

NORTH TEXAS COMMERCIAL ASSOCIATION OF REALTORS®

COMMERCIAL LEASE AGREEMENT

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EXHIBITS AND ADDENDA. Any exhibit or addendum attached to this Lease is incorporated as a part of this Lease for all purposes. Any term not specifically defined in the Addenda shall have the same meaning given to it in the body of this Lease. To the extent any provisions in the body of this Lease conflict with the Addenda, the Addenda shall control.

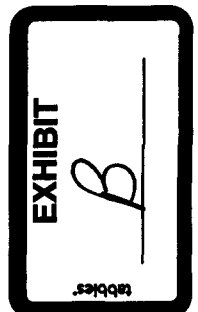
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- ☐ Exhibit A Floor Plan or Site Plan
- ☒ Exhibit B Legal Description & Site Plan
- ☐ Addendum A Expense Reimbursement
- ☒ Addendum B Renewal Options
- ☐ Addendum C Right of First Refusal for Additional Space
- ☒ Addendum D Lease Amendment
- ☐ Addendum E Guarantee
- ☐ Addendum F Construction of Improvements
- ☒ Addendum G Rules and Regulations
- ☐ Addendum H Other

IN CONSIDERATION of the agreements set forth in this Lease, the parties agree as follows:

ARTICLE ONE: DEFINED TERMS. As used in this Commercial Lease Agreement (the "Lease"), the terms set forth in this Article One have the following respective meanings:

- 1.01. **Effective Date:** The last date set forth by the signatures of Landlord and Tenant on page 9 below.
- 1.02. **Landlord:** CMK Associates, Ltd. c/o VPI, Inc.
Address: 5824 Broadwell Drive
Plano, TX 75093 Telephone: 972-608-0800 Fax: 972-608-2934
- 1.03. **Tenant:** VarTec Telecom, Inc.
Address: 2440 Marsh Lane
Carrollton, TX 75006 Telephone: _____ Fax: _____
- 1.04. **Demised Premises:** Suites 104 & 106
 - A. **Street address:** 2514 Tarpley Road
Carrollton, TX 75006 in Dallas County, Texas.
 - B. **Floor Plan or Site Plan:** Being a floor area of approximately 7,500 rentable* square feet and being approximately 75 feet by 100 feet (measured to the exterior of outside walls and to the center of the interior walls) and being more particularly shown in outline form on Exhibit A, FLOOR PLAN OR SITE PLAN.
* floor area includes exterior front entrance canopy
 - C. **Legal description:** The property on which the Demised Premises is situated (the "Property") is more particularly described as: Lot 02R, Block "A" of Trinity Mills Business Park
or is described in Exhibit B, SURVEY AND/OR LEGAL DESCRIPTION.
 - D. **Tenant's pro rata share of the Property is** thirty (30) %. [See Addendum A, if applicable]
- 1.05. **Lease Term:** One (1) years and 1/2 months beginning on 10/15/05 (the "Commencement Date") and ending on 10/31/06 (the "Expiration Date").
- 1.06. **Base Rent:** \$ 63,750.00 total Base Rent for the Lease Term payable in monthly installments of \$ 5,312.50 * per month in advance. (The total amount of Rent is defined in Section 3.01.)
* Base Rent for 10/15/05 - 10/31/05 shall be \$0.00
- 1.07. **Percentage Rental Rate:** N/A %. [See Addendum D if applicable]
- 1.08. **Security Deposit:** \$ 5,937.50 (due upon execution of this Lease). [See Section 3.04]
- 1.09. **Permitted Use:** Office & warehouse space for the storage of telecommunication equipment and parts [See Section 6.01]
- 1.10. **Party to whom Tenant is to deliver payments under this Lease [check one]:** ☒ Landlord ☐ Principal Broker
☐ Other N/A
Landlord may designate in writing the party authorized to act on behalf of Landlord to enforce this Lease. Any such authorization will remain in effect until it is revoked by Landlord in writing.
- 1.11. **Principal Broker:** Duggan Realty Advisors, LLC, acting as agent for [check one]: ☐ the Landlord exclusively, ☒ the Tenant exclusively, ☐ both Landlord and Tenant as dual agent.
Principal Broker's Address: 15770 Dallas Parkway Suite 850
Dallas, TX 75248 Telephone: 972-980-9686 Fax: 972-980-9705
- 1.12. **Cooperating Broker:** None, acting as agent for [check one]: ☐ the Landlord exclusively, ☐ the Tenant exclusively, ☐ both Landlord and Tenant as dual agent.
Cooperating Broker's Address: _____ Telephone: _____ Fax: _____
- 1.13. **The Fee:** The Professional Service Fee as set forth in [check one]: ☒ Paragraph A, or ☐ Paragraph D of Section 15.01
 - A. The percentage applicable for leases in Sections 15.01 and 15.03 shall be four & 1/2 percent (4.5 %).
 - ~~B. The percentage applicable in Section 15.04 in the event of a sale shall be N/A percent (N/A %).~~
- 1.14. **Acceptance:** The number of days for acceptance of this offer is Two (2) days. [See Section 16.14]



ARTICLE TWO: LEASE AND LEASE TERM

2.01. **Lease of Demised Premises for Lease Term.** Landlord leases the Demised Premises to Tenant and Tenant leases the Demised Premises from Landlord for the Lease Term stated in Section 1.05. The Commencement Date is the date specified in Section 1.05, unless advanced or delayed under any provision of this Lease.

2.02. **Delay in Commencement.** Landlord shall not be liable to Tenant if Landlord does not deliver possession of the Demised Premises to Tenant on the Commencement Date specified in Section 1.05 above. Landlord's non-delivery of possession of the Demised Premises to Tenant on the Commencement Date will not affect this Lease or the obligations of Tenant under this Lease. However, the Commencement Date shall be delayed until possession of the Demised Premises is delivered to Tenant. The Lease Term shall be extended for a period equal to the delay in delivery of possession of the Demised Premises to Tenant, plus the number of days necessary for the Lease Term to expire on the last day of a month. If Landlord does not deliver possession of the Demised Premises to Tenant within sixty (60) days after the Commencement Date specified in Section 1.05, Tenant may cancel this Lease by giving written notice to Landlord within ten (10) days after the 60-day period ends. If Tenant gives such notice, this Lease shall be canceled effective as of the date of its execution, and no party shall have any obligations under this Lease. If Tenant does not give such notice within the time specified, Tenant shall have no right to cancel this Lease, and the Lease Term shall commence upon the delivery of possession of the Demised Premises to Tenant. If delivery of possession of the Demised Premises to Tenant is delayed, Landlord and Tenant shall, upon such delivery, execute an amendment to this Lease setting forth the revised Commencement Date and Expiration Date of the Lease Term.

2.03. **Early Occupancy.** If Tenant occupies the Demised Premises prior to the Commencement Date, Tenant's occupancy of the Demised Premises shall be subject to all of the provisions of this Lease. Early occupancy of the Demised Premises shall not advance the Expiration Date. Unless otherwise provided herein, Tenant shall pay Base Rent and all other charges specified in this Lease for the period of occupancy.

2.04. **Holding Over.** Tenant shall vacate the Demised Premises immediately upon the expiration of the Lease Term or earlier termination of this Lease. Tenant shall reimburse Landlord for and indemnify Landlord against all damages incurred by Landlord as a result of any delay by Tenant in vacating the Demised Premises. If Tenant does not vacate the Demised Premises upon the expiration of the Lease Term or earlier termination of this Lease, Tenant's occupancy of the Demised Premises shall be a day-to-day tenancy; subject to all of the terms of this Lease, except that the Base Rent during the holdover period shall be increased to an amount which is one-and-one-half (1½) times the Base Rent in effect on the expiration or termination of this Lease, computed on a daily basis for each day of the holdover period, plus all additional sums due under this Lease. This paragraph shall not be construed as Landlord's consent for Tenant to hold over or to extend this Lease.

ARTICLE THREE: RENT AND SECURITY DEPOSIT

3.01. **Manner of Payment.** All sums payable under this Lease by Tenant (the "Rent") shall be made to the Landlord at the address designated in Section 1.02, unless another person is designated in Section 1.10, or to any other party or address as Landlord may designate in writing. Any and all payments made to a designated third party for the account of the Landlord shall be deemed made to Landlord when received by the designated third party. All sums payable by Tenant under this Lease, whether or not expressly denominated as rent, shall constitute rent for the purposes of Section 502(b)(6) of the Bankruptcy Code and for all other purposes. The Base Rent is the minimum rent for the Demised Premises and is subject to the terms and conditions contained in this Lease, together with the attached Addenda, if any.

3.02. **Time of Payment.** Upon execution of this Lease, Tenant shall pay the installment of Base Rent for the first month of the Lease Term. On or before the first day of the second month of the Lease Term and of each month thereafter, the installment of Base Rent and other sums due under this Lease shall be due and payable, in advance, without off-set, deduction or prior demand. If the Lease Term commences or ends on a day other than the first or last day of a calendar month, the rent for any fractional calendar month following the Commencement Date or preceding the end of the Lease Term shall be prorated by days.

3.03. **Late Charges.** Tenant's failure to promptly pay sums due under this Lease may cause Landlord to incur unanticipated costs. The exact amount of those costs is impractical or extremely difficult to ascertain. The costs may include, but are not limited to, processing and accounting charges and late charges which may be imposed on Landlord by any ground lease or deed of trust encumbering the Demised Premises. Payments due to Landlord under this Lease are not an extension of credit. Therefore, Landlord may, at Landlord's option and to the extent allowed by applicable law, impose a Late Charge on any payments which are not received by Landlord on or before the due date in an amount equal to one-half of one percent (0.5%) of the amount of the past due payment (the "Late Charge") per day for each day after the due date, until the past due amount in Good Funds is received by Landlord, up to a maximum of ten percent (10%) of the past due amount. A Late Charge may be imposed only once on each past due payment. Any Late Charge will be in addition to Landlord's other remedies for nonpayment of rent. If any check tendered to Landlord by Tenant under this Lease is dishonored for any reason, Tenant shall pay to the party receiving payments under this Lease a fee of twenty-five dollars (\$25.00), plus (at Landlord's option) a Late Charge as provided above until good funds are received by Landlord. The parties agree that any Late Charge and dishonored check fee represent a fair and reasonable estimate of the costs Landlord will incur by reason of the late payment or dishonored check. Payments received from Tenant shall be applied first to any Late Charges, second to Base Rent, and last to other unpaid charges or reimbursements due to Landlord. ~~Notwithstanding the foregoing, Landlord will not impose a Late Charge on the first late payment in any calendar year, unless Tenant fails to pay the late payment to Landlord within three (3) business days after the delivery of a written notice from Landlord to Tenant demanding the late payment be paid. However, Landlord may impose a Late Charge without advance notice to Tenant on any subsequent late payment in the same calendar year.~~ FIFTY (\$50.00)

3.04. **Security Deposit.** Upon execution of this Lease, Tenant shall deposit with Landlord a cash Security Deposit in the amount stated in Section 1.08. Landlord may apply all or part of the Security Deposit to any unpaid Rent or other charges due from Tenant or to cure any other defaults of Tenant. If Landlord uses any part of the Security Deposit, Tenant shall restore the Security Deposit to its full amount within ten (10) days after Landlord's written demand. Tenant's failure to restore the full amount of the Security Deposit within the time specified shall be a default under this Lease. No interest will be paid on the Security Deposit. Landlord will not be required to keep the Security Deposit separate from its other accounts and no trust relationship is created with respect to the Security Deposit. Upon any termination of this Lease not resulting from Tenant's default, and after Tenant has vacated the Property and cleaned and restored the Demised Premises in the manner required by this Lease, Landlord shall refund the unused portion of the Security Deposit to Tenant within thirty days after the Termination Date or thirty days after Tenant fully complies with the conditions of termination as required in Section 7.05, whichever is later.

