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SECURITIES AND EXCHANGE COMMISSION
Washington, D.C. 20549

FORM 10-Q

(Mark One)

☒ **QUARTERLY REPORT PURSUANT TO SECTION 13 OR 15(d) OF THE SECURITIES EXCHANGE ACT OF 1934**

For the quarterly period ended June 30, 2009

OR

☐ **TRANSITION REPORT PURSUANT TO SECTION 13 OR 15(d) OF THE SECURITIES EXCHANGE ACT OF 1934**

Commission file number 1-13395

SONIC AUTOMOTIVE, INC.

(Exact name of registrant as specified in its charter)

DELAWARE
(State or other jurisdiction of
incorporation or organization)

6415 Idlewild Road, Suite 109, Charlotte, North Carolina
(Address of principal executive offices)

56-2010790
(I.R.S. Employer
Identification No.)

28212
(Zip Code)

(704) 566-2400
(Registrant's telephone number, including area code)

Indicate by check mark whether the registrant (1) has filed all reports required to be filed by Section 13 or 15(d) of the Securities Exchange Act of 1934 during the preceding 12 months (or for such shorter period that the registrant was required to file such reports), and (2) has been subject to such filing requirements for the past 90 days. Yes ☒ No ☐

Indicate by check mark whether the registrant has submitted electronically and posted on its corporate website, if any, every Interactive Data File required to be submitted and posted pursuant to Rule 405 of Regulation S-T (§232.405 of this chapter) during the preceding 12 months (or such shorter period that the registrant was required to submit and post such file). Yes ☒ No ☐

Indicate by check mark whether the registrant is a large accelerated filer, an accelerated filer, a non-accelerated filer or a smaller reporting company. See definitions of "large accelerated filer," "accelerated filer" and "smaller reporting company" in Rule 12b-2 of the Exchange Act (check one).

Large Accelerated Filer ☐

Accelerated Filer ☒

Non-Accelerated Filer ☐
(Do not check if a smaller
reporting company)

Smaller Reporting Company ☐

Indicate by check mark whether the registrant is a shell company (as defined in Rule 12b-2 of the Exchange Act). Yes ☐ No ☒

As of August 3, 2009, there were 29,488,519 shares of Class A Common Stock and 12,029,375 shares of Class B Common Stock outstanding.

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PART I - FINANCIAL INFORMATION

Item 1: Condensed Consolidated Financial Statements.

SONIC AUTOMOTIVE, INC. AND SUBSIDIARIES CONDENSED CONSOLIDATED STATEMENTS OF INCOME (Dollars and shares in thousands except per share amounts) (Unaudited)

	Second Quarter Ended June 30,		Six Months Ended June 30,	
	2008	2009	2008	2009
Revenues:				
New vehicles	\$ 1,059,486	\$ 706,171	\$ 2,036,415	\$ 1,344,279
Used vehicles	346,650	361,452	686,748	668,944
Wholesale vehicles	74,835	30,685	151,383	64,257
Total vehicles	1,480,971	1,098,308	2,874,546	2,077,480
Parts, service and collision repair	266,484	257,751	531,061	512,631
Finance, insurance and other	49,145	36,552	96,096	69,361
Total revenues	1,796,600	1,392,611	3,501,703	2,659,472
Cost of Sales:				
New vehicles	(987,872)	(658,014)	(1,898,715)	(1,252,395)
Used vehicles	(315,933)	(332,612)	(624,435)	(611,515)
Wholesale vehicles	(76,582)	(32,006)	(154,168)	(65,737)
Total vehicles	(1,380,387)	(1,022,632)	(2,677,318)	(1,929,647)
Parts, service and collision repair	(133,855)	(128,145)	(267,397)	(257,567)
Total cost of sales	(1,514,242)	(1,150,777)	(2,944,715)	(2,187,214)
Gross profit	282,358	241,834	556,988	472,258
Selling, general and administrative expenses	(219,622)	(192,753)	(436,386)	(385,139)
Impairment charges	(116)	(3,793)	(333)	(3,825)
Depreciation and amortization	(8,270)	(8,806)	(15,277)	(16,444)
Operating income	54,350	36,482	104,992	66,850
Other income / (expense):				
Interest expense, floor plan	(10,535)	(5,156)	(22,603)	(10,045)
Non-cash interest expense, convertible debt	(2,656)	(3,643)	(5,294)	(6,262)
Interest expense, other, net	(13,804)	(22,122)	(24,944)	(38,190)
Other income, net	30	20	94	63
Total other expense	(26,965)	(30,901)	(52,747)	(54,434)
Income from continuing operations before taxes	27,385	5,581	52,245	12,416
Income tax provision	(10,954)	(2,512)	(20,898)	(5,587)
Income from continuing operations	16,431	3,069	31,347	6,829
Discontinued operations:				
Loss from operations and the sale of discontinued franchises	(9,796)	(4,168)	(12,702)	(6,833)
Income tax (provision) benefit	2,582	1,125	3,197	1,708
Loss from discontinued operations	(7,214)	(3,043)	(9,505)	(5,125)
Net income	\$ 9,217	\$ 26	\$ 21,842	\$ 1,704
Basic earnings per share:				
Earnings per share from continuing operations	\$ 0.40	\$ 0.07	\$ 0.76	\$ 0.17
Loss per share from discontinued operations	(0.18)	(0.07)	(0.23)	(0.13)
Earnings per share	\$ 0.22	\$ —	\$ 0.53	\$ 0.04
Weighted average common shares outstanding	40,432	40,968	40,603	40,536
Diluted earnings per share:				
Earnings per share from continuing operations	\$ 0.40	\$ 0.07	\$ 0.75	\$ 0.17
Loss per share from discontinued operations	(0.18)	(0.07)	(0.23)	(0.13)
Earnings per share	\$ 0.22	\$ —	\$ 0.52	\$ 0.04
Weighted average common shares outstanding	40,645	41,604	40,857	40,974
Dividends declared per common share	\$ 0.12	\$ —	\$ 0.24	\$ —

See notes to unaudited condensed consolidated financial statements.

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SONIC AUTOMOTIVE, INC. AND SUBSIDIARIES
CONDENSED CONSOLIDATED BALANCE SHEETS
(Dollars in thousands)
(Unaudited)

	December 31, 2008 (1)	June 30, 2009
ASSETS		
Current Assets:		
Cash and cash equivalents	\$ 6,971	\$ 5,163
Receivables, net	247,025	185,473
Inventories	916,837	790,101
Assets held for sale	406,576	203,577
Other current assets	16,822	22,037
Total Current Assets	1,594,231	1,206,351
Property and Equipment, net	369,892	379,033
Goodwill	327,007	402,999
Other Intangible Assets, net	82,328	80,100
Other Assets	32,087	31,462
Total Assets	<u>\$2,405,545</u>	<u>\$2,099,945</u>
LIABILITIES AND STOCKHOLDERS' EQUITY		
Current Liabilities:		
Notes payable - floor plan - trade	\$ 208,438	\$ 192,426
Notes payable - floor plan - non-trade	712,585	562,326
Trade accounts payable	53,215	52,095
Accrued interest	17,096	15,174
Other accrued liabilities	207,627	146,365
Liabilities associated with assets held for sale - trade	65,405	30,404
Liabilities associated with assets held for sale - non-trade	134,077	49,113
Current maturities of long-term debt	738,447	87,420
Total Current Liabilities	2,136,890	1,135,323
Long-Term Debt	—	644,260
Other Long-Term Liabilities	71,132	99,823
Commitments and Contingencies		
Stockholders' Equity:		
Class A convertible preferred stock, none issued	—	—
Class A common stock, \$.01 par value; 100,000,000 shares authorized; 42,922,557 shares issued and 28,063,141 shares outstanding at December 31, 2008; 44,375,835 shares issued and 29,488,518 shares outstanding at June 30, 2009	429	444
Class B common stock; \$.01 par value; 30,000,000 shares authorized; 12,400,000 shares issued and 12,029,375 shares outstanding at December 31, 2008 and June 30, 2009	121	121
Paid-in capital	537,023	546,301
Accumulated deficit	(66,900)	(65,027)
Accumulated other comprehensive income	(36,636)	(24,725)
Treasury stock, at cost (14,859,416 Class A shares held at December 31, 2008 and 14,887,317 Class A shares held at June 30, 2009)	(236,514)	(236,575)
Total Stockholders' Equity	197,523	220,539
Total Liabilities and Stockholders' Equity	<u>\$2,405,545</u>	<u>\$2,099,945</u>

(1) Restated for the adoption effects of FSP APB 14-1

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CONDENSED CONSOLIDATED STATEMENT OF STOCKHOLDERS' EQUITY
(Dollars and shares in thousands)
(Unaudited)

	Class A Common Stock		Class B Common Stock		Paid-In Capital	Accumulated Deficit	Treasury Stock	Accumulated Other Comprehensive Income	Total Stockholders' Equity	Compre- hensive Income
	Shares	Amount	Shares	Amount						
BALANCE AT DECEMBER 31, 2008	42,923	\$ 429	12,029	\$ 121	\$502,985	\$ (40,597)	\$(236,514)	\$ (36,635)	\$ 189,789	—
FSP APB 14-1 adoption	—	—	—	—	34,038	(26,303)	—	—	7,735	—
BALANCE AT DECEMBER 31, 2008(1)	42,923	429	12,029	121	537,023	(66,900)	(236,514)	(36,635)	197,524	—
Shares awarded under stock compensation plans	104	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—
Purchases of treasury stock	—	—	—	—	—	—	(61)	—	(61)	—
Income tax benefit associated with convertible note hedge	—	—	—	—	1,157	—	—	—	1,157	—
Fair value of interest rate swap agreements, net of tax expense of \$7,300	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	11,910	11,910	11,910
Issuance of Common Stock related to debt refinance	1,349	14	—	—	6,734	—	—	—	6,748	6,748
Stock-based compensation expense	—	—	—	—	296	—	—	—	296	—
Restricted stock amortization, net of forfeitures	—	—	—	—	1,092	—	—	—	1,092	—
Net income	—	—	—	—	—	1,704	—	—	1,704	1,704
Other	—	1	—	—	(1)	169	—	—	169	—
BALANCE AT JUNE 30, 2009	<u>44,376</u>	<u>\$ 444</u>	<u>12,029</u>	<u>\$ 121</u>	<u>\$546,301</u>	<u>\$ (65,027)</u>	<u>\$(236,575)</u>	<u>\$ (24,725)</u>	<u>\$ 220,539</u>	<u>\$20,362</u>

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SONIC AUTOMOTIVE, INC. AND SUBSIDIARIES
CONDENSED CONSOLIDATED STATEMENTS OF CASH FLOWS
(Dollars in thousands)
(Unaudited)

	Six Months Ended June 30,	
	2008 (1)	2009
CASH FLOWS FROM OPERATING ACTIVITIES:		
Net income	\$ 21,842	\$ 1,704
Adjustments to reconcile net income to net cash provided by operating activities:		
Depreciation and amortization of property, plant and equipment	17,369	16,562
Provision for bad debt expense	1,260	678
Other amortization	655	828
Debt issuance cost amortization	583	7,326
Debt discount amortization, net of premium amortization	5,778	6,545
Stock - based compensation expense	1,779	296
Amortization of restricted stock	2,448	1,202
Restricted stock forfeiture	(82)	(110)
Deferred income taxes	(3,693)	(2,422)
Equity interest in earnings of investees	(220)	(328)
Asset impairment charges	8,591	8,495
(Gain) Loss on disposal of franchises and property and equipment	2,645	(194)
Loss on exit of leased dealerships	1,647	2,085
Derivative fair value adjustments	—	100
Changes in assets and liabilities that relate to operations:		
Receivables	66,309	46,799
Inventories	(77,514)	225,230
Other assets	(9,147)	(30,245)
Notes payable - floor plan - trade	23,190	(51,013)
Trade accounts payable and other liabilities	(13,276)	31,815
Total adjustments	28,322	263,649
Net cash provided by operating activities	50,164	265,353
CASH FLOWS FROM INVESTING ACTIVITIES:		
Purchase of businesses, net of cash acquired	(22,728)	—
Purchases of property and equipment	(103,382)	(28,046)
Proceeds from sales of property and equipment	623	1,951
Proceeds from sale of franchises	24,004	20,677
Distributions from equity investees	600	300
Net cash used in investing activities	(100,883)	(5,118)
CASH FLOWS FROM FINANCING ACTIVITIES:		
Net borrowings on notes payable floor plan - non-trade	11,093	(235,223)
Borrowings on revolving credit facilities	540,229	431,719
Repayments on revolving credit facilities	(495,561)	(422,550)
Proceeds from long-term debt	17,763	—
Payments on long-term debt	(1,801)	(18,534)
Settlement of cash flow swaps	—	(16,454)
Purchases of treasury stock	(24,053)	(61)
Income tax benefit associated with stock compensation plans	1,195	—
Income tax benefit associated with convertible hedge	1,062	1,157
Issuance of shares under stock compensation plans	5,147	—
Issuance of common stock related to private placement	—	2,800
Dividends paid	(9,488)	(4,897)
Net cash provided by / (used in) financing activities	45,586	(262,043)
NET DECREASE IN CASH AND CASH EQUIVALENTS	(5,133)	(1,808)
CASH AND CASH EQUIVALENTS, BEGINNING OF PERIOD	16,514	6,971
CASH AND CASH EQUIVALENTS, END OF PERIOD	<u>\$ 11,381</u>	<u>\$ 5,163</u>
SUPPLEMENTAL SCHEDULE OF NON-CASH FINANCING ACTIVITIES:		
Change in fair value of cash flow hedging instruments (net of tax (benefit) / expense of \$(50) and \$7,300 for the six month period ended June 30, 2008 and 2009, respectively)	\$ (82)	\$ 11,910
Issuance of shares related to debt refinance	\$ —	\$ 3,948
SUPPLEMENTAL DISCLOSURES OF CASH FLOW INFORMATION:		
Cash paid (received) during the year for:		
Interest, net of amount capitalized	\$ 63,353	\$ 53,477
Income taxes	\$ 11,917	\$ (21,820)

(1) Restated for the adoption effects of FSP APB 14-1

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NOTES TO CONDENSED CONSOLIDATED FINANCIAL STATEMENTS

1. SUMMARY OF SIGNIFICANT ACCOUNTING POLICIES

Basis of Presentation – The accompanying unaudited condensed consolidated financial information for the second quarter and six-month periods ended June 30, 2008 and 2009 has been prepared pursuant to the rules and regulations of the Securities and Exchange Commission (the “SEC”). All significant intercompany accounts and transactions have been eliminated. These unaudited condensed consolidated financial statements reflect, in the opinion of management, all material adjustments (which include only normal recurring adjustments) necessary to fairly state the financial position and the results of operations for the periods presented. The results for interim periods are not necessarily indicative of the results to be expected for the entire fiscal year. These interim financial statements should be read in conjunction with the audited consolidated financial statements of Sonic for the year ended December 31, 2008, which were included in Sonic’s Current Report on Form 8-K dated May 28, 2009.

Recent Developments – On June 1, 2009, General Motors Corp. and certain of its subsidiaries (“General Motors”) filed for Chapter 11 bankruptcy protection. As of June 30, 2009, Sonic operated 33 General Motors franchises (under the Cadillac, Chevrolet, Hummer, Saab, Buick and Saturn nameplates) at 26 physical dealerships. Six of Sonic’s General Motors dealerships, representing twelve franchises, including three Hummer franchises at multi-franchise dealerships, two Saab franchises at multi-franchise dealerships and one additional General Motors franchise at a multi-franchise dealership received letters stating that the franchise agreements between General Motors and Sonic will not be continued by General Motors on a long-term basis. Subject to bankruptcy approval, General Motors has offered assistance with winding down the operations of these franchises in exchange for Sonic’s execution of termination agreements. Sonic executed all of the termination agreements. Assistance expected to be received from General Motors totals \$3.3 million, none of which was recorded as a receivable from General Motors as of June 30, 2009 due to the uncertainty of bankruptcy court approval and certain conditions required for the payments to occur had not yet been satisfied. The termination agreements provide for the following:

- The termination of the franchise agreement no earlier than January 1, 2010 and no later than October 31, 2010;
- The assignment and assumption of the franchise agreement by the purchaser of General Motors’ assets;
- The payment of financial assistance to the franchisee in installments in connection with the orderly winding down of the franchise operations;
- The waiver of any other termination assistance of any kind that may have been required under the franchise agreement;
- The release of claims against General Motors or the purchaser of General Motors’ assets and their related parties;
- The continuation of franchise operations pursuant to the franchise agreement, as supplemented by the termination agreement, through the effective date of termination of the franchise agreement, except that Sonic shall not be entitled to order any new vehicles from General Motors or the purchaser of General Motors’ assets; and
- A restriction on Sonic’s ability to transfer the franchise agreement to another party.

For the remaining General Motors franchises, Sonic executed “continuation agreements” which require, among other things, that existing franchise agreements will expire no later than October 31, 2010. In consideration of the execution of the “continuation agreements” General Motors will recommend to the bankruptcy court the continuation or assumption of Sonic’s existing franchise agreements, as amended by the “continuation agreements”. Sonic expects its franchises which executed “continuation agreements” to be renewed on or before October 31, 2010.

With the exception of product liability indemnifications, amounts owed to Sonic through incentive programs, amounts currently owed to Sonic’s franchises under their open accounts with General Motors and warranty claims occurring within 90 days prior to June 1, 2009, all amounts owed to Sonic from General Motors were extinguished as a result of the execution of the termination and continuation agreements. A motion was made by General Motors to the bankruptcy court and the motion was granted by the bankruptcy court allowing General Motors to pay the claims noted above. As a result, Sonic has been receiving payments related to pre-bankruptcy claims and the effect of General Motor’s bankruptcy filing has not had a material effect on Sonic’s recorded receivable balances as of June 30, 2009.

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As Sonic's operations at the affected franchises that will not be renewed wind down, Sonic may be required to accelerate depreciation expenses and record impairment charges related to, but not limited to, lease obligations, fixed assets, franchise assets, accounts receivable and inventory.

On June 2, 2009, General Motors announced that Chinese equipment manufacturer Sichuan Tengzhong Heavy Industrial Machinery Co. ("STHIMC") will buy its Hummer brand. As of June 30, 2009, Sonic operated three Hummer franchises at three dealership locations. It is uncertain whether STHIMC will continue supporting the Hummer brand or whether STHIMC's ownership of the Hummer brand will have a positive or negative impact on Sonic's Hummer franchises' operations.

On June 5, 2009, General Motors announced that Penske Automotive Group (PAG) will buy its Saturn brand. As of June 5, 2009, Sonic operated one Saturn franchise at one dealership location. It is uncertain whether PAG will continue supporting the Saturn brand or whether PAG's ownership of the Saturn brand will have a positive or negative impact on Sonic's Saturn franchise's operations.

On July 10, 2009, General Motors emerged from bankruptcy as the new General Motors Company, with the former General Motors Corp. henceforth known as Motors Liquidation Company. With the exception of the sale of the Hummer and Saturn brands discussed above, the new General Motors expects to continue its current brand portfolio going forward, however, discontinuation or sale of additional brands in the future could have an uncertain impact on Sonic's operations.

On April 30, 2009, Chrysler LLC filed for bankruptcy protection and submitted a plan of reorganization. On June 10, 2009, Fiat SpA purchased a substantial portion of Chrysler's assets which include rights related to Sonic's franchise agreements. As of June 30, 2009, Sonic owned six Chrysler franchises at two dealership locations. It is uncertain whether Fiat will continue supporting the Chrysler brand or whether Fiat's ownership of the Chrysler brand will have a positive or negative impact on Sonic's Chrysler franchises' operations. In conjunction with Chrysler's reorganization efforts in the second quarter of 2009, three franchise agreements associated with one of Sonic's dealership locations were terminated. The result of these franchise terminations was not material to Sonic's results of operations, balance sheet or cash flows for the second quarter ended June 30, 2009.

Results of operations of the General Motors franchises that received termination letters are classified in continuing operations and will continue to be classified in continuing operations until the related business operations are wound down. Revenues associated with the General Motors franchises that received termination letters for the second quarter ended June 30, 2008 and 2009 were approximately \$42.8 million and \$28.9 million, respectively. Revenues associated with the General Motors franchises that received termination letters for the six-month periods ended June 30, 2008 and 2009 were approximately \$91.2 million and \$59.8 million, respectively.

Reclassifications – The statement of income for the second quarter and six-month period ended June 30, 2008 reflects the reclassification of balances from continuing operations to discontinued operations from the prior year presentation for additional franchises sold and terminated or identified for sale subsequent to June 30, 2008. The statement of income for the second quarter and six-month period ended June 30, 2008 also reflects the reclassification of balances from discontinued operations to continuing operations for franchises identified for sale as of June 30, 2008 but which Sonic has decided to retain and operate as of June 30, 2009.

Recent Accounting Pronouncements – Sonic adopted the provisions of FSP APB 14-1 – "Accounting for Convertible Debt Instruments That May Be Settled in Cash upon Conversion (Including Partial Cash Settlement)" ("FSP APB 14-1") as of January 1, 2009. FSP APB 14-1 applies to convertible debt instruments that, by their stated terms, may be settled in cash (or other assets) upon conversion, including partial cash settlement, unless the embedded conversion option is required to be separately accounted for as a derivative under Statement of Financial Accounting Standards No. 133, "Accounting for Derivative Instruments and Hedging Activities" ("SFAS 133"). FSP APB 14-1 requires that the issuer of a convertible debt instrument within its scope separately account for the liability and equity components in a manner that reflects the issuer's nonconvertible debt borrowing rate when interest cost is recognized in subsequent periods. The excess of the principal amount of the liability component over its initial fair value must be amortized to interest cost using the effective interest method.

The provisions of FSP APB 14-1 apply to Sonic's 4.25% Convertible Senior Subordinated Notes due 2015 (the "4.25% Convertible Notes") and 5.25% Senior Subordinated Convertible Notes due May 2009 (the "5.25% Convertible Notes"). In conjunction with the adoption of FSP APB 14-1, Sonic estimated the nonconvertible borrowing rates related to its 4.25% Convertible Notes and 5.25% Convertible Notes to be 8.0% and 10.0%, respectively. Accordingly, the fair value of the equity component of the 4.25% Convertible Notes was \$25.1 million (\$15.1 million, net of tax) at the date of issuance of the

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4.25% Convertible Notes and the fair value of the equity component of the 5.25% Convertible Notes was \$31.6 million (\$19.0 million, net of tax) at the date of the issuance of the 5.25% Convertible Notes. FSP ABP 14-1 requires retrospective treatment of its provisions to all periods presented. Therefore, previously reported balances (prior to January 1, 2009), have been adjusted to effectively record a debt discount equal to the fair value of the equity component, a deferred tax liability for the tax effect of the recorded debt discount and an increase to paid-in capital for the tax-effected fair value of the equity component as of the date of issuance of the underlying notes. Previously reported balances have also been adjusted to provide for the amortization of the debt discount through interest expense and the associated decrease in the deferred tax liability recorded through income tax expense.

As of December 31, 2008, the unamortized debt discount associated with FSP ABP 14-1 related to the 4.25% Convertible Notes and the 5.25% Convertible Notes was \$10.8 million and \$2.1 million, respectively. As of June 30, 2009, the unamortized debt discount associated with FSP ABP 14-1 related to the 4.25% Convertible Notes was \$8.2 million, and the debt discount associated with the 5.25% Convertible Notes had been fully amortized as a result of the restructuring of the notes on May 7, 2009. The unamortized discount at June 30, 2009 will be amortized through interest expense into earnings over the remaining expected term of the convertible notes, which is through November 2010 for the 4.25% Convertible Notes. A summary of the effect of applying these provisions on our prior and current period consolidated statements of income is as follows:

	(dollars in thousands)							(dollars in thousands)		(dollars in thousands)	
	Twelve Months Ended December 31,							Second Quarter Ended June 30,		Six Month Period Ended June 30,	
	2002	2003	2004	2005	2006	2007	2008	2008	2009	2008	2009
Increase in Interest Expense	(2,108)	(3,530)	(3,899)	(4,656)	(9,044)	(9,898)	(10,704)	(1,240)	(1,343)	(2,463)	(2,668)
Tax Benefit	843	1,412	1,560	1,862	3,617	3,959	4,282	496	537	985	1,067
Effect on Net Income	(1,265)	(2,118)	(2,339)	(2,794)	(5,427)	(5,939)	(6,422)	(744)	(806)	(1,478)	(1,601)

In June 2008, the FASB issued Staff Position No. EITF 03-6-1, "Determining Whether Instruments Granted in Share-Based Payment Transactions are Participating Securities" (FSP 03-6-1). In FSP 03-6-1, unvested share-based payment awards that contain rights to receive nonforfeitable dividends or dividend equivalents (whether paid or unpaid) are participating securities, and thus, should be included in the two-class method of computing earnings per share. This FSP is effective for fiscal years beginning after December 31, 2008 and interim periods within those years and requires that all prior period earnings per share disclosures be adjusted retroactively to apply the two-class method of computing earnings per share. The adoption of this standard resulted in no material changes in the prior period or the current year period presentation of earnings per share.

In March 2008, the FASB issued Statement of Financial Accounting Standards No. 161, "Disclosures about Derivative Instruments and Hedging Activities" ("SFAS 161"). SFAS 161 changes the disclosure requirements for derivative instruments and hedging activities by requiring enhanced disclosures about how and why an entity uses derivative instruments, how derivative instruments and related hedged items are accounted for under SFAS 133, and how derivative instruments and related hedged items affect an entity's operating results, financial position and cash flows. SFAS 161 is effective for fiscal years beginning after November 15, 2008. Sonic's adoption did not have a material impact on its consolidated operating results, financial position or cash flows.

In December 2007, the FASB issued Statement of Financial Accounting Standards No. 141(R), "Business Combinations" ("SFAS 141(R)"). SFAS 141(R) provides guidance regarding the allocation of purchase price in business combinations, measurement of assets acquired and liabilities assumed as well as other intangible assets acquired. Also in December 2007, the FASB issued Statement of Financial Accounting Standards No. 160, "Noncontrolling Interests in Consolidated Financial Statements" ("SFAS 160"). SFAS 160 provides accounting and reporting standards for a noncontrolling interest in a subsidiary and for the deconsolidation of a subsidiary if certain conditions exist. SFAS 141(R) and SFAS 160 are effective for fiscal years beginning on or after December 15, 2008. Early adoption is prohibited. Sonic's adoption of SFAS 141(R) and SFAS 160 did not materially impact its consolidated operating results, financial position and cash flows.

Sonic's adoption of the provisions of SFAS No. 157, "Fair Value Measurements" ("SFAS 157"), on January 1, 2008, related to fair value measurements and related disclosures of financial assets and liabilities, did not have a material impact on its financial statements. Sonic's adoption of the provisions of SFAS 157 related to nonfinancial assets and liabilities on January 1, 2009, affects, among other items, the valuation of goodwill, franchise assets and fixed assets when assessing for impairments and the valuation of assets acquired and liabilities assumed in business combinations. The adoption of the

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required provisions of SFAS 157 did not have a material impact on Sonic's fair value measurements or its financial statements.

Sonic adopted SFAS No. 165, "Subsequent Events" ("SFAS 165"), in the second quarter of 2009. SFAS No. 165 establishes the accounting for and disclosure of events that occur after the balance sheet date but before financial statements are issued or are available to be issued. It requires the disclosure of the date through which an entity has evaluated subsequent events and the basis for that date, that is, whether that date represents the date the financial statements were issued or were available to be issued. See Note 11 for the related disclosures. The adoption of FAS No. 165 did not have a material impact on Sonic's financial statements.

Derivative Instruments and Hedging Activities -Sonic utilizes derivative financial instruments to manage its capital structure and interest rate risk. The types of risks hedged are primarily related to the variability of cash flows caused by movements in interest rates. Sonic documents its risk management strategy and assesses hedge effectiveness at the inception and during the term of each hedge. Derivatives are reported at fair value on the accompanying Condensed Consolidated Balance Sheets. The changes in fair value of the effective portion of "cash flow" hedges are reported as a component of accumulated other comprehensive loss. Amounts in accumulated other comprehensive loss are reclassified to interest expense to the extent the hedge becomes ineffective. Measurements of hedge effectiveness are based on comparisons between the gains or losses of the actual interest rate swaps and the gains or losses of hypothetical interest rate swaps, which have the exact same critical terms of the defined hedged items. Ineffective portions of these interest rate swaps are reported as a component of interest expense in the accompanying Condensed Consolidated Statements of Income. There was no ineffectiveness resulting from any of our hedging relationships for the second quarter and six-month period ending June 30, 2008 and 2009.

