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CURRENT REPORT

PURSUANT TO SECTION 13 OR 15(D) OF THE SECURITIES EXCHANGE ACT OF 1934

Date of Report (Date of earliest event reported): SEPTEMBER 20, 2004

CIROND CORPORATION

(Exact name of registrant as specified in its charter)

NEVADA 0-49763 88-0469593 (State or other jurisdiction of incorporation) (Commission (IRS Employer Identification No.)

4185 STILL CREEK DRIVE #B-101, BURNABY, BRITISH COLUMBIA, CANADA V5C 6G9 (Address of principal executive offices) (Zip Code)

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

Registrant's telephone number, including area code (604) 205-5039

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ITEM 1.01 ENTRY INTO A MATERIAL DEFINITIVE AGREEMENT.

By written consent dated September 20, 2004, our Board of Directors adopted the 2004 Stock Option Plan. Our shareholders adopted the 2004 Stock Option Plan by written consent dated September 21, 2004, which adoption shall be effective 20 days from the date that a definitive information statement is mailed to our shareholders pursuant to Rule 14c2-(b) promulgated by the Securities and Exchange Commission under the Securities Exchange Act of 1934, as amended (the "1934 Act"). If the 2004 Stock Option Plan is not adopted by September 20, 2004, any options granted under the 2004 Stock Option Plan will be rescinded and void.

Pursuant to the 2004 Stock Option Plan, as of September 20, 2004, an aggregate of 5,281,500 shares of our common stock (the "Available Shares") had been reserved for issuance pursuant to the exercise of stock options ("Options") which may be granted to our employees, officers, directors and consultants. The 2004 Stock Option Plan also provides for quarterly adjustments in the number of Available Shares, to a number equal to 15% of the number of shares outstanding as of the end of the preceding fiscal quarter or 5,281,500 shares, whichever is greater. As of September 30, 2004, the Company had 37,060,000 shares of common stock issued and outstanding and, accordingly, the number of Available Shares will be adjusted to 5,559,000 shares.

The 2004 Stock Option Plan is designed to (i) induce qualified persons to become employees, officers, consultants, or directors our company; (ii) reward such persons for past services to our company; (iii) encourage such persons to remain in the employ of our company or associated with our company; and (iv) provide additional incentive for such persons to put forth maximum efforts for the success of our business.

The 2004 Stock Option Plan will be administered by the Board of Directors (the "Board"). Transactions under the 2004 Stock Option Plan are intended to comply with all applicable conditions of Rule 16b-3 under the 1934 Act. In addition to determining who will be granted Options, the Board has the authority and discretion to determine when Options will be granted and the number of Options to be granted. The Board may determine which Options may be intended to qualify ("Incentive Stock Option") for special treatment under the Internal Revenue Code of 1986, as amended from time to time (the "Code"), or Non-Qualified Options ("Non-Qualified Stock Options") which are not intended to so qualify. The Board also may determine the time or times when each Option becomes exercisable, the duration of the exercise period for Options and the form or forms of the instruments evidencing Options granted under the 2004 Stock Option Plan. The Board may adopt, amend, and rescind such rules and regulations as in its opinion may be advisable for the administration of the 2004 Stock Option Plan. The Board

may amend the 2004 Stock Option Plan without shareholder approval where such approval is not required to satisfy any statutory or regulatory requirements; provided, however, that the Board may not materially increase the number of Available Shares (except for allowed quarterly adjustments and as a result of stock dividends, recapitalizations, stock splits or combinations), materially increase the benefits accruing to participants under the Plan or materially modify the eligibility requirements for the participants.

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Grants can be either Non-Qualified Stock Options or Incentive Stock Options, to the extent that they do not exceed the Incentive Stock Option exercise limitations, and the portion of an option that exceeds the dollar limitations of Code Section 422 will be treated as a Non-Qualified Stock Option.

The Board also may construe the 2004 Stock Option Plan and the provisions in the instruments evidencing options granted under the 2004 Stock Option Plan to employee and officer participants and is empowered to make all other determinations deemed necessary or advisable for the administration of the 2004 Stock Option Plan. The Board may not adversely affect the rights of any participant under any unexercised option or any potion thereof without the consent of such participant. This Plan will remain in effect until it is terminated by the Board, except that no Incentive Stock Option will be granted after September 20, 2014.

The 2004 Stock Option Plan contains provisions for proportionate adjustment of the number of shares for outstanding options and the option price per share in the event of stock dividends, recapitalizations, stock splits or combinations.

Participants in the 2004 Stock Option Plan may be selected by the Board from directors, employees and officers of our company and its subsidiaries and consultants to our company and its subsidiaries. In determining the persons to whom options will be granted and the number of shares to be covered by each option, the Board will take into account the duties of the respective persons, their present and potential contributions to our success, and such other factors as the Board deems relevant to accomplish the purposes of the 2004 Stock Option Plan.