3.05. **Good Funds Payments.** If, for any reason whatsoever, any two or more payments by check from Tenant to Landlord for Rent are dishonored and returned unpaid, thereafter Landlord may, at Landlord's sole option, upon written notice to Tenant, require that all future payments of Rent for the remaining term of the Lease must be made by cash, certified check, cashier's check, or money order ("Good Funds") and that the delivery of Tenant's personal or corporate check will no longer constitute payment of Rent under this Lease. Any acceptance by Landlord of a payment for Rent by Tenant's personal or corporate check thereafter shall not be construed as a waiver of Landlord's right to insist upon payment by Good Funds as set forth herein.

ARTICLE FOUR: TAXES

4.01. **Payment by Landlord.** Landlord shall pay the real estate taxes on the Demised Premises during the Lease Term.

4.02. **Improvements by Tenant.** If the real estate taxes levied against the Demised Premises for the real estate tax year in which the Lease Term commences are increased as a result of any alterations, additions or improvements made by Tenant or by Landlord at the request of Tenant, Tenant shall pay to Landlord upon demand the amount of the increase and continue to pay the increase during the Lease Term. Landlord shall use reasonable efforts to obtain from the tax assessor or assessors a written statement of the total amount of the increase.

4.03. **Joint Assessment.** If the real estate taxes are assessed against the Demised Premises jointly with other property not constituting a part of the Demised Premises, the real estate taxes applicable to the Demised Premises shall be equal to the amount bearing the same proportion to the aggregate assessment that the total square feet of building area in the Demised Premises bears to the total square feet of building area included in the joint assessment.

4.04. **Personal Property Taxes.** Tenant shall pay all taxes assessed against trade fixtures, furnishings, equipment, inventory, products, or any other personal property belonging to Tenant. Tenant shall use reasonable efforts to have Tenant's personal property taxed separately from the Demised Premises. If any of Tenant's personal property is taxed with the Demised Premises, Tenant shall pay the taxes for the personal property to Landlord within fifteen (15) days after Tenant receives a written statement from Landlord for the personal property taxes.

ARTICLE FIVE: INSURANCE AND INDEMNITY

5.01. Casualty Insurance. During the Lease Term, Landlord shall maintain policies of insurance covering loss of or damage to the Demised Premises in an amount or percentage of replacement value as Landlord deems reasonable in relation to the age, location, type of construction and physical condition of the Demised Premises and the availability of insurance at reasonable rates. The policies shall provide protection against all perils included within the classification of fire and extended coverage and any other perils which Landlord deems necessary. Landlord may, at Landlord's option, obtain insurance coverage for Tenant's fixtures, equipment or building improvements installed by Tenant in or on the Demised Premises. Tenant shall, at Tenant's expense, maintain insurance on its fixtures, equipment and building improvements as Tenant deems necessary to protect Tenant's interest. Tenant shall not do or permit to be done anything which invalidates any insurance policies. Any casualty insurance carried by Landlord or Tenant shall be for the sole benefit of the party carrying the insurance and under its sole control.

5.02. Increase in Premiums. Tenant shall not permit any operation or activity to be conducted, or storage or use of any volatile or any other materials, on or about the Demised Premises that would cause suspension or cancellation of any fire and extended coverage insurance policy carried by Landlord, or increase the premiums therefor, without the prior written consent of Landlord. If Tenant's use and occupancy of the Demised Premises causes an increase in the premiums for any fire and extended coverage insurance policy carried by Landlord, Tenant shall pay to Landlord, as additional rental, the amount of the increase within ten days after demand and presentation by Landlord of written evidence of the increase.

5.03. Liability Insurance. During the Lease Term, Tenant shall maintain a commercial general liability policy of insurance, at Tenant's expense, insuring Landlord against liability arising out of the ownership, use, occupancy, or maintenance of the Demised Premises. The initial amounts of the insurance must be at least: \$1,000,000 for Each Occurrence, \$2,000,000 General Aggregate per policy year, \$100,000 Property Damage for the Demised Premises, and \$10,000 Medical Expense; ~~plus a \$5,000,000 commercial general liability umbrella~~; and shall be subject to periodic increases based upon economic factors as Landlord may determine, in Landlord's discretion, exercised in good faith. However, the amounts of the insurance shall not limit Tenant's liability nor relieve Tenant of any obligation under this Lease. The policies must contain cross-liability endorsements, if applicable, and must insure Tenant's performance of the indemnity provisions of Section 5.04. The policies must contain a provision which prohibits cancellation or modification of the policy except upon thirty (30) days' prior written notice to Landlord. Tenant may discharge Tenant's obligations under this Section by naming Landlord as an additional insured under a comprehensive policy of commercial general liability insurance maintained by Tenant and containing the coverage and provisions described in this Section. Tenant shall deliver a copy of the policy or certificate (or a renewal) to Landlord prior to the Commencement Date and prior to the expiration of the policy during the Lease Term. If Tenant fails to maintain the policy, Landlord may elect to maintain the insurance at Tenant's expense. Tenant may, at Tenant's expense, maintain other liability insurance as Tenant deems necessary to protect Tenant.

5.04. Indemnity. Landlord shall not be liable to Tenant or to Tenant's employees, agents, invitees or visitors, or to any other person, for any injury to persons or damage to property on or about the Demised Premises or any adjacent area owned by Landlord caused by the negligence or misconduct of Tenant, Tenant's employees, subtenants, agents, licensees or concessionaires or any other person entering the Demised Premises under express or implied invitation of Tenant, or arising out of the use of the Demised Premises by Tenant and the conduct of Tenant's business, or arising out of any breach or default by Tenant in the performance of Tenant's obligations under this Lease; and Tenant hereby agrees to indemnify and hold Landlord harmless from any loss, expense or claims arising out of such damage or injury. Tenant shall not be liable for any injury or damage caused by the negligence or misconduct of Landlord, or Landlord's employees or agents, and Landlord agrees to indemnify and hold Landlord harmless from any loss, expense or damage arising out of such damage or injury.

5.05. Comparative Negligence. Tenant and Landlord hereby unconditionally and irrevocably agree to indemnify, defend and hold each other and their officers, agents, directors, subsidiaries, partners, employees, licensees and counsel harmless, to the extent of each party's comparative negligence, if any, from and against any and all loss, liability, demand, damage, judgment, suit, claim, deficiency, interest, fee, charge, cost or expense (including, without limitation, interest, court costs and penalties, reasonable attorney's fees and disbursements and amounts paid in settlement, or liabilities resulting from any change in federal, state or local law or regulation or interpretation of this Lease) of whatever nature, on a comparative negligence basis, even when caused in part by Landlord's or Tenant's negligence or the joint or concurring negligence of Landlord, Tenant, and any other person or entity, which may result or to which Landlord or Tenant and/or any of their officers, agents, directors, employees, subsidiaries, partners, licensees and counsel may sustain, suffer, incur or become subject to in connection with or arising in any way whatsoever out of the leasing, operation, promotion, management, maintenance, repair, use or occupation of the Demised Premises, or any other activity of whatever nature in connection therewith, or arising out of or by reason of any investigation, litigation or other proceedings brought or threatened, arising out of or based upon the leasing, operation, promotion, management, maintenance, repair, use or occupancy of the Demised Premises, or any other activity on the Demised Premises. This provision shall survive the expiration or termination of this Lease.

5.06. Waiver of Subrogation. Each party to this Lease waives any and every claim which arises or may arise in its favor against the other party during the term of this Lease or any renewal or extension of this Lease for any and all loss of, or damage to, any of its property located within or upon, or constituting a part of, the Demised Premises, which loss or damage is covered by valid and collectible fire and extended coverage insurance policies, to the extent that such loss or damage is recoverable under such insurance policies. These mutual waivers shall be in addition to, and not in limitation or derogation of, any other waiver or release contained in this Lease with respect to any loss of, or damage to, property of the parties. Inasmuch as these mutual waivers will preclude the assignment of any aforesaid claim by way of subrogation or otherwise to an insurance company (or any other person), each party hereby agrees to give immediately to each insurance company (which has issued to such party policies of fire and extended coverage insurance) written notice of the terms of such mutual waivers, and to cause such insurance policies to be properly endorsed to prevent the invalidation of the insurance coverage by reason of these waivers.

ARTICLE SIX: USE OF DEMISED PREMISES

6.01. Permitted Use. Tenant may use the Demised Premises only for the Permitted Use stated in Section 1.09. The parties to this Lease acknowledge that the current use of the Demised Premises or the improvements located on the Demised Premises, or both, may or may not conform to the city zoning ordinance with respect to the permitted use, height, setback requirements, minimum parking requirements, coverage ratio of improvements to total area of land, and other matters which may have a significant economic impact upon the Tenant's intended use of the Demised Premises. Tenant acknowledges that Tenant has or will independently investigate and verify to Tenant's satisfaction the extent of any limitations or non-conforming uses of the Demised Premises. Tenant further acknowledges that Tenant is not relying upon any warranties or representations of Landlord or the Brokers who are participating in the negotiation of this Lease concerning the Permitted Use of the Demised Premises, or with respect to any uses of the improvements located on the Demised Premises.

6.02. Compliance with Law. Tenant shall comply with all governmental laws, ordinances and regulations applicable to the use of the Demised Premises, and shall promptly comply with all governmental orders and directives for the correction, prevention and abatement of nuisances and other activities in or upon, or connected with the Demised Premises, all at Tenant's sole expense, including any expense or cost resulting from the construction or installation of fixtures and improvements or other accommodations for handicapped or disabled persons required for compliance with governmental laws and regulations, including but not limited to the Texas Architectural Barriers Act (Article 9102 and any successor statute) and the Americans with Disabilities Act (the "ADA"). To the extent any alterations to the Demised Premises are required by the ADA or other applicable laws or regulations, Tenant shall bear the expense of the alterations. To the extent any alterations to areas of the Property outside the Demised Premises are required by Title III of the ADA or other applicable laws or regulations (for "path of travel" requirements or otherwise), Landlord shall bear the expense of the alterations.

6.03. Certificate of Occupancy. If required, Tenant shall obtain a Certificate of Occupancy from the municipality in which the Property is located prior to occupancy of the Demised Premises. Tenant may apply for a Certificate of Occupancy prior to the Commencement Date and, if Tenant is unable to obtain a Certificate of Occupancy, Tenant shall have the right to terminate this Lease by written notice to Landlord if Landlord or Tenant is unwilling or unable to cure the defects which prevented the issuance of the Certificate of Occupancy. Landlord may, but has no obligation to, cure any such defects, including any repairs, installations, or replacements of any items which are not presently existing on the Demised Premises, or which have not been expressly agreed upon by Landlord in writing.

6.04. Signs. Without the prior written consent of Landlord, Tenant may not place any signs, ornaments or other objects upon the Demised Premises or on the Property, including but not limited to the roof or exterior of the building or other improvements on the Property, or paint or otherwise decorate or deface the exterior of the building. Any signs installed by Tenant must conform with applicable laws, deed restrictions on the Property, and other applicable requirements. Tenant must remove all signs, decorations and ornaments at the expiration or termination of this Lease and must repair any damage and close any holes caused by the removal.

6.05. Utility Services. Tenant shall pay the cost of all utility services, including but not limited to initial connection charges, all charges for gas, water, sewerage, storm water disposal, communications and electricity used on the Demised Premises, and for replacing all electric lights, lamps and tubes. **TO INCLUDE TRASH REMOVAL**

6.06. Landlord's Access. Landlord and Landlord's agents shall have the right to, during normal business hours and upon reasonable advance notice, and without unreasonably interfering with Tenant's business, enter the Demised Premises: (a) to inspect the general condition and state of repair of the Demised Premises, (b) to make repairs required or permitted under this Lease, (c) to show the Demised Premises or the Property to any prospective tenant or purchaser, and (d) for any other reasonable purpose. If Tenant changes the locks on the Demised Premises, Tenant must provide Landlord with a copy of each separate key. During the final one hundred fifty (150) days of the Lease Term, Landlord and Landlord's agents may erect and maintain on or about the Demised Premises signs advertising the Demised Premises for lease or for sale.

