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SECURITIES AND EXCHANGE COMMISSION Washington, D.C. 20549

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FORM S-3 REGISTRATION STATEMENT under The Securities Act of 1933

Pitney Bowes Inc.

(exact name of registrant as specified in its charter)

Delaware (State or other jurisdiction (IRS Employer of incorporation or organization) Identification No.)

06-0495050

World Headquarters One Elmcroft Road Stamford, Connecticut 06926-0700 (203) 356-5000

(Address and telephone number of registrant's principal executive offices)

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Approximate date of commencement of proposed sale to the public: From time to time after the effective date of this Registration Statement as determined in light of market conditions and other factors.

If the only securities being registered on this Form are being offered pursuant to dividend or interest reinvestment plans, please check the following box.

If any of the securities being registered on this Form are to be offered on a delayed or continuous basis pursuant to Rule 415 under the Securities Act of 1933, other than securities offered only in connection with dividend or interest reinvestment plans, check the following box.

If this Form is filed to register additional securities for an offering pursuant to Rule 462(b) under the Securities Act, please check the following box and list the Securities Act registration statement number of the earlier effective registration statement for the same offering.

If this Form is a post-effective amendment filed pursuant to Rule 462(c) under the Securities Act, check the following box and list the Securities Act registration statement number of the earlier effective registration statement for the same offering.

If delivery of the prospectus is expected to be made pursuant to Rule 434, please check the following box.

#### CALCULATION OF REGISTRATION FEE

Title of Each Class of Securities to be Registered	Amount to be Registered(*)	Proposed Maximum Offering Price Per Unit(**)	Proposed Maximum Aggregate Offering Price(**)	Amount of Registration Fee
Debt Securities	\$468,000,000	100%	\$468,000,000	\$138,060

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- (\*) Or, if any Debt Securities (1) are denominated or payable in a foreign or composite currency or currencies, such principal amount as shall result in an aggregate initial offering price equivalent to \$468,000,000 at the time of initial offering, (2) are issued at an original issue discount, such greater principal amount as shall result in an aggregate initial offering price of \$468,000,000, or (3) are issued with their principal amount payable at maturity to be determined with reference to a currency exchange rate or other index, such principal amount as shall result in an aggregate initial offering price of \$468,000,000.
- (\*\*) Estimated solely for the purpose of calculating the amount of the registration fee pursuant to Rule 457 (a).

Pursuant to Rule 429 under the Securities Act of 1933, the Prospectus included in this Registration Statement also relates to \$32,000,000 of debt securities registered and remaining unissued under Registration Statement No. 33-33948 previously filed by Registrant, in respect of which \$8,000 has been paid to the Commission as filing fee.

The Registrant hereby amends this Registration Statement on such date or dates as may be necessary to delay its effective date until the Registrant shall file a further amendment which specifically states that this Registration Statement shall thereafter become effective in accordance with Section 8(a) of the Securities Act of 1933 or until the Registration Statement shall become effective on such date as the Commission, acting pursuant to said Section 8(a), may determine.

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PITNEY BOWES INC.
DEBT SECURITIES

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Pitney Bowes Inc. (the "Company") from time to time may offer in one or more series its unsecured debt securities consisting of notes or debentures (the "Debt Securities") for issuance and sale at an aggregate initial offering price not to exceed \$500,000,000 (or the equivalent at the time of offering in non-U.S. dollar denominated currencies or units). As used herein, Debt Securities shall include securities denominated, or whose principal is payable, in United States dollars, or, at the option of the Company, in any other currency or in composite currencies or in amounts determined by reference to an index. Debt Securities will be offered in

amounts, at prices and on the terms to be determined at the time of sale and

to be set forth in supplements to this Prospectus. The Company may sell Debt Securities to underwriters, to or through dealers, acting as principals for their own accounts or acting as agents, or directly to investors. See "Plan of Distribution".

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THESE SECURITIES HAVE NOT BEEN APPROVED OR DISAPPROVED BY THE SECURITIES AND EXCHANGE COMMISSION OR ANY STATE SECURITIES COMMISSION NOR HAS THE SECURITIES AND EXCHANGE COMMISSION OR ANY STATE SECURITIES COMMISSION PASSED UPON THE ACCURACY OR ADEQUACY OF THIS PROSPECTUS. ANY REPRESENTATION TO THE CONTRARY IS A CRIMINAL OFFENSE.

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The terms of each issue of the Debt Securities, including, where applicable, the specific designation, aggregate principal amount, denominations, maturity, interest rate or rates (which may be fixed or variable), if any, and time of payment of any such interest, terms for redemption at the option of the Company or any holders, if any, terms for sinking fund payments, if any, the initial public offering price or prices, the names of any underwriters or agents, the principal amounts, if any, to be purchased by underwriters and the compensation of such underwriters or agents and the other terms in connection with the offering and sale of the Debt Securities in respect of which this Prospectus is being delivered, will be set forth in an accompanying Prospectus Supplement (the "Prospectus Supplement").

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This Prospectus may not be used to consummate sales of Debt Securities unless accompanied by a Prospectus Supplement.

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The date of this Prospectus is April 29, 1998.

INFORMATION CONTAINED HEREIN IS SUBJECT TO COMPLETION OR AMENDMENT. A REGISTRATION STATEMENT RELATING TO THESE SECURITIES HAS BEEN FILED WITH THE SECURITIES AND EXCHANGE COMMISSION. THESE SECURITIES MAY NOT BE SOLD NOR MAY OFFERS TO BUY BE ACCEPTED PRIOR TO THE TIME THE REGISTRATION STATEMENT BECOMES EFFECTIVE. THIS PROSPECTUS SHALL NOT CONSTITUTE AN OFFER TO SELL OR THE SOLICITATION OF AN OFFER TO BUY NOR SHALL THERE BE ANY SALE OF THESE SECURITIES IN ANY STATE IN WHICH SUCH OFFER, SOLICITATION OR SALE WOULD BE UNLAWFUL PRIOR TO REGISTRATION OR QUALIFICATION UNDER THE SECURITIES LAWS OF ANY SUCH STATE.

No dealer, salesperson or other person has been authorized to give any information or to make any representations not contained or incorporated by reference in this Prospectus or the Prospectus Supplement, and, if given or made, such information or representations must not be relied upon as having been authorized. This Prospectus and the Prospectus Supplement do not constitute an offer to sell or a solicitation of an offer to buy any securities other than those to which they relate or an offer to sell, or a solicitation of an offer to buy, such securities in any jurisdiction where such an offer or solicitation would be unlawful. Neither the delivery of this Prospectus or any Prospectus Supplement nor any sale made hereunder or thereunder shall, under any circumstances, create any implication that the information contained or incorporated by reference herein or therein is correct as of any time subsequent to their respective dates.

## ADDITIONAL INFORMATION

The Company is subject to the informational requirements of the Securities Exchange Act of 1934, as amended (the "Exchange Act") and, in accordance therewith, files reports, proxy statements and other information with the Securities and Exchange Commission (the "Commission"). Such reports, proxy statements and other information can be inspected and copied at the

public reference facilities maintained by the Commission at Room 1024, 450 Fifth Street, N.W., Washington, D.C. 20549 and at the following Regional Offices of the Commission: New York Regional Office, Seven World Trade Center, New York, New York 10048 and Chicago Regional Office, 500 West Madison Street, Suite 1400, Chicago, Illinois 60661. Copies of such material can be obtained at prescribed rates by writing to the Commission, Public Reference Section, 450 Fifth Street, NW, Washington, D.C. 20549. Certain securities of the Company are listed on the New York Stock Exchange (the "NYSE") and reports and other information concerning the Company may be inspected at the offices of the NYSE, 20 Broad Street, New York, New York 10005. In addition, the Commission maintains a Website that contains reports, proxy and information statements and other materials of registrants that file electronically (including the Company) through the Commission's Electronic Data Gathering Analysis and Retrieval System. The Website can be accessed at http://www.sec.gov.

This Prospectus constitutes a part of a Registration Statement filed by the Company with the Commission under the Securities Act of 1933. This Prospectus omits certain of the information contained in the Registration Statement, and reference is hereby made to the Registration Statement and to the exhibits relating thereto for further information with respect to the Company and the Debt Securities. Any statements contained herein concerning the provisions of any document are not necessarily complete, and in each instance, reference is made to the copy of such document filed as an exhibit to the Registration Statement or otherwise filed with the Commission. Each such statement is qualified in its entirety by such reference.

### INCORPORATION OF CERTAIN DOCUMENTS BY REFERENCE

There is hereby incorporated in this Prospectus by reference the following document which has been filed with the Commission (File No. 001-03579):

- (i) the Company's Annual Report on Form 10-K for the year ended December 31, 1997 (which incorporates by reference portions of the Company's Proxy Statement on Schedule 14A filed March 31, 1998); and
- (ii) the Company's Current Report on Form 8-K filed February 23, 1998.

All documents filed with the Commission pursuant to sections 13(a), 13(c), 14 or 15(d) of the Exchange Act subsequent to the date of this Prospectus and prior to the termination of the offering of the Debt Securities shall be deemed to be incorporated by reference into this Prospectus and to be a part hereof from the date of filing of such documents. Any statement contained in a document incorporated or deemed to be incorporated by reference herein shall be deemed to be modified or superseded for purposes of this Prospectus to the extent that any statement contained herein or in any subsequently filed document which also is or is deemed to be incorporated by reference herein modifies or supersedes such statement. Any statement so modified or superseded shall not be deemed, except as so modified or superseded, to constitute a part of this Prospectus.

The Company will provide without charge to each person to whom a copy of this Prospectus is delivered, on written or oral request of such person, a copy of any or all of the foregoing documents which have been or may be incorporated in this Prospectus by reference, other than exhibits to such documents, unless such exhibits shall have been specifically incorporated by reference into such documents. Requests for such copies should be directed to the Corporate Secretary, Pitney Bowes Inc., World Headquarters, One Elmcroft Road, Stamford, Connecticut 06926-0700, telephone (203) 356-5000.

# THE COMPANY

The Company and its subsidiaries operate within three industry segments: business equipment, business services, and commercial and industrial financing. The Company operates in two geographic areas: the United States

and outside the United States. Together with its affiliates, the Company employs approximately 30,000 people throughout the United States, Europe, Canada and other countries.

The Company, a Delaware corporation organized in 1920, is listed on the NYSE. The World Headquarters of the Company are located at One Elmcroft Road, Stamford, Connecticut 06926-0700 (telephone 203-356-5000).

#### USE OF PROCEEDS

Except as may be set forth in the Prospectus Supplement, the Company intends to use the net proceeds from the sales of the Debt Securities to repay short-term debt, to repurchase the Company's common stock, to reduce or retire from time to time other indebtedness and for other general corporate purposes including possible acquisitions. The precise amount and timing of sales of the Debt Securities will be dependent on market conditions and the availability and cost of other funds to the Company.

#### RATIO OF EARNINGS TO FIXED CHARGES

The following table sets forth the ratio of the Company's earnings to fixed charges excluding minority interest for the periods indicated:

Years	Ended	December	31,
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1997	1996	1995	1994	1993
4.23	3.79	3.28	3.39	3.24

For the purpose of computing the ratio of earnings to fixed charges excluding minority interest, earnings have been calculated by adding to income from continuing operations before income taxes the amount of fixed charges. Fixed charges consist of interest on debt and a portion of net rental expense deemed to represent interest.

## DESCRIPTION OF DEBT SECURITIES

The following description sets forth certain general terms and provisions of the Indenture under which the Debt Securities are to be issued. The Debt Securities may be issued from time to time in one or more series. The particular terms of each issue of the Debt Securities (the "Offered Debt Securities") offered by any Prospectus Supplement and the extent, if any, to which the general provisions may apply to the Offered Debt Securities so offered will be described in the Prospectus Supplement relating to such Offered Debt Securities.

Offered Debt Securities are to be issued under an Indenture (the "Indenture"), between the Company and SunTrust Bank, Atlanta, as Trustee. A copy of the form of Indenture is filed as an exhibit to the Registration Statement of which this Prospectus is a part. The statements under this caption relating to the Debt Securities and the Indenture are summaries and do not purport to be complete. Such summaries make use of terms defined in the Indenture and are qualified in their entirety by express reference to provisions of the Indenture (including definitions therein of certain terms) which is incorporated by reference herein. The term "Securities" as used under this caption, refers to all Securities which may be issued under the Indenture and includes the Debt Securities. All section references appearing herein are to sections of the Indenture.

# General

The Debt Securities will be unsecured obligations of the Company and will rank on a parity with all other unsecured unsubordinated indebtedness of the Company. As of the date of this Prospectus, no Securities

have been issued under the Indenture. The Indenture does not limit the aggregate principal amount of Securities which may be issued thereunder and provides that Securities may be issued thereunder from time to time in one or more series.

Reference is made to the applicable Prospectus Supplement for the following terms of and information relating to the Offered Debt Securities: (i) the title of the Offered Debt Securities; (ii) any limit on the aggregate principal amount of the Offered Debt Securities; (iii) the price or prices at which the Offered Debt Securities will be issued; (iv) the date or dates on which principal of, and any premium on, the Offered Debt Securities will be payable; (v) the rate or rates (which may be fixed or variable) at which the Offered Debt Securities shall bear interest, if any, or the method by which such rate or rates shall be determined, the basis on which such interest, if any, shall be calculated if other than a 360-day year consisting of twelve 30-day months, the date or dates from which such interest, if any, will accrue and on which such interest, if any, will be payable and the related record dates; (vi) if other than the offices of the Trustee, the place where the principal of, and any premium and interest on, the Offered Debt Securities will be payable; (vii) any redemption, repayment or sinking fund provisions; (viii) if other than denominations of \$1,000 or multiples thereof, the denominations in which the Offered Debt Securities will be issuable; (ix) if other than the principal amount thereof, the portion of the principal amount due upon acceleration; (x) if other than U.S. dollars, the currency or currencies or currency unit or currency units in which the Offered Debt Securities will be denominated and in which principal of, and premium, if any, and interest, if any, on, the Offered Debt Securities will or may be payable; (xi) any index or formula used to determine the amount of payments of principal of and any premium and interest on the Offered Debt Securities; (xii) the terms and conditions, if any, pursuant to which the Offered Debt Securities may be converted or exchanged for other securities of the Company or any other person; (xiii) whether the Offered Debt Securities shall be issued in the form of one or more Global Securities (as defined in "Book-Entry System"); (xiv) the identity of any trustees, depositaries, authenticating or paying agents, transfer agents or registrars with respect to the Offered Debt Securities and (xv) any other specific terms of the Offered Debt Securities not inconsistent with the Indenture. (Section 3.01)

Unless otherwise indicated in the Prospectus Supplement relating thereto, the Offered Debt Securities are to be issued as registered securities without coupons in denominations of \$1,000 and any integral multiple of \$1,000. (Section 3.02) No service charge will be made for any transfer or exchange of such Offered Debt Securities, but the Company may require payment of a sum sufficient to cover any tax or other governmental charge payable in connection therewith. (Section 3.05)

Securities may be issued under the Indenture as Original Issue Discount Securities to be sold at a substantial discount below their stated principal amount. Federal income tax consequences and other considerations applicable to Offered Debt Securities will be described in the Prospectus Supplement relating thereto. (Section 3.01)

### Certain Definitions

The term "Attributable Debt" in respect of any Sale and Lease-Back Transaction means as of the time of the determination, the lesser of (i) the sale price of the Principal Domestic Manufacturing Plant so leased multiplied by a fraction the numerator of which is the remaining portion of the base term of the lease included in such transaction and the denominator of which is the base term of such lease, and (ii) the total obligation (discounted to present value at the implicit interest factor, determined in accordance with generally accepted financial practice, included in the rental payments, or, if such interest factor cannot readily be determined, at a rate of interest of 11% per annum, compounded semiannually) under the lease for rental payments (other than amounts required to be paid on account of property taxes as well as maintenance, repairs, insurance, water rates and other items which do not constitute payments for property rights (such as those based on real or energy costs or savings) during the remaining portion of the base term

of the lease included in such transaction).

The term "Consolidated Net Tangible Assets" means as of any particular time the aggregate amount of assets after deducting therefrom (a) all current liabilities (excluding any such liability that by its terms is extendable or renewable at the option of the obligor thereon to a time more than 12 months after the time as of which the amount thereof is being computed) and (b) all goodwill, excess of cost over assets acquired, patents, copyrights, trademarks, trade names, unamortized debt discount and expense and other like intangibles, all as shown in the most recent consolidated financial statements of the Company and its Subsidiaries prepared in accordance with generally accepted accounting principles.

The term "Consolidated Net Worth" means the sum of (i) the par value or stated value of the capital stock of the Company, (ii) the capital in excess of par value and (iii) the retained earnings, all as shown on the most recent consolidated balance sheet of the Company and its Subsidiaries, prepared in accordance with generally accepted accounting principles.

The term "Principal Domestic Manufacturing Plant" means any manufacturing or processing plant or warehouse (other than such manufacturing plant or warehouse which, in the opinion of the Board of Directors, is not of material importance to the total business conducted by the Company and its Subsidiaries taken as a whole) together with the land upon which it is erected and fixtures comprising a part thereof owned by the Company or any Subsidiary and located in the United States, if the gross book value (without deduction of any depreciation reserves) of all real property and fixed assets included in such plant on the date as of which the determination is being made exceeds 1% of Consolidated Net Worth.

The term "Restricted Subsidiary" means any Subsidiary which is organized under the laws of the United States or of any State or of the District of Columbia and transacts all or a substantial portion of its business in the United States and which owns a Principal Domestic Manufacturing Plant; provided, however, that the term shall not include Pitney Bowes Credit Corporation or any other Subsidiary (a) which is solely or primarily engaged in the business of providing or obtaining financing for the sale or lease of products sold or leased by the Company or any Subsidiary or which is otherwise primarily engaged in the business of a finance company either on a secured or an unsecured basis or (b) which is solely or primarily engaged in the business of owning, developing or leasing real property other than a Principal Domestic Manufacturing Plant.

The term "Sale and Lease-Back Transaction" of a corporation means any arrangement whereby property has been or is to be sold or transferred by such corporation to any Person with the intention on the part of such corporation of taking back a lease of such property with a term of more than 36 months pursuant to which the rental payments are calculated to amortize the purchase price of such property substantially over the useful life of such property, and such property is in fact so leased by such corporation.

The term "Subsidiary" means any corporation of which more than 50% of the outstanding voting stock is owned, directly or indirectly, by the Company or by one or more other Subsidiaries, or by the Company and one or more other Subsidiaries. For the purposes of such definition, "voting stock" means stock which ordinarily has voting power for the election of directors, whether at all times or only so long as no senior class of stock has such voting power by reason of any contingency.

The term "U.S. Government Obligations" means securities which are (i) direct obligations of the United States of America for the payment of which its full faith and credit is pledged or (ii) obligations of a person controlled or supervised by and acting as an agency or instrumentality of the United States of America the payment of which is unconditionally guaranteed as a full faith and credit obligation by the United States of America, which, in either case are not callable or redeemable at the option of the issuer thereof, and shall also include a depository receipt issued by a bank or trust

company as custodian with respect to any such U.S. Government Obligations or a specific payment of interest on or principal of any such U.S. Government Obligation held by such custodian for the account of the holder of a depository receipt, provided that (except as required by law) such custodian is not authorized to make any deduction from the amount payable to the holder of such depository receipt from any amount received by the custodian in respect of the U.S. Government Obligation or the specific payment of interest on or principal of the U.S. Government Obligation evidenced by such depository receipt.

The term "Wholly-Owned Restricted Subsidiary" means a Restricted Subsidiary all of the outstanding voting stock of which, other than directors' qualifying shares, and all the Preferred Stock (as defined) of which shall at the time be owned by the Company or by one or more other Wholly-Owned Restricted Subsidiaries, or by the Company and one or more other Wholly-Owned Restricted Subsidiaries. (Section 1.01)

Certain Restrictions

#### Limitations on Liens

The Indenture provides that if the Company or any Restricted Subsidiary shall issue, assume, guarantee or become liable for any evidence of indebtedness for money borrowed ("Indebtedness") secured by a mortgage, security interest, pledge or lien ("Mortgage") on any Principal Domestic Manufacturing Plant, or shares of capital stock or Indebtedness of any Restricted Subsidiary, the Company will secure or cause to be secured the Debt Securities equally and ratably with (or prior to) such secured Indebtedness, unless the aggregate amount of all such secured Indebtedness would not exceed 10% of Consolidated Net Tangible Assets. (Section 10.06)

Such limitation will not apply to Indebtedness secured by (a) Mortgages on property of any corporation existing at the time such corporation becomes a Restricted Subsidiary, (b) Mortgages on any property existing at the date of the initial issuance of securities pursuant to the Indenture or at the time of acquisition thereof, (c) Mortgages on property of a corporation existing at the time such corporation is acquired (including by way of merger or consolidation) by the Company or a Restricted Subsidiary or a Restricted Subsidiary is merged into such corporation or at the time of a sale, lease or other disposition of the properties of such corporation (or a division thereof) as an entirety or substantially as an entirety to the Company or a Restricted Subsidiary, provided that such mortgage as a result of such merger, consolidation, sale, lease or other disposition is not extended to property owned by the Company or such Restricted Subsidiary immediately prior thereto, (d) Mortgages securing Indebtedness of a Wholly-Owned Restricted Subsidiary to the Company or to another Wholly-Owned Restricted Subsidiary, (e) purchase money and construction Mortgages entered into within specified time limits, (f) mechanics' liens, tax liens, liens in favor of, and to secure progress, advance or other payments or the acquisition of real or personal property from any governmental body pursuant to contract or provision of statute, and other liens, charges and encumbrances incidental to construction, conduct of business or ownership of property of the Company or any Restricted Subsidiary which were not incurred in connection with borrowing money, obtaining advances or credits or the acquisition of property and in the aggregate do not materially impair the use of any Principal Domestic Manufacturing Plant for which it is held or which are being contested in good faith, (g) liens arising by reason of any judgment, decree or order of a court so long as proceedings to review such judgments shall not have been terminated or the period in which to initiate such proceedings shall not have expired, or (h) any extension, renewal or replacement of any of the aforementioned Mortgages not in excess of the principal amount of such Indebtedness plus the fee incurred in connection with such transaction. (Section 10.06)

Limitations on Sale and Leaseback Transactions

The Indenture provides that neither the Company nor any Restricted Subsidiary may enter into any Sale and Lease-

Back Transaction involving any Principal Domestic Manufacturing Plant unless the aggregate amount of all Attributable Debt with respect to such transactions plus all Indebtedness secured by Mortgages on Principal Domestic Manufacturing Plants (with the exception of secured Indebtedness which is excluded as described in "Limitations on Liens" above) would not exceed 10% of Consolidated Net Tangible Assets.

Such limitation will not apply to any Sale and Lease-Back Transaction if (a) the lease is for a period of not more than three years, (b) the purchaser's commitment is obtained within 180 days after the acquisition, construction or placing in service of the Principal Domestic Manufacturing Plant, (c) the rent payable pursuant to such lease is to be reimbursed under a contract with the United States Government or any instrumentality or agency thereof, (d) the transaction is between the Company and a Wholly-Owned Restricted Subsidiary or between Wholly-Owned Restricted Subsidiaries, (e) the Company or such Restricted Subsidiary would be entitled as described in "Limitations on Liens" above, to mortgage such Principal Domestic Manufacturing Plant without equally and ratably securing the Debt Securities, or (f) the Company or such Restricted Subsidiary, within 180 days after the effective date of the transaction, applies to the retirement of Debt Securities or other Indebtedness of the Company or a Restricted Subsidiary an amount equal to (A) either (i) the lesser of the net proceeds of the sale or transfer or the book value at the date of such sale or transfer of the Principal Domestic Manufacturing Plant leased, if the transaction is for cash, or (ii) the lesser of the fair market value or the net book value at the date of such sale or transfer of the Principal Domestic Manufacturing Plant leased, if the transaction is for other than cash, minus (B) the amount equal to the principal amount of Debt Securities delivered to the Trustee within such 180 days for cancellation and the principal amount of Indebtedness voluntarily retired within such 180 days. (Section 10.07)

Restriction on Consolidation, Merger, Conveyance, Transfer or Lease

The Indenture provides that no consolidation or merger of the Company with or into any other Person and no conveyance, transfer or lease of its property substantially as an entirety to another Person may be made (1) unless (i) the surviving corporation or acquiring Person shall be a corporation organized and existing under the laws of the United States of America, any State thereof, or the District of Columbia and shall expressly assume the payment of principal and any premium and interest on all the Securities and the performance of every covenant in the Indenture; (ii) immediately after giving effect to such transaction, no Event of Default, and no event which after notice or lapse of time would become an Event of Default, shall have happened and be continuing; (iii) if, as a result thereof, any assets of the Company would become subject to a mortgage or other encumbrance which is not expressly permitted by the Indenture (see "Certain Restrictions--Limitations on Liens") unless all the outstanding Securities are secured by a lien upon such assets equal with (or prior to) that of the indebtedness secured by such mortgage or encumbrance; and (iv) the Company has delivered the required Officers' Certificate and Opinion of Counsel to the Trustee. (Section 8.01)

The Trustee

The Indenture contains certain limitations on the right of the Trustee, as a creditor of the Company, to obtain payment or claims in certain cases, or to realize on certain property received in respect of any such claim as security or otherwise. (Section 6.13)

SunTrust Bank, Atlanta, the Trustee under the Indenture, maintains a banking relationship with Pitney Bowes Credit Corporation, a Delaware corporation and a subsidiary of the Company.

Book-Entry System

If so specified in the applicable Prospectus Supplement, the Offered Debt Securities may be represented by one or more certificates in global form (each a "Global Security"). Each Global Security will be

deposited with, or on behalf of, a depositary, which, unless otherwise specified in the applicable Prospectus Supplement, will be The Depository Trust Company ("DTC"), New York, New York (including any successor depositary appointed by the Company, the "Depositary"). The Global Securities will be registered in the name of the Depositary or its nominee.

DTC has advised the Company that DTC is a limited purpose trust company organized under the laws of the State of New York, a "banking organization" within the meaning of the New York banking law, a member of the Federal Reserve System, a "clearing corporation" within the meaning of the New York Uniform Commercial Code and a "clearing agency" registered pursuant to the provisions of Section 17A of the Exchange Act. DTC was created to hold securities of its participants and to facilitate the clearance and settlement of securities transactions among its participants through electronic book-entry changes in accounts of the participants, thereby eliminating the need for physical movement of securities certificates. The Depositary's participants include securities brokers and dealers, banks, trust companies, clearing corporations and certain other organizations, some of which (and/or representatives of which) own the Depositary. Access to the Depositary's book-entry system is also available to others, such as banks, brokers, dealers and trust companies that clear through or maintain a custodial relationship with a participant, either directly or indirectly.

Upon the issuance of a Global Security, the Depositary will credit, on its book-entry registration and transfer system, the respective principal amounts of the Debt Securities represented by such Global Security to the accounts of participants. The accounts to be credited will be designated by the underwriters, dealers or agents, if any, or by the Company, if such Debt Securities are offered and sold directly by the Company. Ownership of beneficial interests in a Global Security will be limited to participants or persons that may hold interests through participants. Ownership of beneficial interests by participants in a Global Security will be shown on, and the transfer of that ownership interest will be effected only through, records maintained by the Depositary or its nominee (with respect to interests of participants) and on the records of participants (with respect to interests of persons other than participants). The laws of some jurisdictions may require that certain purchasers of securities take physical delivery of such securities in certificated form. Such laws may impair the ability to transfer beneficial interests in a Global Security.

So long as the Depositary or its nominee is the registered owner of a Global Security, the Depositary or such nominee, as the case may be, will be considered the sole owner or holder of the Debt Securities represented by such Global Security for all purposes under the Indenture. Except as set forth below, owners of beneficial interests in such Global Security will not be entitled to have the Debt Securities represented thereby registered in their names, will not receive or be entitled to receive physical delivery of certificates representing the Debt Securities and will not be considered the owners or holders thereof under the Indenture. Accordingly, each person owning a beneficial interest in such Global Security must rely on the procedures of the Depositary and, if such person is not a participant, on the procedures of the participant through which such person owns its interest, to exercise any rights of a holder under the Indenture.

Payment of principal of, and any premium and interest on, Debt Securities represented by a Global Security will be made by the Company through the Trustee or a paying agent (which may also be the Trustee) to the Depositary or its nominee, as the case may be, as the registered owner and holder of the Global Security representing such Debt Securities. Under the terms of the Indenture, the Company and the Trustee may treat the persons in whose names the Offered Debt Securities are registered as the owners thereof for the purpose of receiving such payments and for any and all other purposes. Consequently, none of the Company, the Trustee, any paying agent or registrar for such Debt Securities will have any responsibility or liability for any aspect of the records relating to or payments made on account of beneficial ownership interests in a Global Security or for maintaining, supervising or reviewing any records relating to such beneficial ownership interests.

The Company expects that the Depositary or its nominee, as the case may be, upon receipt of any payment of principal, premium or interest in respect of a Global Security, will immediately credit participants' accounts with payments in amounts proportionate to their respective beneficial interests in the principal amount of such Global Security as shown on the records of the Depositary or its nominee. The Company also expects that payments by participants to owners of beneficial interests in such Global Security held through such participants will be governed by standing instructions and customary practices, as is now the case with securities held for the accounts of customers registered in "street name," and will be the responsibility of such participants.

A Global Security may not be transferred except as a whole by the Depositary to its nominee or by a nominee of the Depositary to the Depositary or another nominee of the Depositary or by the Depositary or its nominee to a successor of the Depositary or a nominee of such successor. If the Depositary for a Global Security is at any time unwilling or unable to continue as depositary and a successor depositary is not appointed by the Company within 90 days, the Company will issue Debt Securities in certificated form in exchange for all of the Global Securities representing such Debt Securities. In addition, the Company may at any time and in its sole discretion determine not to have any Debt Securities represented by one or more Global Securities and, in such event, will issue Debt Securities in certificated form in exchange for all of the Global Securities representing such Debt Securities. Further, if the Company so specifies with respect to the Debt Securities of a series, an owner of a beneficial interest in a Global Security representing Debt Securities of such series may on terms acceptable to the Company and the Depositary receive Debt Securities of such series in certificated form. In any such instance, an owner of a beneficial interest in a Global Security will be entitled to physical delivery in certificated form of Debt Securities of the series represented by such Global Security equal in principal amount to such beneficial interest and to have such Debt Securities registered in its name (Section 3.05).

## Events of Default and Notices Thereof

The following events are defined in the Indenture as "Events of Default" with respect to Securities of any series: (a) failure to pay principal of or premium, if any, on any Security of that series when due; (b) failure to pay any interest on any Security of that series when due, continued for 30 days; (c) failure to deposit any sinking fund payment, when due, in respect of any Security of that series; (d) failure to perform any other covenant of the Company in the Indenture (other than a covenant included in the Indenture solely for the benefit of a series of Securities other than that series), continued for 90 days after written notice given to the Company by the Trustee or to the Company and the Trustee by the holders of at least 25% in principal amount of the Outstanding Securities of each series affected thereby; (e) certain events in bankruptcy, insolvency or reorganization of the Company; and (f) any other Event of Default provided with respect to Securities of such series. (Section 5.01)

If an Event of Default under clause (a), (b), (c), (d) or (f) above with respect to Securities of any series at the time Outstanding shall occur and be continuing, either the Trustee or the holders of at least 25% in principal amount of the Outstanding Securities of each such series voting separately, in the case of clause (a), (b), (c) or (f), or of all such series affected thereby, voting as one class, in the case of (d) above, may declare the principal amount (or, if the Securities of any such series are Original Issue Discount Securities, such portion of the principal amount as may be specified in the terms of such series) of all Securities of such series to be due and payable immediately. If an Event of Default under clause (e) above shall occur and be continuing, either the Trustee or the holders of at least 25% in principal amount of all of the Outstanding Securities may declare the principal amount (or, if the Securities of any series are Original Issue Discount Securities, such portion of the principal amount as may be specified in the terms of such series) of all outstanding Securities to be due and payable immediately. Under certain circumstances the holders of a majority in principal amount of Outstanding Securities of such series may rescind or annul such declaration and its consequences. (Section 5.02) In the event the Company takes the necessary action to enable it to omit to comply with certain covenants of the Indenture as described under "--Defeasance of Certain Covenants" and the Securities are declared due and payable because of the occurrence of an Event of Default, the amount of money and U.S. Government Obligations on deposit with the Trustee will be sufficient to pay amounts due on the Securities at the time of their Stated Maturity but may not be sufficient to pay amounts due on the Securities at the time of the acceleration resulting from such Event of Default. (Section 10.08) However, the Company shall remain liable for such payments.

Reference is made to the Prospectus Supplement relating to any series of Offered Debt Securities which are Original Issue Discount Securities for the particular provisions relating to the principal amount of such Original Issue Discount Securities due on acceleration upon the occurrence of an Event of Default and the continuation thereof.

The Indenture provides that the Trustee, within 90 days after the occurrence of a default with respect to any series of Securities, shall give to the holders of Securities of that series, notice of all uncured defaults known to it (the term default to mean the Events of Default specified above without grace periods), provided that, except in the case of default in the payment of principal of (or premium, if any) or any interest, or sinking fund installment, if any, on any Security, the Trustee shall be protected in withholding such notice if it in good faith determines that the withholding of such notice is in the interest of the Holders of Securities. (Section 6.02)

The Company will be required to furnish to the Trustee annually a certificate by certain officers of the Company to the effect that to the best of their knowledge the Company is not in default in the fulfillment of any of its obligations under the Indenture or, if there has been a default in the fulfillment of any such obligation, specifying each such default. (Section 10.09)

The Holders of a majority in principal amount of the outstanding Securities of any series will have the right, subject to certain limitations, to direct the time, method and place of conducting any proceeding for any remedy available to the Trustee or exercising any trust or power conferred on the Trustee with respect to the Securities of such series, and, in certain circumstances, the Holders of not less than a majority in principal amount of Outstanding Securities of any series (voting as a separate class) or the holders of not less than a majority in aggregate principal amount of Outstanding Securities of all Series (voting as a class), may waive certain defaults. (Sections 5.12 and 5.13)

The Indenture provides that in case an Event of Default has occurred and is continuing, the Trustee shall exercise such of its rights and powers under the Indenture, and use the same degree of care and skill in their exercise, as a prudent man would exercise or use under the circumstances in the conduct of his own affairs. (Section 6.01) Subject to such provisions, the Trustee will be under no obligation to exercise any of its rights or powers under the Indenture at the request of any of the holders of Securities unless they shall have offered to the Trustee reasonable security or indemnity against the costs, expenses and liabilities which might be incurred by it in compliance with such request. (Section 6.03)

## Modification of the Indenture

Modifications and amendments of the Indenture may be made by the Company and the Trustee, with the consent of the holders of not less than a majority in aggregate principal amount of the Outstanding Securities issued under the Indenture which are affected by the modification or amendment, provided that no such modification or amendment may, without the consent of each Holder of each such Outstanding Security affected thereby, (1) change the stated maturity date of the principal of (or premium, if any) or any installment of interest, if any, on any such Security; (2) reduce the principal amount of (or premium, if any) or the interest, if any, on any such Security or the principal amount due upon acceleration of an Original Issue

Discount Security; (3) change the place or currency of payment of principal (or premium, if any) or interest, if any, on any such Security; (4) impair the right to institute suit for the enforcement of any such payment on or with respect to any such Security; (5) reduce the above-stated percentage of holders of Securities necessary to modify or amend the Indenture; or (6) modify the foregoing requirements or reduce the percentage of holders of outstanding Securities necessary to waive compliance with certain provisions of the Indenture or for waiver of certain defaults. (Section 9.02)

## Defeasance and Discharge

The Indenture provides that with respect to the Securities of a certain series, unless otherwise specified, the Company will be discharged from any and all obligations in respect of such Securities (except for certain obligations to register the transfer or exchange of Securities, to replace stolen, lost or mutilated Securities, to maintain paying agencies and hold monies for payment in trust) upon the deposit with the Trustee, in trust, of money and/or U.S. Government obligations which through the payment of interest and principal thereof in accordance with their terms will provide money in an amount sufficient to pay any installment of principal (and premium, if any) and any interest on and any mandatory sinking fund payments in respect of such Securities on the Stated Maturity of such payments in accordance with the terms of the Indenture and such Securities. Such a trust may only be established if the Company has delivered to the Trustee an Opinion of Counsel acceptable to the Trustee (who may be counsel to the Company) to the effect that, among other things, establishment of the trust would not cause the Securities of any such series listed on any nationally-recognized securities exchange to be delisted as a result thereof and an Opinion of Counsel to the effect that the Company has received from or there has been published by the United States Internal Revenue Service a ruling to the effect that such a defeasance and discharge will not be deemed, or result in, a taxable event with respect to holders of such Securities. (Section 4.02) The designation of such provisions, Federal income tax consequences and other considerations applicable thereto will be described in the Prospectus Supplement relating thereto.

