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		COMPANIES, INC. registrant as specified in its charter)
	Indiana (State or other jurisdiction of incorporation or organization)	35–1150732 (I.R.S. Employer Identification Number)
	One Technology Way Indianapolis, Indiana (Address of principal executive offices)	<u>46268</u> (Zip code)
Registrar	nt's telephone number, including area code (317) 293–5309	
Securitie	s registered pursuant to Section 12(b) of the Act:	
	Title of each class	Name of each exchange on which registered
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DOCUMENTS INCORPORATED BY REFERENCE: Portions of the registrant's Proxy Statement for its 2019 Annual Meeting of Shareholders (Part III).

The number of shares of the registrant's common stock outstanding as of December 18, 2018 was 6,723,160.

second quarter) was \$296,666,000.

The aggregate market value of the registrant's voting stock held by non-affiliates as of April 30, 2018 (the last business day of our most recently completed



Forward-Looking Statements

This report contains certain statements that are forward–looking statements within the meaning of federal securities laws. Forward–looking statements can be identified by the fact that they do not relate strictly to historical or current facts. When used in this report, the words "may", "will", "should", "would" , "could", "anticipate", "expect", "plan", "seek", "believe", "predict", "estimate", "potential", "project", "target", "forecast", "intend", "strategy", "future", "opportunity", "assume", "guide", and similar expressions are intended to identify forward-looking statements. Forward-looking statements are based on current expectations and assumptions that are subject to risks and uncertainties that could cause actual results to differ materially from such forward–looking statements. These risks and uncertainties include, but are not limited to, the cyclical nature of the machine tool industry, changes in general economic and business conditions that affect demand for our products, the risks of our international operations, changes in manufacturing markets, innovations by competitors, the ability to protect our intellectual property, breaches of our network and system security measures, fluctuations in foreign currency exchange rates, increases in prices of raw materials, quality and delivery performance by our vendors, our ability to effectively integrate acquisitions, negative or unforeseen tax consequences, governmental actions and initiatives including import and export restrictions and tariffs, and the risks and other important factors under the heading "Risk Factors" in Part I, Item 1A of this report. You should understand that it is not possible to predict or identify all factors that could cause actual results to differ materially from forward-looking statements. Consequently, you should not consider any list or discussion of such factors to be a complete set of all potential risks or uncertainties. Readers of this report are cautioned not to place undue reliance on these forward-looking statements. While we believe the assumptions on which the forward-looking statements are based are reasonable, there can be no assurance that these forward-looking statements will prove to be accurate. This cautionary statement is applicable to all forward-looking statements contained in this report. We expressly disclaim any obligation to update or revise any forward-looking statements, whether as a result of new information, future events or otherwise. You are advised, however, to consult any further disclosures we make on related subjects in our Form 10-Q, 8-K and 10-K reports and our other filings with the Securities and Exchange Commission ("SEC").

PART I

Item 1. BUSINESS

General

Hurco Companies, Inc. is an international, industrial technology company. We design, manufacture and sell computerized (i.e., Computer Numeric Control ("CNC")) machine tools, consisting primarily of vertical machining centers (mills) and turning centers (lathes), to companies in the metal cutting industry through a worldwide sales, service and distribution network. Although the majority of our computer control systems and software products are proprietary, they predominantly use industry standard personal computer components. Our computer control systems and software products are primarily sold as integral components of our computerized machine tool products. We also provide machine tool components, software options, control upgrades, accessories and replacement parts for our products, as well as customer service and training and applications support. As used in this report, the words "we", "us", "our", "Hurco" and the "Company" refer to Hurco Companies, Inc. and its consolidated subsidiaries.

Since our founding in 1968, we have been a leader in the introduction of interactive computer control systems that automate manufacturing processes and improve productivity in the metal parts manufacturing industry. We pioneered the application of microprocessor technology and conversational programming software for use in machine tools. Our computer control systems can be operated by both skilled and unskilled machine tool operators and yet are capable of instructing a machine to perform complex tasks. The combination of microprocessor technology and patented interactive, conversational programming software in our computer control systems enables operators on the production floor to quickly and easily create a program for machining a particular part from a blueprint or computer aided design file and immediately begin machining that part.

Our executive offices and principal design and engineering operations are headquartered in Indianapolis, Indiana, U.S. Sales, application engineering and service subsidiaries are located in China, France, Germany, India, Italy, Poland, Singapore, South Africa, Taiwan, the United Kingdom, and the U.S. We have manufacturing and assembly operations in Taiwan, the U.S., Italy and China, and distribution facilities in the U.S., the Netherlands, and Taiwan.

Our strategy is to design, manufacture and sell a comprehensive line of computerized machine tools that help customers in the worldwide metal cutting market increase productivity and profitability. The majority of our machine tools employ proprietary, interactive, computer control technology that increases productivity through ease of operation via interactive conversational and graphical programming software. All of our machine tools deliver high levels of machine performance (speed, accuracy and surface finish quality) that increases productivity. We routinely expand our product offerings to meet customer needs, which has led us to design and manufacture more complex machining centers with advanced capabilities. We bring a disciplined approach to strategically enter new geographic markets, as appropriate.

Industry

Machine tool products are considered capital goods, which makes them part of an industry that has historically been highly cyclical.

Industry association data for the U.S. machine tool market is available and that market accounts for approximately 10% of worldwide consumption. Reports available for the U.S. machine tool market include:

- United States Machine Tool Consumption generated by the Association for Manufacturing Technology, this report includes metal cutting machines of all types and sizes, including segments in which we do not compete
- Purchasing Manager's Index developed by the Institute for Supply Management, this report includes activity levels in U.S. manufacturing plants that purchase machine tools
- Capacity Utilization of Manufacturing Companies issued by the Federal Reserve Board

A limited amount of information is available for foreign markets, and different reporting methodologies are used by various countries. Machine tool consumption data, published by Gardner Publications, Inc., calculates machine tool consumption annually by country. It is important to note that data for foreign countries are based on government reports that may lag 6 to 12 months behind real–time and, therefore, are unreliable for forecasting purposes.

Demand for capital equipment can fluctuate significantly during periods of changing economic conditions. Manufacturers and suppliers of capital goods, such as our company, are often the first to experience these changes in demand. Additionally, since our typical order backlog is approximately 45 days, it is difficult to estimate demand with any reasonable certainty. Therefore, we do not have the benefit of relying on the common leading indicators that other industries use for market analysis and forecasting purposes.

Products

Our core products consist of general purpose computerized machine tools for the metal cutting industry, principally, vertical machining centers (mills) and turning centers (lathes). The majority of our machine tools are equipped and integrated fully with our proprietary software and computer control systems, while the remaining machine tools are equipped with industry standard controls. Additionally, we produce and distribute software options, control upgrades, hardware accessories and replacement parts for our machine tool product lines, and we provide operator training and support services to our customers. We also produce computer control systems and related software for press brake applications that are sold as retrofit units for installation on existing or new press brake machines.

The following table sets forth the contribution of each of our product groups and services to our total revenues during each of the past three fiscal years (in thousands):

Net Sales and Service Fees by Product Category

			Yea	ır Ended (October 31,		
	 2018			201	7	201	16
Computerized Machine Tools	\$ 261,710	87%	\$	209,311	86%	\$ 195,618	86%
Computer Control Systems and Software †	2,870	1%		2,324	1%	2,078	1%
Service Parts	27,501	9%		24,255	10%	21,908	10%
Service Fees	8,590	3%		7,777	3%	7,685	3%
Total	\$ 300,671	100%	\$	243,667	100%	\$ 227,289	100%

[†] Amounts shown do not include computer control systems and software sold as an integrated component of computerized machine systems.

Product Portfolio by Brand

We have three brands of CNC machine tools in our product portfolio: Hurco is the premium brand focused on innovative technology. Milltronics is the general purpose brand with a simplified control and straightforward feature sets. Takumi is an industry standard brand with machines that are equipped with industry standard controls instead of the proprietary controls found on Hurco and Milltronics machines. Typically, manufacturing facilities that use industry standard controls focus on medium to high production, wherein they run large batches of a few types of parts instead of small batches of many different types of parts. The Takumi brand also is targeted to die and mold customers. In addition, through our wholly—owned subsidiary LCM Precision Technology S.r.l. ("LCM"), we produce machine tool components and accessories. The main product categories of each brand are outlined below.

The Hurco, Milltronics and Takumi product lines represent a comprehensive product portfolio with more than 150 different models. The combined machine tool product lines also provide benefits related to the development of product enhancements, technologies and models due to leverage of shared resources and cross—utilization of proven engineering designs that allow us to achieve manufacturing cost reductions from economies of scale and manufacturing efficiencies.

Hurco CNC Machine Tools

Hurco computerized machine tools are equipped with a fully integrated interactive computer control system that features our proprietary WinMax $^{\$}$ software. Our computer control system enables a machine tool operator to create complex two–dimensional or three–dimensional machining programs directly from an engineering drawing or computer–aided design geometry file. An operator with little or no machine tool programming experience can successfully create a program with minimal training and begin machining the part in a short period of time. The control features an operator console with active touch, and incorporates an upgradeable personal computer (PC) platform using a high speed processor with solid rendering graphical programming. In addition, WinMax $^{\$}$ has a Windows $^{\$}$ based operating system that enables users to improve shop floor flexibility and software productivity. Companies using computer controlled machine tools are better able to:

- · maximize the efficiency of their human resources;
- make more advanced and complex parts from a wide range of materials using multiple processes;
- · incorporate fast moving changes in technology into their operations to keep their competitive edge; and

[†]Windows[®] is a registered trademark of Microsoft Corporation in the United States and other countries.

• integrate their business into the global supply chain of their customers by supporting small to medium lot sizes for "just in time" initiatives.

Our Windows[®] based control facilitates our ability to meet these customer needs. The familiar Windows[®] operating system coupled with our intuitive conversational style of program creation allows our customers' operators to create and edit part–making programs without incurring the incremental overhead of specialized computer aided design and computer aided manufacturing programmers. With the ability to transfer most computer aided design data directly into a Hurco program, programming time can be significantly reduced.

Machine tool products today are being designed to meet the demand for machining complex parts with greater part accuracies. Our proprietary controls with WinMax[®] software and high–speed processors efficiently handle the large amounts of data these complex part–making programs require, which enable our customers to create parts with higher accuracy at faster speeds. We continue to add technology to our control design as it becomes available. For example, UltiMotion, our patented motion control system, provides significant cycle time reductions and increases the quality of a part's surface finish. This technology differentiates us in the marketplace and is incorporated into our control.

Our offering of Hurco machining centers, currently equipped with either a dual touch–screen console or a single touch–screen console, consists of the following product lines:

HTM/HTL Product Line

The HTM/HTL product line includes a tool room mill and tool room lathe. These models are designed for easy access to the table or chuck and are popular in tool room, prototype and maintenance applications. There is a 30–inch X–travel mill and an 8–inch chuck lathe.

VM Product Line

The VM product line consists of moderately priced vertical machining centers for the entry—level market. The design premise of the machining center with a large work cube and a small footprint optimizes the use of available floor space. The VM line consists of five models in four sizes with X—axis (horizontal) travels of 18, 26, 40, and 50 inches.

VMX Product Line

The VMX product line consists of higher performing vertical machining centers aimed at manufacturers that require greater part accuracy. It is our flagship series of machining centers. The VMX line consists of 12 models in eight sizes with X–axis travels of 24, 26, 30, 42, 50, 60, 64, and 84 inches.

Five-Axis Product Line

The five—axis product line is targeted at manufacturers seeking to produce multi—sided parts or true five—axis in a single setup. Machines in this product line can yield significant productivity gains for manufacturers that previously had to process each side of a part separately. Additionally, investing in five—axis technology helps our customers to expand their customer base, as they are able to bid on more complex projects that require simultaneous five—axis operations. The five—axis product line consists of 18 models with three different configurations: swivel head, trunnion table, and cantilever.

HS Product Line

Due to the integral, motorized spindle with a base speed of 18,000 rpm, the HS product line is desirable for the die and mold industry because of that industry's particular interest in the improvement of surface finish quality and the reduction of cycle time. Additionally, this product line offers us the opportunity to expand our customer base to manufacturers that produce larger batches. The HS product line consists of four models with X–axis travels of 24, 30, 42, and 60 inches.

BX Product Line

The BX product line is for customers that require higher accuracy parts as they are built with an extremely rigid double column design that offers superior vibration dampening and excellent thermal characteristics. Four models are available, two with 40–inch X–travel (a three–axis version and a five–axis version) as well as 53 and a 63–inch X–travel models.

HM/HMX Product Line

The HM product line offers customers moderately—priced horizontal machining centers designed for small lot sizes. Two models are available, one with a rotary table and one with a plain table. They both have X—travel of 67 inches. The HMX product line is beneficial to manufacturers entering production manufacturing versus small batch manufacturing. The HMX machines have expanded tool capacity, a comprehensive chip management system, a built—in pallet changer, and a box—in—box design supported at both the top and bottom to increase rigidity for long production runs and heavy cuts. The HMX product line consists of three models in three sizes with X—axis travels of 24, 32, and 41 inches.

HBMX Product Line

The HBMX product line is beneficial to manufacturers that build custom machinery and parts for a multitude of industries, such as packaging, pharmaceutical, automotive, energy, and medical. Additionally, boring mills are also used to repair and/or rebuild large components. The HBMX boring mill product line consists of four models with X–axis travels of 55, 79, 94, and 120 inches.

TM/TMM Product Line

The TM/TMM product line of slant—bed lathes (horizontal turning centers) is designed for entry—level job shops and contract manufacturers seeking efficient processing of small to medium lot sizes. There is one TM model in seven sizes, measured by chuck size: the TM6, TM8, TM10, TM12, TM18, TM18L, and TM18BB. The TM18BB big bore turning center targets the energy and aerospace industries because it has a larger chuck diameter and bigger bar capacity for larger parts. We added motorized tooling on the lathe turret to further enhance the capability of the TM turning centers and designated it as the TMM product line. These turning centers with live tooling allow our customers to complete a number of secondary milling, drilling and tapping operations while the part is still held in the chuck after the turning operations are complete, which provides significant productivity gains. The TMM product line consists of three models: TMM8, TMM10, and TMM12.

TMX Product Line

The TMX product line consists of high–performance turning centers. There are six models in two sizes. The TMX–MY models are equipped with an additional axis and motorized live tooling while the TMX–MYS models also have an additional spindle. These products are designed for customers that want to reduce part handling and complete complex components in a single set–up.

DCX Product Line

The double column DCX series includes five models in three sizes. These 2–meter, 3–meter, and 4–meter machining centers are designed to facilitate production of large parts and molds often required by the aerospace, energy and custom machinery industries.

New Product Lines

In fiscal 2018, we introduced the VCX600i and the VCX600HSi, two new cantilever five—axis models designed for larger parts that require more accuracy and speed. The new models feature high—speed 23.6 inch direct drive C—axis rotary tables, available in the standard model as well as a high—speed spindle version. A new 63—inch machine was also added to the BX Series. Additionally, Hurco upgraded its VMX Series machining centers and TM Series of lathes in fiscal 2018, with product improvements aimed at making these models stronger, faster and more flexible. New optional direct—drive spindles were also introduced for the VMX models in fiscal 2018. The VM Series also became available with faster spindle speeds, called Plus models.

Milltronics CNC Machine Tools

Our Milltronics line of CNC machine tools is designed for excellent value with more standard features for the price versus market leaders. We manufacture and sell these machine tools with fully integrated interactive computer control systems that are also compatible with G & M Code programs (generated from CAD/CAM software) and conversational visual aid programming. These straightforward and easy—to—use control systems are available in two versions, the Series 8200—B for tool room products and the more advanced Series 9000 offered on our new vertical machining centers and bridge mills.

The Milltronics portfolio consists of the following product lines:

VM General Purpose (GP) Product Line

The VM–GP product line consists of attractively–priced vertical machining centers designed for job shops, prototype, research and development and other general machining applications. These belt–driven models are 40–taper and available in four different sizes – all with the Series 9000 control. Customers can choose models with X–axis (horizontal) travels of 25, 30, 40 or 50 inches.

VM Inline Performance (IL) Product Line

The VM–IL product line consists of moderately–priced performance vertical machining centers for high–speed applications such as tool, die and mold, aerospace or medical machining. Featuring heavier castings, faster motion and inline spindles, these 40–taper machines include the Series 9000 control and are available in four sizes. Models include X–axis travels of 30, 42, 50 or 60 inches.

VM Extra Power (XP) Product Line

The VM–XP product line consists of moderately–priced vertical machining centers for more demanding metal removal applications such as castings or forgings. These 50–taper models are either gear driven, or heavy–duty belt driven and include the Series 9000 control. Customers can choose from three different models with X–axis travels of 43, 50 or 60 inches.

BR Product Line

The BR product line consists of high–speed bridge mills that are used in pattern shops and the aerospace industry in addition to job shops, due to the large table and travels that support a wide range of part sizes. BR machines have inline spindles and are available as six models in three sizes with X–axis travels of 100, 150, and 200 inches. BR machines offer the Series 8200–B control.

MM/MB/RH Product Line

Products with the MM/MB or RH designation are part of the tool room bed mill category, which are machines that do not have an enclosure, also referred to as open bed machines. Typical applications include general machining, job shops, prototype or maintenance and repair. Available with quill head or rigid head designs, there are six models in four sizes with X–axis travels of 30, 40, 60 and 78 inches. These easy–to–use machines feature the Series 8200–B control.

SL Product Line

The SL product line of slant-bed lathes (horizontal turning centers) is designed for entry-level job shops and contract manufacturers seeking efficient processing of small to medium lot sizes. There are three models with chuck sizes of 6, 8 and 10 inches. These compact machines feature the Series 9000 control.

ML Product Line

The ML product line consists of combination lathes that the customer can configure for either tool room or production applications with the option to add live tooling. There are 17 models available in a variety of thru hole sizes and in the following six swing—over bed diameters: 17, 19, 23, 27, 36, and 39.7 inches. These flexible machines feature the Series 8200—B control.

New Product Lines

In fiscal 2018, we introduced two new CNC slant bed lathes called the SL6–II and the SL10–II. These compact machines feature the 9000 Series control and are designed for job shops, short–run production or other general purpose machining applications. Milltronics also introduced a new version of the popular VM 50–inch machine with extended spindle nose to table. This machine is designed for special applications that require rotary tables with large swings.

Takumi CNC Machine Tools

Our Takumi machine tools feature industry standard CNC controls, including Fanuc[®]*, Siemens[®], Mitsubishi[®] or Heidenhain[®]. Models include drill and tap machines; three–axis vertical machining centers with linear guides; three–axis vertical machining centers with box ways; high–speed, double column vertical machining centers; and heavy duty, double column and five–axis machining centers. The Takumi brand customer base includes manufacturers that opt for industrial controls. Generally, manufacturers who use industrial controls have production–oriented operations where they run medium to large batches of just a few different types of parts. Additionally, die and mold shops are another important market segment for the Takumi brand.

The Takumi portfolio consists of the following product lines:

VT Series

The VT Series includes one high–speed drill and tap machine. Model VT500 features fast tool change times and rapid spindle acceleration/deceleration. This three—axis machine is designed for high volume production applications such as automotive parts or electronics components.

VC Series

The VC Series vertical machining centers are fast, three—axis linear guide machining centers designed for customers doing batch or production work. The VC machines are available in two sizes with X—axis travels of 34 and 42 inches.

V Series

The V Series vertical machining centers are heavy duty, box way machines built for tough applications such as roughing cast iron. These three—axis, massive machines feature belt or geared spindles to provide maximum torque. The V Series product line includes eight models with X—axis travels of 39, 43, 47, 60, 70, 78, 86, and 126 inches.

H Series

Designed to produce parts that require high precision and superior surface finishes, H Series machines offer an extremely rigid and thermally stable double column design. These three—axis models feature high—speed direct drive or built—in HSK spindles with up to 20,000 rpm, and offer a 24,000 rpm spindle and 36,000 rpm spindle as options. The H Series product line consists of eight models in seven different sizes with X—axis travels of 30, 35, 40, 53, 63, 86, and 126 inches. These machines are targeted especially for die and mold customers as well as aerospace companies.

U Series

Designed with trunnion tables and swivel heads, these five—axis simultaneous machining centers offer versatility as well as save setup and process time. Most models are offered with double column structure for superior stability and performance. The U—Series product line consists of five models, four of which offer trunnion table sizes of 10, 16, 24 and 31.5 inches. One addition model, the UB, is equipped with B/C swivel head and HSK100, 12K built—in spindle. The UB's double column design provides spacious X—axis travel of 126 inches.

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G Series

Designed specifically for the machining of graphite or copper electrodes used in electrical discharge machining (EDM), G Series machines offer the same extremely rigid and thermally stable double column design of the H Series, featuring high–speed direct drive or built–in HSK spindles with up to 20,000 rpm. The G Series product line consists of two models with X–axis travels of 30 and 40 inches.

BC Series

The BC Series machine is a double column three—axis machining center designed for heavy cutting and applications that require high power and torque, such as mold and die. This model includes a 6,000 rpm geared—head design with X—axis travels of 82 inches.

New Products

In fiscal 2018, we introduced the SL slant-bed lathe series to the Takumi product line. These turning centers are equipped with box ways and designed for heavy cutting to provide superior part finishes. The SL Series includes three models: the SL200, SL250, and SL300.

Other Control Systems, Software and Accessories

The following machine tool computer control systems and software products are sold directly to end-users and/or to original equipment manufacturers.

Autobend®

Autobend[®] computer control systems are applied to metal bending press brake machines that form parts from sheet metal and steel plate. They consist of a microprocessor–based computer control and back gauge (an automated gauging system that determines where the bend will be made). We have manufactured and sold the Autobend[®] product line since 1968. We currently market two models of our Autobend[®] computer control systems for press brake machines, in combination with six different back gauges as retrofit units for installation on existing or new press brake machines.

Software Products

In addition to our standard computer control features, we offer software option products for part programming. These products are sold to users of our Hurco computerized machine tools equipped with our dual touch–screen or single touch–screen consoles featuring WinMax[®] control software. Each international division packages the options as appropriate for its market. The most common options include: Advanced Verification Graphics, Swept Surface, DXF Transfer, 3D DXF and Solid Model Import, UltiMonitor, UltiPocket with Helical Ramp Entry and Insert Pockets, Conversational Part and Tool Probing, Tool and Material Library, NC/Conversational Merge, Job List, Stream Load, Linear Thermal Compensation, Thread Repair, and Simultaneous Five–Axis Contouring.

The Advanced Verification Graphics option displays a picture of the rendered part on the screen of the control that can be viewed from any angle. The detail allows the customer to evaluate how the part is programmed to be machined before cutting commences, which eliminates the need to scrap expensive material.

Our Swept Surface software option simplifies programming of 3D contours and significantly reduces programming time.

The DXF Transfer software option increases operator productivity because it eliminates manual data entry of part features by transferring AutoCAD[®]* drawing files directly into our computer control or into our desktop programming software, WinMax[®] Desktop.

3D DXF and Solid Model Import automatically uses geometry from a 3D CAD model to easily create conversational programs for 2D and 3D parts or even 3+2 and 5–sided parts.

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UltiMonitor is a web—based productivity, management and service tool that enables customers to monitor, inspect and receive notifications about their Hurco machines from any location where they can access the internet. Customers can transfer part designs, receive event notifications via email or text, access diagnostic data, monitor the machine via webcam and communicate with the machine operator.

UltiPocket with Helical Ramp Entry and Insert Pockets automatically calculates the tool path around islands, eliminating the arduous task of plotting these shapes. Islands can also be rotated, scaled and repeated.

Conversational Part and Tool Probing options permit the computerized dimensional measurement of machined parts and the associated cutting tools. This "on–machine" technique improves the throughput of the measurement process when compared to traditional "off–machine" approaches.

The Tool and Material Library option stores the tool and material information with the machine instead of storing it with each individual part program. The user enters the tool data and geometry one time and chooses the particular tool from the list when it is needed. Additionally, the library reads the part program and automatically locates the tool or displays an alert if the tool does not exist. In addition to saving time, the Tool and Material Library eliminates the need to enter information repeatedly and can prevent common tool crash conditions.

NC/Conversational Merge lets the user incorporate conversational features, such as tool probing, pattern operations, and scaling into existing G–Code programs.

Job List provides an intuitive way to group files together and run them sequentially without operator intervention, which promotes automation, lights—out machining, program stitching, file bundling, and adaptive processes.

Stream Load allows the user to run very large NC files without the need to upload the entire file into the control's memory to avoid exceeding memory limits.

Linear Thermal Compensation is a feature that allows the user to specify corrections to compensate for the effects of thermal growth in high speed machining applications.

Thread Repair is a feature for turning applications that provides an efficient way to repair existing threads, which is especially beneficial for large pipes and other parts manufactured for the oil/energy sector.

Simultaneous Five—Axis Contouring software enables a five—axis machine to command motion concurrently on all axes. This allows the user to create continuous tool—paths along complex geometries with only a single machine/part setup, providing increased productivity along with the performance benefits of using shorter cutting tools. The sale of simultaneous five—axis contouring software is subject to government export licensing requirements.

3D Print Head

Hurco has designed and offers a 3D print head technology that allows a Hurco CNC machine to be used for 3D printing, which is advantageous for prototyping. It is used as an attachment to an existing machine and requires no external power supply.

LCM Machine Tool Components and Accessories

Based in Italy, LCM designs, manufactures and sells mechanical and electro—mechanical components and accessories for machine tools. LCM's direct drive spindle, swivel head, and rotary torque table are used in our SRT line of five—axis machining centers to achieve simultaneous five—axis machining.

CNC Rotary Tables

LCM has five lines of CNC rotary tables for both horizontal and vertical—horizontal positioning. Customers can choose rotary tables with either hydraulic or pneumatic clamping systems. Additionally, LCM offers CNC rotary tables powered by either a torque motor or a high—precision mechanical transmission.

CNC Tilt Tables

LCM has seven lines of CNC tilting rotary tables, of which four lines are intended specifically for five—axis machining centers. Each of the seven lines is differentiated by the technology used for clamping (hydraulic or pneumatic) and by the type of transmission (either mechanical transmission or torque motor).

Swivel Heads and Electro-spindles

LCM has two primary lines of swivel heads that enable the spindle axis to be tilted with continuous motion and one line of electro—spindles (built—in motors for swivel heads). The two lines of swivel heads are differentiated by the type of transmission (either mechanical transmission or torque motor).

Parts and Service

Our service organization provides installation, warranty, operator training and customer support for our products on a worldwide basis. In the United States, our principal distributors have the primary responsibility for machine installation and warranty service and support for product sales. Our service organization also sells software options, computer control upgrades, accessories and replacement parts for our products. Our after–sales parts and service business strengthens our customer relationships and provides continuous information concerning the evolving requirements of end–users.

Manufacturing

Our computerized metal cutting machine tools are manufactured and assembled to our specifications primarily by our wholly—owned subsidiaries in Taiwan (Hurco Manufacturing Limited ("HML")) and Waconia, Minnesota (Milltronics USA, Inc. ("Milltronics")). HML and Milltronics conduct final assembly operations and are supported by a network of contract suppliers of components and sub—assemblies that manufacture components for our products. Our facility in Ningbo, China, focuses on the machining of castings to support HML's production in Taiwan. The LCM line of electro—mechanical components and accessories for machine tools is designed and manufactured in Italy. Our facility in Indianapolis, Indiana, also conducts final assembly operations for certain Hurco VMX machines for the American market and manufactures certain electro—spindle components for LCM.

We have a contract manufacturing agreement for computer control systems with Hurco Automation, Ltd. ("HAL"), a Taiwanese company in which we have a 35% ownership interest. This company produces all of our computer control systems to our specifications, sources industry standard computer components and our proprietary parts, performs final assembly and conducts test operations.

We work closely with our subsidiaries, key component suppliers and HAL to ensure that their production capacity will be sufficient to meet the projected demand for our machine tool products. Many of the key components used in our machines can be sourced from multiple suppliers. However, any prolonged interruption of operations or significant reduction in the capacity or performance capability at any of our manufacturing facilities, or at any of our key component suppliers, could have a material adverse effect on our operations.

Marketing and Distribution

We principally sell our products through more than 173 independent agents and distributors throughout North and South America (the Americas), Europe and Asia. Although some distributors carry competitive products, we are the primary line for the majority of our distributors globally. We also have our own direct sales and service organizations in China, France, Germany, India, Italy, Poland, Singapore, South Africa, Taiwan, the United Kingdom and certain parts of the United States, which are among the world's principal machine tool consuming markets.

Approximately 90% of the worldwide demand for computerized machine tools and computer control systems is outside of the U.S. In fiscal 2018, approximately 71% of our revenues were derived from customers outside of the U.S. No single end–user or distributor of our products accounted for more than 5% of our total sales and service fees. The end–users of our products are precision tool, die and mold manufacturers, independent job shops, specialized short–run production applications within large manufacturing operations and manufacturing facilities that focus on medium to high run production wherein they run large batches of a few types of parts instead of small batches of many different parts. Industries served include aerospace, defense, medical equipment, energy, automotive/ transportation, electronics and computer industries.

We also sell our Autobend[®] computer control systems to original equipment manufacturers of new metal fabrication machine tools that integrate them with their own products prior to the sale of those products to their own customers, to retrofitters of used metal fabrication machine tools that integrate them with those machines as part of the retrofitting operation, and to end–users that have an installed base of metal fabrication machine tools, either with or without related computer control systems.

Demand

We believe demand for our products is driven by advances in industrial technology and the related demand for automated process improvements. Other factors affecting demand include:

- the need to continuously improve productivity and shorten cycle time;
- an aging machine tool installed base which will require replacement with more advanced technology;
- · the industrial development of emerging markets in Latin America, Asia and Eastern Europe; and
- · the declining supply of skilled machinists.

Demand for our products is also highly dependent upon economic conditions and the general level of business confidence, as well as such factors as production capacity utilization and changes in governmental policies regarding tariffs, corporate taxation, fluctuations in foreign currencies, and other investment incentives.

Competition

We compete with many other machine tool producers in the United States and foreign countries. Most of our competitors are larger and have greater financial resources than our company. Major worldwide competitors include DMG Mori Seiki Co., Ltd., Mazak, Haas Automation, Inc., Hardinge Inc., Doosan, Okuma Machinery Works Ltd, Hyundai and Feeler.

Through our subsidiary LCM, we compete with manufacturers of machine tool components and accessories such as IBAG, Kessler, Peron Speed, GSA Technology Co., LTD and Duplomatic Automation.

We strive to compete by developing patentable software and other proprietary features that offer enhanced productivity, technological capabilities and ease of use. We offer our products in a range of prices and capabilities to target a broad potential market. We also believe that our competitiveness is aided by our reputation for reliability and quality, our strong international sales and distribution organization, and our extensive customer service organization.

Intellectual Property

We consider the majority of our products to be proprietary. Various features of our Hurco and Milltronics control systems and machine tools employ technologies covered by patents and trademarks that are material to our business. We also own additional patents covering new technologies that we have acquired or developed, and that we are planning to incorporate into our control systems or products in the future.

Employees

We had approximately 800 full—time employees at the end of fiscal 2018, none of whom are covered by a collective—bargaining agreement or represented by a union. We have experienced no employee—generated work stoppages or disruptions, and we consider our employee relations to be satisfactory.

Backlog

For information on orders and backlog, see Item 7. Management's Discussion and Analysis of Financial Condition and Results of Operations.

Availability of Reports and Other Information

Our website can be found at www.hurco.com. We use this website as a means of disclosing pertinent information about the Company, free of charge, including:

- Annual Reports on Form 10–K, Quarterly Reports on Form 10–Q, proxy materials, Current Reports on Form 8–K and amendments to those reports filed or furnished pursuant to Section 13(a) or 15(d) of the Securities Exchange Act of 1934, as amended (the "Exchange Act"), as soon as reasonably practicable after we electronically file that material with or furnish it to the SEC;
- press releases on quarterly earnings, product announcements, legal developments and other material news that we may post from time to time;
- corporate governance information including our Corporate Governance Principles, Code of Business Conduct and Ethics, information concerning our Board of Directors and its committees, including the charters of the Audit Committee, Compensation Committee, Nominating and Governance Committee and other governance—related policies; and
- · opportunities to sign up for email alerts and RSS feeds to have information provided in real time.

The information available on our website is not incorporated by reference in, or a part of, this or any other report we file with, or furnish to, the SEC.

Item 1A. RISK FACTORS

In this section we describe what we believe to be the material risks related to our business. The risks and uncertainties described below or elsewhere in this report are not the only ones to which we are exposed. Additional risks and uncertainties not presently known and/or risks we currently deem immaterial may also adversely affect our business and operations. If any of the developments included in the following risks were to occur, our business, financial condition, results of operations, cash flows or prospects could be materially adversely affected.

The cyclical nature of our business causes fluctuations in our operating results.

The machine tool industry is highly cyclical and changes in demand can occur abruptly in the geographic markets we serve. As a result of this cyclicality, we have experienced significant fluctuations in our sales, which, in periods of reduced demand, have adversely affected our results of operations and financial condition, which could re–occur in the future.

Uncertain global economic conditions may adversely affect overall demand.

We typically sell the majority of our larger high–performance VMX machines in Europe, which makes us particularly sensitive to economic and market conditions in that region. Economic uncertainty and business downturns in the U.S., European and Asian Pacific markets adversely affect our results of operations and financial condition.

Our international operations pose additional risks that may adversely impact sales and earnings.

During fiscal 2018, approximately 71% of our revenues were derived from sales to customers located outside of the U.S. In addition, our main manufacturing facilities are located outside of the U.S. Our international operations are subject to a number of risks, including:

- trade barriers;
- regional economic uncertainty;
- differing labor regulation;
- · governmental expropriation;
- domestic and foreign customs and tariffs;
- · current and changing regulatory environments affecting the importation and exportation of products and raw materials;
- difficulty in obtaining distribution support;
- difficulty in staffing and managing widespread operations;
- differences in the availability and terms of financing;
- · political instability and unrest;
- negative or unforeseen consequences resulting from the introduction, termination, modification, or renegotiation of international trade agreements or treaties or the imposition of countervailing measures or anti-dumping duties or similar tariffs;
- changes in tax regulations and rates in foreign countries; and
- changes in the European Union and Asia may adversely affect business activity and economic conditions globally and could continue to contribute to instability in global financial and foreign exchange markets, as well as disrupt the free movement of goods, services and people between countries.

Quotas, tariffs, taxes or other trade barriers could require us to change manufacturing sources, reduce prices, increase spending on marketing or product development, withdraw from or not enter certain markets or otherwise take actions that could be adverse to us. Also, in some foreign jurisdictions, we may be subject to laws limiting the right and ability of entities organized or operating therein to pay dividends or remit earnings to affiliated companies unless specified conditions are met. These factors may adversely affect our future operating results. The vast majority of our products are shipped from our manufacturing facility in Taiwan from the Port of Taichung to four ports of destination: Los Angeles, California; Tacoma, Washington; Venlo, the Netherlands; and Shanghai, China. Changes in customs requirements, as a result of national security or other constraints put upon these ports, may also have an adverse impact on our results of operations.

Additionally, we must comply with complex foreign and U.S. laws and regulations in a multitude of jurisdictions, such as the U.S. Foreign Corrupt Practices Act, the U.K. Bribery Act, other foreign laws prohibiting corrupt payments to governmental officials, and anti–competition regulations. Violations of these laws and regulations could result in fines and penalties, criminal sanctions, tariffs or duties, restrictions on our business conduct and on our ability to offer our products in one or more countries, and could also materially adversely affect our brand, our ability to attract and retain employees, our international operations, our business and our operating results. Although we have implemented policies and procedures designed to ensure compliance with these laws and regulations, there can be no assurance that our employees, contractors, or agents will not violate our policies.

We depend on limited sources for our products.

We depend on our wholly—owned subsidiaries, HML, Ningbo Hurco Machine Tool Co., Ltd. ("NHML"), Milltronics, and LCM, to produce our machine tools and electro—mechanical components and accessories in Taiwan, China, the U.S. and Italy, respectively. We also depend on our 35% owned affiliate, HAL, and other key third party suppliers to produce our computer control systems and key components, such as motors and drives for our machine tools. An unplanned interruption in manufacturing or supply, or significant increase in price from third party suppliers, would have a material adverse effect on our results of operations and financial condition. Such an interruption or increase in price could result from various factors, including a change in the political environment or a natural disaster, such as trade wars or tariffs, or an earthquake, typhoon, or tsunami. Also, any interruption in service by one of our key component suppliers, if prolonged, could have a material adverse effect on our results of operations and financial condition.

Fluctuations in the exchange rates between the U.S. Dollar and any of several foreign currencies can increase our costs and decrease our revenues.

Our sales to customers located outside of the U.S., which generated approximately 71% of our revenues in fiscal 2018, are invoiced and received in several foreign currencies, primarily the Euro, Pound Sterling and Chinese Yuan. Therefore, our results of operations and financial condition are affected by fluctuations in exchange rates between these currencies and the U.S. Dollar, both for purposes of actual conversion and for financial reporting purposes. In addition, we are exposed to exchange risk associated with our purchases of materials and components for our Taiwan manufacturing operations, which are primarily made in the New Taiwan Dollar and the Euro. We hedge a portion of our foreign currency exposure with the purchase of forward exchange contracts. These hedge contracts only mitigate the impact of changes in foreign currency exchange rates that occur during the term of the related contract period and carry risks of counter—party failure. There can be no assurance that our hedges will have their intended effects.

Our competitive position and prospects for growth may be diminished if we are unable to develop and introduce new and enhanced products on a timely basis that are accepted in the market.

The machine tool industry is subject to technological change, evolving industry standards, changing customer requirements, and improvements in and expansion of product offerings. Our ability to anticipate changes in technology, industry standards, customers' requirements and competitors' product offerings and to develop and introduce new and enhanced products on a timely basis that are accepted in the market, are significant factors in maintaining and improving our competitive position and growth prospects. If the technologies or standards used in our products become obsolete or fail to gain widespread commercial acceptance, our business would be materially adversely affected. Developments by others may render our products or technologies obsolete or noncompetitive.

We compete with larger companies that have greater financial resources, and our business could be harmed by competitors' actions.

The markets in which our products are sold are extremely competitive and highly fragmented. In marketing our products, we compete with other manufacturers in terms of quality, reliability, price, value, delivery time, service and technological characteristics. We compete with a number of U.S., European and Asian competitors, most of which are larger and have substantially greater financial resources and some of which have been supported by governmental or financial institution subsidies and, therefore, may have competitive advantages over us. Our financial resources are limited compared to those of most of our competitors, making it challenging to remain competitive.

Fluctuations in the price of raw materials, especially steel and iron, could adversely affect our sales, costs and profitability.

We manufacture products with a high iron and steel content. The availability and price for these and other raw materials are subject to volatility due to worldwide supply and demand forces, speculative actions, inventory levels, exchange rates, production costs, anticipated or perceived shortages and tariffs or other trade restrictions. In some cases, those cost increases can be passed on to customers in the form of price increases; in other cases, they cannot. If the prices of raw materials increase and we are not able to charge our customers higher prices to compensate, our results of operations would be adversely affected.

Regulations related to "conflict minerals" may cause us to incur additional expenses and could limit the supply and increase the cost of certain metals used in manufacturing our products.

The SEC requires disclosure by public companies of specified minerals, known as conflict minerals, that are necessary to the functionality or production of products manufactured or contracted to be manufactured. Securities laws and/or SEC rules require a disclosure report to be filed annually with the SEC and require companies to perform due diligence and to disclose and report whether or not such minerals originate from the Democratic Republic of Congo or an adjoining country. Such laws or rules could affect sourcing at competitive prices and availability in sufficient quantities of certain minerals used in the manufacture of components that are incorporated into our products, including tin, tantalum, gold and tungsten. The number of suppliers that provide conflict-free minerals may be limited. In addition, there may be material costs associated with complying with the disclosure requirements, such as costs related to the due diligence process of determining the source of certain minerals used in our products, as well as costs of possible changes to products, processes, or sources of supply as a consequence of such verification activities. We may not be able to sufficiently verify the origins of the relevant minerals used in components manufactured by third parties through our due diligence procedures, which may harm our reputation. We may also encounter challenges to satisfy those customers that require that all of the components of our products be certified as conflict—free, which could place us at a competitive disadvantage if we are unable to do so.

Due to future changes in technology, changes in market demand, or changes in market expectations, portions of our inventory may become obsolete or excessive.

The technology within our products evolves, and we periodically bring new versions of our machines to market. The phasing out of an old product involves estimating the amount of inventory required to satisfy the final demand for those machines and to satisfy future repair part needs. Based on changing customer demand and expectations of delivery times for repair parts, we may find that we have either obsolete or excess inventory on hand. Because of unforeseen future changes in technology, market demand or competition, we might have to write off unusable inventory, which would adversely affect our results of operations.

Acquisitions could disrupt our operations and harm our operating results.

We may seek additional opportunities to expand our product offerings or the markets we serve by acquiring other companies, product lines, technologies and personnel. Acquisitions involve numerous risks, including the following:

- difficulties integrating the operations, technologies, products, and personnel of an acquired company or being subjected to liability for the target's pre—acquisition activities or operations as a successor in interest;
- diversion of management's attention from normal daily operations of the business;
- potential difficulties completing projects associated with in–process research and development;

- difficulties entering markets in which we have no or limited prior experience, especially when competitors in such markets have stronger market positions;
- initial dependence on unfamiliar supply chains or relatively small supply partners;
- insufficient revenues to offset increased expenses associated with acquisitions;
- the potential loss of key employees of the acquired companies; and
- · the potential for recording goodwill and intangible assets that later can be subject to impairment.

Acquisitions may also cause us to:

- · issue common stock that would dilute our current shareholders' percentage ownership;
- assume or otherwise be subject to liabilities of an acquired company;
- record goodwill and non-amortizable intangible assets that will be subject to impairment testing on a regular basis and potential periodic impairment charges;
- incur amortization expenses related to certain intangible assets;
- · incur large acquisition and integration costs, immediate write-offs, and restructuring and other related expenses; and
- become subject to litigation.

Mergers and acquisitions are inherently risky. No assurance can be given that our acquisitions will be successful. Further, no assurance can be given that an acquisition will not adversely affect our business, operating results, or financial condition. Failure to manage and successfully integrate an acquisition could harm our business and operating results in a material way. Even when an acquired company has already developed and marketed products, there can be no assurance that enhancements to those products will be made in a timely manner or that pre–acquisition due diligence will identify all possible issues that might arise with respect to such products or the acquired business.

Risks related to new product development also apply to acquisitions. For additional information, please see the risk factor above entitled, "Due to future changes in technology, changes in market demand, or changes in market expectations, portions of our inventory may become obsolete or excessive."

Assets may become impaired, requiring us to record a significant charge to earnings.

We review our assets, including intangible assets such as goodwill, for indications of impairment annually and when events or changes in circumstances indicate the carrying value may not be recoverable. We could be required to record a significant charge to earnings in our financial statements for the period in which any impairment of these assets is determined, which would adversely affect our results of operations for that period.

We may experience negative or unforeseen tax consequences.

We may experience negative or unforeseen tax consequences, which could materially adversely affect our results of operations. We review the probability of the realization of our net deferred tax assets each period based on forecasts of taxable income in both the U.S. and foreign jurisdictions. This review uses historical results, projected future operating results based upon approved business plans, eligible carryforward periods, tax—planning opportunities and other relevant considerations. Adverse changes in our profitability and financial outlook in the U.S. or foreign jurisdictions may require the creation of a valuation allowance to reduce our net deferred tax assets. Such changes could result in material non—cash expenses in the period in which the changes are made and could have a material adverse impact on our results of operations and financial condition. We also earn a significant amount of our operating income from outside the U.S., and any repatriation of funds representing earnings of foreign subsidiaries may significantly impact our effective tax rates.

We are subject to taxes in the U.S. and numerous foreign jurisdictions. Due to economic and political conditions, tax rates in various jurisdictions, including the U.S., may be subject to significant change. Our effective tax rates could be adversely affected by changes in the mix of earnings in countries with differing statutory tax rates, changes in the valuation of deferred tax assets and liabilities, or changes in tax laws or their interpretation, including tax laws in the U.S. Similarly, changes in tax laws or regulations, including those in the U.S., could negatively impact our effective tax rate and results of operations. A change in a statutory tax rate may result in the revaluation of our deferred tax assets and liabilities related to the relevant jurisdiction in which the new tax law is enacted, potentially resulting in a material expense or benefit recorded in our Consolidated Statements of Income for that period.

In December 2017, both houses of the U.S. Congress passed legislation that was approved and signed into law. This legislation could have a material benefit or material adverse impact on our effective tax rate, tax expense and cash flow. The Company has evaluated and recorded the aggregate impact of this passed legislation on our financial condition, cash flows and results of operations. Any benefits associated with lower U.S. corporate tax rates could be reduced or outweighed by other tax changes adverse to our business or operations, such as new or additional taxes imposed on earnings and/or reinvested earnings of our foreign subsidiaries. The aggregate impact of such legislation could have a material adverse impact on our cash flows and results of operations.

Our continued success depends on our ability to protect our intellectual property.

Our future success depends in part upon our ability to protect our intellectual property. We rely principally on nondisclosure agreements, other contractual arrangements, trade secret law, trademark registration and patents to protect our intellectual property. However, these measures may be inadequate to protect our intellectual property from infringement by others or prevent misappropriation of our proprietary rights. In addition, the laws of some foreign countries do not protect proprietary rights to the same extent as do U.S. laws. Our inability to protect our proprietary information and enforce our intellectual property rights through infringement proceedings could have a material adverse effect on our business, financial condition and results of operations.

The unanticipated loss of current members of our senior management team and other key personnel may adversely affect our operating results.

The unexpected loss of members of our senior management team or other key personnel could impair our ability to carry out our business plan. We believe that our future success will depend in part on our ability to attract and retain highly skilled and qualified personnel. The loss of senior management or other key personnel may adversely affect our operating results as we incur costs to replace the departed personnel and potentially lose opportunities in the transition of important job functions.

If our network and system security measures are breached and unauthorized access is obtained to our data, to our employees', customers' or vendors' data, or to our critical information technology systems, we may incur legal and financial exposure and liabilities.

As part of our business, we store our data and certain data about our employees, customers and vendors in our information technology systems. If a third party gained unauthorized access to our data, including any data regarding our employees, customers or vendors, the security breach could expose us to risks, including loss of business, litigation and possible liability. Our security measures may be breached as a result of third–party action, including intentional misconduct by computer hackers, employee error, malfeasance or otherwise. Additionally, third parties may attempt to fraudulently induce employees or customers into disclosing sensitive information such as user names, passwords or other information to gain access to our customers' data or our data, including our intellectual property and other confidential business information, or our information technology systems. Although we work closely with industry recognized manufacturers supporting the security measures we have employed in an effort to keep our technology current with the ongoing threats, the techniques used to obtain unauthorized access, or to sabotage systems, change frequently, and therefore we may be unable to anticipate these techniques or to implement adequate preventative measures. Any security breach could result in: the unauthorized publication of our confidential business or proprietary information; the unauthorized release of employee, customer or vendor data and payment information; a loss of confidence by our customers; damage to our reputation; a disruption to our business; litigation and legal liability; and a negative impact on our future sales. In addition, the cost and operational consequences of implementing further data protection measures could be significant.

Item 1B. UNRESOLVED STAFF COMMENTS

None.

Item 2. PROPERTIES

The following table sets forth the principal use, location, and size of each of our facilities:

Principal Uses	Locations	Square Footage
Corporate headquarters, design and engineering, product testing, sales and marketing, application		
engineering, customer service, manufacturing and assembly	Indianapolis, Indiana, U.S.	165,000
Manufacturing, assembly, sales, application engineering and customer service	Taichung, Taiwan Waconia, Minnesota, U.S. Castell'Alfero, Italy	407,300 72,500 32,300
Manufacturing	Ningbo, China	31,000
Sales, application engineering and customer service	High Wycombe, England Benoni, South Africa Paris, France Munich and Verl, Germany Milan, Italy	42,200 3,500 12,800 20,100 13,800
	Venlo, the Netherlands Toh Guan, Singapore Shanghai, Dongguan, Kunshan, China Chennai, Delhi, and Pune India Liegnitz, Poland Grand Rapids, Michigan, U.S.	9,700 3,900 12,200 11,000 2,900 3,700
	Los Angeles, California, U.S.	11,400

We own the Indianapolis facility and lease all other facilities. The leases have terms expiring at various dates ranging from January 2019 to December 2029. We believe that all of our facilities are well maintained and are adequate for our needs now and in the foreseeable future. We do not believe that we would experience any difficulty in replacing any of the present facilities if any of our leases were not renewed at expiration.

Item 3. LEGAL PROCEEDINGS

From time to time, we are involved in various claims and lawsuits arising in the normal course of business. Pursuant to applicable accounting rules, we accrue the minimum liability for each known claim when the estimated outcome is a range of possible loss and no one amount within that range is more likely than another. We maintain insurance policies for such matters, and we record insurance recoveries when we determine such recovery to be probable. We do not expect any of these claims, individually or in the aggregate, to have a material adverse effect on our consolidated financial position or results of operations. We believe that the ultimate resolution of claims for any losses will not exceed our insurance policy coverages.

Item 4. MINE SAFETY DISCLOSURES

None.

Executive Officers of the Registrant

Executive officers are appointed each year by the Board of Directors following the Annual Meeting of Shareholders to serve during the ensuing year and until their respective successors are elected and qualified. There are no family relationships between any of our executive officers or between any of them and any of the members of the Board of Directors.

The following information sets forth as of October 31, 2018, the name of each executive officer and his or her age, tenure as an officer, principal occupation and business experience:

Name	Age	Position(s) with the Company
Michael Doar	63	Chairman of the Board and Chief Executive Officer
Gregory S. Volovic	54	President
Sonja K. McClelland	47	Executive Vice President, Secretary, Treasurer and Chief Financial Officer

Michael Doar was elected Chairman of the Board and Chief Executive Officer on November 14, 2001. Mr. Doar had held various management positions with Ingersoll Milling Machine Company from 1989 until 2001. Mr. Doar has been a director of Hurco since 2000.

Gregory S. Volovic has been employed by us since March 2005 and was elected as our President in March 2013. Mr. Volovic previously held the position of Executive Vice President, Software and Engineering until October 2009. Prior to joining us, Mr. Volovic held various positions with Thomson, Inc. including Director of E–Business, Engineering, and Information Technology. Prior to that, Mr. Volovic was employed by Unisys Corporation.

Sonja K. McClelland has been employed by us since September 1996 and was elected as Vice President, Secretary, Treasurer and Chief Financial Officer in March 2014 and then Executive Vice President in March 2017. Ms. McClelland served as Corporate Accounting Manager from September 1996 to 1999, as Division Controller for Hurco USA from September 1999 to November 2004, and as our Corporate Controller and Assistant Secretary from November 2004 to March 2014. Prior to joining us, Ms. McClelland was employed for three years by an international public accounting firm.

PART II

Item 5. MARKET FOR THE REGISTRANT'S COMMON EQUITY, RELATED STOCKHOLDER MATTERS AND ISSUER PURCHASES OF EQUITY SECURITIES

Market Information

Our common stock is traded on the Nasdaq Global Select Market under the symbol "HURC".

Holders

There were 105 holders of record of our common stock as of December 18, 2018.

Dividend Policy

We began declaring cash dividends on our common stock in the third quarter of fiscal 2013, and we expect to continue to declare dividends on a quarterly basis; however, the declaration and amount of any future cash dividends will be subject to the sole discretion of our Board of Directors and will depend upon many factors, including our results of operations, financial condition, capital requirements, regulatory and contractual restrictions, our business strategy and other factors deemed relevant by our Board of Directors.

Our payment of dividends is limited by our new credit agreement and our prior U.S. credit agreement, as further described in Item 7. Management's Discussion and Analysis of Financial Condition and Results of Operations and in Note 4 of Notes to Consolidated Financial Statements.

Other Information

During the period covered by this report, we did not sell any equity securities that were not registered under the Securities Act of 1933, as amended.

The disclosure under the caption "Equity Compensation Plan Information at 2018 Fiscal Year End" in our 2019 proxy statement is incorporated by reference in Item 12. Security Ownership of Certain Beneficial Owners and Management and Related Stockholder Matters.

The performance graph information is included in Item 9B. Other Information.

Item 6. SELECTED FINANCIAL DATA

The Selected Financial Data presented below has been derived from our consolidated financial statements for the years indicated and should be read in conjunction with the consolidated financial statements and related notes set forth elsewhere herein and Item 7. Management's Discussion and Analysis of Financial Condition and Results of Operations.

