UNITED WATER NEW YORK INC.

\$30,000,000 4.74% Senior Notes Due February 26, 2020

NOTE PURCHASE AGREEMENT

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Dated February 23, 2010

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## UNITED WATER NEW YORK INC. 360 WEST NYACK ROAD WEST NYACK, NY 10994-1737

4.74% SENIOR NOTES DUE FEBRUARY 26, 2020

February 23, 2010

# TO EACH OF THE PURCHASERS LISTED IN SCHEDULE A HERETO:

Ladies and Gentlemen:

UNITED WATER NEW YORK INC., a New York corporation (the "*Company*"), agrees with each of the purchasers whose names appear at the end hereof (each, a "*Purchaser*" and, collectively, the "*Purchasers*") as follows:

SECTION 1. AUTHORIZATION OF NOTES.

The Company will authorize the issue and sale of \$30,000,000 aggregate principal amount of its 4.74% Senior Notes due February 26, 2020 (the "*Notes*", such term to include any such notes issued in substitution therefor pursuant to Section 13). The Notes shall be substantially in the form set out in Exhibit 1. Certain capitalized and other terms used in this Agreement are defined in Schedule B; and references to a "Schedule" or an "Exhibit" are, unless otherwise specified, to a Schedule or an Exhibit attached to this Agreement.

SECTION 2. SALE AND PURCHASE OF NOTES.

Subject to the terms and conditions of this Agreement, the Company will issue and sell to each Purchaser and each Purchaser will purchase from the Company, at the Closing provided for in Section 3, Notes in the principal amount specified opposite such Purchaser's name in Schedule A at the purchase price of 100% of the principal amount thereof. The Purchasers' obligations hereunder are several and not joint obligations and no Purchaser shall have any liability to any Person for the performance or non-performance of any obligation by any other Purchaser hereunder.

SECTION 3. CLOSING.

The sale and purchase of the Notes to be purchased by each Purchaser shall occur at the offices of Chapman and Cutler LLP, 111 West Monroe Street, Chicago, Illinois 60603-4080 at 10:00 a.m., Chicago time, at a closing (the "*Closing*") on February 26, 2010 or on such other

Business Day thereafter on or prior to March 1, 2010 as may be agreed upon by the Company and the Purchasers. At the Closing the Company will deliver to each Purchaser the Notes to be purchased by such Purchaser in the form of a single Note (or such greater number of Notes in denominations of at least \$100,000 as such Purchaser may request) dated the date of the Closing and registered in such Purchaser's name (or in the name of its nominee), against delivery by such Purchaser to the Company or its order of immediately available funds in the amount of the purchase price therefor by wire transfer of immediately available funds for the account of the Company to account number 0797347, Account Name United Water, Ref. United Water New York Senior Notes at The Bank of New York Mellon, Pittsburgh, PA, ABA number 043 000 261. If at the Closing the Company shall fail to tender such Notes to any Purchaser as provided above in this Section 3, or any of the conditions specified in Section 4 shall not have been fulfilled to such Purchaser's satisfaction, such Purchaser shall, at its election, be relieved of all further obligations under this Agreement, without thereby waiving any rights such Purchaser may have by reason of such failure or such nonfulfillment.

## SECTION 4. CONDITIONS TO CLOSING.

Each Purchaser's obligation to purchase and pay for the Notes to be sold to such Purchaser at the Closing is subject to the fulfillment to such Purchaser's satisfaction, prior to or at the Closing, of the following conditions:

Section 4.1. Representations and Warranties. The representations and warranties of the Company in this Agreement shall be correct when made and at the time of the Closing.

Section 4.2. Performance; No Default. The Company shall have performed and complied with all agreements and conditions contained in this Agreement required to be performed or complied with by it prior to or at the Closing and after giving effect to the issue and sale of the Notes (and the application of the proceeds thereof as contemplated by Section 5.14) no Default or Event of Default shall have occurred and be continuing. The Company has not entered into any transaction since the date of the Disclosure Documents that would have been prohibited by Section 10 had such Section applied since such date.

## Section 4.3. Compliance Certificates.

(a) *Officer's Certificate*. The Company shall have delivered to such Purchaser an Officer's Certificate, dated the date of the Closing, certifying that the conditions specified in Sections 4.1, 4.2 and 4.9 have been fulfilled.

(b) *Secretary's Certificate*. The Company shall have delivered to such Purchaser a certificate of its Secretary or Assistant Secretary, dated the date of the Closing, certifying as to the resolutions attached thereto and other corporate proceedings relating to the authorization, execution and delivery of the Notes and this Agreement.

Section 4.4. Opinions of Counsel. Such Purchaser shall have received opinions in form and substance satisfactory to such Purchaser, dated the date of the Closing (a) from Dewey & LeBoeuf LLP, counsel for the Company, covering the matters set forth in Exhibit 4.4(a) and

covering such other matters incident to the transactions contemplated hereby as such Purchaser or its counsel may reasonably request (and the Company hereby instructs its counsel to deliver such opinion to the Purchasers) and (b) from Chapman and Cutler LLP, the Purchasers' special counsel in connection with such transactions, substantially in the form set forth in Exhibit 4.4(b) and covering such other matters incident to such transactions as such Purchaser may reasonably request.

Section 4.5. Purchase Permitted By Applicable Law, Etc. On the date of the Closing such Purchaser's purchase of Notes shall (a) be permitted by the laws and regulations of each jurisdiction to which such Purchaser is subject, without recourse to provisions (such as section 1405(a)(8) of the New York Insurance Law) permitting limited investments by insurance companies without restriction as to the character of the particular investment, (b) not violate any applicable law or regulation (including, without limitation, Regulation T, U or X of the Board of Governors of the Federal Reserve System) and (c) not subject such Purchaser to any tax, penalty or liability under or pursuant to any applicable law or regulation, which law or regulation was not in effect on the date hereof. If requested by such Purchaser, such Purchaser shall have received an Officer's Certificate certifying as to such matters of fact as such Purchaser may reasonably specify to enable such Purchaser to determine whether such purchase is so permitted.

*Section 4.6.* Sale of Other Notes. Contemporaneously with the Closing the Company shall sell to each other Purchaser and each other Purchaser shall purchase the Notes to be purchased by it at the Closing as specified in Schedule A.

Section 4.7. Payment of Special Counsel Fees. Without limiting the provisions of Section 15.1, the Company shall have paid on or before the Closing the fees, charges and disbursements of the Purchasers' special counsel referred to in Section 4.4 to the extent reflected in a statement of such counsel rendered to the Company at least one Business Day prior to the Closing.

*Section 4.8. Private Placement Number.* A Private Placement Number issued by Standard & Poor's CUSIP Service Bureau (in cooperation with the SVO) shall have been obtained for the Notes.

*Section 4.9.* Changes in Corporate Structure. The Company shall not have changed its jurisdiction of incorporation or organization, as applicable, or been a party to any merger or consolidation or succeeded to all or any substantial part of the liabilities of any other entity, at any time following the date of the most recent financial statements referred to in Schedule 5.5.

*Section 4.10. Funding Instructions.* At least three Business Days prior to the date of the Closing, each Purchaser shall have received written instructions signed by a Responsible Officer on letterhead of the Company confirming the information specified in Section 3 including (i) the name and address of the transferee bank, (ii) such transferee bank's ABA number and (iii) the account name and number into which the purchase price for the Notes is to be deposited.

Section 4.11. Consents. All requisite filings shall have been made with, and all necessary consents and approvals, in form and substance satisfactory to each Purchaser, shall have been

obtained from, all applicable regulatory and other governmental authorities and third parties, including, without limitation, the authorization of the issue and sale of the Notes by the New York State Public Service Commission (the "*Commission*"). In addition, the statutory period for application for a rehearing before the Commission with respect to the authorization order of the Commission shall have expired and no application for any such rehearing shall have been made during such period and, as of the day of Closing, no other application or petition for a review of such order or any other action or proceeding appealing such order shall have been filed or initiated or shall otherwise be outstanding or pending before any court where an appeal would lie.

Section 4.12. Proceedings and Documents. All corporate and other proceedings in connection with the transactions contemplated by this Agreement and all documents and instruments incident to such transactions shall be satisfactory to such Purchaser and its special counsel, and such Purchaser and its special counsel shall have received all such counterpart originals or certified or other copies of such documents as such Purchaser or such special counsel may reasonably request.

## SECTION 5. REPRESENTATIONS AND WARRANTIES OF THE COMPANY.

The Company represents and warrants to each Purchaser that:

Section 5.1. Organization; Power and Authority. The Company is a corporation duly organized, validly existing and in good standing under the laws of its jurisdiction of incorporation, and is duly qualified as a foreign corporation and is in good standing in each jurisdiction in which such qualification is required by law, other than those jurisdictions as to which the failure to be so qualified or in good standing could not, individually or in the aggregate, reasonably be expected to have a Material Adverse Effect. The Company has the corporate power and authority to own or hold under lease the properties it purports to own or hold under lease, to transact the business it transacts and proposes to transact, to execute and deliver this Agreement and the Notes and to perform the provisions hereof and thereof.

Section 5.2. Authorization, Etc. This Agreement and the Notes have been duly authorized by all necessary corporate action on the part of the Company, and this Agreement constitutes, and upon execution and delivery thereof each Note will constitute, a legal, valid and binding obligation of the Company enforceable against the Company in accordance with its terms, except as such enforceability may be limited by (i) applicable bankruptcy, insolvency, reorganization, moratorium or other similar laws affecting the enforcement of creditors' rights generally and (ii) general principles of equity (regardless of whether such enforceability is considered in a proceeding in equity or at law).

Section 5.3. Disclosure. The Company, through its agent, Bank of America Merrill Lynch, has delivered to each Purchaser a copy of various disclosure materials, relating to the transactions contemplated hereby. This Agreement and the documents, certificates or other writings delivered to the Purchasers by or on behalf of the Company in connection with the transactions contemplated hereby and identified in Schedule 5.3, and the financial statements listed in Schedule 5.5 (this Agreement and such documents, certificates or other writings and

such financial statements delivered to each Purchaser prior to November 2, 2009 being referred to, collectively, as the "*Disclosure Documents*"), and taken as a whole, do not contain any untrue statement of a material fact or omit to state any material fact necessary to make the statements therein not misleading in light of the circumstances under which they were made. Except as disclosed in the Disclosure Documents, since December 31, 2008, there has been no change in the financial condition, operations, business or properties of the Company except changes that individually or in the aggregate could not reasonably be expected to have a Material Adverse Effect. There is no fact known to the Company that could reasonably be expected to have a Material Adverse Effect that has not been set forth herein or in the Disclosure Documents.

*Section 5.4.* No Subsidiaries; Affiliates. The Company has no Subsidiaries as of the date of Closing. Schedule 5.4 contains (except as noted therein) complete and correct lists (i) of the Affiliates that the Company controls and (ii) of the Company's directors and senior officers.

Section 5.5. Financial Statements; Material Liabilities. The Company has delivered to each Purchaser copies of the financial statements of the Company listed on Schedule 5.5. All of said financial statements (including in each case the related schedules and notes) fairly present in all material respects the financial position of the Company as of the respective dates specified in such Schedule and the results of its operations and cash flows for the respective periods so specified and have been prepared in accordance with GAAP consistently applied throughout the periods involved except as set forth in the notes thereto (subject, in the case of any interim financial statements, to normal year-end adjustments). The Company does not have any Material liabilities that are not disclosed on such financial statements or otherwise disclosed in the Disclosure Documents.

Section 5.6. Compliance with Laws, Other Instruments, Etc. The execution, delivery and performance by the Company of this Agreement and the Notes will not (i) contravene, result in any breach of, or constitute a default under, or result in the creation of any Lien in respect of any property of the Company under, any indenture, mortgage, deed of trust, loan, purchase or credit agreement, lease, corporate charter or by-laws, or any other agreement or instrument to which the Company is bound or by which the Company or any of its properties may be bound or affected, (ii) conflict with or result in a breach of any of the terms, conditions or provisions of any order, judgment, decree, or ruling of any court, arbitrator or Governmental Authority applicable to the Company or (iii) violate any provision of any statute or other rule or regulation of any Governmental Authority applicable to the Company.

Section 5.7. Governmental Authorizations, Etc. Except for the order of the Commission effective October 19, 2009 (the "Order") approving the issuance of the Notes, which Order has been obtained and is in full force and effect, no consent, approval or authorization of, or registration, filing or declaration with, any Governmental Authority is required in connection with the execution, delivery or performance by the Company of this Agreement or the Notes. The statutory period for application for a rehearing before the Commission with respect to the Order has expired and no application for any such rehearing has been made during such period and, as of the day of the Closing, no other application or petition for a review of such Order or any other action or proceeding appealing such Order has been filed or initiated or is otherwise be outstanding or pending before any court where an appeal would lie. The Order contains no

burdensome restrictions on the Company and authorizes the issue and sale of the Notes upon terms not inconsistent with this Agreement.

Section 5.8. Litigation; Observance of Agreements, Statutes and Orders. (a) There are no actions, suits, investigations or proceedings pending or, to the knowledge of the Company, threatened against or affecting the Company or any property of the Company in any court or before any arbitrator of any kind or before or by any Governmental Authority that, individually or in the aggregate, could reasonably be expected to have a Material Adverse Effect.

(b) The Company is not in default under any term of any agreement or instrument to which it is a party or by which it is bound, or any order, judgment, decree or ruling of any court, arbitrator or Governmental Authority or is in violation of any applicable law, ordinance, rule or regulation (including without limitation Environmental Laws or the USA Patriot Act) of any Governmental Authority, which default or violation, individually or in the aggregate, could reasonably be expected to have a Material Adverse Effect.

Section 5.9. Taxes. The Company has filed all tax returns that are required to have been filed in any jurisdiction, and has paid all taxes shown to be due and payable on such returns and all other taxes and assessments levied upon it or its properties, assets, income or franchises, to the extent such taxes and assessments have become due and payable and before they have become delinquent, except for any taxes and assessments (i) the amount of which is not individually or in the aggregate Material or (ii) the amount, applicability or validity of which is currently being contested in good faith by appropriate proceedings and with respect to which the Company has established adequate reserves in accordance with GAAP. The Company knows of no basis for any other tax or assessment that could reasonably be expected to have a Material Adverse Effect. The charges, accruals and reserves on the books of the Company in respect of Federal, state or other taxes for all fiscal periods are adequate. The Federal income tax liabilities of the Company have been finally determined (whether by reason of completed audits or the statute of limitations having run) for all fiscal years up to and including the fiscal year ended December 31, 2003.

Section 5.10. Title to Property; Leases. The Company has good and sufficient title to its properties that individually or in the aggregate are Material, including all such properties reflected in the most recent audited balance sheet referred to in Section 5.5 or purported to have been acquired by the Company after said date (except as sold or otherwise disposed of in the ordinary course of business), in each case free and clear of Liens prohibited by this Agreement. All leases that individually or in the aggregate are Material are valid and subsisting and are in full force and effect in all material respects.

Section 5.11. Licenses, Permits, Etc. (a) The Company owns or possesses all licenses, permits, franchises, authorizations, patents, copyrights, proprietary software, service marks, trademarks and trade names, or rights thereto, that individually or in the aggregate are Material, without known conflict with the rights of others.

(b) To the best knowledge of the Company, no product of the Company infringes in any material respect any license, permit, franchise, authorization, patent, copyright, proprietary software, service mark, trademark, trade name or other right owned by any other Person.

(c) To the best knowledge of the Company, there is no Material violation by any Person of any right of the Company with respect to any patent, copyright, proprietary software, service mark, trademark, trade name or other right owned or used by the Company.

Section 5.12. Compliance with ERISA. (a) The Company and each ERISA Affiliate have operated and administered each Plan in compliance with all applicable laws except for such instances of noncompliance as have not resulted in and could not reasonably be expected to result in a Material Adverse Effect. Neither the Company nor any ERISA Affiliate has incurred any liability pursuant to Title I or IV of ERISA or the penalty or excise tax provisions of the Code relating to employee benefit plans (as defined in section 3 of ERISA), and no event, transaction or condition has occurred or exists that could reasonably be expected to result in the incurrence of any such liability by the Company or any ERISA Affiliate, or in the imposition of any Lien on any of the rights, properties or assets of the Company or any ERISA Affiliate, in either case pursuant to Title I or IV of ERISA or to such penalty or excise tax provisions or to section 401(a)(29) or 412 of the Code or section 4068 of ERISA, other than such liabilities or Liens as would not be individually or in the aggregate Material.

(b) The present value of the aggregate benefit liabilities under each of the Plans (other than Multiemployer Plans), determined as of the end of such Plan's most recently ended plan year on the basis of the actuarial assumptions specified for funding purposes in such Plan's most recent actuarial valuation report, did not exceed the aggregate current value of the assets of such Plan allocable to such benefit liabilities by more than \$24,100,000 in the case of any single Plan and by more than \$24,500,000 in the aggregate for all Plans. The term "*benefit liabilities*" has the meaning specified in section 4001 of ERISA and the terms "*current value*" and "*present value*" have the meaning specified in section 3 of ERISA.

