

**Lease/Purchase Master Agreement  
For State and Local Government**

Lease Purchase Master Agreement No: \_\_\_\_\_

This Lease/Purchase Master Agreement For State and Local Government (“Agreement”) covers the terms and conditions under which IBM Credit LLC will finance various charges. In addition, attached is the form of Lease/Purchase Supplement and Exhibits thereto.

This Agreement and its applicable Supplements and Addenda are the complete agreement regarding the Financing Transactions and replace any prior oral or written communications between both parties. If there is a conflict of terms among the documents, the order of precedence will be as follows: (a) attachments or addenda to the Supplement, (b) Supplement, (c) attachments or addenda to the Agreement, (d) this Agreement.

By signing below, both parties agree to the terms of this Agreement. Once signed, any reproduction of this Agreement or a Supplement made by reliable means (for example, photocopy or facsimile) is considered an original.

**Part 1 - Definitions**

The following terms will have the meanings indicated below unless the context clearly requires otherwise:

“**Agreement**” means this Lease/Purchase Master Agreement.

“**Commencement Date**” is the date when the term of a Financing Transaction and Lessee's obligation to pay Lease Payments for such Financing Transaction commence, which date shall be set forth in each Lease/Purchase Supplement.

“**Equipment**” means, collectively, the equipment lease/purchased pursuant to this Agreement, and with respect to each Lease/Purchase Supplement, the equipment described in each Lease/Purchase Supplement, and all repairs, restorations, modifications and improvements thereof or thereto made pursuant to Section 8.1 or Part 9.

“**Event of Default**” is defined in Section 13.1.

“**Financed Items**” means any software program licenses, maintenance, services, and other one-time charges to be lease/purchased pursuant to this Agreement, and with respect to each Lease/Purchase Supplement, such items described therein.

“**Financing Transaction**” means the lease/purchase transaction for Property set forth in any Lease/Purchase Supplement entered into pursuant this Agreement.

“**Lease/Purchase Supplement**” or “**Supplement**” means a Lease/Purchase Supplement in the form attached hereto.

“**Lease Payments**” means the Lease Payments payable by Lessee under Part 6 of this Agreement and with respect to each Lease/Purchase Supplement, the Payment Amounts set forth in each Lease/Purchase Supplement in Exhibit 1 thereto.

“**Lease Payment Dates**” means the dates for the Lease Payments as set forth in the Payment Schedules for each Lease/Purchase Supplement.

“**Lease Term**” means, with respect to a Financing Transaction, the Original Term and all Renewal Terms. The Lease Term for each Financing Transaction entered into hereunder shall be set forth in a Lease/Purchase Supplement, as provided in Section 4.2.

“**Lessee**” or “**Customer**” means the entity identified as such on the signature line below, and its permitted successors and assigns.

“**Lessor**” means the entity identified as such on the signature line below, and its successors and assigns.

“**Nonappropriation Event**” is defined in Section 6.6.

“**Original Term**” means, with respect to a Financing Transaction, the period from the Commencement Date until the end of the budget year of Lessee in effect at the Commencement Date.

“**Payment Schedule**” means, with respect to a Financing Transaction, one or more schedules of lease payments for the Original Term and all Renewal Terms that indicates the Payment Due Date, the Lease Payment, the Interest Component and the Prepayment Price as set forth in each Payment Schedule.

“**Property**” means, collectively, the Equipment and Financed Items lease/purchased pursuant to this Agreement, and with respect to each Lease/Purchase Supplement, the Equipment and Financed Items described in such Lease/Purchase Supplement.

“**Purchase Price**” means the amount that Lessee may, in its discretion, pay to Lessor to purchase the Property under a Lease/Purchase Supplement, as provided in Section 11.1 and as set forth in the Lease/Purchase Supplement.

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“**Renewal Terms**” means the renewal terms of a Financing Transaction, each having a duration of one year and a term coextensive with Lessee's budget year.

“**State**” means the state or commonwealth where Lessee is located.

“**Supplier**” means International Business Machines Corporation “IBM”, or any other manufacturer, vendor or provider of the Property leased/purchased by Lessee.

**Part 2 - Separate Financings**

Each Supplement executed and delivered under this Agreement shall be a separate financing, distinct from other Supplements. Without limiting the foregoing, upon the occurrence of an Event of Default or a Nonappropriation Event with respect to a Supplement, Lessor shall have the rights and remedies specified herein with respect to the Property financed and the Lease Payments payable under such Supplement, and except as expressly provided in Section 12.2 below, Lessor shall have no rights or remedies with respect to Property financed or Lease Payments payable under any other Supplements unless an Event of Default or Nonappropriation Event has also occurred under such other Supplements.