# Defeasance of Certain Covenants

The Indenture provides that with respect to the Securities of a certain series, unless otherwise specified, the Company may omit to comply with certain restrictive covenants described in Section 10.07 (Limitations on Liens) and Section 10.08 (Limitations on Sale and Leaseback Transactions) of the Indenture and with any additional negative or restrictive covenant of the Company (other than those contained in the Indenture) applicable to the Securities of such series if the Company deposits with the Trustee money and/or U.S. Government Obligations (as defined) which through the payment of interest and principal thereof in accordance with their terms will provide money in an amount sufficient to pay principal and any premium and interest on and any mandatory sinking fund payments in respect of such Securities on the Stated Maturity of such payments in accordance with the terms of the Indenture and such Securities. The obligations of the Company under the Indenture other than with respect to the covenants referred to above shall remain in full force and effect. The Company will also be required to deliver to the Trustee an Opinion of Counsel (who may be counsel to the Company) to the effect that the deposit and related covenant defeasance will not be deemed, or result in, a taxable event with respect to holders of the Securities. (Section 10.10) The designation of such provisions, Federal income tax consequences and other considerations applicable thereto will be described in the Prospectus Supplement relating thereto.

# Concerning the Trustee

Unless otherwise specified in the applicable Prospectus Supplement, SunTrust Bank, Atlanta is the Trustee, paying agent and registrar under the Indenture.

Governing Law

The Indenture and the Debt Securities will be governed by the laws of the State of New York.

#### PLAN OF DISTRIBUTION

The Company may sell Debt Securities to one or more underwriters for public offering and sale by them or may sell Debt Securities to investors directly or through agents. The Prospectus Supplement with respect to any Offered Debt Securities will set forth the terms of the offering of such Offered Debt Securities, including the name or names of any underwriters or agents, the purchase price of the Offered Debt Securities and the proceeds to the Company from such sale, any underwriting discounts and other items constituting underwriters' compensation, any initial public offering price and any discounts or concessions allowed or reallowed or paid to dealers and any securities exchanges on which the Offered Debt Securities may be listed.

If underwriters are used in a sale of any Debt Securities, such Debt Securities will be acquired by the underwriters for their own account and may be resold from time to time in one or more transactions, including negotiated transactions, at a fixed public offering price or at varying prices determined at the time of sale. The Debt Securities may be offered to the public through underwriting syndicates represented by managing underwriters. Unless otherwise set forth in the Prospectus Supplement, the obligations of the underwriters to purchase the Debt Securities will be subject to certain conditions precedent and the underwriters will be obligated to purchase all the Debt Securities if any are purchased. Any initial public offering price and any discounts or concessions allowed or reallowed or paid to dealers may be changed from time to time.

The Debt Securities may be sold directly by the Company or through agents designated by the Company from time to time. Any such agent involved in the offer or sale of the Debt Securities will be named, and any commissions payable by the Company to such agent will be set forth, in the Prospectus Supplement. Unless otherwise indicated in the Prospectus Supplement, any such agent will be acting on a best efforts basis for the period of its appointment.

If so indicated in the Prospectus Supplement, the Company will authorize agents, underwriters or dealers to solicit offers by certain specified institutions to purchase Offered Debt Securities from the Company at the public offering price set forth in the Prospectus Supplement pursuant to delayed delivery contracts providing for payment and delivery on a specified date in the future. Such contracts will be subject only to those conditions set forth in the Prospectus Supplement and the Prospectus Supplement will set forth the commission payable for solicitation of such contracts.

Agents and underwriters may be entitled, under agreements entered into with the Company, to indemnification by the Company against certain civil liabilities, including liabilities under the Securities Act of 1933, or to contribution with respect to payments which the agents or underwriters may be required to make in respect thereof. Certain agents and underwriters may be customers of, engage in transactions with, or perform services for, the Company in the ordinary course of business.

Each issue of Offered Debt Securities will be a new issue of securities with no established trading market. Any underwriters to whom Offered Debt Securities are sold by the Company for public offering and sale may make a market in such Offered Debt Securities, but such underwriters will not be obligated to do so and may discontinue any market making at any time without notice. No assurance can be given as to the liquidity of the trading market for any Offered Debt Securities.

# VALIDITY OF DEBT SECURITIES

Company by Sara E. Moss, Esq., Vice President and General Counsel of the Company and by Davis Polk & Wardwell, 450 Lexington Avenue, New York, New York 10017, and, unless otherwise indicated in a Prospectus Supplement relating to Offered Debt Securities, for the underwriters or agents by Sullivan & Cromwell, 125 Broad Street, New York, New York 10004.

### EXPERTS

The financial statements incorporated in this Prospectus by reference to the Annual Report on Form 10-K of Pitney Bowes Inc. for the year ended December 31, 1997 have been so incorporated in reliance on the report of Price Waterhouse LLP, independent accountants, given on the authority of said firm as experts in auditing and accounting.

# PART II INFORMATION NOT REQUIRED IN PROSPECTUS

Item 14. Other Expenses of Issuance and Distribution.

Securities and Exchange Commission Registration Fee	\$138 <b>,</b> 060
Trustee's Fees and Expenses	15,000
Printing and Engraving Expenses	20,000
Rating Agency Fees	25,000
Accounting Fees and Expenses	30,000
Legal Fees and Expenses	50,000
Blue Sky and Legality Fees and Expenses	5,000
Miscellaneous Expenses	1,940
Total	\$285 <b>,</b> 000
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The above items are estimates except the registration fee.

Item 15. Indemnification of Directors and Officers.

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Section 145 of the Delaware General Corporation Law allows for indemnification of any person who has been made, or threatened to be made, a party to any threatened, pending or completed action, suit or proceeding, whether civil, criminal, administrative or investigative by reason of the fact that he or she is or was serving as a director, officer, employee or agent of the registrant or by reason of the fact that he or she is or was serving at the request of the registrant as a director, officer, employee or agent of another corporation, partnership, joint venture, trust or other enterprise. In certain circumstances, indemnity may be provided against expenses (including attorneys' fees), judgments, fines and amounts paid in settlement if the person acted in good faith and in the manner reasonably believed by him to be in, or not opposed to, the best interests of the registrant and, with respect to any criminal action or proceeding, had no reasonable cause to believe his conduct was unlawful. In any proceeding by or in the right of the registrant, no indemnification may be made if the person is found to be liable to the corporation, unless and only to the extent the court in which the proceeding is brought or the Delaware Court of Chancery orders such indemnification.

Section 102(b)(7) of the Delaware General Corporation Law provides that a certificate of incorporation may contain a provision eliminating or limiting the personal liability of a director to the corporation or its stockholders for monetary damages for breach of fiduciary duty as a director provided that such provision shall not eliminate or limit the liability of a director (i) for any breach of the director's duty of loyalty to the corporation or its stockholders, (ii) for acts or omissions not in good faith or which involve intentional misconduct or a knowing violation of law, (iii) under Section 174 (relating to liability for unauthorized acquisitions or redemptions of, or dividends on, capital stock) of the Delaware General Corporation Law, or (iv) for any transaction from which the director derived an improper personal benefit. The Company's Restated Certificate of Incorporation includes a provision limiting such liability.

The Restated Certificate of Incorporation of the Company provides that each person who was or is made a party or is threatened to be made a party to or is involved in any action, suit or proceeding, whether civil, criminal, administrative or investigative (a "proceeding"), by reason of the fact that he or she, or a person of whom he or she is the legal representative, is or was a director or officer of the Company or is or was serving at the request of the Company as a director, officer, employee or agent of another corporation or of a partnership, joint venture, trust or other enterprise, including service with respect to employee benefit plans, whether the basis of such proceeding is alleged action in an official capacity as a director, officer, employee or agent or in any other capacity while serving as a director, officer, employee or agent, shall be indemnified and held harmless by the Company to the fullest extent authorized by the Delaware General Corporation Law, as the same exists or may hereafter be amended (but, in the case of any such amendment, only to the extent that such amendment permits the Company to provide broader indemnification rights than said law permitted the Company to provide prior to such amendment), against all expense, liability and loss (including attorneys' fees, judgments, fines, ERISA excise taxes or penalties and amounts paid or to be paid in settlement) reasonably incurred or suffered by such person in connection therewith and such indemnification shall continue as to a person who has ceased to be a director, officer, employee or agent and shall inure to the benefit of his or her heirs, executors and administrators. Such right to indemnification is a contract right and includes the right to be paid by the Company the expenses incurred in defending any such proceeding in advance of its final disposition; provided, however, that, if the Delaware General Corporation Law requires, the payment of such expenses incurred by a director or officer in his or her capacity as a director or officer (and not in any other capacity in which service was or is rendered by such person while a director or officer, including, without limitation, service to an employee benefit plan) in advance of the final disposition of a proceeding, shall be made only upon delivery to the Company of an undertaking, by or on behalf of such director or officer, to repay all amounts so advanced if it shall ultimately be determined that such director or officer is not entitled to such indemnity.

The foregoing statements are specifically made subject to the detailed provisions of the Delaware General Corporation Law and the Restated Certificate of Incorporation of the Company.

The Company has a directors and officers liability insurance policy that will reimburse the Company for any payments that it shall make to directors and officers pursuant to law or the indemnification provisions of its Restated Certificate of Incorporation and that will, subject to certain exclusions contained in the policy, further pay any other costs, charges and expenses and settlements and judgments arising from any proceeding involving any director or officer of the Company in his or her past or present capacity as such, and for which he may be liable, except as to any liabilities arising from acts that are deemed to be uninsurable.

The provisions contained in the Underwriting Agreement pursuant to which the Company agrees to indemnify underwriters and agents, as the case may be, and each person, if any, who controls any underwriters or agents and filed as part of Exhibit 1, are incorporated herein by reference.

Insofar as indemnification for liabilities arising under the Securities Act of 1933 may be permitted to directors, officers and controlling persons of the Company pursuant to the foregoing provisions, the Company has been informed that in the opinion of the Securities and Exchange Commission such indemnification is against public policy as expressed in the Securities Act of 1933 and is, therefore, unenforceable.

Item 16. Exhibits (Numbered in accordance with Item 601 of Regulation S-K).

Reg. S-K Exhibits

Description

Status or Incorporation by Reference

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<sup>\*</sup> To be filed by amendment or under cover of Form 8-K.

## Item 17. Undertakings.

Pitney Bowes Inc. hereby undertakes:

- (1) To file during any period in which offers or sales are being made of the securities registered hereby, a post-effective amendment to this Registration Statement:
  - (i) To include any prospectus required by Section 10(a)(3) of the Securities Act of 1933;
  - (ii) To reflect in the Prospectus any facts or events arising after the effective date of the Registration Statement (or the most recent post-effective amendment thereof) which, individually or in the aggregate, represent a fundamental change in the information set forth in this Registration Statement. Notwithstanding the foregoing, any increase or decrease in volume of securities offered (if the total dollar value of securities offered would not exceed that which was registered) and any deviation from the low or high and of the estimated maximum offering range may be reflected in the form of prospectus filed with the Commission pursuant to Rule 424(b) if, in the aggregate, the changes in volume and price represent no more than 20 percent change in the maximum aggregate offering price set forth in the "Calculation of Registration Fee" table in the effective Registration Statement; and
  - (iii) To include any material information with respect to the plan of distribution not previously disclosed in this Registration Statement or any material change to such information in this Registration Statement;

Provided, however, that paragraphs (i) and (ii) do not apply if the registration statement is on Form S-3 or Form S-8 and the information required to be included in a post-effective amendment by those paragraphs is contained in periodic reports filed with or furnished to the Securities Exchange Commission by the Company pursuant to Section 13 or Section 15(d) of the Securities Exchange Act of 1934 that are incorporated by reference in this Registration Statement.

- (2) That, for the purpose of determining any liability under the Securities Act of 1933, each such post-effective amendment shall be deemed to be a new registration statement relating to the Securities offered therein, and the offering of such Securities at that time shall be deemed to be the initial bona fide offering thereof.
- (3) To remove from registration by means of a post-effective amendment any of the Securities being registered which remain unsold at the termination of the offering.

- (4) That, for the purpose of determining any liability under the Securities Act of 1933, each filing of the Company's annual report pursuant to Section 13(a) or Section 15(d) of the Securities Exchange Act of 1934 that is incorporated by reference in this Registration Statement shall be deemed to be a new registration statement relating to the securities offered therein, and the offering of such securities at that time shall be deemed to be the initial bona fide offering thereof.
- (5) That, for purposes of determining any liability under the Securities Act of 1933, the information omitted from the form of prospectus filed as part of this Registration Statement in reliance upon Rule 430A and contained in the form of a prospectus filed by the Company pursuant to Rule 424(b)(1) or (4) or 497(h) under the Securities Act shall be deemed to be part of this Registration Statement as of the time it was declared effective.
- (6) That, for the purpose of determining any liability under the Securities Act of 1933, each post-effective amendment that contains a form of prospectus shall be deemed to be a new registration statement relating to the securities offered therein, and the offering of such securities at that time shall be deemed to be the initial bona fide offering thereof.

Insofar as indemnification for liabilities arising under the Securities Act of 1933 may be permitted to directors, officers, and controlling persons of the Company pursuant to provisions referred to in Item 15, the Company has been informed that in the opinion of the Commission such indemnification is against public policy as expressed in the Act and is, therefore, unenforceable. In the event that a claim for indemnification against such liabilities (other than the payment by the Company of expenses incurred or paid by a director, officer, or controlling person of the Company in the successful defense of any action, suit, or proceeding) is asserted by such director, officer or controlling person in connection with the Securities being registered, the Company will, unless in the opinion of its counsel the matter has been settled by controlling precedent, submit to a court of appropriate jurisdiction the question whether such indemnification by it is against public policy as expressed in the Act and will be governed by the final adjudication of such issue.

# SIGNATURES

Pursuant to the requirements of the Securities Act of 1933, as amended, the Registrant certifies that it has reasonable grounds to believe that it meets all of the requirements for filing on Form S-3 and has duly caused this Registration Statement to be signed on its behalf by the undersigned, thereunto duly authorized, in the City of Stamford, State of Connecticut, on this 29th day of April, 1998.

PITNEY BOWES INC.

By: /s/ Murray L. Reichenstein

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Murray L. Reichenstein Vice President and Chief Financial Officer (Principal Financial Officer)

#### POWER OF ATTORNEY

The Registrant and each person whose signature appears below constitutes and appoints Michael J. Critelli, Murray L. Reichenstein and Arlen F. Henock, and any agent for service named in this Registration Statement, and each of them singly, his, her or its true and lawful attorneys-in-fact and agents, with full power of substitution and resubstitution, for him, her or it and in his, her, or its name, place and stead, in any and all capacities, to sign any registration statements and any and all amendments (including post-effective

amendments filed pursuant to Rule 462(b) under the Securities Act of 1933, as amended) to this Registration Statement, and to file the same, with all exhibits thereto, and other documents in connection therewith, with the Securities and Exchange Commission, granting unto said attorneys-in-fact and agents, and each of them singly, full power and authority to do and perform each and every act and thing requisite or necessary to be done in and about the premises, as fully to all intents and purposes as he, she, or it might or could do in person, hereby ratifying and confirming all that said attorneys-in-fact and agents or any of them, or their or his or her substitute or substitutes, may lawfully do or cause to be done by virtue hereof.

Pursuant to the requirements of the Securities Act of 1933, as amended, this Registration Statement has been signed below by the following persons in the capacities and on the dates indicated.

Signature	Title	Date
/s/ Michael J. Critelli Michael J. Critelli	Chairman and Chief - Executive Officer-Director	April 29, 1998
	President and Chief Operating - Officer-Director	April 29, 1998
Marc C. Breslawsky		
/s/ Murray L. Reichenstein	Vice President and Chief - Financial Officer (Principal	April 29, 1998
Murray L. Reichenstein	Financial Officer)	
/s/ Arlen F. Henock	Vice President-Controller	April 29, 1998
Arlen F. Henock	(Principal Accounting Officer)	
/s/ Linda G. Alvarado		April 29, 1998
Linda G. Alvarado	-	
/s/ William E. Butler	Director	April 29, 1998
William E. Butler	-	
/s/ Colin G. Campbell		April 29, 1998
Colin G. Campbell		
/s/ Ernie Green		April 29, 1998
Ernie Green		
/s/ Charles E. Hugel		April 29, 1998
Charles E. Hugel		
/s/ James H. Keyes		April 29, 1998
James H. Keyes		
/s/ David T. Kimball	Director	April 29, 1998
David T. Kimball		
/s/ Michael I. Roth		April 29, 1998
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Michael I. Roth

Phyllis S. Sewell

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EXHIBIT 1(a)

PITNEY BOWES INC.

### DEBT SECURITIES

#### UNDERWRITING AGREEMENT

April , 1998

To the Representatives of the Several Underwriters named in the respective Pricing Agreements hereinafter described.

Ladies and Gentlemen:

From time to time Pitney Bowes Inc. (the "Company") proposes to enter into one or more Pricing Agreements (each a "Pricing Agreement") in the form of Annex I hereto, with such additions and deletions as the parties thereto may determine, and, subject to the terms and conditions stated herein and therein, to issue and sell to the firms named in Schedule I to the applicable Pricing Agreement (such firms constituting the "Underwriters" with respect to such Pricing Agreement and the securities specified therein) certain of its debt securities (the "Securities") specified in Schedule II to such Pricing Agreement (with respect to such Pricing Agreement, the "Designated Securities"), less the principal amount of Designated Securities covered by Delayed Delivery Contracts (as defined in Section 3 hereof), if any, as provided in Section 3 hereof and as may be specified in Schedule II to such Pricing Agreement (with respect to such Pricing Agreement, any Designated Securities to be covered by Delayed Delivery Contracts being herein sometimes referred to as "Contract Securities" and the Designated Securities to be purchased by the Underwriters (after giving effect to the deduction, if any, for Contract Securities) being herein sometimes referred to as "Underwriters' Securities").

The terms and rights of any particular issuance of Designated Securities shall be as specified in the Pricing Agreement relating thereto and in or pursuant to the indenture (the "Indenture") identified in such Pricing Agreement.

1. Particular sales of Designated Securities may be made from time to time to the Underwriters of such Securities, for whom the firms designated as representatives of the Underwriters of such Securities in the Pricing Agreement relating thereto will act as representatives (the "Representatives"). The term "Representatives" also refers to a single firm acting as sole representative of the Underwriters and to an Underwriter or Underwriters who act without any firm being designated as its or their representatives. This Underwriting Agreement shall not be construed as an obligation of the Company to sell any of the Securities or as an obligation of any of the Underwriters to purchase the Securities or as a limitation on the right of the Company to execute Pricing Agreements with any Underwriter. The obligation of the Company to issue and sell any of the Securities and the obligation of any of the Underwriters to purchase any of the Securities shall be evidenced by the Pricing Agreement with respect to the Designated Securities specified therein. Each Pricing Agreement shall specify the aggregate principal amount of such Designated Securities, the initial public offering price of such Designated Securities, the purchase price to the Underwriters of such Designated Securities, the names of the Underwriters of such Designated Securities, the names of the Representatives of such Underwriters, the principal amount of such Designated Securities to be purchased by each Underwriter and whether any of such Designated Securities shall be covered by Delayed Delivery Contracts and the commission payable to the Underwriters with respect thereto and shall set forth the date, time and manner of delivery

of such Designated Securities and payment therefor. The Pricing Agreement shall also specify (to the extent not set forth in the Indenture and the registration statement and prospectus with respect thereto) the terms of such Designated Securities. A Pricing Agreement shall be in the form of an executed writing (which may be in counterparts), and may be evidenced by an exchange of telegraphic communications or any other rapid transmission device designed to produce a written record of communications transmitted. The obligations of the Underwriters under this Agreement and each Pricing Agreement shall be several and not joint.

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  - (a) Registration statements in respect of the Securities have been filed with the Securities and Exchange Commission (the "Commission"); each such registration statement and any post-effective amendment thereto, each in the form heretofore delivered or to be delivered to the Representatives and, excluding exhibits to such registration statements, but including all documents incorporated by reference in the prospectus contained in the latest registration statement, to the representatives for the other Underwriters, have been declared effective by the Commission in such form; other than a registration statement, if any, increasing the size of the offering (a "Rule 462(b) registration statement"), filed pursuant to Rule 462(b) under the Securities Act of 1933, as amended (the "Act"), which becomes effective upon filing, no other document with respect to each such registration statement or document incorporated by reference therein has heretofore been filed or transmitted for filing with the Commission; and no stop order suspending the effectiveness of any such registration statement has been issued and no proceeding for that purpose has been initiated or threatened by the Commission (any preliminary prospectus included in any such registration statement or filed with the Commission pursuant to Rule 424(a) of the rules and regulations of the Commission under the Act, being hereinafter called a "Preliminary Prospectus"; the various parts of such registration statements and the Rule 462(b) registration statement, if any, including all exhibits thereto and the documents incorporated by reference in the prospectus contained in the registration statements at the time such part of each registration statement became effective or the Rule 462(b) registration statement, if any, becomes effective but excluding Form T-1, and, if applicable, including the information contained in the form of final prospectus filed with the Commission pursuant to Rule 424(b) under the Act in accordance with Section 5(a) hereof and deemed by virtue of Rule 430A under the Act to be part of any such registration statement, each as amended at the time such part of the registration statement became effective or such part of the Rule 462(b) registration statement, if any, becomes effective being hereinafter collectively called the "Registration Statement", the prospectus relating to the Securities, in the form in which it has most recently been filed, or transmitted for filing, with the Commission on or prior to the date of this Agreement, being hereinafter called the "Prospectus"; any reference herein to any Preliminary Prospectus or the Prospectus shall be deemed to refer to and include the documents incorporated by reference therein pursuant to the applicable form under the Act, as of the date of such Preliminary Prospectus or Prospectus, as the case may be; any reference to any amendment or supplement to any Preliminary Prospectus or the Prospectus shall be deemed to refer to and include any documents filed after the date of such Preliminary Prospectus or Prospectus, as the case may be, under the Securities Exchange Act of

1934, as amended (the "Exchange Act"), and incorporated by reference in such Preliminary Prospectus or Prospectus, as the case may be; any reference to any amendment to the Registration Statement shall be deemed to refer to and include any annual report of the Company filed pursuant to Sections 13(a) or 15(d) of the Exchange Act after the effective date of the Registration Statement that is incorporated by reference in the Registration Statement; and any reference to the Prospectus as amended or supplemented shall be deemed to refer to the Prospectus as amended or supplemented in relation to the applicable Designated Securities in the form in which it is filed with the Commission pursuant to Rule 424(b) under the Act, or to any Rule 462(b) registration statement in accordance with Section 5(a) hereof, including any documents incorporated by reference therein as of the date of such filing);

- (b) The documents incorporated by reference in the Prospectus, when they became effective or were filed with the Commission, as the case may be, conformed in all material respects to the requirements of the Act or the Exchange Act, as applicable, and the rules and regulations of the Commission thereunder, and none of such documents contained an untrue statement of a material fact or omitted to state a material fact required to be stated therein or necessary to make the statements therein not misleading; and any further documents so filed and incorporated by reference in the Prospectus or any further amendment or supplement thereto, when such documents become effective or are filed with the Commission, as the case may be, will conform in all material respects to the requirements of the Act or the Exchange Act, as applicable, and the rules and regulations of the Commission thereunder and will not contain an untrue statement of a material fact or omit to state a material fact required to be stated therein or necessary to make the statements therein not misleading; provided, however, that this representation and warranty shall not apply to any statements or omissions made in reliance upon and in conformity with information furnished in writing to the Company by an Underwriter of Designated Securities through the Representatives expressly for use in the Prospectus as amended or supplemented relating to such Securities;
- (c) The Registration Statement and the Prospectus conform, and any further amendments or supplements thereto will conform, in all material respects to the requirements of the Act and the Trust Indenture Act of 1939, as amended (the "Trust Indenture Act"), and the rules and regulations of the Commission thereunder and do not and will not, as of the applicable effective date as to the Registration Statement and any amendment thereto and as of the applicable filing date as to the Prospectus and any amendment or supplement thereto, contain an untrue statement of a material fact or omit to state a material fact required to be stated therein or necessary to make the statements therein not misleading; provided, however, that this representation and warranty shall not apply to any statements or omissions made in reliance upon and in conformity with information furnished in writing to the Company by an Underwriter of Designated Securities through the Representatives expressly for use in the Prospectus as amended or supplemented relating to such Securities;
- (d) Neither the Company nor any of its subsidiaries has sustained since the date of the latest audited financial statements included or incorporated by reference in the Prospectus any material loss or interference with its business from fire, explosion, flood or other calamity,

whether or not covered by insurance, or from any court or governmental action, order or decree, otherwise than as set forth or contemplated in the Prospectus; and, since the respective dates as of which information is given in the Registration Statement and the Prospectus, there has not been any change in the capital stock or long-term debt of the Company or any of its subsidiaries, or any material adverse change, or any development involving a prospective material adverse change, in or affecting the general affairs, management, financial position, stockholders' equity or results of operations of the Company and its subsidiaries, taken as a whole, otherwise than as set forth or contemplated in the Prospectus;

- (e) The Company has been duly incorporated and is validly existing as a corporation in good standing under the laws of the State of Delaware, with power and authority (corporate and other) to own its properties and conduct its business as described in the Prospectus;
- (f) The Company has an authorized capitalization as set forth in the Prospectus, and all of the issued shares of capital stock of the Company have been duly and validly authorized and issued and are fully paid and non-assessable;
- (g) The Securities have been duly authorized, and, when Designated Securities are issued and delivered pursuant to this Agreement and the Pricing Agreement with respect to such Designated Securities and, in the case of any Contract Securities, pursuant to Delayed Delivery Contracts with respect to such Contract Securities, such Designated Securities will have been duly executed, authenticated, issued and delivered and will constitute valid and legally binding obligations of the Company entitled to the benefits provided by the Indenture, which will be substantially in the form filed as an exhibit to the Registration Statement; the Indenture has been duly authorized and, at the Time of Delivery (as defined in Section 4 hereof) the Indenture will be duly qualified under the Trust Indenture Act and will constitute a valid and legally binding instrument, enforceable in accordance with its terms, subject, as to enforcement, to bankruptcy, insolvency, reorganization and other laws of general applicability relating to or affecting creditors' rights and to general equity principles; and the Underwriters' Securities and the Indenture conform to the descriptions thereof in the Prospectus as amended or supplemented with respect to such Designated Securities;
- (h) In the event any of the Securities are purchased pursuant to Delayed Delivery Contracts, each of such Delayed Delivery Contracts has been duly authorized by the Company and, when executed and delivered by the Company and the purchaser named therein, will constitute a valid and legally binding agreement of the Company in accordance with its terms; and any Delayed Delivery Contracts conform to the description thereof in the Prospectus;
- (i) The issue and sale of the Securities and the compliance by the Company with all of the provisions of the Securities, the Indenture, each of the Delayed Delivery Contracts, if any, this Agreement and any Pricing Agreement, and the consummation of the transactions herein and therein contemplated will not conflict with or result in a breach or violation of any of the terms or provisions of, or constitute a default under, any indenture, mortgage, deed of trust, loan agreement or other agreement or instrument to which the Company is a party or by which the Company is bound, or to which any of the property or assets of the

Company is subject that is material to the Company and its subsidiaries, taken as a whole, nor will such action result in any violation of the provisions of the Certificate of Incorporation, as amended, or the By-Laws of the Company or any statute or any order, rule or regulation of any court or governmental agency or body having jurisdiction over the Company or any of its properties; and no consent, approval, authorization, order, registration or qualification of or with any such court or governmental agency or body is required for the issue and sale of the Securities or the consummation by the Company of the other transactions contemplated by this Agreement or any Pricing Agreement or the Indenture or any Delayed Delivery Contract, except such as have been, or will have been prior to the Time of Delivery, obtained under the Act and the Trust Indenture Act and such consents, approvals, authorizations, registrations or qualifications as may be required under state securities or Blue Sky laws in connection with the purchase and distribution of the Securities by the Underwriters;

- (j) The statements set forth in the Prospectus under the captions "Description of Debt Securities" and "Description of Notes", insofar as they purport to constitute a summary of the terms of the Securities, and under the captions "Plan of Distribution" and "Underwriting", insofar as they purport to describe the provisions of the laws and documents referred to therein, are accurate, complete and fair;
- (k) Neither the Company nor any of its material subsidiaries is in violation of its Certificate of Incorporation or By-laws or in default in the performance or observance of any material obligation, agreement, covenant or condition contained in any indenture, mortgage, deed of trust, loan agreement, lease or other agreement or instrument to which it is a party or by which it or any of its properties may be bound;
- (1) Other than as set forth or contemplated in the Prospectus, there are no legal or governmental proceedings pending to which the Company or any of its subsidiaries is a party or of which any property of the Company or any of its subsidiaries is the subject which, if determined adversely to the Company or any of its subsidiaries would individually or in the aggregate have a material adverse effect on the current consolidated financial position, stockholders' equity, results of operations or prospects of the Company and its subsidiaries, taken as a whole; and, to the best of the Company's knowledge, no such proceedings are threatened or contemplated by governmental authorities or threatened by others;
- (m) The Company is not and, after giving effect to the
  offering and sale of the Securities, will not be an
  "investment company" or an entity "controlled" by an
  "investment company", as such terms are defined in the
  Investment Company Act of 1940, as amended (the "Investment
  Company Act");
- (n) The Company has complied with all provisions of Section 517.075, Florida Statutes relating to doing business with the Government of Cuba or with any person or affiliate located in Cuba; and
- (o) Price Waterhouse LLP, who have certified certain financial statements of the Company and its subsidiaries, are independent public accountants as required by the Act and the rules and regulations of the Commission thereunder.

3. Upon the execution of the Pricing Agreement applicable to any Designated Securities and authorization by the Representatives of the release of the Underwriters' Securities, the several Underwriters propose to offer the Underwriters' Securities for sale upon the terms and conditions set forth in the Prospectus as amended or supplemented.

The Company may specify in Schedule II to the Pricing Agreement applicable to any Designated Securities that the Underwriters are authorized to solicit offers to purchase Designated Securities from the Company pursuant to delayed delivery contracts (herein called "Delayed Delivery Contracts"), substantially in the form of Annex III attached hereto but with such changes therein as the Representatives and the Company may authorize or approve. If so specified, the Underwriters will endeavor to make such arrangements, and as compensation therefor the Company will pay to the Representatives, for the accounts of the Underwriters, at the Time of Delivery (as defined in Section 4 hereof), such commission, if any, as may be set forth in such Pricing Agreement. Delayed Delivery Contracts, if any, are to be with investors of the types described in the Prospectus and subject to other conditions therein set forth. The Underwriters will not have any responsibility in respect of the validity or performance of any Delayed Delivery Contracts.

The principal amount of Contract Securities to be deducted from the principal amount of Designated Securities to be purchased by each Underwriter as set forth in Schedule I to the Pricing Agreement applicable to such Designated Securities shall be, in each case, the principal amount of Contract Securities which the Company has been advised by the Representatives have been attributed to such Underwriter, provided that, if the Company has not been so advised, the amount of Contract Securities to be so deducted shall be, in each case, that proportion of Contract Securities which the principal amount of Designated Securities to be purchased by such Underwriter under such Pricing Agreement bears to the total principal amount of the Designated Securities (rounded as the Representatives may determine). The total principal amount of Underwriters' Securities to be purchased by all the Underwriters pursuant to such Pricing Agreement shall be the total principal amount of Designated Securities set forth in Schedule I to such Pricing Agreement less the principal amount of the Contract Securities. The Company will deliver to the Representatives not later than 3:30 p.m. New York time, on the business day preceding the Time of Delivery specified in the applicable Pricing Agreement (or such other time and date as the Representatives and the Company may agree upon in writing) a written notice setting forth the principal amount of Contract Securities.

4. Underwriters' Securities to be purchased by each Underwriter pursuant to the Pricing Agreement relating thereto, in the form specified in such Pricing Agreement, and in such authorized denominations and registered in such names as the Representatives may request upon at least twenty-four hours' prior notice to the Company, shall be delivered by or on behalf of the Company to the Representatives for the account of such Underwriter, against payment by such Underwriter or on its behalf of the purchase price therefor by wire transfer in immediately available funds to an account of the Company as specified in such Pricing Agreement, all in the manner and at the place and time and date specified in such Pricing Agreement or at such other place and time and date as the Representatives and the Company may agree upon in writing, such time and date being herein called the "Time of Delivery" for such Securities.

Concurrently with the delivery of and payment for the Underwriters' Securities, the Company will deliver to the Representatives for the accounts of the Underwriters by wire transfer in immediately available funds to the order of the party designated in the Pricing Agreement relating to such Securities the amount of any compensation payable by the Company to the Underwriters in respect of any Delayed Delivery Contracts as provided in Section 3 hereof and in the Pricing Agreement relating to such Securities.

 $\,$  5. The Company agrees with each of the Underwriters of any Designated Securities:

in relation to the applicable Designated Securities in a form approved by the Representatives and to file such Prospectus pursuant to Rules 424(b) or 462(b) under the Act, as applicable, not later than the Commission's close of business on the business day so required by Rule 424(b), if applicable, following the execution and delivery of the Pricing Agreement relating to the applicable Designated Securities; to make no further amendment or any supplement to the Registration Statement or Prospectus as amended or supplemented after the date of the Pricing Agreement relating to such Securities and prior to the Time of Delivery for such Securities which shall be disapproved by the Representatives for such Securities promptly after reasonable notice thereof; to advise the Representatives promptly of any such amendment or supplement after such Time of Delivery and furnish the Representatives with copies thereof; to file within the basic periods required under the applicable rules and regulations under the Exchange Act all reports and any definitive proxy or information statements required to be filed by the Company with the Commission pursuant to Section 13(a), 13(c), 14 or 15(d) of the Exchange Act for so long as the delivery of a prospectus is required in connection with the offering or sale of the Securities, and during such same period to advise the Representatives, promptly after it receives notice thereof, of the time when any amendment to the Registration Statement has been filed or becomes effective or any supplement to the Prospectus or any amended Prospectus has been filed or transmitted for filing with the Commission, of the issuance by the Commission of any stop order or of any order preventing or suspending the use of any prospectus relating to the Securities, of the suspension of the qualification of such Securities for offering or sale in any jurisdiction, of the initiation or threatening of any proceeding for any such purpose, or of any request by the Commission for the amending or supplementing of the Registration Statement or Prospectus or for additional information; and, in the event of the issuance of any such stop order or of any such order preventing or suspending the use of any prospectus relating to the Securities or suspending any such qualification, to promptly use its best efforts to obtain its withdrawal;

(a) To prepare the Prospectus as amended or supplemented

- (b) Promptly from time to time to take such action as the Representatives may reasonably request to qualify such Securities for offering and sale under the securities laws of such jurisdictions as the Representatives may request and to comply with such laws so as to permit the continuance of sales and dealings therein in such jurisdictions for as long as may be necessary to complete the distribution of such Securities, provided that in connection therewith the Company shall not be required to qualify as a foreign corporation or to file a general consent to service of process in any jurisdiction;
- (c) Prior to 12:00 noon on the New York Business Day (as defined below) next succeeding the date of any Pricing Agreement and from time to time, to furnish the Underwriters with copies of the Prospectus as amended or supplemented in New York City in such quantities as the Representatives may reasonably request, and, if the delivery of a prospectus is required at any time in connection with the offering or sale of the Securities and if at such time any event shall have occurred as a result of which the Prospectus as then amended or supplemented would include an untrue statement of a material fact or omit to state any material fact necessary in order to make the statements therein, in the light of the circumstances under which they were made when such

Prospectus is delivered, not misleading, or, if for any other reason it shall be necessary during such same period to amend or supplement the Prospectus or to file under the Exchange Act any document incorporated by reference in the Prospectus in order to comply with the Act, the Exchange Act or the Trust Indenture Act, to notify the Representatives and upon their request to file such document and to prepare and furnish without charge to each Underwriter and to any dealer in securities as many copies as the Representatives may from time to time reasonably request of an amended Prospectus or a supplement to the Prospectus which will correct such statement or omission or effect such compliance; "New York Business Day" shall mean each Monday, Tuesday, Wednesday, Thursday and Friday which is not a day on which banking institutions in New York are generally authorized or obligated by law or executive order to close;

- (d) To make generally available to its security holders as soon as practicable but in any event not later than eighteen months after the effective date of the Registration Statement (as defined in Rule 158(c) under the Act), an earnings statement of the Company and its subsidiaries, if any (which need not be audited), covering a twelve-month period beginning after the date of the Pricing Agreement relating to the relevant Designated Securities, and complying with Section 11(a) of the Act and the rules and regulations of the Commission thereunder (including at the option of the Company Rule 158); and
- (e) During the period beginning from the date of the Pricing Agreement for such Designated Securities and continuing to and including the earlier of (i) the termination of trading restrictions for such Designated Securities, as notified to the Company by the Representatives and (ii) the Time of Delivery for such Designated Securities, not to offer, sell, contract to sell or otherwise dispose of any debt securities of the Company which mature more than one year after such Time of Delivery and which are substantially similar to such Designated Securities, without the prior written consent of the Representatives.
- 6. The Company covenants and agrees with the several Underwriters that the Company will pay or cause to be paid the following: (i) the fees, disbursements and expenses of the Company's counsel and accountants in connection with the registration of the Securities under the Act and all other expenses in connection with the preparation, printing and filing of the Registration Statement, any Preliminary Prospectus and the Prospectus and amendments and supplements thereto and the mailing and delivering of copies thereof to the Underwriters and dealers; (ii) the cost of printing and producing any Agreement among Underwriters, this Agreement, any Pricing Agreement, any Indenture, any Delayed Delivery Contracts, any Blue Sky Memoranda and any other documents in connection with the offering, purchase, sale and delivery of the Securities; (iii) all expenses in connection with the qualification of the Securities for offering and sale under state securities laws as provided in Section 5(b) hereof, including the fees and disbursements of counsel for the Underwriters in connection with such qualification and in connection with the Blue Sky Memoranda; (iv) any fees charged by securities rating services for rating the Securities; (v) any filing fees incident to any required review by the National Association of Securities Dealers, Inc. of the terms of the sale of the Securities; (vi) the cost of preparing the Securities; (vii) the fees and expenses of any Trustee and, unless agreed to be paid by the Trustee, of any agent of any Trustee and any fees and disbursements of counsel for any Trustee in connection with any Indenture and the Securities; and (viii) all other costs and expenses incident to the performance of its obligations hereunder and under any Delayed Delivery Contracts which are not otherwise specifically provided for in this

Section. It is understood, however, that, except as provided in this Section, Section 8 and Section 11 hereof, the Underwriters will pay all of their own costs and expenses, including the fees of their counsel, transfer taxes on resale of any of the Securities by them, and any advertising expenses connected with any offers they may make.