At June 30, 2009, Sonic had interest rate swap agreements (the "Fixed Swaps") to effectively convert a portion of its LIBOR-based variable rate debt to a fixed rate. The fair value of these positions at June 30, 2009 was a liability of \$27.5 million and the effect is recorded, net of tax of \$10.1 million, in accumulated other comprehensive income in the accompanying Condensed Consolidated Balance Sheets. Under the terms of the Fixed Swaps, Sonic will receive and pay interest based on the following:

Notional (in millions)	Pay Rate	Receive Rate (1)	Maturing Date
\$200.0	4.935%	one-month LIBOR	May 1, 2012
\$100.0	5.265%	one-month LIBOR	June 1, 2012
\$ 3.9	7.100%	one-month LIBOR	July 10, 2017
\$ 25.0	5.160%	one-month LIBOR	September 1, 2012
\$ 15.0	4.965%	one-month LIBOR	September 1, 2012
\$ 25.0	4.885%	one-month LIBOR	October 1, 2012
\$ 12.2	4.655%	one-month LIBOR	December 10, 2017
\$ 9.1	6.860%	one-month LIBOR	August 1, 2017
\$ 7.5	4.330%	one-month LIBOR	July 1, 2013

(1) One-month LIBOR was 0.309% at June 30, 2009.

All the Fixed Swaps, with the exception of one with a notional amount of \$9.1 million, have been designated and qualify as cash flow hedges and, as a result, changes in the fair value of these swaps have been recorded in accumulated other comprehensive income, net of related income taxes in the Condensed Consolidated Statement of Stockholders' Equity. The amounts reclassified out of accumulated other comprehensive income into results of operations for the second quarter and six-month period ended June 30, 2008 were \$3.2 million and \$4.2 million, compared to \$6.5 million and \$12.9 million for the second quarter and six-month period ended June 30, 2009, respectively. The amount expected to be reclassified out of accumulated other comprehensive income into earnings (through interest expense, other) in the next twelve months is approximately \$16.2 million. The effect of the mark-to-market adjustment related to the one swap for which hedge accounting was not applied increased expense by \$0.3 million in the second quarter ended June 30, 2009 and decreased expense by \$2.1 million in the six-month period ended June 30, 2009. The mark-to-market effect on expense is included in selling general and administrative expenses in the accompanying Condensed Consolidated Statements of Income.

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In conjunction with the May 7, 2009 debt restructuring, Sonic was required to record a derivative liability associated with embedded features in its 6.00% Convertible Notes. These embedded features include a convertible feature and a series of puts (see Note 6 below for a full description of the notes and the embedded features). The derivative liability was originally recorded at fair value of \$11.3 million at inception and the fair value at June 30, 2009 was \$11.4 million. The change in the fair value of \$0.1 million was recorded as a charge to interest expense, other, in the accompanying consolidated statement of income for the quarter ended June 30, 2009.

Operating Lease Accruals – Operating lease accruals relate to facilities Sonic has ceased using in its operations. The accruals represent the present value of the lease payments, net of estimated sublease proceeds, for the remaining life of the operating leases and other accruals necessary to satisfy the lease commitment to the landlord. A summary of the activity of these operating lease accruals consists of the following:

	(dollars in thousands)
Balance, December 31, 2008	\$ 19,882
Lease exit expense	2,085
Payments	(2,583)
Balance, June 30, 2009	<u>\$ 19,384</u>

2. DISCONTINUED OPERATIONS

Dispositions – The operating results of franchises held for sale are included in the loss from discontinued operations in Sonic's statements of income. Assets to be disposed of in connection with franchises held for sale but not yet sold have been classified in assets held for sale in Sonic's balance sheets along with other assets held for sale. The major components of assets held for sale consist of the following:

	(dollars in thousands)	
	December 31, 2008	June 30, 2009
Inventories	\$ 207,308	\$ 95,703
Property and equipment, net	39,094	32,482
Goodwill	154,940	71,658
Franchise assets	5,234	3,734
Assets held for sale	<u>\$ 406,576</u>	<u>\$203,577</u>

Liabilities to be disposed in connection with these dispositions are comprised primarily of notes payable – floor plan and are classified as liabilities associated with assets held for sale on Sonic's balance sheets. Revenues and other activities associated with franchises classified as discontinued operations were as follows:

	(dollars in thousands)			
	Second Quarter Ended June 30,		Six Months Ended June 30,	
	2008	2009	2008	2009
Income / (loss) from operations	\$ 369	\$ (103)	\$ 72	\$ (114)
Gain (loss) on disposal of franchises	(3,432)	(388)	(2,944)	(469)
Lease exit charges	(784)	(561)	(1,573)	(1,580)
Property impairment charges	(1,649)	(2,042)	(2,054)	(2,197)
Goodwill impairment charges	—	(1,074)	—	(2,473)
Franchise agreement and other impairments	(4,300)	—	(4,300)	—
Favorable lease asset impairment charges	—	—	(1,903)	—
Pre-tax loss	<u>\$ (9,796)</u>	<u>\$ (4,168)</u>	<u>\$ (12,702)</u>	<u>\$ (6,833)</u>
Total Revenues	<u>\$ 284,532</u>	<u>\$ 177,274</u>	<u>\$ 600,622</u>	<u>\$ 361,204</u>

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Lease exit charges recorded for the second quarter and six-month period ended June 30, 2008 and 2009 relate to the revision of estimates and establishment of lease exit accruals. The lease exit accruals are calculated by either discounting the remaining lease payments, net of estimated sublease proceeds or estimating the amount necessary to satisfy the lease commitment to the landlord. For a discussion of property impairment charges, see Note 4 and for a discussion of goodwill impairment charges and favorable lease asset impairment charges see Note 5.

Sonic allocates corporate level interest expense to discontinued operations based on the net assets of the discontinued operations group. Interest allocated to discontinued operations for the second quarter ended June 30, 2008 and 2009 was \$1.7 million and \$3.5 million, respectively. Interest allocated to discontinued operations for the six-month period ended June 30, 2008 and 2009 was \$3.4 million and \$6.3 million, respectively.

3. INVENTORIES

Inventories consist of the following:

	(dollars in thousands)	
	December 31, 2008	June 30, 2009
New vehicles	\$ 910,462	\$627,827
Used vehicles	87,895	140,858
Parts and accessories	57,057	52,462
Other	68,731	64,657
	<u>\$1,124,145</u>	<u>\$885,804</u>
Less inventories classified as assets held for sale	(207,308)	(95,703)
Inventories	<u>\$ 916,837</u>	<u>\$790,101</u>

4. PROPERTY AND EQUIPMENT

Property and equipment consists of the following:

	(dollars in thousands)	
	December 31, 2008	June 30, 2009
Land	\$ 63,153	\$ 62,499
Building and improvements	308,530	314,681
Office equipment and fixtures	68,054	72,138
Parts and service equipment	54,577	54,041
Company vehicles	8,700	8,101
Construction in progress	30,989	36,063
Total, at cost	<u>534,003</u>	<u>547,523</u>
Less accumulated depreciation	(125,017)	(136,008)
Subtotal	<u>408,986</u>	<u>411,515</u>
Less assets held for sale	(39,094)	(32,482)
Property and equipment, net	<u>\$ 369,892</u>	<u>\$ 379,033</u>

Property and equipment impairment charges of approximately \$3.7 million and \$3.9 million were recorded in the second quarter and six-month period ended June 30, 2009. In the second quarter ended June 30, 2009, \$2.0 million was included in discontinued operations and \$1.7 million was included within impairment charges in the accompanying Condensed Consolidated Statements of Income. Of the \$3.9 million recorded in the six-month period ended June 30, 2009, \$2.2 million was included in discontinued operations and \$1.7 million was included within impairment charges in the accompanying Condensed Consolidated Statements of Income.

Property and equipment impairment charges of approximately \$1.8 million and \$2.4 million were recorded in the second quarter and six-month period ended June 30, 2008. In the second quarter ended June 30, 2008, \$1.7 million was included in discontinued operations and \$0.1 million was included in continuing operations in the accompanying Condensed Consolidated Statements of Income. Of the \$2.4 million recorded in the six-month period ended June 30, 2008, \$2.1 million

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was included in discontinued operations and \$0.3 million was included within impairment charges in the accompanying Condensed Consolidated Statements of Income.

The impairment charges recorded in discontinued operations in all periods were recorded based on the estimated fair value of the property and equipment to be sold in connection with the disposal of associated franchises and recorded values. The impairment charges (all of which relate to dealership franchises to be discontinued in future periods based on notifications from General Motors) recorded in continuing operations during the second quarter and six-month period ended June 30, 2009 were recorded based on Sonic's belief that the value of the impaired property and equipment would not be recovered through operations or through the ultimate sale of the assets. The impairment charges recorded in continuing operations during the second quarter and six-month period ended June 30, 2008 were recorded based on Sonic's decision to abandon certain facility construction projects.

5. GOODWILL AND INTANGIBLE ASSETS

	(dollars in thousands)	
	Franchise Agreements	Goodwill
Balance, December 31, 2008	\$ 64,701	\$327,007
Impairment of import dealerships	—	(1,650)
Impairment of domestic dealerships	(2,100)	(823)
Reductions from sales of franchises	(800)	(4,817)
Reclassification from assets held for sale	1,500	83,282
Balance, June 30, 2009	<u>\$ 63,301</u>	<u>\$402,999</u>

During the fourth quarter of 2008, Sonic recorded an estimated goodwill impairment charge of \$786.5 million in continuing operations in accordance with the provisions of SFAS No. 142, "Goodwill and Other Intangible Assets". An estimate was recorded because Sonic had not finalized the valuation of certain assets and liabilities that were necessary to complete its evaluation at December 31, 2008. During the first quarter ended March 31, 2009, Sonic completed the valuation of these certain assets and liabilities. Based on the completion of its evaluation of the goodwill impairment charge during the current year no adjustment to the estimate that was recorded at December 31, 2008 was required.

During the second quarter and six-month period ended June 30, 2009, Sonic determined that a portion of the goodwill allocated to franchises held for sale was not recoverable based on estimated proceeds. Accordingly, Sonic recorded a goodwill impairment charge of \$1.1 million and \$2.5 million in discontinued operations for the second quarter and six-month period ended June 30, 2009, respectively, which represented the difference between estimated proceeds and recorded balances.

In the second quarter ended June 30, 2009, Sonic recorded franchise asset impairment charges of \$2.1 million within continuing operations. The impairment charges were recorded based on management's estimate that the recorded values would not be recoverable either through operating cash flows or through an eventual sale of the franchise. These impairment charges recorded in continuing operations relate to dealership franchises to be discontinued in future periods based on notifications from General Motors.

At December 31, 2008, Sonic had \$17.6 million of definite life intangibles recorded relating to favorable lease agreements. After the effect of amortization of the definite life intangibles, the balance recorded at June 30, 2009 was \$16.8 million and was included in Other Intangible Assets, net, in the accompanying Condensed Consolidated Balance Sheets. In the six-month period ended June 30, 2008, Sonic recorded an impairment charge of \$1.9 million within discontinued operations related to its definite life intangibles. The impairment charge was recorded based on management's estimate that sublease income from certain properties would not allow Sonic to recover the recorded value of favorable lease assets related to the properties.

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6. LONG-TERM DEBT

Long-term debt consists of the following:

	(dollars in thousands)	
	December 31, 2008	June 30, 2009
2006 Revolving Credit Sub-Facility (1)	\$ 70,842	\$ 80,010
Senior Subordinated Notes bearing interest at 8.625%	275,000	275,000
Senior Secured Second Lien Convertible Notes bearing interest at 6.00%	—	85,627
Convertible Senior Subordinated Notes bearing interest at 5.25%	105,250	—
Convertible Senior Subordinated Notes bearing interest at 4.25%	160,000	160,000
Notes payable to a finance company bearing interest from 9.52% to 10.52% (with a weighted average of 10.19%)	19,726	18,775
Mortgage notes to finance companies-fixed rate, bearing interest from 5.80% to 7.03%	80,622	79,538
Mortgage notes to finance companies-variable rate, bearing interest at 1.25 to 2.65 percentage points above one-month LIBOR	33,505	32,763
Total debt discount/premium/associated derivative liabilities	(13,127)	(6,582)
Other	6,629	6,549
	<u>\$ 738,447</u>	<u>\$731,680</u>
Less current maturities (2)	(738,447)	(87,420)
Long-term debt	<u>\$ —</u>	<u>\$644,260</u>

- (1) Interest rate on the revolving credit sub-facility was 2.00% above LIBOR at December 31, 2008 and 3.50% above LIBOR at June 30, 2009.
- (2) At December 31, 2008, as a result of the uncertainty related to Sonic's compliance with the covenants under its 2006 Credit Facility for the fiscal year 2009, Sonic classified all its indebtedness as current in the accompanying Condensed Consolidated Balance Sheets due to cross default provisions governing its other indebtedness. At June 30, 2009, current maturities include amounts outstanding related to the 2006 Revolving Credit Sub-Facility as a result of these obligations maturing within one year of the balance sheet date.

As a result of the adoption of FSP APB 14-1 (discussed in Note 1) debt discount was required to be recorded related to Sonic's 4.25% Convertible Notes and 5.25% Convertible Notes at the date of the issuance of the Notes. Accordingly, the balances in the table above include unamortized debt discount related to the adoption of FSP APB 14-1 of \$10.8 million and \$8.2 million related to Sonic's 4.25% Convertible Notes as of December 31, 2008 and June 30, 2009, respectively, and \$2.1 million related to Sonic's 5.25% Convertible Notes as of December 31, 2008. The debt discount associated with the 5.25% Convertible Notes was fully amortized as a result of the restructuring of the notes on May 7, 2009.

In connection with the amendment to the 2006 Credit Facility executed March 31, 2009, Sonic agreed to increase the interest rates for amounts outstanding and the quarterly commitment fees payable by it on the unused portion. Before April 1, 2009, the 2006 Credit Facility bore interest at a specified percentage above LIBOR according to a performance-based pricing grid determined by the Total Senior Secured Debt to EBITDA Ratio as of the last day of the immediately preceding fiscal quarter. The quarterly commitment fees were also determined according to a performance-based pricing grid determined by the Total Senior Secured Debt to EBITDA Ratio as of the last day of the immediately preceding fiscal quarter. On April 1, 2009, but before May 7, 2009, the 2006 Credit Facility bore interest as follows: 2.50% above LIBOR for amounts outstanding under the revolving credit sub-facility under the 2006 Credit Facility; 1.75% above LIBOR for amounts outstanding under the new vehicle floor plan sub-facility under the 2006 Credit Facility; and 2.00% above LIBOR for amounts outstanding under the used vehicle floor plan sub-facility under the 2006 Credit Facility. The quarterly commitment fee on and after April 1, 2009 will be 0.75% on the unused portion of the revolving credit sub-facility under the 2006 Credit Facility, 0.25% on the unused portion of the new vehicle floor plan sub-facility under the 2006 Credit Facility, 0.30% on the unused portion of the used vehicle floor plan sub-facility under the 2006 Credit Facility, and 2.50% letter of credit fee.

There were also certain other concessions Sonic provided to the lenders under the 2006 Credit Facility in connection with the March 31, 2009 amendment, which includes the following. Sonic agreed to limit its borrowing under the 2006 Credit Facility to ordinary course of business operating expenditures, and in any event, not for the repayment of certain

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indebtedness, including the 5.25% Convertible Notes, the 4.25% Convertible Notes and the 8.625% Notes. In addition, Sonic was prohibited from making any acquisitions and Sonic agreed that net proceeds from certain asset sales until May 4, 2009 would be used to permanently reduce the amount available under the 2006 Revolving Credit Sub-Facility.

On May 4, 2009, Sonic executed an additional amendment to the 2006 Credit Facility. The amendment allowed for borrowings of \$15.0 million to be used in the restructuring of the 5.25% Convertible Notes and increased the interest rates related to outstanding borrowings under the revolving credit sub-facility to 3.50% above LIBOR, and increased the letter of credit fee to 3.50%. The interest rates for amounts outstanding under the new and used vehicle floor plan sub-facilities did not change from 1.75% above LIBOR and 2.00% above LIBOR, respectively. In addition the commitments under the 2006 Credit Facility were reduced to \$635.0 million related to new vehicle floor plan financing, \$100.0 million related to used vehicle floor plan financing and \$225.0 million related to general use revolving credit financing. The amendment included a change to the borrowing base which restricts the effect of twelve-month EBITDA on the borrowing base to 50% prior to September 1, 2009 and 25% beginning October 1, 2009.

The amendment executed on May 4, 2009 permanently extended the provision in the amendment executed March 31, 2009, requiring Sonic to apply 100% of the net cash proceeds received in conjunction with certain dispositions of assets to balances outstanding under the revolving credit sub-facility. However, under certain circumstances, if after giving pro forma effect to the disposition of assets, Sonic's borrowings under the revolving credit sub-facility do not exceed \$25.0 million and Sonic's borrowing availability is at least \$75.0 million, then Sonic is required to apply not less than 50% of the net cash proceeds received in conjunction with the disposition of the assets to balances outstanding under the revolving credit sub-facility. The remaining 50% is required to be used to pay down the 6.00% Convertible Notes as discussed below. The revolving commitment under the 2006 Credit Facility will be permanently reduced in the amount of such mandatory prepayments until the revolving commitment is reduced to \$185.0 million. As of June 30, 2009, the revolving commitment had been reduced to approximately \$216.6 million as a result of the application of proceeds from disposition of certain assets.

Sonic agreed to limit its borrowings to ordinary course of business operating expenses, and in any event, not the repayment of certain indebtedness, including the 4.25% Convertible Notes, the 6.00% Convertible Notes and the 8.625% Notes. The May 4, 2009 amendment restricts the payment by Sonic of cash interest with respect to the 6.00% Convertible Notes and debt to be issued in respect of Sonic's 4.25% Convertible Notes to a certain aggregate amount. This amendment also restricts the amount, including any refinancings, of the 4.25% Convertible Notes, the 8.625% Notes and the 5.25% Convertible Notes to the aggregate principal amount of such indebtedness existing as of the date of the May 4, 2009 amendment. The May 4, 2009 amendment also adjusted certain financial covenant ratios. The minimum required consolidated liquidity ratio was adjusted from 1.15 to 1.10 and the minimum required consolidated fixed charge coverage ratio was adjusted from 1.20 to 1.15.

On May 7, 2009, Sonic paid the holders of its 5.25% Convertible Notes \$15.7 million in cash, issued \$85.6 million in aggregate principal of 6.00% Convertible Notes (collectively, Series A notes of \$78.9 million and Series B of \$6.7 million) and issued 860,723 shares of its Class A common stock in private placements exempt from registration requirements in full satisfaction of its obligations under the 5.25% Convertible Notes. Interest on the 6.00% Convertible Notes is payable semi-annually on May 1 and November 1 of each year, beginning November 1, 2009. The 6.00% Convertible Notes mature on May 15, 2012. Sonic may redeem some or all of the 6.00% Convertible Notes for cash at any time prior to May 1, 2010 at a redemption price equal to 100% of the principal amount. After May 1, 2010, but before May 1, 2011, Sonic may redeem some or all of the 6.00% Convertible Notes for cash at a redemption price equal to 106% of the principal amount. Beginning May 1, 2011 through the stated maturity of the notes, May 15, 2012, Sonic may redeem some or all of the 6.00% Convertible Notes for cash at a redemption price equal to 112% of the principal amount. The holders of the 6.00% Convertible Notes may require Sonic to redeem these notes at a redemption price equal to 100% of the principal amount on August 25, 2010 if Sonic has not refinanced at least 85% of its 4.25% Convertible Notes as of August 25, 2010. The holders of the 6.00% Convertible Notes may also require Sonic to redeem the 6.00% Convertible Notes at 100% of the principal amount in the event of a change in control.

If Sonic completes asset dispositions and after giving pro forma effect to the disposition of assets, Sonic's borrowings under the revolving credit sub-facility do not exceed \$25.0 million, Sonic's borrowing availability is at least \$75.0 million and certain other conditions exist, Sonic is required to use 50% of the proceeds from asset dispositions to redeem all or portions of the 6.00% Convertible Notes at 100% of the principal amount.

The 6.00% Convertible Notes are secured by a second priority lien on substantially all of Sonic's assets that secure the 2006 Credit Facility on a first priority basis, which excludes property financed by manufacturer-affiliated finance companies

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that are secured on a first priority basis by the financed property. The 6.00% Convertible Notes are fully and unconditionally guaranteed on a senior basis by substantially all of the direct and indirect operative domestic subsidiaries of Sonic. The 6.00% Convertible Notes are subject to covenants restricting additional indebtedness, liens, certain payments and transactions with affiliates, in each case, subject to exclusions, and other customary covenants.

The 6.00% Convertible Notes are convertible into shares of Class A common stock, at the option of the holder, on or after August 25, 2011. At such time, the holders of the Series A notes may convert their notes into Class A common stock representing approximately 19.9% of Sonic's outstanding shares of Class A common stock (after giving effect to the 860,723 share issued in connection with the restructuring of the 5.25% Convertible Notes and the shares into which Series B notes are convertible), which is based on the maximum number of shares that may be issued without requiring Sonic to seek shareholder authorization for the issuance of the 6.00% Convertible Notes. The Series A notes are subject to certain adjustments, including upon the issuance of certain securities in the future that are convertible at a per share price that is below market on the date of issuance or below \$4.00. Only with respect to the Series A notes, upon receipt of shareholder approval, the conversion price shall be adjusted to \$4.00 per share, or a conversion rate of 250 shares per \$1,000 principal amount of Series A notes. Sonic agreed to use its reasonable best efforts to cause to obtain, as promptly as practicable after the issue date, the necessary stockholder approval of the adjustment of the conversion price to \$4.00 per share. Failure to obtain shareholder approval of the \$4.00 conversion price will result in a default under the indenture governing the 6.00% Convertible Notes. Sonic has called a special stockholders' meeting on August 19, 2009 for the purpose of approving this conversion price adjustment. Sonic's Chairman and Chief Executive Officer O. Bruton Smith, who directly and indirectly controls approximately 74.7% of the total voting power of Sonic, has announced that he will vote in favor of approving the full conversion rate for the 6.00% Convertible Notes at the special stockholders' meeting called for that purpose.

Holders of the Series B notes may convert their notes on or after August 25, 2011, in multiples of \$1,000 principal amount, into Class A common stock at a price per share of \$8.00, or a conversion rate of 125 shares per \$1,000 principal of the Series B notes. Any Series B note holder may elect to exchange its Series B notes for Series A notes for a like aggregate principal amount at any time after such Series B note holder receives notice from Sonic that a registration statement relating to the resale of Series A notes has been declared effective. Sonic has filed a registration statement for such resale and it has been declared effective by the Securities and Exchange Commission as of the date of this report.

Upon conversion of the 6.00% Convertible Notes, Sonic has the option to deliver the shares of Class A common stock into which the notes are converted or an amount in cash equal to the number of shares the holder is eligible to receive upon conversion multiplied by the average sale price per share of Sonic's Class A common stock for the five consecutive trading days immediately following the date of Sonic's notice of its election to deliver cash.

The redemption of the 5.25% Convertible Notes with the issuance of the 6.00% Convertible Notes was accounted for as a debt modification and required the 6.00% Convertible Notes to be recorded at face value of \$85.6 million less a discount of \$11.3 million (net of \$74.3 million). A corresponding \$11.3 million derivative liability was also recorded which represents the fair value of the embedded derivatives (put and conversion features discussed above) contained in the 6.00% Convertible Notes. The fair value of the derivative liability was \$11.4 million at June 30, 2009 and the marked-to-market adjustment of \$0.1 million was charged to non-cash interest expense, convertible debt, in the accompanying condensed consolidated statements of income. The debt discount of \$11.3 million is being amortized through the earliest redemption date of the 6.00% Convertible Notes.

Sonic agreed under the 2006 Credit Facility not to pledge any assets to any third party (other than those explicitly allowed under the amended terms of the facility), including other lenders, subject to certain stated exceptions, including floor plan financing arrangements. In addition, the 2006 Credit Facility contains certain negative covenants, including covenants which could restrict or prohibit the payment of dividends, capital expenditures and material dispositions of assets as well as other customary covenants and default provisions. Financial covenants related to outstanding indebtedness and certain operating leases include required specified ratios of:

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Covenant	Required	June 30, 2009 Actual
Consolidated liquidity ratio	³ 1.10	1.19
Consolidated fixed charge coverage ratio	³ 1.15	1.33
Consolidated total senior secured debt to EBITDA ratio	£ 2.25	1.63
EBTDAR to rent ratio	³ 1.50	1.51

Availability under the Revolving Credit Sub-Facility is subject to a borrowing base calculation and is reduced on a dollar for dollar basis by any outstanding letters of credit. The borrowing base was \$206.4 million, letters of credit outstanding were \$77.5 million and availability of additional borrowings was \$48.9 million at June 30, 2009.

None of the conversion features on the 6.00% Convertible Notes, the 5.25% Convertible Notes or the 4.25% Convertible Notes were satisfied during the second quarter and six-month period ended June 30, 2009. Sonic was in compliance with all financial covenants under the above long-term debt and credit facilities as of June 30, 2009.

Sonic continues to explore options related to its other debt obligations with the assistance of a financial advisor. Sonic is evaluating refinancing options for \$160.0 million principal amount outstanding of 4.25% Convertible Notes that we may be required to repurchase at the option of the holders on November 30, 2010 and its 2006 Credit Facility that matures February 17, 2010. Although Sonic believes it will be successful in refinancing these debt obligations to avoid events of default under one or more of these arrangements, Sonic cannot assure its investors that it will succeed in these efforts. A default under one or more of its debt arrangements, including the 2006 Credit Facility, could cause cross defaults of other debt, lease facilities and operating agreements, any of which could have a material adverse effect on Sonic's business, financial condition, liquidity, operations and ability to continue as a going concern.

7. STOCK-BASED COMPENSATION

Sonic currently has two active stock compensation plans, the Sonic Automotive, Inc. 2004 Stock Incentive Plan (the "2004 Plan") and the 2005 Formula Restricted Stock Plan for Non-Employee Directors (the "2005 Formula Plan"), and three inactive stock compensation plans which only have grants outstanding, the Sonic Automotive, Inc. Formula Stock Option Plan for Independent Directors, the Sonic Automotive, Inc. 1997 Stock Option Plan and the First America Automotive, Inc. 1997 Stock Option Plan (collectively, the "Stock Plans"). See Sonic's Current Report on Form 8-K dated May 28, 2009 for a more detailed description of the Stock Plans. A summary of the status of the options related to the Stock Plans is presented below:

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	Options Outstanding (in thousands)	Exercise Price Per Share	Weighted Average Exercise Price	Weighted Average Remaining Contractual Term (in years)	Aggregate Intrinsic Value (in thousands)
Balance - December 31, 2008	3,339	\$7.80 - 37.50	\$ 21.90	4.6	\$ —
Granted	1,398	\$1.81 - \$2.99	1.81		
Forfeited	(567)	\$7.94 - \$37.50	19.25		
Balance - June 30, 2009	4,170	\$1.81 - 37.50	\$ 15.53	6.3	\$ 12,065
Exercisable	2,728	\$7.80 - \$37.50	\$ 22.35	4.4	\$ 401

(dollars in thousands, except per option amounts)

	Six Months Ended June 30, 2009
Weighted Average Grant-Date Fair Value Per Option of Options Granted	\$ 0.99
Fair Value of Options Vested	\$ 132

The weighted average fair value of options granted in the second quarter and six-month period ended June 30, 2009 was estimated using the Black-Scholes option pricing model with the following weighted average assumptions:

	2009
Stock Option Plans	
Dividend yield	0.00%
Risk free interest rate	1.67 - 1.87%
Expected life	5 years
Volatility	64.13%

Sonic used an expected term of five years for current year option grants based on observations of past grants and exercises. The historical exercise experience indicates that the expected term is at least three years (consistent with the three year graded vesting period attached to the majority of these options). Expected volatility was estimated using Sonic's stock price over the last five years.

Sonic recognized compensation expense related to stock options within selling, general and administrative expenses of \$0.4 million and \$0.2 million in the second quarter ended June 30, 2008 and 2009, respectively. Sonic recognized stock option expense of \$1.8 million and \$0.3 million in the six-month period ended June 30, 2008 and 2009, respectively. Tax benefits recognized related to the compensation expenses were \$0.1 million for both the second quarter ended June 30, 2008 and 2009. Tax benefits recognized related to the compensation expenses were \$0.7 and \$0.1 million for the six-month period ended June 30, 2008 and 2009, respectively. The total compensation cost related to unvested options not yet recognized at June 30, 2009 was \$1.5 million and is expected to be recognized over a weighted average period of 2.5 years.

A summary of the status of restricted stock and restricted stock unit grants related to the Stock Plans is presented below:

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	Unvested Restricted Stock and Restricted Stock Units <u>(in thousands)</u>	Weighted Average Grant Date Fair Value
Balance - December 31, 2008	348	\$ 22.99
Granted	79	7.24
Forfeited	(5)	23.62
Vested	(104)	27.60
Balance - June 30, 2009	<u>318</u>	<u>\$ 17.48</u>

In the first half of 2009, 78,600 restricted shares of Class A common stock were awarded to Sonic's Board of Directors under the 2005 Formula Plan. Awards to the Board of Directors cliff-vest one year from the date of grant. Sonic recognized compensation expense related to restricted stock and restricted stock units of \$1.3 million and \$0.4 million in the second quarter ended June 30, 2008 and 2009, respectively. Sonic recognized expense of \$2.4 million and \$1.1 million in the six-month period ended June 30, 2008 and 2009, respectively. Sonic recognized \$0.5 million and \$0.1 million of tax benefit related to the compensation expenses for the second quarter ended June 30, 2008 and 2009, respectively. Sonic recognized \$0.9 million and \$0.4 million of tax benefit related to the compensation expenses for the six-month period ended June 30, 2008 and 2009, respectively. Total compensation cost related to unvested restricted stock and restricted stock units not yet recognized at June 30, 2009 was \$1.9 million, and is expected to be recognized over a weighted average period of 1.4 years.

