mailed to stockholders. Notice of nominations which are proposed by the Board of Directors shall be given by the Chairman on behalf of the Board.

(e) Each notice under subsection (d) shall set forth (i) the name, age, business address and, if known, residence address of each nominee proposed in such notice, (ii) the principal occupation or employment of such nominee and (iii) the number of shares of stock of the Corporation which are beneficially owned by each such nominee.

(f) The Chairman of the meeting may, if the facts warrant, determine and declare to the meeting that a nomination was not made in accordance with the foregoing procedure, and if he should so determine, he shall so declare to the meeting and the defective nomination shall be disregarded.

(g) No action required to be taken or which may be taken at any annual or special meeting of stockholders of the Corporation may be taken without a meeting, and the power of stockholders to consent in writing, without a meeting, to the taking of any action is specifically denied.

Sixth: - The Directors shall choose such officers, agent and servants as may be provided in the By-Laws as they may from time to time find necessary or proper.

Seventh: - The Corporation hereby created is hereby given the same powers, rights and privileges as may be conferred upon corporations organized under the Act entitled "An Act Providing a General Corporation Law", approved March 10, 1899, as from time to time amended.

Eighth: - This Act shall be deemed and taken to be a private Act.

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Ninth: - This Corporation is to have perpetual existence.

Tenth: - The Board of Directors, by resolution passed by a majority of the whole Board, may designate any of their number to constitute an Executive Committee, which Committee, to the extent provided in said resolution, or in the By-Laws of the Company, shall have and may exercise all of the powers of the Board of Directors in the management of the business and affairs of the Corporation, and shall have power to authorize the seal of the Corporation to be affixed to all papers which may require it.

Eleventh: - The private property of the stockholders shall not be liable for the payment of corporate debts to any extent whatever.

Twelfth: - The Corporation may transact business in any part of the world.

Thirteenth: - The Board of Directors of the Corporation is expressly authorized to make, alter or repeal the By-Laws of the Corporation by a vote of the majority of the entire Board. The stockholders may make, alter or repeal any By-Law whether or not adopted by them, provided however, that any such additional By-Laws, alterations or repeal may be adopted only by the affirmative vote of the holders of two-thirds or more of the outstanding shares of capital stock of the Corporation entitled to vote generally in the election of directors (considered for this purpose as one class).

Fourteenth: - Meetings of the Directors may be held outside of the State of Delaware at such places as may be from time to time designated by the Board, and the Directors may keep the books of the Company outside of the State of Delaware at such places as may be from time to time designated by them.

Fifteenth: - (a) In addition to any affirmative vote required by law, and except as otherwise expressly provided in sections (b) and (c) of this Article Fifteenth:

(A) any merger or consolidation of the Corporation or any Subsidiary (as hereinafter defined) with or into (i) any Interested Stockholder (as hereinafter defined) or (ii) any other corporation (whether or not itself an Interested Stockholder), which, after such merger or consolidation, would be an Affiliate (as hereinafter defined) of an Interested Stockholder, or

(B) any sale, lease, exchange, mortgage, pledge, transfer or other disposition (in one transaction or a series of related transactions) to or with any Interested Stockholder or any Affiliate of any Interested Stockholder of any assets of the Corporation or any Subsidiary having an aggregate fair market value of \$1,000,000 or more, or

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(C) the issuance or transfer by the Corporation or any Subsidiary (in one transaction or a series of related transactions) of any securities of the Corporation or any Subsidiary to any Interested Stockholder or any Affiliate of any Interested Stockholder in exchange for cash, securities or other property (or a combination thereof) having an aggregate fair market value of \$1,000,000 or more, or

(D) the adoption of any plan or proposal for the liquidation or dissolution of the Corporation, or

(E) any reclassification of securities (including any reverse stock split), or recapitalization of the Corporation, or any merger or consolidation of the Corporation with any of its Subsidiaries or any similar transaction (whether or not with or into or otherwise involving an Interested Stockholder) which has the effect, directly or indirectly, of increasing the proportionate share of the outstanding shares of any class of equity or convertible securities of the Corporation or any Subsidiary which is directly or indirectly owned by any Interested Stockholder, or any Affiliate of any Interested Stockholder,

shall require the affirmative vote of the holders of at least two-thirds of the outstanding shares of capital stock of the Corporation entitled to vote generally in the election of directors, considered for the purpose of this Article Fifteenth as one class ("Voting Shares"). Such affirmative vote shall be required notwithstanding the fact that no vote may be required, or that some lesser percentage may be specified, by law or in any agreement with any national securities exchange or otherwise.

> (2) The term "business combination" as used in this Article Fifteenth shall mean any transaction which is referred to any one or more of clauses (A) through (E) of paragraph 1 of the section (a).

(b) The provisions of section (a) of this Article Fifteenth shall not be applicable to any particular business combination and such business combination shall require only such affirmative vote as is required by law and any other provisions of the Charter or Act of Incorporation of By-Laws if such business combination has been approved by a majority of the whole Board.

(c) For the purposes of this Article Fifteenth:

(1) A "person" shall mean any individual firm, corporation or other entity.

(2) "Interested Stockholder" shall mean, in respect of any business combination, any person (other than the Corporation or any Subsidiary) who or which as of the record date for the determination of stockholders entitled to notice of and to vote on

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such business combination, or immediately prior to the consummation of any such transaction:

(A) is the beneficial owner, directly or indirectly, of more than 10% of the Voting Shares, or

(B) is an Affiliate of the Corporation and at any time within two years prior thereto was the beneficial owner, directly or indirectly, of not less than 10% of the then outstanding voting Shares, or

(C) is an assignee of or has otherwise succeeded in any share of capital stock of the Corporation which were at any time within two years prior thereto beneficially owned by any Interested Stockholder, and such assignment or succession shall have occurred in the course of a transaction of series of transactions not involving a public offering within the meaning of the Securities Act of 1933.

(3) A person shall be the "beneficial owner" of any Voting Shares:

(A) which such person or any of its Affiliates and Associates (as hereafter defined) beneficially own, directly or indirectly, or

(B) which such person or any of its Affiliates or Associates has (i) the right to acquire (whether such right is exercisable immediately or only after the passage of time), pursuant to any agreement, arrangement or understanding or upon the exercise of conversion rights, exchange rights, warrants or options, or otherwise, or (ii) the right to vote pursuant to any agreement, arrangement or understanding, or

(C) which are beneficially owned, directly or indirectly, by any other person with which such first mentioned person or any of its

Affiliates or Associates has any agreement, arrangement or understanding for the purpose of acquiring, holding, voting or disposing of any shares of capital stock of the Corporation.

(4) The outstanding Voting Shares shall include shares deemed owned through application of paragraph (3) above but shall not include any other Voting Shares which may be issuable pursuant to any agreement, or upon exercise of conversion rights, warrants or options or otherwise.

(5) "Affiliate" and "Associate" shall have the respective meanings given those terms in Rule 12b-2 of the General Rules and Regulations under the Securities Exchange Act of 1934, as in effect on December 31, 1981.

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(6) "Subsidiary" shall mean any corporation of which a majority of any class of equity security (as defined in Rule 3all-1 of the General Rules and Regulations under the Securities Exchange Act of 1934, as in effect in December 31, 1981) is owned, directly or indirectly, by the Corporation; provided, however, that for the purposes of the definition of Investment Stockholder set forth in paragraph (2) of this section (c), the term "Subsidiary" shall mean only a corporation of which a majority of each class of equity security is owned, directly or indirectly, by the Corporation.

(d) majority of the directors shall have the power and duty to determine for the purposes of this Article Fifteenth on the basis of information known to them, (1) the number of Voting Shares beneficially owned by any person (2) whether a person is an Affiliate or Associate of another, (3) whether a person has an agreement, arrangement or understanding with another as to the matters referred to in paragraph (3) of section (c), or (4) whether the assets subject to any business combination or the consideration received for the issuance or transfer of securities by the Corporation, or any Subsidiary has an aggregate fair market value of \$1,00,000 or more.

(e) Nothing contained in this Article Fifteenth shall be construed to relieve any Interested Stockholder from any fiduciary obligation imposed by law.

Sixteenth: - Notwithstanding any other provision of this Charter or Act of Incorporation or the By-Laws of the Corporation (and in addition to any other vote that may be required by law, this Charter or Act of Incorporation by the By-Laws), the affirmative vote of the holders of at least two-thirds of the outstanding shares of the capital stock of the Corporation entitled to vote generally in the election of directors (considered for this purpose as one class) shall be required to amend, alter or repeal any provision of Articles Fifth, Thirteenth, Fifteenth or Sixteenth of this Charter or Act of Incorporation.

Seventeenth: - (a) a Director of this Corporation shall not be liable to the Corporation or its stockholders for monetary damages for breach of fiduciary duty as a Director, except to the extent such exemption from liability or limitation thereof is not permitted under the Delaware General Corporation Laws as the same exists or may hereafter be amended.

(b) Any repeal or modification of the foregoing paragraph shall not adversely affect any right or protection of a Director of the Corporation existing hereunder with respect to any act or omission occurring prior to the time of such repeal or modification."

EXHIBIT B

BY-LAWS

WILMINGTON TRUST COMPANY

WILMINGTON, DELAWARE

As existing on December 21, 1995

BY-LAWS OF WILMINGTON TRUST COMPANY

ARTICLE I Stockholders' Meetings

Section 1. The Annual Meeting of Stockholders shall be held on the third Thursday in April each year at the principal office at the Company or at such other date, time, or place as may be designated by resolution by the Board of Directors.

Section 2. Special meetings of all stockholders may be called at any time by the Board of Directors, the Chairman of the Board or the President.

Section 3. Notice of all meetings of the stockholders shall be given by mailing to each stockholder at least ten (10 days before said meeting, at his last known address, a written or printed notice fixing the time and place of such meeting.

Section 4. A majority in the amount of the capital stock of the Company issued and outstanding on the record date, as herein determined, shall

constitute a quorum at all meetings of stockholders for the transaction of any business, but the holders of a small number of shares may adjourn, from time to time, without further notice, until a quorum is secured. At each annual or special meeting of stockholders, each stockholder shall be entitled to one vote, either in person or by proxy, for each shares of stock registered in the stockholder's name on the books of the Company on the record date for any such meeting as determined herein.

ARTICLE II Directors

Section 1. The number and classification of the Board of Directors shall be as set forth in the Charter of the Bank.

Section 2. No person who has attained the age of seventy-two (72) years shall be nominated for election to the Board of Directors of the Company, provided, however, that this limitation shall not apply to any person who was serving as director of the Company on September 16, 1971.

Section 3. The Class of Directors so elected shall hold office for three years or until their successors are elected and qualified.

Section 4. The affairs and business of the Company shall be managed and conducted by the Board of Directors.

Section 5. Regular meetings of the Board of Directors shall be held on the third Thursday of each month at the principal office of the Company, or at such other place and

time as may be designated by the Board of Directors, the Chairman of the Board, or the President.

Section 6. Special meetings of the Board of Directors may be called at any time by the Chairman of the Board of Directors or by the President, and shall be called upon the written request of a majority of the directors.

Section 7. A majority of the directors elected and qualified shall be necessary to constitute a quorum for the transaction of business at any meeting of the Board of Directors.

Section 8. Written notice shall be sent by mail to each director of any special meeting of the Board of Directors, and of any change in the time or place of any regular meeting, stating the time and place of such meeting, which shall be mailed not less than two days before the time of holding such meeting.

Section 9. In the event of the death, resignation, removal, inability to act, or disqualification of any director, the Board of Directors, although less than a quorum, shall have the right to elect the successor who shall hold office

for the remainder of the full term of the class of directors in which the vacancy occurred, and until such director's successor shall have been duly elected and qualified.

Section 10. The Board of Directors at its first meeting after its election by the stockholders shall appoint an Executive Committee, a Trust Committee, an Audit Committee and a Compensation Committee, and shall elect from its own members a Chairman of the Board of Directors and a President who may be the same person. The Board of Directors shall also elect at such meeting a Secretary and a Treasurer, who may be the same person, may appoint at any time such other committees and elect or appoint such other officers as it may deem advisable. The Board of Directors may also elect at such meeting one or more Associate Directors.

Section 11. The Board of Directors may at any time remove, with or without cause, any member of any Committee appointed by it or any associate director or officer elected by it and may appoint or elect his successor.

Section 12. The Board of Directors may designate an officer to be in charge of such of the departments or division of the Company as it may deem advisable.

ARTICLE III Committees

Section I. Executive Committee

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(A) The Executive Committee shall be composed of not more than

members who shall be selected by the Board of Directors from its own members and who shall hold office during the pleasure of the Board.

(B) The Executive Committee shall have all the powers of the Board of Directors when it is not in session to transact all business for and in behalf of the Company that may be brought before it.

(C) The Executive Committee shall meet at the principal office of the Company or elsewhere in its discretion at such times to be determined by a majority of its members, or at the call of the Chairman of the Executive Committee or at the call of the Chairman of the Board of Directors. The majority of its members shall be necessary to constitute a quorum for the transaction of business. Special meetings of the Executive Committee may be held at any time when a quorum is present. (D) Minutes of each meeting of the Executive Committee shall be kept and submitted to the Board of Directors at its next meeting.

(E) The Executive Committee shall advise and superintend all investments that may be made of the funds of the Company, and shall direct the disposal of the same, in accordance with such rules and regulations as the Board of Directors from time to time make.

(F) In the event of a state of disaster of sufficient severity to prevent the conduct and management of the affairs and business of the Company by its directors and officers as contemplated by these By-Laws any two available members of the Executive Committee as constituted immediately prior to such disaster shall constitute a quorum of that Committee for the full conduct and management of the affairs and business of the Company in accordance with the provisions of Article III of these By-Laws; and if less than three members of the Trust Committee is constituted immediately prior to such disaster shall be available for the transaction of its business, such Executive Committee shall also be empowered to exercise all of the powers reserved to the Trust Committee under Article III Section 2 hereof. In the event of the unavailability, at such time, of a minimum of two members of such Executive Committee, any three available directors shall constitute the Executive Committee for the full conduct and management of the affairs and business of the Company in accordance with the foregoing provisions of this Section. This By-Law shall be subject to implementation by Resolutions of the Board of Directors presently existing or hereafter passed from time to time for that purpose, and any provisions of these By-Laws (other than this Section) and any resolutions which are contrary to the provisions of this Section or to the provisions of any such implementary Resolutions shall be suspended during such a disaster period until it shall be determined by any interim Executive Committee acting under this section that it shall be to the advantage of the Company to resume the conduct and management of its affairs and business under all of the other provisions of these By-Laws.

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Section 2. Trust Committee

(A) The Trust Committee shall be composed of not more than thirteen members who shall be selected by the Board of Directors, a majority of whom shall be members of the Board of Directors and who shall hold office during the pleasure of the Board.

(B) The Trust Committee shall have general supervision over the Trust Department and the investment of trust funds, in all matters, however, being subject to the approval of the Board of Directors.

(C) The Trust Committee shall meet at the principal office of the Company or elsewhere in its discretion at least once a month. A majority of its members shall be necessary to constitute a quorum for the transaction of business. Special meetings of the Trust Committee may be held at any time when a quorum is present.

(D) Minutes of each meeting of the Trust Committee shall be kept and promptly submitted to the Board of Directors.

(E) The Trust Committee shall have the power to appoint Committees and/or designate officers or employees of the Company to whom supervision over the investment of trust funds may be delegated when the Trust Committee is not in session.

Section 3. Audit Committee

(A) The Audit Committee shall be composed of five members who shall be selected by the Board of Directors from its own members, none of whom shall be an officer of the Company, and shall hold office at the pleasure of the Board.

(B) The Audit Committee shall have general supervision over the Audit Division in all matters however subject to the approval of the Board of Directors; it shall consider all matters brought to its attention by the officer in charge of the Audit Division, review all reports of examination of the Company made by any governmental agency or such independent auditor employed for that purpose, and make such recommendations to the Board of Directors with respect thereto or with respect to any other matters pertaining to auditing the Company as it shall deem desirable.

(C) The Audit Committee shall meet whenever and wherever the majority of its members shall deem it to be proper for the transaction of its business, and a majority of its Committee shall constitute a quorum.

Section 4. Compensation Committee

(A) The Compensation Committee shall be composed of not more

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five (5) members who shall be selected by the Board of Directors from its own members who are not officers of the Company and who shall hold office during the pleasure of the Board.

(B) The Compensation Committee shall in general advise upon all matters of policy concerning the Company brought to its attention by the management and from time to time review the management of the Company, major organizational matters, including salaries and employee benefits and specifically shall administer the Executive Incentive Compensation Plan. (C) Meetings of the Compensation Committee may be called at any time by the Chairman of the Compensation Committee, the Chairman of the Board of Directors, or the President of the Company.

Section 5. Associate Directors

(A) Any person who has served as a director may be elected by the Board of Directors as an associate director, to serve during the pleasure of the Board.

(B) An associate director shall be entitled to attend all directors meetings and participate in the discussion of all matters brought to the Board, with the exception that he would have no right to vote. An associate director will be eligible for appointment to Committees of the Company, with the exception of the Executive Committee, Audit Committee and Compensation Committee, which must be comprised solely of active directors.

Section 6. Absence or Disqualification of Any Member of a Committee

(A) In the absence or disqualification of any member of any Committee created under Article III of the By-Laws of this Company, the member or members thereof present at any meeting and not disqualified from voting, whether or not he or they constitute a quorum, may unanimously appoint another member of the Board of Directors to act at the meeting in the place of any such absence or disqualified member.

ARTICLE IV OFFICERS

Section 1. The Chairman of the Board of Directors shall preside at all meetings of the Board and shall have such further authority and powers and shall perform such duties as the Board of Directors may from time to time confer and direct. He shall also exercise such powers and perform such duties as may from time to time be agreed upon between himself and the President of the Company.

Section 2. The Vice Chairman of the Board of Directors shall preside at all

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meetings of the Board of Directors at which the Chairman of the Board shall not be present and shall have such further authority and powers and shall perform such duties as the Board of Directors or the Chairman of the Board may from time to time confer and direct.

Section 3. The President shall have the powers and duties pertaining to the office of the President conferred or imposed upon him by statute or assigned to him by the Board of Directors in the absence of the Chairman of the Board the President shall have the powers and duties of the Chairman of the Board. Section 4. The Chairman of the Board of Directors or the President as designated by the Board of Directors, shall carry into effect all legal directions of the Executive Committee and of the Board of Directors, and shall at all times exercise general supervision over the interest, affairs and operations of the Company and perform all duties incident to his office.

Section 5. There may be one or more Vice Presidents, however denominated by the Board of Directors, who may at any time perform all the duties of the Chairman of the Board of Directors and/or the President and such other powers and duties as may from time to time be assigned to them by the Board of Directors, the Executive Committee, the Chairman of the Board or the President and by the officer in charge of the department or division to which they are assigned.

Section 6. The Secretary shall attend to the giving of notice of meetings of the stockholders and the Board of Directors, as well as the Committees thereof, to the keeping of accurate minutes of all such meetings and to recording the same in the minute books of the Company. In addition to the other notice requirements of these By-Laws and as may be practicable under the circumstances, all such notices shall be in writing and mailed well in advance of the scheduled date of any other meeting. He shall have custody of the corporate seal and shall affix the same to any documents requiring such corporate seal and to attest the same.

Section 7. The Treasurer shall have general supervision over all assets and liabilities of the Company. He shall be custodian of and responsible for all monies, funds and valuables of the Company and for the keeping of proper records of the evidence of property or indebtedness and of all the transactions of the Company. He shall have general supervision of the expenditures of the Company and shall report to the Board of Directors at each regular meeting of the condition of the Company, and perform such other duties as may be assigned to him from time to time by the Board of Directors of the Executive Committee.

Section 8. There may be a Controller who shall exercise general supervision over the internal operations of the Company, including accounting, and shall render to the Board of Directors at appropriate times a report relating to the general condition and internal operations of the Company.

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There may be one or more subordinate accounting or controller officers however denominated, who may perform the duties of the Controller and such duties as may be prescribed by the Controller.

Section 9. The officer designated by the Board of Directors to be in charge of the Audit Division of the Company with such title as the Board of Directors shall prescribe, shall report to and be directly responsible only to the Board of Directors. There shall be an Auditor and there may be one or more Audit Officers, however denominated, who may perform all the duties of the Auditor and such duties as may be prescribed by the officer in charge of the Audit Division.

Section 10. There may be one or more officers, subordinate in rank to all Vice Presidents with such functional titles as shall be determined from time to time by the Board of Directors, who shall ex officio hold the office Assistant Secretary of this Company and who may perform such duties as may be prescribed by the officer in charge of the department or division to whom they are assigned.

Section 11. The powers and duties of all other officers of the Company shall be those usually pertaining to their respective offices, subject to the direction of the Board of Directors, the Executive Committee, Chairman of the Board of Directors or the President and the officer in charge of the department or division to which they are assigned.

ARTICLE V Stock and Stock Certificates

Section 1. Shares of stock shall be transferable on the books of the Company and a transfer book shall be kept in which all transfers of stock shall be recorded.

Section 2. Certificate of stock shall bear the signature of the President or any Vice President, however denominated by the Board of Directors and countersigned by the Secretary or Treasurer or an Assistant Secretary, and the seal of the corporation shall be engraved thereon. Each certificate shall recite that the stock represented thereby is transferable only upon the books of the Company by the holder thereof or his attorney, upon surrender of the certificate properly endorsed. Any certificate of stock surrendered to the Company shall be cancelled at the time of transfer, and before a new certificate or certificates shall be issued in lieu thereof. Duplicate certificates of stock shall be issued only upon giving such security as may be satisfactory to the Board of Directors or the Executive Committee.

Section 3. The Board of Directors of the Company is authorized to fix in advance a record date for the determination of the stockholders entitled to notice of, and to vote at, any meeting of stockholders and any adjournment thereof, or entitled to receive payment of

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any dividend, or to any allotment or rights, or to exercise any rights in respect of any change, conversion or exchange of capital stock, or in connection with obtaining the consent of stockholders for any purpose, which record date shall not be more than 60 nor less than 10 days proceeding the date of any meeting of stockholders or the date for the payment of any dividend, or the date for the allotment of rights, or the date when any change or conversion or exchange of capital stock shall go into effect, or a date in connection with obtaining such consent.

ARTICLE VI SEAL

Section 1. The corporate seal of the Company shall be in the following form:

Between two concentric circles the words "Wilmington Trust Company" within the inner circle the words "Wilmington, Delaware."

ARTICLE VII FISCAL YEAR

Section 1. The fiscal year of the Company shall be the calendar year.

ARTICLE VIII EXECUTION OF INSTRUMENTS OF THE COMPANY

Section 1. The Chairman of the Board, the President or any Vice President, however denominated by the Board of Directors, shall have full power and authority to enter into, make, sign, execute, acknowledge and/or deliver and the Secretary or any Assistant Secretary shall have full power and authority to attest and affix the corporate seal of the Company to any and all deeds, conveyances, assignments, releases, contracts, agreements, bonds, notes, mortgages and all other instruments incident to the business of this Company or in acting as executor, administrator, guardian, trustee, agent or in any other fiduciary or representative capacity by any and every method of appointment or by whatever person, corporation, court officer or authority in the State of Delaware, or elsewhere, without any specific authority, ratification, approval or confirmation by the Board of Directors or the Executive Committee, and any and all such instruments shall have the same force and validity as although expressly authorized by the Board of Directors and/or the Executive Committee.

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ARTICLE IX COMPENSATION OF DIRECTORS AND MEMBERS OF COMMITTEES

Section 1. Directors and associate directors of the Company, other than salaried officers of the Company, shall be paid such reasonable honoraria or fees for attending meetings of the Board of Directors as the Board of Directors may from time to time determine. Directors and associate directors who serve as members of committees, other than salaried employees of the Company, shall be paid such reasonable honoraria or fees for services as members of committees as the Board of Directors shall from time to time determine and directors and associate directors may be employed by the Company for such special services as the Board of Directors may from time to time determine and shall be paid for such special services so performed reasonable compensation as may be determined by the Board of Directors.

ARTICLE X INDEMNIFICATION

Section 1. (A) The Corporation shall indemnify and hold harmless, to the fullest extent permitted by applicable law as it presently exists or may hereafter be amended, any person who was or is made or is threatened to be made a party or is otherwise involved in any action, suit or proceeding, whether civil, criminal, administrative or investigative (a "proceeding") by reason of the fact that he, or a person for whom he is the legal representative, is or was a director, officer, employee or agent of the Corporation or is or was serving at the request of the Corporation as a director, officer, employee, fiduciary or agent of another corporation or of a partnership, joint venture, trust, enterprise or non-profit entity, including service with respect to employee benefit plans, against all liability and loss suffered and expenses reasonably incurred by such person. The Corporation shall indemnify a person in connection with a proceeding initiated by such person only if the proceeding was authorized by the Board of Directors of the Corporation.

(B) The Corporation shall pay the expenses incurred in defending any proceeding in advance of its final disposition, PROVIDED, HOWEVER, that the payment of expenses incurred by a Director officer in his capacity as a Director or officer in advance of the final disposition of the proceeding shall be made only upon receipt of an undertaking by the Director or officer to repay all amounts advanced if it should be ultimately determined that the Director or officer is not entitled to be indemnified under this Article or otherwise.

(C) If a claim for indemnification or payment of expenses, under this Article X is not paid in full within ninety days after a written claim therefor has been received by the Corporation the claimant may file suit to recover the unpaid amount of such claim and, if successful in whole or in part, shall be entitled to be paid the expense of prosecuting such claim. In any such action the Corporation shall have the burden of proving

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that the claimant was not entitled to the requested indemnification of payment of expenses under applicable law.

(D) The rights conferred on any person by this Article X shall not be exclusive of any other rights which such person may have or hereafter acquire under any statute, provision of the Charter or Act of Incorporation, these By-Laws, agreement, vote of stockholders or disinterested Directors or otherwise. (E) Any repeal or modification of the foregoing provisions of this Article X shall not adversely affect any right or protection hereunder of any person in respect of any act or omission occurring prior to the time of such repeal or modification.

ARTICLE XI AMENDMENTS TO THE BY-LAWS

Section 1. These By-Laws may be altered, amended or repealed, in whole or in part, and any new By-Law or By-Laws adopted at any regular or special meeting of the Board of Directors by a vote of the majority of all the members of the Board of Directors then in office.

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EXHIBIT C

SECTION 321(b) CONSENT

Pursuant to Section 321(b) of the Trust Indenture Act of 1939, as amended, Wilmington Trust Company hereby consents that reports of examinations by Federal, State, Territorial or District authorities may be furnished by such authorities to the Securities and Exchange Commission upon requests therefor.

WILMINGTON TRUST COMPANY

Dated: December 23, 1996

By: /s/ Norma P. Closs

Name: Norma P. Closs Title: Vice President

EXHIBIT D

NOTICE

This form is intended to assist state nonmember banks and savings banks with state publication requirements. It has not been approved by any state banking authorities. Refer to your appropriate state banking authorities for your state publication requirements.

REPORT OF CONDITION

Consolidating domestic subsidiaries of the

WILMINGTON TRUST COMPANY of WILMINGTON

City

in the State of DELAWARE, at the close of business on September 30, 1996.

ASSETS	Tho	usands of do	llars
Cash and balances due from depository institutions:			
Noninterest-bearing balances and currency and coi	ns	198,288	
Interest-bearing balances		0	
Held-to-maturity securities		489,428	
Available-for-sale securities		783,718	
Federal funds sold		19,000	
Securities purchased under agreements to resell		48,500	
Loans and lease financing receivables:			
Loans and leases, net of unearned income	3,620,289		
LESS: Allowance for loan and lease losses	49,721		
LESS: Allocated transfer risk reserve	0		
Loans and leases, net of unearned income,			
allowance, and reserve		3,570,568	
Assets held in trading accounts		0	
Premises and fixed assets (including capitalized			
leases)		83,675	
Other real estate owned		4,607	
Investments in unconsolidated subsidiaries and		,	
associated companies		85	
Customers' liability to this bank on acceptances			
outstanding		0	
Intangible assets		4,131	
Other assets		101,592	
Total assets		5,303,592	
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LIABILITIES			
Deposits:			
In domestic offices		3,457,641	
Noninterest-bearing	740,731	, ,	
Interest-bearing	2,716,910		
Federal funds purchased	, , , , , , , , , , , , , , , , , , , ,	135,889	
Securities sold under agreements to repurchase		213,617	
Demand notes issued to the U.S. Treasury		94,999	
Trading liabilities		0	
Other borrowed money:		Ŭ	
With original maturity of one year or less		844 000	

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With original maturity of one year or less	844,000
With original maturity of more than one year	28,000
Mortgage indebtedness and obligations under	
capitalized leases	0
Bank's liability on acceptances executed and	
outstanding	0

Subordinated notes and debentures Other liabilities Total liabilities Limited-life preferred stock and related surplus	0 103,818 4,877,964 0
EQUITY CAPITAL	
Perpetual preferred stock and related surplus Common Stock Surplus Undivided profits and capital reserves Net unrealized holding gains (losses) on available-for-sale securities Total equity capital	0 500 62,119 363,705 (696) 425,628
Total liabilities, limited-life preferred stock, and equity capital	5,303,592

Registration No. 333-15743

SECURITIES AND EXCHANGE COMMISSION Washington, D.C. 20549

FORM T-1

STATEMENT OF ELIGIBILITY UNDER THE TRUST INDENTURE ACT OF 1939 OF A CORPORATION DESIGNATED TO ACT AS TRUSTEE

CHECK IF AN APPLICATION TO DETERMINE ELIGIBILITY OF A TRUSTEE PURSUANT TO SECTION 305(b)(2) X

WILMINGTON TRUST COMPANY (Exact name of trustee as specified in its charter)

Delaware (State of incorporation)

51-0055023 (I.R.S. employer identification no.)

Rodney Square North 1100 North Market Street Wilmington, Delaware 19890 (Address of principal executive offices)

Cynthia L. Corliss Vice President and Trust Counsel Wilmington Trust Company Rodney Square North Wilmington, Delaware 19890 (302) 651-8516 (Name, address and telephone number of agent for service)

FIRST UNION CORPORATION FIRST UNION CAPITAL I (Exact name of obligor as specified in its charter)

North Carolina Delaware 56-0898180 To be Applied for

(I.R.S. employer identification no.)

(State of incorporation)

One First Union Center

Charlotte, North Carolina (Address of principal executive offices)

Preferred Securities of First Union Capital I

(Title of the indenture securities)

ITEM 1. GENERAL INFORMATION.

Furnish the following information as to the trustee:

(a) Name and address of each examining or supervising authority to which it is subject.

Federal Deposit Insurance Co. State Bank Commissioner Five Penn Center Dover, Delaware Suite #2901 Philadelphia, PA

(b) Whether it is authorized to exercise corporate trust powers.

The trustee is authorized to exercise corporate trust powers.

ITEM 2. AFFILIATIONS WITH THE OBLIGOR.

If the obligor is an affiliate of the trustee, describe each affiliation:

Based upon an examination of the books and records of the trustee and upon information furnished by the obligor, the obligor is not an affiliate of the trustee.

ITEM 3. LIST OF EXHIBITS.

List below all exhibits filed as part of this Statement of Eligibility and Qualification.

- A. Copy of the Charter of Wilmington Trust Company, which includes the certificate of authority of Wilmington Trust Company to commence business and the authorization of Wilmington Trust Company to exercise corporate trust powers.
- B. Copy of By-Laws of Wilmington Trust Company.
- C. Consent of Wilmington Trust Company required by Section 321(b) of Trust Indenture Act.
- D. Copy of most recent Report of Condition of Wilmington Trust

Company.

Pursuant to the requirements of the Trust Indenture Act of 1939, as amended, the trustee, Wilmington Trust Company, a corporation organized and existing under the laws of Delaware, has duly caused this Statement of Eligibility to be signed on its behalf by the undersigned, thereunto duly authorized, all in the City of Wilmington and State of Delaware on the 23rd day of December, 1996.

WILMINGTON TRUST COMPANY

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Attest: /s/ Debra Eberly Assistant Secretary By: /s/ Norma P. Closs Name: Norma P. Closs Title: Vice President

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EXHIBIT A AMENDED CHARTER Wilmington Trust Company Wilmington, Delaware As existing on May 9, 1987

> Amended Charter or Act of Incorporation of Wilmington Trust Company

Wilmington Trust Company, originally incorporated by an Act of the General Assembly of the State of Delaware, entitled "An Act to Incorporate

the Delaware Guarantee and Trust Company", approved March 2, A.D. 1901, and the name of which company was changed to "Wilmington Trust Company" by an amendment filed in the Office of the Secretary of State on March 18, A.D. 1903, and the Charter or Act of Incorporation of which company has been from time to time amended and changed by merger agreements pursuant to the corporation law for state banks and trust companies of the State of Delaware, does hereby alter and amend its Charter or Act of Incorporation so that the same as so altered and amended shall in its entirety read as follows:

First: - The name of this corporation is Wilmington Trust Company.

Second: - The location of its principal office in the State of Delaware is at Rodney Square North, in the City of Wilmington, County of New Castle; the name of its resident agent is Wilmington Trust Company whose address is Rodney Square North, in said City. In addition to such principal office, the said corporation maintains and operates branch offices in the City of Newark, New Castle County, Delaware, the town of Newport, New Castle County, Delaware, at Claymont, New Castle County, Delaware, at Greenville, New Castle County, Delaware, and at Milford Cross Roads, New Castle County, Delaware, and shall be empowered to open, maintain and operate branch offices at Ninth and Shipley Streets, 418 Delaware Avenue, 2120 Market Street, and 3605 Market Street, all in the City of Wilmington, New Castle County, Delaware, and such other branch offices or places of business as may be authorized from time to time by the agency or agencies of the government of the State of Delaware empowered to confer such authority.

Third: - (a) The nature of the business and the objects and purposes proposed to be transacted, promoted or carried on by this Corporation are to do any or all of the things herein mentioned as fully and to the same extent as natural persons might or could do and in any part of the world, viz.:

(1) To sue and be sued, complain and defend in any Court of law or equity and to make and use a common seal, and alter the seal at pleasure, to hold, purchase, convey, mortgage or otherwise deal in real and personal estate and property, and to appoint such officers and agents as the business of the

Corporation shall require, to make by-laws not inconsistent with the Constitution or laws of the United States or of this State, to discount bills, notes or other evidences of debt, to receive deposits of money, or securities for money, to buy gold or silver bullion and foreign coins, to buy and sell bills of exchange, and generally to use, exercise and enjoy all the powers, rights, privileges and franchises incident to a corporation which are proper or necessary for the transaction of the business of the Corporation hereby created. (2) To insure titles to real and personal property, or any estate or interests therein, and to guarantee the holder of such property, real or personal, against any claim or claims, adverse to his interest therein, and to prepare and give certificates of title for any lands or premises in the State of Delaware, or elsewhere.

(3) To act as factor, agent, broker or attorney in the receipt, collection, custody, investment and management of funds, and the purchase, sale, management and disposal of property of all descriptions, and to prepare and execute all papers which may be necessary or proper in such business.

(4) To prepare and draw agreements, contracts, deeds, leases, conveyances, mortgages, bonds and legal papers of every description, and to carry on the business of conveyancing in all its branches.

(5) To receive upon deposit for safekeeping money, jewelry, plate, deeds, bonds and any and all other personal property of every sort and kind, from executors, administrators, guardians, public officers, courts, receivers, assignees, trustees, and from all fiduciaries, and from all other persons and individuals, and from all corporations whether state, municipal, corporate or private, and to rent boxes, safes, vaults and other receptacles for such property.

(6) To act as agent or otherwise for the purpose of registering, issuing, certificating, countersigning, transferring or underwriting the stock, bonds or other obligations of any corporation, association, state or municipality, and may receive and manage any sinking fund therefor on such terms as may be agreed upon between the two parties, and in like manner may act as Treasurer of any corporation or municipality.

(7) To act as Trustee under any deed of trust, mortgage, bond or other instrument issued by any state, municipality, body politic, corporation, association or person, either alone or in conjunction with any other person or persons, corporation or corporations.

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(8) To guarantee the validity, performance or effect of any contract or agreement, and the fidelity of persons holding places of responsibility or trust; to become surety for any person, or persons, for the faithful performance of any trust, office, duty, contract or agreement, either by itself or in conjunction with any other person, or persons, corporation, or corporations, or in like manner become surety upon any bond, recognizance, obligation, judgment, suit, order, or decree to be entered in any court of record within the State of Delaware or elsewhere, or which may now or hereafter be required by any law, judge, officer or court in the State of Delaware or elsewhere.

(9) To act by any and every method of appointment as trustee, trustee in bankruptcy, receiver, assignee, assignee in bankruptcy, executor, administrator, guardian, bailee, or in any other trust capacity in the receiving, holding, managing, and disposing of any and all estates and property, real, personal or mixed, and to be appointed as such trustee, trustee in bankruptcy, receiver, assignee, assignee in bankruptcy, executor, administrator, guardian or bailee by any persons, corporations, court, officer, or authority, in the State of Delaware or elsewhere; and whenever this Corporation is so appointed by any person, corporation, court, officer or authority such trustee, trustee in bankruptcy, receiver, assignee, assignee in bankruptcy, executor, administrator, guardian, bailee, or in any other trust capacity, it shall not be required to give bond with surety, but its capital stock shall be taken and held as security for the performance of the duties devolving upon it by such appointment.

(10) And for its care, management and trouble, and the exercise of any of its powers hereby given, or for the performance of any of the duties which it may undertake or be called upon to perform, or for the assumption of any responsibility the said Corporation may be entitled to receive a proper compensation.

(11) To purchase, receive, hold and own bonds, mortgages, debentures, shares of capital stock, and other securities, obligations, contracts and evidences of indebtedness, of any private, public or municipal corporation within and without the State of Delaware, or of the Government of the United States, or of any state, territory, colony, or possession thereof, or of any foreign government or country; to receive, collect, receipt for, and dispose of interest, dividends and income upon and from any of the bonds, mortgages, debentures, notes, shares of capital stock, securities, obligations, contracts, evidences of indebtedness and other property held and owned by it, and to exercise in respect of all such bonds, mortgages, debentures, notes, shares of capital stock, securities, obligations, contracts, evidences of indebtedness and other property, any and all the rights, powers and privileges of individual

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owners thereof, including the right to vote thereon; to invest and deal in and with any of the moneys of the Corporation upon such securities and in such manner as it may think fit and proper, and from time to time to vary or realize such investments; to issue bonds and secure the same by pledges or deeds of trust or mortgages of or upon the whole or any part of the property held or owned by the Corporation, and to sell and pledge such bonds, as and when the Board of Directors shall determine, and in the promotion of its said corporate business of investment and to the extent authorized by law, to lease, purchase, hold, sell, assign, transfer, pledge, mortgage and convey real and personal property of any name and nature and any estate or interest therein.

(b) In furtherance of, and not in limitation, of the powers conferred by the laws of the State of Delaware, it is hereby expressly provided that the said Corporation shall also have the following powers:

(1) To do any or all of the things herein set forth, to the same extent as natural persons might or could do, and in any part of the world.

(2) To acquire the good will, rights, property and franchises and to undertake the whole or any part of the assets and liabilities of any person, firm, association or corporation, and to pay for the same in cash, stock of this Corporation, bonds or otherwise; to hold or in any manner to dispose of the whole or any part of the property so purchased; to conduct in any lawful manner the whole or any part of any business so acquired, and to exercise all the powers necessary or convenient in and about the conduct and management of such business.

(3) To take, hold, own, deal in, mortgage or otherwise lien, and to lease, sell, exchange, transfer, or in any manner whatever dispose of property, real, personal or mixed, wherever situated.

(4) to enter into, make, perform and carry out contracts of every kind with any person, firm, association or corporation, and, without limit as to amount, to draw, make, accept, endorse, discount, execute and issue promissory notes, drafts, bills of exchange, warrants, bonds, debentures, and other negotiable or transferable instruments.

(5) To have one or more offices, to carry on all or any of its operations and businesses, without restriction to the same extent as natural persons might or could do, to purchase or otherwise acquire, to hold, own, to mortgage, sell, convey or otherwise dispose of, real and personal property, of every class and description, in any State, District, Territory or Colony of the United States, and in any foreign country or place. (6) It is the intention that the objects, purposes and powers specified and clauses contained in this paragraph shall (except where otherwise expressed in said paragraph) be nowise limited or restricted by reference to or inference from the terms of any other clause of this or any other paragraph in this charter, but that the objects, purposes and powers specified in each of the clauses of this paragraph shall be regarded as independent objects, purposes and powers.