- 7. The obligations of the Underwriters of any Designated Securities under the Pricing Agreement relating to such Designated Securities shall be subject, in the discretion of the Representatives, to the condition that all representations and warranties and other statements of the Company in or incorporated by reference in such Pricing Agreement are, at and as of the Time of Delivery for such Designated Securities, true and correct, the condition that the Company shall have performed all of its obligations hereunder theretofore to be performed, and the following additional conditions:
  - (a) The Prospectus as amended or supplemented in relation to the applicable Designated Securities shall have been filed with the Commission pursuant to Rule 424(b) within the applicable time period prescribed for such filing by the rules and regulations under the Act and in accordance with Section 5(a) hereof; if the Company has elected to rely on Rule 462(b), the Rule 462(b) registration statement has become effective by 10:00 p.m. Washington, D.C. time, on the date of this Agreement; no stop order suspending the effectiveness of the Registration Statement or any part thereof shall have been issued and no proceeding for that purpose shall have been initiated or threatened by the Commission; and all requests for additional information on the part of the Commission shall have been complied with to the Representatives' reasonable satisfaction;
  - (b) Counsel for the Underwriters shall have furnished to the Representatives such opinion or opinions, dated the Time of Delivery for such Designated Securities, with respect to the incorporation of the Company, the validity of the Indenture, the Designated Securities, the Delayed Delivery Contracts, if any, the Registration Statement, the Prospectus as amended or supplemented and other related matters as the Representatives may reasonably request, and such counsel shall have received such papers and information as they may reasonably request to enable them to pass upon such matters;
  - (c) The General Counsel for the Company shall have furnished to the Representatives her written opinion, dated the Time of Delivery for such Designated Securities, in form and substance satisfactory to the Representatives and as set forth in Annex II hereto.
  - (d) Counsel for the Company satisfactory to the Representatives shall have furnished to the Representatives their written opinion, dated the Time of Delivery for such Designated Securities, in form and substance satisfactory to the Representatives and as set forth in Annex III hereto.
  - (e) On the date of the Pricing Agreement for such Designated Securities at a time prior to the execution of the Pricing Agreement with respect to such Designated Securities and at the Time of Delivery for such Designated Securities, the independent accountants of the Company who have certified the financial statements of the Company and its subsidiaries included or incorporated by reference in the Registration Statement shall have furnished to the Representatives a letter, dated the effective date of the Registration Statement or the date of the most recent report filed with the Commission containing financial statements and incorporated by reference in the Registration Statement,

if the date of such report is later than such effective date, and a letter dated such Time of Delivery to the effect set forth in Annex IV hereto and with respect to such letter dated such Time of Delivery, as to such other matters as the Representatives may reasonably request and in form and substance satisfactory to the Representatives;

- (i) Neither the Company nor any of its subsidiaries, if any, shall have sustained since the date of the latest audited financial statements included or incorporated by reference in the Prospectus as amended or supplemented prior to the date of the Pricing Agreement relating to the Designated Securities any loss or interference with its business from fire, explosion, flood or other calamity, whether or not covered by insurance, or from any court or governmental action, order or decree, otherwise than as set forth or contemplated in the Prospectus as amended or supplemented, prior to the date of the Pricing Agreement relating to the Designated Securities and (ii) since the respective dates as of which information is given in the Prospectus as amended or supplemented prior to the date of the Pricing Agreement relating to the Designated Securities there shall not have been any change in the capital stock or long-term debt of the Company or any of its subsidiaries or any change, or any development involving a prospective change, in or affecting the general affairs, management, financial position, stockholder's equity or results of operations of the Company and its subsidiaries, if any, otherwise than as set forth or contemplated in the Prospectus as amended or supplemented, prior to the date of the Pricing Agreement relating to the Designated Securities, the effect of which, in any such case described in Clause (i) or (ii), is in the judgment of the Representatives so material and adverse as to make it impracticable or inadvisable to proceed with the public offering or the delivery of the Designated Securities on the terms and in the manner contemplated in the Prospectus as first amended or supplemented relating to the Designated Securities;
- (g) On or after the date of the Pricing Agreement relating to the Designated Securities (i) no downgrading shall have occurred in the rating accorded the Company's debt securities or preferred stock by any "nationally recognized statistical rating organization," as that term is defined by the Commission for purposes of Rule 436(g)(2) under the Act and (ii) no such organization shall have publicly announced that it has under surveillance or review, with possible negative implications, its rating of any of the Company's debt securities or preferred stock;
- (h) On or after the date of the Pricing Agreement relating to the Designated Securities there shall not have occurred any of the following: (i) a suspension or material limitation in trading in securities generally on the New York Stock Exchange; (ii) a general moratorium on commercial banking activities declared by either Federal or New York State authorities; or (iii) the outbreak or escalation of hostilities involving the United States or the declaration by the United States of a national emergency or war, if the effect of any such event specified in this clause (iii) in the judgment of the Representatives makes it impracticable or inadvisable to proceed with the public offering or the delivery of the Underwriters' Securities on the terms and in the manner contemplated in the Prospectus as first amended or supplemented relating to the Designated Securities;

- (i) The Company shall have furnished or caused to be furnished to the Representatives at the Time of Delivery for the Designated Securities a certificate or certificates of officers of the Company satisfactory to the Representatives as to the accuracy of the representations and warranties of the Company herein at and as of such Time of Delivery, as to the performance by the Company of all of its obligations hereunder to be performed at or prior to such Time of Delivery, as to the matters set forth in subsections (a) and (f) of this Section, and as to such other matters as the Representatives may reasonably request; and
- (j) The Company shall have complied with the provisions of Section 5(c) hereof with respect to the furnishing of prospectuses on the New York Business Day next succeeding the date of any Pricing Agreement.
- 8. (a) The Company will indemnify and hold harmless each Underwriter against any losses, claims, damages or liabilities, joint or several, to which such Underwriter may become subject, under the Act or otherwise, insofar as such losses, claims, damages or liabilities (or actions in respect thereof) arise out of or are based upon an untrue statement or alleged untrue statement of a material fact contained in any Preliminary Prospectus, any Preliminary Prospectus supplement, the Registration Statement, the Prospectus as amended or supplemented and any other prospectus relating to the Securities, or any amendment or supplement thereto, or arise out of or are based upon the omission or alleged omission to state therein a material fact required to be stated therein or necessary to make the statements therein not misleading, and will reimburse each Underwriter for any legal or other expenses reasonably incurred by such Underwriter in connection with investigating or defending any such action or claim as such expenses are incurred; provided, however, that the Company shall not be liable in any such case to the extent that any such loss, claim, damage or liability arises out of or is based upon an untrue statement or alleged untrue statement or omission or alleged omission made in any Preliminary Prospectus, any Preliminary Prospectus supplement, the Registration Statement, the Prospectus as amended or supplemented and any other prospectus relating to the Securities, or any such amendment or supplement in reliance upon and in conformity with written information furnished to the Company by any Underwriter of Designated Securities through the Representatives expressly for use in the Prospectus as amended or supplemented relating to such Securities.
  - (b) Each Underwriter will indemnify and hold harmless the Company against any losses, claims, damages or liabilities to which the Company may become subject, under the Act or otherwise, insofar as such losses, claims, damages or liabilities (or actions in respect thereof) arise out of or are based upon an untrue statement or alleged untrue statement of a material fact contained in any Preliminary Prospectus, any Preliminary Prospectus supplement, the Registration Statement, the Prospectus as amended or supplemented and any other prospectus relating to the Securities, or any amendment or supplement thereto, or arise out of or are based upon the omission or alleged omission to state therein a material fact required to be stated therein or necessary to make the statements therein not misleading, in each case to the extent, but only to the extent, that such untrue statement or alleged untrue statement or omission or alleged omission was made in any Preliminary Prospectus, any Preliminary Prospectus supplement, the Registration Statement, the Prospectus as amended or supplemented and any other prospectus relating to the Securities, or any such amendment or supplement in reliance upon and in conformity with written information furnished to the Company by such Underwriter through the Representatives expressly for use therein; and will reimburse the Company for any legal or other expenses reasonably incurred by the Company in connection with

investigating or defending any such action or claim as such expenses are incurred.

- (c) Promptly after receipt by an indemnified party under subsection (a) or (b) above of notice of the commencement of any action, such indemnified party shall, if a claim in respect thereof is to be made against the indemnifying party under such subsection, notify the indemnifying party in writing of the commencement thereof; but the omission so to notify the indemnifying party shall not relieve it from any liability which it may have to any indemnified party otherwise than under such subsection. In case any such action shall be brought against any indemnified party and it shall notify the indemnifying party of the commencement thereof, the indemnifying party shall be entitled to participate therein and, to the extent that it shall wish, jointly with any other indemnifying party similarly notified, to assume the defense thereof, with counsel satisfactory to such indemnified party (who shall not, except with the consent of the indemnified party, be counsel to the indemnifying party), and, after notice from the indemnifying party to such indemnified party of its election so to assume the defense thereof, the indemnifying party shall not be liable to such indemnified party under such subsection for any legal expenses of other counsel or any other expenses, in each case subsequently incurred by such indemnified party, in connection with the defense thereof other than reasonable costs of investigation. No indemnifying party shall, without the written consent of the indemnified party, effect the settlement or compromise of, or consent to the entry of any judgment with respect to, any pending or threatened action or claim in respect of which indemnification or contribution may be sought hereunder (whether or not the indemnified party is an actual or potential party to such action or claim) unless such settlement, compromise or judgment (i) includes an unconditional release of the indemnified party from all liability arising out of such action or claim and (ii) does not include a statement as to or an admission of fault, culpability or a failure to act, by or on behalf of any indemnified party.
- (d) If the indemnification provided for in this Section 8 is unavailable to or insufficient to hold harmless an indemnified party under subsection (a) or (b) above in respect of any losses, claims, damages or liabilities (or actions in respect thereof) referred to therein, then each indemnifying party shall contribute to the amount paid or payable by such indemnified party as a result of such losses, claims, damages or liabilities (or actions in respect thereof) in such proportion as is appropriate to reflect the relative benefits received by the Company on the one hand and the Underwriters of the Designated Securities on the other from the offering of the Designated Securities to which such loss, claim, damage or liability (or action in respect thereof) relates. If, however, the allocation provided by the immediately preceding sentence is not permitted by applicable law or if the indemnified party failed to give the notice required under subsection (c) above, then each indemnifying party shall contribute to such amount paid or payable by such indemnified party in such proportion as is appropriate to reflect not only such relative benefits but also the relative fault of the Company on the one hand and the Underwriters of the Designated Securities on the other in connection with the statements or omissions which resulted in such losses, claims, damages or liabilities (or actions in respect thereof), as well as any other relevant equitable considerations. The relative

benefits received by the Company on the one hand and such Underwriters on the other shall be deemed to be in the same proportion as the total net proceeds from such offering (before deducting expenses) received by the Company bear to the total underwriting discounts and commissions received by such Underwriters. The relative fault shall be determined by reference to, among other things, whether the untrue or alleged untrue statement of a material fact or the omission or alleged omission to state a material fact relates to information supplied by the Company on the one hand or such Underwriters on the other and the parties' relative intent, knowledge, access to information and opportunity to correct or prevent such statement or omission. The Company and the Underwriters agree that it would not be just and equitable if contribution pursuant to this subsection (d) were determined by pro rata allocation (even if the Underwriters were treated as one entity for such purpose) or by any other method of allocation which does not take account of the equitable considerations referred to above in this subsection (d). The amount paid or payable by an indemnified party as a result of the losses, claims, damages or liabilities (or actions in respect thereof) referred to above in this subsection (d) shall be deemed to include any legal or other expenses reasonably incurred by such indemnified party in connection with investigating or defending any such action or claim. Notwithstanding the provisions of this subsection (d), no Underwriter shall be required to contribute any amount in excess of the amount by which the total price at which the applicable Designated Securities underwritten by it and distributed to the public were offered to the public exceeds the amount of any damages which such Underwriter has otherwise been required to pay by reason of such untrue or alleged untrue statement or omission or alleged omission. No person guilty of fraudulent misrepresentation (within the meaning of Section 11(f) of the Act) shall be entitled to contribution from any person who was not guilty of such fraudulent misrepresentation. The obligations of the Underwriters of Designated Securities in this subsection (d) to contribute are several in proportion to their respective underwriting obligations with respect to such Securities and not joint.

- (e) The obligations of the Company under this Section 8 shall be in addition to any liability which the Company may otherwise have and shall extend, upon the same terms and conditions, to each person, if any, who controls any Underwriter within the meaning of the Act; and the obligations of the Underwriters under this Section 8 shall be in addition to any liability which the respective Underwriters may otherwise have and shall extend, upon the same terms and conditions, to each officer and director of the Company and to each person, if any, who controls the Company within the meaning of the Act.
- 9. (a) If any Underwriter shall default in its obligation to purchase the Underwriters' Securities which it has agreed to purchase under the Pricing Agreement relating to such Securities, the Representatives may in their discretion arrange for themselves or another party or other parties to purchase such Underwriters' Securities on the terms contained herein. If within thirty-six hours after such default by any Underwriter the Representatives do not arrange for the purchase of such Underwriters' Securities, then the Company shall be entitled to a further period of thirty-six hours within which to procure another party or other parties satisfactory to the Representatives to purchase such Underwriters' Securities on such terms. In the event that, within the respective prescribed period, the Representatives notify the Company that they have so arranged for the purchase of such Underwriters' Securities, or the Company notifies the Representatives that it has so arranged for the purchase of such Underwriters' Securities, the

Representatives or the Company shall have the right to postpone the Time of Delivery for such Underwriters' Securities for a period of not more than seven days, in order to effect whatever changes may thereby be made necessary in the Registration Statement or the Prospectus as amended or supplemented, or in any other documents or arrangements, and the Company agrees to file promptly any amendments or supplements to the Registration Statement or the Prospectus which in the opinion of the Representatives may thereby be made necessary. The term "Underwriter" as used in this Agreement shall include any person substituted under this Section with like effect as if such person had originally been a party to the Pricing Agreement with respect to such Designated Securities.

- (b) If, after giving effect to any arrangements for the purchase of the Underwriters' Securities of a defaulting Underwriter or Underwriters by the Representatives and the Company as provided in subsection (a) above, the aggregate principal amount of such Underwriters' Securities which remains unpurchased does not exceed one-eleventh of the aggregate principal amount of the Designated Securities, then the Company shall have the right to require each nondefaulting Underwriter to purchase the principal amount of Underwriters' Securities which such Underwriter agreed to purchase under the Pricing Agreement relating to such Designated Securities and, in addition, to require each nondefaulting Underwriter to purchase its pro rata share (based on the principal amount of Designated Securities which such Underwriter agreed to purchase under such Pricing Agreement) of the Underwriters' Securities of such defaulting Underwriter or Underwriters for which such arrangements have not been made; but nothing herein shall relieve a defaulting Underwriter from liability for its default.
- (c) If, after giving effect to any arrangements for the purchase of the Underwriters' Securities of a defaulting Underwriter or Underwriters by the Representatives and the Company as provided in subsection (a) above, the aggregate principal amount of Underwriters' Securities which remains unpurchased exceeds one-eleventh of the aggregate principal amount of the Designated Securities, as referred to in subsection (b) above, or if the Company shall not exercise the right described in subsection (b) above to require nondefaulting Underwriters to purchase Underwriters' Securities of a defaulting Underwriter or Underwriters, then the Pricing Agreement relating to such Designated Securities shall thereupon terminate, without liability on the part of any non-defaulting Underwriter or the Company, except for the expenses to be borne by the Company and the Underwriters as provided in Section 6 hereof and the indemnity and contribution agreements in Section 8 hereof; but nothing herein shall relieve a defaulting Underwriter from liability for its default.
- 10. The respective indemnities, agreements, representations, warranties and other statements of the Company and the several Underwriters, as set forth in this Agreement or made by or on behalf of them, respectively, pursuant to this Agreement, shall remain in full force and effect, regardless of any investigation (or any statement as to the results thereof) made by or on behalf of any Underwriter or any controlling person of any Underwriter, or the Company, or any officer or director or controlling person of the Company, and shall survive delivery of and payment for the Securities.
- 11. If any Pricing Agreement shall be terminated pursuant to Section 9 hereof, the Company shall not then be under any liability to any Underwriter with respect to the Designated Securities covered by such Pricing Agreement except as provided in Section 6 and Section 8 hereof; but, if for any other reason Underwriters' Securities are not delivered by or on behalf of the Company as provided herein, the Company will reimburse the Underwriters through the Representatives for all out-of-pocket expenses approved in writing

by the Representatives, including fees and disbursements of counsel, reasonably incurred by the Underwriters in making preparations for the purchase, sale and delivery of such Designated Securities, but the Company shall then be under no further liability to any Underwriter with respect to such Designated Securities except as provided in Section 6 and Section 8 hereof.

12. In all dealings hereunder, the Representatives of the Underwriters of Designated Securities shall act on behalf of each of such Underwriters, and the parties hereto shall be entitled to act and rely upon any statement, request, notice or agreement on behalf of any Underwriter made or given by such Representatives jointly or by such of the Representatives, if any, as may be designated for such purpose in the Pricing Agreement.

All statements, requests, notices and agreements hereunder shall be in writing, and if to the Underwriters shall be delivered or sent by mail or facsimile transmission to the address of the Representatives as set forth in the Pricing Agreement; and if to the Company shall be delivered or sent by registered mail or facsimile transmission to the address of the Company set forth in the Registration Statement, Attention: Corporate Secretary; provided, however, that any notice to an Underwriter pursuant to Section 8(c) hereof shall be delivered or sent by mail or facsimile transmission to such Underwriter at its address set forth in its Underwriters' Questionnaire, which address will be supplied to the Company by the Representatives upon request. Any such statements, requests, notices or agreements shall take effect upon receipt thereof.

- 13. This Agreement and each Pricing Agreement shall be binding upon, and inure solely to the benefit of the Underwriters, the Company and, to the extent provided in Section 8 and Section 10 hereof, the focers and directors of the Company and each person who controls the Company or any Underwriter, and their respective heirs, executors, administrators, successors and assigns, and no other person shall acquire or have any right under or by virtue of this Agreement or any such Pricing Agreement. No purchaser of any of the Securities from any Underwriter shall be deemed a successor or assign by reason merely of such purchase.
- 14. Time shall be of the essence of each Pricing Agreement. As used herein, the term "business day" shall mean any day when the Commission's office in Washington, D.C. is normally open for business.
- $$\,^{15}.$$  This Agreement and each Pricing Agreement shall be governed by and construed in accordance with the laws of the State of New York.
- 16. This Agreement and each Pricing Agreement may be executed by any one or more of the parties hereto and thereto in any number of counterparts, each of which shall be deemed to be an original, but all such respective counterparts shall together constitute one and the same instrument.

Very truly yours,
PITNEY BOWES INC.
By:
By: [Title]

[Name of Co-Representative(s)]
As Representatives of the
several Underwriters named
in Schedule I hereto.
[address]

\_\_\_\_\_, \_\_\_\_,

Dear Sirs:

Pitney Bowes Inc. (the "Company") proposes, subject to the terms and conditions stated herein and in the Underwriting Agreement, dated April \_\_\_, 1998 (the "Underwriting Agreement"), to issue and sell to the Underwriters named in Schedule I hereto (the "Underwriters") the Securities specified in Schedule II hereto (the "Designated Securities"). Each of the provisions of the Underwriting Agreement is incorporated herein by reference in its entirety, and shall be deemed to be a part of this Agreement to the same extent as if such provisions had been set forth in full herein; and each of the representations and warranties set forth therein shall be deemed to have been made at and as of the date of this Pricing Agreement, except that each representation and warranty in Section 2 of the Underwriting Agreement which makes reference to the Prospectus shall be deemed to be a representation or warranty as of the date of the Underwriting Agreement in relation to the Prospectus (as therein defined) and also a representation and warranty as of the date of this Pricing Agreement in relation to the Prospectus as amended or supplemented relating to the Designated Securities which are the subject of this Pricing Agreement. Each reference to the Representatives herein and in the provisions of the Underwriting Agreement so incorporated by reference shall be deemed to refer to you. Unless otherwise defined herein, terms defined in the Underwriting Agreement are used herein as therein defined. The Representatives designated to act on behalf of the Representatives and on behalf of each of the Underwriters of the Designated Securities pursuant to Section 12 of the Underwriting Agreement and the address of the Representatives referred to in such Section 12 are set forth at the end of Schedule II hereto.

An amendment to the Registration Statement, or a supplement to the Prospectus, as the case may be, relating to the Designated Securities, in the form heretofore delivered to you is now proposed to be filed with the Commission.

Subject to the terms and conditions set forth herein and in the Underwriting Agreement incorporated herein by reference, the Company agrees to issue and sell to each of the Underwriters, and each of the Underwriters agrees, severally and not jointly, to purchase from the Company, at the time and place and at the purchase price to the Underwriters set forth in Schedule II hereto, the principal amount of Designated Securities set forth opposite the name of such Underwriter in Schedule I hereto, less the principal amount of Designated Securities covered by Delayed Delivery Contracts, if any, as may be specified in such Schedule II.

If the foregoing is in accordance with your understanding, please sign and return to us counterparts hereof, and upon acceptance hereof by you, on behalf of each of the Underwriters this letter and such acceptance hereof, including the provisions of the Underwriting Agreement incorporated herein by reference, shall constitute a binding agreement between each of the Underwriters and the Company. It is understood that your acceptance of this letter on behalf of each of the Underwriters is or will be pursuant to the authority set forth in a form of Agreement among Underwriters, the form of which shall be submitted to the Company for examination, upon request, but without warranty on the part of the Representatives as to the authority of the signers thereof.

By: \_\_\_\_\_

Accepted as of the date hereof:	
[NAME OF CO-REPRESENTATIVE CORPORATION]	
By:	
(Title)	
(Name of Co-Representative Partnership) On behalf of each of the Underwriters	
SCHEDULE I	
Underwriter	Principal Amount of Designated Securities to be Purchased
[Name(s) of Representatives]	\$
Total	 \$
	· 
SCHEDULE II	
Title of Designated Securities:	
[ %] [Floating Rate] [Zero Cou	upon] [Notes] [Debentures] due
Aggregate principal amount:	
\$	
Price to Public:	
<pre>% of the principal amount of the D accrued interest from accrued amortization, if any, from ]</pre>	to [and
Purchase Price by Underwriters:	

% of the principal amount of the Designated Securities, plus

	<pre>accrued interest from accrued amortization, if any, f ]</pre>	to	[and to
Form of Des	signated Securities		
	Book-entry only form represente deposited with The Depository T designated custodian.		
Indenture:			
	<pre>Indenture, dated as of April, the Company and,</pre>		ture") between
Maturity:			
Interest Ra	ate:		
	[ %] [Zero Coupon] [Se	e Floating Rate Prov	visions]
Interest Pa	ayment Dates:		
	[months and dates, commencing _	, 19	]
Redemption	Provisions:		
	[No provisions for redemption]		
	[The Designated Securities may the sinking fund, in whole or i Company, in the amount of \$ thereof, ]	n part at the option	n of the
	<pre>[on or after redemption prices (expres amount). If [redeemed on %, and if] redeemed durin</pre>	sed in percentages or before	,
		emption rice	
	and thereafter at 100% of each case with accrued in		
	[on any interest payment		
	redemption price equal to accrued interest to the d		_

[Other possible redemption provisions, such as mandatory redemption upon occurrence of certain events or redemption for changes in  $\tan$ 

[Restriction on refunding]

Sinking Fund Provisions:

law]

[No sinking fund provisions]

[The Designated Securities are entitled to the benefit of a sinking fund to retire \$ principal amount of Designated Securities on in each of the years through at 100% of their principal amount plus accrued interest][, together with [cumulative] [non-cumulative redemptions at the option of the Company to retire an additional \$ principal amount of Designated Securities in the years through at 100% of their principal amount plus accrued interest.]

## Defeasance Provisions:

Section 402 [(excluding Section 402(i))] and Section 1008 [(excluding Section 1008(5))] of the Indenture shall apply to the Designated Securities.

[If Securities are extendable debt Securities, insert--

#### Extendable Provisions:

Securities are repayable on , [insert date and years], at the option of the holder, at their principal amount with accrued interest. The initial annual interest rate will be %, and thereafter the annual interest rate will be adjusted on , and to a rate not less than % of the effective annual interest rate on U.S.

Treasury obligations with -year maturities as of the [insert date 15 days prior to maturity date] prior to such [insert maturity date].]

[If Securities are floating rate debt Securities, insert--

## Floating rate provisions:

Initial annual interest rate will be % through [and thereafter will be adjusted [monthly][on each , and ] [to an annual rate of % above the average rate for -year [month] [securities] [certificates of deposit] issued by [insert names of banks], ] [and the annual interest rate [thereafter][from through ] will be the interest yield equivalent of the weekly average per annum market discount rate for -month Treasury bills plus % of Interest Differential (the excess, if any, of (i) the then current weekly average per annum secondary market yield for -month certificates of deposit over (ii) the then current interest yield equivalent of the weekly average per annum market discount rate for -month Treasury bills); [from and thereafter the rate will be the then current interest % of Interest Differential].] yield equivalent plus

Time of Delivery:

[Time and date]

Closing Location:

## Delayed Delivery:

[None] [Underwriters, commission shall be % of the principal amount of Designated Securities for which Delayed Delivery Contracts have been entered into. Such commission shall be payable to the order of .]

Names and addresses of Representatives:

Designated Representatives:

Address for Notices, etc.:

[Other Terms]\*:

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\* A description of particular tax, accounting or other unusual features (such as the addition of event risk provisions) of the Securities should be set forth, or referenced to an attached and accompanying description, if necessary to ensure agreement as to the terms of the Securities to be purchased and sold. Such a description might appropriately be in the form in which such features will be described in the Prospectus Supplement for the offering.

ANNEX II

Pursuant to Section 7(c) of the Underwriting Agreement, Sara E. Moss, Esq., Vice President and General Counsel for the Company, shall furnish an opinion to the Representatives to the effect that:

- (i) The Company and each of its "significant subsidiaries" (as defined in Rule 1-02(w) of Regulation S-X promulgated by the Commission) (each a "Material Subsidiary") have been duly incorporated and are validly existing as a corporation in good standing under the laws of the respective jurisdiction of their incorporation, with power and authority (corporate and other) to own their respective properties and conduct their respective business as described in the Prospectus as amended or supplemented; and each of the Company and the Material Subsidiaries is duly qualified to do business as a foreign corporation in good standing in all other jurisdictions in which it owns or leases substantial properties or in which the conduct of its business requires such qualification;
- (ii) All of the issued shares of capital stock of the Company have been duly and validly authorized and issued and are fully paid and non-assessable; and all of the outstanding shares of capital stock of each Material Subsidiary have been duly authorized and validly issued and are fully paid and non-assessable;
- (iii) To the best of such counsel's knowledge and other than as set forth or contemplated in the Prospectus, there are no legal or governmental proceedings pending to which the Company or any of its subsidiaries is a party or of which any property of the Company or any of its subsidiaries is the subject which, if determined adversely to the Company or any of its subsidiaries would individually or in the aggregate have a material adverse effect on the current consolidated financial position, stockholder's equity, results of operations of the Company and its subsidiaries, taken as a whole; and, to the best of such counsel's knowledge, no such proceedings are threatened or contemplated by governmental authorities or threatened by others;
  - (iv) This Agreement and the Pricing Agreement with

respect to the Designated Securities have been duly authorized, executed and delivered by the Company;

- (v) In the event any of the Designated Securities are to be purchased pursuant to Delayed Delivery Contracts, each of such Delayed Delivery Contracts has been duly authorized, executed and delivered by the Company and, assuming such Contract has been duly executed and delivered by the purchaser named therein, constitutes a valid and legally binding agreement of the Company in accordance with its terms; and any Delayed Delivery Contracts conform to the description thereof in the Prospectus as amended or supplemented;
- (vi) The Designated Securities have been duly authorized; the Underwriters' Securities have been duly executed, authenticated, issued and delivered and constitute valid and legally binding obligations of the Company entitled to the benefits provided by the Indenture; the Contract Securities, if any, when executed, authenticated, issued and delivered pursuant to the Indenture and Delayed Delivery Contracts, if any, will constitute valid and legally binding obligations of the Company entitled to the benefits provided by the Indenture; and the Designated Securities and the Indenture conform to the descriptions thereof in the Prospectus as amended or supplemented;
- (vii) The Indenture has been duly authorized, executed and delivered by the Company thereto and constitutes a valid and legally binding instrument, enforceable in accordance with its terms, subject, as to enforcement, to bankruptcy, insolvency, reorganization and other laws of general applicability relating to or affecting creditors' rights and to general equity principles; and the Indenture has been duly qualified under the Trust Indenture Act;
- (viii) The issue and sale of the Designated Securities and the compliance by the Company with all of the provisions of the Designated Securities, the Indenture, each of the Delayed Delivery Contracts, if any, this Agreement and the Pricing Agreement with respect to the Designated Securities and the consummation of the transactions herein and therein contemplated will not conflict with or result in a breach or violation of any of the terms or provisions of, or constitute a default under, any indenture, mortgage, deed of trust, loan agreement or other agreement or instrument known to such counsel to which the Company is a party or by which the Company is bound or to which any of the property or assets of the Company is subject, nor will such actions result in any violation of the provisions of the Certificate of Incorporation, as amended, or the By-Laws of the Company or any statute or any order, rule or regulation known to such counsel of any court or governmental agency or body having jurisdiction over the Company or any of its properties, in each case such that would have a material adverse effect on the financial position or results of operations of the Company and its subsidiaries, taken as a whole;
- (ix) No consent, approval, authorization, order, registration or qualification of or with any such court or governmental agency or body is required for the issue and sale of the Designated Securities or the consummation by the Company of the other transactions contemplated by this Agreement or such Pricing Agreement or the Indenture or any of such Delayed Delivery Contracts, except such as have been obtained under the Act and the Trust Indenture Act and such consents, approvals, authorizations, orders, registrations

or qualifications as may be required under state securities or Blue Sky laws in connection with the purchase and distribution of the Designated Securities by the Underwriters;

- (x) Neither the Company nor any of its Material Subsidiaries is in material violation of its By-laws or Certificate of Incorporation or other organizational documents;
- (xi) The documents incorporated by reference in the Prospectus as amended or supplemented (other than the financial statements and related schedules therein, as to which such counsel need express no opinion), when they became effective or were filed with the Commission, as the case may be, complied as to form in all material respects with the requirements of the Act or the Exchange Act, as applicable, and the rules and regulations of the Commission thereunder; and such counsel has no reason to believe that any of such documents, when they became effective or were so filed, as the case may be, contained, in the case of a registration statement which became effective under the Act, an untrue statement of a material fact or omitted to state a material fact required to be stated therein or necessary to make the statements therein not misleading, or, in the case of other documents which were filed under the Act or the Exchange Act with the Commission, an untrue statement of a material fact or omitted to state a material fact necessary in order to make the statements therein, in the light of the circumstances under which they were made when such documents were so filed, not misleading; and
- (xii) The Registration Statement and the Prospectus as amended or supplemented and any further amendments and supplements thereto made by the Company prior to the Time of Delivery for the Designated Securities (other than the financial statements and related schedules therein, as to which such counsel need express no opinion) comply as to form in all material respects with the requirements of the Act and the Trust Indenture Act and the rules and regulations thereunder; although such counsel does not assume any responsibility for the accuracy, completeness or fairness of the statements contained in the Registration Statement or the Prospectus, such counsel has no reason to believe that, as of their effective dates each part of the Registration Statement or any further amendment or supplement thereto made by the Company prior to the Time of Delivery (other than the financial statements and related schedules therein, and the Form T-1 as to which such counsel need express no opinion) contained an untrue statement of a material fact or omitted to state a material fact required to be stated therein or necessary to make the statements therein not misleading or that, as of its date, the Prospectus as amended or supplemented or any further amendment or supplement thereto made by the Company prior to the Time of Delivery (other than the financial statements and related schedules therein and the Form T-1, as to which such counsel need express no opinion) contained an untrue statement of a material fact or omitted to state a material fact required to be stated therein or necessary to make the statements therein, in the light of the circumstances under which they were made, not misleading or that, as of the Time of Delivery, either the Registration Statement or the Prospectus as amended or supplemented or any such further amendment or supplement thereto made by the Company prior to the Time of Delivery (other than the financial statements and related schedules therein, as to which such counsel need express no opinion) contains an untrue statement of a

material fact or omits to state a material fact required to be stated therein or necessary to make the statements therein, in light of the circumstances under which they were made, not misleading; and such counsel does not know of any amendment to the Registration Statement required to be filed or any contracts or other documents of a character required to be filed as an exhibit to the Registration Statement or required to be incorporated by reference into the Prospectus as amended or supplemented or required to be described in the Registration Statement or the Prospectus as amended or supplemented which are not filed or incorporated by reference or described as required.

ANNEX III

Pursuant to Section 7(d) of the Underwriting Agreement, Davis Polk & Wardwell, Counsel for the Company, shall furnish an opinion to the Representatives to the effect that:

- (i) The Company has been duly incorporated and is an existing Corporation in good standing under the laws of the jurisdiction of its incorporation;
- (ii) This Agreement and the Pricing Agreement with respect to the Designated Securities have been duly authorized, executed and delivered by the Company;
- (iii) In the event any of the Designated Securities are to be purchased pursuant to Delayed Delivery Contracts, each of such Delayed Delivery Contracts has been duly authorized, executed and delivered by the Company and, assuming such Contract has been duly executed and delivered by the purchaser named therein, constitutes a valid and legally binding agreement of the Company in accordance with its terms; and any Delayed Delivery Contracts conform to the description thereof in the Prospectus as amended or supplemented;
- (iv) The Designated Securities have been duly authorized; the Underwriters' Securities have been duly executed, authenticated, issued and delivered and constitute valid and legally binding obligations of the Company entitled to the benefits provided by the Indenture; the Contract Securities, if any, when executed, authenticated, issued and delivered pursuant to the Indenture and Delayed Delivery Contracts, if any, will constitute valid and legally binding obligations of the Company entitled to the benefits provided by the Indenture; and the Designated Securities and the Indenture conform to the descriptions thereof in the Prospectus as amended or supplemented;
- (v) the Indenture has been duly authorized, executed and delivered by the parties thereto and constitutes a valid and legally binding instrument, enforceable in accordance with its terms, subject, as to enforcement, to bankruptcy, insolvency, reorganization and other laws of general applicability relating to or affecting creditors' rights and to general equity principles; and the Indenture has been duly qualified under the Trust Indenture Act;
- (vi) The statements set forth in the Prospectus under the captions "Description of Debt Securities" and "Description of Notes", insofar as they purport to constitute a summary of the terms of the Securities, and under the captions "Plan of Distribution" and "Underwriting", insofar as they purport to describe the

provisions of the laws and documents referred to therein, are accurate, complete and fair;

- (vii) The Company is not an "investment company" or an entity "controlled" by an "investment company", as such terms are defined in the Investment Company Act;
- (viii) The Registration Statement and the Prospectus as amended or supplemented and any further amendments and supplements thereto made by the Company prior to the Time of Delivery for the Designated Securities (other than the financial statements and related schedules therein, as to which such counsel need express no opinion) comply as to form in all material respects with the requirements of the Act and the Trust Indenture Act and the rules and regulations thereunder; although they do not assume any responsibility for the accuracy, completeness or fairness of the statements contained in the Registration Statement or the Prospectus, except for those referred to in the opinion in subsection (vi) above, they have no reason to believe that, as of their effective dates, each part of the Registration Statement (or any further amendment or supplement thereto made by the Company prior to the Time of Delivery) (other than the financial statements and related schedules therein and Form T-1, as to which such counsel need express no opinion) or, as of its date, the Prospectus as amended or supplemented (or any further amendment or supplement thereto made by the company prior to the Time of Delivery) (other than the financial statements and related schedules therein and Form T-1, as to which such counsel need express no opinion) contained an untrue statement of a material fact or omitted to state a material fact required to be stated therein or necessary to make the statements therein not misleading or that, as of the Time of Delivery, the Prospectus (or any such further amendment or supplement thereto) (other than the financial statements and related schedules therein and Form T-1, as to which such counsel need express no opinion) contains an untrue statement of a material fact or omits to state a material fact required to be stated therein or necessary to make the statements therein, in light of the circumstances under which they were made, not misleading.