(c) The Company and its ERISA Affiliates have not incurred withdrawal liabilities (and are not subject to contingent withdrawal liabilities) under section 4201 or 4204 of ERISA in respect of Multiemployer Plans that individually or in the aggregate are Material.

(d) The expected postretirement benefit obligation (determined as of the last day of the Company's most recently ended fiscal year in accordance with Financial Accounting Standards Board Statement No. 106, without regard to liabilities attributable to continuation coverage mandated by section 4980B of the Code) of the Company and its Subsidiaries is not Material.

(e) The execution and delivery of this Agreement and the issuance and sale of the Notes hereunder will not involve any transaction that is subject to the prohibitions of section 406 of ERISA or in connection with which a tax could be imposed pursuant to section 4975(c)(1)(A)-(D) of the Code. The representation by the Company to each Purchaser in the first sentence of this Section 5.12(e) is made in reliance upon and subject to the accuracy of such Purchaser's representation in Section 6.2 as to the sources of the funds used to pay the purchase price of the Notes to be purchased by such Purchaser.

Section 5.13. Private Offering by the Company. Neither the Company nor anyone acting on its behalf has offered the Notes or any similar securities for sale to, or solicited any offer to buy any of the same from, or otherwise approached or negotiated in respect thereof with, any person other than the Purchasers and not more than five (5) other Institutional Investors, each of which has been offered the Notes at a private sale for investment. Neither the Company nor anyone acting on its behalf has taken, or will take, any action that would subject the issuance or sale of the Notes to the registration requirements of Section 5 of the Securities Act or to the registration requirements of any securities or blue sky laws of any applicable jurisdiction.

Section 5.14. Use of Proceeds; Margin Regulations. The Company will apply the proceeds of the sale of the Notes to refund certain short-term debt obligations of the Company. No part of the proceeds from the sale of the Notes hereunder will be used, directly or indirectly, for the purpose of buying or carrying any margin stock within the meaning of Regulation U of the Board of Governors of the Federal Reserve System (12 CFR 221), or for the purpose of buying or carrying in any securities under such circumstances as to involve the Company in a violation of Regulation X of said Board (12 CFR 224) or to involve any broker or dealer in a violation of Regulation T of said Board (12 CFR 220). Margin stock does not constitute more than 5% of the value of the consolidated assets of the Company and its Subsidiaries and the Company does not have any present intention that margin stock will constitute more than 5% of the value of such assets. As used in this Section, the terms "margin stock" and "purpose of buying or carrying" shall have the meanings assigned to them in said Regulation U.

Section 5.15. Existing Indebtedness; Future Liens. (a) Except as described therein, Schedule 5.15 sets forth a complete and correct list of all outstanding Indebtedness of the Company as of January 31, 2010 (including a description of the obligors and obligees, principal amount outstanding and collateral therefor, if any, and Guaranty thereof, if any), since which date there has been no Material change in the amounts, interest rates, sinking funds, installment payments or maturities of the Indebtedness of the Company. The Company is not in default and no waiver of default is currently in effect, in the payment of any principal or interest on any Indebtedness of the Company that would permit (or that with notice or the lapse of time, or both, would permit) one or more Persons to cause such Indebtedness to become due and payable before its stated maturity or before its regularly scheduled dates of payment.

(b) Except as disclosed in Schedule 5.15, the Company has not agreed or consented to cause or permit in the future (upon the happening of a contingency or otherwise) any of its property, whether now owned or hereafter acquired, to be subject to a Lien not permitted by Section 10.6.

(c) The Company is not a party to, or otherwise subject to any provision contained in, any instrument evidencing Indebtedness of the Company, any agreement relating thereto or any other agreement (including, but not limited to, its charter or other organizational document) which limits the amount of, or otherwise imposes restrictions on the incurring of, Indebtedness of the Company, except as specifically indicated in Schedule 5.15.

Section 5.16. Foreign Assets Control Regulations, Etc. (a) Neither the sale of the Notes by the Company hereunder nor its use of the proceeds thereof will violate the Trading with the Enemy Act, as amended, or any of the foreign assets control regulations of the United States Treasury Department (31 CFR, Subtitle B, Chapter V, as amended) or any enabling legislation or executive order relating thereto.

(b) The Company (i) is not a Person described or designated in the Specially Designated Nationals and Blocked Persons List of the Office of Foreign Assets Control or in Section 1 of the Anti-Terrorism Order and (ii) does not engage in any dealings or transactions with any such Person. The Company is in compliance, in all material respects, with the USA Patriot Act.

(c) No part of the proceeds from the sale of the Notes hereunder will be used, directly or indirectly, for any payments to any governmental official or employee, political party, official of a political party, candidate for political office, or anyone else acting in an official capacity, in order to obtain, retain or direct business or obtain any improper advantage, in violation of the United States Foreign Corrupt Practices Act of 1977, as amended, assuming in all cases that such Act applies to the Company.

Section 5.17. Status under Certain Statutes. The Company is not subject to regulation under the Investment Company Act of 1940, as amended, the Public Utility Holding Company Act of 2005, as amended, the ICC Termination Act of 1995, as amended, or the Federal Power Act, as amended.

*Section 5.18. Environmental Matters.* (a) The Company has no knowledge of any claim or has received any notice of any claim, and no proceeding has been instituted raising any claim against the Company or any of its real properties now or formerly owned, leased or operated by any of them or other assets, alleging any damage to the environment or violation of any Environmental Laws, except, in each case, such as could not reasonably be expected to result in a Material Adverse Effect.

(b) The Company has no knowledge of any facts which would give rise to any claim, public or private, of violation of Environmental Laws or damage to the environment emanating from, occurring on or in any way related to real properties now or formerly owned, leased or operated by any of them or to other assets or their use, except, in each case, such as could not reasonably be expected to result in a Material Adverse Effect.

(c) The Company has not stored any Hazardous Materials on real properties now or formerly owned, leased or operated by any of them and has not disposed of any Hazardous Materials in a manner contrary to any Environmental Laws in each case in any manner that could reasonably be expected to result in a Material Adverse Effect; and

(d) All buildings on all real properties now owned, leased or operated by the Company are in compliance with applicable Environmental Laws, except where failure to comply could not reasonably be expected to result in a Material Adverse Effect.

#### SECTION 6. REPRESENTATIONS OF THE PURCHASERS.

Section 6.1. Purchase for Investment. Each Purchaser severally represents that it is purchasing the Notes for its own account or for one or more separate accounts maintained by such Purchaser or for the account of one or more pension or trust funds and not with a view to the distribution thereof, *provided* that the disposition of such Purchaser's or their property shall at all times be within such Purchaser's or their control. Each Purchaser understands that the Notes have not been registered under the Securities Act and may be resold only if registered pursuant to the provisions of the Securities Act or if an exemption from registration is available, except under circumstances where neither such register the Notes.

*Section 6.2.* Source of Funds. Each Purchaser severally represents that at least one of the following statements is an accurate representation as to each source of funds (a "Source") to be used by such Purchaser to pay the purchase price of the Notes to be purchased by such Purchaser hereunder:

(a) the Source is an "insurance company general account" (as the term is defined in the United States Department of Labor's Prohibited Transaction Exemption ("*PTE*") 95-60) in respect of which the reserves and liabilities (as defined by the annual statement for life insurance companies approved by the National Association of Insurance Commissioners (the "*NAIC Annual Statement*")) for the general account contract(s) held by or on behalf of any employee benefit plan together with the amount of the reserves and liabilities for the general account contract(s) held by or on behalf of any employee benefit plan together with the amount of the reserves and liabilities for the general account contract(s) held by or on behalf of any other employee benefit plans maintained by the same employer (or affiliate thereof as defined in PTE 95-60) or by the same employee organization in the general account do not exceed 10% of the total reserves and liabilities of the general account (exclusive of separate account liabilities) plus surplus as set forth in the NAIC Annual Statement filed with such Purchaser's state of domicile; or

(b) the Source is a separate account that is maintained solely in connection with such Purchaser's fixed contractual obligations under which the amounts payable, or credited, to any employee benefit plan (or its related trust) that has any interest in such separate account (or to any participant or beneficiary of such plan (including any annuitant)) are not affected in any manner by the investment performance of the separate account; or

(c) the Source is either (i) an insurance company pooled separate account, within the meaning of PTE 90-1 or (ii) a bank collective investment fund, within the meaning of the PTE 91-38 and, except as disclosed by such Purchaser to the Company in writing pursuant to this clause (c), no employee benefit plan or group of plans maintained by the same employer or employee organization beneficially owns more than 10% of all assets allocated to such pooled separate account or collective investment fund; or

(d) the Source constitutes assets of an "investment fund" (within the meaning of Part V of PTE 84-14 (the "*QPAM Exemption*")) managed by a "qualified professional

asset manager" or "QPAM" (within the meaning of Part V of the QPAM Exemption), no employee benefit plan's assets that are included in such investment fund, when combined with the assets of all other employee benefit plans established or maintained by the same employer or by an affiliate (within the meaning of Section V(c)(1) of the QPAM Exemption) of such employer or by the same employee organization and managed by such QPAM, exceed 20% of the total client assets managed by such QPAM, the conditions of Part I(c) and (g) of the QPAM Exemption are satisfied, as of the last day of its most recent calendar quarter, the QPAM does not own a 10% or more interest in the Company and no person controlling or controlled by the QPAM (applying the definition of "control" in Section V(e) of the QPAM Exemption) owns a 20% or more interest in the Company (or less than 20% but greater than 10%, if such person exercises control over the management or policies of the Company by reason of its ownership interest) and (i) the identity of such QPAM and (ii) the names of all employee benefit plans whose assets are included in such investment fund have been disclosed to the Company in writing pursuant to this clause (d); or

7 (e) the Source constitutes assets of a "plan(s)" (within the meaning of Section IV of PTE 96-23 (the "*INHAM Exemption*")) managed by an "in-house asset manager" or "INHAM" (within the meaning of Part IV of the INHAM Exemption), the conditions of Part I(a), (g) and (h) of the INHAM Exemption are satisfied, neither the INHAM nor a person controlling or controlled by the INHAM (applying the definition of "control" in Section IV(d) of the INHAM Exemption) owns a 5% or more interest in the Company and (i) the identity of such INHAM and (ii) the name(s) of the employee benefit plan(s) whose assets constitute the Source have been disclosed to the Company in writing pursuant to this clause (e); or

(f) the Source is a governmental plan; or

(g) the Source is one or more employee benefit plans, or a separate account or trust fund comprised of one or more employee benefit plans, each of which has been identified to the Company in writing pursuant to this clause (g); or

(h) the Source does not include assets of any employee benefit plan, other than a plan exempt from the coverage of ERISA.

As used in this Section 6.2, the terms "*employee benefit plan*," "governmental plan," and "*separate account*" shall have the respective meanings assigned to such terms in section 3 of ERISA.

SECTION 7. INFORMATION AS TO COMPANY.

Section 7.1. Financial and Business Information. The Company shall deliver to each holder of Notes that is an Institutional Investor:

(a) Quarterly Statements — within 60 days (or such shorter period as is 15 days greater than the period applicable to the filing of the Company's Quarterly

Report on Form 10-Q (the "Form 10-Q") with the SEC regardless of whether the Company is subject to the filing requirements thereof) after the end of each quarterly fiscal period in each fiscal year of the Company (other than the last quarterly fiscal period of each such fiscal year), duplicate copies of,

(i)  $\,$  a consolidated balance sheet of the Company and its Subsidiaries as at the end of such quarter, and

(ii) consolidated statements of income, changes in shareholders' equity and cash flows of the Company and its Subsidiaries, for such quarter and (in the case of the second and third quarters) for the portion of the fiscal year ending with such quarter,

setting forth in each case in comparative form the figures for the corresponding periods in the previous fiscal year, all in reasonable detail, prepared in accordance with GAAP applicable to quarterly financial statements generally, and certified by a Senior Financial Officer as fairly presenting, in all material respects, the financial position of the companies being reported on and their results of operations and cash flows, subject to changes resulting from year-end adjustments, *provided* that delivery within the time period specified above of copies of the Company's Form 10-Q prepared in compliance with the requirements therefor and filed with the SEC shall be deemed to satisfy the requirements of this Section 7.1(a), and *provided*, *further*, that the Company shall be deemed to have made such delivery of such Form 10-Q if it shall have timely made such Form 10-Q available on "EDGAR" and on its home page on the worldwide web (at the date of this Agreement located at: http://www.unitedwater.com) and shall have given each holder prior notice of such availability on EDGAR and on its home page in connection with each delivery (such availability and notice thereof being referred to as "*Electronic Delivery*");

(b) Annual Statements — within 105 days (or such shorter period as is 15 days greater than the period applicable to the filing of the Company's Annual Report on Form 10-K (the "Form 10-K") with the SEC regardless of whether the Company is subject to the filing requirements thereof) after the end of each fiscal year of the Company, duplicate copies of

(i) a consolidated balance sheet of the Company and its Subsidiaries as at the end of such year, and

(ii) consolidated statements of income, changes in shareholders' equity and cash flows of the Company and its Subsidiaries for such year,

setting forth in each case in comparative form the figures for the previous fiscal year, all in reasonable detail, prepared in accordance with GAAP, and accompanied by an opinion thereon of independent public accountants of recognized national standing, which opinion shall state that such financial statements present fairly, in all material respects, the financial position of the companies being reported upon and their results of operations and cash flows and have been prepared in conformity with GAAP, and that the examination of such accountants in connection with such financial statements has been made in accordance with generally accepted auditing standards, and that such audit provides a reasonable basis for such opinion in the circumstances,

*provided* that the delivery within the time period specified above of the Company's Form 10-K for such fiscal year (together with the Company's annual report to shareholders, if any, prepared pursuant to Rule 14a-3 under the Exchange Act) prepared in accordance with the requirements therefor and filed with the SEC, shall be deemed to satisfy the requirements of this Section 7.1(b), and *provided*, *further*, that the Company shall be deemed to have made such delivery of such Form 10-K if it shall have timely made Electronic Delivery thereof;

(c) SEC and Other Reports — promptly upon their becoming available, one copy of (i) each financial statement, report, notice or proxy statement sent by the Company or any Subsidiary to its principal lending banks as a whole (excluding information sent to such banks in the ordinary course of administration of a bank facility, such as information relating to pricing and borrowing availability) or to its public securities holders generally, and (ii) each regular or periodic report, each registration statement (without exhibits except as expressly requested by such holder), and each prospectus and all amendments thereto filed by the Company or any Subsidiary with the SEC and of all press releases and other statements made available generally by the Company or any Subsidiary to the public concerning developments that are Material;

(d) Notice of Default or Event of Default — promptly, and in any event within five days after a Responsible Officer becoming aware of the existence of any Default or Event of Default or that any Person has given any notice or taken any action with respect to a claimed default hereunder or that any Person has given any notice or taken any action with respect to a claimed default of the type referred to in Section 11(f), a written notice specifying the nature and period of existence thereof and what action the Company is taking or proposes to take with respect thereto;

(e) *ERISA Matters* — promptly, and in any event within five days after a Responsible Officer becoming aware of any of the following, a written notice setting forth the nature thereof and the action, if any, that the Company or an ERISA Affiliate proposes to take with respect thereto:

(i) with respect to any Plan, any reportable event, as defined in section 4043(c) of ERISA and the regulations thereunder, for which notice thereof has not been waived pursuant to such regulations as in effect on the date hereof; or

(ii) the taking by the PBGC of steps to institute, or the threatening by the PBGC of the institution of, proceedings under section 4042 of ERISA for the termination of, or the appointment of a trustee to administer, any Plan, or the receipt by the Company or any ERISA Affiliate of a notice from a Multi-employer Plan that such action has been taken by the PBGC with respect to such Multi-employer Plan; or

(iii) any event, transaction or condition that could result in the incurrence of any liability by the Company or any ERISA Affiliate pursuant to Title I or IV of ERISA or the penalty or excise tax provisions of the Code relating to employee benefit plans, or in the imposition of any Lien on any of the rights, properties or assets of the Company or any ERISA Affiliate pursuant to Title I or IV of ERISA or such penalty or excise tax provisions, if such liability or Lien, taken together with any other such liabilities or Liens then existing, could reasonably be expected to have a Material Adverse Effect;

(f) Notices from Governmental Authority — promptly, and in any event within 30 days of receipt thereof, copies of any notice to the Company or any Subsidiary from any Federal or state Governmental Authority relating to any order, ruling, statute or other law or regulation that could reasonably be expected to have a Material Adverse Effect; and

(g) *Requested Information* — with reasonable promptness, such other data and information relating to the business, operations, affairs, financial condition, assets or properties of the Company or any of its Subsidiaries (including, but without limitation, actual copies of the Company's Form 10-Q and Form 10-K) or relating to the ability of the Company to perform its obligations hereunder and under the Notes as from time to time may be reasonably requested by any such holder of Notes.