6.07. Possession. If Tenant pays the rent, properly maintains the Demised Premises, and complies with all other terms of this Lease, Tenant may occupy and enjoy the Demised Premises for the full Lease Term, subject to the provisions of this Lease.

6.08. Exemptions from Liability. Landlord shall not be liable for any damage or injury to the persons, business (or any loss of income), goods, inventory, furnishings, fixtures, equipment, merchandise or other property of Tenant, Tenant's employees, invitees, customers or any other person in or about the Demised Premises, whether the damage or injury is caused by or results from: (a) fire, steam, electricity, water, gas or wind; (b) the breakage, leakage, obstruction or other defects of pipes, sprinklers, wires, appliances, plumbing, air conditioning or lighting fixtures or any other cause; (c) conditions arising on or about the Demised Premises or upon other portions of any building of which the Demised Premises is a part, or from other sources or places; or (d) any act or omission of any other tenant of any building on the Property. Landlord shall not be liable for any damage or injury even though the cause of or the means of repairing the damage or injury are not accessible to Tenant. The provisions of this Section 6.08 shall not, however, exempt Landlord from liability for Landlord's gross negligence or willful misconduct.

ARTICLE SEVEN: PROPERTY CONDITION, MAINTENANCE, REPAIRS AND ALTERATIONS

7.01. Property Condition. Except as disclosed in writing by Landlord to Tenant contemporaneously with the execution of this Lease, to the best of Landlord's actual knowledge the Demised Premises has no known latent structural defects, construction defects of a material nature, and to the best of Landlord's actual knowledge none of the improvements has been constructed with materials known to be a potential health hazard to occupants of the Demised Premises. Tenant acknowledges that neither the Principal Broker nor any Cooperating Broker has made any warranty or representation to Tenant with respect to the condition of the Demised Premises, and that Tenant is relying exclusively upon Tenant's own investigations and the representations of Landlord, if any, with respect to the condition of the Demised Premises. Landlord and Tenant agree to hold the Brokers harmless of and from any and all damages, claims, costs and expenses of every kind and character resulting from or related to Landlord's furnishing to the Brokers any false, incorrect or inaccurate information with respect to the Demised Premises, or Landlord's concealing any material information with respect to the condition of the Demised Premises. Other than as expressly set forth in this Lease, Landlord represents that on the Commencement Date (and for a period of thirty (30) days thereafter) the building fixtures and equipment, plumbing and plumbing fixtures, electrical and lighting system, any fire protection sprinkler system, ventilating equipment, heating system, air conditioning equipment, roof, skylights, doors, overhead doors, windows, dock levelers, elevators, and the interior of the Demised Premises in general are in good operating condition. Tenant shall have a period of thirty (30) days following the Commencement Date in which to inspect the Demised Premises and to notify Landlord in writing of any defects and maintenance, repairs or replacements required to the above named equipment, fixtures, systems and interior. Within a reasonable period of time after the timely receipt of any such written notice from Tenant, Landlord shall, at Landlord's expense, correct the defects and perform the maintenance, repairs and replacements.

7.02. Acceptance of Demised Premises. Subject to the provisions in Section 7.01, Tenant acknowledges that: (a) a full and complete inspection of the Demised Premises and adjacent common areas has been made and Landlord has fully and adequately disclosed the existence of any defects which would interfere with Tenant's use of the Demised Premises for their intended commercial purpose, and (b) as a result of such inspection and disclosure, Tenant has taken possession of the Demised Premises and accepts the Demised Premises in its "As Is" condition.

7.03. Maintenance and Repair. Except as otherwise provided in this Lease, Landlord shall be under no obligation to perform any repair, maintenance or management service in the Demised Premises or adjacent common areas. Tenant shall be fully responsible, at its expense, for all repair, maintenance and management services other than those which are expressly assumed by Landlord.

A. Landlord's Obligation.

(1) Subject to the provisions of Article Eight (Damage or Destruction) and Article Nine (Condemnation) and except for damage caused by any act or omission of Tenant, Landlord shall keep the roof, skylights, foundation, structural components and the structural portions of exterior walls of the Demised Premises in good order, condition and repair. Landlord shall not be obligated to maintain or repair windows, doors, overhead doors, plate glass or the surfaces of walls. In addition, Landlord shall not be obligated to make any repairs under this Section until a reasonable time after receipt of written notice from Tenant of the need for repairs. If any repairs are required to be made by Landlord, Tenant shall, at Tenant's sole cost and expense, promptly remove Tenant's furnishings, fixtures, inventory, equipment and other property, to the extent required to enable Landlord to make repairs. Landlord's liability under this Section shall be limited to the cost of those repairs or corrections. Tenant waives the benefit of any present or future law which might give Tenant the right to repair the Demised Premises at Landlord's expense or to terminate the Lease because of the condition.

(2) All repair, maintenance, management and other services to be performed by Landlord or Landlord's agents involve the exercise of professional judgment by service providers, and Tenant expressly waives any claims for breach of warranty arising from the performance of those services.

B. Tenant's Obligation.

(1) Subject to the provisions of Section 7.01, Section 7.03.A, Article Eight (Damage or Destruction) and Article Nine (Condemnation), Tenant shall, at all times, keep all other portions of the Demised Premises in good order, condition and repair, ordinary wear and tear excepted, including but not limited to maintenance, repairs and all necessary replacements of the windows, plate glass, doors, overhead doors, heating system, ventilating equipment, air conditioning equipment, electrical and lighting systems, ~~fire protection sprinkler system, dock levelers, elevators, interior and exterior plumbing, the interior of the Demised Premises in general, pest control and extermination, downspouts, gutters, paving, railroad siding, care of landscaping and regular mowing of grass,~~ and including the exterior of the Demised Premises. In addition, Tenant shall, at Tenant's expense, repair any damage to any portion of the Property, including the roof, skylights, foundation, or structural components and exterior walls of the Demised Premises, caused by Tenant's acts or omissions. If Tenant fails to maintain and repair the Property as required by this Section, Landlord may, on ten (10) days' prior written notice, enter the Demised Premises and perform the maintenance or repair on behalf of Tenant, except that no notice is required in case of emergency, and Tenant shall reimburse Landlord immediately upon demand for all costs incurred in performing the maintenance or repair, plus a reasonable service charge.

(2) HVAC Service. Tenant shall, at Tenant's own cost and expense, enter into a regularly scheduled preventative maintenance and service contract for all refrigeration, heating, ventilating, and air conditioning systems and equipment within the Demised Premises during the Lease Term. If Tenant fails to enter into such a service contract acceptable to Landlord, Landlord may do so on Tenant's behalf and Tenant agrees to pay Landlord the cost and expense thereof, plus a reasonable service charge, regularly upon demand.

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7.04. Alterations, Additions and Improvements. Tenant shall not create any openings in the roof or exterior walls, or make any alterations, additions or improvements to the Demised Premises without the prior written consent of Landlord. Consent for non-structural alterations, additions or improvements shall not be unreasonably withheld by Landlord. Tenant may erect or install trade fixtures, shelves, bins, machinery, heating, ventilating and air conditioning equipment and, provided that Tenant complies with all applicable governmental laws, ordinances, codes, and regulations. At the expiration or termination of this Lease, Tenant shall, subject to the restrictions of Section 7.05 below, have the right to remove items installed by Tenant, provided Tenant is not in default at the time of the removal and provided further that Tenant shall, at the time of removal of the items, repair in a good and workmanlike manner any damage caused by the installation or removal. Tenant shall pay for all costs incurred or arising out of alterations, additions or improvements in or to the Demised Premises and shall not permit any mechanic's or materialman's lien to be filed against the Demised Premises or the Property. Upon request by Landlord, Tenant shall deliver to Landlord proof of payment reasonably satisfactory to Landlord of all costs incurred or arising out of any alterations, additions or improvements.

7.05. Condition upon Termination. Upon the expiration or termination of this Lease, Tenant shall surrender the Demised Premises to Landlord broom clean and in the same condition as received, except for ordinary wear and tear which Tenant is not otherwise obligated to remedy under any provision of this Lease. Tenant shall not be obligated to repair any damage which Landlord is required to repair under Article Seven (Property Condition) or Article Eight (Damage or Destruction). In addition, Landlord may require Tenant to remove any alterations, additions or improvements (whether or not made with Landlord's consent) prior to the expiration or termination of this Lease and to restore the Demised Premises to its prior condition, all at Tenant's expense. All alterations, additions and improvements which Landlord has not required Tenant to remove shall become Landlord's property and shall be surrendered to Landlord upon the expiration or termination of this Lease. In no event, however, shall Tenant remove any of the following materials or equipment without Landlord's prior written consent: (i) any electrical wiring or power panels; (ii) lighting or lighting fixtures; (iii) wall coverings, drapes, blinds or other window coverings; (iv) carpets or other floor coverings; (v) heating, ventilating, or air conditioning equipment; (vi) fencing or security gates; or (vii) any other fixtures, equipment or items which, if removed, would affect the operation or the exterior appearance of the Property.

ARTICLE EIGHT: DAMAGE OR DESTRUCTION

8.01. Notice. If any buildings or other improvements situated on the Property are damaged or destroyed by fire, flood, windstorm, tornado or other casualty, Tenant shall immediately give written notice of the damage or destruction to Landlord.

8.02. Partial Damage. If the building or other improvements situated on the Demised Premises are damaged by fire, tornado, or other casualty but not to such an extent that rebuilding or repairs cannot reasonably be completed within one hundred twenty (120) days from the date Landlord receives written notification by Tenant of the occurrence of the damage, this Lease shall not terminate, but Landlord shall proceed with reasonable diligence to rebuild or repair the building and other improvements on the Demised Premises (other than leasehold improvements made by Tenant or any assignee, subtenant or other occupant of the Demised Premises) to substantially the condition in which they existed prior to the damage. If the casualty occurs during the final eighteen (18) months of the Lease Term, Landlord shall not be required to rebuild or repair the damage unless Tenant exercises Tenant's renewal option (if any) within fifteen (15) days after the date of receipt by Landlord of the notification of the occurrence of the damage. If Tenant does not exercise its renewal option, or if there is no renewal option contained in this Lease, Landlord may, at Landlord's option, terminate this Lease by promptly delivering a written termination notice to Tenant, in which event the Rent shall be abated for the unexpired portion of the Lease Term, effective from the date of receipt by Landlord of the written notification of the damage. To the extent the Demised Premises cannot be occupied (in whole or in part) following the casualty, the Rent payable under this Lease during the period in which the Demised Premises cannot be fully occupied shall be adjusted equitably.

8.03. Substantial or Total Destruction. If the building or other improvements situated on the Demised Premises are substantially or totally destroyed by fire, tornado, or other casualty, or so damaged that rebuilding or repairs cannot reasonably be completed within one hundred twenty (120) days from the date Landlord receives written notification by Tenant of the occurrence of the damage, either Landlord or Tenant may terminate this Lease by promptly delivering a written termination notice to the other party, in which event the monthly installments of Rent shall be abated for the unexpired portion of the Lease Term, effective from the date of the damage or destruction. If neither party promptly terminates this Lease, Landlord shall proceed with reasonable diligence to rebuild and repair the building and other improvements (except that Tenant shall rebuild and repair Tenant's fixtures and improvements in the Demised Premises). To the extent the Demised Premises cannot be occupied (in whole or in part) following the casualty, the Rent payable under this Lease during the period in which the Demised Premises cannot be fully occupied shall be adjusted equitably.