ANNEX IV

Pursuant to Section 7(e) of the Underwriting Agreement, the accountants shall furnish letters to the Underwriters to the effect that:

- (i) They are independent certified public accountants with respect to the Company and its subsidiaries within the meaning of the Act and the applicable published rules and regulations thereunder;
- (ii) In their opinion, the financial statements and any supplementary financial information and schedules audited by them and included or incorporated by reference in the Registration Statement, or the Prospectus comply as to form in all material respects with the applicable accounting requirements of the Act or the Exchange Act, as applicable, and the related published rules and regulations thereunder; and, if applicable, they have made a review in accordance with standards established by the American Institute of Certified Public Accountants of the consolidated interim financial statements, selected financial data and/or condensed financial statements derived from audited financial statements of the Company for the periods specified in such letter, as indicated in their reports

thereon, copies of which have been separately furnished to the representative or representatives of the Underwriters (the "Representatives") such term to include an Underwriter or Underwriters who act without any firm being designated as its or their representatives;

- (iii) The unaudited selected financial information with respect to the consolidated results of operations and financial position of the Company for the five most recent fiscal years included in the Prospectus and included or incorporated by reference in Item 6 of the Company's Annual Report on Form 10-K for the most recent fiscal year agrees with the corresponding amounts (after restatement where applicable) in the audited consolidated financial statements for five such fiscal years which were included or incorporated by reference in the Company's Annual Reports on Form 10-K for such fiscal years;
- (iv) They have compared the information in the Prospectus under selected captions with the disclosure requirements of Regulation S-K and on the basis of limited procedures specified in such letter nothing came to their attention as a result of the foregoing procedures that caused them to believe that this information does not conform in all material respects with the disclosure requirements of Item 503(d) of Regulation S-K;
- (v) On the basis of limited procedures, not constituting an audit in accordance with generally accepted auditing standards, consisting of a reading of the unaudited financial statements and other information referred to below, a reading of the latest available interim financial statements of the Company and its subsidiaries, inspection of the minute books of the Company and its subsidiaries since the date of the latest audited financial statements included or incorporated by reference in the Prospectus, inquiries of officials of the Company and its subsidiaries responsible for financial and accounting matters and such other inquiries and procedures as may be specified in such letter, nothing came to their attention that caused them to believe that:
  - (A) (i) the unaudited condensed consolidated statements of income and consolidated statements of retained earnings, consolidated balance sheets and consolidated statements of cash flows included in the Prospectus and/or included or incorporated by reference in the Company's Quarterly Reports on Form 10-Q incorporated by reference in the Prospectus do not comply as to form in all material respects with the applicable accounting requirements of the Exchange Act and the related published rules and regulations, or (ii) any material modifications should be made to the unaudited condensed consolidated statements of income and consolidated statements of retained earnings, consolidated balance sheets and consolidated statements of cash flows included in the Prospectus or included in the Company's Quarterly Reports on Form 10-Q incorporated by reference in the Prospectus for them to be in conformity with generally accepted accounting principles;
  - (B) any other unaudited income statement data and balance sheet items included in the Prospectus do not agree with the corresponding items in the unaudited consolidated financial

statements from which such data and items were derived, and any such unaudited data and items were not determined on a basis substantially consistent with the basis for the corresponding amounts in the audited consolidated financial statements included or incorporated by reference in the Company's Annual Report on Form 10-K for the most recent fiscal year;

- (C) the unaudited financial statements which were not included in the Prospectus but from which were derived the unaudited condensed financial statements referred to in clause (A) and any unaudited income statement data and balance sheet items included or incorporated by reference in the Prospectus and referred to in Clause (B) were not determined on a basis substantially consistent with the basis for the audited financial statements included or incorporated by reference in the Company's Annual Report on Form 10-K for the most recent fiscal year;
- (D) as of a specified date not more than five days prior to the date of delivery of such letter, there have been any changes in the capital stock or any increase in the consolidated longterm debt of the Company and its subsidiaries or any decreases in consolidated net assets or other items specified by the Representatives, or any increases in any items specified by the Representatives (in each case, if such information is available), in each case as compared with amounts shown in the latest balance sheet included or incorporated by reference in the Prospectus except in each case for changes, increases or decreases which the Prospectus discloses have occurred or may occur or which are described in such letter; and
- (E) for the period from the date of the latest complete financial statements included or incorporated by reference in the Prospectus to the specified date referred to in Clause (D) there were any decreases in consolidated income before taxes or of consolidated net income or other items specified by the Representatives, or any increases in any items specified by the Representatives (in each case, if such information is available), in each case as compared with the comparable period of the preceding year and with any other period of corresponding length specified by the Representatives, except in each case for increases or decreases which the Prospectus discloses have occurred or may occur or which are described in such letter; and
- (vi) In addition to the audit referred to in their report(s) included or incorporated by reference in the Prospectus and the limited procedures, inspection of minute books, inquiries and other procedures referred to in subparagraphs (iii) and (v) above, they have carried out certain specified procedures, not constituting an audit in accordance with generally accepted auditing standards, with respect to certain amounts, percentages and financial information specified by the Representatives which are derived from the general accounting records of the Company and its subsidiaries, which appear in the Prospectus (excluding documents incorporated by reference), or in Part

II of, or in exhibits and schedules to, the Registration Statement specified by the Representatives or in documents incorporated by reference in the Prospectus specified by the Representatives, and have compared certain of such amounts, percentages and financial information with the accounting records of the Company and its subsidiaries, and have found them to be in agreement.

All references in this Annex IV to the Prospectus shall be deemed to refer to the Prospectus (including the documents incorporated by reference therein) as defined in the Underwriting Agreement as of the date of the letter delivered on the date of the Pricing Agreement for purposes of such letter and to the Prospectus as amended or supplemented (including the documents incorporated by reference therein) in relation to the applicable Designated Securities for purposes of the letter delivered at the Time of Delivery for such Designated Securities.

ANNEX V

# Delayed Delivery Contract

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PITNEY BOWES INC.
c/o [Name and address of
appropriate Representatives]

Attention:

Dear Sirs:

The undersigned hereby agrees to purchase from PITNEY BOWES INC. (hereinafter called the "Company"), and the Company agrees to sell to the undersigned,

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The undersigned will purchase the Designated Securities from the Company on 199 (the "Delivery Date") and interest on the Designated Securities so purchased will accrue from  $,\ 199$  .

[The undersigned will purchase the Designated Securities from the Company on the delivery date or dates and in the principal amount or amounts set forth below:

				Date from W.	hich
Delivery D	ate	Principal Amo	unt	Interest Ac	crues
, 1	99	\$		,	199
, 1	99	\$		,	199

Each such date on which Designated Securities are to be purchased hereunder is hereinafter referred to as a "Delivery Date".]

Payment for the Designated Securities which the undersigned has agreed to purchase on [the] [each] Delivery Date shall be made to the Company or its order by certified or official bank check in Clearing House funds at the office of , or by wire transfer to a bank account specified by the Company, on [the] [such] Delivery Date upon delivery to the undersigned of the Designated Securities then to be purchased by the undersigned in definitive fully registered form and in such denominations and registered in such names as the undersigned may designate by written, telex or facsimile communication addressed to the Company not less than five full business days prior to [the] [such] Delivery Date.

The obligation of the undersigned to take delivery of and make payment for Designated Securities on [the] [each] Delivery Date shall be subject to the condition that the purchase of Designated Securities to be made by the undersigned shall not on [the] [such] Delivery Date be prohibited under the laws of the jurisdiction to which the undersigned is subject. The obligation of the undersigned to take delivery of and make payment for Designated Securities shall not be affected by the failure of any purchaser to take delivery of and make payment for Designated Securities pursuant to other contracts similar to this contract.

[The undersigned understands that underwriters (the "Underwriters") are also purchasing Designated Securities from the Company, but that the obligations of the undersigned hereunder are not contingent on such purchases.] Promptly after completion of the sale to the Underwriters the Company will mail or deliver to the undersigned at its address set forth below notice to such effect, accompanied by a copy of the Opinion of Counsel for the Company delivered to the Underwriters in connection therewith.

The undersigned represents and warrants that, as of the date of this contract, the undersigned is not prohibited from purchasing the Designated Securities hereby agreed to be purchased by it under the laws of the jurisdiction to which the undersigned is subject.

This contract will inure to the benefit of and be binding upon the parties hereto and their respective successors, but will not be assignable by either party hereto without the written consent of the other.

This contract may be executed by either of the parties hereto in any number of counterparts, each of which shall be deemed to be an original, but all such counterparts shall together constitute one and the same instrument.

It is understood that the acceptance by the Company of any Delayed Delivery Contract (including this contract) is in the Company's sole discretion and that, without limiting the foregoing, acceptances of such contracts need not be on a first-come, first-served basis. If this contract is acceptable to the Company, it is requested that the Company sign the form of acceptance below and mail or deliver one of the counterparts hereof to the undersigned at its address set forth below. This will become a binding contract between the Company and the undersigned when such counterpart is so mailed or delivered by the Company.

Yours	very	truly,		
Ву			(Signature)	-
			(Name and Title)	_
			(Address)	_

Accepted,				199	
PITNEY BO	WES :	INC.			
Ву					

(Title)

PITNEY BOWES INC.,

Issuer

TO

SUNTRUST BANK, ATLANTA,

Trustee

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Indenture

Dated as April \_\_\_, 1998

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INDENTURE, dated as of April \_\_ , 1998, between PITNEY BOWES INC., a corporation duly organized and existing under the laws of the State of Delaware (herein called the "Company"), having its principal office at World Headquarters, Stamford, Connecticut 06926-0700, and SunTrust Bank, Atlanta, a banking corporation duly organized and existing under the laws of the State of Georgia, as Trustee (herein called the "Trustee").

## Recitals of the Company

The Company has duly authorized the execution and delivery of this Indenture to provide for the issuance from time to time of its unsecured debentures, notes or other evidences of indebtedness (herein called the "Securities"), to be issued in one or more series as in this Indenture provided.

All things necessary to make this Indenture a valid agreement of the Company, in accordance with its terms, have been done.

NOW, THEREFORE, THIS INDENTURE WITNESSETH:

For and in consideration of the premises and the purchase of the Securities by the Holders thereof, it is mutually covenanted and agreed, for the equal and proportionate benefit of all Holders of the Securities or of series thereof, as follows:

## ARTICLE 1

Definitions and Other Provisions of General Application

Section 1.1. Definitions.

For all purposes of this Indenture, except as otherwise expressly provided or unless the context otherwise requires:

- (a) the terms defined in this Article have the meanings assigned to them in this Article and include the plural as well as the singular;
- (b) all other terms used herein which are defined in the Trust Indenture Act, either directly or by reference therein, have the meanings assigned to them therein;
- (c) all accounting terms not otherwise defined herein have the meanings assigned to them in accordance with generally accepted accounting principles, and except as otherwise herein expressly provided, the term "generally accepted accounting principles" with respect to any computation required or permitted hereunder shall mean such accounting principles as are generally accepted at the date of such computation; and
- (d) the words "herein", "hereof" and "hereunder" and other words of similar import refer to this Indenture as a whole and not to any particular Article, Section or other subdivision.

Certain terms, used principally in Article 6, are defined in that Article.

"Act", when used with respect to any Holder, has the meaning specified in Section 1.4.  $\,$ 

"Affiliate" of any specified Person means any other Person directly or indirectly controlling or controlled by or under direct or indirect common control with such specified Person. For the purposes of this definition, "control" when used with respect to any specified Person means the power to direct the management and policies of such person, directly or indirectly, whether through the ownership of voting securities, by contract or otherwise; and the terms "controlling" and "controlled" have meanings correlative to the foregoing.

"Agent Member" means a member of, or participant in, a Depositary.

"Authenticating Agent" means any Person authorized by the Trustee to act on behalf of the Trustee to authenticate Securities.

"Board of Directors" means either the board of directors of the Company or any duly authorized committee of that board.

"Board Resolution" means a copy of a resolution certified by the Secretary or an Assistant Secretary of the Company to have been duly adopted by the Board of Directors and to be in full force and effect on the date of such certification, and delivered to the Trustee.

"Business Day", when used with respect to any Place of Payment, means each Monday, Tuesday, Wednesday, Thursday and Friday which is not a day on which banking institutions in that Place of Payment are authorized or obligated by law to close.

"Commission" means the Securities and Exchange Commission, as from time to time constituted, created under the Securities Exchange Act of 1934, or, if at any time after the execution of this instrument such Commission is not existing and performing the duties now assigned to it under the Trust Indenture Act, then the body performing such duties at such time.

"Company" means the Person named as the "Company" in the first paragraph of this instrument until a successor corporation shall have become such pursuant to the applicable provisions of this Indenture, and thereafter "Company" shall mean such successor corporation.

"Company Request" or "Company Order" means a written request or order signed in the name of the Company by its Chairman of the Board, its President or a Vice President, and by its Treasurer, an Assistant Treasurer, its Secretary or an Assistant Secretary, and delivered to the Trustee.

"Consolidated Net Tangible Assets" means as of any particular time the aggregate amount of assets after deducting therefrom (a) all current liabilities (excluding any such liability that by its terms is extendable or renewable at the option of the obligor thereon to a time more than 12 months after the time as of which the amount thereof is being computed) and (b) all goodwill, excess of cost over assets acquired, patents, copyrights, trademarks, trade names, unamortized debt discount and expense and other like intangibles, all as shown in the most recent consolidated financial statements of the Company and its Subsidiaries prepared in accordance with generally accepted accounting principles.

"Consolidated Net Worth" means the sum of (i) the par value or stated value of the capital stock of the Company, (ii) the capital in excess of par value and (iii) the retained earnings, all as shown on the most recent consolidated balance sheet of the Company and its Subsidiaries, prepared in accordance with generally accepted accounting principles.

"Corporate Trust Office" means the office of the Trustee in Atlanta, Georgia at which at any particular time corporate trust business shall be principally administered. At the date of execution of this Indenture the address of the Corporate Trust Office is 58 Edgewood Avenue, Suite 400A, Atlanta, Georgia 30303.

"Corporation" means corporation, association, company, joint stock company or business trust.

"Defaulted Interest" has the meaning specified in Section 3.7.

"Depositary" means, with respect to the Securities of any series issuable or issued in whole or in part in the form of one or more permanent global Securities, the Person designated as Depositary by the Company pursuant to Section 3.1, which must be a clearing agency registered under the Securities Exchange Act of 1934, as amended, and if at any time there is more than one such Person, "Depositary" as used with respect to the Securities of any such series shall mean the Depositary with respect to the Securities of that series.

"Event of Default" has the meaning specified in Section 5.1.

"Funded Debt" means, with respect to any Person (a) every obligation of such Person for money borrowed and every obligation of such

Person secured by any lien, mortgage, pledge or other security interest upon any property or asset of such Person (whether or not assumed by such Person), which by its terms matures at, or is extendible or renewable at the option of the obligor to, a date more than 12 months after the time of the computation of the amount thereof, and which would appear as a liability (other than a current liability or a deferred item) on a statement of financial position of such Person in accordance with generally accepted accounting principles, (b) all obligations in respect of lease rentals which would be shown on a balance sheet of the obligor as a liability (other than a current liability or a deferred item) in accordance with generally accepted accounting principles, (c) all guarantees, direct or indirect, of any such indebtedness or of any such obligations of others or of dividends, and (d) all outstanding Preferred Stock of any Restricted Subsidiary.

"Holder" means a Person in whose name a Security is registered in the Security Register.

"Indenture" means this instrument as originally executed or as it may from time to time be supplemented or amended by one or more indentures supplemental hereto entered into pursuant to the applicable provisions hereof and shall include the terms of particular series of Securities established as contemplated by Section 3.1.

"Interest", when used with respect to an Original Issue Discount Security which by its terms bears interest only upon Maturity, means interest payable after Maturity.

"Interest Payment Date", when used with respect to any Security, means the Stated Maturity of an instalment of interest on such Security.

"Maturity", when used with respect to any Security, means the date on which the principal of such Security or an instalment of principal becomes due and payable as therein or herein provided, whether at the Stated Maturity or by declaration of acceleration, call for redemption or otherwise.

"Officers' Certificate" means a certificate signed by the Chairman of the Board, the President or a Vice President, and by the Treasurer, an Assistant Treasurer, the Secretary or an Assistant Secretary, of the Company, and delivered to the Trustee.

"Opinion of Counsel" means a written opinion of counsel, who may be counsel for the Company, and who shall be acceptable to the Trustee.

"Original Issue Discount Security" means any Security which provides for an amount less than the principal amount thereof to be due and payable upon a declaration of acceleration of the Maturity thereof pursuant to Section 5.2.

"Outstanding", when used with respect to Securities, means, as of the date of determination, all Securities theretofore authenticated and delivered under this Indenture, except:

- (i) Securities theretofore canceled by the Trustee or delivered to the Trustee for cancellation;
- (ii) Securities for whose payment or redemption (a) money in the necessary amount has been theretofore deposited with the Trustee or any Paying Agent (other than the Company) in trust or set aside and segregated in trust by the Company (if the Company shall act as its own Paying Agent) for the Holders of such Securities or (b) U.S. Government Obligations as contemplated by Section 4.2 in the necessary amount have been theretofore deposited with the Trustee (or another trustee satisfying the requirements of Section 6.9 in trust for the Holders of such Securities in accordance with Section 4.3; provided that, if such Securities are to be redeemed, notice of such redemption has been duly given pursuant to this Indenture or provision therefor

satisfactory to the Trustee has been made;

- (iii) Securities as to which Defeasance has been effected pursuant to Section  $4.2\,;$  and
- (iv) Securities which have been paid pursuant to Section 3.6 or in exchange for or in lieu of which other Securities have been authenticated and delivered pursuant to this Indenture, other than any such Securities in respect of which there shall have been presented to the Trustee proof satisfactory to it that such Securities are held by a bona fide purchaser in whose hands such Securities are valid obligations of the Company;

provided, however, that in determining whether the Holders of the requisite principal amount of the Outstanding Securities have given any request, demand, authorization, direction, notice, consent, waiver or other action hereunder as of any date (A) the principal amount of an Original Issue Discount Security which shall be deemed to be Outstanding shall be the amount of the principal thereof which would be due and payable as of such date upon acceleration of the Maturity thereof to such date pursuant to Section 5.2, (B) if, as of such date, the principal amount payable at the Stated Maturity of a Security is not determinable, the principal amount of such Security which shall be deemed to be Outstanding shall be the amount as specified or determined as contemplated by Section 3.1, (C) the principal amount of a Security denominated in one or more foreign currencies or currency units which shall be deemed to be Outstanding shall be the U.S. dollar equivalent, determined as of such date in the manner provided as contemplated by Section 3.1, of the principal amount of such Security (or, in the case of a Security described in Clause (A) or (B) above, of the amount determined as provided in such Clause), and (D) Securities owned by the Company or any other obligor upon the Securities or any Affiliate of the Company or of such other obligor shall be disregarded and deemed not to be Outstanding, except that, in determining whether the Trustee shall be protected in relying upon any such request, demand, authorization, direction, notice, consent, waiver or other action, only Securities which the Trustee knows to be so owned shall be so disregarded. Securities so owned which have been pledged in good faith may be regarded as Outstanding if the pledgee establishes to the satisfaction of the Trustee the pledgee's right so to act with respect to such Securities and that the pledgee is not the Company or any other obligor upon the Securities or any Affiliate of the Company or of such other obligor.

"Paying Agent" means any Person authorized by the Company to pay the principal of (and premium, if any) or interest on any Securities on behalf of the Company.

"Person" means any individual, corporation, partnership, joint venture, association, joint-stock company, trust, unincorporated organization or government or any agency or political subdivision thereof.

"Place of Payment", when used with respect to the Securities of any series, means the place or places where the principal of and any premium or interest on the Securities of that series are payable as specified as contemplated by Section 3.1.

"Predecessor Security" of any particular Security means every previous Security evidencing all or a portion of the same debt as that evidenced by such particular Security; and, for the purposes of this definition, any Security authenticated and delivered under Section 3.6 in exchange for or in lieu of a mutilated, destroyed, lost or stolen Security shall be deemed to evidence the same debt as the mutilated, destroyed, lost or stolen Security.

"Preferred Stock" as applied to the capital stock of any corporation means stock of any class or classes (however designated) which is preferred as to the payment of dividends, or as to the distribution of assets on any voluntary or involuntary liquidation or dissolution of such corporation, over shares of stock of any other class of such corporation.

"Principal Domestic Manufacturing Plant" means any manufacturing or processing plant or warehouse (other than such manufacturing plant or warehouse which, in the opinion of the Board of Directors, is not of material importance to the total business conducted by the Company and its Subsidiaries taken as a whole) together with the land upon which it is erected and fixtures comprising a part thereof, owned by the Company or any Subsidiary and located in the United States of America, if the gross book value (without deduction of any depreciation reserves) of all real property and fixed assets included in such plant on the date as of which the determination is being made exceeds 1% of Consolidated Net Worth.

"Redemption Date", when used with respect to any Security to be redeemed, means the date fixed for such redemption by or pursuant to this Indenture.

"Redemption Price", when used with respect to any Security to be redeemed, means the price at which it is to be redeemed pursuant to this Indenture.

"Regular Record Date" for the interest payable on any Interest Payment Date on the Securities of any series means the date specified for that purpose as contemplated by Section 3.1.

"Responsible Officer", when used with respect to the Trustee, means any officer within the Corporate Trustee Administration Department, including any vice president, any assistant secretary, any trust officer or assistant trust officer, or any other officer of the Trustee customarily performing functions similar to those performed by any of the above designated officers and also means, with respect to a particular corporate trust matter, any other officer to whom such matter is referred because of his knowledge of and familiarity with the particular subject.

"Restricted Subsidiary" means any Subsidiary which is organized under the laws of the United States or of any State or of the District of Columbia and transacts all or a substantial portion of its business in the United States and which owns a Principal Domestic Manufacturing Plant; provided, however, that the term shall not include Pitney Bowes Credit Corporation, a Delaware corporation, or any other Subsidiary (a) which is solely or primarily engaged in the business of providing or obtaining financing for the sale or lease of products sold or leased by the Company or any Subsidiary or which is otherwise primarily engaged in the business of a finance company either on a secured or an unsecured basis or (b) which is solely or primarily engaged in the business of owning, developing or leasing real property other than a Principal Domestic Manufacturing Plant.

"Sale and Lease-Back Transaction" of a corporation means any arrangement whereby property has been or is to be sold or transferred by such corporation to any Person with the intention on the part of such corporation of taking back a lease of such property with a term of more than 36 months pursuant to which the rental payments are calculated to amortize the purchase price of such property substantially over the useful life of such property, and such property is in fact so leased by such corporation.

"Securities" has the meaning stated in the first recital of this Indenture and more particularly means any Securities authenticated and delivered under this Indenture.

"Security Register" and "Security Registrar" have the respective meanings specified in Section 3.5.

"Special Record Date" for the payment of any Defaulted Interest means a date fixed by the Trustee pursuant to Section 3.7.

"Stated Maturity", when used with respect to any Security or any instalment of principal thereof or interest thereon, means the date specified in such Security as the fixed date on which the principal of such Security or such instalment of principal or interest is due and payable.

"Subsidiary" means with respect to the Company, a corporation more than 50% of the outstanding Voting Stock of which is owned, directly or indirectly, by the Company or by one or more other Subsidiaries, or by the Company and one or more other Subsidiaries. For the purposes of this definition, "Voting Stock" means stock which ordinarily has voting power for the election of directors, whether at all times or only so long as no senior class of stock has such voting power by reason of any contingency.

"Trustee" means the Person named as the "Trustee" in the first paragraph of this instrument until a successor Trustee shall have become such pursuant to the applicable provisions of this Indenture, and thereafter "Trustee" shall mean or include each Person who is then a Trustee hereunder; provided, however, that if at any time there is more than one such Person, "Trustee" as used with respect to the Securities of any series shall mean only the Trustee with respect to Securities of that series.

"Trust Indenture Act" means the Trust Indenture Act of 1939, as amended, as in force on the date on which this instrument was executed, provided however, that in the event the Trust Indenture Act of 1939 is amended after such date, "Trust Indenture Act" means, to the extent required by such amendment, the Trust Indenture of 1939 as so amended.

"U.S. Government Obligations" means securities which are (i) direct obligations of the United States of America for the payment of which its full faith and credit is pledged or (ii) obligations of a Person controlled or supervised by and acting as an agency or instrumentality of the United States of America the payment of which is unconditionally guaranteed as a full faith and credit obligation by the United States of America, which, in either case are not callable or redeemable at the option of the issuer thereof, and shall also include a depositary receipt issued by a bank or trust company as custodian with respect to any such U.S. Government Obligations or a specific payment of interest on or principal of any such U.S. Government Obligation held by such custodian for the account of the holder of a depository receipt, provided that (except as required by law) such custodian is not authorized to make any deduction from the amount payable to the holder of such depository receipt for any amount received by the custodian in respect to the U.S. Government Obligation or the specific payment of interest on or principal of the U.S. Government Obligation by such depository receipt.

"Vice President", when used with respect to the Company or the Trustee, means any vice president, whether or not designated by a number or a word or words added before or after the title "vice president".

"Wholly-Owned Restricted Subsidiary" means a Restricted Subsidiary all of the outstanding voting stock of which, other than directors' qualifying shares, and all the Funded Debt of which shall at the time be owned by the Company or by one or more other Wholly-Owned Restricted Subsidiaries, or by the Company and one or more other Wholly-Owned Restricted Subsidiaries.

"Wholly-Owned Subsidiary" means any Subsidiary of which, at the time of determination, all of the outstanding voting stock (other than directors' qualifying shares) is owned by the Company, directly and/or indirectly. For purposes of this definition, "voting stock" has the same meaning as under the definition of "Subsidiary".

Section 1.2. Compliance Certificates and Opinions.

Upon any application or request by the Company to the Trustee to take any action under any provision of this Indenture, the Company shall furnish to the Trustee an Officers' Certificate stating that all conditions precedent, if any, provided for in this Indenture relating to the proposed action have been complied with and an Opinion of Counsel stating that in the opinion of such counsel all such conditions precedent, if any, have been complied with, except that in the case of any such application or request as to which the furnishing of such documents is specifically required by any provision of this Indenture relating to such particular application or request, no additional certificate or opinion need be furnished.

Every certificate or opinion with respect to compliance with a condition or covenant provided for in this Indenture shall include

- (a) a statement that each individual signing such certificate or opinion has read such covenant or condition and the definitions herein relating thereto;
- (b) a brief statement as to the nature and scope of the examination or investigation upon which the statements or opinions contained in such certificate or opinion are based;
- (c) a statement that, in the opinion of each such individual, he has made such examination or investigation as is necessary to enable him to express an informed opinion as to whether or not such covenant or condition has been complied with; and
- (d) a statement as to whether, in the opinion of each such individual, such condition or covenant has been complied with.

# Section 1.3. Form of Documents Delivered to Trustee.

In any case where several matters are required to be certified by, or covered by an opinion of, any specified Person, it is not necessary that all such matters be certified by, or covered by the opinion of, only one such Person, or that they be so certified or covered by only one document, but one such Person may certify or give an opinion with respect to some matters and one or more other such Persons as to other matters, and any such Person may certify or give an opinion as to such matters in one or several documents.

Any certificate or opinion of an officer of the Company may be based, insofar as it relates to legal matters, upon a certificate or opinion of, or representations by, counsel, unless such officer knows, or in the exercise of reasonable care should know, that the certificate or opinion or representations with respect to the matters upon which his certificate or opinion is based are erroneous. Any such certificate or Opinion of Counsel may be based, insofar as it relates to factual matters, upon a certificate or opinion of, or representations by, an officer or officers of the Company stating that the information with respect to such factual matters is in the possession of the Company, unless such counsel knows, or in the exercise of reasonable care should know, that the certificate or opinion or representations with respect to such matters are erroneous.

Where any Person is required to make, give or execute two or more applications, requests, consents, certificates, statements, opinions or other instruments under this Indenture, they may, but need not, be consolidated and form one instrument.

## Section 1.4. Acts of Holders.

(a) Any request, demand, authorization, direction, notice, consent, waiver or other action provided by this Indenture to be given or taken by Holders may be embodied in and evidenced by one or more instruments of substantially similar tenor signed by such Holders in person or by agent duly appointed in writing; and, except as herein otherwise expressly provided, such action shall become effective when such instrument or instruments are delivered to the Trustee and, where it is hereby expressly required, to the Company. If any Securities are denominated in coin or currency other than that of the United States, then for the purposes of determining whether the Holders of the requisite principal amount of Securities have taken any action with respect to the Securities of more than one series as herein described, the principal amount of such Securities shall be deemed to be that amount of United States dollars that could be obtained for such principal amount on the basis of the spot rate of exchange into United States dollars for the currency in which such Securities are denominated (as evidenced to the Trustee by an Officers' Certificate) as of the date the taking of such action by the Holders of such requisite principal amount is evidenced to the Trustee as provided in the immediately preceding sentence. Such instrument or instruments (and the

action embodied therein and evidenced thereby) are herein sometimes referred to as the "Act" of the Holders signing such instrument or instruments. Proof of execution of any such instrument or of a writing appointing any such agent shall be sufficient for any purpose of this Indenture and (subject to Section 6.1) conclusive in favor of the Trustee and the Company, if made in the manner provided in this Section.

- (b) The fact and date of the execution by any Person of any such instrument or writing may be proved by the affidavit of a witness of such execution or by a certificate of a notary public or other officer authorized by law to take acknowledgments of deeds, certifying that the individual signing such instrument or writing acknowledged to him the execution thereof. Where such execution is by a signer acting in a capacity other than his individual capacity, such certificate or affidavit shall also constitute sufficient proof of his authority. The fact and date of the execution of any such instrument or writing, or the authority of the Person executing the same, may also be proved in any other manner which the Trustee deems sufficient.
- (c) The ownership of Securities shall be proved by the Security Register.  $\,$
- (d) Any request, demand, authorization, direction, notice, consent, waiver or other Act of the Holder of any Security shall bind every future Holder of the same Security and the Holder of every Security issued upon the registration of transfer thereof or in exchange therefor or in lieu thereof in respect of anything done, omitted or suffered to be done by the Trustee or the Company in reliance thereon, whether or not notation of such action is made upon such Security.

Section 1.5. Notices, Etc., to Trustee and Company.

Any request, demand, authorization, direction, notice, consent, waiver or Act of Holders or other document provided or permitted by this Indenture to be made upon, given or furnished to, or filed with,

- (a) the Trustee by any Holder or by the Company shall be sufficient for every purpose hereunder if made, given, furnished or filed in writing to or with the Trustee at its Corporate Trust Office, Attention: Corporate Trustee Administration Department, or
- (b) the Company by the Trustee or by any Holder shall be sufficient for every purpose hereunder (unless otherwise herein expressly provided) if in writing and mailed, first-class postage prepaid, to the Company addressed to it at the address of its principal office specified in the first paragraph of this instrument or at any other address previously furnished in writing to the Trustee by the Company.

Section 1.6. Notice of Holders; Waiver.

Where this Indenture provides for notice to Holders of any event, such notice shall be sufficiently given (unless otherwise herein expressly provided) if in writing and mailed, first-class postage prepaid, to each Holder affected by such event, at his address as it appears in the Security Register, not later than the latest date, and not earlier than the earliest date, prescribed for the giving of such notice. In any case where notice to Holders is given by mail, neither the failure to mail such notice, nor any defect in any notice so mailed, to any particular Holder shall affect the sufficiency of such notice with respect to other Holders. Where this Indenture provides for notice in any manner, such notice may be waived in writing by the Person entitled to receive such notice, either before or after the event, and such waiver shall be the equivalent of such notice. Waivers of notice by Holders shall be filed with the Trustee, but such filing shall not be a condition precedent to the validity of any action taken in reliance upon such waiver.

In case by reason of the suspension of regular mail service or by reason of any other cause it shall be impracticable to give such notice by mail, then such notification as shall be made with the approval of the Trustee

shall constitute a sufficient notification for every purpose hereunder.

Section 1.7. Conflict with Trust Indenture Act.

If any provision hereof limits, qualifies or conflicts with another provision hereof which is required to be included in this Indenture by any of the provisions of the Trust Indenture act, such required provision shall control.

Section 1.8. Effect of Headings and Table of Contents.

The Article and Section headings herein and the Table of Contents are for convenience only and shall not affect the construction hereof.

Section 1.9. Successors and Assigns.

All covenants and agreements in this Indenture by the Company shall bind its successors and assigns, whether so expressed or not.

Section 1.10. Separability Clause.

In case any provision in this Indenture or in the Securities shall be invalid, illegal or unenforceable, the validity, legality and enforceability of the remaining provisions shall not in any way be affected or impaired thereby.

Section 1.11. Benefits of Indenture.

Nothing in this Indenture or in the Securities, express or implied, shall give to any Person, other than the Parties hereto, any Authenticating Agent, any Paying Agent, any Security Registrar and their successors hereunder and the Holders, any benefit or any legal or equitable right, remedy or claim under this Indenture.

Section 1.12. Governing Law.

This Indenture and the Securities shall be governed by and construed in accordance with the laws of the State of New York.

Section 1.13. Legal Holidays.

In any case where any Interest Payment Date, Redemption Date or Stated Maturity of any Security shall not be a Business Day at any Place of Payment, then (notwithstanding any other provision of this Indenture or of the Securities) payment of interest or principal (and premium, if any) need not be made at such Place of Payment on such date, but may be made on the next succeeding Business Day at such Place of Payment with the same force and effect as if made on the Interest Payment Date or Redemption Date, or at the Stated Maturity, provided that no interest shall accrue for the period from and after such Interest Payment Date, Redemption Date or Stated Maturity, as the case may be.

# ARTICLE 2 Security Forms

Section 2.1. Forms Generally.

The Securities of each series shall be in substantially the form set forth in Exhibit A, or in such other form as shall be established by or pursuant to a Board Resolution or in one or more indentures supplemental hereto, in each case with such appropriate insertions, omissions, substitutions and other variations as are required or permitted by this Indenture, and may have such letters, numbers or other marks of identification and such legends or endorsements placed thereon as may be required to comply with any law or any rules or regulations pursuant thereto, or with the rules of any securities exchange or to conform to general usage, all as may consistently herewith be determined by the officers executing such Securities,

as evidenced by their execution of the Securities. If the form of Securities of any series is established by action taken pursuant to a Board Resolution, a copy of an appropriate record of such action shall be certified by the Secretary or an Assistant Secretary of the Company and delivered to the Trustee at or prior to the delivery of the Company Order contemplated by Section 3.3 for the authentication and delivery of such Securities.

 $$\operatorname{\textsc{The}}$  Trustee's certificates of authentication shall be in substantially the form set forth in Exhibit B.

The definitive Securities shall be printed, lithographed or engraved on steel engraved borders or may be produced in any other manner, all as determined by the officers executing such Securities, as evidenced by their execution of such Securities.

Section 2.2. Securities in Permanent Global Form.

If the Company shall establish pursuant to Section 3.1 that the Securities of a series are to be issued in whole or in part in permanent global form, then notwithstanding Section 3.1(h) and the provisions of Section 3.2, any such Security shall represent such of the Outstanding Securities of such series as shall be specified therein and may provide that it shall represent the aggregate amount of Outstanding Securities from time to time endorsed thereon and that the aggregate amount of Outstanding Securities represented thereby may from time to time be reduced to reflect exchanges. Any endorsement of a Security in permanent global form to reflect the amount, or any increase or decrease in the amount, of Outstanding Securities represented thereby shall be made by the Trustee or the Security Registrar in such manner and upon instructions given by such Person or Persons as shall be specified in such Security in permanent global form or in the Company Order to be delivered to the Trustee pursuant to Section 3.3 or Section 3.4. Subject to the provisions of Section 3.3 and, if applicable, Section 3.4, the Trustee or the Security Registrar shall deliver and redeliver any Security in permanent global form in the manner and upon instructions given by the Person or Persons specified in such Security or in the applicable Company Order. If a Company Order pursuant to Section 3.3 or 3.4 has been, or simultaneously is, delivered, any instructions by the Company with respect to endorsement or delivery or redelivery of a global Security shall be in writing but need not comply with Section 1.2 and need not be accompanied by an Officer's Certificate or an Opinion of Counsel, provided that the permanent global Security to be endorsed, delivered or redelivered has previously been covered by an Opinion of Counsel.

