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MEMORANDUM

DATE: February 9, 2016

TO: County Commissioners

ACTION ITEM

FROM: Jonathan R. Seeman

RE: FY2016 Lease Purchase-Vehicles

On several occasions over the last few years, the County has budgeted and entered into lease purchase agreements for the acquisition of vehicles and heavy equipment. Generally, these types of agreements allow the county to spread the payments for the vehicles over a period of time, usually 5 years, at a low interest (non-taxable) rate. The County owns the vehicles at the end of the leasing period.

This enables the county to make fairly large purchases without the need for large or significant budget appropriations in that given fiscal year. The savings in FY16 is about \$950,000. The last lease purchase we entered into was in 2012 for the purchase of Sheriff vehicles and DES ambulances.

The FY2016 budget provides for a lease purchase of about \$1,215,590 million in vehicles and heavy equipment (see attachment). The annual payment is \$255,318 for 5 years. We competitively bid the bank or leasing agent and First Capital Equipment Leasing Corp. had the lowest rate. The actual lender for First Capital is SunTrust Bank. The other bidders, CNB, PNC Bank and Queenstown Bank had higher rates. First Capital is the same firm we used in the previous lease purchase. All of the vehicles appear in the County's FY16 capital budget and have been approved as part of the FY16 budget.

Attached is a Resolution awarding the lease agreement to First Capital as well as a copy of the lease agreement.

Recommended Action:

I move that the County Commissioners approve the Resolution establishing First Capital Equipment Leasing Corp. as our leasing agent for the purchase of \$1,215,590 in vehicles and authorize the Director of Budget, Finance and Information Technology to sign the agreement for the County.



Escrow

RESOLUTION OF GOVERNING BODY

At a duly called meeting of the governing body of Lessee held in accordance with all applicable legal requirements, including open meeting laws, on the 9 day of February, 2016, the following resolution was introduced and adopted:

RESOLUTION AUTHORIZING THE EXECUTION AND DELIVERY OF A MASTER LEASE AGREEMENT, EQUIPMENT SCHEDULE NO. 01, AN ESCROW AGREEMENT, AND RELATED INSTRUMENTS, AND DETERMINING OTHER MATTERS IN CONNECTION THEREWITH.

WHEREAS, the governing body of **THE COUNTY COMMISSIONERS OF QUEEN ANNE'S COUNTY, MD** ("Lessee") desires to obtain certain equipment (the "Equipment") described in Equipment Schedule No. 01 (the "Equipment Schedule") to the Master Lease Agreement (collectively, the "Lease"), between **SUNTRUST EQUIPMENT FINANCE & LEASING CORP.** ("Lessor") and Lessee, the form of which has been available for review by the governing body of Lessee prior to this meeting; and

WHEREAS, the Equipment is essential for Lessee to perform its governmental functions; and

WHEREAS, the funds made available under the Lease will be deposited with **SUNTRUST BANK** ("Escrow Agent") pursuant to an Escrow Agreement between Lessor, Lessee and Escrow Agent (the "Escrow Agreement") and will be applied to the acquisition of the Equipment in accordance with said Escrow Agreement; and

WHEREAS, Lessee has satisfied the legal requirements, including those relating to any applicable public bidding requirements, to arrange for the acquisition of the Equipment and the execution and delivery of the Lease and the Escrow Agreement; and

WHEREAS, Lessee proposes to enter into the Lease with **SUNTRUST EQUIPMENT FINANCE & LEASING CORP.** and the Escrow Agreement with Lessor and Escrow Agent substantially in the forms presented to this meeting.

NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED BY THE GOVERNING BODY OF LESSEE AS FOLLOWS:

Section 1. It is hereby found and determined that the terms of the Lease and the Escrow Agreement (collectively, the "Financing Documents") in substantially the forms presented to this meeting and incorporated in this resolution are in the best interests of Lessee for the acquisition of the Equipment.

Section 2. The Financing Documents and the acquisition and financing of the Equipment under the terms and conditions as described in the Financing Documents are hereby approved. The DIRECTOR, OFFICE OF BUDGET, FINANCE AND INFORMATION TECHNOLOGY of Lessee and any other officer of Lessee who shall have power to execute contracts on behalf of Lessee be, and each of them hereby is, authorized to execute, acknowledge and deliver the Financing Documents with any changes, insertions and omissions therein as may be approved by the officers who execute the Financing Documents, such approval to be conclusively evidenced by such execution and delivery of the Financing Documents. The Attestee of Lessee and any other officer of Lessee who shall have power to do so be, and each of them hereby is, authorized to affix the official seal of Lessee to the Financing Documents and attest the same.

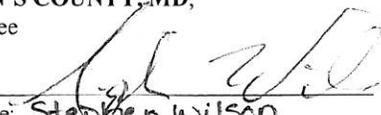
Section 3. The proper officers of Lessee be, and each of them hereby is, authorized and directed to execute and deliver any and all papers, instruments, opinions, certificates, affidavits and other documents and to do or cause to be done any and all other acts and things necessary or proper for carrying out this resolution and the Financing Documents.

Section 4. This resolution shall take effect immediately.

The undersigned further certifies as of the Lease Date specified in the Equipment Schedule that the above resolution has not been repealed or amended and remains in full force and effect and further certifies that the Lease and Escrow Agreement executed on behalf of Lessee are the same as presented at such meeting of the governing body of Lessee, excepting only such changes, insertions and omissions as shall have been approved by the officers who executed the same.

**THE COUNTY COMMISSIONERS OF QUEEN
ANN'S COUNTY, MD,**

Lessee

By: 
Name: Stephen Wilson
Title: President - Vice

Attested By: 
Name: Margie Houck
Title: Executive Assistant to the County Commissioners

EXHIBIT D

Lease No.: 09884
Equipment Schedule: 01

INCUMBENCY CERTIFICATE

I do hereby certify as of the Lease Date specified in the Equipment Schedule referenced above (the "Lease Date") that I am the duly elected or appointed and acting **Executive Assistant to the County Commissioners** of **THE COUNTY COMMISSIONERS OF QUEEN ANNE'S COUNTY, MD**, a political subdivision duly organized and existing under the laws of the State of **Maryland** ("Lessee"), that I have custody of the records of such entity, and that the individuals named below are the duly elected or appointed officers of such entity holding the offices set forth opposite their respective names.

I further certify as of the Lease Date that (i) the officers of Lessee listed below have the authority on behalf of Lessee to execute and deliver the Master Lease Agreement dated as of **February** ____, **2016** between SUNTRUST EQUIPMENT FINANCE & LEASING CORP. and Lessee, all Equipment Schedules thereunder and all other documents, agreements and certificates contemplated by the foregoing; and (ii) the signatures set opposite the respective names and titles of such officers are their true and authentic signature.

<u>NAME</u>	<u>TITLE</u>	<u>SIGNATURE</u>	<u>PHONE NUMBER</u>
Jonathan R. Seeman	Director, Office of Budget, Finance and Information Technology		410-758-4064
_____	_____	_____	_____
_____	_____	_____	_____
_____	_____	_____	_____

IN WITNESS WHEREOF, I have duly executed this certificate as of the Lease Date.

By: 
Name: Margie Houck
Title: Executive Assistant to the County Commissioners



SunTrust Equipment Finance & Leasing Corp.
3333 Peachtree Rd N.E., 4th Floor East Tower
Atlanta, GA 30326

Email

January 27, 2016

Jonathan R. Seeman
The County Commissioners of Queen Anne's County, MD
107 Liberty Street
Centreville, MD 21617

Re: Master Lease Agreement

Dear Mr. Seeman:

SunTrust Equipment Finance & Leasing Corp. is pleased to provide you with lease documentation for your review and execution. Detail instructions for completing and executing the documents are imbedded in the documents itself. Please review the documents carefully, sign and date where indicated. The following documents are enclosed with this letter for your execution:

- Master Lease Agreement:
- Exhibit A - Equipment Schedule No. 01
Acceptance Certificate
Payment Schedule
- Exhibit B - Tax Agreement and Arbitrage Certificate
- Exhibit C - Resolution of Governing Body
- Exhibit D - Incumbency Certificate
- Exhibit E - Opinion of Counsel
- Exhibit F - Escrow Agreement, with its Schedule I and Exhibit A
- Exhibit G-1 Confirmation of Outside Insurance
- Exhibit G-2 Questionnaire for Self-Insurance to Lease and Addendum
- Disbursement/Pay Proceeds Letter
- Invoice for Advance Rent- *Please return check with documents*
- UCC Financing Statements with attached Schedule A;
- 8038-G-return executed copy with documents. Proof of filing to be sent post closing.

Return the documents with "Original" Signature **VIA OVERNIGHT MAIL** to my attention on or before **February 11, 2016**:

Freda Akuffo
SunTrust Equipment Finance & Leasing Corp.
3333 Peachtree Rd. N.E., 4th Floor East Tower
Atlanta, GA 30326

Thank you in advance for your adherence to the aforementioned instructions and if additional information is required, please contact me at 404-439-9776.

Sincerely,
Freda Akuffo
AVP, Senior Closer

THE COUNTY COMMISSIONERS OF QUEEN ANNE'S COUNTY, MD

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NON-BANK-QUALIFIED ESCROW

Master Lease Agreement Number 09884, Dated as of February 9, 2016;

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Acceptance Certificate;

Payment Schedule;

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Exhibit C - Resolution of Governing Body;

Exhibit D - Incumbency Certificate;

Exhibit E - Opinion of Counsel;

Exhibit F - Escrow Agreement, with its Schedule I and Exhibit A;

Exhibit G-1 Confirmation of Outside Insurance;

Exhibit G-2 Questionnaire for Self-Insurance to Lease and Addendum;

Disbursement/Pay Proceeds Letter

Invoice for Advance Rent

UCC Financing Statements with attached Schedule A;

Form 8038-G. COPY AND PASTE THE LINK BELOW TO DOWNLOAD THE FORM, COMPLETE, EXECUTE AND RETURN A COPY WITH ALL DOCUMENTS

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SUNTRUST EQUIPMENT FINANCE & LEASING CORP.

MASTER LEASE AGREEMENT

LEASE NUMBER 09884

This **MASTER LEASE AGREEMENT** (the "Agreement"), dated as of February 9, 2016 is made and entered into by and between **SUNTRUST EQUIPMENT FINANCE & LEASING CORP.**, a Virginia corporation, as lessor ("Lessor"), and **THE COUNTY COMMISSIONERS OF QUEEN ANNE'S COUNTY, MD**, a political subdivision of the State of Maryland, as lessee ("Lessee").

In consideration of the mutual covenants herein contained, the parties hereto agree as follows:

ARTICLE I. DEFINITIONS AND EXHIBITS

Section 1.1. Definitions. The following terms have the meanings specified below.

"Acceptance Certificate" means each Acceptance Certificate delivered by Lessee as part of an Equipment Schedule certifying as to the delivery, installation and acceptance of Equipment.

"Agreement" means this Master Lease Agreement and all Equipment Schedules hereto.

"Agreement Date" means the date first written above.

"Code" means the Internal Revenue Code of 1986, as amended, together with Treasury Regulations promulgated from time to time thereunder.