*Section 7.2. Officer's Certificate.* Each set of financial statements delivered to a holder of Notes pursuant to Section 7.1(a) or Section 7.1(b) shall be accompanied by a certificate of a Senior Financial Officer setting forth (which, in the case of Electronic Delivery of any such financial statements, shall be by separate concurrent delivery of such certificate to each holder of Notes):

(a) *Covenant Compliance* — the information (including detailed calculations) required in order to establish whether the Company was in compliance with the requirements of Section 9.7, Section 10.2 and Section 10.5 through 10.7, inclusive, during the quarterly or annual period covered by the statements then being furnished (including with respect to each such Section, where applicable, the calculations of the maximum or minimum amount, ratio or percentage, as the case may be, permissible under the terms of such Sections, and the calculation of the amount, ratio or percentage then in existence); and

(b) Event of Default — a statement that such Senior Financial Officer has reviewed the relevant terms hereof and has made, or caused to be made, under his or her supervision, a review of the transactions and conditions of the Company and its Subsidiaries from the beginning of the quarterly or annual period covered by the statements then being furnished to the date of the certificate and that such review shall not have disclosed the existence during such period of any condition or event that

constitutes a Default or an Event of Default or, if any such condition or event existed or exists (including, without limitation, any such event or condition resulting from the failure of the Company or any Subsidiary to comply with any Environmental Law), specifying the nature and period of existence thereof and what action the Company shall have taken or proposes to take with respect thereto.

*Section 7.3. Visitation.* The Company shall permit the representatives of each holder of Notes that is an Institutional Investor:

(a) No Default — if no Default or Event of Default then exists, at the expense of such holder and upon reasonable prior notice to the Company, to visit the principal executive office of the Company, to discuss the affairs, finances and accounts of the Company and its Subsidiaries with the Company's officers, and (with the consent of the Company, which consent will not be unreasonably withheld) its independent public accountants, and (with the consent of the Company, which consent will not be unreasonably withheld) to visit the other offices and properties of the Company and each Subsidiary, all at such reasonable times and as often as may be reasonably requested in writing; and

(b) Default — if a Default or Event of Default then exists, at the expense of the Company to visit and inspect any of the offices or properties of the Company or any Subsidiary, to examine all their respective books of account, records, reports and other papers, to make copies and extracts therefrom, and to discuss their respective affairs, finances and accounts with their respective officers and independent public accountants (and by this provision the Company authorizes said accountants to discuss the affairs, finances and accounts of the Company and its Subsidiaries), all at such times and as often as may be requested.

SECTION 8. PAYMENT AND PREPAYMENT OF THE NOTES.

*Section 8.1. Maturity.* As provided therein, the entire unpaid principal balance of the Notes shall be due and payable on the stated maturity date thereof.

Section 8.2. Optional Prepayments with Make-Whole Amount. The Company may, at its option, upon notice as provided below, prepay at any time all, or from time to time any part of, the Notes, in an amount not less than 5% of the aggregate principal amount of the Notes then outstanding in the case of a partial prepayment, at 100% of the principal amount so prepaid, and the Make-Whole Amount determined for the prepayment date with respect to such principal amount. The Company will give each holder of Notes written notice of each optional prepayment under this Section 8.2 not less than 30 days and not more than 60 days prior to the date fixed for such prepayment. Each such notice shall specify such date (which shall be a Business Day), the aggregate principal amount of the Notes to be prepaid on such date, the principal amount of each Note held by such holder to be prepaid (determined in accordance with Section 8.3), and the interest to be paid on the prepayment date with respect to such principal amount being prepaid, and shall be accompanied by a certificate of a Senior Financial Officer as to the estimated Make-Whole Amount due in connection with such prepayment (calculated as if

the date of such notice were the date of the prepayment), setting forth the details of such computation. Two Business Days prior to such prepayment, the Company shall deliver to each holder of Notes a certificate of a Senior Financial Officer specifying the calculation of such Make-Whole Amount as of the specified prepayment date.

*Section 8.3.* Allocation of Partial Prepayments. In the case of each partial prepayment of the Notes, the principal amount of the Notes to be prepaid shall be allocated among all of the Notes at the time outstanding in proportion, as nearly as practicable, to the respective unpaid principal amounts thereof not theretofore called for prepayment.

Section 8.4. Maturity; Surrender, Etc. In the case of each prepayment of Notes pursuant to this Section 8, the principal amount of each Note to be prepaid shall mature and become due and payable on the date fixed for such prepayment (which shall be a Business Day), together with interest on such principal amount accrued to such date and the applicable Make-Whole Amount, if any. From and after such date, unless the Company shall fail to pay such principal amount when so due and payable, together with the interest and Make-Whole Amount, if any, as aforesaid, interest on such principal amount shall cease to accrue. Any Note paid or prepaid in full shall be surrendered to the Company and cancelled and shall not be reissued, and no Note shall be issued in lieu of any prepaid principal amount of any Note.

Section 8.5. Purchase of Notes. The Company will not and will not permit any Affiliate to purchase, redeem, prepay or otherwise acquire, directly or indirectly, any of the outstanding Notes except (a) upon the payment or prepayment of the Notes in accordance with the terms of this Agreement and the Notes or (b) pursuant to an offer to purchase made by the Company or an Affiliate pro rata to the holders of all Notes at the time outstanding upon the same terms and conditions. Any such offer shall provide each holder with sufficient information to enable it to make an informed decision with respect to such offer, and shall remain open for at least 20 Business Days. If the holders of more than 51% of the principal amount of the Notes then outstanding accept such offer, the Company shall promptly notify the remaining holders of such fact and the expiration date for the acceptance by holders of Notes of such offer shall be extended by the number of days necessary to give each such remaining holder at least 10 Business Days from its receipt of such notice to accept such offer. The Company will promptly cancel all Notes acquired by it or any Affiliate pursuant to any payment, prepayment or purchase of Notes pursuant to any provision of this Agreement and no Notes may be issued in substitution or exchange for any such Notes.

## Section 8.6. Make-Whole Amount.

"*Make-Whole Amount*" means, with respect to any Note, an amount equal to the excess, if any, of the Discounted Value of the Remaining Scheduled Payments with respect to the Called Principal of such Note over the amount of such Called Principal, *provided* that the Make-Whole Amount may in no event be less than zero. For the purposes of determining the Make-Whole Amount, the following terms have the following meanings:

"*Called Principal*" means, with respect to any Note, the principal of such Note that is to be prepaid pursuant to Section 8.2 or has become or is declared to be immediately due and payable pursuant to Section 12.1, as the context requires.

"Discounted Value" means, with respect to the Called Principal of any Note, the amount obtained by discounting all Remaining Scheduled Payments with respect to such Called Principal from their respective scheduled due dates to the Settlement Date with respect to such Called Principal, in accordance with accepted financial practice and at a discount factor (applied on the same periodic basis as that on which interest on the Notes is payable) equal to the Reinvestment Yield with respect to such Called Principal.

*"Reinvestment Yield"* means, with respect to the Called Principal of any Note, .50% over the yield to maturity implied by (i) the yields reported as of 10:00 a.m. (New York City time) on the second Business Day preceding the Settlement Date with respect to such Called Principal, on the display designated as "Page PX1" (or such other display as may replace Page PX1) on Bloomberg Financial Markets for the most recently issued actively traded on the run U.S. Treasury securities having a maturity equal to the Remaining Average Life of such Called Principal as of such Settlement Date, or (ii) if such yields are not reported as of such time or the yields reported as of such time are not ascertainable (including by way of interpolation), the Treasury Constant Maturity Series Yields reported, for the latest day for which such yields have been so reported as of the second Business Day preceding the Settlement Date with respect to such Called Principal, in Federal Reserve Statistical Release H.15 (or any comparable successor publication) for U.S. Treasury securities having a constant maturity equal to the Remaining Average Life of such Called Principal as of such Settlement Date.

In the case of each determination under clause (i) or clause (ii), as the case may be, of the preceding paragraph, such implied yield will be determined, if necessary, by (a) converting U.S. Treasury bill quotations to bond equivalent yields in accordance with accepted financial practice and (b) interpolating linearly between (1) the applicable U.S. Treasury security with the maturity closest to and greater than such Remaining Average Life and (2) the applicable U.S. Treasury security with the maturity closest to and less than such Remaining Average Life. The Reinvestment Yield shall be rounded to the number of decimal places as appears in the interest rate of the applicable Note.

*"Remaining Average Life"* means, with respect to any Called Principal, the number of years (calculated to the nearest one-twelfth year) obtained by dividing (i) such Called Principal into (ii) the sum of the products obtained by multiplying (a) the principal component of each Remaining Scheduled Payment with respect to such Called Principal by (b) the number of years (calculated to the nearest one-twelfth year) that will elapse between the Settlement Date with respect to such Called Principal and the scheduled due date of such Remaining Scheduled Payment.

*"Remaining Scheduled Payments"* means, with respect to the Called Principal of any Note, all payments of such Called Principal and interest thereon that would be due after the Settlement Date with respect to such Called Principal if no payment of such Called Principal were made prior to its scheduled due date, *provided* that if such Settlement Date is not a date on

which interest payments are due to be made under the terms of the Notes, then the amount of the next succeeding scheduled interest payment will be reduced by the amount of interest accrued to such Settlement Date and required to be paid on such Settlement Date pursuant to Section 8.2 or Section 12.1.

"Settlement Date" means, with respect to the Called Principal of any Note, the date on which such Called Principal is to be prepaid pursuant to Section 8.2 or has become or is declared to be immediately due and payable pursuant to Section 12.1, as the context requires.

SECTION 9. AFFIRMATIVE COVENANTS.

The Company covenants that so long as any of the Notes are outstanding:

Section 9.1. Compliance with Law. Without limiting Section 10.4, the Company will, and will cause each of its Subsidiaries to, comply with all laws, ordinances or governmental rules or regulations to which each of them is subject, including, without limitation, ERISA, the USA Patriot Act and Environmental Laws, and will obtain and maintain in effect all licenses, certificates, permits, franchises and other governmental authorizations necessary to the ownership of their respective properties or to the conduct of their respective businesses, in each case to the extent necessary to ensure that non-compliance with such laws, ordinances or governmental rules or regulations or failures to obtain or maintain in effect such licenses, certificates, permits, franchises and other governmental authorizations could not, individually or in the aggregate, reasonably be expected to have a Material Adverse Effect.

Section 9.2. Insurance. The Company will, and will cause each of its Subsidiaries to, maintain, with financially sound and reputable insurers, insurance with respect to their respective properties and businesses against such casualties and contingencies, of such types, on such terms and in such amounts (including deductibles, co-insurance and self-insurance, if adequate reserves are maintained with respect thereto) as is customary in the case of entities of established reputations engaged in the same or a similar business and similarly situated.

Section 9.3. Maintenance of Properties. The Company will, and will cause each of its Subsidiaries to, maintain and keep, or cause to be maintained and kept, their respective properties in good repair, working order and condition (other than ordinary wear and tear), so that the business carried on in connection therewith may be properly conducted at all times, *provided* that this Section shall not prevent the Company or any Subsidiary from discontinuing the operation and the maintenance of any of its properties if such discontinuance is desirable in the conduct of its business and the Company has concluded that such discontinuance could not, individually or in the aggregate, reasonably be expected to have a Material Adverse Effect.

Section 9.4. Payment of Taxes and Claims. The Company will, and will cause each of its Subsidiaries to, file all tax returns required to be filed in any jurisdiction and to pay and discharge all taxes shown to be due and payable on such returns and all other taxes, assessments, governmental charges, or levies imposed on them or any of their properties, assets, income or franchises, to the extent the same have become due and payable and before they have become delinquent and all claims for which sums have become due and payable that have or might

become a Lien on properties or assets of the Company or any Subsidiary, *provided* that neither the Company nor any Subsidiary need pay any such tax, assessment, charge, levy or claim if (i) the amount, applicability or validity thereof is contested by the Company or such Subsidiary on a timely basis in good faith and in appropriate proceedings, and the Company or a Subsidiary has established adequate reserves therefor in accordance with GAAP on the books of the Company or such Subsidiary or (ii) the nonpayment of all such taxes, assessments, charges, levies and claims in the aggregate could not reasonably be expected to have a Material Adverse Effect.

Section 9.5. Corporate Existence, Etc. Subject to Section 10.2, the Company will at all times preserve and keep in full force and effect its corporate existence. Subject to Section 10.2, the Company will at all times preserve and keep in full force and effect the corporate existence of each of its Subsidiaries (unless merged into the Company or a Wholly-Owned Subsidiary) and all rights and franchises of the Company and its Subsidiaries unless, in the good faith judgment of the Company, the termination of or failure to preserve and keep in full force and effect such corporate existence, right or franchise could not, individually or in the aggregate, have a Material Adverse Effect.

*Section 9.6. Books and Records.* The Company will, and will cause each of its Subsidiaries to, maintain proper books of record and account in conformity with GAAP and all applicable requirements of any Governmental Authority having legal or regulatory jurisdiction over the Company or such Subsidiary, as the case may be.

*Section 9.7. Consolidated Tangible Net Worth.* The Company will at all times keep and maintain Consolidated Tangible Net Worth at an amount not less than \$33,000,000.

SECTION 10. NEGATIVE COVENANTS.

The Company covenants that so long as any of the Notes are outstanding:

Section 10.1. Transactions with Affiliates. The Company will not and will not permit any Subsidiary to enter into directly or indirectly any transaction or group of related transactions (including without limitation the purchase, lease, sale or exchange of properties of any kind or the rendering of any service) with any Affiliate (other than the Company or another Subsidiary), except in the ordinary course and pursuant to the reasonable requirements of the Company's or such Subsidiary's business and upon fair and reasonable terms no less favorable to the Company or such Subsidiary than would be obtainable in a comparable arm's-length transaction with a Person not an Affiliate.

Section 10.2. Mergers, Consolidations and Sales of Assets. (a) The Company will not, and will not permit any Subsidiary to, consolidate with or be a party to a merger with any other Person, or sell or otherwise dispose of, or lease, all or substantially all of the assets of the Company and its Subsidiaries, taken as a whole; *provided* that:

(1) any Subsidiary may merge or consolidate with or into the Company or any Wholly-Owned Subsidiary (or any Person that, after the consummation of said merger or

consolidation, will be a Wholly-Owned Subsidiary) so long as in any merger or consolidation involving the Company, the Company shall be the surviving or continuing corporation;

(2)the Company may consolidate or merge with or into any other Person if (i) the Person which results from such consolidation or merger (the "surviving entity") either (A) is the Company or (B) if not the Company, (y) is a solvent corporation or limited liability company organized under the laws of any state of the United States or the District of Columbia, and (z) the due and punctual payment of the principal of and premium, if any, and interest on all of the Notes, according to their tenor, and the due and punctual performance and observance of all of the covenants in the Notes and this Agreement to be performed or observed by the Company are expressly assumed in writing by the surviving entity and the surviving entity shall furnish to the holders of the Notes an opinion of counsel satisfactory to such holders to the effect that the instrument of assumption has been duly authorized, executed and delivered and constitutes the legal, valid and binding contract and agreement of the surviving entity enforceable in accordance with its terms, except as enforcement of such terms may be limited by bankruptcy, insolvency, reorganization, moratorium, fraudulent conveyance and similar laws affecting the enforcement of creditors' rights generally and by general equitable principles, and (ii) at the time of such consolidation or merger and immediately after giving effect thereto, (A) no Default or Event of Default would exist, (B) the Company or the surviving entity, as the case may be, would be permitted by the provisions of Section 10.5(a)(3) to incur at least \$1.00 of additional Funded Debt, and (C) Consolidated Tangible Net Worth immediately following such consolidation or merger shall be not less than Consolidated Tangible Net Worth immediately prior to such consolidation or merger;

(3) the Company may sell or otherwise dispose of all or substantially all of its assets to any Person (the "acquiring entity") for consideration which represents the fair value of such assets (as determined in good faith by the Board of Directors of the Company, a copy of which determination, certified by the Secretary or an Assistant Secretary of the Company, shall have been furnished to the holders of the Notes) at the time of such sale or other disposition if (i) the acquiring entity is a solvent corporation or limited liability company organized under the laws of any state of the United States or the District of Columbia, (ii) the due and punctual payment of the principal of and premium, if any, and interest on all the Notes, according to their tenor, and the due and punctual performance and observance of all of the covenants in the Notes and in this Agreement to be performed or observed by the Company are expressly assumed in writing by the acquiring entity and the acquiring entity shall furnish to the holders of the Notes an opinion of counsel satisfactory to such holders to the effect that the instrument of assumption has been duly authorized, executed and delivered and constitutes the legal, valid and binding contract and agreement of such acquiring entity enforceable in accordance with its terms, except as enforcement of such terms may be limited by bankruptcy, insolvency, reorganization, moratorium, fraudulent conveyance and similar laws affecting the enforcement of creditors' rights generally and by general equitable principles, and (iii) at the time of such sale or disposition and immediately after giving effect thereto, (A) no Default or Event of Default would exist, (B) the acquiring entity would be permitted by the provisions of Section 10.5(a)(3) to incur at least \$1.00 of additional Funded Debt, and (C) Consolidated Tangible Net Worth immediately following such sale or disposition shall be not less than Consolidated Tangible Net Worth immediately prior to such sale or disposition.