The provisions of the last sentence of Section 3.3 shall only apply to any Security represented by a Security in permanent global form if such Security was never issued and sold by the Company and the Company delivers to the Trustee or the Security Registrar the Security in permanent global form together with written instructions (which need not comply with Section 1.2 and need not be accompanied by an Officer's Certificate or an Opinion of Counsel) with regard to the reduction in the principal amount of Securities represented thereby, together with the written statement contemplated by the last sentence of Section 3.3.

Unless otherwise specified as contemplated by Section 3.1 for the Securities evidenced thereby, every Security in permanent global form authenticated and delivered hereunder shall bear a legend in substantially the following form:

THIS SECURITY IS A SECURITY IN PERMANENT GLOBAL FORM AND IS REGISTERED IN THE NAME OF A DEPOSITARY OR A NOMINEE THEREOF. THIS SECURITY MAY NOT BE EXCHANGED IN WHOLE OR IN PART FOR A SECURITY REGISTERED, AND NO TRANSFER OF THIS SECURITY IN WHOLE OR IN PART MAY BE REGISTERED, IN THE NAME OF ANY PERSON OTHER THAN SUCH DEPOSITARY OR A NOMINEE THEREOF, EXCEPT IN THE LIMITED CIRCUMSTANCES DESCRIBED IN THE INDENTURE.

ARTICLE 3
The Securities

Section 3.1. Amount Unlimited; Issuable in Series.

The aggregate principal amount of Securities which may be authenticated and delivered under this Indenture is unlimited.

The Securities may be issued in one or more series. There shall be established in or pursuant to a Board Resolution and, subject to Section 3.3, set forth, or determined in the manner provided, in an Officer's Certificate, or established in one or more indentures supplemental hereto, prior to the issuance of Securities of any series

- (a) the title of the Securities of the series (which shall distinguish the Securities of the series from all other Securities);
- (b) any limit upon the aggregate principal amount of the Securities of the series which may be authenticated and delivered under this Indenture (except for Securities authenticated and delivered upon registration of transfer of, or in exchange for, or in lieu of, other Securities of the series pursuant to Section 3.4, 3.5, 3.6, 9.6 or 11.7 and except for any Securities which, pursuant to Section 3.3 of the Indenture, shall have not been issued and sold by the Company and are therefore deemed never to have been authenticated and delivered hereunder);
- (c) the date or dates on which the principal of the Securities of the series is payable;
- (d) the Person to whom any interest on any Security of the series shall be payable if other than as set forth in Section 3.7; the rate or rates at which the Securities of the series shall bear any interest or the manner of calculation of such rate or rates, if any, the date or dates from which any such interest shall accrue, the Interest Payment Dates on which any such interest shall be payable and the Regular Record Date, for the interest payable on any Interest Payment Date;
- (e) the place or places where the principal of and any premium or interest on Securities of the series shall be payable;
- (f) the period or periods within which, the price or prices at which and the terms and conditions upon which Securities of the series may be redeemed, in whole or in part, at the option of the Company and, if other than by a Board Resolution, the manner in which any election by the Company to redeem the Securities shall be evidenced;
- (g) the obligation, if any, of the Company to redeem or purchase Securities of the series pursuant to any sinking fund or analogous provisions or at the option of a Holder thereof and the period or periods within which, the price or prices at which and the terms and conditions upon which Securities of the series shall be redeemed or purchased in whole or in part, pursuant to such obligation;
- (h) if other than denominations of \$1,000 and any integral multiple thereof, the denominations in which Securities of the series shall be issuable;
- (i) if other than the principal amount thereof, the portion of the principal amount of Securities of the series which shall be payable upon declaration of acceleration of the Maturity thereof pursuant to Section 5.2;
- (j) if applicable, that the Securities of the Series, in whole or any specified part, shall be defeasible pursuant to Section 4.02 or Section 10.08 or both Sections and if other than a Board Resolution, the manner in which any election by the Company to defease those securities shall be evidenced;
- (k) whether the Securities of the series are to be issuable in whole or in part in permanent global form, without coupons, and, if so,

- (i) the form of any legend or legends which shall be borne by any such permanent global Security in addition to or in lieu of that set forth in Section 2.2, (ii) any circumstances in addition to or in lieu of those set forth in Clause (2) of the last paragraph of Section 3.5 in which such permanent global Security may be exchanged in whole or in part for Securities registered, and in which any transfer of such permanent global Security in whole or in part may be registered, in the name of Persons other than the Depositary for such permanent global Security or a nominee thereof and (iii) the Depositary with respect to any such permanent global Security or Securities;
- (1) the currency or currencies, including composite currencies, in which payment of the principal of, and any premium and interest on, the Securities of the series shall be payable if other than the currency of the United States of America;
- (m) if the principal of, or any premium or interest on, any Securities of the series is to be payable, at the election of the Company or the Holder thereof, in one or more currencies or currency units other than that or those in which such Securities are stated to be payable, the currency, currencies or currency units in which the principal of or any premium or interest on such Securities as to which such election is made shall be payable, the periods within which and the terms and conditions upon which such election is to be made and the amount so payable (or the manner in which such amount shall be determined);
- (n) if the amount of payments of principal of, or any premium or interest on, the Securities of the series may be determined with reference to an index or pursuant to a formula, the manner in which such amounts shall be determined;
- (o) if the principal amount payable at the Stated Maturity of any Securities of the series will not be determinable as of any one or more dates prior to the Stated Maturity, the amount which shall be deemed to be the principal amount of such Securities as of any such date for any purpose thereunder or hereunder, including the principal amount thereof which shall be due and payable upon any Maturity other than the Stated Maturity or which shall be deemed to be Outstanding as of any date prior to the Stated Maturity (or, in any such case, the manner in which such amount deemed to be the principal amount shall be determined);
- (p) any addition to or change in the Events of Default which applies to any Securities of the series and any change in the right of the Trustee or the requisite Holders of such Securities to declare the principal amount thereof due and payable pursuant to Section 5.1;
- (q) any addition to or change in the covenants set forth in Article Ten which applies to any Securities of the series; and
- (r) any other terms of the series (which terms shall not be inconsistent with the provisions of this Indenture, except as permitted by Section 9.1(e)).
- All Securities of any one series shall be substantially identical except as to denomination and except as may otherwise be provided in or pursuant to the Board Resolution referred to above and (subject to Section 3.3) set forth in the Officer's Certificate referred to above or in any such indenture supplemental hereto.

If any of the terms of the series are established by action taken pursuant to a Board Resolution, a copy of an appropriate record of such action shall be certified by the Secretary or an Assistant Secretary of the Company and delivered to the Trustee at or prior to the delivery of the Officers' Certificate setting forth the terms of the series.

Section 3.2. Denominations.

The Securities of each series shall be issuable in registered

form without coupons and only in such denominations as shall be specified in accordance with Section 3.1. In the absence of such provisions with respect to the Securities of any series, the Securities of such series shall be issuable in denominations of \$1,000 and any integral multiple thereof.

Section 3.3. Execution, Authentication, Delivery and Dating.

The Securities shall be executed on behalf of the Company by its Chairman of the Board, its President, one of its Vice Presidents or its Treasurer, under its corporate seal reproduced thereon attested by its Secretary or one of its Assistant Secretaries. The signature of any of these officers on the Securities may be manual or facsimile.

Securities bearing the manual or facsimile signatures of individuals who were at any time the proper officers of the Company shall bind the Company, notwithstanding that such individuals or any of them have ceased to hold such offices prior to the authentication and delivery of such Securities or did not hold such offices at the date of such Securities.

At any time and from time to time after the execution and delivery of this Indenture, the Company may deliver Securities of any series executed by the Company to the Trustee for authentication, together with a Company Order for the authentication and delivery of such Securities, and the Trustee in accordance with the Company Order shall authenticate and deliver such Securities. If the form or terms of the Securities of the series have been established by or pursuant to one or more Board Resolutions as permitted by Sections 2.1 and 3.1, in authenticating such Securities, and accepting the additional responsibilities under this Indenture in relation to such Securities, the Trustee shall be entitled to receive, and (subject to Section 6.1) shall be fully protected in relying upon, an Opinion of Counsel stating,

- (a) if the form of such Securities has been established by or pursuant to Board Resolution as permitted by Section 2.1, that such form has been established in conformity with the provisions of this Indenture;
- (b) if the terms of such Securities have been established by or pursuant to Board Resolution as permitted by Section 3.1, that such terms have been established in conformity with the provisions of this Indenture; and
- (c) that such Securities, when authenticated and delivered by the Trustee and issued by the Company in the manner and subject to any conditions specified in such Opinion of Counsel, will constitute valid and legally binding obligations of the Company, enforceable in accordance with their terms, subject to bankruptcy, insolvency, reorganization and other laws of general applicability relating to or affecting the enforcement of creditors' rights and to general equity principles.

If such form or terms have been so established, the Trustee shall not be required to authenticate such Securities if the issue of such Securities pursuant to this Indenture will affect the Trustee's own rights, duties or immunities under the Securities and this Indenture or otherwise in a manner which is not reasonably acceptable to the Trustee.

Notwithstanding the provisions of Section 3.1 and of the preceding paragraph, if all Securities of a series are not to be originally issued at one time, it shall not be necessary to deliver the Officer's Certificate otherwise required pursuant to Section 3.1 or the Company Order and Opinion of Counsel otherwise required pursuant to such preceding paragraph at or prior to the time of authentication of each Security of such series if such documents are delivered at or prior to the time of authentication upon original issuance of the first Security of such series to be issued.

Each Security shall be dated the date of its authentication.

No Security shall be entitled to any benefit under this Indenture or be valid or obligatory for any purpose unless there appears on such Security a certificate of authentication substantially in the form provided for herein executed by the Trustee by manual signature, and such

certificate upon any Security shall be conclusive evidence, and the only evidence, that such Security has been duly authenticated and delivered hereunder and is entitled to the benefits of this Indenture.

Notwithstanding the foregoing and subject, in the case of a Security in permanent global form, to Section 2.2, if any Security shall have been authenticated and delivered hereunder but never issued and sold by the Company, and the Company shall deliver such Security to the Trustee for cancellation as provided in Section 3.9 together with a written statement (which need not comply with Section 1.2 and need not be accompanied by an Opinion of Counsel) directing such cancellation and stating that such Security has never been issued and sold by the Company, for all purposes of this Indenture such Security shall be deemed never to have been authenticated and delivered hereunder and shall never be entitled to the benefits of this Indenture.

# Section 3.4. Temporary Securities.

Pending the preparation of definitive Securities of any series, the Company may execute, and upon Company Order the Trustee shall authenticate and deliver, temporary Securities which are printed, lithographed, typewritten, mimeographed or otherwise produced, in any authorized denomination, substantially of the tenor of the definitive Securities in lieu of which they are issued and with such appropriate insertions, omissions, substitutions and other variations as the officers executing such Securities may determine, as evidenced by their execution of such Securities.

If temporary Securities of any series are issued, the Company will cause definitive Securities of that series to be prepared without unreasonable delay. After the preparation of definitive Securities of such series, the temporary Securities of such series shall be exchangeable for definitive Securities of such series upon surrender of the temporary Securities of such series at the office or agency of the Company in a Place of Payment for that series, without charge to the Holder. Upon surrender for cancellation of any one or more temporary Securities of any series the Company shall execute and the Trustee shall authenticate and deliver in exchange therefor a like principal amount of definitive Securities of the same series and of like tenor of authorized denominations. Until so exchanged the temporary Securities of any series shall in all respects be entitled to the same benefits under this Indenture as definitive Securities of such series.

 $\qquad \qquad \text{Section 3.5.} \qquad \text{Registration, Registration of Transfer and } \\ \text{Exchange.}$ 

The Company shall cause to be kept at the Corporate Trust Office of the Trustee a register (the register maintained in such office and in any other office or agency of the Company in a Place of Payment being herein sometimes collectively referred to as the "Security Register") in which, subject to such reasonable regulations as it may prescribe, the Company shall provide for the registration of Securities and of transfers of Securities. The Trustee is hereby appointed "Security Registrar" for the purpose of registering Securities and transfers of Securities as herein provided.

Upon surrender for registration of transfer of any Security of any series at the office or agency in a Place of Payment for that series, the Company shall execute, and the Trustee shall authenticate and deliver, in the name of the designated transferee or transferees one or more new Securities of the same series of any authorized denominations and of a like aggregate principal amount and of like tenor.

At the option of the Holder, Securities of any series may be exchanged for other Securities of the same series, of any authorized denominations and of a like aggregate principal amount and of like tenor, upon surrender of the Securities to be exchanged at such office or agency. Whenever any Securities are so surrendered for exchange, the Company shall execute, and the Trustee shall authenticate and deliver, the Securities which the Holder making the exchange is entitled to receive.

All Securities issued upon any registration of transfer or exchange of Securities shall be the valid obligations of the Company, evidencing the same debt, and entitled to the same benefits under this Indenture, as the Securities surrendered upon such registration of transfer or exchange.

Every Security presented or surrendered for registration of transfer or for exchange shall (if so required by the Company or the Trustee) be duly endorsed, or be accompanied by a written instrument of transfer in form satisfactory to the Company and the Security Registrar duly executed, by the Holder thereof or his attorney duly authorized in writing.

No service charge shall be made for any registration of transfer or exchange of Securities, but the Company may require payment of a sum sufficient to cover any tax or other governmental charge that may be imposed in connection with any registration of transfer or exchange of Securities, other than exchanges pursuant to Section 3.4, 9.6 or 11.7 not involving any transfer.

The Company shall not be required (i) to issue, register the transfer of or exchange Securities of any series during a period beginning at the opening of business 15 days before the day of the mailing of a notice of redemption of Securities of that series selected for redemption under Section 11.3 and ending at the close of business on the day of such day of such mailing, or (ii) to register the transfer of or exchange any Security so selected for redemption in whole or in part, except the unredeemed portion of any Security being redeemed in part.

The provisions of Clauses (1) - (7) below shall apply only to permanent global Securities:

- (1) Each permanent global Security authenticated under this Indenture shall be registered in the name of the Depositary designated for such permanent global Security or a nominee thereof and delivered to such Depositary or a nominee thereof or custodian therefor, and each such permanent global Security shall constitute a single Security for all purposes of this Indenture.
- (2) Notwithstanding any other provisions in this Indenture, no permanent global Security may be exchanged in whole or in part for Securities registered, and no transfer of a permanent global Security in whole or in part may be registered, in the name of any Person other than the Depositary for such permanent global Security or a nominee thereof unless (a) the Depositary notifies the Company pursuant to Clause (4) of this Section that it is unwilling or unable to continue as Depositary for such permanent global Security or if at any time the Depositary ceases to be a clearing agency registered under the Securities Exchange Act of 1934, as amended, (b) if the Company in its sole discretion determines pursuant to Clause (5) of this Section that such permanent global Security shall be so exchangeable or transferrable and executes and delivers to the Security Registrar a Company Order providing that such permanent global Security shall be so exchangeable or transferrable, (c) any event shall have occurred and be continuing which, after notice or lapse of time, or both, would become an Event of Default with respect to the securities of the series of which such permanent global Security is a part or (d) there shall exist such circumstances, if any, in addition or in lieu of the foregoing as have been specified for this purpose as contemplated by Section 3.1.
- (3) Subject to Clause (2) above, any exchange of a permanent global Security for other Securities may be made in whole or in part, and all Securities issued in exchange for a

permanent global Security or any portion thereof shall be registered in such names as the Depositary for such permanent global Security shall direct. The Trustee shall deliver such Securities to or as directed by the Persons in whose names such Securities are so registered.

- (4) If at any time the Depositary for any Securities of a series represented by one or more global Securities notifies the Company that it is unwilling or unable to continue as Depositary for such Securities or if at any time the Depositary ceases to be a clearing agency registered under the Securities Exchange Act of 1934, as amended, the Company shall appoint a successor Depositary with respect to such Securities. If a successor Depositary for such Securities is not appointed by the Company within 90 days after the Company receives such notice or becomes aware of such ineligibility (and in any event before the Depositary surrenders such global Security for exchange), the Company's election that such Securities be represented by one or more global Securities shall no longer be effective and the Company shall execute, and the Trustee, upon receipt of an Officers' Certificate for the authentication and delivery of definitive Securities of such series, will authenticate and deliver, Securities of such series in definitive registered form without coupons, in any authorized denominations, in an aggregate principal amount equal to the principal amount of the global Security or Securities representing such Securities in exchange for such global Security or Securities.
- discretion determine that the Securities of any series issued in the form of one or more global Securities shall no longer be represented by a global Security or Securities. In such event the Company will execute, and the Trustee, upon receipt of an Officers' Certificate for the authentication and delivery of definitive Securities of such series, will authenticate and deliver Securities of such series in definitive registered form, in any authorized denominations, in an aggregate principal amount equal to the principal amount of the global Security or Securities representing such Securities, in exchange for such global Security or Securities.
- (6) Subject to Clause (2) above, with respect to Securities represented by a global Security, the Depositary for such global Security may surrender such global Security in exchange in whole or in part for Securities of the same series in definitive registered form on such terms as are acceptable to the Company and such Depositary. Thereupon, the Company shall execute, and the Trustee shall authenticate and deliver, without service charge,
  - (i) to the Person specified by such Depositary a new Security or Securities of the same series, of any authorized denomination as requested by such Person, in an aggregate principal amount equal to and in exchange for such Person's beneficial interest in the global Security; and
  - (ii) to such Depositary a new global Security in a denomination equal to the difference, if any, between the principal amount of the surrendered global Security and the aggregate principal amount of Securities authenticated and delivered pursuant to clause 3.05(6) (i) above.

Upon the exchange of a global Security for Securities

in definitive registered form, in authorized denominations, such global Security shall be canceled by the Trustee.

(7) Every Security authenticated and delivered upon registration of transfer of, or in exchange for or in lieu of, a permanent global Security or any portion thereof, whether pursuant to this Section, Section 3.4, 3.6, 9.6 or 11.7 or otherwise, shall be authenticated and delivered in the form of, and shall be, a permanent global Security, unless such Security is registered in the name of a Person other than the Depositary for such permanent global Security ora nominee thereof.

Section 3.6. Mutilated, Destroyed, Lost and Stolen Securities.

If any mutilated Security is surrendered to the Trustee, the Company shall execute and the Trustee shall authenticate and deliver in exchange therefor a new Security of the same series and of like tenor and principal amount and bearing a number not contemporaneously outstanding.

If there shall be delivered to the Company and the Trustee (i) evidence to their satisfaction of the destruction, loss or theft of any Security and (ii) such security or indemnity as may be required by them to save each of them and any agent of either of them harmless, then, in the absence of notice to the Company or the Trustee that such Security has been acquired by a bona fide purchaser, the Company shall execute and the Trustee shall authenticate and deliver, in lieu of any such destroyed, lost or stolen Security, a new Security of the same series and of like tenor and principal amount and bearing a number not contemporaneously outstanding.

In case any such mutilated, destroyed, lost or stolen Security has become or is about to become due and payable, the Company in its discretion may, instead of issuing a new Security, pay such Security.

Every new Security of any series issued pursuant to this Section in lieu of any destroyed, lost or stolen Security shall constitute an original additional contractual obligation of the Company, whether or not the destroyed, lost or stolen Security shall be at any time enforceable by anyone, and shall be entitled to all the benefits of this Indenture equally and proportionately with any and all other Securities of that series duly issued hereunder.

The provisions of this Section are exclusive and shall preclude (to the extent lawful) all other rights and remedies with respect to the replacement or payment of mutilated, destroyed, lost or stolen Securities.

Section 3.7. Payment of Interest; Interest Rights Preserved.

Unless otherwise provided as contemplated by Section 3.1 with respect to any series of Securities, interest on any Security which is payable, and is punctually paid or duly provided for, on any Interest Payment Date shall be paid to the Person in whose name that Security (or one or more Predecessor Securities) is registered at the close of business on the Regular Record Date for such interest; provided that if that Security or its Predecessor Security was originally issued on a date after a Regular Record Date and before the following Interest Payment Date, the first payment of interest on such Security will be made on the Interest Payment Date following the next succeeding Regular Record Date. Interest payable at Maturity (other than on a date which is an Interest Payment Date) will be paid to the same Person to whom the principal amount of this Security is payable.

Any interest on any Security of any series which is payable, but is not punctually paid or duly provided for, on any Interest Payment Date (herein called "Defaulted Interest") shall forthwith cease to be payable to the Holder on the relevant Regular Record Date by virtue of having been such Holder, and such Defaulted Interest may be paid by the Company, at its election in each case, as provided in clause (a) or (b) below:

(a) The Company may elect to make payment of any Defaulted Interest to the Persons in whose names the Securities of such series (or their respective Predecessor Securities) are registered at the close of business on a Special Record Date for the payment of such Defaulted Interest, which shall be fixed in the following manner. The Company shall notify the Trustee in writing of the amount of Defaulted Interest proposed to be paid on each Security of such series and the date of the proposed payment, and at the same time the Company shall deposit with the Trustee an amount of money equal to the aggregate amount proposed to be paid in respect of such Defaulted Interest or shall make arrangements satisfactory to the Trustee for such deposit prior to the date of the proposed payment, such money when deposited to be held in trust for the benefit of the Persons entitled to such Defaulted Interest as in this Clause provided. Thereupon the Trustee shall fix a Special Record Date for the payment of such Defaulted Interest which shall be not more than 15 days and not less than 10 days prior to the date of the proposed payment and not less than 10 days after the receipt by the Trustee of the notice of the proposed payment. The Trustee shall promptly notify the Company of such Special Record Date and, in the name and at the expense of the Company, shall cause notice of the proposed payment of such Defaulted Interest and the Special Record Date therefor to be mailed, first-class postage prepaid, to each Holder of Securities of such series at his address as it appears in the Security Register, not less than 10 days prior to such Special Record Date. Notice of the proposed payment of such Defaulted Interest and the Special Record Date therefor having been so mailed, such Defaulted Interest shall be paid to the Persons in whose names the Securities of such series (or their respective Predecessor Securities) are registered at the close of business on such Special Record Date and shall no longer be payable pursuant to the following clause

(b) The Company may make payment of any Defaulted Interest on the Securities of any series in any other lawful manner not inconsistent with the requirements of any securities exchange on which such Securities may be listed, and upon such notice as may be required by such exchange, if, after notice given by the Company to the Trustee of the proposed payment pursuant to this Clause, such manner of payment shall be deemed practicable by the Trustee.

Subject to the foregoing provisions of this Section, each Security delivered under this Indenture upon registration of transfer of or in exchange for or in lieu of any other Security shall carry the rights to interest accrued and unpaid, and to accrue, which were carried by such other Security.

## Section 3.8. Persons Deemed Owners.

Prior to due presentment of a Security for registration of transfer, the Company, the Trustee and any agent of the Company or the Trustee may treat the Person in whose name such Security is registered as the owner of such Security for the purpose of receiving payment of principal of (and premium, if any) and (subject to Section 3.7) interest on such Security and for all other purposes whatsoever, whether or not such Security is overdue, and neither the Company, the Trustee nor any agent of the Company or the Trustee shall be affected by notice to the contrary.

## Section 3.9. Cancellation.

All Securities surrendered for payment, redemption, registration of transfer or exchange or for credit against any sinking fund payment shall, if surrendered to any Person other than the Trustee, be delivered to the Trustee and shall be promptly canceled by it. The Company may at any time deliver to the Trustee for cancellation any Securities previously authenticated and delivered hereunder which the Company may have acquired in any manner whatsoever and may deliver to the Trustee (or to any other Person for delivery to the Trustee) for cancellation any Securities previously authenticated hereunder which the Company has not issued and sold, and all Securities so delivered shall be promptly canceled by the Trustee. No Securities shall be authenticated in lieu of or in exchange for any Securities canceled as provided in this Section, except as expressly permitted by this

Indenture. All canceled Securities held by the Trustee shall be disposed of as directed by a Company Order.

Section 3.10. Computation of Interest.

Except as otherwise specified as contemplated by Section 3.1 for Securities of any series, interest on the Securities of each series shall be computed on the basis of a 360-day year of twelve 30-day months.

# ARTICLE 4 Satisfaction and Discharge

Section 4.1. Satisfaction and Discharge of Indenture.

This Indenture shall upon Company Request cease to be of further effect (except as to any surviving rights of registration of transfer or exchange of Securities herein expressly provided for), and the Trustee, at the expense of the Company, shall execute proper instruments acknowledging satisfaction and discharge of this Indenture, when

### (a) either

- (i) all Securities theretofore authenticated and delivered (other than (x) Securities which have been destroyed, lost or stolen and which have been replaced or paid as provided in Section 3.6 and (y) Securities for whose payment money has theretofore been deposited in trust or segregated and held in trust by the Company and thereafter repaid to the Company or discharged from such trust, as provided in Section 10.3) have been delivered to the Trustee for cancellation; or
- (ii) all such Securities not theretofore delivered to the Trustee for cancellation  $\ \ \,$ 
  - (A) have become due and payable, or

  - (C) are to be called for redemption within one year under arrangements satisfactory to the Trustee for the giving of notice of redemption by the Trustee in the name, and at the expense, of the Company,

and the Company, in the case of (A), (B) or (C) above has deposited or caused to be deposited with the Trustee as trust funds in trust for the purpose an amount sufficient to pay and discharge the entire indebtedness on such Securities not theretofore delivered to the Trustee for cancellation, for principal and any premium or interest to the date of such deposit (in the case of Securities which have become due and payable) or to the Stated Maturity or Redemption Date, as the case may be;

- (b) the Company has paid or caused to be paid all other sums payable hereunder by the Company; and
- (c) the Company has delivered to the Trustee an Officers' Certificate and an Opinion of Counsel, each stating that all conditions precedent herein provided for relating to the satisfaction and discharge of this Indenture have been complied with.

Notwithstanding the satisfaction and discharge of this Indenture, the obligations of the Company to the Trustee under Section 6.7, the obligations of the Trustee to any Authenticating Agent under Section 6.14 and, if money shall have been deposited with the Trustee pursuant to subclause

(ii) of clause (a) of this Section, the obligations of the Trustee under Section 4.3 and the last paragraph of Section 10.3 shall survive.

Section 4.2. Defeasance of Securities of Any Series.

Unless otherwise specified pursuant to Section 3.1 with respect to the Securities of any series, then notwithstanding Section 4.1, the Company shall be deemed to have paid and discharged the entire indebtedness on all the Outstanding Securities of any series on the 91st day after the date of the deposit referred to in subparagraph (d) hereof, and the provisions of this Indenture, as it relates to such Outstanding Securities, shall no longer be in effect (and the Trustee, at the expense of the Company, shall at Company Request, execute proper instruments acknowledging the same) (hereinafter called "Defeasance"), except as to:

- (a) the rights of Holders of Securities to receive, from the trust funds described in subparagraph (d) hereof, (i) payment of the principal of and any premium and each instalment of principal of and any premium or interest on the Outstanding Securities of that series on the Stated Maturity of such principal or instalment of principal or interest and (ii) the benefit of any mandatory sinking fund payments or analogous payments applicable to Securities of such series on the day on which such payments are due and payable in accordance with the terms of the Indenture and such Securities;
- (b) the Company's obligations with respect to such Securities under Sections 3.5, 3.6, 10.2 and 10.3; and
- $% \left( 0\right) =0$  (c) the rights, powers, trusts, duties and immunities of the Trustee hereunder;

provided that the following conditions have been satisfied:

- (d) with reference to this provision the Company has irrevocably deposited or caused to be irrevocably deposited with the Trustee as trust funds in the trust for purposes of making the following payments, specifically pledged as security for, and dedicated solely to, the benefit of the Holders of the Securities of that series, (i) money in an amount, or (ii) U.S. Government Obligations which through the payment of interest and principal in respect thereof in accordance with their terms will provide not later than one day before the due date of any payment referred to in clause (A) or (B) of this subparagraph (d) money in an amount, or (iii) a combination thereof, sufficient, in the opinion of a nationally recognized firm of independent public accountants expressed in a written certification thereof delivered to the Trustee, to pay and discharge, and which shall be applied by the Trustee for such purposes, (A) the principal of and any premium and each instalment of principal and any premium or interest on the Outstanding Securities of that series on the Stated Maturity or the Redemption Date, as the case may be, of such principal or instalment of principal or interest and (B) any mandatory sinking fund payments or analogous payments applicable to Securities of such series on the day on which such payments are due and payable, each in accordance with the terms of this Indenture and of such Securities;
- (e) such Defeasance shall not cause the Trustee with respect to the Securities of that series to have a conflicting interest as defined in Section 6.8 and for purposes of the Trust Indenture Act with respect to the Securities of any series;
- (f) such Defeasance will not result in a breach or violation of, or constitute a default under, this Indenture or any other agreement or instrument to which the Company is a party or by which it is bound;
- (g) such Defeasance would not cause any Outstanding Security of such series then listed on any nationally recognized securities exchange to be then delisted as a result thereof;
  - (h) no Event of Default or event which with notice or lapse

of time would become an Event of Default with respect to Securities of the series shall have occurred and be continuing on the date of such deposit or during the period ending on the 91st day after such date;

- (i) the Company has delivered to the Trustee an Opinion of Counsel stating that (x) the Company has received from, or there has been published by, the Internal Revenue Service a ruling, or (y) since the date of this Indenture there has been a change in the applicable Federal income tax law, in either case to the effect that, and such Opinion of Counsel shall confirm that, Holders of the Securities of such series will not recognize income, gain or loss for Federal income tax purposes as a result of such deposits, defeasance and discharge and will be subject to Federal income tax on the same amount and in the same manner and at the same times, as would have been the case if such deposit, defeasance and discharge had not occurred; and that such Defeasance would not result in the trust arising from such deposit constituting an investment company within the meaning of the Investment Company Act of 1940, as amended from time to time; and
- (j) the Company has delivered to the Trustee an Officers' Certificate and an Opinion of Counsel, each stating that all conditions precedent provided for relating to the Defeasance contemplated by this provision have been complied with.

## Section 4.3. Application of Trust Funds; Indemnification.

- (a) Subject to the provisions of the last paragraph of Section 10.3, all money deposited with the Trustee pursuant to Section 4.1, all money and U.S. Government Obligations deposited with the Trustee pursuant to Section 4.2 or Section 10.8 and all money received by the Trustee in respect of U.S. Government Obligations deposited with the Trustee pursuant to Section 4.2 or Section 10.8 shall be held in trust and applied by it, in accordance with the provisions of the Securities and this Indenture, to the payment, either directly or through any Paying Agent (including the Company acting as its own Paying Agent) as the Trustee may determine, to the Persons entitled thereto of the principal (and premium, if any) and interest for whose payment such money has been deposited with or received by the Trustee or to make mandatory sinking fund payments or analogous payments as contemplated by Section 4.2 or Section 10.8, as the case may be.
- (b) The Company shall pay and shall indemnify the Trustee against any tax, fee or other charge imposed on or assessed against U.S. Government Obligations deposited pursuant to Section 4.2 or Section 10.8 or the interest and principal received in respect of such obligations other than any payable by or on behalf of Holders.
- (c) The Trustee shall deliver or pay to the Company from time to time upon Company Request any money or U.S. Government Obligations held by it as provided in Section 4.2 or 10.8 which, in the opinion of a nationally recognized firm of independent public accountants expressed in a written certification thereof delivered to the Trustee, are then in excess of the amount which then would have been required to be deposited for the purpose for which such money or U.S. Government Obligations were deposited or received.

### Section 4.4. Reinstatement.

If the Trustee or the Paying Agent is unable to apply any money in accordance with Section 4.2 or 10.8 with respect to any Securities by reason of any order or judgment of any court or governmental authority enjoining, restraining or otherwise prohibiting such application or upon the occurrence of an Event of Default, then the obligations under this Indenture and such Securities from which the Company has been discharged or released pursuant to Section 4.2 or 10.8 shall be revived and reinstated as though no deposit had occurred pursuant to this Article with respect to such Securities, until such time as the Trustee or Paying Agent is permitted to apply all money held in trust pursuant to Section 4.3 with respect to such Securities in accordance with this Article; provided, however, that if the Company makes any payment of

principal of or any premium or interest on any such Security following such reinstatement of its obligations, the Company shall be subrogated to the rights (if any) of the Holders of such Securities to receive such payment from the money so held in trust.

## ARTICLE 5 Remedies

#### Section 5.1. Events of Default.

"Event of Default", wherever used herein with respect to Securities of any series, means any one of the following events (whatever the reason for such Event of Default and whether it shall be voluntary or involuntary or be effected by operation of law or pursuant to any judgment, decree or order of any court or any order, rule or regulation of any administrative or governmental body):

- (a) default in the payment of any interest upon any Security of that series when it becomes due and payable, and continuance of such default for a period of 30 days; or
- (b) default in the payment of the principal of (or premium, if any on) any Security of that series at its Maturity; or
- (c) default in the deposit of any sinking fund payment, when and as due by the terms of a Security of that series; or
- (d) default in the performance, or breach, of any covenant or warranty of the Company in this Indenture (other than a covenant or warranty a default in whose performance or whose breach is elsewhere in this Section specifically dealt with or which has expressly been included in this Indenture solely for the benefit of a series of Securities other than that series), and continuance of such default or breach for a period of 90 days after there has been given, by registered or certified mail, to the Company by the Trustee or to the Company and the Trustee by the Holders of at least 25% in principal amount of the Outstanding Securities of each series affected thereby a written notice specifying such default or breach and requiring it to be remedied and stating that such notice is a "Notice of Default" hereunder; or
- (e) the entry by a court having jurisdiction in the premises of (A) a decree or order for relief in respect of the Company in an involuntary case or proceeding under any applicable Federal or State bankruptcy, insolvency, reorganization or other similar law or (B) a decree or order adjudging the Company a bankrupt or insolvent, or approving as properly filed a petition seeking reorganization, arrangement, adjustment or composition of or in respect of the Company under any applicable Federal or State law, or appointing a custodian, receiver, liquidator, assignee, trustee, sequestrator or other similar official of the Company or any substantial part of its property, or ordering the winding up or liquidation of its affairs, and the continuance of any such decree or order for relief or any such other decree or order unstayed and in effect for a period of 60 consecutive days; or
- (f) the commencement by the Company of a voluntary case or proceeding under any applicable Federal or State bankruptcy, insolvency, reorganization or other similar law or of any other case or proceeding to be adjudicated a bankrupt or insolvent, or the consent by it to the entry of a decree or order for relief in respect of the Company in an involuntary case or proceeding under any applicable Federal or State bankruptcy, insolvency, reorganization or other similar law or to the commencement of any bankruptcy or insolvency case or proceeding against it, or the filing by it of a petition or answer or consent seeking reorganization or relief under any applicable Federal or State law, or the consent by it to the filing of such petition or the appointment of or taking possession by a custodian, receiver, liquidator, assignee, trustee, sequestrator or similar official of the Company or of any substantial part of its property, or the making by it of any assignment for the benefit of creditors, or the admission by it in writing of its inability to

pay its debts generally as they become due, or the taking of corporate action by the Company in furtherance of any such action; or

 $\,$  (g) any events of default provided with respect to Securities of that Series.

 $\qquad \qquad \text{Section 5.2. Acceleration of Maturity; Rescission and} \\ \text{Annulment.}$ 

If an Event of Default described in clause (a), (b), (c), (d) or (g) of Section 5.1 with respect to Securities of any series at the time Outstanding occurs and is continuing, then in every such case the Trustee or the Holders of not less than 25% in principal amount of the Outstanding Securities of such series (each such series voting as a separate class in the case of an Event of Default under clause (a), (b), (c) or (g) of Section 5.1, and all such series voting as one class in the case of such an Event of Default under clause (d) of Section 5.1) may declare the principal amount (or, if the Securities of any such series are Original Issue Discount Securities, such portion of the principal amount as may be specified in the terms of that series) of all of the Securities of such series to be due and payable immediately, by a notice in writing to the Company (and to the Trustee if given by Holders), and upon any such declaration such principal amount (or specified amount) shall become immediately due and payable. If any Event of Default described in clause (e) or (f) of Section 5.1 occurs and is continuing, then in every such case the Trustee or the Holders of not less than 25% in aggregate principal amount of all the Outstanding Securities (voting as one class) may declare the principal amount (or, if the Securities of any such series are Original Issue Discount Securities, such portion of the principal amount as may be specified in the terms of that series) of all the Securities then Outstanding to be due and payable immediately, by a notice in writing to the Company (and to the Trustee if given by Holders), and upon any such declaration such principal amount (or specified amount) shall become immediately due and payable.