"Equipment" means all items of property described in Equipment Schedules and subject to this Agreement.

"Equipment Group" means each group of Equipment listed in a single Equipment Schedule.

"Equipment Schedule" means each sequentially numbered schedule executed by Lessor and Lessee with respect to Equipment Group.

"Escrow Account" means the equipment acquisition account established by Lessor and Lessee with Escrow Agent pursuant to the Escrow Agreement.

"Escrow Agent" means **SUNTRUST BANK**, a Georgia banking corporation, and any successor escrow agent under the Escrow Agreement.

"Escrow Agreement" means the Escrow Agreement, substantially in the form of Exhibit F hereto, to be executed by Lessor, Lessee and Escrow Agent upon the first funding of an Equipment Schedule using the procedure described in Section 2.4.

"Events of Default" means those events described in Section 12.1.

"Fiscal Year" means each 12-month fiscal period of Lessee.

"Funding Date" means, with respect to each Lease, the date Lessor makes payment to the Vendor(s) named in the related Equipment Schedule or reimburses Lessee for the purchase price of the related Equipment Group or, if the procedure described in Section 2.4 is utilized, the date Lessor deposits funds equal to such purchase price into the Escrow Account.

"Interest" means the portion of a Rental Payment designated as and comprising interest as provided in a Payment Schedule.

"Lease" means, with respect to each Equipment Group, this Agreement and the Equipment Schedule relating thereto, which together shall constitute a separate contract between Lessor and Lessee relating to such Equipment Group.

"Lease Date" means, with respect to each Lease, the date so designated in the related Equipment Schedule.

"Lease Term" means, with respect to each Equipment Group, the period during which the related Lease is in effect as specified in Section 3.1.

"Net Proceeds" means any insurance proceeds or condemnation awards paid with respect to any Equipment remaining after payment therefrom of all expenses incurred in the collection thereof.

"Non-Appropriation" means the failure of Lessee, Lessee's governing body, or, if applicable, the governmental entity from which Lessee obtains its operating and/or capital funds to appropriate money for any Fiscal Year sufficient for the continued performance by Lessee of all

of Lessee's obligations under this Agreement, as evidenced by the passage of an ordinance or resolution specifically prohibiting Lessee from performing its obligations under this Agreement with respect to any Equipment, and from using any moneys to pay any Rental Payments due under this Agreement for a designated Fiscal Year and all subsequent Fiscal Years.

"Payment Date" means each date upon which a Rental Payment is due and payable as provided in a Payment Schedule.

"Payment Schedule" means the schedule of Rental Payments attached to an Equipment Schedule.

"Principal" means the portion of any Rental Payment designated as and comprising principal as provided in a Payment Schedule.

"Prepayment Price" means the amount so designated and set forth opposite a Payment Date in a Payment Schedule indicating the amount for which Lessee may purchase the related Equipment Group as of such Payment Date after making the Rental Payment due on such Payment Date.

"Rental Payment" means each payment due from Lessee to Lessor on a Payment Date.

"Specifications" means the bid specifications and/or purchase order pursuant to which Lessee has ordered any Equipment from a Vendor.

"State" means the state or commonwealth in which Lessee is situated.

"Vendor" means each of the manufacturers or vendors from which Lessee has ordered or with which Lessee has contracted for the manufacture, delivery and/or installation of the Equipment.

Section 1.2. Exhibits.

Exhibit A: Equipment Schedule including form of Acceptance Certificate and form of Payment Schedule.

Exhibit B: Form of Tax Agreement and Arbitrage Certificate (Escrow).

Exhibit C: Form of Resolution of the Governing Body of Lessee relating to each Lease (Escrow).

Exhibit D: Form of Incumbency Certificate as to each officer or representative of Lessee executing this Agreement or any Lease.

Exhibit E: Form of Opinion of Counsel to Lessee.

Exhibit F: Form of Escrow Agreement.

Exhibit G-1: Form of Confirmation of Outside Insurance.

Exhibit G-2: Form of Questionnaire for Self-Insurance and Addendum to Equipment Schedule Relating to Self-Insurance.

ARTICLE II. LEASE OF EQUIPMENT

Section 2.1. Acquisition of Equipment. Prior to the addition of any Equipment Group, Lessee shall provide Lessor with a description of the equipment proposed to be subject to a Lease hereunder, including the cost and vendor of such equipment, the expected delivery date and the desired lease terms for such equipment, and such other information as Lessor may require. If Lessor, in its sole discretion, determines the proposed equipment may be subject to a Lease hereunder, Lessor shall furnish to Lessee a proposed Equipment Schedule relating to the Equipment Group for execution by Lessee and then Lessor. By execution hereof, Lessor has made no commitment to lease any equipment to Lessee. The decision whether Lessor enters into any Lease shall be solely within Lessor's discretion.

Section 2.2. Disbursement. Lessor shall have no obligation to make any disbursement to a Vendor or reimburse Lessee for any payment made to a Vendor for an Equipment Group (or, if the escrow procedure described in Section 2.4 hereof is utilized, consent to a disbursement by Escrow Agent) until five (5) business days after Lessor has received all of the following in form and substance satisfactory to Lessor: (a) a completed Equipment Schedule executed by Lessee; (b) a completed Acceptance Certificate in the form included with Exhibit A hereto executed by Lessee; (c) a certified copy of a resolution or evidence of other official action taken by or on behalf of Lessee to authorize the acquisition of the Equipment Group on the terms provided in such Equipment Schedule; (d) a Tax Agreement and Arbitrage Certificate in the form of Exhibit B attached hereto executed by an authorized official of Lessee; (e) evidence of insurance with respect to the Equipment Group in compliance with Article VII of this Agreement; (f) Vendor invoice(s) and/or bill(s) of sale relating to the Equipment Group in form and substance satisfactory to Lessor, and/or if such invoices have been paid by Lessee, evidence of payment thereof and evidence of official intent to reimburse such payment as required by the Code; (g) financing statements naming Lessee as debtor and/or the original certificate of title or manufacturer's certificate of origin and title application, if any, for any Equipment which is part of such Equipment Group and is subject to certificate of title laws; (h) a fully completed and executed Form 8038-G or 8038-GC, as applicable; (i) an opinion of counsel to Lessee substantially in the form of Exhibit E hereto, (j) evidence of payment and performance bonds required by the Equipment Schedule, if applicable, and (k) any other documents or items reasonably required by Lessor. In addition, any such disbursement by Lessor shall be subject to (a) no Event of Default having occurred and (b) no material adverse change in Lessee's business, assets, operations, financial condition or results of operations.

Section 2.3. Lease; Possession and Use. Lessor hereby leases the Equipment to Lessee, and Lessee hereby leases the Equipment from Lessor, upon the terms and conditions set forth herein. Lessee shall have quiet use and enjoyment of and peaceably have and hold each

Equipment Group during the related Lease Term, except as expressly set forth in this Agreement.

Section 2.4. Escrow Procedure. If Lessor and Lessee agree that the cost of an Equipment Group is to be paid from an Escrow Account: (a) Lessor and Lessee shall execute an Escrow Agreement substantially in the form of Exhibit F; (b) Lessor and Lessee shall execute an Equipment Schedule relating to such Equipment Group; and (c) Lessor shall deposit an amount equal to the cost of the Equipment Group into the Escrow Account. All amounts deposited by Lessor into the Escrow Account shall constitute a loan from Lessor to Lessee which shall be repaid by the Rental Payments due under the related Lease.

ARTICLE III. TERM

Section 3.1. Term. This Agreement shall be in effect from the Agreement Date until the earliest of (a) termination under Section 3.2 or (b) termination under Section 12.2. Each Lease with respect to an Equipment Group shall be in effect for a Lease Term commencing upon the Lease Date and ending as provided in Section 3.5.

Section 3.2. Termination by Lessee. In the sole event of Non-Appropriation with respect to a Lease, the Lease shall terminate, in whole, but not in part, as to all Equipment subject to the Lease, effective upon the last day of the Fiscal Year for which funds were appropriated, in the manner and subject to the terms specified in this Article. Lessee may effect such termination by giving Lessor a written notice of termination and by paying to Lessor any unpaid Rental Payments and other amounts which are due under the Lease at or before the end of its then current Fiscal Year. Lessee shall endeavor to give notice of such termination not less than ninety (90) days prior to the end of the Fiscal Year for which appropriations were made, and shall notify Lessor of any anticipated termination. In the event of termination of any Lease as provided in this Section, Lessee shall comply with the instructions received from Lessor in accordance with Section 12.3.

Section 3.3. Effect of Termination. Upon termination of any Lease as provided in Section 3.2, Lessee shall not be responsible for the payment of any additional Rental Payments coming due under such Lease in succeeding Fiscal Years, but if Lessee has not complied with the instructions received from Lessor in accordance with Section 12.3 with respect to the Equipment subject to the Lease, the termination shall nevertheless be effective, but Lessee shall be responsible for the payment of damages in an amount equal to the amount of the Rental Payments that would thereafter have come due if the Lease had not been terminated and which are attributable to the number of days after which Lessee fails to comply with Lessor's instructions and for any other loss suffered by Lessor as a result of Lessee's failure to take such actions as required under Section 12.3.

Section 3.4. Non-substitution. Intentionally Omitted.

Section 3.5. Termination of Lease Term. The Lease Term with respect to any Lease will terminate upon the occurrence of the first of the following events: (a) the termination of this Agreement by Lessee in accordance with Section 3.2; (b) the payment of the Prepayment Price by Lessee pursuant to Article V; (c) an Event of Default by Lessee and Lessor's election to terminate such Lease pursuant to Article XII; or (d) the payment by Lessee of all Rental Payments and all other amounts authorized or required to be paid by Lessee pursuant to such Lease.

ARTICLE IV. RENTAL PAYMENTS

Section 4.1. Rental Payments. Lessee agrees to pay the Rental Payments due as specified in the Payment Schedule in Exhibit A. A portion of each Rental Payment is paid as Interest as specified in the Payment Schedule of each Lease, and the first Rental Payment will include Interest accruing from the Funding Date. Lessor is authorized to insert the due date of the first Rental Payment in the Payment Schedule in Exhibit A. All Rental Payments shall be paid to Lessor, or to such assignee(s) Lessor has assigned as stipulated in Article XI, at such places as Lessor or such assignee(s) may from time to time designate by written notice to Lessee. Lessee shall pay the Rental Payments with lawful money of the United States of America from moneys legally available therefor.

Section 4.2. Current Expense. The obligations of Lessee, including its obligation to pay the Rental Payments due in any Fiscal Year of a Lease Term, shall constitute a current expense of Lessee for such Fiscal Year and shall not constitute an indebtedness of Lessee within the meaning of the Constitution and laws of the State. Nothing herein shall constitute a pledge by Lessee of any taxes or other moneys (other than moneys lawfully appropriated from time to time by or for the benefit of Lessee for this Agreement and the Net Proceeds of the Equipment) to the payment of any Rental Payment or other amount coming due hereunder.