Fourth: - (a) The total number of shares of all classes of stock which the Corporation shall have authority to issue is forty-one million (41,000,000) shares, consisting of:

(1) One million (1,000,000) shares of Preferred stock, par value \$10.00 per share (hereinafter referred to as "Preferred Stock"); and

(2) Forty million (40,000,000) shares of Common Stock, par value \$1.00 per share (hereinafter referred to as "Common Stock").

(b) Shares of Preferred Stock may be issued from time to time in one or more series as may from time to time be determined by the Board of Directors each of said series to be distinctly designated. All shares of any one series of Preferred Stock shall be alike in every particular, except that there may be different dates from which dividends, if any, thereon shall be cumulative, if made cumulative. The voting powers and the preferences and relative, participating, optional and other special rights of each such series, and the qualifications, limitations or restrictions thereof, if any, may differ from those of any and all other series at any time outstanding; and, subject to the provisions of subparagraph 1 of Paragraph (c) of this Article Fourth, the Board of Directors of the Corporation is hereby expressly granted authority to fix by resolution or resolutions adopted prior to the issuance of any shares of a particular series of Preferred Stock, the voting powers and the designations, preferences and relative, optional and other special rights, and the qualifications, limitations and restrictions of such series, including, but without limiting the generality of the foregoing, the following:

> (1) The distinctive designation of, and the number of shares of Preferred Stock which shall constitute such series, which number may be increased (except where otherwise provided by the Board of Directors) or decreased (but not below the number of shares thereof then outstanding) from time to time by like action of the Board of Directors;

(2) The rate and times at which, and the terms and conditions

on which, dividends, if any, on Preferred Stock of such series shall be paid, the extent of the preference or relation, if any, of such dividends to the dividends payable on any other class or classes, or series of the same or other class of

stock and whether such dividends shall be cumulative or non-cumulative;

(3) The right, if any, of the holders of Preferred Stock of such series to convert the same into or exchange the same for, shares of any other class or classes or of any series of the same or any other class or classes of stock of the Corporation and the terms and conditions of such conversion or exchange;

(4) Whether or not Preferred Stock of such series shall be subject to redemption, and the redemption price or prices and the time or times at which, and the terms and conditions on which, Preferred Stock of such series may be redeemed.

(5) The rights, if any, of the holders of Preferred Stock of such series upon the voluntary or involuntary liquidation, merger, consolidation, distribution or sale of assets, dissolution or winding-up, of the Corporation.

(6) The terms of the sinking fund or redemption or purchase account, if any, to be provided for the Preferred Stock of such series; and

(7) The voting powers, if any, of the holders of such series of Preferred Stock which may, without limiting the generality of the foregoing include the right, voting as a series or by itself or together with other series of Preferred Stock or all series of Preferred Stock as a class, to elect one or more directors of the Corporation if there shall have been a default in the payment of dividends on any one or more series of Preferred Stock or under such circumstances and on such conditions as the Board of Directors may determine.

(c) (1) After the requirements with respect to preferential dividends on the Preferred Stock (fixed in accordance with the provisions of section (b) of this Article Fourth), if any, shall have been met and after the Corporation shall have complied with all the requirements, if any, with respect to the setting aside of sums as sinking funds or redemption or purchase accounts (fixed in accordance with the provisions of section (b) of this Article Fourth), and subject further to any conditions which may be fixed in accordance with the provisions of section (b) of this Article Fourth, then and not otherwise the holders of Common Stock shall be entitled to receive such dividends as may be declared from time to time by the Board of Directors.

> (2) After distribution in full of the preferential amount, if any, (fixed in accordance with the provisions of section (b) of this Article Fourth), to be distributed to the holders of Preferred Stock in the event of voluntary or involuntary liquidation, distribution or sale of assets, dissolution or winding-up, of the Corporation, the holders of the Common Stock shall be entitled to

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receive all of the remaining assets of the Corporation, tangible and intangible, of whatever kind available for distribution to stockholders ratably in proportion to the number of shares of Common Stock held by them respectively.

(3) Except as may otherwise be required by law or by the provisions of such resolution or resolutions as may be adopted by the Board of Directors pursuant to section (b) of this Article Fourth, each holder of Common Stock shall have one vote in respect of each share of Common Stock held on all matters voted upon by the stockholders.

(d) No holder of any of the shares of any class or series of stock or of options, warrants or other rights to purchase shares of any class or series of stock or of other securities of the Corporation shall have any preemptive right to purchase or subscribe for any unissued stock of any class or series or any additional shares of any class or series to be issued by reason of any increase of the authorized capital stock of the Corporation of any class or series, or bonds, certificates of indebtedness, debentures or other securities convertible into or exchangeable for stock of the Corporation of any class or series, or carrying any right to purchase stock of any class or series, but any such unissued stock, additional authorized issue of shares of any class or series of stock or securities convertible into or exchangeable for stock, or carrying any right to purchase stock, may be issued and disposed of pursuant to resolution of the Board of Directors to such persons, firms, corporations or associations, whether such holders or others, and upon such terms as may be deemed advisable by the Board of Directors in the exercise of its sole discretion.

(e) The relative powers, preferences and rights of each series of Preferred Stock in relation to the relative powers, preferences and rights of each other series of Preferred Stock shall, in each case, be as fixed from time to time by the Board of Directors in the resolution or resolutions adopted pursuant to authority granted in section (b) of this Article Fourth and the consent, by class or series vote or otherwise, of the holders of such of the series of Preferred Stock as are from time to time outstanding shall not be required for the issuance by the Board of Directors of any other series of Preferred Stock whether or not the powers, preferences and rights of such other series shall be fixed by the Board of Directors as senior to, or on a parity with, the powers, preferences and rights of such outstanding series, or any of them; provided, however, that the Board of Directors may provide in the resolution or resolutions as to any series of Preferred Stock adopted pursuant to section (b) of this Article Fourth that the consent of the holders of a majority (or such greater proportion as shall be therein fixed) of the outstanding shares of such series voting thereon shall be required for the issuance of any or all other series of Preferred Stock.

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(f) Subject to the provisions of section (e), shares of any series of Preferred Stock may be issued from time to time as the Board of Directors of the Corporation shall determine and on such terms and for such consideration as shall be fixed by the Board of Directors.

(g) Shares of Common Stock may be issued from time to time as the Board of Directors of the Corporation shall determine and on such terms and for such consideration as shall be fixed by the Board of Directors.

(h) The authorized amount of shares of Common Stock and of Preferred Stock may, without a class or series vote, be increased or decreased from time to time by affirmative vote of the holders of a majority of the stock of the Corporation entitled to vote thereon.

Fifth: - (a) The business and affairs of the Corporation shall be conducted and managed by a Board of Directors. The number of directors constituting the entire Board shall not be less than five nor more than twenty-five as fixed from time to time by vote of a majority of the whole Board, provided, however, that the number of directors shall not be reduced so as to shorten the term of any director at the time in office, and provided further, that the number of directors constituting the whole Board shall be twenty-four until otherwise fixed by a majority of the whole Board.

(b) The Board of Directors shall be divided into three classes, as nearly equal in number as the then total number of directors constituting the whole Board permits, with the term of office of one class expiring each year. At the annual meeting of stockholders in 1982, directors of the first class shall be elected to hold office for a term expiring at the next succeeding annual meeting, directors of the second class shall be elected to hold office for a term expiring at the second succeeding annual meeting and directors of the third class shall be elected to hold office for a term expiring at the third succeeding annual meeting. Any vacancies in the Board of Directors for any reason, and any newly created directorships resulting from any increase in the directors, may be filled by the Board of Directors, acting by a majority of the directors then in office, although less than a quorum, and any directors so chosen shall hold office until the next annual election of directors. At such election, the stockholders shall elect a successor to such director to hold office until the next election of the class for which such director shall have been chosen and until his successor shall be elected and qualified. No decrease in the number of directors shall shorten the term of any incumbent director.

(c) Notwithstanding any other provisions of this Charter or Act of Incorporation or the By-Laws of the Corporation (and notwithstanding the fact that some lesser percentage may be specified by law, this Charter or Act of Incorporation or the By-Laws of the Corporation), any director or the entire Board of Directors of the

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Corporation may be removed at any time without cause, but only by the affirmative vote of the holders of two-thirds or more of the outstanding shares of capital stock of the Corporation entitled to vote generally in the election of directors (considered for this purpose as one class) cast at a meeting of the stockholders called for that purpose.

(d) Nominations for the election of directors may be made by the Board of Directors or by any stockholder entitled to vote for the election of directors. Such nominations shall be made by notice in writing, delivered or mailed by first class United States mail, postage prepaid, to the Secretary of the Corporation not less than 14 days nor more than 50 days prior to any meeting of the stockholders called for the election of directors; provided, however, that if less than 21 days' notice of the meeting is given to stockholders, such written notice shall be delivered or mailed, as prescribed, to the Secretary of the Corporation not later that the close of the seventh day following the day on which notice of the meeting was mailed to stockholders. Notice of nominations which are proposed by the Board of Directors shall be given by the Chairman on behalf of the Board.

(e) Each notice under subsection (d) shall set forth (i) the name, age, business address and, if known, residence address of each nominee proposed in such notice, (ii) the principal occupation or employment of such nominee and (iii) the number of shares of stock of the Corporation which are beneficially owned by each such nominee.

(f) The Chairman of the meeting may, if the facts warrant, determine and declare to the meeting that a nomination was not made in accordance with the foregoing procedure, and if he should so determine, he shall so declare to the meeting and the defective nomination shall be disregarded. (g) No action required to be taken or which may be taken at any annual or special meeting of stockholders of the Corporation may be taken without a meeting, and the power of stockholders to consent in writing, without a meeting, to the taking of any action is specifically denied.

Sixth: - The Directors shall choose such officers, agent and servants as may be provided in the By-Laws as they may from time to time find necessary or proper.

Seventh: - The Corporation hereby created is hereby given the same powers, rights and privileges as may be conferred upon corporations organized under the Act entitled "An Act Providing a General Corporation Law", approved March 10, 1899, as from time to time amended.

Eighth: - This Act shall be deemed and taken to be a private Act.

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Ninth: - This Corporation is to have perpetual existence.

Tenth: - The Board of Directors, by resolution passed by a majority of the whole Board, may designate any of their number to constitute an Executive Committee, which Committee, to the extent provided in said resolution, or in the By-Laws of the Company, shall have and may exercise all of the powers of the Board of Directors in the management of the business and affairs of the Corporation, and shall have power to authorize the seal of the Corporation to be affixed to all papers which may require it.

Eleventh: - The private property of the stockholders shall not be liable for the payment of corporate debts to any extent whatever.

Twelfth: - The Corporation may transact business in any part of the world.

Thirteenth: - The Board of Directors of the Corporation is expressly authorized to make, alter or repeal the By-Laws of the Corporation by a vote of the majority of the entire Board. The stockholders may make, alter or repeal any By-Law whether or not adopted by them, provided however, that any such additional By-Laws, alterations or repeal may be adopted only by the affirmative vote of the holders of two-thirds or more of the outstanding shares of capital stock of the Corporation entitled to vote generally in the election of directors (considered for this purpose as one class).

Fourteenth: - Meetings of the Directors may be held outside of the State of Delaware at such places as may be from time to time designated by the Board, and the Directors may keep the books of the Company outside of the State of Delaware at such places as may be from time to time designated by them. Fifteenth: - (a) In addition to any affirmative vote required by law, and except as otherwise expressly provided in sections (b) and (c) of this Article Fifteenth:

(A) any merger or consolidation of the Corporation or any Subsidiary (as hereinafter defined) with or into (i) any Interested Stockholder (as hereinafter defined) or (ii) any other corporation (whether or not itself an Interested Stockholder), which, after such merger or consolidation, would be an Affiliate (as hereinafter defined) of an Interested Stockholder, or

(B) any sale, lease, exchange, mortgage, pledge, transfer or other disposition (in one transaction or a series of related transactions) to or with any Interested Stockholder or any Affiliate of any Interested Stockholder of any assets of the Corporation or any Subsidiary having an aggregate fair market value of \$1,000,000 or more, or

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(C) the issuance or transfer by the Corporation or any Subsidiary (in one transaction or a series of related transactions) of any securities of the Corporation or any Subsidiary to any Interested Stockholder or any Affiliate of any Interested Stockholder in exchange for cash, securities or other property (or a combination thereof) having an aggregate fair market value of \$1,000,000 or more, or

(D) the adoption of any plan or proposal for the liquidation or dissolution of the Corporation, or

(E) any reclassification of securities (including any reverse stock split), or recapitalization of the Corporation, or any merger or consolidation of the Corporation with any of its Subsidiaries or any similar transaction (whether or not with or into or otherwise involving an Interested Stockholder) which has the effect, directly or indirectly, of increasing the proportionate share of the outstanding shares of any class of equity or convertible securities of the Corporation or any Subsidiary which is directly or indirectly owned by any Interested Stockholder, or any Affiliate of any Interested Stockholder,

shall require the affirmative vote of the holders of at least two-thirds of the outstanding shares of capital stock of the Corporation entitled to vote generally in the election of directors, considered for the purpose of this Article Fifteenth as one class ("Voting Shares"). Such affirmative vote shall be required notwithstanding the fact that no vote may be required, or that some lesser percentage may be specified, by law or in any agreement with any

national securities exchange or otherwise.

(2) The term "business combination" as used in this Article Fifteenth shall mean any transaction which is referred to any one or more of clauses (A) through (E) of paragraph 1 of the section (a).

(b) The provisions of section (a) of this Article Fifteenth shall not be applicable to any particular business combination and such business combination shall require only such affirmative vote as is required by law and any other provisions of the Charter or Act of Incorporation of By-Laws if such business combination has been approved by a majority of the whole Board.

(c) For the purposes of this Article Fifteenth:

(1) A "person" shall mean any individual firm, corporation or other entity.

(2) "Interested Stockholder" shall mean, in respect of any business combination, any person (other than the Corporation or any Subsidiary) who or which as of the record date for the determination of stockholders entitled to notice of and to vote on

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such business combination, or immediately prior to the consummation of any such transaction:

(A) is the beneficial owner, directly or indirectly, of more than 10% of the Voting Shares, or

(B) is an Affiliate of the Corporation and at any time within two years prior thereto was the beneficial owner, directly or indirectly, of not less than 10% of the then outstanding voting Shares, or

(C) is an assignee of or has otherwise succeeded in any share of capital stock of the Corporation which were at any time within two years prior thereto beneficially owned by any Interested Stockholder, and such assignment or succession shall have occurred in the course of a transaction of series of transactions not involving a public offering within the meaning of the Securities Act of 1933.

(3) A person shall be the "beneficial owner" of any Voting Shares:

(A) which such person or any of its Affiliates and Associates (as hereafter defined) beneficially own, directly or indirectly, or

(B) which such person or any of its Affiliates or Associates has (i) the right to acquire (whether such right is exercisable immediately or only after the passage of time), pursuant to any agreement, arrangement or understanding or upon the exercise of conversion rights, exchange rights, warrants or options, or otherwise, or (ii) the right to vote pursuant to any agreement, arrangement or understanding, or

(C) which are beneficially owned, directly or indirectly, by any other person with which such first mentioned person or any of its Affiliates or Associates has any agreement, arrangement or understanding for the purpose of acquiring, holding, voting or disposing of any shares of capital stock of the Corporation.

(4) The outstanding Voting Shares shall include shares deemed owned through application of paragraph (3) above but shall not include any other Voting Shares which may be issuable pursuant to any agreement, or upon exercise of conversion rights, warrants or options or otherwise.

(5) "Affiliate" and "Associate" shall have the respective meanings given those terms in Rule 12b-2 of the General Rules and Regulations under the Securities Exchange Act of 1934, as in effect on December 31, 1981.

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(6) "Subsidiary" shall mean any corporation of which a majority of any class of equity security (as defined in Rule 3a11-1 of the General Rules and Regulations under the Securities Exchange Act of 1934, as in effect in December 31, 1981) is owned, directly or indirectly, by the Corporation; provided, however, that for the purposes of the definition of Investment Stockholder set forth in paragraph (2) of this section (c), the term "Subsidiary" shall mean only a corporation of which a majority of each class of equity security is owned, directly or indirectly, by the Corporation.

(d) majority of the directors shall have the power and duty to determine for the purposes of this Article Fifteenth on the basis of information known to them, (1) the number of Voting Shares beneficially owned by any person (2) whether a person is an Affiliate or Associate of another, (3) whether a person has an agreement, arrangement or understanding with another as to the matters referred to in paragraph (3) of section (c), or (4) whether the assets subject to any business combination or the consideration received for the issuance or transfer of securities by the Corporation, or any Subsidiary has an aggregate fair market value of \$1,00,000 or more. (e) Nothing contained in this Article Fifteenth shall be construed to relieve any Interested Stockholder from any fiduciary obligation imposed by law.

Sixteenth: - Notwithstanding any other provision of this Charter or Act of Incorporation or the By-Laws of the Corporation (and in addition to any other vote that may be required by law, this Charter or Act of Incorporation by the By-Laws), the affirmative vote of the holders of at least two-thirds of the outstanding shares of the capital stock of the Corporation entitled to vote generally in the election of directors (considered for this purpose as one class) shall be required to amend, alter or repeal any provision of Articles Fifth, Thirteenth, Fifteenth or Sixteenth of this Charter or Act of Incorporation.

Seventeenth: - (a) a Director of this Corporation shall not be liable to the Corporation or its stockholders for monetary damages for breach of fiduciary duty as a Director, except to the extent such exemption from liability or limitation thereof is not permitted under the Delaware General Corporation Laws as the same exists or may hereafter be amended.

(b) Any repeal or modification of the foregoing paragraph shall not adversely affect any right or protection of a Director of the Corporation existing hereunder with respect to any act or omission occurring prior to the time of such repeal or modification."

EXHIBIT B

BY-LAWS

WILMINGTON TRUST COMPANY

WILMINGTON, DELAWARE

As existing on December 21, 1995

BY-LAWS OF WILMINGTON TRUST COMPANY

ARTICLE I Stockholders' Meetings

Section 1. The Annual Meeting of Stockholders shall be held on the third Thursday in April each year at the principal office at the Company or at such other date, time, or place as may be designated by resolution by the Board of Directors. Section 2. Special meetings of all stockholders may be called at any time by the Board of Directors, the Chairman of the Board or the President.

Section 3. Notice of all meetings of the stockholders shall be given by mailing to each stockholder at least ten (10 days before said meeting, at his last known address, a written or printed notice fixing the time and place of such meeting.

Section 4. A majority in the amount of the capital stock of the Company issued and outstanding on the record date, as herein determined, shall constitute a quorum at all meetings of stockholders for the transaction of any business, but the holders of a small number of shares may adjourn, from time to time, without further notice, until a quorum is secured. At each annual or special meeting of stockholders, each stockholder shall be entitled to one vote, either in person or by proxy, for each shares of stock registered in the stockholder's name on the books of the Company on the record date for any such meeting as determined herein.

ARTICLE II Directors

Section 1. The number and classification of the Board of Directors shall be as set forth in the Charter of the Bank.

Section 2. No person who has attained the age of seventy-two (72) years shall be nominated for election to the Board of Directors of the Company, provided, however, that this limitation shall not apply to any person who was serving as director of the Company on September 16, 1971.

Section 3. The Class of Directors so elected shall hold office for three years or until their successors are elected and qualified.

Section 4. The affairs and business of the Company shall be managed and conducted by the Board of Directors.

Section 5. Regular meetings of the Board of Directors shall be held on the third Thursday of each month at the principal office of the Company, or at such other place and

time as may be designated by the Board of Directors, the Chairman of the Board, or the President.

Section 6. Special meetings of the Board of Directors may be called at any time by the Chairman of the Board of Directors or by the President, and shall be called upon the written request of a majority of the directors.

Section 7. A majority of the directors elected and qualified shall be necessary to constitute a quorum for the transaction of business at any meeting

of the Board of Directors.

Section 8. Written notice shall be sent by mail to each director of any special meeting of the Board of Directors, and of any change in the time or place of any regular meeting, stating the time and place of such meeting, which shall be mailed not less than two days before the time of holding such meeting.

Section 9. In the event of the death, resignation, removal, inability to act, or disqualification of any director, the Board of Directors, although less than a quorum, shall have the right to elect the successor who shall hold office for the remainder of the full term of the class of directors in which the vacancy occurred, and until such director's successor shall have been duly elected and qualified.

Section 10. The Board of Directors at its first meeting after its election by the stockholders shall appoint an Executive Committee, a Trust Committee, an Audit Committee and a Compensation Committee, and shall elect from its own members a Chairman of the Board of Directors and a President who may be the same person. The Board of Directors shall also elect at such meeting a Secretary and a Treasurer, who may be the same person, may appoint at any time such other committees and elect or appoint such other officers as it may deem advisable. The Board of Directors may also elect at such meeting one or more Associate Directors.

Section 11. The Board of Directors may at any time remove, with or without cause, any member of any Committee appointed by it or any associate director or officer elected by it and may appoint or elect his successor.

Section 12. The Board of Directors may designate an officer to be in charge of such of the departments or division of the Company as it may deem advisable.

ARTICLE III Committees

Section I. Executive Committee

(A) The Executive Committee shall be composed of not more than

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members who shall be selected by the Board of Directors from its own members and who shall hold office during the pleasure of the Board.

(B) The Executive Committee shall have all the powers of the

Board of Directors when it is not in session to transact all business for and in behalf of the Company that may be brought before it.

(C) The Executive Committee shall meet at the principal office of the Company or elsewhere in its discretion at such times to be determined by a majority of its members, or at the call of the Chairman of the Executive Committee or at the call of the Chairman of the Board of Directors. The majority of its members shall be necessary to constitute a quorum for the transaction of business. Special meetings of the Executive Committee may be held at any time when a quorum is present.

(D) Minutes of each meeting of the Executive Committee shall be kept and submitted to the Board of Directors at its next meeting.

(E) The Executive Committee shall advise and superintend all investments that may be made of the funds of the Company, and shall direct the disposal of the same, in accordance with such rules and regulations as the Board of Directors from time to time make.

(F) In the event of a state of disaster of sufficient severity to prevent the conduct and management of the affairs and business of the Company by its directors and officers as contemplated by these By-Laws any two available members of the Executive Committee as constituted immediately prior to such disaster shall constitute a quorum of that Committee for the full conduct and management of the affairs and business of the Company in accordance with the provisions of Article III of these By-Laws; and if less than three members of the Trust Committee is constituted immediately prior to such disaster shall be available for the transaction of its business, such Executive Committee shall also be empowered to exercise all of the powers reserved to the Trust Committee under Article III Section 2 hereof. In the event of the unavailability, at such time, of a minimum of two members of such Executive Committee, any three available directors shall constitute the Executive Committee for the full conduct and management of the affairs and business of the Company in accordance with the foregoing provisions of this Section. This By-Law shall be subject to implementation by Resolutions of the Board of Directors presently existing or hereafter passed from time to time for that purpose, and any provisions of these By-Laws (other than this Section) and any resolutions which are contrary to the provisions of this Section or to the provisions of any such implementary Resolutions shall be suspended during such a disaster period until it shall be determined by any interim Executive Committee acting under this section that it shall be to the advantage of the Company to resume the conduct and management of its affairs and business under all of the other provisions of these By-Laws.

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Section 2. Trust Committee

(A) The Trust Committee shall be composed of not more than thirteen members who shall be selected by the Board of Directors, a majority of

whom shall be members of the Board of Directors and who shall hold office during the pleasure of the Board.

(B) The Trust Committee shall have general supervision over the Trust Department and the investment of trust funds, in all matters, however, being subject to the approval of the Board of Directors.

(C) The Trust Committee shall meet at the principal office of the Company or elsewhere in its discretion at least once a month. A majority of its members shall be necessary to constitute a quorum for the transaction of business. Special meetings of the Trust Committee may be held at any time when a quorum is present.

(D) Minutes of each meeting of the Trust Committee shall be kept and promptly submitted to the Board of Directors.

(E) The Trust Committee shall have the power to appoint Committees and/or designate officers or employees of the Company to whom supervision over the investment of trust funds may be delegated when the Trust Committee is not in session.

Section 3. Audit Committee

(A) The Audit Committee shall be composed of five members who shall be selected by the Board of Directors from its own members, none of whom shall be an officer of the Company, and shall hold office at the pleasure of the Board.

(B) The Audit Committee shall have general supervision over the Audit Division in all matters however subject to the approval of the Board of Directors; it shall consider all matters brought to its attention by the officer in charge of the Audit Division, review all reports of examination of the Company made by any governmental agency or such independent auditor employed for that purpose, and make such recommendations to the Board of Directors with respect thereto or with respect to any other matters pertaining to auditing the Company as it shall deem desirable.

(C) The Audit Committee shall meet whenever and wherever the majority of its members shall deem it to be proper for the transaction of its business, and a majority of its Committee shall constitute a quorum.

Section 4. Compensation Committee

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(A) The Compensation Committee shall be composed of not more

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five (5) members who shall be selected by the Board of Directors from its own members who are not officers of the Company and who shall hold office during the pleasure of the Board.

(B) The Compensation Committee shall in general advise upon all matters of policy concerning the Company brought to its attention by the management and from time to time review the management of the Company, major organizational matters, including salaries and employee benefits and specifically shall administer the Executive Incentive Compensation Plan.

(C) Meetings of the Compensation Committee may be called at any time by the Chairman of the Compensation Committee, the Chairman of the Board of Directors, or the President of the Company.

Section 5. Associate Directors

(A) Any person who has served as a director may be elected by the Board of Directors as an associate director, to serve during the pleasure of the Board.

(B) An associate director shall be entitled to attend all directors meetings and participate in the discussion of all matters brought to the Board, with the exception that he would have no right to vote. An associate director will be eligible for appointment to Committees of the Company, with the exception of the Executive Committee, Audit Committee and Compensation Committee, which must be comprised solely of active directors.

Section 6. Absence or Disqualification of Any Member of a Committee

(A) In the absence or disqualification of any member of any Committee created under Article III of the By-Laws of this Company, the member or members thereof present at any meeting and not disqualified from voting, whether or not he or they constitute a quorum, may unanimously appoint another member of the Board of Directors to act at the meeting in the place of any such absence or disqualified member.

ARTICLE IV OFFICERS

Section 1. The Chairman of the Board of Directors shall preside at all meetings of the Board and shall have such further authority and powers and shall perform such duties as the Board of Directors may from time to time confer and direct. He shall also exercise such powers and perform such duties as may from time to time be agreed upon between himself and the President of the Company.

Section 2. The Vice Chairman of the Board of Directors shall preside at all

meetings of the Board of Directors at which the Chairman of the Board shall not be present and shall have such further authority and powers and shall perform such duties as the Board of Directors or the Chairman of the Board may from time to time confer and direct.

Section 3. The President shall have the powers and duties pertaining to the office of the President conferred or imposed upon him by statute or assigned to him by the Board of Directors in the absence of the Chairman of the Board the President shall have the powers and duties of the Chairman of the Board.

Section 4. The Chairman of the Board of Directors or the President as designated by the Board of Directors, shall carry into effect all legal directions of the Executive Committee and of the Board of Directors, and shall at all times exercise general supervision over the interest, affairs and operations of the Company and perform all duties incident to his office.

Section 5. There may be one or more Vice Presidents, however denominated by the Board of Directors, who may at any time perform all the duties of the Chairman of the Board of Directors and/or the President and such other powers and duties as may from time to time be assigned to them by the Board of Directors, the Executive Committee, the Chairman of the Board or the President and by the officer in charge of the department or division to which they are assigned.

Section 6. The Secretary shall attend to the giving of notice of meetings of the stockholders and the Board of Directors, as well as the Committees thereof, to the keeping of accurate minutes of all such meetings and to recording the same in the minute books of the Company. In addition to the other notice requirements of these By-Laws and as may be practicable under the circumstances, all such notices shall be in writing and mailed well in advance of the scheduled date of any other meeting. He shall have custody of the corporate seal and shall affix the same to any documents requiring such corporate seal and to attest the same.

Section 7. The Treasurer shall have general supervision over all assets and liabilities of the Company. He shall be custodian of and responsible for all monies, funds and valuables of the Company and for the keeping of proper records of the evidence of property or indebtedness and of all the transactions of the Company. He shall have general supervision of the expenditures of the Company and shall report to the Board of Directors at each regular meeting of the condition of the Company, and perform such other duties as may be assigned to him from time to time by the Board of Directors of the Executive Committee.

Section 8. There may be a Controller who shall exercise general supervision over the internal operations of the Company, including accounting, and shall render to the Board of Directors at appropriate times a report relating to the general condition and internal operations of the Company. There may be one or more subordinate accounting or controller officers however denominated, who may perform the duties of the Controller and such duties as may be prescribed by the Controller.

Section 9. The officer designated by the Board of Directors to be in charge of the Audit Division of the Company with such title as the Board of Directors shall prescribe, shall report to and be directly responsible only to the Board of Directors.

There shall be an Auditor and there may be one or more Audit Officers, however denominated, who may perform all the duties of the Auditor and such duties as may be prescribed by the officer in charge of the Audit Division.

Section 10. There may be one or more officers, subordinate in rank to all Vice Presidents with such functional titles as shall be determined from time to time by the Board of Directors, who shall ex officio hold the office Assistant Secretary of this Company and who may perform such duties as may be prescribed by the officer in charge of the department or division to whom they are assigned.

Section 11. The powers and duties of all other officers of the Company shall be those usually pertaining to their respective offices, subject to the direction of the Board of Directors, the Executive Committee, Chairman of the Board of Directors or the President and the officer in charge of the department or division to which they are assigned.

ARTICLE V Stock and Stock Certificates

Section 1. Shares of stock shall be transferable on the books of the Company and a transfer book shall be kept in which all transfers of stock shall be recorded.

Section 2. Certificate of stock shall bear the signature of the President or any Vice President, however denominated by the Board of Directors and countersigned by the Secretary or Treasurer or an Assistant Secretary, and the seal of the corporation shall be engraved thereon. Each certificate shall recite that the stock represented thereby is transferable only upon the books of the Company by the holder thereof or his attorney, upon surrender of the certificate properly endorsed. Any certificate of stock surrendered to the Company shall be cancelled at the time of transfer, and before a new certificate or certificates shall be issued in lieu thereof. Duplicate certificates of stock shall be issued only upon giving such security as may be satisfactory to the Board of Directors or the Executive Committee.

Section 3. The Board of Directors of the Company is authorized to fix in advance a record date for the determination of the stockholders entitled to notice of, and to vote at, any meeting of stockholders and any adjournment thereof, or entitled to receive payment of

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any dividend, or to any allotment or rights, or to exercise any rights in respect of any change, conversion or exchange of capital stock, or in connection with obtaining the consent of stockholders for any purpose, which record date shall not be more than 60 nor less than 10 days proceeding the date of any meeting of stockholders or the date for the payment of any dividend, or the date for the allotment of rights, or the date when any change or conversion or exchange of capital stock shall go into effect, or a date in connection with obtaining such consent.

ARTICLE VI SEAL

Section 1. The corporate seal of the Company shall be in the following form:

Between two concentric circles the words "Wilmington Trust Company" within the inner circle the words "Wilmington, Delaware."

ARTICLE VII FISCAL YEAR

Section 1. The fiscal year of the Company shall be the calendar year.

ARTICLE VIII EXECUTION OF INSTRUMENTS OF THE COMPANY

Section 1. The Chairman of the Board, the President or any Vice President, however denominated by the Board of Directors, shall have full power and authority to enter into, make, sign, execute, acknowledge and/or deliver and the Secretary or any Assistant Secretary shall have full power and authority to attest and affix the corporate seal of the Company to any and all deeds, conveyances, assignments, releases, contracts, agreements, bonds, notes, mortgages and all other instruments incident to the business of this Company or in acting as executor, administrator, guardian, trustee, agent or in any other fiduciary or representative capacity by any and every method of appointment or by whatever person, corporation, court officer or authority in the State of Delaware, or elsewhere, without any specific authority, ratification, approval or confirmation by the Board of Directors or the Executive Committee, and any and all such instruments shall have the same force and validity as although expressly authorized by the Board of Directors and/or the Executive Committee.

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ARTICLE IX COMPENSATION OF DIRECTORS AND MEMBERS OF COMMITTEES Section 1. Directors and associate directors of the Company, other than salaried officers of the Company, shall be paid such reasonable honoraria or fees for attending meetings of the Board of Directors as the Board of Directors may from time to time determine. Directors and associate directors who serve as members of committees, other than salaried employees of the Company, shall be paid such reasonable honoraria or fees for services as members of committees as the Board of Directors shall from time to time determine and directors and associate directors may be employed by the Company for such special services as the Board of Directors may from time to time determine and shall be paid for such special services so performed reasonable compensation as may be determined by the Board of Directors.

ARTICLE X INDEMNIFICATION

Section 1. (A) The Corporation shall indemnify and hold harmless, to the fullest extent permitted by applicable law as it presently exists or may hereafter be amended, any person who was or is made or is threatened to be made a party or is otherwise involved in any action, suit or proceeding, whether civil, criminal, administrative or investigative (a "proceeding") by reason of the fact that he, or a person for whom he is the legal representative, is or was a director, officer, employee or agent of the Corporation or is or was serving at the request of the Corporation as a director, officer, employee, fiduciary or agent of another corporation or of a partnership, joint venture, trust, enterprise or non-profit entity, including service with respect to employee benefit plans, against all liability and loss suffered and expenses reasonably incurred by such person. The Corporation shall indemnify a person in connection with a proceeding initiated by such person only if the proceeding was authorized by the Board of Directors of the Corporation.

(B) The Corporation shall pay the expenses incurred in defending any proceeding in advance of its final disposition, PROVIDED, HOWEVER, that the payment of expenses incurred by a Director officer in his capacity as a Director or officer in advance of the final disposition of the proceeding shall be made only upon receipt of an undertaking by the Director or officer to repay all amounts advanced if it should be ultimately determined that the Director or officer is not entitled to be indemnified under this Article or otherwise.

(C) If a claim for indemnification or payment of expenses, under this Article X is not paid in full within ninety days after a written claim therefor has been received by the Corporation the claimant may file suit to recover the unpaid amount of such claim and, if successful in whole or in part, shall be entitled to be paid the expense of prosecuting such claim. In any such action the Corporation shall have the burden of proving that the claimant was not entitled to the requested indemnification of payment of expenses under applicable law.

(D) The rights conferred on any person by this Article X shall not be exclusive of any other rights which such person may have or hereafter acquire under any statute, provision of the Charter or Act of Incorporation, these By-Laws, agreement, vote of stockholders or disinterested Directors or otherwise.

(E) Any repeal or modification of the foregoing provisions of this Article X shall not adversely affect any right or protection hereunder of any person in respect of any act or omission occurring prior to the time of such repeal or modification.

ARTICLE XI AMENDMENTS TO THE BY-LAWS

Section 1. These By-Laws may be altered, amended or repealed, in whole or in part, and any new By-Law or By-Laws adopted at any regular or special meeting of the Board of Directors by a vote of the majority of all the members of the Board of Directors then in office.

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EXHIBIT C

SECTION 321(b) CONSENT

Pursuant to Section 321(b) of the Trust Indenture Act of 1939, as amended, Wilmington Trust Company hereby consents that reports of examinations by Federal, State, Territorial or District authorities may be furnished by such authorities to the Securities and Exchange Commission upon requests therefor.

WILMINGTON TRUST COMPANY

Dated: December 23, 1996

By: /s/ Norma P. Closs

Name: Norma P. Closs Title: Vice President

EXHIBIT D

NOTICE

This form is intended to assist state nonmember banks and savings banks with state publication requirements. It has not been approved

by any state banking authorities. Refer to your appropriate state banking authorities for your state publication requirements.				
REPORT OF CONDITION				
Consolidating domestic subsidiaries of	the			
WILMINGTON TRUST COMPANY O				
Name of Bank	City			
in the State of DELAWARE, at the close of business on September 30, 1996.				
ASSETS	nctitutions.	Tho	usands of dollars	
Cash and balances due from depository institutions: Noninterest-bearing balances and currency and coins 198,288				
Interest-bearing balances Held-to-maturity securities			0 489,428	
Available-for-sale securities			783,718	
Federal funds sold			19,000	
Securities purchased under agreements to resell 48,500				
Loans and lease financing receivables:				
Loans and leases, net of unearned income 3,620,289 LESS: Allowance for loan and lease losses 49,721				
LESS: Allocated transfer risk reserve 0				
Loans and leases, net of unearned inc	ome,			
allowance, and reserve			3,570,568	
Assets held in trading accounts 0				
Premises and fixed assets (including capitalized			83,675	
leases) Other real estate owned			4,607	
Investments in unconsolidated subsidiaries and				
associated companies			85	
Customers' liability to this bank on ac	ceptances			
outstanding			0	
Intangible assets Other assets			4,131 101,592	
Total assets			5,303,592	
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LIABILITIES				
Deposits:				
In domestic offices			3,457,641	
Noninterest-bearing		740,731		
Interest-bearing Federal funds purchased		2,716,910	135,889	
Securities sold under agreements to rep	urchase		213,617	
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Demand notes issued to the U.S. Treasury Trading liabilities	94,999 0
Other borrowed money:	
With original maturity of one year or less	844,000
With original maturity of more than one year	28,000
Mortgage indebtedness and obligations under	
capitalized leases	0
Bank's liability on acceptances executed and	
outstanding	0
Subordinated notes and debentures	0
Other liabilities	103,818
Total liabilities	4,877,964
Limited-life preferred stock and related surplus	0
EQUITY CAPITAL	
Perpetual preferred stock and related surplus	0
Common Stock	500
Surplus	62 , 119
Undivided profits and capital reserves	363,705
Net unrealized holding gains (losses) on	
available-for-sale securities	(696)
Total equity capital	425,628
Total liabilities, limited-life preferred stock,	
and equity capital	5,303,592

Registration No. 333-15743

SECURITIES AND EXCHANGE COMMISSION Washington, D.C. 20549

FORM T-1

STATEMENT OF ELIGIBILITY UNDER THE TRUST INDENTURE ACT OF 1939 OF A CORPORATION DESIGNATED TO ACT AS TRUSTEE

CHECK IF AN APPLICATION TO DETERMINE ELIGIBILITY OF A TRUSTEE PURSUANT TO SECTION 305(b)(2) X

WILMINGTON TRUST COMPANY (Exact name of trustee as specified in its charter)

Delaware (State of incorporation)

51-0055023 (I.R.S. employer identification no.)

Rodney Square North 1100 North Market Street Wilmington, Delaware 19890 (Address of principal executive offices)

Cynthia L. Corliss Vice President and Trust Counsel Wilmington Trust Company Rodney Square North Wilmington, Delaware 19890 (302) 651-8516 (Name, address and telephone number of agent for service)

FIRST UNION CORPORATION

FIRST UNION CAPITAL II

(Exact name of obligor as specified in its charter)

North Carolina

56-0898180

Delaware (State of incorporation)

To be Applied for (I.R.S. employer identification no.)

One First Union Center

Charlotte, North Carolina (Address of principal executive offices)

Preferred Securities of First Union Capital II

(Title of the indenture securities)

ITEM 1. GENERAL INFORMATION.

Furnish the following information as to the trustee:

(a) Name and address of each examining or supervising authority to which it is subject.

Federal Deposit Insurance Co. State Bank Commissioner Five Penn Center Dover, Delaware Suite #2901 Philadelphia, PA

(b) Whether it is authorized to exercise corporate trust powers.

The trustee is authorized to exercise corporate trust powers.

ITEM 2. AFFILIATIONS WITH THE OBLIGOR.

If the obligor is an affiliate of the trustee, describe each affiliation:

Based upon an examination of the books and records of the trustee and upon information furnished by the obligor, the obligor is not an affiliate of the trustee.

ITEM 3. LIST OF EXHIBITS.

List below all exhibits filed as part of this Statement of Eligibility and Qualification.

- A. Copy of the Charter of Wilmington Trust Company, which includes the certificate of authority of Wilmington Trust Company to commence business and the authorization of Wilmington Trust Company to exercise corporate trust powers.
- B. Copy of By-Laws of Wilmington Trust Company.
- C. Consent of Wilmington Trust Company required by Section 321(b) of Trust Indenture Act.
- D. Copy of most recent Report of Condition of Wilmington Trust

Company.

Pursuant to the requirements of the Trust Indenture Act of 1939, as amended, the trustee, Wilmington Trust Company, a corporation organized and existing under the laws of Delaware, has duly caused this Statement of Eligibility to be signed on its behalf by the undersigned, thereunto duly authorized, all in the City of Wilmington and State of Delaware on the 23rd day of December, 1996.