	Year Ended October 31,									
		2018		2017		2016		2015		2014
			(In thousands, except per share amounts)							
Statement of Operations Data:										
Sales and service fees	\$	300,671	\$	243,667	\$	227,289	\$	219,383	\$	222,303
Gross profit		91,806		70,564		70,440		69,091		68,612
Selling, general and administrative expenses		58,010		49,661		50,824		45,287		46,615
Operating income		33,796		20,903		19,616		23,804		21,997
Other income (expense)		(1,300)		(187)		(731)		(251)		(636)
Net income		21,490		15,115		13,292		16,214		15,143
Earnings per common share – diluted	\$	3.15	\$	2.25	\$	1.99	\$	2.44	\$	2.30
Weighted average common shares outstanding-diluted		6,771		6,680		6,642		6,602		6,538
Dividends declared per common share	\$	0.43	\$	0.39	\$	0.35	\$	0.31	\$	0.26

	As of October 31,										
		2018		2017		2016		2015		2014	
Balance Sheet Data:	(Dollars in thousands)										
Current assets	\$	281,435	\$	246,415	\$	218,381	\$	216,112	\$	208,691	
Current liabilities		86,803		70,889		57,968		65,086		66,803	
Working capital		194,632		175,526		160,413		151,026		141,888	
Current ratio		3.2		3.5		3.8		3.3		3.1	
Total assets		315,407		277,808		251,949		248,577		239,176	
Non-current liabilities		5,751		3,834		8,506		8,923		7,728	
Total debt		1,434		1,507		1,476		1,583		3,272	
Shareholders' equity		222,853		203,085		185,475		174,568		164,645	

^{*} Certain prior year amounts have been changed to conform to current year's presentation.

Item 7. MANAGEMENT'S DISCUSSION AND ANALYSIS OF FINANCIAL CONDITION AND RESULTS OF OPERATIONS

EXECUTIVE OVERVIEW

Hurco Companies, Inc. is an international, industrial technology company operating in a single segment. We design, manufacture and sell computerized (i.e., Computer Numeric Control, or CNC) machine tools, consisting primarily of vertical machining centers (mills) and turning centers (lathes), to companies in the metal cutting industry through a worldwide sales, service and distribution network. Although the majority of our computer control systems and software products are proprietary, they predominantly use industry standard personal computer components. Our computer control systems and software primarily sold as integral components of our computerized machine tool products. We also provide machine tool components, software options, control upgrades, accessories and replacement parts for our products, as well as customer service and training and applications support.

The following overview is intended to provide a brief explanation of the principal factors that have contributed to our recent financial performance. This overview is intended to be read in conjunction with the more detailed information included in our financial statements that appear elsewhere in this report.

The market for machine tools is international in scope. We have both significant foreign sales and significant foreign manufacturing operations. During fiscal 2018, approximately 55% of our revenues were attributable to customers in Europe, where we typically sell more of our higher–performance, higher–priced VMX series machines. Additionally, approximately 15% of our revenues were attributable to customers in the Asia Pacific region, where we encounter greater price pressures.

We have three brands of CNC machine tools in our product portfolio: Hurco is the premium brand focused on innovative technology. Milltronics is the general purpose brand with a simplified control and straightforward feature sets. Takumi is an industry standard brand with machines that are equipped with industry standard controls instead of the proprietary controls found on Hurco and Milltronics machines. Typically, manufacturing facilities that use industry standard controls focus on medium to high production, wherein they run large batches of a few types of parts instead of small batches of many different types of parts. The Takumi brand is also targeted to die and mold customers. In addition, through our wholly—owned subsidiary LCM, we produce machine tool components and accessories.

We principally sell our products through more than 173 independent agents and distributors throughout North and South America (the Americas), Europe and Asia. Although some distributors carry competitive products, we are the primary line for the majority of our distributors globally. We also have our own direct sales and service organizations in China, France, Germany, India, Italy, Poland, Singapore, South Africa, Taiwan, the United Kingdom and certain parts of the United States, which are among the world's principal machine tool consuming markets. The vast majority of our machine tools are manufactured to our specifications primarily by our wholly—owned subsidiary in Taiwan, Hurco Manufacturing Ltd. ("HML"). Machine castings and components to support HML's production are manufactured at our wholly—owned subsidiary in Ningbo, China, Ningbo Hurco Machine Tool Co., Ltd. Components to support our SRT line of five—axis machining centers, such as the direct drive spindle, swivel head and rotary table, are manufactured by our wholly—owned subsidiary in Italy, LCM.

Our sales to foreign customers are denominated, and payments by those customers are made, in the prevailing currencies in the countries in which those customers are located (primarily the Euro, Pound Sterling and Chinese Yuan). Our product costs are incurred and paid primarily in the New Taiwan Dollar and the U.S. Dollar. Changes in currency exchange rates may have a material effect on our operating results and consolidated financial statements as reported under U.S. Generally Accepted Accounting Principles. For example, when the U.S. Dollar weakens in value relative to a foreign currency, sales made, and expenses incurred, in that currency when translated to U.S. Dollars for reporting in our financial statements, are higher than would be the case when the U.S. Dollar is stronger. In the comparison of our period—to—period results, we discuss the effect of currency translation on those results, which reflect translation to U.S. Dollars at exchange rates prevailing during the period covered by those financial statements.

Our high levels of foreign manufacturing and sales also expose us to cash flow risks due to fluctuating currency exchange rates. We seek to mitigate those risks through the use of derivative instruments – principally foreign currency forward exchange contracts.

Results of Operations

The following table presents, for the fiscal years indicated, selected items from the Consolidated Statements of Income expressed as a percentage of our worldwide sales and service fees and the year—to—year percentage changes in the dollar amounts of those items.

	Perc	entage of Revenue	es	Year-to-Year % Change			
	2018	2017	2016	Increase/Decrease			
				'18 vs. '17	'17 vs. '16		
Sales and service fees	100%	100%	100%	23%	7%		
Gross profit	31%	29%	31%	30%	0%		
Selling, general and administrative expenses	19%	20%	22%	17%	-2%		
Operating income	11%	9%	9%	62%	7%		
Net income	7%	6%	6%	42%	14%		

Fiscal 2018 Compared to Fiscal 2017

Sales and Service Fees. Sales and service fees for fiscal 2018 were \$300.7 million, an increase of \$57.0 million, or 23%, compared to fiscal 2017, and included a favorable currency impact of \$10.5 million, or 4%, when translating foreign sales to U.S. Dollars for financial reporting purposes.

Net Sales and Service Fees by Geographic Region

The following table sets forth net sales and service fees by geographic region for the fiscal years ended October 31, 2018 and 2017 (in thousands):

	I	Fiscal Year Ende	Increase/Decrease				
	 2018		201	7		Amount	%
Americas	\$ 90,902	30%	\$ 75,540	31%	\$	15,362	20%
Europe	166,202	55%	133,671	55%		32,531	24%
Asia Pacific	43,567	15%	34,456	14%		9,111	26%
Total	\$ 300,671	100%	\$ 243,667	100%	\$	57,004	23%

Sales in the Americas for fiscal 2018 increased by 20% compared to fiscal 2017, due primarily to improved U.S. market conditions and increased demand from U.S. customers for the Hurco and Milltronics product lines. The increase in sales year—over—year was attributable to an increased sales volume of vertical milling and lathe machines from all product lines (Hurco, Milltronics and Takumi). European sales for fiscal 2018 increased by 24%, compared to fiscal 2017, and included a favorable currency impact of 7%, when translating foreign sales to U.S. Dollars for financial reporting purposes. The increase in European sales for fiscal 2018 resulted mainly from increased customer demand for Hurco and Takumi machines in Germany, France and the United Kingdom, as well as increased customer demand for electro—mechanical components and accessories manufactured by our wholly—owned subsidiary, LCM. Asian Pacific sales for fiscal 2018 increased by 26%, compared to fiscal 2017, and included a favorable currency impact of 3%, when translating foreign sales to U.S. Dollars for financial reporting purposes. The increase in Asian Pacific sales for fiscal 2018 was primarily attributable to increased customer demand for Hurco and Takumi machines in all Asian Pacific countries, particularly in China, the largest market for consumption of machines tools in the world.

Net Sales and Service Fees by Product Category

The following table sets forth net sales and service fees by product group and services for the fiscal years ended October 31, 2018 and 2017 (in thousands):

	F	Fiscal Year Ended	Increase/Decrease			
	 2018	3	20	17	Amount	%
Computerized Machine Tools	\$ 261,710	87% \$	209,311	86%	\$ 52,399	25%
Computer Control Systems and Software †	2,870	1%	2,324	1%	546	23%
Service Parts	27,501	9%	24,255	10%	3,246	13%
Service Fees	8,590	3%	7,777	3%	813	10%
Total	\$ 300,671	100% \$	243,667	100%	\$ 57,004	23%

[†] Amounts shown do not include computer control systems and software sold as an integrated component of computerized machine systems.

Sales of computerized machine tools and computer control systems and software for fiscal 2018 increased by 25% and 23%, respectively, and each included a favorable currency impact of 4%, compared to fiscal 2017. The year—over—year increase in sales of computerized machine tools and computer control systems and software reflected increased machine sales across all three regions and product lines. Sales of service parts and service fees for fiscal 2018 increased by 13% and 10%, respectively, compared to fiscal 2017, due primarily to an increase in aftermarket sales and aftermarket service of Hurco products in North America, France and the United Kingdom.

Orders and Backlog. Orders for fiscal 2018 were a record \$305.8 million, an increase of \$45.2 million, or 17%, compared to fiscal 2017, and included a favorable currency impact of \$13.8 million, or 5%, when translating foreign orders to U.S. Dollars.

The following table sets forth new orders booked by geographic region for the fiscal years ended October 31, 2018 and 2017 (dollars in thousands):

	Fiscal Year Ended October 31,						Increase/Decrease		
	 2018			2017		Aı	mount	%	
Americas	\$ 94,160	31%	\$	85,070	33%	\$	9,090	11%	
Europe	170,366	56%		137,622	53%		32,744	24%	
Asia Pacific	41,319	13%		37,917	14%		3,402	9%	
Total	\$ 305,845	100%	\$	260,609	100%	\$	45,236	17%	

Orders in the Americas for fiscal 2018 increased by 11%, compared to fiscal 2017. The increase was largely attributable to improved customer demand for Hurco and Takumi vertical milling and lathe machines. European orders for fiscal 2018 increased by 24%, compared to fiscal 2017, and included a favorable currency impact of 9%, when translating foreign orders to U.S. Dollars. The year–over–year increase in European orders was largely driven by increased customer demand for Hurco and Takumi vertical milling and lathe machines in Germany and France, as well as increased demand for electro–mechanical components and accessories manufactured by LCM. Asian Pacific orders for fiscal 2018 increased by 9%, compared to fiscal 2017, and included a favorable currency impact of 3%, when translating foreign orders to U.S. Dollars. The year–over–year increase in Asian Pacific orders was largely due to increased customer demand for Hurco vertical milling machines in India, China and Southeast Asia.

Backlog at October 31, 2018 increased to \$55.0 million compared to \$52.0 million at October 31, 2017 primarily due to an increase in customer orders during fiscal 2018. We do not believe backlog is a useful measure of past performance or indicative of future performance. Backlog orders as of October 31, 2018 are expected to be fulfilled in fiscal 2019.

Gross Profit. Gross profit for fiscal 2018 was \$91.8 million, or 31% of sales, compared to \$70.6 million, or 29% of sales, for fiscal 2017. The year–over–year increase in gross profit as a percentage of sales reflected increased machine sales across all three regions and product lines and the favorable impact of foreign currency translation compared to the corresponding prior year period.

Operating Expenses. Selling, general and administrative expenses for fiscal 2018 were \$58.0 million, or 19% of sales, compared to \$49.7 million, or 20% of sales, in fiscal 2017, and included an unfavorable currency impact of \$1.3 million, when translating foreign expenses to U.S. Dollars for financial reporting purposes. The year-over-year increase in selling, general and administrative expenses was driven by increased expenses for tradeshows, global sales and marketing, employee incentive compensation and the unfavorable impact of foreign currency translation compared to the corresponding prior year period.

Operating Income. Operating income for fiscal 2018 was \$33.8 million, or 11% of sales, compared to \$20.9 million, or 9% of sales, in fiscal 2017. The year-over-year increase in operating income was primarily attributable to increased machine sales across all three regions and product lines, and the favorable impact of foreign currency translation compared to the corresponding prior year period.

Other Income (Expense). Other income (expense) for fiscal 2018 increased by \$1.1 million from fiscal 2017, due mainly to increased foreign currency losses experienced in 2018.

Provision for Income Taxes. Our effective tax rate for fiscal 2018 was 34%, compared to 27% for fiscal 2017. The year–over–year increase in the effective tax rate for fiscal 2018 was primarily attributable to one–time charges of \$2.8 million related to the Tax Cuts and Jobs Act that was enacted in December 2017. The impact of these one–time charges increased the effective tax rate by approximately 39% for the first quarter of fiscal 2018. Excluding the impact of these charges, earnings per diluted share would have been \$0.41 higher than the earnings per diluted share we reported for fiscal 2018.

Net Income. Net income for fiscal 2018 was \$21.5 million, or \$3.15 per diluted share, an increase of \$6.4 million, or 42%, from fiscal 2017 net income of \$15.1 million, or \$2.25 per diluted share.

Fiscal 2017 Compared to Fiscal 2016

Sales and Service Fees. Sales and service fees for fiscal 2017 were \$243.7 million, an increase of \$16.4 million, or 7%, compared to fiscal 2016 and included a negative currency impact of \$1.3 million, or 1%, when translating foreign sales to U.S. Dollars for financial reporting purposes.

Net Sales and Service Fees by Geographic Region

The following table sets forth net sales and service fees by geographic region for the fiscal years ended October 31, 2017 and 2016 (in thousands):

	 F	iscal Year Ended	Increase	/Decrease		
	2017		20:	16	Amount	%
Americas	\$ 75,540	31% \$	74,386	33%	\$ 1,154	2%
Europe	133,671	55%	124,070	54%	9,601	8%
Asia Pacific	34,456	14%	28,833	13%	5,623	20%
Total	\$ 243,667	100% \$	227,289	100%	\$ 16,378	7%

Sales in the Americas for fiscal 2017 increased by 2% compared to fiscal 2016 and reflected improved U.S. market conditions and demand from customers for all product lines (Hurco, Takumi and Milltronics) and in all regions of the country where our customers are located. European sales for fiscal 2017 increased by 8%, compared to fiscal 2016, and included a negative currency impact of 1%, when translating foreign sales to U.S. Dollars for financial reporting purposes. Excluding the negative impact of currency, the year–over–year increase in European sales for fiscal 2017 was driven primarily by increased sales of Hurco machines in the United Kingdom and Germany. Asian Pacific sales for fiscal 2017 increased by 20%, compared to fiscal 2016, primarily due to increased sales of Hurco and Takumi machines in all Asian Pacific countries where our customers are located, with China contributing the largest increase. Asian Pacific sales for fiscal 2017 included a favorable currency impact 1%, when translating foreign sales to U.S. Dollars for financial reporting purposes.

Net Sales and Service Fees by Product Category

The following table sets forth net sales and service fees by product group and services for the fiscal years ended October 31, 2017 and 2016 (in thousands):

	 I	Fiscal Year Ende		Increase/Decrease			
	2017	7	2016	3	Amount	%	
Computerized Machine Tools	\$ 209,311	86%	\$ 195,618	86%	\$ 13,693	7%	
Computer Control Systems and Software †	2,324	1%	2,078	1%	246	5 12%	
Service Parts	24,255	10%	21,908	10%	2,347	7 11%	
Service Fees	7,777	3%	7,685	3%	92	2 1%	
Total	\$ 243,667	100%	\$ 227,289	100%	\$ 16,378	7%	

[†] Amounts shown do not include computer control systems and software sold as an integrated component of computerized machine systems.

Sales of computerized machine tools and computer control systems and software for fiscal 2017 increased by 7% and 12%, respectively, compared to fiscal 2016, driven primarily by an increase in sales volume of Hurco machines in Europe, particularly the United Kingdom and Germany. Sales of service parts and service fees for fiscal 2017 increased by 11% and 1%, respectively, compared to fiscal 2016, due primarily to an increase in aftermarket sales of Hurco components in Germany.

Orders and Backlog. Orders for fiscal 2017 were \$260.6 million, an increase of \$41.4 million, or 19%, compared to fiscal 2016, and included a negative currency impact of \$2.6 million, or 1%, when translating foreign orders to U.S. Dollars.

The following table sets forth new orders booked by geographic region for fiscal years ended October 31, 2017 and 2016 (dollars in thousands):

]	Fiscal Year Ended	Increase/Decrease			
	 201	7	201	16	Amount	%
Americas	\$ 85,070	33% \$	70,944	32%	\$ 14,126	20%
Europe	137,622	53%	121,519	56%	16,103	13%
Asia Pacific	37,917	14%	26,759	12%	11,158	42%
Total	\$ 260,609	100% \$	5 219,222	100%	\$ 41,387	19%

Orders in the Americas for fiscal 2017 increased by 20% compared to fiscal 2016 and reflected improved U.S. market conditions and demand from customers for all product lines (Hurco, Takumi and Milltronics) and in all regions of the country where our customers are located. European orders for fiscal 2017 increased by 13%, compared to fiscal 2016, driven primarily by increased demand for Hurco and Takumi vertical milling machines in Germany, the United Kingdom, and Italy. European orders for fiscal 2017 included a negative currency impact of 2%, when translating foreign orders to U.S. Dollars. Asian Pacific orders for fiscal 2017 increased by 42%, compared to fiscal 2016, driven primarily by increased demand for Hurco and Takumi machines in all Asian Pacific countries where our customers are located, with China contributing the largest increase. Asian Pacific orders for fiscal 2017 included a favorable currency impact of 1%, when translating foreign orders to U.S. Dollars.

Backlog at October 31, 2017 increased to \$52.0 million compared to \$32.3 million at October 31, 2016 primarily due to an increase in customer orders during fiscal 2017. We do not believe backlog is a useful measure of past performance or indicative of future performance.

Gross Profit. Gross profit for fiscal 2017 was \$70.6 million, or 29% of sales, compared to \$70.4 million, or 31% of sales, for fiscal 2016. The decrease in gross profit as a percentage of sales for fiscal 2017 primarily reflected the negative impact of foreign currency translation, compared to fiscal 2016, and a sales mix comprised of more entry—level machines, such as those under the Milltronics and Takumi brands, in price competitive geographic regions, such as the Americas and Asia Pacific.

Operating Expenses. Selling, general and administrative expenses for fiscal 2017 were \$49.7 million, or 20% of sales, compared to \$50.8 million, or 22% of sales, in fiscal 2016, and included a favorable currency impact of \$0.2 million when translating foreign expenses to U.S. Dollars for financial reporting purposes.

Operating Income. Operating income for fiscal 2017 was \$20.9 million, or 9% of sales, compared to \$19.6 million, or 9% of sales, in fiscal 2016. The year–over–year increase in operating income was primarily attributable to a reduction in operating expenses associated with trade show expenses for the International Manufacturing Technology Show ("IMTS") held in September 2016.

Other Income (Expense). Other income (expense) for fiscal 2017 decreased by \$0.5 million from fiscal 2016 due mainly to lower foreign currency losses experienced in 2017.

Provision for Income Taxes. Our effective tax rate for fiscal 2017 was 27% in comparison to 30% for fiscal 2016. The decrease in the effective tax rate year–over–year was primarily due to changes in the geographic mix of income and loss among tax jurisdictions.

Net Income. Net income for fiscal 2017 was \$15.1 million, or \$2.25 per diluted share, an increase of \$1.8 million, or 14%, from fiscal 2016 net income of \$13.3 million, or \$1.99 per diluted share.

Liquidity and Capital Resources

At October 31, 2018, we had cash and cash equivalents of \$77.2 million compared to \$66.3 million at October 31, 2017. The increase in cash and cash equivalents was primarily a result of an increase in net income, partially offset by increases in inventories and accounts payable year—over—year when excluding the negative impact of foreign currency of \$1.0 million when translating foreign assets into U.S. Dollars for financial reporting purposes. Approximately 69% of our \$77.2 million of cash and cash equivalents is held in the U.S. The balance is attributable to our foreign operations and is held in the local currencies of our various foreign entities, subject to fluctuations in currency exchange rates. We do not believe that the indefinite reinvestment of these funds offshore impairs our ability to meet our domestic working capital needs.

Working capital (including cash and cash equivalents) was \$194.6 million at October 31, 2018 compared to \$175.5 million at October 31, 2017. The increase in working capital was mostly driven by an increase in cash and inventories, partially offset by an increase in accounts payable. Inventories were \$137.6 million at October 31, 2018, compared to \$119.9 million at October 31, 2017. Inventory turns at October 31, 2018 were 1.6 compared to 1.5 turns at October 31, 2017.

Capital expenditures were \$5.9 million in fiscal 2018 compared to \$4.4 million in fiscal 2017. Capital expenditures for fiscal 2018 were primarily for software development costs, purchases of factory equipment for production facilities, and purchases of general software and equipment for selling facilities. We funded these expenditures with cash flows from operations.

In December 2012, we entered into a credit agreement (the "2012 Credit Agreement"), which was in effect through the scheduled maturity date of December 31, 2018, when it terminated. Effective as of December 31, 2018, we and our subsidiary Hurco B.V. entered into a new credit agreement (the "2018 Credit Agreement") with Bank of America, N.A., as the lender. The 2018 Credit Agreement is described further below and in Note 4 of the Notes to Consolidated Financial Statements.

On December 6, 2016, we entered into a fourth amendment to the 2012 Credit Agreement to, among other things, increase the unsecured revolving credit facility from \$12.5 million to \$15.0 million, to increase the cash dividend allowance from \$4.0 million per calendar year to \$5.0 million per calendar year, and to extend the scheduled maturity date to December 31, 2018. The 2012 Credit Agreement, as amended, provided for the issuance of up to \$5.0 million in letters of credit. We also amended the 2012 Credit Agreement to increase the minimum working capital and minimum tangible net worth requirements from \$90.0 million to \$105.0 million and \$120.0 million to \$125.0 million, respectively.

Borrowings under the 2012 Credit Agreement bore interest either at a LIBOR–based rate or a floating rate, in each case with an interest rate floor of 0.00%. The floating rate equaled the greatest of (a) a one month LIBOR–based rate plus 1.00% per annum, (b) the federal funds effective rate plus 0.50% per annum, (c) the prevailing prime rate, and (d) 0.00%. The rate we paid for the unutilized portion of the 2012 Credit Agreement was 0.05% per annum.

The 2012 Credit Agreement contained customary financial covenants, including covenants (1) restricting us from making certain investments, loans, advances and acquisitions (but permitting us to make investments in subsidiaries of up to \$5.0 million), (2) requiring that we maintain a minimum working capital of \$105.0 million, and (3) requiring that we maintain a minimum tangible net worth of \$125.0 million. The 2012 Credit Agreement permitted us to pay cash dividends in an amount not to exceed \$5.0 million per calendar year, so long as we were not in default before and after giving effect to such dividends.

The 2018 Credit Agreement provides for an unsecured revolving credit and letter of credit facility in a maximum aggregate amount of \$40.0 million. The 2018 Credit Agreement provides that the maximum amount of outstanding letters of credit at any one time may not exceed \$10.0 million, the maximum amount of outstanding loans made to our subsidiary Hurco B.V. at any one time may not exceed \$20.0 million, and the maximum amount of all outstanding loans denominated in alternative currencies at any one time may not exceed \$20.0 million.

Under the 2018 Credit Agreement, we and Hurco B.V. are borrowers, and certain of our other subsidiaries are guarantors. The scheduled maturity date of the 2018 Credit Agreement is December 31, 2020.

Borrowings under the 2018 Credit Agreement will bear interest at floating rates based on, at our option, either (i) a LIBOR–based rate, or other alternative currency–based rate approved by the lender, plus 0.75% per annum, or (ii) a base rate (which is the highest of (a) the federal funds rate plus 0.50%, (b) the prime rate or (c) the one month LIBOR–based rate plus 1.00%), plus 0.00% per annum. Outstanding letters of credit will carry an annual rate of 0.75%.

The 2018 Credit Agreement contains customary affirmative and negative covenants and events of default, including covenants (1) restricting us from making certain investments, loans, advances and acquisitions (but permitting us to make investments in subsidiaries of up to \$10.0 million); (2) restricting us from making certain payments, including cash dividends, except that we may pay cash dividends as long as immediately before and after giving effect to such payment, the sum of the unused amount of the commitments under the 2018 Credit Agreement plus our cash on hand is not less than \$10.0 million, and as long as we are not in default before and after giving effect to such dividend payments; (3) requiring that we maintain a minimum working capital of \$125.0 million; and (4) requiring that we maintain a minimum tangible net worth of \$170.0 million.

We may use the proceeds from advances under the 2018 Credit Agreement for general corporate purposes.

As of October 31, 2018, we had a £1.0 million revolving credit facility in the United Kingdom and a €1.5 million revolving credit facility in Germany. On February 16, 2017, we amended our credit facility in China to decrease the credit facility from 40.0 million Chinese Yuan to 20.0 million Chinese Yuan (approximately \$2.9 million). On February 14, 2018, we renewed this facility with an expiration date of February 13, 2019. We had \$1.4 million and \$1.5 million of borrowings under our China credit facility as of October 31, 2018 and 2017, respectively. We had no other debt or borrowings under any of our other credit facilities at either of those dates. At October 31, 2018, we were in compliance with the covenants contained in all of our credit facilities and had \$19.4 million of available borrowing capacity under our credit facilities in effect on that date.

In December 2018, in connection with our entry into the 2018 Credit Agreement, (1) using cash on hand, we repaid in full the \$1.4 million outstanding under, and terminated, the China credit facility and (2) we terminated our United Kingdom credit facility. As of December 31, 2018, we retained the €1.5 million revolving credit facility in Germany and the \$40 million revolving credit facility under 2018 Credit Agreement. As of December 31, 2018, there were no borrowings under any of our credit facilities and \$41.7 million of available borrowing capacity thereunder.

We believe our cash position and borrowing capacity under our credit facilities provide adequate liquidity to fund our operations over the next twelve months and allow us to remain committed to our strategic plan of product innovation and targeted penetration of developing markets.

We continue to receive and review information on businesses and assets for potential acquisition, including intellectual property assets that are available for purchase.

Contractual Obligations and Commitments

The following is a table of contractual obligations and commitments as of October 31, 2018 (in thousands):

	Payments Due by Period									
			Less than		1–3		3–5		More than	
	Total		1 Year		Years		Years		5 Years	
Short–term debt	\$ 1,434	\$	1,434	\$	_	\$	_	\$	_	
Operating leases	9,859		3,504		3,863		2,180		312	
Other	6,002		_		808		345		4,849	
Total	\$ 17,295	\$	4,938	\$	4,671	\$	2,525	\$	5,161	

In addition to the contractual obligations and commitments disclosed above, we also have a variety of other obligations for the procurement of materials and services, none of which subject us to any material non–cancelable commitments. While some of these obligations arise under long–term supply agreements, we are not committed under these agreements to accept or pay for requirements that are not needed to meet our production needs. We have no material minimum purchase commitments or "take–or–pay" type agreements or arrangements. Unrecognized tax benefits in the amount of approximately \$0.2 million, excluding any interest and penalties, have been excluded from the table above because we are unable to determine a reasonably reliable estimate of the timing of future payment.

We expect capital spending in fiscal 2019 to be approximately \$15.3 million, which includes investments for software development, real estate development, factory equipment and production facilities, as well as general software and equipment for selling facilities. We expect to fund a large portion of these commitments with cash on hand and cash generated from operations.

Off Balance Sheet Arrangements

From time to time, our subsidiaries guarantee third party payment obligations in connection with the sale of machines to customers that use financing. We follow Financial Accounting Standards Board ("FASB") guidance for accounting for guarantees (codified in Accounting Standards Codification ("ASC") 460). As of October 31, 2018, we had 23 outstanding third party payment guarantees totaling approximately \$0.6 million. The terms of these guarantees are consistent with the underlying customer financing terms. Upon shipment of a machine, the customer assumes the risk of ownership. The customer does not obtain title, however, until the customer has paid for the machine. A retention of title clause allows us to recover the machine if the customer defaults on the financing. We accrue liabilities under these guarantees at fair value, which amounts are insignificant.

Critical Accounting Policies and Estimates

Our discussion and analysis of financial condition and results of operations is based upon our consolidated financial statements, which have been prepared in accordance with U.S. Generally Accepted Accounting Principles. The preparation of financial statements in conformity with those accounting principles requires us to make judgments and estimates that affect the amounts reported in the consolidated financial statements and accompanying notes. Those judgments and estimates have a significant effect on the financial statements because they result primarily from the need to make estimates about the effects of matters that are inherently uncertain. Actual results could differ from those estimates. Our accounting policies, including those described below, are frequently evaluated as our judgment and estimates are based upon historical experience and on various other assumptions that are believed to be reasonable under the circumstances.

Revenue Recognition — We recognize revenue from sales of our machine tool systems upon delivery of the product to the customer or distributor, which is normally at the time of shipment, because persuasive evidence of an arrangement exists, delivery has occurred, the selling price is fixed and determinable and collectability is reasonably assured. Our computerized machine tools are general purpose computer—controlled machine tools that are typically used in stand—alone operations. Transfer of ownership and risk of loss are not contingent upon contractual customer acceptance. Prior to shipment, we test each machine to ensure the machine's compliance with standard operating specifications.

Depending upon geographic location, after shipment, a machine may be installed at the customer's facilities by a distributor, independent contractor or by one of our service technicians. In most instances where a machine is sold through a distributor, we have no installation involvement. If sales are direct or through sales agents, we will typically complete the machine installation, which consists of the reassembly of certain parts that were removed for shipping and the retesting of the machine to ensure that it is performing within the standard specifications. We consider the machine installation process for our three–axis machines to be inconsequential and perfunctory. We allocate the transaction prices and recognize revenue associated with the installation process for our five–axis machines on a prorata basis over the period of the installation process.

Service fees from maintenance contracts are deferred and recognized in earnings on a pro rata basis over the term of the contract, and are generally sold on a stand—alone basis. Sales related to software upgrades are recognized when shipped in conformity with U.S. Generally Accepted Accounting Principles as promulgated by FASB guidance related to software revenue recognition that requires that at the time of shipment, persuasive evidence of an arrangement exists, delivery has occurred, the selling price is fixed and determinable and collectability is reasonably assured. The software does not require production, modification or customization.

Inventories — We determine at each balance sheet date how much, if any, of our inventory may ultimately prove to be either unsalable or unsalable at its carrying cost. Reserves are established to effectively adjust the carrying value of such inventory to lower of cost (first—in, first—out method) or net realizable value. To determine the appropriate level of valuation reserves, we evaluate current stock levels in relation to historical and expected patterns of demand for all of our products. We evaluate the need for changes to valuation reserves based on market conditions, competitive offerings and other factors on a regular basis.

Income Taxes — We account for income taxes and the related accounts under the asset and liability method. Deferred tax assets and liabilities are measured using enacted income tax rates in each jurisdiction in effect for the year in which the temporary differences are expected to be recovered or settled. These deferred tax assets are reduced by a valuation allowance, which is established when it is more likely than not that some portion or all of the deferred tax assets will not be realized. Our judgment regarding the realization of deferred tax assets may change due to future profitability and market conditions, changes in U.S. or foreign tax laws and other factors. These changes, if any, may require material adjustments to these deferred tax assets and an accompanying reduction or increase in net income in the period when such determinations are made.

The determination of our provision for income taxes requires judgment, the use of estimates and the interpretation and application of complex tax laws. Our provision for income taxes reflects a combination of income earned and taxed at the federal and state level in the U.S., as well as in various foreign jurisdictions.

In December 2017, the Tax Cuts and Jobs Act (the "Tax Reform Act") was enacted. The Tax Reform Act, among other things, lowered the U.S. corporate tax rate from 35% to 21%, implemented a territorial tax system from a worldwide system and imposed a one—time tax on deemed repatriation of earnings of foreign subsidiaries.

As a result of the reduction in the federal corporate income tax rate, we were required to revalue our net deferred tax asset to account for the future impact of lower corporate tax rates on this deferred amount and record any change in the value of such asset as a one—time non—cash charge on our income statement. This resulted in additional expense of \$0.6 million, which was recognized in fiscal 2018. Additionally, the Tax Reform Act required a transition tax on any net accumulated earnings and profits generated by foreign subsidiaries as of the two required measurement dates, November 2, 2017 and December 31, 2017 while providing for future tax—free repatriation of such earnings through a 100% dividends—received deduction. This resulted in a one—time transition tax on the deemed repatriation of net accumulated foreign earnings and profits of \$2.2 million in fiscal 2018, for a total impact of \$2.8 million. As such, as of December 31, 2017, all of the Company's accumulated earnings and profits were deemed repatriated. We have not provided for any U.S. income taxes on the undistributed earnings of our foreign subsidiaries beginning January 1, 2018 based upon our determination that such earnings will be indefinitely reinvested abroad.

In addition to the risks to the effective tax rate described above, the future effective tax rate reflected in forward–looking statements is based on currently effective tax laws. Significant changes in those laws could materially affect these estimates.

We recognize uncertain tax positions when it is more likely than not that the tax position will be sustained upon examination by relevant taxing authorities, based on the technical merits of the position. The amount recognized is measured as the largest amount of benefit that is greater than 50 percent likely of being realized upon ultimate settlement.

Impairment of Long–Lived Assets – We are required periodically to review the recoverability of certain assets, including property, plant and equipment, intangible assets and goodwill, based on projections of anticipated future cash flows, including future profitability assessments of various product lines. We estimate cash flows using internal budgets based on recent sales data.

Capitalized Software Development Costs — Costs incurred to develop computer software products and significant enhancements to software features of existing products are capitalized as required by FASB guidance relating to accounting for the costs of computer software to be sold, leased, or otherwise marketed, and such capitalized costs are amortized over the estimated product life of the related software. The determination as to when in the product development cycle technological feasibility has been established, and the expected product life, require judgments and estimates by management and can be affected by technological developments, innovations by competitors and changes in market conditions affecting demand. We periodically review the carrying values of these assets and make judgments as to ultimate realization considering the above—mentioned risk factors.

Derivative Financial Instruments – Critical aspects of our accounting policy for derivative financial instruments that we designate as hedging instruments include conditions that require that critical terms of a hedging instrument are essentially the same as a hedged forecasted transaction. Another important element of our policy demands that formal documentation be maintained as required by FASB guidance relating to accounting for derivative instruments and hedging activities. Failure to comply with these conditions would result in a requirement to recognize changes in market value of hedge instruments in earnings. We routinely monitor significant estimates, assumptions, and judgments associated with derivative instruments, and compliance with formal documentation requirements.

Stock Compensation – We account for share—based compensation according to FASB guidance relating to share—based payments, which requires the measurement and recognition of compensation expense for all share—based awards made to employees and directors based on estimated fair values on the grant date. This guidance requires that we estimate the fair value of share—based awards on the date of grant and recognize as expense the value of the portion of the award that is ultimately expected to vest over the requisite service period.

Item 7A. QUANTITATIVE AND QUALITATIVE DISCLOSURES ABOUT MARKET RISK

Interest Rate Risk

Interest on borrowings under our bank credit agreements are tied to prevailing domestic and foreign interest rates. At October 31, 2018, we had \$1.4 million of borrowings under our China credit facility. We had no other debt or borrowings under any of our other credit facilities.

Foreign Currency Exchange Risk

In fiscal 2018, we derived approximately 70% of our revenues from customers located outside of the Americas. All of our computerized machine tools and computer control systems, as well as certain proprietary service parts, are sourced by our U.S.—based engineering and manufacturing division and re—invoiced to our foreign sales and service subsidiaries, primarily in their functional currencies.

Our products are sourced from foreign suppliers or built to our specifications by either our wholly—owned subsidiaries in Taiwan, the U.S., Italy and China or an affiliated contract manufacturer in Taiwan. Our purchases are predominantly in foreign currencies and in some cases our arrangements with these suppliers include foreign currency risk sharing agreements, which reduce (but do not eliminate) the effects of currency fluctuations on product costs. The predominant portion of the exchange rate risk associated with our product purchases relates to the New Taiwan Dollar and the Euro.

We enter into foreign currency forward exchange contracts from time to time to hedge the cash flow risk related to forecasted inter—company sales and purchases denominated in, or based on, foreign currencies (primarily the Euro, Pound Sterling, and New Taiwan Dollar). We also enter into foreign currency forward exchange contracts to protect against the effects of foreign currency fluctuations on receivables and payables denominated in foreign currencies. We do not speculate in the financial markets and, therefore, do not enter into these contracts for trading purposes.

Forward contracts for the sale or purchase of foreign currencies as of October 31, 2018, which are designated as cash flow hedges under FASB guidance related to accounting for derivative instruments and hedging activities, were as follows (in thousands, except weighted average forward rates):

	Notional Amount	Weighted Avg.	Contract Amount at Forward Rates in U.S. Dollars		
Forward	in Foreign	Forward	Contract	October 31,	Mat. St. Dates
Contracts	Currency	Rate	Date	2018	Maturity Dates
Sale Contracts:					
Euro	28,650	1.2151	34,812	32,881	Nov 2018 – Oct 2019
Sterling	7,450	1.3519	10,071	9,587	Nov 2018 – Oct 2019
Purchase Contracts:					
New Taiwan Dollar	1,049,000	29.208*	35,914	34,306	Nov 2018 – Oct 2019

^{*}New Taiwan Dollars per U.S. Dollar

Forward contracts for the sale or purchase of foreign currencies as of October 31, 2018, which were entered into to protect against the effects of foreign currency fluctuations on receivables and payables and are not designated as hedges under this guidance denominated in foreign currencies, were as follows (in thousands, except weighted average forward rates):

	Notional Amount	Weighted Avg.		Contract Amount at Forward Rates in U.S. Dollars	
Forward Contracts	in Foreign Currency	Forward Rate	Contract Date	October 31, 2018	Maturity Dates
Sale Contracts:					
Euro	19,246	1.1611	22,347	21,945	Nov 2018 – Jul 2019
South African Rand	6,992	0.0667	466	464	Apr 2019
Purchase Contracts:					
New Taiwan Dollar	1,159,421	30.5528*	37,948	37,567	Nov 2018 – Jan 2019

^{*} New Taiwan Dollars per U.S. Dollar

We are also exposed to foreign currency exchange risk related to our investment in net assets in foreign countries. To manage this risk, we entered into a forward contract with a notional amount of €3.0 million in November 2017. We designated this forward contract as a hedge of our net investment in Euro denominated assets. We selected the forward method under the FASB guidance related to the accounting for derivatives instruments and hedging activities. The forward method requires all changes in the fair value of the contract to be reported as a cumulative translation adjustment, net of tax, in Accumulated other comprehensive loss in the same manner as the underlying hedged net assets. This forward contract matured in November 2018 and we entered into a new forward contract for the same notional amount that is set to mature in November 2019. As of October 31, 2018, we had \$652,000 of realized gains and \$153,000 of unrealized gains, net of tax, recorded as cumulative translation adjustments in Accumulated other comprehensive loss, related to these forward contracts.

Forward contracts designated as net investment hedges under this guidance as of October 31, 2018 were as follows (in thousands, except weighted average forward rates):

	Notional Amount	Weighted Avg.	Contract A Forward Rates i		
Forward Contracts Sale Contracts:	in Foreign Currency	Forward Rate	Contract Date	October 31, 2018	Maturity Date
Euro	3,000	1.2095	3,629	3,397	Nov 2018

Management's Annual Report on Internal Control over Financial Reporting

To the Shareholders and Board of Directors of Hurco Companies, Inc.

Management of Hurco Companies, Inc. (the "Company") has assessed the effectiveness of the Company's internal control over financial reporting as of October 31, 2018, based on criteria established in Internal Control–Integrated Framework issued by the Committee of Sponsoring Organizations of the Treadway Commission (2013 framework) (COSO). Management is responsible for the Company's financial statements, for maintaining effective internal control over financial reporting, and for its assessment of the effectiveness of internal control over financial reporting.

Because of its inherent limitations, the Company's internal control over financial reporting may not prevent or detect misstatements. Also, projections of any evaluation of effectiveness to future periods are subject to the risk that controls may become inadequate because of changes in conditions, or that the degree of compliance with the policies or procedures may deteriorate.

In management's opinion, the Company's internal control over financial reporting as of October 31, 2018, was effective based on the criteria specified above.

Our independent registered public accounting firm, RSM US LLP ("RSM"), which also audited our consolidated financial statements, audited the effectiveness of our internal control over financial reporting as of October 31, 2018. RSM has issued their attestation report, which is included in Part II, Item 8 of this Annual Report on Form 10–K.

/s/ Michael Doar

Michael Doar,

Chairman and Chief Executive Officer

/s/ Sonja K. McClelland

Sonja K. McClelland

Executive Vice President, Secretary, Treasurer and Chief Financial Officer

Indianapolis, Indiana January 4, 2019

Item 8. FINANCIAL STATEMENTS AND SUPPLEMENTARY DATA

Report of Independent Registered Public Accounting Firm

To the Shareholders and Board of Directors of Hurco Companies, Inc.

Opinion on the Financial Statements

We have audited the accompanying consolidated balance sheets of Hurco Companies, Inc. and its subsidiaries (the Company) as of October 31, 2018 and 2017, the related consolidated statements of income, comprehensive income, changes in shareholders' equity and cash flows for the years then ended, and the related notes and schedule listed in Item 15(a) (collectively, the financial statements). In our opinion, the financial statements present fairly, in all material respects, the financial position of the Company as of October 31, 2018 and 2017, and the results of its operations and its cash flows for the years then ended in conformity with accounting principles generally accepted in the United States of America.

We have also audited, in accordance with the standards of the Public Company Accounting Oversight Board (United States) (PCAOB), the Company's internal control over financial reporting as of October 31, 2018, based on criteria established in *Internal Control – Integrated Framework* issued by the Committee of Sponsoring Organizations of the Treadway Commission in 2013, and our report dated January 4, 2019 expressed an unqualified opinion on the effectiveness of the Company's internal control over financial reporting.

Basis for Opinion

These financial statements are the responsibility of the Company's management. Our responsibility is to express an opinion on the Company's financial statements based on our audits. We are a public accounting firm registered with the PCAOB and are required to be independent with respect to the Company in accordance with U.S. federal securities laws and the applicable rules and regulations of the Securities and Exchange Commission and the PCAOB.

We conducted our audits in accordance with the standards of the PCAOB. Those standards require that we plan and perform the audits to obtain reasonable assurance about whether the financial statements are free of material misstatement, whether due to error or fraud. Our audits included performing procedures to assess the risks of material misstatement of the financial statements, whether due to error or fraud, and performing procedures that respond to those risks. Such procedures included examining, on a test basis, evidence regarding the amounts and disclosures in the financial statements. Our audits also included evaluating the accounting principles used and significant estimates made by management, as well as evaluating the overall presentation of the financial statements. We believe that our audits provide a reasonable basis for our opinion.

We have served as the Company's auditor since 2017.

/s/ RSM US LLP

Indianapolis, Indiana January 4, 2019

Report of Independent Registered Public Accounting Firm

To the Shareholders and Board of Directors of Hurco Companies, Inc.

We have audited the accompanying consolidated statements of income, comprehensive income, changes in shareholders' equity and cash flows of Hurco Companies, Inc. for the year ended October 31, 2016. Our audit also included the financial statement schedule listed at Item 15(a) for the year ended October 31, 2016. These financial statements and schedule are the responsibility of the Company's management. Our responsibility is to express an opinion on these financial statements and schedule based on our audit.

We conducted our audit in accordance with the standards of the Public Company Accounting Oversight Board (United States). Those standards require that we plan and perform the audit to obtain reasonable assurance about whether the financial statements are free of material misstatement. An audit includes examining, on a test basis, evidence supporting the amounts and disclosures in the financial statements. An audit also includes assessing the accounting principles used and significant estimates made by management, as well as evaluating the overall financial statement presentation. We believe that our audit provides a reasonable basis for our opinion.

In our opinion, the financial statements referred to above present fairly, in all material respects, the consolidated results of Hurco Companies, Inc.'s operations and its cash flows for the year ended October 31, 2016 in conformity with U.S. generally accepted accounting principles. Also, in our opinion, the related financial statement schedule for the year ended October 31, 2016, when considered in relation to the basic financial statements taken as a whole, presents fairly in all material respects the information set forth therein.

/s/ Ernst & Young LLP

Indianapolis, Indiana
January 6, 2017, except for Note 15, as to which the date is January 5, 2018

Report of Independent Registered Public Accounting Firm

To the Shareholders and Board of Directors of Hurco Companies, Inc.

Opinion on the Internal Control Over Financial Reporting

We have audited Hurco Companies, Inc.'s (the Company) internal control over financial reporting as of October 31, 2018, based on criteria established in Internal Control – Integrated Framework issued by the Committee of Sponsoring Organizations of the Treadway Commission in 2013. In our opinion, the Company maintained, in all material respects, effective internal control over financial reporting as of October 31, 2018, based on criteria established in Internal Control – Integrated Framework issued by the Committee of Sponsoring Organizations of the Treadway Commission in 2013.

We have also audited, in accordance with the standards of the Public Company Accounting Oversight Board (United States) (PCAOB), the consolidated balance sheets of the Company as of October 31, 2018 and 2017, the related consolidated statements of income, comprehensive income, changes in shareholders' equity and cash flows, for the years then ended, and the related notes and schedules listed in Item 15(a) of the Company and our report dated January 4, 2019 expressed an unqualified opinion.

Basis for Opinion

The Company's management is responsible for maintaining effective internal control over financial reporting and for its assessment of the effectiveness of internal control over financial reporting in the accompanying Management's Report on Internal Control over Financial Reporting. Our responsibility is to express an opinion on the Company's internal control over financial reporting based on our audit. We are a public accounting firm registered with the PCAOB and are required to be independent with respect to the Company in accordance with U.S. federal securities laws and the applicable rules and regulations of the Securities and Exchange Commission and the PCAOB.

We conducted our audit in accordance with the standards of the PCAOB. Those standards require that we plan and perform the audit to obtain reasonable assurance about whether effective internal control over financial reporting was maintained in all material respects. Our audit included obtaining an understanding of internal control over financial reporting, assessing the risk that a material weakness exists, and testing and evaluating the design and operating effectiveness of internal control based on the assessed risk. Our audit also included performing such other procedures as we considered necessary in the circumstances. We believe that our audit provides a reasonable basis for our opinion.

Definition and Limitations of Internal Control Over Financial Reporting

A company's internal control over financial reporting is a process designed to provide reasonable assurance regarding the reliability of financial reporting and the preparation of financial statements for external purposes in accordance with generally accepted accounting principles. A company's internal control over financial reporting includes those policies and procedures that (1) pertain to the maintenance of records that, in reasonable detail, accurately and fairly reflect the transactions and dispositions of the assets of the company; (2) provide reasonable assurance that transactions are recorded as necessary to permit preparation of financial statements in accordance with generally accepted accounting principles, and that receipts and expenditures of the company are being made only in accordance with authorizations of management and directors of the company; and (3) provide reasonable assurance regarding prevention or timely detection of unauthorized acquisition, use or disposition of the company's assets that could have a material effect on the financial statements.

Because of its inherent limitations, internal control over financial reporting may not prevent or detect misstatements. Also, projections of any evaluation of effectiveness to future periods are subject to the risk that controls may become inadequate because of changes in conditions, or that the degree of compliance with the policies or procedures may deteriorate.

/s/ RSM US LLP

Indianapolis, Indiana January 4, 2019

HURCO COMPANIES, INC. CONSOLIDATED STATEMENTS OF INCOME

	Year Ended October 31,						
	 2018		2017		2016		
	(In thousar	ıds, exc	ept per shar	e amo	unts)		
Sales and service fees	\$ 300,671	\$	243,667	\$	227,289		
Cost of sales and service	 208,865		173,103		156,849		
Gross profit	91,806		70,564		70,440		
Selling, general and administrative expenses	 58,010		49,661		50,824		
Operating income	33,796		20,903		19,616		
Interest expense	100		91		72		
Interest income	189		41		40		
Investment income	339		138		149		
Income from equity investments	639		505		466		
Other expense, net	 2,367		780		1,314		
Income before income taxes	32,496		20,716		18,885		
Provision for income taxes	 11,006		5,601		5,593		
Net income	\$ 21,490	\$	15,115	\$	13,292		
Income per common share – basic	\$ 3.19	\$	2.27	\$	2.01		
Weighted average common shares outstanding – basic	 6,700		6,615		6,569		
Income per common share – diluted	\$ 3.15	\$	2.25	\$	1.99		
Weighted average common shares outstanding – diluted	 6,771		6,680		6,642		
Dividends paid per share	\$ 0.43	\$	0.39	\$	0.35		

The accompanying notes are an integral part of the consolidated financial statements.

HURCO COMPANIES, INC. CONSOLIDATED STATEMENTS OF COMPREHENSIVE INCOME

	Year Ended October 31,						
	2018			2017		2016	
Net Income	\$	21,490	\$	15,115	\$	13,292	
Other comprehensive income (loss):							
Translation gain (loss) of foreign currency financial statements		(3,183)		4,916		(1,441)	
(Gain) / loss on derivative instruments reclassified into operations, net of tax of \$453, \$(745), and \$(906), respectively		1,355		(1,354)		(1,647)	
Gain / (loss) on derivative instruments, net of tax of \$52, \$(390), and \$787, respectively		155		(709)		1,431	
Total other comprehensive income (loss)		(1,673)		2,853		(1,657)	
Comprehensive income	\$	19,817	\$	17,968	\$	11,635	

The accompanying notes are an integral part of the consolidated financial statements.

HURCO COMPANIES, INC. CONSOLIDATED BALANCE SHEETS

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Property and equipment:	
Land 868	
Building 7,352	7,352
Machinery and equipment 26,840	25,652
Leasehold improvements 3,801	3,503
38,861	37,348
Less accumulated depreciation and amortization (25,902)	(25,167)
Total property and equipment, net	12,181
Non-current assets:	
Software development costs, less accumulated amortization 7,452	6,226
Goodwill 2,377	2,440
Intangible assets, net 938	1,076
Deferred income taxes 2,234	2,339
Investments and other assets, net 8,012	7,131
Total non-current assets 21,013	19,212
Total assets \$ 315,407 \$	277,808
LIABILITIES AND SHAREHOLDERS' EQUITY	
Current liabilities:	
Accounts payable \$ 54,131 \$	45,127
Accounts payable—related parties 3,387	2,511
Accrued payroll and employee benefits 14,032	11,210
Accrued income taxes 5,180	2,362
Accrued expenses and other 4,122	4,668
Accrued warranty expenses 2,497	1,772
Derivative liabilities 2,020	1,732
Short–term debt1,434	1,507
Total current liabilities 86,803	70,889
Non-current liabilities:	
Accrued tax liability 2,194	117
Deferred credits and other 3,557	3,717
Total non-current liabilities 5,751	3,834
Shareholders' equity:	
Preferred stock: no par value per share, 1,000,000 shares authorized, no shares issued	-
Common stock: no par value, \$.10 stated value per share, 12,500,000 shares authorized, 6,891,508 and 6,799,006 shares issued; and 6,723,160 and 6,641,197 shares outstanding, as of October 31, 2018 and October 31, 2017,	
respectively 672	664
Additional paid–in capital 64,185	61,344
Retained earnings 167,859	149,267
Accumulated other comprehensive loss (9,863)	(8,190)
Total shareholders' equity 222,853	203,085
Total liabilities and shareholders' equity \$\frac{315,407}{\$}\$	277,808

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HURCO COMPANIES, INC. CONSOLIDATED STATEMENTS OF CASH FLOWS

	Year Ended October 31,							
		2018	2016					
			(In	thousands)				
Cash flows from operating activities:								
Net income	\$	21,490	\$	15,115 \$	13,292			
Adjustments to reconcile net income to net cash provided by (used for) operating activities, net								
of acquisitions:								
Provision for doubtful accounts		388		(25)	(75)			
Deferred income taxes		(530)		1,108	(225)			
Equity in income of affiliates		(639)		(505)	(466)			
Foreign currency (gain) loss		755		(851)	1,850			
Unrealized (gain) loss on derivatives		456		(411)	393			
Depreciation and amortization		3,713		3,616	3,868			
Stock-based compensation		2,504		1,698	1,607			
Change in assets and liabilities, net of acquisitions:								
(Increase) decrease in accounts receivable		(5,148)		563	(8,141)			
(Increase) decrease in inventories		(20,386)		1,638	(13,881)			
(Increase) decrease in prepaid expenses		710		80	809			
Increase (decrease) in accounts payable		10,788		8,529	(6,001)			
Increase (decrease) in accrued expenses		6,024		627	(90)			
Increase (decrease) in accrued tax liability		2,061		(844)	(30)			
Net change in derivative assets and liabilities		(1,178)		964	(245)			
Other		4		(930)	588			
Net cash provided by (used for) operating activities		21,012		30,372				
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Cash flavor from investing activities								
Cash flows from investing activities:		100			201			
Proceeds from sale of property and equipment		180		(2.101)	264			
Purchase of property and equipment		(3,537)		(2,181)	(1,972)			
Software development costs		(2,326)		(2,264)	(2,205)			
Other investments		233		417	_			
Acquisition of business		(1,156)		<u> </u>	_			
Net cash provided by (used for) investing activities		(6,606)		(4,028)	(3,913)			
Cash flows from financing activities:								
Proceeds from exercise of common stock options		847		534	_			
Dividends paid		(2,898)		(2,590)	(2,310)			
Taxes paid related to net settlement of restricted shares		(502)		(295)	(146)			
Net cash provided by (used for) financing activities		(2,553)		(2,351)	(2,456)			
Effect of exchange rate changes on cash and cash equivalents		(990)		1,097	(934)			
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Net increase (decrease) in cash and cash equivalents		10,863		25,090	(14,020)			
The mercuse (decrease) in cash and cash equivalents		10,005		25,050	(11,020)			
Cash and cash equivalents at beginning of year		66,307		41,217	55,237			
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Cash and Cash equivalents at end of year	\$	77,170	\$	66,307 \$	41,217			
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Supplemental disclosures:								
Cash paid for:	ф		Ф	22 *	= 6			
Interest	\$	64	\$	66 \$	56			
Income taxes, net	\$	6,172	\$	4,867 \$	4,328			

 $\label{the consolidated financial statements.}$ The accompanying notes are an integral part of the consolidated financial statements.}

HURCO COMPANIES, INC. CONSOLIDATED STATEMENTS OF CHANGES IN SHAREHOLDERS' EQUITY

(In thousands, except shares outstanding)	Common Stock Shares Outstanding		Common Stock Amount		Additional Paid–In Capital		Retained Earnings	_	Accumulated Other Comprehensive Loss		Total
Balances, October 31, 2015	6,551,718	\$	655	\$	57,539	\$	125,760	\$	(9,386)	\$	174,568
Net income	_		-		-		13,292		-		13,292
Other comprehensive income (loss)	_		-		_		-		(1,657)		(1,657)
Stock-based compensation expense	21,385		2		1,605		-		-		1,607
Tax benefit (expense) from stock option											
activities	_		-		(25)		-		_		(25)
Dividends paid			_		<u> </u>		(2,310)		_		(2,310)
Balances, October 31, 2016					=0.440		100 = 10		(44.040)		
Balances, October 31, 2010	6,573,103	\$	657	\$	59,119	\$	136,742	\$	(11,043)	\$	185,475
Net income							15,115				15,115
Other comprehensive income (loss)	=		=		=		13,113		2,853		2,853
Exercise of common stock options	29,164		3		531		_		2,033		534
Stock–based compensation expense	38,930		1		1,694		_				1,698
Dividends paid	30,330		4		1,034		(2,590)				(2,590)
Dividends paid		_			<u> </u>	_	(2,390)	_	<u> </u>	_	(2,390)
Balances, October 31, 2017	6,641,197	\$	664	\$	61,344	\$	149,267	\$	(8,190)	\$	203,085
Net income	_		-		_		21,490		_		21,490
Other comprehensive income (loss)	_		-		_		_		(1,673)		(1,673)
Exercise of common stock options	41,680		4		843		-		` -		847
Stock-based compensation expense, net of taxes withheld for vested restricted											
shares	40,283		4		1,998		-		-		2,002
Dividends paid			_		_		(2,898)		_		(2,898)
Balances, October 31, 2018	6 722 100	¢	670	¢	CA 10F	¢	167 050	¢	(0 റോ)	¢	222.052
Datances, October 51, 2010	6,723,160	Þ	672	\$	64,185	\$	167,859	\$	(9,863)	Þ	222,853

 $\label{the consolidated financial statements.}$ The accompanying notes are an integral part of the consolidated financial statements.}

1. SUMMARY OF SIGNIFICANT ACCOUNTING POLICIES

Consolidation. The consolidated financial statements include the accounts of Hurco Companies, Inc. (an Indiana corporation) and its wholly—owned subsidiaries. We have a 35% ownership interest in a Taiwan affiliate that is accounted for using the equity method. Our investment in that affiliate was approximately \$4.0 million and \$3.6 million as of October 31, 2018 and 2017, respectively. That investment is included in Investments and other assets, net on the accompanying Consolidated Balance Sheets. Intercompany accounts and transactions have been eliminated.