Section 4.3. Unconditional Rental Payments. Lessee's obligation to make Rental Payments and any other payments hereunder shall be absolute and unconditional. Lessee shall make these payments when due and shall not withhold any of these payments pending final resolution of any disputes. Lessee shall not assert any right of set-off or counterclaim against its obligation to make these payments. Lessee's obligation to make Rental Payments or other payments shall not be abated through accident, unforeseen circumstances, failure of the Equipment to perform as desired, damage or destruction to the Equipment, loss of possession of the Equipment or obsolescence of the Equipment. Lessee shall be obligated to continue to make payments required of it by this Agreement if title to, or temporary use of, the Equipment or any part thereof shall be taken under exercise of the power of eminent domain.

Section 4.4. Rental Payment Adjustment. If, during the Lease Term for any Lease, the federal corporate income tax rate decreases (whether or not Lessor is actually taxed at the maximum marginal statutory rate) or the federal tax laws are changed to reduce or cap the benefit of the tax exemption for Interest on the Lease (whether or not Lessor is actually subject to such reduction or cap), the annual Interest rate on each Lease shall be adjusted as follows: (a) the Interest rate shall be divided by 0.65, (b) the resulting quotient shall be multiplied by the difference between 1.0 and the actual new maximum federal corporate income tax rate or the effective

maximum federal corporate income tax rate after giving effect to any reduction or cap on the benefit of the tax exemption, as applicable, and (c) the resulting amount shall be the new Interest rate for such Lease. Such increase in the Interest rate shall take effect on the effective date of the change in federal tax laws, and shall be applicable to all Leases then in effect. For the fiscal year of Lessee in which the effective date of the change in federal tax law falls, the increased Interest accruing shall be due and payable on the first Rental Payment date in the fiscal year of Lessee following the fiscal year in which the effective date of the change in federal tax law falls. Appropriation of said increased Interest shall be subject to Section 3.2 and failure to appropriate such increased Interest shall result in a termination of the Lease under Section 3.3. Upon an increase in the Interest rate under this Section, Lessor shall provide to Lessee a revised Payment Schedule for each Lease reflecting the increased Interest rate.

ARTICLE V. OPTION TO PREPAY

Section 5.1. Option to Prepay. Lessee shall have the option to prepay its obligations under any Lease in whole but not in part on any Payment Date for the then applicable Prepayment Price (which shall include a prepayment fee) as set forth in the related Payment Schedule, provided there has been no Non-Appropriation or Event of Default.

Section 5.2. Exercise of Option. Lessee shall give notice to Lessor of its intention to exercise its option not less than thirty (30) days prior to the Payment Date on which the option will be exercised and shall pay to Lessor not later than such Payment Date an amount equal to all Rental Payments and any other amounts then due or past due under the related Lease (including the Rental Payment due on the Payment Date on which the option shall be effective and the applicable Prepayment Price set forth in the related Payment Schedule. In the event that all such amounts are not received by Lessor on such Payment Date, such notice by Lessee of exercise of its option to prepay shall be void and the related Lease shall continue in full force and effect.

Section 5.3. Release of Lessor's Interest. Upon receipt of the Prepayment Price in good funds with respect to any Equipment Group, the Lease with respect to such Equipment Group shall terminate and Lessee shall become entitled to such Equipment Group AS IS, WHERE IS, WITHOUT WARRANTIES, EXPRESS OR IMPLIED, INCLUDING WARRANTIES OF MERCHANTABILITY OR FITNESS FOR ANY PARTICULAR PURPOSE OR FITNESS FOR THE USE CONTEMPLATED BY LESSEE, except that such Equipment Group shall not be subject to any lien or encumbrance created by or arising through Lessor.

ARTICLE VI. REPRESENTATIONS, WARRANTIES AND COVENANTS

Section 6.1. Representations and Warranties of Lessee. Lessee represents and warrants as of the Agreement Date and as of each Lease Date as follows:

- (a) Lessee is a state or political subdivision of the State within the meaning of Section 103(c) of the Code, duly organized and existing under the Constitution and laws of the State, and is authorized under the Constitution and laws of the State to enter into this Agreement, each Lease and the transactions contemplated hereby and thereby, and to perform all of its obligations under this Agreement and each Lease.
- (b) The execution and delivery of this Agreement and each Lease have been duly authorized by all necessary action of Lessee's governing body and such action is in compliance with all public bidding and other State and federal laws applicable to this Agreement, each Lease and the acquisition and financing of the Equipment by Lessee.
- (c) This Agreement and each Lease have been duly executed and delivered by and constitutes the valid and binding obligation of Lessee, enforceable against Lessee in accordance with their respective terms.
- (d) The execution, delivery and performance of this Agreement and each Lease by Lessee shall not (i) violate any State or federal law or local law or ordinance, or any order, writ, injunction, decree, or regulation of any court or other governmental agency or body applicable to Lessee, or (ii) conflict with or result in the breach or violation of any term or provision of, or constitute a default under, any note, bond, mortgage, indenture, agreement, deed of trust, lease or other obligation to which Lessee is bound.
- (e) There is no action, suit, proceeding, claim, inquiry or investigation, at law or in equity, before or by any court, regulatory agency, public board or body pending or, to the best of Lessee's knowledge, threatened against or affecting Lessee, challenging Lessee's authority to enter into this Agreement or any Lease or any other action wherein an unfavorable ruling or finding would adversely affect the enforceability of this Agreement or any Lease.
- (f) No lease, rental agreement, lease-purchase agreement, payment agreement or contract for purchase to which Lessee has been a party at any time during the past ten (10) years has been terminated by Lessee as a result of insufficient funds being appropriated in any Fiscal Year. No event has occurred which would constitute an event of default under any debt, revenue bond or obligation which Lessee has issued during the past ten (10) years.
- (g) Lessee or Lessee's governing body has appropriated and/or taken other lawful actions necessary to provide moneys sufficient to pay all Rental Payments during the current Fiscal Year, and such moneys will be applied in payment of all Rental Payments due and payable during such current Fiscal Year.
- (h) Lessee has an immediate need for, and expects to make immediate use of, the Equipment, which need is not temporary or expected to diminish during the applicable Lease Term. Lessee presently intends to continue each Lease hereunder for its entire Lease Term and to pay all Rental Payments relating thereto.

Section 6.2. Covenants of Lessee. Lessee agrees that so long as any Rental Payments or other amounts due under this Agreement remain unpaid:

(a) Lessee shall not install, use, operate or maintain the Equipment improperly, carelessly, in violation of any applicable law or regulation or in a manner contrary to that contemplated by this Agreement. Lessee shall obtain and maintain all permits and licenses necessary for the installation and operation of the Equipment. Lessee shall not, without the prior written consent of Lessor, affix or install any accessory equipment or device on any of the Equipment if such addition would change or impair the originally intended functions, value or use of such Equipment.

(b) Lessee shall provide Lessor access at all reasonable times to examine and inspect the Equipment and provide Lessor with such access to the Equipment as may be reasonably necessary to perform maintenance on the Equipment in the event of failure by Lessee to perform its obligations hereunder.

(c) Lessee shall not, directly or indirectly, create, incur, assume or suffer to exist any mortgage, pledge, lien, charge, encumbrance or other claim with respect to the Equipment, other than the respective rights of Lessor and Lessee as herein provided. Lessee shall promptly, at its own expense, take such actions as may be necessary duly to discharge or remove any such claim if the same shall arise at any time. Lessee shall reimburse Lessor for any expense incurred by Lessor in order to discharge or remove any such claim.

(d) The person or entity in charge of preparing Lessee's budget will include in the budget request for each Fiscal Year the Rental Payments to become due during such Fiscal Year, and will use all reasonable and lawful means available to secure the appropriation of money for such Fiscal Year sufficient to pay all Rental Payments coming due therein. Lessor acknowledges that appropriation for Rental Payments is a governmental function which Lessee cannot contractually commit itself in advance to perform. Lessee acknowledges that this Agreement does not constitute such a commitment. However, Lessee reasonably believes that moneys in an amount sufficient to make all Rental Payments can and will lawfully be appropriated and made available to permit Lessee's continued utilization of the Equipment in the performance of its essential functions during the applicable Lease Terms.

(e) Lessee will only use the Equipment for the purpose of performing Lessee's essential governmental functions.

(f) Lessee shall assure that its obligation to pay Rental Payments is not directly or indirectly secured by any interest in property, other than the Equipment, and that the Rental Payments will not be directly or indirectly secured by or derived from any payments of any type or any fund other than Lessee's general purpose fund.

(g) Lessee shall deliver to Lessor (i) annual audited financial statements within 180 days each Fiscal Year end; (ii) its annual budget for the succeeding Fiscal Year when approved but not later than 45 days prior to its current Fiscal Year end; and (iii) such other financial statements and information relating to the ability of Lessee to satisfy its obligations under this Agreement and each Lease as may be reasonably requested by Lessor from time to time.

(h) Lessee shall promptly and duly execute and deliver to Lessor such further documents, instruments and assurances and take such further action as Lessor may from time to time reasonably request in order to carry out the intent and purpose of this Agreement and to establish and protect the rights and remedies created or intended to be created in favor of Lessor hereunder.

Section 6.3. Tax Related Representations, Warranties and Covenants.

(a) *General.* Lessee agrees that it will not take or fail to take any action that would cause the Interest portion of Rental Payments under any Lease to be or to become ineligible for the exclusion from gross income of the owner or owners thereof for federal income tax purposes.

(b) *Incorporation of Tax Agreement and Arbitrage Certificate.* As of each Lease Date and with respect to each Lease, Lessee makes each of the representations, warranties and covenants contained in the Tax Agreement and Arbitrage Certificate delivered with respect to such Lease. Each such Tax Agreement and Arbitrage Certificate is incorporated herein and made a part of this Agreement.

(c) *Event of Taxability.* If Lessor either (i) receives notice, in any form, from the Internal Revenue Service or (ii) reasonably determines, based on an opinion of independent tax counsel selected by Lessor, that Lessor may not exclude any Interest paid under any Lease from its Federal gross income (each an "Event of Taxability"), Lessee shall pay to Lessor upon demand (x) an amount which, with respect to Rental Payments previously paid and taking into account all penalties, fines, interest and additions to tax (including all federal, state and local taxes imposed on the Interest due through the date of such event), will restore to Lessor its after-tax yield (assuming tax at the highest marginal tax rate and taking into account the time of receipt of Rental Payments and reinvestment at the after-tax yield rate) on the transaction evidenced by such Lease through the date of such event and (y) as additional Rental Payments to Lessor on each succeeding Payment Date such amount as will maintain such after-tax yield to Lessor.

ARTICLE VII. INSURANCE AND RISK OF LOSS

Section 7.1. Liability and Property Insurance. Lessee shall, at its own expense, procure and maintain continuously in effect during each Lease Term: (a) public liability insurance for death or injuries to persons, or damage to property arising out of or in any way connected to the Equipment sufficient to protect Lessor and its assigns from liability in all events, with a coverage of not less than \$1,000,000 per occurrence unless specified differently in the related Equipment Schedule, and (b) insurance against such hazards as Lessor may require, including, but not limited to, all-risk casualty and property insurance, in an amount equal to the greater of the full replacement cost of the Equipment or the applicable Prepayment Price.