WILMINGTON TRUST COMPANY

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Attest: /s/ Debra Eberly Assistant Secretary By: /s/ Norma P. Closs Name: Norma P. Closs Title: Vice President

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EXHIBIT A AMENDED CHARTER Wilmington Trust Company Wilmington, Delaware As existing on May 9, 1987

> Amended Charter or Act of Incorporation of Wilmington Trust Company

Wilmington Trust Company, originally incorporated by an Act of the General Assembly of the State of Delaware, entitled "An Act to Incorporate

the Delaware Guarantee and Trust Company", approved March 2, A.D. 1901, and the name of which company was changed to "Wilmington Trust Company" by an amendment filed in the Office of the Secretary of State on March 18, A.D. 1903, and the Charter or Act of Incorporation of which company has been from time to time amended and changed by merger agreements pursuant to the corporation law for state banks and trust companies of the State of Delaware, does hereby alter and amend its Charter or Act of Incorporation so that the same as so altered and amended shall in its entirety read as follows:

First: - The name of this corporation is Wilmington Trust Company.

Second: - The location of its principal office in the State of Delaware is at Rodney Square North, in the City of Wilmington, County of New Castle; the name of its resident agent is Wilmington Trust Company whose address is Rodney Square North, in said City. In addition to such principal office, the said corporation maintains and operates branch offices in the City of Newark, New Castle County, Delaware, the town of Newport, New Castle County, Delaware, at Claymont, New Castle County, Delaware, at Greenville, New Castle County, Delaware, and at Milford Cross Roads, New Castle County, Delaware, and shall be empowered to open, maintain and operate branch offices at Ninth and Shipley Streets, 418 Delaware Avenue, 2120 Market Street, and 3605 Market Street, all in the City of Wilmington, New Castle County, Delaware, and such other branch offices or places of business as may be authorized from time to time by the agency or agencies of the government of the State of Delaware empowered to confer such authority.

Third: - (a) The nature of the business and the objects and purposes proposed to be transacted, promoted or carried on by this Corporation are to do any or all of the things herein mentioned as fully and to the same extent as natural persons might or could do and in any part of the world, viz.:

(1) To sue and be sued, complain and defend in any Court of law or equity and to make and use a common seal, and alter the seal at pleasure, to hold, purchase, convey, mortgage or otherwise deal in real and personal estate and property, and to appoint such officers and agents as the business of the

Corporation shall require, to make by-laws not inconsistent with the Constitution or laws of the United States or of this State, to discount bills, notes or other evidences of debt, to receive deposits of money, or securities for money, to buy gold or silver bullion and foreign coins, to buy and sell bills of exchange, and generally to use, exercise and enjoy all the powers, rights, privileges and franchises incident to a corporation which are proper or necessary for the transaction of the business of the Corporation hereby created. (2) To insure titles to real and personal property, or any estate or interests therein, and to guarantee the holder of such property, real or personal, against any claim or claims, adverse to his interest therein, and to prepare and give certificates of title for any lands or premises in the State of Delaware, or elsewhere.

(3) To act as factor, agent, broker or attorney in the receipt, collection, custody, investment and management of funds, and the purchase, sale, management and disposal of property of all descriptions, and to prepare and execute all papers which may be necessary or proper in such business.

(4) To prepare and draw agreements, contracts, deeds, leases, conveyances, mortgages, bonds and legal papers of every description, and to carry on the business of conveyancing in all its branches.

(5) To receive upon deposit for safekeeping money, jewelry, plate, deeds, bonds and any and all other personal property of every sort and kind, from executors, administrators, guardians, public officers, courts, receivers, assignees, trustees, and from all fiduciaries, and from all other persons and individuals, and from all corporations whether state, municipal, corporate or private, and to rent boxes, safes, vaults and other receptacles for such property.

(6) To act as agent or otherwise for the purpose of registering, issuing, certificating, countersigning, transferring or underwriting the stock, bonds or other obligations of any corporation, association, state or municipality, and may receive and manage any sinking fund therefor on such terms as may be agreed upon between the two parties, and in like manner may act as Treasurer of any corporation or municipality.

(7) To act as Trustee under any deed of trust, mortgage, bond or other instrument issued by any state, municipality, body politic, corporation, association or person, either alone or in conjunction with any other person or persons, corporation or corporations.

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(8) To guarantee the validity, performance or effect of any contract or agreement, and the fidelity of persons holding places of responsibility or trust; to become surety for any person, or persons, for the faithful performance of any trust, office, duty, contract or agreement, either by itself or in conjunction with any other person, or persons, corporation, or corporations, or in like manner become surety upon any bond, recognizance, obligation, judgment, suit, order, or decree to be entered in any court of record within the State of Delaware or elsewhere, or which may now or hereafter be required by any law, judge, officer or court in the State of Delaware or elsewhere.

(9) To act by any and every method of appointment as trustee, trustee in bankruptcy, receiver, assignee, assignee in bankruptcy, executor, administrator, guardian, bailee, or in any other trust capacity in the receiving, holding, managing, and disposing of any and all estates and property, real, personal or mixed, and to be appointed as such trustee, trustee in bankruptcy, receiver, assignee, assignee in bankruptcy, executor, administrator, guardian or bailee by any persons, corporations, court, officer, or authority, in the State of Delaware or elsewhere; and whenever this Corporation is so appointed by any person, corporation, court, officer or authority such trustee, trustee in bankruptcy, receiver, assignee, assignee in bankruptcy, executor, administrator, guardian, bailee, or in any other trust capacity, it shall not be required to give bond with surety, but its capital stock shall be taken and held as security for the performance of the duties devolving upon it by such appointment.

(10) And for its care, management and trouble, and the exercise of any of its powers hereby given, or for the performance of any of the duties which it may undertake or be called upon to perform, or for the assumption of any responsibility the said Corporation may be entitled to receive a proper compensation.

(11) To purchase, receive, hold and own bonds, mortgages, debentures, shares of capital stock, and other securities, obligations, contracts and evidences of indebtedness, of any private, public or municipal corporation within and without the State of Delaware, or of the Government of the United States, or of any state, territory, colony, or possession thereof, or of any foreign government or country; to receive, collect, receipt for, and dispose of interest, dividends and income upon and from any of the bonds, mortgages, debentures, notes, shares of capital stock, securities, obligations, contracts, evidences of indebtedness and other property held and owned by it, and to exercise in respect of all such bonds, mortgages, debentures, notes, shares of capital stock, securities, obligations, contracts, evidences of indebtedness and other property, any and all the rights, powers and privileges of individual

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owners thereof, including the right to vote thereon; to invest and deal in and with any of the moneys of the Corporation upon such securities and in such manner as it may think fit and proper, and from time to time to vary or realize such investments; to issue bonds and secure the same by pledges or deeds of trust or mortgages of or upon the whole or any part of the property held or owned by the Corporation, and to sell and pledge such bonds, as and when the Board of Directors shall determine, and in the promotion of its said corporate business of investment and to the extent authorized by law, to lease, purchase, hold, sell, assign, transfer, pledge, mortgage and convey real and personal property of any name and nature and any estate or interest therein.

(b) In furtherance of, and not in limitation, of the powers conferred by the laws of the State of Delaware, it is hereby expressly provided that the said Corporation shall also have the following powers:

(1) To do any or all of the things herein set forth, to the same extent as natural persons might or could do, and in any part of the world.

(2) To acquire the good will, rights, property and franchises and to undertake the whole or any part of the assets and liabilities of any person, firm, association or corporation, and to pay for the same in cash, stock of this Corporation, bonds or otherwise; to hold or in any manner to dispose of the whole or any part of the property so purchased; to conduct in any lawful manner the whole or any part of any business so acquired, and to exercise all the powers necessary or convenient in and about the conduct and management of such business.

(3) To take, hold, own, deal in, mortgage or otherwise lien, and to lease, sell, exchange, transfer, or in any manner whatever dispose of property, real, personal or mixed, wherever situated.

(4) to enter into, make, perform and carry out contracts of every kind with any person, firm, association or corporation, and, without limit as to amount, to draw, make, accept, endorse, discount, execute and issue promissory notes, drafts, bills of exchange, warrants, bonds, debentures, and other negotiable or transferable instruments.

(5) To have one or more offices, to carry on all or any of its operations and businesses, without restriction to the same extent as natural persons might or could do, to purchase or otherwise acquire, to hold, own, to mortgage, sell, convey or otherwise dispose of, real and personal property, of every class and description, in any State, District, Territory or Colony of the United States, and in any foreign country or place. (6) It is the intention that the objects, purposes and powers specified and clauses contained in this paragraph shall (except where otherwise expressed in said paragraph) be nowise limited or restricted by reference to or inference from the terms of any other clause of this or any other paragraph in this charter, but that the objects, purposes and powers specified in each of the clauses of this paragraph shall be regarded as independent objects, purposes and powers.

Fourth: - (a) The total number of shares of all classes of stock which the Corporation shall have authority to issue is forty-one million (41,000,000) shares, consisting of:

(1) One million (1,000,000) shares of Preferred stock, par value \$10.00 per share (hereinafter referred to as "Preferred Stock"); and

(2) Forty million (40,000,000) shares of Common Stock, par value \$1.00 per share (hereinafter referred to as "Common Stock").

(b) Shares of Preferred Stock may be issued from time to time in one or more series as may from time to time be determined by the Board of Directors each of said series to be distinctly designated. All shares of any one series of Preferred Stock shall be alike in every particular, except that there may be different dates from which dividends, if any, thereon shall be cumulative, if made cumulative. The voting powers and the preferences and relative, participating, optional and other special rights of each such series, and the qualifications, limitations or restrictions thereof, if any, may differ from those of any and all other series at any time outstanding; and, subject to the provisions of subparagraph 1 of Paragraph (c) of this Article Fourth, the Board of Directors of the Corporation is hereby expressly granted authority to fix by resolution or resolutions adopted prior to the issuance of any shares of a particular series of Preferred Stock, the voting powers and the designations, preferences and relative, optional and other special rights, and the qualifications, limitations and restrictions of such series, including, but without limiting the generality of the foregoing, the following:

> (1) The distinctive designation of, and the number of shares of Preferred Stock which shall constitute such series, which number may be increased (except where otherwise provided by the Board of Directors) or decreased (but not below the number of shares thereof then outstanding) from time to time by like action of the Board of Directors;

(2) The rate and times at which, and the terms and conditions

on which, dividends, if any, on Preferred Stock of such series shall be paid, the extent of the preference or relation, if any, of such dividends to the dividends payable on any other class or classes, or series of the same or other class of

stock and whether such dividends shall be cumulative or non-cumulative;

(3) The right, if any, of the holders of Preferred Stock of such series to convert the same into or exchange the same for, shares of any other class or classes or of any series of the same or any other class or classes of stock of the Corporation and the terms and conditions of such conversion or exchange;

(4) Whether or not Preferred Stock of such series shall be subject to redemption, and the redemption price or prices and the time or times at which, and the terms and conditions on which, Preferred Stock of such series may be redeemed.

(5) The rights, if any, of the holders of Preferred Stock of such series upon the voluntary or involuntary liquidation, merger, consolidation, distribution or sale of assets, dissolution or winding-up, of the Corporation.

(6) The terms of the sinking fund or redemption or purchase account, if any, to be provided for the Preferred Stock of such series; and

(7) The voting powers, if any, of the holders of such series of Preferred Stock which may, without limiting the generality of the foregoing include the right, voting as a series or by itself or together with other series of Preferred Stock or all series of Preferred Stock as a class, to elect one or more directors of the Corporation if there shall have been a default in the payment of dividends on any one or more series of Preferred Stock or under such circumstances and on such conditions as the Board of Directors may determine.

(c) (1) After the requirements with respect to preferential dividends on the Preferred Stock (fixed in accordance with the provisions of section (b) of this Article Fourth), if any, shall have been met and after the Corporation shall have complied with all the requirements, if any, with respect to the setting aside of sums as sinking funds or redemption or purchase accounts (fixed in accordance with the provisions of section (b) of this Article Fourth), and subject further to any conditions which may be fixed in accordance with the provisions of section (b) of this Article Fourth, then and not otherwise the holders of Common Stock shall be entitled to receive such dividends as may be declared from time to time by the Board of Directors.

> (2) After distribution in full of the preferential amount, if any, (fixed in accordance with the provisions of section (b) of this Article Fourth), to be distributed to the holders of Preferred Stock in the event of voluntary or involuntary liquidation, distribution or sale of assets, dissolution or winding-up, of the Corporation, the holders of the Common Stock shall be entitled to

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receive all of the remaining assets of the Corporation, tangible and intangible, of whatever kind available for distribution to stockholders ratably in proportion to the number of shares of Common Stock held by them respectively.

(3) Except as may otherwise be required by law or by the provisions of such resolution or resolutions as may be adopted by the Board of Directors pursuant to section (b) of this Article Fourth, each holder of Common Stock shall have one vote in respect of each share of Common Stock held on all matters voted upon by the stockholders.

(d) No holder of any of the shares of any class or series of stock or of options, warrants or other rights to purchase shares of any class or series of stock or of other securities of the Corporation shall have any preemptive right to purchase or subscribe for any unissued stock of any class or series or any additional shares of any class or series to be issued by reason of any increase of the authorized capital stock of the Corporation of any class or series, or bonds, certificates of indebtedness, debentures or other securities convertible into or exchangeable for stock of the Corporation of any class or series, or carrying any right to purchase stock of any class or series, but any such unissued stock, additional authorized issue of shares of any class or series of stock or securities convertible into or exchangeable for stock, or carrying any right to purchase stock, may be issued and disposed of pursuant to resolution of the Board of Directors to such persons, firms, corporations or associations, whether such holders or others, and upon such terms as may be deemed advisable by the Board of Directors in the exercise of its sole discretion.

(e) The relative powers, preferences and rights of each series of Preferred Stock in relation to the relative powers, preferences and rights of each other series of Preferred Stock shall, in each case, be as fixed from time to time by the Board of Directors in the resolution or resolutions adopted pursuant to authority granted in section (b) of this Article Fourth and the consent, by class or series vote or otherwise, of the holders of such of the series of Preferred Stock as are from time to time outstanding shall not be required for the issuance by the Board of Directors of any other series of Preferred Stock whether or not the powers, preferences and rights of such other series shall be fixed by the Board of Directors as senior to, or on a parity with, the powers, preferences and rights of such outstanding series, or any of them; provided, however, that the Board of Directors may provide in the resolution or resolutions as to any series of Preferred Stock adopted pursuant to section (b) of this Article Fourth that the consent of the holders of a majority (or such greater proportion as shall be therein fixed) of the outstanding shares of such series voting thereon shall be required for the issuance of any or all other series of Preferred Stock.

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(f) Subject to the provisions of section (e), shares of any series of Preferred Stock may be issued from time to time as the Board of Directors of the Corporation shall determine and on such terms and for such consideration as shall be fixed by the Board of Directors.

(g) Shares of Common Stock may be issued from time to time as the Board of Directors of the Corporation shall determine and on such terms and for such consideration as shall be fixed by the Board of Directors.

(h) The authorized amount of shares of Common Stock and of Preferred Stock may, without a class or series vote, be increased or decreased from time to time by affirmative vote of the holders of a majority of the stock of the Corporation entitled to vote thereon.

Fifth: - (a) The business and affairs of the Corporation shall be conducted and managed by a Board of Directors. The number of directors constituting the entire Board shall not be less than five nor more than twenty-five as fixed from time to time by vote of a majority of the whole Board, provided, however, that the number of directors shall not be reduced so as to shorten the term of any director at the time in office, and provided further, that the number of directors constituting the whole Board shall be twenty-four until otherwise fixed by a majority of the whole Board.

(b) The Board of Directors shall be divided into three classes, as nearly equal in number as the then total number of directors constituting the whole Board permits, with the term of office of one class expiring each year. At the annual meeting of stockholders in 1982, directors of the first class shall be elected to hold office for a term expiring at the next succeeding annual meeting, directors of the second class shall be elected to hold office for a term expiring at the second succeeding annual meeting and directors of the third class shall be elected to hold office for a term expiring at the third succeeding annual meeting. Any vacancies in the Board of Directors for any reason, and any newly created directorships resulting from any increase in the directors, may be filled by the Board of Directors, acting by a majority of the directors then in office, although less than a quorum, and any directors so chosen shall hold office until the next annual election of directors. At such election, the stockholders shall elect a successor to such director to hold office until the next election of the class for which such director shall have been chosen and until his successor shall be elected and qualified. No decrease in the number of directors shall shorten the term of any incumbent director.

(c) Notwithstanding any other provisions of this Charter or Act of Incorporation or the By-Laws of the Corporation (and notwithstanding the fact that some lesser percentage may be specified by law, this Charter or Act of Incorporation or the By-Laws of the Corporation), any director or the entire Board of Directors of the

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Corporation may be removed at any time without cause, but only by the affirmative vote of the holders of two-thirds or more of the outstanding shares of capital stock of the Corporation entitled to vote generally in the election of directors (considered for this purpose as one class) cast at a meeting of the stockholders called for that purpose.

(d) Nominations for the election of directors may be made by the Board of Directors or by any stockholder entitled to vote for the election of directors. Such nominations shall be made by notice in writing, delivered or mailed by first class United States mail, postage prepaid, to the Secretary of the Corporation not less than 14 days nor more than 50 days prior to any meeting of the stockholders called for the election of directors; provided, however, that if less than 21 days' notice of the meeting is given to stockholders, such written notice shall be delivered or mailed, as prescribed, to the Secretary of the Corporation not later that the close of the seventh day following the day on which notice of the meeting was mailed to stockholders. Notice of nominations which are proposed by the Board of Directors shall be given by the Chairman on behalf of the Board.

(e) Each notice under subsection (d) shall set forth (i) the name, age, business address and, if known, residence address of each nominee proposed in such notice, (ii) the principal occupation or employment of such nominee and (iii) the number of shares of stock of the Corporation which are beneficially owned by each such nominee.

(f) The Chairman of the meeting may, if the facts warrant, determine and declare to the meeting that a nomination was not made in accordance with the foregoing procedure, and if he should so determine, he shall so declare to the meeting and the defective nomination shall be disregarded. (g) No action required to be taken or which may be taken at any annual or special meeting of stockholders of the Corporation may be taken without a meeting, and the power of stockholders to consent in writing, without a meeting, to the taking of any action is specifically denied.

Sixth: - The Directors shall choose such officers, agent and servants as may be provided in the By-Laws as they may from time to time find necessary or proper.

Seventh: - The Corporation hereby created is hereby given the same powers, rights and privileges as may be conferred upon corporations organized under the Act entitled "An Act Providing a General Corporation Law", approved March 10, 1899, as from time to time amended.

Eighth: - This Act shall be deemed and taken to be a private Act.

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Ninth: - This Corporation is to have perpetual existence.

Tenth: - The Board of Directors, by resolution passed by a majority of the whole Board, may designate any of their number to constitute an Executive Committee, which Committee, to the extent provided in said resolution, or in the By-Laws of the Company, shall have and may exercise all of the powers of the Board of Directors in the management of the business and affairs of the Corporation, and shall have power to authorize the seal of the Corporation to be affixed to all papers which may require it.

Eleventh: - The private property of the stockholders shall not be liable for the payment of corporate debts to any extent whatever.

Twelfth: - The Corporation may transact business in any part of the world.

Thirteenth: - The Board of Directors of the Corporation is expressly authorized to make, alter or repeal the By-Laws of the Corporation by a vote of the majority of the entire Board. The stockholders may make, alter or repeal any By-Law whether or not adopted by them, provided however, that any such additional By-Laws, alterations or repeal may be adopted only by the affirmative vote of the holders of two-thirds or more of the outstanding shares of capital stock of the Corporation entitled to vote generally in the election of directors (considered for this purpose as one class).

Fourteenth: - Meetings of the Directors may be held outside of the State of Delaware at such places as may be from time to time designated by the Board, and the Directors may keep the books of the Company outside of the State of Delaware at such places as may be from time to time designated by them. Fifteenth: - (a) In addition to any affirmative vote required by law, and except as otherwise expressly provided in sections (b) and (c) of this Article Fifteenth:

(A) any merger or consolidation of the Corporation or any Subsidiary (as hereinafter defined) with or into (i) any Interested Stockholder (as hereinafter defined) or (ii) any other corporation (whether or not itself an Interested Stockholder), which, after such merger or consolidation, would be an Affiliate (as hereinafter defined) of an Interested Stockholder, or

(B) any sale, lease, exchange, mortgage, pledge, transfer or other disposition (in one transaction or a series of related transactions) to or with any Interested Stockholder or any Affiliate of any Interested Stockholder of any assets of the Corporation or any Subsidiary having an aggregate fair market value of \$1,000,000 or more, or

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(C) the issuance or transfer by the Corporation or any Subsidiary (in one transaction or a series of related transactions) of any securities of the Corporation or any Subsidiary to any Interested Stockholder or any Affiliate of any Interested Stockholder in exchange for cash, securities or other property (or a combination thereof) having an aggregate fair market value of \$1,000,000 or more, or

(D) the adoption of any plan or proposal for the liquidation or dissolution of the Corporation, or

(E) any reclassification of securities (including any reverse stock split), or recapitalization of the Corporation, or any merger or consolidation of the Corporation with any of its Subsidiaries or any similar transaction (whether or not with or into or otherwise involving an Interested Stockholder) which has the effect, directly or indirectly, of increasing the proportionate share of the outstanding shares of any class of equity or convertible securities of the Corporation or any Subsidiary which is directly or indirectly owned by any Interested Stockholder, or any Affiliate of any Interested Stockholder,

shall require the affirmative vote of the holders of at least two-thirds of the outstanding shares of capital stock of the Corporation entitled to vote generally in the election of directors, considered for the purpose of this Article Fifteenth as one class ("Voting Shares"). Such affirmative vote shall be required notwithstanding the fact that no vote may be required, or that some lesser percentage may be specified, by law or in any agreement with any

national securities exchange or otherwise.

(2) The term "business combination" as used in this Article Fifteenth shall mean any transaction which is referred to any one or more of clauses (A) through (E) of paragraph 1 of the section (a).

(b) The provisions of section (a) of this Article Fifteenth shall not be applicable to any particular business combination and such business combination shall require only such affirmative vote as is required by law and any other provisions of the Charter or Act of Incorporation of By-Laws if such business combination has been approved by a majority of the whole Board.

(c) For the purposes of this Article Fifteenth:

(1) A "person" shall mean any individual firm, corporation or other entity.

(2) "Interested Stockholder" shall mean, in respect of any business combination, any person (other than the Corporation or any Subsidiary) who or which as of the record date for the determination of stockholders entitled to notice of and to vote on

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such business combination, or immediately prior to the consummation of any such transaction:

(A) is the beneficial owner, directly or indirectly, of more than 10% of the Voting Shares, or

(B) is an Affiliate of the Corporation and at any time within two years prior thereto was the beneficial owner, directly or indirectly, of not less than 10% of the then outstanding voting Shares, or

(C) is an assignee of or has otherwise succeeded in any share of capital stock of the Corporation which were at any time within two years prior thereto beneficially owned by any Interested Stockholder, and such assignment or succession shall have occurred in the course of a transaction of series of transactions not involving a public offering within the meaning of the Securities Act of 1933.

(3) A person shall be the "beneficial owner" of any Voting Shares:

(A) which such person or any of its Affiliates and Associates (as hereafter defined) beneficially own, directly or indirectly, or

(B) which such person or any of its Affiliates or Associates has (i) the right to acquire (whether such right is exercisable immediately or only after the passage of time), pursuant to any agreement, arrangement or understanding or upon the exercise of conversion rights, exchange rights, warrants or options, or otherwise, or (ii) the right to vote pursuant to any agreement, arrangement or understanding, or

(C) which are beneficially owned, directly or indirectly, by any other person with which such first mentioned person or any of its Affiliates or Associates has any agreement, arrangement or understanding for the purpose of acquiring, holding, voting or disposing of any shares of capital stock of the Corporation.

(4) The outstanding Voting Shares shall include shares deemed owned through application of paragraph (3) above but shall not include any other Voting Shares which may be issuable pursuant to any agreement, or upon exercise of conversion rights, warrants or options or otherwise.

(5) "Affiliate" and "Associate" shall have the respective meanings given those terms in Rule 12b-2 of the General Rules and Regulations under the Securities Exchange Act of 1934, as in effect on December 31, 1981.

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(6) "Subsidiary" shall mean any corporation of which a majority of any class of equity security (as defined in Rule 3a11-1 of the General Rules and Regulations under the Securities Exchange Act of 1934, as in effect in December 31, 1981) is owned, directly or indirectly, by the Corporation; provided, however, that for the purposes of the definition of Investment Stockholder set forth in paragraph (2) of this section (c), the term "Subsidiary" shall mean only a corporation of which a majority of each class of equity security is owned, directly or indirectly, by the Corporation.

(d) majority of the directors shall have the power and duty to determine for the purposes of this Article Fifteenth on the basis of information known to them, (1) the number of Voting Shares beneficially owned by any person (2) whether a person is an Affiliate or Associate of another, (3) whether a person has an agreement, arrangement or understanding with another as to the matters referred to in paragraph (3) of section (c), or (4) whether the assets subject to any business combination or the consideration received for the issuance or transfer of securities by the Corporation, or any Subsidiary has an aggregate fair market value of \$1,00,000 or more.

(e) Nothing contained in this Article Fifteenth shall be construed to relieve any Interested Stockholder from any fiduciary obligation imposed by law.

Sixteenth: - Notwithstanding any other provision of this Charter or Act of Incorporation or the By-Laws of the Corporation (and in addition to any other vote that may be required by law, this Charter or Act of Incorporation by the By-Laws), the affirmative vote of the holders of at least two-thirds of the outstanding shares of the capital stock of the Corporation entitled to vote generally in the election of directors (considered for this purpose as one class) shall be required to amend, alter or repeal any provision of Articles Fifth, Thirteenth, Fifteenth or Sixteenth of this Charter or Act of Incorporation.

Seventeenth: - (a) a Director of this Corporation shall not be liable to the Corporation or its stockholders for monetary damages for breach of fiduciary duty as a Director, except to the extent such exemption from liability or limitation thereof is not permitted under the Delaware General Corporation Laws as the same exists or may hereafter be amended.

(b) Any repeal or modification of the foregoing paragraph shall not adversely affect any right or protection of a Director of the Corporation existing hereunder with respect to any act or omission occurring prior to the time of such repeal or modification."

EXHIBIT B

BY-LAWS

WILMINGTON TRUST COMPANY

WILMINGTON, DELAWARE

As existing on December 21, 1995

BY-LAWS OF WILMINGTON TRUST COMPANY

ARTICLE I Stockholders' Meetings

Section 1. The Annual Meeting of Stockholders shall be held on the third Thursday in April each year at the principal office at the Company or at such other date, time, or place as may be designated by resolution by the Board of Directors. Section 2. Special meetings of all stockholders may be called at any time by the Board of Directors, the Chairman of the Board or the President.

Section 3. Notice of all meetings of the stockholders shall be given by mailing to each stockholder at least ten (10 days before said meeting, at his last known address, a written or printed notice fixing the time and place of such meeting.

Section 4. A majority in the amount of the capital stock of the Company issued and outstanding on the record date, as herein determined, shall constitute a quorum at all meetings of stockholders for the transaction of any business, but the holders of a small number of shares may adjourn, from time to time, without further notice, until a quorum is secured. At each annual or special meeting of stockholders, each stockholder shall be entitled to one vote, either in person or by proxy, for each shares of stock registered in the stockholder's name on the books of the Company on the record date for any such meeting as determined herein.

ARTICLE II Directors

Section 1. The number and classification of the Board of Directors shall be as set forth in the Charter of the Bank.

Section 2. No person who has attained the age of seventy-two (72) years shall be nominated for election to the Board of Directors of the Company, provided, however, that this limitation shall not apply to any person who was serving as director of the Company on September 16, 1971.

Section 3. The Class of Directors so elected shall hold office for three years or until their successors are elected and qualified.

Section 4. The affairs and business of the Company shall be managed and conducted by the Board of Directors.

Section 5. Regular meetings of the Board of Directors shall be held on the third Thursday of each month at the principal office of the Company, or at such other place and

time as may be designated by the Board of Directors, the Chairman of the Board, or the President.

Section 6. Special meetings of the Board of Directors may be called at any time by the Chairman of the Board of Directors or by the President, and shall be called upon the written request of a majority of the directors.

Section 7. A majority of the directors elected and qualified shall be necessary to constitute a quorum for the transaction of business at any meeting

of the Board of Directors.

Section 8. Written notice shall be sent by mail to each director of any special meeting of the Board of Directors, and of any change in the time or place of any regular meeting, stating the time and place of such meeting, which shall be mailed not less than two days before the time of holding such meeting.

Section 9. In the event of the death, resignation, removal, inability to act, or disqualification of any director, the Board of Directors, although less than a quorum, shall have the right to elect the successor who shall hold office for the remainder of the full term of the class of directors in which the vacancy occurred, and until such director's successor shall have been duly elected and qualified.

Section 10. The Board of Directors at its first meeting after its election by the stockholders shall appoint an Executive Committee, a Trust Committee, an Audit Committee and a Compensation Committee, and shall elect from its own members a Chairman of the Board of Directors and a President who may be the same person. The Board of Directors shall also elect at such meeting a Secretary and a Treasurer, who may be the same person, may appoint at any time such other committees and elect or appoint such other officers as it may deem advisable. The Board of Directors may also elect at such meeting one or more Associate Directors.

Section 11. The Board of Directors may at any time remove, with or without cause, any member of any Committee appointed by it or any associate director or officer elected by it and may appoint or elect his successor.

Section 12. The Board of Directors may designate an officer to be in charge of such of the departments or division of the Company as it may deem advisable.

ARTICLE III Committees

Section I. Executive Committee

(A) The Executive Committee shall be composed of not more than

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members who shall be selected by the Board of Directors from its own members and who shall hold office during the pleasure of the Board.

(B) The Executive Committee shall have all the powers of the

Board of Directors when it is not in session to transact all business for and in behalf of the Company that may be brought before it.

(C) The Executive Committee shall meet at the principal office of the Company or elsewhere in its discretion at such times to be determined by a majority of its members, or at the call of the Chairman of the Executive Committee or at the call of the Chairman of the Board of Directors. The majority of its members shall be necessary to constitute a quorum for the transaction of business. Special meetings of the Executive Committee may be held at any time when a quorum is present.

(D) Minutes of each meeting of the Executive Committee shall be kept and submitted to the Board of Directors at its next meeting.

(E) The Executive Committee shall advise and superintend all investments that may be made of the funds of the Company, and shall direct the disposal of the same, in accordance with such rules and regulations as the Board of Directors from time to time make.

(F) In the event of a state of disaster of sufficient severity to prevent the conduct and management of the affairs and business of the Company by its directors and officers as contemplated by these By-Laws any two available members of the Executive Committee as constituted immediately prior to such disaster shall constitute a quorum of that Committee for the full conduct and management of the affairs and business of the Company in accordance with the provisions of Article III of these By-Laws; and if less than three members of the Trust Committee is constituted immediately prior to such disaster shall be available for the transaction of its business, such Executive Committee shall also be empowered to exercise all of the powers reserved to the Trust Committee under Article III Section 2 hereof. In the event of the unavailability, at such time, of a minimum of two members of such Executive Committee, any three available directors shall constitute the Executive Committee for the full conduct and management of the affairs and business of the Company in accordance with the foregoing provisions of this Section. This By-Law shall be subject to implementation by Resolutions of the Board of Directors presently existing or hereafter passed from time to time for that purpose, and any provisions of these By-Laws (other than this Section) and any resolutions which are contrary to the provisions of this Section or to the provisions of any such implementary Resolutions shall be suspended during such a disaster period until it shall be determined by any interim Executive Committee acting under this section that it shall be to the advantage of the Company to resume the conduct and management of its affairs and business under all of the other provisions of these By-Laws.

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Section 2. Trust Committee

(A) The Trust Committee shall be composed of not more than thirteen members who shall be selected by the Board of Directors, a majority of

whom shall be members of the Board of Directors and who shall hold office during the pleasure of the Board.

(B) The Trust Committee shall have general supervision over the Trust Department and the investment of trust funds, in all matters, however, being subject to the approval of the Board of Directors.

(C) The Trust Committee shall meet at the principal office of the Company or elsewhere in its discretion at least once a month. A majority of its members shall be necessary to constitute a quorum for the transaction of business. Special meetings of the Trust Committee may be held at any time when a quorum is present.

(D) Minutes of each meeting of the Trust Committee shall be kept and promptly submitted to the Board of Directors.

(E) The Trust Committee shall have the power to appoint Committees and/or designate officers or employees of the Company to whom supervision over the investment of trust funds may be delegated when the Trust Committee is not in session.

Section 3. Audit Committee

(A) The Audit Committee shall be composed of five members who shall be selected by the Board of Directors from its own members, none of whom shall be an officer of the Company, and shall hold office at the pleasure of the Board.

(B) The Audit Committee shall have general supervision over the Audit Division in all matters however subject to the approval of the Board of Directors; it shall consider all matters brought to its attention by the officer in charge of the Audit Division, review all reports of examination of the Company made by any governmental agency or such independent auditor employed for that purpose, and make such recommendations to the Board of Directors with respect thereto or with respect to any other matters pertaining to auditing the Company as it shall deem desirable.

(C) The Audit Committee shall meet whenever and wherever the majority of its members shall deem it to be proper for the transaction of its business, and a majority of its Committee shall constitute a quorum.

Section 4. Compensation Committee

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(A) The Compensation Committee shall be composed of not more

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five (5) members who shall be selected by the Board of Directors from its own members who are not officers of the Company and who shall hold office during the pleasure of the Board.

(B) The Compensation Committee shall in general advise upon all matters of policy concerning the Company brought to its attention by the management and from time to time review the management of the Company, major organizational matters, including salaries and employee benefits and specifically shall administer the Executive Incentive Compensation Plan.

(C) Meetings of the Compensation Committee may be called at any time by the Chairman of the Compensation Committee, the Chairman of the Board of Directors, or the President of the Company.

Section 5. Associate Directors

(A) Any person who has served as a director may be elected by the Board of Directors as an associate director, to serve during the pleasure of the Board.

(B) An associate director shall be entitled to attend all directors meetings and participate in the discussion of all matters brought to the Board, with the exception that he would have no right to vote. An associate director will be eligible for appointment to Committees of the Company, with the exception of the Executive Committee, Audit Committee and Compensation Committee, which must be comprised solely of active directors.

Section 6. Absence or Disqualification of Any Member of a Committee

(A) In the absence or disqualification of any member of any Committee created under Article III of the By-Laws of this Company, the member or members thereof present at any meeting and not disqualified from voting, whether or not he or they constitute a quorum, may unanimously appoint another member of the Board of Directors to act at the meeting in the place of any such absence or disqualified member.

ARTICLE IV OFFICERS

Section 1. The Chairman of the Board of Directors shall preside at all meetings of the Board and shall have such further authority and powers and shall perform such duties as the Board of Directors may from time to time confer and direct. He shall also exercise such powers and perform such duties as may from time to time be agreed upon between himself and the President of the Company.

Section 2. The Vice Chairman of the Board of Directors shall preside at all

meetings of the Board of Directors at which the Chairman of the Board shall not be present and shall have such further authority and powers and shall perform such duties as the Board of Directors or the Chairman of the Board may from time to time confer and direct.

Section 3. The President shall have the powers and duties pertaining to the office of the President conferred or imposed upon him by statute or assigned to him by the Board of Directors in the absence of the Chairman of the Board the President shall have the powers and duties of the Chairman of the Board.

Section 4. The Chairman of the Board of Directors or the President as designated by the Board of Directors, shall carry into effect all legal directions of the Executive Committee and of the Board of Directors, and shall at all times exercise general supervision over the interest, affairs and operations of the Company and perform all duties incident to his office.

Section 5. There may be one or more Vice Presidents, however denominated by the Board of Directors, who may at any time perform all the duties of the Chairman of the Board of Directors and/or the President and such other powers and duties as may from time to time be assigned to them by the Board of Directors, the Executive Committee, the Chairman of the Board or the President and by the officer in charge of the department or division to which they are assigned.

Section 6. The Secretary shall attend to the giving of notice of meetings of the stockholders and the Board of Directors, as well as the Committees thereof, to the keeping of accurate minutes of all such meetings and to recording the same in the minute books of the Company. In addition to the other notice requirements of these By-Laws and as may be practicable under the circumstances, all such notices shall be in writing and mailed well in advance of the scheduled date of any other meeting. He shall have custody of the corporate seal and shall affix the same to any documents requiring such corporate seal and to attest the same.

Section 7. The Treasurer shall have general supervision over all assets and liabilities of the Company. He shall be custodian of and responsible for all monies, funds and valuables of the Company and for the keeping of proper records of the evidence of property or indebtedness and of all the transactions of the Company. He shall have general supervision of the expenditures of the Company and shall report to the Board of Directors at each regular meeting of the condition of the Company, and perform such other duties as may be assigned to him from time to time by the Board of Directors of the Executive Committee.

Section 8. There may be a Controller who shall exercise general supervision over the internal operations of the Company, including accounting, and shall render to the Board of Directors at appropriate times a report relating to the general condition and internal operations of the Company. There may be one or more subordinate accounting or controller officers however denominated, who may perform the duties of the Controller and such duties as may be prescribed by the Controller.

Section 9. The officer designated by the Board of Directors to be in charge of the Audit Division of the Company with such title as the Board of Directors shall prescribe, shall report to and be directly responsible only to the Board of Directors.

There shall be an Auditor and there may be one or more Audit Officers, however denominated, who may perform all the duties of the Auditor and such duties as may be prescribed by the officer in charge of the Audit Division.

Section 10. There may be one or more officers, subordinate in rank to all Vice Presidents with such functional titles as shall be determined from time to time by the Board of Directors, who shall ex officio hold the office Assistant Secretary of this Company and who may perform such duties as may be prescribed by the officer in charge of the department or division to whom they are assigned.

Section 11. The powers and duties of all other officers of the Company shall be those usually pertaining to their respective offices, subject to the direction of the Board of Directors, the Executive Committee, Chairman of the Board of Directors or the President and the officer in charge of the department or division to which they are assigned.

ARTICLE V Stock and Stock Certificates

Section 1. Shares of stock shall be transferable on the books of the Company and a transfer book shall be kept in which all transfers of stock shall be recorded.

Section 2. Certificate of stock shall bear the signature of the President or any Vice President, however denominated by the Board of Directors and countersigned by the Secretary or Treasurer or an Assistant Secretary, and the seal of the corporation shall be engraved thereon. Each certificate shall recite that the stock represented thereby is transferable only upon the books of the Company by the holder thereof or his attorney, upon surrender of the certificate properly endorsed. Any certificate of stock surrendered to the Company shall be cancelled at the time of transfer, and before a new certificate or certificates shall be issued in lieu thereof. Duplicate certificates of stock shall be issued only upon giving such security as may be satisfactory to the Board of Directors or the Executive Committee.

Section 3. The Board of Directors of the Company is authorized to fix in advance a record date for the determination of the stockholders entitled to notice of, and to vote at, any meeting of stockholders and any adjournment thereof, or entitled to receive payment of

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any dividend, or to any allotment or rights, or to exercise any rights in respect of any change, conversion or exchange of capital stock, or in connection with obtaining the consent of stockholders for any purpose, which record date shall not be more than 60 nor less than 10 days proceeding the date of any meeting of stockholders or the date for the payment of any dividend, or the date for the allotment of rights, or the date when any change or conversion or exchange of capital stock shall go into effect, or a date in connection with obtaining such consent.

ARTICLE VI SEAL

Section 1. The corporate seal of the Company shall be in the following form:

Between two concentric circles the words "Wilmington Trust Company" within the inner circle the words "Wilmington, Delaware."

ARTICLE VII FISCAL YEAR

Section 1. The fiscal year of the Company shall be the calendar year.

ARTICLE VIII EXECUTION OF INSTRUMENTS OF THE COMPANY

Section 1. The Chairman of the Board, the President or any Vice President, however denominated by the Board of Directors, shall have full power and authority to enter into, make, sign, execute, acknowledge and/or deliver and the Secretary or any Assistant Secretary shall have full power and authority to attest and affix the corporate seal of the Company to any and all deeds, conveyances, assignments, releases, contracts, agreements, bonds, notes, mortgages and all other instruments incident to the business of this Company or in acting as executor, administrator, guardian, trustee, agent or in any other fiduciary or representative capacity by any and every method of appointment or by whatever person, corporation, court officer or authority in the State of Delaware, or elsewhere, without any specific authority, ratification, approval or confirmation by the Board of Directors or the Executive Committee, and any and all such instruments shall have the same force and validity as although expressly authorized by the Board of Directors and/or the Executive Committee.