8. PER SHARE DATA AND STOCKHOLDERS' EQUITY

The calculation of diluted earnings per share considers the potential dilutive effect of Sonic's contingently convertible debt issuances and stock options to purchase shares of Class A common stock under the Stock Plans. The following table illustrates the dilutive effect of such items:

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	For the Second Quarter Ended June 30, 2008						
	Income From Continuing Operations			Loss From Discontinued Operations		Net Income	
	Shares	Amount	Per Common Share Amount	Amount	Per Common Share Amount	Amount	Per Common Share Amount
			(dollars in thousands except per share amounts)		(dollars in thousands except per share amounts)		(dollars in thousands except per share amounts)
Earnings (Loss) and Shares	40,432	\$16,431		\$ (7,214)		\$9,217	
Effect of Participating Securities:							
Unvested Restricted Stock and Stock Units	—	(273)		—		(273)	
Basic Earnings (Loss) Per Share	40,432	\$16,158	\$ 0.40	\$ (7,214)	\$ (0.18)	\$8,944	\$ 0.22
Effect of Dilutive Securities:							
Stock Plans	213						
Diluted Earnings (Loss) Per Share	40,645	\$16,158	\$ 0.40	\$ (7,214)	\$ (0.18)	\$8,944	\$ 0.22

	For the Second Quarter Ended June 30, 2009						
	Income From Continuing Operations			Loss From Discontinued Operations		Net Income	
	Shares	Amount	Per Common Share Amount	Amount	Per Common Share Amount	Amount	Per Common Share Amount
			(dollars in thousands except per share amounts)		(dollars in thousands except per share amounts)		(dollars in thousands except per share amounts)
Earnings (Loss) and Shares	40,968	\$3,069		\$ (3,043)		\$ 26	
Effect of Participating Securities:							
Unvested Restricted Stock and Stock Units	—	(24)		—		(24)	
Basic Earnings (Loss) Per Share	40,968	\$3,045	\$ 0.07	\$ (3,043)	\$ (0.07)	\$ 2	\$ —
Effect of Dilutive Securities:							
Stock Plans	636						
Diluted Earnings (Loss) Per Share	41,604	\$3,045	\$ 0.07	\$ (3,043)	\$ (0.07)	\$ 2	\$ —

	For Six Months Ended June 30, 2008						
	Income From Continuing Operations			Loss From Discontinued Operations		Net Income	
	Shares	Amount	Per Common Share Amount	Amount	Per Common Share Amount	Amount	Per Common Share Amount
			(amounts in thousands except per share amounts)		(amounts in thousands except per share amounts)		(amounts in thousands except per share amounts)
Earnings (Loss) and Shares	40,603	\$31,347		\$ (9,505)		\$21,842	
Effect of Participating Securities:							
Unvested Restricted Stock and Stock Units	—	(509)		—		(509)	
Basic Earnings (Loss) Per Share	40,603	\$30,838	\$ 0.76	\$ (9,505)	\$ (0.23)	\$21,333	\$ 0.53
Effect of Dilutive Securities:							
Stock Plans	254						
Diluted Earnings (Loss) Per Share	40,857	\$30,838	\$ 0.75	\$ (9,505)	\$ (0.23)	\$21,333	\$ 0.52

	For Six Months Ended June 30, 2009						
	Income From Continuing Operations			Loss From Discontinued Operations		Net Loss	
	Shares	Amount	Per Common Share Amount	Amount	Per Common Share Amount	Amount	Per Common Share Amount
			(amounts in thousands except per share amounts)		(amounts in thousands except per share amounts)		(amounts in thousands except per share amounts)
Earnings (Loss) and Shares	40,536	\$6,829		\$ (5,125)		\$1,704	
Effect of Participating Securities:							
Unvested Restricted Stock and Stock Units	—	(53)		—		(53)	
Basic Earnings (Loss) Per Share	40,536	\$6,776	\$ 0.17	\$ (5,125)	\$ (0.13)	\$1,651	\$ 0.04
Effect of Dilutive Securities:							
Stock Plans	438						
Diluted Earnings (Loss) Per Share	40,974	\$6,776	\$ 0.17	\$ (5,125)	\$ (0.13)	\$1,651	\$ 0.04

As discussed in Note 1, Sonic adopted FSP 03-6-1 on January 1, 2009. Sonic's unvested restricted stock and restricted stock units contain rights to receive unforfeitable dividends, and thus, are participating securities requiring the two-class method of computing earnings per common share.

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In addition to the stock options included in the table above, options to purchase 2.3 million shares and 2.8 million shares of Class A common stock were outstanding at June 30, 2008 and 2009, respectively, but were not included in the computation of diluted earnings per share because the options were not dilutive. In addition, in the event the effect of potentially dilutive shares associated with our 5.25% Convertible Notes, 4.25% Convertible Notes or 6.00% Convertible Notes were anti-dilutive, the effect of those shares have also been excluded from the computation of diluted earnings per share.

9. CONTINGENCIES

Legal and Other Proceedings:

Sonic is a defendant in the matter of Galura, et al. v. Sonic Automotive, Inc., a private civil action filed in the Circuit Court of Hillsborough County, Florida. In this action, originally filed on December 30, 2002, the plaintiffs allege that Sonic and its Florida dealerships sold an anti-theft protection product in a deceptive or otherwise illegal manner, and further sought representation on behalf of any customer of any of our Florida dealerships who purchased the anti-theft protection product since December 30, 1998. The plaintiffs are seeking monetary damages and injunctive relief on behalf of this class of customers. In June 2005, the court granted the plaintiffs' motion for certification of the requested class of customers, but the court has made no finding to date regarding actual liability in this lawsuit. Sonic subsequently filed a notice of appeal of the court's class certification ruling with the Florida Court of Appeals. In April 2007, the Florida Court of Appeals affirmed a portion of the trial court's class certification and overruled a portion of the trial court's class certification. Sonic intends to continue its vigorous appeal and defense of this lawsuit and to assert available defenses. However, an adverse resolution of this lawsuit could result in the payment of significant costs and damages, which could have a material adverse effect on Sonic's future results of operations, financial condition and cash flows.

Several private civil actions have been filed against Sonic Automotive, Inc. and several of its dealership subsidiaries that purport to represent classes of customers as potential plaintiffs and make allegations that certain products sold in the finance and insurance departments were done so in a deceptive or otherwise illegal manner. One of these private civil actions has been filed in South Carolina state court against Sonic Automotive, Inc. and 10 of Sonic's South Carolina subsidiaries. This group of plaintiffs' attorneys has filed another private civil class action lawsuit in state court in North Carolina seeking certification of a multi-state class of plaintiffs. The South Carolina state court action and the North Carolina state court action have since been consolidated into a single proceeding in private arbitration. On November 12, 2008, claimants in the consolidated arbitration filed a Motion for Class Certification as a national class action including all of the states in which Sonic operates dealerships, excluding California and Florida. Claimants are seeking monetary damages and injunctive relief on behalf of this class of customers. Sonic is aggressively opposing claimants' Motion for Class Certification, and intends to continue its vigorous defense of this arbitration. However, an adverse resolution of this arbitration could result in the payment of significant costs and damages, which could have a material adverse effect on Sonic's future results of operations, financial condition and cash flows.

Sonic is involved, and expects to continue to be involved, in numerous legal and administrative proceedings arising out of the conduct of its business, including regulatory investigations and private civil actions brought by plaintiffs purporting to represent a potential class or for which a class has been certified. Although Sonic vigorously defends itself in all legal and administrative proceedings, the outcomes of pending and future proceedings arising out of the conduct of Sonic's business, including litigation with customers, employment related lawsuits, contractual disputes, class actions, purported class actions and actions brought by governmental authorities, cannot be predicted with certainty. An unfavorable resolution of one or more of these matters could have a material adverse effect on Sonic's business, financial condition, results of operations, cash flows or prospects. Included in other accrued liabilities at December 31, 2008 and June 30, 2009 were \$9.0 million and \$8.7 million, respectively, in reserves that Sonic has provided for pending proceedings.

Guarantees and Indemnifications:

In accordance with the terms of agreements entered into for the sale of Sonic's franchises, Sonic generally agrees to indemnify the buyer from certain exposure and costs arising subsequent to the date of sale, including environmental exposure and exposure resulting from the breach of representations or warranties made in accordance with the agreement. While Sonic's exposure with respect to environmental remediation and repairs is difficult to quantify, Sonic estimates that the maximum exposure associated with these general indemnifications if the counterparties failed to perform under their contractual obligations was approximately \$15.9 million and \$18.6 million at December 31, 2008 and June 30, 2009,

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respectively. These indemnifications generally expire within a period of one to three years following the date of sale. The estimated fair value of these indemnifications was not material.

10. FAIR VALUE MEASUREMENTS

In determining fair value, Sonic uses various valuation approaches including market, income and/or cost approaches. SFAS 157 establishes a hierarchy for inputs used in measuring fair value that maximizes the use of observable inputs and minimizes the use of unobservable inputs by requiring that the most observable inputs be used when available. Observable inputs are inputs that market participants would use in pricing the asset or liability developed based on market data obtained from sources independent of Sonic. Unobservable inputs are inputs that reflect Sonic's assumptions about the assumptions market participants would use in pricing the asset or liability developed based on the best information available in the circumstances. The hierarchy is broken down into three levels based on the reliability of inputs as follows:

Level 1 – Valuations based on quoted prices in active markets for identical assets or liabilities that Sonic has the ability to access. Assets utilizing Level 1 inputs include marketable securities that are actively traded.

Level 2 – Valuations based on quoted prices in markets that are not active or for which all significant inputs are observable, either directly or indirectly. Assets and liabilities utilizing Level 2 inputs include fair value and cash flow swap instruments.

Level 3 – Valuations based on inputs that are unobservable and significant to the overall fair value measurement. Asset and liability measurements utilizing Level 3 inputs include those used in estimating fair value of non-financial assets and non-financial liabilities in purchase acquisitions, those used in assessing impairment under Financial Accounting Standards No. 144 – *Accounting for the Impairment or Disposal of Long-Lived Assets*, those related to estimating the fair value of the derivative related to Sonic's 6.00% Convertible Notes, and those used in the reporting unit valuation in the first step of the annual goodwill impairment evaluation. For instance, certain assets held for sale in the accompanying condensed consolidated balance sheets are valued based on estimated proceeds to be received in connection with the disposal of those assets, and the derivative related to our 6.00% Convertible Notes is valued based on management's estimate of the likelihood of certain events occurring.

The availability of observable inputs can vary and is affected by a wide variety of factors. To the extent that valuation is based on models or inputs that are less observable or unobservable in the market, the determination of fair value requires more judgment. Accordingly, the degree of judgment required by Sonic in determining fair value is greatest for instruments categorized in Level 3. In certain cases, the inputs used to measure fair value may fall into different levels of the fair value hierarchy. In such cases, for disclosure purposes, the level in the fair value hierarchy within which the fair value measurement is disclosed is determined based on the lowest level input (Level 3 being the lowest level) that is significant to the fair value measurement.

Fair value is a market-based measure considered from the perspective of a market participant who holds the asset or owes the liability rather than an entity-specific measure. Therefore, even when market assumptions are not readily available, Sonic's own assumptions are set to reflect those that market participants would use in pricing the asset or liability at the measurement date. Sonic uses inputs that are current as of the measurement date, including during periods when the market may be abnormally high or abnormally low. Accordingly, fair value measurements can be volatile based on various factors that may or may not be within Sonic's control.

Assets or liabilities recorded at fair value in the accompanying balance sheet as of June 30, 2009 are as follows:

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(dollars in millions)	Total	Fair Value at Reporting Date Using:		
		Quoted Prices in Active Markets for Identical Assets (Level 1)	Significant Other Observable Inputs (Level 2)	Significant Unobservable Inputs (Level 3)
Trading Securities (1)	\$ 3.6	\$ 3.6	\$ —	\$ —
Cash Flow Swaps (2)	(27.5)	—	(27.5)	—
6.00% Convertible Notes				
Derivative (3)	(11.4)	—	—	(11.4)
Total	<u><u>\$ (35.3)</u></u>	<u><u>\$ 3.6</u></u>	<u><u>\$ (27.5)</u></u>	<u><u>\$ (11.4)</u></u>

- (1) - Included within other current assets in the accompanying balance sheet
- (2) - Included net of taxes of \$10.1 million in accumulated other comprehensive income in the accompanying balance sheet
- (3) - Included within long-term debt in the accompanying balance sheet

A reconciliation of the fair value of Level 3 items above from December 31, 2008 to June 30, 2009 is as follows:

	(dollars in millions)
December 31, 2008	\$ —
Initial Issuance / Recognition	11.3
Change in Fair Value (1)	0.1
June 30, 2009	<u><u>\$ 11.4</u></u>

- (1) Included in interest expense, other, net

The valuation of the 6.00% Convertible Notes was estimated primarily based on Level 3 inputs. The overall valuation of the 6.00% Convertible Notes includes the value of the associated derivative that contains the conversion feature and the various puts (see Note 6 for a description of the conversion feature and the puts). These Level 3 inputs included management estimates of the probability that the conversion feature and/or the puts would be exercised and observed yields on debt instruments with similar credit ratings and maturity.

During the second quarter and six-month period ended June 30, 2008, Sonic recorded unrealized losses related to trading securities in the amount of \$0.6 million and \$0.8 million, respectively, as compared to unrealized gains of \$4.5 million and \$4.4 million in the second quarter and six-month period ended June 30, 2009, respectively. These gains and losses are included within selling, general and administrative expenses in the accompanying Condensed Consolidated Statements of Income.

During the first quarter ended March 31, 2009, Sonic settled its \$100 million notional, pay 5.002% and \$100 million notional, pay 5.319% swaps with a payment to the counterparty of \$16.5 million. This settlement loss was deferred and will be amortized into earnings over the swaps' initial remaining term.

As of December 31, 2008 and June 30, 2009, the fair values of Sonic's financial instruments including receivables, notes receivable from finance contracts, notes payable-floor plan, trade accounts payable, payables for acquisitions and long-term debt, excluding Sonic's 8.625% Notes, 6.00% Convertible Notes, 5.25% Convertible Notes, 4.25% Convertible Notes, mortgage notes and certain notes payable to a finance company, approximate their carrying values due either to length of maturity or existence of variable interest rates that approximate prevailing market rates.

The fair value and carrying value of Sonic's fixed rate long-term debt was as follows:

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	(dollars in thousands)			
	December 31, 2008		June 30, 2009	
	Fair Value	Carrying Value	Fair Value	Carrying Value
8.625% Senior Subordinated Notes (1)	\$104,500	\$ 273,116	\$195,938	\$ 273,280
6.00% Senior Secured Second Lien Convertible Notes (2)	\$ —	\$ —	\$ 76,400	\$ 87,054
5.25% Convertible Senior Subordinated Notes (1) (3)	\$ 97,883	\$ 102,990	\$ —	\$ —
4.25% Convertible Senior Subordinated Notes (1) (3)	\$ 53,600	\$ 147,538	\$137,067	\$ 150,616
Mortgage Notes	\$ 80,530	\$ 80,622	\$ 79,448	\$ 79,538
Notes Payable to a Finance Company (2)	\$ 18,629	\$ 22,946	\$ 15,043	\$ 21,618

- (1) As determined by market quotations.
- (2) As determined by discounted cash flows.
- (3) Adjusted for effect of FSP APB 14-1 (See Note 1).

11. SUBSEQUENT EVENTS

See Note 1 which discusses the status of General Motors' bankruptcy proceedings and the impact on Sonic. Sonic has evaluated all subsequent events through August 10, 2009, the date the financial statements were issued.

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Item 2: Management's Discussion and Analysis of Financial Condition and Results of Operations.

The following discussion and analysis of the results of operations and financial condition should be read in conjunction with the Sonic Automotive, Inc. and Subsidiaries Unaudited Condensed Consolidated Financial Statements and the related notes thereto appearing elsewhere in this report, as well as the audited financial statements and related notes and "Management's Discussion and Analysis of Financial Condition and Results of Operations" appearing in our Current Report on Form 8-K filed on May 28, 2009.

Overview

We are one of the largest automotive retailers in the United States. As of June 30, 2009, we operated 154 dealership franchises, representing 31 different brands of cars and light trucks, at 131 locations and 30 collision repair centers in 15 states. Our dealerships provide comprehensive services including sales of both new and used cars and light trucks, sales of replacement parts, performance of vehicle maintenance, manufacturer warranty repairs, paint and collision repair services, and arrangement of extended service contracts, financing, insurance and other aftermarket products for our customers.

Economic Conditions

Beginning near the end of the second quarter of 2008 and continuing into and throughout the second quarter of 2009, the automobile retailing industry was severely negatively affected by prevailing economic conditions. The uncertainty that exists related to the overall economy in the United States continues through the date of this report. As discussed in the paragraphs that follow, the demand for new and used vehicles has declined significantly and has negatively impacted our results of operations. Due to the turmoil in the financial services industry, the availability of credit has declined substantially for all consumers except those with high credit scores. Our business is cyclical in nature and dependent on consumer confidence and the availability of consumer credit. Typical sources of financing, including captive finance companies associated with vehicle manufacturers, have also reduced the amount of credit available. The lack of liquidity resulting from the financial services industry crisis has also negatively affected our ability to refinance our debt obligations in 2009 and 2010. We cannot predict when an economic recovery will begin and the timing of its impact on our business.

On June 1, 2009, General Motors Corp. and certain of its subsidiaries ("General Motors") filed for Chapter 11 bankruptcy protection. As of June 30, 2009, we operated 33 General Motors franchises (under the Cadillac, Chevrolet, Hummer, Saab, Buick and Saturn nameplates) at 26 physical dealerships. Six of our General Motors dealerships, representing twelve franchises, including three Hummer franchises at multi-franchise dealerships, two Saab franchises at multi-franchise dealerships and one additional General Motors franchise at a multi-franchise dealership received letters stating that the franchise agreements between General Motors and us will not be continued by General Motors on a long-term basis. Subject to bankruptcy approval, General Motors has offered assistance with winding down the operations of these franchises in exchange for our execution of termination agreements. We executed all of the termination agreements. Assistance expected to be received from General Motors totals \$3.3 million, none of which was recorded as a receivable from General Motors as of June 30, 2009 due to the uncertainty of bankruptcy court approval and certain conditions required for the payments to occur had not yet been satisfied. The termination agreements provide for the following:

- The termination of the franchise agreement no earlier than January 1, 2010 and no later than October 31, 2010;
- The assignment and assumption of the franchise agreement by the purchaser of General Motors' assets;
- The payment of financial assistance to the franchisee in installments in connection with the orderly winding down of the franchise operations;
- The waiver of any other termination assistance of any kind that may have been required under the franchise agreement;
- The release of claims against General Motors or the purchaser of General Motors' assets and their related parties;
- The continuation of franchise operations pursuant to the franchise agreement, as supplemented by the termination agreement, through the effective date of termination of the franchise agreement, except that we shall not be entitled to order any new vehicles from General Motors or the purchaser of General Motors' assets; and
- A restriction on our ability to transfer the franchise agreement to another party.

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OPERATIONS

For the remaining General Motors franchises we executed "continuation agreements" which require, among other things, that existing franchise agreements will expire no later than October 31, 2010. In consideration of the execution of the "continuation agreements" General Motors will recommend to the bankruptcy court the continuation or assumption of our existing franchise agreements, as amended by the "continuation agreements". We expect our franchises which executed "continuation agreements" to be renewed after October 31, 2010.

With the exception of product liability indemnifications, amounts owed to us through incentive programs, amounts currently owed to our franchises under their open accounts with General Motors and warranty claims occurring within 90 days prior to June 1, 2009, all amounts owed to us from General Motors were extinguished as a result of the execution of the termination and continuation agreements. A motion was made by General Motors to the bankruptcy court and the motion was granted by the bankruptcy court allowing General Motors to pay the claims noted above. As a result, we have been receiving payments related to pre-bankruptcy claims and the effect of General Motor's bankruptcy filing has not had a material effect on our recorded receivable balances as of June 30, 2009.

As our operations at the affected franchises that will not be renewed wind down, we may be required to accelerate depreciation expenses and record impairment charges related to, but not limited to, lease obligations, fixed assets, franchise assets, accounts receivable and inventory.

On June 2, 2009, General Motors announced that Chinese equipment manufacturer Sichuan Tengzhong Heavy Industrial Machinery Co. ("STHIMC") will buy its Hummer brand. As of June 30, 2009, we operated three Hummer franchises at three dealership locations. It is uncertain whether STHIMC will continue supporting the Hummer brand or whether STHIMC's ownership of the Hummer brand will have a positive or negative impact on our Hummer franchises' operations.

On June 5, 2009, General Motors announced that Penske Automotive Group (PAG) will buy its Saturn brand. As of June 5, 2009, we operated one Saturn franchise at one dealership location. It is uncertain whether PAG will continue supporting the Saturn brand or whether PAG's ownership of the Saturn brand will have a positive or negative impact on our Saturn franchise's operations.

On July 10, 2009, General Motors emerged from bankruptcy as the new General Motors Company, with the former General Motors Corp. henceforth known as Motors Liquidation Company. With the exception of the sale of the Hummer and Saturn brands discussed above, the new General Motors expects to continue its current brand portfolio going forward. However, we are unable to predict what impact the discontinuation or sale of additional brands in the future will have on our operations.

On April 30, 2009, Chrysler LLC filed for bankruptcy protection and submitted a plan of reorganization. On June 10, 2009, Fiat SpA purchased a substantial portion of Chrysler's assets which include rights related to our franchise agreements. As of June 30, 2009, we owned six Chrysler franchises at two dealership locations. It is uncertain whether Fiat will continue supporting the Chrysler brand or whether Fiat's ownership of the Chrysler brand will have a positive or negative impact on our Chrysler franchises' operations. In conjunction with Chrysler's reorganization efforts in the second quarter of 2009, three franchise agreements associated with one of our dealership locations were terminated. The result of these franchise terminations was not material to our results of operations, balance sheet or cash flows for the second quarter ended June 30, 2009.

The following is a detail of our new vehicle revenues by brand for the second quarter and six-month period ended June 30, 2008 and 2009:

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	Percentage of New Vehicle Revenue Second Quarter Ended June 30,		Percentage of New Vehicle Revenue Six Months Ended June 30,	
	2008	2009	2008	2009
Brand (1)				
BMW	19.8%	18.2%	18.9%	19.1%
Honda	13.6%	12.9%	12.9%	12.5%
Toyota	12.1%	11.8%	12.4%	11.8%
Ford	9.3%	11.1%	9.7%	10.7%
General Motors (2)	8.1%	8.6%	8.4%	8.1%
Mercedes	8.7%	6.3%	8.4%	7.1%
Lexus	6.0%	6.1%	6.3%	6.1%
Other (3)	4.0%	4.5%	3.5%	4.4%
Cadillac	4.9%	3.7%	5.5%	4.2%
Audi	1.7%	3.1%	1.7%	2.9%
Volkswagen	1.9%	2.7%	1.8%	2.4%
Hyundai	1.5%	2.0%	1.5%	2.1%
Land Rover	1.3%	1.9%	1.5%	1.9%
Porsche	1.5%	1.7%	1.5%	1.6%
Volvo	1.5%	1.9%	1.7%	1.5%
Other Luxury (4)	1.2%	1.3%	1.2%	1.2%
Acura	1.1%	0.7%	1.2%	0.9%
Nissan	0.7%	0.6%	0.8%	0.6%
Infiniti	0.6%	0.5%	0.6%	0.5%
Chrysler (5)	0.5%	0.4%	0.5%	0.4%
Total	100.0%	100.0%	100.0%	100.0%

(1) In accordance with the provisions of SFAS No. 144, prior years' income statement data reflect reclassifications to exclude franchises sold, identified for sale, or terminated subsequent to June 30, 2008 which had not been previously included in discontinued operations. See Notes 1 and 2 to our accompanying unaudited Consolidated Financial Statements which discusses these and other factors that affect the comparability of the information for the periods presented.

(2) Includes Buick, Chevrolet and Saturn.

(3) Includes Isuzu, KIA, Mini, Mitsubishi and Subaru.

(4) Includes Hummer, Jaguar, and Saab.

(5) Includes Chrysler, Dodge and Jeep.

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Results of Operations

Except where otherwise noted, the following discussions are on a same store basis.

New Vehicles

The automobile retail industry uses the Seasonally Adjusted Annual Rate (SAAR) to measure the amount of new vehicle unit sales activity within the United States market. The SAAR averages below reflect a blended average of all brands marketed or sold in the United States market. The SAAR includes brands we do not sell and markets in which we do not operate.

	SAAR (in millions of vehicles)		
	2008	2009	% Change
Second Quarter Ended June 30,	14.2	9.6	(32.4%)
Six Months Ended June 30,	14.7	9.6	(34.7%)

Our reported and same store new vehicle results are as follows:

(in thousands except units and per unit data)	Second Quarter Ended June 30,		Better / (Worse)	
	2008	2009	Change	% Change
Reported:				
Revenue	\$1,059,486	\$ 706,171	\$(353,315)	(33.3%)
Gross profit	\$ 71,614	\$ 48,157	\$ (23,457)	(32.8%)
Unit sales	33,248	21,896	(11,352)	(34.1%)
Revenue per Unit	\$ 31,866	\$ 32,251	\$ 385	1.2%
Gross profit per unit	\$ 2,154	\$ 2,199	\$ 45	2.1%
Gross profit as a % of revenue	6.8%	6.8%	—	bps

(in thousands except units and per unit data)	Six Months Ended June 30,		Better / (Worse)	
	2008	2009	Change	% Change
Reported:				
Revenue	\$2,036,415	\$ 1,344,279	\$(692,136)	(34.0%)
Gross profit	\$ 137,700	\$ 91,884	\$ (45,816)	(33.3%)
Unit sales	63,180	41,522	(21,658)	(34.3%)
Revenue per Unit	\$ 32,232	\$ 32,375	\$ 143	0.4%
Gross profit per unit	\$ 2,179	\$ 2,213	\$ 34	1.6%
Gross profit as a % of revenue	6.8%	6.8%	—	bps

(in thousands except units and per unit data)	Second Quarter Ended June 30,		Better / (Worse)	
	2008	2009	Change	% Change
Same Store:				
Revenue	\$1,059,486	\$ 706,171	\$(353,315)	(33.3%)
Gross profit	\$ 71,863	\$ 47,451	\$ (24,412)	(34.0%)
Unit sales	33,248	21,896	(11,352)	(34.1%)
Revenue per unit	\$ 31,866	\$ 32,251	\$ 385	1.2%
Gross profit per unit	\$ 2,161	\$ 2,167	\$ 6	0.3%
Gross profit as a % of revenue	6.8%	6.7%	(10)	bps

(in thousands except units and per unit data)	Six Months Ended June 30,		Better / (Worse)	
	2008	2009	Change	% Change
Same Store:				
Revenue	\$2,036,415	\$ 1,341,082	\$(695,333)	(34.1%)
Gross profit	\$ 138,134	\$ 90,133	\$ (48,001)	(34.7%)
Unit sales	63,180	41,469	(21,711)	(34.4%)
Revenue per unit	\$ 32,232	\$ 32,339	\$ 107	0.3%
Gross profit per unit	\$ 2,186	\$ 2,174	\$ (12)	(0.5%)
Gross profit as a % of revenue	6.8%	6.7%	(10)	bps

For the second quarter and six-month period ended June 30, 2009, new vehicle revenues declined from the same period in the prior year due primarily to lower unit volume. The decline in new unit volume we experienced was relatively consistent with the

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decline in SAAR. Our import and domestic stores both experienced similar declines in new vehicle revenues for both the second quarter and six-month period ended June 30, 2009 as compared to the prior year.

New vehicle unit volume decreased at our import stores in the second quarter and six-month period ended June 30, 2009 by 34.4% and 32.9%, respectively. The decline in import new vehicle unit sales was led by our BMW, Mercedes, Honda and Toyota stores, which posted declines of 36.3%, 48.6%, 37.5% and 39.4%, respectively, during the second quarter ended June 30, 2009 and 30.9%, 39.6%, 36.2% and 38.4%, respectively, during the six-month period ended June 30, 2009. When compared to the national industry declines for the second quarter ended June 30, 2009, these brands underperformed their respective brand markets. When compared to the national industry declines for the six-month period ended June 30, 2009, BMW, Mercedes, and Honda underperformed their respective brand markets while Toyota tracked closely to the national industry decline. However, with the exception of our BMW and Mercedes brands, we believe all our remaining import brands outperformed others in their respective local markets.

