## UNITED STATES SECURITIES AND EXCHANGE COMMISSION WASHINGTON, DC 20549

# FORM 8-K

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

Date of report (Date of earliest event reported): March 10, 2016 Hurco Companies, Inc. (Exact Name of Registrant as Specified in Its Charter) Indiana (State or Other Jurisdiction of Incorporation) 0-9143 35-1150732 (IRS Employer Identification No.) (Commission File Number) One Technology Way Indianapolis, Indiana 46268 (Address of Principal Executive Offices) (Zip Code) (317) 293-5309 (Registrant's Telephone Number, Including Area Code) Not Applicable (Former Name or Former Address, if Changed Since Last Report) Check the appropriate box below if the Form 8-K filing is intended to simultaneously satisfy the filing obligation of the registrant under any of the following provisions (see General Instruction A.2. below): ☐ Written communications pursuant to Rule 425 under the Securities Act (17 CFR 230.425) ☐ Soliciting material pursuant to Rule 14a-12 under the Exchange Act (17 CFR 240.14a-12)

□ Pre-commencement communications pursuant to Rule 14d-2(b) under the Exchange Act (17 CFR 240.14d-2(b))
□ Pre-commencement communications pursuant to Rule 13e-4(c) under the Exchange Act (17 CFR 240.13e-4(c))

# Item 5.02 Departure of Directors or Certain Officers; Election of Directors; Appointment of Certain Officers; Compensatory Arrangements of Certain Officers

# Hurco Companies, Inc. 2016 Equity Incentive Plan

At the Annual Meeting of Shareholders held on March 10, 2016 (the "2016 Annual Meeting"), the Shareholders of Hurco Companies, Inc. (the "Company") approved the Hurco Companies, Inc. 2016 Equity Incentive Plan (the "2016 Equity Plan"). The 2016 Equity Plan provides for the issuance of up to 470,000 shares of the Company's common stock, plus the 386,048 shares that remained available for future grants under the Company's 2008 Equity Incentive Plan (the "2008 Plan") on the date of the 2016 Annual Meeting. Any shares of common stock subject to an award under the 2016 Equity Plan, or to an award under the 2008 Plan that was outstanding as of the date of the 2016 Annual Meeting, that expires, is cancelled or forfeited, or is settled for cash will, to the extent of such expiration, cancellation, forfeiture or cash settlement, automatically become available for future awards under the 2016 Equity Plan. Following the shareholders' approval of the 2016 Equity Plan, no further awards will be granted under the 2008 Plan.

Awards under the 2016 Equity Plan may be granted to employees, consultants and advisors of the Company or a subsidiary of the Company, as well as to the non-employee directors of the Company. Awards under the 2016 Equity Plan can be granted in the form of stock options, stock appreciation rights, restricted stock, stock units and other stock-based awards. The 2016 Equity Plan will be administered by the Company's Compensation Committee.

The terms of the 2016 Equity Plan are described in more detail in the Company's definitive proxy statement for the 2016 Annual Meeting, which was filed with the Securities and Exchange Commission on January 25, 2016, which description is incorporated herein by reference. A copy of the 2016 Equity Plan is attached hereto as Exhibit 10.1 and is incorporated herein by reference and constitutes a part of this report. A copy of the form of Restricted Stock Agreement (Director) to be used in connection with the grant of restricted stock to the Company's non-employee directors under the 2016 Equity Plan is attached hereto as Exhibit 10.2.

#### Hurco Companies, Inc. Cash Incentive Plan

At the 2016 Annual Meeting, the Shareholders of the Company also approved the Hurco Companies, Inc. Cash Incentive Plan (the "Cash Incentive Plan"). The Cash Incentive Plan permits cash incentive awards to be made to eligible employees of the Company. The Company's Compensation Committee administers the Cash Incentive Plan and will determine which employees will be participants in the Cash Incentive Plan. Participants will receive awards under the Cash Incentive Plan whose payout will be contingent upon the degree of attainment over the applicable performance period of one or more performance goals established by the Compensation Committee based on performance measures specified in the Cash Incentive Plan. At the start of each performance period, the Compensation Committee will select the applicable performance measure(s), specify the performance goals(s) based on those performance measures, and specify in terms of an objective formula or standard, the method for calculating the amount payable to a participant if the performance goals(s) are satisfied.

All awards under the Cash Incentive Plan for a performance period will be paid in cash following the end of such performance period and the Compensation Committee's certification of the degree to which applicable performance goals based on performance measures selected for the performance period were attained and the resulting amounts payable to participants in connection with awards for that performance period. The Compensation Committee may reduce or eliminate, in its discretion, the amount of any award otherwise payable under the Cash Incentive Plan.

The terms of the Cash Incentive Plan are described in more detail in the Company's definitive proxy statement for the 2016 Annual Meeting, which was filed with the Securities and Exchange Commission on January 25, 2016, which description is incorporated herein by reference. A copy of the Cash Incentive Plan is attached hereto as Exhibit 10.3 and is incorporated herein by reference and constitutes a part of this report.

#### Item 5.07 Submission of Matters to a Vote of Security Holders

The Company held its Annual Meeting of Shareholders on March 10, 2016. The shareholders:

- elected all eight of the Company's nominees for director to serve until the next Annual Meeting of Shareholders;
- approved, on an advisory basis, the compensation for the Company's named executive officers as disclosed in the proxy statement for the 2016 Annual Meeting;
- approved the 2016 Equity Plan as disclosed in the proxy statement for the 2016 Annual Meeting;
- approved the Cash Incentive Plan as disclosed in the proxy statement for the 2016 Annual Meeting;
- ratified the appointment of Ernst & Young LLP to serve as the Company's independent registered public accounting firm for the fiscal year ending October 31, 2016.

Shares were voted on these proposals as follows:

	Number of Votes FOR	Number of Votes WITHHELD	Broker Non- Votes	Abstentions
Election of Directors:				
Thomas A. Aaro	5,130,204	29,086	767,464	0
Robert W. Cruickshank	5,129,189	30,101	767,464	0
Michael Doar	5,125,222	34,068	767,464	0
Jay C. Longbottom	5,130,419	28,871	767,464	0
Andrew Niner	5,131,339	27,951	767,464	0
Richard Porter	5,132,151	27,139	767,464	0
Janaki Sivanesan	5,131,397	27,893	767,464	0
Ronald Strackbein	5,130,002	29,288	767,464	0

	For	Against	Broker Non- Votes	Abstentions
Advisory vote to approve executive compensation:	5,047,276	48,345	767,464	63,669
	For	Against	Broker Non- Votes	Abstentions
Approval of the Hurco Companies, Inc. 2016 Equity Incentive Plan:	4,980,964	166,235	767,464	12,091
	For	Against	Broker Non- Votes	Abstentions
Approval of the Hurco Companies, Inc. Cash Incentive Plan:	5,052,372	99,327	767,464	7,591
	For	Against	Broker Non- Votes	Abstentions
Ratification of appointment of public accounting firm:	5,833,454	84,543	0	8,757
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# Item 9.01. Financial Statements and Exhibits.

# (d) Exhibits:

The following exhibits are being filed herewith:

Exhibit No.	Description
10.1	Hurco Companies, Inc. 2016 Equity Incentive Plan
10.2	Form of Restricted Stock Agreement (Director) under the 2016 Equity Incentive Plan
10.3	Hurco Companies, Inc. Cash Incentive Plan

# SIGNATURES

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

Dated: March 10, 2016

HURCO COMPANIES, INC.

By: /s/ Sonja K. McClelland
Sonja K. McClelland, Vice President, Secretary, Treasurer and Chief Financial Officer

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## HURCO COMPANIES, INC. 2016 EQUITY INCENTIVE PLAN

- 1. <u>Purpose.</u> The purpose of the Hurco Companies, Inc. 2016 Equity Incentive Plan (the "Plan") is to attract and retain the best available personnel for positions of responsibility with the Company, to provide additional incentives to them and align their interests with those of the Company's shareholders, and to thereby promote the Company's long-term business success.
- 2. <u>Definitions.</u> In this Plan, the following definitions will apply.
  - (a) "Affiliate" means any entity that is a Subsidiary or Parent of the Company.
- (b) "Agreement" means the written or electronic agreement or notice containing the terms and conditions applicable to each Award granted under the Plan. An Agreement is subject to the terms and conditions of the Plan.
- (c) "Award" means a grant made under the Plan in the form of Options, Stock Appreciation Rights, Restricted Stock, Stock Units or an Other Stock-Based Award.
  - (d) "Board" means the Board of Directors of the Company.
- (e) "Cause" means what the term is expressly defined to mean in a then-effective written agreement (including an Agreement) between a Participant and the Company or any Affiliate, or in the absence of any such then-effective agreement or definition means a Participant's (i) ongoing failure to perform satisfactorily the duties reasonably required of the Participant by the Company (other than by reason of Disability); (ii) material violation of any law, rule, regulation, court order or regulatory directive (other than traffic violations, misdemeanors or other minor offenses); (iii) material breach of the Company's business conduct or ethics code or of any fiduciary duty or nondisclosure, non-solicitation, non-competition or similar obligation owed to the Company or any Affiliate; or (iv) engaging in dishonorable or disruptive behavior, practices or acts which demonstrate a willful and continuing disregard for the best interests of the Company and its Affiliates or which would be reasonably expected to harm or bring disrepute to the Company or any of its Affiliates, their business or any of their customers, employees or vendors.
  - (f) "Change in Control" means one of the following:
- (1) An Exchange Act Person becomes the beneficial owner (within the meaning of Rule 13d-3 under the Exchange Act) of securities of the Company representing 30% or more of the combined voting power of the Company's then outstanding Voting Securities, except that the following will not constitute a Change in Control:
- (A) any acquisition of securities of the Company by an Exchange Act Person directly or indirectly from the Company for the purpose of providing financing to the Company;
- (B) any formation of a Group consisting solely of beneficial owners of the Company's Voting Securities as of the effective date of this Plan; or
- (C) any repurchase or other acquisition by the Company of its Voting Securities that causes any Exchange Act Person to become the beneficial owner of 30% or more of the Company's Voting Securities.