At any time after such a declaration of acceleration with respect to Securities of any series has been made and before a judgment or decree for payment of the money due has been obtained by the Trustee as hereinafter in this Article provided, the Holders of a majority in principal amount of the Outstanding Securities of that series, by written notice to the Company and the Trustee, may rescind and annul such declaration and its consequences if

- (a) the Company has paid or deposited with the Trustee a sum sufficient to pay  $% \left( 1\right) =\left( 1\right) +\left( 1\right) +\left($ 
  - $% \left( 1\right) =\left( 1\right) \left( 1\right) =\left( 1\right) \left( 1\right)$  the overdue interest on all Securities of the series,
  - (ii) the principal of (and premium, if any, on) any Securities of that series which have become due otherwise than by such declaration of acceleration and interest thereon at the rate or rates prescribed therefor in such Securities,
  - (iii) to the extent that payment of such interest is lawful, interest upon overdue interest at the rate or rates prescribed therefor in such Securities, and
  - (iv) all sums paid or advanced by the Trustee hereunder and the reasonable compensation, expenses, disbursements and advances of the Trustees, its agents and counsel and all other amounts due under 6.7;

and

(b) all Events of Default with respect to Securities of that series other than the non-payment of the principal of Securities of that series which have become due solely by such declaration of acceleration, have

been cured or waived as provided in Section 5.13.

 $$\operatorname{\textsc{No}}$  such rescission shall affect any subsequent default or impair any right consequent thereon.

 $$\operatorname{Section}$  5.3. Collection of Indebtedness and Suits for Enforcement by Trustee.

The Company covenants that if

- (a) default is made in the payment of any interest on any Security when such interest becomes due and payable and such default continues for a period of 30 days, or  $\frac{1}{2}$
- (b) default is made in the payment of the principal of (or premium, if any, on) any Security at the Maturity thereof

the Company will, upon demand of the Trustee, pay to it, for the benefit of the Holders of such Securities, the whole amount then due and payable on such Securities, for principal (and premium, if any) and interest and, to the extent that payment of such interest shall be legally enforceable, interest on any overdue principal (and premium, if any) and on any overdue interest, at the rate or rates prescribed therefor in such Securities and, in addition thereto, such further amount as shall be sufficient to cover the costs and expenses of collection, including the reasonable compensation, expenses, disbursements and advances of the Trustee, its agents and counsel.

If the Company fails to pay such amounts forthwith upon such demand, the Trustee, in its own name and as trustee of an express trust may institute a judicial proceeding for the collection of the sums so due and unpaid, may prosecute such proceeding to judgment or final decree and may enforce the same against the Company or any other obligor upon such Securities and collect the moneys adjudged or decreed to be payable in the manner provided by law out of the property of the Company or any other obligor upon such Securities, wherever situated.

If an Event of Default with respect to Securities of any series occurs and is continuing, the Trustee may in its discretion proceed to protect and enforce its rights and the rights of the Holders of Securities of such series by such appropriate judicial proceedings as the Trustee shall deem most effectual to protect and enforce any such rights whether for the specific enforcement of any covenant or agreement in this Indenture or in aid of the exercise of any power granted herein or therein, or to enforce any other proper remedy.

Section 5.4. Trustee May File Proofs of Claim.

In case of the pendency of any receivership, insolvency, liquidation, bankruptcy, reorganization, arrangement, adjustment, composition or other judicial proceeding relative to the Company or any other obligor upon the Securities or the property of the Company or of such other obligor or their creditors, the Trustee (irrespective of whether the principal of the Securities shall then be due and payable as therein expressed or by declaration or otherwise and irrespective of whether the Trustee shall have made any demand on the Company for the payment of overdue principal or interest) shall be entitled and empowered, by intervention in such proceeding or otherwise,

- (a) to file and prove a claim for the whole amount of principal (and premium, if any) and interest owing and unpaid in respect of the Securities and to file such other papers or documents as may be necessary or advisable in order to have the claims of the Trustee (including any claim for the reasonable compensation, expenses, disbursements and advances of the Trustee, its agents and counsel) and of the Holders allowed in such judicial proceeding, and
- (b) to collect and receive any moneys or other property payable or deliverable on any such claims and to distribute the same;

and any custodian, receiver, assignee, trustee, liquidator, sequestrator or other similar official in any such judicial proceeding is hereby authorized by each Holder to make such payments to the Trustee and, in the event that the Trustee shall consent to the making of such payments directly to the Holders, to pay to the Trustee any amount due it for the reasonable compensation, expenses, disbursements and advances of the Trustee, its agents and counsel, and any other amounts due the Trustee under Section 6.7.

Nothing herein contained shall be deemed to authorize the Trustee to authorize or consent to or accept or adopt on behalf of any Holder any plan of reorganization, arrangement, adjustment or composition affecting the Securities or the rights of any Holders hereof or to authorize the Trustee to vote in respect of the claim of any Holder in any such proceeding.

All rights of action and claims under this Indenture or the Securities may be prosecuted and enforced by the Trustee without the possession of any of the Securities or the production thereof in any proceeding relating thereto, and any such proceeding instituted by the Trustee shall be brought in its own name as trustee of an express trust, and any recovery of judgment shall, after provision for the payment of the reasonable compensation, expenses, disbursements and advances of the Trustee, its agents and counsel, be for the ratable benefit of the Holders of the Securities in respect of which such judgment has been recovered.

Section 5.6. Application of Money Collected.

Any money collected by the Trustee pursuant to this Article shall be applied in the following order, at the date or dates fixed by the Trustee and, in case of the distribution of such money on account of principal (or premium, if any) or interest, upon presentation of the Securities and the notation thereon of the payment if only partially paid and upon surrender thereof if fully paid:

FIRST: To the payment of all amounts due the Trustee under Section 6.7; and

SECOND: To the payment of the amounts then due and unpaid for principal of (and premium, if any) and interest on the Securities in respect of which or for the benefit of which such money has been collected ratably without preference or priority of any kind according to the amounts due and payable on such Securities for principal (and premium, if any) and interest, respectively.

Section 5.7. Limitation on Suits.

No Holder of any Security of any series shall have any right to institute any proceeding, judicial or otherwise, with respect to this Indenture, or for the appointment of a receiver or trustee, or for any other remedy hereunder, unless

- (a) such Holder has previously given written notice to the Trustee of a continuing Event of Default with respect to the Securities of that series;
- (b) the Holders of not less than 25% in principal amount of the Outstanding Securities of that series shall have made written request to the Trustee to institute proceedings in respect of such Event of Default in its own name as Trustee hereunder;
- (c) such Holder or Holders have offered to the Trustee reasonable indemnity against the costs, expenses and liabilities to be incurred in compliance with such request;
  - (d) the Trustee for 60 days after its receipt of such

notice, request and offer of indemnity has failed to institute any such proceeding; and

(e) no direction inconsistent with such written request has been given to the Trustee during such 60-day period by the Holders of a majority in principal amount of all Outstanding Securities of that series;

it being understood and intended that no one or more of such Holders shall have any right in any manner whatever by virtue of, or by availing of, any provision of this Indenture to affect, disturb or prejudice the rights of any other of such Holders, or to obtain or to seek to obtain priority or preference over any other of such Holders or to enforce any right under this Indenture, except in the manner herein provided and for the equal and ratable benefit of all of such Holders.

 $\qquad \qquad \text{Section 5.8.} \quad \text{Unconditional Right of Holders to Receive Principal, Premium and Interest.}$ 

Notwithstanding any other provision in this Indenture, the Holder of any Security shall have the right, which is absolute and unconditional, to receive payment of the principal of (and premium, if any) and (subject to Section 3.7) interest on such Security on the Stated Maturity or Maturities expressed in such Security (or, in the case of redemption, on the Redemption Date) and to institute suit for the enforcement of any such payment, and such rights shall not be impaired without the consent of such Holder.

Section 5.9. Restoration of Rights and Remedies.

If the Trustee or any Holder has instituted any proceeding to enforce any right or remedy under this Indenture and such proceeding has been discontinued or abandoned for any reason, or has been determined adversely to the Trustee or to such Holder, then and in every such case, subject to any determination in such proceeding, the Company, the Trustee and the Holders shall be restored severally and respectively to their former positions hereunder and thereafter all rights and remedies of the Trustee and the Holders shall continue as though no such proceeding had been instituted.

Section 5.10. Rights and Remedies Cumulative.

Except as otherwise provided with respect to the replacement or payment of mutilated, destroyed, lost or stolen Securities in the last paragraph of Section 3.6, no right or remedy herein conferred upon or reserved to the Trustee or to the Holders is intended to be exclusive of any other right or remedy, and every right and remedy shall, to the extent permitted by law, be cumulative and in addition to every other right and remedy given hereunder or now or hereafter existing at law or in equity or otherwise. The assertions or employment of any right or remedy hereunder, or otherwise, shall not prevent the concurrent assertion or employment of any other appropriate right or remedy.

Section 5.11. Delay or Omission Not Waiver.

No delay or omission of the Trustee or of any Holder of any Securities to exercise any right or remedy accruing upon any Event of Default which shall have occurred and shall be continuing shall impair any such right or remedy or constitute a waiver of any such Event of Default or an acquiescence therein. Every right and remedy given by this Article or by law to the Trustee or to the Holders may be exercised from time to time, and as often as may be deemed expedient, by the Trustee or by the Holders, as the case may be.

Section 5.12. Control by Holders.

The Holders of a majority in principal amount of the Outstanding Securities of any series shall have the right to direct the time, method and place of conducting any proceeding for any remedy available to the Trustee, or exercising any trust or power conferred on the Trustee, with respect to the

Securities of such series, provided that

- (a) such direction shall not be in conflict with any rule of law or with this Indenture,
- (b) the Trustee may take any other action deemed proper by the Trustee which is not inconsistent with such direction, and
- (c) the Trustee shall have the right to decline any direction with respect to which a Responsible Officer reasonably determines such direction will cause the Trustee to incur any liability for which it shall not have been adequately indemnified pursuant to Section 5.7.

## Section 5.13. Waiver of Past Defaults.

The Holders of (i) not less than a majority in principal amount of the Outstanding Securities of any series (each such series voting as a separate class) may on behalf of the Holders of all Securities of such series waive any past default with respect to such series and its consequences, or (ii) not less than a majority in principal amount of the Outstanding Securities (voting as one class) may on behalf of the Holders of all the Outstanding Securities affected thereby waive any past default described in (d), (e) and (f) of Section 5.01 with respect to the Securities of such series and its consequences, except in any such case a default

- (a) in the payment of the principal of (or premium, if any) or interest on any Security of such series, or
- (b) in respect of a covenant or provision hereof which under Article Nine cannot be modified or amended without the consent of the Holder of each Outstanding Security of such series affected.

Upon any such waiver, such default shall cease to exist, and any Event of Default arising therefrom shall be deemed to have been cured, for every purpose of this Indenture; but no such waiver shall extend to any subsequent or other default or impair any right consequent thereon.

### Section 5.14. Undertaking for Costs.

All parties to this Indenture agree, and each Holder of any Security by his acceptance thereof shall be deemed to have agreed, that any court may in its discretion require, in any suit for the enforcement of any right or remedy under this Indenture, or in any suit against the Trustee for any action taken, suffered or omitted by it as Trustee, the filing by any party litigant in such suit of an undertaking to pay the costs of such suit, and that such court may in its discretion assess reasonable costs, including reasonable attorneys' fees, against any party litigant in such suit, having due regard to the merits and good faith of the claims or defenses made by such party litigant; but the provisions of this Section shall not apply to any suit instituted by the Company, to any suit instituted by the Trustee, to any suit instituted by any Holder, or group of Holders, holding in the aggregate more than 25% in principal amount of the Outstanding Securities of any series or to any suit instituted by any Holder for the enforcement of the payment of the principal of (or premium, if any) or interest on any Security on or after the Stated Maturity or Maturities expressed in such Security (or, in the case of redemption, on or after the Redemption Date).

#### Section 5.15. Waiver of Usury, Stay or Extension Law.

The Company covenants (to the extent that it may lawfully do so) that it will not at any time insist upon, or plead, or in any manner whatsoever claim or take the benefit or advantage of, any stay or extension of law wherever enacted, now or at any time hereafter in force, which may affect the covenants or the performance of this Indenture; and the Company (to the extent that it may lawfully do so) hereby expressly waives all benefit or advantage of any such law and covenants that it will not hinder, delay or impede the execution of any power herein granted to the Trustee, but will suffer and permit the execution of every such power as though no such law had

## ARTICLE 6 The Trustee

Section 6.1. Certain Duties and Responsibilities.

- (a) Except during the continuance of an Event of Default,
- (i) the Trustee undertakes to perform such duties and only such duties as specifically set forth in this Indenture, and no implied covenants or obligations shall be read into this Indenture against the Trustee; and
- (ii) in the absence of bad faith on its part the Trustee may conclusively rely, as to the truth of the statements and the correctness of the opinions expressed therein, upon certificates or opinions furnished to the Trustee and conforming to the requirements of this Indenture; but in the case of any such certificates or opinions which by any provision hereof are specifically required to be furnished to the Trustee, the Trustee shall be under a duty to examine the same to determine whether or not they conform to the requirements of this Indenture.
- (b) In case an Event of Default has occurred and is continuing, the Trustee shall exercise such of the rights and powers vested in it by this Indenture, and use the same degree of care and skill in their exercise, as a prudent man would exercise or use under the circumstances in the conduct of his own affairs.
- (c) No provision of this Indenture shall be construed to relieve the Trustee from liability for its own negligent action, its own negligent failure to act, or its own wilful misconduct, except that
  - (i) this Subsection shall not be construed to limit the effect of Subsection (a) of this Section;
  - (ii) the Trustee shall not be liable for any error of judgment made in good faith by a Responsible Officer, unless it shall be proved that the Trustee was negligent in ascertaining the pertinent facts;
  - (iii) the Trustee shall not be liable with respect to any action taken or omitted to be taken by it in good faith in accordance with the direction of the Holders of a majority in principal amount of the Outstanding Securities of any series, determined as provided in Section 5.12, relating to the time, method and place of conducting any proceeding for any remedy available to the Trustee, or exercising any trust or power conferred upon the Trustee, under this Indenture with respect to the Securities of such series; and
  - (iv) no provision of this Indenture shall require the Trustee to expend or risk its own funds or otherwise incur any financial liability in the performance of any of its duties hereunder, or in the exercise of any of its rights or powers, if it shall have reasonable grounds for believing that repayment of such funds or adequate indemnity against such risk or liability is not reasonably assured to it.
- (d) Whether or not therein expressly so provided, every provision of this Indenture relating to the conduct or affecting the liability of or affording protection to the Trustee shall be subject to the provisions of this Section.

Within 90 days after the occurrence of any default hereunder known to the Trustee (within the meaning of Section 6.03(h)) with respect to the Securities of any series the Trustee shall transmit in the manner and to the extent provided in Section 7.3(d), notice of such default hereunder known to the Trustee, unless such default shall have been cured or waived; provided, however, that, except in the case of a default in the payment of the principal of or any premium or interest on any Security of such series or in the payment of any sinking fund instalment with respect to Securities of such series, the Trustee shall be protected in withholding such notice if and so long as the board of directors, the executive committee or a trust committee of directors or Responsible Officers of the Trustee in good faith determine that the withholding of such notice is in the interest of the Holders of Securities of such series; and provided, further, that in the case of any default of the character specified in Section 5.1(d) with respect to Securities of such series, no such notice to Holders shall be given until at least 30 days after the occurrence thereof. For the purpose of this Section, the term "default", means any event which is, or after notice or lapse of time or both would become, an Event of Default with respect to Securities of such series.

Section 6.3. Certain Rights of Trustee.

Subject to the provisions of Section 6.1:

- (a) the Trustee may rely and shall be protected in acting or refraining from acting upon any resolution, certificate, statement, instrument, opinion, report, notice, request, direction, consent, order, bond, debenture, note, other evidence of indebtedness or other paper or document believed by it to be genuine and to have been signed or presented by the proper party or parties;
- (b) any request or direction of the Company mentioned herein shall be sufficiently evidenced by a Company Request or Company Order and any resolution of the Board of Directors may be sufficiently evidenced by a Board Resolution;
- (c) whenever in the administration of this Indenture the Trustee shall deem it desirable that a matter be proved or established prior to taking, suffering or omitting any action hereunder, the Trustee (unless other evidence be herein specifically prescribed) may, in the absence of bad faith on its part, rely upon an Officers' Certificate;
- (d) the Trustee may consult with counsel and the written advice of such counsel or any Opinion of Counsel shall be full and complete authorization and protection in respect of any action taken, suffered or omitted by it hereunder in good faith and in reliance thereon;
- (e) the Trustee shall be under no obligation to exercise any of the rights or powers vested in it by this Indenture at the request or direction of any of the Holders pursuant to this Indenture, unless such Holders shall have offered to the Trustee reasonable security or indemnity against the costs, expenses and liabilities which might be incurred by it in compliance with such request or direction;
- (f) the Trustee shall not be bound to make any investigation into the facts or matters stated in any resolution, certificate, statement, instrument, opinion, report, notice, request, direction, consent, order, bond, debenture, note, other evidence of indebtedness or other paper or document, but the Trustee, in its discretion, may make such further inquiry or investigation into such facts or matters as it may see fit, and, if the Trustee shall determine to make such further inquiry or investigation, it shall be entitled to examine the books, records and premises of the Company, personally or by agent or attorney;
- (g) the Trustee may execute any of the trusts or powers hereunder or perform any duties hereunder either directly or by or through agents or attorneys and the Trustee shall not be responsible for any misconduct or negligence on the part of any agent or attorney appointed with due care by it hereunder;

(h) the Trustee is not required to take notice or deemed to have notice of any default or Event of Default hereunder, except an Event of Default under Section 5.01(a), (b) or (c) if at the time it is serving as Paying Agent for the Securities, unless a Responsible Officer of the Trustee (i) has actual knowledge of such default or Event of Default or (ii) has received notice in writing of such default or Event of Default from the Company or from the holders of at least 25% in aggregate principal amount of the Outstanding Securities of the series so affected, and in the absence of any such actual knowledge or notice, the Trustee may conclusively assume that no default or Event of Default exists; and

(i) the Trustee's immunities and protections from liability and its rights to compensation and indemnification in connection with the performance of its duties under this Indenture shall extend to the Trustee's officers, directors, agents and employees. Such immunities and protections and right to indemnification, together with the Trustee's right to compensation, shall survive the Trustee's resignation or removal and final payment of the Securities.

The recitals contained herein and in the Securities, except the Trustee's certificates of authentication, shall be taken as the statements of the Company, and the Trustee or any Authenticating Agent assumes no responsibility for their correctness. The Trustee makes no representations as to the validity or sufficiency of this Indenture or of the Securities. The Trustee or any Authenticating Agent shall not be accountable for the use or application by the Company of Securities or the proceeds thereof.

Section 6.5. May Hold Securities.

The Trustee, any Authenticating Agent, any Paying Agent, any Security Registrar or any other agent of the Company, in its individual or any other capacity, may become the owner or pledgee of Securities and, subject to Sections 6.8 and 6.13, may otherwise deal with the Company with the same rights it would have if it were not Trustee, Authenticating Agent, Paying Agent, Security Registrar or such other agent.

Section 6.6. Money Held in Trust.

Money held by the Trustee in trust hereunder need not be segregated from other funds except to the extent required by law. The Trustee shall be under no liability for interest on any money received by it hereunder except as otherwise agreed with the Company.

Section 6.7. Compensation and Reimbursement.

The Company agrees

- (a) to pay to the Trustee from time to time reasonable compensation for all services rendered by it hereunder (which compensation shall not be limited by any provision of law in regard to the compensation of a trustee of an express trust);
- (b) except as otherwise expressly provided herein, to reimburse the Trustee upon its request for all reasonable expenses, disbursements and advances incurred or made by the Trustee in accordance with any provision of this Indenture (including the reasonable compensation and the expenses and disbursements of its agents and counsel), except any such expenses, disbursements or advances as may be attributable to its negligence or bad faith; and
- (c) to indemnify the Trustee for, and to hold it harmless against, any loss, liability or expense incurred without negligence or bad faith on its part, arising out of or in connection with the acceptance or administration of the trust or trusts hereunder, including the costs and

expenses of defending itself against any claim or liability in connection with the exercise or performance of any of its powers or duties hereunder.

(d) The Trustee shall have, and is hereby granted, a first priority lien on all monies, securities and collateral (other than monies held in trust by the Trustee for the purpose of paying the principal of, and any premium and interest on, the Securities) held by or on behalf of the Trustee pursuant to this Indenture for payment or reimbursement to the Trustee of its fees, expenses and any other monies payable to it hereunder.

Section 6.8. Disqualification; Conflicting Interests.

- (a) If the Trustee has or shall acquire any conflicting interest within the meaning of the Trust Indenture Act, with respect to the Securities of any series, it shall, within 90 days after ascertaining that it has such conflicting interest, either eliminate such conflicting interest or resign with respect to the Securities of that series in the manner and with the effect hereinafter specified in this Article.
- (b) In the event that the Trustee shall fail to comply with the provisions of Subsection (a) of this Section with respect to the Securities of any series, the Trustee shall, within 10 days after the expiration of such 90-day period, transmit by mail to all Holders of Securities of that series, as their names and addresses appear in the Security Register, notice of such failure.

Section 6.9. Corporate Trustee Required; Eligibility.

There shall at all times be a Trustee hereunder which shall be a corporation organized and doing business under the laws of the United States of America, any State thereof or the District of Columbia, authorized under such laws to exercise corporate trust powers, having a combined capital and surplus of at least \$50,000,000 subject to supervision or examination by Federal or State authority and having its Corporate Trust Office in any State in the United States of America or in the District of Columbia. If such corporation publishes reports of condition at least annually, pursuant to law or to the requirements of said supervising or examining authority, then for the purposes of this Section the combined capital and surplus of such corporation shall be deemed to be its combined capital and surplus as set forth in its most recent report of condition so published. If at any time the Trustee shall cease to be eligible in accordance with the provisions of this Section, it shall resign immediately in the manner and with the effect hereinafter specified in this Article.

 $\label{eq:section 6.10.} \textbf{Resignation and Removal; Appointment of Successor.}$ 

- (a) No resignation or removal of the Trustee and no appointment of a successor Trustee pursuant to this Article shall become effective until the acceptance of appointment by the successor Trustee in accordance with the applicable requirements of Section 6.11.
- (b) The Trustee may resign at any time with respect to the Securities of one or more series by giving written notice thereof to the Company. If the instrument of acceptance by a successor Trustee required by Section 6.11 shall not have been delivered to the Trustee within 30 days after the giving of such notice of resignation, the resigning Trustee may petition any court of competent jurisdiction for the appointment of a successor Trustee with respect to the Securities of such series.
- (c) The Trustee may be removed at any time with respect to the Securities of any series by Act of the Holders of a majority in principal amount of the Outstanding Securities of such series, delivered to the Trustee and to the Company.
  - (d) If at any time:
    - (i) the Trustee shall fail to comply with Section 6.8(a)

after written request therefor by the Company or by any Holder who has been a bona fide Holder of a Security for at least six months, or

- (ii) the Trustee shall cease to be eligible under Section 6.9 and shall fail to resign after written request therefor by the Company or by any such Holder, or
- (iii) the Trustee shall become incapable of acting or shall be adjudged a bankrupt or insolvent or a receiver of the Trustee or of its property shall be appointed or any public officer shall take charge or control of the Trustee or of its property or affairs for the purpose of rehabilitation, conservation or liquidation,

then, in any such case, (A) the Company, by a Board Resolution, may remove the Trustee with respect to the applicable series of Securities, or (B) subject to Section 5.14, any Holder who has been a bona fide Holder of a Security of any series for at least six months may, on behalf of himself and all others similarly situated, petition any court of competent jurisdiction for the removal of the Trustee with respect to such series of Securities and the appointment of a successor Trustee or Trustees.

- (e) If the Trustee shall resign, be removed or become incapable of acting, or if a vacancy shall occur in the office of Trustee for any cause, with respect to the Securities of one or more series, the Company, by a Board Resolution, shall promptly appoint a successor Trustee or Trustees with respect to the Securities of that or those series (it being understood that any such successor Trustee may be appointed with respect to the Securities of one or more or all of such series and that at any time there shall be only one Trustee with respect to the Securities of any particular series) and shall comply with the applicable requirements of Section 6.11. If, within one year after such resignation, removal or incapability, or the occurrence of such vacancy, a successor Trustee with respect to the Securities of any series shall be appointed by Act of the Holders of a majority in principal amount of the Outstanding Securities of such series delivered to the Company and the retiring Trustee, the successor Trustee so appointed shall, forthwith upon its acceptance of such appointment in accordance with the applicable requirements of Section 6.11, become the successor Trustee with respect to the Securities of such series and to that extent supersede the successor Trustee appointed by the Company. If no successor Trustee with respect to the Securities of any series shall have been so appointed by the Company or the Holders and accepted appointment in the manner required by Section 6.11, any Holder who has been a bona fide holder of a Security of such series for at least six months may, on behalf of himself and all others similarly situated, petition any court of competent jurisdiction for the appointment of a successor Trustee with respect to the Securities of such series.
- (f) The Company shall give notice of each resignation and each removal of the Trustee with respect to the Securities of any series and each appointment of a successor Trustee with respect to the Securities of any series by mailing written notice of such event by first-class mail, postage prepaid, to all Holders of Securities of such series as their names and addresses appear in the Security Register. Each notice shall include the name of the successor Trustee with respect to the Securities of such series and the address of its Corporate Trust Office.

### Section 6.11. Acceptance of Appointment by Successor.

(a) In case of the appointment hereunder of a successor Trustee with respect to all Securities, every such successor Trustee so appointed shall execute, acknowledge and deliver to the Company and to the retiring Trustee an instrument accepting such appointment, and thereupon the resignation or removal of the retiring Trustee shall become effective and such successor Trustee, without any further act, deed or conveyance, shall become vested with all the rights, powers, trusts and duties of the retiring Trustee but, on the request of the Company or the successor Trustee, such retiring Trustee shall, upon payment of its charges, execute and deliver an instrument transferring to

such successor Trustee all the rights, powers and trusts of the retiring Trustee and shall duly assign, transfer and deliver to such successor Trustee all property and money held by such retiring Trustee hereunder.

- (b) In case of the appointment hereunder of a successor Trustee with respect to the Securities of one or more (but not all) series, the Company, the retiring Trustee and each successor Trustee with respect to the Securities of one or more series shall execute and deliver an indenture supplemental hereto wherein each successor Trustee shall accept such appointment and which (1) shall contain such provisions as shall be necessary or desirable to transfer and confirm to, and to vest in, each successor Trustee all the rights, powers, trusts and duties of the retiring Trustee with respect to the Securities of that or those series to which the appointment of such successor Trustee relates, (2) if the retiring Trustee is not retiring with respect to all Securities, shall contain such provisions as shall be deemed necessary or desirable to confirm that all the rights, powers, trusts and duties of the retiring Trustee with respect to the Securities of that or those series as to which the retiring Trustee is not retiring shall continue to be vested in the retiring Trustee, and (3) shall add to or change any of the provisions of this Indenture as shall be necessary to provide for or facilitate the administration of the trusts hereunder by more than one Trustee, it being understood that nothing herein or in such supplemental indenture shall constitute such Trustees co-trustees of the same trust and that each such Trustee shall be trustee of a trust or trusts hereunder separate and apart from any trust or trusts hereunder administered by any other such Trustee; and upon the execution and delivery of such supplemental indenture the resignation or removal of the retiring Trustee shall become effective to the extent provided therein and each such successor Trustee, without any further act, deed or conveyance, shall become vested with all the rights, powers, trusts and duties of the retiring Trustee with respect to the Securities of that or those series to which the appointment of such successor Trustee relates; but, on request of the Company or any successor Trustee, such retiring Trustee shall duly assign, transfer and deliver to such successor Trustee all property and money held by such retiring Trustee hereunder with respect to the Securities of that or those series to which the appointment of such successor Trustee relates.
- (c) Upon request of any such successor Trustee, the Company shall execute any and all instruments for more fully and certainly vesting in and confirming to such successor Trustee all such rights, powers and trusts referred to in paragraph (a) or (b) of this Section, as the case may be.
- (d) No such successor Trustee shall accept its appointment unless at the time of such acceptance such successor Trustee shall be qualified and eligible under this Article.

 ${\tt Section~6.12.~Merger,~Conversion,~Consolidation~or~Succession} \\ {\tt to~Business.}$ 

Any corporation into which the Trustee may be merged or converted or with which it may be consolidated, or any corporation resulting from any merger, conversion or consolidation to which the Trustee shall be a party, or any corporation succeeding to all or substantially all the corporate trust business of the Trustee, shall be the successor of the Trustee hereunder, provided such corporation shall be otherwise qualified and eligible under this Article, without the execution or filing of any paper or any further act on the part of any of the parties hereto. In case any Securities shall have been authenticated, but not delivered, by the Trustee then in office, any successor by merger, conversion or consolidation to such authenticating Trustee may adopt such authentication and deliver the Securities so authenticated with the same effect as if such successor Trustee had itself authenticated such Securities.

(a) Subject to Subsection (b) of this Section, if the Trustee

shall be or shall become a creditor, directly or indirectly, secured or unsecured, of the Company within three months prior to a default, as defined in Subsection (c) of this Section, or subsequent to such a default, as defined in Subsection (c) of this Section, then, unless and until such default shall be cured, the Trustee shall set apart and hold in a special account for the benefit of the Trustee individually, the Holders of the Securities and the holders of other indenture securities, as defined in subsection (c) of this Section:

- (i) an amount equal to any and all reductions in the amount due and owing upon any claim as such creditor in respect of principal or interest, effected after the beginning of such three months' period and valid as against the Company and its other creditors, except any such reduction resulting from the receipt or disposition of any property described in paragraph (ii) of this Subsection, or from the exercise of any right of set-off which the Trustee could have exercised if a petition in bankruptcy had been filed by or against the Company upon the date of such default; and
- (ii) all property received by the Trustee in respect of any claims as such creditor, either as security therefor, or in satisfaction or composition thereof, or otherwise, after the beginning of such three months' period, or an amount equal to the proceeds of any such property, if disposed of, subject, however, to the rights, if any, of the Company and its other creditors in such property or such proceeds.

 $\label{eq:Nothing herein contained, however, shall affect the right of the Trustee:$ 

- (A) to retain for its own account (1) payments made on account of any such claim by any Person (other than the Company) who is liable thereon, (2) the proceeds of the bona fide sale of any such claim by the Trustee to a third Person, and (3) distributions made in cash, securities or other property in respect of claims filed against the Company in bankruptcy or receivership or in proceedings for reorganization pursuant to the Federal Bankruptcy Act or applicable State law;
- (B) to realize, for its own account, upon any property held by it as security for any such claim, if such property was so held prior to the beginning of such three months' period;
- (C) to realize, for its own account, but only to the extent of the claim hereinafter mentioned, upon any property held by it as security for any such claim, if such claim was created after the beginning of such three months' period and such property was received as security therefor simultaneously with the creation thereof, and if the Trustee shall sustain the burden of proving that at the time such property was so received the Trustee had no reasonable cause to believe that a default, as defined in Subsection (c) of this Section, would occur within four months; or
- (D) to receive payment on any claim referred to in paragraph (B) or (C), against the release of any property held as security for such claim as provided in paragraph (B) or (C), as the case may be, to the extent of the fair value of such property.

For the purposes of paragraphs (B), (C) and (D), property substituted after the beginning of such three months' period for property held as security at the time of such substitution shall, to the extent of the fair

value of the property released, have the same status as the property released, and, to the extent that any claim referred to in any of such paragraphs is created in renewal of or in substitution for or for the purpose of repaying or refunding any pre-existing claim of the Trustee as such creditor, such claim shall have the same status as such pre-existing claim.

If the Trustee shall be required to account, the funds and property held in such special account and the proceeds thereof shall be apportioned among the Trustee, the Holders and the holders of other indenture securities in such manner that the Trustee, the Holders and the holders of other indenture securities realize, as a result of payments from such special account and payments of dividends on claims filed against the Company in bankruptcy or receivership or in proceedings for reorganization pursuant to the Federal Bankruptcy Act or applicable State law, the same percentage of their respective claims, figured before crediting to the claim of the Trustee anything on account of the receipt by it from the Company of the funds and property in such special account and before crediting to the respective claims of the Trustee and the Holders and the holders of other indenture securities dividends on claims filed against the Company in bankruptcy or receivership or in proceedings for reorganization pursuant to the Federal Bankruptcy Act or applicable State law, but after crediting thereon receipts on account of the indebtedness represented by their respective claims from all sources other than from such dividends and from the funds and property so held in such special account. As used in this paragraph, with respect to any claim, the term "dividends" shall include any distribution with respect to such claim, in bankruptcy or receivership or proceedings for reorganization pursuant to the Federal Bankruptcy Act or applicable State law, whether such distribution is made in cash, securities or other property, but shall not include any such distribution with respect to the secured portion, if any, of such claim. The court in which such bankruptcy, receivership or proceedings for reorganization is pending shall have jurisdiction (1) to apportion among the Trustee, the Holders and the holders of other indenture securities, in accordance with the provisions of this paragraph, the funds and property held in such special account and proceeds thereof, or (2) in lieu of such apportionment, in whole or in part, to give to the provisions of this paragraph due consideration in determining the fairness of the distributions to be made to the Trustee and the Holders and the holders of other indenture securities with respect to their respective claims, in which event it shall not be necessary to liquidate or to appraise the value of any securities or other property held in such special account or as security for any such claim, or to make a specific allocation of such distributions as between the secured and unsecured portions of such claims, or otherwise to apply the provisions of this paragraph as a mathematical formula.

Any Trustee which has resigned or been removed after the beginning of such three months' period shall be subject to the provisions of this Subsection as though such resignation or removal had not occurred. If any Trustee has resigned or been removed prior to the beginning of such three months' period, it shall be subject to the provisions of this Subsection if and only if the following conditions exist:

- (3) the receipt of property or reduction of claim, which would have given rise to the obligation to account, if such Trustee had continued as Trustee, occurred after the beginning of such three months' period; and
- (4) such receipt of property or reduction of claim occurred within three months after such resignation or removal.

In any case commenced under the Bankruptcy Act of July 1, 1898, or any amendment thereto, enacted prior to November 6, 1978, all references to periods of three months shall be deemed to be references to periods of four months.

(b) There shall be excluded from the operation of Subsection (a) of this Section a creditor relationship arising from:

- (i) the ownership or acquisition of securities issued under any indenture, or any security or securities having a maturity of one year or more at the time of acquisition by the Trustee;
- (ii) advances authorized by a receivership or bankruptcy court of competent jurisdiction or by this Indenture, for the purpose of preserving any property which shall at any time be subject to the lien of this Indenture or of discharging tax liens or other prior liens or encumbrances thereon, if notice of such advances and of the circumstances surrounding the making thereof is given to the Holders at the time and in the manner provided in this Indenture;
- (iii) disbursements made in the ordinary course of business in the capacity of trustee under an indenture, transfer agent, registrar, custodian, paying agent, fiscal agent or depositary, or other similar capacity;
- (iv) an indebtedness created as a result of services rendered or premises rented; or an indebtedness created as a result of goods or securities sold in a cash transaction, as defined in Subsection (c) of this Section;
- (v) the ownership of stock or of other securities of a corporation organized under the provisions of Section 25(a) of the Federal Reserve Act, as amended, which is directly or indirectly a creditor of the Company; and
- (vi) the acquisition, ownership, acceptance or negotiation of any drafts, bills of exchange, acceptances or obligations which fall within the classification of selfliquidating paper, as defined in Subsection (c) of this Section.
- (c) For the purposes of this Section only:
- (i) the term "default" means any failure to make payment in full of the principal of or interest on any of the Securities or upon the other indenture securities when and as such principal or interest becomes due and payable;
- (ii) the term "other indenture securities" means securities upon which the Company is an obligor outstanding under any other indenture (A) under which the Trustee is also trustee, (B) which contains provisions substantially similar to the provisions of this Section, and (C) under which a default exists at the time of the apportionment of the funds and property held in such special account;
- (iii) the term "cash transaction" means any transaction in which full payment for goods or securities sold is made within seven days after delivery of the goods or securities in currency or in checks or other orders drawn upon banks or bankers and payable upon demand;
- (iv) the term "self-liquidating paper" means any draft, bill of exchange, acceptance or obligation which is made, drawn, negotiated or incurred by the Company for the purpose of financing the purchase, processing, manufacturing, shipment, storage or sale of goods, wares or merchandise and which is secured by documents evidencing title to, possession of, or a lien upon, the goods, wares or merchandise or the receivables or proceeds arising from the sale of the goods, wares or merchandise previously constituting the security, provided the security is received

by the Trustee simultaneously with the creation of the creditor relationship with the Company arising from the making, drawing, negotiating or incurring of the draft, bill of exchange, acceptance of obligation;

- (v) the term "Company" means any obligor upon the Securities; and
- (vi) the term "Federal Bankruptcy Act" means the Bankruptcy Act or Title 11 of the United States Code.

Section 6.14. Appointment of Authenticating Agent.