Reclassifications. Certain prior year amounts have been reclassified to conform to current year presentation. This reclassification has no impact on previously reported net income or shareholders' equity.

Statements of Cash Flows. We consider all highly liquid investments with a stated maturity at the date of purchase of three months or less to be cash equivalents. Cash flows from hedges are classified consistent with the items being hedged.

Translation of Foreign Currencies. All balance sheet accounts of non–U.S. subsidiaries are translated at the exchange rate as of the end of the year and translation adjustments of foreign currency balance sheets are recorded as a component of Accumulated other comprehensive loss in shareholders' equity. Income and expenses are translated at the average exchange rates during the year. Cumulative foreign currency translation adjustments, net of gains related to our net investment hedges, as of October 31, 2018 were a net loss of \$10.6 million and are included in Accumulated other comprehensive loss. Foreign currency transaction gains and losses are recorded as income or expense as incurred and are recorded in Other expense, net.

Hedging. We are exposed to certain market risks relating to our ongoing business operations, including foreign currency risk, interest rate risk and credit risk. We manage our exposure to these and other market risks through regular operating and financing activities. Currently, the only risk that we manage through the use of derivative instruments is foreign currency risk.

We operate on a global basis and are exposed to the risk that our financial condition, results of operations and cash flows could be adversely affected by changes in foreign currency exchange rates. To reduce the potential effects of foreign exchange rate movements on our net equity investment in one of our foreign subsidiaries, and the gross profit and net earnings of certain of our foreign subsidiaries, we enter into derivative financial instruments in the form of foreign exchange forward contracts with a major financial institution. We are primarily exposed to foreign currency exchange rate risk with respect to transactions and net assets denominated in Euros, Pounds Sterling, Indian Rupee, South African Rand, Singapore Dollars, Chinese Yuan, Polish Zloty, and New Taiwan Dollars.

We account for derivative instruments as either assets or liabilities and carry them at fair value. The accounting for changes in the fair value of a derivative depends on the intended use of the derivative and the resulting designation. For derivative instruments designated as a fair value hedge, the gain or loss is recognized in earnings in the period of change together with the offsetting loss or gain on the hedged item attributed to the risk being hedged. For a derivative instrument designated as a cash flow hedge, the effective portion of the derivative's gain or loss is initially reported as a component of Accumulated other comprehensive loss in shareholders' equity and subsequently reclassified into earnings when the hedged exposure affects earnings. The ineffective portion of the gain or loss is reported in earnings immediately.

For derivative instruments that are not designated as accounting hedges under the Derivatives and Hedging Topic of the Financial Accounting Standards Board (FASB guidance), changes in fair value are recognized in earnings in the period of change. We do not hold or issue derivative financial instruments for speculative trading purposes. We only enter into derivatives with one counterparty, which is among one of the largest U.S. banks (ranked by assets), in order to minimize credit risk and, to date, that counterparty has not failed to meet its financial obligations under such contracts.

Derivatives Designated as Hedging Instruments

We enter into foreign currency forward exchange contracts periodically to hedge certain forecasted inter—company sales and purchases denominated in foreign currencies (the Pound Sterling, Euro and New Taiwan Dollar). The purpose of these instruments is to mitigate the risk that the U.S. Dollar net cash inflows and outflows resulting from sales and purchases denominated in foreign currencies will be adversely affected by changes in exchange rates. These forward contracts have been designated as cash flow hedge instruments, and are recorded in the Consolidated Balance Sheets at fair value in Derivative assets and Derivative liabilities. The effective portion of the gains and losses resulting from the changes in the fair value of these hedge contracts are deferred in Accumulated other comprehensive loss and recognized as an adjustment to Cost of sales and service in the period that the corresponding inventory sold that is the subject of the related hedge contract is recognized, thereby providing an offsetting economic impact against the corresponding change in the U.S. Dollar value of the inter—company sale or purchase being hedged. The ineffective portion of gains and losses resulting from the changes in the fair value of these hedge contracts is reported in Other expense, net immediately. We perform quarterly assessments of hedge effectiveness by verifying and documenting the critical terms of the hedge instrument and determining that forecasted transactions have not changed significantly. We also assess on a quarterly basis whether there have been adverse developments regarding the risk of a counterparty default.

We had forward contracts outstanding as of October 31, 2018, in Euros, Pounds Sterling and New Taiwan Dollars with set maturity dates ranging from November 2018 through October 2019. The contract amount at forward rates in U.S. Dollars at October 31, 2018 for Euros and Pounds Sterling was \$32.9 million and \$9.6 million, respectively. The contract amount at forward rates in U.S. Dollars for New Taiwan Dollars was \$34.3 million at October 31, 2018. At October 31, 2018, we had approximately \$156,000 of gains, net of tax, related to cash flow hedges deferred in Accumulated other comprehensive loss. Of this amount, \$605,000 represented unrealized gains, net of tax, related to cash flow hedge instruments that remain subject to currency fluctuation risk. The majority of these deferred gains will be recorded as an adjustment to Cost of sales and service in periods through October 2019, in which the corresponding inventory that is the subject of the related hedge contract is sold, as described above.

We are exposed to foreign currency exchange risk related to our investment in net assets in foreign countries. To manage this risk, we entered into a forward contract with a notional amount of €3.0 million in November 2017. We designated this forward contract as a hedge of our net investment in Euro denominated assets. We selected the forward method under the FASB guidance related to the accounting for derivatives instruments and hedging activities. The forward method requires all changes in the fair value of the contract to be reported as a cumulative translation adjustment, net of tax, in Accumulated other comprehensive loss in the same manner as the underlying hedged net assets. This forward contract matured in November 2018 and we entered into a new forward contract for the same notional amount that is set to mature in November 2019. As of October 31, 2018, we had a realized gain of \$652,000 and an unrealized gain of \$153,000, net of tax, recorded as cumulative translation adjustments in Accumulated other comprehensive loss, related to these forward contracts.

Derivatives Not Designated as Hedging Instruments

We enter into foreign currency forward exchange contracts to protect against the effects of foreign currency fluctuations on receivables and payables denominated in foreign currencies. These derivative instruments are not designated as hedges under FASB guidance and, as a result, changes in their fair value are reported currently as Other expense, net in the Consolidated Statements of Income consistent with the transaction gain or loss on the related receivables and payables denominated in foreign currencies.

We had forward contracts outstanding as of October 31, 2018, in Euros, South African Rand and New Taiwan Dollars with set maturity dates ranging from November 2018 through July 2019. The contract amounts at forward rates in U.S. Dollars at October 31, 2018 for Euros and South African Rand totaled \$22.4 million. The contract amount at forward rates in U.S. Dollars for New Taiwan Dollars was \$37.6 million at October 31, 2018.

Fair Value of Derivative Instruments

We recognize the fair value of derivative instruments as assets and liabilities on a gross basis on our Consolidated Balance Sheets. As of October 31, 2018 and October 31, 2017, all derivative instruments were recorded at fair value on the balance sheets as follows (in thousands):

	201	2018			2017					
	Balance Sheet		Fair	Balance Sheet		Fair				
Derivatives	Location	Value		Value Location		Value				
Designated as Hedging Instruments:				_						
Foreign exchange forward contracts	Derivative assets	\$	2,654	Derivative assets	\$	305				
Foreign exchange forward contracts	Derivative liabilities	\$	1,616	Derivative liabilities	\$	1,508				
Not Designated as Hedging Instruments:										
Foreign exchange forward contracts	Derivative assets	\$	431	Derivative assets	\$	291				
Foreign exchange forward contracts	Derivative liabilities	\$	404	Derivative liabilities	\$	224				

Effect of Derivative Instruments on the Consolidated Balance Sheets, Statements of Changes in Shareholders' Equity and Statements of Income

Derivative instruments had the following effects on our Consolidated Balance Sheets, Statements of Changes in Shareholders' Equity and Statements of Income, net of tax, during the fiscal years ended October 31, 2018, 2017, and 2016 (in thousands):

Derivatives		Oth	Reco er C	ognized i	red in Reclassified from Reclassified from Other Comprehensive Other Comprehensive				clas r Co	of Gain (Loss) sified from omprehensive ne (Loss)			
		2018		2017		2016			2018	2017			2016
Designated as Hedging Instruments:	_					_						'	·
(Effective Portion)													
Foreign exchange forward contracts							Cost of sales						
 Intercompany sales/purchases 	\$	155	\$	(709)	\$	1,431	and service	\$	(1,355)	\$	1,354	\$	1,647
Foreign exchange forward contract													
 Net Investment 	\$	136	\$	(96)	\$	28							

We did not recognize any gains or losses as a result of hedges deemed ineffective during fiscal 2018. We recognized a gain of \$18,000 during the fiscal year ended October 31, 2017 and a gain of \$18,000 during the fiscal year ended October 31, 2016 as a result of contracts closed early that were deemed ineffective for financial reporting and did not qualify as cash flow hedges.

We recognized the following gains and losses in our Consolidated Statements of Income during the fiscal years ended October 31, 2018, 2017, and 2016 on derivative instruments not designated as hedging instruments (in thousands):

	Location of Gain (Loss)		An	nour	nt of Gain (Lo	ss)		
Derivatives	Recognized in Operations	Recognized in Operations						
	<u> </u>		2018		2017		2016	
Not Designated as Hedging Instruments:								
Foreign exchange forward contracts	Other expense, net	\$	(963)	\$	(1,001)	\$	536	

The following table presents the changes in the components of Accumulated other comprehensive loss, net of tax, for the fiscal years ended October 31, 2018 and 2017 (in thousands):

	Foreign Currency			Cash Flow	
	Γ	ranslation		Hedges	Total
Balance, October 31, 2016	\$	(12,325)	\$	1,282	\$ (11,043)
Other comprehensive income (loss) before reclassifications		4,916		(709)	4,207
Reclassifications		_		(1,354)	(1,354)
Balance, October 31, 2017	\$	(7,409)	\$	(781)	\$ (8,190)
Other comprehensive income (loss) before reclassifications		(3,183)		155	(3,028)
Reclassifications		_		1,355	1,355
Balance, October 31, 2018	\$	(10,592)	\$	729	\$ (9,863)

Inventories. Inventories are stated at the lower of cost or net realizable value, with cost determined using the first—in, first—out method. Provisions are made to reduce excess or obsolete inventories to their estimated realizable value.

Property and Equipment. Property and equipment are carried at cost. Depreciation and amortization of assets are provided primarily under the straight–line method over the shorter of the estimated useful lives or the lease terms as follows:

	Number of Years_
Land	Indefinite
Building	40
Machines	7 - 10
Shop and office equipment	3 – 7
Building & leasehold improvements	3 - 40

Total depreciation and amortization expense recognized for property and equipment was \$2.5 million for each of the fiscal years ended October 31, 2018, 2017 and 2016.

Revenue Recognition. We recognize revenue from sales of our machine tool systems upon delivery of the product to the customer or distributor, which is normally at the time of shipment, because persuasive evidence of an arrangement exists, delivery has occurred, the selling price is fixed and determinable and collectability is reasonably assured. Our computerized machine tools are general purpose computer controlled machine tools that are typically used in standalone operations. Transfer of ownership and risk of loss are not contingent upon contractual customer acceptance. Prior to shipment, we test each machine to ensure the machine's compliance with standard operating specifications.

Depending upon geographic location, after shipment, a machine may be installed at the customer's facilities by a distributor, independent contractor or by one of our service technicians. In most instances where a machine is sold through a distributor, we have no installation involvement. If sales are direct or through sales agents, we will typically complete the machine installation, which consists of the reassembly of certain parts that were removed for shipping and the retesting of the machine to ensure that it is performing within the standard specifications. We consider the machine installation process for our three–axis machines to be inconsequential and perfunctory. We allocate the transaction prices and recognize revenue associated with the installation process for our five–axis machines on a prorata basis over the period of the installation process.

Service fees from maintenance contracts are deferred and recognized in earnings on a prorata basis over the term of the contract, and are generally sold on a stand–alone basis.

Sales related to software upgrades are recognized when shipped in conformity with U.S. Generally Accepted Accounting Principles as promulgated by FASB guidance related to software revenue recognition that requires at the time of shipment, persuasive evidence of an arrangement exists, delivery has occurred, the selling price is fixed and determinable and collectability is reasonably assured. The software does not require production, modification or customization.

Allowance for Doubtful Accounts. The allowance for doubtful accounts is based on our best estimate of probable credit issues and historical experience. We perform credit evaluations of the financial condition of our customers. No collateral is required for sales made on open account terms. Concentrations of credit risk with respect to accounts receivable are limited due to the large number of customers comprising our customer base and their dispersion across many geographic areas. We consider trade accounts receivable to be past due when payment is not made by the due date as specified on the customer invoice, and we charge off uncollectible balances when all reasonable collection efforts have been exhausted.

Product Warranty. Expected future product warranty claims are recorded to expense when the product is sold. Product warranty estimates are established using historical information about the nature, frequency, and average cost of warranty claims. Warranty claims are influenced by factors such as new product introductions, technological developments, the competitive environment, and the costs of component parts. Actual payments for warranty claims could differ from the amounts estimated requiring adjustments to the liabilities in future periods. See Note 11 of Notes to Consolidated Financial Statements for further discussion of warranties.

Research and Development Costs. The costs associated with research and development programs for new products and significant product improvements, other than software development costs which are eligible for capitalization per FASB guidance, are expensed as incurred and are included in Selling, general and administrative expenses. Research and development expenses totaled \$4.7 million, \$4.2 million, and \$4.9 million, in fiscal 2018, 2017, and 2016, respectively.

Software Development Costs. We sell software products that are essential to our machine tools. Costs incurred to develop computer software products and significant enhancements to software features of existing products to be sold or otherwise marketed are capitalized, after technological feasibility is established. Software development costs are amortized on a straight–line basis over the estimated product life of the related software, which ranges from three to five years. We capitalized costs of \$2.3 million in fiscal 2018, \$2.3 million in fiscal 2017, and \$2.2 million in fiscal 2016 related to software development projects. Amortization expense for software development costs was \$1.1 million, \$1.0 million, and \$1.2 million, for the fiscal years ended October 31, 2018, 2017, and 2016, respectively. Accumulated amortization at October 31, 2018 and 2017 was \$18.5 million and \$17.4 million, respectively.

Estimated amortization expense for the remaining unamortized software development costs for the fiscal years ending October 31, is as follows (in thousands):

Fiscal Year	Amortization Expense
2019	1,000
2020	1,300
2021	1,500
2022	1,400
2023	1,050

Goodwill and Intangible Assets. Goodwill and indefinite-lived intangibles arising from a business combination are not amortized and charged to expense over time. Instead, goodwill and indefinite-lived intangibles must be reviewed annually for impairment, or more frequently, if circumstances arise indicating potential impairment. This impairment review was most recently completed as of July 31, 2018. For goodwill, if the carrying amount of the reporting unit containing the goodwill exceeds the fair value of that reporting unit, an impairment loss is recognized to the extent the "implied fair value" of the reporting unit goodwill is less than the carrying amount of the goodwill. For indefinite-lived intangible assets, if the carrying amount exceeds the fair value, an impairment loss is recognized in an amount equal to that excess. Intangible assets that are determined to have a finite life are amortized over their estimated useful lives and are also subject to review for impairment, if indicators of impairment are identified.

There were no impairments recognized with respect to the carrying value of goodwill or intangible assets for the years ended October 31, 2018, 2017 or 2016.

As of October 31, 2018, the balances of intangible assets, other than goodwill, were as follows (in thousands):

	Weighted Average Amortization Period	Gross Intangible Assets	Accumulated Amortization	No	et Intangible Assets
Tradenames and trademarks	indefinite	\$ 60	\$ 	\$	60
Tradenames and trademarks	13 years	238	(98)		140
Customer relationships	15 years	255	(148)		107
Technology	13 years	692	(284)		408
Patents	6 years	2,973	(2,790)		183
Other	8 years	377	(337)		40
Total		\$ 4,595	\$ (3,657)	\$	938

As of October 31, 2017, the balances of intangible assets, other than goodwill, were as follows (in thousands):

	Weighted					
	Average	Gross				
	Amortization	Intangible	Acc	cumulated	Ne	t Intangible
	Period	Assets	Am	ortization		Assets
Tradenames and trademarks	indefinite	\$ 60	\$		\$	60
Tradenames and trademarks	13 years	245		(81)		164
Customer relationships	15 years	257		(132)		125
Technology	13 years	713		(239)		474
Patents	6 years	2,973		(2,765)		208
Other	8 years	378		(333)		45
Total		\$ 4,626	\$	(3,550)	\$	1,076

Intangible asset amortization expense was \$107,000, \$136,000, and \$137,000 for fiscal 2018, 2017 and 2016, respectively. Annual intangible asset amortization expense is estimated to be \$117,000 per year for fiscal years 2019 through 2023.

Impairment of Long–Lived Assets. Annually, or when there are indicators of impairment, we evaluate the carrying value of long–lived assets to be held and used, including property and equipment, software development costs and intangible assets, including goodwill, when events or circumstances warrant such a review. The carrying value of a long–lived asset (or group of assets) to be held and used is considered impaired when the anticipated separately identifiable undiscounted cash flows from such an asset (or group of assets) are less than the carrying value of the asset (or group of assets) in accordance with FASB guidance related to accounting for the impairment or disposal of long–lived assets.

Earnings Per Share. Basic earnings per share is calculated by dividing net income by the weighted—average number of common shares actually outstanding during the period. Diluted earnings per share assumes the issuance of additional shares of common stock upon exercise of all outstanding stock options and contingently issuable securities if the effect is dilutive, in accordance with the treasury stock method discussed in FASB guidance on "Earnings Per Share."

The following table presents a reconciliation of our basic and diluted earnings per share computation:

					I	Fiscal Year En	ded	October 31,				
(in thousands, except per share amounts)		2018				2017			2016			
		Basic		Diluted		Basic		Diluted		Basic		Diluted
Net income	\$	21,490	\$	21,490	\$	15,115	\$	15,115	\$	13,292	\$	13,292
Undistributed earnings allocated to												
participating shares		(132)		(132)		(100)		(100)		(76)		(76)
Net income applicable to common												,
Shareholders	\$	21,358	\$	21,358	\$	15,015	\$	15,015	\$	13,216	\$	13,216
Weighted average shares outstanding		6,700		6,700		6,615		6,615		6,569		6,569
Stock options and contingently issuable												
securities		_		71		_		65		_		73
		6,700		6,771		6,615		6,680		6,569		6,642
Income per share	\$	3.19	\$	3.15	\$	2.27	\$	2.25	\$	2.01	\$	1.99

Income Taxes — We account for income taxes and the related accounts under the asset and liability method. Deferred tax assets and liabilities are measured using enacted income tax rates in each jurisdiction in effect for the year in which the temporary differences are expected to be recovered or settled. These deferred tax assets are reduced by a valuation allowance, which is established when it is more likely than not that some portion or all of the deferred tax assets will not be realized. Our judgment regarding the realization of deferred tax assets may change due to future profitability and market conditions, changes in U.S. or foreign tax laws and other factors. These changes, if any, may require material adjustments to these deferred tax assets and an accompanying reduction or increase in net income in the period when such determinations are made.

The determination of our provision for income taxes requires judgment, the use of estimates and the interpretation and application of complex tax laws. Our provision for income taxes reflects a combination of income earned and taxed at the federal and state level in the U.S., as well as in various foreign jurisdictions.

In December 2017, the Tax Cuts and Jobs Act (the "Tax Reform Act") was enacted. The Tax Reform Act, among other things, lowered the U.S. corporate tax rate from 35% to 21%, implemented a territorial tax system from a worldwide system and imposed a one—time tax on deemed repatriation of earnings of foreign subsidiaries.

As a result of the reduction in the federal corporate income tax rate, we were required to revalue our net deferred tax asset to account for the future impact of lower corporate tax rates on this deferred amount and record any change in the value of such asset as a one–time non–cash charge on its income statement. This resulted in additional expense of \$0.6 million. Additionally, the Tax Reform Act required a transition tax on any net accumulated earnings and profits generated by foreign subsidiaries as of the two required measurement dates, November 2, 2017 and December 31, 2017 while providing for future tax–free repatriation of such earnings through a 100% dividends–received deduction. This resulted in a one–time transition tax on the deemed repatriation of net accumulated foreign earnings and profits of \$2.2 million, for a total impact of \$2.8 million. As such, as of December 31, 2017, all of the Company's accumulated earnings and profits are deemed repatriated. We have not provided for any U.S. income taxes on the undistributed earnings of our foreign subsidiaries beginning January 1, 2018 based upon our determination that such earnings will be indefinitely reinvested abroad.

In addition to the risks to the effective tax rate described above, the future effective tax rate reflected in forward–looking statements is based on currently effective tax laws. Significant changes in those laws could materially affect these estimates.

We recognize uncertain tax positions when it is more likely than not that the tax position will be sustained upon examination by relevant taxing authorities, based on the technical merits of the position. The amount recognized is measured as the largest amount of benefit that is greater than 50 percent likely of being realized upon ultimate settlement.

Stock Compensation. We account for share—based compensation according to FASB guidance relating to share—based payments, which requires the measurement and recognition of compensation expense for all share—based awards made to employees and directors based on estimated fair values on the grant date. This guidance requires that we estimate the fair value of share—based awards on the date of grant and recognize as expense the value of the portion of the award that is ultimately expected to vest over the requisite service period.

Estimates. The preparation of financial statements in conformity with U.S. Generally Accepted Accounting Principles requires us to make estimates and assumptions that affect the reported amounts presented and disclosed in our consolidated financial statements. Significant estimates and assumptions in these consolidated financial statements require the exercise of judgment and are used for, but not limited to, allowance for doubtful accounts, estimates of future cash flows and other assumptions associated with goodwill, intangible and long—lived asset impairment tests, useful lives for depreciation and amortization, warranty programs, stock compensation, income taxes and deferred tax valuation allowances, and contingencies. Due to the inherent uncertainty involved in making estimates, actual results reported in future periods may be different from these estimates.

2. BUSINESS OPERATIONS

Nature of Business. We design, manufacture and sell computerized CNC machine tools, computer control systems and software products, machine tool components, software options, control upgrades, accessories and replacement parts for our products, as well as customer service and training and applications support, to companies in the metal cutting industry through a worldwide sales, service and distribution network. The machine tool industry is highly cyclical and changes in demand can occur abruptly in the geographic markets we serve. As a result of this cyclicality, we have experienced significant fluctuations in our sales, which, in periods of reduced demand, have adversely affected our results of operations and financial condition.

The end market for our products consists primarily of precision tool, die and mold manufacturers, independent job shops, and specialized short—run production applications within large manufacturing operations. Industries served include: aerospace, defense, medical equipment, energy, automotive/transportation, electronics and computer industries. Our products are sold principally through more than 173 independent agents and distributors throughout the Americas, Europe and Asia. We also have our own direct sales and service organizations in China, France, Germany, India, Italy, Poland, Singapore, South Africa, Taiwan, the United Kingdom, and certain areas of the United States.

Credit Risk. We sell products to customers located throughout the world. We perform ongoing credit evaluations of customers and generally do not require collateral. Allowances are maintained for potential credit losses. Concentration of credit risk with respect to trade accounts receivable is limited due to the large number of customers and their dispersion across many geographic areas. Although a significant amount of trade receivables are with distributors primarily located in the United States, no single distributor or region represents a significant concentration of credit risk.

Manufacturing Risk. At present, our wholly—owned subsidiaries, Hurco Manufacturing Limited ("HML"), Ningbo Hurco Machine Tool Co., Ltd. ("NHML") and Milltronics USA, Inc. ("Milltronics") produce the vast majority of our machine tools for all three brands, Hurco, Milltronics and Takumi. In addition, we manufacture electro—mechanical components and accessories for machine tools through our wholly—owned subsidiary, LCM Precision Technology S.r.l. ("LCM"). HML, NHML, Milltronics and LCM manufacture their products in Taiwan, China, the U.S. and Italy, respectively. Any interruption in manufacturing at any of these locations would have an adverse effect on our financial operating results. Interruption in manufacturing at one of these locations could result from a change in the political environment or a natural disaster, such as trade wars or tariffs, or an earthquake, typhoon, or tsunami. Any interruption with one of our key suppliers may also have an adverse effect on our operating results and our financial condition.

3. INVENTORIES

Inventories as of October 31, 2018 and 2017 are summarized below (in thousands):

	2018	2017	
Purchased parts and sub–assemblies	\$ 38,303	\$ 33,045	
Work–in–process	22,786	20,008	
Finished goods	 76,520	66,895	
	\$ 137,609	\$ 119,948	

Finished goods inventory consigned to our distributors and agents throughout the Americas, Europe and Asia was \$9.9 million and \$12.1 million as of October 31, 2018 and 2017, respectively.

4. CREDIT AGREEMENTS AND BORROWINGS

On December 7, 2012, we entered into an agreement, which was subsequently amended on May 9, 2014, June 5, 2014, December 5, 2014 and December 6, 2016 (as amended, the "2012 Credit Agreement") with JP Morgan Chase Bank, N.A. that provided us with an unsecured revolving credit and letter of credit facility. The 2012 Credit Agreement contained customary financial covenants, including covenants (1) restricting us from making certain investments, loans, advances and acquisitions (but permitting us to make investments in subsidiaries of up to \$5.0 million), (2) requiring that we maintain a minimum working capital, and (3) requiring that we maintain a minimum tangible net worth. The 2012 Credit Agreement permitted us to pay certain cash dividends, so long as we were not in default under the 2012 Credit Agreement before and after giving effect to such dividends.

Borrowings under our 2012 Credit Agreement bore interest either at a LIBOR–based rate or a floating rate, in each case with an interest rate floor of 0.00%. The floating rate equaled the greatest of (a) a one month LIBOR–based rate plus 1.00% per annum, (b) the federal funds effective rate plus 0.50% per annum, (c) the prevailing prime rate and (d) 0.00%. The rate we paid for that portion of the 2012 Credit Agreement which was not utilized is 0.05% per annum.

On December 6, 2016, we entered into a fourth amendment to our 2012 Credit Agreement to, among other things, increase the unsecured revolving credit facility from \$12.5 million to \$15.0 million, to increase the cash dividend allowance from \$4.0 million per calendar year to \$5.0 million per calendar year, and to extend the scheduled maturity date to December 31, 2018. The 2012 Credit Agreement, as amended, provided for the issuance of up to \$5.0 million in letters of credit. We also amended the 2012 Credit Agreement to increase the minimum working capital and minimum tangible net worth requirements from \$90.0 million to \$105.0 million and \$120.0 million to \$125.0 million, respectively.

As of October 31, 2018, we had a £1.0 million revolving credit facility in the United Kingdom and a €1.5 million revolving credit facility in Germany. On February 16, 2017, we amended our credit facility in China to decrease the credit facility from 40.0 million Chinese Yuan to 20.0 million Chinese Yuan (approximately \$2.9 million). On February 14, 2018, we renewed this facility with an expiration date of February 13, 2019. We had \$1.4 million and \$1.5 million of borrowings under our China credit facility as of October 31, 2018 and 2017, respectively. We had no other debt or borrowings under any of our other credit facilities at either of those dates. At October 31, 2018, we had \$19.4 million of available borrowing capacity under our credit facilities in effect on that date.

Effective as of December 31, 2018, we and our subsidiary Hurco B.V. entered into a new credit agreement (the "2018 Credit Agreement") with Bank of America, N.A., as the lender. The 2018 Credit Agreement replaced the 2012 Credit Agreement, which terminated on December 31, 2018. The 2018 Credit Agreement provides for an unsecured revolving credit and letter of credit facility in a maximum aggregate amount of \$40.0 million. The 2018 Credit Agreement provides that the maximum amount of outstanding letters of credit at any one time may not exceed \$10.0 million, the maximum amount of outstanding loans made to our subsidiary Hurco B.V. at any one time may not exceed \$20.0 million, and the maximum amount of all outstanding loans denominated in alternative currencies at any one time may not exceed \$20.0 million.

Under the 2018 Credit Agreement, we and Hurco B.V. are borrowers, and certain of our other subsidiaries are guarantors. The scheduled maturity date of the 2018 Credit Agreement is December 31, 2020.

Borrowings under the 2018 Credit Agreement will bear interest at floating rates based on, at our option, either (i) a LIBOR–based rate, or other alternative currency–based rate approved by the lender, plus 0.75% per annum, or (ii) a base rate (which is the highest of (a) the federal funds rate plus 0.50%, (b) the prime rate or (c) the one month LIBOR–based rate plus 1.00%), plus 0.00% per annum. Outstanding letters of credit will carry an annual rate of 0.75%.

The 2018 Credit Agreement contains customary affirmative and negative covenants and events of default, including covenants (1) restricting us from making certain investments, loans, advances and acquisitions (but permitting us to make investments in subsidiaries of up to \$10.0 million); (2) restricting us from making certain payments, including cash dividends, except that we may pay cash dividends as long as immediately before and after giving effect to such payment, the sum of the unused amount of the commitments under the 2018 Credit Agreement plus our cash on hand is not less than \$10.0 million, and as long as we are not in default before and after giving effect to such dividend payments; (3) requiring that we maintain a minimum working capital of \$125.0 million; and (4) requiring that we maintain a minimum tangible net worth of \$170.0 million.

We may use the proceeds from advances under the 2018 Credit Agreement for general corporate purposes.

In December 2018, in connection with our entry into the 2018 Credit Agreement, (1) using cash on hand, we repaid in full the \$1.4 million outstanding under, and terminated, the China credit facility and (2) we terminated our United Kingdom credit facility. As of December 31, 2018, we retained the €1.5 million revolving credit facility in Germany and the \$40 million revolving credit facility under 2018 Credit Agreement. As of December 31, 2018, there were no borrowings under any of our credit facilities and \$41.7 million of available borrowing capacity thereunder.

5. FINANCIAL INSTRUMENTS

Estimated Fair Value of Financial Instruments

FASB fair value guidance establishes a three—tier fair value hierarchy, which categorizes the inputs used in measuring fair value. These tiers include: Level 1, defined as observable inputs, such as quoted prices in active markets; Level 2, defined as inputs other than quoted prices in active markets that are either directly or indirectly observable; and Level 3, defined as unobservable inputs for which little or no market data exists, therefore requiring an entity to develop its own assumptions.

The carrying amounts for cash and cash equivalents approximate their fair values due to the short maturity of these instruments, and such instruments meet the Level 1 criteria of the three—tier fair value hierarchy discussed above. The carrying amount of short—term debt approximates fair value due to the variable rate of the interest and the short term nature of the instrument.

In accordance with this guidance, the following table represents the fair value hierarchy for our financial assets and liabilities measured at fair value as of October 31, 2018 and 2017 (in thousands):

	Assets				Liabi	ilities	
	October 31, 2018		October 31, 2017		October 31, 2018	C	October 31, 2017
<u>Level 1</u>							
Deferred compensation	\$ 1,723	\$	1,638	\$	_	\$	_
Level 2							
Derivatives	\$ 3,085	\$	596	\$	2,020	\$	1,732

Recurring Fair Value Measurements

Included in Level 1 assets are mutual fund investments under a nonqualified deferred compensation plan. We estimate the fair value of these investments on a recurring basis using market prices which are readily available.

Included as Level 2 fair value measurements are derivative assets and liabilities related to gains and losses on foreign currency forward exchange contracts entered into with a third party. We estimate the fair value of these derivatives on a recurring basis using foreign currency exchange rates obtained from active markets. Derivative instruments are reported in the accompanying consolidated financial statements at fair value. We have derivative financial instruments in the form of foreign currency forward exchange contracts as described in Note 1 of Notes

to Consolidated Financial Statements in which the U.S. Dollar equivalent notional amount of these contracts was \$145.2 million and \$134.3 million at October 31, 2018 and 2017, respectively.

The fair value of the foreign currency forward exchange contracts and the related currency positions are subject to offsetting market risk resulting from foreign currency exchange rate volatility. The counterparty to the forward exchange contract is a substantial and creditworthy financial institution. We do not consider either the risk of counterparty non–performance or the economic consequences of counterparty non–performance as material risks.

6. INCOME TAXES

In December 2017, the Tax Reform Act was enacted. The Tax Reform Act, among other things, lowered the U.S. corporate tax rate from 35% to 21%, implemented a territorial tax system from a worldwide system and imposed a one–time tax on deemed repatriation of accumulated earnings and profits of foreign subsidiaries. In fiscal 2018, our U.S. taxable income was taxed at a 23% federal tax rate; thereafter, the 21% rate will apply. During fiscal 2018, we revalued our deferred tax assets to the lower statutory rate of 21%, which resulted in expense of \$596,000. The transition tax, required by the Tax Reform Act was also recorded in fiscal 2018 based on current guidance and available information, adding \$2.2 million to income tax expense. The transition tax is eligible to be paid in unequal installments over 8 years. We plan to make that election.

On December 22, 2017, the United States Securities and Exchange Commission ("SEC") issued Staff Accounting Bulletin No. 118 ("SAB 118"), which provides guidance on accounting for the tax effects of the Tax Reform Act. In accordance with ASC Topic 740, Income Taxes, SAB 118 and available guidance from the SEC, FASB and the U.S. Treasury Department as of October 31, 2018, we have completed our accounting for the income tax effects of the Tax Reform Act with the exception of the provisions related to Global Intangible Low Taxed Income ("GILTI") and Foreign Derived Intangible Income ("FDII").

In the fiscal years set forth below, the provision for income taxes consisted of the following (in thousands):

	Year Ended October 31,					
	 2018 2017			2016		
Current:						
U.S. taxes	\$ 6,333	\$	308	\$	1,362	
Foreign taxes	5,203		4,185		4,456	
	 11,536	-	4,493		5,818	
Deferred:						
U.S. taxes	(326)		1,236		(176)	
Foreign taxes	(204)		(128)		(49)	
	 (530)	-	1,108		(225)	
	\$ 11,006	\$	5,601	\$	5,593	

A comparison of income tax expense at the U.S. statutory rate to the Company's effective tax rate is as follows (dollars in thousands):

	Year Ended October 31,						
		2018	2017			2016	
Income before income taxes:							
Domestic	\$	14,101	\$	5,477	\$	2,703	
Foreign		18,395		15,239		16,182	
	\$	32,496	\$	20,716	\$	18,885	
Tax rates:	-						
U.S. statutory rate		23%		34%		34%	
Effect of tax rate of international jurisdictions different than U.S. statutory rates		2%		(5)%)	(7)%	
Valuation allowance		0%		1%	1%		
State taxes		0%		0%		0%	
Tax Credits		(1)%)	(3)%)	(2)%	
Effect of Tax Rate Changes		4%		0%		4%	
Transition Tax		7%		0%		0%	
Other		(1)%)	0%		(2)%	
Effective tax rate		34%		27%		30%	

We have not provided for any U.S. income taxes on the undistributed earnings of our foreign subsidiaries beginning January 1, 2018 based upon our determination that such earnings will be indefinitely reinvested abroad. Additionally, the Tax Reform Act required a transition tax on any net accumulated earnings and profits generated by foreign subsidiaries as of the two required measurement dates, November 2, 2017 and December 31, 2017 while providing for future tax—free repatriation of such earnings through a 100% dividends—received deduction. As such, as of December 31, 2017, all of the Company's accumulated earnings and profits were deemed repatriated.

Deferred income taxes are determined based on the difference between the amounts used for financial reporting purposes and tax bases of assets and liabilities using enacted tax rates in effect for the year in which the differences are expected to reverse. Deferred taxes are adjusted for changes in tax rates and tax laws when changes are enacted. Valuation allowances are recorded to reduce deferred tax assets when it is more likely than not that a tax benefit will not be realized.

As of October 31, 2018, we had deferred tax assets established for accumulated net operating loss carryforwards of \$1.3 million, primarily related to state and foreign jurisdictions. We also have deferred tax assets for research and development tax credits of \$0.7 million. We have established a valuation allowance against some of these carryforwards due to the uncertainty of their full realization. As of October 31, 2018 and 2017, the balance of this valuation allowance was \$2.1 million and \$2.3 million, respectively.

Significant components of our deferred tax assets and liabilities at October 31, 2018 and 2017 were as follows (in thousands):

		October 31,		
	-	2018		2017
Deferred Tax Assets:		,		
Accrued inventory reserves	\$	1,325	\$	1,965
Accrued warranty expenses		499		438
Compensation related expenses		2,644		2,952
Net derivative instruments		_		417
Unrealized exchange gain/loss		159		_
Other accrued expenses		170		187
Net operating loss carryforwards		1,316		1,722
Other credit carryforwards		686		517
Other		350		404
		7,149		8,602
Less: Valuation allowance – net operating loss and other credit carryforwards		(2,106)		(2,282)
Deferred tax assets		5,043		6,320
Deferred Tax Liabilities:				
Net derivative instruments		(208)		_
Property and equipment and capitalized software development costs		(2,370)		(3,241)
Unrealized exchange gain/loss		_		(116)
Other		(231)		(624)
Net deferred tax assets	\$	2,234	\$	2,339

As of October 31, 2018, we had net operating losses carryforwards for international and U.S. income tax purposes of \$6.1 million, of which \$4.9 million will expire within 5 years beginning in fiscal 2019 and \$1.2 million will expire between 5 and 20 years. We also had tax credits of \$870,000 which will expire between years 2022 and 2029.

A reconciliation of the beginning and ending amount of unrecognized tax benefits, excluding the related accrual for interest or penalties, is as follows (in thousands):

	2018	2017	2016
Balance, beginning of year	\$ 1,101	\$ 1,102	\$ 1,034
Additions based on tax positions related to the current year	37	37	52
Additions (reductions) related to prior year tax positions	(945)	(20)	19
Reductions due to statute expiration	(18)	(74)	_
Other	5	56	(3)
Balance, end of year	\$ 180	\$ 1,101	\$ 1,102

The entire balance of the unrecognized tax benefits and related interest at October 31, 2018, if recognized, could affect the effective tax rate in future periods.

We recognize accrued interest and penalties related to unrecognized tax benefits as components of our income tax provision. As of October 31, 2018, the amount of interest accrued, reported in other liabilities, was approximately \$25,000, which did not include the federal tax benefit of interest deductions. The statute of limitations with respect to unrecognized tax benefits will expire between July 2019 and July 2022.

We file income tax returns in the U.S. federal jurisdiction and various states, local, and non–U.S. jurisdictions. Currently, our Germany subsidiary is under tax audit for the fiscal year 2013 to 2016.

A summary of open tax years by major jurisdiction is presented below:

United States federal Fiscal 2015 through the current period Germany¹ Fiscal 2013 through the current period Taiwan Fiscal 2015 through the current period

7. EMPLOYEE BENEFITS

We have defined contribution plans that include a majority of our employees, under which our matching contributions are primarily discretionary. The purpose of these plans is generally to provide additional financial security during retirement by providing employees with an incentive to save throughout their employment. Our contributions and related expense totaled \$1.2 million, \$1.1 million, and \$1.1 million, for the fiscal years ended October 31, 2018, 2017 and 2016, respectively.

8. STOCK-BASED COMPENSATION

In March 2016, we adopted the Hurco Companies, Inc. 2016 Equity Incentive Plan (the "2016 Equity Plan"), which allows us to grant awards of stock options, stock appreciation rights, restricted stock, stock units and other stock—based awards. The 2016 Equity Plan replaced the Hurco Companies, Inc. 2008 Equity Incentive Plan (the "2008 Plan") and is the only active plan under which equity awards may be made by us to our employees and non–employee directors. No further awards will be made under our 2008 Plan. The total number of shares of our common stock that may be issued pursuant to awards under the 2016 Equity Plan is 856,048, which includes 386,048 shares remaining available for future grants under the 2008 Plan as of March 10, 2016, the date our shareholders approved the 2016 Equity Plan.

The Compensation Committee of our Board of Directors has the authority to determine the officers, directors and key employees who will be granted awards under the 2016 Equity Plan; designate the number of shares subject to each award; determine the terms and conditions upon which awards will be granted; and prescribe the form and terms of award agreements. We have granted restricted shares and performance units under the 2016 Equity Plan that are currently outstanding, and we have granted stock options, restricted shares and performance shares under the 2008 Plan that are currently outstanding. No stock option may be exercised more than ten years after the date of grant or such shorter period as the Compensation Committee may determine at the date of grant. The market value of a share of our common stock, for purposes of the 2016 Equity Plan, is the closing sale price as reported by the Nasdaq Global Select Market on the date in question or, if not a trading day, on the last preceding trading date.

¹ Includes federal as well as state, provincial or similar local jurisdictions, as applicable.

A summary of the status of the options as of October 31, 2018, 2017 and 2016 and the related activity for the year is as follows:

	Shares Under Option	_	Weighted Average Grant Date Fair Value	
Balance October 31, 2015	107,889	\$	20.25	
Granted	_		_	
Cancelled	_		_	
Expired	_		_	
Exercised	_		_	
Balance October 31, 2016	107,889	\$	20.25	
Granted	_		_	
Cancelled	_		_	
Expired	-		_	
Exercised	(29,164)	\$	18.31	
Balance October 31, 2017	78,725	\$	20.97	
Granted	_		_	
Cancelled	-		_	
Expired	_		_	
Exercised	(41,680)	\$	20.33	
Balance October 31, 2018	37,045	\$	21.69	

The total intrinsic value of stock options exercised during the twelve months ended October 31, 2018, 2017 and 2016 was approximately \$847,000, \$771,000 and \$0, respectively.

As of October 31, 2018, the total intrinsic value of outstanding stock options already vested and the intrinsic value of options that are outstanding and exercisable was \$706,000. Stock options outstanding and exercisable on October 31, 2018, were as follows:

Range of Exercise Prices Per Share	Shares Under Option	Weighted Average Exercise Price Per Share	Weighted Average Remaining Contractual Life in Years
Outstanding and Exercisable			
18.13	3,738	18.13	1.5
21.45	21,748	21.45	3.1
23.30	11,559	23.30	4.1
\$ 18.13 – 23.30	37,045	\$ 21.69	3.3

On March 15, 2018, the Compensation Committee granted a total of 9,114 shares of time—based restricted stock to our non—employee directors. The restricted shares vest in full one year from the date of grant provided the recipient remains on the board of directors through that date. The grant date fair value of the restricted shares was based on the closing sales price of our common stock on the grant date, which was \$46.05 per share.

On January 3, 2018, the Compensation Committee determined the degree to which the long—term incentive compensation arrangement approved for the fiscal 2015–2017 performance period was attained, and the resulting payout level relative to the target amount for each of the metrics that were established by the Compensation Committee in 2015. As a result, the Compensation Committee determined that a total of 23,299 performance shares were earned by our executive officers, which performance shares vested on January 3, 2018. The vesting date fair value of the performance shares was based on the closing sales price of our common stock on the vesting date, which was \$42.20 per share. All related stock—based compensation cost for these vested performance shares was expensed accordingly during the three—year performance period ended October 31, 2017.

On January 3, 2018, the Compensation Committee also approved a long–term incentive compensation arrangement for our executive officers in the form of restricted shares and performance stock units ("PSUs") under the 2016 Equity Plan, which will be payable in shares of our common stock if earned and vested. The awards were 25% time–based vesting and 75% performance–based vesting. The three–year performance period for the PSUs is fiscal 2018 through fiscal 2020.

On that date, the Compensation Committee granted a total of 14,810 shares of time—based restricted stock to our executive officers. The restricted shares vest in thirds over three years from the date of grant provided the recipient remains employed through that date. The grant date fair value of the restricted shares was based upon the closing sales price of our common stock on the date of grant, which was \$42.20 per share.

On January 3, 2018, the Compensation Committee also granted a total target number of 21,891 PSUs to our executive officers designated as "PSU – TSR". These PSUs were weighted as approximately 40% of the overall 2018 executive long–term incentive compensation arrangement and will vest and be paid based upon the total shareholder return of our common stock over the three–year period of fiscal 2018–2020, relative to the total shareholder return of the companies in a specified peer group over that period. Participants will have the ability to earn between 50% of the target number of the PSUs – TSR for achieving threshold performance and 200% of the target number of the PSUs – TSR for achieving maximum performance. The grant date fair value of the PSUs – TSR was \$45.68 per PSU and was calculated using the Monte Carlo approach.

On January 3, 2018, the Compensation Committee also granted a total target number of 20,734 PSUs to our executive officers designated as "PSU – ROIC". These PSUs were weighted as approximately 35% of the overall 2018 executive long–term incentive compensation arrangement and will vest and be paid based upon the achievement of pre–established goals related to our average return on invested capital over the three–year period of fiscal 2018–2020. Participants will have the ability to earn between 50% of the target number of the PSUs –ROIC for achieving threshold performance and 200% of the target number of the PSUs – ROIC for achieving maximum performance. The grant date fair value of the PSUs – ROIC was based on the closing sales price of our common stock on the grant date, which was \$42.20 per share.

On November 15, 2017, the Compensation Committee granted a total of 2,364 shares of time—based restricted stock to our non—executive employees. The restricted shares vest in thirds over three years from the date of grant provided the recipient remains employed through that date. The grant date fair value of the restricted shares was based upon the closing sales price of our common stock on the date of grant, which was \$42.30 per share.

On March 9, 2017, the Compensation Committee granted a total of 14,920 shares of time—based restricted stock to our non—employee directors. The restricted shares vest in full one year from the date of grant provided the recipient remains on the board of directors through that date. The grant date fair value of the restricted shares was based on the closing sales price of our common stock on the grant date, which was \$26.80 per share.

On January 5, 2017, the Compensation Committee determined the degree to which the long–term incentive compensation arrangement approved for the fiscal 2014–2016 performance period was attained, and the resulting payout level relative to the target amount for each of the metrics that were established by the Compensation Committee in 2014. As a result, the Compensation Committee determined that a total of 30,683 performance shares were earned by our executive officers, which performance shares vested on January 5, 2017. The vesting date fair value of the performance shares was based on the closing sales price of our common stock on the vesting date, which was \$33.90 per share. All related stock–based compensation cost for these vested performance shares was expensed accordingly during the three–year performance period ended October 31, 2016.

On January 5, 2017, the Compensation Committee also approved a long–term incentive compensation arrangement for our executive officers in the form of restricted shares and PSUs under the 2016 Equity Plan, which will be payable in shares of our common stock if earned and vested. The awards were 25% time–based vesting and 75% performance–based vesting. The three–year performance period for the PSUs is fiscal 2017 through fiscal 2019.

On that date, the Compensation Committee granted a total of 14,747 shares of time—based restricted stock to our executive officers. The restricted shares vest in thirds over three years from the date of grant provided the recipient remains employed through that date. The grant date fair value of the restricted shares was based upon the closing sales price of our common stock on the date of grant, which was \$33.90 per share.

On January 5, 2017, the Compensation Committee also granted a total target number of 18,496 PSUs to our executive officers designated as "PSU – TSR". These PSUs were weighted as approximately 40% of the overall 2017 executive long–term incentive compensation arrangement and will vest and be paid based upon the total shareholder return of our common stock over the three–year period of fiscal 2017–2019, relative to the total shareholder return of the companies in a specified peer group over that period. Participants will have the ability to earn between 50% of the target number of the PSUs – TSR for achieving threshold performance and 200% of the target number of the PSUs – TSR for achieving maximum performance. The grant date fair value of the PSUs – TSR was \$43.25 per PSU and was calculated using the Monte Carlo approach.

On January 5, 2017, the Compensation Committee also granted a total target number of 20,647 PSUs to our executive officers designated as "PSU – ROIC". These PSUs were weighted as approximately 35% of the overall 2017 executive long–term incentive compensation arrangement and will vest and be paid based upon the achievement of pre–established goals related to our average return on invested capital over the three–year period of fiscal 2017–2019. Participants will have the ability to earn between 50% of the target number of the PSUs – ROIC for achieving threshold performance and 200% of the target number of the PSUs – ROIC for achieving maximum performance. The grant date fair value of the PSUs – ROIC was based on the closing sales price of our common stock on the grant date, which was \$33.90 per share.

On March 10, 2016, the Compensation Committee granted a total of 9,170 shares of time—based restricted stock to our non—employee directors under the 2016 Equity Plan. The restricted shares vest in full one year from the date of grant provided the recipient remains on the board of directors through that date. The grant date fair value of the restricted shares was based on the closing sales price of our common stock on the grant date which was \$30.52 per share.

On January 4, 2016, the Compensation Committee approved a long–term incentive compensation arrangement for our executive officers in the form of restricted shares and performance shares awarded under the 2008 Plan. The awards were 25% time–based vesting and 75% performance–based vesting. The three–year performance period is fiscal 2016 through fiscal 2018.

On that date, the Compensation Committee granted a total of 17,684 shares of time—based restricted stock to our executive officers. The restricted shares vest in thirds over three years from the date of grant provided the recipient remains employed through that date. The grant date fair value of the restricted shares was based upon the closing sales price of our common stock on the date of grant which was \$26.04 per share.

On January 4, 2016, the Compensation Committee also granted a total target number of 24,023 performance shares to our executive officers designated as "Performance Shares – TSR". The shares were weighted as 40% of the overall long–term incentive compensation arrangement and will vest and be paid based upon the total shareholder return of our common stock over a three—year period, relative to the total shareholder return of the companies in a specified peer group over that period. Participants will have the ability to earn between 50% of the target number of shares for achieving threshold performance and 200% of the target number of shares for achieving maximum performance. The grant date fair value of the Performance Shares – TSR was \$30.67 per share and was calculated using the Monte Carlo approach.

On January 4, 2016, the Compensation Committee also granted a total target number of 24,759 performance shares to our executive officers designated as "Performance Shares – ROIC". These shares were weighted as 35% of the overall long—term incentive compensation arrangement and will vest and be paid based upon the achievement of pre—established goals related to our average return on invested capital over the three—year period. Participants will have the ability to earn between 50% of the target number of shares for achieving threshold performance and 200% of the target number of shares for achieving maximum performance. The grant date fair value of the Performance Shares – ROIC was based on the closing sales price of our common stock on the grant date which was \$26.04 per share.