If, however, an Exchange Act Person or Group referenced in clause (A), (B) or (C) above acquires beneficial ownership of additional Company Voting Securities after initially becoming the beneficial owner of 30% or more of the combined voting power of the Company's Voting Securities by one of the means described in those clauses, then a Change in Control will be deemed to have occurred.

- (2) Individuals who are Continuing Directors cease for any reason to constitute a majority of the members of the Board.
- (3) A Corporate Transaction is consummated, unless, immediately following such Corporate Transaction, (i) all or substantially all of the individuals and entities who were the beneficial owners of the Company's Voting Securities immediately prior to such Corporate Transaction beneficially own, directly or indirectly, 60% or more of the combined voting power of the then outstanding Voting Securities of the surviving or acquiring entity resulting from such Corporate Transaction (including beneficial ownership through the ultimate Parent of such entity) in substantially the same proportions as their ownership, immediately prior to such Corporate Transaction, of the Company's Voting Securities; (ii) no Exchange Act Person beneficially owns, directly or indirectly, 30% or more of the Voting Securities of the entity resulting from such Corporate Transaction; and (iii) at least a majority of the members of the board of directors (or comparable governors) of the entity resulting from such Corporate Transaction were Continuing Directors at the time of the initial agreement, or the action of the Board, providing for such Corporate Transaction.

Notwithstanding the foregoing, to the extent that any Award constitutes a deferral of compensation subject to Code Section 409A, and if that Award provides for a change in the time or form of payment upon a Change in Control, then no Change in Control shall be deemed to have occurred upon an event described in this Section 2(f) unless the event would also constitute a change in ownership or effective control of, or a change in the ownership of a substantial portion of the assets of, the Company under Code Section 409A.

- (g) "Code" means the Internal Revenue Code of 1986, as amended and in effect from time to time. For purposes of the Plan, references to sections of the Code shall be deemed to include any applicable regulations thereunder and any successor or similar statutory provisions.
- (h) "Committee" means two or more Non-Employee Directors designated by the Board to administer the Plan under Section 3, each member of which shall be (i) an independent director within the meaning of the rules and regulations of the Nasdaq Stock Market, (ii) a non-employee director within the meaning of Exchange Act Rule 16b-3, and (iii) an outside director for purposes of Code Section 162(m).
  - (i) "Company" means Hurco Companies, Inc., an Indiana corporation, or any successor thereto.
- (j) "Continuing Director" means an individual (i) who is, as of the effective date of the Plan, a director of the Company, or (ii) who becomes a director of the Company after the effective date hereof and whose initial election, or nomination for election by the Company's shareholders, was approved by at least a majority of the then Continuing Directors, but excluding, for purposes of this clause (ii), an individual whose initial assumption of office occurs as a result of an actual or threatened proxy contest relating to the election of directors.
- ( k ) "Corporate Transaction" means (i) a sale or other disposition of all or substantially all of the assets of the Company, or (ii) a merger, consolidation, share exchange or similar transaction involving the Company, regardless of whether the Company is the surviving corporation.

- (1) "Disability" means (A) any permanent and total disability under any long-term disability plan or policy of the Company or its Affiliates that covers the Participant, or (B) if there is no such long-term disability plan or policy, "total and permanent disability" within the meaning of Code Section 22(e)(3).
  - (m) "Employee" means an employee of the Company or an Affiliate.
  - (n) "Exchange Act" means the Securities Exchange Act of 1934, as amended and in effect from time to time.
- (o) "Exchange Act Person" means any natural person, entity or Group other than (i) the Company or any Affiliate; (ii) any employee benefit plan (or related trust) sponsored or maintained by the Company or any Affiliate; (iii) an underwriter temporarily holding securities in connection with a registered public offering of such securities; or (iv) an entity whose Voting Securities are beneficially owned by the beneficial owners of the Company's Voting Securities in substantially the same proportions as their beneficial ownership of the Company's Voting Securities.
  - (p) "Fair Market Value" of a Share means the fair market value of a Share determined as follows:
- (1) If the Shares are readily tradable on an established securities market (as determined under Code Section 409A), then Fair Market Value will be the closing sales price for a Share on the principal securities market on which it trades on the date for which it is being determined, or if no sale of Shares occurred on that date, on the next preceding date on which a sale of Shares occurred, as reported in *The Wall Street Journal* or such other source as the Committee deems reliable; or
- (2) If the Shares are not then readily tradable on an established securities market (as determined under Code Section 409A), then Fair Market Value will be determined by the Committee as the result of a reasonable application of a reasonable valuation method that satisfies the requirements of Code Section 409A.
- (q) "Full Value Award" means an Award other than an Option Award or Stock Appreciation Right Award, and, for purposes of Section 4, includes an award under the Prior Plan that is neither an option award nor a stock appreciation right award.
- (r) "Grant Date" means the date on which the Committee approves the grant of an Award under the Plan, or such later date as may be specified by the Committee on the date the Committee approves the Award.
- (s) "Group" means two or more persons who act, or agree to act together, as a partnership, limited partnership, syndicate or other group for the purpose of acquiring, holding, voting or disposing of securities of the Company.
  - (t) "Non-Employee Director" means a member of the Board who is not an Employee.
- (u) "Option" means a right granted under the Plan to purchase a specified number of Shares at a specified price. An "Incentive Stock Option" or "ISO" means any Option designated as such and granted in accordance with the requirements of Code Section 422. A "Non-Statutory Stock Option" means an Option other than an Incentive Stock Option.
  - (v) "Other Stock-Based Award" means an Award described in Section 11 of this Plan.
  - (w) "Parent" means a "parent corporation," as defined in Code Section 424(e).

- (x) "Participant" means a person to whom a then-outstanding Award has been granted under the Plan.
- (y) "Performance-Based Compensation" means an Award to a person who is, or is determined by the Committee to likely become, a "covered employee" (as defined in Section 162(m)(3) of the Code) and that is intended to constitute "performance-based compensation" within the meaning of Section 162(m)(4)(C) of the Code.
  - (z) "Plan" means this Hurco Companies, Inc. 2016 Equity Incentive Plan, as amended and in effect from time to time.
  - (aa) "Prior Plan" means the Hurco Companies, Inc. 2008 Equity Incentive Plan.
- (bb) "Restricted Stock" means Shares issued to a Participant that are subject to such restrictions on transfer, vesting conditions and other restrictions or limitations as may be set forth in this Plan and the applicable Agreement.
- (cc) "Service" means the provision of services by a Participant to the Company or any Affiliate in any Service Provider capacity. A Service Provider's Service shall be deemed to have terminated either upon an actual cessation of providing services to the Company or any Affiliate or upon the entity to which the Service Provider provides services ceasing to be an Affiliate. Except as otherwise provided in this Plan or any Agreement, Service shall not be deemed terminated in the case of (i) any approved leave of absence; (ii) transfers among the Company and any Affiliates in any Service Provider capacity; or (iii) any change in status so long as the individual remains in the service of the Company or any Affiliate in any Service Provider capacity.
- (dd) "Service Provider" means an Employee, a Non-Employee Director, or any consultant or advisor who is a natural person and who provides services (other than in connection with (i) a capital-raising transaction or (ii) promoting or maintaining a market in Company securities) to the Company or any Affiliate.
  - (ee) "Share" means a share of Stock.
  - (ff) "Stock" means the common stock, no par value, of the Company.
- (gg) "Stock Appreciation Right" or "SAR" means the right to receive, in cash and/or Shares as determined by the Committee, an amount equal to the appreciation in value of a specified number of Shares between the Grant Date of the SAR and its exercise date.
- (hh) "Stock Unit" means a right to receive, in cash and/or Shares as determined by the Committee, the Fair Market Value of one or more Shares, subject to such restrictions on transfer, vesting conditions and other restrictions or limitations as may be set forth in this Plan and the applicable Agreement.
  - (ii) "Subsidiary" means a "subsidiary corporation," as defined in Code Section 424(f), of the Company.
- (j j) "Substitute Award" means an Award granted upon the assumption of, or in substitution or exchange for, outstanding awards granted by a company or other entity acquired by the Company or any Affiliate or with which the Company or any Affiliate combines. The terms and conditions of a Substitute Award may vary from the terms and conditions set forth in the Plan to the extent that the Committee at the time of the grant may deem appropriate to conform, in whole or in part, to the provisions of the award in substitution for which it has been granted.

(kk) "Voting Securities" of an entity means the outstanding equity securities entitled to vote generally in the election of directors of such entity.

#### 3. Administration of the Plan.

- (a) <u>Administration</u>. The authority to control and manage the operations and administration of the Plan shall be vested in the Committee in accordance with this Section 3.
- (b) <u>Scope of Authority</u>. Subject to the terms of the Plan, the Committee shall have the authority, in its discretion, to take such actions as it deems necessary or advisable to administer the Plan, including:
- (1) determining the Service Providers to whom Awards will be granted, the timing of each such Award, the types of Awards and the number of Shares covered by each Award, the terms, conditions, performance criteria, restrictions and other provisions of Awards, and the manner in which Awards are paid or settled:
- (2) cancelling or suspending an Award, accelerating the vesting or extending the exercise period of an Award, or otherwise amending the terms and conditions of any outstanding Award, subject to the requirements of Sections 6(b), 15(d) and 15(e);
- (3) adopting sub-plans or special provisions applicable to Awards, establishing, amending or rescinding rules to administer the Plan, interpreting the Plan and any Award or Agreement, reconciling any inconsistency, correcting any defect or supplying an omission in the Plan or any Agreement, and making all other determinations necessary or desirable for the administration of the Plan;
  - (4) granting Substitute Awards under the Plan; and
  - (5) taking such actions as are provided in Section 3(c) with respect to Awards to foreign Service Providers.
- Awards to Foreign Service Providers. The Committee may grant Awards to Service Providers who are foreign nationals, who are located outside of the United States or who are not compensated from a payroll maintained in the United States, or who are otherwise subject to (or could cause the Company to be subject to) legal or regulatory requirements of countries outside of the United States, on such terms and conditions different from those specified in the Plan as may, in the judgment of the Committee, be necessary or desirable to comply with applicable foreign laws and regulatory requirements and to promote achievement of the purposes of the Plan. In connection therewith, the Committee may establish such subplans and modify exercise procedures and other Plan rules and procedures to the extent such actions are deemed necessary or desirable, and may take any other action that it deems advisable to obtain local regulatory approvals or to comply with any necessary local governmental regulatory exemptions.