**Part 3 - Lessee's Covenants**

As of the Commencement Date for each Supplement executed and delivered hereunder, Lessee shall be deemed to represent, covenant and warrant for the benefit of Lessor as follows:

- a. Lessee is a public body corporate and politic duly organized and existing under the constitution and laws of the State with full power and authority to enter into this Agreement and the Supplement and the transactions contemplated thereby and to perform all of its obligations thereunder. Lessee has a substantial amount of one or more of the following sovereign powers: (i) the power to tax, (ii) the power of eminent domain, and (iii) the police power.
- b. Lessee will do or cause to be done all things necessary to preserve and keep in full force and effect its existence as a body corporate and politic. To the extent Lessee should merge with another entity under the laws of the State, Lessee agrees that as a condition to such merger it will require that the remaining or resulting entity shall be assigned Lessee's rights and shall assume Lessee's obligations hereunder.
- c. Lessee has been duly authorized to execute and deliver this Agreement and the Supplement by proper action by its governing body, or by other appropriate official approval, and all requirements have been met and procedures have occurred in order to ensure the validity and enforceability of this Agreement and the Supplement, and Lessee has complied with such public bidding requirements as may be applicable to this Agreement and the Supplement and the acquisition by Lessee of the Property thereunder. On or before the Commencement Date, Lessee shall cause to be executed an Opinion of Lessee's Counsel in substantially the form attached to the form of the Supplement as Exhibit 2 and a Lessee's Certificate in substantially the form attached to the form of the Supplement as Exhibit 3.
- d. During the Lease Term for the Supplement, the Property thereunder will perform and will be used by Lessee only for the purpose of performing essential governmental uses and public functions within the permissible scope of Lessee's authority.
- e. Lessee will provide Lessor with current financial statements, budgets and proof of appropriation for the ensuing budget year and other financial information relating to the ability of Lessee to continue this Agreement and the Supplement in such form and containing such information as may be requested by Lessor.
- f. Lessee will comply with all applicable provisions of the Internal Revenue Code of 1986, as amended (the "Code"), including Sections 103 and 148 thereof, and the regulations of the Treasury Department thereunder, from time to time proposed or in effect, in order to maintain the excludability from gross income for federal income tax purposes of the interest component of Lease Payments under the Supplement and will not use or permit the use of the Property in such a manner as to cause a Supplement to be a "private activity bond" under Section 141(a) of the Code. Lessee covenants and agrees that no part of the proceeds of the Supplement shall be invested in any securities, obligations or other investments except for the temporary period pending such use nor used, at any time, directly or indirectly, in a manner which, if such use had been reasonably anticipated on the date of issuance of the Agreement, would have caused any portion of the Supplement to be or become "arbitrage bonds" within the meaning of Section 103(b)(2) or Section 148 of the Code and the regulations of the Treasury Department thereunder proposed or in effect at the time of such use and applicable to obligations issued on the date of issuance of the Supplement.
- g. The execution, delivery and performance of this Agreement and the Supplement and compliance with the provisions hereof and thereof by Lessee does not conflict with, or result in a violation or breach or constitute a default under, any resolution, bond, agreement, indenture, mortgage, note, lease of, or other instrument to which Lessee is a party or by which it is bound by any law or any rule, regulation, order or decree of any court, governmental agency or body having jurisdiction over Lessee or any of its activities or properties resulting in the creation or imposition of any lien, charge or other security interest or encumbrance of any nature whatsoever upon any property or assets of Lessee or to which it is subject.
- h. Lessee's exact legal name is as set forth on the first page of this Agreement. Lessee will not change its legal name in any respect without giving thirty (30) days' prior notice to Lessor.

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**Part 4 - The Transactions**

**4.1 Lease of Property.** On the Commencement Date of each Financing Transaction executed in the Supplement hereunder, Lessor will be deemed to demise, lease and let to Lessee, and Lessee will be deemed to rent, lease and hire from Lessor, the Property described in such Supplement, in accordance with this Agreement and such Supplement, for the Lease Term set forth in such Supplement.

**4.2 Lease Term.** The term of each Financing Transaction shall commence on the Commencement Date set forth in the Certificate of Acceptance and shall terminate upon payment of the final Lease Payment set forth in such Payment Schedule and the exercise of the Deemed Purchase described in Section 11.1, unless terminated sooner pursuant to this Agreement or the Supplement.

**4.3 Delivery, Installation and Acceptance of Property.** Lessee shall order the Property, shall cause the Property to be delivered and installed at the locations specified in the applicable Supplement, and shall pay all taxes, delivery costs and installation costs, if any, in connection therewith. To the extent funds are deposited under an escrow agreement for the acquisition of the Property, such funds shall be disbursed as provided therein. When the Property described in such Supplement is delivered, installed and accepted as to Lessee's specifications, Lessee shall immediately accept the Property and evidence said acceptance by executing and delivering to Lessor the Certificate of Acceptance substantially in the form attached to the Supplement.

**4.4 Assignment to Lessor.** With respect to Property, Lessee assigns for security purposes to Lessor, effective upon Lessor signing the Supplement, its right to purchase the Property from its Supplier. Although Lessor shall have the obligation to pay the Supplier for the Property, not to exceed the principal amount set forth in the Supplement, title to the Property shall pass directly from Supplier to Lessee subject to Lessor's right under Section 7.3 hereunder, or unless otherwise provided. All other rights and obligations as defined in the agreement between Lessee and Lessee's Supplier governing the purchase of the Property ("Purchase Agreement") shall remain with Lessee. Lessee represents that it has reviewed and approved the Purchase Agreement. Lessor will not modify or rescind the Purchase Agreement.