Only employees of our company and its subsidiaries, as the term "employee" is defined for the purposes of the Code, will be entitled to receive Incentive Stock Options. Incentive Stock Options granted under the 2004 Stock Option Plan are intended to satisfy all requirements for incentive stock options under Section 422 of the Code and the Treasury Regulations thereunder.

Each option granted under the 2004 Stock Option Plan will be evidenced by a written option agreement between us and the optionee. The option price of any Incentive Stock Option may be not less than 100% of the Fair Market Value per

share on the date of grant of the option; provided, however, that any Incentive Stock Option granted under the 2004 Stock Option Plan to a person owning more than ten percent of the total combined voting power of the common stock will have an option price of not less than 110% of the Fair Market Value per share on the date of grant of the Incentive Stock Option. Each Non-Qualified Stock Option granted under the 2004 Stock Option Plan will be at a price no less than 85% of the Fair Market Value per share on the date of grant thereof. "Fair Market Value" per share as of a particular date is defined in the 2004 Stock Option Plan as the closing price of our common stock as reported on a national securities exchange or the last transaction price on the NASDAQ System or, if none, the average of the closing bid and asked prices of our common stock as reported by NASDAQ or, if such quotations are unavailable, the value determined by the Board in its discretion in good faith.

The exercise period of Incentive Stock Options granted under the 2004 Stock Option Plan may not exceed ten years from the date of grant thereof. Incentive Stock Options granted to a person

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owning more than ten percent of the total combined voting power of our common stock will be for no more than five years. The Board will have the authority to modify, extend or renew any outstanding option at such time and under such circumstances as it, in its sole discretion, deems appropriate.

To exercise an option, the optionee must pay the full exercise price in cash, by check or such other legal consideration as may be approved by the Board. Such other consideration may consist of shares of common stock having a Fair Market Value equal to the option price or in property or in a combination of cash, shares, and property, subject to approval of the Board. The Board has the sole and absolute discretion to determine whether or not property other than cash or common stock may be used to purchase the shares of common stock thereunder and, if so, to determine the value of the property received.

An option may not be exercised unless the optionee then is an employee, consultant, officer, or director of our company or its subsidiaries, and unless the optionee has remained continuously as an employee, consultant, officer, or director of our company since the date of grant of the option. If the optionee ceases to be an employee, consultant, officer, or director of our company or its subsidiaries other than by reason of death, disability, or for cause, all options granted to such optionee, fully vested to such optionee but not yet exercised, will terminate 90 days after the date the optionee ceases to be an employee, consultant, officer or director of our company.

If the employee is terminated "for cause" (as that term is defined in the 2004 Stock Option Plan), such employee's options will terminate immediately on the date the optionee ceases employment or association.

If an optionee dies while an employee, consultant, officer or director of our company, or if the optionee's employment, consultant, officer, or director status terminates by reason of disability, all options theretofore granted to such optionee, whether or not otherwise exercisable, unless earlier terminated in accordance with their terms, may be exercised at any time within twelve months after the date of death or disability of said optionee, by the optionee or by the optionee's estate or by a person who acquired the right to exercise such options by bequest or inheritance or otherwise by reason of the death or disability of the optionee.

Options granted under the 2004 Stock Option Plan are not transferable other than by will or by the laws of descent and distribution or pursuant to a qualified domestic relations order as defined by the Code or the rules thereunder. Options may be exercised, during the lifetime of the optionee, only by the optionee and thereafter only by his legal representative. An optionee has no rights as a shareholder with respect to any shares covered by an option until the option has been exercised.

As a condition to the issuance of shares upon the exercise of an option, we will require the optionee to pay to us the amount of our tax withholding liability required in connection with such exercise. We, to the extent permitted or required by law, may deduct a sufficient number of shares due to the optionee upon exercise of the option to allow us to pay such withholding taxes. We are not obligated to advise any optionee of the existence of any tax or the amount which we

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will be so required to withhold.

Unless otherwise specified in an optionee's agreement, options granted under the 2004 Stock Option Plan will become vested with the optionee over a two-year period, with one-sixth of the options vesting every four months, in addition to any other vesting requirements determined by the Board at the time of grant.

By written consent dated September 22, 2004, our board of directors granted options to acquire an aggregate of 5,110,000 shares of our common stock, pursuant to the terms of the 2004 Stock Option Plan. See "Item 3.02 Unregistered Sales of Equity Securities." The options were granted to officers, directors, employees and/or consultants, including persons who, as of September 22, 2004, were to become officers, directors, employees and/or consultants.