- Acts of the Committee; Delegation. A majority of the members of the Committee shall constitute a quorum for any meeting of the Committee, and any act of a majority of the members present at any meeting at which a quorum is present or any act unanimously approved in writing or electronically by all members of the Committee shall be the act of the Committee. Any such action of the Committee shall be valid and effective even if the members of the Committee at the time of such action are later determined not to have satisfied all of the criteria for membership in clauses (i), (ii) and (iii) of Section 2(h). To the extent not inconsistent with applicable law or stock exchange rules, the Committee may delegate all or any portion of its authority under the Plan to any one or more of its members or, as to Awards to Participants who are not subject to Section 16 of the Exchange Act, to one or more directors or executive officers of the Company or to a committee of the Board comprised of one or more directors of the Company. The Committee may also delegate non-discretionary administrative responsibilities in connection with the Plan to such other persons as it deems advisable.
- (e) <u>Finality of Decisions</u>. The Committee's interpretation of the Plan and of any Award or Agreement made under the Plan and all related decisions or resolutions of the Board or Committee shall be final and binding on all parties with an interest therein.
- Indemnification. Each person who is or has been a member of the Committee or of the Board, and any other person to whom the Committee delegates authority under the Plan, shall be indemnified by the Company, to the maximum extent permitted by law, against liabilities and expenses imposed upon or reasonably incurred by such person in connection with or resulting from any claims against such person by reason of the performance of the individual's duties under the Plan. This right to indemnification is conditioned upon such person providing the Company an opportunity, at the Company's expense, to handle and defend the claims before such person undertakes to handle and defend them on such person's own behalf. The Company will not be required to indemnify any person for any amount paid in settlement of a claim unless the Company has first consented in writing to the settlement. The foregoing right of indemnification shall not be exclusive of any other rights of indemnification to which such person or persons may be entitled under the Company's Articles of Incorporation or Bylaws, as a matter of law, or otherwise.

## 4. Shares Available Under the Plan.

- (a) <u>Maximum Shares Available</u>. Subject to Section 4(b) and to adjustment as provided in Section 12(a), the number of Shares that may be the subject of Awards and issued under the Plan shall be 470,000, plus any Shares remaining available for future grants under the Prior Plan on the effective date of this Plan. Shares issued under the Plan may come from authorized and unissued shares or treasury shares. In determining the number of Shares to be counted against this share reserve in connection with any Award, the following rules shall apply:
- (1) Shares that are subject to Awards of Options or Stock Appreciation Rights shall be counted against the share reserve as one Share for every one Share granted.
  - (2) Shares that are subject to Full Value Awards shall be counted against the share reserve as two Shares for every one Share granted.
- (3) Where the number of Shares subject to an Award is variable on the Grant Date, the number of Shares to be counted against the share reserve shall be the maximum number of Shares that could be received under that particular Award, until such time as it can be determined that only a lesser number of shares could be received.
- (4) Where two or more types of Awards are granted to a Participant in tandem with each other, such that the exercise of one type of Award with respect to a number of Shares cancels at least an equal number of Shares of the other, the number of Shares to be counted against the share reserve shall be the largest number of Shares that would be counted against the share reserve under either of the Awards.

- (5) Shares subject to Substitute Awards shall not be counted against the share reserve, nor shall they reduce the Shares authorized for grant to a Participant in any calendar year.
- (6) Awards that will be settled solely in cash shall not be counted against the share reserve, nor shall they reduce the Shares authorized for grant to a Participant in any calendar year.
- Effect of Forfeitures and Other Actions. Any Shares subject to an Award, or to an award granted under the Prior Plan that is outstanding on the effective date of this Plan (a "Prior Plan Award"), that expires, is cancelled or forfeited or is settled for cash, shall, to the extent of such cancellation, forfeiture, expiration or cash settlement, again become available for Awards under this Plan, and the share reserve under Section 4(a) shall be correspondingly replenished as provided in Section 4(c) below. The following Shares shall not, however, again become available for Awards or replenish the share reserve under Section 4(a): (i) Shares tendered (either actually or by attestation) by the Participant or withheld by the Company in payment of the purchase price of a stock option issued under this Plan or the Prior Plan, (ii) Shares tendered (either actually or by attestation) by the Participant or withheld by the Company to satisfy any tax withholding obligation with respect to any Award or Prior Plan Award, (iii) Shares repurchased by the Company with proceeds received from the exercise of a stock option issued under this Plan or the Prior Plan, and (iv) Shares subject to a stock appreciation right award issued under this Plan or the Prior Plan that are not issued in connection with the stock settlement of that award upon its exercise.
- (c) <u>Counting Shares Again Available</u>. Each Share that again becomes available for Awards as provided in Section 4(b) shall correspondingly increase the share reserve under Section 4(a), with such increase based on the same share ratio by which the applicable share reserve was decreased upon the grant of the applicable award.
- Effect of Plans Operated by Acquired Companies. If a company acquired by the Company or any Subsidiary or with which the Company or any Subsidiary combines has shares available under a pre-existing plan approved by shareholders and not adopted in contemplation of such acquisition or combination, the shares available for grant pursuant to the terms of such pre-existing plan (as adjusted, to the extent appropriate, using the exchange ratio or other adjustment or valuation ratio or formula used in such acquisition or combination to determine the consideration payable to the holders of common stock of the entities party to such acquisition or combination) may be used for Awards under the Plan and shall not reduce the Shares authorized for grant under the Plan. Awards using such available shares shall not be made after the date awards or grants could have been made under the terms of the pre-existing plan, absent the acquisition or combination, and shall only be made to individuals who were not Employees or Non-Employee Directors prior to such acquisition or combination.
- (e) <u>No Fractional Shares</u>. Unless otherwise determined by the Committee, the number of Shares subject to an Award shall always be a whole number. No fractional Shares may be issued under the Plan, but the Committee may, in its discretion, pay cash in lieu of any fractional Share in settlement of an Award
- (f) <u>Individual Option and SAR Limit</u>. The aggregate number of Shares subject to Options and/or Stock Appreciation Rights granted during any calendar year to any one Participant other than a Non-Employee Director shall not exceed 175,000 Shares (subject to adjustment as provided in Section 12(a)).
- (g) <u>Performance-Based Compensation Limit.</u> With respect to Awards of Performance-Based Compensation, the maximum number of Shares that may be the subject of Full Value Awards that are granted to any Participant during any calendar year shall not exceed 125,000 Shares (subject to adjustment as provided in Section 12(a)).

- (h) <u>Limits on Awards to Non-Employee Directors</u>. The aggregate grant date fair value (as determined in accordance with FASB ASC Topic 718 or any successor provision) of all Awards granted during any calendar year to any Non-Employee Director shall not exceed \$200,000.
- 5. Eligibility. Participation in the Plan is limited to Service Providers. Incentive Stock Options may only be granted to Employees.

#### 6. General Terms of Awards.

- (a) Award Agreement. Except for any Award that involves only the immediate issuance of unrestricted Shares, each Award shall be evidenced by an Agreement setting forth the amount of the Award together with such other terms and conditions applicable to the Award (and not inconsistent with the Plan) as determined by the Committee. An Award to a Participant may be made singly or in combination with any form of Award. Two types of Awards may be made in tandem with each other such that the exercise of one type of Award with respect to a number of Shares reduces the number of Shares subject to the related Award by at least an equal amount.
- (b) Vesting and Term. Each Agreement shall set forth the period until the applicable Award is scheduled to expire (which shall not be more than ten years from the Grant Date), and any applicable performance period. Awards that vest based solely on the satisfaction by the Participant of service-based vesting conditions shall be subject to a vesting period of not less than one year from the applicable Grant Date, and Awards whose grant or vesting is subject to the satisfaction of performance goals over a performance period shall be subject to a performance period of not less than one year. The foregoing minimum vesting and performance periods will not apply, however, in the following circumstances: (i) upon a Change in Control, (ii) termination of Service due to death or Disability, (iii) to a Substitute Award that does not reduce the vesting period of the award being replaced, and (iv) Awards involving an aggregate number of Shares not in excess of 5% of the Plan's share reserve specified in Section 4(a). For purposes of Awards to Non-Employee Directors, a vesting period will be deemed to be one year if it runs from the date of one annual meeting of the Company's shareholders to the next annual meeting of the Company's shareholders.
- Transferability. Except as provided in this Section 6(c), (i) during the lifetime of a Participant, only the Participant or the Participant's guardian or legal representative may exercise an Option or SAR, or receive payment with respect to any other Award; and (ii) no Award may be sold, assigned, transferred, exchanged or encumbered, voluntarily or involuntarily, other than by will or the laws of descent and distribution. Any attempted transfer in violation of this Section 6(c) shall be of no effect. The Committee may, however, provide in an Agreement or otherwise that an Award (other than an Incentive Stock Option) may be transferred pursuant to a domestic relations order or may be transferable by gift to any "family member" (as defined in General Instruction A(5) to Form S-8 under the Securities Act of 1933) of the Participant. Any Award held by a transferee shall continue to be subject to the same terms and conditions that were applicable to that Award immediately before the transfer thereof. For purposes of any provision of the Plan relating to notice to a Participant or to acceleration or termination of an Award upon the death or termination of Service of a Participant, the references to "Participant" shall mean the original grantee of an Award and not any transferee.
- (d) <u>Designation of Beneficiary</u>. A Participant may designate a beneficiary or beneficiaries to exercise any Award or receive a payment under any Award that is exercisable or payable on or after the Participant's death. Any such designation shall be on a form approved by the Company and shall be effective upon its receipt by the Company.