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ARTICLE IX COMPENSATION OF DIRECTORS AND MEMBERS OF COMMITTEES Section 1. Directors and associate directors of the Company, other than salaried officers of the Company, shall be paid such reasonable honoraria or fees for attending meetings of the Board of Directors as the Board of Directors may from time to time determine. Directors and associate directors who serve as members of committees, other than salaried employees of the Company, shall be paid such reasonable honoraria or fees for services as members of committees as the Board of Directors shall from time to time determine and directors and associate directors may be employed by the Company for such special services as the Board of Directors may from time to time determine and shall be paid for such special services so performed reasonable compensation as may be determined by the Board of Directors.

ARTICLE X INDEMNIFICATION

Section 1. (A) The Corporation shall indemnify and hold harmless, to the fullest extent permitted by applicable law as it presently exists or may hereafter be amended, any person who was or is made or is threatened to be made a party or is otherwise involved in any action, suit or proceeding, whether civil, criminal, administrative or investigative (a "proceeding") by reason of the fact that he, or a person for whom he is the legal representative, is or was a director, officer, employee or agent of the Corporation or is or was serving at the request of the Corporation as a director, officer, employee, fiduciary or agent of another corporation or of a partnership, joint venture, trust, enterprise or non-profit entity, including service with respect to employee benefit plans, against all liability and loss suffered and expenses reasonably incurred by such person. The Corporation shall indemnify a person in connection with a proceeding initiated by such person only if the proceeding was authorized by the Board of Directors of the Corporation.

(B) The Corporation shall pay the expenses incurred in defending any proceeding in advance of its final disposition, PROVIDED, HOWEVER, that the payment of expenses incurred by a Director officer in his capacity as a Director or officer in advance of the final disposition of the proceeding shall be made only upon receipt of an undertaking by the Director or officer to repay all amounts advanced if it should be ultimately determined that the Director or officer is not entitled to be indemnified under this Article or otherwise.

(C) If a claim for indemnification or payment of expenses, under this Article X is not paid in full within ninety days after a written claim therefor has been received by the Corporation the claimant may file suit to recover the unpaid amount of such claim and, if successful in whole or in part, shall be entitled to be paid the expense of prosecuting such claim. In any such action the Corporation shall have the burden of proving that the claimant was not entitled to the requested indemnification of payment of expenses under applicable law.

(D) The rights conferred on any person by this Article X shall not be exclusive of any other rights which such person may have or hereafter acquire under any statute, provision of the Charter or Act of Incorporation, these By-Laws, agreement, vote of stockholders or disinterested Directors or otherwise.

(E) Any repeal or modification of the foregoing provisions of this Article X shall not adversely affect any right or protection hereunder of any person in respect of any act or omission occurring prior to the time of such repeal or modification.

ARTICLE XI AMENDMENTS TO THE BY-LAWS

Section 1. These By-Laws may be altered, amended or repealed, in whole or in part, and any new By-Law or By-Laws adopted at any regular or special meeting of the Board of Directors by a vote of the majority of all the members of the Board of Directors then in office.

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EXHIBIT C

SECTION 321(b) CONSENT

Pursuant to Section 321(b) of the Trust Indenture Act of 1939, as amended, Wilmington Trust Company hereby consents that reports of examinations by Federal, State, Territorial or District authorities may be furnished by such authorities to the Securities and Exchange Commission upon requests therefor.

WILMINGTON TRUST COMPANY

Dated: December 23, 1996

By: /s/ Norma P. Closs

Name: Norma P. Closs Title: Vice President

EXHIBIT D

NOTICE

This form is intended to assist state nonmember banks and savings banks with state publication requirements. It has not been approved

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REPORT OF CONDITION				
Consolidating domestic subsidiaries of	the			
WILMINGTON TRUST COMPANY O				
Name of Bank	City			
in the State of DELAWARE, at the close of business on September 30, 1996.				
ASSETS	nctitutions.	Tho	usands of dollars	
Cash and balances due from depository institutions: Noninterest-bearing balances and currency and coins 198,288				
Interest-bearing balances Held-to-maturity securities			0 489,428	
Available-for-sale securities			783,718	
Federal funds sold			19,000	
Securities purchased under agreements to resell 48,500				
Loans and lease financing receivables:				
Loans and leases, net of unearned income 3,620,289 LESS: Allowance for loan and lease losses 49,721				
LESS: Allocated transfer risk reserve 0				
Loans and leases, net of unearned inc	ome,			
allowance, and reserve			3,570,568	
Assets held in trading accounts 0				
Premises and fixed assets (including capitalized			83,675	
leases) Other real estate owned			4,607	
Investments in unconsolidated subsidiaries and				
associated companies			85	
Customers' liability to this bank on ac	ceptances			
outstanding			0	
Intangible assets Other assets			4,131 101,592	
Total assets			5,303,592	
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LIABILITIES				
Deposits:				
In domestic offices			3,457,641	
Noninterest-bearing		740,731		
Interest-bearing Federal funds purchased		2,716,910	135,889	
Securities sold under agreements to rep	urchase		213,617	
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Demand notes issued to the U.S. Treasury Trading liabilities	94,999 0
Other borrowed money:	
With original maturity of one year or less	844,000
With original maturity of more than one year	28,000
Mortgage indebtedness and obligations under	
capitalized leases	0
Bank's liability on acceptances executed and	
outstanding	0
Subordinated notes and debentures	0
Other liabilities	103,818
Total liabilities	4,877,964
Limited-life preferred stock and related surplus	0
EQUITY CAPITAL	
Perpetual preferred stock and related surplus	0
Common Stock	500
Surplus	62 , 119
Undivided profits and capital reserves	363,705
Net unrealized holding gains (losses) on	
available-for-sale securities	(696)
Total equity capital	425,628
Total liabilities, limited-life preferred stock,	
and equity capital	5,303,592

Exhibit 25(d)

Registration No. 333-15743

SECURITIES AND EXCHANGE COMMISSION Washington, D.C. 20549

FORM T-1

STATEMENT OF ELIGIBILITY UNDER THE TRUST INDENTURE ACT OF 1939 OF A CORPORATION DESIGNATED TO ACT AS TRUSTEE

CHECK IF AN APPLICATION TO DETERMINE ELIGIBILITY OF A TRUSTEE PURSUANT TO SECTION 305(b)(2) X

WILMINGTON TRUST COMPANY (Exact name of trustee as specified in its charter)

51-0055023 (I.R.S. employer identification no.)

Delaware (State of incorporation)

Rodney Square North 1100 North Market Street Wilmington, Delaware 19890 (Address of principal executive offices)

Cynthia L. Corliss Vice President and Trust Counsel Wilmington Trust Company Rodney Square North Wilmington, Delaware 19890 (302) 651-8516 (Name, address and telephone number of agent for service)

FIRST UNION CORPORATION FIRST UNION TRUST III (Exact name of obligor as specified in its charter)

North Carolina Delaware 56-0898180 To be Applied for

28288-0013

(Zip Code)

(State of incorporation)

(I.R.S. employer identification no.)

One First Union Center Charlotte, North Carolina (Address of principal executive offices) Preferred Securities of First Union Capital III

(Title of the indenture securities)

ITEM 1. GENERAL INFORMATION.

Furnish the following information as to the trustee:

(a) Name and address of each examining or supervising authority to which it is subject.

Federal Deposit Insurance Co.State Bank CommissionerFive Penn CenterDover, DelawareSuite #2901Philadelphia, PA

(b) Whether it is authorized to exercise corporate trust powers.

The trustee is authorized to exercise corporate trust powers.

ITEM 2. AFFILIATIONS WITH THE OBLIGOR.

If the obligor is an affiliate of the trustee, describe each affiliation:

Based upon an examination of the books and records of the trustee and upon information furnished by the obligor, the obligor is not an affiliate of the trustee.

ITEM 3. LIST OF EXHIBITS.

List below all exhibits filed as part of this Statement of Eligibility and Qualification.

- A. Copy of the Charter of Wilmington Trust Company, which includes the certificate of authority of Wilmington Trust Company to commence business and the authorization of Wilmington Trust Company to exercise corporate trust powers.
- B. Copy of By-Laws of Wilmington Trust Company.
- C. Consent of Wilmington Trust Company required by Section 321(b) of Trust Indenture Act.
- D. Copy of most recent Report of Condition of Wilmington Trust Company.

Pursuant to the requirements of the Trust Indenture Act of 1939, as

amended, the trustee, Wilmington Trust Company, a corporation organized and existing under the laws of Delaware, has duly caused this Statement of Eligibility to be signed on its behalf by the undersigned, thereunto duly authorized, all in the City of Wilmington and State of Delaware on the 23rd day of December, 1996.

WILMINGTON TRUST COMPANY

[SEAL]

Attest: /s/ Debra Eberly ------Assistant Secretary By: /s/ Norma P. Closs

Name: Norma P. Closs Title: Vice President

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EXHIBIT A AMENDED CHARTER Wilmington Trust Company Wilmington, Delaware As existing on May 9, 1987

> Amended Charter or Act of Incorporation of Wilmington Trust Company

Wilmington Trust Company, originally incorporated by an Act of the General Assembly of the State of Delaware, entitled "An Act to Incorporate the Delaware Guarantee and Trust Company", approved March 2, A.D. 1901, and the name of which company was changed to "Wilmington Trust Company" by an amendment filed in the Office of the Secretary of State on March 18, A.D. 1903, and the Charter or Act of Incorporation of which company has been from time to time amended and changed by merger agreements pursuant to the corporation law for state banks and trust companies of the State of Delaware, does hereby alter and amend its Charter or Act of Incorporation so that the same as so altered and amended shall in its entirety read as follows:

First: - The name of this corporation is Wilmington Trust Company.

Second: - The location of its principal office in the State of Delaware is at Rodney Square North, in the City of Wilmington, County of New Castle; the name of its resident agent is Wilmington Trust Company whose address is Rodney Square North, in said City. In addition to such principal office, the said corporation maintains and operates branch offices in the City of Newark, New Castle County, Delaware, the town of Newport, New Castle County, Delaware, at Claymont, New Castle County, Delaware, at Greenville, New Castle County, Delaware, and at Milford Cross Roads, New Castle County, Delaware, and shall be empowered to open, maintain and operate branch offices at Ninth and Shipley Streets, 418 Delaware Avenue, 2120 Market Street, and 3605 Market Street, all in the City of Wilmington, New Castle County, Delaware, and such other branch offices or places of business as may be authorized from time to time by the agency or agencies of the government of the State of Delaware empowered to confer such authority.

Third: - (a) The nature of the business and the objects and purposes proposed to be transacted, promoted or carried on by this Corporation are to do any or all of the things herein mentioned as fully and to the same extent as natural persons might or could do and in any part of the world, viz.:

(1) To sue and be sued, complain and defend in any Court of law or equity and to make and use a common seal, and alter the seal at pleasure, to hold, purchase, convey, mortgage or otherwise deal in real and personal estate and property, and to appoint such officers and agents as the business of the

Corporation shall require, to make by-laws not inconsistent with the Constitution or laws of the United States or of this State, to discount bills, notes or other evidences of debt, to receive deposits of money, or securities for money, to buy gold or silver bullion and foreign coins, to buy and sell bills of exchange, and generally to use, exercise and enjoy all the powers, rights, privileges and franchises incident to a corporation which are proper or necessary for the transaction of the business of the Corporation hereby created.

(2) To insure titles to real and personal property, or any estate or interests therein, and to guarantee the holder of such property, real or personal, against any claim or claims, adverse to his interest therein, and to prepare and give certificates of title for any lands or premises in the State of Delaware, or elsewhere.

(3) To act as factor, agent, broker or attorney in the receipt, collection, custody, investment and management of funds, and the purchase, sale, management and disposal of property of all descriptions, and to prepare and execute all papers which may be necessary or proper in such business.

(4) To prepare and draw agreements, contracts, deeds, leases, conveyances, mortgages, bonds and legal papers of every description, and to carry on the business of conveyancing in all its branches.

(5) To receive upon deposit for safekeeping money, jewelry, plate, deeds, bonds and any and all other personal property of every sort and kind, from executors, administrators, guardians, public officers, courts, receivers, assignees, trustees, and from all fiduciaries, and from all other persons and individuals, and from all corporations whether state, municipal, corporate or private, and to rent boxes, safes, vaults and other receptacles for such property.

(6) To act as agent or otherwise for the purpose of registering, issuing, certificating, countersigning, transferring or underwriting the stock, bonds or other obligations of any corporation, association, state or municipality, and may receive and manage any sinking fund therefor on such terms as may be agreed upon between the two parties, and in like manner may act as Treasurer of any corporation or municipality.

(7) To act as Trustee under any deed of trust, mortgage, bond or other instrument issued by any state, municipality, body politic, corporation, association or person, either alone or in conjunction with any other person or persons, corporation or corporations.

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(8) To guarantee the validity, performance or effect of any contract or agreement, and the fidelity of persons holding places of responsibility or trust; to become surety for any person, or persons, for the faithful performance of any trust, office, duty, contract or agreement, either by itself or in conjunction with any other person, or persons, corporation, or corporations, or in like manner become surety upon any bond, recognizance, obligation, judgment, suit, order, or decree to be entered in any court of record within the State of Delaware or elsewhere, or which may now or hereafter be required by any law, judge, officer or court in the State of Delaware or elsewhere.

(9) To act by any and every method of appointment as trustee, trustee in bankruptcy, receiver, assignee, assignee in bankruptcy, executor, administrator, guardian, bailee, or in any other trust capacity in the receiving, holding, managing, and disposing of any and all estates and property, real, personal or mixed, and to be appointed as such trustee, trustee in bankruptcy, receiver, assignee, assignee in bankruptcy, executor, administrator, guardian or bailee by any persons, corporations, court, officer, or authority, in the State of Delaware or elsewhere; and whenever this Corporation is so appointed by any person, corporation, court, officer or authority such trustee, trustee in bankruptcy, receiver, assignee, assignee in bankruptcy, executor, administrator, guardian, bailee, or in any other trust capacity, it shall not be required to give bond with surety, but its capital stock shall be taken and held as security for the performance of the duties devolving upon it by such appointment.

(10) And for its care, management and trouble, and the exercise of any of its powers hereby given, or for the performance of any of the duties which it may undertake or be called upon to perform, or for the assumption of any responsibility the said Corporation may be entitled to receive a proper compensation.

(11) To purchase, receive, hold and own bonds, mortgages, debentures, shares of capital stock, and other securities, obligations, contracts and evidences of indebtedness, of any private, public or municipal corporation within and without the State of Delaware, or of the Government of the United States, or of any state, territory, colony, or possession thereof, or of any foreign government or country; to receive, collect, receipt for, and dispose of interest, dividends and income upon and from any of the bonds, mortgages, debentures, notes, shares of capital stock, securities, obligations, contracts, evidences of indebtedness and other property held and owned by it, and to exercise in respect of all such bonds, mortgages, debentures, notes, shares of capital stock, securities, obligations, contracts, evidences of indebtedness and other property, any and all the rights, powers and privileges of individual

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owners thereof, including the right to vote thereon; to invest and deal in and with any of the moneys of the Corporation upon such securities and in such manner as it may think fit and proper, and from time to time to vary or realize such investments; to issue bonds and secure the same by pledges or deeds of trust or mortgages of or upon the whole or any part of the property held or owned by the Corporation, and to sell and pledge such bonds, as and when the Board of Directors shall determine, and in the promotion of its said corporate business of investment and to the extent authorized by law, to lease, purchase, hold, sell, assign, transfer, pledge, mortgage and convey real and personal property of any name and nature and any estate or interest therein.

(b) In furtherance of, and not in limitation, of the powers conferred by the laws of the State of Delaware, it is hereby expressly provided that the said Corporation shall also have the following powers:

(1) To do any or all of the things herein set forth, to the same extent as natural persons might or could do, and in any part of the world.

(2) To acquire the good will, rights, property and franchises and to undertake the whole or any part of the assets and liabilities of any person, firm, association or corporation, and to pay for the same in cash, stock of this Corporation, bonds or otherwise; to hold or in any manner to dispose of the whole or any part of the property so purchased; to conduct in any lawful manner the whole or any part of any business so acquired, and to exercise all the powers necessary or convenient in and about the conduct and management of such business.

(3) To take, hold, own, deal in, mortgage or otherwise lien, and to lease, sell, exchange, transfer, or in any manner whatever dispose of property, real, personal or mixed, wherever situated.

(4) to enter into, make, perform and carry out contracts of every kind with any person, firm, association or corporation, and, without limit as to amount, to draw, make, accept, endorse, discount, execute and issue promissory notes, drafts, bills of exchange, warrants, bonds, debentures, and other negotiable or transferable instruments.

(5) To have one or more offices, to carry on all or any of its operations and businesses, without restriction to the same extent as natural persons might or could do, to purchase or otherwise acquire, to hold, own, to mortgage, sell, convey or otherwise dispose of, real and personal property, of every class and description, in any State, District, Territory or Colony of the United States, and in any foreign country or place.

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(6) It is the intention that the objects, purposes and powers specified and clauses contained in this paragraph shall (except

where otherwise expressed in said paragraph) be nowise limited or restricted by reference to or inference from the terms of any other clause of this or any other paragraph in this charter, but that the objects, purposes and powers specified in each of the clauses of this paragraph shall be regarded as independent objects, purposes and powers.

Fourth: - (a) The total number of shares of all classes of stock which the Corporation shall have authority to issue is forty-one million (41,000,000) shares, consisting of:

(1) One million (1,000,000) shares of Preferred stock, par value \$10.00 per share (hereinafter referred to as "Preferred Stock"); and

(2) Forty million (40,000,000) shares of Common Stock, par value \$1.00 per share (hereinafter referred to as "Common Stock").

(b) Shares of Preferred Stock may be issued from time to time in one or more series as may from time to time be determined by the Board of Directors each of said series to be distinctly designated. All shares of any one series of Preferred Stock shall be alike in every particular, except that there may be different dates from which dividends, if any, thereon shall be cumulative, if made cumulative. The voting powers and the preferences and relative, participating, optional and other special rights of each such series, and the qualifications, limitations or restrictions thereof, if any, may differ from those of any and all other series at any time outstanding; and, subject to the provisions of subparagraph 1 of Paragraph (c) of this Article Fourth, the Board of Directors of the Corporation is hereby expressly granted authority to fix by resolution or resolutions adopted prior to the issuance of any shares of a particular series of Preferred Stock, the voting powers and the designations, preferences and relative, optional and other special rights, and the qualifications, limitations and restrictions of such series, including, but without limiting the generality of the foregoing, the following:

> (1) The distinctive designation of, and the number of shares of Preferred Stock which shall constitute such series, which number may be increased (except where otherwise provided by the Board of Directors) or decreased (but not below the number of shares thereof then outstanding) from time to time by like action of the Board of Directors;

(2) The rate and times at which, and the terms and conditions on which, dividends, if any, on Preferred Stock of such series shall be paid, the extent of the preference or relation, if any, of such dividends to the dividends payable on any other class or classes, or series of the same or other class of stock and whether such dividends shall be cumulative or non-cumulative;

(3) The right, if any, of the holders of Preferred Stock of such series to convert the same into or exchange the same for, shares of any other class or classes or of any series of the same or any other class or classes of stock of the Corporation and the terms and conditions of such conversion or exchange;

(4) Whether or not Preferred Stock of such series shall be subject to redemption, and the redemption price or prices and the time or times at which, and the terms and conditions on which, Preferred Stock of such series may be redeemed.

(5) The rights, if any, of the holders of Preferred Stock of such series upon the voluntary or involuntary liquidation, merger, consolidation, distribution or sale of assets, dissolution or winding-up, of the Corporation.

(6) The terms of the sinking fund or redemption or purchase account, if any, to be provided for the Preferred Stock of such series; and

(7) The voting powers, if any, of the holders of such series of Preferred Stock which may, without limiting the generality of the foregoing include the right, voting as a series or by itself or together with other series of Preferred Stock or all series of Preferred Stock as a class, to elect one or more directors of the Corporation if there shall have been a default in the payment of dividends on any one or more series of Preferred Stock or under such circumstances and on such conditions as the Board of Directors may determine.

(c) (1) After the requirements with respect to preferential dividends on the Preferred Stock (fixed in accordance with the provisions of section (b) of this Article Fourth), if any, shall have been met and after the Corporation shall have complied with all the requirements, if any, with respect to the setting aside of sums as sinking funds or redemption or purchase accounts (fixed in accordance with the provisions of section (b) of this Article Fourth), and subject further to any conditions which may be fixed in accordance with the provisions of section (b) of this Article Fourth, then and not otherwise the holders of Common Stock shall be entitled to receive such dividends as may be declared from time to time by the Board of Directors.

(2) After distribution in full of the preferential amount, if

any, (fixed in accordance with the provisions of section (b) of this Article Fourth), to be distributed to the holders of Preferred Stock in the event of voluntary or involuntary liquidation, distribution or sale of assets, dissolution or winding-up, of the Corporation, the holders of the Common Stock shall be entitled to

receive all of the remaining assets of the Corporation, tangible and intangible, of whatever kind available for distribution to stockholders ratably in proportion to the number of shares of Common Stock held by them respectively.

(3) Except as may otherwise be required by law or by the provisions of such resolution or resolutions as may be adopted by the Board of Directors pursuant to section (b) of this Article Fourth, each holder of Common Stock shall have one vote in respect of each share of Common Stock held on all matters voted upon by the stockholders.

(d) No holder of any of the shares of any class or series of stock or of options, warrants or other rights to purchase shares of any class or series of stock or of other securities of the Corporation shall have any preemptive right to purchase or subscribe for any unissued stock of any class or series or any additional shares of any class or series to be issued by reason of any increase of the authorized capital stock of the Corporation of any class or series, or bonds, certificates of indebtedness, debentures or other securities convertible into or exchangeable for stock of the Corporation of any class or series, or carrying any right to purchase stock of any class or series, but any such unissued stock, additional authorized issue of shares of any class or series of stock or securities convertible into or exchangeable for stock, or carrying any right to purchase stock, may be issued and disposed of pursuant to resolution of the Board of Directors to such persons, firms, corporations or associations, whether such holders or others, and upon such terms as may be deemed advisable by the Board of Directors in the exercise of its sole discretion.

(e) The relative powers, preferences and rights of each series of Preferred Stock in relation to the relative powers, preferences and rights of each other series of Preferred Stock shall, in each case, be as fixed from time to time by the Board of Directors in the resolution or resolutions adopted pursuant to authority granted in section (b) of this Article Fourth and the consent, by class or series vote or otherwise, of the holders of such of the series of Preferred Stock as are from time to time outstanding shall not be required for the issuance by the Board of Directors of any other series of Preferred Stock whether or not the powers, preferences and rights of such other series shall be fixed by the Board of Directors as senior to, or on a parity with, the powers, preferences and rights of such outstanding series, or any of them; provided, however, that the Board of Directors may provide in the resolution or resolutions as to any series of Preferred Stock adopted pursuant to section (b) of this Article Fourth that the consent of the holders of a majority (or such greater proportion as shall be therein fixed) of the outstanding shares of such series voting thereon shall be required for the issuance of any or all other series of Preferred Stock.

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(f) Subject to the provisions of section (e), shares of any series of Preferred Stock may be issued from time to time as the Board of Directors of the Corporation shall determine and on such terms and for such consideration as shall be fixed by the Board of Directors.

(g) Shares of Common Stock may be issued from time to time as the Board of Directors of the Corporation shall determine and on such terms and for such consideration as shall be fixed by the Board of Directors.

(h) The authorized amount of shares of Common Stock and of Preferred Stock may, without a class or series vote, be increased or decreased from time to time by affirmative vote of the holders of a majority of the stock of the Corporation entitled to vote thereon.

Fifth: - (a) The business and affairs of the Corporation shall be conducted and managed by a Board of Directors. The number of directors constituting the entire Board shall not be less than five nor more than twenty-five as fixed from time to time by vote of a majority of the whole Board, provided, however, that the number of directors shall not be reduced so as to shorten the term of any director at the time in office, and provided further, that the number of directors constituting the whole Board shall be twenty-four until otherwise fixed by a majority of the whole Board.

(b) The Board of Directors shall be divided into three classes, as nearly equal in number as the then total number of directors constituting the whole Board permits, with the term of office of one class expiring each year. At the annual meeting of stockholders in 1982, directors of the first class shall be elected to hold office for a term expiring at the next succeeding annual meeting, directors of the second class shall be elected to hold office for a term expiring at the second succeeding annual meeting and directors of the third class shall be elected to hold office for a term expiring at the third succeeding annual meeting. Any vacancies in the Board of Directors for any reason, and any newly created directorships resulting from any increase in the directors, may be filled by the Board of Directors, acting by a majority of the directors then in office, although less than a quorum, and any directors. At such election, the stockholders shall elect a successor to such director to hold office until the next election of the class for which such director shall have been chosen and until his successor shall be elected and qualified. No decrease in the number of directors shall shorten the term of any incumbent director.

(c) Notwithstanding any other provisions of this Charter or Act of Incorporation or the By-Laws of the Corporation (and notwithstanding the fact that some lesser percentage may be specified by law, this Charter or Act of Incorporation or the By-Laws of the Corporation), any director or the entire Board of Directors of the

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Corporation may be removed at any time without cause, but only by the affirmative vote of the holders of two-thirds or more of the outstanding shares of capital stock of the Corporation entitled to vote generally in the election of directors (considered for this purpose as one class) cast at a meeting of the stockholders called for that purpose.

(d) Nominations for the election of directors may be made by the Board of Directors or by any stockholder entitled to vote for the election of directors. Such nominations shall be made by notice in writing, delivered or mailed by first class United States mail, postage prepaid, to the Secretary of the Corporation not less than 14 days nor more than 50 days prior to any meeting of the stockholders called for the election of directors; provided, however, that if less than 21 days' notice of the meeting is given to stockholders, such written notice shall be delivered or mailed, as prescribed, to the Secretary of the Corporation not later that the close of the seventh day following the day on which notice of the meeting was mailed to stockholders. Notice of nominations which are proposed by the Board of Directors shall be given by the Chairman on behalf of the Board.

(e) Each notice under subsection (d) shall set forth (i) the name, age, business address and, if known, residence address of each nominee proposed in such notice, (ii) the principal occupation or employment of such nominee and (iii) the number of shares of stock of the Corporation which are beneficially owned by each such nominee.

(f) The Chairman of the meeting may, if the facts warrant, determine and declare to the meeting that a nomination was not made in accordance with the foregoing procedure, and if he should so determine, he shall so declare to the meeting and the defective nomination shall be disregarded.

(g) No action required to be taken or which may be taken at any annual or special meeting of stockholders of the Corporation may be taken without a meeting, and the power of stockholders to consent in writing, without a meeting, to the taking of any action is specifically denied. Sixth: - The Directors shall choose such officers, agent and servants as may be provided in the By-Laws as they may from time to time find necessary or proper.

Seventh: - The Corporation hereby created is hereby given the same powers, rights and privileges as may be conferred upon corporations organized under the Act entitled "An Act Providing a General Corporation Law", approved March 10, 1899, as from time to time amended.

Eighth: - This Act shall be deemed and taken to be a private Act.

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Ninth: - This Corporation is to have perpetual existence.

Tenth: - The Board of Directors, by resolution passed by a majority of the whole Board, may designate any of their number to constitute an Executive Committee, which Committee, to the extent provided in said resolution, or in the By-Laws of the Company, shall have and may exercise all of the powers of the Board of Directors in the management of the business and affairs of the Corporation, and shall have power to authorize the seal of the Corporation to be affixed to all papers which may require it.

Eleventh: - The private property of the stockholders shall not be liable for the payment of corporate debts to any extent whatever.

Twelfth: - The Corporation may transact business in any part of the world.

Thirteenth: - The Board of Directors of the Corporation is expressly authorized to make, alter or repeal the By-Laws of the Corporation by a vote of the majority of the entire Board. The stockholders may make, alter or repeal any By-Law whether or not adopted by them, provided however, that any such additional By-Laws, alterations or repeal may be adopted only by the affirmative vote of the holders of two-thirds or more of the outstanding shares of capital stock of the Corporation entitled to vote generally in the election of directors (considered for this purpose as one class).

Fourteenth: - Meetings of the Directors may be held outside of the State of Delaware at such places as may be from time to time designated by the Board, and the Directors may keep the books of the Company outside of the State of Delaware at such places as may be from time to time designated by them.

Fifteenth: - (a) In addition to any affirmative vote required by law, and except as otherwise expressly provided in sections (b) and (c) of this Article Fifteenth:

(A) any merger or consolidation of the Corporation or any Subsidiary (as hereinafter defined) with or into (i) any Interested Stockholder (as hereinafter defined) or (ii) any other corporation (whether or not itself an Interested Stockholder), which, after such merger or consolidation, would be an Affiliate (as hereinafter defined) of an Interested Stockholder, or

(B) any sale, lease, exchange, mortgage, pledge, transfer or other disposition (in one transaction or a series of related transactions) to or with any Interested Stockholder or any Affiliate of any Interested Stockholder of any assets of the Corporation or any Subsidiary having an aggregate fair market value of \$1,000,000 or more, or

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(C) the issuance or transfer by the Corporation or any Subsidiary (in one transaction or a series of related transactions) of any securities of the Corporation or any Subsidiary to any Interested Stockholder or any Affiliate of any Interested Stockholder in exchange for cash, securities or other property (or a combination thereof) having an aggregate fair market value of \$1,000,000 or more, or

(D) the adoption of any plan or proposal for the liquidation or dissolution of the Corporation, or

(E) any reclassification of securities (including any reverse stock split), or recapitalization of the Corporation, or any merger or consolidation of the Corporation with any of its Subsidiaries or any similar transaction (whether or not with or into or otherwise involving an Interested Stockholder) which has the effect, directly or indirectly, of increasing the proportionate share of the outstanding shares of any class of equity or convertible securities of the Corporation or any Subsidiary which is directly or indirectly owned by any Interested Stockholder, or any Affiliate of any Interested Stockholder,

shall require the affirmative vote of the holders of at least two-thirds of the outstanding shares of capital stock of the Corporation entitled to vote generally in the election of directors, considered for the purpose of this Article Fifteenth as one class ("Voting Shares"). Such affirmative vote shall be required notwithstanding the fact that no vote may be required, or that some lesser percentage may be specified, by law or in any agreement with any national securities exchange or otherwise.

> (2) The term "business combination" as used in this Article Fifteenth shall mean any transaction which is referred to any one or more of clauses (A) through (E) of paragraph 1 of the

section (a).

(b) The provisions of section (a) of this Article Fifteenth shall not be applicable to any particular business combination and such business combination shall require only such affirmative vote as is required by law and any other provisions of the Charter or Act of Incorporation of By-Laws if such business combination has been approved by a majority of the whole Board.

(c) For the purposes of this Article Fifteenth:

(1) A "person" shall mean any individual firm, corporation or other entity.

(2) "Interested Stockholder" shall mean, in respect of any business combination, any person (other than the Corporation or any Subsidiary) who or which as of the record date for the determination of stockholders entitled to notice of and to vote on

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such business combination, or immediately prior to the consummation of any such transaction:

(A) is the beneficial owner, directly or indirectly, of more than 10% of the Voting Shares, or

(B) is an Affiliate of the Corporation and at any time within two years prior thereto was the beneficial owner, directly or indirectly, of not less than 10% of the then outstanding voting Shares, or

(C) is an assignee of or has otherwise succeeded in any share of capital stock of the Corporation which were at any time within two years prior thereto beneficially owned by any Interested Stockholder, and such assignment or succession shall have occurred in the course of a transaction of series of transactions not involving a public offering within the meaning of the Securities Act of 1933.

(3) A person shall be the "beneficial owner" of any Voting Shares:

(A) which such person or any of its Affiliates and Associates (as hereafter defined) beneficially own, directly or indirectly, or

(B) which such person or any of its Affiliates or Associates has (i) the right to acquire (whether such right is exercisable immediately or only after the passage of time), pursuant to any agreement, arrangement or understanding or upon the exercise of conversion rights, exchange rights, warrants or options, or otherwise, or (ii) the right to vote pursuant to any agreement, arrangement or understanding, or

(C) which are beneficially owned, directly or indirectly, by any other person with which such first mentioned person or any of its Affiliates or Associates has any agreement, arrangement or understanding for the purpose of acquiring, holding, voting or disposing of any shares of capital stock of the Corporation.

(4) The outstanding Voting Shares shall include shares deemed owned through application of paragraph (3) above but shall not include any other Voting Shares which may be issuable pursuant to any agreement, or upon exercise of conversion rights, warrants or options or otherwise.

(5) "Affiliate" and "Associate" shall have the respective meanings given those terms in Rule 12b-2 of the General Rules and Regulations under the Securities Exchange Act of 1934, as in effect on December 31, 1981.

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(6) "Subsidiary" shall mean any corporation of which a majority of any class of equity security (as defined in Rule 3all-1 of the General Rules and Regulations under the Securities Exchange Act of 1934, as in effect in December 31, 1981) is owned, directly or indirectly, by the Corporation; provided, however, that for the purposes of the definition of Investment Stockholder set forth in paragraph (2) of this section (c), the term "Subsidiary" shall mean only a corporation of which a majority of each class of equity security is owned, directly or indirectly, by the Corporation.

(d) majority of the directors shall have the power and duty to determine for the purposes of this Article Fifteenth on the basis of information known to them, (1) the number of Voting Shares beneficially owned by any person (2) whether a person is an Affiliate or Associate of another, (3) whether a person has an agreement, arrangement or understanding with another as to the matters referred to in paragraph (3) of section (c), or (4) whether the assets subject to any business combination or the consideration received for the issuance or transfer of securities by the Corporation, or any Subsidiary has an aggregate fair market value of \$1,00,000 or more.

(e) Nothing contained in this Article Fifteenth shall be construed to relieve any Interested Stockholder from any fiduciary obligation imposed by law.

Sixteenth: - Notwithstanding any other provision of this Charter or Act of

Incorporation or the By-Laws of the Corporation (and in addition to any other vote that may be required by law, this Charter or Act of Incorporation by the By-Laws), the affirmative vote of the holders of at least two-thirds of the outstanding shares of the capital stock of the Corporation entitled to vote generally in the election of directors (considered for this purpose as one class) shall be required to amend, alter or repeal any provision of Articles Fifth, Thirteenth, Fifteenth or Sixteenth of this Charter or Act of Incorporation.

Seventeenth: - (a) a Director of this Corporation shall not be liable to the Corporation or its stockholders for monetary damages for breach of fiduciary duty as a Director, except to the extent such exemption from liability or limitation thereof is not permitted under the Delaware General Corporation Laws as the same exists or may hereafter be amended.

(b) Any repeal or modification of the foregoing paragraph shall not adversely affect any right or protection of a Director of the Corporation existing hereunder with respect to any act or omission occurring prior to the time of such repeal or modification."

EXHIBIT B

BY-LAWS

WILMINGTON TRUST COMPANY

WILMINGTON, DELAWARE

As existing on December 21, 1995

BY-LAWS OF WILMINGTON TRUST COMPANY

ARTICLE I Stockholders' Meetings

Section 1. The Annual Meeting of Stockholders shall be held on the third Thursday in April each year at the principal office at the Company or at such other date, time, or place as may be designated by resolution by the Board of Directors.

Section 2. Special meetings of all stockholders may be called at any time by the Board of Directors, the Chairman of the Board or the President.

Section 3. Notice of all meetings of the stockholders shall be given by mailing to each stockholder at least ten (10 days before said meeting, at his

last known address, a written or printed notice fixing the time and place of such meeting.

Section 4. A majority in the amount of the capital stock of the Company issued and outstanding on the record date, as herein determined, shall constitute a quorum at all meetings of stockholders for the transaction of any business, but the holders of a small number of shares may adjourn, from time to time, without further notice, until a quorum is secured. At each annual or special meeting of stockholders, each stockholder shall be entitled to one vote, either in person or by proxy, for each shares of stock registered in the stockholder's name on the books of the Company on the record date for any such meeting as determined herein.

ARTICLE II Directors

Section 1. The number and classification of the Board of Directors shall be as set forth in the Charter of the Bank.

Section 2. No person who has attained the age of seventy-two (72) years shall be nominated for election to the Board of Directors of the Company, provided, however, that this limitation shall not apply to any person who was serving as director of the Company on September 16, 1971.

Section 3. The Class of Directors so elected shall hold office for three years or until their successors are elected and qualified.

Section 4. The affairs and business of the Company shall be managed and conducted by the Board of Directors.

Section 5. Regular meetings of the Board of Directors shall be held on the third Thursday of each month at the principal office of the Company, or at such other place and

time as may be designated by the Board of Directors, the Chairman of the Board, or the President.

Section 6. Special meetings of the Board of Directors may be called at any time by the Chairman of the Board of Directors or by the President, and shall be called upon the written request of a majority of the directors.

Section 7. A majority of the directors elected and qualified shall be necessary to constitute a quorum for the transaction of business at any meeting of the Board of Directors.

Section 8. Written notice shall be sent by mail to each director of any special meeting of the Board of Directors, and of any change in the time or place of any regular meeting, stating the time and place of such meeting, which shall be mailed not less than two days before the time of holding such meeting.

Section 9. In the event of the death, resignation, removal, inability to act, or disqualification of any director, the Board of Directors, although less than a quorum, shall have the right to elect the successor who shall hold office for the remainder of the full term of the class of directors in which the vacancy occurred, and until such director's successor shall have been duly elected and qualified.

Section 10. The Board of Directors at its first meeting after its election by the stockholders shall appoint an Executive Committee, a Trust Committee, an Audit Committee and a Compensation Committee, and shall elect from its own members a Chairman of the Board of Directors and a President who may be the same person. The Board of Directors shall also elect at such meeting a Secretary and a Treasurer, who may be the same person, may appoint at any time such other committees and elect or appoint such other officers as it may deem advisable. The Board of Directors may also elect at such meeting one or more Associate Directors.

Section 11. The Board of Directors may at any time remove, with or without cause, any member of any Committee appointed by it or any associate director or officer elected by it and may appoint or elect his successor.

Section 12. The Board of Directors may designate an officer to be in charge of such of the departments or division of the Company as it may deem advisable.

ARTICLE III Committees

Section I. Executive Committee

(A) The Executive Committee shall be composed of not more than

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members who shall be selected by the Board of Directors from its own members and who shall hold office during the pleasure of the Board.

(B) The Executive Committee shall have all the powers of the Board of Directors when it is not in session to transact all business for and in behalf of the Company that may be brought before it.

(C) The Executive Committee shall meet at the principal office of the Company or elsewhere in its discretion at such times to be determined by a majority of its members, or at the call of the Chairman of the Executive Committee or at the call of the Chairman of the Board of Directors. The majority of its members shall be necessary to constitute a quorum for the transaction of business. Special meetings of the Executive Committee may be held at any time when a quorum is present.

(D) Minutes of each meeting of the Executive Committee shall be kept and submitted to the Board of Directors at its next meeting.

(E) The Executive Committee shall advise and superintend all investments that may be made of the funds of the Company, and shall direct the disposal of the same, in accordance with such rules and regulations as the Board of Directors from time to time make.

(F) In the event of a state of disaster of sufficient severity to prevent the conduct and management of the affairs and business of the Company by its directors and officers as contemplated by these By-Laws any two available members of the Executive Committee as constituted immediately prior to such disaster shall constitute a quorum of that Committee for the full conduct and management of the affairs and business of the Company in accordance with the provisions of Article III of these By-Laws; and if less than three members of the Trust Committee is constituted immediately prior to such disaster shall be available for the transaction of its business, such Executive Committee shall also be empowered to exercise all of the powers reserved to the Trust Committee under Article III Section 2 hereof. In the event of the unavailability, at such time, of a minimum of two members of such Executive Committee, any three available directors shall constitute the Executive Committee for the full conduct and management of the affairs and business of the Company in accordance with the foregoing provisions of this Section. This By-Law shall be subject to implementation by Resolutions of the Board of Directors presently existing or hereafter passed from time to time for that purpose, and any provisions of these By-Laws (other than this Section) and any resolutions which are contrary to the provisions of this Section or to the provisions of any such implementary Resolutions shall be suspended during such a disaster period until it shall be determined by any interim Executive Committee acting under this section that it shall be to the advantage of the Company to resume the conduct and management of its affairs and business under all of the other provisions of these By-Laws.