Section 7.2. Workers' Compensation Insurance. If required by State law, Lessee shall carry workers' compensation insurance covering all employees on, in, near or about the Equipment, and upon request, shall furnish to Lessor certificates evidencing such coverage throughout the Lease Term.

Section 7.3. Insurance Requirements.

(a) *Insurance Policies.* All insurance policies required by this Article shall be taken out and maintained with insurance companies acceptable to Lessor and shall contain a provision that thirty (30) days prior to any change in the coverage the insurer must provide written notice to the insured parties. No insurance shall be subject to any co-insurance clause. Each insurance policy shall name Lessor and its assigns as an additional insured party and loss payee regardless of any breach of warranty or other act or omission of Lessee and shall include a lender's loss payable endorsement for the benefit of Lessor and its assigns. Prior to the delivery of Equipment, Lessee shall deposit with Lessor evidence satisfactory to Lessor of such insurance and, prior to the expiration thereof, shall provide Lessor evidence of all renewals or replacements thereof.

(b) *Self Insurance.* With Lessor's prior consent, Lessee may self-insure the Equipment by means of an adequate insurance fund set aside and maintained for that purpose which must be fully described in a letter delivered to Lessor in form acceptable to Lessor.

(c) *Evidence of Insurance.* Lessee shall deliver to Lessor upon acceptance of any Equipment evidence of insurance which complies with this Article VII with respect to such Equipment to the satisfaction of Lessor, including, without limitation, the confirmation of insurance in the form of Exhibit G-1 attached hereto together with Certificates of Insurance, when available, or the Questionnaire for Self-Insurance and Addendum to Equipment Schedule Relating to Self-Insurance in the form of Exhibit G-2 attached hereto, as applicable.

Section 7.4. Risk of Loss. To the extent permitted by applicable laws of the State, as between Lessor and Lessee, Lessee assumes all risks and liabilities from any cause whatsoever, whether or not covered by insurance, for loss or damage to any Equipment and for injury to or death of any person or damage to any property. Whether or not covered by insurance, Lessee hereby assumes responsibility for and agrees to indemnify Lessor from all liabilities, obligations, losses, damages, penalties, claims, actions, costs and expenses, including reasonable attorneys' fees, imposed on, incurred by or asserted against Lessor that relate to or arise out of this Agreement, including but not limited to, (a) the selection, manufacture, purchase, acceptance or rejection of Equipment or the ownership of the Equipment, (b) the delivery, lease, possession, maintenance, use, condition, return or operation of the Equipment, (c) the condition of the Equipment sold or otherwise disposed of after possession by Lessee, (d) the conduct of Lessee, its officers, employees and agents, (e) a breach of Lessee of any of its covenants or obligations hereunder, (f) any claim, loss, cost or expense involving alleged damage to the environment relating to the Equipment, including, but not limited to investigation, removal, cleanup and remedial costs, and (g) any strict liability under the laws or judicial decisions of any state or the United States. This provision shall survive the termination of this Agreement.

Section 7.5. Destruction of Equipment. Lessee shall provide a complete written report to Lessor immediately upon any loss, theft, damage or destruction of any Equipment and of any accident involving any Equipment. Lessor may inspect the Equipment at any time and from time to time during regular business hours. If all or any part of the Equipment is stolen, lost, destroyed or damaged beyond repair ("Damaged Equipment"), Lessee shall within thirty (30) days after such event either: (a) replace the same at Lessee's sole expense with equipment having substantially similar Specifications and of equal or greater value to the Damaged Equipment immediately prior to the time of the loss occurrence, and otherwise satisfactory to Lessor, whereupon such replacement equipment shall be substituted in the applicable Lease and the other related documents by appropriate endorsement or amendment; or (b) pay the applicable Prepayment Price of the Damaged Equipment determined as set forth in the related Equipment Schedule. Lessee shall notify Lessor of which course of action it will take within fifteen (15) days after the loss occurrence. If, within forty-five (45) days of the loss occurrence, (a) Lessee fails to notify Lessor; (b) Lessee and Lessor fail to execute an amendment to the applicable Equipment Schedule to delete the Damaged Equipment and add the replacement equipment or (c) Lessee has failed to pay the applicable Prepayment Price, then Lessor may, at its sole discretion, declare the applicable Prepayment Price of the Damaged Equipment, to be immediately due and payable. The Net Proceeds of insurance with respect to the Damaged Equipment shall be made available by Lessor to be applied to discharge Lessee's obligation under this Section.

ARTICLE VIII. OTHER OBLIGATIONS OF LESSEE

Section 8.1. Maintenance of Equipment. Lessee shall notify Lessor in writing prior to moving the Equipment to another address and shall otherwise keep the Equipment at the address specified in the related Equipment Schedule. Lessee shall, at its own expense, maintain the Equipment in proper working order and shall make all necessary repairs and replacements to keep the Equipment in such condition including compliance with State and federal laws. Any and all replacement parts must be free of encumbrances and liens. All such replacement parts and accessories shall be deemed to be incorporated immediately into and to constitute an integral portion of the Equipment and as such, shall be subject to the terms of this Agreement.

Section 8.2. Taxes. Lessee shall pay all taxes and other charges which are assessed or levied against the Equipment, the Rental Payments or any part thereof, or which become due during the Lease Term, whether assessed against Lessee or Lessor, except as expressly limited by this Section. Lessee shall pay all utilities and other charges incurred in the operation, maintenance, use, occupancy and upkeep of the Equipment, and all special assessments and charges lawfully made by any governmental body that may be secured by a lien on the Equipment. Lessee shall not be required to pay any federal, state or local income, succession, transfer, franchise, profit, excess profit, capital stock, gross receipts, corporate, or other similar tax payable by Lessor, its successors or assigns, unless such tax is made as a substitute for any tax, assessment or charge which is the obligation of Lessee under this Section.

Section 8.3. Advances. If Lessee shall fail to perform any of its obligations under this Article, Lessor may take such action to cure such failure, including the advancement of money, and Lessee shall be obligated to repay all such advances on demand, with interest at the rate of 18% per annum or the maximum rate permitted by law, whichever is less, from the date of the advance to the date of repayment.

ARTICLE IX. TITLE

Section 9.1. Title. During the Lease Term, ownership and legal title of all Equipment and all replacements, substitutions, repairs and modification shall be in Lessee and Lessee shall take all action necessary to vest such ownership and title in Lessee. Lessor does not own the Equipment and by this Agreement and each Lease is merely financing the acquisition of such equipment for Lessee. Lessor has not been in the chain of title of the Equipment, does not operate, control or have possession of the Equipment and has no control over Lessee or Lessee's operation, use, storage or maintenance of the Equipment.

Section 9.2. Security Interest. In order to secure Lessee's payment of all Rental Payments and the performance of all other obligations hereunder, Lessee hereby grants to Lessor a continuing, first priority security interest in and to (a) the Equipment, all repairs, replacements, substitutions and modifications thereto; (b) in all moneys and investments in the Escrow Account (if any); and (c) all proceeds of the foregoing. Lessee hereby authorizes Lessor to prepare and file such financing statements and other such documents to establish and maintain Lessor's valid first lien and perfected security interest. Lessee will join with Lessor in executing such documents and will perform such acts as Lessor may request to establish and maintain Lessor's valid first lien and perfected security interest. Upon Lessor's request, Lessee shall obtain, at Lessee's expense, a waiver of any interest in the Equipment from any landlord, mortgagee or any other party holding an interest in the real property on which the Equipment is or will be located. Upon Lessor's request, Lessee shall conspicuously mark the Equipment, and maintain such markings during the Lease Term, to clearly disclose Lessor's security interest in the Equipment. Upon termination of a Lease through exercise of Lessee's option to prepay pursuant to Article V or through payment by Lessee of all Rental Payments and other amounts due with respect to an Equipment Group, Lessor's security interest in such Equipment Group shall terminate, and Lessor shall execute and deliver to Lessee such documents as Lessee may reasonably request to evidence the termination of Lessor's security interest in such Equipment Group.

Section 9.3. Modification of Equipment. Lessee will not, without the prior written consent of Lessor, affix or install any accessory equipment or device on any of the Equipment if such addition will change or impair the originally intended value, function or use of the Equipment.

Section 9.4. Personal Property. The Equipment is and shall at all times be and remain personal property and not fixtures.

ARTICLE X. WARRANTIES

Section 10.1. Selection of Equipment. Each Vendor and all of the Equipment have been selected by Lessee. Lessor shall have no responsibility in connection with the selection of the Equipment, the ordering of the Equipment, its suitability for the use intended by Lessee, the acceptance by any Vendor or its sales representative of any order submitted, or any delay or failure by such Vendor or its sales representative to manufacture, deliver or install any Equipment for use by Lessee.

Section 10.2. Vendor's Warranties. Lessor hereby assigns to Lessee for and during the related Lease Term, all of its interest, if any, in all Vendor's warranties, guarantees and patent indemnity protection, express or implied issued on or applicable to an Equipment Group, and Lessee may obtain the customary services furnished in connection with such warranties and guarantees at Lessee's expense. Lessor has no obligation to enforce any Vendor's warranties or obligations on behalf of itself or Lessee.

Section 10.3. Disclaimer of Warranties. LESSEE ACKNOWLEDGES THAT THE EQUIPMENT IS OF A SIZE, DESIGN, CAPACITY, AND MANUFACTURE SELECTED BY LESSEE. LESSEE ACKNOWLEDGES THAT IT SELECTED THE EQUIPMENT WITHOUT ASSISTANCE OF LESSOR, ITS AGENTS OR EMPLOYEES. LESSOR IS NOT A MANUFACTURER OF THE EQUIPMENT OR A DEALER IN SIMILAR EQUIPMENT, AND DOES NOT INSPECT THE EQUIPMENT BEFORE DELIVERY TO LESSEE. LESSOR MAKES NO WARRANTY OR REPRESENTATION, EITHER EXPRESS OR IMPLIED, AS TO THE VALUE, DESIGN, CONDITION, QUALITY, DURABILITY, SUITABILITY, MERCHANTABILITY OR FITNESS FOR ANY PARTICULAR PURPOSE OR FITNESS FOR THE USE CONTEMPLATED BY LESSEE OF THE EQUIPMENT, OR ANY OTHER REPRESENTATION OR WARRANTY WITH RESPECT TO THE EQUIPMENT. IN NO EVENT SHALL LESSOR BE LIABLE FOR ANY INCIDENTAL OR CONSEQUENTIAL DAMAGES IN CONNECTION WITH OR ARISING OUT OF THIS AGREEMENT OR THE EQUIPMENT OR LESSEE'S USE OF THE EQUIPMENT.

ARTICLE XI. ASSIGNMENT AND SUBLEASING

Section 11.1. Assignment by Lessor. Lessor, without Lessee's consent, may assign and reassign all of Lessor's right, title and/or interest in and to this Agreement or any Lease, including, but not limited to, the Rental Payments and other amounts payable by Lessee and Lessor's interest in the Equipment, in whole or in part to one or more assignees or subassignee(s) by Lessor at any time. No such assignment shall be effective as against Lessee unless and until written notice of the assignment is provided to Lessee. When presented with a notice of assignment, Lessee will acknowledge in writing receipt of such notice for the benefit of Lessor and any assignee. Lessee shall keep a complete and accurate record of all such assignments.