At any time the Trustee may appoint an Authenticating Agent or Agents with respect to one or more series of Securities which shall be authorized to act on behalf of the Trustee to authenticate Securities of such series issued upon original issue, exchange, registration of transfer or partial redemption thereof or pursuant to Section 3.6, and Securities so authenticated shall be entitled to the benefits of this Indenture and shall be valid and obligatory for all purposes as if authenticated by the Trustee hereunder. Wherever reference is made in this Indenture to the authentication and delivery of Securities by the Trustee or the Trustee's certificate of authentication, such reference shall be deemed to include authentication and delivery on behalf of the Trustee by an Authenticating Agent and a certificate of authentication executed on behalf of the Trustee by an Authenticating Agent. Each Authenticating Agent shall be acceptable to the Company and shall at all times be a corporation organized and doing business under the laws of the United States of America, any State thereof or the District of Columbia, authorized under such laws to act as Authenticating Agent, having a combined capital and surplus of not less than \$50,000,000 and subject to supervision or examination by Federal or State authority. If such Authenticating Agent publishes reports of condition at least annually, pursuant to law or to the requirements of said supervising or examining authority, then for the purposes of this Section, the combined capital and surplus of such Authenticating Agent shall be deemed to be its combined capital and surplus as set forth in its most recent report of condition so published. If at any time an Authenticating Agent shall cease to be eligible in accordance with the provisions of this Section, such Authenticating Agent shall resign immediately in the manner and with the effect specified in this Section.

Any corporation into which an Authenticating Agent may be merged or converted or with which it may be consolidated, or any corporation resulting from any merger, conversion or consolidation to which such Authenticating Agent shall be a party, or any corporation succeeding to the corporate agency or corporate trust business of an Authenticating Agent, shall continue to be an Authenticating Agent, provided such corporation shall be otherwise eligible under this Section, without the execution or filing of any paper or any further act on the part of the Trustee or such Authenticating Agent.

An Authenticating Agent may resign at any time by giving written notice thereof to the Trustee and to the Company. The Trustee may at any time terminate the agency of an Authenticating Agent by giving written notice thereof to such Authenticating Agent and to the Company. Upon receiving such a notice of resignation or upon such a termination, or in case at any time such Authenticating Agent shall cease to be eligible in accordance with the provisions of this Section, the Trustee may appoint a successor Authenticating Agent which shall be acceptable to the Company and shall mail written notice of such appointment by first-class mail, postage prepaid, to all Holders of Securities of the series with respect to which such Authenticating Agent will serve, as their names and addresses appear in the Security Register. Any successor Authenticating Agent upon acceptance of its appointment hereunder shall become vested with all the rights, powers and duties of its predecessor hereunder, with like effect as if originally named as an Authenticating Agent. No successor Authenticating Agent shall be appointed unless eligible under the provisions of this Section.

time to time reasonable compensation for its services under this Section, and the Trustee shall be entitled to be reimbursed for such payments, subject to the provisions of Section 6.7.

If an appointment with respect to one or more series is made pursuant to this Section, the Securities of such series may have endorsed thereon, in addition to the Trustee's certificate of authentication, an alternate certificate of authentication in the following form:

This is one of the Securities of the series designated therein referred to in the within-mentioned Indenture.

	As Trustee,			
	By:			
	As Authenticating Agent			
	By:			
Authorized Officer				

#### ARTICLE 7

Holders' List and Reports by Trustee and Company

 $\qquad \qquad \text{Section 7.1.} \quad \text{Company to Furnish Trustee Names and Addresses of Holders.}$ 

 $\qquad \qquad \text{The Company will furnish or cause to be furnished to the } \\ \text{Trustee}$ 

- (a) semi-annually a list, in such form as the Trustee may reasonably require, of the names and addresses of the Holders as of the date of such list, and
- (b) at such other times as the Trustee may request in writing, within 30 days after the receipt by the Company of any such request, a list of similar form and content as of a date not more than 15 days prior to the time such list is furnished excluding from any such list names and addresses received by the Trustee in its capacity as Security Registrar.

 $\qquad \qquad \text{Section 7.2. Preservation of Information; Communications to } \\ \text{Holders.}$ 

- (a) The Trustee shall preserve, in as current a form as is reasonably practicable, the names and addresses of Holders contained in the most recent list furnished to the Trustee as provided in Section 7.1 and the names and addresses of Holders received by the Trustee in its capacity as Security Registrar. The Trustee may destroy any list furnished to it as provided in Section 7.1 upon receipt of a new list so furnished.
- (b) If three or more Holders of Securities of any series (herein referred to as "applicants") apply in writing to the Trustee, and furnish to the Trustee reasonable proof that each such applicant has owned a Security of such series for a period of at least six months preceding the date of such application, and such application states that the applicants desire to communicate with other Holders of such series or with Holders of all other series of Securities with respect to their rights under this Indenture or under such Securities and is accompanied by a copy of the form of proxy or other communication which such applicants propose to transmit, then the Trustee shall, within five business days after the receipt of such application, at its election, either
  - (i) afford such applicants access to the information preserved at the time by the Trustee in accordance with Section 7.2(a), or

(ii) inform such applicants as to the approximate number of Holders of such series of Securities or Holders of all other series of Securities whose names and addresses appear in the information preserved at the time by the Trustee in accordance with Section 7.2(a), and as to the approximate cost of mailing to the Holders of such series of Securities or the Holders of all series of Securities the form of proxy or other communication, if any, specified in such application.

If the Trustee shall elect not to afford such applicants access to such information, the Trustee shall, upon the written request of such applicants, mail to each Holder of such series of Securities or of all series of Securities or of all series of Securities whose name and address appear in the information preserved at the time by the Trustee in accordance with Section 7.2(a) a copy of the form of proxy or other communication which is specified in such request, with reasonable promptness after a tender to the Trustee of the material to be mailed and of payment, or provision for the payment, of the reasonable expenses of mailing, unless within five days after such tender the Trustee shall mail to such applicants and file with the Commission, together with a copy of the material to be mailed, a written statement to the effect that, in the opinion of the Trustee, such mailing would be contrary to the best interest of the relevant Holders or would be in violation of applicable law. Such written statement shall specify the basis of such opinion. If the Commission, after opportunity for a hearing upon the objections specified in the written statement so filed, shall enter an order refusing to sustain any of such objections or if, after the entry of an order sustaining one or more of such objections, the Commission shall find, after notice and opportunity for hearing, that all the objections so sustained have been met and shall enter an order so declaring, the Trustee shall mail copies of such material to all such Holders with reasonable promptness after the entry of such order and the renewal of such tender; otherwise the Trustee shall be relieved of any obligation or duty to such applicants respecting their application.

(c) Every Holder of Securities, by receiving and holding the same, agrees with the Company and the Trustee that neither the Company nor the Trustee nor any agent of either of them shall be held accountable by reason of the disclosure of any such information as to the names and addresses of the Holders in accordance with Section  $7.2\,(b)$ , regardless of the source from which such information was derived, and that the Trustee shall not be held accountable by reason of mailing any material pursuant to a request made under Section  $7.2\,(b)$ .

### Section 7.3. Reports by Trustee.

- (a) If required under Section 313(a) of the Trust Indenture Act, within 60 days after April 1 of each year commencing with the year 1999, so long as any of the Securities are outstanding, the Trustee shall transmit by mail to all Holders, as provided in subsection (c) of this Section 7.3, a brief report dated as of such April 1 with respect to any of the following events which may have occurred within the previous 12 months (but if no such event has occurred within such period no report need by transmitted):
  - (i) any change to its eligibility under Section 6.9 or the creation of or any material change to its qualifications under Section 6.8;
  - (ii) the character and amount of any advances (and if the Trustee elects so to state, the circumstances surrounding the making thereof) made by the Trustee (as such) which remain unpaid on the date of such report, and for the reimbursement of which it claims or may claim a lien or charge, prior to that of the Securities, on any property or funds held or collected by it as Trustee, except that the Trustee shall not be required (but may elect) to report such

advances if such advances so remaining unpaid aggregate not more than one-half of one percent of the principal amount of the Securities Outstanding of such series on the date of such report;

- (iii) the amount, interest rate and maturity date of all other indebtedness owing by the Company (or by any other obligor on the Securities) to the Trustee in its individual capacity, on the date of such report, with a brief description of any property held as collateral security therefor, except an indebtedness based upon a creditor relationship arising in any manner described in Section 6.13(b)(ii),(iii),(iv) or (vi);
- (iv) any change to the property and funds, if any,
  physically in the possession of the Trustee as such on the
  date of such report;
- (v) any additional issue of Securities which the Trustee has not previously reported; and
- (vi) any action taken by the Trustee in the performance of its duties hereunder which it has not previously reported and which in its opinion materially affects the Securities, except action in respect of a default, notice of which has been or is to be withheld by the Trustee in accordance with Section 6.2.
- (b) The Trustee shall transmit by mail to all Holders, as provided in subsection (c) of this Section, a brief report with respect to the character and amount of any advances (and if the Trustee elects so to state, the circumstances surrounding the making thereof) made by the Trustee (as such) since the date of the last report transmitted pursuant to Subsection (a) of this Section (or if no such report has yet been so transmitted, since the date of execution of this instrument) for the reimbursement of which it claims or may claim a lien or charge, prior to that of the Securities, on property or funds held or collected by it as Trustee and which it has not previously reported pursuant to this Subsection, except that the Trustee shall not be required (but may elect) to report such advances if such advances remaining unpaid at any time aggregate 10% or less of the principal amount of the Securities Outstanding of such series at such time, such report to be transmitted within 90 days after such time.
- (c) Reports pursuant to this Section shall be transmitted by mail:
  - (i) to all Holders of Securities, as the names and addresses of such Holders appear in the Security Register as of a date not more than fifteen days prior to the mailing thereof;
  - (ii) to such holders of Securities of any series as have, within two years preceding such transmission, filed their names and addresses with the Trustee for such series for that purpose; and
  - (iii) except in the case of reports pursuant to subsection (b) of this Section, to all Holders of Securities whose names and addresses have been received by the Trustee pursuant to Section 7.1.
- (d) A copy of each such report shall, at the time of such transmission to Holders, be filed by the Trustee with each stock exchange upon which any Securities are listed, with the Commission and with the Company. The Company will notify the Trustee when any Securities are listed on any stock exchange.

The Company shall:

- (a) file with the Trustee, within 15 days after the Company is required to file the same with the Commission, copies of the annual reports and of the information, documents and other reports (or copies of such portions of any of the foregoing as the Commission may from time to time by rules and regulations prescribe) which the Company may be required to file with the Commission pursuant to Section 13 or Section 15(d) of the Securities Exchange Act of 1934; or, if the Company is not required to file information, documents or reports pursuant to either of said Sections, then it shall file with the Trustee and the Commission, in accordance with rules and regulations prescribed from time to time by the Commission, such of the supplementary and periodic information, documents and reports which may be required pursuant to Section 13 of the Securities Exchange Act of 1934 in respect of a security listed and registered on a national securities exchange as may be prescribed from time to time in such rules and regulations;
- (b) file with the Trustee and the Commission, in accordance with rules and regulations prescribed from time to time by the Commission, such additional information, documents and reports with respect to compliance by the Company with the conditions and covenants of this Indenture as may be required from time to time by such rules and regulations; and
- (c) transmit by mail to all Holders, as their names and addresses appear in the Security Register, within 30 days after the filing thereof with the Trustee, to such Holders of Securities as have, within the two years preceding such transmission, filed their names and addresses with the Trustee for that purpose and Holders of securities whose names and addresses have been furnished to or received by the Trustee pursuant to Section 7.2(a) such summaries of any information, documents and reports required to be filed by the Company pursuant to paragraphs (a) and (b) of this Section as may be required by rules and regulations prescribed from time to time by the Commission.

### ARTICLE 8

Consolidation, Merger, Conveyance, Transfer or Lease

The Company shall not consolidate with or merge into any other Person or convey, transfer or lease its properties and assets substantially as an entirety to any Person, and the Company shall not permit any Person to consolidate with or merge into the Company or convey, transfer or lease its properties and assets substantially as an entirety to the Company, unless:

- (a) in case the Company shall consolidate with or merge into another Person or convey, transfer or lease its properties and assets substantially as an entirety to any Person, the corporation formed by such consolidation or into which the Company is merged or the Person which acquires by conveyance or transfer, or which leases, the properties and assets of the Company substantially as an entirety shall be a corporation organized and existing under the laws of the United States of America, any State thereof or the District of Columbia and shall expressly assume, by an indenture supplemental hereto, executed and delivered to the Trustee, in form satisfactory to the Trustee, the due and punctual payment of the principal of (and premium, if any) and interest on all the Securities and the performance of every covenant of this Indenture on the part of the Company to be performed or observed;
- (b) immediately after giving effect to such transaction and treating any indebtedness which becomes an obligation of the Company or a Subsidiary as a result of such transaction as having been incurred by the Company or such Subsidiary at the time of such transaction, no Event of Default, and no event which, after notice or lapse of time or both, would

become an Event of Default, shall have happened and be continuing;

- (c) if, as a result of any such consolidation or merger or such conveyance, transfer or lease, properties or assets of the Company would become subject to a mortgage, pledge, lien, security interest or other encumbrance which would not be permitted by this Indenture, the Company or such successor Person, as the case may be, shall take such steps as shall be necessary effectively to secure the Securities equally and ratably with (or prior to) all indebtedness secured thereby; and
- (d) the Company has delivered to the Trustee an Officers' Certificate and an Opinion of Counsel, each stating that such consolidation, merger, conveyance, transfer or lease and, if a supplemental indenture is required in connection with such transaction, such supplemental indenture comply with this Article and that all conditions precedent herein provided for relating to such transaction have been complied with.

## Section 8.2. Successor Corporation Substituted.

Upon any consolidation by the Company with or merger by the Company into any other Person or any conveyance, transfer or lease of the properties and assets of the Company substantially as an entirety in accordance with Section 8.1, the successor corporation formed by such consolidation or into which the Company is merged or to which such conveyance, transfer or lease is made shall succeed to, and be substituted for, and may exercise every right and power of, the Company under this Indenture with the same effect as if such successor Person had been named as the Company herein, and thereafter, except in the case of a lease, the predecessor corporation shall be relieved of all obligations and covenants under this Indenture and the Securities.

# ARTICLE 9 Supplemental Indentures

 ${\tt Section \ 9.1. \ Supplemental \ Indentures \ Without \ Consent \ of \ Holders.}$ 

Without the consent of any Holders, the Company, when authorized by a Board Resolution, and the Trustee, at any time and from time to time, may enter into one or more indentures supplemental hereto, in form satisfactory to the Trustee, for any of the following purposes:

- (a) to evidence the succession of another corporation to the Company and the assumption by any such successor of the covenants of the Company herein and in the Securities; or
- (b) to add to the covenants of the Company for the benefit of the Holders of all or any series of Securities (and if such covenants are to be for the benefit of less than all series of Securities, stating that such covenants are expressly being included solely for the benefit of such series) or to surrender any right or power herein conferred upon the Company; or
- (c) to add any additional Events of Default for the benefit of the Holders of all or any series of Securities (and if such additional Events of Default are to be for the benefit of less than all series of Securities, stating that such additional Events of Default are expressly being included solely for the benefit of such series) or to surrender any right or power herein conferred upon the Company; or
- (d) to add to or change any of the provisions of this Indenture to such extent as shall be necessary to permit or facilitate the issuance of Securities in bearer form, registrable or not registrable as to principal, and with or without interest coupons, or permit or facilitate the issuance of Securities in uncertificated form; or
- (e) to add to, change or eliminate any of the provisions of this Indenture in respect of one or more series of Securities, provided

that any such addition, change or elimination shall (A) shall neither (i) apply to Securities of any series created prior to the execution of such supplemental indenture and entitled to the benefit of such provision nor (ii) modify the rights of the Holder of such Securities with respect to such provision or (B) shall become effective only when there is no such Security Outstanding; or

- (f) to secure the Securities pursuant to the requirements of Sections 8.1(c) or 10.8 or otherwise; or
- (g) to establish the form or terms of Securities of any series as permitted by Sections 2.1 and 3.1; or
- (h) to evidence and provide for the acceptance of appointment hereunder by a successor Trustee with respect to the Securities of one or more series and to add to or change any of the provisions of this Indenture as shall be necessary to provide for and facilitate the administration of the trusts hereunder by more than one Trustee, pursuant to the requirements of Section 6.11(b); or
- (i) to cure any ambiguity, to correct or supplement any provision herein which may be inconsistent with any other provision herein, or to make any other provisions with respect to matters or questions arising under this Indenture; provided such action shall not adversely affect the interests of the Holders of Securities of any series in any material respect.
  - Section 9.2. Supplemental Indentures with Consent of Holders.

With the consent of the Holders of not less than a majority in principal amount of the Outstanding Securities of each series affected by such supplemental indenture voting as one class, by Act of said Holders delivered to the Company and the Trustee, the Company, when authorized by a Board Resolution, and the Trustee may enter into an indenture or indentures supplemental hereto for the purpose of adding any provisions to or changing in any manner or eliminating any of the provisions of this Indenture or of modifying in any manner the rights of the Holders of Securities of such series under the Indenture; provided, however, that no such supplemental indenture shall, without the consent of the Holder of each Outstanding Security affected thereby,

- (a) change the Stated Maturity of the principal of, or any installment of principal of or interest on, any Security, or reduce the principal amount thereof or the rate of interest thereon or any premium payable upon the redemption thereof, or reduce the amount of the principal of an Original Issue Discount Security that would be due and payable upon a declaration of acceleration of the Maturity thereof pursuant to Section 5.2, or change any Place of Payment where, or the coin or currency in which, any Security or any premium or the interest thereon is payable, or impair the right to institute suit for the enforcement of any such payment on or after the Stated Maturity thereof (or, in the case of redemption, on or after the Redemption Date), or
- (b) reduce the percentage in principal amount of the Outstanding Securities of any series, the consent of whose Holders is required for any such supplemental indenture, or the consent of whose Holders is required for any waiver (of compliance with certain provisions of this Indenture or certain defaults hereunder and their consequences) provided for in this Indenture, or
- (c) modify any of the provisions of this Section, Section 5.13 or Section 10.10, except to increase any such percentage or to provide that certain other provisions of this Indenture cannot be modified or waived without the consent of the Holder of each Outstanding Security affected thereby; provided, however, that this clause shall not be deemed to require the consent of any Holder with respect to changes in the references to "the Trustee" and concomitant changes in this Section and Section 10.10, or the deletion of this proviso, in accordance with the

requirements of Sections 6.11(b) and 9.1(h).

A supplemental indenture which changes or eliminates any covenant or other provision of this Indenture which has expressly been included solely for the benefit of one or more particular series of Securities, or which modifies the rights of the Holders of Securities of such series with respect to such covenant or other provision, shall be deemed not to affect the rights under this Indenture of the Holders of Securities of any other series.

It shall not be necessary for any Act of Holders under this Section to approve the particular form of any proposed supplemental indenture, but it shall be sufficient if such Act shall approve the substance thereof.

Section 9.3. Execution of Supplemental Indentures.

In executing, or accepting the additional trusts created by, any supplemental indenture permitted by this Article or the modifications thereby of the trusts created by this Indenture, the Trustee shall be entitled to receive, and (subject to Section 6.1) shall be fully protected in relying upon, an Opinion of Counsel stating that the execution of such supplemental indenture is authorized or permitted by this Indenture. The Trustee may, but shall not be obligated to, enter into any such supplemental indenture which affects the Trustee's own rights, duties or immunities under this Indenture or otherwise.

Section 9.4. Effect of Supplemental Indentures.

Upon the execution of any supplemental indenture under this Article, this Indenture shall be modified in accordance therewith, and such supplemental indenture shall form a part of this Indenture for all purposes; and every Holder of Securities theretofore or thereafter authenticated and delivered hereunder shall be bound thereby.

Section 9.5. Conformity with Trust Indenture Act.

Every supplemental indenture executed pursuant to this Article shall conform to the requirements of the Trust Indenture Act.

Section 9.6. Reference in Securities to Supplemental Indentures.

Securities of any series authenticated and delivered after the execution of any supplemental indenture pursuant to this Article may, and shall if required by the Trustee, bear a notation in form approved by the Trustee as to any matter provided for in such supplemental indenture. If the Company shall so determine, new Securities of any series so modified as to conform, in the opinion of the Trustee and the Company, to any such supplemental indenture may be prepared and executed by the Company and authenticated and delivered by the Trustee in exchange for Outstanding Securities of such series.

# ARTICLE 10 Covenants

Section 10.1. Payment of Principal, Premium and Interest.

The Company covenants and agrees for the benefit of each series of Securities that it will duly and punctually pay the principal of and any premium or interest on the Securities of that series in accordance with the terms of the Securities and this Indenture.

Section 10.2. Maintenance of Office or Agency.

The Company will maintain in each Place of Payment for any series of Securities an office or agency where Securities of that series may be presented or surrendered for payment, where Securities of that series may

be surrendered for registration of transfer or exchange and where notices and demands to or upon the Company in respect of the Securities of that series and this Indenture may be served. The Company will give prompt written notice to the Trustee and the Holders of the location, and any change in the location, of such office or agency. If at any time the Company shall fail to maintain any such required office or agency or shall fail to furnish the Trustee with the address thereof, such presentations and surrenders of Securities of that series and notices and demands may be made or served at the Corporate Trust Office of the Trustee, and the Company hereby appoints the Trustee as its agent to receive all such presentations, surrenders, notices and demands.

The Company may also from time to time designate one or more other offices or agencies where the Securities of one or more series may be presented or surrendered for any or all such purposes and may from time to time rescind such designation; provided, however, that no such designation or rescission shall in any manner relieve the Company of its obligation to maintain an office or agency in each Place of Payment for Securities of any series for such purposes. The Company will give prompt written notice to the Trustee and the Holders of any such designation or rescission and of any change in the location of any such other office or agency.

If the Company shall at any time act as its own Paying Agent with respect to any series of Securities, it will, on or before each due date of the principal of and any premium or interest on any of the Securities of that series, segregate and hold in trust for the benefit of the Persons entitled thereto a sum sufficient to pay the principal and any premium or interest so becoming due until such sums shall be paid to such Persons or otherwise disposed of as herein provided and will promptly notify the Trustee of its action or failure so to act.

Whenever the Company shall have one or more Paying Agents for any series of Securities, it will, prior to each due date of the principal of any premium or interest on any Securities of that Series, deposit with a Paying Agent a sum sufficient to pay the principal and any premium or interest so becoming due, such sum to be held in trust for the benefit of the Persons entitled to such principal, premium or interest, and (unless such Paying Agent is the Trustee) the Company will promptly notify the Trustee of its action or failure so to act.

The Company will cause each Paying Agent for any series of Securities other than the Trustee to execute and deliver to the Trustee an instrument in which such Paying Agent shall agree with the Trustee, subject to the provisions of this Section, that such Paying Agent will:

- (a) hold all sums held by it for the payment of the principal of and any premium or interest on Securities of that series in trust for the benefit of the Persons entitled thereto until such sums shall be paid to such Persons or otherwise disposed of as herein provided;
- (b) give the Trustee notice of any default by the Company (or any other obligor upon the Securities of that series) in the making of any payment of principal and any premium or interest on the Securities of that series; and
- (c) at any time during the continuance of any such default, upon the written request of the Trustee, forthwith pay to the Trustee all sums so held in trust by such Paying Agent.

The Company may at any time, for the purpose of obtaining the satisfaction and discharge of this Indenture or for any other purpose, pay, or by Company Order direct any Paying Agent to pay, to the Trustee all sums held in trust by the Company or such Paying Agent, such sums to be held by the Trustee upon the same trusts as those upon which such sums were held by the Company or such Paying Agent; and, upon such payment by any Paying Agent to the Trustee, such Paying Agent shall be released from all further liability

with respect to such money.

Any money deposited with the Trustee or any Paying Agent, or then held by the Company, in trust for the payment of the principal of and any premium or interest on any Security of any series and remaining unclaimed for two years after such principal and any premium or interest has become due and payable shall be paid to the Company on Company Request, or (if then held by the Company) shall be discharged from such trust; and the Holder of such Security shall thereafter, as an unsecured general creditor, look only to the Company for payment thereof, and all liability of the Trustee or such Paying Agent with respect to such trust money, and all liability of the Company as trustee thereof, shall thereupon cease; provided, however, that the Trustee or such Paying Agent, before being required to make any such repayment, may at the expense of the Company cause to be published once, in a newspaper published in the English language, customarily published on each Business Day and of general circulation in the Borough of Manhattan, The City of New York, notice that such money remains unclaimed and that, after a date specified therein, which shall not be less than 30 days from the date of such publication, any unclaimed balance of such money then remaining will be repaid to the Company.

#### Section 10.4. Corporate Existence.

Subject to Article 8, the Company will do or cause to be done all things necessary to preserve and keep in full force and effect its corporate existence, rights (charter and statutory) and franchises; provided, however, that the Company shall not be required to preserve any such right or franchise if the Board of Directors shall determine that the preservation thereof is no longer desirable in the conduct of the business of the Company and that the loss thereof is not disadvantageous in any material respect to the Holders.

### Section 10.5. Payment of Taxes and Other Claims.

The Company will pay or discharge or cause to be paid or discharged, before the same shall become delinquent, (1) all taxes, assessments and governmental charges levied or imposed upon the Company or any Subsidiary or upon the income, profits or property of the Company or any Subsidiary, and (2) all lawful claims for labor, materials and supplies which, if unpaid, might by law become a lien upon the property of the Company or any Subsidiary; provided, however, that the Company shall not be required to pay or discharge or cause to be paid or discharged any such tax, assessment, charge or claim whose amount, applicability or validity is being contested in good faith by appropriate proceedings.

## Section 10.6. Limitations on Liens.

(a) The Company will not, and will not permit any Restricted Subsidiary to, issue, assume, quarantee or become liable for any notes, bonds, debentures or other similar evidences of indebtedness for money borrowed (herein referred to for purposes of this Section 10.6 as "indebtedness") secured by any mortgage, security interest, pledge or lien (herein referred to for purposes of this Section 10.6 as a "mortgage") of or upon (x) any Principal Domestic Manufacturing Plant or (y) shares of capital stock or indebtedness issued by any Restricted Subsidiary and owned by the Company or any Restricted Subsidiary, whether owned at the date of this Indenture or thereafter acquired, without making effective provision, and the Company in each case will make or cause to be made effective provision, whereby the Securities shall be secured by such mortgage equally and ratably with (or prior to) any and all other indebtedness thereby secured, so long as such indebtedness shall be so secured (for the purpose of providing such equal and ratable security the principal amount of the Securities shall mean and shall not be less than that principal amount that could be declared to be due and payable pursuant to Section 5.2 on the date of the making of such effective provision and the extent of such equal and ratable security shall be adjusted semi-annually to reflect the change in said principal amount over time pursuant to Section 5.2 and any other provision hereof); provided, however, that the foregoing restriction shall not apply to indebtedness secured by any

- (i) mortgages on any property existing at the time of acquisition thereof or as of the date of first issuance by the Company of Securities pursuant to this Indenture;
- (ii) mortgages on property of a corporation existing at the time such corporation is acquired (including by way of merger or consolidation) by the Company or a Restricted Subsidiary or a Restricted Subsidiary is merged into such corporation or at the time of a sale, lease or other disposition of the properties of such corporation (or a division thereof) as an entirety or substantially as an entirety to the Company or a Restricted Subsidiary, provided that such mortgages as a result of such merger, consolidation, sale, lease or other disposition is not extended to property owned by the Company or such Restricted Subsidiary immediately prior thereto;
- (iii) mortgages on property of a corporation existing at the time such corporation first becomes a Restricted Subsidiary;
- (iv) mortgages securing indebtedness of a Wholly-Owned Restricted Subsidiary to the Company or to a Wholly-Owned Restricted Subsidiary;
- (v) mortgages on property to secure all or part of the cost of acquiring, substantially repairing or altering, constructing, developing or substantially improving all or any part of such property or to secure indebtedness incurred to provide funds for any such purpose or for reimbursement of funds previously expended for any such purpose, provided the commitment of the creditor to extend the credit secured by any such mortgage shall have been obtained not later than 180 days after the later of (a) the completion of the acquisition, substantial repair or alteration, construction, development or substantial improvement of such property or (b) the placing in operation of such property or of such property as so substantially repaired or altered, constructed, developed or substantially improved;
- (vi) mechanic's liens, tax liens, liens in favor of any governmental body to secure progress, advance or other payments or the acquisition of real or personal property from such governmental body pursuant to any contract or provision of any statute, and other liens, charges and encumbrances incidental to construction, to the conduct of business or to the ownership of property of the Company or any Restricted Subsidiary which were not incurred in connection with the borrowing of money or the obtaining of advances or credits or the acquisition of property and do not in the aggregate materially impair the use of any Principal Domestic Manufacturing Plant for the purposes for which it is held or which are being contested in good faith by the Company or such Restricted Subsidiary;
- (vii) mortgages arising by reason of any judgment, decree or order of any court, so long as any appropriate legal proceedings which may have been initiated for the review of such judgment, decree or order shall not have been finally terminated or so long as the period within which such proceedings may be initiated shall not have expired; any deposit or pledge with any surety company or clerk of any court, or in escrow, as collateral in connection with, or in lieu of, may bond on appeal from any judgment or decree against the Company or any Restricted Subsidiary, or in connection with other proceedings or actions at law or in

equity by or against the Company or any Subsidiary; or

(viii) any extension, renewal or replacement (or successive extensions, renewals or replacements), in whole or in part, of any mortgage referred to in the foregoing Clauses (i) to (vii), inclusive; provided, however, that the principal amount of indebtedness secured thereby and not otherwise authorized by said Clauses (i) to (vii), inclusive, shall not exceed the principal amount of indebtedness, plus any premium or fee payable in connection with any such extension renewal or replacement, so secured at the time of such extension, renewal or replacement.

(b) Notwithstanding the provisions of Section 10.6(a), the Company or any Restricted Subsidiary may issue, assume, guarantee or become liable for indebtedness secured by mortgages which would otherwise be subject to the restrictions of Section 10.6(a) in an aggregate amount which, together with all indebtedness outstanding pursuant to this Section 10.6(b), does not exceed 10% of Consolidated Net Tangible Assets.

Section 10.7. Limitations on Sale and Lease-Back Transactions.

(a) The Company will not, nor will it permit any Restricted Subsidiary to, enter into any Sale and Lease-Back Transaction on or after the initial issuance of Securities pursuant to this Indenture with respect to any Principal Domestic Manufacturing Plant (except for (1) a transaction providing for a lease for a term, including any renewal thereof, of not more than three years, (2) a transaction between the Company and a Wholly-Owned Restricted Subsidiary or between Wholly-Owned Restricted Subsidiaries or (3) any lease of property acquired after the date of the initial issuance of Securities pursuant to this Indenture if the rent payable by the Company or such Restricted Subsidiary thereunder is to be reimbursed under a contract with the government of the United States or any instrumentality or agency thereof), if the commitment by or on behalf of the purchaser is obtained more than 180 days after the later of (i) the completion of the acquisition, substantial repair or alteration, construction, development or substantial improvement of such Principal Domestic Manufacturing Plant or (ii) the placing in operation of such Principal Domestic Manufacturing Plant or of such Principal Domestic Manufacturing Plant as so substantially repaired or altered, constructed, developed or substantially improved, unless either (x) the Company or such Restricted Subsidiary would be entitled pursuant to Section 10.6(a) to issue, assume, quarantee or become liable for debt secured by a mortgage on such Principal Domestic Manufacturing Plant without equally and ratably securing the Securities or (y) the Company shall apply or cause to be applied, in the case of a sale or transfer for cash, an amount equal to the net proceeds thereof (but not in excess of the net book value of such sale or transfer) and, in the case of a sale or transfer otherwise than for cash, an amount equal to the fair market value (as determined by the Board of Directors but not in excess of the net book value of such Principal Domestic Manufacturing Plant at the date of such sale or transfer) of the Principal Domestic Manufacturing Plant so leased to the retirement, within 180 days after the effective date of such Sale and Lease-Back Transaction, of Securities or other indebtedness of the Company or a Restricted Subsidiary; provided, however, that any such retirement of Securities shall be in accordance with Section 11.1 and provided, further, that the amount to be applied to such retirement of Securities or other indebtedness shall be reduced by an amount equal to the sum of (A) an amount equal to the principal amount of Securities delivered within 180 days after the effective date of such Sale and Lease-Back Transaction to the Trustees for retirement and cancellation (for purposes of making such calculation, the principal amount of Original Issue Discount Securities so retired or cancelled shall mean the portion thereof that could have been declared due and payable pursuant to Section 5.2 at the time retired and cancelled) and (B) the principal amount, plus any premium or fee paid in connection with any redemption in accordance with the terms, of other indebtedness voluntarily retired by the Company within such 180-day period, excluding retirements pursuant to mandatory prepayment provisions and payments at maturity.

(b) Notwithstanding the provisions of Section 10.7(a), the Company or any Restricted Subsidiary may enter into a Sale and Lease-Back Transaction which would otherwise be subject to the restrictions of Section 10.7(a) so as to create an aggregate amount of attributable debt which, together with all indebtedness outstanding pursuant to Section 10.6(b), and all attributable debt outstanding pursuant to this Section 10.7(b), does not exceed 10% of Consolidated Net Tangible Assets. "Attributable debt" in respect of any Sale and Lease-Back Transaction means, as of the time of the determination, the lesser of (i) the sale price of the Principal Domestic Manufacturing Plant so leased multiplied by a fraction the numerator of which is the remaining portion of the base term of the lease included in such transaction and the denominator of which is the base term of such lease, and (ii) the total obligation (discounted to present value at the implicit interest factor, determined in accordance with generally accepted financial practice, included in the rental payments, or, if such interest factor cannot readily be determined, at a rate of interest of 11% per annum, compounded semiannually) under the lease for rental payments (other than amounts required to be paid on account of property taxes as well as maintenance, repairs, insurance, water rates and other items which do not constitute payments for property rights (such as those based on real or energy costs or savings) during the remaining portion of the base term of the lease included in such transaction).

Section 10.8. Defeasance of Certain Obligations.

Unless otherwise specified pursuant to Section 3.1 with respect to Securities of any series, the Company may omit to comply, on or after the date the conditions set forth in subsections (a) to (f) of this Section 10.8 are satisfied, with any term, provision or condition set forth in Section 10.6 and Section 10.7, with respect to the Securities of such series, and with any term, provision or condition set forth in any additional negative or restrictive covenant of the Company (other than those contained in this Indenture) applicable to the Securities of such series (hereafter called "Covenant Defeasance") as specified pursuant to Section 3.1(q)), if

- (a) With reference to this Section 10.8, the Company has irrevocably deposited or caused to be irrevocably deposited with the Trustee as trust funds in trust for the purpose of making the following payments, specifically pledged as security for, and dedicated solely to, the benefit of the Holders of the Securities of that series, (i) money in an amount, or (ii) U.S. Government Obligations which through the payment of interest and principal in respect thereof in accordance with their terms will provide not later than one day before the due date of any payment referred to in clause (A) or (B) of this subparagraph (1) money in an amount, or (iii) a combination thereof, sufficient, in the opinion of a nationally recognized firm of independent public accountants expressed in a written certification thefr delivered to the Trustee, to pay and discharge, and which shall be applied by the Trustee for such purposes (A) the principal of and any premium and each instalment of principal and any (premium) and interest on the Outstanding Securities of that series on the Stated Maturity or the Redemption Date, as the case may be, of such principal or instalment of principal or interest and (B) any mandatory sinking fund payments or analogous payments applicable to Securities of such series on the day on which such payments are due and payable each in accordance with the terms of the Indenture and of such Securities;
- (b) Such Covenant Defeasance shall not cause the Trustee with respect to the Securities of that series to have a conflicting interest as defined in Section 6.8 and for purposes of the Trust Indenture Act with respect to the Securities of any series;
- (c) Such Covenant Defeasance will not result in a breach or violation of, or constitute a default under, this Indenture or any other agreement or instrument to which the Company is a party or by which it is bound;
- (d) No Event of Default or event which with notice or lapse of time would become an Event of Default with respect to Securities of that

series shall have occurred and be continuing on the date of such deposit;

- (e) The Company has delivered to the Trustee an Opinion of Counsel stating that (A) Holders of the Securities of such series will not recognize income, gain or loss for Federal income tax purposes as a result of such deposit and Covenant Defeasance and will be subject to Federal income tax on the same amount and in the same manner and at the same times, as would have been the case if such deposit and Covenant Defeasance had not occurred; (B) such Covenant Defeasance would not cause any outstanding Security of such series then listed on any nationally recognized securities exchange to be delisted as a result thereof; and (C) such deposit would not result in the trust arising from such deposit constituting an investment company within the meaning of the Investment Company Act of 1940, as amended from time to time; and
- (f) The Company has delivered to the Trustee an Officers' Certificate and an Opinion of Counsel, each stating that all conditions precedent herein provided for relating to the defeasance contemplated by this Section have been complied with.

Section 10.9. Certificate of Officers of the Company.