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Section 2. Trust Committee

(A) The Trust Committee shall be composed of not more than thirteen members who shall be selected by the Board of Directors, a majority of whom shall be members of the Board of Directors and who shall hold office during the pleasure of the Board.

(B) The Trust Committee shall have general supervision over the Trust Department and the investment of trust funds, in all matters, however,

being subject to the approval of the Board of Directors.

(C) The Trust Committee shall meet at the principal office of the Company or elsewhere in its discretion at least once a month. A majority of its members shall be necessary to constitute a quorum for the transaction of business. Special meetings of the Trust Committee may be held at any time when a quorum is present.

(D) Minutes of each meeting of the Trust Committee shall be kept and promptly submitted to the Board of Directors.

(E) The Trust Committee shall have the power to appoint Committees and/or designate officers or employees of the Company to whom supervision over the investment of trust funds may be delegated when the Trust Committee is not in session.

Section 3. Audit Committee

(A) The Audit Committee shall be composed of five members who shall be selected by the Board of Directors from its own members, none of whom shall be an officer of the Company, and shall hold office at the pleasure of the Board.

(B) The Audit Committee shall have general supervision over the Audit Division in all matters however subject to the approval of the Board of Directors; it shall consider all matters brought to its attention by the officer in charge of the Audit Division, review all reports of examination of the Company made by any governmental agency or such independent auditor employed for that purpose, and make such recommendations to the Board of Directors with respect thereto or with respect to any other matters pertaining to auditing the Company as it shall deem desirable.

(C) The Audit Committee shall meet whenever and wherever the majority of its members shall deem it to be proper for the transaction of its business, and a majority of its Committee shall constitute a quorum.

Section 4. Compensation Committee

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five (5) members who shall be selected by the Board of Directors from its own members who are not officers of the Company and who shall hold office during the pleasure of the Board.

(B) The Compensation Committee shall in general advise upon

(A) The Compensation Committee shall be composed of not more

all matters of policy concerning the Company brought to its attention by the management and from time to time review the management of the Company, major organizational matters, including salaries and employee benefits and specifically shall administer the Executive Incentive Compensation Plan.

(C) Meetings of the Compensation Committee may be called at any time by the Chairman of the Compensation Committee, the Chairman of the Board of Directors, or the President of the Company.

Section 5. Associate Directors

(A) Any person who has served as a director may be elected by the Board of Directors as an associate director, to serve during the pleasure of the Board.

(B) An associate director shall be entitled to attend all directors meetings and participate in the discussion of all matters brought to the Board, with the exception that he would have no right to vote. An associate director will be eligible for appointment to Committees of the Company, with the exception of the Executive Committee, Audit Committee and Compensation Committee, which must be comprised solely of active directors.

Section 6. Absence or Disqualification of Any Member of a Committee

(A) In the absence or disqualification of any member of any Committee created under Article III of the By-Laws of this Company, the member or members thereof present at any meeting and not disqualified from voting, whether or not he or they constitute a quorum, may unanimously appoint another member of the Board of Directors to act at the meeting in the place of any such absence or disqualified member.

ARTICLE IV OFFICERS

Section 1. The Chairman of the Board of Directors shall preside at all meetings of the Board and shall have such further authority and powers and shall perform such duties as the Board of Directors may from time to time confer and direct. He shall also exercise such powers and perform such duties as may from time to time be agreed upon between himself and the President of the Company.

Section 2. The Vice Chairman of the Board of Directors shall preside at all

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meetings of the Board of Directors at which the Chairman of the Board shall not be present and shall have such further authority and powers and shall perform such duties as the Board of Directors or the Chairman of the Board may from time to time confer and direct. Section 3. The President shall have the powers and duties pertaining to the office of the President conferred or imposed upon him by statute or assigned to him by the Board of Directors in the absence of the Chairman of the Board the President shall have the powers and duties of the Chairman of the Board.

Section 4. The Chairman of the Board of Directors or the President as designated by the Board of Directors, shall carry into effect all legal directions of the Executive Committee and of the Board of Directors, and shall at all times exercise general supervision over the interest, affairs and operations of the Company and perform all duties incident to his office.

Section 5. There may be one or more Vice Presidents, however denominated by the Board of Directors, who may at any time perform all the duties of the Chairman of the Board of Directors and/or the President and such other powers and duties as may from time to time be assigned to them by the Board of Directors, the Executive Committee, the Chairman of the Board or the President and by the officer in charge of the department or division to which they are assigned.

Section 6. The Secretary shall attend to the giving of notice of meetings of the stockholders and the Board of Directors, as well as the Committees thereof, to the keeping of accurate minutes of all such meetings and to recording the same in the minute books of the Company. In addition to the other notice requirements of these By-Laws and as may be practicable under the circumstances, all such notices shall be in writing and mailed well in advance of the scheduled date of any other meeting. He shall have custody of the corporate seal and shall affix the same to any documents requiring such corporate seal and to attest the same.

Section 7. The Treasurer shall have general supervision over all assets and liabilities of the Company. He shall be custodian of and responsible for all monies, funds and valuables of the Company and for the keeping of proper records of the evidence of property or indebtedness and of all the transactions of the Company. He shall have general supervision of the expenditures of the Company and shall report to the Board of Directors at each regular meeting of the condition of the Company, and perform such other duties as may be assigned to him from time to time by the Board of Directors of the Executive Committee.

Section 8. There may be a Controller who shall exercise general supervision over the internal operations of the Company, including accounting, and shall render to the Board of Directors at appropriate times a report relating to the general condition and internal operations of the Company.

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There may be one or more subordinate accounting or controller officers however denominated, who may perform the duties of the Controller and such duties as may be prescribed by the Controller. Section 9. The officer designated by the Board of Directors to be in charge of the Audit Division of the Company with such title as the Board of Directors shall prescribe, shall report to and be directly responsible only to the Board of Directors.

There shall be an Auditor and there may be one or more Audit Officers, however denominated, who may perform all the duties of the Auditor and such duties as may be prescribed by the officer in charge of the Audit Division.

Section 10. There may be one or more officers, subordinate in rank to all Vice Presidents with such functional titles as shall be determined from time to time by the Board of Directors, who shall ex officio hold the office Assistant Secretary of this Company and who may perform such duties as may be prescribed by the officer in charge of the department or division to whom they are assigned.

Section 11. The powers and duties of all other officers of the Company shall be those usually pertaining to their respective offices, subject to the direction of the Board of Directors, the Executive Committee, Chairman of the Board of Directors or the President and the officer in charge of the department or division to which they are assigned.

ARTICLE V Stock and Stock Certificates

Section 1. Shares of stock shall be transferable on the books of the Company and a transfer book shall be kept in which all transfers of stock shall be recorded.

Section 2. Certificate of stock shall bear the signature of the President or any Vice President, however denominated by the Board of Directors and countersigned by the Secretary or Treasurer or an Assistant Secretary, and the seal of the corporation shall be engraved thereon. Each certificate shall recite that the stock represented thereby is transferable only upon the books of the Company by the holder thereof or his attorney, upon surrender of the certificate properly endorsed. Any certificate of stock surrendered to the Company shall be cancelled at the time of transfer, and before a new certificate or certificates shall be issued in lieu thereof. Duplicate certificates of stock shall be issued only upon giving such security as may be satisfactory to the Board of Directors or the Executive Committee.

Section 3. The Board of Directors of the Company is authorized to fix in advance a record date for the determination of the stockholders entitled to notice of, and to vote at, any meeting of stockholders and any adjournment thereof, or entitled to receive payment of any dividend, or to any allotment or rights, or to exercise any rights in respect of any change, conversion or exchange of capital stock, or in connection with obtaining the consent of stockholders for any purpose, which record date shall not be more than 60 nor less than 10 days proceeding the date of any meeting of stockholders or the date for the payment of any dividend, or the date for the allotment of rights, or the date when any change or conversion or exchange of capital stock shall go into effect, or a date in connection with obtaining such consent.

ARTICLE VI SEAL

Section 1. The corporate seal of the Company shall be in the following form:

Between two concentric circles the words "Wilmington Trust Company" within the inner circle the words "Wilmington, Delaware."

ARTICLE VII FISCAL YEAR

Section 1. The fiscal year of the Company shall be the calendar year.

ARTICLE VIII EXECUTION OF INSTRUMENTS OF THE COMPANY

Section 1. The Chairman of the Board, the President or any Vice President, however denominated by the Board of Directors, shall have full power and authority to enter into, make, sign, execute, acknowledge and/or deliver and the Secretary or any Assistant Secretary shall have full power and authority to attest and affix the corporate seal of the Company to any and all deeds, conveyances, assignments, releases, contracts, agreements, bonds, notes, mortgages and all other instruments incident to the business of this Company or in acting as executor, administrator, guardian, trustee, agent or in any other fiduciary or representative capacity by any and every method of appointment or by whatever person, corporation, court officer or authority in the State of Delaware, or elsewhere, without any specific authority, ratification, approval or confirmation by the Board of Directors or the Executive Committee, and any and all such instruments shall have the same force and validity as although expressly authorized by the Board of Directors and/or the Executive Committee.

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ARTICLE IX COMPENSATION OF DIRECTORS AND MEMBERS OF COMMITTEES

Section 1. Directors and associate directors of the Company, other

than salaried officers of the Company, shall be paid such reasonable honoraria or fees for attending meetings of the Board of Directors as the Board of Directors may from time to time determine. Directors and associate directors who serve as members of committees, other than salaried employees of the Company, shall be paid such reasonable honoraria or fees for services as members of committees as the Board of Directors shall from time to time determine and directors and associate directors may be employed by the Company for such special services as the Board of Directors may from time to time determine and shall be paid for such special services so performed reasonable compensation as may be determined by the Board of Directors.

ARTICLE X INDEMNIFICATION

Section 1. (A) The Corporation shall indemnify and hold harmless, to the fullest extent permitted by applicable law as it presently exists or may hereafter be amended, any person who was or is made or is threatened to be made a party or is otherwise involved in any action, suit or proceeding, whether civil, criminal, administrative or investigative (a "proceeding") by reason of the fact that he, or a person for whom he is the legal representative, is or was a director, officer, employee or agent of the Corporation or is or was serving at the request of the Corporation as a director, officer, employee, fiduciary or agent of another corporation or of a partnership, joint venture, trust, enterprise or non-profit entity, including service with respect to employee benefit plans, against all liability and loss suffered and expenses reasonably incurred by such person. The Corporation shall indemnify a person in connection with a proceeding initiated by such person only if the proceeding was authorized by the Board of Directors of the Corporation.

(B) The Corporation shall pay the expenses incurred in defending any proceeding in advance of its final disposition, PROVIDED, HOWEVER, that the payment of expenses incurred by a Director officer in his capacity as a Director or officer in advance of the final disposition of the proceeding shall be made only upon receipt of an undertaking by the Director or officer to repay all amounts advanced if it should be ultimately determined that the Director or officer is not entitled to be indemnified under this Article or otherwise.

(C) If a claim for indemnification or payment of expenses, under this Article X is not paid in full within ninety days after a written claim therefor has been received by the Corporation the claimant may file suit to recover the unpaid amount of such claim and, if successful in whole or in part, shall be entitled to be paid the expense of prosecuting such claim. In any such action the Corporation shall have the burden of proving

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that the claimant was not entitled to the requested indemnification of payment of expenses under applicable law.

(D) The rights conferred on any person by this Article X shall not be exclusive of any other rights which such person may have or hereafter acquire under any statute, provision of the Charter or Act of Incorporation, these By-Laws, agreement, vote of stockholders or disinterested Directors or otherwise.

(E) Any repeal or modification of the foregoing provisions of this Article X shall not adversely affect any right or protection hereunder of any person in respect of any act or omission occurring prior to the time of such repeal or modification.

ARTICLE XI AMENDMENTS TO THE BY-LAWS

Section 1. These By-Laws may be altered, amended or repealed, in whole or in part, and any new By-Law or By-Laws adopted at any regular or special meeting of the Board of Directors by a vote of the majority of all the members of the Board of Directors then in office.

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EXHIBIT C

SECTION 321(b) CONSENT

Pursuant to Section 321(b) of the Trust Indenture Act of 1939, as amended, Wilmington Trust Company hereby consents that reports of examinations by Federal, State, Territorial or District authorities may be furnished by such authorities to the Securities and Exchange Commission upon requests therefor.

WILMINGTON TRUST COMPANY

Dated: December 23, 1996

By: /s/ Norma P. Closs

Name: Norma P. Closs Title: Vice President

EXHIBIT D

NOTICE

This form is intended to assist state nonmember banks and savings banks with state publication requirements. It has not been approved by any state banking authorities. Refer to your appropriate state banking authorities for your state publication requirements. REPORT OF CONDITION

Consolidating domestic subsidiaries of the

WILMIN	IGTON TRUST	COMPANY	of	WILMINGTON
Name of	Bank			City

in the State of DELAWARE, at the close of business on September 30, 1996.

ASSETS	Thousands of dollars			
Cash and balances due from depository institutions:				
Noninterest-bearing balances and currency and coi	ns 198,288			
Interest-bearing balances	0			
Held-to-maturity securities	489,428			
Available-for-sale securities	783,718			
Federal funds sold	19,000			
Securities purchased under agreements to resell	48,500			
Loans and lease financing receivables:				
Loans and leases, net of unearned income	3,620,289			
LESS: Allowance for loan and lease losses	49,721			
LESS: Allocated transfer risk reserve	0			
Loans and leases, net of unearned income,				
allowance, and reserve	3,570,568			
Assets held in trading accounts	0			
Premises and fixed assets (including capitalized				
leases)	83 , 675			
Other real estate owned	4,607			
Investments in unconsolidated subsidiaries and				
associated companies	85			
Customers' liability to this bank on acceptances				
outstanding	0			
Intangible assets	4,131			
Other assets	101,592			
Total assets	5,303,592			

LIABILITIES

Deposits:		
In domestic offices		3,457,641
Noninterest-bearing	740 , 731	
Interest-bearing	2,716,910	
Federal funds purchased		135,889
Securities sold under agreements to repurchase		213 , 617
Demand notes issued to the U.S. Treasury		94 , 999
Trading liabilities		0
Other borrowed money:		

With original maturity of one year or less With original maturity of more than one year Mortgage indebtedness and obligations under	844,000 28,000
capitalized leases	0
Bank's liability on acceptances executed and	
outstanding	0
Subordinated notes and debentures	0
Other liabilities	103,818
Total liabilities	4,877,964
Limited-life preferred stock and related surplus	0
EQUITY CAPITAL	
Perpetual preferred stock and related surplus	0
Common Stock	500
Surplus	62,119
Undivided profits and capital reserves	363,705
Net unrealized holding gains (losses) on	
available-for-sale securities	(696)
Total equity capital	425,628
Total liabilities, limited-life preferred stock,	
and equity capital	5,303,592

Exhibit 25(e)

Registration No. 333-15743

SECURITIES AND EXCHANGE COMMISSION Washington, D.C. 20549

FORM T-1

STATEMENT OF ELIGIBILITY UNDER THE TRUST INDENTURE ACT OF 1939 OF A CORPORATION DESIGNATED TO ACT AS TRUSTEE

CHECK IF AN APPLICATION TO DETERMINE ELIGIBILITY OF A TRUSTEE PURSUANT TO SECTION 305(b)(2) X

WILMINGTON TRUST COMPANY (Exact name of trustee as specified in its charter)

51-0055023 (I.R.S. employer identification no.)

Delaware (State of incorporation)

Rodney Square North 1100 North Market Street Wilmington, Delaware 19890 (Address of principal executive offices)

Cynthia L. Corliss Vice President and Trust Counsel Wilmington Trust Company Rodney Square North Wilmington, Delaware 19890 (302) 651-8516 (Name, address and telephone number of agent for service)

FIRST UNION CORPORATION

(Exact name of obligor as specified in its charter)

North Carolina56-0898180(State of incorporation)(I.R.S. employer identification no.)

One First Union Center
Charlotte, North Carolina28288-0013(Address of principal executive offices)(Zip Code)

Guarantee by First Union Corporation with respect to

(Title of the indenture securities)

ITEM 1. GENERAL INFORMATION.

Furnish the following information as to the trustee:

(a) Name and address of each examining or supervising authority to which it is subject.

Federal Deposit Insurance Co.State Bank CommissionerFive Penn CenterDover, DelawareSuite #2901Philadelphia, PA

(b) Whether it is authorized to exercise corporate trust powers.

The trustee is authorized to exercise corporate trust powers.

ITEM 2. AFFILIATIONS WITH THE OBLIGOR.

If the obligor is an affiliate of the trustee, describe each affiliation:

Based upon an examination of the books and records of the trustee and upon information furnished by the obligor, the obligor is not an affiliate of the trustee.

ITEM 3. LIST OF EXHIBITS.

List below all exhibits filed as part of this Statement of Eligibility and Qualification.

- A. Copy of the Charter of Wilmington Trust Company, which includes the certificate of authority of Wilmington Trust Company to commence business and the authorization of Wilmington Trust Company to exercise corporate trust powers.
- B. Copy of By-Laws of Wilmington Trust Company.
- C. Consent of Wilmington Trust Company required by Section 321(b) of Trust Indenture Act.
- D. Copy of most recent Report of Condition of Wilmington Trust Company.

Pursuant to the requirements of the Trust Indenture Act of 1939, as amended, the trustee, Wilmington Trust Company, a corporation organized and existing under the laws of Delaware, has duly caused this Statement of Eligibility to be signed on its behalf by the undersigned, thereunto duly authorized, all in the City of Wilmington and State of Delaware on the 23rd day of December, 1996.

WILMINGTON TRUST COMPANY

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Attest: /s/ Debra Eberly ------Assistant Secretary By: /s/ Norma P. Closs Name: Norma P. Closs Title: Vice President

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EXHIBIT A AMENDED CHARTER Wilmington Trust Company Wilmington, Delaware As existing on May 9, 1987

> Amended Charter or Act of Incorporation of Wilmington Trust Company

Wilmington Trust Company, originally incorporated by an Act of the

General Assembly of the State of Delaware, entitled "An Act to Incorporate the Delaware Guarantee and Trust Company", approved March 2, A.D. 1901, and the name of which company was changed to "Wilmington Trust Company" by an amendment filed in the Office of the Secretary of State on March 18, A.D. 1903, and the Charter or Act of Incorporation of which company has been from time to time amended and changed by merger agreements pursuant to the corporation law for state banks and trust companies of the State of Delaware, does hereby alter and amend its Charter or Act of Incorporation so that the same as so altered and amended shall in its entirety read as follows:

First: - The name of this corporation is Wilmington Trust Company.

Second: - The location of its principal office in the State of Delaware is at Rodney Square North, in the City of Wilmington, County of New Castle; the name of its resident agent is Wilmington Trust Company whose address is Rodney Square North, in said City. In addition to such principal office, the said corporation maintains and operates branch offices in the City of Newark, New Castle County, Delaware, the town of Newport, New Castle County, Delaware, at Claymont, New Castle County, Delaware, at Greenville, New Castle County, Delaware, and at Milford Cross Roads, New Castle County, Delaware, and shall be empowered to open, maintain and operate branch offices at Ninth and Shipley Streets, 418 Delaware Avenue, 2120 Market Street, and 3605 Market Street, all in the City of Wilmington, New Castle County, Delaware, and such other branch offices or places of business as may be authorized from time to time by the agency or agencies of the government of the State of Delaware empowered to confer such authority.

Third: - (a) The nature of the business and the objects and purposes proposed to be transacted, promoted or carried on by this Corporation are to do any or all of the things herein mentioned as fully and to the same extent as natural persons might or could do and in any part of the world, viz.:

(1) To sue and be sued, complain and defend in any Court of law or equity and to make and use a common seal, and alter the seal at pleasure, to hold, purchase, convey, mortgage or otherwise deal in real and personal estate and property, and to appoint such officers and agents as the business of the

Corporation shall require, to make by-laws not inconsistent with the Constitution or laws of the United States or of this State, to discount bills, notes or other evidences of debt, to receive deposits of money, or securities for money, to buy gold or silver bullion and foreign coins, to buy and sell bills of exchange, and generally to use, exercise and enjoy all the powers, rights, privileges and franchises incident to a corporation which are proper or necessary for the transaction of the business of the Corporation hereby created.

(2) To insure titles to real and personal property, or any estate or interests therein, and to guarantee the holder of such property, real or personal, against any claim or claims, adverse to his interest therein, and to prepare and give certificates of title for any lands or premises in the State of Delaware, or elsewhere.

(3) To act as factor, agent, broker or attorney in the receipt, collection, custody, investment and management of funds, and the purchase, sale, management and disposal of property of all descriptions, and to prepare and execute all papers which may be necessary or proper in such business.

(4) To prepare and draw agreements, contracts, deeds, leases, conveyances, mortgages, bonds and legal papers of every description, and to carry on the business of conveyancing in all its branches.

(5) To receive upon deposit for safekeeping money, jewelry, plate, deeds, bonds and any and all other personal property of every sort and kind, from executors, administrators, guardians, public officers, courts, receivers, assignees, trustees, and from all fiduciaries, and from all other persons and individuals, and from all corporations whether state, municipal, corporate or private, and to rent boxes, safes, vaults and other receptacles for such property.

(6) To act as agent or otherwise for the purpose of registering, issuing, certificating, countersigning, transferring or underwriting the stock, bonds or other obligations of any corporation, association, state or municipality, and may receive and manage any sinking fund therefor on such terms as may be agreed upon between the two parties, and in like manner may act as Treasurer of any corporation or municipality.

(7) To act as Trustee under any deed of trust, mortgage, bond or other instrument issued by any state, municipality, body politic, corporation, association or person, either alone or in conjunction with any other person or persons, corporation or corporations.

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(8) To guarantee the validity, performance or effect of any contract or agreement, and the fidelity of persons holding places of responsibility or trust; to become surety for any person, or persons, for the faithful performance of any trust, office, duty,

contract or agreement, either by itself or in conjunction with any other person, or persons, corporation, or corporations, or in like manner become surety upon any bond, recognizance, obligation, judgment, suit, order, or decree to be entered in any court of record within the State of Delaware or elsewhere, or which may now or hereafter be required by any law, judge, officer or court in the State of Delaware or elsewhere.

(9) To act by any and every method of appointment as trustee, trustee in bankruptcy, receiver, assignee, assignee in bankruptcy, executor, administrator, guardian, bailee, or in any other trust capacity in the receiving, holding, managing, and disposing of any and all estates and property, real, personal or mixed, and to be appointed as such trustee, trustee in bankruptcy, receiver, assignee, assignee in bankruptcy, executor, administrator, guardian or bailee by any persons, corporations, court, officer, or authority, in the State of Delaware or elsewhere; and whenever this Corporation is so appointed by any person, corporation, court, officer or authority such trustee, trustee in bankruptcy, receiver, assignee, assignee in bankruptcy, executor, administrator, quardian, bailee, or in any other trust capacity, it shall not be required to give bond with surety, but its capital stock shall be taken and held as security for the performance of the duties devolving upon it by such appointment.

(10) And for its care, management and trouble, and the exercise of any of its powers hereby given, or for the performance of any of the duties which it may undertake or be called upon to perform, or for the assumption of any responsibility the said Corporation may be entitled to receive a proper compensation.

(11) To purchase, receive, hold and own bonds, mortgages, debentures, shares of capital stock, and other securities, obligations, contracts and evidences of indebtedness, of any private, public or municipal corporation within and without the State of Delaware, or of the Government of the United States, or of any state, territory, colony, or possession thereof, or of any foreign government or country; to receive, collect, receipt for, and dispose of interest, dividends and income upon and from any of the bonds, mortgages, debentures, notes, shares of capital stock, securities, obligations, contracts, evidences of indebtedness and other property held and owned by it, and to exercise in respect of all such bonds, mortgages, debentures, notes, shares of capital stock, securities, obligations, contracts, evidences of indebtedness and other property, any and all the rights, powers and privileges of individual

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owners thereof, including the right to vote thereon; to invest and deal in and with any of the moneys of the Corporation upon such securities and in such manner as it may think fit and proper, and from time to time to vary or realize such investments; to issue bonds and secure the same by pledges or deeds of trust or mortgages of or upon the whole or any part of the property held or owned by the Corporation, and to sell and pledge such bonds, as and when the Board of Directors shall determine, and in the promotion of its said corporate business of investment and to the extent authorized by law, to lease, purchase, hold, sell, assign, transfer, pledge, mortgage and convey real and personal property of any name and nature and any estate or interest therein.

(b) In furtherance of, and not in limitation, of the powers conferred by the laws of the State of Delaware, it is hereby expressly provided that the said Corporation shall also have the following powers:

(1) To do any or all of the things herein set forth, to the same extent as natural persons might or could do, and in any part of the world.

(2) To acquire the good will, rights, property and franchises and to undertake the whole or any part of the assets and liabilities of any person, firm, association or corporation, and to pay for the same in cash, stock of this Corporation, bonds or otherwise; to hold or in any manner to dispose of the whole or any part of the property so purchased; to conduct in any lawful manner the whole or any part of any business so acquired, and to exercise all the powers necessary or convenient in and about the conduct and management of such business.

(3) To take, hold, own, deal in, mortgage or otherwise lien, and to lease, sell, exchange, transfer, or in any manner whatever dispose of property, real, personal or mixed, wherever situated.

(4) to enter into, make, perform and carry out contracts of every kind with any person, firm, association or corporation, and, without limit as to amount, to draw, make, accept, endorse, discount, execute and issue promissory notes, drafts, bills of exchange, warrants, bonds, debentures, and other negotiable or transferable instruments.

(5) To have one or more offices, to carry on all or any of its operations and businesses, without restriction to the same extent as natural persons might or could do, to purchase or otherwise acquire, to hold, own, to mortgage, sell, convey or otherwise dispose of, real and personal property, of every class and description, in any State, District, Territory or Colony of the United States, and in any foreign country or place. (6) It is the intention that the objects, purposes and powers specified and clauses contained in this paragraph shall (except where otherwise expressed in said paragraph) be nowise limited or restricted by reference to or inference from the terms of any other clause of this or any other paragraph in this charter, but that the objects, purposes and powers specified in each of the clauses of this paragraph shall be regarded as independent objects, purposes and powers.

Fourth: - (a) The total number of shares of all classes of stock which the Corporation shall have authority to issue is forty-one million (41,000,000) shares, consisting of:

(1) One million (1,000,000) shares of Preferred stock, par value \$10.00 per share (hereinafter referred to as "Preferred Stock"); and

(2) Forty million (40,000,000) shares of Common Stock, par value \$1.00 per share (hereinafter referred to as "Common Stock").

(b) Shares of Preferred Stock may be issued from time to time in one or more series as may from time to time be determined by the Board of Directors each of said series to be distinctly designated. All shares of any one series of Preferred Stock shall be alike in every particular, except that there may be different dates from which dividends, if any, thereon shall be cumulative, if made cumulative. The voting powers and the preferences and relative, participating, optional and other special rights of each such series, and the gualifications, limitations or restrictions thereof, if any, may differ from those of any and all other series at any time outstanding; and, subject to the provisions of subparagraph 1 of Paragraph (c) of this Article Fourth, the Board of Directors of the Corporation is hereby expressly granted authority to fix by resolution or resolutions adopted prior to the issuance of any shares of a particular series of Preferred Stock, the voting powers and the designations, preferences and relative, optional and other special rights, and the qualifications, limitations and restrictions of such series, including, but without limiting the generality of the foregoing, the following:

> (1) The distinctive designation of, and the number of shares of Preferred Stock which shall constitute such series, which number may be increased (except where otherwise provided by the Board of Directors) or decreased (but not below the number of shares thereof then outstanding) from time to time by like action of the Board of Directors;

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(2) The rate and times at which, and the terms and conditions on which, dividends, if any, on Preferred Stock of such series shall be paid, the extent of the preference or relation, if any, of such dividends to the dividends payable on any other class or classes, or series of the same or other class of

stock and whether such dividends shall be cumulative or non-cumulative;

(3) The right, if any, of the holders of Preferred Stock of such series to convert the same into or exchange the same for, shares of any other class or classes or of any series of the same or any other class or classes of stock of the Corporation and the terms and conditions of such conversion or exchange;

(4) Whether or not Preferred Stock of such series shall be subject to redemption, and the redemption price or prices and the time or times at which, and the terms and conditions on which, Preferred Stock of such series may be redeemed.

(5) The rights, if any, of the holders of Preferred Stock of such series upon the voluntary or involuntary liquidation, merger, consolidation, distribution or sale of assets, dissolution or winding-up, of the Corporation.

(6) The terms of the sinking fund or redemption or purchase account, if any, to be provided for the Preferred Stock of such series; and

(7) The voting powers, if any, of the holders of such series of Preferred Stock which may, without limiting the generality of the foregoing include the right, voting as a series or by itself or together with other series of Preferred Stock or all series of Preferred Stock as a class, to elect one or more directors of the Corporation if there shall have been a default in the payment of dividends on any one or more series of Preferred Stock or under such circumstances and on such conditions as the Board of Directors may determine.

(c) (1) After the requirements with respect to preferential dividends on the Preferred Stock (fixed in accordance with the provisions of section (b) of this Article Fourth), if any, shall have been met and after the Corporation shall have complied with all the requirements, if any, with respect to the setting aside of sums as sinking funds or redemption or purchase accounts (fixed in accordance with the provisions of section (b) of this Article Fourth), and subject further to any conditions which may be fixed in accordance with the provisions of section (b) of this Article Fourth, then and not otherwise the holders of Common Stock shall be entitled to receive such dividends as may be declared from time to time by the Board of Directors.

> (2) After distribution in full of the preferential amount, if any, (fixed in accordance with the provisions of section (b) of this Article Fourth), to be distributed to the holders of Preferred Stock in the event of voluntary or involuntary liquidation, distribution or sale of assets, dissolution or winding-up, of the Corporation, the holders of the Common Stock shall be entitled to

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receive all of the remaining assets of the Corporation, tangible and intangible, of whatever kind available for distribution to stockholders ratably in proportion to the number of shares of Common Stock held by them respectively.

(3) Except as may otherwise be required by law or by the provisions of such resolution or resolutions as may be adopted by the Board of Directors pursuant to section (b) of this Article Fourth, each holder of Common Stock shall have one vote in respect of each share of Common Stock held on all matters voted upon by the stockholders.

(d) No holder of any of the shares of any class or series of stock or of options, warrants or other rights to purchase shares of any class or series of stock or of other securities of the Corporation shall have any preemptive right to purchase or subscribe for any unissued stock of any class or series or any additional shares of any class or series to be issued by reason of any increase of the authorized capital stock of the Corporation of any class or series, or bonds, certificates of indebtedness, debentures or other securities convertible into or exchangeable for stock of the Corporation of any class or series, or carrying any right to purchase stock of any class or series, but any such unissued stock, additional authorized issue of shares of any class or series of stock or securities convertible into or exchangeable for stock, or carrying any right to purchase stock, may be issued and disposed of pursuant to resolution of the Board of Directors to such persons, firms, corporations or associations, whether such holders or others, and upon such terms as may be deemed advisable by the Board of Directors in the exercise of its sole discretion.

(e) The relative powers, preferences and rights of each series of Preferred Stock in relation to the relative powers, preferences and rights of each other series of Preferred Stock shall, in each case, be as fixed from time to time by the Board of Directors in the resolution or resolutions adopted pursuant to authority granted in section (b) of this Article Fourth and the consent, by class or series vote or otherwise, of the holders of such of the series of Preferred Stock as are from time to time outstanding shall not be required for the issuance by the Board of Directors of any other series of Preferred Stock whether or not the powers, preferences and rights of such other series shall be fixed by the Board of Directors as senior to, or on a parity with, the powers, preferences and rights of such outstanding series, or any of them; provided, however, that the Board of Directors may provide in the resolution or resolutions as to any series of Preferred Stock adopted pursuant to section (b) of this Article Fourth that the consent of the holders of a majority (or such greater proportion as shall be therein fixed) of the outstanding shares of such series voting thereon shall be required for the issuance of any or all other series of Preferred Stock.

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(f) Subject to the provisions of section (e), shares of any series of Preferred Stock may be issued from time to time as the Board of Directors of the Corporation shall determine and on such terms and for such consideration as shall be fixed by the Board of Directors.

(g) Shares of Common Stock may be issued from time to time as the Board of Directors of the Corporation shall determine and on such terms and for such consideration as shall be fixed by the Board of Directors.

(h) The authorized amount of shares of Common Stock and of Preferred Stock may, without a class or series vote, be increased or decreased from time to time by affirmative vote of the holders of a majority of the stock of the Corporation entitled to vote thereon.

Fifth: - (a) The business and affairs of the Corporation shall be conducted and managed by a Board of Directors. The number of directors constituting the entire Board shall not be less than five nor more than twenty-five as fixed from time to time by vote of a majority of the whole Board, provided, however, that the number of directors shall not be reduced so as to shorten the term of any director at the time in office, and provided further, that the number of directors constituting the whole Board shall be twenty-four until otherwise fixed by a majority of the whole Board.

(b) The Board of Directors shall be divided into three classes, as nearly equal in number as the then total number of directors constituting the whole Board permits, with the term of office of one class expiring each year. At the annual meeting of stockholders in 1982, directors of the first class shall be elected to hold office for a term expiring at the next succeeding annual meeting, directors of the second class shall be elected to hold office for a term expiring at the second succeeding annual meeting and directors of the third class shall be elected to hold office for a term expiring at the third succeeding annual meeting. Any vacancies in the Board of Directors for any reason, and any newly created directorships resulting from any increase in the directors, may be filled by the Board of Directors, acting by a majority of the directors then in office, although less than a quorum, and any directors so chosen shall hold office until the next annual election of directors. At such election, the stockholders shall elect a successor to such director to hold office until the next election of the class for which such director shall have been chosen and until his successor shall be elected and qualified. No decrease in the number of directors shall shorten the term of any incumbent director.

(c) Notwithstanding any other provisions of this Charter or Act of Incorporation or the By-Laws of the Corporation (and notwithstanding the fact that some lesser percentage may be specified by law, this Charter or Act of Incorporation or the By-Laws of the Corporation), any director or the entire Board of Directors of the

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Corporation may be removed at any time without cause, but only by the affirmative vote of the holders of two-thirds or more of the outstanding shares of capital stock of the Corporation entitled to vote generally in the election of directors (considered for this purpose as one class) cast at a meeting of the stockholders called for that purpose.

(d) Nominations for the election of directors may be made by the Board of Directors or by any stockholder entitled to vote for the election of directors. Such nominations shall be made by notice in writing, delivered or mailed by first class United States mail, postage prepaid, to the Secretary of the Corporation not less than 14 days nor more than 50 days prior to any meeting of the stockholders called for the election of directors; provided, however, that if less than 21 days' notice of the meeting is given to stockholders, such written notice shall be delivered or mailed, as prescribed, to the Secretary of the Corporation not later that the close of the seventh day following the day on which notice of the meeting was mailed to stockholders. Notice of nominations which are proposed by the Board of Directors shall be given by the Chairman on behalf of the Board.

(e) Each notice under subsection (d) shall set forth (i) the name, age, business address and, if known, residence address of each nominee proposed in such notice, (ii) the principal occupation or employment of such nominee and (iii) the number of shares of stock of the Corporation which are beneficially owned by each such nominee.

(f) The Chairman of the meeting may, if the facts warrant, determine and declare to the meeting that a nomination was not made in accordance with the foregoing procedure, and if he should so determine, he shall so declare to the meeting and the defective nomination shall be disregarded.

(g) No action required to be taken or which may be taken at any annual or special meeting of stockholders of the Corporation may be taken without a meeting, and the power of stockholders to consent in writing, without a meeting, to the taking of any action is specifically denied.

Sixth: - The Directors shall choose such officers, agent and servants as may be provided in the By-Laws as they may from time to time find necessary or proper.

Seventh: - The Corporation hereby created is hereby given the same powers, rights and privileges as may be conferred upon corporations organized under the Act entitled "An Act Providing a General Corporation Law", approved March 10, 1899, as from time to time amended.

Eighth: - This Act shall be deemed and taken to be a private Act.

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Ninth: - This Corporation is to have perpetual existence.

Tenth: - The Board of Directors, by resolution passed by a majority of the whole Board, may designate any of their number to constitute an Executive Committee, which Committee, to the extent provided in said resolution, or in the By-Laws of the Company, shall have and may exercise all of the powers of the Board of Directors in the management of the business and affairs of the Corporation, and shall have power to authorize the seal of the Corporation to be affixed to all papers which may require it.

Eleventh: - The private property of the stockholders shall not be liable for the payment of corporate debts to any extent whatever.

Twelfth: - The Corporation may transact business in any part of the world.

Thirteenth: - The Board of Directors of the Corporation is expressly authorized to make, alter or repeal the By-Laws of the Corporation by a vote of the majority of the entire Board. The stockholders may make, alter or repeal any By-Law whether or not adopted by them, provided however, that any such additional By-Laws, alterations or repeal may be adopted only by the affirmative vote of the holders of two-thirds or more of the outstanding shares of capital stock of the Corporation entitled to vote generally in the election of directors (considered for this purpose as one class).

Fourteenth: - Meetings of the Directors may be held outside of the State of Delaware at such places as may be from time to time designated by the Board, and the Directors may keep the books of the Company outside of the State of Delaware at such places as may be from time to time designated by them.

Fifteenth: - (a) In addition to any affirmative vote required by law, and except as otherwise expressly provided in sections (b) and (c) of this Article Fifteenth:

(A) any merger or consolidation of the Corporation or any Subsidiary (as hereinafter defined) with or into (i) any Interested Stockholder (as hereinafter defined) or (ii) any other corporation (whether or not itself an Interested Stockholder), which, after such merger or consolidation, would be an Affiliate (as hereinafter defined) of an Interested Stockholder, or

(B) any sale, lease, exchange, mortgage, pledge, transfer or other disposition (in one transaction or a series of related transactions) to or with any Interested Stockholder or any Affiliate of any Interested Stockholder of any assets of the Corporation or any Subsidiary having an aggregate fair market value of \$1,000,000 or more, or

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(C) the issuance or transfer by the Corporation or any Subsidiary (in one transaction or a series of related transactions) of any securities of the Corporation or any Subsidiary to any Interested Stockholder or any Affiliate of any Interested Stockholder in exchange for cash, securities or other property (or a combination thereof) having an aggregate fair market value of \$1,000,000 or more, or

(D) the adoption of any plan or proposal for the liquidation or dissolution of the Corporation, or

(E) any reclassification of securities (including any reverse stock split), or recapitalization of the Corporation, or any merger or consolidation of the Corporation with any of its Subsidiaries or any similar transaction (whether or not with or into or otherwise involving an Interested Stockholder) which has the effect, directly or indirectly, of increasing the proportionate share of the outstanding shares of any class of equity or convertible securities of the Corporation or any Subsidiary which is directly or indirectly owned by any Interested Stockholder, or any Affiliate of any Interested Stockholder,

shall require the affirmative vote of the holders of at least two-thirds of the outstanding shares of capital stock of the Corporation entitled to vote generally in the election of directors, considered for the purpose of this Article Fifteenth as one class ("Voting Shares"). Such affirmative vote shall be required notwithstanding the fact that no vote may be required, or that some

lesser percentage may be specified, by law or in any agreement with any national securities exchange or otherwise.

(2) The term "business combination" as used in this Article Fifteenth shall mean any transaction which is referred to any one or more of clauses (A) through (E) of paragraph 1 of the section (a).

(b) The provisions of section (a) of this Article Fifteenth shall not be applicable to any particular business combination and such business combination shall require only such affirmative vote as is required by law and any other provisions of the Charter or Act of Incorporation of By-Laws if such business combination has been approved by a majority of the whole Board.

(c) For the purposes of this Article Fifteenth:

(1) A "person" shall mean any individual firm, corporation or other entity.

(2) "Interested Stockholder" shall mean, in respect of any business combination, any person (other than the Corporation or any Subsidiary) who or which as of the record date for the determination of stockholders entitled to notice of and to vote on

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such business combination, or immediately prior to the consummation of any such transaction:

(A) is the beneficial owner, directly or indirectly, of more than 10% of the Voting Shares, or

(B) is an Affiliate of the Corporation and at any time within two years prior thereto was the beneficial owner, directly or indirectly, of not less than 10% of the then outstanding voting Shares, or

(C) is an assignee of or has otherwise succeeded in any share of capital stock of the Corporation which were at any time within two years prior thereto beneficially owned by any Interested Stockholder, and such assignment or succession shall have occurred in the course of a transaction of series of transactions not involving a public offering within the meaning of the Securities Act of 1933.