New vehicle unit volume decreased at our domestic stores in the second quarter and six-month period ended June 30, 2009 by 33.3% and 38.1%, respectively. Our GM, excluding Cadillac, Ford, and Cadillac stores declined by 39.8%, 22.9% and 53.7%, respectively, during the second quarter ended June 30, 2009 and 44.6%, 28.8% and 52.2%, respectively, during the six-month period ended June 30, 2009. The decline in the new vehicle unit volume at our GM, excluding Cadillac, stores was the result of a sharp decline in fleet unit volume during the second quarter and six-month period ended June 30, 2009 which decreased 69.8% and 75.5%, respectively. While our Ford stores tracked closely to the national industry decline, our GM stores, excluding Cadillac, underperformed their brand market during the second quarter ended June 30, 2009. During the six-month period ended June 30, 2009, our Ford stores outperformed the national industry decline, while our GM, excluding Cadillac, stores underperformed its brand market. However, with the exception of our Cadillac brand, we believe all our remaining domestic brands outperformed others in their respective local markets.

New vehicle unit volume declines are concentrated primarily within our California and Houston markets, which suffered declines in new vehicle unit sales of 41.4% and 19.2%, respectively, for the second quarter ended June 30, 2009 and 35.2% and 23.3%, respectively, for the six-month period ended June 30, 2009. In the second quarter and six-month period ended June 30, 2009, approximately 47.8% and 49.4%, respectively, of our same store new vehicle unit volume was generated from our California and Houston markets. We expect the new vehicle market to continue to be challenging at least through the end of the current year.

For the second quarter and six-month period ended June 30, 2009 new vehicle revenue per unit experienced a slight increase of 1.2% and 0.3%, respectively. This increase is due primarily to the change in our sales mix. Our new truck unit volume as a percentage of total new vehicle unit volume increased in the second quarter and six-month period ended June 30, 2009 by 390 basis points and 80 basis points, respectively, as compared to the second quarter and six-month period ended June 30, 2008. We believe the increase in new truck unit volume is due primarily to lower average gas prices in the second quarter and six-month period ended June 30, 2009 as compared to the same periods in the prior year.

Decreases in same store new vehicle gross profit for the second quarter and six-month ended June 30, 2009 compared to the same period in the prior year were primarily due to the mix of vehicles retailed, specifically the decrease of import and luxury new vehicle units sold as a percentage of total new vehicle units sold.

Used Vehicles

Our reported and same store used vehicle results are as follows:

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(in thousands except units and per unit data)	Second Quarter Ended June 30,		Better / (Worse)	
	2008	2009	Change	% Change
Reported:				
Revenue	\$ 346,650	\$ 361,452	\$ 14,802	4.3%
Gross profit	\$ 30,717	\$ 28,840	\$ (1,877)	(6.1%)
Unit sales	17,247	19,449	2,202	12.8%
Revenue per Unit	\$ 20,099	\$ 18,585	\$ (1,514)	(7.5%)
Gross profit per unit	\$ 1,781	\$ 1,483	\$ (298)	(16.7%)
Gross profit as a % of revenue	8.9%	8.0%	(90)	bps
CPO revenue	\$ 182,447	\$ 183,476	\$ 1,029	0.6%
CPO unit sales	7,135	7,224	89	1.2%

(in thousands except units and per unit data)	Six Months Ended June 30,		Better / (Worse)	
	2008	2009	Change	% Change
Reported:				
Revenue	\$ 686,748	\$ 668,944	\$ (17,804)	(2.6%)
Gross profit	\$ 62,313	\$ 57,429	\$ (4,884)	(7.8%)
Unit sales	34,173	35,702	1,529	4.5%
Revenue per Unit	\$ 20,096	\$ 18,737	\$ (1,359)	(6.8%)
Gross profit per unit	\$ 1,823	\$ 1,609	\$ (214)	(11.7%)
Gross profit as a % of revenue	9.1%	8.6%	(50)	bps
CPO revenue	\$ 352,919	\$ 356,307	\$ 3,388	1.0%
CPO unit sales	13,714	14,239	525	3.8%

(in thousands except units and per unit data)	Second Quarter Ended June 30,		Better / (Worse)	
	2008	2009	Change	% Change
Same Store:				
Revenue	\$ 346,650	\$ 361,452	\$ 14,802	4.3%
Gross profit	\$ 30,631	\$ 29,369	\$ (1,262)	(4.1%)
Unit sales	17,247	19,449	2,202	12.8%
Revenue per unit	\$ 20,099	\$ 18,585	\$ (1,514)	(7.5%)
Gross profit per unit	\$ 1,776	\$ 1,510	(266)	(15.0%)
Gross profit as a % of revenue	8.8%	8.1%	(70)	bps
CPO revenue	\$ 182,447	\$ 183,476	\$ 1,029	0.6%
CPO unit sales	7,135	7,224	89	1.2%

(in thousands except units and per unit data)	Six Months Ended June 30,		Better / (Worse)	
	2008	2009	Change	% Change
Same Store:				
Revenue	\$ 686,748	\$ 667,992	\$ (18,756)	(2.7%)
Gross profit	\$ 61,480	\$ 58,414	\$ (3,066)	(5.0%)
Unit sales	34,173	35,657	1,484	4.3%
Revenue per unit	\$ 20,096	\$ 18,734	\$ (1,362)	(6.8%)
Gross profit per unit	\$ 1,799	\$ 1,638	(161)	(8.9%)
Gross profit as a % of revenue	9.0%	8.7%	(30)	bps
CPO revenue	\$ 352,919	\$ 355,909	\$ 2,990	0.8%
CPO unit sales	13,714	14,223	509	3.7%

Used vehicle unit volume increased for the second quarter and six-month period ended June 30, 2009, as compared to the same period in the prior year, despite a significantly weaker economic environment. This increase is primarily due to the continued implementation of our standardized used vehicle merchandising process. This process allows us to price our used vehicles more competitively, market them more effectively and physically move certain used vehicles to specific dealerships within a particular region that have shown success in retailing the specific type of used vehicle.

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Despite an increase in used vehicle unit volume for the second quarter and six-month period ended June 30, 2009, gross margin and gross profit per unit from used vehicles declined due to an increasing valuation climate and a shift toward purchasing more vehicles from auction rather than trade.

Wholesale Vehicles

Our wholesale vehicle reported and same store results are as follows:

(in thousands except units and per unit data)	Second Quarter Ended June 30,		Better / (Worse)	
	2008	2009	Change	% Change
Reported:				
Revenue	\$ 74,835	\$ 30,685	\$(44,150)	(59.0%)
Gross profit	\$ (1,747)	\$ (1,321)	\$ 426	24.4%
Unit sales	9,554	4,895	(4,659)	(48.8%)
Revenue per Unit	\$ 7,833	\$ 6,269	\$ (1,564)	(20.0%)
Gross profit per unit	\$ (183)	\$ (270)	\$ (87)	(47.5%)
Gross profit as a % of revenue	(2.3%)	(4.3%)	(200)	bps

(in thousands except units and per unit data)	Six Months Ended June 30,		Better / (Worse)	
	2008	2009	Change	% Change
Reported:				
Revenue	\$ 151,383	\$ 64,257	\$(87,126)	(57.6%)
Gross profit	\$ (2,785)	\$ (1,480)	\$ 1,305	46.9%
Unit sales	18,923	10,802	(8,121)	(42.9%)
Revenue per Unit	\$ 8,000	\$ 5,949	\$ (2,051)	(25.6%)
Gross profit per unit	\$ (147)	\$ (137)	\$ 10	6.8%
Gross profit as a % of revenue	(1.8%)	(2.3%)	(50)	bps

(in thousands except units and per unit data)	Second Quarter Ended June 30,		Better / (Worse)	
	2008	2009	Change	% Change
Same Store:				
Revenue	\$ 74,835	\$ 30,685	\$(44,150)	(59.0%)
Gross profit	\$ (1,747)	\$ (1,321)	\$ 426	24.4%
Unit sales	9,554	4,895	(4,659)	(48.8%)
Revenue per unit	\$ 7,833	\$ 6,269	\$ (1,564)	(20.0%)
Gross profit per unit	\$ (183)	\$ (270)	\$ (87)	(47.5%)
Gross profit as a % of revenue	(2.3%)	(4.3%)	(200)	bps

(in thousands except units and per unit data)	Six Months Ended June 30,		Better / (Worse)	
	2008	2009	Change	% Change
Same Store:				
Revenue	\$ 151,383	\$ 64,240	\$(87,143)	(57.6%)
Gross profit	\$ (2,785)	\$ (1,480)	\$ 1,305	46.9%
Unit sales	18,923	10,800	(8,123)	(42.9%)
Revenue per unit	\$ 8,000	\$ 5,948	\$ (2,052)	(25.7%)
Gross profit per unit	\$ (147)	\$ (137)	\$ 10	6.8%
Gross profit as a % of revenue	(1.8%)	(2.3%)	(50)	bps

Lower wholesale vehicle revenues during the second quarter and six-month period ended June 30, 2009 resulted from a decline in wholesale unit volume coupled with a decrease in average wholesale price per unit. The decrease in wholesale unit volume and wholesale price per unit can be primarily attributed to fewer vehicles received in trades for new and used vehicles due to declines in overall retail activity. In addition, fewer units were sold through wholesale channels as a result of our efforts to sell vehicles we historically would have wholesaled through our retail channel.

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Wholesale vehicles gross loss decreased during the second quarter and six-month period ended June 30, 2009 compared to the same periods in the prior year due to the higher market value of wholesale vehicles as consumer preferences have shifted from new retail vehicles to the purchase of pre-owned vehicles.

Parts, Service and Collision Repair ("Fixed Operations")

Our reported and same store Fixed Operations results are as follows:

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(in thousands) Reported:	Second Quarter Ended June 30,		Better / (Worse)	
	2008	2009	Change	% Change
Revenue				
Parts	\$ 142,906	\$ 139,321	\$ (3,585)	(2.5%)
Service	109,424	105,850	(3,574)	(3.3%)
Collision Repair	14,154	12,580	(1,574)	(11.1%)
Total	<u>\$ 266,484</u>	<u>\$ 257,751</u>	<u>\$ (8,733)</u>	<u>(3.3%)</u>
Gross profit				
Parts	\$ 49,140	\$ 47,743	\$ (1,397)	(2.8%)
Service	75,610	74,789	(821)	(1.1%)
Collision Repair	7,879	7,074	(805)	(10.2%)
Total	<u>\$ 132,629</u>	<u>\$ 129,606</u>	<u>\$ (3,023)</u>	<u>(2.3%)</u>
Gross profit as a % of revenue				
Parts	34.4%	34.3%	(10)	bps
Service	69.1%	70.7%	160	bps
Collision Repair	55.7%	56.2%	50	bps
Total	49.8%	50.3%	50	bps
(in thousands) Reported:	Six Months Ended June 30,		Better / (Worse)	
	2008	2009	Change	% Change
Revenue				
Parts	\$ 285,424	\$ 279,543	\$ (5,881)	(2.1%)
Service	217,065	207,494	(9,571)	(4.4%)
Collision Repair	28,572	25,594	(2,978)	(10.4%)
Total	<u>\$ 531,061</u>	<u>\$ 512,631</u>	<u>\$ (18,430)</u>	<u>(3.5%)</u>
Gross profit				
Parts	\$ 97,552	\$ 94,387	\$ (3,165)	(3.2%)
Service	150,146	146,292	(3,854)	(2.6%)
Collision Repair	15,966	14,385	(1,581)	(9.9%)
Total	<u>\$ 263,664</u>	<u>\$ 255,064</u>	<u>\$ (8,600)</u>	<u>(3.3%)</u>
Gross profit as a % of revenue				
Parts	34.2%	33.8%	(40)	bps
Service	69.2%	70.5%	130	bps
Collision Repair	55.9%	56.2%	30	bps
Total	49.6%	49.8%	20	bps

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(in thousands)	Second Quarter Ended June 30,		Better / (Worse)	
	2008	2009	Change	% Change
Same Store:				
Revenue				
Parts	\$ 142,722	\$ 139,321	\$ (3,401)	(2.4%)
Service	109,424	105,850	(3,574)	(3.3%)
Collision Repair	14,154	12,580	(1,574)	(11.1%)
Total	<u>\$ 266,300</u>	<u>\$ 257,751</u>	<u>\$ (8,549)</u>	<u>(3.2%)</u>
Gross profit				
Parts	\$ 48,956	\$ 47,710	\$ (1,246)	(2.5%)
Service	75,610	74,789	(821)	(1.1%)
Collision Repair	7,879	7,075	(804)	(10.2%)
Total	<u>\$ 132,445</u>	<u>\$ 129,574</u>	<u>\$ (2,871)</u>	<u>(2.2%)</u>
Gross profit as a % of revenue				
Parts	34.3%	34.2%	(10)	bps
Service	69.1%	70.7%	160	bps
Collision Repair	55.7%	56.2%	50	bps
Total	49.7%	50.3%	60	bps
(in thousands)	Six Months Ended June 30,		Better / (Worse)	
	2008	2009	Change	% Change
Same Store:				
Revenue				
Parts	\$ 285,077	\$ 278,607	\$ (6,470)	(2.3%)
Service	217,065	206,791	(10,274)	(4.7%)
Collision Repair	28,571	25,593	(2,978)	(10.4%)
Total	<u>\$ 530,713</u>	<u>\$ 510,991</u>	<u>\$ (19,722)</u>	<u>(3.7%)</u>
Gross profit				
Parts	\$ 97,205	\$ 94,018	\$ (3,187)	(3.3%)
Service	150,146	145,794	(4,352)	(2.9%)
Collision Repair	15,966	14,386	(1,580)	(9.9%)
Total	<u>\$ 263,317</u>	<u>\$ 254,198</u>	<u>\$ (9,119)</u>	<u>(3.5%)</u>
Gross profit as a % of revenue				
Parts	34.1%	33.7%	(40)	bps
Service	69.2%	70.5%	130	bps
Collision Repair	55.9%	56.2%	30	bps
Total	49.6%	49.7%	10	bps

Our domestic and import brands both experienced declines in overall fixed operations revenue, as compared to the same period in 2008. Our domestic stores decreased 9.8% and 10.6%, for the second quarter and six-month period ended June 30, 2009, respectively, and our import stores decreased 1.1% and 1.4%, respectively, when compared to the same periods in the prior year. Customer pay revenue decreased 1.0% and 2.1% for the second quarter and six-month period ended June 30, 2009, respectively, when compared to the same periods in 2008. Reductions experienced in our domestic and import brands for customer pay revenue were partially offset by increases in customer pay revenue in our luxury stores of 3.0% for the second quarter ended June 30, 2009, and 2.2% for the six-month period ended June 30, 2009. For the second quarter ended June 30, 2009, warranty revenue decreased 1.1% but for the six-month period ended June 30, 2009, warranty revenue was relatively flat, when compared to the same period in 2008. The mix of customer pay and warranty revenue can be affected by consumer spending habits and changes in manufacturer warranty programs. While difficult to quantify, revenue and gross profit for our collision repair business can be negatively affected by changes in consumer driving habits such as driving fewer miles as a result of other changes in their individual financial situation.

Gross margin rates for service for the second quarter and six-month period ended June 30, 2009, increased over the comparative prior year period, as a result of new technologies created to drive efficiencies and improve sales processes and profitability in our service department.

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Finance, Insurance and Other ("F&I")

Our reported and same store F&I results are as follows:

(in thousands except per unit data)	Second Quarter Ended June 30,		Better / (Worse)	
	2008	2009	Change	% Change
Reported:				
Revenue	\$ 49,145	\$ 36,552	\$(12,593)	(25.6%)
Gross profit per retail unit (excluding fleet)	\$ 1,069	\$ 943	\$ (126)	(11.8%)

(in thousands except per unit data)	Six Months Ended June 30,		Better / (Worse)	
	2008	2009	Change	% Change
Reported:				
Revenue	\$ 96,096	\$ 69,361	\$(26,735)	(27.8%)
Gross profit per retail unit (excluding fleet)	\$ 1,085	\$ 958	\$ (127)	(11.7%)

(in thousands except per unit data)	Second Quarter Ended June 30,		Better / (Worse)	
	2008	2009	Change	% Change
Same Store:				
Revenue	\$ 48,116	\$ 35,928	\$(12,188)	(25.3%)
Gross profit per retail unit (excluding fleet)	\$ 1,046	\$ 927	\$ (119)	(11.4%)

(in thousands except per unit data)	Six Months Ended June 30,		Better / (Worse)	
	2008	2009	Change	% Change
Same Store:				
Revenue	\$ 93,923	\$ 67,981	\$(25,942)	(27.6%)
Gross profit per retail unit (excluding fleet)	\$ 1,061	\$ 940	\$ (121)	(11.4%)

F&I revenue decreased in the second quarter and six-month period ended June 30, 2009 primarily due to a decrease in total retail unit sales, and lower penetration rates, especially in used vehicles finance contracts and aftermarket product contracts. Furthermore, F&I gross profit per retail unit decreased primarily due to a decrease in gross profit per finance contract as a result of less finance contract income from commercial banks. Finance revenues and penetration rates may come under pressure during the remainder of 2009 in the event manufacturers offer attractive financing rates from their captive finance affiliates.

Selling, General and Administrative Expenses ("SG&A")

Selling, general and administrative ("SG&A") expenses are comprised of four major groups: compensation expense, advertising expense, rent and rent related expense, and other expense. Compensation expense primarily relates to dealership personnel who are paid a commission or a modest salary plus commission (which typically vary depending on gross profits realized) and support personnel who are paid a fixed salary. Due to the salary component for certain dealership and corporate personnel, gross profits and compensation expense are not 100% correlated. Advertising expense and other expenses vary based on the level of actual or anticipated business activity and number of dealerships owned. Rent and rent related expense typically varies with the number of dealerships owned, investments made for facility improvements and interest rates. Although not completely correlated, we believe the best way to measure SG&A expenses is as a percentage of gross profit.

Our SG&A reported results are as follows:

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(in thousands)	Second Quarter Ended June 30,		Better / (Worse)	
	2008	2009	Change	% Change
Reported Expense:				
Compensation	\$ 125,323	\$ 110,765	\$14,558	11.6%
Advertising	15,226	10,446	4,780	31.4%
Rent and Rent Related	29,840	32,589	(2,749)	(9.2%)
Other	49,233	38,953	10,280	20.9%
Total	<u>\$ 219,622</u>	<u>\$ 192,753</u>	<u>\$26,869</u>	<u>12.2%</u>
SG&A as a % of gross				
Compensation	44.4%	45.8%	(140)	bps
Advertising	5.4%	4.3%	110	bps
Rent and Rent Related	10.6%	13.5%	(290)	bps
Other	17.4%	16.1%	130	bps
Total	77.8%	79.7%	(190)	bps
Six Months Ended June 30,				
(in thousands)	2008	2009	Better / (Worse)	
	2008	2009	Change	% Change
Reported Expense:				
Compensation	\$248,669	\$ 219,393	\$29,276	11.8%
Advertising	29,588	20,599	8,989	30.4%
Rent and Rent Related	62,620	66,019	(3,399)	(5.4%)
Other	95,509	79,128	16,381	17.2%
Total	<u>\$436,386</u>	<u>\$ 385,139</u>	<u>\$51,247</u>	<u>11.7%</u>
SG&A as a % of gross				
Compensation	44.6%	46.5%	(190)	bps
Advertising	5.3%	4.4%	90	bps
Rent and Rent Related	11.2%	14.0%	(280)	bps
Other	17.2%	16.7%	50	bps
Total	78.3%	81.6%	(330)	bps

For the second quarter and six-month periods, comparatively, the decrease in overall SG&A expense can largely be attributed to lower overall retail activity and strategic cost cutting efforts in advertising, and other fixed and variable costs that were implemented due to the downturn of the economic environment. SG&A expenses as a percentage of gross profit increased due to lower overall gross profit levels and the fixed nature of certain SG&A expenses.

For the second quarter and six-month periods, comparatively, the increase in compensation expense as a percentage of gross profit is primarily due to overall compressed gross profit caused by the recent downturn in the economic environment and the fixed nature of certain compensation expenses.

For the second quarter and six-month periods, comparatively, total advertising costs were lower versus the same prior year period due to adjustments in advertising volume in response to the soft operating environment. In addition, we continue to shift our advertising strategy away from traditional media and more towards internet and other outlets.

For the second quarter and six-month periods, comparatively, rent and rent related expenses increased as a percentage of gross profit primarily due to the overall declines in gross profit due to the slow sales environment and the fixed nature of these expenses.

Other SG&A expenses in the second quarter and six-month period ended June 30, 2008 was negatively impacted by physical damage charges for hail damage of \$2.0 million and loss on the sale of capital assets of \$1.5 million. In the second quarter and six-month period ended June 30, 2009, we recorded an unrealized gain on trading securities of \$4.5 million and \$4.4 million, respectively. Further, there were decreases in Other SG&A expenses such as travel, supplies, training, and delivery costs that contributed to the total decline.

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Impairment Charges

Impairment charges increased \$3.7 million and \$3.5 million, respectively, in the second quarter and six-month period ended June 30, 2009, as compared to the same period last year, due to impairment charges recorded in 2009 related to fixed assets and franchise assets. All of the impairment charges recorded in continuing operations in the second quarter and six-month period ended June 30, 2009 resulted from General Motors' decision to terminate certain of our franchises. The impairment charges were recorded based on our belief that the value of certain fixed assets and franchise assets would not be recovered through operations or through the ultimate sale of the assets.

Depreciation and Amortization

Reported depreciation and amortization expense increased \$0.5 million, or 6.5%, and \$1.2 million, or 7.6%, respectively in the second quarter and six-month period ended June 30, 2009, as compared to the same period last year. This increase was due to our strategic shift to continue to own and hold more dealership properties.

Interest Expense, Floor Plan

Interest expense, floor plan for new vehicles decreased approximately \$5.0 million, or 51.4%, and \$11.2 million, or 54.6% in the second quarter and six-month period ended June 30, 2009, respectively, compared to the second quarter and six-month period ended June 30, 2008, respectively. The weighted average new vehicle floor plan interest rate incurred by continuing dealerships was 2.6% and 2.4% for the second quarter and six-month period ended June 30, 2009, respectively, compared to 3.9% and 4.4% for the second quarter and six-month period ended June 30, 2008, respectively, which decreased interest expense by approximately \$2.4 million and \$7.8 million for the second quarter and six-month periods then ended, respectively. In addition, during the second quarter and six-month period ended June 30, 2009, the average floor plan balance for new vehicles decreased by approximately \$265.8 million and \$157.7 million, respectively, resulting in a decrease in interest expense of approximately \$2.6 million and \$3.4 million compared to the second quarter and six-month period ended June 30, 2008, respectively. The benefit of lower interest rates was primarily due to lower LIBOR rates which affect our floor plan financing rates.

Interest expense, floor plan for used vehicles decreased approximately \$0.4 million, or 47.6%, and \$1.3 million, or 65.5%, in the second quarter and six-month period ended June 30, 2009, respectively, compared to the second quarter and six-month period ended June 30, 2008, respectively. Before considering used vehicle floor plan interest expense allocated to discontinued operations for the second quarter ended June 30, 2009 and June 30, 2008 of \$0.1 million and \$0.2 million, respectively, the weighted average used vehicle floor plan interest rate incurred by both continuing and discontinued operations was 2.6% for the second quarter ended June 30, 2009, compared to 3.9% for the second quarter ended June 30, 2008, which decreased interest expense by approximately \$0.2 million. Before considering used vehicle floor plan interest expense allocated to discontinued operations for the six-month period ended June 30, 2009 and June 30, 2008 of \$0.1 million and \$0.4 million, respectively, the weighted average used vehicle floor plan interest rate incurred by both continuing and discontinued operations was 2.2% for the six-month period ended June 30, 2009, compared to 4.5% for the six-month period ended June 30, 2008, which decreased interest expense by approximately \$0.8 million. The average used vehicle floor plan notes payable balance from continuing and discontinued dealerships decreased approximately \$26.9 million and \$37.0 million in the second quarter and six-month period ended June 30, 2009, respectively, compared to the second quarter and six-month period ended June 30, 2008, respectively, resulting in a decrease in used vehicle floor plan interest expense of approximately \$0.3 million and 0.8 million, respectively.

Non-Cash Interest Expense, Convertible Debt

Non-cash convertible debt interest expense is comprised of the amortization of the debt discount and deferred loan costs associated with our 5.25% Convertible Notes, and 4.25% Convertible Notes in addition to the amortization of the debt discount and mark-to-market effect of the derivative liability associated with the 6.00% Convertible Notes. The initial debt discount is determined based on a valuation of the convertible options associated with these notes, and is then amortized monthly to interest expense over the life of the notes. See Note 1 to the accompanying notes to financial statements which discusses the adoption of FSP ABP 14-1. Interest expense of approximately \$2.7 million and \$2.2 million in the second quarter ended June 30, 2008 and 2009, respectively, and \$5.3 million and \$4.7 million in the six-month period ended June 30, 2008 and 2009, respectively, represent the non-cash amortization of the debt discount recorded as a result of adoption of FSP APB 14-1. We incurred additional non-cash amortization expense related to the amortization of debt discount and mark-to-market of the derivative liability associated with the 6.00% Secured Second Lien Convertible Notes in the amount of \$1.4 million for both the second quarter and six-month period ended June 30, 2009. We expect to recognize between \$3.0 million and \$4.0 million of this non-cash expense in both the third and

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fourth quarters of 2009 related to the amortization of the discount on the 4.25% Convertible Notes and 6.00% Convertible Notes and in future quarters until the discounts associated with these notes are fully amortized in November 2010 and August 2010, respectively. Deferred loan cost amortization was \$0.1 million in both the second quarter and six-month period ended June 30, 2009.

Interest Expense, Other

The change in interest expense, other, between the second quarter and six-month period ended June 30, 2008 and 2009 is summarized in the table below:

(dollars in millions)	Increase /(Decrease) in Interest Expense, Other	
	Second Quarter Ended June 30, 2009	Six Months Ended June 30, 2009
Interest Rates –		
- Decrease in interest rates	(0.4)	(0.8)
Debt balances –		
- Decrease in debt balances	(0.9)	(0.1)
Other factors –		
- Decrease in capitalized interest	0.1	0.2
- Incremental interest expense related to variable to fixed rate swaps	3.4	8.7
- Incremental interest expense related to fixed to variable rate swaps	0.5	0.7
- Higher deferred loan cost amortization	6.7	6.6
- Higher interest allocation to discontinued operations	(1.9)	(3.2)
- Other	0.8	1.1
	<u>\$ 8.3</u>	<u>\$ 13.2</u>

Income Taxes

The overall effective tax rate from continuing operations was 45.0% and 40.0% for the second quarter and six-month period ended June 30, 2009 and 2008, respectively. The effective rate for the second quarter and six-month period ended of 2009 was higher than the prior year second quarter and six-month period due to changes in certain states' method of taxation (gross receipts tax), the effect of permanent differences related to the debt restructuring, and the shift in the distribution of taxable income between states in which we operate. At the end 2008, we provided income tax valuation allowances totaling \$99.6 million related to certain deferred tax assets based on our judgment that it was more likely than not that we would not be able to realize recorded balances. This judgment was based on our operating loss generated in 2008 as a result of a goodwill impairment charge, the overall downturn in the economy of the United States and, in particular, the automotive retail industry. As of June 30, 2009, in our judgment, there is still significant uncertainty related to our ability to realize the recorded deferred tax assets. However, in the event circumstances change in the third and fourth quarters of 2009, a portion or all of the valuation allowances currently recorded, with the exception of those related to net operating loss carryforwards, and may not be necessary. Accordingly, in the event we do reduce the level of valuation allowances recorded in the third and fourth quarters of 2009, our effective tax rate could be materially affected. Absent any activity related to income tax valuation allowances, we expect the effective tax rate for continuing operations in future periods to fall within a range of 43% to 48%.

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Discontinued Operations

The pre-tax losses from operations and the sale of discontinued franchises were as follows:

	(dollars in thousands)			
	Second Quarter Ended June 30,		Six Months Ended June 30,	
	2008	2009	2008	2009
Income / (loss) from operations	\$ 369	\$ (103)	\$ 72	\$ (114)
Gain (loss) on disposal of franchises	(3,432)	(388)	(2,944)	(469)
Lease exit charges	(784)	(561)	(1,573)	(1,580)
Property impairment charges	(1,649)	(2,042)	(2,054)	(2,197)
Goodwill impairment charges	—	(1,074)	—	(2,473)
Franchise agreement and other impairments	(4,300)	—	(4,300)	—
Favorable lease asset impairment charges	—	—	(1,903)	—
Pre-tax loss	<u>\$ (9,796)</u>	<u>\$ (4,168)</u>	<u>\$ (12,702)</u>	<u>\$ (6,833)</u>
Total Revenues	<u>\$ 284,532</u>	<u>\$ 177,274</u>	<u>\$ 600,622</u>	<u>\$ 361,204</u>

Lease exit charges recorded relate to the revision of estimates and establishment of lease exit accruals. The lease exit accruals are calculated by either discounting the remaining lease payments, net of estimated sublease proceeds or estimating the amount necessary to satisfy the lease commitment to the landlord. Property impairment charges were recorded based on the estimated fair value of the property and equipment to be sold in connection with the disposal of associated franchises and recorded values. Goodwill impairment charges were recorded based on the determination that a portion of the goodwill allocated to franchises held for sale was not recoverable based on estimated proceeds. Franchise asset and other asset impairment charges related to changes in the estimated fair value of franchises and other assets held for sale. Favorable lease asset impairment charges were recorded based on management's estimate that sublease income from certain properties would not allow Sonic to recover the recorded value of favorable lease assets related to the properties.