On or before the last day of April of each year beginning with the year 1999, the Company will file with the Trustee an Officers' Certificate stating whether or not to the best knowledge of the signers thereof the Company is in default in the performance and observance of any of the terms, provisions and conditions of this Indenture, and, if the Company shall be in default, specifying all such defaults and the nature and status thereof of which they may have knowledge. For purposes of this paragraph, any such default shall be delivered without regard to any period of grace or requirement of notice provided in this Indenture.

Section 10.10. Waiver of Certain Covenants.

The Company may omit in any particular instance to comply with any term, provision or condition set forth in Sections 10.4 to 10.7, inclusive, with respect to the Securities of any series if before the time for such compliance the Holders of at least a majority in principal amount of the Outstanding Securities of such series shall, by Act of such Holders, either waive such compliance in such instance or generally waive compliance with such term, provision or condition, but no such waiver shall extend to or affect such term, provisions or condition except to the extent so expressly waived, and, until such waiver shall become effective, the obligations of the Company and the duties of the Trustee in respect of any such term, provision or condition shall remain in full force and effect.

# ARTICLE 11 Redemption of Securities

Section 11.1. Applicability of Article.

Securities of any series which are redeemable before their Stated Maturity shall be redeemable in accordance with their terms and (except as otherwise specified as contemplated by Section 3.1 for Securities of any series) in accordance with this Article.

Section 11.2. Election to Redeem; Notice to Trustee.

The election of the Company to redeem any Securities shall be evidenced by a Board Resolution. In case of any redemption at the election of the Company of less than all the Securities of any series, the Company shall, at least 60 days prior to the Redemption Date fixed by the Company (unless a shorter notice shall be satisfactory to the Trustee), notify the Trustee of such Redemption Date, of the tenor, if applicable, of the Securities to be redeemed, and of the principal amount of Securities of such series to be redeemed. In the case of any redemption of Securities prior to the expiration of any restriction on such redemption provided in the terms of such Securities

or elsewhere in this Indenture, the Company shall furnish the Trustee with an Officers' Certificate evidencing compliance with such restriction.

Section 11.3. Selection by Trustee of Securities to Be Redeemed.

If less than all the Securities of any series are to be redeemed (unless all of the Securities of a specified tenor are to be redeemed), the particular Securities to be redeemed shall be selected not more than 60 days prior to the Redemption Date by the Trustee, from the Outstanding Securities of such series not previously called for redemption, by such method as the Trustee shall deem fair and appropriate and which may provide for the selection for redemption of portions (equal to the minimum authorized denomination for Securities of that series or any integral multiple thereof) of the principal amount of Securities of such series of a denomination larger than the minimum authorized denomination for Securities of that series. If less than all of the Securities of such series and of a specified tenor are to be redeemed, the particular Securities to be redeemed shall be selected not more than 45 days prior to the Redemption Date by the Trustee, from the Outstanding Securities of such series and specified tenor not previously called for redemption in accordance with the preceding sentence.

The Trustee shall promptly notify the Company in writing of the Securities selected for redemption and, in the case of any Securities selected for partial redemption, the principal amount thereof to be redeemed.

For all purposes of this Indenture, unless the context otherwise requires, all provisions relating to the redemption of Securities shall relate, in the case of any Securities redeemed or to be redeemed only in part, to the portion of the principal amount of such Securities which has been or is to be redeemed.

Section 11.4. Notice of Redemption.

Notice of redemption shall be given by first-class mail, postage prepaid, mailed not less than 30 nor more than 60 days prior to the Redemption Date to each Holder of Securities to be redeemed, at this address appearing in the Security Register.

All notices of redemption shall state:

- (a) the Redemption Date,
- (b) the Redemption Price,
- (c) if less than all the Outstanding Securities of any series are to be redeemed, the identification (and, in the case of partial redemption, the principal amounts) of the particular Securities to be redeemed,
- (d) that on the Redemption Date the Redemption Price will become due and payable upon each such Security to be redeemed and, if applicable, that interest thereon will cease to accrue on and after said date,  $\frac{1}{2} \left( \frac{1}{2} \right) \left( \frac{1}{2$
- (e) the place or places where such Securities are to be surrendered for payment of the Redemption Price, and
- $% \left( 1\right) =\left( 1\right) ^{2}$  (f) that the redemption is for a sinking fund, if such is the case.

Notice of redemption of Securities to be redeemed at the election of the Company shall be given by the Company or, at the Company's request, by the Trustee in the name and at the expense of the Company and shall be irrevocable. The notice of redemption mailed in the manner herein provided shall be conclusively presumed to have been duly given whether or not the Holder receives such notice. In any case, failure to give such notice by mail or any defect in the notice to the Holder of any Security shall not

affect the validity of the proceeding for the redemption of any other Security.

Section 11.5. Deposit of Redemption Price.

Prior to any Redemption Date, the Company shall deposit with the Trustee or with a Paying Agent (or, if the Company is acting as its own Paying Agent, segregate and hold in trust as provided in Section 10.3) an amount of money sufficient to pay the Redemption Price of, and (except if the Redemption Date shall be an Interest Payment Date) accrued interest on, all the Securities which are to be redeemed on that date.

Section 11.6. Securities Payable on Redemption Date.

Notice of redemption having been given as aforesaid, the Securities so to be redeemed shall, on the Redemption Date, become due and payable at the Redemption Price therein specified, and from and after such date (unless the Company shall default in the payment of the Redemption Price and accrued interest), such Securities shall cease to bear interest. Upon surrender of any such Security for redemption in accordance with said notice, such Security shall be paid by the Company at the Redemption Price, together with accrued interest to the Redemption Date; provided, however, that installments of interest whose Stated Maturity is on or prior to the Redemption Date shall be payable to the Holders of such Securities, or one or more Predecessor Securities, registered as such at the close of business on the relevant Record Dates according to their terms and the provisions of Section 3.7.

If any Security called for redemption shall not be so paid upon surrender thereof for redemption, the principal and any premium shall, until paid, bear interest from the Redemption Date at the rate prescribed therefor in the Security.

Section 11.7. Securities Redeemed in Part.

Any Security which is to be redeemed only in part shall be surrendered at a Place of Payment therefor (with, if the Company or the Trustee so requires, due endorsement by, or a written instrument of transfer in form satisfactory to the Company and the Trustee duly executed by, the Holder thereof or his attorney duly authorized in writing), and the Company shall execute, and the Trustee shall authenticate and deliver to the Holder of such Security without service charge to the Holder, a new Security or Securities of the same series and of like tenor, of any authorized denomination as requested by such Holder, in aggregate principal amount equal to and in exchange for the unredeemed portion of the principal of the Security so surrendered.

## ARTICLE 12 Sinking Funds

Section 12.1. Applicability of Article.

The provisions of this Article shall be applicable to any sinking fund for the retirement of Securities of a series except as otherwise specified as contemplated by Section 3.1 for Securities of such series.

The minimum amount of any sinking fund payment provided for by the terms of Securities of any series is herein referred to as a "mandatory sinking fund payment", and any payment in excess of such minimum amount provided for by the terms of Securities of any series is herein referred to as an "optional sinking fund payment". If provided for by the terms of Securities of any series, the cash amount of any sinking fund payment may be subject to reduction as provided in Section 12.2. Each sinking fund payment shall be applied to the redemption of Securities of any series as provided for by the terms of Securities of such series.

Section 12.2. Satisfaction of Sinking Fund Payments with

Securities.

The Company (1) may deliver Outstanding Securities of a series (other than any previously called for redemption) and (2) may apply as a credit Securities of a series which have been redeemed either at the election of the Company pursuant to the terms of such Securities or through the application of permitted optional sinking fund payments pursuant to the terms of such Securities, in each case in satisfaction of all or any part of any sinking fund payment with respect to the Securities of such series required to be made pursuant to the terms of such Securities as provided for by the terms of such Series; provided that the Securities to be so credited have not been previously so credited. The Securities to be so credited shall be received and credited for such purpose by the Trustee at the Redemption Price, as specified in the Securities to be so redeemed, for redemption through operation of the sinking fund and the amount of such sinking fund payment shall be reduced accordingly.

Section 12.3. Redemption of Securities for Sinking Fund.

Not less than 60 days prior to each sinking fund payment date for any series of Securities, the Company will deliver to the Trustee an Officers' Certificate specifying the amount of the next ensuing sinking fund payment for that series pursuant to the terms of such Securities, the portion thereof, if any, which is to be satisfied by payment of cash and the portion thereof, if any, which is to be satisfied by delivering and crediting Securities of that series pursuant to Section 12.2 stating that such Securities have not been previously used as a credit against any sinking fund payment and will also deliver to the Trustee any Securities to be so delivered. Not less than 30 days before each such sinking fund payment date the Trustee shall select the Securities to be redeemed upon such sinking fund payment date in the manner specified in Section 11.3 and cause notice of the redemption thereof to be given in the name of and at the expense of the Company in the manner provided in Section 11.4. Such notice having been duly given, the redemption of such Securities shall be made upon the terms and in the manner stated in Sections 11.5, 11.6 and 11.7.

This instrument may be executed in any number of counterparts, each of which so executed shall be deemed to be an original, but all such counterparts shall together constitute but one and the same instrument.

IN WITNESS WHEREOF, the parties hereto have caused this Indenture to be duly executed, and their respective corporate seals to be hereunder affixed and attested, all as of the day and year first above written.

	PITNEY BOWES INC.
	Ву
	Ву
Attest:	
	SUNTRUST BANK, ATLANTA
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	By[Title]
	By

On the day of, 1998, before me personally came and, to me known, who,
being by me duly sworn, did depose and say that they are Treasurer and Vice President and Chief Financial Officer, respectively, of PITNEY BOWES INC., one of the corporations described in and which executed the foregoing instrument; that each knows the seal of said corporation; that the seal affixed to said instrument is such corporate seal; that it was so affixed by authority of the Board of Directors of said corporation, and that each signed their names thereto by like authority.
STATE OF GEORGIA ) ) ss.:
COUNTY OF FULTON )
On the day of, 1998, before me personall came , to me known, who, being by me dul sworn, did depose and say that they are the and [title, respectively] of SunTrust Bank, Atlanta, one of the
corporations described in and which executed the foregoing instrument; that they know the seal of said corporation; that the seal affixed to said instrument is such corporate seal; that it was so affixed by authority of the Board of Directors of said corporation, and that they signed their names thereto by like authority.

EXHIBIT A

## FORM OF SECURITY

Form of Face of Security

UNLESS THIS CERTIFICATE IS PRESENTED BY AN AUTHORIZED REPRESENTATIVE OF THE DEPOSITORY TRUST COMPANY, 55 WATER STREET, NEW YORK, NEW YORK (THE "U.S. DEPOSITARY"), TO PITNEY BOWES INC. OR ITS AGENT FOR REGISTRATION OF TRANSFER, EXCHANGE OR PAYMENT, AND ANY CERTIFICATE ISSUED IS REGISTERED IN THE NAME OF CEDE & CO. OR IN SUCH OTHER NAME AS IS REQUESTED BY AN AUTHORIZED REPRESENTATIVE OF THE U.S. DEPOSITARY (AND ANY PAYMENT IS MADE TO CEDE & CO. OR TO SUCH OTHER ENTITY AS IS REQUESTED BY AN AUTHORIZED REPRESENTATIVE OF THE U.S. DEPOSITARY), ANY TRANSFER, PLEDGE OR OTHER USE HEREOF FOR VALUE OR OTHERWISE BY OR TO ANY PERSON IS WRONGFUL INASMUCH AS THE REGISTERED OWNER HEREOF, CEDE & CO., HAS AN INTEREST HEREIN.

[THIS SECURITY IS A SECURITY IN PERMANENT GLOBAL FORM AND IS REGISTERED IN THE NAME OF A DEPOSITARY OR A NOMINEE THEREOF. THIS SECURITY MAY NOT BE EXCHANGED IN WHOLE OR IN PART FOR A SECURITY REGISTERED, AND NO TRANSFER OF THIS SECURITY IN WHOLE OR IN PART MAY BE REGISTERED, IN THE NAME OF ANY PERSON OTHER THAN SUCH DEPOSITARY OR A NOMINEE THEREOF, EXCEPT IN THE LIMITED CIRCUMSTANCES DESCRIBED IN THE INDENTURE.]

PITNEY BOWES INC.

[Title of Security]

No. .... \$ .....

Pitney Bowes Inc., a corporation duly organized and existing under the laws of Delaware (herein called the "Company", which term includes any successor Person under the Indenture hereinafter referred to), for value received, hereby promises to pay to ....., or registered assigns, the principal sum of ...... Dollars on ....., and to pay interest thereon from ..... or from the most recent Interest Payment Date to which interest has been paid or duly provided for, semi-annually on ...... and ..... in each year, commencing ....., at the rate of ..% per annum, until the principal hereof is paid or made available for payment [If applicable, insert --, and (to the extent that the payment of such interest shall be legally enforceable) at the rate of ..% per annum on any overdue principal and premium and on any overdue installment of interest]. The interest so payable, and punctually paid or duly provided for, on any Interest Payment Date will, as provided in such Indenture, be paid to the Person in whose name this Security (or one or more Predecessor Securities) is registered at the close of business on the Regular Record Date for such interest, which shall be the  $\dots$  or  $\dots$ (whether or not a Business Day), as the case may be, next preceding such Interest Payment Date. Any such interest not so punctually paid or duly provided for will forthwith cease to be payable to the Holder on such Regular Record Date and may either be paid to the Person in whose name this Security (or one or more Predecessor Securities) is registered at the close of business on a Special Record Date for the payment of such Defaulted Interest to be fixed by the Trustee, notice whereof shall be given to Holders of Securities of this series not less than 10 days prior to such Special Record Date, or be paid at any time in any other lawful manner not inconsistent with the requirements of any securities exchange on which the Securities of this series may be listed, and upon such notice as may be required by such exchange, all as more fully provided in said Indenture.

Payment of the principal of (and premium, if any) and interest on this Security will be made at the office or agency of the Company maintained for that purpose in the Borough of Manhattan, The City of New York, in such coin or currency of the United States of America as at the time of payment is legal tender for payment of public and private debts; provided, however, that at the option of the Company payment of interest may be made by check mailed to the address of the Person entitled thereto as such address shall appear in the Security Register.

Reference is hereby made to the further provisions of this Security set forth on the reverse hereof, which further provisions shall for all purposes have the same effect as if set forth at this place.

Unless the certificate of authentication hereon has been executed by the Trustee referred to on the reverse hereof by manual signature, this Security shall not be entitled to any benefit under the Indenture or be valid or obligatory for any purpose.

IN WITNESS WHEREOF, the Company has caused this instrument to be duly executed under its corporate seal.

Dated:

PITNEY BOWES INC.

	Ву
attest:	

Trustee's Certificate of Authentication

 $\,$  This is one of the Securities of the series designated therein referred to in the within-mentioned Indenture.

as Trustee	
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Ву	Authorized Officer

Form of Reverse of Security

This Security is one of a duly authorized issue of securities of the Company (herein called the "Securities"), issued and to be issued in one or more series under an Indenture, dated as of April \_\_\_\_\_, 1998 (herein called the "Indenture"), between the Company and SunTrust Bank, Atlanta, as Trustee (herein called the "Trustee", which term includes any successor trustee under the Indenture), to which Indenture and all indentures supplemental thereto reference is hereby made for a statement of the respective rights, limitations of rights, duties and immunities thereunder of the Company, the Trustee and the Holders of the Securities and of the terms upon which the Securities are, and are to be, authenticated and delivered. This Security is one of the series designated on the face hereof [, limited in aggregate principal amount to \$.....].

Redemption			Redemption
Year	Price	Year	Price

and thereafter at a Redemption Price equal to ....% of the principal amount, together in the case of any such redemption [if applicable, insert--(whether through operation of the sinking fund or otherwise)] with accrued interest to the Redemption Date, but interest installments whose Stated Maturity is on or prior to such Redemption Date will be payable to the Holders of such Securities, or one or more Predecessor Securities, of record at the close of business on the relevant Record Dates referred to on the face hereof, all as provided in the Indenture.]

[If applicable, insert--The Securities of this series are subject to redemption upon not less than 30 days' notice by mail, (1) on

...... in any year commencing with the year ..... and ending with the year ..... through operation of the sinking fund for this series at the Redemption Prices for redemption through operation of the sinking fund (expressed as percentages of the principal amount) set forth in the table below, and (2) at any time [on or after ......], as a whole or in part, at the election of the Company, at the Redemption Prices for redemption otherwise than through operation of the sinking fund (expressed as percentages of the principal amount) set forth in the table below: If redeemed during the 12 month period beginning ...... of the years indicated,

Redemption Price For Redemption Through Operation of the Sinking Fund

Year

Redemption Price For Redemption Otherwise Than Through Operation of the Sinking Fund

and thereafter at a Redemption Price equal to ...% of the principal amount, together in the case of any such redemption (whether through operation of the sinking fund or otherwise) with accrued interest to the Redemption Date, but interest installments whose Stated Maturity is on or prior to such Redemption Date will be payable to the Holders of such Securities, or one or more Predecessor Securities, of record at the close of business on the relevant Record Dates referred to on the face hereof, all as provided in the Indenture.]

[Notwithstanding the foregoing, the Company may not, prior to ...... redeem any Securities of this series as contemplated by [Clause (2) of] the preceding paragraph as a part of, or in anticipation of, any refunding operation by the application, directly or indirectly, of moneys borrowed having an interest cost to the Company (calculated in accordance with generally accepted financial practice) of less than ....% per annum.]

[The sinking fund for this series provides for the redemption on ..... in each year beginning with the year ...... and ending with the year ...... of [not less than] \$....... [("mandatory sinking fund") and not more than \$.......] aggregate principal amount of Securities of this series. [Securities of this series acquired or redeemed by the Company otherwise than through [mandatory] sinking fund payments may be credited against subsequent [mandatory] sinking fund payments otherwise required to be made--in the inverse order in which they become due.]

[In the event of redemption of this Security in part only, a new Security or Securities of this series for the unredeemed portion hereof will be issued in the name of the Holder hereof upon the cancellation hereof.]

[The Indenture contains provisions for defeasance at any time of (a) the entire indebtedness of this Security and (b) certain restrictive covenants, in each case upon compliance by the Company with certain conditions set forth therein, which provisions apply to this Security.]

[If the Security is not an Original Issue Discount Security, insert -- If an Event of Default with respect to Securities of this series shall occur and be continuing, the principal of the Securities of this series may be declared due and payable in the manner and with the effect provided in the Indenture.]

[If the Security is an Original Issue Discount Security, insert - -- If an Event of Default with respect to Securities of this series shall occur and be continuing, an amount of principal of the Securities of this series may be declared due and payable in the manner and with the effect provided in the Indenture. Such amount shall be equal to -- insert formula for determining the amount. Upon payment (i) of the amount of principal so declared due and payable and (ii) of interest on any overdue principal, premium and interest (in each case to the extent that the payment of such interest shall be legally enforceable), all of the Company's obligations in

respect of the payment of the principal of and premium and interest, if any, on the Securities of this series shall terminate.

The Indenture permits, with certain exceptions as therein provided, the amendment thereof and the modification of the rights and obligations of the Company and the rights of the Holders of the Securities of each series to be affected under the Indenture at any time by the Company and the Trustee with the consent of the Holders of a majority in principal amount of the Securities at the time Outstanding of each series to be affected. The Indenture also contains provisions permitting the Holders of specified percentages in principal amount of the Securities of each series at the time Outstanding, on behalf of the Holders of all Securities of such series, to waive compliance by the Company with certain provisions of the Indenture and certain past defaults under the Indenture and their consequences. Any such consent or waiver by the Holder of this Security shall be conclusive and binding upon such Holder and upon all future Holders of this Security and of any Security issued upon the registration of transfer hereof or in exchange herefor or in lieu hereof, whether or not notation of such consent or waiver is made upon this Security.

As provided in and subject to the provisions of the Indenture, the Holder of this Security shall not have the right to institute any proceeding with respect to the Indenture or for the appointment of a receiver or trustee or for any other remedy thereunder, unless such Holder shall have previously given the Trustee written notice of a continuing Event of Default with respect to the Securities of this series, the Holders of not less than 25% in principal amount of the Securities of this series at the time Outstanding shall have made written request to the Trustee to institute proceedings in respect of such Event of Default as Trustee and offered the Trustee reasonable indemnity, and the Trustee shall not have received from the Holders of a majority in principal amount of Securities of this series at the time Outstanding a direction inconsistent with such request, and shall have failed to institute any such proceeding, for 60 days after receipt of such notice, request and offer of indemnity. The foregoing shall not apply to any suit instituted by the Holder of this Security for the enforcement of any payment of principal hereof or any premium or interest hereon on or after the respective due dates expressed herein.

No reference herein to the Indenture and no provision of this Security or of the Indenture shall alter or impair the obligation of the Company, which is absolute and unconditional, to pay the principal of (and premium, if any) and interest on this Security herein provided, and at the times, place and rate, and in the coin or currency, herein prescribed.

As provided in the Indenture and subject to certain limitations therein set forth, the transfer of this Security is registrable in the Security Register, upon surrender of this Security for registration of transfer at the office or agency of the Company in any place where the principal of (and premium, if any) and interest on this Security are payable, duly endorsed by, or accompanied by a written instrument of transfer in form satisfactory to the Company and the Security Registrar duly executed by, the Holder hereof or his attorney duly authorized in writing, and thereupon one or more new Securities of this series, of authorized denominations and for the same aggregate principal amount, will be issued to the designated transferee or transferees.

The Securities of this series are issuable only in registered form without coupons in denominations of \$.... and any integral multiple thereof. As provided in the Indenture and subject to certain limitations therein set forth, Securities of this series are exchangeable for a like aggregate principal amount of Securities of this series of a different authorized denomination, as requested by the Holder surrendering the same.

No service charge shall be made for any such registration of transfer or exchange, but the Company may require payment of a sum sufficient to cover any tax or other governmental charge payable in connection therewith.

transfer, the Company, the Trustee and any agent of the Company or the Trustee may treat the Person in whose name this Security is registered as the owner hereof for all purposes, whether or not this Security be overdue, and neither the Company, the Trustee nor any such agent shall be affected by notice to the contrary.

 $\,$  All terms used in this Security which are defined in the Indenture shall have the meanings assigned to them in the Indenture.

EXHIBIT B

Form of Trustee's Certificate of Authentication

 $\,$  This is one of the Securities of the series designated therein referred to in the within-mentioned Indenture.

SunTrust Bank, Atlanta as Trustee

By\_\_\_\_\_Authorized Officer

## [DAVIS POLK & WARDWELL LETTERHEAD]

April 29, 1998

Pitney Bowes Inc. World Headquarters One Elmcroft Road Stamford, Connecticut 06926-0700

Ladies and Gentlemen:

We have acted as special counsel to you, Pitney Bowes Inc. (the "Company"), in connection with the registration of the Company's debt securities (the "Securities") from which the Company will receive up to an aggregate of \$500,000,000, for issuance from time to time pursuant to Rule 415 under the Securities Act of 1933, as amended (the "Securities Act"). We advise that in our opinion the Company has full power and authority under the laws of Delaware, the State of the Company's incorporation, and under the Company's Restated Certificate of Incorporation to borrow the money and to contract the indebtedness to be evidenced by the said Securities.

It is our further opinion that when the Indenture, between the Company and SunTrust Bank, Atlanta, dated \_\_\_\_\_\_ (the "Indenture"), has been duly authorized, executed and delivered and the Securities, as provided in the Indenture, have been duly authorized, executed and authenticated, issued and paid for, the Securities will be valid and legally binding obligations of the Company in accordance with, and subject to, the terms thereof and of the Indenture.

We hereby consent to the use of the foregoing opinion as Exhibit 5.1 to the Company's Registration Statement filed with the United States Securities and Exchange Commission under the Securities Act, with respect to the above mentioned Securities and to the use of our name in such Registration Statement and in the related Prospectus Supplement(s) under the heading "Validity of Debt Securities." The issuance of such a consent does not concede that we are an "Expert" for purposes of the Securities Act.

Very truly yours,

/s/ Davis Polk & Wardwell

# COMPUTATION OF RATIO OF EARNINGS TO FIXED CHARGES (1)

(Dollar in thousands)

	Years Ended December 31,				
	1997	1996	1995	1994	1993(2)
Income from continuing operations					
before income taxes	\$ 803,098	\$684,383	\$618,931	\$566,507	\$498,860
Interest expense Portion of rents representative of the	209,194	203,877	226,110	194,115	189,292
interest factor	39,404 973	40,538 914	42,064 914	42,339 914	33,842 914
subsidiary with fixed charges	11,322	8,121	5,013		
Income as adjusted	\$1,063,991	\$937,833	\$893,032	\$803,875	\$722 <b>,</b> 908
Fixed charges:					
Interest expense	\$ 209,194 	\$203,877 1,201	\$226,110 2,178	\$194,115 733	\$189 <b>,</b> 292
interest factor	39,404	40,538	42,064	42,339	33,842
fixed charges	17,285	11,838	7,607		==
Total fixed charges	\$ 265,883	\$257,454	\$277,959	\$237,187	\$223,134
	========	=======	=======	=======	=======
Ratio of earnings to fixed charges(1)	4.00	3.64	3.21	3.39	3.24
Ratio of earnings to fixed charges					
excluding minority interest	4.23	3.79	3.28	3.39	3.24

(1) The computation of the ratio of earnings to combined fixed charges and preferred stock dividends has been computed by dividing income from continuing operations before income taxes as adjusted by fixed charges and preferred stock dividends. Included in fixed charges is one-third of rental expense as the representative portion of interest.

(2) Reclassified to reflect discontinued operations.

## CONSENT OF INDEPENDENT ACCOUNTANTS

We hereby consent to the incorporation by reference in the Prospectus constituting part of this Registration Statement on Form S-3 of our report dated January 26, 1998, which appears on page 46 of the 1997 Annual Report to Shareholders of Pitney Bowes Inc., which is incorporated by reference in the Pitney Bowes Inc. Annual Report on Form 10-K for the year ended December 31, 1997. We also consent to the incorporation by reference of our report on the Financial Statement Schedule, which appears on page 18 of such Annual Report on Form 10-K. We also consent to the reference to us under the heading "Experts" in such Prospectus.

Price Waterhouse LLP

Stamford, Connecticut April \_\_, 1998

# CONSENT OF SARA E. MOSS, ESQ.

April 29, 1998

I hereby consent to the use of my name under the caption "Validity of Debt Securities" in the Prospectus contained in the Registration Statement on Form S-3 of Pitney Bowes Inc. The issuance of such a consent does not concede that I am an "Expert" for purposes of the Securities Act of 1933, as amended.

Very truly yours,

Sara E. Moss, Esq.

Delayed Offering Registration No. \_\_\_\_\_

SECURITIES AND EXCHANGE COMMISSION Washington, D.C. 20549

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FORM T-1

STATEMENT OF ELIGIBILITY UNDER THE TRUST INDENTURE ACT OF 1939 OF A CORPORATION DESIGNATED TO ACT AS TRUSTEE

\_\_\_\_\_

CHECK IF AN APPLICATION TO DETERMINE ELIGIBILITY OF A TRUSTEE PURSUANT TO SECTION 305(b)(2)  $\times$ 

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SUNTRUST BANK, ATLANTA

(Exact name of trustee as specified in its charter)

58-0466330

(I.R.S. employer identification no.)

25 Park Place, N.E.

Atlanta, Georgia

(Address of principal executive offices) (Zip Code)

30303

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David M. Kaye SunTrust Bank, Atlanta 58 Edgewood Avenue, N.E.

Room 400A

Atlanta, Georgia 30303

(404) 588-8060

(Name, address and telephone number of agent for service)

Pitney Bowes Inc.

(Exact name of obligor as specified in its charter)

Delaware 06-0495050 (State or other jurisdiction of incorporation or organization) identification no.)

World Headquarters One Elmcroft Road Stamford, Connecticut 06926-0700 (Address of principal executive offices) (Zip Code)

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Debt Securities (1)

(Title of the indenture securities)

(1) Applicable to all securities registered pursuant to the delayed offering registration statement.

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- 1. General information.
- (a) Name and address of each examining or supervising authority to which it is subject.

Department of Banking and Finance State of Georgia Atlanta, Georgia Federal Reserve Bank of Atlanta 104 Marietta Street, N.W. Atlanta, Georgia

Federal Deposit Insurance Corporation Washington, D.C.

(b) Whether it is authorized to exercise corporate trust powers.

Yes.

2. Affiliations with obligor.

None.

3. Voting Securities of the Trustee.

Not applicable.

4. Trusteeships under Other Indentures.

Not applicable.

5. Interlocking Directorates and Similar Relationships with the Obligor or Underwriters.

Not applicable.

6. Voting Securities of the Trustee Owned by the Obligor or its Officials.

Not applicable.

7. Voting Securities of the Trustee Owned by Underwriters or their Officials.

Not applicable.

8. Securities of the Obligor Owned or Held by the Trustee.

Not applicable.

9. Securities of Underwriters Owned or held by the Trustee.

Not applicable.

10. Ownership or Holdings by the Trustee of Voting Securities of Certain Affiliates or Security Holders of the Obligor.

Not applicable.

11. Ownership or Holdings by the Trustee of any Securities or a Person Owning 50 Percent or More of the Voting Securities of the Obligor.

Not applicable.

12. Indebtedness of the Obligor to the Trustee.

Not applicable.

- 13. Defaults by the Obligor.
- (a) Whether there is or has been a default with respect to the securities under this indenture.

There is not and has not been any such default.

(b) If the trustee is a trustee under another indenture under which any other securities, or certificates of interest or participation in any other

securities, of the obligor are outstanding, or is trustee for more than one outstanding series of securities under the indenture, state whether there has been a default under any such indenture or series.

There has not been any such default.

14. Affiliations with the Underwriters.

Not applicable.

15. Foreign Trustee.

Not applicable.

16. List of Exhibits.

The additional exhibits listed below are filed herewith; exhibits, if any, identified in parentheses are on file with the Commission and are incorporated herein by reference as exhibits hereto pursuant to Rule 7a-29 under the Trust Indenture Act of 1939, as amended, and Rule 24 of the Commission's Rules of Practice.

Exhibit Number

1A copy of the Articles of Amendment and Restated Articles of Incorporation as now in effect. (Exhibit 1 to Form T-1, Registration No. 333-25463.)

2A copy of the certificate of authority of the Trustee to commence business. (Included in Exhibit 1.)

3A copy of the authorization of the Trustee to exercise trust powers. (Included in Exhibit 1.)

- 4 By-laws of the Trustee. (Included in Exhibit 4 to Form T-1, Registration No. 333-25463.)
- 5 Not applicable.
- 6 Consent of the trustee required by Section 321(b) of the Trust Indenture Act of 1939, as amended.
- 7 Latest report of condition of the Trustee published pursuant to law or the requirements of its supervising or examining authority as of the close of business on December 31, 1997.
- 8 Not applicable.
- 9 Not applicable.

## SIGNATURE

Pursuant to the requirements of the Trust Indenture Act of 1939 the trustee, SunTrust Bank, Atlanta, a banking corporation organized and existing under the laws of the State of Georgia, has duly caused this statement of eligibility and qualification to be signed on its behalf by the undersigned, thereunto duly authorized, all in the City of Atlanta and the State of Georgia, on the day of April, 1998

SunTrust Bank, Atlanta

By: /s/ David M. Kaye
-----Group Vice President

#### EXHIBIT 6 TO FORM T-1

### CONSENT OF TRUSTEE

Pursuant to the requirements of Section 321(b) of the Trust Indenture Act of 1939 in connection with the proposed issuance of Pitney Bowes Inc. Debt Securities to be issued under the Indenture, SunTrust Bank, Atlanta hereby consents that reports of examinations by Federal, State, Territorial or District authorities may be furnished by such authorities to the Securities and Exchange Commission upon request therefor.

SUNTRUST BANK, ATLANTA

By: /s/ David M. Kaye
Group Vice President

EXHIBIT 7 FORM T-1

LATEST REPORT OF CONDITION OF SUNTRUST BANK, ATLANTA

SUNTRUST BANK ATLANTA Call Date: 12/31/97 State #: 130330 FFIEC 031 P.O. BOX 4418 CENTER 632 Vendor ID: D Cert #: 00867 RC-1 ATLANTA, GA 30302 Transit #: 6100010-4

Consolidated Report of Condition for Insured Commercial and State-Chartered Savings Banks for December 31, 1997

All schedules are to be reported in thousands of dollars. Unless otherwise indicated, report the amount outstanding as of the last business day of the quarter.

Schedule RC -- Balance Sheet

Dollar Amounts in Thousands Cash and balances due from depositary institutions (from Schedule RC-A): 1,275,142 1.a 11,228 1.b a. Noninterest-bearing balances and currency and coins(1)..... b. Interest-bearing balances(2)...... 0071 0 2.a 3,041,872 2.b 1,464,776 1350 2122 10,608,129 RCFD 10,474,066 4.d 86,555 101,729 2145 2155 478,706 16,754 10. 2143 (1) Includes cash items in process of collection and unposted debits.(2) Includes time certificates of deposit not held for trading.

SUNTRUST BANK ATLANTA Call Date: 12/31/97 State #: 130330 FFIEC 031 P.O. BOX 4418 CENTER 632 Vendor ID: D Cert #: 00867 RC-1

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and State-Chartered Savings Banks for December 31, 1997

All schedules are to be reported in thousands of dollars. Unless otherwise indicated, report the amount outstanding as of the last business day of the quarter.

Schedule RC -- Continued

	Dollar Amounts in Thousands				
LIABILITIES					
13. Deposits:			RCFD		
a. In domestic offices (sum of totals of columns A and C from			RCFD		
	RCON		2200	C ECE 10E	13.a
Schedule RC-E, part I	RCON		2200	6,565,195	13.4
(1) Noninterest-bearing(1)	6631	2,594,131			13.a.1
(2) Interest-bearing	6636	3,971,064			13.a.1
b. In foreign offices, Edge and Agreement subsidiaries, and IBFs	0030	3, 571,004			13.4.2
(from Schedule RC-E, part II)	RCFN		2200	2,566,946	13.b
(Irom Schedule RC-E, part II)	RCFN		2200	2,300,940	13.0
(1) Noninterest-bearing(1)	6631	0			13.b.1
(2) Interest-bearing	6636	2,566,946	RCFD		13.b.2
(2) interest bearing	0030	2,300,340			13.0.2
14. Federal funds purchased and securities sold under agreements to rep	urchase		2800	3,169,134	1.4
III readral rando parenadea una decarrereo dora anaer agreemento to rep	ure		RCON	3,103,131	
15. a. Demand notes issued to the U.S. Treasury			2840	17,109,739	15.a
			RCFD	//	
15. b. Trading liabilities (from Schedule RC-D)				6,588	15.b
15. Other borrowed money (includes mortgage indebtedness and obligations under capitalized leases):				-,	
a. With a remaining maturity of one year or less			2332	614,659	16.a
b. With a remaining maturity of more than one year through three years				2,521	16.b
c. With a remaining maturity of more than three years			A546	. 0	16.c
17. Not applicable					17
18. Bank's liability on acceptance executed and outstanding			2920	478,706	18
19. Subordinated notes and debentures(2)			3200	250,000	19
20. Other liabilities (from Schedult RC-G)			2930	1,113,549	20
21. Total liabilities (sum of items 13 through 20)			2948	14,767,298	21
22. Not applicable					
EQUITY CAPITAL					
23. Perpetual preferred stock and related surplus			3638	0	23
24. Common Stock			3230	21,601	24
25. Surplus (exclude all surplus related to preferred stock			3839	573,406	25
26. a. Undivided profits and capital reserves			3632	708,207	26.a
b. Net unrealized holding gains (losses) on available-for-sale securities			8434	1,039,227	26.b
27. Cumulative foreign currency translation adjustments			3284	0	27
28. Total equity capital (sum of items 23 thrugh 27)			3210	2,342,441	28
21. Total liabilities and equity capital (sum of items 21 and 28)			3300	17,109,732	29
Memorandum					
To be reported only with the March Report of Condition.					
1. Indicate in the box at the right the number of the statement below t	hat best d	escribes the most	RCFD N	umber	
comprehensive level of auditing work performed for the bank by independ					
of any date during 1996			6724	N/A M.1	

- 1= Independent audit of the bank conducted in accordance with generally accepted auditing standards by a certified public accounting form which submits a report on the bank 2 = Independent audit of the bank's parent holding company conducted in accordance with generally accepted auditing standards by a certified public accounting firm which submits a report on the consolidated holding company (but not on the bank separately)
- 3 = Directors' examination of the bank conducted in accordance with generally accepted auditing standards by a certified public accounting firm (may be required by state chartering authority)
- 4 = Directors' examination of the bank performed by other external auditors (may be required by state chartering authority)
- 5 = Review of the bank's financial statements by external
  auditors
- 6 = Compilation of the bank's financial statements by external auditors
- 7 = Other audit procedures 9excluding preparation work)
- 8 = No external audit work.
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- (1) Includes total demand deposits and noninterest-bearing time and savings deposits.
- (2) Includes limited-life preferred stock and related surplus.