- (e) <u>Termination of Service</u>. Unless otherwise provided in an applicable Agreement or another then-effective written agreement between a Participant and the Company, and subject to Section 12 of this Plan, if a Participant's Service with the Company and all of its Affiliates terminates, the following provisions shall apply (in all cases subject to the scheduled expiration of an Option or SAR Award, as applicable):
- (1) Upon termination of Service for Cause, all unexercised Option and SAR Awards and all unvested portions of any other outstanding Awards shall be immediately forfeited without consideration.
- (2) Upon termination of Service for any other reason, all unvested and unexercisable portions of any outstanding Awards shall be immediately forfeited without consideration.
- (3) Upon termination of Service for any reason other than Cause, death or Disability, the currently vested and exercisable portions of Option and SAR Awards may be exercised for a period of three months after the date of such termination. However, if a Participant thereafter dies during such three-month period, the vested and exercisable portions of the Option and SAR Awards may be exercised for a period of one year after the date of such termination.
- (4) Upon termination of Service due to death or Disability, the currently vested and exercisable portions of Option and SAR Awards may be exercised for a period of one year after the date of such termination.
- (f) <u>Rights as Shareholder</u>. No Participant shall have any rights as a shareholder with respect to any Shares covered by an Award unless and until the date the Participant becomes the holder of record of the Shares, if any, to which the Award relates.
- Performance-Based Awards. Any Award may be granted as a performance-based Award if the Committee establishes one or more measures of corporate, business unit or individual performance which must be attained, and the performance period over which the specified performance is to be attained, as a condition to the grant, vesting, exercisability, lapse of restrictions and/or settlement in cash or Shares of such Award. In connection with any such Award, the Committee shall determine the extent to which performance measures have been attained and other applicable terms and conditions have been satisfied, and the degree to which vesting, exercisability, lapse of restrictions and/or settlement in cash or Shares of such Award has been earned. Any performance-based Award that is intended by the Committee to qualify as Performance-Based Compensation shall additionally be subject to the requirements of Section 16 of this Plan. Except as provided in Section 16 with respect to Performance-Based Compensation, the Committee shall also have the authority to provide, in an Agreement or otherwise, for the modification of a performance period and/or an adjustment or waiver of the achievement of performance measures upon the occurrence of certain events, which may include a Change of Control, a Corporate Transaction, a recapitalization, a change in the accounting practices of the Company, or the Participant's death or Disability.

#### 7. Stock Option Awards.

(a) <u>Type and Exercise Price</u>. The Agreement pursuant to which an Option Award is granted shall specify whether the Option is an Incentive Stock Option or a Non-Statutory Stock Option. The exercise price at which each Share subject to an Option Award may be purchased shall be determined by the Committee and set forth in the Agreement, and shall not be less than the Fair Market Value of a Share on the Grant Date, except in the case of Substitute Awards (to the extent consistent with Code Section 409A and, in the case of Incentive Stock Options, Code Section 424).

- (b) Payment of Exercise Price. The purchase price of the Shares with respect to which an Option Award is exercised shall be payable in full at the time of exercise. The purchase price may be paid in cash or in such other manner as the Committee may permit, including by payment under a broker-assisted sale and remittance program, by withholding Shares otherwise issuable to the Participant upon exercise of the Option or by delivery to the Company of Shares (by actual delivery or attestation) already owned by the Participant (in each case, such Shares having a Fair Market Value as of the date the Option is exercised equal to the purchase price of the Shares being purchased).
- (c) <u>Exercisability and Expiration</u>. Each Option Award shall be exercisable in whole or in part on the terms provided in the Agreement, including without limitation the restrictions provided in Section 6(b). No Option Award shall be exercisable at any time after its scheduled expiration. When an Option Award is no longer exercisable, it shall be deemed to have expired and terminated.

## (d) <u>Incentive Stock Options</u>.

- (1) An Option Award will constitute an Incentive Stock Option Award only if the Participant receiving the Option Award is an Employee, and only to the extent that (i) it is so designated in the applicable Agreement and (ii) the aggregate Fair Market Value (determined as of the Option Award's Grant Date) of the Shares with respect to which Incentive Stock Options held by the Participant first become exercisable in any calendar year (under the Plan and all other plans of the Company and its Affiliates) does not exceed \$100,000 or such other amount specified by the Code. To the extent an Option granted to a Participant exceeds this limit, the Option shall be treated as a Non-Statutory Stock Option. The maximum number of Shares that may be issued upon the exercise of Incentive Stock Options shall be 470,000, subject to adjustment as provided in Section 12(a).
- (2) No Participant may receive an Incentive Stock Option Award under the Plan if, immediately after the grant of such Award, the Participant would own (after application of the rules contained in Code Section 424(d)) Shares possessing more than 10% of the total combined voting power of all classes of stock of the Company or an Affiliate, unless (i) the per share exercise price for such Award is at least 110% of the Fair Market Value of a Share on the Grant Date and (ii) that Option Award will expire no later than five years after its Grant Date.
- (3) For purposes of continued Service by a Participant who has been granted an Incentive Stock Option Award, no approved leave of absence may exceed three months unless reemployment upon expiration of such leave is provided by statute or contract. If reemployment is not so provided, then on the date six months following the first day of such leave, any Incentive Stock Option held by the Participant shall cease to be treated as an Incentive Stock Option and shall be treated for tax purposes as a Non-Statutory Stock Option.
- (4) If an Incentive Stock Option Award is exercised after the expiration of the exercise periods that apply for purposes of Code Section 422, such Option shall thereafter be treated as a Non-Statutory Stock Option.
- (5) The Agreement covering an Incentive Stock Option Award shall contain such other terms and provisions that the Committee determines necessary to qualify the Option Award as an Incentive Stock Option Award.

## 8. Stock Appreciation Rights.

- (a) Nature of Award. An Award of Stock Appreciation Rights shall be subject to such terms and conditions as are determined by the Committee, and shall provide a Participant the right to receive upon exercise of the SAR Award all or a portion of the excess of (i) the Fair Market Value as of the date of exercise of the SAR Award of the number of Shares as to which the SAR Award is being exercised, over (ii) the aggregate exercise price for such number of Shares. The per Share exercise price for any SAR Award shall be determined by the Committee and set forth in the applicable Agreement, and shall not be less than the Fair Market Value of a Share on the Grant Date, except in the case of Substitute Awards (to the extent consistent with Code Section 409A).
- (b) Exercise of SAR. Each SAR Award may be exercisable in whole or in part at the times, on the terms and in the manner provided in the Agreement, including without limitation the restrictions provided in Section 6(b). No SAR Award shall be exercisable at any time after its scheduled expiration. When a SAR Award is no longer exercisable, it shall be deemed to have expired and terminated. Upon exercise of a SAR Award, payment to the Participant shall be made at such time or times as shall be provided in the Agreement in the form of cash, Shares or a combination of cash and Shares as determined by the Committee. The Agreement may provide for a limitation upon the amount or percentage of the total appreciation on which payment (whether in cash and/or Shares) may be made in the event of the exercise of a SAR Award.

#### 9. Restricted Stock Awards.

- (a) <u>Vesting and Consideration</u>. Shares subject to a Restricted Stock Award shall be subject to vesting and the lapse of applicable restrictions based on such conditions or factors and occurring over such period of time as the Committee may determine in its discretion, subject to the limitations provided in Section 6(b). The Committee may provide whether any consideration other than Services must be received by the Company or any Affiliate as a condition precedent to the grant of a Restricted Stock Award, and may correspondingly provide for Company reacquisition or repurchase rights if such additional consideration has been required and some or all of a Restricted Stock Award does not vest.
- (b) Shares Subject to Restricted Stock Awards. Unvested Shares subject to a Restricted Stock Award shall be evidenced by a book-entry in the name of the Participant with the Company's transfer agent or by one or more Stock certificates issued in the name of the Participant. Any such Stock certificate shall be deposited with the Company or its designee, together with an assignment separate from the certificate, in blank, signed by the Participant, and bear an appropriate legend referring to the restricted nature of the Restricted Stock evidenced thereby. Any book-entry shall be subject to comparable restrictions and corresponding stop transfer instructions. Upon the vesting of Shares of Restricted Stock, and the Company's determination that any necessary conditions precedent to the release of vested Shares (such as satisfaction of tax withholding obligations and compliance with applicable legal requirements) have been satisfied, such vested Shares shall be made available to the Participant in such manner as may be prescribed or permitted by the Committee. Except as otherwise provided in the Plan or an applicable Agreement, a Participant with a Restricted Stock Award shall have all the rights of a shareholder, including the right to vote the Shares of Restricted Stock. Any dividends or distributions paid with respect to Shares that are subject to the unvested portion of a Restricted Stock Award will be subject to the same restrictions as the Shares to which such dividends or distributions relate, except for regular cash dividends on Shares subject to the unvested portion of a Restricted Stock Award that is subject only to service-based vesting conditions, which regular cash dividends the Committee may determine are unrestricted or subject to the same restrictions as the underlying shares.

## 10. Stock Unit Awards.

- (a) <u>Vesting and Consideration</u>. A Stock Unit Award shall be subject to vesting and the lapse of applicable restrictions based on such conditions or factors and occurring over such period of time as the Committee may determine in its discretion, subject to the limitations provided in Section 6(b). If vesting of a Stock Unit Award is conditioned on the achievement of specified performance goals, the extent to which they are achieved over the specified performance period shall determine the number of Stock Units that will be earned and eligible to vest, which may be greater or less than the target number of Stock Units stated in the Agreement. The Committee may provide whether any consideration other than Services must be received by the Company or any Affiliate as a condition precedent to the settlement of a Stock Unit Award.
- (b) <u>Payment of Award</u>. Following the vesting of a Stock Unit Award, and the Company's determination that any necessary conditions precedent to the settlement of the Award (such as satisfaction of tax withholding obligations and compliance with applicable legal requirements) have been satisfied, settlement of the Award and payment to the Participant shall be made at such time or times in the form of cash, Shares (which may themselves be considered Restricted Stock under the Plan) or a combination of cash and Shares as determined by the Committee.
- 11. Other Stock-Based Awards. The Committee may from time to time grant Shares and other Awards that are valued by reference to and/or payable in whole or in part in Shares under the Plan. The Committee shall determine the terms and conditions of such Awards, which shall be consistent with the terms and purposes of the Plan. The Committee may direct the Company to issue Shares subject to restrictive legends and/or stop transfer instructions that are consistent with the terms and conditions of the Award to which the Shares relate.