A reconciliation of the Company's restricted stock, performance share and PSU activity and related information is as follows:

	Number of Shares	Weighted Average Grant Date Fair Value
Unvested at October 31, 2017	157,809	\$ 32.05
Shares or units granted	68,913	43.82
Shares or units vested	(40,283)	30.20
Shares or units cancelled	(6,385)	33.67
Shares withheld	(11,706)	32.19
Unvested at October 31, 2018	168,348	\$ 37.24

During fiscal 2018, 2017, and 2016, we recorded approximately \$2.5 million, \$1.7 million and \$1.6 million, respectively, of stock—based compensation expense related to grants under the 2008 Plan and the 2016 Equity Plan. As of October 31, 2018, there was an estimated \$2.9 million of total unrecognized stock—based compensation cost that we expect to recognize by the end of the first quarter of fiscal 2021.

9. RELATED PARTY TRANSACTIONS

As of October 31, 2018, we owned approximately 35% of the outstanding shares of a Taiwanese–based contract manufacturer, Hurco Automation, Ltd. ("HAL"). HAL's scope of activities includes the design, manufacture, sales and distribution of industrial automation products, software systems and related components, including control systems and components produced under contract for sale exclusively to us. We are accounting for this investment using the equity method. The investment of \$4.0 million and \$3.6 million at October 31, 2018 and 2017, respectively, is included in Investments and other assets, net on the Consolidated Balance Sheets. Purchases of controls from HAL amounted to \$11.3 million, \$10.0 million and \$9.9 million in fiscal 2018, 2017 and 2016, respectively. Sales of control component parts to HAL were \$197,000, \$139,000 and \$623,000 for the fiscal years ended October 31, 2018, 2017 and 2016, respectively. Trade payables to HAL were \$3.4 million and \$2.5 million at October 31, 2018 and 2017, respectively. Trade receivables from HAL were \$68,000 and \$30,000 at October 31, 2018 and 2017, respectively.

Summary unaudited financial information for HAL's operations and financial condition is as follows (in thousands):

		2018		2017		2016
Net Sales	\$	17,841	\$	15,800	\$	13,948
Gross Profit	4	2,944	4	2,457	4	2,240
Operating Income		1,534		1,037		952
Net Income		1,845		1,320		1,323
Current Assets	\$	12,870	\$	11,310	\$	10,238
Non–current Assets		4,579		4,440		3,733
Current Liabilities		4,666		3,916		2,572

10. CONTINGENCIES AND LITIGATION

We are involved in various claims and lawsuits arising in the normal course of business. Pursuant to applicable accounting rules, we accrue the minimum liability for each known claim when the estimated outcome is a range of possible loss and no one amount within that range is more likely than another. We maintain insurance policies for such matters, and we record insurance recoveries when we determine such recovery to be probable. We do not expect any of these claims, individually or in the aggregate, to have a material adverse effect on our consolidated financial position or results of operations. We believe that the ultimate resolution of claims for any losses will not exceed our insurance policy coverages.

11. GUARANTEES AND PRODUCT WARRANTIES

From time to time, our subsidiaries guarantee third party payment obligations in connection with the sale of machines to customers that use financing. We follow FASB guidance for accounting for guarantees (codified in ASC 460). As of October 31, 2018, we had 23 outstanding third party payment guarantees totaling approximately \$0.6 million. The terms of these guarantees are consistent with the underlying customer financing terms. Upon shipment of a machine, the customer assumes the risk of ownership. The customer does not obtain title, however, until it has paid for the machine. A retention of title clause allows us to recover the machine if the customer defaults on the financing. We accrue liabilities under these guarantees at fair value, which amounts are insignificant.

We provide warranties on our products with respect to defects in material and workmanship. The terms of these warranties are generally one year for machines and shorter periods for service parts. We recognize a reserve with respect to this obligation at the time of product sale, with subsequent warranty claims recorded against the reserve. The amount of the warranty reserve is determined based on historical trend experience and any known warranty issues that could cause future warranty costs to differ from historical experience. A reconciliation of the changes in our warranty reserve is as follows (in thousands):

	2018	2017	2016
Balance, beginning of year	\$ 1,772	\$ 1,523	\$ 2,186
Provision for warranties during the year	4,121	3,379	2,715
Charges to the accrual	(3,326)	(3,203)	(3,349)
Impact of foreign currency translation	(68)	73	(29)
Balance, end of year	\$ 2,499	\$ 1,772	\$ 1,523

The increase in our warranty reserve from fiscal 2017 to fiscal 2018 was primarily due to an increase in the number of machines under warranty resulting from increased sales volume. The increase in our warranty reserve from fiscal 2016 to fiscal 2017 was primarily due to an increase in unit sales volume, as well as an increase in average warranty cost per machine as our product mix of machines under warranty shifted to more complex, higher–performance machines.

12. OPERATING LEASES

We lease facilities, certain equipment and vehicles under operating leases that expire at various dates through 2025. Future payments required under operating leases as of October 31, 2018, are summarized as follows (in thousands):

2019	\$ 3,504
2020	2,320
2021	1,543
2022	1,312
2023 and thereafter	1,180
Total	\$ 9,859

Lease expense for the fiscal years ended October 31, 2018, 2017, and 2016 was \$4.5 million, \$4.4 million, and \$4.5 million, respectively.

13. QUARTERLY FINANCIAL INFORMATION (Unaudited)

	First Quarter		Second Quarter		Third Quarter	Fourth Quarter
2018 (In thousands, except per share data)		-				
Sales and service fees	\$ 68,444	\$	70,424	\$	78,752	\$ 83,051
Gross profit	20,121		19,313		24,521	27,851
Gross profit margin	29%		27%		31%	34%
Selling, general and administrative expenses	12,966		13,320		15,160	16,564
Operating income	7,155		5,993		9,361	11,287
Provision for income taxes	4,500		1,656		2,511	2,339
Net income	2,937		3,751		6,500	8,302
Income per common share – basic	\$ 0.44	\$	0.55	\$	0.96	\$ 1.24
Income per common share – diluted	\$ 0.43	\$	0.55	\$	0.95	\$ 1.22

	First Quarter		Second Quarter		Third Quarter		Fourth Quarter
2017 (In thousands, except per share data)	'						
Sales and service fees	\$	48,744	\$	58,222	\$	60,770	\$ 75,931
Gross profit		12,586		17,068		17,540	23,370
Gross profit margin		26%		29%		29%	31%
Selling, general and administrative expenses		11,167		11,714		12,395	14,385
Operating income		1,419		5,354		5,145	8,985
Provision for income taxes		543		1,467		1,353	2,238
Net income		879		3,646		3,888	6,702
Income per common share – basic	\$	0.13	\$	0.55	\$	0.58	\$ 1.01
Income per common share – diluted	\$	0.13	\$	0.54	\$	0.58	\$ 1.00

14. SEGMENT INFORMATION

We operate in a single segment: industrial automation equipment. We design, manufacture and sell computerized (i.e., Computer Numeric Control) machine tools, consisting primarily of vertical machining centers (mills) and turning centers (lathes), to companies in the metal cutting industry through a worldwide sales, service and distribution network. Although the majority of our computer control systems and software products are proprietary, they predominantly use industry standard personal computer components. Our computer control systems and software products are primarily sold as integral components of our computerized machine tool products. We also provide machine tool components, software options, control upgrades, accessories and replacement parts for our products, as well as customer service and training and applications support.

We principally sell our products through more than 173 independent agents and distributors throughout the Americas, Europe and Asia. Our line is the primary line for the majority of our distributors globally even though some may carry competitive products. We also have our own direct sales and service organizations in China, France, Germany, India, Italy, Poland, Singapore, South Africa, Taiwan, the United Kingdom, and certain areas of the United States, which are among the world's principal machine tool consuming countries. During fiscal 2018, no distributor accounted for more than 5% of our sales and service fees. In fiscal 2018, approximately 71% of our revenues were from customers located outside of the U.S. and no single end—user of our products accounted for more than 5% of our total sales and service fees.

The following table sets forth the contribution of each of our product groups to our total sales and service fees during each of the past three fiscal years (in thousands):

Net Sales and Service Fees by Product Category

	Year ended October 31,						
		2018		2017	2016		
Computerized Machine Tools	\$	261,710	\$	209,311	\$	195,618	
Computer Control Systems and Software [†]		2,870		2,324		2,078	
Service Parts		27,501		24,255		21,908	
Service Fees		8,590		7,777		7,685	
Total	\$	300,671	\$	243,667	\$	227,289	

[†] Amounts shown do not include computer control systems and software sold as an integrated component of computerized machine systems.

The following table sets forth revenues by geographic area, based on customer location, for each of the past three fiscal years (in thousands):

Revenues by Geographic Area

	Year Ended October 31,					
	2018		2017			2016
United States of America	\$	87,231	\$	70,912	\$	70,630
Canada		2,915		3,801		3,881
Central & South Americas		2,194		1,844		1,950
Total Americas		92,340		76,557		76,461
Germany		62,346		48,786		44,411
United Kingdom		34,216		28,019		25,313
Italy		16,691		13,416		12,947
France		15,815		13,917		13,787
Other Europe		32,034		27,583		27,150
Total Europe		161,102		131,721		123,608
China		27,748		22,456		16,644
Other Asia Pacific		17,937		10,238		8,989
Total Asia Pacific		45,685		32,694		25,633
Other Foreign		1,544		2,695		1,587
Grand Total	\$	300,671	\$	243,667	\$	227,289
Long-lived tangible assets, net by geographic area, were (in thousands):						
			_			
			As of	f October 31,		
	_	2018		2017	_	2016
United States of America	\$	8,375	\$	7,599	\$	7,846
Foreign countries		6,617		6,185		5,911
	\$	14,992	\$	13,784	\$	13,757
Net assets by geographic area were (in thousands):						
			As of	f October 31,		
		2018		2017		2016
Americas	\$	96,348	\$	86,432	\$	84,040
Europe		74,558		70,536		60,861
Asia Pacific		51,947		46,117		40,574
	\$	222,853	\$	203,085	\$	185,475

15. NEW ACCOUNTING PRONOUNCEMENTS

Recently Adopted Accounting Pronouncements:

In March 2016, the FASB issued Accounting Standards Update ("ASU") No. 2016–09, Compensation – Stock Compensation (Topic 718), which simplifies several areas of accounting for share–based compensation arrangements, including income tax consequences, classification of awards as either equity or liabilities, and classification on the statement of cash flows. ASU 2016–09 is effective for our fiscal year 2018, including interim periods within the fiscal year. Early adoption is permitted. We elected to early adopt the new guidance in the fourth quarter of fiscal 2017 which required us to reflect any adjustments as of November 1, 2016, the beginning of the annual period that includes the interim period of adoption. Upon adoption, excess tax benefits or deficiencies from share–based award activity are reflected in the consolidated statements of income as a component of the provision for income taxes, whereas they previously were recognized in equity. We also elected to account for forfeitures as they occur, rather than estimate expected forfeitures. The adoption of ASU 2016–09 resulted in a net cumulative–effect adjustment of a \$0.2 million increase to retained earnings as of November 1, 2017, mostly related to the recognition of the previously unrecognized excess tax benefits using the modified retrospective method. The previously unrecognized excess tax effects were recorded as a reduction to tax liability or an increase to deferred tax asset.

We adopted the aspects of the standard affecting the cash flow presentation retrospectively, and accordingly, to conform to the current year presentation, we reclassified \$146,000 of employee taxes paid for withheld shares under operating activities to financing activities for the years ended October 31, 2016 on our consolidated statements of cash flows.

In August 2014, the FASB issued ASU No. 2014–15, *Disclosure of Uncertainties about an Entity's Ability to Continue as a Going Concern*, which requires management to evaluate whether there is substantial doubt about an entity's ability to continue as a going concern and provide related footnote disclosures. ASU No. 2014–15 was effective for our fiscal year 2018, including interim periods within the fiscal year. As such, we adopted this standard in the first quarter of fiscal 2018. This standard did not have a significant effect on our accounting policies or on our consolidated financial statements and related disclosures.

In July 2015, the FASB issued ASU No. 2015–11, Inventory (Topic 330): Simplifying the Measurement of Inventory, which requires companies to measure inventory at the lower of cost and net realizable value, versus the lower of cost or market. Net realizable value is the estimated selling price in the ordinary course of business, less reasonably predictable costs of completion, disposal, and transportation. ASU 2015–11 was effective for our fiscal year 2018, with early adoption permitted and to be applied prospectively. As such, we adopted this standard in the first quarter of fiscal 2018 on a prospective basis. This standard did not have a significant effect on our accounting policies or on our consolidated financial statements and related disclosures. For additional information, see Note 3: Inventories.

In August 2016, the FASB issued ASU No. 2016–15, *Statement of Cash Flows (Topic 230): Classification of Certain Cash Receipts and Cash Payments*. This standard is intended to address eight classification issues related to the statement of cash flows to reduce diversity in practice in how certain transactions are classified. ASU 2016–15 is effective for our fiscal year 2019, with early adoption permitted. This standard requires adoption based upon a retrospective transition method. We elected to early adopt this standard in the first quarter of fiscal 2018. This standard did not have a significant effect on our accounting policies or on our consolidated financial statements and related disclosures.

New Accounting Pronouncements:

Between May 2014 and December 2016, the FASB issued ASU No. 2014–09, *Revenue from Contracts with Customers (Topic 606)*, and various related updates, establishing a single comprehensive model for entities to use in accounting for revenue arising from contracts with customers. This standard provides a five–step analysis in determining when and how revenue is recognized. The new model will require revenue recognition to depict the transfer of promised goods or services to customers in an amount that reflects the consideration a company expects to receive in exchange for those goods or services and will supersede most of the existing revenue recognition guidance, including industry–specific guidance. We have the option of applying this new standard retrospectively to each prior period presented ("full retrospective approach") or retrospectively with the cumulative effect recognized in retained earnings as of the date of adoption ("modified retrospective approach"). Topic 606 was effective for us beginning November 1, 2018 and we adopted it on that date using the modified retrospective approach. Our evaluation of our contracts subject to this standard is complete and the application of Topic 606 to these contracts did not have a material impact on our consolidated financial statements at initial implementation. We are also evaluating the new disclosures required by Topic 606 to determine what additional information will need to be disclosed.

Between February 2016 and July 2018, the FASB issued ASU No. 2016–02, *Leases (Topic 842)*, and various related updates, which establish a comprehensive new lease accounting model. ASU 2016–02 clarifies the definition of a lease, requires a dual approach to lease classification similar to current lease classifications, and requires lessees to recognize leases on the balance sheet as a lease liability with a corresponding right–of–use asset for leases with a lease–term of more than twelve months. ASU 2016–02 is effective for our fiscal year 2020, including interim periods within the fiscal year, and requires modified retrospective application. Early adoption is permitted. We are assessing the impact this new accounting guidance will have on our consolidated financial statements and disclosures.

In August 2017, the FASB issued ASU No. 2017–12, *Derivatives and Hedging (Topic 815) Targeted Improvements to Accounting for Hedging Activities*, which simplifies the application of hedge accounting and enables companies to better portray the economics of their risk management activities in their financial statements. ASU 2017–12 is effective for our fiscal year 2020, including interim periods within the fiscal year, and requires modified retrospective application. Early adoption is permitted. We do not anticipate that the adoption of this ASU will have a material impact on our consolidated financial statements and disclosures.

In February 2018, the FASB issued ASU No. 2018–02, *Income Statement – Reporting Comprehensive Income (Topic 220): Reclassification of Certain Tax Effects from Accumulated Other Comprehensive Income*, which will allow a reclassification from accumulated other comprehensive income to retained earnings for the tax effects resulting from the Tax Reform Act that are stranded in accumulated other comprehensive income. This standard also requires certain disclosures about stranded tax effects. This ASU, however, does not change the underlying guidance that requires that the effect of a change in tax laws or rates be included in income from continuing operations. ASU 2018–02 will be effective for our fiscal year 2020, with the option to early adopt at any time prior to the effective date. It must be applied either in the period of adoption or retrospectively to each period in which the effect of the change in the U.S. federal corporate income tax rate in the Tax Reform Act is recognized. We are assessing the impact this new accounting guidance will have on our consolidated financial statements and disclosures.

In February 2018, the FASB issued ASU No. 2018–03, *Technical Corrections and Improvements to Financial Instruments—Overall (Subtopic 825–10): Recognition and Measurement of Financial Assets and Financial Liabilities*, which clarifies the guidance in ASU No. 2016–01, *Financial Instruments—Overall (Subtopic 825–10)* on certain issues related to financial instruments including, among other things, forward contracts and presentation requirements. ASU 2018–03 will be effective for our fiscal year 2019, including interim periods within the fiscal year. We are assessing the impact this new accounting guidance will have on our consolidated financial statements and disclosures.

Between May 2017 and June 2018, the FASB issued ASU No. 2017–09 and ASU No. 2018–07, *Compensation – Stock Compensation (Topic 718)*, to include share–based payments issued to nonemployees for goods or services, as well to provide clarity and to reduce diversity in practice and cost and complexity when applying the guidance in Topic 718. These updates include guidance on determining which changes to the terms and conditions of share–based payment awards require a company to apply modification accounting under Topic 718 and to align the accounting for share–based payments to nonemployees and employees. These updates are effective for our fiscal year 2019. Early adoption is permitted, including adoption in any interim period. We do not expect that the adoption of these updates will have a material effect on our consolidated financial statements and disclosures.

There have been no other significant changes in the Company's critical accounting policies and estimates during the fiscal year ended October 31, 2018.

Item 9. CHANGES IN AND DISAGREEMENTS WITH ACCOUNTANTS ON ACCOUNTING AND FINANCIAL DISCLOSURE

None.

Item 9A. CONTROLS AND PROCEDURES

Under the supervision and with the participation of management, including our Chief Executive Officer and Chief Financial Officer, we carried out an evaluation of the effectiveness of the design and operation of our disclosure controls and procedures as of October 31, 2018, pursuant to Rule 13a–15(b) under the Securities Exchange Act of 1934, as amended. Based upon that evaluation, our management, including the Chief Executive Officer and Chief Financial Officer, concluded that our disclosure controls and procedures were effective as of the evaluation date.

There have been no changes in our internal control over financial reporting that occurred during the fourth quarter of the fiscal year ended October 31, 2018 that have materially affected, or are reasonably likely to materially affect, our internal control over financial reporting.

The attestation report of our independent registered public accounting firm on our internal control over financial reporting is included in this report under Item 8. Financial Statements and Supplementary Data. Our management's annual report on internal control over financial reporting is included in this report immediately preceding Item 8.

Item 9B. OTHER INFORMATION

Effective as of December 31, 2018, we and our subsidiary Hurco B.V. entered into a new credit agreement (the "2018 Credit Agreement") with Bank of America, N.A., as the lender.

The 2018 Credit Agreement provides for an unsecured revolving credit and letter of credit facility in a maximum aggregate amount of \$40.0 million. The 2018 Credit Agreement provides that the maximum amount of outstanding letters of credit at any one time may not exceed \$10.0 million, the maximum amount of outstanding loans made to our subsidiary Hurco B.V. at any one time may not exceed \$20.0 million, and the maximum amount of all outstanding loans denominated in alternative currencies at any one time may not exceed \$20.0 million.

Under the 2018 Credit Agreement, we and Hurco B.V. are borrowers, and certain of our other subsidiaries are guarantors. The scheduled maturity date of the 2018 Credit Agreement is December 31, 2020.

Borrowings under the 2018 Credit Agreement will bear interest at floating rates based on, at our option, either (i) a LIBOR–based rate, or other alternative currency–based rate approved by the lender, plus 0.75% per annum, or (ii) a base rate (which is the highest of (a) the federal funds rate plus 0.50%, (b) the prime rate or (c) the one month LIBOR–based rate plus 1.00%), plus 0.00% per annum. Outstanding letters of credit will carry an annual rate of 0.75%.

The 2018 Credit Agreement contains customary affirmative and negative covenants and events of default, including covenants (1) restricting us from making certain investments, loans, advances and acquisitions (but permitting us to make investments in subsidiaries of up to \$10.0 million); (2) restricting us from making certain payments, including cash dividends, except that we may pay cash dividends as long as immediately before and after giving effect to such payment, the sum of the unused amount of the commitments under the 2018 Credit Agreement plus our cash on hand is not less than \$10.0 million, and as long as we are not in default before and after giving effect to such dividend payments; (3) requiring that we maintain a minimum working capital of \$125.0 million; and (4) requiring that we maintain a minimum tangible net worth of \$170.0 million.

We may use the proceeds from advances under the 2018 Credit Agreement for general corporate purposes.

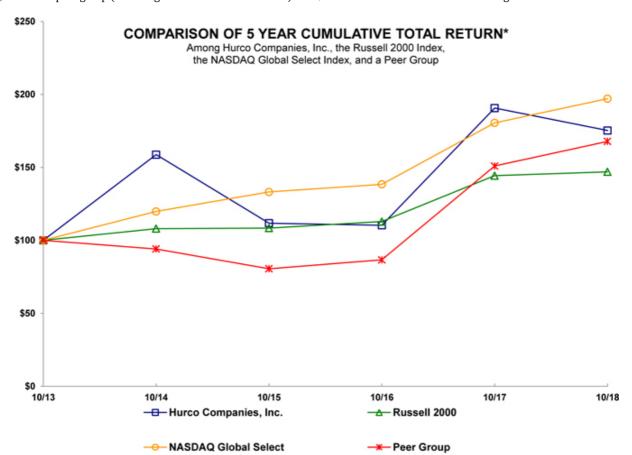
In the ordinary course of business, the lender under the 2018 Credit Agreement and its affiliates have provided, and may in the future provide, investment banking, commercial banking, cash management, foreign exchange or other financial services to us for which they have received, and may in the future receive, compensation.

The foregoing description of the 2018 Credit Agreement does not purport to be complete and is qualified in its entirety by reference to the full text of the 2018 Credit Agreement, which is filed as Exhibit 10.1 to this report and is incorporated herein by reference.

In addition, effective December 31, 2018, the date we entered into the 2018 Credit Agreement, the Credit Agreement, dated as of December 7, 2012, as amended, among us, the lenders party thereto and JP Morgan Chase Bank, N.A., including all related documents, was terminated and is of no further force or effect except with respect to any obligations and provisions that survive the termination thereof.

During the fourth quarter of fiscal 2018, the Audit Committee of the Board of Directors did not engage our independent registered public accounting firm to perform any new non–audit services. This disclosure is made pursuant to Section 10A(i)(2) of the Securities Exchange Act of 1934, as amended, as added by Section 202 of the Sarbanes–Oxley Act of 2002.

The graph below matches the cumulative 5–Year total return of holders of Hurco Companies, Inc.'s common stock with the cumulative total returns of the Russell 2000 index, the NASDAQ Global Select index and a customized peer group of seventeen companies that includes: Ampco–Pittsburgh Corporation, DMC Global Inc., Douglas Dynamics Inc., The Eastern Company, Electro Scientific Industries Inc., FARO Technologies Inc., Graham Corporation, Kadant Inc., Key Tronic Corporation, L. S. Starrett Company, Nanometrics Incorporated, Novanta Inc., PDF Solutions Inc., Proto Labs Inc., QAD Inc., Sun Hydraulics Corporation (doing business as Helios Technologies) and Transcat Inc. The graph assumes that the value of the investment in our common stock, in each index, and in the peer group (including reinvestment of dividends) was \$100 on 10/31/2013 and tracks it through 10/31/2018.



^{*\$100} invested on 10/31/13 in stock or index, including reinvestment of dividends. Fiscal year ending October 31.

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	10/13	10/14	10/15	10/16	10/17	10/18
Hurco Companies, Inc.	100.00	158.75	111.79	110.34	190.67	175.27
Russell 2000	100.00	108.06	108.43	112.89	144.32	147.00
NASDAQ Global Select	100.00	119.83	133.19	138.44	180.51	197.13
Peer Group	100.00	94.13	80.55	86.64	150.97	167.83

The stock price performance included in this graph is not necessarily indicative of future stock price performance.

PART III

Item 10. DIRECTORS, EXECUTIVE OFFICERS AND CORPORATE GOVERNANCE

The information required by this item is incorporated herein by reference to the definitive proxy statement for our 2019 annual meeting of shareholders except that the information required by Item 10 regarding our executive officers is included herein under a separate caption at the end of Part I.

Item 11. EXECUTIVE COMPENSATION

The information required by this item is incorporated herein by reference to the definitive proxy statement for our 2019 annual meeting of shareholders.

Item 12. SECURITY OWNERSHIP OF CERTAIN BENEFICIAL OWNERS AND MANAGEMENT AND RELATED STOCKHOLDER MATTERS

The information required by this item is incorporated herein by reference to the definitive proxy statement for our 2019 annual meeting of shareholders.

Item 13. CERTAIN RELATIONSHIPS AND RELATED TRANSACTIONS, AND DIRECTOR INDEPENDENCE

The information required by this item is incorporated herein by reference to the definitive proxy statement for our 2019 annual meeting of shareholders.

Item 14. PRINCIPAL ACCOUNTANT FEES AND SERVICES

The information required by this item is incorporated herein by reference to the definitive proxy statement for our 2019 annual meeting of shareholders.

PART IV

<u>Item 15.</u> <u>EXHIBITS AND FINANCIAL STATEMENT SCHEDULES</u>

(a) 1. <u>Financial Statements</u>. The following consolidated financial statements of the Company are included herein under Item 8 of Part II:

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All other financial statement schedules are omitted because they are not applicable or the required information is included in the consolidated financial statements or notes thereto.

(b) Exhibits

Exhibits being filed with this Form 10–K or incorporated herein by reference are listed on page 78.

Item 16. FORM 10–K SUMMARY

None

Schedule II – Valuation and Qualifying Accounts and Reserves for the Years Ended October 31, 2018, 2017 and 2016 (Dollars in thousands)

	В	salance at Beginning of Period	Charged to/ (Recovered from) Costs and Expenses	_	Charged to Other Accounts	_	Deductions	_	Balance at End of Period
Allowance for doubtful accounts for the year ended:									
October 31, 2018	\$	639	\$ 394	\$	_	\$	6(1)	\$	1,027
October 31, 2017	\$	664	\$ 46	\$	<u> </u>	\$	71(1)	\$	639
October 31, 2016	\$	739	\$ (15)	\$	<u> </u>	\$	60(1)	\$	664
Income tax valuation allowance for the year ended:									
October 31, 2018	\$	2,282	\$ 253	\$	_	\$	429	\$	2,106
October 31, 2017	\$	2,067	\$ 515	\$	_	\$	300	\$	2,282
October 31, 2016	\$	1,485	\$ 587	\$	<u> </u>	\$	5	\$	2,067
(1) Receivable write–offs.									

EXHIBITS INDEX

Exhibits Filed. The following exhibits are filed with this report:

<u>10.1</u>	Credit Agreement, dated as of December 31, 2018, among Hurco Companies, Inc. and Hurco B.V., as the Borrowers, certain subsidiaries

party thereto, as the Guarantors, and Bank of America, N.A, as the Lender.

Subsidiaries of the Registrant. <u>21</u>

Consent of Independent Registered Public Accounting Firm, RSM US LLP

Consent of Independent Registered Public Accounting Firm, Ernst & Young LLP

Certification by the Chief Executive Officer, pursuant to Rule 13a-14(a) under the Securities and Exchange Act of 1934, as amended. 31.2

Certification by the Chief Financial Officer, pursuant to Rule 13a–14(a) under the Securities and Exchange Act of 1934, as amended.

32.1 Certification by the Chief Executive Officer pursuant to Section 906 of the Sarbanes-Oxley Act of 2002. Certification by the Chief Financial Officer pursuant to Section 906 of the Sarbanes-Oxley Act of 2002. 32.2

101.INS XBRL Instance Document*

101.SCH XBRL Taxonomy Extension Schema Document* 101.CAL XBRL Taxonomy Extension Calculation Linkbase* 101.LAB XBRL Taxonomy Extension Label Linkbase Document* 101.PRE XBRL Taxonomy Extension Presentation Linkbase Document* 101.DEF XBRL Taxonomy Extension Definition Linkbase Document*

Exhibits Incorporated by Reference. The following exhibits are incorporated into this report:

<u>3.1</u>	Amended and Restated Articles of Incorporation of the Registrant, incorporated by reference to Exhibit 3.1 to the Registrant's Quarterly
	Report on Form 10–0 for the guarter ended July 31, 1997

3.2 Amended and Restated By-Laws of the Registrant as amended through November 16, 2017, incorporated by reference to Exhibit 3.1 to the Registrant's Current Report on Form 8-K filed on November 17, 2017.

10.2 Fourth Amendment to Credit Agreement, dated as of December 6, 2016, between Hurco Companies, Inc. and JPMorgan Chase Bank, N.A., incorporated by reference to Exhibit 10.1 to the Registrant's Current Report on Form 8-K filed on December 8, 2016.

Replacement Revolving Note, dated as of December 6, 2016, by Hurco Companies, Inc. for the benefit of JPMorgan Chase Bank, N.A., 10.3

incorporated by reference to Exhibit 10.2 to the Registrant's Current Report on Form 8-K filed on December 8, 2016. 10.4* Hurco Companies, Inc. 2016 Equity Incentive Plan, incorporated herein by reference to Exhibit 10.1 to the Company's Current Report on

Form 8-K filed on March 10, 2016. 10.5* Form of Restricted Stock Agreement (Director) under the 2016 Equity Incentive Plan, incorporated herein by reference to Exhibit 10.2 to the

Company's Current Report on Form 8–K filed on March 10, 2016. Hurco Companies, Inc. Cash Incentive Plan, incorporated herein by reference to Exhibit 10.3 to the Company's Current Report on Form 8-K 10.6*

filed on March 10, 2016. 10.7 Credit Agreement dated as of December 7, 2012 among Hurco Companies, Inc., the lenders party thereto and JP Morgan Chase Bank, N.A.,

incorporated by reference to Exhibit 10.1 to the Registrant's Current Report on Form 8-K filed December 10, 2012.

First Amendment to Credit Agreement dated as of May 9, 2014 between Hurco Companies, Inc., JPMorgan Chase Bank, N.A. and the lenders 10.8 signatory thereto, incorporated by reference to Exhibit 10.1 to the Registrant's Quarterly Report on Form 10-Q for the quarter ended July 31,

10.9 Second Amendment to Credit Agreement dated as of June 5, 2014 between Hurco Companies, Inc., JPMorgan Chase Bank, N.A. and the lenders signatory thereto, incorporated by reference to Exhibit 10.2 to the Registrant's Quarterly Report on Form 10-Q for the quarter ended July 31, 2014.

<u>10.10</u>	Third Amendment to Credit Agreement and Amendment to Subsidiary Guaranty dated as of December 5, 2014, between Hurco Companies,
	Inc. and JPMorgan Chase Bank, N.A., incorporated by reference to Exhibit 10.1 to the Registrant's Current Report on Form 8-K filed
	<u>December 8, 2014.</u>

- 10.11* Employment Agreement dated March 15, 2012, between Hurco Companies, Inc. and Michael Doar, incorporated by reference to Exhibit 10.1 to the Registrant's Current Report on Form 8–K filed March 16, 2012.
- 10.12* Employment Agreement dated March 15, 2012, between Hurco Companies, Inc. and Gregory S. Volovic, incorporated by reference to Exhibit 10.4 to the Registrant's Current Report on Form 8–K filed March 16, 2012.
- 10.13* Employment Agreement dated March 15, 2012, between Hurco Companies, Inc. and Sonja K. McClelland, incorporated by reference to Exhibit 10.5 to the Registrant's Current Report on Form 8–K filed March 16, 2012.
- 10.14* Hurco Companies, Inc. 2008 Equity Incentive Plan, incorporated by reference to Appendix A of the Registrant's definitive Proxy Statement on Schedule 14A filed January 28, 2008.
- 10.15* Form of restated split—dollar insurance agreement, incorporated by reference to Exhibit 10.2 to the Registrant's Annual Report on Form 10–K for the year ended October 31, 2008.
- 10.16* Form of Restricted Stock Award Agreement (Employee) under the 2016 Equity Incentive Plan, incorporated by reference to Exhibit 10.1 to the Registrant's Current Report on Form 10–Q for the quarter ended January 31, 2017.
- 10.17* Form of Performance Stock Unit Award Agreement (Employee) under the 2016 Equity Incentive Plan, incorporated by reference to Exhibit 10.2 to the Registrant's Current Report on Form 10–Q for the quarter ended January 31, 2017.
- * The indicated exhibit is a management contract, compensatory plan or arrangement required to be listed by Item 601 of Regulation S–K.

SIGNATURES

Pursuant to the requirements of Section 13 or 15(d) of the Securities Exchange Act of 1934, the Registrant has duly caused this Report to be signed on its behalf by the undersigned, thereunto duly authorized, this 4th day of January, 2019.

HURCO COMPANIES, INC.

By: /s/ Sonja K. McClelland

Sonja K. McClelland

Executive Vice President, Secretary, Treasurer and

Chief Financial Officer

Pursuant to the requirements of the Securities Exchange Act of 1934, this report has been signed below by the following persons on behalf of the Registrant and in the capacities and on the dates indicated:

Signature and Title(s)	Date
/s/ Michael Doar Michael Doar, Chairman, Chief Executive Officer of Hurco Companies, Inc. (Principal Executive Officer)	January 4, 2019
/s/ Sonja K. McClelland Sonja K. McClelland Executive Vice President, Secretary, Treasurer and Chief Financial Officer of Hurco Companies, Inc. (Principal Financial Officer and Principal Accounting Officer)	January 4, 2019
/s/ Thomas A. Aaro Thomas A. Aaro, Director	January 4, 2019
/s/ Robert W. Cruickshank Robert W. Cruickshank, Director	January 4, 2019
/s/ Timothy J. Gardner Timothy J. Gardner, Director	January 4, 2019
/s/ Jay C. Longbottom Jay C. Longbottom, Director	January 4, 2019
/s/ Andrew Niner Andrew Niner, Director	January 4, 2019
/s/ Richard Porter Richard Porter, Director	January 4, 2019
/s/ Janaki Sivanesan Janaki Sivanesan, Director	January 4, 2019
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CREDIT AGREEMENT

Dated as of December 31, 2018

among

HURCO COMPANIES, INC.

and

HURCO B.V.,

as the Borrowers

CERTAIN SUBSIDIARIES PARTY HERETO, as the Guarantors

and

BANK OF AMERICA, N.A., as the Lender

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CREDIT AGREEMENT

This CREDIT AGREEMENT is entered into as of December 31, 2018, among HURCO COMPANIES, INC., an Indiana corporation (the "Company"), the Guarantors (defined herein), HURCO B.V., a private company with limited liability (besloten vennootschap met beperkte aansprakelijkheid) incorporated under the laws of the Netherlands, with its seat (zetel) in Amsterdam, the Netherlands, with its registered office at Prins Bernhardplein 200, 1097 JB Amsterdam, the Netherlands and registered with the Dutch Chamber of Commerce (Kamer van Koophandel) under number 34114350, (the "Netherlands Borrower" and, together with the Company, the "Borrowers" and each a "Borrower"), and BANK OF AMERICA, N.A., as the Lender.

PRELIMINARY STATEMENTS:

WHEREAS, the Loan Parties (as hereinafter defined) have requested that the Lender make loans and other financial accommodations to the Loan Parties.

WHEREAS, the Lender has agreed to make such loans and other financial accommodations to the Loan Parties on the terms and subject to the conditions set forth herein.

NOW THEREFORE, in consideration of the mutual covenants and agreements herein contained, the parties hereto covenant and agree as follows:

ARTICLE I

DEFINITIONS AND ACCOUNTING TERMS

1.01 <u>Defined Terms.</u>

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

"Acquisition" means any transaction, or any series of related transactions, consummated on or after the Closing Date, by which the Company or any of its Subsidiaries (i) acquires any going business or all or substantially all of the assets of any other Person, or division thereof, whether through purchase of assets, merger or otherwise or (ii) directly or indirectly acquires (in one transaction or as the most recent transaction in a series of transactions) at least a majority (in number of votes) of the Equity Interests of another Person which have ordinary voting power for the election of directors (other than securities having such power only by reason of the happening of a contingency) or a majority (by percentage or voting power) of the outstanding Equity Interests of a partnership or limited liability company.

"Affiliate" means, with respect to a specified Person, another Person that directly, or indirectly through one or more intermediaries, Controls or is Controlled by or is under common Control with the Person specified.

"Agreement" means this Credit Agreement.

"Agreement Currency" has the meaning specified in Section 10.19.

"<u>Alternative Currency</u>." means each of the following currencies: Euro and Sterling, together with each other currency (other than Dollars) that is approved in accordance with <u>Section 1.09</u>; <u>provided that</u> for each Alternative Currency, such requested currency is an Eligible Currency.

- "Alternative Currency Equivalent" means, at any time, with respect to any amount denominated in Dollars, the equivalent amount thereof in the applicable Alternative Currency as determined by the Lender at such time on the basis of the Spot Rate (determined in respect of the most recent Revaluation Date) for the purchase of such Alternative Currency with Dollars.
- "<u>Alternative Currency Sublimit</u>" means an amount equal to the lesser of the Commitments and \$20,000,000. The Alternative Currency Sublimit is part of, and not in addition to, the Commitments.
 - "Applicable Rate" means, for any day, the following rates per annum:
 - (a) with respect to Eurocurrency Rate Loans and Letter of Credit Fees, 0.75%; and
 - (b) with respect to Base Rate Loans, 0.00.
- "<u>Applicable Time</u>" means, with respect to any borrowings and payments in any Alternative Currency, the local time in the place of settlement for such Alternative Currency as may be determined by the Lender to be necessary for timely settlement on the relevant date in accordance with normal banking procedures in the place of payment.
- "<u>Audited Financial Statements</u>" means the audited consolidated balance sheet of the Company and its Subsidiaries for the fiscal year ended October 31, 2017, and the related consolidated statements of income or operations, shareholders' equity and cash flows for such fiscal year of the Company and its Subsidiaries, including the notes thereto.
- "Availability Period" means the period from and including the Closing Date to the earliest of (i) the Maturity Date, (ii) the date of termination of the Revolving Commitments pursuant to Section 2.06, and (iii) the date of termination of the Commitment of the Lender to make Revolving Loans and L/C Credit Extensions pursuant to Section 8.02.
 - "Bank of America" means Bank of America, N.A. and its successors.
- "Base Rate" means for any day a fluctuating rate of interest per annum equal to the highest of (a) the Federal Funds Rate plus one-half of one percent (0.50%), (b) the rate of interest in effect for such day as publicly announced from time to time by Bank of America as its "prime rate," and (c) the Eurocurrency Rate plus one percent (1.00%); and if the Base Rate shall be less than zero, such rate shall be deemed zero for purposes of this Agreement. The "prime rate" is a rate set by Bank of America based upon various factors including Bank of America's costs and desired return, general economic conditions and other factors, and is used as a reference point for pricing some loans, which may be priced at, above, or below such announced rate. Any change in such prime rate announced by Bank of America shall take effect at the opening of business on the day specified in the public announcement of such change.
- "Base Rate Loan" means a Loan that bears interest based on the Base Rate. All Base Rate Loans are only available to the Company and Loans denominated in Dollars.
 - "Beneficial Ownership Certification" means a certification regarding beneficial ownership required by the Beneficial Ownership Regulation.
 - "Beneficial Ownership Regulation" means 31 C.F.R. § 1010.230.
- "Benefit Plan" means any of (a) an "employee benefit plan" (as defined in ERISA) that is subject to Title I of ERISA, (b) a "plan" as defined in and subject to Section 4975 of the Code or (c) any Person whose assets include (for purposes of ERISA Section 3(42) or otherwise for purposes of Title I of ERISA or Section 4975 of the Code) the assets of any such "employee benefit plan" or "plan".

"Borrower" and "Borrowers" each has the meaning specified in the introductory paragraph hereto.

"Borrowing" means a Revolving Borrowing.

"Business Day" means any day other than a Saturday, Sunday or other day on which commercial banks are authorized to close under the Laws of, or are in fact closed in, the state where the Lender's Office is located and:

- (a) if such day relates to any interest rate settings as to a Eurocurrency Rate Loan denominated in Dollars, any fundings, disbursements, settlements and payments in Dollars in respect of any such Eurocurrency Rate Loan, or any other dealings in Dollars to be carried out pursuant to this Agreement in respect of any such Eurocurrency Rate Loan, means any such day that is also a London Banking Day;
- (b) if such day relates to any interest rate settings as to a Eurocurrency Rate Loan denominated in Euro, any fundings, disbursements, settlements and payments in Euro in respect of any such Eurocurrency Rate Loan, or any other dealings in Euro to be carried out pursuant to this Agreement in respect of any such Eurocurrency Rate Loan, means a TARGET Day;
- (c) if such day relates to any interest rate settings as to a Eurocurrency Rate Loan denominated in a currency other than Dollars or Euro, means any such day on which dealings in deposits in the relevant currency are conducted by and between banks in the London or other applicable offshore interbank market for such currency; and
- (d) if such day relates to any fundings, disbursements, settlements and payments in a currency other than Dollars or Euro in respect of a Eurocurrency Rate Loan denominated in a currency other than Dollars or Euro, or any other dealings in any currency other than Dollars or Euro to be carried out pursuant to this Agreement in respect of any such Eurocurrency Rate Loan (other than any interest rate settings), means any such day on which banks are open for foreign exchange business in the principal financial center of the country of such currency.

"Capital Lease Obligations" of any Person means the obligations of such Person to pay rent or other amounts under any lease of (or other arrangement conveying the right to use) real or personal property, or a combination thereof, which obligations are required to be classified and accounted for as capital leases on a balance sheet of such Person under GAAP, and the amount of such obligations shall be the capitalized amount thereof determined in accordance with GAAP.

"<u>Cash Collateralize</u>" means, to pledge and deposit with or deliver to the Lender, as collateral for L/C Obligations or the Obligations, (a) cash or deposit account balances, (b) backstop letters of credit entered into on terms, from issuers and in amounts satisfactory to the Lender, and/or (c) if the Lender shall agree, in its sole discretion, other credit support, in each case, in Dollars and pursuant to documentation in form and substance satisfactory to the Lender.

"Cash Collateral" shall have a meaning correlative to the foregoing and shall include the proceeds of such cash collateral and other credit support.

"<u>Cash Management Agreement</u>" means any agreement that is not prohibited by the terms hereof to provide treasury or cash management services, including deposit accounts, overnight draft, credit cards, debit cards, p-cards (including purchasing cards and commercial cards), funds transfer, automated clearinghouse, zero balance accounts, returned check concentration, controlled disbursement, lockbox, account reconciliation and reporting and trade finance services and other cash management services.

"Change in Law" means the occurrence, after the Closing Date, of any of the following: (a) the adoption or taking effect of any law, rule, regulation or treaty, (b) any change in any law, rule, regulation or treaty or in the administration, interpretation, implementation or application thereof by any Governmental Authority or (c) the making or issuance of any request, rule, guideline or directive (whether or not having the force of law) by any Governmental Authority; provided that notwithstanding anything herein to the contrary, (i) the Dodd-Frank Wall Street Reform and Consumer Protection Act and all requests, rules, guidelines or directives thereunder or issued in connection therewith and (ii) all requests, rules, guidelines or directives promulgated by the Bank for International Settlements, the Basel Committee on Banking Supervision (or any successor or similar authority) or the United States or foreign regulatory authorities, in each case pursuant to Basel III, shall in each case be deemed to be a "Change in Law", regardless of the date enacted, adopted or issued.

"Change of Control" means an event or series of events by which:

- any "person" or "group" (as such terms are used in Sections 13(d) and 14(d) of the Securities Exchange Act of 1934, but excluding any employee benefit plan of such person or its subsidiaries, and any person or entity acting in its capacity as trustee, agent or other fiduciary or administrator of any such plan) becomes the "beneficial owner" (as defined in Rules 13d-3 and 13d-5 under the Securities Exchange Act of 1934, except that a person or group shall be deemed to have "beneficial ownership" of all securities that such person or group has the right to acquire, whether such right is exercisable immediately or only after the passage of time (such right, an "option right")), directly or indirectly, of twenty-five percent (25%) or more of the Equity Interests of the Company entitled to vote for members of the board of directors or equivalent governing body of the Company on a fully-diluted basis (and taking into account all such securities that such "person" or "group" has the right to acquire pursuant to any option right);
- (b) during any period of twelve (12) consecutive months, a majority of the members of the board of directors or other equivalent governing body of the Company cease to be composed of individuals (i) who were members of that board or equivalent governing body on the first day of such period, (ii) whose election or nomination to that board or equivalent governing body was approved by individuals referred to in clause (i) above constituting at the time of such election or nomination at least a majority of that board or equivalent governing body or (iii) whose election or nomination to that board or other equivalent governing body was approved by individuals referred to in clauses (i) and (ii) above constituting at the time of such election or nomination at least a majority of that board or equivalent governing body; or
 - (c) the Company ceases to own and control 100% of the Equity Interests of the Netherlands Borrower.

"Closing Date" means the date of this Agreement.

"Code" means the Internal Revenue Code of 1986.

"Commitment" means the Revolving Commitment.

- "Commodity Exchange Act" means the Commodity Exchange Act (7 U.S.C. § 1 et seq.), as amended from time to time, and any successor statute.
- "Company" has the meaning specified in the introductory paragraph hereto.
- "Compliance Certificate" means a certificate substantially in the form of Exhibit A.
- "Consolidated Current Assets" means, with respect to any Person at any date, the total Consolidated current assets of such Person at such date.
- "Consolidated Current Liabilities" means, with respect to any Person at any date, all liabilities of such Person and its Subsidiaries at such date that should be classified as current liabilities on a Consolidated balance sheet of such Person; provided, however, that "Consolidated Current Liabilities" shall exclude the principal amount of the Loans then outstanding.
- "Contingent Obligation" of a Person means any agreement, undertaking or arrangement by which such Person assumes, guarantees, endorses, contingently agrees to purchase or provide funds for the payment of, or otherwise becomes or is contingently liable upon, the obligation or liability of any other Person, or agrees to maintain the net worth or working capital or other financial condition of any other Person, or otherwise assures any creditor of such other Person against loss, including, without limitation, any comfort letter, operating agreement, take-or-pay contract or the obligations of any such Person as general partner of a partnership with respect to the liabilities of the partnership.
- "Control" means the possession, directly or indirectly, of the power to direct or cause the direction of the management or policies of a Person, whether through the ability to exercise voting power, by contract or otherwise. "Controlling" and "Controlled" have meanings correlative thereto.
 - "Credit Extension" means each of the following: (a) a Borrowing and (b) an L/C Credit Extension.
- "CRR" means the Council Regulation (EU) No 575/2013 of the European Parliament and of the Council of 26 June 2013 on prudential requirements for credit institutions and investment firms and amending Regulation (EU) No 648/2012.
- "<u>Debtor Relief Laws</u>" means the Bankruptcy Code of the United States, and all other liquidation, conservatorship, bankruptcy, assignment for the benefit of creditors, moratorium, rearrangement, receivership, insolvency, reorganization, or similar debtor relief Laws of the United States or other applicable jurisdictions from time to time in effect.
- "<u>Default</u>" means any event or condition that constitutes an Event of Default or that, with the giving of any notice, the passage of time, or both, would be an Event of Default.
- "<u>Default Rate</u>" means (a) with respect to any Obligation for which a rate is specified, a rate per annum equal to two percent (2%) in excess of the rate otherwise applicable thereto and (b) with respect to any Obligation for which a rate is not specified or available, a rate per annum equal to the Base Rate plus the Applicable Rate for Revolving Loans that are Base Rate Loans plus two percent (2%), in each case, to the fullest extent permitted by applicable Law.
 - "Designated Lender" shall have the meaning set forth in Section 3.02(b).

"Designated Jurisdiction" means any country or territory to the extent that such country or territory is the subject of any Sanction.

"Dollar" and "\$" mean lawful money of the United States.

"<u>Dollar Equivalent</u>" means, at any time, (a) with respect to any amount denominated in Dollars, such amount, and (b) with respect to any amount denominated in any Alternative Currency, the equivalent amount thereof in Dollars as determined by the Lender at such time on the basis of the Spot Rate (determined in respect of the most recent Revaluation Date) for the purchase of Dollars with such Alternative Currency.

"Domestic Subsidiary" means any Subsidiary that is organized under the laws of any political subdivision of the United States.

"Eligible Currency" means any lawful currency other than Dollars that is readily available, freely transferable and convertible into Dollars in the international interbank market available to the Lender in such market and as to which a Dollar Equivalent may be readily calculated. If, after the designation by the Lender of any currency as an Alternative Currency, any change in currency controls or exchange regulations or any change in the national or international financial, political or economic conditions are imposed in the country in which such currency is issued, result in, in the reasonable opinion of the Lender (in the case of any Loans or Letters of Credit to be denominated in an Alternative Currency), (a) such currency no longer being readily available, freely transferable and convertible into Dollars, (b) a Dollar Equivalent is no longer readily calculable with respect to such currency, (c) providing such currency is impracticable for the Lender or (d) no longer a currency in which the Lender is willing to make such Credit Extensions (each of (a), (b), (c), and (d) a "Disqualifying Event"), then the Lender shall promptly notify the Company, and such country's currency shall no longer be an Alternative Currency until such time as the Disqualifying Event(s) no longer exist. Within, five (5) Business Days after receipt of such notice from the Lender, the Borrowers shall repay all Loans in such currency to which the Disqualifying Event applies or convert such Loans into the Dollar Equivalent of Loans in Dollars, subject to the other terms contained herein.

"Environmental Laws" means all laws, rules, regulations, codes, ordinances, orders, decrees, judgments, injunctions, notices or binding agreements issued, promulgated or entered into by any Governmental Authority, relating in any way to the environment, preservation or reclamation of natural resources, the management, release or threatened release of any Hazardous Material or to health and safety matters.

"Environmental Liability" means any liability, contingent or otherwise (including any liability for damages, costs of environmental remediation, fines, penalties or indemnities), of the Borrower or any Subsidiary directly or indirectly resulting from or based upon (a) violation of any Environmental Law, (b) the generation, use, handling, transportation, storage, treatment or disposal of any Hazardous Materials, (c) exposure to any Hazardous Materials, (d) the release or threatened release of any Hazardous Materials into the environment or (e) any contract, agreement or other consensual arrangement pursuant to which liability is assumed or imposed with respect to any of the foregoing.

"Equity Interests" means, with respect to any Person, all of the shares of capital stock of (or other ownership or profit interests in) such Person, all of the warrants, options or other rights for the purchase or acquisition from such Person of shares of capital stock of (or other ownership or profit interests in) such Person, all of the securities convertible into or exchangeable for shares of capital stock of (or other ownership or profit interests in) such Person or warrants, rights or options for the purchase or acquisition from such Person of such shares (or such other interests), and all of the other ownership or profit interests in such Person (including partnership, member or trust interests therein), whether voting or nonvoting, and whether or not such shares, warrants, options, rights or other interests are outstanding on any date of determination.

"ERISA" means the Employee Retirement Income Security Act of 1974.

"ERISA Affiliate" means any trade or business (whether or not incorporated) under common control with the Company within the meaning of Section 414(b) or (c) of the Code (and Sections 414(m) and (o) of the Code for purposes of provisions relating to Section 412 of the Code).

"ERISA Event" means (a) a Reportable Event with respect to a Pension Plan; (b) the withdrawal of the Company or any ERISA Affiliate from a Pension Plan subject to Section 4063 of ERISA during a plan year in which such entity was a "substantial employer" as defined in Section 4001(a)(2) of ERISA or a cessation of operations that is treated as such a withdrawal under Section 4062(e) of ERISA; (c) a complete or partial withdrawal by the Company or any ERISA Affiliate from a Multiemployer Plan or notification that a Multiemployer Plan is in reorganization; (d) the filing of a notice of intent to terminate, the treatment of a Pension Plan amendment as a termination under Section 4041 or 4041A of ERISA; (e) the institution by the PBGC of proceedings to terminate a Pension Plan; (f) any event or condition which constitutes grounds under Section 4042 of ERISA for the termination of, or the appointment of a trustee to administer, any Pension Plan; (g) the determination that any Pension Plan is considered an at-risk plan or a plan in endangered or critical status within the meaning of Sections 430, 431 and 432 of the Code or Sections 303, 304 and 305 of ERISA; (h) the imposition of any liability under Title IV of ERISA, other than for PBGC premiums due but not delinquent under Section 4007 of ERISA, upon the Company or any ERISA Affiliate to meet all applicable requirements under the Pension Funding Rules in respect of a Pension Plan, whether or not waived, or the failure by the Company or any ERISA Affiliate to make any required contribution to a Multiemployer Plan.

"Euro" and "€" mean the single currency of the Participating Member States.