Liquidity and Capital Resources

We require cash to finance acquisitions and fund debt service and working capital requirements. We rely on cash flows from operations, borrowings under our 2006 Credit Facility, real estate mortgage financing, asset sales and offerings of debt and equity securities to meet these requirements. Our liquidity could be negatively affected if we fail to comply with the financial covenants in our existing debt or lease arrangements.

Because the majority of our consolidated assets are held by our dealership subsidiaries, the majority of our cash flows from operations are generated by these subsidiaries and are dependent to a substantial degree on the results of operations of these subsidiaries. Uncertainties in the economic environment have severely and negatively affected our overall liquidity. In the second quarter and six-month period ended June 30, 2009, our liquidity continued to be negatively affected by the downturn in the overall economy and particularly the severe downturn experienced in the automotive retail industry that began in the second half of 2008 and continued into 2009. For the second quarter and six-month period ended June 30, 2008, the average SAAR (Seasonally Adjusted Annual Rate) of new vehicle sales was 14.2 million units and 14.7 million units, respectively, compared to 9.6 million units for both the second quarter and six-month period ended June 30, 2009. The annual average SAAR since 1990 was 15.5 million units compared to 13.2 million units for the year 2008. At the current level of SAAR, we believe we will continue to be able to generate positive adjusted cash flows from operations (defined as cash flows from operating activities, net of net borrowings on notes payable floor plan – non-trade, which is included in cash flows from financing activities) in the foreseeable future. In the second quarter and six-month period ended June 30, 2009, adjusted cash flows from operating activities provided cash of \$23.5 million and \$30.1 million, respectively.

Cash flows provided by our dealerships are derived from various sources. The primary sources include individual consumers, automobile manufacturers, automobile manufacturers' captive finance subsidiaries and finance companies. Disruptions in these cash flows can have a material adverse impact on our operations and overall liquidity.

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Floor Plan Facilities

The weighted average interest rate for all of our new vehicle floor plan facilities (both continuing and discontinued operations) was 2.7% and 2.4% for the second quarter and six-month period ended June 30, 2009, respectively, compared to 4.0% and 4.5% for the second quarter and six-month period ended June 30, 2008, respectively. Interest payments under each of our floor plan facilities are due monthly, and we are generally not required to make principal repayments prior to the sale of the particular vehicles. We were in compliance with all restrictive covenants under our floor plan facilities as of June 30, 2009.

The weighted average interest rate for our used vehicle floor plan facility (for which interest expense is allocated to continuing and discontinued operations) was 2.6% and 2.2% for the second quarter and six-month period ended June 30, 2009, respectively, compared to 3.9% and 4.5% for the second quarter and six-month period ended June 30, 2008, respectively.

We expect interest expense related to floor plan financing to increase in the future as a result of recent amendments to our 2006 Credit Facility and our expectation that manufacturer captive finance entities may also increase interest rates charged related to new vehicle inventory floor plan facilities.

Long-Term Debt and Credit Facilities

See Note 6, "Long-Term Debt" in the notes to the accompanying unaudited financial statements for a discussion of amendments to the 2006 Credit Facility, the repayment of the 5.25% Convertible Notes with the issuance of 6.00% Convertible Notes, cash payments and issuance of Class A common stock. Also see Note 6 for discussions of compliance with debt covenants.

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Dealership Acquisitions and Dispositions

During the six-month period ended June 30, 2009, we disposed of 10 franchises. These disposals generated cash of \$20.7 million.

Capital Expenditures

Our capital expenditures generally include purchases of land, the construction of new dealerships and collision repair centers, building improvements and equipment purchased for use in our dealerships. Capital expenditures in the second quarter and six-month period ended June 30, 2009 were approximately \$6.2 million and \$26.6 million, respectively. All of the \$26.6 million used for capital expenditures related to the completion of construction and improvement projects to our dealerships which were underway at the end of 2008. As of June 30, 2009, contractual commitments to contractors for facilities construction projects totaled approximately \$44.4 million.

Capital expenditures were lower in the second quarter and six-month period ended June 30, 2009 than historical activity due to our strategy of reducing expenditures to minimum levels in 2009. Furthermore, we do not anticipate significant refurbishment projects of dealership properties to occur beyond those already underway at the end of the second quarter and six-month period ended June 30, 2009. Our capital expenditure activity in the future will be limited under the terms of the 2006 Credit Facility.

Stock Repurchase Program

As of June 30, 2009, pursuant to previous authorizations from our Board of Directors, we had approximately \$44.6 million available to repurchase shares of our Class A common stock or redeem securities convertible into Class A common stock. Due to current economic conditions and liquidity concerns, we have curtailed our stock repurchase activities and do not anticipate significant activity during 2009. Share repurchases, with the exception of those related to tax withholding arrangements associated with our Stock Plans, are expressly prohibited by the latest amendment to our 2006 Credit Facility and under the terms of our 6.00% Convertible Notes.

Dividends

During the second quarter and six-month period ended June 30, 2009, our recurring quarterly dividend program was suspended. The payment of dividends is expressly prohibited by the latest amendment to our 2006 Credit Facility and under the terms of our 6.00% Convertible Notes.

Cash Flows

For the six-month period ended June 30, 2009, net cash provided by operating activities was approximately \$265.4 million. This provision of cash was comprised primarily of cash inflows related to reductions in inventories and accounts receivable, partially offset by a decrease in notes payable – floor plan – trade. Net cash used in investing activities during the six-month period ended June 30, 2009 was approximately \$5.1 million. This use of cash was primarily comprised of cash outflows used for purchases of property and equipment, partially offset by proceeds received from sales of franchises. Net cash used in financing activities for the six-month period ended June 30, 2009 was approximately \$262.0 million, comprised mostly of the decrease in notes payable – floor plan – trade, the settlement of cash flow swaps, and payments on long-term debt.

We arrange our inventory floor plan financing through both manufacturer captive finance companies and a syndicate consisting of banks and manufacturer captive finance companies. Generally, our floor plan financed with manufacturer captives is recorded as trade floor plan liabilities (with the resulting change being reflected as an operating cash flow). Our dealerships that obtain floor plan financing from a syndicate of captive finance companies and commercial banks record their obligation as non-trade floor plan liabilities (with the resulting change being reflected as a financing cash flow).

Due to the presentation differences for changes in trade floor plan and non-trade floor plan in the statement of cash flows, decisions made by us to move dealership floor plan financing arrangements from one finance source to another may cause significant variations in operating and financing cash flows without affecting our overall liquidity, working capital, or cash flow. Accordingly, if all changes in floor plan notes payable were classified as an operating activity, the result would have been net cash

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provided by operating activities of \$61.3 million and \$30.1 million for the six-month periods ended June 30, 2008 and 2009, respectively.

Guarantees and Indemnifications

In connection with the operation and disposition of dealership franchises, we have entered into various guarantees and indemnifications. See Note 9 in the accompanying notes to financial statements.

Future Liquidity Outlook

See Notes 1 and 6 of the notes to the accompanying unaudited financial statements for a discussion of the full satisfaction of our obligation under the 5.25% Convertible Notes through the payment of cash, the issuance of new notes and the issuance of Class A common stock in May 2009.

We continue to explore refinancing options related to our outstanding indebtedness with the assistance of a financial advisor. We are evaluating restructuring or refinancing options for the \$160.0 million principal amount outstanding of 4.25% Convertible Notes that we may be required to repurchase at the option of the holders on November 30, 2010 and our 2006 Credit Facility that matures February 17, 2010. If we have not refinanced at least 85% of our 4.25% Convertible Notes as of August 25, 2010, the holders of the 6.00% Convertible Notes may require us to redeem the 6.00% Convertible Notes at a redemption price equal to 100% of the principal amount on August 25, 2010. This would have a material adverse affect on our overall liquidity. We believe the ultimate resolution of restructuring or refinancing these near-term debt obligations could result in higher interest rates and other terms less favorable to us than our existing debt instruments.

Although we will attempt to restructure or refinance these debt obligations, we cannot assure our investors that we will succeed in these efforts. A default under one or more of our debt arrangements, including the 2006 Credit Facility, could cause cross defaults of other debt, lease facilities and operating agreements, any of which could have a material adverse effect on our business, financial condition, liquidity and operations and raise substantial doubt about our ability to continue as a going concern. If we are unable to restructure these upcoming debt maturities, we may not be able to continue our operations, may be unable to avoid filing for bankruptcy protection and/or may have an involuntary bankruptcy case filed against us.

We believe our best source of liquidity for operations and debt service remains cash flows generated from operations combined with our availability of borrowings under our floor plan facilities (or any replacements thereof), our 2006 Credit Facility, selected dealership and other asset sales and our ability to raise funds in the capital markets. We are currently restricted in borrowing under the 2006 Credit Facility to borrowings for ordinary course of business operating expenses. Continued uncertainties in the economic environment, the lack of availability of consumer credit, and uncertainty regarding the domestic automotive manufacturers will affect our ability to generate cash from operations as well as our ability to raise funds in the capital markets. In addition to actions already taken such as cost reductions, eliminating share repurchases and suspending our dividend, we will attempt to further mitigate the impact of declines in cash flow from operations by suspending our acquisition activities, increasing asset sales and reducing capital expenditures.

We anticipate having to further amend or refinance the 2006 Credit Facility during 2009 in advance of the February 2010 maturity date of the 2006 Credit Facility. To the extent the current economic conditions continue, the interest rates, borrowing capacity and other terms of a new credit agreement may be less favorable than those terms that currently exist.

The table below represents our contractual obligations as of December 31, 2008, taking into consideration the classification effects of the amendments to the 2006 Credit Facility and the restructuring of the 5.25% Convertible Notes on these contractual obligations. The uncertainty related to our compliance with covenants under the 2006 Credit Facility and our ability to restructure our obligations under the 5.25% Convertible Notes required us to classify all of our long-term debt as current as of December 31, 2008 due to the cross default provisions governing our other indebtedness. However, as a result of the amendments to the 2006 Credit Facility and the restructuring of the 5.25% Convertible Notes in May 2009, the long-term debt balances as of June 30, 2009 are classified in the accompanying unaudited balance sheet based on the debt's stated maturity. Accordingly, the contractual obligations table below schedules out our December 31, 2008 contractual obligations as if the December 31, 2008 balances of long-term debt were classified in the December 31, 2008 balance sheet based on stated maturities rather than all of our long-term debt being classified as current.

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	(Amounts in thousands)						
	2009	2010	2011	2012	2013	Thereafter	Total
Floor Plan Facilities (1)	\$ 1,120,505	\$ —	\$ —	\$ —	\$ —	\$ —	\$ 1,120,505
Long-Term Debt (2)	112,110	237,075	8,030	8,380	287,614	98,128	751,337
Letters of Credit	64,480	—	—	—	—	—	64,480
Estimated Interest Payments on Floor Plan Facilities (3)	7,931	—	—	—	—	—	7,931
Estimated Interest Payments on Long-Term Debt (4)	68,704	62,029	52,721	39,944	22,315	42,828	288,541
Operating Leases (Net of Sublease Rentals)	118,333	109,684	100,465	97,246	91,238	515,945	1,032,911
Construction Contracts	56,851	—	—	—	—	—	56,851
Other Purchase Obligations (5)	11,424	12,725	11,225	3,960	2,640	—	41,974
FIN 48 Liability (6)	500	—	—	—	—	22,745	23,245
Total	<u>\$ 1,560,838</u>	<u>\$ 421,513</u>	<u>\$ 172,441</u>	<u>\$ 149,530</u>	<u>\$ 403,807</u>	<u>\$ 679,646</u>	<u>\$ 3,387,775</u>

- (1) Floor plan facilities include amounts classified as liabilities associated with assets held for sale.
- (2) Amounts represent scheduled maturities of long-term debt as of December 31, 2008 in future years. In our Current Report on Form 8-K filed May 28, 2009 the entire balance of \$751.3 million was presented as a 2009 maturity due to the uncertainty related to restructuring the 5.25% Convertible Notes and future compliance with debt covenants.
- (3) Floor plan facilities balances (including amounts classified as liabilities associated with assets held for sale) are correlated with the amount of vehicle inventory and are generally due at the time that a vehicle is sold. Estimated interest payments were calculated using the December 31, 2008 floor plan facilities balance, the weighted average interest rate for the fourth quarter of 2008 of 4.3% and the assumption that floor plan facilities balances at December 31, 2008 would be relieved within sixty days in connection with the sale of the associated vehicle inventory.
- (4) In amounts presented in our Current Report on Form 8-K filed May 28, 2009, estimated interest payments related to long-term debt were only listed for 2009 due to the current classification of the entire long-term debt balance. Amounts presented above reflect the expectation that interest payments will be made consistent with the maturities listed above in the row labeled "Long-Term Debt".
- (5) Other Purchase Obligations include contracts for office supplies, utilities, and various other items or services.
- (6) Amount represents recorded liability, including interest and penalties, related to FIN 48. See Notes 1 and 7 to Consolidated Financial Statements in our Current Report on Form 8-K filed May 28, 2009.

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Off-Balance Sheet Arrangements

See "Management's Discussion and Analysis of Financial Condition and Results of Operations – Off-Balance Sheet Arrangements" in our Current Report on Form 8-K, dated May 28, 2009, for the year ended December 31, 2008 for a description of our off-balance sheet arrangements.

Seasonality

Our business is subject to seasonal variations in revenues. In our experience, demand for automobiles is generally lower during the first and fourth quarters of each year. We therefore receive a disproportionate amount of revenues generally in the second and third quarters, and expect our revenues and operating results to be generally lower in the first and fourth quarters. Consequently, if conditions surface during the second and third quarters that impair vehicle sales, such as higher fuel costs, depressed economic conditions or similar adverse conditions, our revenues for the year could be adversely affected.

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Item 3: Quantitative and Qualitative Disclosures About Market Risk.**Interest Rate Risk**

Our variable rate notes payable—floor plan, 2006 Credit Facility (as defined in our Current Report on Form 8-K dated May 28, 2009 for the year ended December 31, 2008) borrowings and other variable rate notes expose us to risks caused by fluctuations in the underlying interest rates. The total outstanding balance of such instruments was approximately \$549.3 million at June 30, 2009. A change of 100 basis points in the underlying interest rate would have caused a change in interest expense of approximately \$2.6 million in the six-month period ended June 30, 2009. Of the total change in interest expense, approximately \$2.2 million would have resulted from notes payable—floor plan.

In addition to our variable rate debt, as of June 30, 2009, approximately 19% of our dealership lease facilities have monthly lease payments that fluctuate based on LIBOR interest rates. Many of our lease agreements have interest rate floors whereby our lease expense would not fluctuate significantly in periods when LIBOR is relatively low.

During the first quarter ended March 31, 2009, we settled two of our cash flow swaps with notional values totaling \$200.0 million. The swaps were settled with a net settlement payment by us of approximately \$16.5 million. This settlement loss was deferred and will be amortized into earnings through interest expense over the swaps' initial remaining term.

At the end of the second quarter and six-month period ended June 30, 2009, the following interest rate swaps were outstanding:

Notional (in millions)	Pay Rate	Receive Rate (1)	Maturing Date
\$ 200.0	4.935%	one-month LIBOR	May 1, 2012
\$ 100.0	5.265%	one-month LIBOR	June 1, 2012
\$ 3.9	7.100%	one-month LIBOR	July 10, 2017
\$ 25.0	5.160%	one-month LIBOR	September 1, 2012
\$ 15.0	4.965%	one-month LIBOR	September 1, 2012
\$ 25.0	4.885%	one-month LIBOR	October 1, 2012
\$ 12.2	4.655%	one-month LIBOR	December 10, 2017
\$ 9.1	6.860%	one-month LIBOR	August 1, 2017
\$ 7.5	4.330%	one-month LIBOR	July 1, 2013

(1) One-month LIBOR was 0.309% at June 30, 2009.

All cash flow swaps (fixed pay rate and variable receive rate), with the exception of the swap with a notional amount of \$9.1 million, have been designated and qualify as cash flow hedges and, as a result, changes in the fair value of the swaps are recorded in other comprehensive (loss)/income, net of related income taxes in the Consolidated Statements of Stockholders' Equity. The cash flow swap with a notional amount of \$9.1 million was not designated as a hedging instrument and therefore changes in the fair value of this swap are recorded in selling, general and administrative expenses in the Condensed Consolidated Statements of Income. The loss recognized related to this swap that was not designated as a hedging instrument for the second quarter ended June 30, 2009 was \$0.3 million, compared to a gain of \$2.1 million for the six-month period ended June 30, 2009.

Foreign Currency Risk

We purchase certain of our new vehicle and parts inventories from foreign manufacturers. Although we purchase our inventories in U.S. Dollars, our business is subject to foreign exchange rate risk, which may influence automobile manufacturers' ability to provide their products at competitive prices in the United States. To the extent this volatility negatively impacts consumer demand through higher retail prices for our products, it could adversely affect our future operations results.

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Item 4: Controls and Procedures.

Our management, under the supervision and with the participation of our principal executive officer and principal financial officer, evaluated the effectiveness of the design and operation of our disclosure controls and procedures as of the end of the period covered by this Quarterly Report on Form 10-Q. Based on this evaluation, our principal executive officer and principal financial officer have concluded that the design and operation of our disclosure controls and procedures were effective as of the end of the period covered by this Quarterly Report on Form 10-Q. During our last fiscal quarter, there were no changes in our internal control over financial reporting that materially affected, or are reasonably likely to materially affect, our internal control over financial reporting.

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PART II – OTHER INFORMATION

Item 1: Legal Proceedings.

We are a defendant in the matter of Galura, et al. v. Sonic Automotive, Inc., a private civil action filed in the Circuit Court of Hillsborough County, Florida. In this action, originally filed on December 30, 2002, the plaintiffs allege that we and our Florida dealerships sold an antitheft protection product in a deceptive or otherwise illegal manner, and further sought representation on behalf of any customer of any of our Florida dealerships who purchased the antitheft protection product since December 30, 1998. The plaintiffs are seeking monetary damages and injunctive relief on behalf of this class of customers. In June 2005, the court granted the plaintiffs' motion for certification of the requested class of customers, but the court has made no finding to date regarding actual liability in this lawsuit. We subsequently filed a notice of appeal of the court's class certification ruling with the Florida Court of Appeals. In April 2007, the Florida Court of Appeals affirmed a portion of the trial court's class certification, and overruled a portion of the trial court's class certification. We intend to continue our vigorous appeal and defense of this lawsuit and to assert available defenses. However, an adverse resolution of this lawsuit could result in the payment of significant costs and damages, which could have a material adverse effect on our future results of operations, financial condition and cash flows. Currently, we are unable to estimate a range of potential loss related to this matter.

Several private civil actions have been filed against Sonic Automotive, Inc. and several of our dealership subsidiaries that purport to represent classes of customers as potential plaintiffs and make allegations that certain products sold in the finance and insurance departments were done so in a deceptive or otherwise illegal manner. One of these private civil actions has been filed in South Carolina state court against Sonic Automotive, Inc. and 10 of our South Carolina subsidiaries. This group of plaintiffs' attorneys has filed another private civil class action lawsuit in state court in North Carolina seeking certification of a multi-state class of plaintiffs. The South Carolina state court action and the North Carolina state court action have since been consolidated into a single proceeding in private arbitration. On November 12, 2008, claimants in the consolidated arbitration filed a Motion for Class Certification as a national class action including all of the states in which Sonic operates dealerships, excluding California and Florida. Claimants are seeking monetary damages and injunctive relief on behalf of this class of customers. We are aggressively opposing claimants' Motion for Class Certification, and intend to continue our vigorous defense of this arbitration. However, an adverse resolution of this arbitration could result in the payment of significant costs and damages, which could have a material adverse effect on our future results of operations, financial condition and cash flows.

We are involved, and expect to continue to be involved, in numerous legal and administrative proceedings arising out of the conduct of our business, including regulatory investigations and private civil actions brought by plaintiffs purporting to represent a potential class or for which a class has been certified. Although we vigorously defend ourselves in all legal and administrative proceedings, the outcomes of pending and future proceedings arising out of the conduct of our business, including litigation with customers, employment related lawsuits, contractual disputes, class actions, purported class actions and actions brought by governmental authorities, cannot be predicted with certainty. An unfavorable resolution of one or more of these matters could have a material adverse effect on our business, financial condition, results of operations, cash flows or prospects.

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RISK FACTORS

ITEM 1A : - Risk Factors

In addition to the information below and other information set forth in this Form 10-Q, you should carefully consider the risk factors discussed in Exhibit 99.1, Item 1A of our Current Report on Form 8-K dated May 28, 2009 for the year ended December 31, 2008, which could materially affect our business, financial condition or future results.

If we do not restructure or obtain additional financing to satisfy our substantial debt obligations, we may not be able to continue as a going concern or we may be unable to avoid filing for bankruptcy protection.

On May 7, 2009, we completed a restructuring of our 5.25% convertible senior subordinated notes that matured on May 7, 2009 (the “5.25% Convertible Notes”). In conjunction with this restructuring, we paid cash of approximately \$15.7 million, issued \$85.6 million in 6.00% senior secured convertible notes due 2012 in two series (i.e., Series A and Series B) (the “6.00% Convertible Notes”) and issued 860,723 shares of Class A common stock to holders of our 5.25% Convertible Notes to satisfy our obligations under the 5.25% Convertible Notes. In addition, we executed an amendment to our revolving credit facility with Bank of America, NA, as administrative agent, and a syndicate of commercial banks and commercial finance entities (the “2006 Credit Facility”) which, among other things, permanently removes the requirement for us to deliver to the administrative agent under the 2006 Credit Facility an opinion of our independent registered public accounting firm with respect to our fiscal year ended December 31, 2008 without any “going concern” or like qualification. The amendment to the 2006 Credit Facility and a description of the 6.00% Convertible Notes are discussed further in Note 6 of the notes to the accompanying unaudited financial statements. Also in conjunction with the restructuring, we sold, in a private placement primarily to certain of our officers, directors and management employees, 487,796 shares of our Class A common stock at a price of \$5.74 per share. We agreed to register the resale of the shares sold in the private placements and have filed a registration statement for such shares, which has been declared effective by the Securities and Exchange Commission.

We continue to explore options related to our other debt obligations with the assistance of a financial advisor. We are evaluating restructuring options for \$160.0 million principal amount outstanding of 4.25% Convertible Notes that we may be required to repurchase at the option of the holders on November 30, 2010 and our 2006 Credit Facility that matures February 17, 2010. Although we will attempt to restructure these debt obligations to avoid events of default under one or more of these arrangements, we cannot assure our investors that we will succeed in these efforts. A default under one or more of our debt arrangements, including the 2006 Credit Facility, could cause cross defaults of other debt, lease facilities and operating agreements, any of which could have a material adverse effect on our business, financial condition, liquidity and operations and raise substantial doubt about our ability to continue as a going concern. If we are unable to restructure these upcoming debt maturities, we may not be able to continue our operations, may be unable to avoid filing for bankruptcy protection and/or may have an involuntary bankruptcy case filed against us.

Adverse conditions affecting one or more key manufacturers may negatively impact our profitability.

On June 1, 2009, General Motors Corp. and certain of its subsidiaries (“General Motors”) filed for Chapter 11 bankruptcy protection. As of June 30, 2009, we operated 33 General Motors franchises (under the Cadillac, Chevrolet, Hummer, Saab, Buick and Saturn nameplates) at 26 physical dealerships. Six of our General Motors dealerships, representing twelve franchises, including three Hummer franchises at multi-franchise dealerships, two Saab franchises at multi-franchise dealerships and one additional General Motors franchise at a multi-franchise dealership received letters stating that the franchise agreements between General Motors and us will not be continued by General Motors on a long-term basis. Subject to bankruptcy approval, General Motors has offered assistance with winding down the operations of these franchises in exchange for our execution of termination agreements. We executed all of the termination agreements. Assistance expected to be received from General Motors totals \$3.3 million, none of which was recorded as a receivable from General Motors as of June 30, 2009 due to the uncertainty of bankruptcy court approval and certain conditions required for the payments to occur had not yet been satisfied. The termination agreements provide for the following:

- The termination of the franchise agreement no earlier than January 1, 2010 and no later than October 31, 2010;
- The assignment and assumption of the franchise agreement by the purchaser of General Motors’ assets;
- The payment of financial assistance to the franchisee in installments in connection with the orderly winding down of the franchise operations;
- The waiver of any other termination assistance of any kind that may have been required under the franchise agreement;

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- The release of claims against General Motors or the purchaser of General Motors' assets and their related parties;
- The continuation of franchise operations pursuant to the franchise agreement, as supplemented by the termination agreement, through the effective date of termination of the franchise agreement, except that we shall not be entitled to order any new vehicles from General Motors or the purchaser of General Motors' assets; and
- A restriction on our ability to transfer the franchise agreement to another party.

For the remaining General Motors franchises we executed "continuation agreements" which require, among other things, that existing franchise agreements will expire no later than October 31, 2010. In consideration of the execution of the "continuation agreements" General Motors will recommend to the bankruptcy court the continuation or assumption of our existing franchise agreements, as amended by the "continuation agreements". We cannot be assured that General Motors will renew our franchise agreements when they expire on October 31, 2010.

With the exception of product liability indemnifications, amounts owed to us through incentive programs, amounts currently owed to our franchises under their open accounts with General Motors and warranty claims occurring within 90 days prior to June 1, 2009, all amounts owed to us from General Motors were extinguished as a result of the execution of the termination and continuation agreements. A motion was made by General Motors to the bankruptcy court and the motion was granted by the bankruptcy court allowing General Motors to pay the claims noted above. As a result, we have been receiving payments related to pre-bankruptcy claims. However, we cannot give assurances that General Motors will continue to pay our pre-bankruptcy claims or that it will not encounter financial difficulties in the future that may affect us.

As our operations at the affected franchises that will not be renewed wind down, we may be required to accelerate depreciation expenses and record impairment charges related to, but not limited to, lease obligations, fixed assets, franchise assets, accounts receivable and inventory. These charges could have a material adverse impact on our results, financial position and cash flows.

On June 2, 2009, General Motors announced that Chinese equipment manufacturer Sichuan Tengzhong Heavy Industrial Machinery Co. ("STHIMC") will buy its Hummer brand. As of June 30, 2009, we operated three Hummer franchises at three dealership locations. It is uncertain whether STHIMC will continue supporting the Hummer brand or whether STHIMC's ownership of the Hummer brand will have a positive or negative impact on our Hummer franchises' operations.

On June 5, 2009, General Motors announced that Penske Automotive Group (PAG), will buy its Saturn brand. As of June 5, 2009, we operated one Saturn franchise at one dealership location. It is uncertain whether PAG will continue supporting the Saturn brand or whether PAG's ownership of the Saturn brand will have a positive or negative impact on our Saturn franchise's operations.

On April 30, 2009, Chrysler LLC filed for bankruptcy protection and submitted a plan of reorganization. On June 10, 2009, Fiat SpA purchased a substantial portion of Chrysler's assets which include rights related to our franchise agreements. As of June 30, 2009, we owned six Chrysler franchises at two dealership locations. It is uncertain whether Fiat will continue supporting the Chrysler brand or whether Fiat's ownership of the Chrysler brand will have a positive or negative impact on our Chrysler franchises' operations.

At June 30, 2009 we had the following balances recorded related to domestic manufacturers:

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	(dollars in millions)
	June 30,
	2009
General Motors	
New Vehicle Inventory	\$ 100.1
Parts Inventory	10.7
Factory Receivables	6.0
Property and Equipment, net	21.0
Franchise Assets	16.7
Ford (including Volvo)	
New Vehicle Inventory	55.8
Parts Inventory	3.9
Factory Receivables	3.4
Property and Equipment, net	9.3
Franchise Assets	2.2
Chrysler	
New Vehicle Inventory	7.9
Parts Inventory	1.2
Factory Receivables	0.1
Property and Equipment, net	1.5
Franchise Assets	—

The manner in which these manufactures maintain relations with their franchisees may change as a result of the bankruptcy filings and subsequent emergence from bankruptcy. We can give no assurances that future practices of these manufactures will be consistent with the way they have historically operated.

In addition, we rely on the manufacturer captive finance companies associated with these domestic manufacturers for new vehicle floor plan financing. The changes in circumstances related to any of these domestic manufacturers could result in an attempt by the related captive finance company to terminate our floor plan financing, which would have a material adverse impact on our operations and liquidity.