Section 11.2. Assignment and Subleasing by Lessee. Neither this Agreement nor any Lease or any Equipment may be assigned, subleased, sold, transferred, pledged or mortgaged by Lessee.

ARTICLE XII. EVENTS OF DEFAULT AND REMEDIES

Section 12.1. Events of Default Defined. The occurrence of any of the following events shall constitute an Event of Default under a Lease:

(a) Lessee's failure to pay any Rental Payment or other amount required to be paid to Lessor under the Lease within ten (10) days following the due date thereof (other than by reason of Non-Appropriation).

(b) Lessee's failure to maintain insurance as required by Article VII.

(c) With the exception of the above clauses (a) & (b), Lessee's failure to perform or abide by any condition, agreement or covenant with respect to the Lease for a period of thirty (30) days after written notice by Lessor to Lessee specifying such failure and requesting that it be remedied, unless Lessor shall agree in writing to an extension of time prior to its expiration.

(d) Lessor's determination that any representation, warranty or statement made by Lessee in or pursuant to the Lease was untrue in any material respect as the Lease Date of the applicable Equipment Schedule.

(e) The occurrence of an Event of Taxability with respect to the Lease.

(f) The filing of a petition in bankruptcy or receivership or similar proceeding by or against Lessee, or failure by Lessee promptly to lift any execution, garnishment or attachment of such consequence as would impair the ability of Lessee to carry on its governmental functions or assignment by Lessee for the benefit of creditors, or the entry by Lessee into an agreement of composition with creditors, or the approval by a court of competent jurisdiction of any adjustment of indebtedness of Lessee, or the dissolution or liquidation of Lessee.

Section 12.2. Remedies on Default. Upon the occurrence of any Event of Default with respect to a Lease, Lessor shall have the right, at its option and without any further demand or notice to one or more or all of the following remedies:

(a) Lessor, with or without terminating the Lease, may declare all Rental Payments under the Lease to the end of the then-current Fiscal Year to be immediately due and payable by Lessee, whereupon such Rental Payments shall be immediately due and payable.

(b) Lessor may terminate the Lease, and may repossess any or all of the Equipment subject to the Lease by giving Lessee written notice to deliver such Equipment in the manner provided in Section 12.3; or in the event Lessee fails to do so within ten (10) days after receipt of such notice, Lessor may enter upon Lessee's premises where such Equipment is kept and take possession of such Equipment and charge Lessee for costs incurred, including reasonable attorneys' fees. Lessee hereby expressly waives any damages resulting from such repossession. Notwithstanding Lessor's repossession of the Equipment, Lessee shall continue to be responsible for the payment of Rental Payments and all other amounts payable hereunder during the then-current Fiscal Year.

(c) If Lessor terminates the Lease and, in its discretion, takes possession and disposes of any or all of the Equipment subject to the Lease, Lessor shall apply the proceeds of any such disposition to pay the following items in the following order: (i) all costs (including, but not limited to, attorneys' fees) incurred in securing possession of the Equipment; (ii) all expenses incurred in completing the disposition; (iii) any sales or transfer taxes; (iv) the applicable Prepayment Price of the Equipment Group; and (v) the balance of any Rental Payments owed by Lessee under the Lease during the Fiscal Year then in effect. Any disposition proceeds remaining after the requirements of Clauses (i), (ii), (iii), (iv) and (v) have been met shall be paid to Lessee.

(d) Lessor may take any other remedy available, at law or in equity, with respect to such Event of Default, and Lessee shall pay the reasonable attorneys' fees and expenses incurred by Lessor in enforcing any remedy hereunder.

Section 12.3. Return of Equipment: Release of Lessee's Interest. Upon termination of any Lease prior to the payment of all related Rental Payments or the applicable Prepayment Price (whether as result of Non-Appropriation or Event of Default), Lessee shall, within ten (10) days after such termination, at its own expense: (a) perform any testing and repairs required to place the related Equipment in the condition required by Article VIII; (b) if deinstallation, disassembly or crating is required, cause such Equipment to be deinstalled, disassembled and crated by an authorized manufacturer's representative or such other service person as is satisfactory to Lessor; and (c) return such Equipment to a location specified by Lessor, freight and insurance prepaid by Lessee. If Lessee refuses to return such Equipment in the manner designated, Lessor may repossess the Equipment without demand or notice and without court order or legal process and charge Lessee the costs of such repossession. Upon termination of this Agreement in accordance with Article III or Article XII hereof, at the election of Lessor and upon Lessor's written notice to Lessee, full and unencumbered legal title and ownership of the Equipment shall pass to Lessor. Lessee shall have no further interest therein. Lessee shall execute and deliver to Lessor such documents as Lessor may request to evidence the passage of legal title and ownership to Lessor and termination of Lessee's interest in the Equipment.

Section 12.4 Late Charge. Lessor shall have the right to require late payment charge for each Rental or any other amount due hereunder which is not paid within 10 days of the date when due equal to the lesser of 5% of each late payment or the legal maximum. This Section is only applicable to the extent it does not affect the validity of this Agreement.

Section 12.5 No Remedy Exclusive. Each of the rights and remedies under this Agreement and each Lease is cumulative and may be enforced separately or concurrently. No course of dealing or conduct between Lessor and Lessee shall be effective to amend, modify or change any provisions of this Agreement or any Lease. No failure or delay by Lessor to insist upon the strict performance of any term, covenant or agreement of the Agreement or any Lease, or to exercise any right, power or remedy consequent upon a breach thereof, shall constitute a waiver of any such term, covenant or agreement or of any such breach, or preclude Lessor from exercising any such right, power or remedy at any later time or times.

ARTICLE XIII. MISCELLANEOUS PROVISIONS

Section 13.1. Notices. All written notices to be given under this Agreement shall be given by mail to the party entitled thereto at its address specified beneath each party's signature, or at such address as the party may provide to the other parties hereto in writing from time to time. Any such notice shall be deemed to have been received 72 hours after deposit in the United States mail in registered or certified form, with postage fully prepaid, or, if given by other means, when delivered at the address specified in this Section 13.1.

Section 13.2. Binding Effect. This Agreement and each Lease hereunder shall be binding upon and shall inure to the benefit of Lessor and Lessee and their respective successors and assigns. Specifically, as used herein the term "Lessor" means any person or entity to whom Lessor has assigned its right to receive Rental Payments under any Lease.

Section 13.3. Severability. In the event any provision of this Agreement or any Lease shall be held invalid or unenforceable by any court of competent jurisdiction, such holding shall not invalidate or render unenforceable any other provision hereof.

Section 13.4. Entire Agreement; Amendments. This Agreement constitutes the entire agreement of the parties with respect to the subject matter hereof and supersedes all prior and contemporaneous writings, understandings, agreements, solicitation documents and representations, express or implied. This Agreement may be amended or modified only by written documents duly authorized, executed and delivered by Lessor and Lessee.

Section 13.5. Captions. The captions or headings in this Agreement are for convenience only and in no way define, limit or describe the scope or intent of any provisions, Articles, Sections or Clauses hereof.

Section 13.6. Further Assurances and Corrective Instruments. Lessor and Lessee agree that they will, from time to time, execute, acknowledge and deliver, or cause to be executed, acknowledged and delivered, such supplements hereto and such further instruments as may reasonably be required for correcting any inadequate or incorrect description of the Equipment hereby leased or intended so to be, or for otherwise carrying out the expressed intention of this Agreement. Lessee hereby authorizes Lessor to file any financing statement or supplements thereto as may be reasonably required for correcting any inadequate description of the Equipment hereby leased or intended so to be, or for otherwise carrying out the expressed intention of this Agreement.

Section 13.7. Governing Law. This Agreement shall be governed by and construed in accordance with the laws of the State.

Section 13.8. Usury. It is the intention of the parties hereto to comply with any applicable usury laws; accordingly, it is agreed that, notwithstanding any provisions to the contrary herein or in any Equipment Schedule, in no event shall this Agreement or any Lease hereunder require the payment or permit the collection of interest or any amount in the nature of interest or fees in excess of the maximum amount permitted by applicable law. Any such excess interest or fees shall first be applied to reduce Principal, and when no Principal remains, refunded to Lessee. In determining whether the interest paid or payable exceeds the highest lawful rate, the total amount of interest shall be spread through the applicable Lease Term so that the interest is uniform through such term.

Section 13.9. Lessee's Performance. A failure or delay of Lessor to enforce any of the provisions of this Agreement or any Lease shall in no way be construed to be a waiver of such provision.

Section 13.10. Waiver of Jury Trial. Lessor and Lessee hereby waive any right to trial by jury in any action or proceeding with respect to, in connection with or arising out of this Agreement.

Section 13.11. USA Patriot Act Compliance Notification. Lessor hereby notifies Lessee that pursuant to the requirements of the USA PATRIOT Act (the "Act"), it is required to obtain, verify and record information that identifies Lessee, which information includes the name and address of Lessee and other information that will allow Lessor to identify Lessor in accordance with the Act. Lessee shall, promptly upon Lessor's request, provide all documentation and other information that Lessor requests in order to comply with its ongoing obligations under applicable "know your customer" and anti-money laundering rules and regulations, including the Act.

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EXECUTION PAGE OF MASTER LEASE AGREEMENT

LEASE NUMBER 09884

IN WITNESS WHEREOF, Lessor has caused this Agreement to be executed in its corporate name by its duly authorized officer, and Lessee has caused this Agreement to be executed in its name by its duly authorized officer.

**THE COUNTY COMMISSIONERS OF
QUEEN ANNE'S COUNTY, MD,**
Lessee

**SUNTRUST EQUIPMENT FINANCE &
LEASING CORP.,**
Lessor

By: _____
Name: Jonathan R. Seeman
Title: Director, Office of Budget, Finance
and Information Technology

By: _____
Name: Soula Perakis
Title: Vice President

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**EQUIPMENT SCHEDULE NO. 01
TO LEASE NO. 09884**

The following Equipment comprises an Equipment Group which is the subject of the Master Lease Agreement dated as February 9, 2016 (the "Agreement") between the undersigned Lessor and Lessee. The Agreement is incorporated herein in its entirety, and Lessee hereby reaffirms as of the Lease Date (as defined below) each of its representations, warranties and covenants contained in the Agreement. The Lease Date for this Equipment Schedule is February 9, 2016 (the "Lease Date"). Lessee warrants that no Non-Appropriation and no Event of Default, or event which, with the passage of time or the giving of notice or both, would constitute an Event of Default, has occurred under the Agreement as of the Lease Date. An Acceptance Certificate and Payment Schedule are attached to this Equipment Schedule and by reference are made a part hereof. The terms capitalized in this Equipment Schedule but not defined herein shall have the meanings assigned to them in the Agreement.