(b) The Company will not, and will not permit any Subsidiary to, sell, transfer, abandon or otherwise dispose of fixed, tangible assets, including Voting Stock of a Subsidiary which owns fixed, tangible assets (except for the sale of such assets to customers of the Company or any Subsidiary in the ordinary course of business and except as provided in Section 10.2(a)(3)); *provided* that the foregoing restrictions do not apply to:

(1) the sale or other disposition of assets of a Subsidiary or Voting Stock of a Subsidiary which owns fixed, tangible assets to the Company or a Wholly-Owned Subsidiary; or

(2) the sale or other disposition of any such assets, including Voting Stock of such a Subsidiary, if all of the following conditions are met:

(i) such assets (valued at net book value, except that, in the case of a sale or other disposition of the Voting Stock of a Subsidiary which owns fixed, tangible assets, the Voting Stock of which is sold or disposed of shall be valued by (A) multiplying the net book value of all the Voting Stock of such Subsidiary by a fraction the numerator of which shall be the book value of the fixed, tangible assets of such Subsidiary and the denominator of which shall be the book value of the total assets of such Subsidiary, and (B) multiplying the result obtained under (A) by the percentage which the Voting Stock so sold or disposed of constitutes of all Voting Stock of the Subsidiary which is then outstanding) do not, together with all other fixed, tangible assets of the Company and its Subsidiaries, including the Voting Stock of any Subsidiary which owned fixed, tangible assets, previously disposed of during the 12-month period ending with the date of such sale or other disposition and valued as provided in this Section 10.2(b)(2)(i) (excluding, however, such assets sold to customers of the Company or any Subsidiary in the ordinary course of business or sold or otherwise disposed of pursuant to Section 10.2(b)(1) above, in each case during said 12-month period), exceed 15% of Consolidated Net Tangible Assets, determined as of the end of the immediately preceding fiscal quarter; and

(ii) immediately after the consummation of the transaction and after giving effect thereto, (A) no Event of Default would exist, and (B) the Company would be permitted by the provisions of Section 10.5(a)(3) to incur at least \$1.00 of additional Funded Debt;

*provided, however*, that for purposes of the foregoing calculation of the limitation contained in clause (i) of this Section 10.2(b)(2), there shall not be included any assets to the extent that any proceeds of which were or are (x) immediately after the consummation of such sale deposited in

an escrow account with a depository institution or trust company organized under the laws of the United States or any State thereof or the District of Columbia having capital, surplus and undivided profits aggregating at least \$100,000,000 acting as escrow agent, (y) invested in Acceptable Investments, and (z) applied within six months of the date of sale of such assets to either (A) the acquisition of assets useful and intended to be used in the operation of the business of the Company and its Subsidiaries as described in Section 10.3 and having a fair value (as determined in good faith by the Board of Directors of the Company) at least equal to that of the assets so disposed of or (B) the prepayment at any applicable prepayment price of Senior Funded Debt of the Company. It is understood and agreed by the Company that any prepayment of the Notes with such proceeds as hereinabove provided shall be subject to the terms of Section 8.2.

Section 10.3. Line of Business. The Company will not and will not permit any Subsidiary to engage in any business if, as a result, the general nature of the business in which the Company and its Subsidiaries, taken as a whole, would then be engaged would be substantially changed from the general nature of the business in which the Company and its Subsidiaries, taken as a whole, are engaged on the date of this Agreement as described in the Disclosure Documents.

Section 10.4. Terrorism Sanctions Regulations. The Company will not and will not permit any Subsidiary to (a) become a Person described or designated in the Specially Designated Nationals and Blocked Persons List of the Office of Foreign Assets Control or in Section 1 of the Anti-Terrorism Order or (b) engage in any dealings or transactions with any such Person.

*Section 10.5. Limitations on Indebtedness.* (a) The Company will not, and will not permit any Subsidiary to, create, assume, guarantee or otherwise incur or in any manner be or become liable in respect of any Indebtedness, except:

(1) the Notes;

(2) Indebtedness of the Company or any Subsidiary outstanding as of the date of this Agreement and described on Schedule 5.15 hereto;

(3) additional Indebtedness of the Company or any Subsidiary, *provided* that at the time of creation, issuance, assumption, guarantee or incurrence thereof and after giving effect thereto and to the application of the proceeds thereof:

(i) Consolidated Indebtedness shall not exceed 70% of Consolidated Total Capitalization; and

(ii) Consolidated Net Income Available for Interest Charges for any period of 12 consecutive calendar months within the period of 15 consecutive calendar months immediately preceding the date of such creation, issuance, assumption, guarantee or incurrence of Funded Debt shall have been at least 175% of Pro Forma Interest Charges; and (iii) any such Indebtedness consisting of Priority Debt would be permitted by Section 10.7; and

(4) Indebtedness of a Subsidiary to the Company or to a Wholly-Owned Subsidiary.

(b) The renewal, extension or refunding of any Indebtedness, issued, incurred or outstanding pursuant to Section 10.5(a) shall constitute the issuance of additional Indebtedness which is, in turn, subject to the limitations of the applicable provisions of this Section 10.5.

(c) Any corporation which becomes a Subsidiary after the date hereof shall for all purposes of this Section 10.5 be deemed to have created, assumed or incurred at the time it becomes a Subsidiary all Indebtedness of such corporation existing immediately after it becomes a Subsidiary.

Section 10.6. Limitation on Liens The Company will not, and will not permit any Subsidiary to, create or incur, or suffer to be incurred or to exist, any Lien on its or their property or assets, whether now owned or hereafter acquired, or upon any income or profits therefrom, or acquire or agree to acquire, or permit any Subsidiary to acquire, any property or assets upon conditional sales agreements or other title retention devices, except:

(a) Liens for property taxes and assessments or governmental charges or levies and Liens securing claims or demands of mechanics and materialmen, *provided* that payment thereof is not at the time required by Section 9.4;

(b) Liens of or resulting from any judgment or award, the time for the appeal or petition for rehearing of which shall not have expired, or in respect of which the Company or a Subsidiary shall at any time in good faith be prosecuting an appeal or proceeding for a review and in respect of which a stay of execution pending such appeal or proceeding for review shall have been secured;

(c) Liens incidental to the conduct of business or the ownership or construction of properties and assets (including Liens in connection with workers' compensation, unemployment insurance and other like laws, warehousemen's and attorneys' liens and landlords' liens) and Liens to secure the performance of bids, tenders or trade contracts, or to secure statutory obligations, surety or appeal bonds or other Liens, of like general nature, in any such case incurred in the ordinary course of business and not in connection with the borrowing of money, or leases by the Company or a Subsidiary as lessor but not in connection with the borrowing of money, *provided* in each case, the obligation secured is not overdue or, if overdue, is being contested in good faith by appropriate actions or proceedings;

(d) survey exceptions or encumbrances, easements or reservations, or rights of others for rights-of-way, utilities and other similar purposes, or zoning or other restrictions as to the use of any properties, which are necessary for the conduct of the activities of the Company and its Subsidiaries or which customarily exist on properties of

corporations engaged in similar activities and similarly situated and which do not in any event materially impair their use in the operation of the business of the Company and its Subsidiaries;

(e) rights reserved to or vested in any municipality or public authority by the terms of any franchise, grant, license or permit or by any provision of law to purchase or recapture or to designate a purchaser of any property of the Company or a Subsidiary;

(f) Liens securing Indebtedness of a Subsidiary to the Company or to another Wholly-Owned Subsidiary;

(g) other Liens existing as of the date of Closing and described on Schedule 5.15 hereto; and

(h) Liens other than those described in clauses (a) through (g) of this Section 10.6 created or incurred after the date of Closing given to secure Indebtedness of the Company or any Subsidiary which are permitted under Section 10.7, *provided* that all such Indebtedness shall have been incurred within the applicable limitations provided in Section 10.5.

In addition to and not in limitation of the foregoing provisions of this Section 10.6:

(i) the Company will not, and will not permit any Subsidiary to, grant any Liens securing Indebtedness outstanding under or pursuant to any Credit Facility unless and until the Notes shall be concurrently secured equally and ratably with such Indebtedness in favor of the holders of Notes, and pursuant to documentation in form and substance reasonably satisfactory to the Required Holders; and

(ii) the Company will not, and will not permit any Subsidiary to become a guarantor, borrower or other obligor under a Credit Facility unless and until a guarantee is concurrently granted by the Subsidiary in favor of the holders of Notes, and pursuant to documentation in form and substance reasonably satisfactory to the Required Holders.

Section 10.7. Priority Debt. The Company will not, at any time, permit Priority Debt to exceed 10% of Consolidated Net Tangible Assets determined as of the end of the most recently ended fiscal quarter of the Company.

SECTION 11. EVENTS OF DEFAULT.

An "Event of Default" shall exist if any of the following conditions or events shall occur and be continuing:

(a) the Company defaults in the payment of any principal or Make-Whole Amount, if any, on any Note when the same becomes due and payable, whether at maturity or at a date fixed for prepayment or by declaration or otherwise; or (b) the Company defaults in the payment of any interest on any Note for more than five Business Days after the same becomes due and payable; or

(c) the Company defaults in the performance of or compliance with any term contained in Section 7.1(d) or Sections 9.7, 10.2, 10.5, 10.6 or 10.7; or

(d) the Company defaults in the performance of or compliance with any term contained herein (other than those referred to in Sections 11(a), (b) and (c)) and such default is not remedied within 30 days after the earlier of (i) a Responsible Officer obtaining actual knowledge of such default and (ii) the Company receiving written notice of such default from any holder of a Note (any such written notice to be identified as a "notice of default" and to refer specifically to this Section 11(d)); or

(e) any representation or warranty made in writing by or on behalf of the Company or by any officer of the Company in this Agreement or in any writing furnished in connection with the transactions contemplated hereby proves to have been false or incorrect in any material respect on the date as of which made; or

(i) the Company or any Subsidiary is in default (as principal or as (f) guarantor or other surety) in the payment of any principal of or premium or make-whole amount or interest on any Indebtedness that is outstanding in an aggregate principal amount of at least \$2,000,000 beyond any period of grace provided with respect thereto, or (ii) the Company or any Subsidiary is in default in the performance of or compliance with any term of any evidence of any Indebtedness in an aggregate outstanding principal amount of at least \$2,000,000 or of any mortgage, indenture or other agreement relating thereto or any other condition exists, and as a consequence of such default or condition such Indebtedness has become, or has been declared (or one or more Persons are entitled to declare such Indebtedness to be), due and payable before its stated maturity or before its regularly scheduled dates of payment, or (iii) as a consequence of the occurrence or continuation of any event or condition (other than the passage of time or the right of the holder of Indebtedness to convert such Indebtedness into equity interests), (x) the Company or any Subsidiary has become obligated to purchase or repay Indebtedness before its regular maturity or before its regularly scheduled dates of payment in an aggregate outstanding principal amount of at least \$2,000,000, or (y) one or more Persons have the right to require the Company or any Subsidiary so to purchase or repay such Indebtedness; or

(g) the Company or any Subsidiary (i) is generally not paying, or admits in writing its inability to pay, its debts as they become due, (ii) files, or consents by answer or otherwise to the filing against it of, a petition for relief or reorganization or arrangement or any other petition in bankruptcy, for liquidation or to take advantage of any bankruptcy, insolvency, reorganization, moratorium or other similar law of any jurisdiction, (iii) makes an assignment for the benefit of its creditors, (iv) consents to the appointment of a custodian, receiver, trustee or other officer with similar powers with respect to it or with respect to any substantial part of its property, (v) is adjudicated as

insolvent or to be liquidated, or (vi) takes corporate action for the purpose of any of the foregoing; or

(h) a court or Governmental Authority of competent jurisdiction enters an order appointing, without consent by the Company or any of its Subsidiaries, a custodian, receiver, trustee or other officer with similar powers with respect to it or with respect to any substantial part of its property, or constituting an order for relief or approving a petition for relief or reorganization or any other petition in bankruptcy or for liquidation or to take advantage of any bankruptcy or insolvency law of any jurisdiction, or ordering the dissolution, winding-up or liquidation of the Company or any of its Subsidiaries, or any such petition shall be filed against the Company or any of its Subsidiaries and such petition shall not be dismissed within 60 days; or

(i) a final judgment or judgments for the payment of money aggregating in excess of \$2,000,000 are rendered against one or more of the Company and its Subsidiaries and which judgments are not, within 60 days after entry thereof, bonded, discharged or stayed pending appeal, or are not discharged within 60 days after the expiration of such stay; or

if (i) any Plan shall fail to satisfy the minimum funding standards of (j) ERISA or the Code for any plan year or part thereof or a waiver of such standards or extension of any amortization period is sought or granted under section 412 of the Code, (ii) a notice of intent to terminate any Plan shall have been or is reasonably expected to be filed with the PBGC or the PBGC shall have instituted proceedings under ERISA section 4042 to terminate or appoint a trustee to administer any Plan or the PBGC shall have notified the Company or any ERISA Affiliate that a Plan may become a subject of any such proceedings, (iii) the aggregate "amount of unfunded benefit liabilities" (within the meaning of section 4001(a)(18) of ERISA) under all Plans, determined in accordance with Title IV of ERISA, shall exceed \$2,000,000, (iv) the Company or any ERISA Affiliate shall have incurred or is reasonably expected to incur any liability pursuant to Title I or IV of ERISA or the penalty or excise tax provisions of the Code relating to employee benefit plans, (v) the Company or any ERISA Affiliate withdraws from any Multiemployer Plan, or (vi) the Company or any Subsidiary establishes or amends any employee welfare benefit plan that provides post-employment welfare benefits in a manner that would increase the liability of the Company or any Subsidiary thereunder; and any such event or events described in clauses (i) through (vi) above, either individually or together with any other such event or events, could reasonably be expected to have a Material Adverse Effect.

As used in Section 11(j), the terms "employee benefit plan" and "employee welfare benefit plan" shall have the respective meanings assigned to such terms in section 3 of ERISA.

SECTION 12. REMEDIES ON DEFAULT, ETC.

Section 12.1. Acceleration. (a) If an Event of Default with respect to the Company described in Section 11(g) or (h) (other than an Event of Default described in clause (i) of

Section 11(g) or described in clause (vi) of Section 11(g) by virtue of the fact that such clause encompasses clause (i) of Section 11(g)) has occurred, all the Notes then outstanding shall automatically become immediately due and payable.

(b) If any other Event of Default has occurred and is continuing, the Required Holders may at any time at its or their option, by notice or notices to the Company, declare all the Notes then outstanding to be immediately due and payable.

(c) If any Event of Default described in Section 11(a) or (b) has occurred and is continuing, any holder or holders of Notes at the time outstanding affected by such Event of Default may at any time, at its or their option, by notice or notices to the Company, declare all the Notes held by it or them to be immediately due and payable.

Upon any Notes becoming due and payable under this Section 12.1, whether automatically or by declaration, such Notes will forthwith mature and the entire unpaid principal amount of such Notes, plus (x) all accrued and unpaid interest thereon (including, but not limited to, interest accrued thereon at the Default Rate) and (y) the Make-Whole Amount determined in respect of such principal amount (to the full extent permitted by applicable law), shall all be immediately due and payable, in each and every case without presentment, demand, protest or further notice, all of which are hereby waived. The Company acknowledges, and the parties hereto agree, that each holder of a Note has the right to maintain its investment in the Notes free from repayment by the Company (except as herein specifically provided for) and that the provision for payment of a Make-Whole Amount by the Company in the event that the Notes are prepaid or are accelerated as a result of an Event of Default, is intended to provide compensation for the deprivation of such right under such circumstances.

Section 12.2. Other Remedies. If any Default or Event of Default has occurred and is continuing, and irrespective of whether any Notes have become or have been declared immediately due and payable under Section 12.1, the holder of any Note at the time outstanding may proceed to protect and enforce the rights of such holder by an action at law, suit in equity or other appropriate proceeding, whether for the specific performance of any agreement contained herein or in any Note, or for an injunction against a violation of any of the terms hereof or thereof, or in aid of the exercise of any power granted hereby or thereby or by law or otherwise.