**4.5 Credit Review.** For each Financing Transaction, Lessee consents to a reasonable credit review by Lessor.

**Part 5 - Lessor's Rights of Access**

**5.1 Enjoyment of Property.** Lessee shall during the Lease Term peaceably and quietly have, hold and enjoy the Property, without suit, trouble or hindrance from Lessor, except as expressly set forth in this Agreement. Neither Lessor nor its successors or assigns shall interfere with such quiet use and enjoyment during the Lease Term so long as Lessee is not in default under the subject Supplement.

**5.2 Location; Inspection.** The Property will be initially located or based at the location specified in the applicable Supplement. Upon reasonable advance request, Lessee agrees to allow Lessor to inspect the Equipment and its maintenance records during Lessee's normal business hours, subject to Lessee's reasonable security procedures. Lessee will affix to the Equipment any identifying labels supplied by Lessor indicating ownership.

**Part 6 - Payments**

**6.1 Lease Payments to Constitute a Current Expense of Lessee.** Lessor and Lessee understand and intend that the obligation of Lessee to pay Lease Payments hereunder shall constitute a current expense of Lessee and shall not in any way be construed to be a debt of Lessee in contravention of any applicable constitutional, statutory or charter limitation or requirement concerning the creation of indebtedness by Lessee, nor shall anything contained herein constitute a pledge of the faith and credit or taxing power of Lessee. Upon the appropriation of Lease Payments for a fiscal year, the Lease Payments for said fiscal year, and only the Lease Payments for said current fiscal year, shall be a binding obligation of Lessee; provided that such obligation shall not include a pledge of the taxing power of Lessee.

**6.2 Payment of Lease Payments.** Lessee shall promptly pay Lease Payments under each Supplement, exclusively from legally available funds, in lawful money of the United States of America, to Lessor in such amounts and on such dates as described in the applicable Payment Schedule, at Lessor's address set forth as the "remit to" address in the invoice, unless Lessor instructs Lessee otherwise. Lessee shall pay Lessor a charge on any delinquent Lease Payments in an amount sufficient to cover all additional costs and expenses incurred by Lessor from such delinquent Lease Payment. In addition, Lessee shall pay a late charge of five cents per dollar or the highest amount permitted by applicable law, whichever is lower, on all delinquent Lease Payments and interest on said delinquent amounts from the date such amounts were due until paid at the rate of 12% per annum or the maximum amount permitted by law, whichever is less.

**6.3 Interest Component.** A portion of each Lease Payment due under each Supplement is paid as, and represents payment of, interest, and each Supplement hereunder shall set forth the interest component (or method of computation thereof) of each Lease Payment thereunder during the Lease Term.

**6.4 Lease Payments to be Unconditional.** SUBJECT TO SECTION 6.6, THE OBLIGATIONS OF LESSEE TO PAY THE LEASE PAYMENTS DUE UNDER THE SUPPLEMENTS AND TO PERFORM AND OBSERVE THE OTHER COVENANTS AND AGREEMENTS CONTAINED HEREIN SHALL BE ABSOLUTE AND UNCONDITIONAL IN ALL EVENTS WITHOUT ABATEMENT, DIMINUTION, DEDUCTION, SET-OFF OR DEFENSE, FOR ANY REASON, INCLUDING WITHOUT LIMITATION, ANY DEFECTS, MALFUNCTIONS, BREAKDOWNS OR INFIRMITIES IN THE PROPERTY OR ANY ACCIDENT, CONDEMNATION OR UNFORESEEN CIRCUMSTANCES. THIS PROVISION SHALL NOT LIMIT LESSEE'S RIGHTS OR ACTIONS AGAINST ANY SUPPLIER AS PROVIDED IN SECTION 10.2.

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**6.5 Continuation of Lease by Lessee.** Lessee intends to continue all Supplements entered into pursuant to this Agreement and to pay the Lease Payments thereunder. Lessee reasonably believes that legally available funds in an amount sufficient to make all Lease Payments during the term of all Supplements can be obtained. Lessee agrees that during the budgeting process for each budget year its staff will provide to the governing body of Lessee notification of any Lease Payments due under the Supplements during the following budget year.

**6.6 Nonappropriation.** If, during the then current Original Term or Renewal Term, sufficient funds are not appropriated to make Lease Payments required under a Supplement for the following fiscal year, Lessee shall be deemed to not have renewed such Supplement for the following fiscal year and the Supplement shall terminate at the end of the then current Original Term or Renewal Term and Lessee shall not be obligated to make Lease Payments under said Supplement beyond the then current fiscal year for which funds have been appropriated. Upon the occurrence of such nonappropriation (a "Nonappropriation Event") Lessee shall, no later than the end of the fiscal year for which Lease Payments have been appropriated, deliver possession of the Property under said Supplement to Lessor. If Lessee fails to deliver possession of the Property to Lessor upon termination of said Supplement by reason of a Nonappropriation Event, the termination shall nevertheless be effective but Lessee shall be responsible for the payment of damages in an amount equal to the portion of Lease Payments thereafter coming due that is attributable to the number of days after the termination during which the Lessee fails to deliver possession and for any other loss suffered by Lessor as a result of Lessee's failure to deliver possession as required. In the event of a Nonappropriation Event under a Supplement, Lessee shall cease use of all software financed or acquired under the applicable Supplement and shall confirm and state in writing to Lessor that it has: (1) deleted or disabled all files and copies of the software from the equipment on which it was installed; (2) returned all software documentation, training manuals, and physical media on which the software was delivered; and (3) has no ability to use the returned software. Lessor may, by written instructions to any escrow agent who is holding proceeds of the Supplement, instruct such escrow agent to release all such proceeds and any earnings thereon to Lessor, such sums to be credited to Lessee's obligations under the Supplement and this Agreement. Lessee shall notify Lessor in writing within seven (7) days after the failure of the Lessee to appropriate funds sufficient for the payment of the Lease Payments, but failure to provide such notice shall not operate to extend the Lease Term or result in any liability to Lessee. In the event of such nonappropriation, upon request from Lessor, Lessee agrees to provide in a timely manner, written evidence of such nonappropriation, a copy of the fiscal year budget in which such nonappropriation occurred and any other related documentation reasonably requested by Lessor.