ITEM 1.02 TERMINATION OF A MATERIAL DEFINITIVE AGREEMENT.

By written consent dated September 20, 2004, our board of directors, in connection with the adoption of our 2004 Stock Option Plan, discontinued our 2003 Stock Option Plan. No options had been issued under the 2003 Stock Option Plan. There were no early termination penalties incurred by us in connection

with the discontinuance of the 2003 Stock Option Plan.

The 2003 Stock Option Plan had been adopted by our board of directors by written consent dated October 3, 2003. The terms of the 2003 Stock Option Plan were similar to the terms of the 2004 Stock Option Plan (see "Item 1.01 Entry into a Material Definitive Agreement"), except an aggregate of 3,521,000 shares of our common stock were reserved for issuance under the 2003 Stock Option Plan and the 2003 Stock Option Plan provided for quarterly adjustments in the number of available shares to a number equal to 10% of the number of shares outstanding as of the end of the preceding fiscal quarter or 1,616,000 shares, whichever was greater.

ITEM 3.02 UNREGISTERED SALES OF EQUITY SECURITIES.

By written consent dated September 22, 2004, our board of directors granted options to acquire an aggregate of 5,110,000 shares of our common stock, pursuant to the terms of the 2004 Stock Option Plan. See "Item 1.01 Entry into a Material Definitive Agreement." The options were granted to officers, directors, employees and/or consultants, including persons who, as of September 22, 2004, were to become officers, directors, employees and/or consultants. The options have an exercise price of \$1.00 per share and are exercisable until September 22, 2009.

The option agreements evidencing options granted to persons who are not officers or directors of our company shall contain an agreement that the person receiving the option grant shall limit the resale of shares obtained through the exercise of the stock options to an amount not to exceed 5% of the average daily trading volume for the preceding 10 trading days.

The option agreements evidencing options granted to persons who are officers or directors of our company shall contain an agreement that the person receiving the option grant shall limit the resale of shares obtained through the exercise of the stock options to the amount specified in

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Rule 144(e) promulgated by the Securities and Exchange Commission under the Securities Act of 1933, as amended.

The options were issued pursuant to Section 4(2) of the Securities Act of 1933, as amended.

ITEM 9.01 FINANCIAL STATEMENTS AND EXHIBITS.

Exhibits:

REGULATION S-B NUMBER

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SIGNATURES

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

CIROND CORPORATION

October 5, 2004

By: /s/ NICHOLAS MILLER

Nicholas Miller

President and Chief Executive Officer

CIROND CORPORATION 2004 STOCK OPTION PLAN

1. PURPOSE; EFFECTIVENESS OF THE PLAN.

- (a) The purpose of this Plan is to advance the interests of the Company and its stockholders by helping the Company obtain and retain the services of employees, officers, consultants, and directors, upon whose judgment, initiative and efforts the Company is substantially dependent, and to provide those persons with further incentives to advance the interests of the Company.
- This Plan will become effective on the date of its adoption by (b) the Board, provided the Plan is approved by the stockholders of the Company (excluding holders of shares of Stock issued by the Company pursuant to the exercise of options granted under this Plan) within twelve months before or after that date. If the Plan is not so approved by the stockholders of the Company, any options granted under this Plan will be rescinded and will be void. This Plan will remain in effect until it is terminated by the Board or the Committee (as defined hereafter) under section 9 hereof, except that no ISO (as defined herein) will be granted after the tenth anniversary of the date of this Plan's adoption by the Board. This Plan will be governed by, and construed in accordance with, the laws of the State of Nevada.

2. CERTAIN DEFINITIONS.

Unless the context otherwise requires, the following defined terms (together with other capitalized terms defined elsewhere in this Plan) will govern the construction of this Plan, and of any stock option agreements entered into pursuant to this Plan:

- (a) "10% Stockholder" means a person who owns, either directly or indirectly by virtue of the ownership attribution provisions set forth in Section 424(d) of the Code at the time he or she is granted an Option, stock possessing more than ten percent (10%) of the total combined voting power or value of all classes of stock of the Company and/or of its subsidiaries;
- (b) "1933 Act" means the federal Securities Act of 1933, as amended;
- (c) "Board" means the Board of Directors of the Company;
- (d) "Called for under an Option," or words to similar effect, means issuable pursuant to the exercise of an Option;