ARTICLE NINE: CONDEMNATION

If, during the Lease Term or any extension thereof, all or a substantial part of the Demised Premises are taken for any public or quasi-public use under any governmental law, ordinance or regulation or by right of eminent domain, or are conveyed to the condemning authority under threat of condemnation, this Lease shall terminate and the monthly installments of Rent shall be abated during the unexpired portion of the Lease Term, effective from the date of the taking. If less than a substantial part of the Demised Premises is taken for public or quasi-public use under any governmental law, ordinance or regulation, or by right of eminent domain, or is conveyed to the condemning authority under threat of condemnation, Landlord, at its option, may by written notice terminate this Lease. If Landlord does not terminate this Lease, Landlord shall promptly, at Landlord's expense, restore and reconstruct the buildings and improvements (other than leasehold improvements made by Tenant or any assignee, subtenant or other occupant of the Demised Premises) situated on the Demised Premises in order to make the same reasonably tenantable and suitable for the use for which the Demised Premises is leased as defined in Section 6.01. The monthly installments of Rent payable under this Lease during the unexpired portion of the Lease Term shall be adjusted equitably. Landlord and Tenant shall each be entitled to receive and retain such separate awards and portions of lump sum awards as may be allocated to their respective interests in any condemnation proceeding. The termination of this Lease shall not affect the rights of the parties to such awards.

ARTICLE TEN: ASSIGNMENT AND SUBLETTING

Tenant shall not, without the prior written consent of Landlord, assign this Lease or sublet the Demised Premises or any portion thereof. Any assignment or subletting shall be expressly subject to all terms and provisions of this Lease, including the provisions of Section 6.01 pertaining to the use of the Demised Premises. In the event of any assignment or subletting, Tenant shall remain fully liable for the full performance of all Tenant's obligations under this Lease. Tenant shall not assign its rights under this Lease or sublet the Demised Premises without first obtaining a written agreement from the assignee or sublessee whereby the assignee or sublessee agrees to assume the obligations of Tenant under this Lease and to be bound by the terms of this Lease. If an event of default occurs while the Demised Premises is assigned or sublet, Landlord may, at Landlord's option, in addition to any other remedies provided in this Lease or by law, collect directly from the assignee or subtenant all rents becoming due under the terms of the assignment or subletting and apply the rent against any sums due to Landlord under this Lease. No direct collection by Landlord from any assignee or subtenant will release Tenant from Tenant's obligations under this Lease.

ARTICLE ELEVEN: DEFAULT AND REMEDIES

11.01. Default. Each of the following events is an event of default under this Lease:

A. Failure of Tenant to pay any installment of the Rent or other sum payable to Landlord under this Lease on the date that it is due and the continuance of that failure for a period of five (5) days after Landlord delivers written notice of the failure to Tenant. This clause shall not be construed to permit or allow a delay in paying Rent beyond the due date and shall not affect Landlord's right to impose a Late Charge as permitted in Section 3.03.

B. Failure of Tenant to comply with any term, condition or covenant of this Lease, other than the payment of Rent or other sum of money, and the continuance of that failure for a period of ~~thirty (30)~~ **FIFTEEN (15)** days after Landlord delivers written notice of the failure to Tenant.

C. Failure of Tenant or any guarantor of Tenant's obligations under this Lease to pay its debts as they become due or an admission in writing of inability to pay its debts, or the making of a general assignment for the benefit of creditors;

D. The commencement by Tenant or any guarantor of Tenant's obligations under this Lease of any case, proceeding or other action seeking reorganization, arrangement, adjustment, liquidation, dissolution or composition of it or its debts under any law relating to bankruptcy, insolvency, reorganization or relief of debtors, or seeking appointment of a receiver, trustee, custodian or other similar official for it or for all or any substantial part of its property;

E. The commencement of any case, proceeding or other action against Tenant or any guarantor of Tenant's obligations under this Lease seeking to have an order for relief entered against it as debtor, or seeking reorganization, arrangement, adjustment, liquidation, dissolution or composition of it or its debts under any law relating to bankruptcy, insolvency, reorganization or relief of debtors, or seeking appointment of a receiver, trustee, custodian or other similar official for it or for all or any substantial part of its property, and Tenant or any guarantor: (i) fails to obtain a dismissal of such case, proceeding, or other action within sixty (60) days of its commencement; or (ii) converts the case from one chapter of the Federal Bankruptcy Code to another chapter; or (iii) is the subject of an order of relief which is not fully stayed within seven (7) business days after the entry thereof; and

F. Vacancy or abandonment by Tenant of any substantial portion of the Demised Premises or cessation of the use of the Demised Premises for the purpose leased.

11.02. Remedies. Upon the occurrence of any of the events of default listed in Section 11.01, Landlord shall have the option to pursue any one or more of the following remedies without any prior notice or demand.

A. Terminate this Lease, in which event Tenant shall immediately surrender the Demised Premises to Landlord. If Tenant fails to so surrender the Demised Premises, Landlord may, without prejudice to any other remedy which it may have for possession of the Demised Premises or Rent in arrears, enter upon and take possession of the Demised Premises and expel or remove Tenant and any other person who may be occupying the Demised Premises or any part thereof, by force if necessary, without being liable for prosecution or any claim for damages. Tenant shall pay to Landlord on demand the amount of all loss and damage which Landlord may suffer by reason of the termination, whether through inability to relet the Demised Premises on satisfactory terms or otherwise.

B. Enter upon and take possession of the Demised Premises, by force if necessary, without terminating this Lease and without being liable for prosecution or for any claim for damages, and expel or remove Tenant and any other person who may be occupying the Demised Premises or any part thereof. Landlord may relet the Demised Premises and receive the rent therefor. Tenant agrees to pay to Landlord monthly or on demand from time to time any deficiency that may arise by reason of any such reletting. In determining the amount of the deficiency, the professional service fees, attorneys' fees, court costs, remodeling expenses and other costs of reletting shall be subtracted from the amount of rent received under the reletting.

C. Enter upon the Demised Premises, by force if necessary, without terminating this Lease and without being liable for prosecution or for any claim for damages, and do whatever Tenant is obligated to do under the terms of this Lease. Tenant agrees to pay Landlord on demand for expenses which Landlord may incur in thus effecting compliance with Tenant's obligations under this Lease, together with interest thereon at the rate of twelve percent (12%) per annum from the date expended until paid. Landlord shall not be liable for any damages resulting to Tenant from such action, whether caused by negligence of Landlord or otherwise.

D. Accelerate and declare the Rent for the entire Lease Term, and all other amounts due under this Lease, at once due and payable, and proceed by attachment, suit or otherwise, to collect all amounts in the same manner as if all such amounts due or to become due during the entire Lease Term were payable in advance by the terms of this Lease, and neither the enforcement or collection by Landlord of such amounts nor the payment by Tenant of such amounts shall constitute a waiver by Landlord of any breach, existing or in the future, of any of the terms or provisions of this Lease by Tenant or a waiver of any rights or remedies which the Landlord may have with respect to any such breach.

E. In addition to the foregoing remedies, Landlord shall have the right to change or modify the locks on the Demised Premises in the event Tenant fails to pay the monthly installment of Rent when due. Landlord shall not be obligated to provide another key to Tenant or allow Tenant to regain entry to the Demised Premises unless and until Tenant pays Landlord all Rent which is delinquent. Tenant agrees that Landlord shall not be liable for any damages resulting to the Tenant from the lockout. At such time that Landlord changes or modifies the lock, Landlord shall post a "Notice of Change of Locks" on the front of the Demised Premises. Such Notice shall state that:

(1) Tenant's monthly installment of Rent is delinquent, and therefore, under authority of Section 11.02.E of Tenant's Lease, the Landlord has exercised its contractual right to change or modify Tenant's door locks;

(2) The Notice has been posted on the Tenant's front door by a representative of Landlord and Tenant should make arrangements with the representative to pay the delinquent installments of Rent when Tenant picks up the key; and

(3) The failure of Tenant to comply with the provisions of the Lease and the Notice and/or tampering with or changing the door lock(s) by Tenant may subject Tenant to legal liability.

F. No re-entry or taking possession of the Demised Premises by Landlord shall be construed as an election to terminate this Lease, unless a written notice of that intention is given to Tenant. Notwithstanding any such reletting or re-entry or taking possession, Landlord may, at any time thereafter, elect to terminate this Lease for a previous default. Pursuit of any of the foregoing remedies shall not preclude pursuit of any other remedies provided by law, nor shall pursuit of any remedy provided in this Lease constitute a forfeiture or waiver of any monthly installment of Rent due to Landlord under this Lease or of any damages accruing to Landlord by reason of the violation of any of the terms, provisions and covenants contained in this Lease. Failure of Landlord to declare any default immediately upon its occurrence, or failure to enforce one or more of Landlord's remedies, or forbearance by Landlord to enforce one or more of Landlord's remedies upon an event of default shall not be deemed or construed to constitute a waiver of default or waiver of any violation or breach of the terms of this Lease. Pursuit of any one of the above remedies shall not preclude pursuit by Landlord of any of the other remedies provided in this Lease. The loss or damage that Landlord may suffer by reason of termination of this Lease or the deficiency from any reletting as provided for above shall include the expense of repossession and any repairs or remodeling undertaken by Landlord following possession. If Landlord terminates this Lease at any time for any default, in addition to other remedies Landlord may have, Landlord may recover from Tenant all damages Landlord may incur by reason of the default, including the cost of recovering the Demised Premises and the cost of the Rent then remaining unpaid.

11.03. Notice of Default. Tenant shall give written notice of any failure by Landlord to perform any of Landlord's obligations under this Lease to Landlord and to any ground lessor, mortgagee or beneficiary under any deed of trust encumbering the Demised Premises whose name and address have been furnished to Tenant in writing. Landlord shall not be in default under this Lease unless Landlord (or such ground lessor, mortgagee or beneficiary) fails to cure the nonperformance within thirty (30) days after receipt of Tenant's notice. However, if the nonperformance reasonably requires more than thirty (30) days to cure, Landlord shall not be in default if the cure is commenced within the 30-day period and is thereafter diligently pursued to completion.

11.04. Limitation of Landlord's Liability. As used in this Lease, the term "Landlord" means only the current owner or owners of the fee title to the Demised Premises or the leasehold estate under a ground lease of the Demised Premises at the time in question. Each Landlord is obligated to perform the obligations of Landlord under this Lease only during the time such Landlord owns such interest or title. Any Landlord who transfers its title or interest is relieved of all liability with respect to the obligations of Landlord under this Lease accruing on or after the date of transfer, and Tenant agrees to recognize the transferee as Landlord under this Lease. However, each Landlord shall deliver to its transferee the Security Deposit held by Landlord if such Security Deposit has not then been applied under the terms of this Lease.