(3) A person shall be the "beneficial owner" of any Voting Shares:

(A) which such person or any of its Affiliates and Associates (as hereafter defined) beneficially own, directly or indirectly, or

(B) which such person or any of its Affiliates or Associates has (i) the right to acquire (whether such right is exercisable immediately or only after the passage of time), pursuant to any agreement, arrangement or understanding or upon the exercise of conversion rights, exchange rights, warrants or options, or otherwise, or (ii) the right to vote pursuant to any agreement, arrangement or understanding, or

(C) which are beneficially owned, directly or indirectly, by any other person with which such first mentioned person or any of its Affiliates or Associates has any agreement, arrangement or understanding for the purpose of acquiring, holding, voting or disposing of any shares of capital stock of the Corporation.

(4) The outstanding Voting Shares shall include shares deemed owned through application of paragraph (3) above but shall not include any other Voting Shares which may be issuable pursuant to any agreement, or upon exercise of conversion rights, warrants or options or otherwise.

(5) "Affiliate" and "Associate" shall have the respective meanings given those terms in Rule 12b-2 of the General Rules and Regulations under the Securities Exchange Act of 1934, as in effect on December 31, 1981.

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(6) "Subsidiary" shall mean any corporation of which a majority of any class of equity security (as defined in Rule 3all-1 of the General Rules and Regulations under the Securities Exchange Act of 1934, as in effect in December 31, 1981) is owned, directly or indirectly, by the Corporation; provided, however, that for the purposes of the definition of Investment Stockholder set forth in paragraph (2) of this section (c), the term "Subsidiary" shall mean only a corporation of which a majority of each class of equity security is owned, directly or indirectly, by the Corporation.

(d) majority of the directors shall have the power and duty to determine for the purposes of this Article Fifteenth on the basis of information known to them, (1) the number of Voting Shares beneficially owned by any person (2) whether a person is an Affiliate or Associate of another, (3) whether a person has an agreement, arrangement or understanding with another as to the matters referred to in paragraph (3) of section (c), or (4) whether the assets subject to any business combination or the consideration received for the issuance or transfer of securities by the Corporation, or any Subsidiary has an aggregate fair market value of \$1,00,000 or more.

(e) Nothing contained in this Article Fifteenth shall be construed to relieve any Interested Stockholder from any fiduciary obligation imposed by law.

Sixteenth: - Notwithstanding any other provision of this Charter or Act of Incorporation or the By-Laws of the Corporation (and in addition to any other vote that may be required by law, this Charter or Act of Incorporation by the By-Laws), the affirmative vote of the holders of at least two-thirds of the outstanding shares of the capital stock of the Corporation entitled to vote generally in the election of directors (considered for this purpose as one class) shall be required to amend, alter or repeal any provision of Articles Fifth, Thirteenth, Fifteenth or Sixteenth of this Charter or Act of Incorporation.

Seventeenth: - (a) a Director of this Corporation shall not be liable to the Corporation or its stockholders for monetary damages for breach of fiduciary duty as a Director, except to the extent such exemption from liability or limitation thereof is not permitted under the Delaware General Corporation Laws as the same exists or may hereafter be amended.

(b) Any repeal or modification of the foregoing paragraph shall not adversely affect any right or protection of a Director of the Corporation existing hereunder with respect to any act or omission occurring prior to the time of such repeal or modification."

EXHIBIT B

BY-LAWS

WILMINGTON TRUST COMPANY

WILMINGTON, DELAWARE

As existing on December 21, 1995

BY-LAWS OF WILMINGTON TRUST COMPANY

ARTICLE I

Stockholders' Meetings

Section 1. The Annual Meeting of Stockholders shall be held on the third Thursday in April each year at the principal office at the Company or at such other date, time, or place as may be designated by resolution by the Board of Directors. Section 2. Special meetings of all stockholders may be called at any time by the Board of Directors, the Chairman of the Board or the President.

Section 3. Notice of all meetings of the stockholders shall be given by mailing to each stockholder at least ten (10 days before said meeting, at his last known address, a written or printed notice fixing the time and place of such meeting.

Section 4. A majority in the amount of the capital stock of the Company issued and outstanding on the record date, as herein determined, shall constitute a quorum at all meetings of stockholders for the transaction of any business, but the holders of a small number of shares may adjourn, from time to time, without further notice, until a quorum is secured. At each annual or special meeting of stockholders, each stockholder shall be entitled to one vote, either in person or by proxy, for each shares of stock registered in the stockholder's name on the books of the Company on the record date for any such meeting as determined herein.

ARTICLE II Directors

Section 1. The number and classification of the Board of Directors shall be as set forth in the Charter of the Bank.

Section 2. No person who has attained the age of seventy-two (72) years shall be nominated for election to the Board of Directors of the Company, provided, however, that this limitation shall not apply to any person who was serving as director of the Company on September 16, 1971.

Section 3. The Class of Directors so elected shall hold office for three years or until their successors are elected and qualified.

Section 4. The affairs and business of the Company shall be managed and conducted by the Board of Directors.

Section 5. Regular meetings of the Board of Directors shall be held on the third Thursday of each month at the principal office of the Company, or at such other place and

time as may be designated by the Board of Directors, the Chairman of the Board, or the President.

Section 6. Special meetings of the Board of Directors may be called at any time by the Chairman of the Board of Directors or by the President, and shall be called upon the written request of a majority of the directors.

Section 7. A majority of the directors elected and qualified shall be

necessary to constitute a quorum for the transaction of business at any meeting of the Board of Directors.

Section 8. Written notice shall be sent by mail to each director of any special meeting of the Board of Directors, and of any change in the time or place of any regular meeting, stating the time and place of such meeting, which shall be mailed not less than two days before the time of holding such meeting.

Section 9. In the event of the death, resignation, removal, inability to act, or disqualification of any director, the Board of Directors, although less than a quorum, shall have the right to elect the successor who shall hold office for the remainder of the full term of the class of directors in which the vacancy occurred, and until such director's successor shall have been duly elected and qualified.

Section 10. The Board of Directors at its first meeting after its election by the stockholders shall appoint an Executive Committee, a Trust Committee, an Audit Committee and a Compensation Committee, and shall elect from its own members a Chairman of the Board of Directors and a President who may be the same person. The Board of Directors shall also elect at such meeting a Secretary and a Treasurer, who may be the same person, may appoint at any time such other committees and elect or appoint such other officers as it may deem advisable. The Board of Directors may also elect at such meeting one or more Associate Directors.

Section 11. The Board of Directors may at any time remove, with or without cause, any member of any Committee appointed by it or any associate director or officer elected by it and may appoint or elect his successor.

Section 12. The Board of Directors may designate an officer to be in charge of such of the departments or division of the Company as it may deem advisable.

ARTICLE III Committees

Section I. Executive Committee

(A) The Executive Committee shall be composed of not more than

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members who shall be selected by the Board of Directors from its own members and who shall hold office during the pleasure of the Board.

(B) The Executive Committee shall have all the powers of the Board of Directors when it is not in session to transact all business for and in behalf of the Company that may be brought before it.

(C) The Executive Committee shall meet at the principal office of the Company or elsewhere in its discretion at such times to be determined by a majority of its members, or at the call of the Chairman of the Executive Committee or at the call of the Chairman of the Board of Directors. The majority of its members shall be necessary to constitute a quorum for the transaction of business. Special meetings of the Executive Committee may be held at any time when a quorum is present.

(D) Minutes of each meeting of the Executive Committee shall be kept and submitted to the Board of Directors at its next meeting.

(E) The Executive Committee shall advise and superintend all investments that may be made of the funds of the Company, and shall direct the disposal of the same, in accordance with such rules and regulations as the Board of Directors from time to time make.

(F) In the event of a state of disaster of sufficient severity to prevent the conduct and management of the affairs and business of the Company by its directors and officers as contemplated by these By-Laws any two available members of the Executive Committee as constituted immediately prior to such disaster shall constitute a quorum of that Committee for the full conduct and management of the affairs and business of the Company in accordance with the provisions of Article III of these By-Laws; and if less than three members of the Trust Committee is constituted immediately prior to such disaster shall be available for the transaction of its business, such Executive Committee shall also be empowered to exercise all of the powers reserved to the Trust Committee under Article III Section 2 hereof. In the event of the unavailability, at such time, of a minimum of two members of such Executive Committee, any three available directors shall constitute the Executive Committee for the full conduct and management of the affairs and business of the Company in accordance with the foregoing provisions of this Section. This By-Law shall be subject to implementation by Resolutions of the Board of Directors presently existing or hereafter passed from time to time for that purpose, and any provisions of these By-Laws (other than this Section) and any resolutions which are contrary to the provisions of this Section or to the provisions of any such implementary Resolutions shall be suspended during such a disaster period until it shall be determined by any interim Executive Committee acting under this section that it shall be to the advantage of the Company to resume the conduct and management of its affairs and business under all of the other provisions of these By-Laws.

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Section 2. Trust Committee

(A) The Trust Committee shall be composed of not more than

thirteen members who shall be selected by the Board of Directors, a majority of whom shall be members of the Board of Directors and who shall hold office during the pleasure of the Board.

(B) The Trust Committee shall have general supervision over the Trust Department and the investment of trust funds, in all matters, however, being subject to the approval of the Board of Directors.

(C) The Trust Committee shall meet at the principal office of the Company or elsewhere in its discretion at least once a month. A majority of its members shall be necessary to constitute a quorum for the transaction of business. Special meetings of the Trust Committee may be held at any time when a quorum is present.

(D) Minutes of each meeting of the Trust Committee shall be kept and promptly submitted to the Board of Directors.

(E) The Trust Committee shall have the power to appoint Committees and/or designate officers or employees of the Company to whom supervision over the investment of trust funds may be delegated when the Trust Committee is not in session.

Section 3. Audit Committee

(A) The Audit Committee shall be composed of five members who shall be selected by the Board of Directors from its own members, none of whom shall be an officer of the Company, and shall hold office at the pleasure of the Board.

(B) The Audit Committee shall have general supervision over the Audit Division in all matters however subject to the approval of the Board of Directors; it shall consider all matters brought to its attention by the officer in charge of the Audit Division, review all reports of examination of the Company made by any governmental agency or such independent auditor employed for that purpose, and make such recommendations to the Board of Directors with respect thereto or with respect to any other matters pertaining to auditing the Company as it shall deem desirable.

(C) The Audit Committee shall meet whenever and wherever the majority of its members shall deem it to be proper for the transaction of its business, and a majority of its Committee shall constitute a quorum.

Section 4. Compensation Committee

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(A) The Compensation Committee shall be composed of not more

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five (5) members who shall be selected by the Board of Directors from its own members who are not officers of the Company and who shall hold office during the pleasure of the Board.

(B) The Compensation Committee shall in general advise upon all matters of policy concerning the Company brought to its attention by the management and from time to time review the management of the Company, major organizational matters, including salaries and employee benefits and specifically shall administer the Executive Incentive Compensation Plan.

(C) Meetings of the Compensation Committee may be called at any time by the Chairman of the Compensation Committee, the Chairman of the Board of Directors, or the President of the Company.

Section 5. Associate Directors

(A) Any person who has served as a director may be elected by the Board of Directors as an associate director, to serve during the pleasure of the Board.

(B) An associate director shall be entitled to attend all directors meetings and participate in the discussion of all matters brought to the Board, with the exception that he would have no right to vote. An associate director will be eligible for appointment to Committees of the Company, with the exception of the Executive Committee, Audit Committee and Compensation Committee, which must be comprised solely of active directors.

Section 6. Absence or Disqualification of Any Member of a Committee

(A) In the absence or disqualification of any member of any Committee created under Article III of the By-Laws of this Company, the member or members thereof present at any meeting and not disqualified from voting, whether or not he or they constitute a quorum, may unanimously appoint another member of the Board of Directors to act at the meeting in the place of any such absence or disqualified member.

ARTICLE IV OFFICERS

Section 1. The Chairman of the Board of Directors shall preside at all meetings of the Board and shall have such further authority and powers and shall perform such duties as the Board of Directors may from time to time confer and direct. He shall also exercise such powers and perform such duties as may from time to time be agreed upon between himself and the President of the Company.

Section 2. The Vice Chairman of the Board of Directors shall preside at all

meetings of the Board of Directors at which the Chairman of the Board shall not be present and shall have such further authority and powers and shall perform such duties as the Board of Directors or the Chairman of the Board may from time to time confer and direct.

Section 3. The President shall have the powers and duties pertaining to the office of the President conferred or imposed upon him by statute or assigned to him by the Board of Directors in the absence of the Chairman of the Board the President shall have the powers and duties of the Chairman of the Board.

Section 4. The Chairman of the Board of Directors or the President as designated by the Board of Directors, shall carry into effect all legal directions of the Executive Committee and of the Board of Directors, and shall at all times exercise general supervision over the interest, affairs and operations of the Company and perform all duties incident to his office.

Section 5. There may be one or more Vice Presidents, however denominated by the Board of Directors, who may at any time perform all the duties of the Chairman of the Board of Directors and/or the President and such other powers and duties as may from time to time be assigned to them by the Board of Directors, the Executive Committee, the Chairman of the Board or the President and by the officer in charge of the department or division to which they are assigned.

Section 6. The Secretary shall attend to the giving of notice of meetings of the stockholders and the Board of Directors, as well as the Committees thereof, to the keeping of accurate minutes of all such meetings and to recording the same in the minute books of the Company. In addition to the other notice requirements of these By-Laws and as may be practicable under the circumstances, all such notices shall be in writing and mailed well in advance of the scheduled date of any other meeting. He shall have custody of the corporate seal and shall affix the same to any documents requiring such corporate seal and to attest the same.

Section 7. The Treasurer shall have general supervision over all assets and liabilities of the Company. He shall be custodian of and responsible for all monies, funds and valuables of the Company and for the keeping of proper records of the evidence of property or indebtedness and of all the transactions of the Company. He shall have general supervision of the expenditures of the Company and shall report to the Board of Directors at each regular meeting of the condition of the Company, and perform such other duties as may be assigned to him from time to time by the Board of Directors of the Executive Committee.

Section 8. There may be a Controller who shall exercise general supervision over the internal operations of the Company, including accounting, and shall render to the Board of Directors at appropriate times a report relating to the general condition and internal operations of the Company. There may be one or more subordinate accounting or controller officers however denominated, who may perform the duties of the Controller and such duties as may be prescribed by the Controller.

Section 9. The officer designated by the Board of Directors to be in charge of the Audit Division of the Company with such title as the Board of Directors shall prescribe, shall report to and be directly responsible only to the Board of Directors.

There shall be an Auditor and there may be one or more Audit Officers, however denominated, who may perform all the duties of the Auditor and such duties as may be prescribed by the officer in charge of the Audit Division.

Section 10. There may be one or more officers, subordinate in rank to all Vice Presidents with such functional titles as shall be determined from time to time by the Board of Directors, who shall ex officio hold the office Assistant Secretary of this Company and who may perform such duties as may be prescribed by the officer in charge of the department or division to whom they are assigned.

Section 11. The powers and duties of all other officers of the Company shall be those usually pertaining to their respective offices, subject to the direction of the Board of Directors, the Executive Committee, Chairman of the Board of Directors or the President and the officer in charge of the department or division to which they are assigned.

ARTICLE V Stock and Stock Certificates

Section 1. Shares of stock shall be transferable on the books of the Company and a transfer book shall be kept in which all transfers of stock shall be recorded.

Section 2. Certificate of stock shall bear the signature of the President or any Vice President, however denominated by the Board of Directors and countersigned by the Secretary or Treasurer or an Assistant Secretary, and the seal of the corporation shall be engraved thereon. Each certificate shall recite that the stock represented thereby is transferable only upon the books of the Company by the holder thereof or his attorney, upon surrender of the certificate properly endorsed. Any certificate of stock surrendered to the Company shall be cancelled at the time of transfer, and before a new certificate or certificates shall be issued in lieu thereof. Duplicate certificates of stock shall be issued only upon giving such security as may be satisfactory to the Board of Directors or the Executive Committee.

Section 3. The Board of Directors of the Company is authorized to fix in advance a record date for the determination of the stockholders entitled to notice of, and to vote at, any meeting of stockholders and any adjournment thereof, or entitled to receive payment of

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any dividend, or to any allotment or rights, or to exercise any rights in respect of any change, conversion or exchange of capital stock, or in connection with obtaining the consent of stockholders for any purpose, which record date shall not be more than 60 nor less than 10 days proceeding the date of any meeting of stockholders or the date for the payment of any dividend, or the date for the allotment of rights, or the date when any change or conversion or exchange of capital stock shall go into effect, or a date in connection with obtaining such consent.

ARTICLE VI SEAL

Section 1. The corporate seal of the Company shall be in the following form:

Between two concentric circles the words "Wilmington Trust Company" within the inner circle the words "Wilmington, Delaware."

ARTICLE VII FISCAL YEAR

Section 1. The fiscal year of the Company shall be the calendar year.

ARTICLE VIII EXECUTION OF INSTRUMENTS OF THE COMPANY

Section 1. The Chairman of the Board, the President or any Vice President, however denominated by the Board of Directors, shall have full power and authority to enter into, make, sign, execute, acknowledge and/or deliver and the Secretary or any Assistant Secretary shall have full power and authority to attest and affix the corporate seal of the Company to any and all deeds, conveyances, assignments, releases, contracts, agreements, bonds, notes, mortgages and all other instruments incident to the business of this Company or in acting as executor, administrator, guardian, trustee, agent or in any other fiduciary or representative capacity by any and every method of appointment or by whatever person, corporation, court officer or authority in the State of Delaware, or elsewhere, without any specific authority, ratification, approval or confirmation by the Board of Directors or the Executive Committee, and any and all such instruments shall have the same force and validity as although expressly authorized by the Board of Directors and/or the Executive Committee.

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ARTICLE IX COMPENSATION OF DIRECTORS AND MEMBERS OF COMMITTEES Section 1. Directors and associate directors of the Company, other than salaried officers of the Company, shall be paid such reasonable honoraria or fees for attending meetings of the Board of Directors as the Board of Directors may from time to time determine. Directors and associate directors who serve as members of committees, other than salaried employees of the Company, shall be paid such reasonable honoraria or fees for services as members of committees as the Board of Directors shall from time to time determine and directors and associate directors may be employed by the Company for such special services as the Board of Directors may from time to time determine and shall be paid for such special services so performed reasonable compensation as may be determined by the Board of Directors.

ARTICLE X INDEMNIFICATION

Section 1. (A) The Corporation shall indemnify and hold harmless, to the fullest extent permitted by applicable law as it presently exists or may hereafter be amended, any person who was or is made or is threatened to be made a party or is otherwise involved in any action, suit or proceeding, whether civil, criminal, administrative or investigative (a "proceeding") by reason of the fact that he, or a person for whom he is the legal representative, is or was a director, officer, employee or agent of the Corporation or is or was serving at the request of the Corporation as a director, officer, employee, fiduciary or agent of another corporation or of a partnership, joint venture, trust, enterprise or non-profit entity, including service with respect to employee benefit plans, against all liability and loss suffered and expenses reasonably incurred by such person. The Corporation shall indemnify a person in connection with a proceeding initiated by such person only if the proceeding was authorized by the Board of Directors of the Corporation.

(B) The Corporation shall pay the expenses incurred in defending any proceeding in advance of its final disposition, PROVIDED, HOWEVER, that the payment of expenses incurred by a Director officer in his capacity as a Director or officer in advance of the final disposition of the proceeding shall be made only upon receipt of an undertaking by the Director or officer to repay all amounts advanced if it should be ultimately determined that the Director or officer is not entitled to be indemnified under this Article or otherwise.

(C) If a claim for indemnification or payment of expenses, under this Article X is not paid in full within ninety days after a written claim therefor has been received by the Corporation the claimant may file suit to recover the unpaid amount of such claim and, if successful in whole or in part, shall be entitled to be paid the expense of prosecuting such claim. In any such action the Corporation shall have the burden of proving that the claimant was not entitled to the requested indemnification of payment of expenses under applicable law.

(D) The rights conferred on any person by this Article X shall not be exclusive of any other rights which such person may have or hereafter acquire under any statute, provision of the Charter or Act of Incorporation, these By-Laws, agreement, vote of stockholders or disinterested Directors or otherwise.

(E) Any repeal or modification of the foregoing provisions of this Article X shall not adversely affect any right or protection hereunder of any person in respect of any act or omission occurring prior to the time of such repeal or modification.

ARTICLE XI AMENDMENTS TO THE BY-LAWS

Section 1. These By-Laws may be altered, amended or repealed, in whole or in part, and any new By-Law or By-Laws adopted at any regular or special meeting of the Board of Directors by a vote of the majority of all the members of the Board of Directors then in office.

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EXHIBIT C

SECTION 321(b) CONSENT

Pursuant to Section 321(b) of the Trust Indenture Act of 1939, as amended, Wilmington Trust Company hereby consents that reports of examinations by Federal, State, Territorial or District authorities may be furnished by such authorities to the Securities and Exchange Commission upon requests therefor.

WILMINGTON TRUST COMPANY

Dated: December 23, 1996

By: /s/ Norma P. Closs

Name: Norma P. Closs Title: Vice President

EXHIBIT D

NOTICE

This form is intended to assist state nonmember banks and savings banks with state publication requirements. It has not been approved

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REPORT OF CONDITION			
Consolidating domestic subsidiaries of	the		
WILMINGTON TRUST COMPANY O			
Name of Bank	City		
in the State of DELAWARE, at the close	of business o	n Septembe	r 30, 1996.
ASSETS Cash and balances due from depository i	nctitutions.	Tho	usands of dollars
Noninterest-bearing balances and curr		S	198,288
Interest-bearing balances Held-to-maturity securities			0 489,428
Available-for-sale securities			783,718
Federal funds sold			19,000
Securities purchased under agreements t	o resell		48,500
Loans and lease financing receivables: Loans and leases, net of unearned inc	~~~~	3,620,289	
LESS: Allowance for loan and lease lo		49,721	
LESS: Allocated transfer risk reserve		0	
Loans and leases, net of unearned inc	ome,		
allowance, and reserve			3,570,568
Assets held in trading accounts			0
Premises and fixed assets (including ca leases)	pitalized		83,675
Other real estate owned			4,607
Investments in unconsolidated subsidiar	ies and		-,
associated companies			85
Customers' liability to this bank on ac	ceptances		
outstanding			0
Intangible assets Other assets			4,131 101,592
Total assets			5,303,592
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LIABILITIES			
Deposits:			
In domestic offices			3,457,641
Noninterest-bearing		740,731	
Interest-bearing Federal funds purchased		2,716,910	135,889
Securities sold under agreements to rep	urchase		213,617
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Demand notes issued to the U.S. Treasury Trading liabilities	94,999 0
Other borrowed money:	
With original maturity of one year or less	844,000
With original maturity of more than one year	28,000
Mortgage indebtedness and obligations under	
capitalized leases	0
Bank's liability on acceptances executed and	
outstanding	0
Subordinated notes and debentures	0
Other liabilities	103,818
Total liabilities	4,877,964
Limited-life preferred stock and related surplus	0
EQUITY CAPITAL	
Perpetual preferred stock and related surplus	0
Common Stock	500
Surplus	62 , 119
Undivided profits and capital reserves	363,705
Net unrealized holding gains (losses) on	
available-for-sale securities	(696)
Total equity capital	425,628
Total liabilities, limited-life preferred stock,	,
and equity capital	5,303,592
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Exhibit 25(f)

Registration No. 333-15743

SECURITIES AND EXCHANGE COMMISSION Washington, D.C. 20549

FORM T-1

STATEMENT OF ELIGIBILITY UNDER THE TRUST INDENTURE ACT OF 1939 OF A CORPORATION DESIGNATED TO ACT AS TRUSTEE

CHECK IF AN APPLICATION TO DETERMINE ELIGIBILITY OF A TRUSTEE PURSUANT TO SECTION 305(b)(2) X

WILMINGTON TRUST COMPANY (Exact name of trustee as specified in its charter)

51-0055023 (I.R.S. employer identification no.)

Delaware (State of incorporation)

Rodney Square North 1100 North Market Street Wilmington, Delaware 19890 (Address of principal executive offices)

Cynthia L. Corliss Vice President and Trust Counsel Wilmington Trust Company Rodney Square North Wilmington, Delaware 19890 (302) 651-8516 (Name, address and telephone number of agent for service)

FIRST UNION CORPORATION

(Exact name of obligor as specified in its charter)

North Carolina56-0898180(State of incorporation)(I.R.S. employer identification no.)

One First Union Center
Charlotte, North Carolina28288-0013(Address of principal executive offices)(Zip Code)

Guarantee by First Union Corporation with respect to

Preferred Securities of First Union Capital II

(Title of the indenture securities)

ITEM 1. GENERAL INFORMATION.

Furnish the following information as to the trustee:

(a) Name and address of each examining or supervising authority to which it is subject.

Federal Deposit Insurance Co.State Bank CommissionerFive Penn CenterDover, DelawareSuite #2901Philadelphia, PA

(b) Whether it is authorized to exercise corporate trust powers.

The trustee is authorized to exercise corporate trust powers.

ITEM 2. AFFILIATIONS WITH THE OBLIGOR.

If the obligor is an affiliate of the trustee, describe each affiliation:

Based upon an examination of the books and records of the trustee and upon information furnished by the obligor, the obligor is not an affiliate of the trustee.

ITEM 3. LIST OF EXHIBITS.

List below all exhibits filed as part of this Statement of Eligibility and Qualification.

- A. Copy of the Charter of Wilmington Trust Company, which includes the certificate of authority of Wilmington Trust Company to commence business and the authorization of Wilmington Trust Company to exercise corporate trust powers.
- B. Copy of By-Laws of Wilmington Trust Company.
- C. Consent of Wilmington Trust Company required by Section 321(b) of Trust Indenture Act.
- D. Copy of most recent Report of Condition of Wilmington Trust Company.

Pursuant to the requirements of the Trust Indenture Act of 1939, as

amended, the trustee, Wilmington Trust Company, a corporation organized and existing under the laws of Delaware, has duly caused this Statement of Eligibility to be signed on its behalf by the undersigned, thereunto duly authorized, all in the City of Wilmington and State of Delaware on the 23rd day of December, 1996.

WILMINGTON TRUST COMPANY

[SEAL]

Attest: /s/ Debra Eberly ------Assistant Secretary By: /s/ Norma P. Closs

Name: Norma P. Closs Title: Vice President

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EXHIBIT A AMENDED CHARTER Wilmington Trust Company Wilmington, Delaware As existing on May 9, 1987

> Amended Charter or Act of Incorporation of Wilmington Trust Company

Wilmington Trust Company, originally incorporated by an Act of the General Assembly of the State of Delaware, entitled "An Act to Incorporate the Delaware Guarantee and Trust Company", approved March 2, A.D. 1901, and the name of which company was changed to "Wilmington Trust Company" by an amendment filed in the Office of the Secretary of State on March 18, A.D. 1903, and the Charter or Act of Incorporation of which company has been from time to time amended and changed by merger agreements pursuant to the corporation law for state banks and trust companies of the State of Delaware, does hereby alter and amend its Charter or Act of Incorporation so that the same as so altered and amended shall in its entirety read as follows:

First: - The name of this corporation is Wilmington Trust Company.

Second: - The location of its principal office in the State of Delaware is at Rodney Square North, in the City of Wilmington, County of New Castle; the name of its resident agent is Wilmington Trust Company whose address is Rodney Square North, in said City. In addition to such principal office, the said corporation maintains and operates branch offices in the City of Newark, New Castle County, Delaware, the town of Newport, New Castle County, Delaware, at Claymont, New Castle County, Delaware, at Greenville, New Castle County, Delaware, and at Milford Cross Roads, New Castle County, Delaware, and shall be empowered to open, maintain and operate branch offices at Ninth and Shipley Streets, 418 Delaware Avenue, 2120 Market Street, and 3605 Market Street, all in the City of Wilmington, New Castle County, Delaware, and such other branch offices or places of business as may be authorized from time to time by the agency or agencies of the government of the State of Delaware empowered to confer such authority.

Third: - (a) The nature of the business and the objects and purposes proposed to be transacted, promoted or carried on by this Corporation are to do any or all of the things herein mentioned as fully and to the same extent as natural persons might or could do and in any part of the world, viz.:

(1) To sue and be sued, complain and defend in any Court of law or equity and to make and use a common seal, and alter the seal at pleasure, to hold, purchase, convey, mortgage or otherwise deal in real and personal estate and property, and to appoint such officers and agents as the business of the

Corporation shall require, to make by-laws not inconsistent with the Constitution or laws of the United States or of this State, to discount bills, notes or other evidences of debt, to receive deposits of money, or securities for money, to buy gold or silver bullion and foreign coins, to buy and sell bills of exchange, and generally to use, exercise and enjoy all the powers, rights, privileges and franchises incident to a corporation which are proper or necessary for the transaction of the business of the Corporation hereby created.

(2) To insure titles to real and personal property, or any estate or interests therein, and to guarantee the holder of such property, real or personal, against any claim or claims, adverse to his interest therein, and to prepare and give certificates of title for any lands or premises in the State of Delaware, or elsewhere.

(3) To act as factor, agent, broker or attorney in the receipt, collection, custody, investment and management of funds, and the purchase, sale, management and disposal of property of all descriptions, and to prepare and execute all papers which may be necessary or proper in such business.

(4) To prepare and draw agreements, contracts, deeds, leases, conveyances, mortgages, bonds and legal papers of every description, and to carry on the business of conveyancing in all its branches.

(5) To receive upon deposit for safekeeping money, jewelry, plate, deeds, bonds and any and all other personal property of every sort and kind, from executors, administrators, guardians, public officers, courts, receivers, assignees, trustees, and from all fiduciaries, and from all other persons and individuals, and from all corporations whether state, municipal, corporate or private, and to rent boxes, safes, vaults and other receptacles for such property.

(6) To act as agent or otherwise for the purpose of registering, issuing, certificating, countersigning, transferring or underwriting the stock, bonds or other obligations of any corporation, association, state or municipality, and may receive and manage any sinking fund therefor on such terms as may be agreed upon between the two parties, and in like manner may act as Treasurer of any corporation or municipality.

(7) To act as Trustee under any deed of trust, mortgage, bond or other instrument issued by any state, municipality, body politic, corporation, association or person, either alone or in conjunction with any other person or persons, corporation or corporations.

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(8) To guarantee the validity, performance or effect of any contract or agreement, and the fidelity of persons holding places of responsibility or trust; to become surety for any person, or persons, for the faithful performance of any trust, office, duty, contract or agreement, either by itself or in conjunction with any other person, or persons, corporation, or corporations, or in like manner become surety upon any bond, recognizance, obligation, judgment, suit, order, or decree to be entered in any court of record within the State of Delaware or elsewhere, or which may now or hereafter be required by any law, judge, officer or court in the State of Delaware or elsewhere.

(9) To act by any and every method of appointment as trustee, trustee in bankruptcy, receiver, assignee, assignee in bankruptcy, executor, administrator, guardian, bailee, or in any other trust capacity in the receiving, holding, managing, and disposing of any and all estates and property, real, personal or mixed, and to be appointed as such trustee, trustee in bankruptcy, receiver, assignee, assignee in bankruptcy, executor, administrator, guardian or bailee by any persons, corporations, court, officer, or authority, in the State of Delaware or elsewhere; and whenever this Corporation is so appointed by any person, corporation, court, officer or authority such trustee, trustee in bankruptcy, receiver, assignee, assignee in bankruptcy, executor, administrator, guardian, bailee, or in any other trust capacity, it shall not be required to give bond with surety, but its capital stock shall be taken and held as security for the performance of the duties devolving upon it by such appointment.

(10) And for its care, management and trouble, and the exercise of any of its powers hereby given, or for the performance of any of the duties which it may undertake or be called upon to perform, or for the assumption of any responsibility the said Corporation may be entitled to receive a proper compensation.

(11) To purchase, receive, hold and own bonds, mortgages, debentures, shares of capital stock, and other securities, obligations, contracts and evidences of indebtedness, of any private, public or municipal corporation within and without the State of Delaware, or of the Government of the United States, or of any state, territory, colony, or possession thereof, or of any foreign government or country; to receive, collect, receipt for, and dispose of interest, dividends and income upon and from any of the bonds, mortgages, debentures, notes, shares of capital stock, securities, obligations, contracts, evidences of indebtedness and other property held and owned by it, and to exercise in respect of all such bonds, mortgages, debentures, notes, shares of capital stock, securities, obligations, contracts, evidences of indebtedness and other property, any and all the rights, powers and privileges of individual

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owners thereof, including the right to vote thereon; to invest and deal in and with any of the moneys of the Corporation upon such securities and in such manner as it may think fit and proper, and from time to time to vary or realize such investments; to issue bonds and secure the same by pledges or deeds of trust or mortgages of or upon the whole or any part of the property held or owned by the Corporation, and to sell and pledge such bonds, as and when the Board of Directors shall determine, and in the promotion of its said corporate business of investment and to the extent authorized by law, to lease, purchase, hold, sell, assign, transfer, pledge, mortgage and convey real and personal property of any name and nature and any estate or interest therein.

(b) In furtherance of, and not in limitation, of the powers conferred by the laws of the State of Delaware, it is hereby expressly provided that the said Corporation shall also have the following powers:

(1) To do any or all of the things herein set forth, to the same extent as natural persons might or could do, and in any part of the world.

(2) To acquire the good will, rights, property and franchises and to undertake the whole or any part of the assets and liabilities of any person, firm, association or corporation, and to pay for the same in cash, stock of this Corporation, bonds or otherwise; to hold or in any manner to dispose of the whole or any part of the property so purchased; to conduct in any lawful manner the whole or any part of any business so acquired, and to exercise all the powers necessary or convenient in and about the conduct and management of such business.

(3) To take, hold, own, deal in, mortgage or otherwise lien, and to lease, sell, exchange, transfer, or in any manner whatever dispose of property, real, personal or mixed, wherever situated.

(4) to enter into, make, perform and carry out contracts of every kind with any person, firm, association or corporation, and, without limit as to amount, to draw, make, accept, endorse, discount, execute and issue promissory notes, drafts, bills of exchange, warrants, bonds, debentures, and other negotiable or transferable instruments.

(5) To have one or more offices, to carry on all or any of its operations and businesses, without restriction to the same extent as natural persons might or could do, to purchase or otherwise acquire, to hold, own, to mortgage, sell, convey or otherwise dispose of, real and personal property, of every class and description, in any State, District, Territory or Colony of the United States, and in any foreign country or place.

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(6) It is the intention that the objects, purposes and powers specified and clauses contained in this paragraph shall (except

where otherwise expressed in said paragraph) be nowise limited or restricted by reference to or inference from the terms of any other clause of this or any other paragraph in this charter, but that the objects, purposes and powers specified in each of the clauses of this paragraph shall be regarded as independent objects, purposes and powers.

Fourth: - (a) The total number of shares of all classes of stock which the Corporation shall have authority to issue is forty-one million (41,000,000) shares, consisting of:

(1) One million (1,000,000) shares of Preferred stock, par value \$10.00 per share (hereinafter referred to as "Preferred Stock"); and

(2) Forty million (40,000,000) shares of Common Stock, par value \$1.00 per share (hereinafter referred to as "Common Stock").

(b) Shares of Preferred Stock may be issued from time to time in one or more series as may from time to time be determined by the Board of Directors each of said series to be distinctly designated. All shares of any one series of Preferred Stock shall be alike in every particular, except that there may be different dates from which dividends, if any, thereon shall be cumulative, if made cumulative. The voting powers and the preferences and relative, participating, optional and other special rights of each such series, and the qualifications, limitations or restrictions thereof, if any, may differ from those of any and all other series at any time outstanding; and, subject to the provisions of subparagraph 1 of Paragraph (c) of this Article Fourth, the Board of Directors of the Corporation is hereby expressly granted authority to fix by resolution or resolutions adopted prior to the issuance of any shares of a particular series of Preferred Stock, the voting powers and the designations, preferences and relative, optional and other special rights, and the qualifications, limitations and restrictions of such series, including, but without limiting the generality of the foregoing, the following:

> (1) The distinctive designation of, and the number of shares of Preferred Stock which shall constitute such series, which number may be increased (except where otherwise provided by the Board of Directors) or decreased (but not below the number of shares thereof then outstanding) from time to time by like action of the Board of Directors;

(2) The rate and times at which, and the terms and conditions on which, dividends, if any, on Preferred Stock of such series shall be paid, the extent of the preference or relation, if any, of such dividends to the dividends payable on any other class or classes, or series of the same or other class of stock and whether such dividends shall be cumulative or non-cumulative;

(3) The right, if any, of the holders of Preferred Stock of such series to convert the same into or exchange the same for, shares of any other class or classes or of any series of the same or any other class or classes of stock of the Corporation and the terms and conditions of such conversion or exchange;

(4) Whether or not Preferred Stock of such series shall be subject to redemption, and the redemption price or prices and the time or times at which, and the terms and conditions on which, Preferred Stock of such series may be redeemed.

(5) The rights, if any, of the holders of Preferred Stock of such series upon the voluntary or involuntary liquidation, merger, consolidation, distribution or sale of assets, dissolution or winding-up, of the Corporation.

(6) The terms of the sinking fund or redemption or purchase account, if any, to be provided for the Preferred Stock of such series; and

(7) The voting powers, if any, of the holders of such series of Preferred Stock which may, without limiting the generality of the foregoing include the right, voting as a series or by itself or together with other series of Preferred Stock or all series of Preferred Stock as a class, to elect one or more directors of the Corporation if there shall have been a default in the payment of dividends on any one or more series of Preferred Stock or under such circumstances and on such conditions as the Board of Directors may determine.

(c) (1) After the requirements with respect to preferential dividends on the Preferred Stock (fixed in accordance with the provisions of section (b) of this Article Fourth), if any, shall have been met and after the Corporation shall have complied with all the requirements, if any, with respect to the setting aside of sums as sinking funds or redemption or purchase accounts (fixed in accordance with the provisions of section (b) of this Article Fourth), and subject further to any conditions which may be fixed in accordance with the provisions of section (b) of this Article Fourth, then and not otherwise the holders of Common Stock shall be entitled to receive such dividends as may be declared from time to time by the Board of Directors.

(2) After distribution in full of the preferential amount, if

any, (fixed in accordance with the provisions of section (b) of this Article Fourth), to be distributed to the holders of Preferred Stock in the event of voluntary or involuntary liquidation, distribution or sale of assets, dissolution or winding-up, of the Corporation, the holders of the Common Stock shall be entitled to

receive all of the remaining assets of the Corporation, tangible and intangible, of whatever kind available for distribution to stockholders ratably in proportion to the number of shares of Common Stock held by them respectively.

(3) Except as may otherwise be required by law or by the provisions of such resolution or resolutions as may be adopted by the Board of Directors pursuant to section (b) of this Article Fourth, each holder of Common Stock shall have one vote in respect of each share of Common Stock held on all matters voted upon by the stockholders.

(d) No holder of any of the shares of any class or series of stock or of options, warrants or other rights to purchase shares of any class or series of stock or of other securities of the Corporation shall have any preemptive right to purchase or subscribe for any unissued stock of any class or series or any additional shares of any class or series to be issued by reason of any increase of the authorized capital stock of the Corporation of any class or series, or bonds, certificates of indebtedness, debentures or other securities convertible into or exchangeable for stock of the Corporation of any class or series, or carrying any right to purchase stock of any class or series, but any such unissued stock, additional authorized issue of shares of any class or series of stock or securities convertible into or exchangeable for stock, or carrying any right to purchase stock, may be issued and disposed of pursuant to resolution of the Board of Directors to such persons, firms, corporations or associations, whether such holders or others, and upon such terms as may be deemed advisable by the Board of Directors in the exercise of its sole discretion.

(e) The relative powers, preferences and rights of each series of Preferred Stock in relation to the relative powers, preferences and rights of each other series of Preferred Stock shall, in each case, be as fixed from time to time by the Board of Directors in the resolution or resolutions adopted pursuant to authority granted in section (b) of this Article Fourth and the consent, by class or series vote or otherwise, of the holders of such of the series of Preferred Stock as are from time to time outstanding shall not be required for the issuance by the Board of Directors of any other series of Preferred Stock whether or not the powers, preferences and rights of such other series shall be fixed by the Board of Directors as senior to, or on a parity with, the powers, preferences and rights of such outstanding series, or any of them; provided, however, that the Board of Directors may provide in the resolution or resolutions as to any series of Preferred Stock adopted pursuant to section (b) of this Article Fourth that the consent of the holders of a majority (or such greater proportion as shall be therein fixed) of the outstanding shares of such series voting thereon shall be required for the issuance of any or all other series of Preferred Stock.