EQUIPMENT GROUP

The cost of the Equipment Group to be funded by Lessee under this Lease is **\$1,215,590.00** (the "Acquisition Cost"). The Equipment Group consists of the following Equipment which has been or shall be purchased from the Vendor(s) named below for the prices set forth below:

**VENDORS: Various
EQUIPMENT: Listed Below**

- (1) New Peterbilt 567 Roll-Off Chassis w/Galbreath Hoist & Pioneer Tarp @ **\$182,611** (Solid Waste)
- (8) New Dodge Charger PPV's w/Police Equipment & Upfits @ **\$199,800** (Sheriff's Office)
- (1) New 2015 Jeep Patriot 4x4 @ **\$17,911** (Dept. of Aging)
- (1) New 2016 Horton 603F Ambulance on Ford F-550 Chassis @ **\$207,861** (Emergency Services)
- (1) New 2016 Ford Police Interceptor Utility w/some police upfits @ **\$26,495** (Detention Center)
- (1) New 2015 Chevy Silverado 1500 Extended Cab Pickup @ **\$21,475** (Planning & Zoning)
- (4) New John Deere 5100M Utility Tractors w/side & rear flail mowers @ **\$295,280** (Public Works)
- (2) New 6-Wheel Dump Truck w/Plow & Spreader @ **\$165,716** (Public Works)
- (1) New 2016 Ford F-550 4x4 w/Dump Body **\$67,698** (Public Works)
- (1) New 2015 Ford Fusion Hybrid Energi SE Electric @ **\$30,743** (Public Works)

The Equipment Group is essential to the governmental functions of Lessee. The Equipment Group is or will be located at the following address. Prior to relocation of the Equipment Group or any portion thereof during the Lease Term, Lessee will provide written notice to Lessor:

**107 N. Liberty Street
Centreville, MD 21617**

[Signatures appear on the following page.]

IN WITNESS WHEREOF, Lessor has caused this Equipment Schedule No. 01 to Lease No. 09884 to be executed in its corporate name by its duly authorized officer, and Lessee has caused this Equipment Schedule to be executed in its name by its duly authorized officer.

**THE COUNTY COMMISSIONERS OF
QUEEN ANNE'S COUNTY, MD.,**
Lessee

**SUNTRUST EQUIPMENT FINANCE &
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ACCEPTANCE CERTIFICATE

I, the undersigned, hereby certify that I am the duly qualified and acting officer of Lessee identified below and, with respect to the above referenced Equipment Schedule and Lease, that:

1. The Equipment described below has been delivered and installed in accordance with Lessee's specifications, is in good working order and is fully operational and has been fully accepted by Lessee on or before the date indicated below:

2. Attached are (a) evidence of insurance with respect to the Equipment in compliance with Article VII of the Agreement; (b) Vendor invoice(s) and/or bill(s) of sale relating to the Equipment, and if such invoices have been paid by Lessee, evidence of payment thereof (evidence of official intent to reimburse such payment as required by the Code having been delivered separately by Lessee); and (c) financing statements executed by Lessee as debtor and/or the original certificate of title or manufacturer's certificate of origin and title application, if any, for any Equipment which is subject to certificate of title laws.

3. Rental Payments shall be due and payable by Lessee on the dates and in the amounts indicated on the Payment Schedule attached to the Equipment Schedule. Lessee has appropriated and/or taken other lawful actions necessary to provide moneys sufficient to pay all Rental Payments required to be paid under the Lease during the current Fiscal Year of Lessee. Such moneys will be applied in payment of all such Rental Payments due and payable during such current Fiscal Year. Lessee anticipates that sufficient funds shall be available to make all Rental Payments due in subsequent Fiscal Years.

4. Lessee hereby authorizes and directs Lessor to fund the Acquisition Cost of the Equipment by paying, or directing the payment by Escrow Agent (if applicable) of, the invoice prices to the Vendor(s), in each case as set forth above, or by reimbursing Lessee in the event such invoice prices have been previously paid by Lessee.

5. No event or condition that constitutes, or with notice or lapse of time, or both, would constitute, an Event of Default (as defined in the Lease) exists at the date hereof.

6. **Final Acceptance Certificate.** This Acceptance Certificate constitutes final acceptance of all of the Equipment identified in the Equipment Schedule described above. Lessee certifies that upon payment in accordance with paragraph 4 above, or direction to Escrow Agent (if applicable) to make payment, Lessor shall have fully and satisfactorily performed all of its covenants and obligations under the Lease. [CHECK BOX IF APPLICABLE.]

**THE COUNTY COMMISSIONERS OF QUEEN
ANN'S COUNTY, MD,**
Lessee

By: _____
Name: Jonathan R. Seeman
Title: Director, Office of Budget, Finance
and Information Technology
Date: _____

PAYMENT SCHEDULE

The Funding Date with respect to the above referenced Equipment Group shall be February 12, 2016. The annual Interest rate applicable to the Equipment Group shall be 2.51%. The amounts of the interest component of Rental Payments payable under this Equipment Schedule have been calculated based on the assumption that the proceeds of this Equipment Schedule were disbursed on the Funding Date and such payments of interest component will be payable as set forth in this Payment Schedule regardless of when the proceeds of this Equipment Schedule were actually disbursed. The first Rental Payment is due on February 12, 2016 and subsequent payments are due annually as set forth below.

<u>Payment Number</u>	<u>Payment Date</u>	<u>Total Payment</u>	<u>Principal Component</u>	<u>Interest Component</u>	<u>Prepayment Price*</u>
	Feb-12-16				1,215,590.00
1	Feb-12-16	255,318.76	255,318.76	0.00	960,271.24
2	Feb-12-17	255,318.76	231,215.95	24,102.81	729,055.30
3	Feb-12-18	255,318.76	237,019.47	18,299.29	492,035.83
4	Feb-12-19	255,318.76	242,968.66	12,350.10	249,067.17
5	Feb-12-20	255,318.76	249,067.17	6,251.59	0.00
	Total	1,276,593.78	1,215,590.00	61,003.78	

**THE COUNTY COMMISSIONERS OF QUEEN
 ANN'S COUNTY, MD,**
 Lessee

By: _____
 Name: Jonathan R. Seeman
 Title: Director, Office of Budget, Finance
 and Information Technology
 Date: _____

* After payment of Rental Payment due on such date.

SUNTRUST EQUIPMENT FINANCE & LEASING CORP.

ESCROW AGREEMENT

This **ESCROW AGREEMENT**, made and entered into as of the Date shown on Schedule I, by and among **SUNTRUST EQUIPMENT FINANCE & LEASING CORP.**, a Virginia corporation ("Lessor"), the lessee named on Schedule I, which is a political subdivision or public body politic and corporate of the State shown on Schedule I ("Lessee"), and **SUNTRUST BANK**, a Georgia banking corporation, as Escrow Agent ("Escrow Agent").

In consideration of the mutual covenants herein contained, the parties hereto agree as follows:

ARTICLE I. DEFINITIONS AND RECITALS

Section 1.1. Definitions. The terms defined in this Section 1.1 shall, for all purposes of this Escrow Agreement, have the meanings specified below or on Schedule I.

"Acquisition Costs" means, with respect to the Equipment, the contract price paid or to be paid to the person entitled to such payment upon acquisition or delivery of any portion of the Equipment in accordance with the purchase order or contract herefore. Acquisition Costs may include the administrative, engineering, legal, financial and other costs incurred by Lessee in connection with the acquisition, delivery and financing of the Equipment, if approved by Lessor.

"Equipment" means the personal property described in the Acceptance Certificate executed pursuant to the Lease, together with any and all modifications, additions and alterations thereto, to be acquired from the moneys held in the Equipment Acquisition Fund.

"Equipment Acquisition Fund" means the account by that name established and held by Escrow Agent pursuant to Article II of this Escrow Agreement.

"Escrow Agent Fee" has the meaning set forth in Section 6.1 and the amount of such Escrow Agent Fee is shown on Schedule I.

"Escrow Agreement" means this Escrow Agreement and any duly authorized and executed amendment or supplement hereto.

"Initial Deposit Amount" means the amount shown as the Initial Deposit Amount on Schedule I.

"Lease" means the Master Lease, together with the Equipment Schedule identified on Schedule I, by and between Lessee and Lessor, and any duly authorized and executed amendment or supplement thereto.

"Master Lease" means the Master Lease Agreement, dated as of the date shown on Schedule I, by and between Lessee and Lessor, including any Equipment Schedules entered into thereunder and any duly authorized and executed amendment or supplement thereto.

"Payment Request Form" means the document substantially in the form attached hereto as Exhibit A to be executed by Lessee and Lessor and submitted to Escrow Agent to authorize payment of Acquisition Costs.

"Qualified Investments" means the ST Leasing – Corp Agency NOW Account, a SunTrust Deposit Account for Escrow customers of SUNTRUST EQUIPMENT FINANCE & LEASING CORP. and SunTrust Bank. By signing this Escrow Agreement, Lessee acknowledges that such Qualified Investment is a permitted investment under any state, county or municipal law applicable to the investment of Lessee's funds.

ARTICLE II. APPOINTMENT OF ESCROW AGENT; AUTHORITY

Section 2.1. Appointment of Escrow Agent. Lessor and Lessee hereby appoint and employ Escrow Agent to receive, hold, invest and disburse the moneys to be paid to Escrow Agent pursuant to this Escrow Agreement and to perform certain other functions, all as hereinafter provided. By executing and delivering this Escrow Agreement, Escrow Agent accepts the duties and obligations of Escrow Agent hereunder.

Escrow Agent undertakes to perform only such duties as are expressly set forth herein, and no additional duties or obligations shall be

implied hereunder. In performing its duties under this Escrow Agreement, or upon the claimed failure to perform any of its duties hereunder, Escrow Agent shall not be liable to anyone for any damages, losses or expenses which may be incurred as a result of Escrow Agent so acting or failing to so act; *provided, however*, Escrow Agent shall not be relieved from liability for damages arising out of its proven gross negligence or willful misconduct under this Escrow Agreement. Escrow Agent shall in no event incur any liability with respect to (i) any action taken or omitted to be taken in good faith upon advice of legal counsel, which may be counsel to any party hereto, given with respect to any question relating to the duties and responsibilities of Escrow Agent hereunder or (ii) any action taken or omitted to be taken in reliance upon any instrument delivered to Escrow Agent and believed by it to be genuine and to have been signed or presented by the proper party or parties. Escrow Agent shall not be bound in any way by any agreement or contract between Lessor and Lessee, including the Master Lease, whether or not Escrow Agent has knowledge of any such agreement or contract.

Section 2.2. Authority. Each of the parties has authority to enter into this Escrow Agreement, and has taken all actions necessary to authorize the execution of this Escrow Agreement by the representatives whose signatures are affixed hereto.

ARTICLE III. EQUIPMENT ACQUISITION FUND

Section 3.1. Equipment Acquisition Fund. Escrow Agent shall establish a special escrow account designated as the "Equipment Acquisition Fund" (the "Equipment Acquisition Fund"), shall keep such Equipment Acquisition Fund separate and apart from all other funds and moneys held by it and shall administer such Equipment Acquisition Fund as provided in this Escrow Agreement.