"Eurocurrency Rate" means:

- (a) for any Interest Period, with respect to any Credit Extension:
- (i) denominated in a LIBOR Quoted Currency, the rate per annum equal to the London Interbank Offered Rate ("LIBOR"), or a comparable or successor rate which rate is approved by the Lender, as published on the applicable Bloomberg screen page (or such other commercially available source providing such quotations as may be designated by the Lender from time to time) (in such case, the "LIBOR Rate") at or about 11:00 a.m. (London time) on the Rate Determination Date, for deposits in the relevant currency, with a term equivalent to such Interest Period; and
- (ii) with respect to any Credit Extension denominated in any other Non-LIBOR Quoted Currency, the rate per annum as designated with respect to such Alternative Currency at the time such Alternative Currency is approved by the Lender and the relevant Lenders pursuant to Section 1.09(a); and
- (b) for any interest rate calculation with respect to a Base Rate Loan on any date, the rate per annum equal to the LIBOR Rate, at or about 11:00 a.m. (London time) determined two (2) Business Days prior to such date for Dollar deposits being delivered in the London interbank market for deposits in Dollars with a term of one (1) month commencing that day;

<u>provided</u> that (i) to the extent a comparable or successor rate is approved by the Lender in connection with any rate set forth in this definition, the approved rate shall be applied in a manner consistent with market practice; <u>provided</u>, <u>further</u> that to the extent such market practice is not administratively feasible for the Lender, such approved rate shall be applied in a manner as otherwise reasonably determined by the Lender and (ii) if the Eurocurrency Rate shall be less than zero, such rate shall be deemed zero for purposes of this Agreement.

"Eurocurrency Rate Loan" means a Loan that bears interest at a rate based on clause (a) of the definition of "Eurocurrency Rate". Eurocurrency Rate Loans may be denominated in Dollars or in an Alternative Currency. All Loans denominated in an Alternative Currency or made to the Netherlands Borrower must be Eurocurrency Rate Loans.

"Event of Default" has the meaning specified in Section 8.01.

"Excluded Swap Obligation" means, with respect to any Loan Party, any Swap Obligation if, and to the extent that, all or a portion of the Guaranty of such Loan Party of, or the grant by such Loan Party of a Lien to secure, such Swap Obligation (or any Guarantee thereof) is or becomes illegal under the Commodity Exchange Act or any rule, regulation or order of the Commodity Futures Trading Commission (or the application or official interpretation thereof) by virtue of such Loan Party's failure for any reason to constitute an "eligible contract participant" as defined in the Commodity Exchange Act (determined after giving effect to Section 9.11 and any other "keepwell, support or other agreement" for the benefit of such Loan Party and any and all guarantees of such Loan Party's Swap Obligations by other Loan Parties) at the time the Guaranty of such Loan Party, or grant by such Loan Party of a Lien, becomes effective with respect to such Swap Obligation. If a Swap Obligation arises under a Master Agreement governing more than one Swap Contract, such exclusion shall apply only to the portion of such Swap Obligation that is attributable to Swap Contracts for which such Guaranty or Lien is or becomes excluded in accordance with the first sentence of this definition.

"Facility Office" means the office designated by the Lender through which the Lender will perform its obligations under this Agreement.

"Facility Termination Date" means the date as of which all of the following shall have occurred: (a) the Commitments have terminated, (b) all Obligations arising under the Loan Documents have been paid in full (other than contingent indemnification obligations), and (c) all Letters of Credit have terminated or expired (other than Letters of Credit as to which other arrangements with respect thereto satisfactory to the Lender shall have been made).

"FASB ASC" means the Accounting Standards Codification of the Financial Accounting Standards Board.

"Federal Funds Rate" means, for any day, the rate per annum equal to the weighted average of the rates on overnight federal funds transactions with members of the Federal Reserve System, as published by the Federal Reserve Bank of New York on the Business Day next succeeding such day; provided that (a) if such day is not a Business Day, the Federal Funds Rate for such day shall be such rate on such transactions on the next preceding Business Day as so published on the next succeeding Business Day, and (b) if no such rate is so published on such next succeeding Business Day, the Federal Funds Rate for such day shall be the average rate (rounded upward, if necessary, to a whole multiple of 1/100 of 1%) charged to Bank of America on such day on such transactions as determined by the Lender.

"Financial Officer" means the chief financial officer, principal accounting officer, treasurer or controller of the Company.

"Foreign Subsidiary" means any Subsidiary that is not a Domestic Subsidiary.

"FRB" means the Board of Governors of the Federal Reserve System of the United States.

"GAAP" means generally accepted accounting principles in the United States set forth from time to time in the opinions and pronouncements of the Accounting Principles Board and the American Institute of Certified Public Accountants and statements and pronouncements of the Financial Accounting Standards Board (or agencies with similar functions of comparable stature and authority within the accounting profession) including, without limitation, the FASB Accounting Standards Codification, that are applicable to the circumstances as of the date of determination, consistently applied and subject to Section 1.03.

"Governmental Authority" means the government of the United States or any other nation, or of any political subdivision thereof, whether state or local, and any agency, authority, instrumentality, regulatory body, court, central bank or other entity exercising executive, legislative, judicial, taxing, regulatory or administrative powers or functions of or pertaining to government (including, without limitation any supra-national bodies such as the European Union or the European Central Bank).

"Guarantee" of or by any Person (the "guarantor") means any obligation, contingent or otherwise, of the guarantor guaranteeing or having the economic effect of guaranteeing any Indebtedness or other obligation of any other Person (the "primary obligor") in any manner, whether directly or indirectly, and including any obligation of the guarantor, direct or indirect, (a) to purchase or pay (or advance or supply funds for the purchase or payment of) such Indebtedness or other obligation or to purchase (or to advance or supply funds for the purchase of) any security for the payment thereof, (b) to purchase or lease property, securities or services for the purpose of assuring the owner of such Indebtedness or other obligation of the payment thereof, (c) to maintain working capital, equity capital or any other financial statement condition or liquidity of the primary obligor so as to enable the primary obligor to pay such Indebtedness or other obligation or (d) as an account party in respect of any letter of credit or letter of guaranty issued to support such Indebtedness or obligation; provided that the term Guarantee shall not include endorsements for collection or deposit in the ordinary course of business. The amount of any Guarantee made by any guarantor shall be deemed to be the lower of (a) an amount equal to the stated or determinable amount of the primary obligation in respect of which such Guarantee is made and (b) the maximum amount for which such guarantor may be liable pursuant to the terms of the instrument embodying such Guarantee, unless (in the case of a primary obligation that is not Indebtedness) such primary obligation and the maximum amount for which such guarantor may be liable are not stated or determinable, in which case the amount of such Guarantee shall be such guarantor's maximum reasonably anticipated liability in respect thereof as determined by the Company in good faith.

"Guaranteed Obligations" has the meaning set forth in Section 9.01.

"Guarantors" means, collectively, (a) each Domestic Subsidiary of the Company identified as a "Guarantor" on the signature pages hereto, (b) each Person that joins as a Guarantor pursuant to Section 6.09 or otherwise, (c) with respect to (i) Obligations under any Swap Contract, (ii) Obligations under any Cash Management Agreement and (iii) any Swap Obligation of a Specified Loan Party (determined before giving effect to Sections 9.01 and 9.11) under the Guaranty, the Company, and (d) the successors and permitted assigns of the foregoing.

"Guaranty" means, collectively, the Guarantee made by the Guarantors under <u>Article IX</u> in favor of the holders of the Obligations, together with each other guaranty delivered pursuant to <u>Section 6.12</u>.

"<u>Hazardous Materials</u>" means all explosive or radioactive substances or wastes and all hazardous or toxic substances, wastes or other pollutants, including petroleum or petroleum distillates, asbestos or asbestos containing materials, polychlorinated biphenyls, radon gas, infectious or medical wastes and all other substances or wastes of any nature regulated pursuant to any Environmental Law.

"Honor Date" has the meaning set forth in Section 2.03(c).

"<u>Hurco Deferred Compensation Plan</u>" means, collectively, the unfunded plan adopted by the Company for the purpose of providing deferred compensation for a select group of management personnel or other employees of the Company, as evidenced by the CORPORATE plan for Retirement Select Plan and Basic Plan Document effective as of July 1, 1996, as amended, and the Hurco Companies, Inc. Deferred Compensation Plan II effective January 1, 2005, as amended, and the related trust agreements.

"Inactive Subsidiary" means a Subsidiary of the Company not actively engaged in business, and which has assets with a book value less than or equal to \$10,000. Schedule 1.01(a) lists all Inactive Subsidiaries existing on the Closing Date. Notwithstanding anything to the contrary, so long as Hurco Technology, Inc., an Indiana corporation, holds only patents and other intellectual property and has total annual revenues of not greater than \$500,000, all of which is derived from licensing of that intellectual property, it shall be deemed an Inactive Subsidiary.

"Indebtedness" of a Person means, without duplication, such Person's (i) obligations for borrowed money (including without limitation, with respect to the Borrowers, all reimbursement obligations for LC Exposure and all obligations owing under Swap Contracts), (ii) obligations representing the deferred purchase price of property or services (other than accounts payable arising in the ordinary course of such Person's business payable on terms customary in the trade), (iii) obligations, whether or not assumed, secured by Liens or payable out of the proceeds or production from property now or hereafter owned or acquired by such Person, (iv) obligations which are evidenced by notes, acceptances, or other instruments, (v) obligations of such Person to purchase securities or other property arising out of or in connection with the sale of the same or substantially similar securities or property, (vi) Capital Lease Obligations, (vii) all obligations of such Person to purchase goods, property, or services where payment therefor is required, regardless of whether delivery of such goods or property or the performance of such services is ever made or tendered (generally referred to as "take or pay contracts"), (viii) all liabilities of such person in respect of unfunded liabilities under any Plan of such Person or of any ERISA Affiliate, (ix) any other obligation for borrowed money or other financial accommodation which in accordance with GAAP would be shown as a liability on the consolidated balance sheet of such Person, including without limitation all obligations of others similar in character to those described in clauses (i) through (viii) of this definition for which such Person is contingently liable, as guarantor, surety, accommodation party, partner or in any other capacity, or in respect of which obligations such person assures a creditor against loss or agrees to take any action to prevent any such loss (other than endorsements of negotiable instruments for collection in the ordinary course of business), including without limitation all reimbursement obligations of such Person in respect of letters of credit, surety bonds, or similar obligations, and all obligations of such Person to advance funds to, or to purchase assets, property or services from, any other Person in order to maintain the financial condition of such other Person, and (x) all Off-Balance Sheet Liabilities of such Person. The Indebtedness of any Person shall include the Indebtedness of any other entity (including any partnership in which such Person is a general partner) to the extent such Person is liable therefor as a result of such Person's ownership interest in or other relationship with such entity, except to the extent the terms of such Indebtedness provide that such Person is not liable therefor.

"Indemnitees" has the meaning specified in Section 10.04(b).

"Information" has the meaning specified in Section 10.07.

"Interest Payment Date" means, (a) as to any Eurocurrency Rate Loan, the last day of each Interest Period applicable to such Loan and the Maturity Date; provided, however, that if any Interest Period for a Eurocurrency Rate Loan exceeds three (3) months, the respective dates that fall every three (3) months after the beginning of such Interest Period shall also be Interest Payment Dates; and (b) as to any Base Rate Loan, the last Business Day of each March, June, September and December and the Maturity Date.

"Interest Period" means, as to each Eurocurrency Rate Loan, the period commencing on the date such Eurocurrency Rate Loan is disbursed or converted to or continued as a Eurocurrency Rate Loan and ending on the date one (1), two (2), three (3) or six (6) months thereafter (in each case, subject to availability for the interest rate applicable to the relevant currency), as selected by the applicable Borrower in its Loan Notice; <u>provided</u> that:

- (a) any Interest Period that would otherwise end on a day that is not a Business Day shall be extended to the next succeeding Business Day unless such Business Day falls in another calendar month, in which case such Interest Period shall end on the next preceding Business Day;
- (b) any Interest Period that begins on the last Business Day of a calendar month (or on a day for which there is no numerically corresponding day in the calendar month at the end of such Interest Period) shall end on the last Business Day of the calendar month at the end of such Interest Period; and
 - (c) no Interest Period shall extend beyond the Maturity Date.

"IRS" means the United States Internal Revenue Service.

"ISP" means, with respect to any Letter of Credit, the "International Standby Practices 1998" published by the Institute of International Banking Law & Practice, Inc. (or such later version thereof as may be in effect at the time of issuance).

"<u>Issuer Documents</u>" means with respect to any Letter of Credit, the Letter of Credit Application, and any other document, agreement and instrument entered into by the Lender and the Company (or any Subsidiary) or in favor of the Lender and relating to such Letter of Credit.

"<u>Joinder Agreement</u>" means a joinder agreement substantially in the form of <u>Exhibit B</u> executed and delivered in accordance with the provisions of <u>Section 6.09</u>.

"Judgment Currency" has the meaning specified in Section 10.19.

"<u>Laws</u>" means, collectively, all international, foreign, federal, state and local statutes, treaties, rules, guidelines, regulations, ordinances, codes and administrative or judicial precedents or authorities, including the interpretation or administration thereof by any Governmental Authority charged with the enforcement, interpretation or administration thereof, and all applicable administrative orders, directed duties, requests, licenses, authorizations and permits of, and agreements with, any Governmental Authority, in each case whether or not having the force of law.

"L/C Credit Extension" means, with respect to any Letter of Credit, the issuance thereof or extension of the expiry date thereof, or the increase of the amount thereof.

"L/C Obligations" means, as at any date of determination, the aggregate amount available to be drawn under all outstanding Letters of Credit plus the aggregate of all Unreimbursed Amounts. For purposes of computing the amount available to be drawn under any Letter of Credit, the amount of such Letter of Credit shall be determined in accordance with Section 1.06. For all purposes of this Agreement, if on any date of determination a Letter of Credit has expired by its terms but any amount may still be drawn thereunder by reason of the operation of Rule 3.14 of the ISP, such Letter of Credit shall be deemed to be "outstanding" in the amount so remaining available to be drawn.

"<u>Legal Reservations</u>" means matters which are set out as qualifications or reservations as to matters of law of general application in the legal opinions delivered to the Lender.

"Lender" means Bank of America, N.A. (or any of its designated branch offices or affiliates) and its successors and assigns. The term "Lender" shall include any Designated Lender.

"<u>Lender's Office</u>" means, with respect to any currency, the Lender's address and, as appropriate, account as set forth on <u>Schedule 1.01(b)</u> with respect to such currency, or such other address or account with respect to such currency as the Lender may from time to time notify the Company; which office may include any Affiliate of the Lender or any domestic or foreign branch of the Lender or such Affiliate.

"Letter of Credit" means any standby letter of credit issued hereunder. Letters of Credit may be issued in Dollars or in an Alternative Currency.

"<u>Letter of Credit Application</u>" means an application and agreement for the issuance or amendment of a Letter of Credit in the form from time to time in use by the Lender.

"<u>Letter of Credit Expiration Date</u>" means the day that is seven (7) days prior to the Maturity Date then in effect (or, if such day is not a Business Day, the next preceding Business Day).

"Letter of Credit Fee" has the meaning specified in Section 2.03(g).

"<u>Letter of Credit Sublimit</u>" means an amount equal to the lesser of (a) \$10,000,000 and (b) the Revolving Commitment. The Letter of Credit Sublimit is part of, and not in addition to, the Revolving Commitment.

"LIBOR" has the meaning specified in the definition of Eurocurrency Rate.

"LIBOR Quoted Currency" means Dollars, Euro and Sterling in each case as long as there is a published LIBOR rate with respect thereto.

"<u>Lien</u>" means any mortgage, pledge, hypothecation, assignment, deposit arrangement, encumbrance, lien (statutory or otherwise), charge, or preference, priority or other security interest or preferential arrangement in the nature of a security interest of any kind or nature whatsoever (including any conditional sale or other title retention agreement, any easement, right of way or other encumbrance on title to real property and any financing lease having substantially the same economic effect as any of the foregoing).

"Loan" means an extension of credit by the Lender to a Borrower under Article II in the form of a Revolving Loan.

"Loan Documents" means, collectively, (a) this Agreement, (b) the Guaranty, (c) each Issuer Document, (d) each Joinder Agreement, and (e) any agreement creating or perfecting rights in Cash Collateral pursuant to the provisions of Section 2.12 (but specifically excluding any Swap Contract or any Cash Management Agreement).

"Loan Notice" means a notice of (a) a Borrowing, (b) a conversion of Loans from one Type to the other, or (c) a continuation of Eurocurrency Rate Loans, pursuant to Section 2.02(a), which, if in writing, shall be substantially in the form of Exhibit C or such other form as may be approved by the Lender (including any form on an electronic platform or electronic transmission system as shall be approved by the Lender), appropriately completed and signed by a Responsible Officer of a Borrower.

"Loan Parties" means, collectively, each Borrower and each Guarantor.

"London Banking Day" means any day on which dealings in Dollar deposits are conducted by and between banks in the London interbank eurodollar market.

"Mandatory Cost" means any amount incurred periodically by the Lender during the term of this Agreement which constitutes fees, costs or charges imposed on lenders generally in the jurisdiction in which the Lender is domiciled, subject to regulation, or has its Facility Office by any Governmental Authority.

"Master Agreement" has the meaning set forth in the definition of "Swap Contract."

"<u>Material Adverse Effect</u>" means a material adverse effect on (a) the business, assets, operations, or financial condition of the Company and the Subsidiaries taken as a whole, (b) the ability of any Loan Party to perform any of its obligations under this Agreement or (c) the rights of or benefits available to the Lender under this Agreement or any other Loan Document.

"Material Indebtedness" means Indebtedness (other than the Loans and Letters of Credit) or obligations in respect of one or more Swap Contracts of any one or more of the Company and its Subsidiaries in an aggregate principal amount exceeding \$1,000,000. For purposes of determining Material Indebtedness, the "principal amount" of the obligations of the Company or any Subsidiary in respect of any Swap Agreement at any time shall be the maximum aggregate amount (giving effect to any netting agreements) that the Company or such Subsidiary would be required to pay if such Swap Contract were terminated at such time.

"Maturity Date" means December 31, 2020; provided, however, that if such date is not a Business Day, the Maturity Date shall be the next preceding Business Day.

"Minimum Collateral Amount" means, at any time, with respect to Cash Collateral consisting of cash or deposit account balances provided in accordance with the provisions of $\underline{\text{Section 2.12(a)(i)}}$ or $\underline{\text{(a)(ii)}}$, an amount equal to 102% of the Outstanding Amount of all L/C Obligations, and (d) otherwise, an amount determined by Lender.

"Moody's" means Moody's Investors Service, Inc. and any successor thereto.

"<u>Multiemployer Plan</u>" means any employee benefit plan of the type described in Section 4001(a)(3) of ERISA, to which the Company or any ERISA Affiliate makes or is obligated to make contributions, or during the preceding five (5) plan years, has made or been obligated to make contributions.

"Multiple Employer Plan" means a Plan which has two or more contributing sponsors (including the Company or any ERISA Affiliate) at least two of whom are not under common control, as such a plan is described in Section 4064 of ERISA.

"Netherlands Borrower" has the meaning specified in the introductory paragraph hereto.

"Netherlands Borrower Sublimit" means an amount equal to the lesser of the Commitments and \$20,000,000. The Netherlands Borrower Sublimit is part of, and not in addition to, the Commitments.

"Non-Extension Notice Date" has the meaning specified in Section 2.03(b)(iii).

"Non-LIBOR Quoted Currency" means any currency other than a LIBOR Quoted Currency.

"Non-Public Lender" means (i) until the publication of an interpretation of "public" as referred to in the CRR by the competent authority/ies: an entity which (x) assumes existing rights and/or obligations vis-à-vis the Netherlands Borrower, the value of which is at least EUR 100,000 (or its equivalent in another currency), (y) provides repayable funds for an initial amount of at least EUR 100,000 (or its equivalent in another currency) or (z) otherwise qualifies as not forming part of the public; and (ii) as soon as the interpretation of the term "public" as referred to in the CRR has been published by the relevant authority/ies: an entity which is not considered to form part of the public on the basis of such interpretation.

"Notice of Loan Prepayment" means a notice of prepayment with respect to a Loan, which shall be substantially in the form of Exhibit D or such other form as may be approved by the Lender (including any form on an electronic platform or electronic transmission system as shall be approved by the Lender), appropriately completed and signed by a Responsible Officer.

"Obligations" means with respect to each Loan Party (i) all advances to, and debts, liabilities, obligations, covenants and duties of, any Loan Party arising under any Loan Document or otherwise with respect to any Loan or Letter of Credit, and (ii) all obligations of any Loan Party or any Subsidiary owing to the Lender (or its Affiliates) in respect of Cash Management Agreements or Swap Contracts, in each case identified in clauses (i) and (ii) whether direct or indirect (including those acquired by assumption), absolute or contingent, due or to become due, now existing or hereafter arising and including interest and fees that accrue after the commencement by or against any Loan Party or any Affiliate thereof of any proceeding under any Debtor Relief Laws naming such Person as the debtor in such proceeding, regardless of whether such interest and fees are allowed claims in such proceeding; provided, however, that the "Obligations" of a Loan Party shall exclude any Excluded Swap Obligations with respect to such Loan Party.

"OFAC" means the Office of Foreign Assets Control of the United States Department of the Treasury.

"Off-Balance Sheet Liability" of a Person means (a) any repurchase obligation or liability of such Person with respect to accounts or notes receivable sold by such Person, (b) any liability under any Sale and Leaseback Transaction other than Capital Lease Obligations, (c) any liability under any so-called "synthetic lease" arrangement or transaction entered into by such Person, or (d) any obligation arising with respect to any other transaction which is the functional equivalent of or takes the place of borrowing but which does not constitute a liability on the balance sheets of such Person.

"Organization Documents" means, (a) with respect to any corporation, the certificate or articles of incorporation and the bylaws (or equivalent or comparable constitutive documents with respect to any non-U.S. jurisdiction); (b) with respect to any limited liability company, the certificate or articles of formation or organization and operating agreement or limited liability company agreement (or equivalent or comparable documents with respect to any non-U.S. jurisdiction); (c) with respect to any partnership, joint venture, trust or other form of business entity, the partnership, joint venture or other applicable agreement of formation or organization (or equivalent or comparable documents with respect to any non-U.S. jurisdiction) and (d) with respect to all entities, any agreement, instrument, filing or notice with respect thereto filed in connection with its formation or organization with the applicable Governmental Authority in the jurisdiction of its formation or organization (or equivalent or comparable documents with respect to any non-U.S. jurisdiction).

"Outstanding Amount" means (a) with respect to Revolving Loans on any date, the Dollar Equivalent amount of the aggregate outstanding principal amount thereof after giving effect to any borrowings and prepayments or repayments of Revolving Loans occurring on such date; and (b) with respect to any L/C Obligations on any date, the Dollar Equivalent amount of the aggregate outstanding amount of such L/C Obligations on such date after giving effect to any L/C Credit Extension occurring on such date and any other changes in the aggregate amount of the L/C Obligations as of such date, including as a result of any reimbursements by the Borrowers of Unreimbursed Amounts.

"Participating Member State" means any member state of the European Union that adopts or has adopted the Euro as its lawful currency in accordance with legislation of the European Union relating to Economic and Monetary Union.

"PBGC" means the Pension Benefit Guaranty Corporation.

"Pension Act" means the Pension Protection Act of 2006.

"Pension Funding Rules" means the rules of the Code and ERISA regarding minimum required contributions (including any installment payment thereof) to Pension Plans and set forth in, with respect to plan years ending prior to the effective date of the Pension Act, Section 412 of the Code and Section 302 of ERISA, each as in effect prior to the Pension Act and, thereafter, Section 412, 430, 431, 432 and 436 of the Code and Sections 302, 303, 304 and 305 of ERISA.

"Pension Plan" means any employee pension benefit plan (including a Multiple Employer Plan or a Multiemployer Plan) that is maintained or is contributed to by the Company and any ERISA Affiliate and is either covered by Title IV of ERISA or is subject to the minimum funding standards under Section 412 of the Code.

"Permitted Encumbrances" means:

- (a) Liens imposed by law for Taxes that are not yet due or are being contested in compliance with Section 6.04;
- (b) carriers', warehousemen's, mechanics', materialmen's, repairmen's and other like Liens imposed by law, arising in the ordinary course of business and securing obligations that are not overdue by more than 60 days or are being contested in compliance with <u>Section 6.04</u>;
- (c) pledges and deposits made in the ordinary course of business in compliance with workers' compensation, unemployment insurance and other social security laws or regulations;

- (d) deposits to secure the performance of bids, trade contracts, leases, statutory obligations, surety and appeal bonds, performance bonds and other obligations of a like nature, in each case in the ordinary course of business;
 - (e) judgment liens in respect of judgments that do not constitute an Event of Default under Section 8.01(h);
- (f) easements, zoning restrictions, rights-of-way and similar encumbrances on real property imposed by law or arising in the ordinary course of business that do not secure any monetary obligations and do not materially detract from the value of the affected property or interfere with the ordinary conduct of business of the Company or any Subsidiary;
- (g) the interest or title of a lessor under any lease (including without limitation Capital Lease Obligations) otherwise permitted under this Agreement with respect to the property subject to such lease;
- (h) Liens of a collecting bank arising in the ordinary course of business under Section 4-208 of the Uniform Commercial Code in effect in the relevant jurisdiction covering only the items being collected upon; and
- (i) any Lien, right of pledge or set-off arising under the applicable general banking terms and conditions (algemene bankvoorwaarden) of the relevant account bank or under other terms and conditions of such bank

provided that the term "Permitted Encumbrances" shall not include any Lien securing Indebtedness.

"Permitted Investments" means:

- (a) direct obligations of, or obligations the principal of and interest on which are unconditionally guaranteed by, the United States (or by any agency thereof to the extent such obligations are backed by the full faith and credit of the United States), in each case maturing within one year from the date of acquisition thereof;
- (b) investments in commercial paper maturing within 270 days from the date of acquisition thereof and having, at such date of acquisition, the highest credit rating obtainable from S&P or from Moody's;
- (c) investments in certificates of deposit, banker's acceptances and time deposits maturing within 180 days from the date of acquisition thereof issued or guaranteed by or placed with, and money market deposit accounts issued or offered by, any domestic office of any commercial bank organized under the laws of the United States or any State thereof which has a combined capital and surplus and undivided profits of not less than \$500,000,000;
- (d) fully collateralized repurchase agreements with a term of not more than 30 days for securities described in clause (a) above and entered into with a financial institution satisfying the criteria described in clause (c) above;
- (e) money market funds that (i) comply with the criteria set forth in Securities and Exchange Commission Rule 2a-7 under the Investment Company Act of 1940, (ii) are rated AAA by S&P and Aaa by Moody's and (iii) have portfolio assets of at least \$5,000,000,000; and

(f) any joint and several liability (hoofdelijke aansprakelijkheid) under any fiscal unity for VAT, Dutch corporate income tax or other purposes.

"Person" means any natural person, corporation, limited liability company, trust, joint venture, association, company, partnership, Governmental Authority or other entity.

"Plan" means any employee benefit plan within the meaning of Section 3(3) of ERISA (including a Pension Plan), maintained for employees of the Company or any ERISA Affiliate or any such Plan to which the Company or any ERISA Affiliate is required to contribute on behalf of any of its employees.

"Qualified ECP Guarantor" means, at any time, each Loan Party with total assets exceeding \$10,000,000 or that qualifies at such time as an "eligible contract participant" under the Commodity Exchange Act and can cause another Person to qualify as an "eligible contract participant" at such time under Section 1a(18)(A)(v)(II) of the Commodity Exchange Act.

"Rate Determination Date" means two (2) Business Days prior to the commencement of such Interest Period (or such other day as is generally treated as the rate fixing day by market practice in such interbank market, as determined by the Lender); <u>provided</u> that to the extent such market practice is not administratively feasible for the Lender, then "Rate Determination Date" means such other day as otherwise reasonably determined by the Lender.

"Related Parties" means, with respect to any Person, such Person's Affiliates and the partners, directors, officers, employees, agents, trustees, administrators, managers, advisors and representatives of such Person and of such Person's Affiliates.

"Reportable Event" means any of the events set forth in Section 4043(c) of ERISA, other than events for which the thirty (30) day notice period has been waived.

"Request for Credit Extension" means (a) with respect to a Borrowing, conversion or continuation of Loans, a Loan Notice and (b) with respect to an L/C Credit Extension, a Letter of Credit Application.

"Responsible Officer" means the chief executive officer, president, chief financial officer, treasurer, assistant treasurer or controller of a Loan Party, solely for purposes of the delivery of incumbency certificates pursuant to Section 4.01, the secretary or any assistant secretary of a Loan Party and, solely for purposes of notices given pursuant to Article II, any other officer of the applicable Loan Party so designated by any of the foregoing officers in a notice to the Lender or any other officer or employee of the applicable Loan Party designated in or pursuant to an agreement between the applicable Loan Party and the Lender. Any document delivered hereunder that is signed by a Responsible Officer of a Loan Party shall be conclusively presumed to have been authorized by all necessary corporate, partnership and/or other action on the part of such Loan Party and such Responsible Officer shall be conclusively presumed to have acted on behalf of such Loan Party. To the extent requested by the Lender, each Responsible Officer will provide an incumbency certificate and to the extent requested by the Lender, appropriate authorization documentation, in form and substance satisfactory to the Lender.

"Restricted Payment" means any dividend or other distribution (whether in cash, securities or other property) with respect to any Equity Interests in the Company or any Subsidiary, or any payment (whether in cash, securities or other property), including any sinking fund or similar deposit, on account of the purchase, redemption, retirement, acquisition, cancellation or termination of any such Equity Interests in the Company or any Subsidiary or any option, warrant or other right to acquire any such Equity Interests in the Company or any Subsidiary.

"Revaluation Date" means (a) with respect to any Loan, each of the following: (i) each date of a Borrowing of a Eurocurrency Rate Loan denominated in an Alternative Currency, (ii) each date of a continuation of a Eurocurrency Rate Loan denominated in an Alternative Currency pursuant to Section 2.02, and (iii) such additional dates as the Lender shall determine; and (b) with respect to any Letter of Credit, each of the following: (i) each date of issuance, amendment and/or extension of a Letter of Credit denominated in an Alternative Currency, (ii) each date of any payment by the Lender under any Letter of Credit denominated in an Alternative Currency, and (iii) such additional dates as the Lender shall determine.

"Revolving Borrowing" means a borrowing consisting of simultaneous Revolving Loans of the same Type and, in the case of Eurocurrency Rate Loans, having the same Interest Period made by the Lender pursuant to Section 2.01.

"Revolving Commitment" means the Lender's obligation to (a) make Revolving Loans to the Borrowers pursuant to Section 2.01 and (b) issue Letters of Credit for the account of the Company pursuant to Section 2.03. The Revolving Commitment on the Closing Date shall be \$40,000,000.

"Revolving Loan" has the meaning specified in Section 2.01.

"S&P" means Standard & Poor's Financial Services LLC, a subsidiary of The McGraw-Hill Companies, Inc., and any successor thereto.

"Sale and Leaseback Transaction" means any sale or other transfer of property by any Person with the intent to lease such property as lessee.

"Same Day Funds" means (a) with respect to disbursements and payments in Dollars, immediately available funds, and (b) with respect to disbursements and payments in an Alternative Currency, same day or other funds as may be determined by the Lender to be customary in the place of disbursement or payment for the settlement of international banking transactions in the relevant Alternative Currency.

"Sanction(s)" means any sanction administered or enforced by the United States Government (including, without limitation, OFAC), the United Nations Security Council, the European Union, Her Majesty's Treasury ("HMT") or other relevant sanctions authority.

"SEC" means the Securities and Exchange Commission, or any Governmental Authority succeeding to any of its principal functions.

"Special Notice Currency" means at any time an Alternative Currency, other than the currency of a country that is a member of the Organization for Economic Cooperation and Development at such time located in North America or Europe.

"Specified Loan Party" means any Loan Party that is not then an "eligible contract participant" under the Commodity Exchange Act (determined prior to giving effect to Section 9.11).

"Spot Rate" for a currency means the rate determined by the Lender to be the rate quoted by the Person acting in such capacity as the spot rate for the purchase by such Person of such currency with another currency through its principal foreign exchange trading office at approximately 11:00 a.m. on the date two (2) Business Days prior to the date as of which the foreign exchange computation is made; provided that the Lender may obtain such spot rate from another financial institution designated by the Lender if the Person acting in such capacity does not have as of the date of determination a spot buying rate for any such currency; and provided further that the Lender may use such spot rate quoted on the date as of which the foreign exchange computation is made in the case of any Letter of Credit denominated in an Alternative Currency.

"Sterling" and "£" mean the lawful currency of the United Kingdom.

"Subordinated Indebtedness" of a Person means any Indebtedness of such Person for borrowed money the payment of which is subordinated to payment of the Obligations to the written satisfaction of the Lender.

"Subsidiary" of a Person means a corporation, partnership, joint venture, limited liability company or other business entity of which a majority of the Equity Interests which are ordinarily, in the absence of contingencies, entitled to vote for the election of directors (or persons performing similar functions) is at the time beneficially owned, or the management of which is otherwise controlled, directly, or indirectly through one or more intermediaries, or both, by such Person. Unless otherwise specified, all references herein to a "Subsidiary" or to "Subsidiaries" shall refer to a Subsidiary or Subsidiaries of the Company.

"Substantial Portion" means, with respect to the property of the Company and its Subsidiaries, property which (a) represents more than 10% of the consolidated assets of the Borrower and its Subsidiaries as would be shown in the consolidated financial statements of the Company and its Subsidiaries as at the beginning of the twelve-month period ending with the last day of the month preceding the month in which such determination is made, or (b) is responsible for more than 10% of the consolidated net sales or of the consolidated net income of the Company and its Subsidiaries as reflected in the financial statements referred to in clause (a) above for such twelve-month period.

"Swap Contract" means (a) any and all rate swap transactions, basis swaps, credit derivative transactions, forward rate transactions, commodity swaps, commodity options, forward commodity contracts, equity or equity index swaps or options, bond or bond price or bond index swaps or options or forward bond or forward bond price or forward bond index transactions, interest rate options, forward foreign exchange transactions, cap transactions, floor transactions, cultransactions, currency swap transactions, cross-currency rate swap transactions, currency options, spot contracts, or any other similar transactions or any combination of any of the foregoing (including any options to enter into any of the foregoing), whether or not any such transaction is governed by or subject to any master agreement, and (b) any and all transactions of any kind, and the related confirmations, which are subject to the terms and conditions of, or governed by, any form of master agreement published by the International Swaps and Derivatives Association, Inc., any International Foreign Exchange Master Agreement, or any other master agreement (any such master agreement, together with any related schedules, a "Master Agreement"), including any such obligations or liabilities under any Master Agreement.

"Swap Obligations" means with respect to any Loan Party any obligation to pay or perform under any agreement, contract or transaction that constitutes a "swap" within the meaning of Section 1a(47) of the Commodity Exchange Act.

"<u>Tangible Net Worth</u>" means, at any date, an amount equal to (a) the total common stockholder's equity of the Company, minus (b) the amount of all intangible items included therein, including, without limitation, goodwill, franchises, licenses, patents, trademarks, tradenames, copyrights, service marks and brand names, all as determined in accordance with GAAP.

"TARGET2" means the Trans-European Automated Real-time Gross Settlement Express Transfer payment system which utilizes a single shared platform and which was launched on November 19, 2007.

"TARGET Day" means any day on which TARGET2 (or, if such payment system ceases to be operative, such other payment system, if any, determined by the Lender to be a suitable replacement) is open for the settlement of payments in Euro.

"Total Revolving Outstandings" means the aggregate Outstanding Amount of all Revolving Loans and L/C Obligations.

"<u>Transactions</u>" means the execution, delivery and performance by the Loan Parties of this Agreement, the borrowing of Loans, the use of the proceeds thereof and the issuance of Letters of Credit hereunder.

"Type" means, with respect to a Loan, its character as a Base Rate Loan or a Eurocurrency Rate Loan.

"United States" and "U.S." mean the United States of America.

"Unreimbursed Amount" has the meaning specified in Section 2.03(c).

"Wholly-Owned Subsidiary" of a Person means (a) any subsidiary all of the outstanding voting securities of which shall at the time be owned or controlled, directly or indirectly, by such Person or one or more Wholly-Owned Subsidiaries of such Person, or by such Person and one or more Wholly-Owned Subsidiaries of such Person, or (b) any partnership, limited liability company, association, joint venture or similar business organization 100% of the ownership interests having ordinary voting power of which shall at the time be so owned or controlled (other than in the case of Foreign Subsidiaries, director's qualifying shares and/or other nominal amounts of shares required to be held by Persons other than the Company and its Subsidiaries under applicable law).

"Withdrawal Liability" means liability to a Multiemployer Plan as a result of a complete or partial withdrawal from such Multiemployer Plan, as such terms are defined in Part I of Subtitle E of Title IV of ERISA.

"<u>Working Capital</u>" means, for any Person at any date, its Consolidated Current Assets at such date <u>minus</u> its Consolidated Current Liabilities at such date.

1.02 Other Interpretive Provisions.

With reference to this Agreement and each other Loan Document, unless otherwise specified herein or in such other Loan Document:

- The definitions of terms herein shall apply equally to the singular and plural forms of the terms defined. Whenever the context may require, any pronoun shall include the corresponding masculine, feminine and neuter forms. The words "include," "includes" and "including" shall be deemed to be followed by the phrase "without limitation." The word "will" shall be construed to have the same meaning and effect as the word "shall." Unless the context requires otherwise, (i) any definition of or reference to any agreement, instrument or other document (including the Loan Documents and any Organization Document) shall be construed as referring to such agreement, instrument or other document as from time to time amended, amended and restated, modified, extended, replaced or supplemented from time to time (subject to any restrictions on such amendments, supplements or modifications set forth herein or in any other Loan Document), (ii) any reference herein to any Person shall be construed to include such Person's successors and assigns, (iii) the words "hereto," "herein," "hereof" and "hereunder," and words of similar import when used in any Loan Document, shall be construed to refer to such Loan Document in its entirety and not to any particular provision thereof, (iv) all references in a Loan Document to Articles, Sections, Preliminary Statements, Exhibits and Schedules shall be construed to refer to Articles and Sections of, and Preliminary Statements, Exhibits and Schedules to, the Loan Document in which such references appear, (v) any reference to any law shall include all statutory and regulatory rules, regulations, orders and provisions consolidating, amending, replacing or interpreting such law and any reference to any law or regulation shall, unless otherwise specified, refer to such law or regulation as amended, modified, extended, restated, replaced or supplemented from time to time, and (vi) the words "asset" and "property" shall be construed to have the same meaning and effect and to refer to any and all tangible and intangible assets and properties, including cash, securities, accounts and contract rights. Any and all references to "Borrower" regardless of whether preceded by the term a, any, each of, all, and/or, or any other similar term shall be deemed to refer, as the context requires, to each and every (and/or any one or all) parties constituting a Borrower, individually and/or in the aggregate.
- (b) In the computation of periods of time from a specified date to a later specified date, the word "from" means "from and including;" the words "to" and "until" each mean "to but excluding;" and the word "through" means "to and including."
- (c) Section headings herein and in the other Loan Documents are included for convenience of reference only and shall not affect the interpretation of this Agreement or any other Loan Document.

1.03 Accounting Terms.

- (a) <u>Generally.</u> All accounting terms not specifically or completely defined herein shall be construed in conformity with, and all financial data (including financial ratios and other financial calculations) required to be submitted pursuant to this Agreement shall be prepared in conformity with, GAAP applied on a consistent basis, as in effect from time to time, applied in a manner consistent with that used in preparing the Audited Financial Statements, except as otherwise specifically prescribed herein. Notwithstanding the foregoing, for purposes of determining compliance with any covenant (including the computation of any financial covenant) contained herein, Indebtedness of the Company and its Subsidiaries shall be deemed to be carried at 100% of the outstanding principal amount thereof, and the effects of FASB ASC 825 on financial liabilities shall be disregarded.
- (b) Changes in GAAP. If at any time any change in GAAP would affect the computation of any financial ratio or requirement set forth in any Loan Document, and either the Company or Lender shall so request, the Lender and the Company shall negotiate in good faith to amend such ratio or requirement to preserve the original intent thereof in light of such change in GAAP; provided that, until so amended, (i) such ratio or requirement shall continue to be computed in accordance with GAAP prior to such change therein and (ii) the Company shall provide to the Lender financial statements and other documents required under this Agreement or as reasonably requested hereunder setting forth a reconciliation between calculations of such ratio or requirement made before and after giving effect to such change in GAAP. Without limiting the foregoing, leases shall continue to be classified and accounted for on a basis consistent with that reflected in the Audited Financial Statements for all purposes of this Agreement, notwithstanding any change in GAAP relating thereto, unless the parties hereto shall enter into a mutually acceptable amendment addressing such changes, as provided for above.

1.04 Rounding.

Any financial ratios required to be maintained by the Loan Parties pursuant to this Agreement shall be calculated by dividing the appropriate component by the other component, carrying the result to one place more than the number of places by which such ratio is expressed herein and rounding the result up or down to the nearest number (with a rounding-up if there is no nearest number).

1.05 <u>Times of Day.</u>

Unless otherwise specified, all references herein to times of day shall be references to Central time (daylight or standard, as applicable).

1.06 Letter of Credit Amounts.

Unless otherwise specified herein, the amount of a Letter of Credit at any time shall be deemed to be the Dollar Equivalent of the stated amount of such Letter of Credit in effect at such time; <u>provided</u>, <u>however</u>, that with respect to any Letter of Credit that, by its terms or the terms of any Issuer Document related thereto, provides for one or more automatic increases in the stated amount thereof, the amount of such Letter of Credit shall be deemed to be the Dollar Equivalent of the maximum stated amount of such Letter of Credit after giving effect to all such increases, whether or not such maximum stated amount is in effect at such time.

1.07 <u>UCC Terms.</u>

Terms defined in the UCC in effect on the Closing Date and not otherwise defined herein shall, unless the context otherwise indicates, have the meanings provided by those definitions. Subject to the foregoing, the term "UCC" refers, as of any date of determination, to the UCC then in effect.

1.08 Exchange Rates; Currency Equivalents.

- (a) The Lender shall determine the Spot Rates as of each Revaluation Date to be used for calculating Dollar Equivalent amounts of Credit Extensions and Outstanding Amounts denominated in Alternative Currencies. Such Spot Rates shall become effective as of such Revaluation Date and shall be the Spot Rates employed in converting any amounts between the applicable currencies until the next Revaluation Date to occur. Except for purposes of financial statements delivered by Loan Parties hereunder or calculating financial covenants hereunder or except as otherwise provided herein, the applicable amount of any currency (other than Dollars) for purposes of the Loan Documents shall be such Dollar Equivalent amount as so determined by the Lender.
- (b) Wherever in this Agreement in connection with a Borrowing, conversion, continuation or prepayment of a Eurocurrency Rate Loan or the issuance, amendment or extension of a Letter of Credit, an amount, such as a required minimum or multiple amount, is expressed in Dollars, but such Borrowing, Eurocurrency Rate Loan or Letter of Credit is denominated in an Alternative Currency, such amount shall be the relevant Alternative Currency Equivalent of such Dollar amount (rounded to the nearest unit of such Alternative Currency, with 0.5 of a unit being rounded upward), as determined by the Lender.

1.09 Additional Alternative Currencies.

- (a) The Company may from time to time request that Eurocurrency Rate Loans be made and/or Letters of Credit be issued in a currency other than those specifically listed in the definition of "Alternative Currency"; provided that (i) such requested currency is an Eligible Currency and (ii) such requested currency shall only be treated as a "LIBOR Quoted Currency" to the extent that there is published LIBOR rate for such currency. In the case of any such request with respect to the making of Eurocurrency Rate Loans, such request shall be subject to the approval of the Lender, and in the case of any such request with respect to the issuance of Letters of Credit, such request shall be subject to the approval of the Lender.
- (b) Any such request shall be made to the Lender not later than 11:00 a.m., twenty (20) Business Days prior to the date of the desired Credit Extension (or such other time or date as may be agreed by the Lender in its sole discretion).
- (c) If the Lender consents to making Eurocurrency Rate Loans or Letters of Credit in such requested currency and the Lender reasonably determines that an appropriate interest rate is available to be used for such requested currency, the Lender shall so notify the Company and may amend the definition of Eurocurrency Rate for any Non-LIBOR Quoted Currency to the extent necessary to add the applicable Eurocurrency Rate for such currency and (ii) to the extent the definition of Eurocurrency Rate reflects the appropriate interest rate for such currency or has been amended to reflect the appropriate rate for such currency, such currency shall thereupon be deemed for all purposes to be an Alternative Currency for purposes of any Borrowings of Eurocurrency Rate Loans or the issuance of Letters of Credit, as applicable.

1.10 Change of Currency.

- Each obligation of the Borrowers to make a payment denominated in the national currency unit of any member state of the European Union that adopts the Euro as its lawful currency after the date hereof shall be redenominated into Euro at the time of such adoption. If, in relation to the currency of any such member state, the basis of accrual of interest expressed in this Agreement in respect of that currency shall be inconsistent with any convention or practice in the London interbank market for the basis of accrual of interest in respect of the Euro, such expressed basis shall be replaced by such convention or practice with effect from the date on which such member state adopts the Euro as its lawful currency; provided that if any Borrowing in the currency of such member state is outstanding immediately prior to such date, such replacement shall take effect, with respect to such Borrowing, at the end of the then current Interest Period.
- (b) Each provision of this Agreement shall be subject to such reasonable changes of construction as the Lender may from time to time specify to be appropriate to reflect the adoption of the Euro by any member state of the European Union and any relevant market conventions or practices relating to the Euro.
- (c) Each provision of this Agreement also shall be subject to such reasonable changes of construction as the Lender may from time to time specify to be appropriate to reflect a change in currency of any other country and any relevant market conventions or practices relating to the change in currency.

1.11 Dutch Terms

In this Agreement, in the context of a Loan Party or assets located in the Netherlands, a reference in this Agreement to:

- (a) "the Netherlands" means the European part of the Kingdom of the Netherlands and "Dutch" means in or of the Netherlands;
- (b) "<u>Dutch Civil Code</u>" means the Dutch Civil Code (*Burgerlijk Wetboek*).
- (c) a "<u>person</u>" includes a natural person, a legal person (within the meaning of articles 2:1 to 2:3 (inclusive) of the Dutch Civil Code), a general partnership (*vennootschap onder firma*), a limited partnership (*commanditaire vennootschap*) or other partnership (*maatschap*) or other entity and any other temporary or permanent joint venture as well as similar entities incorporated under the laws of any jurisdiction other than the Netherlands;
 - (d) a "director" means a statutair bestuurder;
 - (e) a "board of directors" means a bestuur;
 - (f) a "board of supervisory directors" means a raad van commissarissen;
 - (g) a "necessary action to authorise" includes, where applicable, without limitation:
 - (i) a resolution from the board of directors approving the terms of, and the transactions contemplated by this Agreement and resolving that it execute, deliver and perform this Agreement and any other Applicable Foreign Obligor Documents;
 - (ii) to the extent required under Dutch law or the applicable articles of association, a resolution from the general meeting of the shareholders approving the terms of, and the transactions contemplated by this Agreement and resolving that it execute, deliver and perform this Agreement and any other Applicable Foreign Obligor Documents;
 - (iii) to the extent required under Dutch law or the applicable articles of association, a resolution from the board of supervisory directors approving the resolutions of the board of directors and the terms of, and the transactions contemplated by this Agreement and resolving that it execute, deliver and perform this Agreement and any other Applicable Foreign Obligor Documents;
 - (iv) any action required to comply with the Works Councils Act of the Netherlands (*Wet op de ondernemingsraden*) followed by obtaining an unconditional positive advice (*advies*) from the competent works council(s); and
 - (v) authorising the Company to act as its agent in connection with the Applicable Foreign Obligor Documents.
 - (h) A "<u>subsidiary</u>" includes a *dochtermaatschappij* as defined in Article 2:24a of the Dutch Civil Code (*Burgerlijk Wetboek*);

- (i) "security", a "security interest" or "lien" includes any mortgage (hypotheek), pledge (pandrecht), retention of title arrangement (eigendomsvoorbehoud), privilege (voorrecht), right of retention (recht van retentie), right to reclaim goods (recht van reclame), financial collateral arrangement (financiële zekerheidsovereenkomst) and, in general, any right in rem (goederenrechtelijk recht), created for the purpose of granting security (goederenrechtelijk zekerheidsrecht);
- (j) a "winding-up", "administration", "reorganisation" or "dissolution" (and any of those terms) includes a Dutch entity being declared bankrupt (failliet verklaard) or dissolved (ontbonden);
 - (k) a "moratorium" includes surseance van betaling and granted a moratorium includes surseance verleend;
 - (l) "insolvency proceedings" include:
 - (i) bankruptcy (faillissement), suspension of payments (surseance van betaling), emergency procedure (noodregeling) or any other procedure having the effect that the entity to which it applies loses the free management or ability to dispose of its property (irrespective of whether the procedure is provisional or final); and
 - (ii) dissolution (*ontbinding*) or any other procedure having the effect that the entity to which it applies ceases to exist;
- (m) any "<u>procedure</u>" in relation to the suspension of payments, moratorium of any indebtedness, winding-up, administration or reorganisation or analogous procedure or step includes a Dutch entity having filed a notice under Section 36 of the Dutch Tax Collection Act (*Invorderingswet 1990*) or Section 60 of the Social Insurance Financing Act of the Netherlands (*Wet Financiering Sociale Verzekeringen*) in conjunction with Section 36 of the Tax Collection Act (*Invorderingswet 1990*);
 - (n) "<u>Debtor Relief Laws</u>" includes the Dutch Bankruptcy Act (Faillissementswet);
 - (o) an "administrator" includes a bewindvoerder;
 - (p) an "attachment" includes a beslag; and
 - (q) a "merger" includes a juridische fusie.

ARTICLE II

COMMITMENTS AND CREDIT EXTENSIONS

2.01 <u>Loans.</u>

Subject to the terms and conditions set forth herein, the Lender agrees to make loans (each such loan, a "Revolving Loan") to the Borrowers, in Dollars or in one or more Alternative Currencies, from time to time, on any Business Day during the Availability Period, in an aggregate amount not to exceed at any time outstanding the amount of the Revolving Commitment; provided, however, that after giving effect to any Revolving Borrowing, (i) the Total Revolving Outstandings shall not exceed the Revolving Commitment, (ii) the aggregate Outstanding Amount of all Loans made to the Netherlands Borrower shall not exceed the Netherlands Borrower Sublimit, and (iii) the aggregate Outstanding Amount of all Loans denominated in Alternative Currencies shall not exceed the Alternative Currency Sublimit. Within the limits of the Revolving Commitment, and subject to the other terms and conditions hereof, the Borrowers may borrow Revolving Loans, prepay under Section 2.05, and reborrow under this Section 2.01. Revolving Loans may be Base Rate Loans or Eurocurrency Rate Loans, as further provided herein; provided, however, any Revolving Borrowings made on the Closing Date or any of the three (3) Business Days following the Closing Date shall be made as Base Rate Loans unless the Company delivers a Funding Indemnity Letter not less than three (3) Business Days prior to the date of such Revolving Borrowing.

2.02 <u>Borrowings, Conversions and Continuations of Loans.</u>

Notice of Borrowing, Each Borrowing, each conversion of Loans from one Type to the other, and each continuation of Eurocurrency Rate Loans shall be made upon the applicable Borrower's irrevocable notice to the Lender, which may be given by (A) telephone or (B) a Loan Notice; provided that any telephonic notice must be confirmed immediately by delivery to the Lender of a Loan Notice. Each such notice must be received by the Lender not later than 11:00 a.m. (i) three (3) Business Days prior to the requested date of any Borrowing of, conversion to or continuation of Eurocurrency Rate Loans denominated in Dollars or of any conversion of Eurocurrency Rate Loans denominated in Dollars to Base Rate Loans, (ii) four (4) Business Days (or five (5) Business Days in the case of a Special Notice Currency) prior to the requested date of any Borrowing or continuation of Eurocurrency Rate Loans denominated in Alternative Currencies, and (iii) on the requested date of any Borrowing of Base Rate Loans. Each Borrowing of, conversion to or continuation of Eurocurrency Rate Loans shall be, unless otherwise agreed by Lender, in a principal amount of the Dollar Equivalent of \$1,000,000 or a whole multiple of the Dollar Equivalent of \$100,000 in excess thereof (or such lesser amounts as agreed by the Lender). Except as provided in Sections 2.03(c), each Borrowing of or conversion to Base Rate Loans shall be, unless otherwise agreed by Lender, in a principal amount of \$100,000 or a whole multiple of \$10,000 in excess thereof (or such lesser amounts as agreed by the Lender). Each Loan Notice (whether telephonic or written) shall specify (A) whether the applicable Borrower is requesting a Borrowing, a conversion of Loans from one Type to the other, or a continuation of Loans, as the case may be, (B) the requested date of the Borrowing, conversion or continuation, as the case may be (which shall be a Business Day), (C) the principal amount of Loans to be borrowed, converted or continued, (D) the Type of Loans to be borrowed or to which existing Loans are to be converted, (E) if applicable, the duration of the Interest Period with respect thereto, (F) the currency of the Loans to be borrowed, and (G) the applicable Borrower. If a Borrower fails to specify a currency in a Loan Notice requesting a Borrowing, then the Loans so requested shall be made in Dollars. If a Borrower fails to specify a Type of Loan in a Loan Notice or if a Borrower fails to give a timely notice requesting a conversion or continuation, then the applicable Loans shall be made as, or converted to, Base Rate Loans; provided, however, that in the case of a failure to timely request a continuation of Loans denominated in an Alternative Currency, such Loans shall be continued as Eurocurrency Rate Loans in their original currency with an Interest Period of one (1) month. Any such automatic conversion to Base Rate Loans shall be effective as of the last day of the Interest Period then in effect with respect to the applicable Eurocurrency Rate Loans. If a Borrower requests a Borrowing of, conversion to, or continuation of Eurocurrency Rate Loans in any such Loan Notice, but fails to specify an Interest Period, it will be deemed to have specified an Interest Period of one (1) month. Excepted as permitted pursuant to Section 2.02(c), no Loan may be converted into or continued as a Loan denominated in a different currency, but instead must be repaid in the original currency of such Loan and reborrowed in the other currency.