**Part 7 - Title; Security Interest**

**7.1 Title to the Property.** Upon acceptance of the Equipment by Lessee and unless otherwise required by the laws of the State, title to the Equipment shall vest directly in Lessee from the Supplier, subject to Lessor's interests under the applicable Supplement and this Agreement. Software that the Lessee acquires from the Supplier and finances with Lessor remains the property of the licensor. Ownership of the software is governed by the license agreement between the licensor and the Lessee and is not affected by this Agreement.

**7.2 Personal Property.** The Equipment is and will remain personal property and will not be deemed to be affixed to or a part of the real estate on which it may be situated, notwithstanding that the Equipment or any part thereof may be or hereafter become in any manner physically affixed or attached to real estate or any building thereon. If requested by Lessor, Lessee will, at Lessee's expense, furnish a waiver of any interest in the Equipment from any party having an interest in any such real estate or building.

**7.3 Security Interest.** To the extent permitted by law and to secure the performance of all of Lessee's obligations under this Agreement with respect to a Supplement, including without limitation all Supplements now existing or hereafter executed, Lessee grants to Lessor, for the benefit of Lessor and its successors and assigns, a security interest constituting a first lien on Lessee's interest in all of the Equipment under the Supplement, whether now owned or hereafter acquired, all additions, attachments, alterations and accessions to the Equipment, all substitutions and replacements for the Equipment, and on any proceeds of any of the foregoing, including insurance proceeds. Lessee shall execute any additional documents, including financing statements, affidavits, notices and similar instruments, in form and substance satisfactory to Lessor, that Lessor deems necessary or appropriate to establish, maintain and perfect a security interest in the Equipment in favor of Lessor and its successors and assigns. Lessee hereby authorizes Lessor to file all financing statements that Lessor deems necessary or appropriate to establish, maintain and perfect such security interest.

**Part 8 – Maintenance and Ancillary Charges**

**8.1 Maintenance of Equipment by Lessee.** Lessee shall keep and maintain the Equipment in good condition and working order and in compliance with the manufacturer's specifications, shall use, operate and maintain the Equipment in conformity with all laws and regulations concerning the Equipment's ownership, possession, use and maintenance, and shall keep the Equipment free and clear of all liens and claims, other than those created by this Agreement. Lessee shall have sole responsibility to maintain and repair the Equipment. Should Lessee fail to maintain, preserve and keep the Equipment in good repair and working order and in accordance with manufacturer's specifications, and if requested by Lessor, Lessee will enter into maintenance contracts for the Equipment in form approved by Lessor and with approved providers.

**8.2 Liens, Taxes, Other Governmental Charges and Utility Charges.** Lessee shall keep the Property free of all levies, liens and encumbrances, except for the interest of Lessor under this Agreement. The parties to this Agreement contemplate that the Property will be used for a governmental or proprietary purpose of Lessee and, therefore, that the Property will be exempt from all property taxes. The Lease Payments payable by Lessee under this Agreement and the Supplements hereunder have been established to reflect the savings resulting from this exemption from taxation. Lessee will take such actions necessary under applicable law to

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obtain said exemption. Nevertheless, if the use, possession or acquisition of the Property is determined to be subject to taxation or later becomes subject to such taxes, Lessee shall pay when due all taxes and governmental charges lawfully assessed or levied against or with respect to the Property. Lessee shall pay all gas, water, steam, electricity, heat, power, telephone, utility and other charges incurred in the operation, maintenance, use, occupancy and upkeep of the Property. Lessee shall pay such taxes or charges as the same may become due; provided that, with respect to any such taxes or charges that may lawfully be paid in installments over a period of years, Lessee shall be obligated to pay only such installments as accrue during the then current fiscal year of the Lease Term for such Property.

**8.3 Insurance.** At its own expense, Lessee shall maintain (a) casualty insurance insuring the Property against loss or damage by fire and all other risks covered by the standard extended coverage endorsement then in use in the State and any other risks reasonably required by Lessor in an amount equal to at least the outstanding principal component of Lease Payments, and (b) liability insurance that protects Lessor from liability in all events in an amount reasonably acceptable to Lessor, and (c) worker's compensation insurance covering all employees working on, in, near or about the Property; provided that Lessee may self-insure against all such risks. All insurance proceeds from casualty losses shall be payable as hereinafter provided in this Agreement. All such insurance shall be with insurers that are authorized to issue such insurance in the State. All such liability insurance shall name Lessor as an additional insured. All such casualty insurance shall contain a provision making any losses payable to Lessor and Lessee as their respective interests may appear. All such insurance shall contain a provision to the effect that such insurance shall not be canceled or modified without first giving written notice thereof to Lessor and Lessee at least thirty (30) days in advance of such cancellation or modification. Such changes shall not become effective without Lessor's prior written consent. Upon Lessor's request, Lessee shall, within thirty (30) days of such request, furnish to Lessor, for each Supplement, certificates evidencing such coverage, or, if Lessee self-insures, a written description of its self-insurance program together with a certification from Lessee's risk manager or insurance agent or consultant to the effect that Lessee's self-insurance program provides adequate coverage against the risks listed above.