Section 3.2. Deposit. Upon execution of the Lease and delivery to Lessor by Lessee of all documents required to be delivered thereunder, Lessor shall deposit or cause to be deposited with Escrow Agent an amount equal to the Initial Deposit Amount. Escrow Agent shall credit such amount to the Equipment Acquisition Fund. The Initial Deposit Amount is to be sent by Lessor to Escrow Agent by wire transfer to: **SunTrust Bank, ABA# 061000104, Account# 9443001321, Account Name: Escrow Services Richmond, Beneficiary as shown on Schedule I, Attention: Matthew Ward.**

Section 3.3. Disbursements. Escrow Agent shall use the moneys in the Equipment Acquisition Fund from time to time to pay the Acquisition Cost of each item of Equipment, within a reasonable time of receipt with respect thereto of a Payment Request Form executed by Lessor and Lessee. Upon receipt of a Payment Request Form executed by Lessor and Lessee, an amount equal to the Acquisition Cost as shown therein shall be paid directly by Escrow Agent to the person or entity entitled to payment as specified therein. Although the Payment Request Form may have schedules, invoices and other supporting document attached to it, Lessor will send to Escrow Agent only the page or pages showing the signatures of Lessor and Lessee, the Acquisition Cost and related payment information, without such schedules, invoices or other supporting documentation. Escrow Agent may act and rely upon the signed Payment Request Form without the need to review or verify any such schedules, invoices or other supporting documentation.

Section 3.4. Transfers Upon Completion. Unless all of the funds deposited by Lessor in the Equipment Acquisition Fund have been previously disbursed pursuant to Section 3.3 or paid to Lessor pursuant to Section 3.5, on the Ending Date shown on Schedule I, Escrow Agent shall pay upon written direction all remaining moneys in the Equipment Acquisition Fund to Lessor or its assignee for application as a prepayment of the unpaid Principal under the related Lease. Any amounts paid pursuant to this Section 3.4 shall be subject to a prepayment fee equal to two percent (2%) of such amount. Lessor shall apply amounts received under this Section 3.4 first to unpaid fees, late charges and collection costs, if any, which have accrued or been incurred under the Master Lease, then to overdue Principal and Interest on the Lease and then, in the sole discretion of Lessor, either (i) to Principal payments thereafter due under the Lease in the inverse order of their maturities or (ii) proportionately to each Principal payment thereafter due under the Lease. In the event that Lessor elects to apply any such amounts in accordance with clause (i) of the preceding sentence, Lessee shall continue to make Rental Payments as scheduled in the applicable Payment Schedule. In the event that Lessor elects to apply such amounts in accordance with clause (ii) of this Section 3.4, Lessor shall provide Lessee with a revised Payment Schedule which shall reflect the revised Principal balance and reduced Rental Payments due under the Lease. Capitalized terms used in this Section 3.4, but not defined herein, shall have the meanings given to such terms in the Lease. Escrow Agent shall have no responsibility to see to the appropriate application of any moneys returned under this Section 3.4.

Section 3.5. Liquidation. Upon receipt of written notice from Lessor or Lessee that the Lease has been terminated pursuant to Sections 3.2 or 12.2 thereof, Escrow Agent shall liquidate all investments held in the Equipment Acquisition Fund and transfer the proceeds thereof and all other moneys held in the Equipment Acquisition Fund to Lessor.

Section 3.6. Responsible Party. Lessee shall be responsible for the initiation of the disbursement process pursuant to Section 3.3 hereof. Neither Escrow Agent nor Lessor shall be responsible for any additional monies assessed to Lessee resulting from disbursements made from the Equipment Acquisition Fund.

ARTICLE IV. TRUST; INVESTMENT

Section 4.1. Irrevocable Trust. The moneys and investments held by Escrow Agent under this Escrow Agreement are irrevocably held in trust for the benefit of Lessor and Lessee, and such moneys, together with any income or interest earned, shall be expended only as provided in this Escrow Agreement, and shall not be subject to levy or attachment or lien by or for the benefit of any creditor of either Lessor or Lessee (other than Lessor's security interest granted hereunder).

Escrow Agent shall have no responsibility at any time to ascertain whether or not any security interest exists in the Equipment Acquisition Fund or any part of the Equipment Acquisition Fund or to file any financing statement under the Uniform Commercial Code of any jurisdiction with respect to the Equipment Acquisition Fund or any part thereof.

Section 4.2. Investment. Moneys held by Escrow Agent hereunder shall be invested and reinvested by Escrow Agent only in Qualified Investments. Such investments shall be registered in the name of Escrow Agent and held by Escrow Agent for the benefit of Lessor and Lessee. Escrow Agent may purchase or sell to itself or any affiliate, as principal or agent, investments authorized by this Article IV. Such investments and re-investments shall be made giving full consideration for the time at which funds are required to be available. Any income received on such investments shall be credited to the Equipment Acquisition Fund and any loss on such investments shall be charged to the Equipment Acquisition Fund. Escrow Agent shall not be responsible or liable for any loss suffered in connection with any investment of moneys made by it in accordance with this Article IV.

Section 4.3. Disposition of Investments. Escrow Agent shall, without further direction from Lessor or Lessee, sell such investments as and when required to make any payment from the Equipment Acquisition Fund.

Section 4.4. Accounting. Escrow Agent shall keep complete and accurate records of all moneys received and disbursed under this Escrow Agreement which shall be available for inspection by Lessor or Lessee, or the agent of either of them, at any time during regular business hours upon prior written request. Escrow Agent shall furnish to Lessor and Lessee no less than quarterly an accounting of all investments and interest and income therefrom.

Section 4.5. Termination. This Escrow Agreement shall terminate upon disbursement by Escrow Agent of all moneys held by it hereunder. Notwithstanding the foregoing, this Escrow Agreement shall not be considered to be terminated until all fees, costs and expenses of Escrow Agent have been paid in full. Upon termination, Escrow Agent shall be discharged from all duties and responsibilities under this Escrow Agreement.

ARTICLE V. ESCROW AGENT'S AUTHORITY; INDEMNIFICATION

Section 5.1. Validity. Escrow Agent may act upon any writing or instrument or signature which it believes to be genuine, may assume the validity and accuracy of any statement or assertion contained in such a writing or instrument, and may assume that any person purporting to give any writing, notice, advice or instructions in connection with the provisions hereof has been duly authorized to do so, and Escrow Agent shall be under no duty to make any investigation or inquiry as to any of the foregoing. Escrow Agent shall not be liable in any manner for the sufficiency or correctness as to form, manner and execution, or validity of any instrument deposited with it, nor as to the identity, authority or right of any person executing the same.

Escrow Agent shall be entitled to rely upon any statement, certificate, document or instrument presented to it by or on behalf of Lessee by any of Lessee's Authorized Representatives shown on Schedule I and shall be entitled to rely upon any such statement, certificate, document or instrument presented to it by any other person who identifies himself or herself as an authorized representative of Lessee.

Section 5.2. Use of Counsel and Agents. Escrow Agent may execute any of the trusts or powers hereof and perform the duties required of it hereunder by or through attorneys, agents, or receivers. Escrow Agent shall be entitled to advice of counsel concerning all matters of trust and its duties hereunder and shall be paid or reimbursed the reasonable fees and expenses of such counsel, as provided in Section 6.1. Escrow Agent shall not be answerable for the default or misconduct of any such attorney, agent, or receiver selected by it with reasonable care.

Section 5.3. Interpretation. As an additional consideration for and as an inducement for Escrow Agent to act hereunder, it is understood and agreed that, in the event of any disagreement between the parties to this Escrow Agreement or among them or any other persons resulting in adverse claims and demands being made in connection with or for any money or other property involved in or affected by this Escrow Agreement, Escrow Agent shall be entitled, at the option of Escrow Agent, to refuse to comply with the demands of such parties, or any of such parties, so long as such disagreement shall continue. In such event, Escrow Agent shall make no delivery or other disposition of the Equipment Acquisition Fund or any part of the Equipment Acquisition Fund. Anything herein to the contrary notwithstanding, Escrow Agent shall not be or become liable to such parties or any of them for the failure of Escrow Agent to comply with the conflicting or adverse demands of such parties or any of such parties.

Escrow Agent shall be entitled to continue to refrain and refuse to deliver or otherwise dispose of the Equipment Acquisition Fund or any part thereof or to otherwise act hereunder, as stated above, unless and until:

1. the rights of such parties have been finally settled by binding arbitration or duly adjudicated in a court having jurisdiction of the parties and the Equipment Acquisition Fund; or
2. the parties have reached an agreement resolving their differences and have notified Escrow Agent in writing of such agreement and have provided Escrow Agent with indemnity satisfactory to Escrow Agent against any liability, claims or damages resulting from compliance by Escrow Agent with such agreement.

In the event of a disagreement between such parties as described above, Escrow Agent shall have the right, in addition to the rights described above and at the option of Escrow Agent, to tender into the registry or custody of any court having jurisdiction, all money and property comprising the Equipment Acquisition Fund and may take such other legal action as may be appropriate or necessary, in the opinion of Escrow Agent. Upon such tender, the parties hereto agree that Escrow Agent shall be discharged from all further duties and responsibilities under this Escrow Agreement; *provided, however*, that the filing of any such legal proceedings shall not deprive Escrow Agent of its compensation hereunder earned prior to such filing and discharge of Escrow Agent of its duties and responsibilities hereunder.

The parties hereto jointly and severally agree that, whether under this Section 5.3 or any other provisions of this Escrow Agreement, in the event any controversy arises under or in connection with this Escrow Agreement or the Equipment Acquisition Fund or in the event that Escrow Agent is made a party to or intervenes in any litigation pertaining to this Escrow Agreement or the Equipment Acquisition Fund, to pay to Escrow Agent reasonable additional compensation for its extraordinary services and to reimburse Escrow Agent for all costs and expenses associated with such controversy or litigation, including reasonable attorney's fees.

Section 5.4. Limited Liability of Escrow Agent. Escrow Agent shall not be liable in connection with the performance or observation of its duties or obligations hereunder except for in the case of its proven gross negligence or willful misconduct. Escrow Agent shall have no obligation or liability to any of the other parties under this Escrow Agreement for the failure or refusal of any other party to perform any covenant or agreement made by such party hereunder or under the Master Lease, but shall be responsible solely for the performance of the duties and obligations expressly imposed upon it as Escrow Agent hereunder.

Section 5.5. Indemnification. Escrow Agent shall have no obligation to take any legal action in connection with this Escrow Agreement or towards its enforcement, or to appear in, prosecute or defend any action or legal proceeding which would or might involve it in any cost, expense, loss or liability unless security and indemnity, as provided in this Section 5.5, shall be furnished.