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(f) Subject to the provisions of section (e), shares of any series of Preferred Stock may be issued from time to time as the Board of Directors of the Corporation shall determine and on such terms and for such consideration as shall be fixed by the Board of Directors.

(g) Shares of Common Stock may be issued from time to time as the Board of Directors of the Corporation shall determine and on such terms and for such consideration as shall be fixed by the Board of Directors.

(h) The authorized amount of shares of Common Stock and of Preferred Stock may, without a class or series vote, be increased or decreased from time to time by affirmative vote of the holders of a majority of the stock of the Corporation entitled to vote thereon.

Fifth: - (a) The business and affairs of the Corporation shall be conducted and managed by a Board of Directors. The number of directors constituting the entire Board shall not be less than five nor more than twenty-five as fixed from time to time by vote of a majority of the whole Board, provided, however, that the number of directors shall not be reduced so as to shorten the term of any director at the time in office, and provided further, that the number of directors constituting the whole Board shall be twenty-four until otherwise fixed by a majority of the whole Board.

(b) The Board of Directors shall be divided into three classes, as nearly equal in number as the then total number of directors constituting the whole Board permits, with the term of office of one class expiring each year. At the annual meeting of stockholders in 1982, directors of the first class shall be elected to hold office for a term expiring at the next succeeding annual meeting, directors of the second class shall be elected to hold office for a term expiring at the second succeeding annual meeting and directors of the third class shall be elected to hold office for a term expiring at the third succeeding annual meeting. Any vacancies in the Board of Directors for any reason, and any newly created directorships resulting from any increase in the directors, may be filled by the Board of Directors, acting by a majority of the directors then in office, although less than a quorum, and any directors. At such election, the stockholders shall elect a successor to such director to hold office until the next election of the class for which such director shall have been chosen and until his successor shall be elected and qualified. No decrease in the number of directors shall shorten the term of any incumbent director.

(c) Notwithstanding any other provisions of this Charter or Act of Incorporation or the By-Laws of the Corporation (and notwithstanding the fact that some lesser percentage may be specified by law, this Charter or Act of Incorporation or the By-Laws of the Corporation), any director or the entire Board of Directors of the

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Corporation may be removed at any time without cause, but only by the affirmative vote of the holders of two-thirds or more of the outstanding shares of capital stock of the Corporation entitled to vote generally in the election of directors (considered for this purpose as one class) cast at a meeting of the stockholders called for that purpose.

(d) Nominations for the election of directors may be made by the Board of Directors or by any stockholder entitled to vote for the election of directors. Such nominations shall be made by notice in writing, delivered or mailed by first class United States mail, postage prepaid, to the Secretary of the Corporation not less than 14 days nor more than 50 days prior to any meeting of the stockholders called for the election of directors; provided, however, that if less than 21 days' notice of the meeting is given to stockholders, such written notice shall be delivered or mailed, as prescribed, to the Secretary of the Corporation not later that the close of the seventh day following the day on which notice of the meeting was mailed to stockholders. Notice of nominations which are proposed by the Board of Directors shall be given by the Chairman on behalf of the Board.

(e) Each notice under subsection (d) shall set forth (i) the name, age, business address and, if known, residence address of each nominee proposed in such notice, (ii) the principal occupation or employment of such nominee and (iii) the number of shares of stock of the Corporation which are beneficially owned by each such nominee.

(f) The Chairman of the meeting may, if the facts warrant, determine and declare to the meeting that a nomination was not made in accordance with the foregoing procedure, and if he should so determine, he shall so declare to the meeting and the defective nomination shall be disregarded.

(g) No action required to be taken or which may be taken at any annual or special meeting of stockholders of the Corporation may be taken without a meeting, and the power of stockholders to consent in writing, without a meeting, to the taking of any action is specifically denied. Sixth: - The Directors shall choose such officers, agent and servants as may be provided in the By-Laws as they may from time to time find necessary or proper.

Seventh: - The Corporation hereby created is hereby given the same powers, rights and privileges as may be conferred upon corporations organized under the Act entitled "An Act Providing a General Corporation Law", approved March 10, 1899, as from time to time amended.

Eighth: - This Act shall be deemed and taken to be a private Act.

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Ninth: - This Corporation is to have perpetual existence.

Tenth: - The Board of Directors, by resolution passed by a majority of the whole Board, may designate any of their number to constitute an Executive Committee, which Committee, to the extent provided in said resolution, or in the By-Laws of the Company, shall have and may exercise all of the powers of the Board of Directors in the management of the business and affairs of the Corporation, and shall have power to authorize the seal of the Corporation to be affixed to all papers which may require it.

Eleventh: - The private property of the stockholders shall not be liable for the payment of corporate debts to any extent whatever.

Twelfth: - The Corporation may transact business in any part of the world.

Thirteenth: - The Board of Directors of the Corporation is expressly authorized to make, alter or repeal the By-Laws of the Corporation by a vote of the majority of the entire Board. The stockholders may make, alter or repeal any By-Law whether or not adopted by them, provided however, that any such additional By-Laws, alterations or repeal may be adopted only by the affirmative vote of the holders of two-thirds or more of the outstanding shares of capital stock of the Corporation entitled to vote generally in the election of directors (considered for this purpose as one class).

Fourteenth: - Meetings of the Directors may be held outside of the State of Delaware at such places as may be from time to time designated by the Board, and the Directors may keep the books of the Company outside of the State of Delaware at such places as may be from time to time designated by them.

Fifteenth: - (a) In addition to any affirmative vote required by law, and except as otherwise expressly provided in sections (b) and (c) of this Article Fifteenth:

(A) any merger or consolidation of the Corporation or any Subsidiary (as hereinafter defined) with or into (i) any Interested Stockholder (as hereinafter defined) or (ii) any other corporation (whether or not itself an Interested Stockholder), which, after such merger or consolidation, would be an Affiliate (as hereinafter defined) of an Interested Stockholder, or

(B) any sale, lease, exchange, mortgage, pledge, transfer or other disposition (in one transaction or a series of related transactions) to or with any Interested Stockholder or any Affiliate of any Interested Stockholder of any assets of the Corporation or any Subsidiary having an aggregate fair market value of \$1,000,000 or more, or

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(C) the issuance or transfer by the Corporation or any Subsidiary (in one transaction or a series of related transactions) of any securities of the Corporation or any Subsidiary to any Interested Stockholder or any Affiliate of any Interested Stockholder in exchange for cash, securities or other property (or a combination thereof) having an aggregate fair market value of \$1,000,000 or more, or

(D) the adoption of any plan or proposal for the liquidation or dissolution of the Corporation, or

(E) any reclassification of securities (including any reverse stock split), or recapitalization of the Corporation, or any merger or consolidation of the Corporation with any of its Subsidiaries or any similar transaction (whether or not with or into or otherwise involving an Interested Stockholder) which has the effect, directly or indirectly, of increasing the proportionate share of the outstanding shares of any class of equity or convertible securities of the Corporation or any Subsidiary which is directly or indirectly owned by any Interested Stockholder, or any Affiliate of any Interested Stockholder,

shall require the affirmative vote of the holders of at least two-thirds of the outstanding shares of capital stock of the Corporation entitled to vote generally in the election of directors, considered for the purpose of this Article Fifteenth as one class ("Voting Shares"). Such affirmative vote shall be required notwithstanding the fact that no vote may be required, or that some lesser percentage may be specified, by law or in any agreement with any national securities exchange or otherwise.

> (2) The term "business combination" as used in this Article Fifteenth shall mean any transaction which is referred to any one or more of clauses (A) through (E) of paragraph 1 of the

section (a).

(b) The provisions of section (a) of this Article Fifteenth shall not be applicable to any particular business combination and such business combination shall require only such affirmative vote as is required by law and any other provisions of the Charter or Act of Incorporation of By-Laws if such business combination has been approved by a majority of the whole Board.

(c) For the purposes of this Article Fifteenth:

(1) A "person" shall mean any individual firm, corporation or other entity.

(2) "Interested Stockholder" shall mean, in respect of any business combination, any person (other than the Corporation or any Subsidiary) who or which as of the record date for the determination of stockholders entitled to notice of and to vote on

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such business combination, or immediately prior to the consummation of any such transaction:

(A) is the beneficial owner, directly or indirectly, of more than 10% of the Voting Shares, or

(B) is an Affiliate of the Corporation and at any time within two years prior thereto was the beneficial owner, directly or indirectly, of not less than 10% of the then outstanding voting Shares, or

(C) is an assignee of or has otherwise succeeded in any share of capital stock of the Corporation which were at any time within two years prior thereto beneficially owned by any Interested Stockholder, and such assignment or succession shall have occurred in the course of a transaction of series of transactions not involving a public offering within the meaning of the Securities Act of 1933.

(3) A person shall be the "beneficial owner" of any Voting Shares:

(A) which such person or any of its Affiliates and Associates (as hereafter defined) beneficially own, directly or indirectly, or

(B) which such person or any of its Affiliates or Associates has (i) the right to acquire (whether such right is exercisable immediately or only after the passage of time), pursuant to any agreement, arrangement or understanding or upon the exercise of conversion rights, exchange rights, warrants or options, or otherwise, or (ii) the right to vote pursuant to any agreement, arrangement or understanding, or

(C) which are beneficially owned, directly or indirectly, by any other person with which such first mentioned person or any of its Affiliates or Associates has any agreement, arrangement or understanding for the purpose of acquiring, holding, voting or disposing of any shares of capital stock of the Corporation.

(4) The outstanding Voting Shares shall include shares deemed owned through application of paragraph (3) above but shall not include any other Voting Shares which may be issuable pursuant to any agreement, or upon exercise of conversion rights, warrants or options or otherwise.

(5) "Affiliate" and "Associate" shall have the respective meanings given those terms in Rule 12b-2 of the General Rules and Regulations under the Securities Exchange Act of 1934, as in effect on December 31, 1981.

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(6) "Subsidiary" shall mean any corporation of which a majority of any class of equity security (as defined in Rule 3all-1 of the General Rules and Regulations under the Securities Exchange Act of 1934, as in effect in December 31, 1981) is owned, directly or indirectly, by the Corporation; provided, however, that for the purposes of the definition of Investment Stockholder set forth in paragraph (2) of this section (c), the term "Subsidiary" shall mean only a corporation of which a majority of each class of equity security is owned, directly or indirectly, by the Corporation.

(d) majority of the directors shall have the power and duty to determine for the purposes of this Article Fifteenth on the basis of information known to them, (1) the number of Voting Shares beneficially owned by any person (2) whether a person is an Affiliate or Associate of another, (3) whether a person has an agreement, arrangement or understanding with another as to the matters referred to in paragraph (3) of section (c), or (4) whether the assets subject to any business combination or the consideration received for the issuance or transfer of securities by the Corporation, or any Subsidiary has an aggregate fair market value of \$1,00,000 or more.

(e) Nothing contained in this Article Fifteenth shall be construed to relieve any Interested Stockholder from any fiduciary obligation imposed by law.

Sixteenth: - Notwithstanding any other provision of this Charter or Act of

Incorporation or the By-Laws of the Corporation (and in addition to any other vote that may be required by law, this Charter or Act of Incorporation by the By-Laws), the affirmative vote of the holders of at least two-thirds of the outstanding shares of the capital stock of the Corporation entitled to vote generally in the election of directors (considered for this purpose as one class) shall be required to amend, alter or repeal any provision of Articles Fifth, Thirteenth, Fifteenth or Sixteenth of this Charter or Act of Incorporation.

Seventeenth: - (a) a Director of this Corporation shall not be liable to the Corporation or its stockholders for monetary damages for breach of fiduciary duty as a Director, except to the extent such exemption from liability or limitation thereof is not permitted under the Delaware General Corporation Laws as the same exists or may hereafter be amended.

(b) Any repeal or modification of the foregoing paragraph shall not adversely affect any right or protection of a Director of the Corporation existing hereunder with respect to any act or omission occurring prior to the time of such repeal or modification."

EXHIBIT B

BY-LAWS

WILMINGTON TRUST COMPANY

WILMINGTON, DELAWARE

As existing on December 21, 1995

BY-LAWS OF WILMINGTON TRUST COMPANY

ARTICLE I Stockholders' Meetings

Section 1. The Annual Meeting of Stockholders shall be held on the third Thursday in April each year at the principal office at the Company or at such other date, time, or place as may be designated by resolution by the Board of Directors.

Section 2. Special meetings of all stockholders may be called at any time by the Board of Directors, the Chairman of the Board or the President.

Section 3. Notice of all meetings of the stockholders shall be given by mailing to each stockholder at least ten (10 days before said meeting, at his

last known address, a written or printed notice fixing the time and place of such meeting.

Section 4. A majority in the amount of the capital stock of the Company issued and outstanding on the record date, as herein determined, shall constitute a quorum at all meetings of stockholders for the transaction of any business, but the holders of a small number of shares may adjourn, from time to time, without further notice, until a quorum is secured. At each annual or special meeting of stockholders, each stockholder shall be entitled to one vote, either in person or by proxy, for each shares of stock registered in the stockholder's name on the books of the Company on the record date for any such meeting as determined herein.

ARTICLE II Directors

Section 1. The number and classification of the Board of Directors shall be as set forth in the Charter of the Bank.

Section 2. No person who has attained the age of seventy-two (72) years shall be nominated for election to the Board of Directors of the Company, provided, however, that this limitation shall not apply to any person who was serving as director of the Company on September 16, 1971.

Section 3. The Class of Directors so elected shall hold office for three years or until their successors are elected and qualified.

Section 4. The affairs and business of the Company shall be managed and conducted by the Board of Directors.

Section 5. Regular meetings of the Board of Directors shall be held on the third Thursday of each month at the principal office of the Company, or at such other place and

time as may be designated by the Board of Directors, the Chairman of the Board, or the President.

Section 6. Special meetings of the Board of Directors may be called at any time by the Chairman of the Board of Directors or by the President, and shall be called upon the written request of a majority of the directors.

Section 7. A majority of the directors elected and qualified shall be necessary to constitute a quorum for the transaction of business at any meeting of the Board of Directors.

Section 8. Written notice shall be sent by mail to each director of any special meeting of the Board of Directors, and of any change in the time or place of any regular meeting, stating the time and place of such meeting, which shall be mailed not less than two days before the time of holding such meeting.

Section 9. In the event of the death, resignation, removal, inability to act, or disqualification of any director, the Board of Directors, although less than a quorum, shall have the right to elect the successor who shall hold office for the remainder of the full term of the class of directors in which the vacancy occurred, and until such director's successor shall have been duly elected and qualified.

Section 10. The Board of Directors at its first meeting after its election by the stockholders shall appoint an Executive Committee, a Trust Committee, an Audit Committee and a Compensation Committee, and shall elect from its own members a Chairman of the Board of Directors and a President who may be the same person. The Board of Directors shall also elect at such meeting a Secretary and a Treasurer, who may be the same person, may appoint at any time such other committees and elect or appoint such other officers as it may deem advisable. The Board of Directors may also elect at such meeting one or more Associate Directors.

Section 11. The Board of Directors may at any time remove, with or without cause, any member of any Committee appointed by it or any associate director or officer elected by it and may appoint or elect his successor.

Section 12. The Board of Directors may designate an officer to be in charge of such of the departments or division of the Company as it may deem advisable.

ARTICLE III Committees

Section I. Executive Committee

(A) The Executive Committee shall be composed of not more than

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members who shall be selected by the Board of Directors from its own members and who shall hold office during the pleasure of the Board.

(B) The Executive Committee shall have all the powers of the Board of Directors when it is not in session to transact all business for and in behalf of the Company that may be brought before it.

(C) The Executive Committee shall meet at the principal office of the Company or elsewhere in its discretion at such times to be determined by a majority of its members, or at the call of the Chairman of the Executive Committee or at the call of the Chairman of the Board of Directors. The majority of its members shall be necessary to constitute a quorum for the transaction of business. Special meetings of the Executive Committee may be held at any time when a quorum is present.

(D) Minutes of each meeting of the Executive Committee shall be kept and submitted to the Board of Directors at its next meeting.

(E) The Executive Committee shall advise and superintend all investments that may be made of the funds of the Company, and shall direct the disposal of the same, in accordance with such rules and regulations as the Board of Directors from time to time make.

(F) In the event of a state of disaster of sufficient severity to prevent the conduct and management of the affairs and business of the Company by its directors and officers as contemplated by these By-Laws any two available members of the Executive Committee as constituted immediately prior to such disaster shall constitute a quorum of that Committee for the full conduct and management of the affairs and business of the Company in accordance with the provisions of Article III of these By-Laws; and if less than three members of the Trust Committee is constituted immediately prior to such disaster shall be available for the transaction of its business, such Executive Committee shall also be empowered to exercise all of the powers reserved to the Trust Committee under Article III Section 2 hereof. In the event of the unavailability, at such time, of a minimum of two members of such Executive Committee, any three available directors shall constitute the Executive Committee for the full conduct and management of the affairs and business of the Company in accordance with the foregoing provisions of this Section. This By-Law shall be subject to implementation by Resolutions of the Board of Directors presently existing or hereafter passed from time to time for that purpose, and any provisions of these By-Laws (other than this Section) and any resolutions which are contrary to the provisions of this Section or to the provisions of any such implementary Resolutions shall be suspended during such a disaster period until it shall be determined by any interim Executive Committee acting under this section that it shall be to the advantage of the Company to resume the conduct and management of its affairs and business under all of the other provisions of these By-Laws.

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Section 2. Trust Committee

(A) The Trust Committee shall be composed of not more than thirteen members who shall be selected by the Board of Directors, a majority of whom shall be members of the Board of Directors and who shall hold office during the pleasure of the Board.

(B) The Trust Committee shall have general supervision over the Trust Department and the investment of trust funds, in all matters, however,

being subject to the approval of the Board of Directors.

(C) The Trust Committee shall meet at the principal office of the Company or elsewhere in its discretion at least once a month. A majority of its members shall be necessary to constitute a quorum for the transaction of business. Special meetings of the Trust Committee may be held at any time when a quorum is present.

(D) Minutes of each meeting of the Trust Committee shall be kept and promptly submitted to the Board of Directors.

(E) The Trust Committee shall have the power to appoint Committees and/or designate officers or employees of the Company to whom supervision over the investment of trust funds may be delegated when the Trust Committee is not in session.

Section 3. Audit Committee

(A) The Audit Committee shall be composed of five members who shall be selected by the Board of Directors from its own members, none of whom shall be an officer of the Company, and shall hold office at the pleasure of the Board.

(B) The Audit Committee shall have general supervision over the Audit Division in all matters however subject to the approval of the Board of Directors; it shall consider all matters brought to its attention by the officer in charge of the Audit Division, review all reports of examination of the Company made by any governmental agency or such independent auditor employed for that purpose, and make such recommendations to the Board of Directors with respect thereto or with respect to any other matters pertaining to auditing the Company as it shall deem desirable.

(C) The Audit Committee shall meet whenever and wherever the majority of its members shall deem it to be proper for the transaction of its business, and a majority of its Committee shall constitute a quorum.

Section 4. Compensation Committee

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five (5) members who shall be selected by the Board of Directors from its own members who are not officers of the Company and who shall hold office during the pleasure of the Board.

(B) The Compensation Committee shall in general advise upon

(A) The Compensation Committee shall be composed of not more

all matters of policy concerning the Company brought to its attention by the management and from time to time review the management of the Company, major organizational matters, including salaries and employee benefits and specifically shall administer the Executive Incentive Compensation Plan.

(C) Meetings of the Compensation Committee may be called at any time by the Chairman of the Compensation Committee, the Chairman of the Board of Directors, or the President of the Company.

Section 5. Associate Directors

(A) Any person who has served as a director may be elected by the Board of Directors as an associate director, to serve during the pleasure of the Board.

(B) An associate director shall be entitled to attend all directors meetings and participate in the discussion of all matters brought to the Board, with the exception that he would have no right to vote. An associate director will be eligible for appointment to Committees of the Company, with the exception of the Executive Committee, Audit Committee and Compensation Committee, which must be comprised solely of active directors.

Section 6. Absence or Disqualification of Any Member of a Committee

(A) In the absence or disqualification of any member of any Committee created under Article III of the By-Laws of this Company, the member or members thereof present at any meeting and not disqualified from voting, whether or not he or they constitute a quorum, may unanimously appoint another member of the Board of Directors to act at the meeting in the place of any such absence or disqualified member.

ARTICLE IV OFFICERS

Section 1. The Chairman of the Board of Directors shall preside at all meetings of the Board and shall have such further authority and powers and shall perform such duties as the Board of Directors may from time to time confer and direct. He shall also exercise such powers and perform such duties as may from time to time be agreed upon between himself and the President of the Company.

Section 2. The Vice Chairman of the Board of Directors shall preside at all

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meetings of the Board of Directors at which the Chairman of the Board shall not be present and shall have such further authority and powers and shall perform such duties as the Board of Directors or the Chairman of the Board may from time to time confer and direct. Section 3. The President shall have the powers and duties pertaining to the office of the President conferred or imposed upon him by statute or assigned to him by the Board of Directors in the absence of the Chairman of the Board the President shall have the powers and duties of the Chairman of the Board.

Section 4. The Chairman of the Board of Directors or the President as designated by the Board of Directors, shall carry into effect all legal directions of the Executive Committee and of the Board of Directors, and shall at all times exercise general supervision over the interest, affairs and operations of the Company and perform all duties incident to his office.

Section 5. There may be one or more Vice Presidents, however denominated by the Board of Directors, who may at any time perform all the duties of the Chairman of the Board of Directors and/or the President and such other powers and duties as may from time to time be assigned to them by the Board of Directors, the Executive Committee, the Chairman of the Board or the President and by the officer in charge of the department or division to which they are assigned.

Section 6. The Secretary shall attend to the giving of notice of meetings of the stockholders and the Board of Directors, as well as the Committees thereof, to the keeping of accurate minutes of all such meetings and to recording the same in the minute books of the Company. In addition to the other notice requirements of these By-Laws and as may be practicable under the circumstances, all such notices shall be in writing and mailed well in advance of the scheduled date of any other meeting. He shall have custody of the corporate seal and shall affix the same to any documents requiring such corporate seal and to attest the same.

Section 7. The Treasurer shall have general supervision over all assets and liabilities of the Company. He shall be custodian of and responsible for all monies, funds and valuables of the Company and for the keeping of proper records of the evidence of property or indebtedness and of all the transactions of the Company. He shall have general supervision of the expenditures of the Company and shall report to the Board of Directors at each regular meeting of the condition of the Company, and perform such other duties as may be assigned to him from time to time by the Board of Directors of the Executive Committee.

Section 8. There may be a Controller who shall exercise general supervision over the internal operations of the Company, including accounting, and shall render to the Board of Directors at appropriate times a report relating to the general condition and internal operations of the Company.

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There may be one or more subordinate accounting or controller officers however denominated, who may perform the duties of the Controller and such duties as may be prescribed by the Controller. Section 9. The officer designated by the Board of Directors to be in charge of the Audit Division of the Company with such title as the Board of Directors shall prescribe, shall report to and be directly responsible only to the Board of Directors.

There shall be an Auditor and there may be one or more Audit Officers, however denominated, who may perform all the duties of the Auditor and such duties as may be prescribed by the officer in charge of the Audit Division.

Section 10. There may be one or more officers, subordinate in rank to all Vice Presidents with such functional titles as shall be determined from time to time by the Board of Directors, who shall ex officio hold the office Assistant Secretary of this Company and who may perform such duties as may be prescribed by the officer in charge of the department or division to whom they are assigned.

Section 11. The powers and duties of all other officers of the Company shall be those usually pertaining to their respective offices, subject to the direction of the Board of Directors, the Executive Committee, Chairman of the Board of Directors or the President and the officer in charge of the department or division to which they are assigned.

ARTICLE V Stock and Stock Certificates

Section 1. Shares of stock shall be transferable on the books of the Company and a transfer book shall be kept in which all transfers of stock shall be recorded.

Section 2. Certificate of stock shall bear the signature of the President or any Vice President, however denominated by the Board of Directors and countersigned by the Secretary or Treasurer or an Assistant Secretary, and the seal of the corporation shall be engraved thereon. Each certificate shall recite that the stock represented thereby is transferable only upon the books of the Company by the holder thereof or his attorney, upon surrender of the certificate properly endorsed. Any certificate of stock surrendered to the Company shall be cancelled at the time of transfer, and before a new certificate or certificates shall be issued in lieu thereof. Duplicate certificates of stock shall be issued only upon giving such security as may be satisfactory to the Board of Directors or the Executive Committee.

Section 3. The Board of Directors of the Company is authorized to fix in advance a record date for the determination of the stockholders entitled to notice of, and to vote at, any meeting of stockholders and any adjournment thereof, or entitled to receive payment of any dividend, or to any allotment or rights, or to exercise any rights in respect of any change, conversion or exchange of capital stock, or in connection with obtaining the consent of stockholders for any purpose, which record date shall not be more than 60 nor less than 10 days proceeding the date of any meeting of stockholders or the date for the payment of any dividend, or the date for the allotment of rights, or the date when any change or conversion or exchange of capital stock shall go into effect, or a date in connection with obtaining such consent.

ARTICLE VI SEAL

Section 1. The corporate seal of the Company shall be in the following form:

Between two concentric circles the words "Wilmington Trust Company" within the inner circle the words "Wilmington, Delaware."

ARTICLE VII FISCAL YEAR

Section 1. The fiscal year of the Company shall be the calendar year.

ARTICLE VIII EXECUTION OF INSTRUMENTS OF THE COMPANY

Section 1. The Chairman of the Board, the President or any Vice President, however denominated by the Board of Directors, shall have full power and authority to enter into, make, sign, execute, acknowledge and/or deliver and the Secretary or any Assistant Secretary shall have full power and authority to attest and affix the corporate seal of the Company to any and all deeds, conveyances, assignments, releases, contracts, agreements, bonds, notes, mortgages and all other instruments incident to the business of this Company or in acting as executor, administrator, guardian, trustee, agent or in any other fiduciary or representative capacity by any and every method of appointment or by whatever person, corporation, court officer or authority in the State of Delaware, or elsewhere, without any specific authority, ratification, approval or confirmation by the Board of Directors or the Executive Committee, and any and all such instruments shall have the same force and validity as although expressly authorized by the Board of Directors and/or the Executive Committee.

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ARTICLE IX COMPENSATION OF DIRECTORS AND MEMBERS OF COMMITTEES

Section 1. Directors and associate directors of the Company, other

than salaried officers of the Company, shall be paid such reasonable honoraria or fees for attending meetings of the Board of Directors as the Board of Directors may from time to time determine. Directors and associate directors who serve as members of committees, other than salaried employees of the Company, shall be paid such reasonable honoraria or fees for services as members of committees as the Board of Directors shall from time to time determine and directors and associate directors may be employed by the Company for such special services as the Board of Directors may from time to time determine and shall be paid for such special services so performed reasonable compensation as may be determined by the Board of Directors.

ARTICLE X INDEMNIFICATION

Section 1. (A) The Corporation shall indemnify and hold harmless, to the fullest extent permitted by applicable law as it presently exists or may hereafter be amended, any person who was or is made or is threatened to be made a party or is otherwise involved in any action, suit or proceeding, whether civil, criminal, administrative or investigative (a "proceeding") by reason of the fact that he, or a person for whom he is the legal representative, is or was a director, officer, employee or agent of the Corporation or is or was serving at the request of the Corporation as a director, officer, employee, fiduciary or agent of another corporation or of a partnership, joint venture, trust, enterprise or non-profit entity, including service with respect to employee benefit plans, against all liability and loss suffered and expenses reasonably incurred by such person. The Corporation shall indemnify a person in connection with a proceeding initiated by such person only if the proceeding was authorized by the Board of Directors of the Corporation.

(B) The Corporation shall pay the expenses incurred in defending any proceeding in advance of its final disposition, PROVIDED, HOWEVER, that the payment of expenses incurred by a Director officer in his capacity as a Director or officer in advance of the final disposition of the proceeding shall be made only upon receipt of an undertaking by the Director or officer to repay all amounts advanced if it should be ultimately determined that the Director or officer is not entitled to be indemnified under this Article or otherwise.

(C) If a claim for indemnification or payment of expenses, under this Article X is not paid in full within ninety days after a written claim therefor has been received by the Corporation the claimant may file suit to recover the unpaid amount of such claim and, if successful in whole or in part, shall be entitled to be paid the expense of prosecuting such claim. In any such action the Corporation shall have the burden of proving

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that the claimant was not entitled to the requested indemnification of payment of expenses under applicable law.

(D) The rights conferred on any person by this Article X shall not be exclusive of any other rights which such person may have or hereafter acquire under any statute, provision of the Charter or Act of Incorporation, these By-Laws, agreement, vote of stockholders or disinterested Directors or otherwise.

(E) Any repeal or modification of the foregoing provisions of this Article X shall not adversely affect any right or protection hereunder of any person in respect of any act or omission occurring prior to the time of such repeal or modification.

ARTICLE XI AMENDMENTS TO THE BY-LAWS

Section 1. These By-Laws may be altered, amended or repealed, in whole or in part, and any new By-Law or By-Laws adopted at any regular or special meeting of the Board of Directors by a vote of the majority of all the members of the Board of Directors then in office.

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EXHIBIT C

SECTION 321(b) CONSENT

Pursuant to Section 321(b) of the Trust Indenture Act of 1939, as amended, Wilmington Trust Company hereby consents that reports of examinations by Federal, State, Territorial or District authorities may be furnished by such authorities to the Securities and Exchange Commission upon requests therefor.

WILMINGTON TRUST COMPANY

Dated: December 23, 1996

By: /s/ Norma P. Closs

Name: Norma P. Closs Title: Vice President

EXHIBIT D

NOTICE

This form is intended to assist state nonmember banks and savings banks with state publication requirements. It has not been approved by any state banking authorities. Refer to your appropriate state banking authorities for your state publication requirements. REPORT OF CONDITION

Consolidating domestic subsidiaries of the

WILMIN	IGTON TRUST	COMPANY	of	WILMINGTON
Name of	Bank			City

in the State of DELAWARE, at the close of business on September 30, 1996.

ASSETS	Thousands of dollars
Cash and balances due from depository institutions:	
Noninterest-bearing balances and currency and coi	ns 198,288
Interest-bearing balances	0
Held-to-maturity securities	489,428
Available-for-sale securities	783,718
Federal funds sold	19,000
Securities purchased under agreements to resell	48,500
Loans and lease financing receivables:	
Loans and leases, net of unearned income	3,620,289
LESS: Allowance for loan and lease losses	49,721
LESS: Allocated transfer risk reserve	0
Loans and leases, net of unearned income,	
allowance, and reserve	3,570,568
Assets held in trading accounts	0
Premises and fixed assets (including capitalized	
leases)	83 , 675
Other real estate owned	4,607
Investments in unconsolidated subsidiaries and	
associated companies	85
Customers' liability to this bank on acceptances	
outstanding	0
Intangible assets	4,131
Other assets	101,592
Total assets	5,303,592

LIABILITIES

Deposits:		
In domestic offices		3,457,641
Noninterest-bearing	740 , 731	
Interest-bearing	2,716,910	
Federal funds purchased		135,889
Securities sold under agreements to repurchase		213 , 617
Demand notes issued to the U.S. Treasury		94 , 999
Trading liabilities		0
Other borrowed money:		

With original maturity of one year or less With original maturity of more than one year Mortgage indebtedness and obligations under	844,000 28,000
capitalized leases	0
Bank's liability on acceptances executed and	
outstanding	0
Subordinated notes and debentures	0
Other liabilities	103,818
Total liabilities	4,877,964
Limited-life preferred stock and related surplus	0
EQUITY CAPITAL	
Perpetual preferred stock and related surplus	0
Common Stock	500
Surplus	62,119
Undivided profits and capital reserves	363,705
Net unrealized holding gains (losses) on	
available-for-sale securities	(696)
Total equity capital	425,628
Total liabilities, limited-life preferred stock,	
and equity capital	5,303,592

Exhibit 25(g)

Registration No. 333-15743

SECURITIES AND EXCHANGE COMMISSION Washington, D.C. 20549

FORM T-1

STATEMENT OF ELIGIBILITY UNDER THE TRUST INDENTURE ACT OF 1939 OF A CORPORATION DESIGNATED TO ACT AS TRUSTEE

CHECK IF AN APPLICATION TO DETERMINE ELIGIBILITY OF A TRUSTEE PURSUANT TO SECTION 305(b)(2) X

WILMINGTON TRUST COMPANY (Exact name of trustee as specified in its charter)

51-0055023 (I.R.S. employer identification no.)

Delaware (State of incorporation)

Rodney Square North 1100 North Market Street Wilmington, Delaware 19890 (Address of principal executive offices)

Cynthia L. Corliss Vice President and Trust Counsel Wilmington Trust Company Rodney Square North Wilmington, Delaware 19890 (302) 651-8516 (Name, address and telephone number of agent for service)

FIRST UNION CORPORATION

(Exact name of obligor as specified in its charter)

North Carolina56-0898180(State of incorporation)(I.R.S. employer identification no.)

One First Union Center
Charlotte, North Carolina28288-0013(Address of principal executive offices)(Zip Code)

Guarantee by First Union Corporation with respect to

(Title of the indenture securities)

ITEM 1. GENERAL INFORMATION.

Furnish the following information as to the trustee:

(a) Name and address of each examining or supervising authority to which it is subject.

Federal Deposit Insurance Co.State Bank CommissionerFive Penn CenterDover, DelawareSuite #2901Philadelphia, PA

(b) Whether it is authorized to exercise corporate trust powers.

The trustee is authorized to exercise corporate trust powers.

ITEM 2. AFFILIATIONS WITH THE OBLIGOR.

If the obligor is an affiliate of the trustee, describe each affiliation:

Based upon an examination of the books and records of the trustee and upon information furnished by the obligor, the obligor is not an affiliate of the trustee.

ITEM 3. LIST OF EXHIBITS.

List below all exhibits filed as part of this Statement of Eligibility and Qualification.

- A. Copy of the Charter of Wilmington Trust Company, which includes the certificate of authority of Wilmington Trust Company to commence business and the authorization of Wilmington Trust Company to exercise corporate trust powers.
- B. Copy of By-Laws of Wilmington Trust Company.
- C. Consent of Wilmington Trust Company required by Section 321(b) of Trust Indenture Act.
- D. Copy of most recent Report of Condition of Wilmington Trust Company.

Pursuant to the requirements of the Trust Indenture Act of 1939, as amended, the trustee, Wilmington Trust Company, a corporation organized and existing under the laws of Delaware, has duly caused this Statement of Eligibility to be signed on its behalf by the undersigned, thereunto duly authorized, all in the City of Wilmington and State of Delaware on the 23rd day of December, 1996.

WILMINGTON TRUST COMPANY

[SEAL]

Attest: /s/ Debra Eberly ------Assistant Secretary By: /s/ Norma P. Closs Name: Norma P. Closs Title: Vice President

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EXHIBIT A AMENDED CHARTER Wilmington Trust Company Wilmington, Delaware As existing on May 9, 1987

> Amended Charter or Act of Incorporation of Wilmington Trust Company

Wilmington Trust Company, originally incorporated by an Act of the General Assembly of the State of Delaware, entitled "An Act to Incorporate the Delaware Guarantee and Trust Company", approved March 2, A.D. 1901, and the name of which company was changed to "Wilmington Trust Company" by an amendment filed in the Office of the Secretary of State on March 18, A.D. 1903, and the Charter or Act of Incorporation of which company has been from time to time amended and changed by merger agreements pursuant to the corporation law for state banks and trust companies of the State of Delaware, does hereby alter and amend its Charter or Act of Incorporation so that the same as so altered and amended shall in its entirety read as follows:

First: - The name of this corporation is Wilmington Trust Company.

Second: - The location of its principal office in the State of Delaware is at Rodney Square North, in the City of Wilmington, County of New Castle; the name of its resident agent is Wilmington Trust Company whose address is Rodney Square North, in said City. In addition to such principal office, the said corporation maintains and operates branch offices in the City of Newark, New Castle County, Delaware, the town of Newport, New Castle County, Delaware, at Claymont, New Castle County, Delaware, at Greenville, New Castle County, Delaware, and at Milford Cross Roads, New Castle County, Delaware, and shall be empowered to open, maintain and operate branch offices at Ninth and Shipley Streets, 418 Delaware Avenue, 2120 Market Street, and 3605 Market Street, all in the City of Wilmington, New Castle County, Delaware, and such other branch offices or places of business as may be authorized from time to time by the agency or agencies of the government of the State of Delaware empowered to confer such authority.

Third: - (a) The nature of the business and the objects and purposes proposed to be transacted, promoted or carried on by this Corporation are to do any or all of the things herein mentioned as fully and to the same extent as natural persons might or could do and in any part of the world, viz.:

(1) To sue and be sued, complain and defend in any Court of law or equity and to make and use a common seal, and alter the seal at pleasure, to hold, purchase, convey, mortgage or otherwise deal in real and personal estate and property, and to appoint such officers and agents as the business of the

Corporation shall require, to make by-laws not inconsistent with the Constitution or laws of the United States or of this State, to discount bills, notes or other evidences of debt, to receive deposits of money, or securities for money, to buy gold or silver bullion and foreign coins, to buy and sell bills of exchange, and generally to use, exercise and enjoy all the powers, rights, privileges and franchises incident to a corporation which are proper or necessary for the transaction of the business of the Corporation hereby created. (2) To insure titles to real and personal property, or any estate or interests therein, and to guarantee the holder of such property, real or personal, against any claim or claims, adverse to his interest therein, and to prepare and give certificates of title for any lands or premises in the State of Delaware, or elsewhere.

(3) To act as factor, agent, broker or attorney in the receipt, collection, custody, investment and management of funds, and the purchase, sale, management and disposal of property of all descriptions, and to prepare and execute all papers which may be necessary or proper in such business.

(4) To prepare and draw agreements, contracts, deeds, leases, conveyances, mortgages, bonds and legal papers of every description, and to carry on the business of conveyancing in all its branches.

(5) To receive upon deposit for safekeeping money, jewelry, plate, deeds, bonds and any and all other personal property of every sort and kind, from executors, administrators, guardians, public officers, courts, receivers, assignees, trustees, and from all fiduciaries, and from all other persons and individuals, and from all corporations whether state, municipal, corporate or private, and to rent boxes, safes, vaults and other receptacles for such property.

(6) To act as agent or otherwise for the purpose of registering, issuing, certificating, countersigning, transferring or underwriting the stock, bonds or other obligations of any corporation, association, state or municipality, and may receive and manage any sinking fund therefor on such terms as may be agreed upon between the two parties, and in like manner may act as Treasurer of any corporation or municipality.

(7) To act as Trustee under any deed of trust, mortgage, bond or other instrument issued by any state, municipality, body politic, corporation, association or person, either alone or in conjunction with any other person or persons, corporation or corporations.

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(8) To guarantee the validity, performance or effect of any contract or agreement, and the fidelity of persons holding places of responsibility or trust; to become surety for any person, or persons, for the faithful performance of any trust, office, duty, contract or agreement, either by itself or in conjunction with any other person, or persons, corporation, or corporations, or in like manner become surety upon any bond, recognizance, obligation, judgment, suit, order, or decree to be entered in any court of record within the State of Delaware or elsewhere, or which may now or hereafter be required by any law, judge, officer or court in the State of Delaware or elsewhere.

(9) To act by any and every method of appointment as trustee, trustee in bankruptcy, receiver, assignee, assignee in bankruptcy, executor, administrator, guardian, bailee, or in any other trust capacity in the receiving, holding, managing, and disposing of any and all estates and property, real, personal or mixed, and to be appointed as such trustee, trustee in bankruptcy, receiver, assignee, assignee in bankruptcy, executor, administrator, guardian or bailee by any persons, corporations, court, officer, or authority, in the State of Delaware or elsewhere; and whenever this Corporation is so appointed by any person, corporation, court, officer or authority such trustee, trustee in bankruptcy, receiver, assignee, assignee in bankruptcy, executor, administrator, guardian, bailee, or in any other trust capacity, it shall not be required to give bond with surety, but its capital stock shall be taken and held as security for the performance of the duties devolving upon it by such appointment.

(10) And for its care, management and trouble, and the exercise of any of its powers hereby given, or for the performance of any of the duties which it may undertake or be called upon to perform, or for the assumption of any responsibility the said Corporation may be entitled to receive a proper compensation.