# 12. Changes in Capitalization, Corporate Transactions, Change in Control.

- (a) Adjustments for Changes in Capitalization. In the event of any equity restructuring (within the meaning of FASB ASC Topic 718) that causes the per share value of Shares to change, such as a stock dividend, stock split, spinoff, rights offering or recapitalization through an extraordinary dividend, the Committee shall make such adjustments as it deems equitable and appropriate to (i) the aggregate number and kind of Shares or other securities issued or reserved for issuance under the Plan, (ii) the number and kind of Shares or other securities subject to outstanding Awards, (iii) the exercise price of outstanding Options and SARs, and (iv) any maximum limitations prescribed by the Plan with respect to certain types of Awards or the grants to individuals of certain types of Awards. In the event of any other change in corporate capitalization, including a merger, consolidation, reorganization, or partial or complete liquidation of the Company, such equitable adjustments described in the foregoing sentence may be made as determined to be appropriate and equitable by the Committee to prevent dilution or enlargement of rights of Participants. In either case, any such adjustment shall be conclusive and binding for all purposes of the Plan. No adjustment shall be made pursuant to this Section 12(a) in connection with the conversion of any convertible securities of the Company, or in a manner that would cause Incentive Stock Options to violate Section 422(b) of the Code or cause an Award to be subject to adverse tax consequences under Section 409A of the Code.
- (b) <u>Corporate Transactions</u>. Unless otherwise provided in an applicable Agreement, the following provisions shall apply to outstanding Awards in the event of a Change in Control that involves a Corporate Transaction.

- (1) Continuation, Assumption or Replacement of Awards. In the event of a Corporate Transaction, then the surviving or successor entity (or its Parent) may continue, assume or replace Awards outstanding as of the date of the Corporate Transaction (with such adjustments as may be required or permitted by Section 12(a)), and such Awards or replacements therefor shall remain outstanding and be governed by their respective terms, subject to Section 12(b)(4) below. A surviving or successor entity may elect to continue, assume or replace only some Awards or portions of Awards. For purposes of this Section 12(b)(1), an Award shall be considered assumed or replaced if, in connection with the Corporate Transaction and in a manner consistent with Code Sections 409A and 424, either (i) the contractual obligations represented by the Award are expressly assumed by the surviving or successor entity (or its Parent) with appropriate adjustments to the number and type of securities subject to the Award and the exercise price thereof that preserves the intrinsic value of the Award existing at the time of the Corporate Transaction, or (ii) the Participant has received a comparable equity-based award that preserves the intrinsic value of the Award existing at the time of the Corporate Transaction and contains terms and conditions that are substantially similar to those of the Award.
- (2) <u>Acceleration</u>. If and to the extent that outstanding Awards under the Plan are not continued, assumed or replaced in connection with a Corporate Transaction, then (i) all outstanding Options and SARs shall become fully vested and exercisable for such period of time prior to the effective time of the Corporate Transaction as is deemed fair and equitable by the Committee, and shall terminate at the effective time of the Corporate Transaction, (ii) all outstanding Full Value Awards shall fully vest immediately prior to the effective time of the Corporate Transaction, and (iii) to the extent vesting of any Award is subject to satisfaction of specified performance goals, such Award shall be deemed "fully vested" for purposes of this Section 12(b)(2) if the performance goals are deemed to have been satisfied at the target level of performance and the vested portion of the Award at that level of performance is proportionate to the portion of the performance period that has elapsed as of the effective time of the Corporate Transaction. The Committee shall provide written notice of the period of accelerated exercisability of Options and SARs to all affected Participants. The exercise of any Option or SAR whose exercisability is accelerated as provided in this Section 12(b)(2) shall be conditioned upon the consummation of the Corporate Transaction and shall be effective only immediately before such consummation.
- (3) Payment for Awards. If and to the extent that outstanding Awards under the Plan are not continued, assumed or replaced in connection with a Corporate Transaction, then the Committee may provide that some or all of such outstanding Awards shall be canceled at or immediately prior to the effective time of the Corporate Transaction in exchange for payments to the holders as provided in this Section 12(b)(3). The Committee will not be required to treat all Awards similarly for purposes of this Section 12(b)(3). The payment for any Award surrendered shall be in an amount equal to the difference, if any, between (i) the fair market value (as determined in good faith by the Committee) of the consideration that would otherwise be received in the Corporate Transaction for the number of Shares subject to the Award, and (ii) the aggregate exercise price (if any) for the Shares subject to such Award. With respect to an Award whose vesting is subject to the satisfaction of specified performance goals, the number of Shares subject to such an Award for purposes of this Section 12(b)(3) shall be the number of shares that have been earned or deemed earned in the manner specified in Section 12(b)(2). If the amount determined pursuant to clause (i) of this subsection (3) is less than or equal to the amount determined pursuant to clause (ii) of this subsection (3) with respect to any Award, such Award may be canceled pursuant to this Section 12(b)(3) without payment of any kind to the affected Participant. Payment of any amount under this Section 12(b)(3) shall be made in such form, on such terms and subject to such conditions as the Committee determines in its discretion, which may or may not be the same as the form, terms and conditions applicable to payments to the Company's shareholders in connection with the Corporate Transaction, and may, in the Committee's discretion, include subjecting such payments to vesting conditions comparable to those of the Award surrendered, subjecting such payments to escrow or holdback terms

- (4) <u>Termination After a Corporate Transaction</u>. If and to the extent that Awards are continued, assumed or replaced under the circumstances described in Section 12(b)(1), and if within 18 months after the Corporate Transaction a Participant experiences an involuntary termination of Service for reasons other than Cause, then (i) outstanding Option and SAR Awards issued to the Participant that are not yet fully exercisable shall immediately become fully vested and shall remain exercisable for one year following the Participant's termination of Service, (ii) any Full Value Awards that are not yet fully vested shall immediately fully vest and become non-forfeitable, and (iii) to the extent vesting of any Award is subject to satisfaction of specified performance goals, such Award shall be deemed "fully vested" for purposes of this Section 12(b)(4) if the performance goals are deemed to have been satisfied at the target level of performance and the vested portion of the Award at that level of performance is proportionate to the portion of the performance period that has elapsed as of the effective time of the Corporate Transaction.
- (c) Other Change in Control. In the event of a Change in Control that does not involve a Corporate Transaction, the Committee may, in its discretion, take such action as it deems appropriate with respect to outstanding Awards, which may include: (i) providing for the cancellation of any Award in exchange for payments in a manner similar to that provided in Section 12(b)(3) or (ii) making such adjustments to the Awards then outstanding as the Committee deems appropriate to reflect such Change in Control, which may include the acceleration of vesting in full or in part. The Committee will not be required to treat all Awards similarly in such circumstances, and may include such further provisions and limitations in any Award Agreement as it may deem equitable and in the best interests of the Company.
- (d) <u>Dissolution or Liquidation</u>. Unless otherwise provided in an applicable Agreement, in the event of a proposed dissolution or liquidation of the Company, the Committee will notify each Participant as soon as practicable prior to the effective date of such proposed transaction. An Award will terminate immediately prior to the consummation of such proposed action.
- 13. Plan Participation and Service Provider Status. Status as a Service Provider shall not be construed as a commitment that any Award will be made under the Plan to that Service Provider or to eligible Service Providers generally. Nothing in the Plan or in any Agreement or related documents shall confer upon any Service Provider or Participant any right to continued Service with the Company or any Affiliate, nor shall it interfere with or limit in any way any right of the Company or any Affiliate to terminate the person's Service at any time with or without Cause or change such person's compensation, other benefits, job responsibilities or title.
- 14. Tax Withholding. The Company or any Affiliate, as applicable, shall have the right to (i) withhold from any cash payment under the Plan or any other compensation owed to a Participant an amount sufficient to cover any required withholding taxes related to the grant, vesting, exercise or settlement of an Award, and (ii) require a Participant or other person receiving Shares under the Plan to pay a cash amount sufficient to cover any required withholding taxes before actual receipt of those Shares. In lieu of all or any part of a cash payment from a person receiving Shares under the Plan, the Committee may permit the individual to cover all or any part of the required tax withholdings (but not to exceed the minimum statutory amount required to be withheld if such limitation is necessary to avoid an adverse accounting impact) by authorizing the Company to withhold a number of the Shares that would otherwise be delivered to the Participant, or by delivering to the Company Shares already owned by the Participant, with the Shares so withheld or delivered having a Fair Market Value on the date the taxes are required to be withheld equal to the amount of taxes to be withheld.

## 15. Effective Date, Duration, Amendment and Termination of the Plan.

(a) <u>Effective Date</u>. The Plan shall become effective on the date it is approved by the Company's shareholders, which shall be considered the date of its adoption for purposes of Treasury Regulation §1.422-2(b)(2)(i). No Awards shall be made under the Plan prior to its effective date.