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Item 2: Unregistered Sales of Equity Securities and Use of Proceeds

Issuer Repurchases of Equity Securities

The following table sets forth information about the shares of Class A Common Stock we repurchased during the second quarter ended June 30, 2009:

	(in thousands, except price per share amounts)			
	Total Number of Shares Purchased (1)	Average Price Paid per Share	Total Number of Shares Purchased as Part of Publicly Announced Plans or Programs (2)	Approximate Dollar Value of Shares That May Yet Be Purchased Under the Plans or Programs
April 2009	10	\$ 3.14	10	\$ 44,624
May 2009	0	\$ —	0	\$ 44,624
June 2009	0	\$ —	0	\$ 44,624
Total	10	\$ —	10	\$ 44,624

- (1) Shares repurchased were a result of the delivery of shares by employees and officers in satisfaction of withholding tax obligations upon vesting of restricted stock and restricted stock units.
- (2) Our publicly announced Class A Common Stock repurchase authorizations occurred as follows:

	(in thousands)
November 1999	\$ 25,000
February 2000	25,000
December 2000	25,000
May 2001	25,000
August 2002	25,000
February 2003	20,000
December 2003	20,000
July 2004	20,000
July 2007	30,000
October 2007	40,000
April 2008	40,000
Total	\$ 295,000

Share repurchases and the payment of dividends are expressly prohibited by the latest amendment to our 2006 Credit Facility and under the terms of our 6.00% Convertible Notes. See our Current Report on Form 8-K dated May 4, 2009 which discusses the issuance of Class A common stock related to the redemption of our 5.25% Convertible Notes and the issuance of Class A common stock for cash in a private placement.

Item 4: Submission of Matters to a Vote of Security Holders

At the annual meeting of stockholders held May 11, 2009, Mr. O. Bruton Smith, Mr. B. Scott Smith, Mr. David B. Smith, Mr. William I. Belk, Mr. William R. Brooks, Mr. Victor H. Doolan, Mr. Robert Heller, Mr. Robert L. Rewey and Mr. David C. Vorhoff were voted on by Sonic's stockholders for the position of Director.

	<u>Votes For</u>	<u>Votes Withheld</u>
Election of O. Bruton Smith	135,545,787	6,113,371
Election of B. Scott Smith	135,423,278	6,235,880
Election of David B. Smith	135,379,706	6,279,452
Election of William P. Belk	135,460,138	6,199,020
Election of William R. Brooks	135,422,035	6,237,123
Election of Victor H. Doolan	135,475,559	6,183,599
Election of Robert Heller	135,471,896	6,187,262
Election of Robert L. Rewey	141,040,499	618,659
Election of David C. Vorhoff	141,041,714	617,444

In addition to the election of the nine directors, the stockholders approved the following proposals:

- an Amended and Restated Sonic Automotive, Inc. Incentive Compensation Plan;
- an Amended and Restated Sonic Automotive, Inc. 2004 Stock Incentive Plan that increases the shares issuable thereunder from 3,000,000 to 5,000,000 shares, and approve other related revisions;
- an Amended and Restated Sonic Automotive, Inc. 2005 Formula Restricted Stock Plan for non-employee directors that increases the shares issuable thereunder from 90,000 to 340,000 shares; limits the maximum number of shares that can be granted to a non-employee director during 2009 to 15,000 shares and makes other revisions;
- Approves the appointment of Ernst & Young LLP as Sonic's independent accountants for the fiscal year ending December 31, 2009;

	<u>Votes For</u>	<u>Votes Against</u>	<u>Votes Abstained</u>	<u>Broker Non-Votes</u>
Amended and Restated Sonic Automotive, Inc. Incentive Compensation	134,842,075	6,638,921	178,162	—
Amended and Restated Sonic Automotive, Inc. 2004 Stock Incentive Plan	125,665,777	9,521,788	175,343	6,296,250
Amended and Restated Sonic Automotive, Inc. 2005 Formula Restricted Stock Plan for the Non-Employee Director	131,100,731	4,082,576	179,601	6,296,250
Ratification of Ernst & Young LLP as the independent public accounting firm	141,350,812	302,881	5,465	—

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Item 6: Exhibits.

(a) Exhibits:

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4.6	Securities Pledge Agreement, dated as of May 7, 2009, among Sonic Automotive, Inc., the subsidiaries party thereto and U.S. Bank National Association, as collateral agent (incorporated by reference to Exhibit 4.2 to the May 8-K).
4.7	Security Agreement (Escrowed Equity), dated as of May 7, 2009, among Sonic Automotive, Inc., the subsidiaries party thereto and U.S. Bank National Association, as collateral agent (incorporated by reference to Exhibit 4.3 to the May 8-K).
10.1	Amendment No. 5 to Credit Agreement dated May 4, 2009
10.2 (1)	Sonic Automotive, Inc. 2005 Formula Restricted Stock Plan for Non-Employee Directors, Amended and Restated as of May 11, 2009 (incorporated by reference to Exhibit 4 to Sonic's Registration Statement on Form S-8 (Reg. No. 333-159675)).
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Forward Looking Statements

This Quarterly Report on Form 10-Q contains numerous “forward-looking statements” within the meaning of the Private Securities Litigation Reform Act of 1995. These forward-looking statements address our future objectives, plans and goals, as well as our intent, beliefs and current expectations regarding future operating performance, and can generally be identified by words such as “may,” “will,” “should,” “believe,” “expect,” “anticipate,” “intend,” “plan,” “foresee” and other similar words or phrases. Specific events addressed by these forward-looking statements include, but are not limited to:

- future acquisitions or dispositions;
- industry trends;
- future liquidity trends or needs;
- general economic trends, including employment rates and consumer confidence levels;
- vehicle sales rates and same store sales growth;
- future covenant compliance;
- our financing plans and our ability to repay or refinance existing debt when due; and
- our business and growth strategies.

These forward-looking statements are based on our current estimates and assumptions and involve various risks and uncertainties. As a result, you are cautioned that these forward-looking statements are not guarantees of future performance, and that actual results could differ materially from those projected in these forward-looking statements. Factors which may cause actual results to differ materially from our projections include those risks described in Item 1A of Exhibit 99.1 in our Current Report on Form 8-K dated May 28, 2009 and Item 1A of this Form 10-Q and elsewhere in this report, as well as:

- the number of new and used cars sold in the United States generally, and as compared to our expectations and the expectations of the market;
- our ability to generate sufficient cash flows or obtain additional financing to refinance existing debt and to fund acquisitions, capital expenditures, our share repurchase program, dividends on our Common Stock and general operating activities;
- the reputation and financial condition of vehicle manufacturers whose brands we represent, the terms of any bailout of any such manufacturer by the U.S. government or other government and the success or failure of such a bailout, the financial incentives vehicle manufacturers offer and their ability to design, manufacture, deliver and market their vehicles successfully;
- our relationships with manufacturers, which may affect our ability to complete additional acquisitions;
- changes in laws and regulations governing the operation of automobile franchises, accounting standards, taxation requirements, and environmental laws;
- general economic conditions in the markets in which we operate, including fluctuations in interest rates, employment levels, the level of consumer spending and consumer credit availability;
- the terms of any refinancing of our existing indebtedness;
- high competition in the automotive retailing industry, which not only creates pricing pressures on the products and services we offer, but on businesses we seek to acquire;
- the timing of and our ability to generate liquidity through asset dispositions, as well as the timing of our ability to successfully integrate recent and potential future acquisitions; and
- the rate and timing of overall economic recovery or additional decline.

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SIGNATURES

Pursuant to the requirements of the Securities Exchange Act of 1934, the registrant has duly caused this report to be signed on its behalf by the undersigned thereunto duly authorized.

Date: August 10, 2009

SONIC AUTOMOTIVE, INC.

By: /s/ O. Bruton Smith
O. Bruton Smith
Chairman and Chief Executive Officer

Date: **August 10, 2009**

By: /s/ David P. Cosper
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AMENDMENT NO. 5 TO CREDIT AGREEMENT

This AMENDMENT NO. 5 TO CREDIT AGREEMENT (this "**Agreement**") dated as of May 4, 2009 is made by and among SONIC AUTOMOTIVE, INC., a Delaware corporation (the "**Company**"), CERTAIN SUBSIDIARIES OF THE COMPANY each a party to the Credit Agreement (as defined below) pursuant to Section 2.24 of the Credit Agreement (each a "**New Vehicle Borrower**" and together with the Company, the "**Borrowers**" and each individually a "**Borrower**"), BANK OF AMERICA, N.A., a national banking association organized and existing under the laws of the United States ("**Bank of America**"), in its capacity as administrative agent for the Lenders (as defined in the Credit Agreement referred to below) (in such capacity, the "**Administrative Agent**"), and as Revolving Swing Line Lender, New Vehicle Swing Line Lender, Used Vehicle Swing Line Lender and L/C Issuer, the Lenders party hereto, and each of the Loan Parties (as defined in the Credit Agreement) signatory hereto.

WITNESSETH:

WHEREAS, the Company, the New Vehicle Borrowers, Bank of America, as Administrative Agent, Revolving Swing Line Lender, New Vehicle Swing Line Lender, Used Vehicle Swing Line Lender and L/C Issuer, and the Lenders parties thereto have entered into that certain Credit Agreement dated as of February 17, 2006, as amended by that certain Amendment No. 1 to Credit Agreement and Security Agreement dated as of May 25, 2006, that certain Amendment No. 2 to Credit Agreement and Security Agreement dated as of April 24, 2007, that certain Amendment No. 3 to Credit Agreement dated as of June 3, 2008 and that certain (A) Limited Short-Term Amendment to Credit Agreement until May 4, 2009 and (B) Amendment No. 4 to Credit Agreement and Consolidated Amendment to Other Loan Documents dated as of March 31, 2009 (as hereby amended and as from time to time further amended, modified, supplemented, restated, or amended and restated, the "**Credit Agreement**"; capitalized terms used in this Agreement and not otherwise defined herein shall have the respective meanings given thereto in the Credit Agreement), pursuant to which the Lenders (a) have made available to the Company (i) the Revolving Credit Facility, including a letter of credit facility and a revolving swing line facility, and (ii) the Used Vehicle Floorplan Facility, including a used vehicle floorplan swing line facility, and (b) have made available to the Borrowers the New Vehicle Floorplan Facility, including a new vehicle floorplan swing line facility; and

WHEREAS, the Company has entered into the Company Guaranty pursuant to which it has guaranteed the payment and performance of the obligations of the New Vehicle Borrowers under the Credit Agreement and the other Loan Documents; and

WHEREAS, each of the other Guarantors has entered into a Subsidiary Guaranty pursuant to which it has guaranteed (subject to certain limitations set forth therein with respect to the Guarantors that are Silo Subsidiaries) the payment and performance of the obligations of each Borrower under the Credit Agreement and the other Loan Documents; and

WHEREAS, the Company and the respective Loan Parties that are parties thereto have entered into the Security Agreement, the Pledge Agreement and other Security Instruments, securing the Obligations under the Credit Agreement and other Loan Documents; and

WHEREAS, the Loan Parties have requested that the Administrative Agent and the Lenders amend the Credit Agreement in such a manner that, upon giving effect to such amendments, the Credit Agreement as so amended would contain the terms, covenants, conditions and other provisions as contained in the form of Credit Agreement set forth as Exhibit A to this Agreement (the "**Consolidated Form Credit Agreement**");

NOW, THEREFORE, in consideration of the premises and further valuable consideration, the receipt and sufficiency of which are hereby acknowledged, the parties hereto agree as follows:

1. Conditions Precedent. As express conditions to the consummation of this Agreement, the following shall have occurred, all in a form and manner and in substance satisfactory to the Administrative Agent:

(a) Receipt by the Administrative Agent of counterparts of this Agreement, duly executed by the Loan Parties, the Administrative Agent and Lenders which constitute Required Lenders on or before May 4, 2009; and

(b) Receipt by the Administrative Agent of all fees and expenses as required by the letter agreement (the "**Engagement Letter**") dated April 8, 2009 between the Company and Banc of America Securities LLC ("**BAS**"), including the consent fee referenced therein; and

(c) The Administrative Agent shall have received and the applicable Loan Parties shall have provided all additional documents and taken all additional actions that the Administrative Agent deems necessary or reasonable to perfect or continue the perfection of the Administrative Agent's security interest in all Collateral (as defined in the Security Agreement); and

(d) All fees, charges and disbursements of counsel to the Administrative Agent incurred in connection with the Credit Agreement and the other Loan Documents or the execution and delivery of this Agreement to the extent invoiced prior to or on the date hereof, plus such additional amounts of such fees, charges and disbursements as shall constitute such counsel's reasonable estimate of such fees, charges and disbursements incurred or to be incurred by it through the closing of this Agreement (provided that such estimate shall not thereafter preclude a final settling of such fees, charges and disbursements) shall have been paid in full; and

(e) All fees, charges and disbursements of FTI Consulting, Inc. ("**FTI**") incurred in connection with the Loan Documents and the restructuring thereof, to the extent invoiced prior to or on the date hereof, plus such additional amounts of such fees, charges and disbursements as shall constitute FTI's reasonable estimate of such fees,

charges and disbursements incurred or to be incurred by it through the closing of this Agreement (provided that such estimate shall not thereafter preclude a final settling of such fees, charges and disbursements) shall have been paid in full; and

(f) The Administrative Agent shall have received a favorable opinion of Parker Poe Adams & Bernstein LLP, counsel to the Loan Parties, addressed to the Administrative Agent and the Lenders and addressing such matters as the Administrative Agent may request; and

(g) The Administrative Agent shall have received a deposit account control agreement for each Deposit Account (as defined in the Security Agreement, other than payroll, medical benefit and controlled disbursement accounts) of each Loan Party; provided, however, that the Administrative Agent may waive in its sole discretion the condition precedent of any deposit account control agreement(s) for any Deposit Account(s) of any Subsidiary(ies) that collect, in the aggregate, less than 5% of the consolidated gross receipts/revenues of the Company and its Subsidiaries; and

(h) The 2002-5.25% Indenture Notes Restructure Closing (as defined in the Consolidated Form Credit Agreement) shall have occurred; and

(i) The receipt by the Administrative Agent of such other documents, instruments or certificates, the performance by the Loan Parties of such other undertakings and further assurances, and evidence of such other matters, as reasonably requested by the Administrative Agent; and

(j) No Default or Event of Default shall be existing under the Credit Agreement.

2. Acknowledgment of Existing Obligations under the Loan Documents Each of the Loan Parties hereby confirms, ratifies and acknowledges the enforceability of the Loan Documents to which it is a party and its liability for all Obligations (such term as used herein to include "Obligations" as amended hereby) arising under each of the Loan Documents executed by such Loan Party (including without limitation the continuation of such Loan Party's payment and performance obligations thereunder and grant of security interest provided therein, in each case upon and after the effectiveness of this Agreement and the amendments contemplated hereby). No Loan Party has any claims, counterclaims, rights of setoff or defenses with respect to the Loan Documents, to any of its Obligations, or to the Administrative Agent's exercise of any right or remedy available to it under the terms of the Loan Documents, this Agreement or applicable law.

3. Amendments to Credit Agreement. Subject to the terms and conditions set forth herein, the Credit Agreement is hereby amended so that, as amended, it shall read as set forth in, and shall have the terms, covenants, conditions and other provisions of, the Consolidated Form Credit Agreement, the terms, covenants, conditions and other provisions of which Consolidated Form Credit Agreement are hereby incorporated by reference into this Agreement as if fully set forth herein. The parties hereto acknowledge and agree that each amendment to the Credit Agreement reflected in the Consolidated Form Credit Agreement is and

shall be effective as if individually specified in this Agreement (the parties further acknowledging that amending the Credit Agreement by reference to the Consolidated Form Credit Agreement provides a convenience to the parties to permit the amended terms to be read in the context of the full Credit Agreement), and that this Agreement is not a novation of the Credit Agreement or of any credit facility provided thereunder or in respect thereof. The signature pages contained in the Consolidated Form Credit Agreement and the Schedules and Exhibits may be left off; provided that, (i) Exhibit A-2, Exhibit H and Exhibit L-1, which are attached to the Consolidated Form Credit Agreement, are amended and restated as set forth therein, and (ii) Schedule 2.01, which is attached to the Consolidated Form Credit Agreement, shall be amended and restated as set forth therein as of May 7, 2009). Notwithstanding that the cover page of the Consolidated Form Credit Agreement is dated "as of February 17, 2006", the changes to the Credit Agreement affected by this Agreement shall be effective as of the satisfaction to the conditions to effectiveness of this Agreement.

4. Conditions Subsequent. The continued effectiveness on and after May 7, 2009 of the amendments to the Credit Agreement provided in Section 2 of this Agreement shall be conditioned upon (i) the occurrence of the 2002-5.25% Indenture Notes Restructure Settlement (as defined in the Consolidated Form Credit Agreement) on or before May 7, 2009 and (ii) neither the 2009 Indenture nor any 2009 Indenture Note shall have been amended on or prior to May 7, 2009 from the executed versions of such documents that were delivered to the Administrative Agent on the date hereof unless the Administrative Agent shall have consented in writing to such amendment.

5. Representations, Warranties, Acknowledgements and Agreements. In order to induce the Administrative Agent and the Lenders to enter into this Agreement, each Loan Party represents and warrants to the Administrative Agent and the Lenders as follows (other than Sonic Financial which only represents and warrants to the Administrative Agent and the Lenders that clause (f) below is true with respect to the security interest and pledge granted by Sonic Financial):

(a) The representations and warranties made by each Loan Party in Article V of the Credit Agreement and in each of the other Loan Documents to which such Loan Party is a party are true and correct on and as of the date hereof, except to the extent that such representations and warranties expressly relate to an earlier date and except that, the representations and warranties contained in subsections (a) and (b) of Section 5.05 of the Credit Agreement shall be deemed to refer to the most recent statements furnished pursuant to clauses (a) and (b), respectively, of Section 6.01 of the Credit Agreement;

(b) The Persons appearing as Guarantors on the signature pages to this Agreement constitute all Persons who are required to be Guarantors pursuant to the terms of the Credit Agreement and the other Loan Documents, including without limitation all Persons who became Subsidiaries or were otherwise required to become Guarantors after the Closing Date, and each of such Persons has become and remains a party to a Guaranty as a Guarantor;

(c) The Persons appearing as Borrowers on the signature pages to this Agreement constitute all Persons who are required to be Borrowers pursuant to the terms of the Credit Agreement and the other Loan Documents, or were otherwise

required to become Borrowers, after the Closing Date, and each of such Persons has become and remains a party to the Credit Agreement as a Borrower;

(d) This Agreement has been duly authorized, executed and delivered by the Loan Parties party hereto and constitutes a legal, valid and binding obligation of such parties, except as may be limited by general principles of equity or by the effect of any applicable bankruptcy, insolvency, reorganization, moratorium or similar law affecting creditors' rights generally;

(e) No Default or Event of Default exists after giving effect to this Agreement;

(f) The security interests and pledges that the Loan Parties granted to the Administrative Agent in the Loan Documents to secure the Obligations are valid, binding, and enforceable, remain first and valid (or, in the case of Liens securing Permitted Silo Indebtedness which Liens are permitted by the Loan Documents, second) security interests in the Collateral (subject only to Liens permitted under Section 7.01 of the Credit Agreement that were in existence prior to February 17, 2006 and the Liens permitted by Section 7.01(o) of the Consolidated Form Credit Agreement) and are hereby reaffirmed;

(g) Neither the Company nor any other Loan Party has any asset or interest in property which does not constitute Collateral with a current value (in excess of any existing lien on such asset or interest) of \$100,000, other than certain real estate interests held by certain of the Loan Parties, and certain equipment, each as specified in Schedule 4(g) hereto;

(h) Neither the Administrative Agent nor any Lender has waived any of the Defaults which may occur in the future, or any of its rights to payment of the Loans or any Loan Party's performance of the Obligations as set forth in any Loan Document, as amended by this Agreement, or otherwise with respect to any Loan, Letter of Credit, Secured Cash Management Arrangement or Related Swap Contract; and nothing herein shall be construed as any such waiver; and

(i) All of the Loan Parties' agreements, acknowledgments, warranties and representations contained in this Agreement are material to the Administrative Agent's and each of the Lender's willingness to enter into this Agreement.

6. Full Force and Effect of Credit Agreement Except as hereby specifically amended, modified or supplemented, each party hereto hereby acknowledges and agrees that the Credit Agreement and all of the other Loan Documents are hereby confirmed and ratified in all respects and shall remain in full force and effect according to their respective terms.

7. Counterparts. This Agreement may be executed in one or more counterparts, each of which shall be deemed an original but all of which together shall constitute one and the same instrument. Delivery of an executed counterpart of a signature page of this Agreement by

telecopy or electronic format (including .pdf) shall be effective as delivery of a manually executed original counterpart of this Agreement.

8. Entire Agreement. This Agreement, together with the Engagement Letter and all the Loan Documents (collectively, the “**Relevant Documents**”), sets forth the entire understanding and agreement of the parties hereto in relation to the subject matter hereof and supersedes any prior negotiations and agreements among the parties relating to such subject matter. No promise, condition, representation or warranty, express or implied, not set forth in the Relevant Documents shall bind any party hereto, and no such party has relied on any such promise, condition, representation or warranty. Each of the parties hereto acknowledges that, except as otherwise expressly stated in the Relevant Documents, no representations, warranties or commitments, express or implied, have been made by any party to the other in relation to the subject matter hereof or thereof. None of the terms or conditions of this Agreement may be changed, modified, waived or canceled orally or otherwise, except in writing in accordance with Section 10.01 of the Credit Agreement.

9. Governing Law. This Agreement shall in all respects be governed by, and construed in accordance with, the laws of the State of North Carolina, and shall be further subject to the provisions of Sections 10.14 and 10.15 of the Credit Agreement.

10. Enforceability. Should any one or more of the provisions of this Agreement be determined to be illegal or unenforceable as to one or more of the parties hereto, all other provisions nevertheless shall remain effective and binding on the parties hereto.

11. Successors and Assigns. This Agreement shall be binding upon and inure to the benefit of the Administrative Agent and each of the Borrowers and Loan Parties and their respective successors, legal representatives, and assignees to the extent such assignees are permitted assignees as provided in Section 10.06 of the Credit Agreement.

12. Expenses. Without limiting the provisions of Section 10.04 of the Credit Agreement, the Company and each Borrower agree to pay all reasonable out of pocket costs and expenses (including without limitation reasonable legal fees and expenses) incurred before, on or after the date hereof by the Administrative Agent and its Affiliates in connection with the preparation, negotiation, execution, delivery and administration of this Agreement.

13. Waiver of Defenses. As an inducement to the Administrative Agent or any Lender to enter into this Agreement, each Loan Party waives and affirmatively agrees not to allege, assert or otherwise pursue any claim, defense, affirmative defense, counterclaim, cause of action, setoff or other right that they may have, as of the date hereof, against the Administrative Agent, any sub-agent thereof, Banc of America Securities LLC, any Lender (including the L/C Issuer), whether known or unknown, including but not limited to any contest of (i) the enforceability, applicability or validity of any provisions of the Loan Documents, or the enforcement or validity of the terms and provisions set forth herein, (ii) the Administrative Agent’s security interest (for the benefit of the Secured Parties) in all rents, issues, profits, products and proceeds from the Collateral, (iii) the existence, validity, enforceability or perfection of security interests granted to the Administrative Agent (for the benefit of the Secured Parties) in the Loan Documents in any of the Collateral, whether tangible or intangible

property, or any right or other interest, now or hereafter arising, (iv) the conduct of the Administrative Agent, the L/C Issuer or any Lender, in administering the financial arrangements between any Borrower or any other Loan Party and any Secured Party, or (v) any legal fees and expenses incurred by the Administrative Agent or any Lender and charged to any Borrower or any other Loan Party under this Agreement or any Loan Document in connection with enforcing the Administrative Agent's, any Lender's or any other Secured Party's rights hereunder or under any Loan Document.

14. General Release. As an inducement to the Administrative Agent and the Lenders to enter into this Agreement, and for other good and valuable consideration, the receipt and sufficiency of which are hereby acknowledged, each of the undersigned Loan Parties (collectively, the "**Releasors**") for: (i) themselves, (ii) any parent, affiliate or subsidiary thereof, (iii) any partnership or joint venture of which any person or entity comprising any of the Releasors (or any parent, affiliate or subsidiary thereof) is a partner, (iv) any person or entity owning the beneficial interest in the trust, any parent, affiliate or subsidiary thereof or any partnership or joint venture of which such person or entity (or any parent, affiliate or subsidiary thereof), is a partner, and (v) the respective partners, officers, directors, shareholders, heirs, legal representatives, legatees, successors and assigns of all of the foregoing persons and entities, hereby release and forever discharge the Administrative Agent, any sub-agent, Banc of America Securities LLC, the L/C Issuer, and each Lender, and each of their respective past, present and future shareholders, successors, assigns, officers, directors, agents, attorneys and employees, together with the respective heirs, legal representatives, legatees, successors, and assigns of any of the foregoing Persons, of and from all actions, claims, demands, damages, debts, losses, liabilities, indebtedness, causes of action either at law or in equity and obligations of whatever kind or nature, whether known or unknown, direct or indirect, new or existing, by reason of any matter, cause or thing whatsoever from the beginning of the world to the date of this Agreement arising out of or relating to (a) any Loan Document, or (b) any transaction contemplated by, or any action of any Person pursuant to, in connection with or relating to any Loan Document, including without limitation, any claims asserted or which could have been asserted as of the date hereof by the Releasors in connection with any Loan to or Letter of Credit for the account of any Borrower or any of its Subsidiaries.

It is acknowledged that Releasors have read the release set forth in this Section (the "**General Release**") and consulted counsel before executing same; that Releasors have relied upon their own judgment and that of their counsel in executing this General Release and have not relied on or been induced by any representation, statement or act by any other Person referenced to herein which is not referred to in this instrument; that the Releasors enter into this General Release voluntarily, with full knowledge of its significance; and that this General Release is in all respects complete and final.

If any term or provision of this General Release or the application thereof to any Person or circumstance shall, to any extent, be held invalid and/or unenforceable by a court of competent jurisdiction, the remainder of this General Release, or the application of such term or provisions to Persons or circumstances other than those as to which it is held invalid or unenforceable shall not be affected thereby, and each term and provision of the General Release shall be valid and be enforced to the fullest extent permitted by law.

[Signature pages follow.]

IN WITNESS WHEREOF, the parties hereto have caused this instrument to be made, executed and delivered by their duly authorized officers as of the day and year first above written.

COMPANY:

**SONIC AUTOMOTIVE, INC., as a Borrower and
as a Guarantor**

By: /s/ DAVID P. COSPER
Name: David P. Cospers
Title: Vice Chairman and Chief Financial Officer

NEW VEHICLE BORROWERS AND GUARANTORS:

**ARNGAR, INC.
AUTOBAHN, INC.
AVALON FORD, INC.
CORNERSTONE ACCEPTANCE CORPORATION
FAA AUTO FACTORY, INC.
FAA BEVERLY HILLS, INC.
FAA CAPITOL F, INC.
FAA CAPITOL N, INC.
FAA CONCORD H, INC.
FAA CONCORD T, INC.
FAA DUBLIN N, INC.
FAA DUBLIN VWD, INC.
FAA HOLDING CORP.
FAA LAS VEGAS H, INC.
FAA POWAY G, INC.
FAA POWAY H, INC.
FAA POWAY T, INC.
FAA SAN BRUNO, INC.
FAA SANTA MONICA V, INC.
FAA SERRAMONTE H, INC.
FAA SERRAMONTE L, INC.
FAA SERRAMONTE, INC.
FAA STEVENS CREEK, INC.
FAA TORRANCE CPJ, INC.
FIRSTAMERICA AUTOMOTIVE, INC.
FORT MILL FORD, INC.
FORT MYERS COLLISION CENTER, LLC
FRANCISCAN MOTORS, INC.
FRONTIER OLDSMOBILE-CADILLAC, INC.
KRAMER MOTORS INCORPORATED**

By: /s/ DAVID P. COSPER
Name: David P. Cospers
Title: Vice President and Treasurer

L DEALERSHIP GROUP, INC.
MARCUS DAVID CORPORATION
MASSEY CADILLAC, INC.
MOUNTAIN STATES MOTORS CO., INC.
ONTARIO L, LLC
ROYAL MOTOR COMPANY, INC.
SAI AL HC1, INC.
SAI AL HC2, INC.
SAI ANN ARBOR IMPORTS, LLC (as successor by merger with
Sonic-Ann Arbor Imports, Inc.)
SAI ATLANTA B, LLC (as successor by merger with Sonic-Global
Imports, L.P.)
SAI BROKEN ARROW C, LLC (f/k/a and converted from
Speedway Chevrolet, Inc.)
SAI CHARLOTTE M, LLC
SAI COLUMBUS MOTORS, LLC (f/k/a and converted from Sonic
Automotive-1400 Automall Drive, Columbus, Inc.)
SAI COLUMBUS VWK, LLC (f/k/a and converted from Sonic
Automotive-1455 Automall Drive, Columbus, Inc.)
SAI FL HC2, INC.
SAI FL HC3, INC.
SAI FL HC4, INC.
SAI FL HC6, INC.
SAI FL HC7, INC.
SAI FORT MYERS B, LLC (f/k/a and converted from Sonic – FM,
Inc.)
SAI FORT MYERS H, LLC (f/k/a and converted from Sonic –
Freeland, Inc.)
SAI FORT MYERS M, LLC (f/k/a Sonic – FM Automotive, LLC)
SAI FORT MYERS VW, LLC (f/k/a and converted from Sonic –
FM VW, Inc.)
SAI IRONDALE IMPORTS, LLC (f/k/a and converted from Sonic
– Williams Imports, Inc.)
SAI LONG BEACH B, INC.
SAI MD HC1, INC.
SAI MONROVIA B, INC.
SAI MONTGOMERY B, LLC (f/k/a and converted from Sonic
Montgomery B, Inc.)
SAI MONTGOMERY BCH, LLC (f/k/a and converted from Cobb
Pontiac-Cadillac, Inc.)
SAI MONTGOMERY CH, LLC (f/k/a and converted from Capitol
Chevrolet and Imports, Inc.)
SAI NASHVILLE CSH, LLC (f/k/a Sonic-Crest Cadillac, LLC)
SAI NASHVILLE H, LLC (f/k/a Sonic-Crest H, LLC)

By: /s/ DAVID P. COSPER
Name: David P. Cosper
Title: Vice President and Treasurer

SAI NASHVILLE M, LLC (f/k/a Sonic Nashville M, LLC)
SAI NASHVILLE MOTORS, LLC
SAI OK HC1, INC., an Oklahoma corporation
SAI OKLAHOMA CITY C, LLC (f/k/a and converted from Sonic – West Reno Chevrolet, Inc.)
SAI OKLAHOMA CITY H, LLC (f/k/a and converted from Sonic – Bethany H, Inc.)
SAI ORLANDO CS, LLC (f/k/a and converted from Sonic – North Cadillac, Inc.)
SAI RIVERSIDE C, LLC (f/k/a and converted from Sonic – Riverside, Inc.)
SAI ROCKVILLE IMPORTS, LLC (as successor by merger with Sonic – Rockville Imports, Inc.)
SAI TN HC1, LLC
SAI TN HC2, LLC
SAI TN HC3, LLC
SAI TULSA N, LLC (f/k/a and converted from Riverside Nissan, Inc.)
SANTA CLARA IMPORTED CARS, INC.
SONIC – 2185 CHAPMAN RD., CHATTANOOGA, LLC
SONIC – CALABASAS V, INC.
SONIC – CARSON F, INC.
SONIC – COAST CADILLAC, INC.
SONIC – DENVER T, INC.
SONIC – DOWNEY CADILLAC, INC.
SONIC – ENGLEWOOD M, INC.
SONIC – FORT MILL DODGE, INC.
SONIC – HARBOR CITY H, INC.
SONIC – LAS VEGAS C EAST, LLC
SONIC – LAS VEGAS C WEST, LLC
SONIC – LLOYD NISSAN, INC.
SONIC – LLOYD PONTIAC – CADILLAC, INC.
SONIC – LONE TREE CADILLAC, INC.
SONIC – LS, LLC
SONIC – MANHATTAN FAIRFAX, INC.
SONIC – MASSEY CHEVROLET, INC.
SONIC – MASSEY PONTIAC BUICK GMC, INC.
SONIC – NEWSOME CHEVROLET WORLD, INC.
SONIC – NEWSOME OF FLORENCE, INC.
SONIC – NORTH CHARLESTON DODGE, INC.
SONIC – NORTH CHARLESTON, INC.
SONIC – SANFORD CADILLAC, INC.
SONIC – SHOTTENKIRK, INC.
SONIC – STEVENS CREEK B, INC.