Section 12.3. Rescission. At any time after any Notes have been declared due and payable pursuant to Section 12.1(b) or (c), the Required Holders, by written notice to the Company, may rescind and annul any such declaration and its consequences if (a) the Company has paid all overdue interest on the Notes, all principal of and Make-Whole Amount, if any, on any Notes that are due and payable and are unpaid other than by reason of such declaration, and all interest on such overdue principal and Make-Whole Amount, if any, and (to the extent permitted by applicable law) any overdue interest in respect of the Notes, at the Default Rate, (b) neither the Company nor any other Person shall have paid any amounts which have become due solely by reason of such declaration, (c) all Events of Default and Defaults, other than non-payment of amounts that have become due solely by reason of such declaration, have been cured or have been waived pursuant to Section 17, and (d) no judgment or decree has been entered for the payment of any monies due pursuant hereto or to the Notes. No rescission and

annulment under this Section 12.3 will extend to or affect any subsequent Event of Default or Default or impair any right consequent thereon.

Section 12.4. No Waivers or Election of Remedies, Expenses, Etc. No course of dealing and no delay on the part of any holder of any Note in exercising any right, power or remedy shall operate as a waiver thereof or otherwise prejudice such holder's rights, powers or remedies. No right, power or remedy conferred by this Agreement or by any Note upon any holder thereof shall be exclusive of any other right, power or remedy referred to herein or therein or now or hereafter available at law, in equity, by statute or otherwise. Without limiting the obligations of the Company under Section 15, the Company will pay to the holder of each Note on demand such further amount as shall be sufficient to cover all costs and expenses of such holder incurred in any enforcement or collection under this Section 12, including, without limitation, reasonable attorneys' fees, expenses and disbursements.

SECTION 13. REGISTRATION; EXCHANGE; SUBSTITUTION OF NOTES.

Section 13.1. Registration of Notes. The Company shall keep at its principal executive office a register for the registration and registration of transfers of Notes. The name and address of each holder of one or more Notes, each transfer thereof and the name and address of each transferee of one or more Notes shall be registered in such register. Prior to due presentment for registration of transfer, the Person in whose name any Note shall be registered shall be deemed and treated as the owner and holder thereof for all purposes hereof, and the Company shall not be affected by any notice or knowledge to the contrary. The Company shall give to any holder of a Note that is an Institutional Investor promptly upon request therefor, a complete and correct copy of the names and addresses of all registered holders of Notes.

Transfer and Exchange of Notes. Upon surrender of any Note to the Section 13.2. Company at the address and to the attention of the designated officer (all as specified in Section 18(iii)), for registration of transfer or exchange (and in the case of a surrender for registration of transfer accompanied by a written instrument of transfer duly executed by the registered holder of such Note or such holder's attorney duly authorized in writing and accompanied by the relevant name, address and other information for notices of each transferee of such Note or part thereof), within ten Business Days thereafter, the Company shall execute and deliver, at the Company's expense (except as provided below), one or more new Notes (as requested by the holder thereof) in exchange therefor, in an aggregate principal amount equal to the unpaid principal amount of the surrendered Note. Each such new Note shall be payable to such Person as such holder may request and shall be substantially in the form of Exhibit 1. Each such new Note shall be dated and bear interest from the date to which interest shall have been paid on the surrendered Note or dated the date of the surrendered Note if no interest shall have been paid thereon. The Company may require payment of a sum sufficient to cover any stamp tax or governmental charge imposed in respect of any such transfer of Notes. Notes shall not be transferred in denominations of less than \$100,000, provided that if necessary to enable the registration of transfer by a holder of its entire holding of Notes, one Note may be in a denomination of less than \$100,000. Any transferee, by its acceptance of a Note registered in its name (or the name of its nominee), shall be deemed to have made the representation set forth in Section 6.2.

Section 13.3. Replacement of Notes. Upon receipt by the Company at the address and to the attention of the designated officer (all as specified in Section 18(iii)) of evidence reasonably satisfactory to it of the ownership of and the loss, theft, destruction or mutilation of any Note (which evidence shall be, in the case of an Institutional Investor, notice from such Institutional Investor of such ownership and such loss, theft, destruction or mutilation), and

(a) in the case of loss, theft or destruction, of indemnity reasonably satisfactory to it (provided that if the holder of such Note is, or is a nominee for, an original Purchaser or another Institutional Investor, such Person's own unsecured agreement of indemnity shall be deemed to be satisfactory), or

(b) in the case of mutilation, upon surrender and cancellation thereof,

within ten Business Days thereafter, the Company at its own expense shall execute and deliver, in lieu thereof, a new Note, dated and bearing interest from the date to which interest shall have been paid on such lost, stolen, destroyed or mutilated Note or dated the date of such lost, stolen, destroyed or mutilated Note if no interest shall have been paid thereon.

## SECTION 14. PAYMENTS ON NOTES.

Section 14.1. Place of Payment. Subject to Section 14.2, payments of principal, Make-Whole Amount, if any, and interest becoming due and payable on the Notes shall be made in New York, New York at the principal office of Citibank, N.A. in such jurisdiction. The Company may at any time, by notice to each holder of a Note, change the place of payment of the Notes so long as such place of payment shall be either the principal office of the Company in such jurisdiction or the principal office of a bank or trust company in such jurisdiction.

Home Office Payment. So long as any Purchaser or its nominee shall be the Section 14.2. holder of any Note, and notwithstanding anything contained in Section 14.1 or in such Note to the contrary, the Company will pay all sums becoming due on such Note for principal, Make-Whole Amount, if any, and interest by the method and at the address specified for such purpose below such Purchaser's name in Schedule A, or by such other method or at such other address as such Purchaser shall have from time to time specified to the Company in writing for such purpose, without the presentation or surrender of such Note or the making of any notation thereon, except that upon written request of the Company made concurrently with or reasonably promptly after payment or prepayment in full of any Note, such Purchaser shall surrender such Note for cancellation, reasonably promptly after any such request, to the Company at its principal executive office or at the place of payment most recently designated by the Company pursuant to Section 14.1. Prior to any sale or other disposition of any Note held by a Purchaser or its nominee, such Purchaser will, at its election, either endorse thereon the amount of principal paid thereon and the last date to which interest has been paid thereon or surrender such Note to the Company in exchange for a new Note or Notes pursuant to Section 13.2. The Company will afford the benefits of this Section 14.2 to any Institutional Investor that is the direct or indirect transferee of any Note purchased by a Purchaser under this Agreement and that has made the same agreement relating to such Note as the Purchasers have made in this Section 14.2.

#### SECTION 15. EXPENSES, ETC.

Transaction Expenses. Whether or not the transactions contemplated Section 15.1. hereby are consummated, the Company will pay all costs and expenses (including reasonable attorneys' fees of a special counsel and, if reasonably required by the Required Holders, local or other counsel) incurred by the Purchasers and each other holder of a Note in connection with such transactions and in connection with any amendments, waivers or consents under or in respect of this Agreement or the Notes (whether or not such amendment, waiver or consent becomes effective), including, without limitation: (a) the costs and expenses incurred in enforcing or defending (or determining whether or how to enforce or defend) any rights under this Agreement or the Notes or in responding to any subpoena or other legal process or informal investigative demand issued in connection with this Agreement or the Notes, or by reason of being a holder of any Note, (b) the costs and expenses, including financial advisors' fees, incurred in connection with the insolvency or bankruptcy of the Company or any Subsidiary or in connection with any work-out or restructuring of the transactions contemplated hereby and by the Notes and (c) the costs and expenses incurred in connection with the initial filing of this Agreement and all related documents and financial information with the SVO provided, that such costs and expenses under this clause (c) shall not exceed \$3,000. The Company will pay, and will save each Purchaser and each other holder of a Note harmless from, all claims in respect of any fees, costs or expenses, if any, of brokers and finders (other than those, if any, retained by a Purchaser or other holder in connection with its purchase of the Notes).

*Section 15.2. Survival.* The obligations of the Company under this Section 15 will survive the payment or transfer of any Note, the enforcement, amendment or waiver of any provision of this Agreement or the Notes, and the termination of this Agreement.

SECTION 16. SURVIVAL OF REPRESENTATIONS AND WARRANTIES; ENTIRE AGREEMENT.

All representations and warranties contained herein shall survive the execution and delivery of this Agreement and the Notes, the purchase or transfer by any Purchaser of any Note or portion thereof or interest therein and the payment of any Note, and may be relied upon by any subsequent holder of a Note, regardless of any investigation made at any time by or on behalf of such Purchaser or any other holder of a Note. All statements contained in any certificate or other instrument delivered by or on behalf of the Company pursuant to this Agreement shall be deemed representations and warranties of the Company under this Agreement. Subject to the preceding sentence, this Agreement and the Notes embody the entire agreement and understanding between each Purchaser and the Company and supersede all prior agreements and understandings relating to the subject matter hereof.

### SECTION 17. AMENDMENT AND WAIVER.

Section 17.1. Requirements. This Agreement and the Notes may be amended, and the observance of any term hereof or of the Notes may be waived (either retroactively or prospectively), with (and only with) the written consent of the Company and the Required Holders, except that (a) no amendment or waiver of any of the provisions of Section 1, 2, 3, 4, 5, 6 or 21 hereof, or any defined term (as it is used therein), will be effective as to any Purchaser

unless consented to by such Purchaser in writing, and (b) no such amendment or waiver may, without the written consent of the holder of each Note at the time outstanding affected thereby, (i) subject to the provisions of Section 12 relating to acceleration or rescission, change the amount or time of any prepayment or payment of principal of, or reduce the rate or change the time of payment or method of computation of interest or of the Make-Whole Amount on, the Notes, (ii) change the percentage of the principal amount of the Notes the holders of which are required to consent to any such amendment or waiver, or (iii) amend any of Section 8, 11(a), 11(b), 12, 17 or 20.

## Section 17.2. Solicitation of Holders of Notes.

(a) *Solicitation*. The Company will provide each holder of the Notes (irrespective of the amount of Notes then owned by it) with sufficient information, sufficiently far in advance of the date a decision is required, to enable such holder to make an informed and considered decision with respect to any proposed amendment, waiver or consent in respect of any of the provisions hereof or of the Notes. The Company will deliver executed or true and correct copies of each amendment, waiver or consent effected pursuant to the provisions of this Section 17 to each holder of outstanding Notes promptly following the date on which it is executed and delivered by, or receives the consent or approval of, the requisite holders of Notes.

(b) *Payment*. The Company will not directly or indirectly pay or cause to be paid any remuneration, whether by way of supplemental or additional interest, fee or otherwise, or grant any security or provide other credit support, to any holder of Notes as consideration for or as an inducement to the entering into by any holder of Notes of any waiver or amendment of any of the terms and provisions hereof unless such remuneration is concurrently paid, or security is concurrently granted or other credit support concurrently provided, on the same terms, ratably to each holder of Notes then outstanding even if such holder did not consent to such waiver or amendment.

(c) Consent in Contemplation of Transfer. Any consent made pursuant to this Section 17.2 by the holder of any Note that has transferred or has agreed to transfer such Note to the Company, any Subsidiary or any Affiliate of the Company and has provided or has agreed to provide such written consent as a condition to such transfer shall be void and of no force or effect except solely as to such holder, and any amendments effected or waivers granted or to be effected or granted that would not have been or would not be so effected or granted but for such consent (and the consents of all other holders of Notes that were acquired under the same or similar conditions) shall be void and of no force or effect except solely as to such transferring holder.

Section 17.3. Binding Effect, etc. Any amendment or waiver consented to as provided in this Section 17 applies equally to all holders of Notes and is binding upon them and upon each future holder of any Note and upon the Company without regard to whether such Note has been marked to indicate such amendment or waiver. No such amendment or waiver will extend to or affect any obligation, covenant, agreement, Default or Event of Default not expressly amended or waived or impair any right consequent thereon. No course of dealing between the Company and the holder of any Note nor any delay in exercising any rights hereunder or under any Note shall operate as a waiver of any rights of any holder of such Note. As used herein, the term "this Agreement" and references thereto shall mean this Agreement as it may from time to time be amended or supplemented.

Section 17.4. Notes Held by Company, etc. Solely for the purpose of determining whether the holders of the requisite percentage of the aggregate principal amount of Notes then outstanding approved or consented to any amendment, waiver or consent to be given under this Agreement or the Notes, or have directed the taking of any action provided herein or in the Notes to be taken upon the direction of the holders of a specified percentage of the aggregate principal amount of Notes then outstanding, Notes directly or indirectly owned by the Company or any of its Affiliates shall be deemed not to be outstanding.

SECTION 18. NOTICES.

All notices and communications provided for hereunder shall be in writing and sent (a) by telecopy if the sender on the same day sends a confirming copy of such notice by a recognized overnight delivery service (charges prepaid), or (b) by registered or certified mail with return receipt requested (postage prepaid), or (c) by a recognized overnight delivery service (with charges prepaid). Any such notice must be sent:

(i) if to any Purchaser or its nominee, to such Purchaser or nominee at the address specified for such communications in Schedule A, or at such other address as such Purchaser or nominee shall have specified to the Company in writing,

(ii) if to any other holder of any Note, to such holder at such address as such other holder shall have specified to the Company in writing, or

(iii) if to the Company, to the Company at its address set forth at the beginning hereof to the attention of the Treasurer, or at such other address as the Company shall have specified to the holder of each Note in writing.

Notices under this Section 18 will be deemed given only when actually received.

SECTION 19. REPRODUCTION OF DOCUMENTS.

This Agreement and all documents relating thereto, including, without limitation, (a) consents, waivers and modifications that may hereafter be executed, (b) documents received by any Purchaser at the Closing (except the Notes themselves), and (c) financial statements, certificates and other information previously or hereafter furnished to any Purchaser, may be reproduced by such Purchaser by any photographic, photostatic, electronic, digital, or other similar process and such Purchaser may destroy any original document so reproduced. The Company agrees and stipulates that, to the extent permitted by applicable law, any such reproduction shall be admissible in evidence as the original itself in any judicial or administrative proceeding (whether or not the original is in existence and whether or not such reproduction was made by such Purchaser in the regular course of business) and any enlargement, facsimile or further reproduction of such reproduction shall likewise be admissible in evidence. This

Section 19 shall not prohibit the Company or any other holder of Notes from contesting any such reproduction to the same extent that it could contest the original, or from introducing evidence to demonstrate the inaccuracy of any such reproduction.

### SECTION 20. CONFIDENTIAL INFORMATION.

For the purposes of this Section 20, "Confidential Information" means information delivered to any Purchaser by or on behalf of the Company or any Subsidiary in connection with the transactions contemplated by or otherwise pursuant to this Agreement that is proprietary in nature and that was clearly marked or labeled or otherwise adequately identified when received by such Purchaser as being confidential information of the Company or such Subsidiary, provided that such term does not include information that (a) was publicly known or otherwise known to such Purchaser prior to the time of such disclosure, (b) subsequently becomes publicly known through no act or omission by such Purchaser or any person acting on such Purchaser's behalf, (c) otherwise becomes known to such Purchaser other than through disclosure by the Company or any Subsidiary or (d) constitutes financial statements delivered to such Purchaser under Section 7.1 that are otherwise publicly available. Each Purchaser will maintain the confidentiality of such Confidential Information in accordance with procedures adopted by such Purchaser in good faith to protect confidential information of third parties delivered to such Purchaser, provided that such Purchaser may deliver or disclose Confidential Information to (i) its directors, officers, employees, agents, attorneys, trustees and affiliates (to the extent such disclosure reasonably relates to the administration of the investment represented by its Notes), (ii) its financial advisors and other professional advisors who agree to hold confidential the Confidential Information substantially in accordance with the terms of this Section 20, (iii) any other holder of any Note, (iv) any Institutional Investor to which it sells or offers to sell such Note or any part thereof or any participation therein (if such Person has agreed in writing prior to its receipt of such Confidential Information to be bound by the provisions of this Section 20), (v) any Person from which it offers to purchase any security of the Company (if such Person has agreed in writing prior to its receipt of such Confidential Information to be bound by the provisions of this Section 20), (vi) any federal or state regulatory authority having jurisdiction over such Purchaser, (vii) the NAIC or the SVO or, in each case, any similar organization, or any nationally recognized rating agency that requires access to information about such Purchaser's investment portfolio, or (viii) any other Person to which such delivery or disclosure may be necessary or appropriate (w) to effect compliance with any law, rule, regulation or order applicable to such Purchaser, (x) in response to any subpoena or other legal process, (y) in connection with any litigation to which such Purchaser is a party or (z) if an Event of Default has occurred and is continuing, to the extent such Purchaser may reasonably determine such delivery and disclosure to be necessary or appropriate in the enforcement or for the protection of the rights and remedies under such Purchaser's Notes and this Agreement. Each holder of a Note, by its acceptance of a Note, will be deemed to have agreed to be bound by and to be entitled to the benefits of this Section 20 as though it were a party to this Agreement. On reasonable request by the Company in connection with the delivery to any holder of a Note of information required to be delivered to such holder under this Agreement or requested by such holder (other than a holder that is a party to this Agreement or its nominee), such holder will enter into an agreement with the Company embodying the provisions of this Section 20.