- (e) "Code" means the Internal Revenue Code of 1986, as amended (references herein to Sections of the Code are intended to refer to Sections of the Code as enacted at the time of this Plan's adoption by the Board and as subsequently amended, or to any substantially similar successor provisions of the Code resulting from recodification, renumbering or otherwise);
- "Committee" means a committee of two or more Disinterested Directors, appointed by the Board, to administer and interpret this Plan; provided that the term "Committee" will refer to the Board during such times as no Committee is appointed by the Board;
- (g) "Company" means Cirond Corporation, a Nevada corporation;
- (h) "Disability" has the same meaning as "permanent and total disability," as defined in Section 22(e)(3) of the Code;
- (i) "Disinterested Director" means a member of the Board who is not during the period of one year prior to his or her service as an administrator of the Plan, or during the period of such service, granted or awarded Stock, options to acquire Stock, or similar equity securities of the Company under this Plan or any similar plan of the Company, other than the grant of a Formula Option pursuant to section 6(m) of this Plan;
- (j) "Eligible Participants" means persons who, at a particular time, are employees, officers, consultants, or directors of the Company or its subsidiaries;
- (k) "Fair Market Value" means, with respect to the Stock and as of the date an ISO or a Formula Option is granted hereunder, the market price per share of such Stock determined by the Committee, consistent with the requirements of Section 422 of the Code and to the extent consistent therewith, as follows:
 - (i) If the Stock was traded on a stock exchange on the date in question, then the Fair Market Value will be equal to the closing price reported by the applicable composite-transactions report for such date;
 - (ii) If the Stock was traded over-the-counter on the date in question and was classified as a national market issue, then the Fair Market Value will be equal to the last-transaction price quoted by the NASDAQ system for such date;

- (iii) If the Stock was traded over-the-counter on the date question but was not classified as a national issue, then the Fair Market Value will be equal to the average of the last reported representative bid and asked prices quoted by the NASDAQ system for such date; and
- (iv) If none of the foregoing provisions is applicable, then the Fair Market Value will be determined by the Committee in good faith on such basis as it deems appropriate.
- (1) "Formula Option" means an NSO granted to members of the Committee pursuant to section 6(m) hereof;

- (m) "ISO" has the same meaning as "incentive stock option," as defined in Section 422 of the Code;
- "Just Cause Termination" means a termination by the Company of (n) an Optionee's employment by and/or service to the Company (or if the Optionee is a director, removal of the Optionee from the Board by action of the stockholders or, if permitted by applicable law and the By-laws of the Company, the other directors), in connection with the good faith determination of the Company's board of directors (or of the Company's stockholders if the Optionee is a director and the removal of the Optionee from the Board is by action of the stockholders, but in either case excluding the vote of the Optionee if he or she is a director or a stockholder) that the Optionee has engaged in any acts involving dishonesty or moral turpitude or in any acts that materially and adversely affect the business, affairs or reputation of the Company or its subsidiaries;
- (o) "NSO" means any option granted under this Plan whether designated by the Committee as a "non-qualified stock option," a "non-statutory stock option" or otherwise, other than an option designated by the Committee as an ISO, or any option so designated but which, for any reason, fails to qualify as an ISO pursuant to Section 422 of the Code and the rules and regulations thereunder;
- (p) "Option" means an option granted pursuant to this Plan entitling the option holder to acquire shares of Stock issued by the Company pursuant to the valid exercise of the option;

- (q) "Option Agreement" means an agreement between the Company and an Optionee, in form and substance satisfactory to the Committee in its sole discretion, consistent with this Plan;
- (r) "Option Price" with respect to any particular Option means the exercise price at which the Optionee may acquire each share of the Option Stock called for under such Option;
- (s) "Option Stock" means Stock issued or issuable by the Company pursuant to the valid exercise of an Option;
- (t) "Optionee" means an Eligible Participant to whom Options are granted hereunder, and any transferee thereof pursuant to a Transfer authorized under this Plan;
- (u) "Plan" means this 2004 Stock Option Plan of the Company;
- (v) "QDRO" has the same meaning as "qualified domestic relations order" as defined in Section 414(p) of the Code;
- (w) "Stock" means shares of the Company's Common Stock, \$0.001 par value;

- (x) "Subsidiary" has the same meaning as "Subsidiary Corporation" as defined in Section 424(f) of the Code; and
- "Transfer," with respect to Option Stock, includes, (y) limitation, a voluntary or involuntary sale, assignment, transfer, conveyance, pledge, hypothecation, encumbrance, disposal, loan, gift, attachment or levy of such Option Stock, including without limitation an assignment for the benefit of creditors of the Optionee, a transfer by operation of law, such as a transfer by will or under the laws of descent distribution, an execution of judgment against the Option Stock or the acquisition of record or beneficial ownership thereof by a lender or creditor, a transfer pursuant to a QDRO, or to any decree of divorce, dissolution or separate maintenance, any property settlement, any separation agreement or any other agreement with a spouse (except for estate planning purposes) under which a part or all of the shares of Option Stock are transferred or awarded to the spouse of the Optionee or are required to be sold; or a transfer resulting from the filing by the Optionee of a petition for relief, the filing of an involuntary petition against such Optionee, under the bankruptcy laws of the United States or of any other nation.