By: /s/ DAVID P. COSPER
Name: David P. Cospers
Title: Vice President and Treasurer

SONIC – WILLIAMS CADILLAC, INC.
SONIC AGENCY, INC.
SONIC AUTOMOTIVE – 1720 MASON AVE., DB, INC.
SONIC AUTOMOTIVE – 1720 MASON AVE., DB, LLC
SONIC AUTOMOTIVE – 6008 N. DALE MABRY, FL, INC.
SONIC AUTOMOTIVE – 9103 E. INDEPENDENCE, NC, LLC
SONIC AUTOMOTIVE 2752 LAURENS RD., GREENVILLE,
INC.
SONIC AUTOMOTIVE 5260 PEACHTREE INDUSTRIAL
BLVD., LLC
SONIC AUTOMOTIVE F&I, LLC
SONIC AUTOMOTIVE OF CHATTANOOGA, LLC
SONIC AUTOMOTIVE OF NASHVILLE, LLC
SONIC AUTOMOTIVE OF NEVADA, INC. (including as
successor by merger with Sonic Automotive of Tennessee, Inc.)
SONIC AUTOMOTIVE SUPPORT, LLC
SONIC AUTOMOTIVE WEST, LLC
SONIC AUTOMOTIVE-3700 WEST BROAD STREET,
COLUMBUS, INC.
SONIC AUTOMOTIVE-4000 WEST BROAD STREET,
COLUMBUS, INC.
SONIC CALABASAS M, INC.
SONIC DEVELOPMENT, LLC
SONIC DIVISIONAL OPERATIONS, LLC
SONIC FREMONT, INC.
SONIC OF TEXAS, INC.
SONIC RESOURCES, INC.
SONIC SANTA MONICA M, INC.
SONIC SANTA MONICA S, INC.
SONIC TYSONS CORNER H, INC.
SONIC TYSONS CORNER INFINITI, INC.
SONIC WALNUT CREEK M, INC.
SONIC WILSHIRE CADILLAC, INC.
SONIC – BUENA PARK H, INC.
SONIC – CALABASAS A, INC.
SONIC – CAPITOL CADILLAC, INC.
SONIC – CAPITOL IMPORTS, INC.
SONIC – CARSON LM, INC.
SONIC – PLYMOUTH CADILLAC, INC.
SONIC – SATURN OF SILICON VALLEY, INC.
SONIC – SERRAMONTE I, INC.
SONIC – VOLVO LV, LLC (as successor by merger with Sonic
Automotive Servicing Company, LLC)
SONIC – WEST COVINA T, INC.

By: /s/ DAVID P. COSPER
Name: David P. Cosper
Title: Vice President and Treasurer

SRE ALABAMA-2, LLC
SRE ALABAMA-5, LLC
SRE CALIFORNIA-1, LLC
SRE CALIFORNIA-2, LLC
SRE CALIFORNIA-4, LLC
SRE COLORADO-1, LLC
SRE FLORIDA-1, LLC
SRE FLORIDA-2, LLC
SRE HOLDING, LLC
SRE NORTH CAROLINA-2, LLC
SRE OKLAHOMA-1, LLC
SRE OKLAHOMA-2, LLC
SRE OKLAHOMA-5, LLC
SRE SOUTH CAROLINA-3, LLC
SRE SOUTH CAROLINA - 4, LLC
SRE TENNESSEE-4, LLC
SRE VIRGINIA-1, LLC
SREALESTATE ARIZONA-2, LLC
SREALESTATE ARIZONA-3, LLC
STEVENS CREEK CADILLAC, INC.
TOWN AND COUNTRY FORD, INCORPORATED
VILLAGE IMPORTED CARS, INC.
WINDWARD, INC.
Z MANAGEMENT, INC.

By: /s/ DAVID P. COSPER

Name: David P. Cospers

Title: Vice President and Treasurer

SAI CLEARWATER T, LLC (f/k/a and converted from Sonic Automotive-Clearwater, Inc.)

By: SAI FL HC2, INC.,
as Sole Member

By: /s/ DAVID P. COSPER

Name: David P. Cospers

Title: Vice President and Treasurer

SAI COLUMBUS T, LLC (f/k/a and converted from Sonic Automotive-1500 Automall Drive, Columbus, Inc.)

By: SONIC AUTOMOTIVE, INC.,
as Sole Member

By: /s/ DAVID P. COSPER

Name: David P. Cospers

Title: Vice President and Treasurer

SAI IRONDALE L, LLC (f/k/a Sonic – Williams Motors, LLC)

By: SAI AL HC2, INC.,
as Sole Member

By: /s/ DAVID P. COSPER
Name: David P. Cosper
Title: Vice President and Treasurer

SAI OKLAHOMA CITY T, LLC (f/k/a and converted from
Wrangler Investments, Inc.)

SAI TULSA T, LLC (f/k/a and converted from Sonic – Oklahoma T,
Inc.)

By: SAI OK HC1, INC.,
as Sole Member

By: /s/ DAVID P. COSPER
Name: David P. Cosper
Title: Vice President and Treasurer

SAI ROCKVILLE L, LLC (as successor by merger with Sonic-
Rockville Motors, Inc.)

By: SAI MD HC1, INC.,
as Sole Member

By: /s/ DAVID P. COSPER
Name: David P. Cosper
Title: Vice President and Treasurer

SAI GEORGIA, LLC (f/k/a and converted from Sonic Automotive
of Georgia, Inc.)

By: SONIC AUTOMOTIVE OF NEVADA, INC.,
as Sole Member

By: /s/ DAVID P. COSPER
Name: David P. Cosper
Title: Vice President and Treasurer

SAI GA HC1, LP
SONIC PEACHTREE INDUSTRIAL BLVD., L.P.
SONIC – STONE MOUNTAIN T, L.P.

By: SAI GEORGIA, LLC,
as Sole General Partner

By: SONIC AUTOMOTIVE OF NEVADA, INC.,
as Sole Member

By: /s/ DAVID P. COSPER
Name: David P. Cosper
Title: Vice President and Treasurer

PHILPOTT MOTORS, LTD.
SONIC ADVANTAGE PA, L.P.
SONIC AUTOMOTIVE OF TEXAS, L.P.
SONIC AUTOMOTIVE – 3401 N. MAIN, TX, L.P.
SONIC AUTOMOTIVE – 4701 I-10 EAST, TX, L.P.
SONIC – CADILLAC D, L.P.
SONIC – CAMP FORD, L.P.
SONIC – CARROLLTON V, L.P.
SONIC – CLEAR LAKE VOLKSWAGEN, L.P.
SONIC – FORT WORTH T, L.P.
SONIC – FRANK PARRA AUTOPLEX, L.P.
SONIC HOUSTON JLR, LP
SONIC HOUSTON LR, L.P.
SONIC – HOUSTON V, L.P.
SONIC – JERSEY VILLAGE VOLKSWAGEN, L.P.
SONIC – LUTE RILEY, L.P.
SONIC – MESQUITE HYUNDAI, L.P.
SONIC MOMENTUM B, L.P.
SONIC MOMENTUM JVP, L.P.
SONIC MOMENTUM VWA, L.P.
SONIC – READING, L.P.
SONIC – RICHARDSON F, L.P.
SONIC – UNIVERSITY PARK A, L.P.
SRE TEXAS-1, L.P.
SRE TEXAS-2, L.P.
SRE TEXAS-3, L.P.
SRE TEXAS-4, L.P.
SRE TEXAS-5, L.P.
SRE TEXAS-6, L.P.
SRE TEXAS-7, L.P.
SRE TEXAS-8, L.P.

By: SONIC OF TEXAS, INC.,
as Sole General Partner

By: /s/ DAVID P. COSPER
Name: David P. Cosper
Title: Vice President and Treasurer

SONIC – LS CHEVROLET, L.P.

By: SONIC – LS, LLC,
as Sole General Partner

By: /s/ DAVID P. COSPER
Name: David P. Cosper
Title: Vice President and Treasurer

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SONIC FINANCIAL CORPORATION:
SONIC FINANCIAL CORPORATION

By: /s/ O. BRUTON SMITH

Name: O. Bruton Smith

Title: President

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ADMINISTRATIVE AGENT:

BANK OF AMERICA, N.A.,
as Administrative Agent

By: /s/ ANNE M. ZESCHKE

Name: Anne M. Zeschke

Title: Vice President

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LENDERS:

BANK OF AMERICA, N.A.,

as a Lender, Revolving Swing Line Lender, New Vehicle Swing
Line Lender, Used Vehicle Swing Line Lender and L/C Issuer

By: /s/ M. PATRICIA KAY

Name: M. Patricia Kay

Title: Senior Vice President

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JPMORGAN CHASE BANK, N.A.,
as Syndication Agent and as a Lender

By: /s/ JEFFREY G. CALDER

Name: Jeffery G. Calder

Title: Vice President

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TOYOTA MOTOR CREDIT CORPORATION,
as Documentation Agent and as a Lender

By: /s/ MARK DOL

Name: Mark Dol

Title: National Dealer Credit Manager

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BMW FINANCIAL SERVICES NA, LLC,
as a Lender

By: /s/ SCOTT BARGAR

Name: Scott Bargar

Title: Retail Finance Credit Manager BMW FS

By: /s/ PATRICK SULLIVAN

Name: Patrick Sullivan

Title: GM Retailer Finance BMW Group Financial Services

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CAROLINA FIRST BANK,
as a Lender

By: /s/ KIMP SIMMONS

Name: Kimp Simmons

Title: SVP

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COMERICA BANK,
as a Lender

By: /s/ DAVID M. GARBART
Name: David M. Garbart
Title: SVP

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FIFTH THIRD BANK,
as a Lender

By: /s/ MARY RAMSEY
Name: Mary Ramsey
Title: Vice President

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GENERAL ELECTRIC CAPITAL CORPORATION,
as a Lender

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Title: Vice President

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NISSAN MOTOR ACCEPTANCE CORPORATION,
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Title: Sr. Manager

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DCFS USA LLC,
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VW CREDIT, INC.,
as a Lender

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Name: Penelope Pilcher
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<u>Entity</u>	<u>Internal Description</u>	<u>Asset Description</u>	<u>Address</u>	<u>City</u>	<u>State</u>
Sonic Development, LLC	Lexus of Rockville	Leasehold Improved real estate	15501 Frederick Road (20855)	Rockville	MD
SRE CA 1, LLC	Mercedes-Benz of Calabassas	Leasehold Improved real estate	24181 Calabassas Road (91302)	Calabassas	CA
Sonic Development, LLC	Global Mini - future relocation	Real property consisting of land & building	5925 Peachtree Ind. Blvd	Atlanta	GA
SRE AL 2, LLC	Tom Wms Automall/Collision Center	Real property consisting of land & building	1000, 1001, 2001, 3000, 3001 Tom Williams Way and 1874 Grants Mill Road(35210)	Irondale	AL
SRE CA 2, LLC	Honda of Hayward	Real property consisting of land & building	24919 Mission Blvd (94544)	Hayward	CA
SRE CA 4, LLC	Assael BMW for future service relocation	Real property consisting of land & building	1875 S. Mountain Ave	Monrovia	CA
SRE CO 1, LLC	Mountain States Toyota	Real property consisting of land & building	201 West 70th Avenue (80221)	Denver	CO
SRE FL 1, LLC	BMW & Mercedes-Benz of Ft. Myers	Real property consisting of land & building	13880 and 15421 S. Tamiami Trail (33908)	Fort Myers	FL
SRE TN 4, LLC	Porsche, Audi, & Jaguar of Nashville	Real property consisting of land & building	2350 Franklin Pike (37204)	Nashville	TN
SRE TX 2, LLC	Porsche of West Houston	Real property consisting of land & building	11890 Katy Freeway (77079)	Houston	TX
SRE TX 3, LLC	Momentum Porsche	Real property consisting of land & building	10155 Southwest Freeway (77074)	Houston	TX
SRE TX 7, LLC	Jaguar of Houston Central	Real property consisting of land & building	7025 Old Katy Road (77024)	Houston	TX
SRE TX 8, LLC	Momentum BMW West-Body Shop	Real property consisting of land & building	11811 Katy Road	Houston	TX
SRE VA 1, LLC	Porsche/Audi of Rockville	Real property consisting of land & building	1125 Rockville Pike (20852)	Rockville	MD
Sonic Development, LLC	Tom Williams Automall Lots 2 & 3	Unimproved land		Irondale	AL
Sonic Development, LLC	Melody Toyota	Unimproved land		San Bruno	CA
Sonic Development, LLC	Massey Cadillac South	Unimproved land		Orlando	FL
Sonic Development, LLC	Vacant land	Unimproved land	621 New Highway	LaPorte	TX
Sonic Development, LLC	Lexus of Serramonte parcel	Unimproved land		Serramonte	CA
Sonic Development, LLC	Century BMW Relocation Property	Unimproved land		Greenville	SC
SRE AL 5, LLC	Tom Wms Automall Property - Lot 6	Unimproved land		Irondale	AL
SRE OK 1, LLC	Richardson Toyota relocation property	Unimproved land		Oklahoma City	OK
SRE OK 5, LLC	Riverside Nissan Expansion	Unimproved land		Tulsa	OK
SRE SC 3, LLC	Fort Mill Auto Mall	Unimproved land		Fort Mill	SC
SRE SC 4, LLC	Vacant land	Unimproved land	4013 Beltline Blvd.	Columbia	SC
SRE TX 5, LLC	Masey Cadillac - Garland	Unimproved land		Garland	TX
SRE TX 6, LLC	Baytown vacant parcel	Unimproved land		Baytown	TX

EXHIBIT A

Consolidated Form Credit Agreement

See attached.

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CREDIT AGREEMENT

Dated as of February 17, 2006
among

SONIC AUTOMOTIVE, INC.,
CERTAIN OF ITS SUBSIDIARIES,
as New Vehicle Borrowers,

BANK OF AMERICA, N.A.,
as Administrative Agent, Revolving Swing Line Lender,
New Vehicle Swing Line Lender, Used Vehicle Swing Line Lender and L/C Issuer,

JPMORGAN CHASE BANK, N.A.,
as Syndication Agent,
and
TOYOTA MOTOR CREDIT CORPORATION,
as Documentation Agent
and

The Other Lenders Party Hereto
BANC OF AMERICA SECURITIES LLC,
and
JPMORGAN SECURITIES, INC.
as
Joint Lead Arrangers and Joint Book Managers

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CREDIT AGREEMENT

This CREDIT AGREEMENT ("Agreement") is entered into as of February 17, 2006, among SONIC AUTOMOTIVE, INC., a Delaware corporation (the "Company"), certain Subsidiaries of the Company party hereto pursuant to Section 2.24 (each a "New Vehicle Borrower", and together with the Company, the "Borrowers" and each individually a "Borrower"), each lender from time to time party hereto (collectively, the "Lenders" and individually, a "Lender"), and BANK OF AMERICA, N.A., as Administrative Agent, Revolving Swing Line Lender, New Vehicle Swing Line Lender, Used Vehicle Swing Line Lender and L/C Issuer.

The Company has requested that the Lenders provide a revolving credit facility, a revolving new vehicle floorplan facility and a revolving used vehicle floorplan facility, and the Lenders are willing to do so on the terms and conditions set forth herein.

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

ARTICLE I. DEFINITIONS AND ACCOUNTING TERMS

1.01 Defined Terms. As used in this Agreement, the following terms shall have the meanings set forth below:

"Account Debtor" means each Person obligated in any way on or in connection with an Account, chattel paper or general intangibles (including a payment intangible).

"Accounts" means, collectively, all of the following property of the Company or any Grantor, whether now owned or hereafter acquired or arising, all accounts, as defined in the UCC, including any rights to payment for the sale, lease or license of goods or rendition of services, whether or not they have been earned by performance.

"Acquisition" means the acquisition of (i) a controlling equity interest or other controlling ownership interest in another Person (including the purchase of an option, warrant or convertible or similar type security to acquire such a controlling interest at the time it becomes exercisable by the holder thereof), whether by purchase of such equity or other ownership interest or upon the exercise of an option or warrant for, or conversion of securities into, such equity or other ownership interest, (ii) assets of another Person which constitute all or substantially all of the assets of such Person or of a line or lines of business conducted by such Person, or (iii) assets constituting a vehicle dealership.

"Additional Subordinated Indebtedness" means unsecured subordinated Indebtedness of the Company (which may be guaranteed by the Subsidiaries of the Company on an unsecured basis) *provided*, such Indebtedness (a) is subordinated to payment of the Obligations on terms that are, in the aggregate, no less favorable to the Lenders and the other Secured Parties in any

material respect than the subordination provisions contained in the 2002-5.25% Indenture Indebtedness, (b) does not have a maturity, and does not require any principal payments, earlier than two (2) years following the Maturity Date, and (c) has terms that are no more restrictive than the terms of the Loan Documents, and further provided, after giving effect to the issuance of such Indebtedness, no Event of Default shall have occurred and be continuing or would occur as a result thereof. "Additional Subordinated Indebtedness" does not include the 2002-5.25% Indenture Indebtedness, 2002-4.25% Indenture Indebtedness, 2009 Indenture Indebtedness, the 2003 Indenture Indebtedness or any related Permitted Indenture Refinancing Indebtedness.

"Administrative Agent" means Bank of America in its capacity as administrative agent under any of the Loan Documents, or any successor administrative agent.

"Administrative Agent's Office" means the Administrative Agent's address and, as appropriate, account as set forth on Schedule 10.02, or such other address or account as the Administrative Agent may from time to time notify to the Company and the Lenders.

"Administrative Questionnaire" means an Administrative Questionnaire in a form supplied by the Administrative Agent.

"Affiliate" means, with respect to any Person, another Person that directly, or indirectly through one or more intermediaries, Controls or is Controlled by or is under common Control with the Person specified.

"Affiliated Dealers" means those Persons set forth on Schedule 1.01A.

"Aggregate Commitments" means, collectively, the Aggregate Revolving Commitments, the Aggregate New Vehicle Floorplan Commitments and the Aggregate Used Vehicle Floorplan Commitments.

"Aggregate Floorplan Facility Commitments" means, collectively, the Aggregate New Vehicle Floorplan Commitments and the Aggregate Used Vehicle Floorplan Commitments.

"Aggregate New Vehicle Floorplan Commitments" means the New Vehicle Floorplan Commitments of all the New Vehicle Floorplan Lenders.

"Aggregate Revolving Commitments" means the Revolving Commitments of all the Revolving Lenders.

"Aggregate Used Vehicle Floorplan Commitments" means the Used Vehicle Floorplan Commitments of all the Used Vehicle Floorplan Lenders.

"Agreement" means this Credit Agreement.

"Amendment No. 3 Effective Date" means June 3, 2008.

"Amendment No. 4 Effective Date" means March 31, 2009.

“Amendment No. 5 Effective Date” means May 4, 2009.

“Applicable Facility” means each of the Revolving Credit Facility, the New Vehicle Floorplan Facility and the Used Vehicle Floorplan Facility.

“Applicable New Vehicle Floorplan Percentage” means with respect to any New Vehicle Floorplan Lender at any time, the percentage (carried out to the ninth decimal place) of the Aggregate New Vehicle Floorplan Commitments represented by such Lender’s New Vehicle Floorplan Commitment at such time. If the commitment of each New Vehicle Floorplan Lender to make New Vehicle Floorplan Loans have been terminated pursuant to Section 8.04 or if the Aggregate New Vehicle Floorplan Commitments have expired, then the Applicable New Vehicle Floorplan Percentage of each New Vehicle Floorplan Lender shall be determined based on the Applicable New Vehicle Floorplan Percentage of such New Vehicle Floorplan Lender most recently in effect, giving effect to any subsequent assignments. The initial Applicable New Vehicle Floorplan Percentage of each New Vehicle Floorplan Lender is set forth opposite the name of such New Vehicle Floorplan Lender on Schedule 2.01 or in the Assignment and Assumption pursuant to which such New Vehicle Floorplan Lender becomes a party hereto, as applicable.

“Applicable Percentage” means with respect to any Lender at any time, the percentage (carried out to the ninth decimal place) of the Aggregate Commitments represented by such Lender’s Commitment at such time. If the commitment of each Lender under an Applicable Facility to make Loans under such Facility or the obligation of the L/C Issuer to make L/C Credit Extensions have been terminated pursuant to Section 8.02 or Section 8.04 or if the Aggregate Revolving Commitments, the Aggregate New Vehicle Floorplan Commitments or the Aggregate Used Vehicle Floorplan Commitments, as applicable, have expired, then for the purposes of determining the Applicable Percentage of any Lender, the Commitment of such Lender under such Facility shall be calculated in accordance with the second sentence of the definition of “Applicable Revolving Percentage”, “Applicable New Vehicle Floorplan Percentage” or “Applicable Used Vehicle Floorplan Percentage”, as the case may be.

“Applicable Rate” means (i) on and after April 1, 2009 but before May 7, 2009, the following percentages per annum:

Applicable Rate

Commitment Fee on Revolving Credit Facility	Commitment Fee on New Vehicle Floorplan Facility	Commitment Fee on Used Vehicle Floorplan Facility	Letter of Credit Fee on Revolving Credit Facility	Eurodollar Rate + (for Revolving Credit Facility)	Eurodollar Rate + (for New Vehicle Floorplan Facility)	Eurodollar Rate + (for Used Vehicle Floorplan Facility)
0.75%	0.25%	0.30%	2.50%	2.50%	1.75%	2.00%

and (ii) on and after May 7, 2009, the following percentages per annum:

Applicable Rate						
Commitment Fee on Revolving Credit Facility	Commitment Fee on New Vehicle Floorplan Facility	Commitment Fee on Used Vehicle Floorplan Facility	Letter of Credit Fee on Revolving Credit Facility	Eurodollar Rate + (for Revolving Credit Facility)	Eurodollar Rate + (for New Vehicle Floorplan Facility)	Eurodollar Rate + (for Used Vehicle Floorplan Facility)
0.75%	0.25%	0.30%	3.50%	3.50%	1.75%	2.00%

“Applicable Revolving Percentage” means with respect to any Revolving Lender at any time, the percentage (carried out to the ninth decimal place) of the Aggregate Revolving Commitments represented by such Lender’s Revolving Commitment at such time. If the commitment of each Revolving Lender to make Revolving Loans and the obligation of the L/C Issuer to make L/C Credit Extensions have been terminated pursuant to Section 8.02 or if the Aggregate Revolving Commitments have expired, then the Applicable Revolving Percentage of each Revolving Lender shall be determined based on the Applicable Revolving Percentage of such Lender most recently in effect, giving effect to any subsequent assignments. The initial Applicable Revolving Percentage of each Revolving Lender is set forth opposite the name of such Revolving Lender on Schedule 2.01 or in the Assignment and Assumption pursuant to which such Revolving Lender becomes a party hereto, as applicable.

“Applicable Used Vehicle Floorplan Percentage” means with respect to any Used Vehicle Floorplan Lender at any time, the percentage (carried out to the ninth decimal place) of the Aggregate Used Vehicle Floorplan Commitments represented by such Lender’s Used Vehicle Floorplan Commitment at such time. If the commitment of each Used Vehicle Floorplan Lender to make Used Vehicle Floorplan Loans has been terminated pursuant to Section 8.04 or if the Aggregate Used Vehicle Floorplan Commitments have expired, then the Applicable Used Vehicle Floorplan Percentage of each Used Vehicle Floorplan Lender shall be determined based on the Applicable Used Vehicle Floorplan Percentage of such Used Vehicle Floorplan Lender most recently in effect, giving effect to any subsequent assignments. The initial Applicable Used Vehicle Floorplan Percentage of each Used Vehicle Floorplan Lender is set forth opposite the name of such Used Vehicle Floorplan Lender on Schedule 2.01 or in the Assignment and Assumption pursuant to which such Used Vehicle Floorplan Lender becomes a party hereto, as applicable.

“Approved Fund” means any Fund that is administered or managed by (a) a Lender, (b) an Affiliate of a Lender or (c) an entity or an Affiliate of an entity that administers or manages a Lender.

“Arrangers” means Banc of America Securities LLC and JPMorgan Securities, Inc., in their capacity as joint lead arrangers and joint book managers.

“Assignee Group” means two or more Eligible Assignees that are Affiliates of one another or two or more Approved Funds managed by the same investment advisor.

“Assignment and Assumption” means an assignment and assumption entered into by a Lender and an Eligible Assignee (with the consent of any party whose consent is required by Section 10.06(b)), and accepted by the Administrative Agent, in substantially the form of Exhibit D or any other form approved by the Administrative Agent.

“Attributable Indebtedness” means, on any date, (a) in respect of any capital lease of any Person, the capitalized amount thereof that would appear on a balance sheet of such Person prepared as of such date in accordance with GAAP, and (b) in respect of any Synthetic Lease Obligation, the capitalized amount of the remaining lease payments under the relevant lease that would appear on a balance sheet of such Person prepared as of such date in accordance with GAAP if such lease were accounted for as a capital lease.

“Audited Financial Statements” means the audited consolidated balance sheet of the Company and its Subsidiaries for the fiscal year ended December 31, 2004, and the related consolidated statements of income or operations, shareholders’ equity and cash flows for such fiscal year of the Company and its Subsidiaries, including the notes thereto.

“Autoborrow Agreement” means an agreement by and between the Company and the Revolving Swing Line Lender in substantially the form of Exhibit Q hereto, providing for the automatic advance of Revolving Swing Line Loans by the Revolving Swing Line Lender under the conditions set forth therein.

“Automatic Debit Date” means the fifth day of a calendar month, provided that if such day is not a Business Day, the respective Automatic Debit Date shall be the next succeeding Business Day.

“Availability Period” means:

(a) in the case of the Revolving Credit Facility, the period from and including the Closing Date to the earliest of (i) the Maturity Date, (ii) the date of termination of the Aggregate Revolving Commitments pursuant to Section 2.15, and (iii) the date of termination of the commitment of each Revolving Lender to make Revolving Loans and of the obligation of the L/C Issuer to make L/C Credit Extensions pursuant to Section 8.02.