### SECTION 21. SUBSTITUTION OF PURCHASER.

Each Purchaser shall have the right to substitute any one of its Affiliates as the purchaser of the Notes that it has agreed to purchase hereunder, by written notice to the Company, which notice shall be signed by both such Purchaser and such Affiliate, shall contain such Affiliate's agreement to be bound by this Agreement and shall contain a confirmation by such Affiliate of the accuracy with respect to it of the representations set forth in Section 6. Upon receipt of such notice, any reference to such Purchaser in this Agreement (other than in this Section 21), shall be deemed to refer to such Affiliate in lieu of such original Purchaser. In the event that such Affiliate is so substituted as a Purchaser hereunder and such Affiliate, upon receipt by the Company of notice of such transfer, any reference to such Affiliate as a "Purchaser" in this Agreement (other than in this Section 21), shall no longer be deemed to refer to such Affiliate, but shall refer to such original Purchaser, and such original Purchaser shall again have all the rights of an original holder of the Notes under this Agreement.

### SECTION 22. MISCELLANEOUS.

*Section 22.1. Successors and Assigns.* All covenants and other agreements contained in this Agreement by or on behalf of any of the parties hereto bind and inure to the benefit of their respective successors and assigns (including, without limitation, any subsequent holder of a Note) whether so expressed or not.

Section 22.2. Payments Due on Non-Business Days. Anything in this Agreement or the Notes to the contrary notwithstanding (but without limiting the requirement in Section 8.4 that the notice of any optional prepayment specify a Business Day as the date fixed for such prepayment), any payment of principal of or Make-Whole Amount or interest on any Note that is due on a date other than a Business Day shall be made on the next succeeding Business Day without including the additional days elapsed in the computation of the interest payable on such next succeeding Business Day; provided that if the maturity date of any Note is a date other than a Business Day and shall include the additional days elapsed in the computation of interest payable on the next succeeding Business Day and shall include the additional days elapsed in the computation of interest payable on such next succeeding Business Day and shall include the additional days elapsed in the computation of interest payable on such next succeeding Business Day and shall include the additional days elapsed in the computation of interest payable on such next succeeding Business Day and shall include the additional days elapsed in the computation of interest payable on such next succeeding Business Day.

Section 22.3. Accounting Terms. All accounting terms used herein which are not expressly defined in this Agreement have the meanings respectively given to them in accordance with GAAP. Except as otherwise specifically provided herein, (i) all computations made pursuant to this Agreement shall be made in accordance with GAAP, and (ii) all financial statements shall be prepared in accordance with GAAP. For purposes of determining compliance with the financial covenants contained in this Agreement, any election by the Company to measure an item of Indebtedness using fair value (as permitted by Statement of Financial Accounting Standards No. 159 or any similar accounting standard) shall be disregarded and such determination shall be made as if such election had not been made.

Section 22.4. Severability. Any provision of this Agreement that is prohibited or unenforceable in any jurisdiction shall, as to such jurisdiction, be ineffective to the extent of such

prohibition or unenforceability without invalidating the remaining provisions hereof, and any such prohibition or unenforceability in any jurisdiction shall (to the full extent permitted by law) not invalidate or render unenforceable such provision in any other jurisdiction.

Section 22.5. Construction, etc. Each covenant contained herein shall be construed (absent express provision to the contrary) as being independent of each other covenant contained herein, so that compliance with any one covenant shall not (absent such an express contrary provision) be deemed to excuse compliance with any other covenant. Where any provision herein refers to action to be taken by any Person, or which such Person is prohibited from taking, such provision shall be applicable whether such action is taken directly or indirectly by such Person.

For the avoidance of doubt, all Schedules and Exhibits attached to this Agreement shall be deemed to be a part hereof.

*Section 22.6. Counterparts.* This Agreement may be executed in any number of counterparts, each of which shall be an original but all of which together shall constitute one instrument. Each counterpart may consist of a number of copies hereof, each signed by less than all, but together signed by all, of the parties hereto.

Section 22.7. Governing Law. This Agreement shall be construed and enforced in accordance with, and the rights of the parties shall be governed by, the law of the State of New York excluding choice-of-law principles of the law of such State that would permit the application of the laws of a jurisdiction other than such State.

Section 22.8. Jurisdiction and Process; Waiver of Jury Trial. (a) The Company irrevocably submits to the non-exclusive jurisdiction of any New York State or federal court sitting in the Borough of Manhattan, The City of New York, over any suit, action or proceeding arising out of or relating to this Agreement or the Notes. To the fullest extent permitted by applicable law, the Company irrevocably waives and agrees not to assert, by way of motion, as a defense or otherwise, any claim that it is not subject to the jurisdiction of any such court, any objection that it may now or hereafter have to the laying of the venue of any such suit, action or proceeding brought in any such court and any claim that any such suit, action or proceeding brought in any such court has been brought in an inconvenient forum.

(b) The Company consents to process being served by or on behalf of any holder of Notes in any suit, action or proceeding of the nature referred to in Section 22.8(a) by mailing a copy thereof by registered or certified mail (or any substantially similar form of mail), postage prepaid, return receipt requested, to it at its address specified in Section 18 or at such other address of which such holder shall then have been notified pursuant to said Section. The Company agrees that such service upon receipt (i) shall be deemed in every respect effective service of process upon it in any such suit, action or proceeding and (ii) shall, to the fullest extent permitted by applicable law, be taken and held to be valid personal service upon and personal delivery to it. Notices hereunder shall be conclusively presumed received as evidenced by a delivery receipt furnished by the United States Postal Service or any reputable commercial delivery service.

United Water New York Inc.

(c) Nothing in this Section 22.8 shall affect the right of any holder of a Note to serve process in any manner permitted by law, or limit any right that the holders of any of the Notes may have to bring proceedings against the Company in the courts of any appropriate jurisdiction or to enforce in any lawful manner a judgment obtained in one jurisdiction in any other jurisdiction.

(d) The parties hereto hereby waive trial by JURY in any action brought on or with respect to this Agreement, the Notes or any other document executed in connection herewith or therewith.

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If you are in agreement with the foregoing, please sign the form of agreement on a counterpart of this Agreement and return it to the Company, whereupon this Agreement shall become a binding agreement between you and the Company.

Very truly yours,

UNITED WATER NEW YORK INC.

Name: Edward J. Imparato Title: Senior Vice President, Finance and Chief Financial Officer

By

Name: Michael Algranati Title: Treasurer United Water New York Inc.

This Agreement is hereby accepted and agreed to as of the date thereof.

NEW YORK LIFE INSURANCE AND ANNUITY CORPORATION

By New York Life Investment Management LLC, its Investment Manager

By Strait Hatten

Name: Stuart Ashton Title: Director

NEW YORK LIFE INSURANCE COMPANY

By Secont

Name: Stuart Ashton Title: Corporate Vice President

FORETHOUGHT LIFE INSURANCE COMPANY

By New York Life Investment Management LLC, its Investment Manager

By Strand II Name: Stuart Ashton

Title: Director

NEW YORK LIFE INSURANCE AND ANNUITY CORPORATION INSTITUTIONALLY OWNED LIFE INSURANCE SEPARATE ACCOUNT (BOLI 30C)

By New York Life Investment Management LLC, its Investment Manager

By Such

Name: Stuart Ashton Title: Director

#### INFORMATION RELATING TO PURCHASERS

NAME AND ADDRESS OF PURCHASER

PRINCIPAL AMOUNT OF NOTES TO BE PURCHASED

NEW YORK LIFE INSURANCE AND ANNUITY

\$17,000,000

CORPORATION c/o New York Life Investment Management LLC 51 Madison Avenue New York, New York 10010-1603 Attention: Fixed Income Investors Group, Private Finance, 2nd Floor Fax Number: (212) 447-4122

Payments

All payments by wire or intrabank transfer of immediately available funds to:

JPMorgan Chase Bank New York, New York ABA #021-000-021 Credit: New York Life Insurance and Annuity Corporation General Account Number 323-8-47382

With sufficient information (including issuer, PPN number, interest rate, maturity and whether payment is of principal, premium, or interest) to identify the source and application of such funds.

### Notices

All notices with respect to payments, written confirmation of each such payment and any audit confirmation, to be addressed:

New York Life Insurance and Annuity Corporation c/o New York Investment Management LLC 51 Madison Avenue New York, New York 10010-1603 Attention: Financial Management, Securities Operations, 2nd Floor Fax Number: (212) 447-4132

with a copy sent electronically to: FIIGLibrary@nylim.com

SCHEDULE A (to Note Purchase Agreement) All other notices and communications to be addressed:

New York Life Insurance Company c/o New York Investment Management LLC 51 Madison Avenue New York, New York 10010-1603 Attention: Fixed Income Investors Group, Private Finance, 2nd Floor Fax Number: (212) 447-4122

with a copy sent electronically to: FIIGLibrary@nylim.com and with a copy of any notices regarding defaults or Events of Default under the operative documents to: Attention: Office of the General Counsel, Investment Section, Room 1016, Fax Number: (212) 576-8340.

Name of Nominee in which Notes are to be issued: None

Taxpayer I.D. Number: 13-3044743

Deliver Notes to:

New York Life Investment Management 51 Madison Avenue, Room 1016 New York, NY 10010 Attn: Barbara Friedman, Esq.

PRINCIPAL AMOUNT OF NOTES TO BE PURCHASED

NAME AND ADDRESS OF PURCHASER

# NEW YORK LIFE INSURANCE COMPANY

\$7,500,000

c/o New York Life Investment Management LLC
51 Madison Avenue
New York, New York 10010-1603
Attention: Fixed Income Investors Group, Private
Finance, 2nd Floor
Fax Number: (212) 447-4122

### Payments

All payments by wire or intrabank transfer of immediately available funds to:

JPMorgan Chase Bank New York, New York 10019 ABA #021-000-021 Credit: New York Life Insurance Company General Account Number 008-9-00687

With sufficient information (including issuer, PPN number, interest rate, maturity and whether payment is of principal, premium, or interest) to identify the source and application of such funds.

#### Notices

All notices with respect to payments, written confirmation of each such payment and any audit confirmation, to be addressed:

New York Life Insurance Company c/o New York Investment Management LLC 51 Madison Avenue New York, New York 10010-1603 Attention: Financial Management, Securities Operation, 2nd Floor Fax Number: (212) 447-4160

with a copy sent electronically to: FIIGLibrary@nylim.com

All other notices and communications to be addressed:

New York Life Insurance Company c/o New York Investment Management LLC 51 Madison Avenue New York, New York 10010-1603 Attention: Fixed Income Investors Group, Private Finance, 2nd Floor Fax Number: (212) 447-4122

with a copy sent electronically to: FIIGLibrary@nylim.com and with a copy of any notices regarding defaults or Events of Default under the operative documents to: Attention: Office of the General Counsel, Investment Section, Room 1016, Fax Number: (212) 576-8340.

Name of Nominee in which Notes are to be issued: None

Taxpayer I.D. Number: 13-5582869

Deliver Notes to:

New York Life Investment Management 51 Madison Avenue, Room 1016 New York, NY 10010 Attn: Barbara Friedman, Esq.

PRINCIPAL AMOUNT OF NOTES TO BE PURCHASED

NAME AND ADDRESS OF PURCHASER

# FORETHOUGHT LIFE INSURANCE COMPANY

\$5,000,000

c/o New York Life Investment Management LLC 51 Madison Avenue New York, New York 10010-1603 Attention: Fixed Income Investors Group, Private Finance, 2nd Floor Fax Number: (212) 447-4122

Payments

All payments by wire or intrabank transfer of immediately available funds to:

State Street Bank & Trust Company Boston, MA ABA #011000028 DDA # 00539841 Attn: Mutual Funds FLIC-PRV2 Fund # 3N2Z Ref: Forethought Life Insurance Contact: Deborah Hartner (Telephone: (816) 871-9218)

With sufficient information (including issuer, PPN number, interest rate, maturity and whether payment is of principal, premium, or interest) to identify the source and application of such funds.

#### Notices

All notices with respect to payments, written confirmation of each such payment and any audit confirmation, to be addressed:

Russell L. Jackson Director, Investment Accounting Forethought Life Insurance Company 300 North Meridian Street, Suite 1800 Indianapolis, IN 46204 Telephone: (317) 223-2749 Email: russell.jackson@forethought.com

with a copy to:

Deborah Hartner Account Manager State Street Bank 801 Pennsylvania Avenue Kansas City, MO 64105 Telephone: (816) 871-9218 Email: DSHartner@statestreet.com

and a copy to:

New York Investment Management LLC 51 Madison Avenue New York, New York 10010 Attention: Private Operations Fax Number: (908) 840-3385 Email: NYLIM\_PVT\_OPS@NYLIM.com

All other notices and communications to be addressed:

New York Investment Management LLC 51 Madison Avenue New York, New York 10010 Attention: Fixed Income Investors Group, Private Finance, 2nd Floor Fax Number: (212) 447-4122

with a copy sent electronically to: FIIGLibrary@nylim.com and with a copy of any notices regarding defaults or Events of Default under the operative documents to: Attention: Office of the General Counsel, Investment Section, Room 1016, Fax Number: (212) 576-8340.

Name of Nominee in which Notes are to be issued: None

Taxpayer I.D. Number: 06-1016329

Deliver Notes to:

DTC/New York Window 55 Water Street New York, NY 10041 Attn: Robert Mendez Ref: SSB Fund # 3N2Z

PRINCIPAL AMOUNT OF NOTES TO BE PURCHASED

NAME AND ADDRESS OF PURCHASER

\$500,000

NEW YORK LIFE INSURANCE AND ANNUITY CORPORATION INSTITUTIONALLY OWNED LIFE INSURANCE SEPARATE ACCOUNT (BOLI 30C) c/o New York Life Investment Management LLC 51 Madison Avenue New York, New York 10010-1603 Attention: Fixed Income Investors Group, Private Finance, 2nd Floor Fax Number: (212) 447-4122

Payments

All payments by wire or intrabank transfer of immediately available funds to:

JPMorgan Chase Bank New York, New York ABA #021-000-021 Credit: NYLIAC SEPARATE BOLI 30C General Account Number 304-6-23970

With sufficient information (including issuer, PPN number, interest rate, maturity and whether payment is of principal, premium, or interest) to identify the source and application of such funds.

#### Notices

All notices with respect to payments, written confirmation of each such payment and any audit confirmation, to be addressed:

New York Life Insurance and Annuity Corporation Institutionally Owned Life Insurance Separate Account c/o New York Investment Management LLC 51 Madison Avenue New York, New York 10010-1603 Attention: Financial Management, Securities Operation, 2nd Floor, Room 201 Fax Number: (212) 447-4132

with a copy sent electronically to: FIIGLibrary@nylim.com

All other notices and communications to be addressed:

New York Life Insurance and Annuity Corporation Institutionally Owned Life Insurance Separate Account c/o New York Investment Management LLC 51 Madison Avenue New York, New York 10010-1603 Attention: Fixed Income Investors Group, Private Finance, 2nd Floor Fax Number: (212) 447-4122

with a copy sent electronically to: FIIGLibrary@nylim.com and with a copy of any notices regarding defaults or Events of Default under the operative documents to: Attention: Office of the General Counsel, Investment Section, Room 1016, Fax Number: (212) 576-8340.

Name of Nominee in which Notes are to be issued: None

Taxpayer I.D. Number: 13-3044743

Deliver Notes to:

New York Life Investment Management 51 Madison Avenue, Room 1016 New York, NY 10010 Attn: Barbara Friedman, Esq.

### **DEFINED TERMS**

As used herein, the following terms have the respective meanings set forth below or set forth in the Section hereof following such term:

"Acceptable Investment" means any of the following Investments:

(a) Investments in commercial paper of corporations organized under the laws of the United States or any state thereof or the District of Columbia maturing in 270 days or less from the date of issuance which, at the time of acquisition by the Company or any Subsidiary, is accorded a rating of A-1 or better by Standard & Poor's Corporation, a division of McGraw-Hill or P-1 or better by Moody's Investors Service, Inc.;

(b) Investments in direct obligations of the United States or any agency or instrumentality of the United States, the payment or guarantee of which constitutes a full faith and credit obligation of the United States, in either case, maturing within twelve months from the date of acquisition thereof; and

(c) Investments in certificates of deposit, bankers acceptances and time deposits maturing within one year from the date of issuance thereof, issued by a bank or trust company organized under the laws of the United States or any State thereof or the District of Columbia having capital, surplus and undivided profits aggregating at least \$100,000,000, provided that at the time of acquisition thereof by the Company or a Subsidiary, the senior unsecured long-term debt of such bank or trust company or of the holding company of such bank or trust company is rated A or better by Standard & Poor's Corporation, a division of McGraw-Hill or A or better by Moody's Investors Service, Inc.