3. ELIGIBILITY.

The Company may grant Options under this Plan only to persons who are Eligible Participants as of the time of such grant. Subject to the provisions of sections 4(d), 5 and 6 hereof, there is no limitation on the number of Options that may be granted to an Eligible Participant.

4. ADMINISTRATION.

- (a) COMMITTEE. The Committee, if appointed by the Board, will administer this Plan. If the Board, in its discretion, does not appoint such a Committee, the Board itself will administer this Plan and take such other actions as the Committee is authorized to take hereunder; provided that the Board may take such actions hereunder in the same manner as the Board may take other actions under the Company's Articles of Incorporation and By-laws generally.
- (b) AUTHORITY AND DISCRETION OF COMMITTEE. The Committee will have full and final authority in its discretion, at any time and from time to time, subject only to the express terms, conditions and other provisions of the Company's Articles of Incorporation, By-laws and this Plan, and the specific limitations on such discretion set forth herein:
 - (i) to select and approve the persons who will be granted Options under this Plan from among the Eligible Participants, and to grant to any person so selected one or more Options to purchase such number of shares of Option Stock as the Committee may determine;

- (ii) to determine the period or periods of time during which Options may be exercised, the Option Price and the duration of such Options, and other matters to be determined by the Committee in connection with specific Option grants and Option Agreements as specified under this Plan;
- (iii) to interpret this Plan, to prescribe, amend and rescind rules and regulations relating to this Plan, and to make all other determinations necessary or advisable for the operation and administration of this Plan; and
- (iv) to delegate all or a portion of its authority under

subsections (i) and (ii) of this section 4(b) to one or more directors of the Company who are executive officers of the Company, but only in connection with Options granted to Eligible Participants who are not subject to the reporting and liability provisions of Section 16 of the Securities Exchange Act of 1934, as amended, and the rules and regulations thereunder, and subject to such restrictions and limitations (such as the aggregate number of shares of Option Stock called for by such Options that may be granted) as the Committee may decide to impose on such delegate directors.

- (c) LIMITATION ON AUTHORITY. Notwithstanding the foregoing, or any other provision of this Plan, the Committee will have no authority:
 - (i) to grant Options to any of its members, whether or not approved by the Board; and
 - (ii) to determine any matters, or exercise any discretion, in connection with the Formula Options under section 6(m) hereof, to the extent that the power to make such determinations or to exercise such discretion would cause one or more members of the Committee no longer to be "Disinterested Directors" within the meaning of section 2(i) above.
- Except as otherwise provided herein, (d) DESIGNATION OF OPTIONS. the Committee will designate any Option granted hereunder as an ISO or as an NSO. To the extent that the Fair Market Value (determined at the time the Option is granted) of Stock with respect to which all ISOs are exercisable for the first time by any individual during any calendar (pursuant to this Plan and all other plans of the Company and/or its subsidiaries) exceeds \$100,000, such option will be treated as an NSO. Notwithstanding the general eligibility provisions of section 3 hereof, the Committee may grant ISOs only to persons who are employees of the Company and/or its subsidiaries.
- (e) OPTION AGREEMENTS. Options will be deemed granted hereunder only upon the execution and delivery of an Option Agreement by the Optionee and a duly

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authorized officer of the Company. Options will not be deemed

granted hereunder merely upon the authorization of such grant by the Committee.

5. SHARES RESERVED FOR OPTIONS.

- The aggregate number of shares of Option Stock (a) OPTION POOL. that may be issued pursuant to the exercise of Options granted under this Plan initially will not exceed Five Million Two Hundred Eighty-One Thousand Five Hundred (5,281,500)"Option Pool"), provided that such number automatically shall be adjusted quarterly on the beginning of the Company's fiscal quarter to a number equal to 15% of the number of shares of Stock of the Company outstanding at the end of the Company's last completed fiscal quarter, or 5,281,500 shares, whichever greater, and provided further that such number will be increased by the number of shares of Option Stock that the Company subsequently may reacquire through repurchase or otherwise. Shares of Option Stock that would have been issuable pursuant to Options, but that are no longer issuable because all or part of those Options have terminated or will be deemed not to have been issued for purposes of computing the number of shares of Option Stock remaining in the Option Pool and available for issuance.
- (b) ADJUSTMENTS UPON CHANGES IN STOCK. In the event of any change in the outstanding Stock of the Company as a result of a stock split, reverse stock split, stock dividend, recapitalization, combination or reclassification, appropriate proportionate adjustments will be made in:
 - (i) the aggregate number of shares of Option Stock in the Option Pool that may be issued pursuant to the exercise of Options granted hereunder;
 - (ii) the Option Price and the number of shares of Option Stock called for in each outstanding Option granted hereunder; and
 - (iii) rights and matters determined on a per share other under this Plan or any Option Agreement hereunder. Any such adjustments will be made only by the Board, and when so made will be effective, conclusive and binding for all purposes with respect to this Plan and all Options then outstanding. adjustments will be required by reason of the issuance or sale by the Company for cash or other consideration of additional shares of its Stock or securities convertible into or exchangeable shares of its Stock.
- 6. TERMS OF STOCK OPTION AGREEMENTS.