ARTICLE TWELVE: LANDLORD'S CONTRACTUAL LIEN

In addition to the statutory Landlord's lien, Tenant hereby grants to Landlord a security interest to secure payment of all Rent and other sums of money becoming due under this Lease from Tenant, upon all inventory, goods, wares, equipment, fixtures, furniture and all other personal property of Tenant situated in or upon the Demised Premises, together with the proceeds from the sale or lease thereof. Tenant may not remove such property without the consent of Landlord until all Rent in arrears and other sums of money then due to Landlord under this Lease

have first been paid and discharged. Upon the occurrence of an event of default, Landlord may, in addition to any other remedies provided in this Lease or by law, enter upon the Demised Premises and take possession of any and all goods, wares, equipment, fixtures, furniture and other personal property of Tenant situated on the Demised Premises without liability for trespass or conversion, and sell the property at public or private sale, with or without having the property at the sale, after giving Tenant reasonable notice of the time and place of any such sale. Unless otherwise required by law, notice to Tenant of the sale shall be deemed sufficient if given in the manner prescribed in this Lease at least ten (10) days before the time of the sale. Any public sale made under this Article shall be deemed to have been conducted in a commercially reasonable manner if held on the Demised Premises or where the property is located, after the time, place and method of sale and a general description of the types of property to be sold have been advertised in a daily newspaper published in the county where the Demised Premises is located for five (5) consecutive days before the date of the sale. Landlord or its assigns may purchase at a public sale and, unless prohibited by law, at a private sale. The proceeds from any disposition dealt with in this Article, less any and all expenses connected with the taking of possession, holding and selling of the property (including reasonable attorneys' fees and legal expenses), shall be applied as a credit against the indebtedness secured by the security interest granted herein. Any surplus shall be paid to Tenant or as otherwise required by law, and Tenant shall promptly pay any deficiencies. Upon request by Landlord, Tenant agrees to execute and deliver to Landlord a Financing Statement in a form sufficient to perfect the security interest of Landlord in the aforementioned property and proceeds thereof under the provisions of the Business and Commerce Code in force in the State of Texas. The statutory lien for rent is expressly reserved; the security interest herein granted is in addition and supplementary thereto. Provided Tenant is not in default under any of the terms of this Lease, upon written request by Tenant Landlord shall deliver a written subordination of Landlord's statutory and contractual liens to any liens and security interests securing any institutional third party financing of Tenant. Landlord shall not unreasonably withhold or delay the delivery of Landlord's written subordination.

ARTICLE THIRTEEN: PROTECTION OF LENDERS

13.01. Subordination and Attornment. Landlord shall have the right to subordinate this Lease to any future ground Lease, deed of trust or mortgage encumbering the Demised Premises, and advances made on the security thereof and any renewals, modifications, consolidations, replacements or extensions thereof, whenever made or recorded. Landlord's right to obtain such a subordination is subject to Landlord's providing Tenant with a written Subordination, Nondisturbance and Attornment Agreement from the ground lessor, beneficiary or mortgagee wherein Tenant's right to peaceable possession of the Demised Premises during the Lease Term shall not be disturbed if Tenant pays the Rent and performs all of Tenant's obligations under this Lease and is not otherwise in default, in which case Tenant shall attorn to the transferee of or successor to Landlord's interest in the Demised Premises and recognize the transferee or successor as Landlord under this Lease. If any ground lessor, beneficiary or mortgagee elects to have this Lease superior to the lien of its ground lease, deed of trust or mortgage and gives Tenant written notice thereof, this Lease shall be deemed superior to the ground lease, deed of trust or mortgage whether this Lease is dated prior or subsequent to the date of the ground lease, deed of trust or mortgage or the date of recording thereof. Tenant's rights under this Lease, unless specifically modified at the time this Lease is executed, are subordinated to any existing ground lease, deed of trust or mortgage encumbering the Demised Premises.

13.02. Signing of Documents. Tenant shall sign and deliver any instruments or documents necessary or appropriate to evidence any attornment or subordination or any agreement to attorn or subordinate. If Tenant fails to do so within ten (10) days after written request, Tenant hereby makes, constitutes and irrevocably appoints Landlord, or any transferee or successor of Landlord, the attorney-in-fact of Tenant to execute and deliver the attornment or subordination document or agreement.

13.03. Estoppel Certificates.

A. Upon Landlord's written request, Tenant shall execute, acknowledge and deliver to Landlord a written statement certifying: (i) that none of the terms or provisions of this Lease have been changed (or if they have been changed, stating how they have been changed); (ii) that this Lease has not been canceled or terminated; (iii) the last date of payment of the Base Rent and other charges and the time period covered by that payment; and (iv) that Landlord is not in default under this Lease (or, if Landlord is claimed to be in default, stating why). Tenant shall deliver the statement to Landlord within ten (10) days after Landlord's request. Landlord may forward any such statement to any prospective purchaser or lender of the Demised Premises. The purchaser or lender may rely conclusively upon the statement as true and correct.

B. If Tenant does not deliver the written statement to Landlord within the 10-day period, Landlord, and any prospective purchaser or lender, may conclusively presume and rely upon the following facts: (i) that the terms and provisions of this Lease have not been changed except as otherwise represented by Landlord; (ii) that this Lease has not been canceled or terminated except as otherwise represented by Landlord; (iii) that not more than one monthly installment of Base Rent or other charges have been paid in advance; and (iv) that Landlord is not in default under this Lease. In such event, Tenant shall be estopped from denying the truth of the presumed facts.

13.04. Tenant's Financial Condition. Within ten (10) days after written request from Landlord, Tenant shall deliver to Landlord financial statements as are reasonably required by Landlord to verify the net worth of Tenant, or any assignee, subtenant, or guarantor of Tenant. In addition, Tenant shall deliver to any lender designated by Landlord any financial statements required by the lender to facilitate the financing or refinancing of the Demised Premises. Tenant represents and warrants to Landlord that each financial statement is a true, complete, and accurate statement as of the date of the statement. All financial statements shall be confidential and shall be used only for the purposes set forth in this Lease.

ARTICLE FOURTEEN: ENVIRONMENTAL REPRESENTATIONS AND INDEMNITY

14.01. Tenant's Compliance with Environmental Laws. Tenant, at Tenant's expense, shall comply with all laws, rules, orders, ordinances, directions, regulations and requirements of Federal, State, county and municipal authorities pertaining to Tenant's use of the Property and with the recorded covenants, conditions and restrictions, regardless of when they become effective, including, without limitation, all applicable Federal, State and local laws, regulations or ordinances pertaining to air and water quality, Hazardous Materials (as defined in Section 14.05), waste disposal, air emissions and other environmental matters, all zoning and other land use matters, and with any direction of any public officer or officers, pursuant to law, which impose any duty upon Landlord or Tenant with respect to the use or occupancy of the Property.

14.02. Tenant's Indemnification. Tenant shall not cause or permit any Hazardous Materials to be brought upon, kept or used in or about the Property by Tenant, its agents, employees, contractors or invitees without the prior written consent of Landlord. If Tenant breaches the obligations stated in the preceding Section or sentence, or if the presence of Hazardous Materials on the Property caused or permitted by Tenant results in contamination of the Property or any other property, or if contamination of the Property or any other property by Hazardous Materials otherwise occurs for which Tenant is legally liable to Landlord for damage resulting therefrom, then Tenant shall indemnify, defend and hold Landlord harmless from any and all claims, judgments, damages, penalties, fines, costs, liabilities or losses (including, without limitation, diminution in value of the Property, damages for the loss or restriction on use of rentable or unusable space or of any amenity or appurtenance of the Property, damages arising from any adverse impact on marketing of building space or land area, sums paid in settlement of claims, reasonable attorneys' fees, court costs, consultant fees and expert fees) which arise during or after the Lease Term as a result of the contamination. This indemnification of Landlord by Tenant includes, without limitation, costs incurred in connection with any investigation of site conditions or any clean-up, remedial work, removal or restoration work required by any Federal, State or local government agency because of Hazardous Materials present in the soil or ground water on or under the Property. Without limiting the foregoing, if the presence of any Hazardous Materials on the Property (or any other property) caused or permitted by Tenant results in any contamination of the Property, Tenant shall promptly take all actions at Tenant's sole expense as are necessary to return the Property to the condition existing prior to the introduction of any such Hazardous Materials, provided that Landlord's approval of such actions is first obtained. The foregoing indemnity shall survive the expiration or termination of this Lease.

14.03. Landlord's Representations and Warranties. Landlord represents and warrants, to the best of Landlord's actual knowledge, that (i) any handling, transportation, storage, treatment or usage of Hazardous Materials that has occurred on the Property to date has been in compliance with all applicable Federal, State, and local laws, regulations and ordinances; and (ii) no leak, spill, release, discharge, emission or disposal of Hazardous Materials has occurred on the Property to date and that the soil or groundwater on or under the Property is free of Hazardous Materials as of the Commencement Date, unless expressly disclosed by Landlord to Tenant in writing.

14.04. **Landlord's Indemnification.** Landlord hereby indemnifies, defends and holds Tenant harmless from any claims, judgments, damages, penalties, fines, costs, liabilities, (including sums paid in settlements of claims) or loss, including, without limitation, attorneys' fees, court costs, consultant fees, and expert fees, which arise during or after the term of this Lease from or in connection with the presence or suspected presence of Hazardous Materials in the soil or groundwater on or under the Property, unless the Hazardous Material is released by Tenant or is present solely as a result of the negligence or willful conduct of Tenant. Without limiting the generality of the foregoing, the indemnification provided by this Section 14.04 shall specifically cover costs incurred in connection with any investigation of site conditions or any clean-up, remedial work, removal or restoration work required by any Federal, State or local governmental authority.

14.05. **Definition.** For purposes of this Lease, the term "Hazardous Materials" means any one or more pollutant, toxic substance, hazardous waste, hazardous material, hazardous substance, solvent or oil as defined in or pursuant to the Resource Conservation and Recovery Act, as amended, the Comprehensive Environmental Response, Compensation and Liability Act, as amended, the Federal Clean Water Act, as amended, or any other Federal, State or local environmental law, regulation, ordinance, or rule, whether existing as of the date of this Lease or subsequently enacted.

14.06. **Survival.** The representations and indemnities contained in this Article 14 shall survive the expiration or termination of this Lease.

ARTICLE FIFTEEN: PROFESSIONAL SERVICE FEES

15.01. **Amount and Manner of Payment.** Professional service fees due to the Principal Broker shall be calculated and paid as follows:

~~A. Landlord agrees to pay to the Principal Broker a monthly professional service fee (the "Fee") for negotiating this Lease, plus any applicable sales taxes, equal to the percentage stated in Section 1.12.A of each monthly Rent payment at the time the payment is due.~~

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B. Landlord agrees to pay to the Principal Broker a lump sum professional service fee (the "Fee") for negotiating this Lease, plus any applicable sales taxes, equal to the percentage stated in Section 1.13.A of the total Rent to become due to Landlord during the Lease Term. The Fee shall be paid to the Principal Broker (i) one-half on the date of final execution of this Lease, and (ii) the balance on the Commencement Date of this Lease (subject to Tenant's actual occupancy of the Demised Premises).

15.02. **Other Brokers.** Both Landlord and Tenant represent and warrant to the other party that they have had no dealings with any person, firm or agent in the negotiation of this Lease other than the Broker(s) named in this Lease, and no other broker, agent, person, firm or entity other than the Broker(s) is entitled to any commission or fee in connection with this Lease. * provided Principal Broker is actively involved in such renewal, extension, new lease, expansion or rental

15.03. **Payments on Renewal, Expansion, Extension or New Lease.** If during the Lease Term (as may be renewed or extended) or within ten (10) years from the Commencement Date, whichever is the greater period of time, Tenant, Tenant's successors or assigns: (a) exercises any right or option to renew or extend the Lease Term (whether contained in this Lease or in any amendment, supplement or other agreement pertaining to this Lease) or enters into a new lease or rental agreement with Landlord covering the Demised Premises; or (b) enters into any lease, extension, renewal, expansion or other rental agreement with Landlord demising to Tenant any premises located on or constituting all or part of any tract or parcel of real property adjoining, adjacent to or contiguous to the Demised Premises and owned by Landlord on the Commencement Date, Landlord shall pay to the Principal Broker an additional Fee covering the full period of the renewal, extension, lease, expansion or other rental agreement which shall be due on the date of exercise of a renewal option, or the date of execution in the case of an extension, new lease, expansion or other agreement. The additional Fee shall be computed under Section 15.01.A or 15.01.B above (whichever has been made applicable under Section 1.13), as if a new lease had been made for such period of time.