**8.4 Advances.** In the event Lessee shall fail to either maintain the insurance required by this Agreement or keep the Property in good repair and working order, Lessor may, but shall be under no obligation to, purchase the required insurance and pay the cost of the premiums thereof or maintain and repair the Property and pay the cost thereof. All amounts so advanced by Lessor shall constitute additional rent for the Lease Term for the Supplement for which the Property is under and shall be due and payable on the next Lease Payment Date and Lessee covenants and agrees to pay such amounts so advanced by Lessor with interest thereon from the date such amounts are advanced until paid at the rate of 12% per annum or the maximum amount permitted by law, whichever is less.

**Part 9 – Casualty Loss**

**9.1 Damage or Destruction.** If (a) the Property under a Supplement or any portion thereof is destroyed, in whole or in part, or is damaged by fire or other casualty, or (b) title to, or the temporary use of, the Property under a Supplement or any part thereof shall be taken under the exercise or threat of the power of eminent domain by any governmental body or by any person, firm or corporation acting pursuant to governmental authority, Lessor and Lessee will cause the Net Proceeds (as hereinafter defined) of any insurance claim, condemnation award or sale under threat of condemnation to be applied to the prompt repair, restoration, modification or improvement of the Property, unless Lessee shall have exercised its option to purchase Lessor's interest in the Property if the Supplement so provides. Any balance of the Net Proceeds remaining after such work has been completed shall be paid to Lessee and applied to the next Lease Payments coming due on the Supplement. For purposes of Section 8.3 and this Part 9, the term "Net Proceeds" shall mean the amount remaining from the gross proceeds of any insurance claim, condemnation award or sale under threat of condemnation after deducting all expenses, including attorneys' fees, incurred in the collection thereof.

**9.2 Insufficiency of Net Proceeds.** If the Net Proceeds are insufficient to pay in full the cost of any repair, restoration, modification or improvement referred to in Section 9.1, Lessee shall (a) complete such repair, restoration, modification or improvement and pay any costs thereof in excess of the amount of the Net Proceeds and, if Lessee shall make any payments pursuant to this Section, Lessee shall not be entitled to any reimbursement therefor from Lessor nor shall Lessee be entitled to any diminution of the amounts payable under Section 6.2; or (b) exercise its option to purchase Lessor's interest in the Property pursuant to the optional purchase provisions of the Supplement, if any. The amount of the Net Proceeds, if any, remaining after completing such repair, restoration, modification or improvement or after such purchase may be retained by Lessee.

**Part 10 – Warranties; Use of Equipment and/or Financed Items**

**10.1 Disclaimer of Warranties.** LESSOR MAKES NO (AND SHALL NOT BE DEEMED TO HAVE MADE ANY) WARRANTIES, EXPRESS OR IMPLIED, AS TO ANY MATTER WHATSOEVER, INCLUDING, WITHOUT LIMITATION, THE DESIGN, OPERATION OR CONDITION OF, OR THE QUALITY OF THE MATERIAL, EQUIPMENT OR WORKMANSHIP IN, THE PROPERTY, ITS MERCHANTABILITY OR ITS FITNESS FOR ANY PARTICULAR PURPOSE, THE STATE OF TITLE THERETO OR ANY COMPONENT THEREOF, THE ABSENCE OF LATENT OR OTHER DEFECTS (WHETHER OR NOT DISCOVERABLE), AND LESSOR HEREBY DISCLAIMS THE SAME; IT BEING UNDERSTOOD THAT THE PROPERTY IS LEASED TO LESSEE "AS IS" ON THE DATE OF THIS AGREEMENT OR THE DATE OF DELIVERY, WHICHEVER IS LATER, AND ALL SUCH RISKS, IF ANY, ARE TO BE BORNE BY LESSEE. Lessee acknowledges that it has made (or will make) the selection of the Property from the Supplier based on its own judgment and expressly disclaims any reliance upon any statements or representations made by Lessor. Lessee understands and agrees that (a) neither the Supplier nor any sales representative or other agent of Supplier, is (i) an agent of Lessor, or (ii) authorized to make or alter any term or condition of this Agreement, and (b) no such waiver or alteration shall vary the terms of this Agreement unless expressly set forth herein. In no event shall Lessor be liable for any incidental, indirect, special or consequential damage in connection with or arising out of this Agreement, the Supplements, or the existence, furnishing, functioning or use of any item, product or service provided for in this Agreement or the Supplements.