"Affiliate" means, at any time, and with respect to any Person, any other Person that at such time directly or indirectly through one or more intermediaries Controls, or is Controlled by, or is under common Control with, such first Person, and, with respect to the Company, shall include any Person beneficially owning or holding, directly or indirectly, 10% or more of any class of voting or equity interests of the Company or any Subsidiary or any corporation of which the Company and its Subsidiaries beneficially own or hold, in the aggregate, directly or indirectly, 10% or more of any class of voting or equity interests. As used in this definition, "Control" means the possession, directly or indirectly, of the power to direct or cause the direction of the management and policies of a Person, whether through the ownership of voting securities, by contract or otherwise. Unless the context otherwise clearly requires, any reference to an "Affiliate" is a reference to an Affiliate of the Company.

"Anti-Terrorism Order" means Executive Order No. 13,224 of September 24, 2001, Blocking Property and Prohibiting Transactions with Persons Who Commit, Threaten to Commit or Support Terrorism, 66 U.S. Fed. Reg. 49, 079 (2001), as amended. "Business Day" means (a) for the purposes of Section 8.6 only, any day other than a Saturday, a Sunday or a day on which commercial banks in New York City are required or authorized to be closed, and (b) for the purposes of any other provision of this Agreement, any day other than a Saturday, a Sunday or a day on which commercial banks in New York, New York are required or authorized to be closed.

"*Capitalized Lease*" means any lease the obligation for Rentals with respect to which is required to be capitalized on a consolidated balance sheet of the lessee and its subsidiaries in accordance with GAAP.

"*Capitalized Rentals*" of any Person means as of the date of any determination thereof the amount at which the aggregate Rentals due and to become due under all Capitalized Leases under which such Person is a lessee would be reflected as a liability on a consolidated balance sheet of such Person.

"Closing" is defined in Section 3.

*"Code"* means the Internal Revenue Code of 1986, as amended from time to time, and the rules and regulations promulgated thereunder from time to time.

"Commission" is defined in Section 4.11.

"*Company*" means United Water New York Inc., a New York corporation or any successor that becomes such in the manner prescribed in Section 10.2.

"Confidential Information" is defined in Section 20.

"Consolidated Funded Debt" shall mean all Funded Debt of the Company and its Subsidiaries, determined on a consolidated basis eliminating intercompany items.

*"Consolidated Indebtedness"* shall mean all Indebtedness of the Company and its Subsidiaries, determined on a consolidated basis eliminating intercompany items.

"Consolidated Net Income" for any period shall mean the net income of the Company and its Subsidiaries for such period determined on a consolidated basis in accordance with GAAP.

"Consolidated Net Income Available for Interest Charges" for any period shall mean the sum of (a) Consolidated Net Income during such period *plus* (to the extent deducted in determining Consolidated Net Income), (b) all provisions for any Federal, state or other income taxes made by the Company and its Subsidiaries during such period and (c) Interest Charges of the Company and its Subsidiaries during such period.

*"Consolidated Net Tangible Assets"* shall mean as of the date of any determination thereof the total amount of all Tangible Assets of the Company and its Subsidiaries after deducting therefrom all items which in accordance with GAAP would be included on the liability

and equity side of a consolidated balance sheet, except that "*Consolidated Net Tangible Assets*" shall in any event include capital stock of any class, surplus, retained earnings and Consolidated Funded Debt.

"Consolidated Tangible Net Worth" shall mean as of the date of any determination thereof Consolidated Net Tangible Assets less all outstanding Consolidated Funded Debt.

*"Consolidated Total Capitalization"* shall mean as of the date of any determination thereof, the sum of (a) Consolidated Funded Debt *plus* (b) Consolidated Tangible Net Worth.

*"Credit Facility"* means and includes each bank facility or credit facility of the Company or any Subsidiary which, individually or in the aggregate, has an aggregate commitment of greater than or equal to 9% of Consolidated Net Tangible Assets, as amended, modified, supplemented, restated, refinanced or replaced from time to time.

*"Current Debt"* of any Person shall mean as of the date of any determination thereof (a) all Indebtedness of such Person for borrowed money other than Funded Debt of such Person and (b) Guaranties by such Person of Current Debt of others.

*"Default"* means an event or condition the occurrence or existence of which would, with the lapse of time or the giving of notice or both, become an Event of Default.

"Default Rate" means that rate of interest that is the greater of (i) 2% per annum above the rate of interest stated in clause (a) of the first paragraph of the Notes or (ii) 2% over the rate of interest publicly announced by Citibank N.A. in New York, New York as its "base" or "prime" rate.

"Disclosure Documents" are defined in Section 5.3.

*"Electronic Delivery"* is defined in Section 7.1(a).

*"Environmental Laws"* means any and all Federal, state, local, and foreign statutes, laws, regulations, ordinances, rules, judgments, orders, decrees, permits, concessions, grants, franchises, licenses, agreements or governmental restrictions relating to pollution and the protection of the environment or the release of any materials into the environment, including but not limited to those related to Hazardous Materials.

"*ERISA*" means the Employee Retirement Income Security Act of 1974, as amended from time to time, and the rules and regulations promulgated thereunder from time to time in effect.

*"ERISA Affiliate"* means any trade or business (whether or not incorporated) that is treated as a single employer together with the Company under section 414 of the Code.

"Event of Default" is defined in Section 11.

*"Form 10-K"* is defined in Section 7.1(b).

*"Form 10-Q"* is defined in Section 7.1(a).

*"Funded Debt"* of any Person shall mean (a) all Indebtedness for borrowed money of such Person having a final maturity of more than one year from the date of origin thereof (or which is renewable or extendible at the option of the obligor for a period or periods more than one year from the date of origin), including all payments in respect thereof that are required to be made within one year from the date of any determination of Funded Debt, whether or not the obligation to make such payments shall constitute a current liability of the obligor under GAAP, (b) all Capitalized Rentals of such Person, and (c) all Guaranties by such Person of Funded Debt of others.

"GAAP" means generally accepted accounting principles as in effect from time to time in the United States of America.

"Governmental Authority" means

(a) the government of

(i) the United States of America or any State or other political subdivision thereof, or

(ii) any other jurisdiction in which the Company or any Subsidiary conducts all or any part of its business, or which asserts jurisdiction over any properties of the Company or any Subsidiary, or

(b) any entity exercising executive, legislative, judicial, regulatory or administrative functions of, or pertaining to, any such government.

"Guaranty" or "Guaranties" by any Person shall mean all obligations (other than endorsements in the ordinary course of business of negotiable instruments for deposit or collection) of such Person guaranteeing, or in effect guaranteeing, any Indebtedness, dividend or other obligation of any other Person (the "primary obligor") in any manner, whether directly or indirectly, including, without limitation, all obligations incurred through an agreement, contingent or otherwise, by such Person: (a) to purchase such Indebtedness or obligation or any property or assets constituting security therefor, (b) to advance or supply funds (1) for the purchase or payment of such Indebtedness or obligation, or (2) to maintain working capital or any balance sheet or income statement condition or otherwise to advance or make available funds for the purchase or payment of such Indebtedness or obligation, (c) to lease property or to purchase Securities or other property or services primarily for the purpose of assuring the owner of such Indebtedness or obligation of the ability of the primary obligor to make payment of the Indebtedness or obligation, or (d) otherwise to assure the owner of the Indebtedness or obligation of the primary obligor against loss in respect thereof. For the purposes of all computations made under this Agreement, a Guaranty in respect of any Indebtedness for borrowed money shall be deemed to be Indebtedness equal to the principal amount of such Indebtedness for borrowed

money which has been guaranteed, and a Guaranty in respect of any other obligation or liability or any dividend shall be deemed to be Indebtedness equal to the maximum aggregate amount of such obligation, liability or dividend.

*"Hazardous Material"* means any and all pollutants, toxic or hazardous wastes or other substances that might pose a hazard to health and safety, the removal of which may be required or the generation, manufacture, refining, production, processing, treatment, storage, handling, transportation, transfer, use, disposal, release, discharge, spillage, seepage or filtration of which is or shall be restricted, prohibited or penalized by any applicable law including, but not limited to, asbestos, urea formaldehyde foam insulation, polychlorinated biphenyls, petroleum, petroleum products, lead based paint, radon gas or similar restricted, prohibited or penalized substances.

*"holder"* means, with respect to any Note the Person in whose name such Note is registered in the register maintained by the Company pursuant to Section 13.1.

"Indebtedness" of any Person shall mean and include all obligations of such Person which in accordance with GAAP shall be classified upon a balance sheet of such Person as liabilities of such Person, and in any event shall include all (a) obligations of such Person for borrowed money or which have been incurred in connection with the acquisition of property or assets, (b) obligations secured by any Lien upon property or assets owned by such Person, even though such Person has not assumed or become liable for the payment of such obligations, (c) obligations created or arising under any conditional sale or other title retention agreement with respect to property acquired by such Person, notwithstanding the fact that the rights and remedies of the seller, lender or lessor under such agreement in the event of default are limited to repossession or sale of property, (d) Capitalized Rentals and (e) Guaranties of obligations of others of the character referred to in this definition. "Indebtedness for borrowed money" of any Person shall mean obligations of such Person under clause (a) above. Neither "Indebtedness" nor "Indebtedness for borrowed money" shall include (i) any of the obligations of such Person specified in the definition of "Indebtedness" with respect to which the following has occurred (if permitted under an instrument creating such obligations): (A) cash or other assets in a sufficient amount have been placed by such Person in an irrevocable trust for the sole purpose of prepaying or satisfying scheduled payments of both principal and interest of such obligations, (B) the possibility is remote that such Person will be required to make any future payments on the obligations, and (C) other requirements for the defeasance of such obligations have been met under GAAP, including, if applicable, FASB Statement No. 76 or FASB Technical Bulletin No. 84-4 and any successor or amendment thereto, and (ii) any obligations of such Person represented by undisbursed funds from any tax-exempt financings of such Person to the extent such obligations do not constitute a liability under GAAP of such Person.

*"Institutional Investor"* means (a) any Purchaser of a Note, (b) any holder of a Note holding (together with one or more of its affiliates) more than 10% of the aggregate principal amount of the Notes then outstanding, (c) any bank, trust company, savings and loan association or other financial institution, any pension plan, any investment company, any insurance company, any broker or dealer, or any other similar financial institution or entity, regardless of legal form, and (d) any Related Fund of any holder of any Note.

"Interest Charges" of the Company and its Subsidiaries for any period shall mean all interest and all amortization of debt discount on any particular Indebtedness (including, without limitation, payment-in-kind, zero coupon and other like Securities but excluding underwriting discount and other issue expense) for which such calculations are being made. Computations of Interest Charges on a *pro forma* basis for Indebtedness having a variable interest rate shall be calculated at the rate in effect on the date of any determination.

"Investments" means all investments, in cash or by delivery of property, made directly or indirectly in any Person, whether by acquisition of shares of capital stock, Indebtedness or other obligations or Securities or by loan, advance, capital contribution or otherwise; provided that "Investments" shall not mean or include routine investments in property to be used or consumed in the ordinary course of business.

*"Lien"* means any interest in property securing an obligation owed to, or a claim by, a Person other than the owner of the property, whether such interest is based on the common law, statute or contract, and including but not limited to the security interest lien arising from a mortgage, encumbrance, pledge, conditional sale or trust receipt or a lease, consignment or bailment for security purposes. The term "Lien" shall include reservations, exceptions, encroachments, easements, rights-of-way, covenants, conditions, restrictions, leases and other title exceptions and encumbrances affecting property. For the purposes of this Agreement, the Company or a Subsidiary shall be deemed to be the owner of any property which it has acquired or holds subject to a conditional sale agreement, Capitalized Lease or other arrangement pursuant to which title to the property has been retained by or vested in some other Person for security purposes and such retention or vesting shall constitute a Lien.

"Make-Whole Amount" is defined in Section 8.6.

"*Material*" means material in relation to the business, operations, affairs, financial condition, assets or properties of the Company and its Subsidiaries taken as a whole.

*"Material Adverse Effect"* means a material adverse effect on (a) the business, operations, affairs, financial condition, assets or properties of the Company and its Subsidiaries taken as a whole, or (b) the ability of the Company to perform its obligations under this Agreement and the Notes, or (c) the validity or enforceability of this Agreement or the Notes.

"Multiemployer Plan" means any Plan that is a "multiemployer plan" (as such term is defined in section 4001(a)(3) of ERISA).

"NAIC" means the National Association of Insurance Commissioners or any successor thereto.

"Notes" is defined in Section 1.

*"Officer's Certificate"* means a certificate of a Senior Financial Officer or of any other officer of the Company whose responsibilities extend to the subject matter of such certificate.

"Order" is defined in Section 5.7.

"*PBGC*" means the Pension Benefit Guaranty Corporation referred to and defined in ERISA or any successor thereto.

"*Person*" means an individual, partnership, corporation, limited liability company, association, trust, unincorporated organization, business entity or Governmental Authority.

*"Plan"* means an "employee benefit plan" (as defined in section 3(3) of ERISA) subject to Title I of ERISA that is or, within the preceding five years, has been established or maintained, or to which contributions are or, within the preceding five years, have been made or required to be made, by the Company or any ERISA Affiliate or with respect to which the Company or any ERISA Affiliate may have any liability.

*"Priority Debt"* means, at any time, and without duplication the sum of (i) all Indebtedness of the Company secured by Liens not otherwise permitted by clauses (a) through (g) of Sections 10.6 and (ii) all Indebtedness of Subsidiaries (except Indebtedness held by the Company or a Wholly-Owned Subsidiary).

"Pro Forma Interest Charges" shall mean, as of the date of any determination thereof, the sum of Interest Charges with respect to all Consolidated Funded Debt (other than Funded Debt to be retired concurrently with the issuance of the Funded Debt then to be issued) for the twelve full consecutive calendar months immediately following such date of determination, determined on a pro forma basis, including Interest Charges on all Funded Debt then to be issued.

*"property"* or *"properties"* means, unless otherwise specifically limited, real or personal property of any kind, tangible or intangible, choate or inchoate.

*"PTE"* is defined in Section 6.2(a).

"Purchaser" is defined in the first paragraph of this Agreement.

*"Related Fund"* means, with respect to any holder of any Note, any fund or entity that (i) invests in Securities or bank loans, and (ii) is advised or managed by such holder, the same investment advisor as such holder or by an affiliate of such holder or such investment advisor.

"*Rentals*" means and includes as of the date of any determination thereof all fixed payments (including as such all payments which the lessee is obligated to make to the lessor on termination of the lease or surrender of the property) payable by the Company or a Subsidiary, as lessee or sublessee under a lease of real or personal property, but shall be exclusive of any amounts required to be paid by the Company or a Subsidiary (whether or not designated as rents or additional rents) on account of maintenance, repairs, insurance, taxes and similar charges. Fixed rents under any so-called "*percentage leases*" shall be computed solely on the basis of the minimum rents, if any, required to be paid by the lessee regardless of sales volume or gross revenues. *"Required Holders"* means, at any time, the holders of at least 51% in principal amount of the Notes at the time outstanding (exclusive of Notes then owned by the Company or any of its Affiliates).

*"Responsible Officer"* means any Senior Financial Officer and any other officer of the Company with responsibility for the administration of the relevant portion of this Agreement.

"SEC" shall mean the Securities and Exchange Commission of the United States, or any successor thereto.

"Securities" or "Security" shall have the meaning specified in Section 2(1) of the Securities Act.

*"Securities Act"* means the Securities Act of 1933, as amended from time to time, and the rules and regulations promulgated thereunder from time to time in effect.

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

"Senior Funded Debt" means the Notes and all other Funded Debt of the Company which ranks on a parity with the Notes, which shall include all such Funded Debt which is not subordinated to any other Funded Debt or Current Debt of the Company in right of payment or in any other respect.

"Subsidiary" means, as to any Person, any other Person in which such first Person or one or more of its Subsidiaries or such first Person and one or more of its Subsidiaries owns sufficient equity or voting interests to enable it or them (as a group) ordinarily, in the absence of contingencies, to elect a majority of the directors (or Persons performing similar functions) of such second Person, and any partnership or joint venture if more than a 50% interest in the profits or capital thereof is owned by such first Person or one or more of its Subsidiaries or such first Person and one or more of its Subsidiaries (unless such partnership or joint venture can and does ordinarily take major business actions without the prior approval of such Person or one or more of its Subsidiaries). Unless the context otherwise clearly requires, any reference to a "Subsidiary" is a reference to a Subsidiary of the Company.

"SVO" means the Securities Valuation Office of the NAIC or any successor to such Office.

*"Tangible Assets"* shall mean as of the date of any determination thereof the total amount of all assets of the Company and its Subsidiaries (less depreciation, depletion and other properly deductible valuation reserves) after deducting good will, patents, trade names, trade marks, copyrights, franchises, experimental expense, organization expense, unamortized debt discount and expense, deferred assets other than prepaid insurance and prepaid taxes, the excess of cost of shares acquired over book value of related assets and such other assets as are properly classified as "intangible assets" in accordance with GAAP; *provided* that, in any event, "Tangible Assets" shall include recoverable regulatory assets properly recorded pursuant to GAAP on the balance sheet of the Company or any Subsidiary.