Each Option granted pursuant to this Plan will be evidenced by an agreement (an "Option Agreement") between the Company and the person to whom such Option is granted, in form and substance satisfactory to the Committee in its sole discretion, consistent with this Plan.

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Without limiting the foregoing, each Option Agreement (unless otherwise stated therein) will be deemed to include the following terms and conditions:

- (a) COVENANTS OF OPTIONEE. At the discretion of the Committee, the person to whom an Option is granted hereunder, as a condition to the granting of the Option, must execute and deliver to the Company a confidential information agreement approved by the Committee. Nothing contained in this Plan, any Option Agreement or in any other agreement executed in connection with the granting of an Option under this Plan will confer upon any Optionee any right with respect to the continuation of his or her status as an employee of, consultant or independent contractor to, or director of, the Company or its subsidiaries.
- (b) VESTING PERIODS. Except as otherwise provided herein, each Option Agreement may specify the period or periods of time within which each Option or portion thereof will first become exercisable (the "Vesting Period") with respect to the total number of shares of Option Stock called for thereunder (the "Total Award Option Stock"). Such Vesting Periods will be fixed by the Committee in its discretion, and may be accelerated or shortened by the Committee in its discretion.

Unless the Option Agreement executed by an Optionee expressly otherwise provides and except as set forth herein, the right to exercise an Option granted hereunder will be subject to the following Vesting Periods, subject to the Optionee continuing to be an Eligible Participant and the occurrence of any other event (including the passage of time) that would result in the cancellation or termination of the Option:

- (i) no portion of the Option will be exercisable prior to four (4) months from the Grant Date set forth in the Option Agreement;
- (ii) upon and after the expiration of four (4) months from the Grant Date, the Optionee may purchase up to sixteen and two-thirds percent (approximately 16.67%)

- (iii) the Option will become exercisable on a cumulative as to sixteen and two-thirds (approximately Total Award Option 16.67%) of the at the end of every period of four (4) months that elapses after such first four-month period, that the Option will have become fully exercisable, subject to the Optionee's remaining an Eligible Participant, on the second anniversary of such Grant Date; and
- (iv) such additional vesting periods as may be determined by the Committee in its sole discretion.
- (c) EXERCISE OF THE OPTION.

- (i) MECHANICS AND NOTICE. An Option may be exercised to the extent exercisable (1) by giving written notice of exercise to the Company, specifying the number of shares of Option Stock to be purchased and accompanied by full payment of the Option Price thereof and the amount of withholding taxes pursuant subsection 6(c)(ii) below; and (2) by giving assurances satisfactory to the Company that shares of Option Stock to be purchased upon such exercise are being purchased for investment and not with a view to resale in connection distribution of such shares in violation of the 1933 Act; provided, however, that in the event the Option Stock called for under the Option is registered under the 1933 Act, or in the event resale of such Option Stock without such registration would otherwise be permissible, this second condition will inoperative if, in the opinion of counsel for the Company, such condition is not required under the 1933 Act, or any other applicable law, regulation or rule of any governmental agency.
- (ii) WITHHOLDING TAXES. As a condition to the issuance of shares of Option Stock upon full or exercise of an NSO granted under this Plan, Optionee will pay to the Company in cash, or in such other form as the Committee may determine in its discretion, the amount of the Company's tax withholding liability required in connection with exercise. For purposes of this