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**10.2 Supplier's Warranties.** Lessor hereby irrevocably assigns to Lessee all rights that Lessor may have to assert from time to time whatever claims and rights (including without limitation warranties) related to the Property against the Supplier. Lessee's sole remedy for the breach of such warranty, indemnification or representation shall be against the Supplier of the Property, and not against Lessor, nor shall such matter have any effect whatsoever on the rights and obligations of Lessor with respect to this Agreement, including the right to receive full and timely payments hereunder. Lessee expressly acknowledges that Lessor makes, and has made, no representations or warranties whatsoever as to the existence or the availability of such warranties of the Supplier of the Property.

**10.3 Use of the Property.** Lessee will not install, use, operate or maintain the Property improperly, carelessly, in violation of any applicable law or in a manner contrary to that contemplated by this Agreement and the applicable Supplement. Lessee shall provide all permits and licenses, if any, necessary for the installation and operation of the Property. In addition, Lessee agrees to comply in all respects with all laws of the jurisdiction in which its operations involving any item of Property may extend and any legislative, executive, administrative or judicial body exercising any power or jurisdiction over the items of the Property (including compliance with any applicable privacy laws, rules or regulations and in conjunction therewith Lessee, upon cessation of the use, operation and control of, and prior to any disposition of the Equipment, shall destroy any data contained thereon that would be subject to such privacy laws, rules or regulations); provided that Lessee may contest in good faith the validity or application of any such law or rule in any reasonable manner that does not, in the opinion of Lessor, adversely affect the interest of Lessor in and to the Property or its interest or rights under this Agreement. Lessee shall promptly notify Lessor in writing of any pending or threatened investigation, inquiry, claim or action by any governmental authority which could adversely affect this Agreement, any Supplement or the Property thereunder.

**10.4 Modifications.** Subject to the provisions of this Section, Lessee shall have the right, at its own expense, to make alterations, additions, modifications or improvements to the Equipment. All such alterations, additions, modifications and improvements shall thereafter comprise part of the Equipment and shall be subject to the provisions of this Agreement. Such alterations, additions, modifications and improvements shall not in any way damage the Equipment, substantially alter its nature or cause it to be used for purposes other than those authorized under the provisions of state and federal law; and the Equipment, on completion of any alterations, additions, modifications or improvements made pursuant to this Section, shall be of a value which is equal to or greater than the value of the Equipment immediately prior to the making of such alterations, additions, modifications and improvements. Lessee shall, at its own expense, make such alterations, additions, modifications and improvements to the Equipment as may be required from time to time by applicable law or by any governmental authority.

**Part 11 – Prepayments**

**11.1 Deemed Purchase.** Lessee shall be deemed to have purchased Lessor's entire interest in all of the Equipment subject to a Supplement and to have terminated any restrictions herein on the Property under such Supplement on the last day of the Lease Term for a Supplement, if the Supplement is still in effect on such day, upon payment in full of the Lease Payments due thereunder. Upon the deemed purchase as set forth in this Section 11.1 or payment of the purchase price pursuant to Section 11.2 hereof, under the applicable Supplement, and performance by Lessee of all other terms, conditions and provisions hereof, Lessor shall deliver to Lessee all such documents and instruments as Lessee may reasonably require to evidence the transfer, without warranty by or recourse to Lessor, of all of Lessor's right, title and interest in and to the Equipment subject to such Supplement to Lessee.

**11.2 Option to Prepay.** Lessee shall have the option to prepay (a) in whole, but not in part, the Lease Payments due under a Supplement on any Lease Payment Date, at the Prepayment Price set forth in the Payment Schedule as the "Prepayment Price", or (b) in part, by requesting, in writing, the Prepayment Price for the portion of the remaining Lease Payments allocable to the Property being prepaid plus any past due amounts, accrued interest to the date of such prepayment and any other monetary amounts due under the Supplement to Lessor. The Prepayment Price shall be an amount equal to the present value of the portion of the remaining Lease Payments allocable to the Property being prepaid multiplied by the Prepayment Fee Rate set forth in such Payment Schedule as the "Prepayment Fee Rate". Upon payment of the Prepayment Price and such other amounts due Lessor, Lessee shall be deemed to have purchased Lessor's entire interest in all Property being prepaid, and to have terminated any restrictions herein on the Property prepaid.

**Part 12 – Assignment; Risk of Loss**

**12.1 Assignment by Lessor.** Lessor's right, title and interest in, to and under each Supplement and the Property under such Supplement may be assigned and reassigned in whole or in part to one or more assignees or subassignees by Lessor without the consent of Lessee; provided that any assignment shall not be effective against the Lessee until Lessee has received written notice, signed by the assignor, of the name, address and tax identification number of the assignee. Lessee shall retain all such notices as a register of all assignees and shall make all payments to the assignee or assignees designated in such register. Lessee agrees to execute all documents, including notices of assignment and chattel mortgages or financing statements that may be reasonably requested by Lessor or any assignee to protect its interests in this Agreement and the Supplements.

**12.2 Supplements Separate Financings.** Assignees of the Lessor's rights in one Supplement shall have no rights in any other Supplement unless such rights have been separately assigned.

**12.3 Assignment and Subleasing by Lessee.** NONE OF LESSEE'S RIGHT, TITLE AND INTEREST IN, TO AND UNDER THIS AGREEMENT OR ANY SUPPLEMENT AND IN THE PROPERTY MAY BE ASSIGNED, SUBLEASED OR ENCUMBERED BY LESSEE FOR ANY REASON, WITHOUT THE PRIOR WRITTEN CONSENT OF LESSOR. Any request by Lessee to assign a

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Supplement or any Property thereunder must be accompanied by an opinion of tax counsel satisfactory to Lessor that the assignment will cause no material change to the federal income tax treatment of the amounts payable as interest under the Supplement.