- (b) <u>Advances</u>. Following receipt of a Loan Notice, upon satisfaction of the applicable conditions set forth in <u>Section 4.02</u> (and, if such Borrowing is the initial Credit Extension, <u>Section 4.01</u>), the Lender shall make the requested funds available to the applicable Borrower either by (i) crediting the account of such Borrower on the books of Bank of America with the amount of such funds or (ii) wire transfer of such funds, in each case in accordance with instructions provided to (and reasonably acceptable to) the Lender by such Borrower.
- (c) <u>Eurocurrency Rate Loans</u>. Except as otherwise provided herein, a Eurocurrency Rate Loan may be continued or converted only on the last day of an Interest Period for such Eurocurrency Rate Loan. During the existence of a Default, no Loans may be requested as, converted to or continued as Eurocurrency Rate Loans without the consent of the Lender, and the Lender may demand that any or all of the outstanding Eurocurrency Rate Loans denominated in Dollars be converted immediately to Base Rate Loans and any or all of the then outstanding Eurocurrency Rate Loans denominated in an Alternative Currency be prepaid, or redenominated into Dollars in the amount of the Dollar Equivalent thereof, on the last day of the then current Interest Period with respect thereto.
- (d) <u>Interest Periods</u>. After giving effect to all Revolving Borrowings, all conversions of Revolving Loans from one Type to the other, and all continuations of Revolving Loans as the same Type, there shall not be more than ten (10) Interest Periods in effect.

2.03 Letters of Credit.

(a) The Letter of Credit Commitment.

- (i) Subject to the terms and conditions set forth herein, the Lender agrees (A) from time to time on any Business Day during the period from the Closing Date until the Letter of Credit Expiration Date, to issue Letters of Credit for the account of the Company or, in the Lender's sole and absolute discretion, any of its Subsidiaries, and to amend or extend Letters of Credit previously issued by it, in accordance with Section 2.03(b), and (B) to honor drawings under the Letters of Credit; provided that after giving effect to any L/C Credit Extension with respect to any Letter of Credit, (x) the Total Revolving Outstandings shall not exceed the Revolving Commitment and (y) the Outstanding Amount of the L/C Obligations not exceed the Letter of Credit Sublimit. Each request by the Company for the issuance or amendment of a Letter of Credit shall be deemed to be a representation by the Company that the L/C Credit Extension so requested complies with the conditions set forth in the proviso to the preceding sentence. Within the foregoing limits, and subject to the terms and conditions hereof, the Company's ability to obtain Letters of Credit shall be fully revolving, and accordingly the Company may, during the foregoing period, obtain Letters of Credit to replace Letters of Credit that have expired or that have been drawn upon and reimbursed.
 - (ii) The Lender shall not be under any obligation to issue any Letter of Credit if:
 - (A) subject to Section 2.03(b)(iii), the expiry date of the requested Letter of Credit would occur more than twelve (12) months after the date of issuance or last extension, unless the Lender has approved such expiry date; or

- (B) the expiry date of the requested Letter of Credit would occur after the Letter of Credit Expiration Date, unless Borrower provides Cash Collateral at the time of issuance or the Lender has approved such expiry date.
- (C) any order, judgment or decree of any Governmental Authority or arbitrator shall by its terms purport to enjoin or restrain the Lender from issuing the Letter of Credit, or any Law applicable to the Lender or any request or directive (whether or not having the force of law) from any Governmental Authority with jurisdiction over the Lender shall prohibit, or request that the Lender refrain from, the issuance of letters of credit generally or the Letter of Credit in particular or shall impose upon the Lender with respect to the Letter of Credit any restriction, reserve or capital requirement (for which the Lender is not otherwise compensated hereunder) not in effect on the Closing Date, or shall impose upon the Lender any unreimbursed loss, cost or expense which was not applicable on the Closing Date and which the Lender in good faith deems material to it;
- (D) the issuance of the Letter of Credit would violate one or more policies of the Lender applicable to letters of credit generally;
- (E) except as otherwise agreed by the Lender, the Letter of Credit is in an initial stated amount less than \$100,000;
- (F) except as otherwise agreed by the Lender, the Letter of Credit is to be denominated in a currency other than Dollars or an Alternative Currency;
- (G) the Letter of Credit contains any provisions for automatic reinstatement of the stated amount after any drawing thereunder; or
- (H) the Lender does not as of the issuance date of the requested Letter of Credit issue Letters of Credit in the requested currency.
- (iii) The Lender shall be under no obligation to amend any Letter of Credit if (A) the Lender would have no obligation at such time to issue such Letter of Credit in its amended form under the terms hereof, or (B) the beneficiary of such Letter of Credit does not accept the proposed amendment to the Letter of Credit.

(b) Procedures for Issuance and Amendment of Letters of Credit; Auto-Extension Letters of Credit.

- Each Letter of Credit shall be issued or amended, as the case may be, upon the request of the Company delivered to the Lender in the form of a Letter of Credit Application, appropriately completed and signed by a Responsible Officer of the Company and/or such Subsidiary, as required by the L/C Issuer. Such Letter of Credit Application may be sent by fax transmission, by United States mail, by overnight courier, by electronic transmission using the system provided by the Lender, by personal delivery or by any other means acceptable to the Lender. Such Letter of Credit Application must be received by the Lender not later than 11:00 a.m. at least five (5) Business Days (or such later date and time as the Lender may agree in a particular instance in its sole discretion) prior to the proposed issuance date or date of amendment, as the case may be. In the case of a request for an initial issuance of a Letter of Credit, such Letter of Credit Application shall specify in form and detail satisfactory to the Lender: (A) the proposed issuance date of the requested Letter of Credit (which shall be a Business Day); (B) the amount and currency thereof and in the absence of specification of currency shall be deemed a request for a Letter of Credit denominated in Dollars; (C) the expiry date thereof; (D) the name and address of the beneficiary thereof; (E) the documents to be presented by such beneficiary in case of any drawing thereunder; (F) the full text of any certificate to be presented by such beneficiary in case of any drawing thereunder; (G) the purpose and nature of the requested Letter of Credit; and (H) such other matters as the Lender may require. In the case of a request for an amendment of any outstanding Letter of Credit, such Letter of Credit Application shall specify in form and detail satisfactory to the Lender (1) the Letter of Credit to be amended; (2) the proposed date of amendment thereof (which shall be a Business Day); (3) the nature of the proposed amendment; and (4) such other matters as the Lender may require. Additionally, the Company shall furnish to the Lender such other documents and information pertaining to such requested Letter of Credit issuance or amendment, including any Issuer Documents, as the Lender may require.
- (ii) Promptly after its delivery of any Letter of Credit or any amendment to a Letter of Credit to an advising bank with respect thereto or to the beneficiary thereof, the Lender will also deliver to the Company a true and complete copy of such Letter of Credit or amendment.
- (iii) If the Company so requests in any applicable Letter of Credit Application, the Lender may, in its sole discretion, agree to issue a Letter of Credit that has automatic extension provisions (each, an "Auto-Extension Letter of Credit"); provided that any such Auto-Extension Letter of Credit must permit the Lender to prevent any such extension at least once in each twelve (12) month period (commencing with the date of issuance of such Letter of Credit) by giving prior notice to the beneficiary thereof not later than a day (the "Non-Extension Notice Date") in each such twelve (12) month period to be agreed upon at the time such Letter of Credit is issued. Unless otherwise directed by the Lender, the Company shall not be required to make a specific request to the Lender for any such extension. Once an Auto-Extension Letter of Credit has been issued, the Lender shall permit the extension of such Letter of Credit at any time to an expiry date not later than the Letter of Credit Expiration Date; provided, however, that the Lender shall not permit any such extension if (A) the Lender has determined that it would not be permitted, or would have no obligation at such time to issue such Letter of Credit in its revised form (as extended) under the terms hereof (by reason of the provisions of clause (ii) or (iii) of Section 2.03(a) or otherwise), or (B) it has received notice (which may be by telephone or in writing) on or before the day that is seven (7) Business Days before the Non-Extension Notice Date from the Company that one or more of the applicable conditions specified in Section 4.02 is not then satisfied, and directing the Lender not to permit such extension.

- Drawings and Reimbursements. Upon receipt from the beneficiary of any Letter of Credit of any notice of a drawing under such (c)Letter of Credit, the Lender shall notify the Company thereof. In the case of a Letter of Credit denominated in an Alternative Currency, the Company shall reimburse the Lender in such Alternative Currency, unless (i) the Lender (at its option) shall have specified in such notice that it will require reimbursement in Dollars, or (ii) in the absence of any such requirement for reimbursement in Dollars, the Company shall have notified the Lender promptly following receipt of the notice of drawing that the Company will reimburse the Lender in Dollars. In the case of any such reimbursement in Dollars of a drawing under a Letter of Credit denominated in an Alternative Currency, the Lender shall notify the Company of the Dollar Equivalent of the amount of the drawing promptly following the determination thereof. Not later than 11:00 a.m. on the date of any payment by the Lender under a Letter of Credit to be reimbursed in Dollars, or the Applicable Time on the date of any payment by the Lender under a Letter of Credit to be reimbursed in an Alternative Currency (each such date, an "Honor Date"), the Company shall reimburse the Lender in an amount equal to the amount of such drawing and in the applicable currency. In the event that (A) a drawing denominated in an Alternative Currency is to be reimbursed in Dollars pursuant to the second sentence in this <u>Section 2.03(c)</u> and (B) the Dollar amount paid by the Company, whether on or after the Honor Date, shall not be adequate on the date of that payment to purchase in accordance with normal banking procedures a sum denominated in the Alternative Currency equal to the drawing, the Company agrees, as a separate and independent obligation, to indemnify the Lender for the loss resulting from its inability on that date to purchase the Alternative Currency in the full amount of the drawing. If the Company fails to so reimburse the Lender by such time, the Company shall be deemed to have requested a Revolving Borrowing of Base Rate Loans to be disbursed on the Honor Date in an amount equal to the amount of the unreimbursed drawing (expressed in Dollars in the amount of the Dollar Equivalent thereof in the case of a Letter of Credit denominated in an Alternative Currency) (the "Unreimbursed Amount"), without regard to the minimum and multiples specified in Section 2.02 for the principal amount of Base Rate Loans. Any notice given by the Lender pursuant to this Section 2.03(c) may be given by telephone if immediately confirmed in writing; provided that the lack of such an immediate confirmation shall not affect the conclusiveness or binding effect of such notice.
- (d) <u>Obligations Absolute</u>. The obligation of the Company to reimburse the Lender for each drawing under each Letter of Credit shall be absolute, unconditional and irrevocable, and shall be paid strictly in accordance with the terms of this Agreement under all circumstances, including the following:
 - (i) any lack of validity or enforceability of such Letter of Credit, this Agreement, or any other Loan Document;
 - (ii) the existence of any claim, counterclaim, setoff, defense or other right that the Company or any Subsidiary may have at any time against any beneficiary or any transferee of such Letter of Credit (or any Person for whom any such beneficiary or any such transferee may be acting), the Lender or any other Person, whether in connection with this Agreement or by such Letter of Credit, the transactions contemplated hereby or any agreement or instrument relating thereto, or any unrelated transaction;
 - (iii) any draft, demand, endorsement, certificate or other document presented under or in connection with such Letter of Credit proving to be forged, fraudulent, invalid or insufficient in any respect or any statement therein being untrue or inaccurate in any respect; or any loss or delay in the transmission or otherwise of any document required in order to make a drawing under such Letter of Credit;

- (iv) waiver by the Lender of any requirement that exists for the Lender's protection and not the protection of the Company or any waiver by the Lender which does not in fact materially prejudice the Company;
- (v) honor of a demand for payment presented electronically even if such Letter of Credit requires that demand be in the form of a draft;
- (vi) any payment made by the Lender in respect of an otherwise complying item presented after the date specified as the expiration date of, or the date by which documents must be received under, such Letter of Credit if presentation after such date is authorized by the UCC or the ISP, as applicable;
- (vii) any payment by the Lender under such Letter of Credit against presentation of a draft or certificate that does not strictly comply with the terms of such Letter of Credit; or any payment made by the Lender under such Letter of Credit to any Person purporting to be a trustee in bankruptcy, debtor-in-possession, assignee for the benefit of creditors, liquidator, receiver or other representative of or successor to any beneficiary or any transferee of such Letter of Credit, including any arising in connection with any proceeding under any Debtor Relief Law;
- (viii) any other circumstance or happening whatsoever, whether or not similar to any of the foregoing, including any other circumstance that might otherwise constitute a defense available to, or a discharge of, the Company or any of its Subsidiaries; or
- (ix) any adverse change in the relevant exchange rates or in the availability of the relevant Alternative Currency to the Company or any Subsidiary or in the relevant currency markets generally.

The Company shall promptly examine a copy of each Letter of Credit and each amendment thereto that is delivered to it and, in the event of any claim of noncompliance with the Company's instructions or other irregularity, the Company will immediately notify the Lender. The Company shall be conclusively deemed to have waived any such claim against the Lender and its correspondents unless such notice is given as aforesaid.

Role of the Lender. The Lender and the Company agree that, in paying any drawing under a Letter of Credit, the Lender shall not have any responsibility to obtain any document (other than any sight or time draft, certificates and documents expressly required by the Letter of Credit) or to ascertain or inquire as to the validity or accuracy of any such document or the authority of the Person executing or delivering any such document. The Company hereby assumes all risks of the acts or omissions of any beneficiary or transferee with respect to its use of any Letter of Credit; provided, however, that this assumption is not intended to, and shall not, preclude the Company's pursuing such rights and remedies as it may have against the beneficiary or transferee at law or under any other agreement. None of the Lender, any of its Related Parties nor any correspondent, participant or assignee of the Lender shall be liable or responsible for any of the matters described in Section 2.03(d). In furtherance and not in limitation of the foregoing, the Lender may accept documents that appear on their face to be in order, without responsibility for further investigation, regardless of any notice or information to the contrary, and the Lender shall not be responsible for the validity or sufficiency of any instrument transferring, endorsing or assigning or purporting to transfer, endorse or assign a Letter of Credit or the rights or benefits thereunder or proceeds thereof, in whole or in part, which may prove to be invalid or ineffective for any reason. The Lender may send a Letter of Credit or conduct any communication to or from the beneficiary via the Society for Worldwide Interbank Financial Telecommunication ("SWIFT") message or overnight courier, or any other commercially reasonable means of communicating with a beneficiary.

- (f) Applicability of ISP; Limitation of Liability. Unless otherwise expressly agreed by the Lender and the Company when a Letter of Credit is issued, the rules of the ISP shall apply to each Letter of Credit. Notwithstanding the foregoing, the Lender shall not be responsible to the Company for, and the Lender's rights and remedies against the Company shall not be impaired by, any action or inaction of the Lender required or permitted under any law, order, or practice that is required or permitted to be applied to any Letter of Credit or this Agreement, including the Law or any order of a jurisdiction where the Lender or the beneficiary is located, the practice stated in the ISP or in the decisions, opinions, practice statements, or official commentary of the ICC Banking Commission, the Bankers Association for Finance and Trade International Financial Services Association (BAFT-IFSA), or the Institute of International Banking Law & Practice, whether or not any Letter of Credit chooses such law or practice.
- Letter of Credit Fees. The Company shall pay to the Lender a Letter of Credit fee (the "Letter of Credit Fee") for each Letter of Credit equal to the Applicable Rate times the Dollar Equivalent of the daily amount available to be drawn under such Letter of Credit. For purposes of computing the daily amount available to be drawn under any Letter of Credit, the amount of such Letter of Credit shall be determined in accordance with Section 1.06. Letter of Credit Fees shall be (A) due and payable on the first Business Day following each fiscal quarter end, commencing with the first such date to occur after the issuance of such Letter of Credit, on the Letter of Credit Expiration Date and thereafter on demand and (B) computed on a quarterly basis in arrears. If there is any change in the Applicable Rate during any quarter, the daily amount available to be drawn under each Letter of Credit shall be computed and multiplied by the Applicable Rate separately for each period during such quarter that such Applicable Rate was in effect.
- (h) <u>Conflict with Issuer Documents</u>. In the event of any conflict between the terms hereof and the terms of any Issuer Document, the terms hereof shall control.
- (i) <u>Letters of Credit Issued for Subsidiaries</u>. Notwithstanding that a Letter of Credit issued or outstanding hereunder is in support of any obligations of, or is for the account of, a Subsidiary, the Company shall be obligated to reimburse the Lender hereunder for any and all drawings under such Letter of Credit. The Company hereby acknowledges that the issuance of Letters of Credit for the account of Subsidiaries inures to the benefit of the Company, and that the Company's business derives substantial benefits from the businesses of such Subsidiaries.

2.04 Reserved.

2.05 Prepayments.

(a) Optional. A Borrower may, upon notice to the Lender pursuant to delivery to the Lender of a Notice of Loan Prepayment, at any time or from time to time voluntarily prepay Loans in whole or in part without premium or penalty subject to Section 3.05; provided that, unless otherwise agreed by the Lender (A) such notice must be received by Lender not later than 11:00 a.m. (1) three (3) Business Days prior to any date of prepayment of Eurocurrency Rate Loans denominated in Dollars, (2) four (4) Business Days (or five (5), in the case of prepayment of Loans denominated in Special Notice Currencies) prior to any date of prepayment of Eurocurrency Rate Loans denominated in Alternative Currencies, and (3) on the date of prepayment of Base Rate Loans; (B) any prepayment of Eurocurrency Rate Loans denominated in Dollars shall be in a principal amount of \$1,000,000 or a whole multiple of \$100,000 in excess thereof (or such lesser amounts as agreed by the Lender); (C) any prepayment of \$100,000 in excess thereof (or such lesser amounts as agreed by the Lender) or, in each case, if less, the entire principal amount thereof then outstanding. Each such notice shall specify the date, the currency and amount of such prepayment and the Type(s) of Loans to be prepaid and, if Eurocurrency Rate Loans are to be prepaid, the Interest Period(s) of such Loans. If such notice is given by a Borrower, such Borrower shall make such prepayment and the payment amount specified in such notice shall be due and payable on the date specified therein. Any prepayment of a Eurocurrency Rate Loan shall be accompanied by all accrued interest on the amount prepaid, together with any additional amounts required pursuant to Section 3.05.

(b) <u>Mandatory</u>.

- (i) If for any reason the Total Revolving Outstandings at any time exceed the Revolving Commitment at such time, the Borrowers shall immediately prepay Revolving Loans (together with all accrued but unpaid interest thereon) and/or the Company shall immediately Cash Collateralize the L/C Obligations in an aggregate amount equal to such excess; <u>provided, however</u>, that the Company shall not be required to Cash Collateralize the L/C Obligations pursuant to this <u>Section 2.05(b)</u> unless, after the prepayment of the Revolving Loans, the Total Revolving Outstandings exceed the Revolving Commitment at such time.
- (ii) <u>Application of Other Payments</u>. Prepayments made pursuant to this <u>Section 2.05(b)</u>, <u>first</u>, shall be applied to the outstanding Revolving Loans, and, <u>second</u>, shall be used to Cash Collateralize the remaining L/C Obligations. Upon the drawing of any Letter of Credit that has been Cash Collateralized, the funds held as Cash Collateral shall be applied (without any further action by or notice to or from the Company or any other Loan Party that has provided Cash Collateral) to reimburse the Lender.
- (iii) Alternative Currencies. If the Lender notifies the Company at any time that the Outstanding Amount of all Loans and L/C Obligations denominated in Alternative Currencies at such time exceeds an amount equal to 105% of the Alternative Currency Sublimit then in effect, then, within two (2) Business Days after receipt of such notice, the Borrowers shall prepay Loans and/or the Company shall Cash Collateralize Letters of Credit in an aggregate amount sufficient to reduce such Outstanding Amount as of such date of payment to an amount not to exceed 100% of the Alternative Currency Sublimit then in effect.
- (iv) Netherlands Borrower Sublimit. If the Lender notifies the Company at any time that the Outstanding Amount of all Loans owing by the Netherlands Borrower at such time exceeds an amount equal to 105% of the Netherlands Borrower Sublimit then in effect, then, within two (2) Business Days after receipt of such notice, the Netherlands Borrower shall prepay Loans in an aggregate amount sufficient to reduce such Outstanding Amount as of such date of payment to an amount not to exceed 100% of the Netherlands Borrower Sublimit then in effect.

Within the parameters of the applications set forth above, prepayments pursuant to this <u>Section 2.05(b)</u> shall be applied first to Base Rate Loans and then to Eurocurrency Rate Loans in direct order of Interest Period maturities. All prepayments under this <u>Section 2.05(b)</u> shall be subject to <u>Section 3.05</u>, but otherwise without premium or penalty, and shall be accompanied by interest on the principal amount prepaid through the date of prepayment.

2.06 <u>Termination, Increase or Reduction of Commitments.</u>

- (a) Optional. The Company may, upon notice to the Lender, terminate the Revolving Commitment or the Letter of Credit Sublimit, or from time to time permanently reduce the Revolving Commitment or the Letter of Credit Sublimit; provided that (i) any such notice shall be received by the Lender not later than 11:00 a.m. five (5) Business Days prior to the date of termination or reduction, (ii) any such partial reduction shall be in an aggregate amount of \$10,000,000 or any whole multiple of \$1,000,000 in excess thereof and (iii) the Company shall not terminate or reduce (A) the Revolving Commitment if, after giving effect thereto and to any concurrent prepayments hereunder, the Total Revolving Outstandings would exceed the Revolving Commitment or (B) the Letter of Credit Sublimit if, after giving effect thereto, the Outstanding Amount of L/C Obligations not fully Cash Collateralized hereunder would exceed the Letter of Credit Sublimit.
- (b) <u>Incremental Increase</u>. The Borrowers may, upon notice to the Lender, request that the Revolving Commitment be increased, on a one time basis, by an amount not to exceed \$10,000,000 (the "<u>Incremental Facility Amount</u>"). Such notice shall set forth the amount of the requested increase (which shall be a minimum amount of \$5,000,000 and minimum increments of \$1,000,000). The Lender shall, by notice to the Borrowers, either agree to increase the Revolving Commitment or decline to increase the Revolving Commitment, in either case, in its sole discretion. In the event the Incremental Facility Amount is approved by the Lender, it will be subject to the execution and delivery of such definitive agreements and other documentation as deemed reasonably necessary by the Lender to effectuate such increase. The Incremental Facility Amount is uncommitted as of the Closing Date.
- (c) <u>Payment of Fees</u>. All fees in respect of the Revolving Commitment accrued until the effective date of any termination of the Revolving Commitment shall be paid on the effective date of such termination.

2.07 Repayment of Loans.

Each Borrower shall repay to the Lender on the Maturity Date the aggregate principal amount of all Revolving Loans made to such Borrower that are outstanding on such date.

2.08 <u>Interest and Default Rate.</u>

(a) <u>Interest.</u> Subject to the provisions of <u>Section 2.08(b)</u>, (i) each Eurocurrency Rate Loan shall bear interest on the outstanding principal amount thereof for each Interest Period from the applicable borrowing date at a rate per annum equal to the Eurocurrency Rate for such Interest Period plus the Applicable Rate; and (ii) each Base Rate Loan shall bear interest on the outstanding principal amount thereof from the applicable borrowing date at a rate per annum equal to the Base Rate plus the Applicable Rate. To the extent that any calculation of interest or any fee required to be paid under this Agreement shall be based on (or result in) a rate that is less than zero, such rate shall be deemed zero for purposes of this Agreement.

(b) Default Rate.

- (i) If any amount of principal of any Loan is not paid when due (without regard to any applicable grace periods), whether at stated maturity, by acceleration or otherwise, such amount shall thereafter bear interest at a fluctuating interest rate per annum at all times equal to the Default Rate to the fullest extent permitted by applicable Laws.
- (ii) If any amount (other than principal of any Loan) payable by a Borrower under any Loan Document is not paid when due (without regard to any applicable grace periods), whether at stated maturity, by acceleration or otherwise, then upon the request of the Lender such amount shall thereafter bear interest at a fluctuating interest rate per annum at all times equal to the Default Rate to the fullest extent permitted by applicable Laws.
- (iii) Upon the request of the Lender, while any Event of Default exists (including a payment default), all outstanding Obligations hereunder may accrue at a fluctuating interest rate per annum at all times equal to the Default Rate to the fullest extent permitted by applicable Laws.
- (iv) Accrued and unpaid interest on past due amounts (including interest on past due interest) shall be due and payable upon demand.
- (c) <u>Interest Payments</u>. Interest on each Loan shall be due and payable in arrears on each Interest Payment Date applicable thereto and at such other times as may be specified herein. Interest hereunder shall be due and payable in accordance with the terms hereof before and after judgment, and before and after the commencement of any proceeding under any Debtor Relief Law.

2.09 <u>Fees.</u>

In addition to certain fees described in subsection (g) of Section 2.03:

- (a) [Reserved]
- (b) Other Fees.

The Company shall pay to the Lender, in Dollars, such fees as shall have been separately agreed upon in writing in the amounts and at the times so specified. Such fees shall be fully earned when paid and shall not be refundable for any reason whatsoever.

2.10 <u>Computation of Interest and Fees.</u>

All computations of interest for Base Rate Loans (including Base Rate Loans determined by reference to the Eurocurrency Rate) shall be made on the basis of a year of 365 or 366 days, as the case may be, and actual days elapsed. All other computations of fees and interest shall be made on the basis of a 360-day year and actual days elapsed (which results in more fees or interest, as applicable, being paid than if computed on the basis of a 365 day year), or, in the case of interest in respect of Loans denominated in Alternative Currencies as to which market practice differs from the foregoing, in accordance with such market practice. Interest shall accrue on each Loan for the day on which the Loan is made, and shall not accrue on a Loan, or any portion thereof, for the day on which the Loan or such portion is paid, provided that any Loan that is repaid on the same day on which it is made shall, subject to Section 2.11, bear interest for one (1) day. Each determination by the Lender of an interest rate or fee hereunder shall be conclusive and binding for all purposes, absent manifest error.

2.11 Payments Generally.

All payments to be made by the Borrowers shall be made free and clear of and without condition or deduction for any counterclaim, defense, recoupment or setoff. Except as otherwise expressly provided herein and except with respect to principal of and interest on Loans denominated in an Alternative Currency, all payments by the Borrowers hereunder shall be made to the Lender at the Lender's Office in Dollars and in Same Day Funds not later than 2:00 p.m. on the date specified herein. Except as otherwise expressly provided herein, all payments by the Borrowers hereunder with respect to principal and interest on Loans denominated in an Alternative Currency shall be made to the Lender at the Lender's Office in such Alternative Currency and in Same Day Funds not later than the Applicable Time specified by the Lender on the dates specified herein. Without limiting the generality of the foregoing, the Lender may require that any payments due under this Agreement be made in the United States. If, for any reason, any Borrower is prohibited by any Law from making any required payment hereunder in an Alternative Currency, such Borrower shall make such payment in Dollars in the Dollar Equivalent of the Alternative Currency payment amount. All payments received by the Lender (i) after 2:00 p.m., in the case of payments in Dollars, or (ii) after the Applicable Time specified by the Lender, in the case of payments in an Alternative Currency, shall in each case be deemed received on the next succeeding Business Day and any applicable interest or fee shall continue to accrue. Subject to Section 2.07(a) and as otherwise specifically provided for in this Agreement, if any payment to be made by a Borrower shall come due on a day other than a Business Day, payment shall be made on the next following Business Day, and such extension of time shall be reflected in computing interest or fees, as the case may be.

2.12 <u>Cash Collateral.</u>

- (a) <u>Certain Credit Support Events.</u> If (i) as of the Letter of Credit Expiration Date, any L/C Obligation for any reason remains outstanding, or (ii) the Company shall be required to provide Cash Collateral pursuant to the terms hereof, the Company shall immediately following any request by the Lender, provide Cash Collateral in an amount not less than the applicable Minimum Collateral Amount. Additionally, if the Lender notifies the Company at any time that the Outstanding Amount of all L/C Obligations at such time exceeds 105% of the Letter of Credit Sublimit then in effect, then within two (2) Business Days after receipt of such notice, the Company shall provide Cash Collateral for the Outstanding Amount of the L/C Obligations in an amount not less than the amount by which the Outstanding Amount of all L/C Obligations exceeds the Letter of Credit Sublimit.
- (b) <u>Grant of Security Interest</u>. The Company hereby grants to (and subjects to the control of) the Lender and agrees to maintain, a first priority security interest in all such cash, deposit accounts and all balances therein, and all other property so provided as collateral pursuant hereto, and in all proceeds of the foregoing, all as security for the obligations to which such Cash Collateral may be applied pursuant to <u>Section 2.12(c)</u>. If at any time the Lender determines that Cash Collateral is subject to any right or claim of any Person other than the Lender, or that the total amount of such Cash Collateral is less than the Minimum Collateral Amount, the Company will, promptly upon demand by the Lender, pay or provide to the Lender additional Cash Collateral in an amount sufficient to eliminate such deficiency. All Cash Collateral (other than credit support not constituting funds subject to deposit) shall be maintained in one or more blocked, non-interest bearing deposit accounts at Bank of America. The Company shall pay on demand therefor from time to time all customary account opening, activity and other administrative fees and charges in connection with the maintenance and disbursement of Cash Collateral.

- (c) <u>Application</u>. Notwithstanding anything to the contrary contained in this Agreement, Cash Collateral provided under any of this <u>Section 2.12</u> or <u>Sections 2.03</u>, <u>2.05</u> or <u>8.02</u> in respect of Letters of Credit shall be held and applied to the satisfaction of the specific L/C Obligations and other obligations for which the Cash Collateral was so provided, prior to any other application of such property as may be provided for herein.
- (d) Release. Cash Collateral (or the appropriate portion thereof) provided to secure obligations shall be released promptly following the determination by the Lender that there exists excess Cash Collateral; provided, however, (i) any such release shall be without prejudice to, and any disbursement or other transfer of Cash Collateral shall be and remain subject to, any other Lien conferred under the Loan Documents and the other applicable provisions of the Loan Documents, and (ii) the Person providing Cash Collateral and the Lender may agree that Cash Collateral shall not be released but instead held to support future anticipated obligations.

2.13 The Netherlands Borrower.

- (a) <u>Obligations</u>. Notwithstanding anything contained to the contrary herein or in any Loan Document, (i) the Netherlands Borrower shall not be obligated with respect to any Obligations of the Company hereunder, (ii) the Obligations owed by the Netherlands Borrower hereunder shall be several and not joint with the Obligations of the Company and (iii) the Netherlands Borrower shall not be obligated as a Guarantor under <u>Article IX</u> with respect to the Obligations of the Company or any Domestic Subsidiary.
- (b) <u>Appointment</u>. The Netherlands Borrower hereby irrevocably appoints the Company to act as its agent for all purposes of this Agreement and the other Loan Documents and agrees that (i) the Company may execute such documents on behalf of the Netherlands Borrower as the Company deems appropriate in its sole discretion and the Netherlands Borrower shall be obligated by all of the terms of any such document executed on its behalf (ii) any notice or communication delivered by the Lender to the Company shall be deemed delivered to the Netherlands Borrower and (iii) the Lender may accept, and be permitted to rely on, any document, instrument or agreement executed by the Company on behalf of the Netherlands Borrower.

ARTICLE III

TAXES, YIELD PROTECTION AND ILLEGALITY

3.01 Taxes.

If any payments to the Lender under this Agreement are made from outside the United States, the applicable Borrower will not deduct any foreign taxes from any payments it makes to the Lender. If any such taxes are imposed on any payments made by a Borrower (including payments under this paragraph), such Borrower will pay the taxes and will also pay to the Lender, at the time interest is paid, any additional amount which the Lender specifies as necessary to preserve the after-tax yield the Lender would have received if such taxes had not been imposed. As soon as practicable after any payment of taxes by any Loan Party to a Governmental Authority, as provided in this Section 3.01, the Company will deliver to the Lender the original or a certified copy of a receipt issued by such Governmental Authority evidencing such payment, a copy of any return reporting such payment or other evidence of such payment reasonably satisfactory to the Lender.

The Company will confirm that the applicable Borrower has paid the taxes by giving the Lender official tax receipts (or notarized copies) within thirty (30) days after the due date.

3.02 <u>Illegality.</u>

- If Lender determines that any Law has made it unlawful, or that any Governmental Authority has asserted that it is unlawful, for Lender or its applicable Lending Office to perform any of its obligations hereunder or to make, maintain or fund or charge interest with respect to any Credit Extension or to determine or charge interest rates based upon the Eurocurrency Rate, or any Governmental Authority has imposed material restrictions on the authority of Lender to purchase or sell, or to take deposits of, Dollars or any Alternative Currency in the applicable interbank market, then, on notice thereof by Lender to the Company, (i) any obligation of Lender to issue, make, maintain, fund or charge interest with respect to any such Credit Extension or continue Eurocurrency Rate Loans in the affected currency or currencies or, in the case of Eurocurrency Rate Loans in Dollars, to convert Base Rate Loans to Eurocurrency Rate Loans shall be suspended, and (ii) if such notice asserts the illegality of Lender making or maintaining Base Rate Loans the interest rate on which is determined by reference to the Eurocurrency Rate component of the Base Rate, the interest rate on which Base Rate Loans of Lender shall, if necessary to avoid such illegality, be determined by Lender without reference to the Eurocurrency Rate component of the Base Rate, in each case until Lender notifies the Company that the circumstances giving rise to such determination no longer exist. Upon receipt of such notice, (i) the Borrowers shall, upon demand from Lender, prepay or, if applicable and such Loans are denominated in Dollars, convert all Eurocurrency Rate Loans of Lender to Base Rate Loans (the interest rate on which Base Rate Loans of Lender shall, if necessary to avoid such illegality, be determined by Lender without reference to the Eurocurrency Rate component of the Base Rate), either on the last day of the Interest Period therefor, if Lender may lawfully continue to maintain such Eurocurrency Rate Loans to such day, or immediately, if Lender may not lawfully continue to maintain such Eurocurrency Rate Loans and (ii) if such notice asserts the illegality of Lender determining or charging interest rates based upon the Eurocurrency Rate, the Lender shall during the period of such suspension compute the Base Rate applicable to Lender without reference to the Eurocurrency Rate component thereof until the Company is advised in writing by Lender that it is no longer illegal for Lender to determine or charge interest rates based upon the Eurocurrency Rate. Upon any such prepayment or conversion, the applicable Borrower shall also pay accrued interest on the amount so prepaid or converted.
- (b) If, in any applicable jurisdiction, Lender or any Designated Lender determines that any Law has made it unlawful, or that any Governmental Authority has asserted that it is unlawful, for Lender or its applicable Designated Lender to (i) perform any of its obligations hereunder or under any other Loan Document, (ii) to fund or maintain its participation in any Loan or Letter of Credit or (iii) issue, make, maintain, fund or charge interest or fees with respect to any Credit Extension to the Netherlands Borrower, Lender shall promptly notify Company, and until such notice by Lender is revoked, any obligation of Lender to issue, make, maintain, fund or charge interest or fees with respect to any such Credit Extension shall be suspended, and to the extent required by applicable Law, cancelled. Upon receipt of such notice, the Loan Parties shall, (A) repay the affected outstanding Obligations), (B) to the extent applicable, Cash Collateralize that portion of applicable L/C Obligations comprised of the aggregate undrawn amount of Letters of Credit to the extent not otherwise Cash Collateralized and (C) take all reasonable actions requested by Lender to mitigate or avoid such illegality.

(c) The Lender may at its option make any Credit Extension to any Borrower by causing any domestic or foreign branch or Affiliate of Lender (a "<u>Designated Lender</u>") to make such Credit Extension; <u>provided</u> that any exercise of such option shall not affect the obligation of the relevant Borrower to repay such Credit Extension in accordance with the terms of this Agreement; <u>provided</u>, <u>however</u>, if the Lender determines that any Law has made it unlawful, or that any Governmental Authority has asserted that it is unlawful, for the Lender or its applicable Designated Lender to (i) perform any of its obligations hereunder or under any other Loan Document, (ii) to fund or maintain its participation in any Loan or (iii) issue, make, maintain, fund or charge interest or fees with respect to any Credit Extension to the Netherlands Borrower then, on notice thereof by the Lender to the Company, and until such notice by the Lender is revoked, any obligation of the Lender or its Designated Lender to issue, make, maintain, fund or charge interest or fees with respect to any such Credit Extension shall be suspended, and to the extent required by applicable Law, cancelled. Upon receipt of such notice, the Loan Parties shall, take all reasonable actions requested by the Lender to mitigate or avoid such illegality. Any Designated Lender shall be considered a Lender.

3.03 <u>Inability to Determine Rates.</u>

If in connection with any request for a Eurocurrency Rate Loan or a conversion to or continuation thereof, the Lender determines that (a) deposits (whether in Dollars or an Alternative Currency) are not being offered to banks in the applicable offshore interbank market for such currency for the applicable amount and Interest Period of such Eurocurrency Rate Loan, (b) adequate and reasonable means do not exist for determining the Eurocurrency Rate for any requested Interest Period with respect to a proposed Eurocurrency Rate Loan (whether denominated in Dollars or an Alternative Currency) or in connection with an existing or proposed Base Rate Loan, (c) a fundamental change has occurred in the foreign exchange or interbank markets with respect to such Alternative Currency (including, without limitation, changes in national or international financial, political or economic conditions or currency exchange rates or exchange controls) or (d) the Eurocurrency Rate for any requested Interest Period with respect to a proposed Eurocurrency Rate Loan does not adequately and fairly reflect the cost to the Lender of funding such Eurocurrency Rate Loan, the Lender will promptly so notify the Company. Thereafter, (i) the obligation of the Lender to make or maintain Eurocurrency Rate Loans in the affected currency or currencies shall be suspended (to the extent of the affected Eurocurrency Rate Loans or Interest Periods), and (ii) in the event of a determination described in the preceding sentence with respect to the Eurocurrency Rate component of the Base Rate, the utilization of the Eurocurrency Rate component in determining the Base Rate shall be suspended, in each case until the Lender revokes such notice. Upon receipt of such notice, the Borrowers may revoke any pending request for a Borrowing of, conversion to or continuation of Eurocurrency Rate Loans in the affected currency or currencies (to the extent of the affected Eurocurrency Rate Loans or Interest Periods) or, failing that, will be deemed to have converted such request into a request for a Borrowing of Base Rate Loans in the amount specified therein. Notwithstanding the foregoing, in the case of such pending request, the Lender, in consultation with the Company, may establish an alternative interest rate for funding Loans in the applicable currency and amount, and with the same Interest Period as the Loan requested to be made, converted or continued, as the case may be in which case, such alternative rate of interest shall apply with respect to such Loans.

3.04 <u>Increased Costs; Reserves on Eurocurrency Rate Loans.</u>

- (a) <u>Increased Costs Generally</u>. If any Change in Law shall:
- (i) impose, modify or deem applicable any reserve, special deposit, compulsory loan, insurance charge or similar requirement against assets of, deposits with or for the account of, or credit extended or participated in by, the Lender (except any reserve requirement contemplated by Section 3.04(e));

- (ii) subject the Lender to any taxes on its loans, loan principal, letters of credit, commitments, or other obligations, or its deposits, reserves, other liabilities or capital attributable thereto; or
- (iii) impose on the Lender or the London interbank market any other condition, cost or expense affecting this Agreement or Eurocurrency Rate Loans made by the Lender or any Letter of Credit;

and the result of any of the foregoing shall be to increase the cost to the Lender of making, converting to, continuing or maintaining any Loan (or of maintaining its obligation to make any such Loan), or to increase the cost to the Lender of issuing or maintaining any Letter of Credit (or of maintaining its obligation to issue any Letter of Credit), or to reduce the amount of any sum received or receivable by the Lender hereunder (whether of principal, interest or any other amount) then, upon request of the Lender, the applicable Borrower will pay to the Lender such additional amount or amounts as will compensate the Lender for such additional costs incurred or reduction suffered.

- (b) <u>Capital Requirements</u>. If the Lender determines that any Change in Law affecting the Lender or the Lender's Office or the Lender's holding company, if any, regarding capital or liquidity requirements has or would have the effect of reducing the rate of return on the Lender's capital or on the capital of the Lender's holding company, if any, as a consequence of this Agreement, the Commitments of the Lender or the Loans made by or the Letters of Credit issued by the Lender, to a level below that which the Lender or the Lender's holding company could have achieved but for such Change in Law (taking into consideration the Lender's policies and the policies of the Lender's holding company with respect to capital adequacy), then from time to time the applicable Borrower will pay to the Lender such additional amount or amounts as will compensate the Lender or the Lender's holding company for any such reduction suffered.
- (c) <u>Mandatory Costs</u>. If Lender incurs any Mandatory Costs attributable to the Obligations hereunder, then from time to time the Company will pay (or cause to be paid) to the Lender such Mandatory Costs. Such amount shall be expressed as a percentage rate per annum and shall be payable on the full amount of the applicable Obligations.
- (d) <u>Certificates for Reimbursement.</u> A certificate of the Lender setting forth the amount or amounts necessary to compensate the Lender or its holding company, as the case may be, as specified in subsection (a), (b) or (c) of this Section and delivered to the Company shall be conclusive absent manifest error. The applicable Borrower shall pay the Lender the amount shown as due on any such certificate within ten (10) days after receipt thereof.

- Reserves on Eurocurrency Rate Loans. The applicable Borrower shall pay to the Lender, (i) as long as the Lender shall be required to maintain reserves with respect to liabilities or assets consisting of or including eurocurrency funds or deposits (currently known as "Eurocurrency liabilities"), additional interest on the unpaid principal amount of each Eurocurrency Rate Loan equal to the actual costs of such reserves allocated to such Loan by the Lender (as determined by the Lender in good faith, which determination shall be conclusive), and (ii) as long as the Lender shall be required to comply with any reserve ratio requirement or analogous requirement of any other central banking or financial regulatory authority imposed in respect of the maintenance of the Commitments or the funding of the Loans, such additional costs (expressed as a percentage per annum and rounded upwards, if necessary, to the nearest five decimal places) equal to the actual costs allocated to such Commitment or Loan by the Lender (as determined by the Lender in good faith, which determination shall be conclusive), which in each case shall be due and payable on each date on which interest is payable on such Loan, provided the Company shall have received at least ten (10) days' prior notice of such additional interest or costs from the Lender. If the Lender fails to give notice ten (10) days prior to the relevant Interest Payment Date, such additional interest shall be due and payable ten (10) days from receipt of such notice.
- (f) <u>Delay in Requests</u>. Failure or delay on the part of the Lender to demand compensation pursuant to the foregoing provisions of this <u>Section 3.04</u> shall not constitute a waiver of the Lender's right to demand such compensation, provided that no Borrower shall be required to compensate the Lender pursuant to the foregoing provisions of this Section for any increased costs incurred or reductions suffered more than nine (9) months prior to the date that the Lender notifies the Company of the Change in Law giving rise to such increased costs or reductions and of the Lender's intention to claim compensation therefor (except that, if the Change in Law giving rise to such increased costs or reductions is retroactive, then the nine (9) month period referred to above shall be extended to include the period of retroactive effect thereof).

3.05 Compensation for Losses.

Upon demand of the Lender from time to time, each Borrower shall promptly compensate the Lender for and hold the Lender harmless from any loss, cost or expense incurred by it as a result of:

- (a) any continuation, conversion, payment or prepayment of any Loan other than a Base Rate Loan on a day other than the last day of the Interest Period for such Loan (whether voluntary, mandatory, automatic, by reason of acceleration, or otherwise);
- (b) any failure by a Borrower (for a reason other than the failure of the Lender to make a Loan) to prepay, borrow, continue or convert any Loan other than a Base Rate Loan on the date or in the amount notified by such Borrower; or
- (c) any failure by a Borrower to make payment of any Loan or drawing under any Letter of Credit (or interest due thereon) denominated in an Alternative Currency on its scheduled due date or any payment thereof in a different currency;

including any loss of anticipated profits, any foreign exchange losses and any loss or expense arising from the liquidation or reemployment of funds obtained by it to maintain such Loan or from fees payable to terminate the deposits from which such funds were obtained or from the performance of any foreign exchange contract. The applicable Borrower shall also pay any customary administrative fees charged by the Lender in connection with the foregoing.

For purposes of calculating amounts payable by a Borrower to the Lender under this <u>Section 3.05</u>, the Lender shall be deemed to have funded each Eurocurrency Rate Loan made by it at the Eurocurrency Rate for such Loan by a matching deposit or other borrowing in the offshore interbank market for such currency for a comparable amount and for a comparable period, whether or not such Eurocurrency Rate Loan was in fact so funded.

3.06 Survival.

All of the Borrowers' obligations under this Article III shall survive termination of the Commitments, repayment of all other Obligations hereunder.

ARTICLE IV

CONDITIONS PRECEDENT TO CREDIT EXTENSIONS

4.01 Conditions of Initial Credit Extension.

The obligation of the Lender to make its initial Credit Extension hereunder is subject to satisfaction of the following conditions precedent:

- (a) <u>Execution of Credit Agreement; Loan Documents</u>. The Lender shall have received (i) counterparts of this Agreement, executed by a Responsible Officer of each Loan Party and (ii) counterparts of any other Loan Document, executed by a Responsible Officer of the applicable Loan Party and a duly authorized officer of each other Person party thereto.
- (b) Officer's Certificate. The Lender shall have received a certificate of a Responsible Officer dated the Closing Date, certifying as to the Organization Documents of each Loan Party (which, to the extent filed with a Governmental Authority, shall be certified as of a recent date by such Governmental Authority) and all necessary action to authorize, including the resolutions of the governing body of each Loan Party, the good standing (to the extent applicable), existence or its equivalent of each Loan Party and of the incumbency (including specimen signatures) of the Responsible Officers of each Loan Party.
- (c) <u>Legal Opinions of Counsel</u>. The Lender shall have received an opinion or opinions (including, if requested by the Lender, local counsel opinions) of counsel for the Loan Parties, dated the Closing Date and addressed to the Lender, in form and substance acceptable to the Lender.
- (d) <u>Existing Indebtedness of the Loan Parties</u>. All of the existing Indebtedness for borrowed money of the Company and its Subsidiaries (other than Indebtedness permitted to exist pursuant to <u>Section 7.02</u>) shall be repaid in full and all security interests related thereto shall be terminated on or prior to the Closing Date.
- (e) <u>Beneficial Ownership</u>. Prior to the Closing Date, if a Loan Party qualifies as a "legal entity customer" under the Beneficial Ownership Regulation, it shall deliver a Beneficial Ownership Certification in relation to such Loan Party.
 - (f) <u>Fees and Expenses</u>. The Lender shall have received all fees and expenses, if any, owing pursuant to <u>Section 2.09</u>.

4.02 <u>Conditions to all Credit Extensions.</u>

The obligation of the Lender to honor any Request for Credit Extension (other than a Loan Notice requesting only a conversion of Loans to the other Type, or a continuation of Eurocurrency Rate Loans) is subject to the following conditions precedent:

- (a) Representations and Warranties. The representations and warranties of each Loan Party contained in Article II, Article V or any other Loan Document, or which are contained in any document furnished at any time under or in connection herewith or therewith, shall (i) with respect to representations and warranties that contain a materiality qualification, be true and correct on and as of the date of such Credit Extension and (ii) with respect to representations and warranties that do not contain a materiality qualification, be true and correct in all material respects on and as of the date of such Credit Extension, and except that for purposes of this Section 4.02, the representations and warranties contained in Sections 5.04(a)(i) and 5.04(a)(i) shall be deemed to refer to the most recent statements furnished pursuant to Sections 6.01(a) and 6.01(b), respectively.
- (b) <u>Default</u>. No Default shall exist, or would result from such proposed Credit Extension or from the application of the proceeds thereof.
- (c) <u>Request for Credit Extension</u>. The Lender shall have received a Request for Credit Extension in accordance with the requirements hereof.
- (d) <u>Alternative Currency.</u> In the case of a Credit Extension to be denominated in an Alternative Currency, such currency remains an Eligible Currency.
- (e) <u>Legal Impediment</u>. There shall be no impediment, restriction, limitation or prohibition imposed under Law or by any Governmental Authority, as to the proposed financing under this Agreement or the repayment thereof or as to rights created under any Loan Document or as to application of the proceeds of the realization of any such rights.

Each Request for Credit Extension (other than a Loan Notice requesting only a conversion of Loans to the other Type or a continuation of Eurocurrency Rate Loans) submitted by a Borrower shall be deemed to be a representation and warranty that the conditions specified in Sections 4.02(a) and (b) have been satisfied on and as of the date of the applicable Credit Extension.

ARTICLE V

REPRESENTATIONS AND WARRANTIES

The Company represents and warrants to the Lender, as of the date made or deemed made, that:

5.01 <u>Organization; Powers.</u>

Each of the Company and its Subsidiaries is duly organized, validly existing and (to the extent such concept is applicable) in good standing under the laws of the jurisdiction of its organization, has all requisite power and authority to carry on its business as now conducted and, except where the failure to do so, individually or in the aggregate, could not reasonably be expected to result in a Material Adverse Effect, is qualified to do business in, and is in good standing in, every jurisdiction where such qualification is required.

5.02 <u>Authorization; Enforceability.</u>

The Transactions are within each Loan Party's organization powers and have been duly authorized by all necessary organizational and, if required, equity holder action. This Agreement has been duly executed and delivered by each Loan Party and constitutes a legal, valid and binding obligation of the Loan Parties, enforceable in accordance with its terms, subject to applicable Debtor Relief Laws and subject to general principles of equity, regardless of whether considered in a proceeding in equity or at law.

5.03 Governmental Approvals; No Conflicts.

The Transactions (a) do not require any consent or approval of, registration or filing with, or any other action by, any Governmental Authority, except such as have been obtained or made and are in full force and effect, (b) will not violate any applicable law or regulation or the Organization Documents of the Company or any of its Subsidiaries or any order of any Governmental Authority, (c) will not violate or result in a default under any indenture, agreement or other instrument binding upon the Company or any of its Subsidiaries or its assets, or give rise to a right thereunder to require any payment to be made by the Company or any of its Subsidiaries, and (d) will not result in the creation or imposition of any Lien on any asset of the Company or any of its Subsidiaries.

5.04 Financial Condition; No Material Adverse Change.

- (a) The Company has heretofore furnished to the Lender its consolidated balance sheet and statements of income, stockholders equity and cash flows (i) as of and for the fiscal year ended October 31, 2017, reported on by RSM US LLP, independent public accountants, and (ii) as of and for the fiscal quarter and the portion of the fiscal year ended July 31, 2018, certified by a Financial Officer. Such financial statements present fairly, in all material respects, the financial position and results of operations and cash flows of the Company and its consolidated Subsidiaries as of such dates and for such periods in accordance with GAAP, subject to year-end audit adjustments and the absence of footnotes in the case of the statements referred to in clause (ii) above.
- (b) Since October 31, 2017, there has been no change in the business, assets, operations, prospects or condition, financial or otherwise, of the Company and its Subsidiaries which would reasonably be expected to have a Material Adverse Effect.

5.05 Properties.

- (a) Each of the Company and its Subsidiaries has good title to, or valid leasehold interests in, all its real and personal property material to its business, except for such defects in title as could not, individually or in the aggregate, reasonably be expected to have a Material Adverse Effect.
- (b) Each of the Company and its Subsidiaries owns, or is licensed to use, all trademarks, tradenames, copyrights, patents and other intellectual property material to its business, and the use thereof by the Company and its Subsidiaries does not infringe upon the rights of any other Person, except for any such infringements that, individually or in the aggregate, could not reasonably be expected to result in a Material Adverse Effect.

5.06 <u>Litigation and Environmental Matters.</u>

(a) There are no actions, suits or proceedings by or before any arbitrator or Governmental Authority pending against or, to the knowledge of the Company, threatened against or affecting the Company or any of its Subsidiaries (i) as to which there is a reasonable possibility of an adverse determination and that, if adversely determined, could reasonably be expected, individually or in the aggregate, to result in a Material Adverse Effect or (ii) that involve this Agreement or the Transactions.

(b) Except with respect to any other matters that, individually or in the aggregate, could not reasonably be expected to result in a Material Adverse Effect, neither the Company nor any of its Subsidiaries (i) has failed to comply with any Environmental Law or to obtain, maintain or comply with any permit, license or other approval required under any Environmental Law, (ii) has become subject to any Environmental Liability, (iii) has received notice of any claim with respect to any Environmental Liability or (iv) knows of any basis for any Environmental Liability.

5.07 Compliance with Laws and Agreements.

Each of the Company and its Subsidiaries is in compliance with all laws, regulations and orders of any Governmental Authority applicable to it or its property and all indentures, agreements and other instruments binding upon it or its property, except where the failure to do so, individually or in the aggregate, could not reasonably be expected to result in a Material Adverse Effect. No Default has occurred and is continuing. Neither the Company nor any Subsidiary is a party to any agreement or instrument or subject to any charter or other corporate restriction which could reasonably be expected to have a Material Adverse Effect.