- 6(c)(ii), "tax withholding liability" will mean all federal and state income taxes, social security tax, and any other taxes applicable to the compensation income arising from the transaction required by applicable law to be withheld by the Company.
- (d) PAYMENT OF OPTION PRICE. Each Option Agreement will specify the Option Price with respect to the exercise of Option Stock thereunder, to be fixed by the Committee in its discretion, but in no event will the Option Price for an ISO granted hereunder be less than the Fair Market Value (or, in case the Optionee is a 10% Stockholder, one hundred ten percent (110%) of such Fair Market Value) of the Option Stock at the time such ISO is granted, and in no event will the Option Price for an NSO granted hereunder be less than eighty-five percent (85%) of Fair Market Value. The Option Price will be payable to the Company in United States dollars in cash or by check or, such other legal consideration as may be approved by the Committee, in its discretion.
 - (i) For example, the Committee, in its discretion, may permit a particular Optionee to pay all or a portion of the Option Price, and/or the tax withholding liability set forth in subsection 6(c)(ii) above, with respect to the exercise of an Option either by surrendering shares of Stock already owned by such Optionee or by withholding shares of Option Stock, provided that the Committee determines that the fair market value of such surrendered Stock or withheld Option Stock is equal to the corresponding portion of such Option Price and/or tax withholding liability, as the case may be, to be paid for therewith.

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(ii) If the Committee permits an Optionee to pay portion of the Option Price and/or tax withholding liability with shares of Stock with respect to the exercise of an Option (the "Underlying Option") as provided in 6(d)(i) subsection above, then the Committee, in its discretion, may grant to such Optionee (but only if Optionee remains an Eligible Participant at that time) additional NSOs, the number of shares of Option Stock called for thereunder to be equal to all or a portion of the Stock so surrendered withheld (a "Replacement Option"). Replacement Option will be evidenced by an Option Agreement. Unless otherwise set forth therein, Replacement Option will be immediately exercisable upon such grant (without any Vesting Period) and will be coterminous with the Underlying Option. The Committee, in its sole discretion, may establish such other terms and conditions for Replacement Options as it deems appropriate.

- (e) TERMINATION OF THE OPTION. Except as otherwise provided herein, each Option Agreement will specify the period of time, to be fixed by the Committee in its discretion, during which the Option granted therein will be exercisable, not to exceed ten years from the date of grant in the case of an ISO (the "Option Period"); provided that the Option Period will not exceed five years from the date of grant in the case of an ISO granted to a 10% Stockholder. To the extent not previously exercised, each Option will terminate upon the expiration of the Option Period specified in the Option Agreement; provided, however, that each such Option will terminate, if earlier:
 - (i) ninety days after the date that the Optionee ceases to be an Eligible Participant for any reason, other than by reason of death or disability or a Just Cause Termination;
 - (ii) twelve months after the date that the Optionee ceases to be an Eligible Participant by reason of such person's death or disability; or
 - (iii) immediately as of the date that the Optionee ceases to be an Eligible Participant by reason of a Just Cause Termination.

In the event of a sale or all or substantially all of the assets of the Company, or a merger or consolidation or other reorganization in which the Company is not the surviving corporation, or in which the Company becomes a subsidiary of another corporation (any of the foregoing events, a "Corporate Transaction"), then notwithstanding anything else herein, the right to exercise all then outstanding Options will vest immediately prior to such Corporate Transaction and will terminate immediately after such Corporate Transaction; provided, however, that if the Board, in its sole discretion, determines that such immediate vesting of the right to exercise outstanding Options is not in the best interests of the Company, then the successor corporation must agree to outstanding Options or substitute assume the

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comparable options of such successor corporation or a parent

or subsidiary of such successor corporation.

- OPTIONS NONTRANSFERABLE. No Option will be transferable by the Optionee otherwise than by will or the laws of descent and distribution, or in the case of an NSO, pursuant to a QDRO. During the lifetime of the Optionee, the Option will be exercisable only by him or her, or the transferee of an NSO if it was transferred pursuant to a QDRO.
- (g) QUALIFICATION OF STOCK. The right to exercise an Option will be further subject to the requirement that if at any time the Board determines, in its discretion, that the listing, registration or qualification of the shares of Option Stock called for thereunder upon any securities exchange or under any state or federal law, or the consent or approval of any governmental regulatory authority, is necessary or desirable as a condition of or in connection with the granting of such Option or the purchase of shares of Option Stock thereunder, the Option may not be exercised, in whole or in part, and until such listing, registration, qualification, or approval is effected or obtained free of any conditions not acceptable to the Board, in its discretion.
- (h) ADDITIONAL RESTRICTIONS ON TRANSFER. By accepting Options and/or Option Stock under this Plan, the Optionee will be deemed to represent, warrant and agree as follows:
 - (i) SECURITIES ACT OF 1933. The Optionee understands that the shares of Option Stock have not been registered under the 1933 Act, and that such shares are not freely tradeable and must be held indefinitely unless such shares are either registered under the 1933 Act or an exemption from such registration is available. The Optionee understands that the Company is under no obligation to register the shares of Option Stock.
 - (ii) OTHER APPLICABLE LAWS. The Optionee further that Option Stock Transfer of the understands requires full compliance with the provisions of all applicable laws.
 - (iii) INVESTMENT INTENT. Unless a registration statement is with respect to the sale of Option Stock in effect obtained through exercise of Options granted upon exercise of any Option, hereunder: (1)Optionee will purchase the Option Stock for his or her own account and not with a view to distribution within the meaning of the 1933 Act, other than as may be effected in compliance with the 1933 Act and the rules and regulations promulgated thereunder; one else will have any beneficial interest in the

Option Stock; and (3) he or she has no present intention of disposing of the Option Stock at any particular time.