- (b) Duration of the Plan. The Plan shall remain in effect until all Shares subject to it are distributed, all Awards have expired or terminated, the Plan is terminated pursuant to Section 15(c), or the tenth anniversary of the effective date of the Plan, whichever occurs first (the "Termination Date"). Awards made before the Termination Date shall continue to be outstanding in accordance with their terms and the terms of the Plan unless otherwise provided in the applicable Agreements.
- (c) <u>Amendment and Termination of the Plan</u>. The Board may at any time terminate, suspend or amend the Plan. The Company shall submit any amendment of the Plan to its shareholders for approval only to the extent required by applicable laws or regulations or the rules of any securities exchange on which the Shares may then be listed. No termination, suspension, or amendment of the Plan may materially impair the rights of any Participant under a previously granted Award without the Participant's consent, unless such action is necessary to comply with applicable law or stock exchange rules.
- (d) <u>Amendment of Awards</u>. Subject to Section 15(e), the Committee may unilaterally amend the terms of any Agreement evidencing an Award previously granted, except that no such amendment may materially impair the rights of any Participant under the applicable Award without the Participant's consent, unless such amendment is necessary to comply with applicable law or stock exchange rules or any compensation recovery policy as provided in Section 17(i).
- (e) No Option or SAR Repricing. Except as provided in Section 12(a), no Option or Stock Appreciation Right Award granted under the Plan may be (i) amended to decrease the exercise price thereof, (ii) cancelled in conjunction with the grant of any new Option or Stock Appreciation Right Award with a lower exercise price, (iii) cancelled in exchange for cash, other property or the grant of any Full Value Award at a time when the per share exercise price of the Option or Stock Appreciation Right Award is greater than the current Fair Market Value of a Share, or (iv) otherwise subject to any action that would be treated under accounting rules as a "repricing" of such Option or Stock Appreciation Right Award, unless such action is first approved by the Company's shareholders.

## 16. Performance-Based Compensation.

- (a) <u>Designation of Awards</u>. If the Committee determines at the time a Full Value Award is granted to a Participant that such Participant is, or is likely to be, a "covered employee" for purposes of Code Section 162(m) as of the end of the tax year in which the Company would ordinarily claim a tax deduction in connection with such Award, then the Committee may provide that this Section 16 will be applicable to such Award, which shall be considered Performance-Based Compensation.
- Compliance with Code Section 162(m). If an Award is subject to this Section 16, then the grant of the Award, the vesting and lapse of restrictions thereon and/or the distribution of cash, Shares or other property pursuant thereto, as applicable, shall be subject to the achievement over the applicable performance period of one or more performance goals based on one or more of the performance measures specified in Section 16(c). The Committee will select the applicable performance measure(s) and specify the performance goal(s) based on those performance measures for any performance period, specify in terms of an objective formula or standard the method for calculating the amount payable to a Participant if the performance goal(s) are satisfied, and certify the degree to which applicable performance goals have been satisfied and any amount that yests and is payable in connection with an Award subject to this Section 16, all within the time periods prescribed by and consistent with the other requirements of Code Section 162(m). In specifying the performance goals applicable to any performance period, the Committee may provide that one or more objectively determinable adjustments shall be made to the performance measures on which the performance goals are based, which may include adjustments that would cause such measures to be considered "non-GAAP financial measures" within the meaning of Rule 101 under Regulation G promulgated by the Securities and Exchange Commission, such as excluding the impact of specified unusual or nonrecurring events such as acquisitions, divestitures, restructuring activities, asset write-downs, litigation judgments or settlements or changes in tax laws or accounting principles. The Committee may also adjust performance measures for a performance period to the extent permitted by Code Section 162(m) in connection with an event described in Section 12(a) to prevent the dilution or enlargement of a Participant's rights with respect to Performance-Based Compensation. The Committee may adjust downward, but not upward, any amount determined to be otherwise payable in connection with an Award subject to this Section 16. The Committee may also provide, in an Agreement or otherwise, that the achievement of specified performance goals in connection with an Award subject to this Section 16 may be waived upon the death or Disability of the Participant or under any other circumstance with respect to which the existence of such possible waiver will not cause the Award to fail to qualify as "performance-based compensation" under Code Section 162(m).

Performance Measures. For purposes of any Full Value Award considered Performance-Based Compensation subject to this Section 16, the performance measures to be utilized shall be limited to one or a combination of two or more of the following performance measures: (i) net earnings or net income; (ii) earnings before one or more of interest, taxes, depreciation, amortization and share-based compensation expense; (iii) earnings per share (basic or diluted); (iv) revenue; (v) gross profit; (vi) operating income; (vii) profitability as measured by return ratios (including, but not limited to, return on assets, return on equity, return on invested capital and return on revenue) or by the degree to which any of the foregoing earnings measures exceed a percentage of revenue or gross profit; (viii) cash flow (including, but not limited to, operating cash flow, free cash flow and cash flow return on capital or on tangible equity); (ix) book value; (x) market share; (xi) margins (including, but not limited to, one or more of gross, operating and net earnings margins); (xii) stock price; (xiii) total shareholder return; (xiv) asset quality; (xv) non-performing assets; (xvi) operating assets; (xviii) balance of cash, cash equivalents and marketable securities; (xviii) cost and expense management; (xix) economic value added or similar value added measurements; (xx) improvement in or attainment of working capital levels; (xxi) productivity ratios; (xxii) employee retention or satisfaction measures; (xxiii) safety record; (xxiv) customer satisfaction; (xxv) debt, credit or other leverage measures or ratios; and (xxvi) implementation or completion of critical projects. Any performance goal based on one or more of the foregoing performance measures may be expressed in absolute amounts, on a per share basis (basic or diluted), relative to one or more other performance measures, as a growth rate or change from preceding periods, or as a comparison to the performance of specified companies, indices or other external measures, and m

#### 17. Other Provisions.

- (a) <u>Unfunded Plan.</u> The Plan shall be unfunded and the Company shall not be required to segregate any assets that may at any time be represented by Awards under the Plan. Neither the Company, its Affiliates, the Committee, nor the Board shall be deemed to be a trustee of any amounts to be paid under the Plan nor shall anything contained in the Plan or any action taken pursuant to its provisions create or be construed to create a fiduciary relationship between the Company and/or its Affiliates, and a Participant. To the extent any person has or acquires a right to receive a payment in connection with an Award under the Plan, this right shall be no greater than the right of an unsecured general creditor of the Company.
- (b) <u>Limits of Liability</u>. Except as may be required by law, neither the Company nor any member of the Board or of the Committee, nor any other person participating (including participation pursuant to a delegation of authority under Section 3(d) of the Plan) in any determination of any question under the Plan, or in the interpretation, administration or application of the Plan, shall have any liability to any party for any action taken, or not taken, in good faith under the Plan.

- Compliance with Applicable Legal Requirements and Company Policies. No Shares distributable pursuant to the Plan shall be issued and delivered unless the issuance of the Shares complies with all applicable legal requirements, including compliance with the provisions of applicable state and federal securities laws, and the requirements of any securities exchanges on which the Company's Shares may, at the time, be listed. During any period in which the offering and issuance of Shares under the Plan is not registered under federal or state securities laws, Participants shall acknowledge that they are acquiring Shares under the Plan for investment purposes and not for resale, and that Shares may not be transferred except pursuant to an effective registration statement under, or an exemption from the registration requirements of, such securities laws. Any stock certificate or book-entry evidencing Shares issued under the Plan that are subject to securities law restrictions shall bear or be accompanied by an appropriate restrictive legend or stop transfer instruction. Notwithstanding any other provision of this Plan, the acquisition, holding or disposition of Shares acquired pursuant to the Plan shall in all events be subject to compliance with all applicable Company policies as they exist from time to time, including without limitation those relating to insider trading, pledging or hedging transactions, minimum holding periods and stock ownership guidelines.
- (d) Other Benefit and Compensation Programs. Payments and other benefits received by a Participant under an Award made pursuant to the Plan shall not be deemed a part of a Participant's regular, recurring compensation for purposes of the termination, indemnity or severance pay laws of any country and shall not be included in, nor have any effect on, the determination of benefits under any other employee benefit plan, contract or similar arrangement provided by the Company or an Affiliate unless expressly so provided by such other plan, contract or arrangement, or unless the Committee expressly determines that an Award or portion of an Award should be included to accurately reflect competitive compensation practices or to recognize that an Award has been made in lieu of a portion of competitive cash compensation.
- (e) <u>Governing Law.</u> To the extent that federal laws do not otherwise control, the Plan and all determinations made and actions taken pursuant to the Plan shall be governed by the laws of the State of Indiana without regard to its conflicts-of-law principles and shall be construed accordingly.
- (f) <u>Severability</u>. If any provision of the Plan shall be held illegal or invalid for any reason, the illegality or invalidity shall not affect the remaining parts of the Plan, and the Plan shall be construed and enforced as if the illegal or invalid provision had not been included.
- Code Section 409A. It is intended that (i) all Awards of Options, SARs and Restricted Stock under the Plan will not provide for the deferral of compensation within the meaning of Code Section 409A and thereby be exempt from Code Section 409A, and (ii) all other Awards under the Plan will either not provide for the deferral of compensation within the meaning of Code Section 409A, or will comply with the requirements of Code Section 409A, and Awards shall be structured and the Plan administered and interpreted in accordance with this intent. The Plan and any Agreement may be unilaterally amended by the Company in any manner deemed necessary or advisable by the Committee or Board in order to maintain such exemption from or compliance with Code Section 409A, and any such amendment shall conclusively be presumed to be necessary to comply with applicable law. Notwithstanding anything to the contrary in the Plan or any Agreement, with respect to any Award that constitutes a deferral of compensation subject to Code Section 409A:
- (1) If any amount is payable under such Award upon a termination of Service, a termination of Service will be deemed to have occurred only at such time as the Participant has experienced a "separation from service" as such term is defined for purposes of Code Section 409A;

(2) If any amount shall be payable with respect to any such Award as a result of a Participant's "separation from service" at such time as the Participant is a "specified employee" within the meaning of Code Section 409A, then no payment shall be made, except as permitted under Code Section 409A, prior to the first business day after the earlier of (i) the date that is six months after the Participant's separation from service or (ii) the Participant's death. Unless the Committee has adopted a specified employee identification policy as contemplated by Code Section 409A, specified employees will be identified in accordance with the default provisions specified under Code Section 409A.

None of the Company, the Board, the Committee nor any other person involved with the administration of this Plan shall (i) in any way be responsible for ensuring the exemption of any Award from, or compliance by any Award with, the requirements of Code Section 409A, (ii) have any obligation to design or administer the Plan or Awards granted thereunder in a manner that minimizes a Participant's tax liabilities, including the avoidance of any additional tax liabilities under Code Section 409A, and (iii) shall have any liability to any Participant for any such tax liabilities.