To the extent permitted by applicable law, Lessee agrees to indemnify Escrow Agent and its officers, directors, employees and agents and save Escrow Agent and its officers, directors, employees and agents harmless from and against any and all Claims (as hereinafter defined) and Losses (as hereinafter defined) which may be incurred by Escrow Agent or any of such officers, directors, employees or agents as a result of Claims asserted against Escrow Agent or any of such officers, directors, employees or agents as a result of or in connection with Escrow Agent's capacity as such under this Escrow Agreement by any person or entity. For the purposes hereof, the term "Claims" shall mean all claims, lawsuits, causes of action or other legal actions and proceedings of whatever nature brought against (whether by way of direct action, counterclaim, cross action or impleader) Escrow Agent or any such officer, director, employee or agent, even if groundless, false or fraudulent, so long as the claim, lawsuit, cause of action or other legal action or proceeding is alleged or determined, directly or indirectly, to arise out of, result from, relate to or be based upon, in whole or in part: (a) the acts or omissions of Lessor or Lessee, (b) the appointment of Escrow Agent as escrow agent under this Escrow Agreement, or (c) the performance by Escrow Agent of its powers and duties under this Escrow Agreement; and the term "Losses" shall mean losses, costs, damages, expenses, judgments and liabilities of whatever nature (including but not limited to attorneys', accountants' and other professionals' fees, litigation and court costs and expenses and amounts paid in settlement), directly or indirectly resulting from, arising out of or relating to one or more Claims. Upon the written request of Escrow Agent or any such officer, director, employee or agent (each referred to hereinafter as an "Indemnified Party"), and to the extent permitted by law, Lessee agrees to assume the investigation and defense of any Claim, including the employment of counsel acceptable to the applicable Indemnified Party and the payment of all expenses related thereto and, notwithstanding any such assumption, the Indemnified Party shall have the right, and Lessee agrees to pay the cost and expense thereof, to employ separate counsel with respect to any such Claim and participate in the investigation and defense thereof in the event that such Indemnified Party shall have been advised by counsel that there may be one or more legal defenses available to such Indemnified Party which are different from or additional to those available to either Lessor or Lessee. Lessee hereby agrees that the indemnifications and protections afforded Escrow Agent in this Section 5.5 shall survive the termination of this Escrow Agreement.

ARTICLE VI. COMPENSATION

Section 6.1. Escrow Agent Fee. Escrow Agent and/or Lessor shall be paid by Lessee the Escrow Agent Fee shown on Schedule I for the ordinary services to be rendered hereunder (the "Escrow Agency Fees") from interest earnings from a deduction taken by Lessor and expressly authorized by Lessee at the time the Escrow Account is closed, and will be paid and/or reimbursed by Lessee upon request for all costs, expenses, disbursements and advances, such as reasonable attorney's fees and court costs, incurred or made by Escrow Agent in connection with carrying out its duties hereunder, including the costs, expenses, disbursements and advances described in Sections 5.2, 5.3 and 6.2. The Escrow Agent Fee and such other costs, expenses, disbursements and advances shall be payable solely from the interest earnings from the Equipment Acquisition Fund. In the event a shortfall occurs, said shortfall shall be the responsibility of Lessee and not the responsibility of Escrow Agent, Lessor, or their agents or assigns. Such shortfall shall be paid by Lessee to Escrow Agent within 30 days following receipt by Lessee of a written statement setting forth such shortfall.

Section 6.2. Investment Fees. Escrow Agent shall be entitled to charge reasonable fees and commissions in connection with the investment by it of amounts held in the Equipment Acquisition Fund (the "Investment Fees"). Investment Fees are more fully delineated and defined in any prospectus referenced in or attached to the attached Schedule I. Other Investment Fees may apply for self-directed investment choices or for extraordinary investments outside the Qualified Investment defined herein. Lessor and Lessee hereby authorize Escrow Agent to periodically deduct the Investment Fees from investment earnings on the Equipment Acquisition Fund.

Section 6.3. Security for Fees and Expenses. As security for all fees and expenses of Escrow Agent hereunder and any and all losses, claims, damages, liabilities and expenses incurred by Escrow Agent in connection with its acceptance of appointment hereunder or with the performance of its obligations under this Escrow Agreement and to secure the obligation of Lessee to indemnify Escrow Agent as set forth in Section 5.5, Escrow Agent is hereby granted a security interest in and a lien upon the Equipment Acquisition Fund, which security interest and lien shall be prior to all other security interests, liens or claims against the Equipment Acquisition Fund or any part thereof.

ARTICLE VII. CHANGE OF ESCROW AGENT

Section 7.1. Removal of Escrow Agent. Lessor and Lessee, by written agreement, may by written request, at any time and for any reason, remove Escrow Agent and any successor thereto, and shall thereupon appoint a successor or successors thereto, but any such successor shall have capital (exclusive of borrowed capital) and surplus of at least Fifty Million Dollars (\$50,000,000), and be subject to supervision or examination by federal or state authority. If such bank or trust company publishes a report of condition at least annually, pursuant to statute or the requirements of any federal or state supervising or examining authority, then for the purposes of this Section 7.1, the combined capital and surplus of such bank or trust company may be conclusively established in its most recent report of condition so published.

Section 7.2. Resignation of Escrow Agent. Escrow Agent may resign at any time from its obligations under this Escrow Agreement by providing written notice to the parties hereto. Such resignation shall be effective on the date set forth in such written notice which shall be no earlier than 30 days after such written notice has been given, unless an earlier resignation date and the appointment of a successor Escrow Agent shall have been approved by Lessor and Lessee. In the event no successor escrow agent has been appointed on or prior to the date such resignation is to become effective, Escrow Agent shall be entitled to tender into the custody of a court of competent jurisdiction all assets then held by it hereunder and shall thereupon be relieved of all further duties and obligations under this Escrow Agreement. Escrow Agent shall have no responsibility for the appointment of a successor escrow agent hereunder.

Section 7.3. Merger or Consolidation. Any entity into which Escrow Agent may be merged or converted, or with which it may be consolidated, or any entity resulting from any merger, conversion or consolidation to which it shall be a party, or any company to which Escrow Agent may sell or transfer all or substantially all of its corporate trust business (provided that such company shall be eligible under Section 7.1) shall be the successor to Escrow Agent without any execution or filing or further act.

ARTICLE VIII. ADMINISTRATIVE PROVISIONS.

Section 8.1. Notice. All written notices to be given under this Escrow Agreement shall be given by mail, by facsimile or by overnight courier to the party entitled thereto at its contact information specified on Schedule I, or at such contact information as the party may provide to the other parties hereto in writing from time to time. Any such notice shall be deemed to have been received 72 hours after deposit in the United States mail in registered or certified form, with postage fully prepaid, or if given by other means, when delivered at the address or facsimile number specified in Schedule I. Any notice given by any party shall be given to both other parties.

Section 8.2. Assignment. Except as expressly herein provided to the contrary, the rights and duties of each of the parties under this Escrow Agreement shall not be assignable to any person or entity without the written consent of all of the other parties. Notwithstanding the above, Lessor may freely assign all or any part of its interest in this Escrow Agreement and the Equipment Acquisition Fund in connection with an assignment by Lessor of its rights under the Lease.

Section 8.3. Binding Effect. This Escrow Agreement shall be binding upon and inure to the benefit of the parties and their respective successors and assigns.

Section 8.4. Severability. In the event any provision of this Escrow Agreement shall be held invalid or unenforceable by any court of competent jurisdiction, such holding shall not invalidate or render unenforceable any other provision hereof.

Section 8.5. Entire Agreement; Amendments. This Escrow Agreement constitutes the entire agreement of the parties with respect to the subject matter hereof and supersedes all prior and contemporaneous writings, understandings, agreements, solicitation documents and representations, express or implied. By execution of this Escrow Agreement, Escrow Agent shall not be deemed or considered to be a party to any other document, including the Master Lease.

This Escrow Agreement may be amended, supplemented or modified only by written documents duly authorized, executed and delivered by each of the parties hereto.

Section 8.6. Captions. The captions or headings in this Escrow Agreement are for convenience only and in no way define, limit or describe the scope or intent of any provisions, Articles, Sections or clauses hereof.

Section 8.7. Further Assurances and Corrective Instruments. Lessor and Lessee agree that they will, from time to time, execute, acknowledge and deliver, or cause to be executed, acknowledged and delivered, such supplements hereto and such further instruments as may be necessary or proper to carry out the intention or to facilitate the performance of the parties under this Escrow Agreement, and for better assuring and confirming the rights and benefits provided herein.

Section 8.8. Governing Law. This Escrow Agreement shall be construed and governed in accordance with the laws of the Commonwealth of Virginia.

Section 8.9. Execution in Counterparts. This Escrow Agreement may be simultaneously executed in several counterparts, each of which shall be an original and all of which shall constitute but one and the same Escrow Agreement.

Section 8.10. Waiver of Jury Trial. Lessor, Lessee and Escrow Agent hereby waive any right to trial by jury in any action or proceeding with respect to, in connection with or arising out of this Escrow Agreement.

Section 8.11. No Tax Reporting. Escrow Agent will not be responsible for tax reporting of any income on the Equipment Acquisition Fund.

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EXECUTION PAGE OF ESCROW AGREEMENT

IN WITNESS WHEREOF, the parties have executed this Escrow Agreement as of the Date of Escrow Agreement shown on Schedule I.

SUNTRUST BANK,
Escrow Agent

**SUNTRUST EQUIPMENT FINANCE &
LEASING CORP.,**
Lessor

By: _____
Name: _____
Title: _____

By: _____
Name: Soula Perakis
Title: Vice President

**THE COUNTY COMMISSIONERS OF QUEEN
ANNE'S COUNTY, MD,**
Lessee

By: _____
Name: Jonathan R. Seeman
Title: Director, Office of Budget, Finance and Information Technology

[SEAL]

Schedule I Information to Complete Escrow Agreement
Exhibit A Payment Request Form

SCHEDULE I

INFORMATION TO COMPLETE ESCROW AGREEMENT

Lease Number: 09884

Equipment Schedule: 01

Date of Escrow Agreement: February 9, 2016

Name of Lessee: THE COUNTY COMMISSIONERS OF QUEEN ANNE'S COUNTY, MD

Lessee's State / Commonwealth: Maryland

Fees: \$250.00 (Escrow Agent)
Investment Fees, if any, are more fully defined on the attached prospectus, if any
Extension and other fees may be applicable if not disbursed by the Ending Date.

Initial Deposit Amount: \$1,215,590.00

Date of Master Lease Agreement: February 9, 2016

Beneficiary Name for Fund: THE COUNTY COMMISSIONERS OF QUEEN ANNE'S COUNTY, MD

Ending Date: August 9, 2017

Lessee's Address: 107 N. Liberty Street, Centreville, MD 21617

Attention: Jonathan R. Seeman

Lessee's Telephone: 410-758-4064

Lessee's Facsimile: 410-758-4405

Lessee's Taxpayer Identification Number: 52-1011271

Lessee's Authorized Representatives Jonathan R. Seeman/Director, Office of Budget, Finance and Information Technology

_____ [signature]

_____ [name/title]

_____ [signature]

Escrow Agent's Address: SunTrust Bank
919 East Main Street, 7th Floor
Richmond, VA 23219
Attention: Matt Ward

Escrow Agent's Telephone: (804) 782-7182

Escrow Agent's Facsimile: (804) 782-7855

Lessor's Address: SUNTRUST EQUIPMENT FINANCE & LEASING CORP.
303 Peachtree Street, 25th Floor
Atlanta, GA 30308
Attention: Cheveta Paschal, Escrow Disbursement Coordinator

Lessor's Telephone: (404) 813-5118

Lessor's Taxpayer Identification Number: 26-1256148