**12.4 Risk of Loss Covenants.** Lessee shall not be required to indemnify or hold Lessor harmless against liabilities arising from the Agreement. However, as between Lessor and Lessee, and to the extent permitted by law, Lessee shall bear the risk of loss for, shall pay directly, and shall defend Lessor against any and all claims, liabilities, proceedings, actions, expenses, damages or losses arising under or related to the Property, including, but not limited to, the possession, ownership, lease, use or operation thereof, except that (provided that Lessee has complied with its obligations under Section 10.3) Lessee shall not bear the risk of loss of, nor pay for, any claims, liabilities, proceedings, actions, expenses, damages or losses that arise directly from events occurring after Lessee has surrendered possession of the Property in accordance with the terms of the Agreement to Lessor or that arise directly from the gross negligence or willful misconduct of the Lessor.

**Part 13 – Defaults and Remedies**

**13.1 Events of Default Defined.** Any of the following shall constitute an "Event of Default" under a Supplement:

- a. Failure by Lessee to pay any Lease Payment under the Supplement or other payment required to be paid with respect thereto at the time specified therein;
- b. Failure by Lessee to observe and perform any covenant, condition or agreement on its part to be observed or performed with respect to the Supplement, other than as referred to in subparagraph (a) above, for a period of thirty (30) days after written notice specifying such failure and requesting that it be remedied is given to Lessee by Lessor, unless Lessor shall agree in writing to an extension of such time prior to its expiration; provided that, if the failure stated in the notice cannot be corrected within the applicable period, Lessor will not unreasonably withhold its consent to an extension of such time if corrective action is instituted by Lessee within the applicable period and diligently pursued until the default is corrected;
- c. Any statement, representation or warranty made by Lessee in or pursuant to the Supplement or its execution, delivery or performance shall prove to have been false, incorrect, misleading or breached in any material respect on the date when made;
- d. Lessee shall (i) apply for or consent to the appointment of a receiver, trustee, custodian or liquidator of Lessee, or of all or a substantial part of the assets of Lessee, (ii) be unable, fail or admit in writing its inability generally to pay its debts as they become due, (iii) make a general assignment for the benefit of creditors, (iv) have an order for relief entered against it under applicable federal bankruptcy law, or (v) file a voluntary petition in bankruptcy or a petition or an answer seeking reorganization or an arrangement with creditors or taking advantage of any insolvency law or any answer admitting the material allegations of a petition filed against Lessee in any bankruptcy, reorganization or insolvency proceeding; or
- e. An order, judgment or decree shall be entered by any court of competent jurisdiction, approving a petition or appointing a receiver, trustee, custodian or liquidator of Lessee or of all or a substantial part of the assets of Lessee, in each case without its application, approval or consent, and such order, judgment or decree shall continue unstayed and in effect for any period of 60 consecutive days.

The foregoing provisions of Section 13.1 are subject to the following limitation: if by reason of force majeure Lessee is unable in whole or in part to perform its agreements under this Agreement and the Supplement (other than the obligations on the part of Lessee contained in Part 6 hereof) Lessee shall not be in default during the continuance of such inability. The term "force majeure" as used herein shall mean the following: acts of God; strikes, lockouts or other industrial disturbances; acts of public enemies; orders or restraints of any kind of the government of the United States or of the State or any of their departments, agencies or officials, or any civil or military authority; insurrections, riots, landslides, earthquakes, fires, storms, droughts, floods, explosions, breakage or accident to machinery, transmission pipes or canals; or any other cause or event not reasonably within the control of Lessee.

A Nonappropriation Event is not an Event of Default.

**13.2 Remedies on Default.** Whenever any Event of Default exists with respect to a Supplement, Lessor shall have the right, at its sole option without any further demand or notice, to take one or any combination of the following remedial steps:

- a. Without terminating the Supplement, and by written notice to Lessee, Lessor may declare all Lease Payments and other amounts payable by Lessee thereunder to the end of the then current budget year of Lessee to be due, including without limitation delinquent Lease Payments under the Supplement from prior budget years, and such amounts shall thereafter bear interest at the rate of 12% per annum or the maximum rate permitted by applicable law, whichever is less;
- b. Lessor may terminate the Supplement, may enter the premises where the Property subject to the Supplement is located and retake possession of the Equipment and require Lessee to discontinue use of any Financed Items, or require Lessee, at Lessee's expense, to promptly return any or all of the Equipment to the possession of Lessor at such place within the United States as Lessor shall specify and require Lessee to discontinue use of any Financed Items, and Lessor may thereafter dispose of the Property in accordance with Article 9 of the Uniform Commercial Code in effect in the State; provided, however, that any proceeds from the disposition of the property in excess of the sum required to (i) pay off any outstanding principal component of Lease Payments, (ii) pay any other amounts then due under the Supplement, and (iii) pay Lessor's costs and expenses associated with the disposition of the Property (including attorneys fees), shall be paid to Lessee or such other creditor of Lessee as may be entitled thereto, and

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further provided that no deficiency shall be allowed against Lessee. Lessee shall confirm and state in writing to Lessor that it has: (1) deleted or disabled all files and copies of the software from the equipment on which it was installed; (2) returned all software documentation, training manuals, and physical media on which the software was delivered; and (3) has no ability to use the returned software;

c. By written notice to any escrow agent who is holding proceeds of the Supplement, Lessor may instruct such escrow agent to release all such proceeds and any earnings thereon to Lessor, such sums to be credited to payment of Lessee's obligations under the Supplement;

d. Lessor may take any action, at law or in equity, that is permitted by applicable law and that may appear necessary or desirable to enforce or to protect any of its rights under the Supplement and this Agreement.