(h) Rule 16b-3. It is intended that the Plan and all Awards granted pursuant to it shall be administered by the Committee so as to permit the Plan and Awards to comply with Exchange Act Rule 16b-3. If any provision of the Plan or of any Award would otherwise frustrate or conflict with the intent expressed in this Section 17(h), that provision to the extent possible shall be interpreted and deemed amended in the manner determined by the Committee so as to avoid the conflict. To the extent of any remaining irreconcilable conflict with this intent, the provision shall be deemed void as applied to Participants subject to Section 16 of the Exchange Act to the extent permitted by law and in the manner deemed advisable by the Committee.

## (i) Forfeiture and Compensation Recovery.

- (1) The Committee may specify in an Agreement that the Participant's rights, payments, and benefits with respect to an Award will be subject to reduction, cancellation, forfeiture or recovery by the Company upon the occurrence of certain specified events, in addition to any otherwise applicable vesting or performance conditions of an Award. Such events may include termination of Service for Cause; violation of any material Company or Affiliate policy; breach of noncompetition, non-solicitation or confidentiality provisions that apply to the Participant; a determination that the payment of the Award was based on an incorrect determination that financial or other criteria were met; or other conduct by the Participant that is detrimental to the business or reputation of the Company or its Affiliates.
- (2) Awards and any compensation associated therewith may be made subject to forfeiture, recovery by the Company or other action pursuant to any compensation recovery policy adopted by the Board or the Committee at any time, including in response to the requirements of Section 10D of the Exchange Act and any implementing rules and regulations thereunder, or as otherwise required by law. Any Agreement may be unilaterally amended by the Committee to comply with any such compensation recovery policy.

# RESTRICTED STOCK AGREEMENT (DIRECTOR)

This Restricted Stock Award Agreement ("Agreement") has been entered into as of the day of, 20, between Hurco Companies Inc., an Indiana corporation (the "Company") and ("Participant"), a non-employee director of the Company, pursuant to the Company's 2016 Equity Incentive Plan (the "Plan").
WHEREAS, the Compensation Committee of the Board of Directors of the Company (the "Committee"), has granted to Participant a restricted stock award pursuant to the terms and conditions as provided in the Plan and this Agreement; and
WHEREAS, the Company and Participant desire to set forth the terms and conditions of the award;
NOW, THEREFORE, in consideration of the mutual covenants and agreements contained in this Agreement, the Company and Participant agree as follows:
1 . <u>Grant of Award</u> . Subject to the terms and conditions stated in the Plan and this Agreement, the Committee hereby grants to Participant an award of restricted shares (the "Restricted Stock") of the Company's common stock (the "Common Stock"). The date of this gran (the "Restricted Stock Award Date") is
2. Representations of Participant. Participant hereby (a) accepts the award of Restricted Stock described in paragraph 1, (b) agrees that the Restricted Stock will be held by him or her and his or her successors subject to (and will not be disposed of except in accordance with) all of the restrictions, terms and conditions contained in this Agreement and the Plan, (c) represents that he or she is acquiring the Restricted Stock for investment and not with a view to or for resale or distribution thereof, (d) understands that the transfer or resale of the Restricted Stock may be subject to restriction under the Securities Act of 1933, as amended, or any applicable state securities laws, and (e) agrees that any certificates issued for the Restricted Stock may bear the following legend or such other legend as the Company, from time to time, deems appropriate:
"The transferability of this certificate and the shares represented hereby are subject to the terms and conditions (including forfeiture) contained in the Hurco Companies, Inc. 2016 Equity Incentive Plan, and an Award Agreement entered into between the registered owner and Hurco Companies, Inc. Copies of the Plan and Award Agreement are on file in the office of the Secretary of Hurco Companies, Inc."
3 . <u>Vesting.</u> Subject to the terms of the Plan, the shares of Restricted Stock held by Participant shall become fully vested and nonforfeitable one year from the Restricted Stock Award Date.
4. <u>Restriction Period</u> . Except as otherwise provided in this Agreement, the Plan, or the Company's Stock Ownership Policy, Participant may not sell, assign, transfer, pledge or otherwise dispose of or encumber any of the shares of Restricted Stock, or any interest therein, until his or her rights in such Shares have vested in accordance with this Agreement (the "Restriction Period"). Any purported sale, assignment, transfer, pledge or other disposition or encumbrance in violation of this Agreement or the Plan will be void and of no effect.

- 5. <u>Voting and Dividends</u>. During the Restriction Period and except as otherwise provided in the Plan, Participant shall have all of the rights of a shareholder of the Company with respect to the Restricted Shares, including the right to vote the Restricted Shares. Any dividends or distributions paid with respect to the Restricted Shares during the Restriction Period will be subject to the same restrictions as the Restricted Shares to which such dividends or distributions relate.
- 6. <u>Forfeiture</u>. Except as provided in the Plan or by the Committee, in its sole discretion, upon termination of service with the Company or one of its subsidiaries, Participant shall forfeit all unvested shares of Restricted Stock, and shall not receive any compensation for such forfeited Restricted Stock. Participant shall have no further rights as a shareholder of the Company with respect to the forfeiture, including, without limitation, any right to receive any distribution payable to shareholders of record on or after the date of such forfeiture.
- 7. <u>Certificates.</u> As soon as practicable after the Restricted Stock Award Date, the Company shall issue stock certificates in respect of the Restricted Stock which will be registered in Participant's name, and shall bear whatever legend the Committee shall determine, including, but not limited to, the legend set forth in paragraph 2. Such certificates shall be held by the Company pending vesting. To the extent the shares of Restricted Stock become vested, the Company shall promptly provide Participant (or in the case of his death, his designated beneficiary) the certificates for the appropriate number of shares of Common Stock.
- 8. <u>Withholding</u>. Prior to the delivery of any shares of Common Stock pursuant to the vesting of the Restricted Stock, the Company has the right and power to deduct or withhold, or permit Participant to remit to the Company, an amount sufficient to satisfy all applicable tax withholding requirements, as set forth in the Plan.
- 9. Qualification of Rights. Neither this Agreement nor the existence of the award shall be construed as giving Participant any right to be hired or retained as a director of the Company or any of its subsidiaries.
- 10. <u>Plan Controlling.</u> The terms and conditions set forth in this Agreement are subject in all respects to the terms and conditions of the Plan, which are controlling. All determinations and interpretations of the Committee shall be binding and conclusive upon Participant and his or her legal representatives.
  - 11. Governing Law. This Agreement shall be governed by and construed in accordance with the laws of the State of Indiana.
- 12. <u>Notices.</u> All notices and other communications required or permitted under this Agreement shall be written and shall be delivered personally or sent by registered or certified first-class mail, postage prepaid and return receipt required, addressed as follows: if to the Company, to the Company's executive offices in Indianapolis, Indiana, and if to Participant or his or her successor, to the address last furnished by Participant to the Company. Each notice and communication shall be deemed to have been given when received by the Company or Participant.

1 3 . No Waiver. The failure of a party to insist upon strict adherence to any term of this Agreement on any occasion shall not be considered a waiver thereof or deprive that party of the right thereafter to insist upon strict adherence to that term or any other term of this Agreement.
IN WITNESS WHEREOF, the Company and Participant have executed this Agreement as of the date first written above.
HURCO COMPANIES, INC.

Ву:
Michael Doar, Chairman and Chief Executive Officer
[Participant]

## HURCO COMPANIES, INC. CASH INCENTIVE PLAN

- 1. Purpose. The purpose of the Hurco Companies, Inc. Cash Incentive Plan (the "Plan") is to advance the interests of Hurco Companies, Inc. and its shareholders by promoting the Company's pay for performance philosophy, attracting and retaining key employees of the Company and its subsidiaries, and stimulating the efforts of such employees toward the continued success and growth of the Company's business. Amounts paid pursuant to the Plan are intended to qualify as performance-based compensation within the meaning of Section 162(m) of the Internal Revenue Code of 1986, as amended.
- 2. Definitions. When the following terms are used with capital letters in this Plan, they will have the meanings indicated:
- (a) "Award" means an incentive award which, subject to the terms and conditions prescribed by the Committee, entitles a Participant to receive a cash payment from the Company or a subsidiary employing the Participant in accordance with Section 3.
  - (b) "Board" means the Board of Directors of the Company.
  - (c) "Code" means the Internal Revenue Code of 1986, as amended.
- (d) "Committee" means the Compensation Committee of the Board or such other committee as may be designated by the Board to administer the Plan.
  - (e) "Company" means Hurco Companies, Inc. or any successor thereto.
- (f) "Covered Officer" means any Participant who is, or is designated by the Committee at or prior to the grant of an Award hereunder as a person who may be, a "covered employee" within the meaning of Section 162(m)(3) of the Code for the Performance Period as to which the Award is payable, and for whom the Committee intends that the Award constitute Performance-Based Compensation.
  - (g) "Eligible Employee" means any employee of the Company or any of its subsidiaries.
- (h) "Participant" means an Eligible Employee designated by the Committee to participate in the Plan as provided in Section 3.1. Designation by the Committee as a Participant for a specific Performance Period or series of Performance Periods does not confer on the Participant the right to participate in the Plan for any other Performance Periods.
- (i) "Performance-Based Compensation" means an Award that is intended to constitute "performance-based compensation" within the meaning of Section 162(m)(4)(C) of the Code and the regulations promulgated thereunder.
- "Performance Measures" means one or a combination of two or more of the following performance-based metrics as approved by the Committee: (i) net earnings or net income: (ii) earnings before one or more of interest, taxes, depreciation, amortization and share-based compensation expense; (iii) earnings per share (basic or diluted); (iv) revenue; (v) gross profit; (vi) operating income; (vii) profitability as measured by return ratios (including, but not limited to, return on assets, return on equity, return on invested capital and return on revenue) or by the degree to which any of the foregoing earnings measures exceed a percentage of revenue or gross profit; (viii) cash flow (including, but not limited to, operating cash flow, free cash flow and cash flow return on capital or on tangible equity); (ix) book value; (x) market share; (xi) margins (including, but not limited to, one or more of gross, operating and net earnings margins); (xii) stock price; (xiii) total shareholder return; (xiv) asset quality; (xv) non-performing assets; (xvi) operating assets; (xvii) balance of cash, cash equivalents and marketable securities; (xviii) cost and expense management; (xix) economic value added or similar value added measurements; (xx) improvement in or attainment of working capital levels; (xxi) productivity ratios; (xxii) employee retention or satisfaction measures; (xxiii) safety record; (xxiv) customer satisfaction; (xxv) debt, credit or other leverage measures or ratios; and (xxvi) implementation or completion of critical projects. In addition, for any Award to a Participant who is not a Covered Officer or that is not intended to constitute Performance-Based Compensation, Performance Measures may include, alone or in combination with any of the foregoing Performance Measures, any other measure of performance as determined by the Committee. Any performance goal based on one or more of the foregoing Performance Measures may be expressed in absolute amounts, on a per share basis (basic or diluted), as a growth rate or change from preceding periods, as a comparison to the performance of specified companies, indices or other external measures, or as a percentage of any other Performance Measure, and may relate to one or any combination of Company, subsidiary, business unit, division, operational unit or individual performance.