~~15.04. **Payments on Sale.** If Tenant, Tenant's successors or assigns, purchases the Demised Premises at any time, pursuant to a purchase option contained in this Lease (or any lease, extension, renewal, expansion or other rental agreement) or, in the absence of any purchase option or exercise thereof, purchases the Demised Premises within ten (10) years from the Commencement Date, Landlord shall pay to the Principal Broker a Professional Service Fee in cash equal to the percentage stated in Section 1.13.B of the purchase price, payable at closing. Upon closing of a sale to Tenant, all monthly lease fees shall terminate upon payment of the Professional Service Fee on the sale.~~

15.05. **Landlord's Liability.** If this Lease is negotiated by Principal Broker in cooperation with another broker, Landlord shall be liable for payment of all Professional Service Fees to Principal Broker only, whereupon Landlord shall be protected from any claims from a Cooperating Broker. The Principal Broker may pay a portion of the Fee to any Cooperating Broker pursuant to a separate agreement between the Brokers.

~~15.06. **Joint Liability of Tenant.** If Tenant enters into any new lease, extension, renewal, expansion, or other agreement to rent, occupy, or purchase any property described in Section 15.03 within the time specified in that Section, the agreement must be handled by the Principal Broker, otherwise Tenant shall be jointly and severally liable with Landlord for any payments due or to become due to the Principal Broker.~~

15.07. **Assumption on Sale.** In the event of a sale of the Demised Premises or the assignment of this Lease by Landlord, Landlord shall obtain from the purchaser or assignee an Assumption Agreement in recordable form whereby the purchaser or assignee agrees to pay the Principal Broker all Professional Service Fees payable under this Lease and shall deliver a fully executed original counterpart thereof to Principal Broker on the date of closing of the sale of the Demised Premises or assignment of this Lease. Landlord shall be released from personal liability for subsequent payments only upon the delivery to Principal Broker of that counterpart of the Assumption Agreement.

15.08. **Termination.** The termination of this Lease by the mutual agreement of Landlord and Tenant shall not affect the right of the Principal Broker to continue to receive the Fees agreed to be paid under this Lease, just as if Tenant had continued to occupy the Demised Premises and had paid the Rent during the entire Lease Term. Termination of this Lease under Article Eight or Article Nine shall not terminate the Principal Broker's right to collect the Fees.

15.09. **Dual Agency.** If either Principal Broker and/or Cooperating Broker (together, the "Brokers") has indicated in Sections 1.11 and 1.12 that they are representing both Landlord and Tenant, then Landlord and Tenant hereby consent to the dual agency, authorize the applicable Broker(s) to represent more than one party to this Lease, and acknowledge that the source of any expected compensation to the Brokers will be Landlord, and the Brokers may also be paid a fee by the Tenant. If the Broker(s) are acting in a dual agency capacity, the Broker(s) shall:

- (1) Not disclose to Tenant that Landlord will accept a rent less than the asking rent unless otherwise instructed in a separate writing by Landlord;
- (2) Not disclose to Landlord that Tenant will pay a rent greater than the rental submitted in a written offer to Landlord unless otherwise instructed in a separate writing by Tenant;
- (3) Not disclose any confidential information, or any information a party specifically instructs the broker(s) in writing not to disclose, unless otherwise instructed in a separate writing by the respective party or required to disclose such information by law;
- (4) Treat all parties to the transaction honestly and impartially so as not to favor one party or work to the disadvantage of any party.

ARTICLE SIXTEEN: MISCELLANEOUS

16.01. **Disclosure.** Landlord and Tenant understand that a real estate broker is qualified to advise on matters concerning real estate and is not expert in matters of law, tax, financing, surveying, hazardous materials, engineering, construction, safety, zoning, land planning, architecture or the ADA. The Brokers hereby advise Tenant to seek expert assistance on such matters. Brokers do not investigate a property's compliance with building codes, governmental ordinances, statutes and laws that relate to the use or condition of a property and its construction, or that relate to its acquisition. If Brokers provide names of consultants or sources for advice or assistance, Tenant acknowledges that the Brokers do not warrant the services of the advisors or their products and cannot warrant the suitability of property to be acquired or leased. Furthermore, the Brokers do not warrant that the Landlord will disclose any or all property defects, although the Brokers will disclose to Tenant any actual knowledge possessed by Brokers regarding defects of the Demised Premises and the Property. In this regard, Tenant agrees to make all necessary and appropriate inquiries and to use diligence in investigating the Demised Premises and the Property before consummating this Lease. Landlord and Tenant hereby agree to indemnify, defend, and hold the Brokers harmless of and from any and all liabilities, claims, debts, damages, costs, or expenses, including but not limited to reasonable attorneys' fees and court costs, related to or arising out of or in any way connected to representations concerning matters properly the subject of advice by experts. In addition, to the extent permitted by applicable law, the Brokers' liability for errors or omissions, negligence, or otherwise, is limited to the return of the Fee, if any, paid to the Brokers pursuant to this Lease.

16.02. **Force Majeure.** If performance by Landlord of any term, condition or covenant in this Lease is delayed or prevented by any Act of God, strike, lockout, shortage of material or labor, restriction by any governmental authority, civil riot, flood, or any other cause not within the control of Landlord, the period for performance of the term, condition or covenant shall be extended for a period equal to the period Landlord is so delayed or prevented.

16.03. **Interpretation.** The captions of the Articles or Sections of this Lease are to assist the parties in reading this Lease and are not a part of the terms or provisions of this Lease. Tenant shall be responsible for the conduct, acts and omissions of Tenant's agents, employees, customers, contractors, invitees, agents, successors or others using the Demised Premises with Tenant's expressed or implied permission. Whenever required by the context of this Lease, the singular shall include the plural and the plural shall include the singular, and the masculine, feminine and neuter genders shall each include the other.

16.04. **Waivers.** All waivers to provisions of this Lease must be in writing and signed by the waiving party. Landlord's delay or failure to enforce any provisions of this Lease or its acceptance of late installments of Rent shall not be a waiver and shall not prevent Landlord from enforcing that provision or any other provision of this Lease in the future. No statement on a payment check from Tenant or in a letter accompanying a payment check shall be binding on Landlord. Landlord may, with or without notice to Tenant, negotiate, cash, or endorse the check without being bound to the conditions of any such statement.

16.05. **Severability.** A determination by a court of competent jurisdiction that any provision of this Lease is invalid or unenforceable shall not cancel or invalidate the remainder of that provision or this Lease, which shall remain in full force and effect.

16.06. **Joint and Several Liability.** All parties signing this Lease as Tenant shall be jointly and severally liable for all obligations of Tenant.

16.07. **Amendments or Modifications.** This Lease is the only agreement between the parties pertaining to the lease of the Demised Premises and no other agreements are effective unless made a part of this Lease. All amendments to this Lease must be in writing and signed by all parties. Any other attempted amendment shall be void.

16.08. **Notices.** All notices and other communications required or permitted under this Lease must be in writing and shall be deemed delivered, whether actually received or not, on the earlier of: (i) actual receipt if delivered in person or by messenger with evidence of delivery; or (ii) receipt of an electronic facsimile transmission ("Fax"); or (iii) upon deposit in the United States Mail as required below. Notices may be transmitted by Fax to the Fax telephone numbers specified in Article One on the first page of this Lease, if any. Notices delivered by mail must be deposited in the U.S. Postal Service, first class postage prepaid, and properly addressed to the intended recipient as set forth in Article One. After possession of the Demised Premises by Tenant, Tenant's address for notice purposes will be the address of the Demised Premises unless Tenant notifies Landlord in writing of a different address to be used for that purpose. Any party may change its address for notice by delivering written notice of its new address to all other parties in the manner set forth above. Copies of all notices should also be delivered to the Principal Broker, but failure to notify the Principal Broker will not cause an otherwise properly delivered notice to be ineffective.

16.09. **Attorneys' Fees.** If on account of any breach or default by any party to this Lease in its obligations to any other party to this Lease (including but not limited to the Principal Broker), it becomes necessary for a party to employ an attorney to enforce or defend any of its rights or remedies under this Lease, the non-prevailing party agrees to pay the prevailing party its reasonable attorneys' fees and court costs, if any, whether or not suit is instituted in connection with the enforcement or defense.

16.10. **Venue.** All obligations under this Lease, including but not limited to the payment of Fees to the Principal Broker, shall be performable and payable in the county in which the Property is located. The laws of the State of Texas shall govern this Lease.

16.11. **Survival.** All obligations of any party to this Lease which are not fulfilled at the expiration or the termination of this Lease shall survive such expiration or termination as continuing obligations of the party.

16.12. **Binding Effect.** This Lease shall inure to the benefit of, and be binding upon, each of the parties to this Lease and their respective heirs, representatives, successors and assigns. However, Landlord shall not have any obligation to Tenant's successors or assigns unless the rights or interests of the successors or assigns are acquired in accordance with the terms of this Lease.

16.13. **Consult an Attorney.** This Lease is an enforceable, legally binding agreement. Read it carefully. The brokers involved in the negotiation of this Lease cannot give you legal advice. The parties to this Lease acknowledge that they have been advised by the Brokers to have this Lease reviewed by competent legal counsel of their choice before signing this Lease. By executing this Lease, Landlord and Tenant each agree to the provisions, terms, covenants and conditions contained in this Lease.


16.14. **Offer:** The execution of this Lease by the first party to do so constitutes an offer to lease the Demised Premises. Unless within the number of days stated in Section 1.14 above after the date of its execution by the first party to do so, this Lease is signed by the other party and a fully executed copy is delivered to the first party, such offer to lease shall be automatically withdrawn and terminated.

ARTICLE SEVENTEEN: ADDITIONAL PROVISIONS [Additional provisions as directed by the parties may be set forth below.]

See **ARTICLE SEVENTEEN: ADDITIONAL PROVISIONS** attached to this Lease and incorporated as part of this Lease for all purposes.


LANDLORD

CMK Associates, Ltd.

By [Signature]: 
Name: Steven J. Vogds - President
Title: VPI, Inc. (General Partner)
Date of Execution: 10/12/05

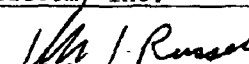
PRINCIPAL BROKER

Duggan Realty Advisors, LLC

By [Signature]: 
Name: James F. Duggan
Title: Principal

TENANT

VarTec Telecom, Inc.

By [Signature]: 
Name: Bill Russell
Title: VP, Corporate Services
Date of Execution: 10/6/2005

COOPERATING BROKER

N/A

By [Signature]: _____
Name: _____
Title: _____

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ARTICLE SEVENTEEN: ADDITIONAL PROVISIONS

Demised Premises: Suites 104 & 106, 2514 Tarpley Road, Carrollton, TX 75006

a. Landlord, at its cost and expense, shall complete the following improvements. Other than the improvements outlined below the "Demised Premises" is being leased in "AS IS" condition; see Article 7.02. "Acceptance of the Demised Premises".