5.08 <u>Investment Company Status.</u>

Neither the Company nor any of its Subsidiaries is an "investment company" as defined in, or subject to regulation under, the Investment Company Act of 1940.

5.09 <u>Taxes.</u>

Each of the Company and its Subsidiaries has timely filed or caused to be filed all Tax returns and reports required to have been filed and has paid or caused to be paid all Taxes required to have been paid by it, except (a) Taxes that are being contested in good faith by appropriate proceedings and for which the Company or such Subsidiary, as applicable, has set aside on its books adequate reserves or (b) to the extent that the failure to do so could not reasonably be expected to result in a Material Adverse Effect.

5.10 **ERISA.**

No ERISA Event has occurred or is reasonably expected to occur that, when taken together with all other such ERISA Events for which liability is reasonably expected to occur, could reasonably be expected to result in a Material Adverse Effect. The present value of all accumulated benefit obligations under each Plan (based on the assumptions used for purposes of Statement of Financial Accounting Standards No. 87) did not, as of the date of the most recent financial statements reflecting such amounts, exceed by more than \$1,000,000 the fair market value of the assets of such Plan, and the present value of all accumulated benefit obligations of all underfunded Plans (based on the assumptions used for purposes of Statement of Financial Accounting Standards No. 87) did not, as of the date of the most recent financial statements reflecting such amounts, exceed by more than \$1,000,000 the fair market value of the assets of all such underfunded Plans. As of the Closing Date the Borrowers are not and will not be using "plan assets" (within the meaning of 29 CFR § 2510.3-101, as modified by Section 3(42) of ERISA) of one or more Benefit Plans in connection with the Loans, the Letters of Credit or the Commitments.

5.11 Disclosure.

The Company has disclosed to the Lenders all agreements, instruments and corporate or other restrictions to which it or any of its Subsidiaries is subject, and all other matters known to it, that, individually or in the aggregate, could reasonably be expected to result in a Material Adverse Effect. None of the reports, financial statements, certificates or other information furnished by or on behalf of the Company to the Lender in connection with the negotiation of this Agreement or delivered hereunder (as modified or supplemented by other information so furnished) contains any material misstatement of fact or omits to state any material fact necessary to make the statements therein, in the light of the circumstances under which they were made, not misleading; provided that, with respect to projected financial information, the Company represents only that such information was prepared in good faith based upon assumptions believed to be reasonable at the time. As of the Closing Date, the information included in the Beneficial Ownership Certification, if applicable, is true and correct in all respects.

5.12 Subsidiaries.

Schedule 5.12 contains an accurate list of all Subsidiaries of the Company as of the Closing Date, setting forth their respective jurisdictions of organization and the percentage of their respective Equity Interests owned by the Company or other Subsidiaries. All of the issued and outstanding Equity Interests of such Subsidiaries have been (to the extent such concepts are relevant with respect to such ownership interests) duly authorized and issued and are fully paid and non-assessable. Each Subsidiary of the Company has and will have all requisite organizational power to own or lease the properties used in its business and to carry on its business as now being conducted and as proposed to be conducted.

5.13 Regulation U.

Margin stock (as defined in Regulation U of the FRB) constitutes less than 25% of the value of those assets of the Company and its Subsidiaries which are subject to any limitation on sale, pledge, or other restriction hereunder.

5.14 Sanctions Concerns and Anti-Corruption Laws.

- (a) <u>Sanctions Concerns.</u> No Loan Party, nor any Subsidiary, nor, to the knowledge of the Loan Parties and their Subsidiaries, any director, officer, employee, agent, affiliate or representative thereof, is an individual or entity that is, or is owned or controlled by any individual or entity that is (i) currently the subject or target of any Sanctions, (ii) included on OFAC's List of Specially Designated Nationals, HMT's Consolidated List of Financial Sanctions Targets and the Investment Ban List, or any similar list enforced by any other relevant sanctions authority or (iii) located, organized or resident in a Designated Jurisdiction.
- (b) <u>Anti-Corruption Laws</u>. The Loan Parties and their Subsidiaries have conducted their business in compliance with the United States Foreign Corrupt Practices Act of 1977, the UK Bribery Act 2010 and other similar anti-corruption legislation in other jurisdictions, and have instituted and maintained policies and procedures designed to promote and achieve compliance with such laws.

5.15 <u>EEA Financial Institutions.</u>

No Loan Party is an EEA Financial Institution.

5.16 Representations as to Netherlands Borrower.

(a) The Netherlands Borrower is subject to civil and commercial Laws with respect to its obligations under this Agreement and the other Loan Documents to which it is a party (collectively, the "Applicable Foreign Obligor Documents"), and the execution, delivery and performance by the Netherlands Borrower of the Applicable Foreign Obligor Documents constitute and will constitute private and commercial acts and not public or governmental acts.

Neither the Netherlands Borrower nor any of its property has any immunity from jurisdiction of any court or from any legal process (whether through service or notice, attachment prior to judgment, attachment in aid of execution, execution or otherwise) under the laws of the jurisdiction in which the Netherlands Borrower is organized and existing in respect of its obligations under the Applicable Foreign Obligor Documents.

- (b) The Applicable Foreign Obligor Documents are in proper legal form under the Laws of the jurisdiction in which the Netherlands Borrower is organized and existing for the enforcement thereof against the Netherlands Borrower under the Laws of such jurisdiction, and to ensure the legality, validity, enforceability, priority or admissibility in evidence of the Applicable Foreign Obligor Documents. It is not necessary to ensure the legality, validity, enforceability, priority or admissibility in evidence of the Applicable Foreign Obligor Documents that the Applicable Foreign Obligor Documents be filed, registered or recorded with, or executed or notarized before, any court or other authority in the jurisdiction in which the Netherlands Borrower is organized and existing or that any registration charge or stamp or similar tax be paid on or in respect of the Applicable Foreign Obligor Documents or any other document, except for (i) any such filing, registration, recording, execution or notarization as has been made or is not required to be made until the Applicable Foreign Obligor Document or any other document is sought to be enforced and (ii) any charge or tax as has been timely paid.
- (c) There is no tax, levy, impost, duty, fee, assessment or other governmental charge, or any deduction or withholding, imposed by any Governmental Authority in or of the jurisdiction in which the Netherlands Borrower is organized and existing either (i) on or by virtue of the execution or delivery of the Applicable Foreign Obligor Documents or (ii) on any payment to be made by the Netherlands Borrower pursuant to the Applicable Foreign Obligor Documents, except as has been disclosed to the Lender. It is not required under the Laws of the jurisdiction in which the Netherlands Borrower is incorporated or resident or at the address specified for the Netherlands Borrower on Schedule 1.01(b) to make any deduction for or on account of Tax from any payment it may make under any Loan Documents.
- (d) The execution, delivery and performance of the Applicable Foreign Obligor Documents executed by the Netherlands Borrower are, under applicable foreign exchange control regulations of the jurisdiction in which the Netherlands Borrower is organized and existing, not subject to any notification or authorization except (i) such as have been made or obtained or (ii) such as cannot be made or obtained until a later date (provided that any notification or authorization described in clause (ii) shall be made or obtained as soon as is reasonably practicable).
- (e) The choice of the law of the State of New York as the governing law of the Loan Documents will be recognized and enforced in the Netherlands Borrower's jurisdiction of incorporation and, subject to the Legal Reservations, any judgment obtained in New York in relation to a Loan Document will be recognized and enforced in the Netherlands Borrower's jurisdiction of incorporation.
- (f) Under the Laws of the jurisdiction in which the Netherlands Borrower is incorporated it is not necessary that the Loan Documents be filed, recorded or enrolled with any court or other authority in that jurisdiction or that any stamp, registration or similar tax be paid on or in relation to the Loan Documents or the transactions contemplated by the Loan Documents.

ARTICLE VI

AFFIRMATIVE COVENANTS

Each of the Loan Parties hereby covenants and agrees that on the Closing Date and thereafter until the Facility Termination Date, the Company covenants and agrees with the Lender that:

6.01 Financial Statements; Ratings Change and Other Information.

The Company will furnish to the Lender:

- (a) within 90 days after the end of each fiscal year of the Company, (i) its audited consolidated balance sheet and related statements of operations, stockholders' equity and cash flows as of the end of and for such year, setting forth in each case in comparative form the figures for the previous fiscal year, all reported on by RSM US LLP or other independent public accountants of recognized national standing (without a "going concern" or like qualification, commentary or exception and without any qualification or exception arising out of the scope of such audit) to the effect that such consolidated financial statements present fairly in all material respects the financial condition and results of operations of the Company and its consolidated Subsidiaries on a consolidated basis in accordance with GAAP consistently applied (except that consolidated balance sheets and related statements of operations and retained earnings need not be provided for Inactive Subsidiaries or Subsidiaries whose only asset is the Equity Interests of another Subsidiary of the Company and consolidating statements need not be certified by such accountants) and (ii) a consolidating balance sheet and related statements of operations, stockholders' equity and cash flows for Company and the Subsidiaries as of the end of and for such year, setting forth in each case in comparative form the figures for the previous fiscal year;
- (b) within 45 days after the end of each of the first three fiscal quarters of each fiscal year of the Company, consolidated and consolidating balance sheets of the Company and Subsidiaries and related statements of operations, stockholders' equity and cash flows as of the end of and for such fiscal quarter and the then elapsed portion of the fiscal year, setting forth in each case in comparative form the figures for the corresponding period or periods of (or, in the case of the balance sheet, as of the end of) the previous fiscal year, all certified by one of its Financial Officers as presenting fairly in all material respects the financial condition and results of operations of the Company and its consolidated Subsidiaries on a consolidated basis or consolidating basis, as applicable in accordance with GAAP consistently applied, subject to normal year-end audit adjustments and the absence of footnotes (except that consolidated balance sheets and related statements of operations and retained earnings need not be provided for Inactive Subsidiaries or Subsidiaries whose only asset is the Equity Interests of another Subsidiary of the Company and consolidating statements need not be certified by such accountants);
- (c) concurrently with any delivery of financial statements under clause (a) or (b) above, a Compliance Certificate of a Financial Officer of the Company (i) certifying as to whether a Default has occurred and, if a Default has occurred, specifying the details thereof and any action taken or proposed to be taken with respect thereto, (ii) setting forth reasonably detailed calculations demonstrating compliance with Sections 7.08 and 7.09 and (iii) stating whether any change in GAAP or in the application thereof has occurred since the date of the audited financial statements referred to in Section 5.04 and, if any such change has occurred, specifying the effect of such change on the financial statements accompanying such certificate;

- (d) [reserved];
- (e) promptly after the same become publicly available, copies of all periodic and other reports, proxy statements and other materials filed by the Company or any Subsidiary with the Securities and Exchange Commission, or any Governmental Authority succeeding to any or all of the functions of said Commission, or with any national securities exchange, or distributed by the Company to its shareholders generally, as the case may be:
- (f) within 45 days of the end of each fiscal year of the Company, an annual operating and cash flow budget prepared in a manner consistent with the budgets delivered by Borrower to the Lender prior to the Closing Date or otherwise in a manner reasonably satisfactory to the Lender:
- (g) promptly following any request therefor, information and documentation reasonably requested by the Lender for purposes of compliance with applicable "know your customer" requirements under the PATRIOT Act, the Beneficial Ownership Regulation or other applicable anti-money laundering laws; and
- (h) promptly following any request therefor, such other information regarding the operations, business affairs and financial condition of the Company or any Subsidiary, or compliance with the terms of this Agreement, as the Lender may reasonably request.

Documents required to be delivered pursuant to Section 6.01(a) or (b) or Section 6.02(e) (to the extent any such documents are included in materials otherwise filed with the SEC) may be delivered electronically and if so delivered, shall be deemed to have been delivered on the date (a) on which the Borrower posts such documents, or provides a link thereto on the Borrower's website on the Internet, as listed on Schedule 1.01(b); or (b) on which such documents are posted on the Borrower's behalf on an Internet or intranet website, if any, to which the Lender has access (whether a commercial, third-party website or whether sponsored by the Lender); provided that: (i) the Borrower shall deliver paper copies of such documents to the Lender upon its request to the Borrower to deliver such paper copies until a written request to cease delivering paper copies is given by the Lender and (ii) the Borrower shall notify the Lender (by fax transmission or e-mail transmission) of the posting of any such documents and provide to the Lender by e-mail electronic versions (i.e., soft copies) of such documents.

6.02 Notices of Material Events.

The Company will furnish to the Lender prompt written notice of the following:

- (a) the occurrence of any Default;
- (b) the filing or commencement of any action, suit or proceeding by or before any arbitrator or Governmental Authority against or affecting any Loan Party that, if adversely determined, could reasonably be expected to result in a Material Adverse Effect;
- (c) the occurrence of any ERISA Event that, alone or together with any other ERISA Events that have occurred, could reasonably be expected to result in liability of the Company and its Subsidiaries in an aggregate amount exceeding \$1,000,000;
- (d) any claim to the effect that the Company or any of its Subsidiaries has become subject to any Environmental Liability or any allegation that the Company or any of its Subsidiaries has violated any Environmental Law which could reasonably be expected to have a Material Adverse Effect; and

(e) any other development that results in, or could reasonably be expected to result in, a Material Adverse Effect.

Each notice delivered under this Section shall be accompanied by a statement of a Responsible Officer of the Company setting forth the details of the event or development requiring such notice and any action taken or proposed to be taken with respect thereto.

6.03 Existence; Conduct of Business.

The Borrower will, and will cause each of its Subsidiaries to, do or cause to be done all things necessary to preserve, renew and keep in full force and effect its legal existence and the rights, licenses, permits, privileges and franchises material to the conduct of its business; <u>provided</u> that the foregoing shall not prohibit any merger, consolidation, liquidation or dissolution permitted under <u>Section 7.03</u>. The Company will, and will cause each Subsidiary to, carry on and conduct its business in substantially the same manner and in substantially the same fields of enterprise as it is presently conducted.

6.04 Payment of Obligations.

The Company will, and will cause each of its Subsidiaries to, pay its obligations, including Tax liabilities, that, if not paid, could result in a Material Adverse Effect before the same shall become delinquent or in default, except where (a) the validity or amount thereof is being contested in good faith by appropriate proceedings, and (b) the Company or such Subsidiary has set aside on its books adequate reserves with respect thereto in accordance with GAAP.

6.05 Maintenance of Properties; Insurance.

The Company will, and will cause each of its Subsidiaries to, (a) keep and maintain all material property necessary to the conduct of its business in good working order and condition, ordinary wear and tear excepted, and (b) maintain, with financially sound and reputable insurance companies, insurance in such amounts and against such risks as are customarily maintained by companies engaged in the same or similar businesses operating in the same or similar locations.

6.06 Books and Records; Inspection Rights.

The Company will, and will cause each of its Subsidiaries to, keep proper books of record and account in which full, true and correct entries are made of all dealings and transactions in relation to its business and activities. The Company will, and will cause each of its Subsidiaries to, permit any representatives designated by the Lender, upon reasonable prior notice, to visit and inspect its properties, to examine and make extracts from its books and records, and to discuss its affairs, finances and condition with its officers and independent accountants, all at such reasonable times during normal business hours and as often as reasonably requested. The Lender shall use commercially reasonable efforts to conduct such activities in a manner designed to minimize disruptions to the Company's and its Subsidiaries' ongoing business operations.

6.07 <u>Compliance with Laws.</u>

The Company will, and will cause each of its Subsidiaries to, comply with all laws, rules, regulations and orders of any Governmental Authority applicable to it or its property, except where the failure to do so, individually or in the aggregate, could not reasonably be expected to result in a Material Adverse Effect.

6.08 Use of Proceeds and Letters of Credit.

The proceeds of the Loans will be used for general corporate purposes. No part of the proceeds of any Loan will be used, whether directly or indirectly, for any purpose that entails a violation of any of the Regulations of the FRB, including Regulations T, U and X. Letters of Credit will be issued for the Company's general corporate purposes.

6.09 Subsidiary Guarantors.

The Company will promptly, but not more than 10 days after such event, cause each Domestic Subsidiary which is acquired or created or which ceases to be an Inactive Subsidiary after the Closing Date to execute and deliver to the Lender a Joinder Agreement. In connection with the foregoing, the Company shall deliver to the Lender, with respect to each new Guarantor to the extent applicable, substantially the same documentation required pursuant to Sections 4.01 and such other documents or agreements as the Lender may reasonably request. The Company shall notify the Lender, within 10 days after the occurrence thereof, of any Person becoming a Subsidiary.

6.10 Further Assurances.

The Company will, and will cause each other Loan Party to, execute and deliver within 30 days after request therefor by the Lender, all further instruments and documents and take all further action that may be necessary or desirable, or that the Lender may reasonably request, in order to give effect to, and to aid in the exercise and enforcement of the rights and remedies of the Lender under, this Agreement and the other Loan Documents. In addition, the Company agrees to deliver to the Lender within 30 days after the acquisition or creation of any Subsidiary not listed in <u>Schedule 5.12</u> hereto, supplements to <u>Schedule 5.12</u> such that such Schedule, together with such supplements, shall at all times accurately reflect the information provided for thereon.

6.11 Banking Relationship.

The Company will use, and cause its Domestic Subsidiaries to use, and, to the extent reasonably practical and not cost prohibitive for its Foreign Subsidiaries, cause such Foreign Subsidiaries to use, the Lender as its primary bank of account, cash management and related account services, in each case, subject to restrictions under applicable laws.

6.12 Anti-Corruption Laws.

The Company will, and will cause each Subsidiary to conduct its business in compliance with the United States Foreign Corrupt Practices Act of 1977, the UK Bribery Act 2010 and other similar anti-corruption legislation in other jurisdictions and maintain policies and procedures designed to promote and achieve compliance with such laws.

ARTICLE VII

NEGATIVE COVENANTS

The Company hereby covenants and agrees that on the Closing Date and thereafter until the Facility Termination Date that:

7.01 Indebtedness.

The Company will not, and will not permit any Subsidiary to, create, incur, assume or permit to exist any Indebtedness, except:

- (a) Indebtedness owing to the Lender or its Affiliates;
- (b) Indebtedness arising under Swap Contracts; <u>provided</u> that (i) such obligations are (or were) entered into by such Person in the ordinary course of business for the purpose of directly mitigating risks associated with fluctuations in interest rates or foreign exchange rates, and not for purposes of speculation or taking a "market view;"
- (c) Indebtedness existing on the Closing Date and set forth in <u>Schedule 7.01</u> and extensions, renewals and replacements of any such Indebtedness that do not increase the outstanding principal amount thereof;
 - (d) Indebtedness of the Company to any Subsidiary and of any Subsidiary to the Company or any other Subsidiary;
- (e) Indebtedness of the Company or any Subsidiary incurred to finance the acquisition, construction or improvement of any fixed or capital assets, including Capital Lease Obligations and any Indebtedness assumed in connection with the acquisition of any such assets or secured by a Lien on any such assets prior to the acquisition thereof, and extensions, renewals and replacements of any such Indebtedness that do not increase the outstanding principal amount thereof; <u>provided</u> that (i) such Indebtedness is incurred prior to or within 90 days after such acquisition or the completion of such construction or improvement and (ii) the aggregate principal amount of Indebtedness permitted by this clause (e) shall not exceed \$1,000,000 at any time outstanding;
 - (f) product warranty obligations incurred in the ordinary course of business;
 - (g) Subordinated Indebtedness in an aggregate principal amount not to exceed \$10,000,000 at any time outstanding;
- (h) (i) Indebtedness of Hurco GmbH in an aggregate principal amount not to exceed \$12,000,000 associated with the mortgage and development for the new Hurco GmbH facility in Germany, and (ii) any Guarantee thereof from the Company;
- (i) any joint and several liability (hoofdelijke aansprakelijkheid) under any fiscal unity for VAT, Dutch corporate income tax or other purposes;
- (j) any liability of the Netherlands Borrower with respect to Indebtedness permitted under this <u>Section 7.01</u> that is incurred by its Subsidiaries organized under the Laws of the Netherlands, which liability arises under a declaration of joint and several liability (hoofdelijke aansprakelijkheid) as referred to in section 2:403 of the DCC (and any residual liability (overblijvende aansprakelijkheid) under such declaration arising pursuant to section 2:404 (2) DCC);
- (k) Indebtedness in an aggregate amount not to exceed Chinese Yuan 20,000,000 of Ningbo Hurco Machine Tool Co. Ltd. and/or Ningbo Hurco Trading Co. Ltd which replaces the credit facility previously made available by JPMorgan Chase Bank or its Affiliate in favor of Ningbo Hurco Machine Tool Co. Ltd. and an unsecured guaranty of payment from the Company or any Subsidiary of Ningbo Hurco Machine Tool Co. Ltd. and/or Ningbo Hurco Trading Co. Ltd in favor of any such replacement lender;

- (l) Indebtedness in an aggregate amount not to exceed Taiwan Dollars 200,000,000 of Hurco Manufacturing Ltd., a private company organized under the laws of Taiwan, which replaces the credit facility previously made available by JPMorgan Chase Bank or an Affiliate thereof and an unsecured guaranty of payment of such Indebtedness from the Company or any Subsidiary of Hurco Manufacturing Ltd. in favor of any such replacement lender; and
- (m) Indebtedness (other than Indebtedness permitted above in this <u>Section 7.01</u>) in the aggregate outstanding amount not exceeding \$10,000,000 at any time.

7.02 <u>Liens.</u>

The Company will not, and will not permit any Subsidiary to, create, incur, assume or permit to exist any Lien on any property or asset now owned or hereafter acquired by it, or assign or sell any income or revenues (including accounts receivable) or rights in respect of any thereof, except:

- (a) Permitted Encumbrances;
- (b) any Lien on any property or asset of the Company or any Subsidiary existing on the Closing Date and set forth in <u>Schedule 7.02</u>; <u>provided</u> that (i) such Lien shall not apply to any other property or asset of the Company or any Subsidiary and (ii) such Lien shall secure only those obligations which it secures on the date hereof and extensions, renewals and replacements thereof that do not increase the outstanding principal amount thereof;
 - (c) Liens on assets of Hurco GmbH securing Indebtedness incurred pursuant to Section 7.01(h)(i);
- (d) any Lien existing on any property or asset prior to the acquisition thereof by the Company or any Subsidiary or existing on any property or asset of any Person that becomes a Subsidiary after the date hereof prior to the time such Person becomes a Subsidiary; provided that (i) such Lien is not created in contemplation of or in connection with such acquisition or such Person becoming a Subsidiary, as the case may be, (ii) such Lien shall not apply to any other property or assets of the Company or any Subsidiary and (iii) such Lien shall secure only those obligations which it secures on the date of such acquisition or the date such Person becomes a Subsidiary, as the case may be and extensions, renewals and replacements thereof that do not increase the outstanding principal amount thereof;
- (e) Liens on fixed or capital assets acquired, constructed or improved by the Company or any Subsidiary; <u>provided</u> that (i) such security interests secure Indebtedness permitted by <u>Section 7.01(e)</u>, (ii) such security interests and the Indebtedness secured thereby are incurred prior to or within 90 days after such acquisition or the completion of such construction or improvement, (iii) the Indebtedness secured thereby does not exceed 100% of the cost of acquiring, constructing or improving such fixed or capital assets and (iv) such security interests shall not apply to any other property or assets of the Company or any Subsidiary;
 - (f) Liens in favor of the Lender and its Affiliates;

- (g) Liens on assets of Ningbo Hurco Machine Tool Co. Ltd., Ningbo Hurco Trading Co. Ltd and/or their Subsidiaries securing Indebtedness incurred pursuant to Section 7.01(k); and
 - (h) Liens on assets of Hurco Manufacturing Ltd. and/or its Subsidiaries securing Indebtedness incurred pursuant to Section 7.01(l).

7.03 Fundamental Changes.

- (a) The Company will not, and will not permit any Subsidiary to, merge into or consolidate with any other Person, or permit any other Person to merge into or consolidate with it, or liquidate or dissolve, except that, if at the time thereof and immediately after giving effect thereto no Default shall have occurred and be continuing (i) any Person may merge into the Company in a transaction in which the Company is the surviving corporation, (ii) any Person may merge into any Subsidiary in a transaction in which the surviving entity is a Subsidiary (and, if either such Subsidiary is a Loan Party, then the surviving entity shall also be a Loan Party) and (iii) any Subsidiary (other than the Netherlands Borrower) may liquidate or dissolve if the Company determines in good faith that such liquidation or dissolution is in the best interests of the Company and is not materially disadvantageous to the Lenders; provided that any such merger involving a Person that is not a Wholly-Owned Subsidiary immediately prior to such merger shall not be permitted unless also permitted by Section 7.04.
- (b) The Company will not, nor will it permit any Subsidiary to, lease, sell or otherwise dispose of its property (other than cash) to any other Person, except:
 - (i) Sales and leases of inventory in the ordinary course of business, and licensing of software, patents, and other assets in the ordinary course of business.
 - (ii) Leases, sales or other dispositions of its property that, together with all other property of the Company and its Subsidiaries previously leased, sold or disposed of (other than inventory in the ordinary course of business) as permitted by this Section during the twelve-month period ending with the month in which any such lease, sale or other disposition occurs, do not constitute a Substantial Portion of the property of the Company and its Subsidiaries.
 - (iii) Sales of the Company's Equity Interests.
- (c) The Company will, and will cause each Subsidiary to, carry on and conduct its business in substantially the same manner and in substantially the same fields of enterprise as it is presently conducted and do all things necessary to remain duly incorporated or organized, validly existing and (to the extent such concept applies to such entity) in good standing as a domestic corporation, partnership or limited liability company in its jurisdiction of incorporation or organization, as the case may be, and maintain all requisite authority to conduct its business in each jurisdiction in which its business is conducted.

7.04 <u>Investments, Loans, Advances, Guarantees and Acquisitions.</u>

The Company will not, and will not permit any of its Subsidiaries to, purchase, hold or acquire (including pursuant to any merger with any Person that was not a Wholly-Owned Subsidiary prior to such merger) any Equity Interests, evidences of indebtedness or other securities (including any option, warrant or other right to acquire any of the foregoing) of, make or permit to exist any loans or advances to, Guarantee any obligations of, or make or permit to exist any investment or any other interest in, any other Person, or purchase or otherwise acquire (in one transaction or a series of transactions) any assets of any other Person constituting a business unit, except:

- (a) cash investments under the Hurco Deferred Compensation Plan made pursuant to the related trust agreements;
- (b) investments in existence on the Closing Date and described on Schedule 7.04;
- (c) Permitted Investments;
- (d) Investments by the Company existing on the Closing Date in the Equity Interests of its Subsidiaries;
- (e) loans or advances made by the Company to any Subsidiary and made by any Subsidiary to the Company or any other Subsidiary;
- (f) Guarantees constituting Indebtedness permitted by <u>Section 7.01</u>;
- (g) investments made after the Closing Date comprised of capital contributions (whether in the form of cash, a note or other assets), up to \$10,000,000 in the aggregate, to new or existing Subsidiaries;
- the Company or any Subsidiary may make any Acquisition so long as (i) the Company or such Subsidiary, as the case may be, shall be the survivor of such Acquisition, (ii) the Acquisition is of or with a Person engaged in a line of business similar to the lines of business presently engaged in by the Company, which include the manufacturing of machine tools, development of software for machine tools and distribution of machine tools, or a line of business that reasonably would be considered an ordinary extension of any such line of business presently engaged in by the Company, (iii) the Acquisition is consensual and not hostile or contested, (iv) both immediately before and after giving effect to such Acquisition, no Default or Event of Default shall have occurred and be continuing or would result therefrom and the representations and warranties contained in this Agreement and in the other Loan Documents shall be true and correct in all material respects on and as of the date thereof (both before and after such Acquisition is consummated), (v) as soon as available, and in any event not later than a date that provides the Lender a reasonable amount of time prior to the proposed date of consummation of such Acquisition to complete its review, the Company shall have furnished to the Lender such agreements, documents and information relating to the Acquisition, including without limitation pro forma covenant calculations demonstrating covenant compliance as of the last day of the most recently ending fiscal quarter after taking into account such Acquisition, and evidence of such authorizations and consents with respect to the Acquisition and the requirements of the Loan Documents and the Lender in connection therewith, as the Lender may reasonably request, all in form, substance and detail satisfactory to the Lender (collectively, the "Acquisition Documents"), (vi) neither the Company nor any of its Subsidiaries shall, as a result of or in connection with such Acquisition, assume or incur any direct or contingent liabilities (whether relating to environmental, tax, litigation, or other matters) that could reasonably be expected to have a Material Adverse Effect, (vii) neither the Company nor any of its Subsidiaries shall, as a result of or in connection with such Acquisition, assume or incur any direct or contingent liabilities (whether relating to environmental, tax, litigation, or other matters) that could reasonably be expected to have a Material Adverse Effect, (viii) immediately before and after the consummation of such Acquisition, the sum of the unused amount of the Commitment plus the Company's cash on hand as demonstrated to the Lender to its reasonable satisfaction shall be not less than \$10,000,000, and (ix) concurrently with the consummation of such Acquisition (or such later time as agreed by the Lender in its sole discretion), the Company and its Subsidiaries, including without limitation each such Subsidiary acquired or created in connection with such Acquisition, shall comply with all of the requirements of this Agreement and the other Loan Documents, including without limitation causing to be executed and/or delivered at such time all agreements and other documents of the types required under <u>Sections 4.01</u>, <u>6.09</u> and <u>6.10</u> of this Agreement; and

(i) to the extent constituting an investment, any liability of the Netherlands Borrower arising under a declaration of joint and several liability (hoofdelijke aansprakelijkheid) as referred to in section 2:403 of the DCC (and any residual liability (overblijvende aansprakelijkheid) under such declaration arising pursuant to section 2:404 (2) DCC).

7.05 Restricted Payments.

The Company will not, and will not permit any of its Subsidiaries to, declare, pay or make, or agree to declare, pay or make, directly or indirectly, any Restricted Payment, except (a) the Company may declare and pay dividends with respect to its Equity Interests (i) payable solely in additional shares of its common stock and (ii) payable in cash so long as (A) no Default or Event of Default shall have occurred and be continuing or would result therefrom, and (B) immediately before and after giving effect to such Restricted Payment, the sum of the unused amount of the Commitment plus the Company's cash on hand as demonstrated to the Lender to its reasonable satisfaction shall be not less than \$10,000,000, (b) Subsidiaries may declare and pay dividends ratably with respect to their Equity Interests, and (c) the Company may make Restricted Payments pursuant to and in accordance with stock option plans or other benefit plans for management or employees of the Company and its Subsidiaries.

7.06 <u>Transactions with Affiliates.</u>

The Company will not, and will not permit any of its Subsidiaries to, sell, lease or otherwise transfer any property or assets to, or purchase, lease or otherwise acquire any property or assets from, or otherwise engage in any other transactions with, any of its Affiliates, except (a) in the ordinary course of business at prices and on terms and conditions not less favorable to the Company or such Subsidiary than could be obtained on an arm's-length basis from unrelated third parties, (b) transactions between or among the Company and its Wholly-Owned Subsidiaries not involving any other Affiliate and (c) any Restricted Payment permitted by Section 7.05.

7.07 Restrictive Agreements.

The Company will not, and will not permit any of its Subsidiaries to, directly or indirectly, enter into, incur or permit to exist any agreement or other arrangement that prohibits, restricts or imposes any condition upon (a) the ability of the Company or any Subsidiary to create, incur or permit to exist any Lien upon any of its property or assets, or (b) with respect to any material agreement, including any agreement governing Material Indebtedness, the ability of any Subsidiary to pay dividends or other distributions with respect to any shares of its Equity Interests or to make or repay loans or advances to the Company or any other Subsidiary; provided that (i) the foregoing shall not apply to restrictions and conditions imposed by law or by this Agreement or other agreements evidencing Indebtedness on Schedule 7.01, (ii) the foregoing shall not apply to restrictions and conditions existing on the date hereof identified on Schedule 7.07 (but shall apply to any extension or renewal of, or any amendment or modification expanding the scope of, any such restriction or condition), (iii) the foregoing shall not apply to customary restrictions and conditions contained in agreements relating to the sale of a Subsidiary pending such sale, provided that such restrictions and conditions apply only to the Subsidiary that is to be sold and such sale is permitted hereunder, (iv) clause (a) of the foregoing shall not apply to the property or assets securing such Indebtedness and (v) clause (a) of the foregoing shall not apply to customary provisions in leases restricting the assignment thereof.

7.08 Minimum Working Capital.

The Company will not permit its Working Capital as of the end of any fiscal quarter to be less than \$125,000,000.

7.09 Minimum Tangible Net Worth.

The Company will not permit its Tangible Net Worth at any time to be less than \$170,000,000.

7.10 Sale and Leaseback Transactions.

The Company will not, nor will it permit any Subsidiary to, enter into or suffer to exist any Sale and Leaseback Transaction if the sum of the aggregate amount of obligations of the Company and its Subsidiaries under the resulting leases under all such Sale and Leaseback Transactions plus the aggregate principal amount of all Indebtedness secured by Liens permitted under <u>Section 7.02(e)</u> does not exceed \$10,000,000 at any time.

7.11 <u>Use of Proceeds.</u>

The Company will not, and will not permit any of its Subsidiaries to use the proceeds of any Credit Extension, whether directly or indirectly, and whether immediately, incidentally or ultimately, to purchase or carry margin stock (within the meaning of Regulation U of the FRB) or to extend credit to others for the purpose of purchasing or carrying margin stock or to refund indebtedness originally incurred for such purpose.

7.12 Sanctions.

The Company will not, and will not permit any of its Subsidiaries to, directly or indirectly, use any Credit Extension or the proceeds of any Credit Extension, or lend, contribute or otherwise make available such Credit Extension or the proceeds of any Credit Extension to any Person, to fund any activities of or business with any Person, or in any Designated Jurisdiction, that, at the time of such funding, is the subject of Sanctions, or in any other manner that will result in a violation by any Person of Sanctions.

7.13 Anti-Corruption Laws.

The Company will not, and will not permit any of its Subsidiaries to, directly or indirectly, use any Credit Extension or the proceeds of any Credit Extension for any purpose which would breach the United States Foreign Corrupt Practices Act of 1977, the UK Bribery Act 2010 and other similar anti-corruption legislation in other jurisdictions.

ARTICLE VIII

EVENTS OF DEFAULT AND REMEDIES

8.01 Events of Default.

Any of the following shall constitute an Event of Default:

- (a) Non-Payment. Any Loan Party fails to pay (i) when and as required to be paid herein and in the currency required hereunder, any amount of principal of any Loan or any L/C Obligation or deposit any funds as Cash Collateral in respect of L/C Obligations, or (ii) within three (3) days after the same becomes due, any interest on any Loan or on any L/C Obligation, or any fee due hereunder, or (iii) within five (5) days after the same becomes due, any other amount payable hereunder or under any other Loan Document; or
- (b) <u>Specific Covenants</u>. The Company shall fail to observe or perform any covenant, condition or agreement contained in <u>Section 6.02</u>, <u>6.03</u> (with respect to any Borrower's existence) or <u>6.08</u> or in <u>Article VII</u>; or
- (c) Other Defaults. The Company shall fail to observe or perform any covenant, condition or agreement contained in this Agreement (other than those specified in clause (a) or (b) of this Section 8.01) or any other Loan Document, and such failure shall continue unremedied for a period of 30 days after notice thereof from the Lender to the Company or after the Company otherwise becomes aware of such breach; or
- (d) Representations and Warranties. Any representation or warranty made or deemed made by or on behalf of the Company or any Subsidiary in or in connection with this Agreement or any amendment or modification hereof or waiver hereunder, or in any report, certificate, financial statement or other document furnished pursuant to or in connection with this Agreement or any amendment or modification hereof or waiver hereunder, shall prove to have been materially incorrect when made or deemed made and the Company or such Subsidiary fails to remedy such misrepresentation within five days following written notice thereof to the Company or after the Company otherwise becomes aware of such misrepresentation; or
- (e) <u>Cross-Default</u>. (i) The Company or any Subsidiary shall fail to make any payment (whether of principal or interest and regardless of amount) in respect of any Material Indebtedness, when and as the same shall become due and payable; or (ii) any event or condition occurs that results in any Material Indebtedness becoming due prior to its scheduled maturity or that enables or permits (with or without the giving of notice, the lapse of time or both) the holder or holders of any Material Indebtedness or any trustee or agent on its or their behalf to cause any Material Indebtedness to become due, or to require the prepayment, repurchase, redemption or defeasance thereof, prior to its scheduled maturity; <u>provided</u> that this <u>Section 8.01(e)</u> shall not apply to secured Indebtedness that becomes due as a result of the voluntary sale or transfer of the property or assets securing such Indebtedness; or
- (f) <u>Insolvency Proceedings, Etc.</u> The Company or any Subsidiary thereof institutes or consents to the institution of any proceeding under any Debtor Relief Law, or makes an assignment for the benefit of creditors; or applies for or consents to the appointment of any receiver, trustee, custodian, conservator, liquidator, rehabilitator or similar officer for it or for all or a substantial part of its property; or any receiver, trustee, custodian, conservator, liquidator, rehabilitator or similar officer is appointed without the application or consent of such Person and the appointment continues undischarged or unstayed for sixty (60) calendar days; or any proceeding under any Debtor Relief Law relating to any such Person or to all or a substantial part of its property is instituted without the consent of such Person and continues undismissed or unstayed for sixty (60) calendar days, or an order for relief is entered in any such proceeding; or

- (g) <u>Inability to Pay Debts</u>. The Company or any Subsidiary shall become unable, admit in writing its inability or fail generally to pay its debts as they become due; or
- (h) <u>Judgments</u>. The Company or any of its Subsidiaries shall fail within 30 days to pay, bond or otherwise discharge one or more (i) final judgments or orders for the payment of money in excess of \$1,000,000 (or equivalent thereof in currencies other than Dollars) in the aggregate (to the extent not covered by independent third-party insurance as to which the insurer is has been notified of the potential claim and does not dispute coverage), or (ii) nonmonetary judgments or orders which, individually or in the aggregate, could reasonably be expected to have a Material Adverse Effect, which judgment(s), in any such case, is/are not stayed on appeal or otherwise being appropriately contested in good faith; or
- (i) <u>ERISA</u>. An ERISA Event shall have occurred that, in the opinion of the Lender, when taken together with all other ERISA Events that have occurred, could reasonably be expected to result in liability of the Company and its Subsidiaries in an aggregate amount exceeding \$1,000,000; or
- (j) <u>Invalidity of Loan Documents</u>. Any Loan Document or any provisions thereof shall cease to be in full force or effect as to any Loan Party, or any Loan Party or any Person acting for or on behalf of any Loan Party shall deny or disaffirm the any Loan Party's obligations under any Loan Document: or
- (k) <u>Swap Contracts</u>. Nonpayment by the Company or any Subsidiary of any obligation under any Swap Contract when due or the breach by the Company or any Subsidiary of any term, provision or condition contained in any Swap Contract; or
 - (l) <u>Change of Control</u>. There occurs any Change of Control.

If a Default shall have occurred under the Loan Documents, then such Default will continue to exist until it either is cured (to the extent specifically permitted) in accordance with the Loan Documents or is otherwise expressly waived by Lender as determined in accordance with Section 10.01; and once an Event of Default occurs under the Loan Documents, then such Event of Default will continue to exist until it is expressly waived by the Lender, as required hereunder in Section 10.01.

8.02 Remedies upon Event of Default.

If any Event of Default occurs and is continuing, the Lender may take any or all of the following actions:

- (a) declare the Commitment of the Lender to make Loans and L/C Credit Extensions to be terminated, whereupon such commitments and obligation shall be terminated;
- (b) declare the unpaid principal amount of all outstanding Loans, all interest accrued and unpaid thereon, and all other amounts owing or payable hereunder or under any other Loan Document to be immediately due and payable, without presentment, demand, protest or other notice of any kind, all of which are hereby expressly waived by the Borrowers;
- (c) require that the Company Cash Collateralize the L/C Obligations (in an amount equal to the Minimum Collateral Amount with respect thereto); and

(d) exercise all rights and remedies available to it under the Loan Documents or applicable Law or equity;

<u>provided</u>, <u>however</u>, that upon the occurrence of an actual or deemed entry of an order for relief with respect to the Company under the Bankruptcy Code of the United States, the obligation of the Lender to make Loans and L/C Credit Extensions shall automatically terminate, the unpaid principal amount of all outstanding Loans and all interest and other amounts as aforesaid shall automatically become due and payable, and the obligation of the Company to Cash Collateralize the L/C Obligations as aforesaid shall automatically become effective, in each case without further act of the Lender.

8.03 Application of Funds.

After the exercise of remedies provided for in Section 8.02 (or after the Loans have automatically become immediately due and payable and the L/C Obligations have automatically been required to be Cash Collateralized as set forth in the proviso to Section 8.02) or if at any time insufficient funds are received by and available to the Lender to pay fully all Obligations, any amounts received on account of the Obligations shall, subject to the provisions of Section 2.12, be applied by the Lender in its sole discretion. Excluded Swap Obligations with respect to any Loan Party shall not be paid with amounts received from such Loan Party or its assets.

ARTICLE IX

CONTINUING GUARANTY

9.01 Guaranty.

Each Guarantor hereby absolutely and unconditionally, jointly and severally guarantees to each holder of the Obligations, as primary obligor and as a guaranty of payment and performance and not merely as a guaranty of collection, prompt payment when due, whether at stated maturity, by required prepayment, upon acceleration, demand or otherwise, and at all times thereafter, of any and all of the Obligations, whether for principal, interest, premiums, fees, indemnities, damages, costs, expenses or otherwise, arising hereunder or under any other Loan Document, any Cash Management Agreement or any Swap Contract (including all renewals, extensions, amendments, refinancings and other modifications thereof and all costs, attorneys' fees and expenses incurred by the holders of the Obligations in connection with the collection or enforcement thereof) (for each Guarantor, subject to the proviso in this sentence, its "Guaranteed Obligations"); provided that (a) the Guaranteed Obligations of a Guarantor shall exclude any Excluded Swap Obligations with respect to such Guarantor and (b) the liability of each Guarantor individually with respect to this Guaranty shall be limited to an aggregate amount equal to the largest amount that would not render its obligations hereunder subject to avoidance under Section 548 of the Bankruptcy Code of the United States or any comparable provisions of any applicable state law. The Lender's books and records showing the amount of the Obligations shall be admissible in evidence in any action or proceeding, and shall be binding upon each Guarantor, and conclusive for the purpose of establishing the amount of the Obligations. This Guaranty shall not be affected by the genuineness, validity, regularity or enforceability of the Obligations or any instrument or agreement evidencing any Obligations, which might otherwise constitute a defense to the obligations of the Guarantors, or any of them, under this Guaranty, and each Guarantor hereby irrevocably waives any defenses it may now have or hereaf

9.02 Rights of Lender.

Each Guarantor consents and agrees that the holders of the Obligations may, at any time and from time to time, without notice or demand, and without affecting the enforceability or continuing effectiveness hereof: (a) amend, extend, renew, compromise, discharge, accelerate or otherwise change the time for payment or the terms of the Obligations or any part thereof; (b) take, hold, exchange, enforce, waive, release, fail to perfect, sell, or otherwise dispose of any security for the payment of this Guaranty or any Obligations; (c) apply such security and direct the order or manner of sale thereof as the Lender in its sole discretion may determine; and (d) release or substitute one or more of any endorsers or other guarantors of any of the Obligations. Without limiting the generality of the foregoing, each Guarantor consents to the taking of, or failure to take, any action which might in any manner or to any extent vary the risks of such Guarantor under this Guaranty or which, but for this provision, might operate as a discharge of such Guarantor.

9.03 Certain Waivers.

Each Guarantor waives (a) any defense arising by reason of any disability or other defense of the Borrowers or any other guarantor, or the cessation from any cause whatsoever (including any act or omission of any holder of the Obligations) of the liability of any Borrower or any other Loan Party; (b) any defense based on any claim that such Guarantor's obligations exceed or are more burdensome than those of any Borrower or any other Loan Party; (c) the benefit of any statute of limitations affecting any Guarantor's liability hereunder; (d) any right to proceed against any Borrower or any other Loan Party, proceed against or exhaust any security for the Obligations, or pursue any other remedy in the power of any holder of the Obligations whatsoever; (e) any benefit of and any right to participate in any security now or hereafter held by any holder of the Obligations; and (f) to the fullest extent permitted by law, any and all other defenses or benefits that may be derived from or afforded by applicable Law limiting the liability of or exonerating guarantors or sureties. Each Guarantor expressly waives all setoffs and counterclaims and all presentments, demands for payment or performance, notices of nonpayment or nonperformance, protests, notices of protest, notices of dishonor and all other notices or demands of any kind or nature whatsoever with respect to the Obligations, and all notices of acceptance of this Guaranty or of the existence, creation or incurrence of new or additional Obligations.

9.04 Obligations Independent.

The obligations of each Guarantor hereunder are those of primary obligor, and not merely as surety, and are independent of the Obligations and the obligations of any other guarantor, and a separate action may be brought against each Guarantor to enforce this Guaranty whether or not any Borrower or any other person or entity is joined as a party.

9.05 Subrogation.

No Guarantor shall exercise any right of subrogation, contribution, indemnity, reimbursement or similar rights with respect to any payments it makes under this Guaranty until all of the Obligations and any amounts payable under this Guaranty have been indefeasibly paid and performed in full and the Commitments are terminated. If any amounts are paid to a Guarantor in violation of the foregoing limitation, then such amounts shall be held in trust for the benefit of the holders of the Obligations and shall forthwith be paid to the holders of the Obligations to reduce the amount of the Obligations, whether matured or unmatured.

9.06 Termination; Reinstatement.

This Guaranty is a continuing and irrevocable guaranty of all Obligations now or hereafter existing and shall remain in full force and effect until the Facility Termination Date. Notwithstanding the foregoing, this Guaranty shall continue in full force and effect or be revived, as the case may be, if any payment by or on behalf of any Borrower or a Guarantor is made, or any of the holders of the Obligations exercises its right of setoff, in respect of the Obligations and such payment or the proceeds of such setoff or any part thereof is subsequently invalidated, declared to be fraudulent or preferential, set aside or required (including pursuant to any settlement entered into by any of the holders of the Obligations in their discretion) to be repaid to a trustee, receiver or any other party, in connection with any proceeding under any Debtor Relief Laws or otherwise, all as if such payment had not been made or such setoff had not occurred and whether or not the holders of the Obligations are in possession of or have released this Guaranty and regardless of any prior revocation, rescission, termination or reduction. The obligations of each Guarantor under this paragraph shall survive termination of this Guaranty.

9.07 Stay of Acceleration.

If acceleration of the time for payment of any of the Obligations is stayed, in connection with any case commenced by or against a Guarantor or any Borrower under any Debtor Relief Laws, or otherwise, all such amounts shall nonetheless be payable by each Guarantor, jointly and severally, immediately upon demand by the holders of the Obligations.

9.08 Condition of Borrower.

Each Guarantor acknowledges and agrees that it has the sole responsibility for, and has adequate means of, obtaining from the Borrowers and any other guarantor such information concerning the financial condition, business and operations of the Borrowers and any such other guarantor as such Guarantor requires, and that none of the holders of the Obligations has any duty, and such Guarantor is not relying on the holders of the Obligations at any time, to disclose to it any information relating to the business, operations or financial condition of the Borrowers or any other guarantor (each Guarantor waiving any duty on the part of the holders of the Obligations to disclose such information and any defense relating to the failure to provide the same).

9.09 Appointment of Company.

Each of the Loan Parties hereby appoints the Company to act as its agent for all purposes of this Agreement, the other Loan Documents and all other documents and electronic platforms entered into in connection herewith and agrees that (a) the Company may execute such documents and provided such authorizations on behalf of such Loan Parties as the Company deems appropriate in its sole discretion and each Loan Party shall be obligated by all of the terms of any such document and/or authorization executed on its behalf, (b) any notice or communication delivered by the Lender to the Company shall be deemed delivered to each Loan Party and (c) the Lender may accept, and be permitted to rely on, any document, authorization, instrument or agreement executed by the Company on behalf of each of the Loan Parties.

9.10 Right of Contribution.

The Guarantors agree among themselves that, in connection with payments made hereunder, each Guarantor shall have contribution rights against the other Guarantors as permitted under applicable Law.

9.11 Keepwell.

Each Loan Party that is a Qualified ECP Guarantor at the time the Guaranty or the grant of any Lien under the Loan Documents, in each case, by any Specified Loan Party becomes effective with respect to any Swap Obligation, hereby jointly and severally, absolutely, unconditionally and irrevocably undertakes to provide such funds or other support to each Specified Loan Party with respect to such Swap Obligation as may be needed by such Specified Loan Party from time to time to honor all of its obligations under the Loan Documents in respect of such Swap Obligation (but, in each case, only up to the maximum amount of such liability that can be hereby incurred without rendering such Qualified ECP Guarantor's obligations and undertakings under this Article IX voidable under applicable law relating to fraudulent conveyance or fraudulent transfer, and not for any greater amount). The obligations and undertakings of each Qualified ECP Guarantor under this Section shall remain in full force and effect until the Secured Obligations have been indefeasibly paid and performed in full. Each Loan Party intends this Section to constitute, and this Section shall be deemed to constitute, a guarantee of the obligations of, and a "keepwell, support, or other agreement" for the benefit of, each Specified Loan Party for all purposes of the Commodity Exchange Act.

ARTICLE X

MISCELLANEOUS

10.01 Amendments, Etc.

No amendment or waiver of any provision of this Agreement or any other Loan Document, and no consent to any departure by any Loan Party therefrom, shall be effective unless in writing signed by the Lender and the Loan Parties, and each such waiver or consent shall be effective only in the specific instance and for the specific purpose for which given.

10.02 Notices; Effectiveness; Electronic Communications.

(a) <u>Notices Generally</u>. Except in the case of notices and other communications expressly permitted to be given by telephone (and except as provided in subsection (b) below), all notices and other communications provided for herein shall be in writing and shall be delivered by hand or overnight courier service, mailed by certified or registered mail or sent by fax transmission or e-mail transmission as follows, and all notices and other communications expressly permitted hereunder to be given by telephone shall be made to the applicable telephone number, to the address, fax number, e-mail address or telephone number specified on Schedule 1.01(b).

Notices and other communications sent by hand or overnight courier service, or mailed by certified or registered mail, shall be deemed to have been given when received; notices and other communications sent by fax transmission shall be deemed to have been given when sent (except that, if not given during normal business hours for the recipient, shall be deemed to have been given at the opening of business on the next Business Day for the recipient). Notices and other communications delivered through electronic communications to the extent provided in subsection (b) below shall be effective as provided in such subsection (b).

(b) <u>Electronic Communications</u>. Notices and other communications to the Lender hereunder may be delivered or furnished by electronic communication (including e-mail, FPML messaging and Internet or intranet websites) pursuant to procedures approved by the Lender. The Lender or the Company may each, in its discretion, agree to accept notices and other communications to it hereunder by electronic communications pursuant to procedures approved by it, <u>provided</u> that approval of such procedures may be limited to particular notices or communications.

Unless the Lender otherwise prescribes, (i) notices and other communications sent to an e-mail address shall be deemed received upon the sender's receipt of an acknowledgement from the intended recipient (such as by the "return receipt requested" function, as available, return e-mail or other written acknowledgement), and (ii) notices and other communications posted to an Internet or intranet website shall be deemed received by the intended recipient upon the sender's receipt of an acknowledgement by the intended recipient (such as by the "return receipt requested" function, as available, return email address or other written acknowledgement) indicating that such notice or communication is available and identifying the website address therefor; provided that, for both clauses (i) and (ii), if such notice, email or other communication is not sent during the normal business hours of the recipient, such notice, email or communication shall be deemed to have been sent at the opening of business on the next Business Day for the recipient.

- (c) <u>Change of Address, Etc.</u> Each of the Company and the Lender may change its address, fax number or telephone number or e-mail address for notices and other communications hereunder by notice to the other parties hereto.
- (d) Reliance by Lender. The Lender shall be entitled to rely and act upon any notices (including, without limitation, telephonic or electronic notices, Loan Notices, Letter of Credit Applications and Notice of Loan Prepayment) purportedly given by or on behalf of any Loan Party even if (i) such notices were not made in a manner specified herein, were incomplete or were not preceded or followed by any other form of notice specified herein, or (ii) the terms thereof, as understood by the recipient, varied from any confirmation thereof. The Loan Parties shall indemnify the Lender and the Related Parties of each of them from all losses, costs, expenses and liabilities resulting from the reliance by such Person on each notice purportedly given by or on behalf of a Loan Party. All telephonic notices to and other telephonic communications with the Lender may be recorded by the Lender, and each of the parties hereto hereby consents to such recording.

10.03 No Waiver; Cumulative Remedies; Enforcement.

No failure by the Lender to exercise, and no delay by any such Person in exercising, any right, remedy, power or privilege hereunder or under any other Loan Document shall operate as a waiver thereof; nor shall any single or partial exercise of any right, remedy, power or privilege hereunder or under any other Loan Document preclude any other or further exercise thereof or the exercise of any other right, remedy, power or privilege. The rights, remedies, powers and privileges herein provided, and provided under each other Loan Document, are cumulative and not exclusive of any rights, remedies, powers and privileges provided by law.