( k ) "Performance Period" means the period of time specified by the Committee, which shall be at least one fiscal quarter in duration for any Covered Officer, over which the degree of attainment of specified performance goals will be measured.

#### 3. Awards.

- Allocation of Awards. Prior to the earlier of (i) 90 days following the commencement of a Performance Period or (ii) the passage of 25 percent of the duration of such Performance Period, the Committee will designate such Eligible Employees as it deems appropriate to participate in the Plan for such Performance Period. The Committee's designation of an Eligible Employee as entitled to participate in the Plan may be for a single Performance Period, or for a fixed or indefinite series of future Performance Periods, in its discretion. A designation for more than one Performance Period shall be subject to the Participant's continued employment by the Company or its subsidiaries, and may be rescinded at any time as to future Performance Periods by the Committee. Awards may be granted to a Participant in such amounts and on such terms as may be determined by the Committee. At the time an Award is made, the Committee will specify the terms and conditions that will govern the Award, which will include that the Award will be earned only upon, and to the extent that, the applicable performance goals as described in Section 3.2 are satisfied over the course of the applicable Performance Period. Different terms and conditions may be established by the Committee for different Awards and for different Participants.
- Performance Goals. The payment of an Award will be contingent upon the degree of attainment over the applicable Performance Period of one or more performance goals based on Performance Measures described in Section 2(j). For any Performance Period, the Committee will select the applicable Performance Measures(s), specify the performance goal(s) based on those Performance Measures, and specify in terms of an objective formula or standard the method for calculating the amount payable to a Participant if the performance goal(s) are satisfied, all prior to the earlier of (i) 90 days following the commencement of the Performance Period or (ii) the passage of 25 percent of the duration of the Performance Period. In specifying the performance goals applicable to any Performance Period, the Committee may provide that one or more objectively determinable adjustments shall be made to the Performance Measures on which the performance goals are based, which may include adjustments that would cause such measures to be considered "non-GAAP financial measures" within the meaning of Rule 101 under Regulation G promulgated by the Securities and Exchange Commission, such as excluding the impact of specified unusual or nonrecurring events such as acquisitions, divestitures, restructuring activities, asset write-downs, litigation judgments or settlements or changes in tax laws or accounting principles. The Committee may, in its discretion, modify the performance goals applicable to a Performance Period if it determines that as a result of changed circumstances, such modification is required to reflect the original intent of such performance goals. However, no such modification may be made to the extent it would increase the amount of Performance-Based Compensation that would otherwise be payable to any Participant who is a Covered Officer.

- 3 . 3 Maximum Amount of Awards . No Participant who is a Covered Officer shall be entitled to receive an Award payment for any Performance Period that exceeds \$3,000,000 for an annual Performance Period.
- 3 . 4 Adjustments. The Committee is authorized at any time during or after a Performance Period, in its sole and absolute discretion, to reduce or eliminate the amount of an Award otherwise payable to any Participant for any reason. No reduction in the amount of an Award payable to any Participant shall increase the amount of an Award payable to any other Participant.
- 3 . 5 **Payment of Awards**. Following the completion of each Performance Period, the Committee shall certify in writing the degree to which the specified performance goals based on the Performance Measures selected for that Performance Period were attained and the resulting amounts payable to Participants in connection with Awards for that Performance Period. Each Participant shall receive payment in cash of the Award as soon as practicable following the Committee's determination and certification made pursuant to this Section 3.5, but in no event later than two and one-half months after the end of the calendar year during which the applicable Performance Period ended.

#### 4. Administration.

- 4 . 1 Authority of Committee. The Committee shall administer this Plan. The Committee shall have exclusive power, subject to the limitations contained in this Plan, to make Awards and to determine when and to whom Awards will be granted, and the form, amount and other terms and conditions of each Award, subject to the provisions of this Plan. The Committee shall have the authority to interpret this Plan and any Award made under this Plan, to establish, amend, waive and rescind any rules and regulations relating to the administration of this Plan, and to make all other determinations necessary or advisable for the administration of this Plan. The Committee may correct any defect, supply any omission or reconcile any inconsistency in this Plan or in any Award in the manner and to the extent it shall deem desirable. The determinations of the Committee in the administration of this Plan, as described herein, shall be final, binding and conclusive, subject to the provisions of this Plan. A majority of the members of the Committee shall constitute a quorum for any meeting of the Committee.
- 4.2 **Indemnification**. To the greatest extent permitted by law, (i) no member or former member of the Committee shall be liable for any action or determination taken or made in good faith with respect to the Plan or any Award made under the Plan, and (ii) the members or former members of the Committee shall be entitled to indemnification by the Company against and from any loss incurred by such members by reason of any such actions and determinations.
- 5. Effective Date of the Plan. The Plan shall become effective as of the date it is approved by the Company's shareholders. The Plan shall remain in effect until it has been terminated pursuant to Section 8.
- 6. Right to Terminate Employment. Nothing in the Plan shall confer upon any Participant the right to continue in the employment of the Company or any of its subsidiaries or affect any right which the Company or any of its subsidiaries may have to terminate the employment of a Participant with or without cause.
- 7. Tax Withholding. The Company or any applicable subsidiary shall have the right to withhold from cash payments under the Plan to a Participant or other person an amount sufficient to cover any required withholding taxes.

- 8. Amendment, Modification and Termination of the Plan. The Board or Committee may at any time terminate, suspend or modify the Plan and the terms and provisions of any Award to any Participant which has not been paid. Amendments are subject to approval of the Company's shareholders only if such approval is necessary to maintain the Plan in compliance with the requirements of Section 162(m) of the Code, its successor provisions or any other applicable law or regulation. No Award may be granted during any suspension of the Plan or after its termination.
- 9. Unfunded Plan. The Plan shall be unfunded, and neither the Company nor any of its subsidiaries shall be required to segregate any assets that may at any time be represented by Awards under the Plan. No Participant shall, by virtue of this Plan, have any interest in any specific assets of the Company or any of its subsidiaries.
- 10. Other Benefit and Compensation Programs. Neither the approval of the Plan by the Board nor its submission to or approval by the shareholders of the Company shall be construed as creating any limitation on the power of the Board or Committee to adopt such other incentive arrangements as it may deem appropriate. Payments received by a Participant under an Award made pursuant to the Plan shall not be deemed a part of a Participant's regular recurring compensation for purposes of the termination, indemnity or severance pay law of any state and shall not be included in, nor have any effect on, the determination of benefits under any other employee benefit plan, contract or similar arrangement provided by the Company or any of its subsidiaries unless expressly so provided by such other plan, contract or arrangement, or unless the Committee expressly determines otherwise.
- 11. Governing Law. To the extent that Federal laws do not otherwise control, the Plan and all determinations made and actions taken pursuant to the Plan shall be governed by the laws of the State of Indiana, without regard to its conflicts of laws principles, and shall be construed accordingly.

#### 12. Other Provisions.

- 12.1 **Non-transferability**. Participants and beneficiaries shall not have the right to assign, pledge or otherwise dispose of any part of an Award under this Plan.
- 1 2 . 2 **Termination of Employment**. Except as otherwise provided in this section, no Award shall be paid to a Participant who is not actively employed by the Company or one of its subsidiaries as of the end of the applicable Performance Period. If a Participant's employment with the Company and its subsidiaries ends during a Performance Period, the Committee may, in its discretion, determine that the Participant (or his or her beneficiaries) shall be paid a pro rata portion of the Award payment that the Participant would have received but for the fact that the Participant's employment ended. Any such prorated Award payment will be paid at the same time as other Award payments with respect to the applicable Performance Period. The Committee may also provide in connection with specific Awards that the achievement of the specified performance goals in connection with such Awards may be waived upon the death or disability of the Participant or under any other circumstance with respect to which the existence of such possible waiver would not cause the Award to fail to qualify as Performance-Based Compensation.
- 12.3 **Compensation Recovery Policy.** Any Award under this Plan and any compensation associated therewith shall be subject to potential forfeiture or recovery by the Company in accordance with any compensation recovery policy adopted by the Board or the Committee, including any policy adopted in response to the requirements of Section 10D of the Securities Exchange Act of 1934, as amended and any implementing rules and regulations thereunder adopted by the Securities and Exchange Commission or any national securities exchange on which the Company's common stock is then listed. Any agreement or other document evidencing such an Award may be unilaterally amended by the Committee to comply with any such compensation recovery policy.
- 12.4 **Code Section 409A.** It is intended that all Awards under the Plan will not provide for the deferral of compensation within the meaning of Code Section 409A and thereby be exempt from Code Section 409A, and Awards shall be structured and the Plan administered and interpreted in accordance with this intent. None of the Company, the Board, the Committee nor any other person involved with the administration of this Plan shall (i) in any way be responsible for ensuring the exemption of any Award from the requirements of Code Section 409A, (ii) have any obligation to design or administer the Plan or Awards granted thereunder in a manner that minimizes a Participant's tax liabilities, including the avoidance of any additional tax liabilities under Code Section 409A, and (iii) shall have any liability to any Participant for any such tax liabilities.