**13.3 No Remedy Exclusive.** No remedy herein conferred upon or reserved to Lessor is intended to be exclusive and every such remedy shall be cumulative and shall be in addition to every other remedy given under this Lease now or hereafter existing at law or in equity. No delay or omission to exercise any right or power accruing upon any default shall impair any such right or power or shall be construed to be a waiver thereof, but any such right or power may be exercised from time to time and as often as may be deemed expedient. In order to entitle Lessor to exercise any remedy reserved to it in this Part it shall not be necessary to give any notice, other than such notice as may be required in this Part.

**13.4 Costs and Attorney Fees.** Upon the occurrence of an Event of Default by Lessee in the performance of any term of this Agreement, Lessee agrees to pay to Lessor or reimburse Lessor for, in addition to all other amounts due hereunder, all of Lessor's costs of collection, including reasonable attorney fees, whether or not suit or action is filed thereon. Any such costs shall be immediately due and payable upon written notice and demand given to Lessee, shall be secured by this Agreement until paid and shall bear interest at the rate of 12% per annum or the maximum amount permitted by law, whichever is less. In the event suit or action is instituted to enforce any of the terms of this Agreement, the prevailing party shall be entitled to recover from the other party such sum as the court may adjudge reasonable as attorneys' fees at trial or on appeal of such suit or action or in any bankruptcy proceeding, in addition to all other sums provided by law.

**Part 14 – General**

**14.1 Notices.** All notices, certificates or other communications hereunder shall be sufficiently given and shall be deemed given when delivered or mailed by certified mail, postage prepaid, to the parties hereto at the addresses immediately after the signatures to this Agreement (or at such other address as either party hereto shall designate in writing to the other for notices to such party), to any assignee at its address as it appears on the registration books maintained by Lessee.

**14.2 Arbitration Certifications.** Lessee shall be deemed to make the following representations and covenants as of the Commencement Date for each Supplement:

a. The estimated total costs, including taxes, freight, installation, cost of issuance, of the Financed Items under the Supplement will not be less than the total principal amount of the Lease Payments.

b. Lessee has not created or established, and does not expect to create or establish, any sinking fund or other similar fund (i) that is reasonably expected to be used to pay the Lease Payments under the Supplement, or (ii) that may be used solely to prevent a default in the payment of the Lease Payments under the Supplement.

c. The Property under the Supplement has not been and is not expected to be sold or otherwise disposed of by Lessee, either in whole or in major part, prior to the last maturity of the Lease Payments under the Supplement.

d. There are no other obligations of Lessee which (i) are being sold within 15 days of the Commencement Date of the Supplement; (ii) are being sold pursuant to the same plan of financing as the Supplement; and (iii) are expected to be paid from substantially the same source of funds.

e. The officer or official who has executed the Supplement on Lessee's behalf is familiar with Lessee's expectations regarding this Section 14.2. To the best of Lessee's knowledge, information and belief, the facts and estimates set forth in herein are accurate and the expectations of Lessee set forth herein are reasonable.

**14.3 Further Assurances.** Lessee agrees to execute such other and further documents, including, without limitation, confirmatory financing statements, continuation statements, certificates of title and the like, and to take all such action as may be necessary or appropriate, from time to time, in the reasonable opinion of Lessor, to perfect, confirm, establish, reestablish, continue, or complete the interests of Lessor in this Agreement and the Supplements, to consummate the transactions contemplated hereby and thereby, and to carry out the purposes and intentions of this Agreement and the Supplements.

**14.4 Binding Effect.** This Agreement shall inure to the benefit of and shall be binding upon Lessor and Lessee and their respective successors and assigns. Any county, township, municipality, political subdivision or affiliate (collectively, "Affiliate") of Lessee may enter into a Financing Transaction under this Agreement by signing a Supplement referencing this Agreement and so will be bound to the terms and conditions of this Agreement as Lessee. Nothing in this Agreement obligates the Lessor to provide financing to an Affiliate



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**14.5 Severability.** In the event any provision of this 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.

**14.6 Amendments, Changes and Modifications.** This Agreement may be amended in writing by Lessor and Lessee to the extent the amendment or modification does not apply to outstanding Supplements at the time of such amendment or modification

**14.7 Execution in Counterparts.** This Agreement and the Supplements hereunder 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 instrument.

**14.8 Applicable Law.** This Agreement shall be governed by and construed in accordance with the laws of the State.

**14.9 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 or sections of this Agreement.

Agreed to:

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IBM Credit LLC

By \_\_\_\_\_  
Authorized signature

By \_\_\_\_\_  
Authorized signature

Name (type or print):

Name (type or print):

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