1. Replace two (2) 3'x7' hollow metal doors in suite 106; doors & hardware to be similar to the door in suite 104.
2. Install a maximum of six (6) - 8' two lamp fluorescent fixtures in suite 106; fixtures to match the existing light fixtures in suite 106.
3. Create a 10'x10' cased opening in the warehouse demising wall between suites 104 & 106; remove the surface mounted electric & telephone outlets on the East warehouse wall of suite 104

b. Landlord, at its cost, will maintain the existing roof mounted heating and air conditioning units to the Demised Premises. Tenant shall be responsible for the warehouse gas fired unit heaters located within the Demised Premises.

c. Throughout the term of this Lease, including any renewals and/or extensions, Tenant, including its employees, agents, contractors and/or invitees shall have the right to park a maximum of fifteen (15) vehicles in the parking spaces within the Common Area as directed by the Landlord. It is understood that Tenant shall have the non-exclusive use in common with the Landlord, other tenants, their guests and invitees of the Common Area parking spaces subject to reasonable rules and regulations as prescribed by the Landlord. Tenant agrees that upon written notice from Landlord it will furnish to Landlord, within five (5) days from receipt of such notice, the state license numbers assigned to the vehicles of Tenant, its employees, agents, contractors and/or invitees.

d. Tenant shall be responsible for keeping the Common Area adjacent to the Demised Premises clean and free of all debris, including but not limited to snow and ice.

e. Landlord, at its cost, will provide building standard deadbolt locks on the front and rear doors, exclusive of overhead doors. Tenant, at its cost, shall be responsible for re-keying any and all locks.

f. Upon complete execution of this Lease Landlord will make arrangements with the city of Carrollton for the certificate of occupancy for each suite; i.e. there will be two (2) certificates of occupancy, one for suite 104 and one for suite 106. Tenant will reimburse Landlord for this cost in the amount of \$200.00.

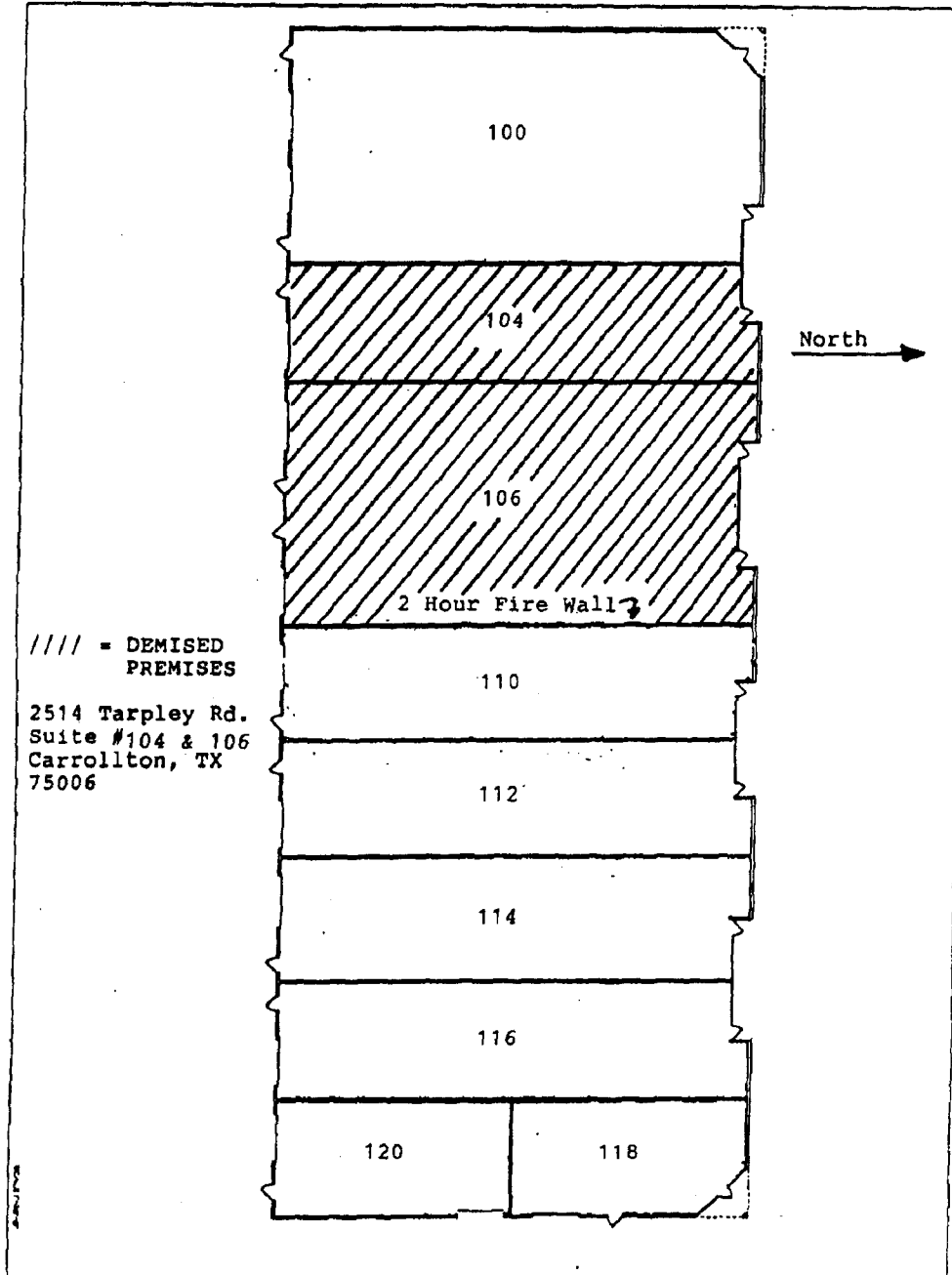
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EXHIBIT "B"

LEGAL DESCRIPTION & SITE PLAN

Being LOT 02R, BLOCK "A" of TRINITY MILLS BUSINESS PARK, an Addition to the City of Carrollton, Dallas County, Texas, according to the Plat thereof recorded in Volume 79101, Page 0585, Map Records, Dallas County Texas. Replat thereof recorded in Volume 95125, Page 2648, Map Records, Dallas County, Texas.



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ADDENDUM B TO LEASE

RENEWAL OPTIONS

Demised Premises and Address: Suites 104 & 106, 2514 Tarpley Rd. Carrollton, TX 75006

[Check all boxes which apply. Boxes not checked do not apply to this Lease.]

1. Option to Extend Term.

Landlord grants to Tenant two (2) option(s) (the "Option") to extend the Lease Term for additional term of twelve (12) months each (the "Extension"), on the same terms, conditions and covenants set forth in this Lease, except as provided below. Each Option may be exercised only by written notice delivered to the Landlord no earlier than one hundred eighty (180) days before, and no later than one hundred twenty (120) days before, the expiration of the Lease Term or the preceding Extension of the Lease Term, whichever is applicable. If Tenant fails to deliver Landlord written notice of the exercise of an Option within the prescribed time period, such Option and any succeeding Options shall lapse, and there shall be no further right to extend the Lease Term. Each Option may only be exercised by Tenant on the express condition that, at the time of the exercise, Tenant is not in default under any of the provisions of this Lease. The foregoing Option(s) are personal to Tenant and may not be exercised by any assignee or subtenant without Landlord's written consent.

2. Calculation of Rent. The Base Rent during the Extension(s) shall be determined by one of the following methods *[check only one]*:

☒ **A. Consumer Price Index Adjustment.** ~~The monthly Base Rent during the Extension shall be determined by multiplying the monthly installment of Base Rent during the last month of the Lease Term by a fraction determined as follows:~~

(1) The numerator shall be the Latest Index which means either: *[check one]*

- ☐ (a) the Index published for the nearest calendar month preceding the first day of the Extension, or
☐ (b) the Index for the month of _____ preceding the Extension.

(2) The denominator shall be the Initial Index which means either: *[check one]*

- ☐ (a) the Index published for the nearest calendar month preceding the Commencement Date, or
☐ (b) the Index for the month of _____ preceding the Commencement Date.

[If no blanks are filled in above, the choice (a) which includes the phrase, "the nearest calendar month preceding," shall apply.]

The Index, as defined herein, means the Consumer Price Index for All Urban Consumers (All Items) for the Dallas/Fort Worth Consolidated Metropolitan Statistical Area, published by the U. S. Department of Labor, Bureau of Labor Statistics (Base Index of 1982-84 = 100). If the Index is discontinued or revised, the new index or computation which replaces the Index shall be used in order to obtain substantially the same result as would have been obtained if it had not been discontinued or revised.

If such computation would reduce the Rent for the particular Extension, it shall be disregarded, and the Rent during the immediately preceding period shall apply instead.

☐ **B. Fair Market Rental Value.** The Base Rent during the Extension shall be the Fair Market Rental amount of the Demised Premises, determined in the following manner:

(1) The "Fair Market Rental" of the Demised Premises means the price that a ready and willing tenant would pay as of the commencement of the Extension as monthly rent to a ready and willing landlord of demised premises comparable to the Demised Premises if the property were exposed for lease on the open market for a reasonable period of time, and taking into account the term of the Extension, the amount of improvements made by Tenant at its expense, the creditworthiness of the Tenant, and all of the purposes for which the property may be used and not just the use proposed to be made of the Demised Premises by Tenant. Upon proper written notice by Tenant to Landlord of Tenant's election to exercise the renewal Option, Landlord shall within fifteen (15) days thereafter notify Tenant in writing of Landlord's proposed Fair Market Rental amount and Tenant shall thereupon notify Landlord of Tenant's acceptance or rejection of Landlord's proposed amount. Failure of Tenant to reject Landlord's Fair Market Rental amount within fifteen (15) days after receipt of Landlord's notice shall be deemed Tenant's acceptance of Landlord's proposed Fair Market Rental amount.

(2) If Landlord and Tenant have not been able to agree on the Fair Market Rental amount prior to the date the option is required to be exercised, the rent for the Extension shall be determined as follows: Within thirty (30) days following the exercise of the option, Landlord and Tenant shall endeavor in good faith to agree upon a single Appraiser (defined below). If Landlord and Tenant are unable to agree upon a single Appraiser within the thirty day period, each shall then appoint one Appraiser by written notice to the other, given within ten (10) days after the thirty day period. Within ten (10) days after the two Appraisers are appointed, the two Appraisers shall appoint a third Appraiser. If either Landlord or Tenant fails to appoint its Appraiser within the prescribed time period the single Appraiser appointed shall determine the Fair Market Rental amount of the Demised Premises. Each party shall bear the cost of the appraiser appointed by it and the parties shall share equally the cost of the third appraiser. The term "Appraiser" means a State Certified Real Estate Appraiser licensed by the State of Texas to value commercial property.

(3) The Fair Market Rental Value of the Demised Premises shall be the average of two of the three appraisals which are closest in amount as described below, and the third appraisal shall be disregarded. In no event shall the Rent be reduced by reason of such computation. If the Fair Market Rental is not determined prior to the commencement of the Extension, then Tenant shall continue to pay to Landlord the Rent applicable to the Demised Premises immediately prior to the Extension until the Fair Market Rental amount is determined, and when it is determined, Tenant shall pay to Landlord within ten (10) days after receipt of such notice the difference between the Rent actually paid by Tenant to Landlord and the new Rent determined under this Lease.

☒ **C. Fixed Rental Adjustments.** The Base Rent shall be increased to the following amounts on the following dates:

Date	Amount
<u>11/01/06 - 10/31/07</u>	<u>\$5,625.00 per month</u>
<u>11/01/07 - 10/31/08</u>	<u>\$5,937.50 per month</u>
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ADDENDUM "D" TO LEASE

LEASE AMENDMENT

Demised Premises: Suite 104 & 106, 2514 Tarpley Rd. Carrollton, TX 75006

1. Reference Section 3.03. "Late Charges": It is understood that all payments are due on or before the first day of each month without offset or deduction of any nature. In the event any payment is not received within five (5) days after its due date, for any reason whatsoever, in addition to the past due amount the Tenant shall pay to Landlord the "Late Charges" called for in section 3.03.

2. Reference Section 6.03. "Certificate of Occupancy": Immediately upon complete execution of this lease agreement Tenant, at its costs, will make an application with the City of Carrollton for a "Certificate of Occupancy". Tenant shall be responsible to insure that the City has proper access for any required inspections.

3. Reference Section 6.05. "Utility Services": The "Demised Premises" will be submetered for water usage. Based on Tenant's gallonage consumption as recorded on the water submeter Tenant will be billed for its prorata share of water, sewer, storm drainage, general trash and related taxes. The submeter bill will not include any water/sewer charges for common areas and will be based on actual utility company charges.