10.04 Expenses; Indemnity; Damage Waiver.

(a) <u>Costs and Expenses</u>. The Loan Parties shall pay (i) all reasonable out-of-pocket expenses incurred by the Lender and its Affiliates (including the reasonable fees, charges and disbursements of counsel for the Lender), in connection with the preparation, negotiation, execution, delivery and administration of this Agreement and the other Loan Documents or any amendments, modifications or waivers of the provisions hereof or thereof (whether or not the transactions contemplated hereby or thereby shall be consummated), (ii) all reasonable out-of-pocket expenses incurred by the Lender in connection with the issuance, amendment, renewal or extension of any Letter of Credit or any demand for payment thereunder and (iii) all out-of-pocket expenses incurred by the Lender (including the fees, charges and disbursements of any counsel for the Lender), in connection with the enforcement or protection of its rights (A) in connection with this Agreement and the other Loan Documents, including its rights under this Section, or (B) in connection with Loans made or Letters of Credit issued hereunder, including all such out-of-pocket expenses incurred during any workout, restructuring or negotiations in respect of such Loans or Letters of Credit.

- Indemnification by the Loan Parties. The Loan Parties shall indemnify the Lender and each Related Party (each such Person being called an "Indemnitee") against, and hold each Indemnitee harmless from, any and all losses, claims, damages, liabilities and related expenses (including the fees, charges and disbursements of any counsel for any Indemnitee), incurred by any Indemnitee or asserted against any Indemnitee by any Person (including any Loan Party) arising out of, in connection with, or as a result of (i) the execution or delivery of this Agreement, any other Loan Document or any agreement or instrument contemplated hereby or thereby, the performance by the parties hereto of their respective obligations hereunder or thereunder or the consummation of the transactions contemplated hereby or thereby, or the administration of this Agreement and the other Loan Documents (including in respect of any matters addressed in Section 3.01), (ii) any Loan or Letter of Credit or the use or proposed use of the proceeds therefrom (including any refusal by the Lender to honor a demand for payment under a Letter of Credit if the documents presented in connection with such demand do not strictly comply with the terms of such Letter of Credit), (iii) any actual or alleged presence or release of Hazardous Materials on or from any property owned or operated by a Loan Party or any of its Subsidiaries, or any Environmental Liability related in any way to a Loan Party or any of its Subsidiaries, or (iv) any actual or prospective claim, litigation, investigation or proceeding relating to any of the foregoing, whether based on contract, tort or any other theory, whether brought by a third party or by any Loan Party, and regardless of whether any Indemnitee is a party thereto; provided that such indemnity shall not, as to any Indemnitee, be available to the extent that such losses, claims, damages, liabilities or related expenses (x) are determined by a court of competent jurisdiction by final and nonappealable judgment to have resulted from the gross negligence or willful misconduct of such Indemnitee or (y) result from a claim brought by any Loan Party against an Indemnitee for breach in bad faith of such Indemnitee's obligations hereunder or under any other Loan Document, if such Loan Party has obtained a final and nonappealable judgment in its favor on such claim as determined by a court of competent jurisdiction.
- (c) <u>Waiver of Consequential Damages, Etc.</u> To the fullest extent permitted by applicable Law, no Loan Party shall assert, and each Loan Party hereby waives, and acknowledges that no other Person shall have, any claim against any Indemnitee, on any theory of liability, for special, indirect, consequential or punitive damages (as opposed to direct or actual damages) arising out of, in connection with, or as a result of, this Agreement, any other Loan Document or any agreement or instrument contemplated hereby, the transactions contemplated hereby or thereby, any Loan or Letter of Credit or the use of the proceeds thereof. No Indemnitee referred to in subsection (b) above shall be liable for any damages arising from the use by unintended recipients of any information or other materials distributed to such unintended recipients by such Indemnitee through telecommunications, electronic or other information transmission systems in connection with this Agreement or the other Loan Documents or the transactions contemplated hereby or thereby.
 - (d) Payments. All amounts due under this Section shall be payable not later than ten (10) Business Days after demand therefor.
- (e) <u>Survival</u>. The agreements in this Section and the indemnity provisions of <u>Section 10.02(d)</u> shall survive the termination of the Commitments and the repayment, satisfaction or discharge of all the other Obligations.

10.05 Payments Set Aside.

To the extent that any payment by or on behalf of a Borrower is made to the Lender, or the Lender exercises its right of setoff, and such payment or the proceeds of such setoff or any part thereof is subsequently invalidated, declared to be fraudulent or preferential, set aside or required (including pursuant to any settlement entered into by the Lender in its discretion) to be repaid to a trustee, receiver or any other party, in connection with any proceeding under any Debtor Relief Law or otherwise, then to the extent of such recovery, the obligation or part thereof originally intended to be satisfied shall be revived and continued in full force and effect as if such payment had not been made or such setoff had not occurred.

10.06 Successors and Assigns.

This Agreement is binding on each Loan Party's and the Lender's successors and assignees. Each Loan Party agrees that it may not assign this Agreement without the Lender's prior consent. The Lender may sell participations in or assign this loan, and may exchange information about the Loan Parties (including, without limitation, any information regarding any hazardous substances) with actual or potential participants or assignees, provided with respect to a loan to the Netherlands Borrower that such participant or assignee is a Non-Public Lender. If a participation is sold or the loan is assigned, the purchaser will have the right of set-off against the Borrowers.

10.07 Treatment of Certain Information; Confidentiality.

Treatment of Certain Information. The Lender agrees to maintain the confidentiality of the Information (as defined below), except that Information may be disclosed (i) to its Affiliates, its auditors and to its Related Parties (it being understood that the Persons to whom such disclosure is made will be informed of the confidential nature of such Information and instructed to keep such Information confidential), (ii) to the extent required or requested by any regulatory authority purporting to have jurisdiction over such Person or its Related Parties (including any selfregulatory authority, such as the National Association of Insurance Commissioners), (iii) to the extent required by applicable Laws or regulations or by any subpoena or similar legal process, (iv) to any other party hereto, (v) in connection with the exercise of any remedies hereunder or under any other Loan Document or any action or proceeding relating to this Agreement or any other Loan Document or the enforcement of rights hereunder or thereunder, (vi) subject to an agreement containing provisions substantially the same as those of this Section, to (A) any assignee of or participant in, or any prospective assignee of or participant in, any of its rights and obligations under this Agreement or (B) any actual or prospective party (or its Related Parties) to any swap, derivative or other transaction under which payments are to be made by reference to any Loan Party and its obligations, this Agreement or payments hereunder, (vii) on a confidential basis to any rating agency in connection with rating any Loan Party or its Subsidiaries or the credit facilities provided hereunder, (viii) with the consent of the Company or to the extent such Information (1) becomes publicly available other than as a result of a breach of this Section or (2) becomes available to the Lender or any of its Affiliates on a nonconfidential basis from a source other than the Company. For purposes of this Section, "Information" means all information received from any Loan Party or any Subsidiary relating to any Loan Party or any Subsidiary or any of their respective businesses, other than any such information that is available to the Lender on a nonconfidential basis prior to disclosure by any Loan Party or any Subsidiary. Any Person required to maintain the confidentiality of Information as provided in this Section shall be considered to have complied with its obligation to do so if such Person has exercised the same degree of care to maintain the confidentiality of such Information as such Person would accord to its own confidential information. In addition, the Lender may disclose the existence of this Agreement and information about this Agreement to market data collectors, similar service providers to the lending industry and service providers the Lender in connection with the administration of this Agreement, the other Loan Documents and the Commitments.

- (b) <u>Press Releases</u>. The Loan Parties and their Affiliates agree that they will not in the future issue any press releases or other public disclosure using the name of the Lender or its Affiliates or referring to this Agreement or any of the Loan Documents without the prior written consent of the Lender, unless (and only to the extent that) the Loan Parties or such Affiliate is required to do so under law and then, in any event the Loan Parties or such Affiliate will consult with such Person before issuing such press release or other public disclosure.
- (c) <u>Customary Advertising Material</u>. The Loan Parties consent to the publication by the Lender of customary advertising material relating to the transactions contemplated hereby using the name, product photographs, logo or trademark of the Loan Parties.

10.08 Right of Setoff.

If an Event of Default shall have occurred and be continuing, the Lender and each of its Affiliates is hereby authorized at any time and from time to time, to the fullest extent permitted by applicable Law, to set off and apply any and all deposits (general or special, time or demand, provisional or final, in whatever currency) at any time held and other obligations (in whatever currency) at any time owing by the Lender or any such Affiliate to or for the credit or the account of the Company or any other Loan Party against any and all of the obligations of the Company or such Loan Party now or hereafter existing under this Agreement or any other Loan Document to the Lender or its Affiliates, irrespective of whether or not the Lender or Affiliate shall have made any demand under this Agreement or any other Loan Document and although such obligations of the Company or such Loan Party may be contingent or unmatured, secured or unsecured, or are owed to a branch, office or Affiliate of the Lender different from the branch, office or Affiliate holding such deposit or obligated on such indebtedness. The rights of the Lender and its Affiliates under this Section are in addition to other rights and remedies (including other rights of setoff) that the Lender or its Affiliates may have. The Lender agrees to notify the Company promptly after any such setoff and application, provided that the failure to give such notice shall not affect the validity of such setoff and application.

10.09 Interest Rate Limitation.

Notwithstanding anything to the contrary contained in any Loan Document, the interest paid or agreed to be paid under the Loan Documents shall not exceed the maximum rate of non-usurious interest permitted by applicable Law (the "Maximum Rate"). If the Lender shall receive interest in an amount that exceeds the Maximum Rate, the excess interest shall be applied to the principal of the Loans or, if it exceeds such unpaid principal, refunded to the applicable Borrower. In determining whether the interest contracted for, charged, or received by the Lender exceeds the Maximum Rate, such Person may, to the extent permitted by applicable Law, (a) characterize any payment that is not principal as an expense, fee, or premium rather than interest, (b) exclude voluntary prepayments and the effects thereof, and (c) amortize, prorate, allocate, and spread in equal or unequal parts the total amount of interest throughout the contemplated term of the Obligations hereunder.

10.10 Counterparts; Integration; Effectiveness.

This Agreement and each of the other Loan Documents may be executed in counterparts (and by different parties hereto in different counterparts), each of which shall constitute an original, but all of which when taken together shall constitute a single contract. This Agreement, the other Loan Documents, and any separate letter agreements with respect to fees payable to the Lender, constitute the entire contract among the parties relating to the subject matter hereof and supersede any and all previous agreements and understandings, oral or written, relating to the subject matter hereof. Except as provided in Section 4.01, this Agreement shall become effective when it shall have been executed by the Lender and when the Lender shall have received counterparts hereof that, when taken together, bear the signatures of each of the other parties hereto. Delivery of an executed counterpart of a signature page of this Agreement or any other Loan Document, or any certificate delivered thereunder, by fax transmission or e-mail transmission (e.g. "pdf" or "tif") shall be effective as delivery of a manually executed counterpart of this Agreement or such other Loan Document or certificate. Without limiting the foregoing, to the extent a manually executed counterpart is not specifically required to be delivered under the terms of any Loan Document, upon the request of any party, such fax transmission or e-mail transmission shall be promptly followed by such manually executed counterpart.

10.11 Survival of Representations and Warranties.

All representations and warranties made hereunder and in any other Loan Document or other document delivered pursuant hereto or thereto or in connection herewith or therewith shall survive the execution and delivery hereof and thereof. Such representations and warranties have been or will be relied upon by the Lender, regardless of any investigation made by the Lender or on its behalf and notwithstanding that the Lender may have had notice or knowledge of any Default at the time of any Credit Extension, and shall continue in full force until the Facility Termination Date.

10.12 Severability.

If any provision of this Agreement or the other Loan Documents is held to be illegal, invalid or unenforceable, (a) the legality, validity and enforceability of the remaining provisions of this Agreement and the other Loan Documents shall not be affected or impaired thereby and (b) the parties shall endeavor in good faith negotiations to replace the illegal, invalid or unenforceable provisions with valid provisions the economic effect of which comes as close as possible to that of the illegal, invalid or unenforceable provisions. The invalidity of a provision in a particular jurisdiction shall not invalidate or render unenforceable such provision in any other jurisdiction.

10.13 Governing Law; Jurisdiction; Etc.

(a) GOVERNING LAW. THIS AGREEMENT AND THE OTHER LOAN DOCUMENTS (EXCEPT, AS TO ANY OTHER LOAN DOCUMENT, AS EXPRESSLY SET FORTH THEREIN) AND ANY CLAIMS, CONTROVERSY, DISPUTE OR CAUSE OF ACTION (WHETHER IN CONTRACT OR TORT OR OTHERWISE) BASED UPON, ARISING OUT OF OR RELATING TO THIS AGREEMENT OR ANY OTHER LOAN DOCUMENT (EXCEPT, AS TO ANY OTHER LOAN DOCUMENT, AS EXPRESSLY SET FORTH THEREIN) AND THE TRANSACTIONS CONTEMPLATED HEREBY AND THEREBY SHALL BE GOVERNED BY, AND CONSTRUED IN ACCORDANCE WITH, THE LAW OF THE STATE OF NEW YORK.

- SUBMISSION TO JURISDICTION. THE BORROWER AND EACH OTHER LOAN PARTY IRREVOCABLY AND (b) UNCONDITIONALLY AGREES THAT IT WILL NOT COMMENCE ANY ACTION. LITIGATION OR PROCEEDING OF ANY KIND OR DESCRIPTION, WHETHER IN LAW OR EQUITY, WHETHER IN CONTRACT OR IN TORT OR OTHERWISE, AGAINST THE LENDER OR ANY RELATED PARTY IN ANY WAY RELATING TO THIS AGREEMENT OR ANY OTHER LOAN DOCUMENT OR THE TRANSACTIONS RELATING HERETO OR THERETO, IN ANY FORUM OTHER THAN THE COURTS OF THE STATE OF NEW YORK SITTING IN NEW YORK COUNTY AND OF THE UNITED STATES DISTRICT COURT OF THE SOUTHERN DISTRICT OF NEW YORK, AND ANY APPELLATE COURT FROM ANY THEREOF, AND EACH OF THE PARTIES HERETO IRREVOCABLY AND UNCONDITIONALLY SUBMITS TO THE JURISDICTION OF SUCH COURTS AND AGREES THAT ALL CLAIMS IN RESPECT OF ANY SUCH ACTION, LITIGATION OR PROCEEDING MAY BE HEARD AND DETERMINED IN SUCH NEW YORK STATE COURT OR, TO THE FULLEST EXTENT PERMITTED BY APPLICABLE LAW, IN SUCH FEDERAL COURT. EACH OF THE PARTIES HERETO AGREES THAT A FINAL JUDGMENT IN ANY SUCH ACTION, LITIGATION OR PROCEEDING SHALL BE CONCLUSIVE AND MAY BE ENFORCED IN OTHER JURISDICTIONS BY SUIT ON THE JUDGMENT OR IN ANY OTHER MANNER PROVIDED BY LAW. NOTHING IN THIS AGREEMENT OR IN ANY OTHER LOAN DOCUMENT SHALL AFFECT ANY RIGHT THAT THE LENDER MAY OTHERWISE HAVE TO BRING ANY ACTION OR PROCEEDING RELATING TO THIS AGREEMENT OR ANY OTHER LOAN DOCUMENT AGAINST THE BORROWER OR ANY OTHER LOAN PARTY OR ITS PROPERTIES IN THE COURTS OF ANY JURISDICTION.
- (c) <u>WAIVER OF VENUE</u>. THE BORROWER AND EACH OTHER LOAN PARTY IRREVOCABLY AND UNCONDITIONALLY WAIVES, TO THE FULLEST EXTENT PERMITTED BY APPLICABLE LAW, ANY OBJECTION THAT IT MAY NOW OR HEREAFTER HAVE TO THE LAYING OF VENUE OF ANY ACTION OR PROCEEDING ARISING OUT OF OR RELATING TO THIS AGREEMENT OR ANY OTHER LOAN DOCUMENT IN ANY COURT REFERRED TO IN PARAGRAPH (B) OF THIS SECTION. THE BORROWER AND EACH OTHER LOAN PARTY IRREVOCABLY AND UNCONDITIONALLY WAIVES, TO THE FULLEST EXTENT PERMITTED BY APPLICABLE LAW, THE DEFENSE OF AN INCONVENIENT FORUM TO THE MAINTENANCE OF SUCH ACTION OR PROCEEDING IN ANY SUCH COURT.
- (d) <u>SERVICE OF PROCESS</u>. EACH PARTY HERETO (OTHER THAN THE NETHERLANDS BORROWER) IRREVOCABLY CONSENTS TO SERVICE OF PROCESS IN THE MANNER PROVIDED FOR NOTICES IN SECTION 10.02. NOTHING IN THIS AGREEMENT WILL AFFECT THE RIGHT OF ANY PARTY HERETO TO SERVE PROCESS IN ANY OTHER MANNER PERMITTED BY APPLICABLE LAW.
- (e) <u>SERVICE OF PROCESS (NETHERLANDS BORROWER)</u>. WITHOUT PREJUDICE TO ANY OTHER MODE OF SERVICE ALLOWED UNDER ANY RELEVANT LAW, THE NETHERLANDS BORROWER: (i) IRREVOCABLY APPOINTS THE COMPANY AS ITS AGENT FOR SERVICE OF PROCESS IN RELATION TO ANY PROCEEDINGS BEFORE THE COURTS OF THE STATE OF NEW YORK IN CONNECTION WITH ANY LOAN DOCUMENT AND (ii) AGREES THAT FAILURE BY A PROCESS AGENT TO NOTIFY THE NETHERLANDS BORROWER OF THE PROCESS WILL NOT INVALIDATE THE PROCEEDINGS CONCERNED. THE NETHERLANDS BORROWER EXPRESSLY AGREES AND CONSENTS TO THE PROVISIONS OF THIS SECTION 10.13(e).

10.14 Waiver of Jury Trial.

PARTY HERETO HEREBY IRREVOCABLY WAIVES, TO THE FULLEST EXTENT PERMITTED BY APPLICABLE LAW, ANY RIGHT IT MAY HAVE TO A TRIAL BY JURY IN ANY LEGAL PROCEEDING DIRECTLY OR INDIRECTLY ARISING OUT OF OR RELATING TO THIS AGREEMENT OR ANY OTHER LOAN DOCUMENT OR THE TRANSACTIONS CONTEMPLATED HEREBY OR THEREBY (WHETHER BASED ON CONTRACT, TORT OR ANY OTHER THEORY). EACH PARTY HERETO (a) CERTIFIES THAT NO REPRESENTATIVE, AGENT OR ATTORNEY OF ANY OTHER PERSON HAS REPRESENTED, EXPRESSLY OR OTHERWISE, THAT SUCH OTHER PERSON WOULD NOT, IN THE EVENT OF LITIGATION, SEEK TO ENFORCE THE FOREGOING WAIVER AND (b) ACKNOWLEDGES THAT IT AND THE OTHER PARTIES HERETO HAVE BEEN INDUCED TO ENTER INTO THIS AGREEMENT AND THE OTHER LOAN DOCUMENTS BY, AMONG OTHER THINGS, THE MUTUAL WAIVERS AND CERTIFICATIONS IN THIS SECTION.

10.15 [Reserved].

10.16 No Advisory or Fiduciary Responsibility.

In connection with all aspects of each transaction contemplated hereby (including in connection with any amendment, waiver or other modification hereof or of any other Loan Document), each Loan Party acknowledges and agrees, and acknowledges its Affiliates' understanding, that: (a) (i) the services regarding this Agreement provided by the Lender and any Affiliate thereof are arm's-length commercial transactions between the Company, each other Loan Party and their respective Affiliates, on the one hand, and the Lender and its Affiliates, on the other hand, (ii) each of the Company and the other Loan Parties has consulted its own legal, accounting, regulatory and tax advisors to the extent it has deemed appropriate, and (iii) the Company and each other Loan Party is capable of evaluating, and understands and accepts, the terms, risks and conditions of the transactions contemplated hereby and by the other Loan Documents; (b) (i) the Lender and its Affiliates each is and has been acting solely as a principal and, except as expressly agreed in writing by the relevant parties, has not been, is not, and will not be acting as an advisor, agent or fiduciary, for Company, any other Loan Party or any of their respective Affiliates, or any other Person and (ii) neither the Lender nor any of its Affiliates has any obligation to the Company, any other Loan Party or any of their respective Affiliates with respect to the transactions contemplated hereby except those obligations expressly set forth herein and in the other Loan Documents; and (c) the Lender and its Affiliates may be engaged in a broad range of transactions that involve interests that differ from those of the Company, the other Loan Parties and their respective Affiliates, and neither the Lender nor any of its Affiliates has any obligation to disclose any of such interests to the Company, any other Loan Party or any of their respective Affiliates. To the fullest extent permitted by law, each of the Company and each other Loan Party hereby waives and releases any

10.17 <u>Electronic Execution.</u>

The words "delivery," "execute," "execution," "signed," "signature," and words of like import in any Loan Document or any other document executed in connection herewith shall be deemed to include electronic signatures, the electronic matching of assignment terms and contract formations on electronic platforms approved by the Lender, or the keeping of records in electronic form, each of which shall be of the same legal effect, validity or enforceability as a manually executed signature, physical delivery thereof or the use of a paper-based recordkeeping system, as the case may be, to the extent and as provided for in any applicable Law, including the Federal Electronic Signatures in Global and National Commerce Act, the New York State Electronic Signatures and Records Act, or any other similar state laws based on the Uniform Electronic Transactions Act; provided that notwithstanding anything contained herein to the contrary, the Lender is under no obligation to agree to accept electronic signatures in any form or in any format unless expressly agreed to by the Lender pursuant to procedures approved by it; provided further without limiting the foregoing, upon the request of the Lender, any electronic signature shall be promptly followed by such manually executed counterpart.

10.18 USA PATRIOT Act Notice.

The Lender hereby notifies the Company and the other Loan Parties that pursuant to the requirements of the USA PATRIOT Act (Title III of Pub. L. 107-56 (signed into law October 26, 2001)) (the "Act"), it is required to obtain, verify and record information that identifies each Loan Party, which information includes the name and address of each Loan Party and other information that will allow the Lender to identify each Loan Party in accordance with the Act. The Company and the Loan Parties agree to, promptly following a request by the Lender, provide all such other documentation and information that the Lender requests in order to comply with its ongoing obligations under applicable "know your customer" and anti-money laundering rules and regulations, including the Act.

10.19 Judgment Currency.

If, for the purposes of obtaining judgment in any court, it is necessary to convert a sum due hereunder or any other Loan Document in one currency into another currency, the rate of exchange used shall be that at which in accordance with normal banking procedures the Lender could purchase the first currency with such other currency on the Business Day preceding that on which final judgment is given. The obligation of each Borrower in respect of any such sum due from it to the Lender hereunder or under the other Loan Documents shall, notwithstanding any judgment in a currency (the "Judgment Currency") other than that in which such sum is denominated in accordance with the applicable provisions of this Agreement (the "Agreement Currency"), be discharged only to the extent that on the Business Day following receipt by the Lender of any sum adjudged to be so due in the Judgment Currency, the Lender may in accordance with normal banking procedures purchase the Agreement Currency with the Judgment Currency. If the amount of the Agreement Currency so purchased is less than the sum originally due to the Lender from any Borrower in the Agreement Currency, such Borrower agrees, as a separate obligation and notwithstanding any such judgment, to indemnify the Lender against such loss. If the amount of the Agreement Currency so purchased is greater than the sum originally due to the Lender in such currency, the Lender agrees to return the amount of any excess to such Borrower (or to any other Person who may be entitled thereto under applicable law).

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BORROWERS:

HURCO COMPANIES, INC.

By: /s/ Michael Doar

Name: Michael Doar

Title: Chief Executive Officer

HURCO B.V.

By: /s/ Sonja K. McClelland
Name: Sonja K. McClelland
Title: Managing Director A and Authorized Representative

GUARANTORS:

HURCO INTERNATIONAL HOLDINGS, INC.

By: /s/ Sonja K. McClelland

Name: Sonja K. McClelland

Title: Secretary/Treasurer

HURCO INTERNATIONAL, INC.

By: /s/ Sonja K. McClelland

Name: Sonja K. McClelland

Title: Secretary/Treasurer

MILLTRONICS USA, INC.

By: /s/ Sonja K. McClelland

Name: Sonja K. McClelland

Title: Secretary/Treasurer

MACHINERY SALES CO. LLC

By: /s/ Sonja K. McClelland

Name: Sonja K. McClelland

Title: Manager

HURCO MIDWEST, LLC

By: Hurco Companies, Inc., as Manager

By: /s/ Sonja K. McClelland

Name: Sonja K. McClelland

Title: Secretary/Treasurer

BANK OF AMERICA, N.A.,

as Lender

By: /s/ Jonathan M. Phillips
Name: Jonathan M. Phillips

Title: Senior Vice President

SCHEDULE 1.01(a)

INACTIVE SUBSIDIARIES

- 1. IMS Technology, Inc., a Virginia corporation.
- 2. Autocon Technologies, Inc., an Indiana corporation.
- 3. Hurco Canada Ltd., a Canada company with limited liability.
- 4. Hurco Sweden AB, a Swedish company with limited liability.

SCHEDULE 1.01(b)

CERTAIN ADDRESSES FOR NOTICES

1. IF TO THE LOAN PARTIES:

Hurco Companies, Inc.

Attention: Chief Financial Officer & General Counsel

One Technology Way

Indianapolis, Indiana 42268 USA Telephone: +1 (317) 298-2615

With copies to (which shall not constitute notice):

Hurco B.V.

c/o Intertrust (Netherlands) B.V. Attention: NL-Hurco Global Solutions Prins Bernhardplein 200 1097 JB Amsterdam, The Netherlands

Faegre Baker Daniels LLP Attention: David Foster 600 East 96th Street, Suite 600 Indianapolis, Indiana 46240 USA

2. IF TO LENDER:

Lender Office:

(For financial/loan activity - advances, pay down, interest/fee billing and payments, rollovers, rate-settings):

Bank of America, N.A. 9000 Southside Blvd., Bldg 100 Transaction Processing - FL9-100-04-24

Jacksonville, FL 32256 Phone: 888-400-9009

Email: creditservicesops-ratelocks@bankofamerica.com

<u>Remittance Instructions</u>: To: Bank of America, N.A

ABA: 026009593

ATTN: BLSF&O OPERATIONS ACCOUNT#: 1365840632100

Bank to Bank Instructions: LOAN WIRE ACCOUNT

Ref: Hurco Companies, Inc.

LC Issuer's Office:

(For fee payments due LC Issuer only and new LC requests and amendments):

Trade Operations

Mail Code: PA6-580-02-30

1 Fleet Way Scranton, PA 18507

FAX: 800-755-8743

EMAIL: scranton standby LC@bankofamerica.com

Remittance Instructions:

Bank of America, N.A. Charlotte, NC ABA #: 026-009-593 New York, NY

Account #: 04535-883980 Attn: Scranton Standby

Ref: Hurco Companies, Inc. & LC #

Other Notices for Lender:

Jonathan M. Phillips Senior Vice President IL4-135-04-61 135 S. LaSalle Street Chicago, Illinois 60603 Ph: 312-992-6360 Fax: 312-453-3263

3.

WEBSITE DELIVERY UNDER SECTION 6.01

Click the "About Hurco" link on the www.hurco.com web page, then click the "Investors" tab, then click the "SEC Filings" tab. https://offer.hurco.com/hurco-companies-inc.-investor-information-nasdaq-hurc? utm_source=Website&utm_medium=Nav&utm_campaign=investors

SUBSIDIARIES, JOINT VENTURES, PARTNERSHIPS AND OTHER EQUITY INVESTMENTS

The Company directly owns Thirty-Five Percent of the Equity Interests in Hurco Automation Ltd., a private company with limited liability incorporated under the laws of Taiwan. The Company directly or indirectly owns One Hundred Percent of the Equity Interests in each of the following Subsidiaries:

- 1. Hurco International, Inc., an Indiana corporation.
- 2. Hurco Canada Ltd., a private company with limited liability incorporated under the laws of Canada.
- 3. IMS Technology, Inc., a Virginia corporation.
- 4. Autocon Technologies, Inc., an Indiana corporation.
- 5. Hurco Midwest LLC, an Indiana limited liability company.
- 6. Hurco International Holdings, Inc., an Indiana corporation.
- 7. Hurco Technology, Inc., an Indiana corporation.
- 8. Milltronics USA, Inc., an Indiana corporation.
- 9. Hurco Manufacturing Ltd., a private company with limited liability incorporated under the laws of Taiwan.
- 10. Hurco (S.E. Asia) Pte. Ltd., a private company with limited liability incorporated under the laws of Singapore.
- 11. Hurco B.V., a private company with limited liability incorporated under the laws of the Netherlands.
- 12. Hurco Asia B.V., a private company with limited liability incorporated under the laws of the Netherlands.
- 13. Hurco Holdings Ltd., a private company with limited liability incorporated under laws of the United Kingdom.
- 14. Hurco Europe Ltd., a private company with limited liability incorporated under the laws of the United Kingdom.

- 15. Hurco Sweden AB, a private company with limited liability incorporated under the laws of Sweden.
- 16. Hurco GmbH, a private company with limited liability incorporated under the laws of Germany.
- 17. Hurco S.a.r.l., a private company with limited liability incorporated under the laws of France.
- 18. Hurco S.r.l., a private company with limited liability incorporated under the laws of Italy.
- 19. LCM Precision Technology, S.r.l., a private company with limited liability incorporated under the laws of Italy.
- 20. Hurco SP.zoo, a private company with limited liability incorporated under the laws of Poland.
- 21. Hurco South Africa (Pty) Ltd., a private company with limited liability incorporated under the laws of South Africa.
- 22. Ningbo Hurco Machine Tool Co., Ltd., a private company with limited liability incorporated under the laws of China.
- 23. Ningbo Hurco Trading Co., Ltd., a private company with limited liability incorporated under the laws of China.
- 24. Hurco India Private Ltd., a private company with limited liability incorporated under the laws of India.

EXISTING INDEBTEDNESS

- 1. Credit facility of Hurco GmbH and Hurco B.V. in a maximum principal amount of One Million Five Hundred Thousand Euros obtained from Commerzebank AG Munich Branch or any Affiliate or successor thereof, which may include an unsecured guaranty of payment by the Borrowers, and any modification, replacement or refinancing thereof so long as the maximum principal amount does not exceed One Million Five Hundred Thousand Euros (the "GmbH Credit Facility").
- 2. Letters of Credit between, among others, the Company and JPMorgan Chase Bank, N.A., in the aggregate amount of \$154,144 and maturing in April 2019 (the "US Chase LOC").
- 3. Letters of Credit and bank guarantees between, among others, Hurco India Private Ltd. and JPMorgan Chase Bank or an Affiliate thereof in the aggregate amount of INR 2,428,218 and with scheduled maturity dates through November 25, 2019 (the "India LOCs").
- 4. Indebtedness of the Borrower's wholly-owned Subsidiary, Ningbo Hurco Machine Tool Co. Ltd.., to JPMorgan Chase Bank or an Affiliate thereof (the "Ningbo Hurco Indebtedness") and an unsecured guaranty of payment of the Ningbo Hurco Indebtedness from the Company or any Subsidiary of Ningbo Hurco Machine Tool Co. Ltd. in favor of JPMorgan Chase Bank or an Affiliate thereof.

EXISTING OR PERMITTED LIENS

- 1. Liens consisting of cash collateral securing the US Chase LOC, including the Pledge Agreement between the Company and JPMorgan Chase, N.A. of even date with this Agreement, and the Assignment of Deposit Account between the Company and JPMorgan Chase, N.A. of even date with this Agreement.
- 2. Liens consisting of cash collateral securing the India LOCs, including any pledge agreements between Hurco India Private Ltd. and any Affiliate of JPMorgan Chase, N.A. related thereto.
- 3. Liens on assets of Ningbo Hurco Machine Tool Co. Ltd. and/or Ningbo Hurco Trading Co. Ltd. securing Indebtedness to such entities described on Schedule 7.01.

EXISTING INVESTMENTS

None.

RESTRICTIVE AGREEMENTS

None.

EXHIBIT A

[Form of] Compliance Certificate

Financial Statement Date: [______, ___]

TO:	Bank of America, N.A., as lender (the " <u>Lender</u> ")		
RE:	Credit Agreement, dated as of December 31, 2018, by and among, Hurco Companies, Inc., an Indiana corporation (the "Company"), the Guarantors, Hurco B.V., a limited liability company organized under the laws of the Netherlands (the "Netherlands Borrower" and, together with the Company, the "Borrowers" and each a "Borrower"), and the Lender (as amended, modified, extended, restated, replaced, or supplemented from time to time, the "Credit Agreement"; capitalized terms used herein and not otherwise defined shall have the meanings set forth in the Credit Agreement)		
DATE:	[Date]		
	lersigned Responsible Officer hereby certifies as of the date hereof that [he/she] is the [] of the Company, and that, is authorized to execute and deliver this Certificate to the Lender on the behalf of the Company and the other Loan Parties, and that:		
	[Use following paragraph 1 for fiscal year-end financial statements]		
1. The Company has delivered (i) the year-end audited financial statements required by Section 6.01(a) of the Credit Agreement for the fiscal year of the Company ended as of the above date, together with the report and opinion of an independent certified public accountant required by such section and (ii) the consolidating balance sheet of the Company and its Subsidiaries as at the end of such fiscal year and the related consolidating statements of income or operations, shareholders' equity and cash flows for such fiscal year. Such consolidating statements are fairly stated in all material respects when considered in relation to the consolidated financial statements of the Company and its Subsidiaries.			
[Use following paragraph 1 for fiscal quarter-end financial statements]			
Company ended and cash flows of adjustments and	he Company has delivered the unaudited financial statements required by Section 6.01(b) of the Credit Agreement for the fiscal quarter of the as of the above date. Such consolidated financial statements fairly present the financial condition, results of operations, shareholders' equity of the Company and its Subsidiaries in accordance with GAAP as at such date and for such period, subject only to normal year-end audit the absence of footnotes and such consolidating financial statements are fairly stated in all material respects when considered in relation to financial statements of the Company and its Subsidiaries.		
supervision, a de	The undersigned has reviewed and is familiar with the terms of the Credit Agreement and has made, or has caused to be made under [his/her] etailed review of the transactions and condition (financial or otherwise) of the Company and its Subsidiaries during the accounting period financial statements.		

A review of the activities of the Company and its Subsidiaries during such fiscal period has been made under the supervision of the

undersigned with a view to determining whether during such fiscal period the Company and each of the other Loan Parties performed and observed all its

obligations under the Loan Documents, and

[select one:]

[to the best knowledge of the undersigned, during such fiscal period each of the Loan Parties performed and observed each covenant and condition of the Loan Documents applicable to it, and no Default has occurred and is continuing.]

—or—

[to the best knowledge of the undersigned, the following covenants or conditions have not been performed or observed and the following is a list of each such Default and its nature and status:]

- 4. The representations and warranties of the Company and each other Loan Party contained in Article V of the Credit Agreement or any other Loan Document, or which are contained in any document furnished at any time under or in connection therewith are (i) with respect to representations and warranties that contain a materiality qualification, true and correct on and as of the date hereof and (ii) with respect to representations and warranties that do not contain a materiality qualification, true and correct in all material respects on and as of the date hereof, and except that for purposes of this Compliance Certificate, the representations and warranties contained in subsections (a)(i) and (a)(ii) of Section 5.04 of the Credit Agreement shall be deemed to refer to the most recent statements furnished pursuant to clauses (a) and (b), respectively, of Section 6.01 of the Credit Agreement, including the statements in connection with which this Compliance Certificate is delivered.
- 5. The financial covenant analyses and information set forth on <u>Schedule A</u> attached hereto (i) are true and accurate on and as of the date of this Certificate and (ii) demonstrate compliance with <u>Section 7.08</u> and <u>7.09</u>.
- 6. Set forth below is a summary of all material changes in GAAP and in the consistent application thereof occurring during the most recent fiscal quarter ending prior to the date hereof, the effect on the financial covenants resulting therefrom, and a reconciliation between calculation of the financial covenants before and after giving effect to such changes:

Delivery of an executed counterpart of a signature page of this Certificate by fax transmission or other electronic mail transmission (e.g. "pdf" or "tif") shall be effective as delivery of a manually executed counterpart of this Certificate.

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HURCO COMPANIES, INC., an Indiana corporation

By:	
Name:	
Title:	

Schedule A

		Financial Statement Date:		,] (" <u>Statement Date</u> ")	
1.	Minimum Wo	rking Capital			
	a.	consolidated current assets of the Company			\$
	b.	all liabilities of the Company and its Subsidiaries that should be classified as current liabilities on a consolidated balance sheet of the $Company^1$			\$
	с.	Working Capital = $1(a) - 1(b) =$			\$ 2
		In Compliance?		Yes	
				No	
2.	Minimum Tan	gible Net Worth			
	a.	total common stockholder's equity of the Company the amount of all intangible items included therein, including without limitation, goodwill, franchises, licenses, patents, trademarks, tradenames, copyrights, service marks and brand names			\$
	b.				\$
	c.	Tangible Net Worth = $1(a) - 1(b) =$			\$ 3
		In Compliance?		Yes	
				No	
2 Minim	num Working C	Lat the calculation shall exclude the principal amoustapital permitted is \$125,000,000. The Worth permitted is \$170,000,000.	nt of the	Loans then outstanding.	

EXHIBIT B

[Form of] Joinder Agreement

The Subsidiary Guarantor is an additional Loan Party, and, consequently, the Loan Parties are required by Section 6.09 of the Credit Agreement to cause the Subsidiary Guarantor to become a "Guarantor" thereunder.

Accordingly, the Subsidiary Guarantor and the Company hereby agree as follows with the Lender, for the benefit of the Secured Parties:

- 1. The Subsidiary Guarantor hereby acknowledges, agrees and confirms that, by its execution of this Agreement, the Subsidiary Guarantor will be deemed to be a party to and a "Guarantor" under the Credit Agreement and shall have all of the obligations of a Guarantor thereunder as if it had executed the Credit Agreement and the other Loan Documents as a Guarantor. The Subsidiary Guarantor hereby ratifies, as of the date hereof, and agrees to be bound by, all representations and warranties, covenants and other terms, conditions and provisions of the Credit Agreement and the other applicable Loan Documents. Without limiting the generality of the foregoing terms of this Paragraph 1, the Subsidiary Guarantor hereby guarantees, jointly and severally together with the other Guarantors, the prompt payment of the Guaranteed Obligations in accordance with Article IX of the Credit Agreement.
- 2. Each of the Subsidiary Guarantor and the Company hereby agree that all of the representations and warranties contained in Article V of the Loan Agreement and each other Loan Document are true and correct as of the date hereof.
- 3. The Subsidiary Guarantor acknowledges and confirms that it has received a copy of the Credit Agreement and the schedules and exhibits thereto and each Loan Document and the schedules and exhibits thereto.
- 4. The Company confirms that the Credit Agreement is, and upon the Subsidiary Guarantor becoming a Guarantor, shall continue to be, in full force and effect. The parties hereto confirm and agree that immediately upon the Subsidiary Guarantor becoming a Guarantor the term "Obligations," as used in the Credit Agreement, shall include all obligations of the Subsidiary Guarantor under the Credit Agreement and under each other Loan Document.
- 5. Each of the Company and the Subsidiary Guarantor agrees that at any time and from time to time, upon the written request of the Lender, it will execute and deliver such further documents and do such further acts as the Lender may reasonably request in accordance with the terms and conditions of the Credit Agreement and the other Loan Documents in order to effect the purposes of this Agreement.

6. This Agreement may be executed in any number of counterparts, which together shall constitute one instrument. Delivery of an executed counterpart of a signature page of this Agreement by fax transmission or other electronic mail transmission (e.g. "pdf" or "tif") shall be effective as delivery of a manually executed counterpart of this Agreement.		
7. This Agreement shall be governed by and construed and enforced in accordance with the laws of the State of New York. The terms of Sections 10.13 and 10.14 of the Credit Agreement are incorporated herein by reference, mutatis mutandis, and the parties hereto agree to such terms.		
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SUBSIDIARY GUARANTOR:	[SUBSIDIARY GUARANTOR]
COMPANY:	By: Name: Title: HURCO COMPANIES, INC., a Indiana corporation
	By: Name: Title:
Acknowledged, accepted and agreed:	
BANK OF AMERICA, N.A., as Lender	
By: Name: Title:	_ _ _

IN WITNESS WHEREOF, each of the Company and the Subsidiary Guarantor has caused this Agreement to be duly executed by its authorized

officer, and the Lender has caused the same to be accepted by its authorized officer, as of the day and year first above written.

EXHIBIT C

[Form of] Loan Notice

TO:		Bank of America, N.A., as lender (the " <u>Lender</u> ")
RE:		Credit Agreement, dated as of December 31, 2018, by and among Hurco Companies, Inc., a Indiana corporation (the "Company"), the Guarantors, Hurco B.V., a limited liability company organized under the laws of the Netherlands (the "Netherlands Borrower" and, together with the Company, the "Borrowers" and each a "Borrower") and the Lender (as amended, modified, extended, restated, replaced, or supplemented from time to time, the "Credit Agreement"; capitalized terms used herein and not otherwise defined shall have the meanings set forth in the Credit Agreement)
DATE:		[Date]
	The u	undersigned hereby requests (select one):
	$\Box A$	Borrowing of Revolving Loans
	\Box A	[conversion] or [continuation] of Revolving Loans
	1.	On (the " <u>Credit Extension Date</u> ").
	2.	In the amount of [\$] [in the following currency:]
	3.	Comprised of: ☐ Base Rate Loans ☐ Eurocurrency Rate Loans
	4.	For Eurocurrency Rate Loans: with an Interest Period of months.
	5.	On behalf of [insert name of applicable Borrower]
	The I	Revolving Borrowing requested herein complies with the proviso to the first sentence of Section 2.01 of the Credit Agreement.
date of		Company hereby represents and warrants that the conditions specified in Section 4.02 of the Credit Agreement shall be satisfied on and as of the edit Extension Date.
shall be		very of an executed counterpart of a signature page of this notice by fax transmission or other electronic mail transmission (e.g. "pdf" or "tif") ive as delivery of a manually executed counterpart of this notice.
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a Indiana corporation

[HURCO COMPANIES, INC.,

Dy.		
Name:		
Title:]
	CO B.V., d liability company organized under the laws of the Netherlands	
By:		
Name:		
Title:]

EXHIBIT D

[Form of] Notice of Loan Prepayment

	Date: [,]
TO:	Bank of America, N.A., as lender (the " <u>Lender</u> ")
RE:	Credit Agreement, dated as of December 31, 2018, by and among Hurco Companies, Inc., a Indiana corporation (the "Company"), the Guarantors, Hurco B.V., a limited liability company organized under the laws of the Netherlands (the "Netherlands Borrower" and, together with the Company, the "Borrowers" and each a "Borrower") and the Lender (as amended, modified, extended, restated, replaced, or supplemented from time to time, the "Credit Agreement"; capitalized terms used herein and not otherwise defined shall have the meanings set forth in the Credit Agreement)
DATE:	[Date]
Borrower inten	orrower hereby notifies the Lender that on4 pursuant to the terms of Section 2.05 (Prepayments) of the Credit Agreement, the dis to prepay/repay the following Loans as more specifically set forth below: ional prepayment of Revolving Loans in the following amount(s):
	□ Base Rate Loans: \$5
	☐ Eurocurrency Rate Loans: \$6 In the following Alternative Currency: Applicable Interest Period:
	ry of an executed counterpart of a signature page of this notice by fax transmission or other electronic mail transmission (e.g. "pdf" or "tif") re as delivery of a manually executed counterpart of this notice.
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⁵ Any prepaym	of such prepayment. The such prepayment of t

⁶ Any prepayment of Base Rate Loans shall be in a principal amount of \$100,000 or a whole multiple of \$10,000 in excess thereof (or such lesser amounts agreed by the Lender), or if less, the entire principal amount thereof outstanding.

⁶ Any prepayment of Eurocurrency Rate Loans shall be in a principal amount of \$1,000,000 or a whole multiple of \$100,000 in excess thereof (or such lesser

^o Any prepayment of Eurocurrency Rate Loans shall be in a principal amount of \$1,000,000 or a whole multiple of \$100,000 in excess thereof (or such lesser amounts agreed by the Lender), or if less, the entire principal amount thereof outstanding.

[APPLICABLE BORROWER], a [Jurisdiction and Type of Organization]

By:	
Name:	
Title:	

Exhibit 21

SUBSIDIARIES OF THE REGISTRANT

SUBSIDIARIES OF HURCO COMPANIES, INC.

Name **Jurisdiction of Incorporation** Hurco B.V The Netherlands Hurco Europe Limited United Kingdom Hurco GmbH Federal Republic of Germany Hurco India Private, Ltd. India Taiwan R.O.C. Hurco Manufacturing Limited Hurco S.a.r.l. France Hurco S.r.l. Italy Hurco (S.E. Asia) Pte Ltd. Singapore LCM Precision Technology S.r.l. Italy Milltronics USA, Inc. **United States**

China

Hurco Companies, Inc. is the Company's headquarters in Indianapolis, Indiana, U.S.A. The foregoing list does not include other subsidiaries which, individually or in the aggregate, did not constitute a significant subsidiary as of October 31, 2018.

Ningbo Hurco Machine Tool Co., Ltd.

Exhibit 23.1

CONSENT OF INDEPENDENT REGISTERED PUBLIC ACCOUNTING FIRM

We consent to the incorporation by reference in the Registration Statements (Nos. 333-48204, 333-126036, 333-149809 and 333-210072) on Form S-8 of Hurco Companies, Inc. of our reports dated January 4, 2019, relating to the consolidated financial statements, the financial statement schedule and the effectiveness of internal control over financial reporting of Hurco Companies, Inc. appearing in this Annual Report on Form 10-K of Hurco Companies, Inc. for the year ended October 31, 2018.

/s/ RSM US LLP	
Indianapolis, Indiana	
January 4, 2019	

Exhibit 23.2

CONSENT OF INDEPENDENT REGISTERED PUBLIC ACCOUNTING FIRM

We consent to the incorporation by reference in the Registration Statements (Form S-8 Nos. 333-48204, 333-126036, 333-149809, and 333-210072), pertaining to the Hurco Companies, Inc. 1997 Stock Option and Incentive Plan, the Hurco Companies, Inc. 2008 Equity Incentive Plan, and the Hurco Companies, Inc. 2016 Equity Incentive Plan, of our report dated January 6, 2017 (except Note 15, as to which the date is January 5, 2018), with respect to the consolidated financial statements and schedule for the year ended October 31, 2016 of Hurco Companies, Inc. included in this Annual Report (Form 10-K) for the year ended October 31, 2018.

/s/ Ernst & Young LLP	
Indianapolis, Indiana January 4, 2019	

Exhibit 31.1

CERTIFICATION PURSUANT TO RULE 13a-14(a) UNDER THE SECURITIES EXCHANGE ACT OF 1934, AS AMENDED

I, Michael Doar, certify that:

- 1. I have reviewed this annual report on Form 10-K of Hurco Companies, Inc.;
- 2. Based on my knowledge, this report does not contain any untrue statement of a material fact or omit to state a material fact necessary to make the statements made, in light of the circumstances under which such statements were made, not misleading with respect to the period covered by this report:
- 3. Based on my knowledge, the financial statements, and other financial information included in this report, fairly present in all material respects the financial condition, results of operations and cash flows of the registrant as of, and for, the periods presented in this report;
- 4. The registrant's other certifying officer and I are responsible for establishing and maintaining disclosure controls and procedures [as defined in Exchange Act Rules 13a-15(e) and 15d-15(e)] and internal control over financial reporting [as defined in Exchange Act Rules 13a-15(f) and 15d-15(f)] for the registrant and have:
 - (a) Designed such disclosure controls and procedures, or caused such disclosure controls and procedures to be designed under our supervision, to ensure that material information relating to the registrant, including its consolidated subsidiaries, is made known to us by others within those entities, particularly during the period in which this report is being prepared;
 - (b) Designed such internal control over financial reporting, or caused such internal control over financial reporting to be designed under our supervision, to provide reasonable assurance regarding the reliability of financial reporting and the preparation of financial statements for external purposes in accordance with U.S. Generally Accepted Accounting Principles; and
 - (c) Evaluated the effectiveness of the registrant's disclosure controls and procedures and presented in this report our conclusions about the effectiveness of the disclosure controls and procedures, as of the end of the period covered by this report based on such evaluation; and
 - (d) Disclosed in this report any change in the registrant's internal control over financial reporting that occurred during the registrant's most recent fiscal quarter (the registrant's fourth fiscal quarter in the case of an annual report) that has materially affected, or is reasonably likely to materially affect, the registrant's internal control over financial reporting; and
- 5. The registrant's other certifying officer and I have disclosed, based on our most recent evaluation of internal control over financial reporting, to the registrant's auditors and the audit committee of the registrant's board of directors (or persons performing the equivalent functions):
 - (a) All significant deficiencies and material weaknesses in the design or operation of internal control over financial reporting which are reasonably likely to adversely affect the registrant's ability to record, process, summarize and report financial information; and
 - (b) Any fraud, whether or not material, that involves management or other employees who have a significant role in the registrant's internal control over financial reporting.

/s/ Michael Doar
Michael Doar
Chairman and Chief Executive Officer
January 4, 2019

Exhibit 31.2

CERTIFICATION PURSUANT TO RULE 13a-14(a) UNDER THE SECURITIES EXCHANGE ACT OF 1934, AS AMENDED

I, Sonja K McClelland, certify that:

- 1. I have reviewed this annual report on Form 10-K of Hurco Companies, Inc.;
- 2. Based on my knowledge, this report does not contain any untrue statement of a material fact or omit to state a material fact necessary to make the statements made, in light of the circumstances under which such statements were made, not misleading with respect to the period covered by this report:
- 3. Based on my knowledge, the financial statements, and other financial information included in this report, fairly present in all material respects the financial condition, results of operations and cash flows of the registrant as of, and for, the periods presented in this report;
- 4. The registrant's other certifying officer and I are responsible for establishing and maintaining disclosure controls and procedures [as defined in Exchange Act Rules 13a-15(e) and 15d-15(e)] and internal control over financial reporting [as defined in Exchange Act Rules 13a-15(f) and 15d-15(f)] for the registrant and have:
 - (a) Designed such disclosure controls and procedures, or caused such disclosure controls and procedures to be designed under our supervision, to ensure that material information relating to the registrant, including its consolidated subsidiaries, is made known to us by others within those entities, particularly during the period in which this report is being prepared;
 - (b) Designed such internal control over financial reporting, or caused such internal control over financial reporting to be designed under our supervision, to provide reasonable assurance regarding the reliability of financial reporting and the preparation of financial statements for external purposes in accordance with U.S. Generally Accepted Accounting Principles; and
 - (c) Evaluated the effectiveness of the registrant's disclosure controls and procedures and presented in this report our conclusions about the effectiveness of the disclosure controls and procedures, as of the end of the period covered by this report based on such evaluation; and
 - (d) Disclosed in this report any change in the registrant's internal control over financial reporting that occurred during the registrant's most recent fiscal quarter (the registrant's fourth fiscal quarter in the case of an annual report) that has materially affected, or is reasonably likely to materially affect, the registrant's internal control over financial reporting; and
- 5. The registrant's other certifying officer and I have disclosed, based on our most recent evaluation of internal control over financial reporting, to the registrant's auditors and the audit committee of the registrant's board of directors (or persons performing the equivalent functions):
 - (a) All significant deficiencies and material weaknesses in the design or operation of internal control over financial reporting which are reasonably likely to adversely affect the registrant's ability to record, process, summarize and report financial information; and
 - (b) Any fraud, whether or not material, that involves management or other employees who have a significant role in the registrant's internal control over financial reporting.

/s/ Sonja K. McClelland

Sonja K. McClelland Executive Vice President, Secretary, Treasurer and Chief Financial Officer January 4, 2019

Exhibit 32.1

CERTIFICATION PURSUANT TO SECTION 906 OF THE SARBANES-OXLEY ACT OF 2002

In connection with the Annual Report of Hurco Companies, Inc. (the "Company") on Form 10-K for the year ended October 31, 2018, as filed with the Securities and Exchange Commission on the date hereof (the "Report"), the undersigned hereby certifies, pursuant to § 906 of the Sarbanes-Oxley Act of 2002, that:

- (1) The Report fully complies with the requirements of section 13(a) or 15(d) of the Securities Exchange Act of 1934; and
- (2) The information contained in the Report fairly presents, in all material respects, the financial condition and results of operations of the Company.

/s/ Michael Doar

Michael Doar Chairman and Chief Executive Officer January 4, 2019

Exhibit 32.2

CERTIFICATION PURSUANT TO SECTION 906 OF THE SARBANES-OXLEY ACT OF 2002

In connection with the Annual Report of Hurco Companies, Inc. (the "Company") on Form 10-K for the year ended October 31, 2018, as filed with the Securities and Exchange Commission on the date hereof (the "Report"), the undersigned hereby certifies, pursuant to § 906 of the Sarbanes-Oxley Act of 2002, that:

- (1) The Report fully complies with the requirements of section 13(a) or 15(d) of the Securities Exchange Act of 1934; and
- (2) The information contained in the Report fairly presents, in all material respects, the financial condition and results of operations of the Company.

/s/ Sonja K. McClelland

Sonja K. McClelland Executive Vice President, Secretary, Treasurer and Chief Financial Officer January 4, 2019