- (i) COMPLIANCE WITH LAW. Notwithstanding any other provision of Options may be granted pursuant to this Plan, and Option Stock may be issued pursuant to the exercise thereof by an Optionee, only after there has been compliance with all applicable federal and state securities laws, and all of the same will be subject to this overriding condition. The Company will not be required to register or qualify Option Stock with Securities and Exchange Commission or any State agency, except that the Company will register with, or as required by local law, file for and secure an exemption from such registration requirements from, the applicable securities administrator and other officials of each jurisdiction which an Eligible Participant would be granted Option hereunder prior to such grant.
- (j) STOCK CERTIFICATES. Certificates representing the Option Stock issued pursuant to the exercise of Options will bear all legends required by law and necessary to effectuate this Plan's provisions. The Company may place a "stop transfer" order against shares of the Option Stock until all restrictions and conditions set forth in this Plan and in the legends referred to in this section 6(j) have been complied with.
- NOTICES. Any notice to be given to the Company under the terms of an Option Agreement will be addressed to the Company at its principal executive office, Attention: Corporate Secretary, or at such other address as the Company may designate in writing. Any notice to be given to an Optionee will be addressed to the Optionee at the address provided to the Company by the Optionee. Any such notice will be deemed to have been duly given if and when enclosed in a properly sealed envelope, addressed as aforesaid, registered and deposited, postage and registry fee prepaid, in a post office or branch post office regularly maintained.
- OTHER PROVISIONS. The Option Agreement may contain such other terms, provisions and conditions, including such special forfeiture conditions, rights of repurchase, rights of first refusal and other restrictions on Transfer of Option Stock issued upon exercise of any Options granted hereunder, not inconsistent with this Plan, as may be determined by the Committee in its sole discretion.

- (m) FORMULA OPTIONS. [Reserved for future consideration]
- 7. PROCEEDS FROM SALE OF STOCK.

Cash proceeds from the sale of shares of Option Stock issued from time to time upon the exercise of Options granted pursuant to this Plan will be added to the general funds of the Company and as such will be used from time to time for general corporate purposes.

8. MODIFICATION, EXTENSION AND RENEWAL OF OPTIONS.

Subject to the terms and conditions and within the limitations of this Plan, and except with respect to Formula Options, the Committee may modify, extend or renew outstanding Options granted under this Plan, or accept the surrender of outstanding Options (to the extent

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not theretofore exercised) and authorize the granting of new Options in substitution therefor (to the extent not theretofore exercised). Notwithstanding the foregoing, however, no modification of any Option will, without the consent of the holder of the Option, alter or impair any rights or obligations under any Option theretofore granted under this Plan.

9. AMENDMENT AND DISCONTINUANCE.

The Board may amend, suspend or discontinue this Plan at any time or from time to time; provided that no action of the Board will cause ISOs granted under this Plan not to comply with Section 422 of the Code unless the Board specifically declares such action to be made for that purpose and provided further that no such action may, without the approval of the stockholders of the Company, materially increase (other than by reason of an adjustment pursuant to section 5(b) hereof) the maximum aggregate number of shares of Option Stock in the Option Pool that may be issued under Options granted pursuant to this Plan or materially increase the benefits accruing to Plan participants or materially modify eligibility requirements for the participants. Provided, further, that the provisions of section 6(m) hereof may not be amended more often than once during any six (6) month period, other than to comport with changes in the Code, the Employee Retirement Income Security Act, or the rules and regulations thereunder. Moreover, no such action may alter or impair any Option previously granted under this Plan without the consent of the holder of such Option.

10. PLAN COMPLIANCE WITH RULE 16B-3.

With respect to persons subject to Section 16 of the Securities

Exchange Act of 1934, transactions under this plan are intended to comply with all applicable conditions of Rule 16b-3 or its successors under the 1934 Act. To the extent any provision of the plan or action by the plan administrators fails so to comply, it shall be deemed null and void, to the extent permitted by law and deemed advisable by the plan administrators.

11. COPIES OF PLAN.

A copy of this Plan will be delivered to each Optionee at or before the time he or she executes an Option Agreement.

Date Plan Adopted by Board of Directors: September 20, 2004
Date Plan Approved by Stockholders: September 21, 2004