NOTE - IN THE EVENT TENANT HAS EXCESSIVE OR SPECIAL PURPOSE TRASH AS DETERMINED BY THE LANDLORD, IN ITS SOLE DISCRETION, TENANT SHALL THEN PROVIDE FOR ITS OWN DUMPSTER TO BE LOCATED IN AN AREA AS DIRECTED BY THE LANDLORD. ALL TRASH SHALL BE PROPERLY DISPOSED OFF IN ACCORDANCE WITH ALL GOVERNING CODES.

4. Reference Section 6.06. "Landlord's Access": If Tenant changes any locks originally supplied by the Landlord, Tenant shall immediately return to Landlord all original locks & keys. Tenant shall provide Landlord with a key for any and all new locks.

5. Reference Section 7.04. "Alterations, Additions and Improvements": Tenant shall not be allowed to install any equipment on the roof or create any openings in the roof. Access to the roof is strictly reserved for the Landlord and Tenant will not be allowed roof access. In addition, Tenant shall not be allowed to paint, finish or otherwise mark the warehouse floors, walls and/or ceilings.

6. Reference Section 7.05. "Condition upon Termination": Upon the expiration or termination of this lease all floors, including but not limited to the warehouse area, shall be free of any and all spots, grease, oils and other materials. Tenants shall reimburse Landlord for any and all costs associated with cleaning and/or sealing office and warehouse floors.

7. "Relocation": If this lease provides for construction prior to occupancy, Landlord shall be entitled to designate other space comparable to the Demised Premises for occupancy by the Tenant prior to the commencement date. Further, Landlord shall be entitled to relocate the Demised Premises to a comparable location in the property after occupancy by the Tenant provided that Landlord pays the reasonable costs and expenses of moving Tenant's goods and inventory.

8. "Common Areas": Are defined for all purposes as those parts of the property intended for common use of all tenants. Tenant, its employees and invitees shall have the non-exclusive right to use the Common Areas as constituted from time to time, such use to be in common with the Landlord, other tenants of the property and other persons permitted by Landlord to use same, and subject to such rules and regulations governing use as Landlord may prescribe, including the designation of specific areas within the property in which vehicles etc. owned by Tenant, its employees and invitees shall park.

9. In the event the "Permitted Use" as defined in section 1.09, is determined to be in violation of the covenants and restrictions covering this property Landlord, at its option, shall have the right to terminate this "Lease" effective ninety (90) days after written notice to Tenant.

TENANT SHALL NOT BE ALLOWED TO SOLICIT BUSINESS, PERFORM WORK, STORE OR DISPLAY MERCHANDISE/MATERIALS ETC. WITHIN THE COMMON AREAS OR TAKE ANY ACTION WHICH WOULD INTERFERE WITH THE RIGHTS OF OTHER PERSONS TO USE THE COMMON AREAS. ANY VEHICLES ETC. PARKED WITHIN THE COMMON AREAS SHALL IN WORKING CONDITION INCLUDING BUT NOT LIMITED TO HAVING PROPERLY INFLATED TIRES, ALL BODY PARTS ETC.

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ADDENDUM "D" TO LEASE

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Demised Premises: Suite 104 and 106, 2514 Tarpley Rd., Carrollton, TX 75006

1. **Bankruptcy Filing.** On November 1, 2004, VarTec Telecom, Inc. (the "Tenant" under the lease) and its domestic subsidiaries (the "Debtors" and each a "Debtor") filed petitions under Chapter 11 of the United States Code with the United States Bankruptcy Court for the Northern District of Texas, Dallas Division (the "Bankruptcy Cases"). The Bankruptcy Cases are currently being jointly administered under bankruptcy case No. 04-81694-HDH-11 pending before the Honorable Harlin D. Hale, Judge of the United States Bankruptcy Court for the Northern District of Texas, Dallas Division (the "Bankruptcy Court").
2. **Bankruptcy Court Approval.** An express condition to the effectiveness of the Lease to which this is attached (the "Lease") is entry of an Order by the Bankruptcy Court on or before October 19, 2005, approving this Lease. The Tenant shall take all steps reasonably necessary to obtain such approval on or before October 19, 2005, although both parties acknowledge that an expedited hearing may not be granted by the Bankruptcy Court. The term "Effective Date" shall mean the date that the Bankruptcy Court enters an Order approving this Lease; provided, however, that if an Order of the Bankruptcy Court approving this Lease is not obtained on or before October 19, 2005, this Lease shall be deemed void *ab initio*, and no party shall have any obligations under this Lease.
3. **Assignment.** Notwithstanding anything to the contrary herein or in the Lease, if so authorized by Order of the Bankruptcy Court in the Bankruptcy Cases, Tenant may assign the Lease to any entity into which VarTec may merge or consolidate or that acquires substantially all of VarTec's assets or stock, including Comtel Telcom Assets, LP.
4. **Confidentiality.** Nothing in the Agreement shall prevent any Debtor from disclosing the Agreement to the Rural Telephone Finance Corporation, the Official Committee of Unsecured Creditors, or third parties in connection with the reorganization or sale, provided the recipient has entered into a confidentiality agreement with such Debtor prior to such disclosure.

IN WITNESS WHEREOF, Landlord and Tenant have each caused this Addendum to be signed and delivered by its duly authorized representative.

CMK ASSOCIATES, LTD.

By: VPI, Inc., General Partner

By: 

Name: Steven J Vogds

Title: President

VARTEC TELECOM, INC

By: 

Name: Bill Russell

Title: VP, Corporate Services

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ADDENDUM G TO LEASE

RULES AND REGULATIONS

Demised Premises and Address: Suites 104 & 106, 2514 Farpley Road, Carrollton, TX 75006

1. **Application.** The following standards shall affect and shall be observed by Tenant, Tenant's employees and invitees, for the mutual safety, cleanliness, care, protection, comfort and convenience of all tenants and occupants of the Property, and shall be applicable to the building(s), to the parking garages, if any, to the common areas, driveways, parking lots, and to the Demised Premises, including the land situated beneath and any appurtenances thereto.
2. **Consent Required.** Any exception to these Rules and Regulations must first be approved in writing by Landlord. For purposes of these Rules and Regulations, the term "Landlord" includes the building manager, the building manager's employees, and any other agent or designee authorized by Landlord to manage or operate the Property.
3. **Rules and Regulations:**
 - A. Tenant may not conduct any auction, "flea market" or "garage sale" on the Demised Premises nor store any goods or merchandise on the Property except for Tenant's own business use. Food may not be prepared in the Demised Premises except in small amounts for consumption by Tenant. Vending machines or dispensing machines may not be placed in the Demised Premises without Landlord's written approval. The Demised Premises may not be used or occupied as sleeping quarters or for lodging purposes. Animals may not be kept in or about the Property.
 - B. Tenant shall not obstruct sidewalks, driveways, loading areas, parking areas, corridors, hallways, vestibules, stairs and other similar areas designated for the collective use of tenants, or use such areas for Tenant's storage, temporary or otherwise, or for any purpose other than ingress and egress to and from the Demised Premises. Tenant shall comply with parking rules and guidelines as may be posted on the Property from time to time.
 - C. Tenant shall not make any loud noises, unusual vibrations, unpleasant odors, objectionable or illegal activities on the Property. Tenant shall not permit the operation of any equipment in the Demised Premises that could annoy other occupants of the Property. Tenant shall not interfere with the possession of other tenants of the Property.
 - D. Tenant may not bring any flammable, explosive, toxic, noxious, dangerous or hazardous materials onto the Property.
 - E. Installation of security systems, telephone, television and other communication cables, fixtures and equipment must comply with Section 7.04 of the Lease, except that routine installation and construction of normal communication devices which do not require any holes in the roof or exterior walls of the Property do not require the written approval of Landlord.
 - F. Movement into or out of the building through public entrances, lobbies or corridors which requires use of a hand truck, dolly or pallet jack to carry freight, furniture, office equipment, supplies and other large or heavy material, must be limited to the service entrances and freight elevators only and must be done at times and in a manner so as not to unduly inconvenience other occupants of the Property. All wheels for such use must have rubber tires and edge guards to prevent damage to the building. Tenant shall be responsible for and shall pay all costs to repair damages to the building caused by the movement of materials by Tenant.
 - G. Requests by Tenant for building services, maintenance and repair must be made in writing to the office of the building manager designated by Landlord and must be dated. Tenant shall give prompt written notice to Landlord of any significant damage to or defects in the Demised Premises or the Property, especially including plumbing, electrical and mechanical systems, heating, ventilating and air conditioning systems, roofs, windows, doors, foundation and structural components, regardless of whose responsibility it is to repair such damage.
 - H. Tenant shall not change locks or install additional locks on doors without the prior written consent of Landlord. If Tenant changes locks or installs additional locks on the Property, Tenant shall within five days thereafter provide Landlord with a copy of each separate key to each lock. Upon termination of Tenant's occupancy of the Demised Premises, Tenant must surrender all keys to the Demised Premises and to the Property to Landlord.
 - I. Harmful liquids, toxic wastes, bulky objects, insoluble substances and other materials which may cause clogging, stains or damage to plumbing fixtures or systems must not be placed in the lavatories, water closets, sinks, or drains. Tenant must pay the costs to repair and replace drains, plumbing fixtures and piping which is required because of damage caused by Tenant.
 - J. Tenant shall cooperate with Landlord and other occupants of the Property in keeping the Property and the Demised Premises neat and clean. Nothing may be swept, thrown or left in the corridors, stairways, elevator shafts, lobbies, loading areas, parking lots or any other common areas on the Property. All trash and debris must be properly placed in receptacles provided therefor.
 - K. Landlord has the power and authority to regulate the weight and position of heavy furnishings and equipment on the floor of the Demised Premises, including safes, groups of filing cabinets, machines, and any other item which may overload the floor. Tenant shall notify the Landlord when heavy items are to be taken into or out of the building, and the placement and transportation of heavy items may be done only with the prior written approval of Landlord.
 - L. No window screens, blinds, draperies, awnings, solar screen films, window ventilators or other materials visible from the exterior of the Demised Premises may be placed in the Demised Premises without Landlord's approval. Landlord is entitled to control all lighting that may be visible from the exterior of the building.
 - M. No advertisement, sign, notice, handbill, poster or banner may be exhibited, distributed, painted or affixed upon the Property. No directory of tenants is allowed on the Property other than that provided by Landlord.
 - N. Tenant agrees to cooperate with and assist Landlord in the prevention of peddling, canvassing and soliciting on the Property.
 - O. Tenant accepts any and all liability for damages and injuries to persons and property resulting from the serving and sales of alcoholic beverages on or from the Property.
 - P. Any person entering and leaving the building before and after normal working hours, or building hours if posted by Landlord, whichever applies, may be required to identify himself to security personnel by signing a list and giving the time of day and destination or location of the applicable Demised Premises. Normal building business hours are established by Landlord from time to time.
4. **Revisions.** Landlord reserves the right to revise and/or rescind any of these Rules and Regulations and to make additional rules which Landlord may determine are necessary from time to time for the safety, care, cleanliness, protection, comfort and convenience of the tenants and occupants of the Property and for the care, protection and cleanliness of the building. Revisions and additions will be binding upon the Tenant as if they had been originally prescribed herein when furnished in writing by Landlord to Tenant, provided the additions and revisions apply equally to all tenants occupying the Property.
5. **Enforcement.** Any failure or delay by Landlord in enforcing these Rules and Regulations will not prevent Landlord from enforcing these Rules and Regulations in the future. If any of these Rules and Regulations is determined to be unenforceable, it shall be severed from this Lease without affecting the remainder of these Rules and Regulations.