(11) To purchase, receive, hold and own bonds, mortgages, debentures, shares of capital stock, and other securities, obligations, contracts and evidences of indebtedness, of any private, public or municipal corporation within and without the State of Delaware, or of the Government of the United States, or of any state, territory, colony, or possession thereof, or of any foreign government or country; to receive, collect, receipt for, and dispose of interest, dividends and income upon and from any of the bonds, mortgages, debentures, notes, shares of capital stock, securities, obligations, contracts, evidences of indebtedness and other property held and owned by it, and to exercise in respect of all such bonds, mortgages, debentures, notes, shares of capital stock, securities, obligations, contracts, evidences of indebtedness and other property, any and all the rights, powers and privileges of individual

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owners thereof, including the right to vote thereon; to invest

and deal in and with any of the moneys of the Corporation upon such securities and in such manner as it may think fit and proper, and from time to time to vary or realize such investments; to issue bonds and secure the same by pledges or deeds of trust or mortgages of or upon the whole or any part of the property held or owned by the Corporation, and to sell and pledge such bonds, as and when the Board of Directors shall determine, and in the promotion of its said corporate business of investment and to the extent authorized by law, to lease, purchase, hold, sell, assign, transfer, pledge, mortgage and convey real and personal property of any name and nature and any estate or interest therein.

(b) In furtherance of, and not in limitation, of the powers conferred by the laws of the State of Delaware, it is hereby expressly provided that the said Corporation shall also have the following powers:

> (1) To do any or all of the things herein set forth, to the same extent as natural persons might or could do, and in any part of the world.

(2) To acquire the good will, rights, property and franchises and to undertake the whole or any part of the assets and liabilities of any person, firm, association or corporation, and to pay for the same in cash, stock of this Corporation, bonds or otherwise; to hold or in any manner to dispose of the whole or any part of the property so purchased; to conduct in any lawful manner the whole or any part of any business so acquired, and to exercise all the powers necessary or convenient in and about the conduct and management of such business.

(3) To take, hold, own, deal in, mortgage or otherwise lien, and to lease, sell, exchange, transfer, or in any manner whatever dispose of property, real, personal or mixed, wherever situated.

(4) to enter into, make, perform and carry out contracts of every kind with any person, firm, association or corporation, and, without limit as to amount, to draw, make, accept, endorse, discount, execute and issue promissory notes, drafts, bills of exchange, warrants, bonds, debentures, and other negotiable or transferable instruments.

(5) To have one or more offices, to carry on all or any of its operations and businesses, without restriction to the same extent as natural persons might or could do, to purchase or otherwise acquire, to hold, own, to mortgage, sell, convey or otherwise dispose of, real and personal property, of every class and description, in any State, District, Territory or Colony of the United States, and in any foreign country or place. (6) It is the intention that the objects, purposes and powers specified and clauses contained in this paragraph shall (except where otherwise expressed in said paragraph) be nowise limited or restricted by reference to or inference from the terms of any other clause of this or any other paragraph in this charter, but that the objects, purposes and powers specified in each of the clauses of this paragraph shall be regarded as independent objects, purposes and powers.

Fourth: - (a) The total number of shares of all classes of stock which the Corporation shall have authority to issue is forty-one million (41,000,000) shares, consisting of:

(1) One million (1,000,000) shares of Preferred stock, par value \$10.00 per share (hereinafter referred to as "Preferred Stock"); and

(2) Forty million (40,000,000) shares of Common Stock, par value \$1.00 per share (hereinafter referred to as "Common Stock").

(b) Shares of Preferred Stock may be issued from time to time in one or more series as may from time to time be determined by the Board of Directors each of said series to be distinctly designated. All shares of any one series of Preferred Stock shall be alike in every particular, except that there may be different dates from which dividends, if any, thereon shall be cumulative, if made cumulative. The voting powers and the preferences and relative, participating, optional and other special rights of each such series, and the qualifications, limitations or restrictions thereof, if any, may differ from those of any and all other series at any time outstanding; and, subject to the provisions of subparagraph 1 of Paragraph (c) of this Article Fourth, the Board of Directors of the Corporation is hereby expressly granted authority to fix by resolution or resolutions adopted prior to the issuance of any shares of a particular series of Preferred Stock, the voting powers and the designations, preferences and relative, optional and other special rights, and the qualifications, limitations and restrictions of such series, including, but without limiting the generality of the foregoing, the following:

> (1) The distinctive designation of, and the number of shares of Preferred Stock which shall constitute such series, which number may be increased (except where otherwise provided by the Board of Directors) or decreased (but not below the number of shares thereof then outstanding) from time to time by like action of the Board of Directors;

(2) The rate and times at which, and the terms and conditions on which, dividends, if any, on Preferred Stock of such series shall be paid, the extent of the preference or relation, if any, of such dividends to the dividends payable on any other class or classes, or series of the same or other class of

stock and whether such dividends shall be cumulative or non-cumulative;

(3) The right, if any, of the holders of Preferred Stock of such series to convert the same into or exchange the same for, shares of any other class or classes or of any series of the same or any other class or classes of stock of the Corporation and the terms and conditions of such conversion or exchange;

(4) Whether or not Preferred Stock of such series shall be subject to redemption, and the redemption price or prices and the time or times at which, and the terms and conditions on which, Preferred Stock of such series may be redeemed.

(5) The rights, if any, of the holders of Preferred Stock of such series upon the voluntary or involuntary liquidation, merger, consolidation, distribution or sale of assets, dissolution or winding-up, of the Corporation.

(6) The terms of the sinking fund or redemption or purchase account, if any, to be provided for the Preferred Stock of such series; and

(7) The voting powers, if any, of the holders of such series of Preferred Stock which may, without limiting the generality of the foregoing include the right, voting as a series or by itself or together with other series of Preferred Stock or all series of Preferred Stock as a class, to elect one or more directors of the Corporation if there shall have been a default in the payment of dividends on any one or more series of Preferred Stock or under such circumstances and on such conditions as the Board of Directors may determine.

(c) (1) After the requirements with respect to preferential dividends on the Preferred Stock (fixed in accordance with the provisions of section (b) of this Article Fourth), if any, shall have been met and after the Corporation shall have complied with all the requirements, if any, with respect to the setting aside of sums as sinking funds or redemption or purchase accounts (fixed in accordance with the provisions of section (b) of this Article Fourth), and subject further to any conditions which may be fixed in accordance with the provisions of section (b) of this Article Fourth, then and not otherwise the holders of Common Stock shall be entitled to receive such dividends as may be declared from time to time by the Board of Directors. (2) After distribution in full of the preferential amount, if any, (fixed in accordance with the provisions of section (b) of this Article Fourth), to be distributed to the holders of Preferred Stock in the event of voluntary or involuntary liquidation, distribution or sale of assets, dissolution or winding-up, of the Corporation, the holders of the Common Stock shall be entitled to

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receive all of the remaining assets of the Corporation, tangible and intangible, of whatever kind available for distribution to stockholders ratably in proportion to the number of shares of Common Stock held by them respectively.

(3) Except as may otherwise be required by law or by the provisions of such resolution or resolutions as may be adopted by the Board of Directors pursuant to section (b) of this Article Fourth, each holder of Common Stock shall have one vote in respect of each share of Common Stock held on all matters voted upon by the stockholders.

(d) No holder of any of the shares of any class or series of stock or of options, warrants or other rights to purchase shares of any class or series of stock or of other securities of the Corporation shall have any preemptive right to purchase or subscribe for any unissued stock of any class or series or any additional shares of any class or series to be issued by reason of any increase of the authorized capital stock of the Corporation of any class or series, or bonds, certificates of indebtedness, debentures or other securities convertible into or exchangeable for stock of the Corporation of any class or series, or carrying any right to purchase stock of any class or series, but any such unissued stock, additional authorized issue of shares of any class or series of stock or securities convertible into or exchangeable for stock, or carrying any right to purchase stock, may be issued and disposed of pursuant to resolution of the Board of Directors to such persons, firms, corporations or associations, whether such holders or others, and upon such terms as may be deemed advisable by the Board of Directors in the exercise of its sole discretion.

(e) The relative powers, preferences and rights of each series of Preferred Stock in relation to the relative powers, preferences and rights of each other series of Preferred Stock shall, in each case, be as fixed from time to time by the Board of Directors in the resolution or resolutions adopted pursuant to authority granted in section (b) of this Article Fourth and the consent, by class or series vote or otherwise, of the holders of such of the series of Preferred Stock as are from time to time outstanding shall not be required for the issuance by the Board of Directors of any other series of Preferred Stock whether or not the powers, preferences and rights of such other series shall be fixed by the Board of Directors as senior to, or on a parity with, the powers, preferences and rights of such outstanding series, or any of them; provided, however, that the Board of Directors may provide in the resolution or resolutions as to any series of Preferred Stock adopted pursuant to section (b) of this Article Fourth that the consent of the holders of a majority (or such greater proportion as shall be therein fixed) of the outstanding shares of such series voting thereon shall be required for the issuance of any or all other series of Preferred Stock.

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(f) Subject to the provisions of section (e), shares of any series of Preferred Stock may be issued from time to time as the Board of Directors of the Corporation shall determine and on such terms and for such consideration as shall be fixed by the Board of Directors.

(g) Shares of Common Stock may be issued from time to time as the Board of Directors of the Corporation shall determine and on such terms and for such consideration as shall be fixed by the Board of Directors.

(h) The authorized amount of shares of Common Stock and of Preferred Stock may, without a class or series vote, be increased or decreased from time to time by affirmative vote of the holders of a majority of the stock of the Corporation entitled to vote thereon.

Fifth: - (a) The business and affairs of the Corporation shall be conducted and managed by a Board of Directors. The number of directors constituting the entire Board shall not be less than five nor more than twenty-five as fixed from time to time by vote of a majority of the whole Board, provided, however, that the number of directors shall not be reduced so as to shorten the term of any director at the time in office, and provided further, that the number of directors constituting the whole Board shall be twenty-four until otherwise fixed by a majority of the whole Board.

(b) The Board of Directors shall be divided into three classes, as nearly equal in number as the then total number of directors constituting the whole Board permits, with the term of office of one class expiring each year. At the annual meeting of stockholders in 1982, directors of the first class shall be elected to hold office for a term expiring at the next succeeding annual meeting, directors of the second class shall be elected to hold office for a term expiring at the second succeeding annual meeting and directors of the third class shall be elected to hold office for a term expiring at the third succeeding annual meeting. Any vacancies in the Board of Directors for any reason, and any newly created directorships resulting from any increase in the directors, may be filled by the Board of Directors, acting by a majority of the directors then in office, although less than a quorum, and any directors so chosen shall hold office until the next annual election of directors. At such election, the stockholders shall elect a successor to such director to hold office until the next election of the class for which such director shall have been chosen and until his successor shall be elected and qualified. No decrease in the number of directors shall shorten the term of any incumbent director.

(c) Notwithstanding any other provisions of this Charter or Act of Incorporation or the By-Laws of the Corporation (and notwithstanding the fact that some lesser percentage may be specified by law, this Charter or Act of Incorporation or the By-Laws of the Corporation), any director or the entire Board of Directors of the

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Corporation may be removed at any time without cause, but only by the affirmative vote of the holders of two-thirds or more of the outstanding shares of capital stock of the Corporation entitled to vote generally in the election of directors (considered for this purpose as one class) cast at a meeting of the stockholders called for that purpose.

(d) Nominations for the election of directors may be made by the Board of Directors or by any stockholder entitled to vote for the election of directors. Such nominations shall be made by notice in writing, delivered or mailed by first class United States mail, postage prepaid, to the Secretary of the Corporation not less than 14 days nor more than 50 days prior to any meeting of the stockholders called for the election of directors; provided, however, that if less than 21 days' notice of the meeting is given to stockholders, such written notice shall be delivered or mailed, as prescribed, to the Secretary of the Corporation not later that the close of the seventh day following the day on which notice of the meeting was mailed to stockholders. Notice of nominations which are proposed by the Board of Directors shall be given by the Chairman on behalf of the Board.

(e) Each notice under subsection (d) shall set forth (i) the name, age, business address and, if known, residence address of each nominee proposed in such notice, (ii) the principal occupation or employment of such nominee and (iii) the number of shares of stock of the Corporation which are beneficially owned by each such nominee.

(f) The Chairman of the meeting may, if the facts warrant, determine and declare to the meeting that a nomination was not made in accordance with the foregoing procedure, and if he should so determine, he shall so declare to the meeting and the defective nomination shall be disregarded.

(g) No action required to be taken or which may be taken at any annual or special meeting of stockholders of the Corporation may be taken without

a meeting, and the power of stockholders to consent in writing, without a meeting, to the taking of any action is specifically denied.

Sixth: - The Directors shall choose such officers, agent and servants as may be provided in the By-Laws as they may from time to time find necessary or proper.

Seventh: - The Corporation hereby created is hereby given the same powers, rights and privileges as may be conferred upon corporations organized under the Act entitled "An Act Providing a General Corporation Law", approved March 10, 1899, as from time to time amended.

Eighth: - This Act shall be deemed and taken to be a private Act.

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Ninth: - This Corporation is to have perpetual existence.

Tenth: - The Board of Directors, by resolution passed by a majority of the whole Board, may designate any of their number to constitute an Executive Committee, which Committee, to the extent provided in said resolution, or in the By-Laws of the Company, shall have and may exercise all of the powers of the Board of Directors in the management of the business and affairs of the Corporation, and shall have power to authorize the seal of the Corporation to be affixed to all papers which may require it.

Eleventh: - The private property of the stockholders shall not be liable for the payment of corporate debts to any extent whatever.

Twelfth: - The Corporation may transact business in any part of the world.

Thirteenth: - The Board of Directors of the Corporation is expressly authorized to make, alter or repeal the By-Laws of the Corporation by a vote of the majority of the entire Board. The stockholders may make, alter or repeal any By-Law whether or not adopted by them, provided however, that any such additional By-Laws, alterations or repeal may be adopted only by the affirmative vote of the holders of two-thirds or more of the outstanding shares of capital stock of the Corporation entitled to vote generally in the election of directors (considered for this purpose as one class).

Fourteenth: - Meetings of the Directors may be held outside of the State of Delaware at such places as may be from time to time designated by the Board, and the Directors may keep the books of the Company outside of the State of Delaware at such places as may be from time to time designated by them.

Fifteenth: - (a) In addition to any affirmative vote required by law, and except as otherwise expressly provided in sections (b) and (c) of

(A) any merger or consolidation of the Corporation or any Subsidiary (as hereinafter defined) with or into (i) any Interested Stockholder (as hereinafter defined) or (ii) any other corporation (whether or not itself an Interested Stockholder), which, after such merger or consolidation, would be an Affiliate (as hereinafter defined) of an Interested Stockholder, or

(B) any sale, lease, exchange, mortgage, pledge, transfer or other disposition (in one transaction or a series of related transactions) to or with any Interested Stockholder or any Affiliate of any Interested Stockholder of any assets of the Corporation or any Subsidiary having an aggregate fair market value of \$1,000,000 or more, or

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(C) the issuance or transfer by the Corporation or any Subsidiary (in one transaction or a series of related transactions) of any securities of the Corporation or any Subsidiary to any Interested Stockholder or any Affiliate of any Interested Stockholder in exchange for cash, securities or other property (or a combination thereof) having an aggregate fair market value of \$1,000,000 or more, or

(D) the adoption of any plan or proposal for the liquidation or dissolution of the Corporation, or

(E) any reclassification of securities (including any reverse stock split), or recapitalization of the Corporation, or any merger or consolidation of the Corporation with any of its Subsidiaries or any similar transaction (whether or not with or into or otherwise involving an Interested Stockholder) which has the effect, directly or indirectly, of increasing the proportionate share of the outstanding shares of any class of equity or convertible securities of the Corporation or any Subsidiary which is directly or indirectly owned by any Interested Stockholder, or any Affiliate of any Interested Stockholder,

shall require the affirmative vote of the holders of at least two-thirds of the outstanding shares of capital stock of the Corporation entitled to vote generally in the election of directors, considered for the purpose of this Article Fifteenth as one class ("Voting Shares"). Such affirmative vote shall be required notwithstanding the fact that no vote may be required, or that some lesser percentage may be specified, by law or in any agreement with any national securities exchange or otherwise.

(2) The term "business combination" as used in this Article

Fifteenth shall mean any transaction which is referred to any one or more of clauses (A) through (E) of paragraph 1 of the section (a).

(b) The provisions of section (a) of this Article Fifteenth shall not be applicable to any particular business combination and such business combination shall require only such affirmative vote as is required by law and any other provisions of the Charter or Act of Incorporation of By-Laws if such business combination has been approved by a majority of the whole Board.

(c) For the purposes of this Article Fifteenth:

(1) A "person" shall mean any individual firm, corporation or other entity.

(2) "Interested Stockholder" shall mean, in respect of any business combination, any person (other than the Corporation or any Subsidiary) who or which as of the record date for the determination of stockholders entitled to notice of and to vote on

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such business combination, or immediately prior to the consummation of any such transaction:

(A) is the beneficial owner, directly or indirectly, of more than 10% of the Voting Shares, or

(B) is an Affiliate of the Corporation and at any time within two years prior thereto was the beneficial owner, directly or indirectly, of not less than 10% of the then outstanding voting Shares, or

(C) is an assignee of or has otherwise succeeded in any share of capital stock of the Corporation which were at any time within two years prior thereto beneficially owned by any Interested Stockholder, and such assignment or succession shall have occurred in the course of a transaction of series of transactions not involving a public offering within the meaning of the Securities Act of 1933.

(3) A person shall be the "beneficial owner" of any Voting Shares:

(A) which such person or any of its Affiliates and Associates (as hereafter defined) beneficially own, directly or indirectly, or

(B) which such person or any of its Affiliates or Associates has (i) the right to acquire (whether such right is exercisable immediately or only after the passage of time), pursuant to any agreement,

arrangement or understanding or upon the exercise of conversion rights, exchange rights, warrants or options, or otherwise, or (ii) the right to vote pursuant to any agreement, arrangement or understanding, or

(C) which are beneficially owned, directly or indirectly, by any other person with which such first mentioned person or any of its Affiliates or Associates has any agreement, arrangement or understanding for the purpose of acquiring, holding, voting or disposing of any shares of capital stock of the Corporation.

(4) The outstanding Voting Shares shall include shares deemed owned through application of paragraph (3) above but shall not include any other Voting Shares which may be issuable pursuant to any agreement, or upon exercise of conversion rights, warrants or options or otherwise.

(5) "Affiliate" and "Associate" shall have the respective meanings given those terms in Rule 12b-2 of the General Rules and Regulations under the Securities Exchange Act of 1934, as in effect on December 31, 1981.

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(6) "Subsidiary" shall mean any corporation of which a majority of any class of equity security (as defined in Rule 3all-1 of the General Rules and Regulations under the Securities Exchange Act of 1934, as in effect in December 31, 1981) is owned, directly or indirectly, by the Corporation; provided, however, that for the purposes of the definition of Investment Stockholder set forth in paragraph (2) of this section (c), the term "Subsidiary" shall mean only a corporation of which a majority of each class of equity security is owned, directly or indirectly, by the Corporation.

(d) majority of the directors shall have the power and duty to determine for the purposes of this Article Fifteenth on the basis of information known to them, (1) the number of Voting Shares beneficially owned by any person (2) whether a person is an Affiliate or Associate of another, (3) whether a person has an agreement, arrangement or understanding with another as to the matters referred to in paragraph (3) of section (c), or (4) whether the assets subject to any business combination or the consideration received for the issuance or transfer of securities by the Corporation, or any Subsidiary has an aggregate fair market value of \$1,00,000 or more.

(e) Nothing contained in this Article Fifteenth shall be construed to relieve any Interested Stockholder from any fiduciary obligation imposed by law.

Sixteenth: - Notwithstanding any other provision of this Charter or Act of Incorporation or the By-Laws of the Corporation (and in addition to any other vote that may be required by law, this Charter or Act of Incorporation by the By-Laws), the affirmative vote of the holders of at least two-thirds of the outstanding shares of the capital stock of the Corporation entitled to vote generally in the election of directors (considered for this purpose as one class) shall be required to amend, alter or repeal any provision of Articles Fifth, Thirteenth, Fifteenth or Sixteenth of this Charter or Act of Incorporation.

Seventeenth: - (a) a Director of this Corporation shall not be liable to the Corporation or its stockholders for monetary damages for breach of fiduciary duty as a Director, except to the extent such exemption from liability or limitation thereof is not permitted under the Delaware General Corporation Laws as the same exists or may hereafter be amended.

(b) Any repeal or modification of the foregoing paragraph shall not adversely affect any right or protection of a Director of the Corporation existing hereunder with respect to any act or omission occurring prior to the time of such repeal or modification."

EXHIBIT B

BY-LAWS

WILMINGTON TRUST COMPANY

WILMINGTON, DELAWARE

As existing on December 21, 1995

BY-LAWS OF WILMINGTON TRUST COMPANY

ARTICLE I Stockholders' Meetings

Section 1. The Annual Meeting of Stockholders shall be held on the third Thursday in April each year at the principal office at the Company or at such other date, time, or place as may be designated by resolution by the Board of Directors.

Section 2. Special meetings of all stockholders may be called at any time by the Board of Directors, the Chairman of the Board or the President.

Section 3. Notice of all meetings of the stockholders shall be given by mailing to each stockholder at least ten (10 days before said meeting, at his last known address, a written or printed notice fixing the time and place of such meeting.

Section 4. A majority in the amount of the capital stock of the Company issued and outstanding on the record date, as herein determined, shall constitute a quorum at all meetings of stockholders for the transaction of any business, but the holders of a small number of shares may adjourn, from time to time, without further notice, until a quorum is secured. At each annual or special meeting of stockholders, each stockholder shall be entitled to one vote, either in person or by proxy, for each shares of stock registered in the stockholder's name on the books of the Company on the record date for any such meeting as determined herein.

ARTICLE II Directors

Section 1. The number and classification of the Board of Directors shall be as set forth in the Charter of the Bank.

Section 2. No person who has attained the age of seventy-two (72) years shall be nominated for election to the Board of Directors of the Company, provided, however, that this limitation shall not apply to any person who was serving as director of the Company on September 16, 1971.

Section 3. The Class of Directors so elected shall hold office for three years or until their successors are elected and qualified.

Section 4. The affairs and business of the Company shall be managed and conducted by the Board of Directors.

Section 5. Regular meetings of the Board of Directors shall be held on the third Thursday of each month at the principal office of the Company, or at such other place and

time as may be designated by the Board of Directors, the Chairman of the Board, or the President.

Section 6. Special meetings of the Board of Directors may be called at any time by the Chairman of the Board of Directors or by the President, and shall be called upon the written request of a majority of the directors.

Section 7. A majority of the directors elected and qualified shall be necessary to constitute a quorum for the transaction of business at any meeting of the Board of Directors.

Section 8. Written notice shall be sent by mail to each director of any

special meeting of the Board of Directors, and of any change in the time or place of any regular meeting, stating the time and place of such meeting, which shall be mailed not less than two days before the time of holding such meeting.

Section 9. In the event of the death, resignation, removal, inability to act, or disqualification of any director, the Board of Directors, although less than a quorum, shall have the right to elect the successor who shall hold office for the remainder of the full term of the class of directors in which the vacancy occurred, and until such director's successor shall have been duly elected and qualified.

Section 10. The Board of Directors at its first meeting after its election by the stockholders shall appoint an Executive Committee, a Trust Committee, an Audit Committee and a Compensation Committee, and shall elect from its own members a Chairman of the Board of Directors and a President who may be the same person. The Board of Directors shall also elect at such meeting a Secretary and a Treasurer, who may be the same person, may appoint at any time such other committees and elect or appoint such other officers as it may deem advisable. The Board of Directors may also elect at such meeting one or more Associate Directors.

Section 11. The Board of Directors may at any time remove, with or without cause, any member of any Committee appointed by it or any associate director or officer elected by it and may appoint or elect his successor.

Section 12. The Board of Directors may designate an officer to be in charge of such of the departments or division of the Company as it may deem advisable.

ARTICLE III Committees

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Section I. Executive Committee

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(A) The Executive Committee shall be composed of not more than

members who shall be selected by the Board of Directors from its own members and who shall hold office during the pleasure of the Board.

(B) The Executive Committee shall have all the powers of the Board of Directors when it is not in session to transact all business for and in behalf of the Company that may be brought before it. (C) The Executive Committee shall meet at the principal office of the Company or elsewhere in its discretion at such times to be determined by a majority of its members, or at the call of the Chairman of the Executive Committee or at the call of the Chairman of the Board of Directors. The majority of its members shall be necessary to constitute a quorum for the transaction of business. Special meetings of the Executive Committee may be held at any time when a quorum is present.

(D) Minutes of each meeting of the Executive Committee shall be kept and submitted to the Board of Directors at its next meeting.

(E) The Executive Committee shall advise and superintend all investments that may be made of the funds of the Company, and shall direct the disposal of the same, in accordance with such rules and regulations as the Board of Directors from time to time make.

(F) In the event of a state of disaster of sufficient severity to prevent the conduct and management of the affairs and business of the Company by its directors and officers as contemplated by these By-Laws any two available members of the Executive Committee as constituted immediately prior to such disaster shall constitute a quorum of that Committee for the full conduct and management of the affairs and business of the Company in accordance with the provisions of Article III of these By-Laws; and if less than three members of the Trust Committee is constituted immediately prior to such disaster shall be available for the transaction of its business, such Executive Committee shall also be empowered to exercise all of the powers reserved to the Trust Committee under Article III Section 2 hereof. In the event of the unavailability, at such time, of a minimum of two members of such Executive Committee, any three available directors shall constitute the Executive Committee for the full conduct and management of the affairs and business of the Company in accordance with the foregoing provisions of this Section. This By-Law shall be subject to implementation by Resolutions of the Board of Directors presently existing or hereafter passed from time to time for that purpose, and any provisions of these By-Laws (other than this Section) and any resolutions which are contrary to the provisions of this Section or to the provisions of any such implementary Resolutions shall be suspended during such a disaster period until it shall be determined by any interim Executive Committee acting under this section that it shall be to the advantage of the Company to resume the conduct and management of its affairs and business under all of the other provisions of these By-Laws.

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Section 2. Trust Committee

(A) The Trust Committee shall be composed of not more than thirteen members who shall be selected by the Board of Directors, a majority of whom shall be members of the Board of Directors and who shall hold office during the pleasure of the Board. (B) The Trust Committee shall have general supervision over the Trust Department and the investment of trust funds, in all matters, however, being subject to the approval of the Board of Directors.

(C) The Trust Committee shall meet at the principal office of the Company or elsewhere in its discretion at least once a month. A majority of its members shall be necessary to constitute a quorum for the transaction of business. Special meetings of the Trust Committee may be held at any time when a quorum is present.

(D) Minutes of each meeting of the Trust Committee shall be kept and promptly submitted to the Board of Directors.

(E) The Trust Committee shall have the power to appoint Committees and/or designate officers or employees of the Company to whom supervision over the investment of trust funds may be delegated when the Trust Committee is not in session.

Section 3. Audit Committee

(A) The Audit Committee shall be composed of five members who shall be selected by the Board of Directors from its own members, none of whom shall be an officer of the Company, and shall hold office at the pleasure of the Board.

(B) The Audit Committee shall have general supervision over the Audit Division in all matters however subject to the approval of the Board of Directors; it shall consider all matters brought to its attention by the officer in charge of the Audit Division, review all reports of examination of the Company made by any governmental agency or such independent auditor employed for that purpose, and make such recommendations to the Board of Directors with respect thereto or with respect to any other matters pertaining to auditing the Company as it shall deem desirable.

(C) The Audit Committee shall meet whenever and wherever the majority of its members shall deem it to be proper for the transaction of its business, and a majority of its Committee shall constitute a quorum.

Section 4. Compensation Committee

(A) The Compensation Committee shall be composed of not more

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five (5) members who shall be selected by the Board of Directors from its own members who are not officers of the Company and who shall hold office during the pleasure of the Board.

(B) The Compensation Committee shall in general advise upon all matters of policy concerning the Company brought to its attention by the management and from time to time review the management of the Company, major organizational matters, including salaries and employee benefits and specifically shall administer the Executive Incentive Compensation Plan.

(C) Meetings of the Compensation Committee may be called at any time by the Chairman of the Compensation Committee, the Chairman of the Board of Directors, or the President of the Company.

Section 5. Associate Directors

(A) Any person who has served as a director may be elected by the Board of Directors as an associate director, to serve during the pleasure of the Board.

(B) An associate director shall be entitled to attend all directors meetings and participate in the discussion of all matters brought to the Board, with the exception that he would have no right to vote. An associate director will be eligible for appointment to Committees of the Company, with the exception of the Executive Committee, Audit Committee and Compensation Committee, which must be comprised solely of active directors.

Section 6. Absence or Disqualification of Any Member of a Committee

(A) In the absence or disqualification of any member of any Committee created under Article III of the By-Laws of this Company, the member or members thereof present at any meeting and not disqualified from voting, whether or not he or they constitute a quorum, may unanimously appoint another member of the Board of Directors to act at the meeting in the place of any such absence or disqualified member.

ARTICLE IV OFFICERS

Section 1. The Chairman of the Board of Directors shall preside at all meetings of the Board and shall have such further authority and powers and shall perform such duties as the Board of Directors may from time to time confer and direct. He shall also exercise such powers and perform such duties as may from time to time be agreed upon between himself and the President of the Company.

Section 2. The Vice Chairman of the Board of Directors shall preside at all

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meetings of the Board of Directors at which the Chairman of the Board shall not be present and shall have such further authority and powers and shall perform such duties as the Board of Directors or the Chairman of the Board may from time to time confer and direct.

Section 3. The President shall have the powers and duties pertaining to the office of the President conferred or imposed upon him by statute or assigned to him by the Board of Directors in the absence of the Chairman of the Board the President shall have the powers and duties of the Chairman of the Board.

Section 4. The Chairman of the Board of Directors or the President as designated by the Board of Directors, shall carry into effect all legal directions of the Executive Committee and of the Board of Directors, and shall at all times exercise general supervision over the interest, affairs and operations of the Company and perform all duties incident to his office.

Section 5. There may be one or more Vice Presidents, however denominated by the Board of Directors, who may at any time perform all the duties of the Chairman of the Board of Directors and/or the President and such other powers and duties as may from time to time be assigned to them by the Board of Directors, the Executive Committee, the Chairman of the Board or the President and by the officer in charge of the department or division to which they are assigned.

Section 6. The Secretary shall attend to the giving of notice of meetings of the stockholders and the Board of Directors, as well as the Committees thereof, to the keeping of accurate minutes of all such meetings and to recording the same in the minute books of the Company. In addition to the other notice requirements of these By-Laws and as may be practicable under the circumstances, all such notices shall be in writing and mailed well in advance of the scheduled date of any other meeting. He shall have custody of the corporate seal and shall affix the same to any documents requiring such corporate seal and to attest the same.

Section 7. The Treasurer shall have general supervision over all assets and liabilities of the Company. He shall be custodian of and responsible for all monies, funds and valuables of the Company and for the keeping of proper records of the evidence of property or indebtedness and of all the transactions of the Company. He shall have general supervision of the expenditures of the Company and shall report to the Board of Directors at each regular meeting of the condition of the Company, and perform such other duties as may be assigned to him from time to time by the Board of Directors of the Executive Committee.

Section 8. There may be a Controller who shall exercise general supervision over the internal operations of the Company, including accounting, and shall render to the Board of Directors at appropriate times a report relating to the general condition and internal operations of the Company.

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There may be one or more subordinate accounting or controller officers

however denominated, who may perform the duties of the Controller and such duties as may be prescribed by the Controller.

Section 9. The officer designated by the Board of Directors to be in charge of the Audit Division of the Company with such title as the Board of Directors shall prescribe, shall report to and be directly responsible only to the Board of Directors.

There shall be an Auditor and there may be one or more Audit Officers, however denominated, who may perform all the duties of the Auditor and such duties as may be prescribed by the officer in charge of the Audit Division.

Section 10. There may be one or more officers, subordinate in rank to all Vice Presidents with such functional titles as shall be determined from time to time by the Board of Directors, who shall ex officio hold the office Assistant Secretary of this Company and who may perform such duties as may be prescribed by the officer in charge of the department or division to whom they are assigned.

Section 11. The powers and duties of all other officers of the Company shall be those usually pertaining to their respective offices, subject to the direction of the Board of Directors, the Executive Committee, Chairman of the Board of Directors or the President and the officer in charge of the department or division to which they are assigned.

ARTICLE V Stock and Stock Certificates

Section 1. Shares of stock shall be transferable on the books of the Company and a transfer book shall be kept in which all transfers of stock shall be recorded.

Section 2. Certificate of stock shall bear the signature of the President or any Vice President, however denominated by the Board of Directors and countersigned by the Secretary or Treasurer or an Assistant Secretary, and the seal of the corporation shall be engraved thereon. Each certificate shall recite that the stock represented thereby is transferable only upon the books of the Company by the holder thereof or his attorney, upon surrender of the certificate properly endorsed. Any certificate of stock surrendered to the Company shall be cancelled at the time of transfer, and before a new certificate or certificates shall be issued in lieu thereof. Duplicate certificates of stock shall be issued only upon giving such security as may be satisfactory to the Board of Directors or the Executive Committee.

Section 3. The Board of Directors of the Company is authorized to fix in advance a record date for the determination of the stockholders entitled to notice of, and to vote at, any meeting of stockholders and any adjournment thereof, or entitled to receive payment of any dividend, or to any allotment or rights, or to exercise any rights in respect of any change, conversion or exchange of capital stock, or in connection with obtaining the consent of stockholders for any purpose, which record date shall not be more than 60 nor less than 10 days proceeding the date of any meeting of stockholders or the date for the payment of any dividend, or the date for the allotment of rights, or the date when any change or conversion or exchange of capital stock shall go into effect, or a date in connection with obtaining such consent.

ARTICLE VI SEAL

Section 1. The corporate seal of the Company shall be in the following form:

Between two concentric circles the words "Wilmington Trust Company" within the inner circle the words "Wilmington, Delaware."

ARTICLE VII FISCAL YEAR

Section 1. The fiscal year of the Company shall be the calendar year.

ARTICLE VIII EXECUTION OF INSTRUMENTS OF THE COMPANY

Section 1. The Chairman of the Board, the President or any Vice President, however denominated by the Board of Directors, shall have full power and authority to enter into, make, sign, execute, acknowledge and/or deliver and the Secretary or any Assistant Secretary shall have full power and authority to attest and affix the corporate seal of the Company to any and all deeds, conveyances, assignments, releases, contracts, agreements, bonds, notes, mortgages and all other instruments incident to the business of this Company or in acting as executor, administrator, guardian, trustee, agent or in any other fiduciary or representative capacity by any and every method of appointment or by whatever person, corporation, court officer or authority in the State of Delaware, or elsewhere, without any specific authority, ratification, approval or confirmation by the Board of Directors or the Executive Committee, and any and all such instruments shall have the same force and validity as although expressly authorized by the Board of Directors and/or the Executive Committee.

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ARTICLE IX COMPENSATION OF DIRECTORS AND MEMBERS OF COMMITTEES

Section 1. Directors and associate directors of the Company, other

than salaried officers of the Company, shall be paid such reasonable honoraria or fees for attending meetings of the Board of Directors as the Board of Directors may from time to time determine. Directors and associate directors who serve as members of committees, other than salaried employees of the Company, shall be paid such reasonable honoraria or fees for services as members of committees as the Board of Directors shall from time to time determine and directors and associate directors may be employed by the Company for such special services as the Board of Directors may from time to time determine and shall be paid for such special services so performed reasonable compensation as may be determined by the Board of Directors.

ARTICLE X INDEMNIFICATION

Section 1. (A) The Corporation shall indemnify and hold harmless, to the fullest extent permitted by applicable law as it presently exists or may hereafter be amended, any person who was or is made or is threatened to be made a party or is otherwise involved in any action, suit or proceeding, whether civil, criminal, administrative or investigative (a "proceeding") by reason of the fact that he, or a person for whom he is the legal representative, is or was a director, officer, employee or agent of the Corporation or is or was serving at the request of the Corporation as a director, officer, employee, fiduciary or agent of another corporation or of a partnership, joint venture, trust, enterprise or non-profit entity, including service with respect to employee benefit plans, against all liability and loss suffered and expenses reasonably incurred by such person. The Corporation shall indemnify a person in connection with a proceeding initiated by such person only if the proceeding was authorized by the Board of Directors of the Corporation.

(B) The Corporation shall pay the expenses incurred in defending any proceeding in advance of its final disposition, PROVIDED, HOWEVER, that the payment of expenses incurred by a Director officer in his capacity as a Director or officer in advance of the final disposition of the proceeding shall be made only upon receipt of an undertaking by the Director or officer to repay all amounts advanced if it should be ultimately determined that the Director or officer is not entitled to be indemnified under this Article or otherwise.

(C) If a claim for indemnification or payment of expenses, under this Article X is not paid in full within ninety days after a written claim therefor has been received by the Corporation the claimant may file suit to recover the unpaid amount of such claim and, if successful in whole or in part, shall be entitled to be paid the expense of prosecuting such claim. In any such action the Corporation shall have the burden of proving

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that the claimant was not entitled to the requested indemnification of payment of expenses under applicable law.

(D) The rights conferred on any person by this Article X shall not be exclusive of any other rights which such person may have or hereafter acquire under any statute, provision of the Charter or Act of Incorporation, these By-Laws, agreement, vote of stockholders or disinterested Directors or otherwise.

(E) Any repeal or modification of the foregoing provisions of this Article X shall not adversely affect any right or protection hereunder of any person in respect of any act or omission occurring prior to the time of such repeal or modification.

ARTICLE XI AMENDMENTS TO THE BY-LAWS

Section 1. These By-Laws may be altered, amended or repealed, in whole or in part, and any new By-Law or By-Laws adopted at any regular or special meeting of the Board of Directors by a vote of the majority of all the members of the Board of Directors then in office.

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EXHIBIT C

SECTION 321(b) CONSENT

Pursuant to Section 321(b) of the Trust Indenture Act of 1939, as amended, Wilmington Trust Company hereby consents that reports of examinations by Federal, State, Territorial or District authorities may be furnished by such authorities to the Securities and Exchange Commission upon requests therefor.

WILMINGTON TRUST COMPANY

Dated: December 23, 1996

By: /s/ Norma P. Closs

Name: Norma P. Closs Title: Vice President

EXHIBIT D

NOTICE

This form is intended to assist state nonmember banks and savings banks with state publication requirements. It has not been approved by any state banking authorities. Refer to your appropriate state banking authorities for your state publication requirements. REPORT OF CONDITION

Consolidating domestic subsidiaries of the

WILMIN	IGTON TRUST	COMPANY	of	WILMINGTON
Name of	Bank			City

in the State of DELAWARE, at the close of business on September 30, 1996.

ASSETS	Thousands of dollars
Cash and balances due from depository institutions:	
Noninterest-bearing balances and currency and coi	ns 198,288
Interest-bearing balances	0
Held-to-maturity securities	489,428
Available-for-sale securities	783,718
Federal funds sold	19,000
Securities purchased under agreements to resell	48,500
Loans and lease financing receivables:	
Loans and leases, net of unearned income	3,620,289
LESS: Allowance for loan and lease losses	49,721
LESS: Allocated transfer risk reserve	0
Loans and leases, net of unearned income,	
allowance, and reserve	3,570,568
Assets held in trading accounts	0
Premises and fixed assets (including capitalized	
leases)	83,675
Other real estate owned	4,607
Investments in unconsolidated subsidiaries and	
associated companies	85
Customers' liability to this bank on acceptances	
outstanding	0
Intangible assets	4,131
Other assets	101,592
Total assets	5,303,592

LIABILITIES

Deposits:		
In domestic offices		3,457,641
Noninterest-bearing	740 , 731	
Interest-bearing	2,716,910	
Federal funds purchased		135,889
Securities sold under agreements to repurchase		213 , 617
Demand notes issued to the U.S. Treasury		94 , 999
Trading liabilities		0
Other borrowed money:		

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EQUITY CAPITAL
Perpetual preferred stock and related surplus 0
Common Stock 500
Surplus 62,119
Undivided profits and capital reserves 363,705
Net unrealized holding gains (losses) on
available-for-sale securities (696)
Total equity capital 425,628
Total liabilities, limited-life preferred stock,
and equity capital 5,303,592