*"USA Patriot Act"* means United States Public Law 107-56, Uniting and Strengthening America by Providing Appropriate Tools Required to Intercept and Obstruct Terrorism (USA PATRIOT ACT) Act of 2001, as amended from time to time, and the rules and regulations promulgated thereunder from time to time in effect.

*"Voting Stock"* means Securities of any class or classes, the holders of which are ordinarily, in the absence of contingencies, entitled to elect a majority of the corporate directors (or Persons performing similar functions).

"Wholly-Owned Subsidiary" means, at any time, any Subsidiary one hundred percent of all of the equity interests (except directors' qualifying shares) and voting interests of which are owned by any one or more of the Company and the Company's other Wholly-Owned Subsidiaries at such time.

# **DISCLOSURE MATERIALS**

None

SCHEDULE 5.3 (to Note Purchase Agreement)

### **AFFILIATES, DIRECTORS AND OFFICERS**

The officers, directors and affiliates of United Water New York Inc. are listed below:

### **Officers**

Dennis L. Ciemniecki, *President* Edward J. Imparato, *Senior Vice President, Finance and Chief Financial Officer* Michael Pointing, *Vice President and General Manager* Michael Algranati, *Treasurer* John T. Dillon, *Secretary* Carla E. Hjelm, *Secretary* (via power of attorney) Mary T. Campbell, *Assistant Secretary* 

<u>Directors</u> Robert J. Iacullo Dennis L. Ciemniecki Edward J. Imparato

# <u>Affiliates</u>

United Water New Jersey Inc. (owns 100% of the equity interests in the Company) Corwick Realty Corporation (United Water New Jersey Inc. owns 100% of the equity interest in this company)

### FINANCIAL STATEMENTS

Financial Statements of the Company for the Years ended December 31, 2006 and 2005 with Report of Independent Auditors (including Balance Sheets, Statements of Income, Comprehensive Income and Retained Earnings, Statements of Cash Flow, Statements of Capitalization and Notes to Financial Statements).

Financial Statements of the Company for the Years ended December 31, 2007 and 2006 with Report of Independent Auditors (including Balance Sheets, Statements of Income, Comprehensive Income and Retained Earnings, Statements of Cash Flow, Statements of Capitalization and Notes to Financial Statements).

Financial Statements of the Company for the Years ended December 31, 2008 and 2007 with Report of Independent Auditors (including Balance Sheets, Statements of Income, Comprehensive Income and Retained Earnings, Statements of Cash Flow, Statements of Capitalization and Notes to Financial Statements).

(Unaudited) Financial Statements of the Company as of March 31, 2009 (including Balance Sheets, Statements of Income and Retained Earnings, Statements of Cash Flows and Statements of Capitalization).

(Unaudited) Financial Statements of the Company as of June 30, 2009 (including Balance Sheets, Statements of Income and Retained Earnings, Statements of Cash Flows and Statements of Capitalization).

(Unaudited) Financial Statements of the Company as of September 30, 2009 (including Balance Sheets, Statements of Income and Retained Earnings, Statements of Cash Flows and Statements of Capitalization).

# EXISTING INDEBTEDNESS AS OF JANUARY 31, 2010

A. TAX EXEMPT FINANCINGS

1. New York State Environmental Facilities Corporation Water Facilities Revenue Bonds 1993 Series A (Spring Valley Water Company Incorporated Project)

- Amount Outstanding: \$12,000,000
- Interest Rate: 5.65%
- Maturity: 11/01/23

a. Loan Agreement, dated as of December 1, 1993, between New York State Environmental Facilities Corporation and the Company

b. Insurance Agreement, dated as of December 14, 1993, between AMBAC Assurance Corporation and the Company

2. New York State Environmental Facilities Corporation Water Facilities Refunding Revenue Bonds 1994 Series A (AMT) (Spring Valley Water Company Incorporated Project)

- Amount Outstanding: \$15,000,000
- Interest Rate: 6.30%
- Maturity: 8/01/24

a. Loan Agreement, dated as of June 1, 1994, between New York State Environmental Facilities Corporation and the Company

b. Insurance Agreement, dated as of June 29, 1994, between AMBAC Assurance Corporation and the Company

3. New York State Environmental Facilities Corporation Water Facilities Refunding Revenue Bonds 1994 Series B (Spring Valley Water Company Incorporated Project)

- Amount Outstanding: \$12,000,000
- Interest Rate: 6.15%
- Maturity: 8/01/24

a. Loan Agreement, dated as of June 1, 1994, between New York State Environmental Facilities Corporation and the Company

b. Insurance Agreement, dated as of June 29, 1994, between AMBAC Assurance Corporation and the Company

SCHEDULE 5.15 (to Note Purchase Agreement)

# B. BANK AGREEMENTS

1. Letter Agreement, effective December 24, 2007, between Crédit Industriel et Commercial, United Water New Jersey Inc. and United Water New York Inc. relating to line of credit for up to \$30,000,000 outstanding at any time for Eurodollar Advances and Standby Letters of Credit

- Interest Rate: LIBOR plus margin to be agreed upon for each advance
- Amount Outstanding: \$10,000,000
- Maturity: Upon termination of facility by either party

2. Letter Agreement, dated December 28, 2007, between BNP Paribas, United Water New Jersey Inc. and United Water New York Inc. relating to uncommitted credit facility for up to \$30,000,000 outstanding at any time

- Interest Rate: LIBOR plus .45% per annum
- Amount Outstanding: \$5,000,000
- Maturity: As agreed to by the bank and the Company

3. Letter Agreement, dated June 30, 2009, between Bank of America, United Water New Jersey Inc. and United Water New York Inc. relating to a discretionary line of credit for up to \$40,000,000 outstanding at any time to be made at the bank's sole discretion

- Interest Rate: Domestic Term Loans: Floating prime rate Domestic Term Loans: Cost of funds plus 1.00% per annum Eurodollar Term Loans: LIBOR plus 1.00% per annum
- Amount Outstanding: \$5,000,000
- Termination of Facility: June 29, 2010

4. Letter Agreement, dated December 24, 2009, between The Bank of New York Mellon, United Water New Jersey Inc. and United Water New York Inc. relating to uncommitted credit facility for up to \$20,000,000 outstanding at any time

- Interest Rate: LIBOR plus 1.00% per annum
- Amount Outstanding: \$10,000,000
- Maturity: December 23, 2010

5. Letter Agreement, dated December 24, 2009, between JPMorgan Chase Bank, United Water New Jersey Inc. and United Water New York Inc. relating to uncommitted credit facility for up to \$10,000,000 outstanding at any time

- Interest Rate: plus margin to be agreed upon for each advance
- Amount Outstanding: \$10,000,000
- Maturity: April 14, 2010

### C. NOTE AGREEMENTS

1. Note Purchase Agreement, dated as of January 20, 1995

\$12,000,000 8.98% Senior Notes, due January 15, 2025

#### [FORM OF NOTE]

#### **UNITED WATER NEW YORK INC.**

#### 4.74% SENIOR NOTE DUE FEBRUARY 26, 2020

No. [\_\_\_\_] \$[\_\_\_\_] [Date] PPN 91318@ AA2

FOR VALUE RECEIVED, the undersigned, UNITED WATER NEW YORK INC. (herein called the "*Company*"), a corporation organized and existing under the laws of the State of New York, hereby promises to pay to [\_\_\_\_\_\_], or registered assigns, the principal sum of \_\_\_\_\_\_DOLLARS (or so much thereof as shall not have been prepaid) on February 26, 2020, with interest (computed on the basis of a 360-day year of twelve 30-day months) (a) on the unpaid balance hereof at the rate of 4.74% per annum from the date hereof, payable semiannually, on the 26th day of February and August in each year, commencing with the February or August next succeeding the date hereof, until the principal hereof shall have become due and payable, and (b) to the extent permitted by law, on any overdue payment of interest and, during the continuance of an Event of Default, on such unpaid balance and on any overdue payment of any Make-Whole Amount, at a rate per annum from time to time equal to the greater of (i) 6.74% or (ii) 2% over the rate of interest publicly announced by Citibank N.A. from time to time in New York, New York as its "base" or "prime" rate, payable semiannually as aforesaid (or, at the option of the registered holder hereof, on demand).

Payments of principal of, interest on and any Make-Whole Amount with respect to this Note are to be made in lawful money of the United States of America at Citibank N.A. in New York, New York or at such other place as the Company shall have designated by written notice to the holder of this Note as provided in the Note Purchase Agreement referred to below.

This Note is one of a series of Senior Notes (herein called the "*Notes*") issued pursuant to the Note Purchase Agreement, dated as of February 23, 2010 (as from time to time amended, the "*Note Purchase Agreement*"), between the Company and the respective Purchasers named therein and is entitled to the benefits thereof. Each holder of this Note will be deemed, by its acceptance hereof, to have (i) agreed to the confidentiality provisions set forth in Section 20 of the Note Purchase Agreement and (ii) made the representation set forth in Section 6.2 of the Note Purchase Agreement. Unless otherwise indicated, capitalized terms used in this Note shall have the respective meanings ascribed to such terms in the Note Purchase Agreement.

This Note is a registered Note and, as provided in the Note Purchase Agreement, upon surrender of this Note for registration of transfer accompanied by a written instrument of transfer duly executed, by the registered holder hereof or such holder's attorney duly authorized in writing, a new Note for a like principal amount will be issued to, and registered in the name of, the transferee. Prior to due presentment for registration of transfer, the Company may treat the

EXHIBIT 1 (to Note Purchase Agreement) person in whose name this Note is registered as the owner hereof for the purpose of receiving payment and for all other purposes, and the Company will not be affected by any notice to the contrary.

This Note is subject to optional prepayment, in whole or from time to time in part, at the times and on the terms specified in the Note Purchase Agreement, but not otherwise.

If an Event of Default occurs and is continuing, the principal of this Note may be declared or otherwise become due and payable in the manner, at the price (including any applicable Make-Whole Amount) and with the effect provided in the Note Purchase Agreement.

This Note shall be construed and enforced in accordance with, and the rights of the Company and the holder of this Note shall be governed by, the law of the State of New York excluding choice-of-law principles of the law of such State that would permit the application of the laws of a jurisdiction other than such State.

UNITED WATER NEW YORK INC.

By .

Name: Michael Algranati Title: Treasurer

### FORM OF OPINION OF SPECIAL COUNSEL TO THE COMPANY

February [\_\_], 2010

To the Parties Named on Schedule I attached hereto

# Re: United Water New York Inc. \$30,000,000 4.74% Senior Notes, due February 26, 2020 (collectively, the "Notes")

Ladies and Gentlemen:

We have acted as special counsel to United Water New York Inc., a New York corporation (the "Company"), in connection with its issuance and sale to you severally of Notes of the Company pursuant to a Note Purchase Agreement dated as of February 23, 2010 (the "Agreement") among the Company and you. This opinion is being furnished to you pursuant to Section 4.4 of the Agreement solely in connection with the private placement of the Notes that is being consummated on the date hereof. Capitalized terms used herein without definition shall have the respective meanings ascribed to them in the Agreement.

We express no opinion as to the laws of any jurisdiction other than the laws of the State of New York and the federal laws of the United States as in effect on the date hereof.

We are generally familiar with the steps taken by the Company relating to the issuance and sale of the Notes and have supplemented our investigation of the matters involved in this letter by discussions with certain financial and legal officers of the Company. In addition, we have examined copies of the Agreement and the Notes and for purposes of our opinion in paragraph 6 below, we have reviewed the agreements listed in Exhibit A hereto (the "Material Agreements"). We have also examined originals (or copies certified or otherwise identified to our satisfaction) of such corporate records and other instruments, certificates or documents as we have deemed necessary or appropriate for the purposes of the opinions rendered below. In such examination, we have assumed the genuineness of all signatures of all persons, the authenticity of all documents submitted to us as originals and the conformity to authentic originals of all agreements, instruments and other documents submitted to us as copies. We have also assumed the proper authorization and due execution and delivery by, and enforceability against, all parties (other than the Company), of the Agreement, and of the instruments and documents which we have examined. As to any facts material to our opinion, we have, when relevant facts were not independently established, relied upon the Agreement and the aforesaid discussions, instruments, certificates and documents.

In expressing the opinion set forth in paragraph 4 below, we have reviewed and relied upon the representations made by you in Section 6 of the Agreement, and the representations made by the Company in Section 5.3 of the Agreement. In addition, with respect

EXHIBIT 4.4(a) (to Note Purchase Agreement) to the existence and good standing of the Company, we have relied solely on certifications from the Secretaries of State of the relevant jurisdictions.

Based upon and subject to the foregoing examination, and subject to the further limitations and qualifications expressed in this letter, we are of the opinion that:

- 1. The Company is validly existing as a corporation and is in good standing under the laws of its state of incorporation, and the Company has the corporate power to execute and deliver the Agreement and to issue the Notes.
- 2. The Agreement has been duly authorized by all necessary corporate action on the part of the Company, has been duly executed and delivered by the Company and constitutes the legal, valid and binding contract of the Company enforceable against the Company in accordance with its terms, subject to bankruptcy, insolvency, fraudulent conveyance, reorganization, moratorium and other similar laws relating to or affecting creditors' rights generally, general principles of equity (regardless of whether such principles are considered in a proceeding in equity or at law) and to an implied covenant of good faith and fair dealing and except as rights in the nature of indemnity may be limited by applicable securities law or principles of public policy.
- 3. The Notes have been duly authorized by all necessary corporate action on the part of the Company, have been duly executed and delivered by the Company and constitute the legal, valid and binding obligations of the Company enforceable against the Company in accordance with their respective terms, subject to bankruptcy, insolvency, reorganization, moratorium, fraudulent conveyance and other similar laws relating to or affecting creditors' rights generally, general principles of equity (regardless of whether such principles are considered in a proceeding in equity or at law) and to an implied covenant of good faith and fair dealing and except as rights in the nature of indemnity may be limited by applicable securities law or principles of public policy.
- 4. The issuance, sale and delivery of the Notes under the circumstances contemplated by the Agreement do not, under existing law, require the registration of the Notes under the Securities Act of 1933, as amended, or the qualification of an indenture under the Trust Indenture Act of 1939, as amended.
- 5. The issuance and sale of the Notes and the execution, delivery and performance by the Company of the Agreement do not conflict with or result in any breach of any of the provisions of or constitute a default under the Material Agreements, the Certificate of Incorporation (as amended) or the Bylaws (as amended) of the Company, except that we express no opinion with respect to compliance with any financial covenants contained in the Material Agreements.

- 6. Except for the order of the New York State Public Service Commission ("Commission") issued on and effective October 19, 2009 (the "Order") approving the issuance of the Notes, which Order has been obtained and is in full force and effect, no approval, consent or withholding of objection on the part of, or filing, registration or qualification with, any governmental body, federal, state or local, is necessary in connection with the execution and delivery of the Agreement or the Notes. The statutory period for application for a rehearing before the Commission with respect to the Order has expired and no application for any such rehearing has been made during such period and, as of the day of the Closing, no other application or petition for a review of such Order or any other action or proceeding appealing such Order has been filed or initiated or is otherwise outstanding or pending before any court where an appeal would lie. We express no opinion as to the application of the securities or blue sky laws of the several states to the sale of the Notes.
- 7. The Company is not an "investment company", or a company "controlled" by an "investment company", under the Investment Company Act of 1940, as amended.
- 8. The sale of the Notes in conformity with the provisions of and for the purposes set forth in the Agreement and in accordance with the representations of the Company contained therein will not violate Regulations T, U or X of the Board of Governors of the Federal Reserve System.
- 9. To our knowledge, without investigation, there is no action, suit or proceeding pending against the Company which questions the validity of the Agreement or the Notes.

This letter is furnished as of the date hereof and we express no opinion as to any matter other than as expressly set forth above. We assume no obligation to update, revise or supplement this letter nor to communicate with or advise you further with respect to any facts or circumstances that may hereafter come to our attention or any changes in law that may hereafter occur.

The opinion expressed in this letter is furnished only to the parties listed on Schedule I and is solely for their benefit in connection with the transaction. No person other than you and your special counsel shall be entitled to rely on this opinion without our prior written consent (which may be granted or withheld in our discretion), except that this opinion may be relied upon by your successors and assigns who are institutional investors as if they were original addressees but only as of the date hereof), nor may any person rely on this opinion for any other purpose. Our opinion is limited to the matters stated herein, and no opinion is implied or may be inferred beyond the matters expressly set forth herein.

Very truly yours,

# FORM OF OPINION OF SPECIAL COUNSEL TO THE PURCHASERS

[To Be Provided on a Case by Case Basis]

EXHIBIT 4.4(b) (to Note Purchase Agreement)