(b) in the case of the New Vehicle Floorplan Facility, the period from and including the Closing Date to the earliest of (i) the Maturity Date, (ii) the date of termination of the Aggregate New Vehicle Floorplan Commitments pursuant to Section 2.15 and (iii) the date of termination of the commitment of each New Vehicle Floorplan Lender to make New Vehicle Floorplan Loans pursuant to Section 8.04, and

(c) in the case of the Used Vehicle Floorplan Facility, the period from and including the Closing Date to the earliest of (i) the Maturity Date, (ii) the date of termination of the Aggregate Used Vehicle Floorplan Commitments pursuant to Section 2.15 and (iii) the date of termination of the commitment of each Used Vehicle Floorplan Lender to make Used Vehicle Floorplan Loans pursuant to Section 8.04.

“Bank of America” means Bank of America, N.A. and its successors.

“Bank of America Fee Letter” means the letter agreement, dated January 20, 2006, among the Company, the Administrative Agent and BAS.

“Bank of America 2009 Side Letter” means the letter agreement, dated May 4, 2009, among the Company and the Administrative Agent.

“Base Rate” means for any day a fluctuating rate per annum equal to the highest of (a) the Federal Funds Rate plus 1/2 of 1%, (b) the rate of interest in effect for such day as publicly announced from time to time by Bank of America as its “prime rate” and (c) the Eurodollar Rate that would then be applicable to a new Eurodollar Rate Loan with a one month Interest Period (resetting daily). The “prime rate” is a rate set by Bank of America based upon various factors including Bank of America’s costs and desired return, general economic conditions and other factors, and is used as a reference point for pricing some loans, which may be priced at, above, or below such announced rate. Any change in such rate announced by Bank of America shall take effect at the opening of business on the day specified in the public announcement of such change.

“Base Rate Committed Loan” means a Revolver Committed Loan, a New Vehicle Committed Loan or a Used Vehicle Committed Loan, as the context may require, that is a Base Rate Loan.

“Base Rate Loan” means a Loan that bears interest based on the Base Rate.

“BofA Treasury Support Amount” means, at any time, the lesser of (i) \$20,000,000 and (ii) the aggregate amount available to be drawn under all Letters of Credit issued in favor of Bank of America, N.A., in its capacity as a Cash Management Bank, for the purpose of providing credit support for its Secured Cash Management Arrangements.

“Borrower” and “Borrowers” each has the meaning specified in the introductory paragraph hereto.

“Borrower Materials” has the meaning specified in Section 6.02.

“Borrowing” means a Revolving Borrowing, a New Vehicle Floorplan Borrowing, or a Used Vehicle Floorplan Borrowing, as the context may require.

“Business Day” means any day other than a Saturday, Sunday or other day on which commercial banks are authorized to close under the Laws of, or are in fact closed in, the state where the Administrative Agent’s Office is located and, if such day relates to any Eurodollar Rate Loan, means any such day on which dealings in Dollar deposits are conducted by and between banks in the London interbank eurodollar market.

“Buyer Notes” means those promissory notes received by the Company or any Subsidiary as partial or full payment consideration for Dispositions of vehicle dealerships or Subsidiaries by the Company or such Subsidiary to the obligors of such promissory notes.

“Cash Collateralize” has the meaning specified in Section 2.03(g).

“Cash Management Arrangement” means any arrangement or agreement to provide cash management products and services, including treasury products, depository products and services, overdrafts, credit or debit cards, merchant card processing exposure, ACH and other electronic funds transfer products, immediate credit facilities on deposited dealer drafts, check guarantee letters and other cash management arrangements.

“Cash Management Bank” means any Person that, (a) at the time it enters into a Cash Management Arrangement, is a Lender or an Affiliate of a Lender, or (b) at the time it (or its Affiliate) became (or becomes) a Lender, was (or is) a party to a Cash Management Arrangement, in each case in its capacity as a party to such Cash Management Arrangement.

“Change in Law” means the occurrence, after the date of this Agreement, of any of the following: (a) the adoption or taking effect of any law, rule, regulation or treaty, (b) any change in any law, rule, regulation or treaty or in the administration, interpretation or application thereof by any Governmental Authority or (c) the making or issuance of any request, guideline or directive (whether or not having the force of law) by any Governmental Authority.

“Change of Control” means an event or series of events by which:

(a) any “person” or “group” (as such terms are used in Sections 13(d) and 14(d) of the Securities Exchange Act of 1934, but excluding any employee benefit plan of such person or its subsidiaries, and any person or entity acting in its capacity as trustee, agent or other fiduciary or administrator of any such plan) (other than (i) Sonic Financial, O. Bruton Smith or B. Scott Smith; (ii) any spouse or immediate family member of O. Bruton Smith and B. Scott Smith (collectively with O. Bruton Smith and B. Scott Smith, a “Smith Family Member”); or (iii) any trust, corporation, partnership or other entity, the beneficiaries, stockholders, partners and owners of which are Smith Family Members, (the persons and entities in “i”, “ii”, and “iii” being referred to, collectively and individually, as the “Smith Group”) so long as in the case of clause (ii) and (iii) O. Bruton Smith or B. Scott Smith retains a majority of the voting rights associated with such ownership) becomes the “beneficial owner” (as defined in Rules 13d-3 and 13d-5 under the Securities Exchange Act of 1934, except that a person or group shall be deemed to have “beneficial ownership” of all securities that such person or group has the right to acquire (such right, an “option right”), whether such right is exercisable immediately or only after the passage of time), directly or indirectly, of 25% or more of the equity securities of the Company entitled to vote for members of the board of directors or equivalent governing body of the Company on a fully-diluted basis (and taking into account all such securities that such person or group has the right to acquire pursuant to any option right);

(b) during any period of 12 consecutive months, a majority of the members of the board of directors or other equivalent governing body of the Company cease to be composed of individuals (i) who were members of that board or equivalent governing body on the first day of such period, (ii) whose election or nomination to that board or equivalent governing body was approved by individuals referred to in clause (i) above constituting at the time of such election or nomination at least a majority of that board or

equivalent governing body or (iii) whose election or nomination to that board or other equivalent governing body was approved by individuals referred to in clauses (i) and (ii) above constituting at the time of such election or nomination at least a majority of that board or equivalent governing body (excluding, in the case of both clause (ii) and clause (iii), any individual whose initial nomination for, or assumption of office as, a member of that board or equivalent governing body occurs as a result of an actual or threatened solicitation of proxies or consents for the election or removal of one or more directors by any person or group other than a solicitation for the election of one or more directors by or on behalf of the board of directors);

(c) any Person or two or more Persons (excluding members of the Smith Group so long as O. Bruton Smith or B. Scott Smith retains a majority of the voting rights associated with such equity securities) acting in concert shall have acquired by contract or otherwise, or shall have entered into a contract or arrangement that, upon consummation thereof, will result in its or their acquisition of the power to exercise, directly or indirectly, a controlling influence over the management or policies of the Company, or control over the equity securities of the Company entitled to vote for members of the board of directors or equivalent governing body of the Company on a fully-diluted basis (and taking into account all such securities that such Person or group has the right to acquire pursuant to any option right) representing 25% or more of the combined voting power of such securities; or

(d) the Company fails to own, directly or indirectly, 100% of the Equity Interests of any Subsidiary other than as a result of the sale of all Equity Interests in a Subsidiary pursuant to a Permitted Disposition.

“Closing Date” means the first date all the conditions precedent in Section 4.01 are satisfied or waived in accordance with Section 10.01.

“Code” means the Internal Revenue Code of 1986.

“Collateral” means, collectively, the assets and rights and interests in property of any Person in which the Administrative Agent, on behalf of the Secured Parties, is granted a Lien under any Security Instrument as security for all or any portion of the Obligations.

“Commitment” means, as to each Lender, the Revolving Commitment, New Vehicle Floorplan Commitment and Used Vehicle Floorplan Commitment of such Lender.

“Committed Borrowing” means a Revolving Committed Borrowing, a New Vehicle Committed Borrowing or a Used Vehicle Committed Borrowing, as the context may require.

“Company” has the meaning specified in the introductory paragraph hereto.

“Company Guaranty” means that certain Company Guaranty Agreement executed by the Company in favor of the Administrative Agent and the Lenders, substantially in the form of Exhibit E, as supplemented, amended, or modified from time to time.

“Compliance Certificate” means a certificate substantially in the form of Exhibit H.

“Consolidated Current Assets” means, as of any date of determination, the current assets of the Company and its Subsidiaries on a consolidated basis as of such date.

“Consolidated Current Liabilities” means, as of any date of determination, the current liabilities of the Company and its Subsidiaries on a consolidated basis as of such date.

“Consolidated EBITDA” means for any period, on a consolidated basis for the Company and its Subsidiaries, the sum of the amounts for such period, without duplication, of (a) Consolidated Net Income from Continuing Operations, plus (b) to the extent deducted in computing Consolidated Net Income from Continuing Operations for such period: (i) Consolidated Interest Expense with respect to non-floorplan Indebtedness, excluding any Consolidated Real Property Interest Expense, (ii) Consolidated Interest Expense with respect to Used Vehicle floorplan Indebtedness, (iii) charges against income for foreign, Federal, state and local income taxes, (iv) depreciation expense, (v) amortization expense, including, without limitation, amortization of other intangible assets and transaction costs, (vi) non-cash charges, and (vii) all extraordinary losses, minus (c) to the extent included in computing Consolidated Net Income from Continuing Operations for such period, extraordinary gains.

“Consolidated EBITDAR” means for any period, on a consolidated basis for the Company and its Subsidiaries, the sum of the amounts for such period, without duplication, of (a) Consolidated Net Income from Continuing Operations, plus (b) to the extent deducted in computing Consolidated Net Income from Continuing Operations for such period: (i) Consolidated Interest Expense with respect to non-floorplan Indebtedness, (ii) Consolidated Interest Expense with respect to Used Vehicle floorplan Indebtedness, (iii) charges against income for foreign, Federal, state and local income taxes, (iv) depreciation expense, (v) amortization expense, including, without limitation, amortization of other intangible assets and transaction costs, (vi) non-cash charges, (vii) all extraordinary losses and (viii) Consolidated Rental Expense, minus (c) to the extent included in computing Consolidated Net Income from Continuing Operations for such period, extraordinary gains.

“Consolidated Fixed Charges” means, for any period, the sum of (a) Consolidated Interest Expense with respect to non-floorplan Indebtedness for such period, plus (b) Consolidated Interest Expense with respect to Used Vehicle floorplan Indebtedness for such period, plus (c) Consolidated Principal Payments for such period, plus (d) Consolidated Rental Expenses for such period, plus (e) Federal, state, local and foreign income taxes paid in cash by the Company and its Subsidiaries on a consolidated basis during such period, minus (f) cash refunds of Federal, state, local and foreign income taxes received by the Company and its Subsidiaries on a consolidated basis during such period.

“Consolidated Fixed Charge Coverage Ratio” means, as of any date of determination, the ratio of (a) the difference of (i) Consolidated EBITDAR for the four fiscal quarter period ending on such date minus (ii) an amount equal to \$100,000 (representing assumed maintenance capital expenditures) multiplied by the average daily number of physical dealership locations at which the Subsidiaries operated franchised vehicle dealerships during such period to (b) Consolidated

Fixed Charges (other than prepayments or open market purchases of the 2002-5.25% Indenture Notes in connection with the 2002-5.25% Indenture Notes Restructure on or before May 7, 2009 in an aggregate amount not to exceed \$15,000,000 plus the amount of the 2009 Special Capital Contribution) for such period.

“Consolidated Funded Indebtedness” means, as of any date of determination, for the Company and its Subsidiaries on a consolidated basis, the sum of (a) the outstanding principal amount of all obligations, whether current or long-term, for borrowed money (including Obligations hereunder) and all obligations evidenced by bonds, debentures, notes, loan agreements or other similar instruments, (b) all purchase money Indebtedness, (c) all direct obligations arising under letters of credit (including standby and commercial), bankers’ acceptances, bank guaranties, surety bonds and similar instruments, (d) all obligations in respect of the deferred purchase price of property or services (other than trade accounts payable in the ordinary course of business), (e) Attributable Indebtedness in respect of capital leases and Synthetic Lease Obligations, (f) without duplication, all Guarantees with respect to outstanding Indebtedness of the types specified in clauses (a) through (e) above of Persons other than the Company or any Subsidiary, and (g) all Indebtedness of the types referred to in clauses (a) through (f) above of any partnership or joint venture (other than a joint venture that is itself a corporation or limited liability company) in which the Company or a Subsidiary is a general partner or joint venturer, unless such Indebtedness is expressly made non-recourse to the Company or such Subsidiary.

“Consolidated Interest Expense” means, for any period, for the Company and its Subsidiaries on a consolidated basis, the sum of (a) all interest (before factory assistance or subsidy), premium payments, debt discount, fees, charges and related expenses of the Company and its Subsidiaries in connection with borrowed money (including capitalized interest) or in connection with the deferred purchase price of assets, in each case to the extent treated as interest in accordance with GAAP, and (b) the portion of rent expense of the Company and its Subsidiaries with respect to such period under capital leases that is treated as interest in accordance with GAAP.

“Consolidated Liquidity Ratio” means, as of any date of determination, the ratio of (a) the sum of Consolidated Current Assets plus the Revolving Facility Liquidity Amount to (b) the sum of (i) Consolidated Current Liabilities plus (ii) Indebtedness (whether or not reflected as Indebtedness under GAAP) under all floorplan financing arrangements (but excluding, without duplication and only to the extent such amounts would otherwise have been included in the denominator hereof, (w) Total Revolving Outstandings (less the BofA Treasury Support Amount), (x) 2002-5.25% Indenture Indebtedness, (y) 2009 Indenture Indebtedness and (z) 2002-4.25% Indenture Indebtedness; provided that, for purposes of calculating the Consolidated Liquidity Ratio as of March 31, 2009 only, “Consolidated Current Liabilities” shall exclude indebtedness for money borrowed that would otherwise be considered by GAAP to be Consolidated Current Liabilities solely because such indebtedness may be deemed payable within 12 months due to a default or cross default whether incurred or prospective. It is acknowledged that there may be no such exclusion of indebtedness from Consolidated Current Liabilities as described in the proviso set forth above if such indebtedness was not reflected as a Consolidated Current Liability.

“Consolidated Net Income from Continuing Operations” means, for any period, for the Company and its Subsidiaries on a consolidated basis, the net income from continuing operations of the Company and its Subsidiaries for such period.

“Consolidated Principal Payments” means, for any period, for the Company and its Subsidiaries on a consolidated basis, all scheduled payments of principal of the Company and its Subsidiaries in connection with Indebtedness for money borrowed or in connection with the deferred purchase price of assets which payments are made during such period, in each case to the extent treated as principal in accordance with GAAP. It is acknowledged that mandatory prepayments of the Revolving Credit Facility or any other Indebtedness, and other payments permitted under Section 7.16(iii), arising from a Disposition shall not be deemed to be scheduled payments of principal for purposes of determining “Consolidated Principal Payments”.

“Consolidated Real Property Interest Expense” means, for any period, for the Company and its Subsidiaries on a consolidated basis, the sum of all interest (before factory assistance or subsidy), premium payments, debt discount, fees, charges and related expenses of the Company and its Subsidiaries in connection with Permitted Real Estate Indebtedness.

“Consolidated Rental Expense” means, for any period, on a consolidated basis for the Company and its Subsidiaries, the aggregate amount of fixed and contingent rentals payable by the Company and its Subsidiaries with respect to leases of real and personal property (excluding capital lease obligations) determined in accordance with GAAP for such period.

“Consolidated Total Debt to EBITDA Ratio” means, as of any date of determination, the ratio of (a) Consolidated Total Outstanding Indebtedness (excluding Indebtedness under the New Vehicle Floorplan Facility and Permitted Silo Indebtedness) as of such date to (b) Consolidated EBITDA for the period of the four fiscal quarters most recently ended.

“Consolidated Total Outstanding Indebtedness” means, for any period, for the Company and its Subsidiaries on a consolidated basis, the aggregate outstanding principal amount of Consolidated Funded Indebtedness of the Company and its Subsidiaries.

“Consolidated Total Outstanding Senior Secured Indebtedness” means, as of any date of determination, for the Company and its Subsidiaries on a consolidated basis, the aggregate outstanding principal amount of Consolidated Funded Indebtedness of the Company and its Subsidiaries as of such date, but excluding (without duplication and only to the extent such amounts would otherwise have been included therein) (i) Indebtedness under the New Vehicle Floorplan Facility and Permitted Silo Indebtedness, (ii) 2002-5.25% Indenture Indebtedness, (iii) 2009 Indenture Indebtedness, (iv) 2002-4.25% Indenture Indebtedness, (v) 2003 Indenture Indebtedness, (vi) Additional Subordinated Indebtedness permitted by Section 7.03(m), and (vii) any Permitted Real Estate Indebtedness permitted by Section 7.03(o).

“Consolidated Total Senior Secured Debt to EBITDA Ratio” means, as of any date of determination, the ratio of (a) Consolidated Total Outstanding Senior Secured Indebtedness as of such date, to (b) Consolidated EBITDA for the period of the four fiscal quarters most recently ended.

“Contractual Obligation” means, as to any Person, any provision of any security issued by such Person or of any agreement, instrument or other undertaking to which such Person is a party or by which it or any of its property is bound.

“Control” means the possession, directly or indirectly, of the power to direct or cause the direction of the management or policies of a Person, whether through the ability to exercise voting power, by contract or otherwise. “Controlling” and “Controlled” have meanings correlative thereto.

“Cornerstone Collateral” means all right, title and interest of Cornerstone, whether now owned or hereafter acquired, in and to (i) the Retail Contracts, (ii) the security interests in the Cornerstone Financed Vehicles granted by Obligor pursuant to the terms of the Retail Contracts, (iii) proceeds from claims on any physical damage, credit life, credit disability, or other insurance policies covering the Cornerstone Financed Vehicles and/or Obligor, (iv) any recourse or indemnity against any person or entity who sold the Cornerstone Financed Vehicles to such Obligor, and (v) rebates of premiums and other amounts relating to insurance policies, service contracts and any other items financed under the Retail Contracts.

“Cornerstone” means Cornerstone Acceptance Corporation, a Florida corporation.

“Cornerstone Financed Vehicles” means Vehicles, services and other products sold by Affiliated Dealers to Obligor pursuant to Retail Contracts.

“Cornerstone’s Addresses” means those locations specified on Schedule 1.01E.

“Cost of Acquisition” means, with respect to any Acquisition, as at the date of entering into any agreement therefor, the sum of the following (without duplication): (i) the value of the Equity Interests of the Company or any Subsidiary to be transferred in connection with such Acquisition, (ii) the amount of any cash and fair market value of other property (excluding property described in clause (i) and the unpaid principal amount of any debt instrument) given as consideration in connection with such Acquisition, (iii) the amount (determined by using the face amount or the amount payable at maturity, whichever is greater) of any Indebtedness incurred, assumed or acquired by the Company or any Subsidiary in connection with such Acquisition, (iv) all additional purchase price amounts in the form of earnouts and other contingent obligations that should be recorded on the financial statements of the Company and its Subsidiaries in accordance with GAAP in connection with such Acquisition, (v) all amounts paid in respect of covenants not to compete, consulting agreements that should be recorded on the financial statements of the Company and its Subsidiaries in accordance with GAAP, and other affiliated contracts in connection with such Acquisition, and (vi) the aggregate fair market value of all other consideration given by the Company or any Subsidiary in connection with such Acquisition, provided that the Cost of Acquisition shall not include the purchase price of floored vehicles acquired in connection with such Acquisition, provided further that, amounts under clause (iv) shall be excluded from the calculation of Cost of Acquisition to the extent that such amounts as of the date of entering into any agreement with respect to such Acquisition are not reasonably expected to exceed \$15,000,000 in the aggregate (each such determination for each applicable year of earnouts and other contingent obligations with respect to the applicable

Acquisition to be based on the reasonably expected operations and financial condition of the Company and its Subsidiaries during the first year after the date of the applicable Acquisition). For purposes of determining the Cost of Acquisition for any transaction, the Equity Interests of the Company shall be valued in accordance with GAAP.

“Credit Extension” means each of the following: (a) a Revolving Borrowing, (b) an L/C Credit Extension, (c) a New Vehicle Floorplan Borrowing and (d) a Used Vehicle Floorplan Borrowing.

“Dealership Commitment Amount” has the meaning specified in Section 2.15(d).

“Debtor Relief Laws” means the Bankruptcy Code of the United States, and all other liquidation, conservatorship, bankruptcy, assignment for the benefit of creditors, moratorium, rearrangement, receivership, insolvency, reorganization, or similar debtor relief Laws of the United States or other applicable jurisdictions from time to time in effect and affecting the rights of creditors generally.

“Deemed Floored” means, with respect to each New Vehicle, the date a New Vehicle Floorplan Borrowing is deemed to be made by a New Vehicle Floorplan Lender, including the New Vehicle Swing Line Lender, under the New Vehicle Floorplan Facility.

“Default” means any event or condition that constitutes a Revolving Event of Default or a Floorplan Event of Default or that, with the giving of any notice, the passage of time, or both, would be a Revolving Event of Default or a Floorplan Event of Default.

“Default Rate” means (a) when used with respect to Obligations other than Letter of Credit Fees, an interest rate equal to (i) the Base Rate ~~plus~~ (ii) the Applicable Rate, if any, applicable to Base Rate Loans plus (iii) 2% per annum; provided, however, that with respect to a Eurodollar Rate Loan, the Default Rate shall be an interest rate equal to the interest rate (including any Applicable Rate) otherwise applicable to such Loan plus 2% per annum, and (b) when used with respect to Letter of Credit Fees, a rate equal to the Applicable Rate plus 2% per annum.

“Defaulting Lender” means any Lender that (a) has failed to fund any portion of the Revolving Loans, New Vehicle Floorplan Loans, Used Vehicle Floorplan Loans, participations in L/C Obligations or participations in Revolving Swing Line Loans, New Vehicle Floorplan Swing Line Loans or Used Vehicle Floorplan Swing Line Loans required to be funded by it hereunder within one Business Day of the date required to be funded by it hereunder, (b) has otherwise failed to pay over to the Administrative Agent or any other Lender any other amount required to be paid by it hereunder within one Business Day of the date when due, unless the subject of a good faith dispute, or (c) has been deemed insolvent or become the subject of a bankruptcy or insolvency proceeding.

“Demonstrator” means a New Vehicle that (i) has not been previously titled (other than to a New Vehicle Borrower in accordance with applicable law), (ii) is the then current model year

or last model year, (iii) has an odometer reading of less than 7500 miles and (iv) is designated by the applicable New Vehicle Borrower as such.

“Disposition” or “Dispose” means the sale, transfer, license, lease or other disposition (including any sale and leaseback transaction) of any property by any Person, including any sale, assignment, transfer or other disposal, with or without recourse, of any notes or accounts receivable or any rights and claims associated therewith.

“Dollar” and “\$” mean lawful money of the United States.

“Dual Subsidiary” means a Subsidiary which (i) operates at least one Specified Franchise, (ii) is obligated pursuant to Permitted Silo Indebtedness as permitted pursuant to the terms of this Agreement, (ii) operates at least one other franchise which is not a Specified Franchise and (iii) is a New Vehicle Borrower with respect to vehicles at its franchises that are not Specified Franchises, which such Subsidiaries and applicable Specified Franchises as of the Closing Date are set forth on Schedule 1.01D. The Company may designate other Subsidiaries as Dual Subsidiaries from time to time in accordance with Sections 2.24(e) and 7.19.

“Eligible Assignee” means (a) a Lender; (b) an Affiliate of a Lender; (c) an Approved Fund; and (d) any other Person (other than a natural person) approved by (i) the Administrative Agent, the L/C Issuer, the Revolving Swing Line Lender, the New Vehicle Swing Line Lender and the Used Vehicle Swing Line Lender, and (ii) unless an Event of Default has occurred and is continuing, the Company (each such approval not to be unreasonably withheld or delayed); provided that notwithstanding the foregoing, “Eligible Assignee” shall not include the Company or any of the Company’s Affiliates or Subsidiaries.

“Eligible Accounts” means the Accounts, other than contracts-in-transit, of the Company and the Grantors arising from the sale, lease or license of goods or rendition of services in the ordinary course of business of the Company and the Grantors, which the Administrative Agent, in the exercise of its reasonable discretion, determines to be Eligible Accounts. Without limiting the discretion of the Administrative Agent to establish other criteria of ineligibility, Eligible Accounts shall not (unless otherwise agreed to by the Administrative Agent) include any Account:

- (a) with respect to which more than 90 days have elapsed since the date of the original invoice therefor or which is more than 60 days past due;
- (b) with respect to which any of the representations, warranties, covenants, and agreements contained in the Loan Documents are incorrect or have been breached;
- (c) with respect to which Account (or any other Account due from such Account Debtor), in whole or in part, a check, promissory note, draft, trade acceptance or other instrument for the payment of money has been received, presented for payment and returned uncollected for any reason;
- (d) which represents a progress billing (as hereinafter defined) or as to which the Company or any Grantor has extended the time for payment without the consent of

the Administrative Agent; for the purposes hereof, "progress billing" means any invoice for goods sold or leased or services rendered under a contract or agreement pursuant to which the Account Debtor's obligation to pay such invoice is conditioned upon the Company's or the applicable Subsidiary's completion of any further performance under the contract or agreement;

(e) with respect to which any one or more of the following events has occurred to the Account Debtor on such Account: death or judicial declaration of incompetency of an Account Debtor who is an individual; the filing by or against the Account Debtor of a request or petition for liquidation, reorganization, arrangement, adjustment of debts, adjudication as a bankrupt, winding-up, or other relief under Debtor Relief Laws; the making of any general assignment by the Account Debtor for the benefit of creditors; the appointment of a receiver or trustee for the Account Debtor or for any of the assets of the Account Debtor, including, without limitation, the appointment of or taking possession by a "custodian," as defined in the Bankruptcy Code of the United States; the institution by or against the Account Debtor of any other type of insolvency proceeding (under Debtor Relief Laws or otherwise) or of any formal or informal proceeding for the dissolution or liquidation of, settlement of claims against, or winding up of affairs of, the Account Debtor; the sale, assignment, or transfer of all or any material part of the assets of the Account Debtor; the nonpayment generally by the Account Debtor of its debts as they become due; or the cessation of the business of the Account Debtor as a going concern;

(f) owed by an Account Debtor if twenty-five percent (25%) or more of the aggregate Dollar amount of outstanding Accounts owed at such time by such Account Debtor is classified as ineligible under clause (a) above;

(g) owed by an Account Debtor which: (1) does not maintain its chief executive office in the United States or Canada; (2) is not organized under the laws of the United States, Canada or any state or province thereof; (3) is not, if a natural person, a citizen of the United States or Canada residing therein; or (4) is a Governmental Authority of any foreign country or sovereign state, or of any state, province, municipality, or other political subdivision thereof;

(h) owed by an Account Debtor which is an Affiliate, officer, director or employee of the Company or any Grantor;

(i) except as provided in clause (k) below, with respect to which either the perfection, enforceability, or validity of the Administrative Agent's Liens in such Account, or the Administrative Agent's right or ability to obtain direct payment to the Administrative Agent of the proceeds of such Account, is governed by any federal, state, or local statutory requirements other than those of the UCC;

(j) owed by an Account Debtor to which the Company or any Grantor is indebted in any way, or which is subject to any right of setoff or recoupment by the Account Debtor (including, without limitation, all Accounts that are subject to any

agreement encumbering or limiting in any manner the Company's or any Grantor access to such Accounts), unless the Account Debtor has entered into an agreement acceptable to the Administrative Agent to waive setoff rights; or if the Account Debtor thereon has disputed liability or made any claim with respect to any other Account due from such Account Debtor, but in each such case only to the extent of such indebtedness, setoff, recoupment, dispute, or claim;

(k) owed by any Governmental Authority, unless the Federal Assignment of Claims Act of 1940, as amended (31 U.S.C. § 3727 et seq.), and any other steps necessary to perfect the Administrative Agent's Liens therein, have been complied with to the Administrative Agent's satisfaction with respect to such Account;

(l) owed by any Governmental Authority and as to which the Administrative Agent determines that its Lien therein is not or cannot be perfected;

(m) which represents a sale on a bill-and-hold, guaranteed sale, sale and return, sale on approval, consignment, or other repurchase or return basis;

(n) which is evidenced by a promissory note or other instrument or by chattel paper;

(o) with respect to which the Account Debtor is located in any state requiring the filing of a Notice of Business Activities Report or similar report in order to permit the Company or any Grantor to seek judicial enforcement in such state of payment of such Account, unless the Company or any Grantor has qualified to do business in such state or has filed a Notice of Business Activities Report or equivalent report for the then current year;

(p) which arises out of a sale not made in the ordinary course of the Company's or the applicable Grantor's business or out of finance or similar charges;

(q) with respect to which the goods giving rise to such Account have not been shipped and delivered to and accepted by the Account Debtor or the services giving rise to such Account have not been performed by the Company or the applicable Grantor's and, if applicable, accepted by the Account Debtor, or the Account Debtor revokes its acceptance of such goods or services;

(r) owed by an Account Debtor which is obligated to the Company or the applicable Grantor's respecting Accounts the aggregate unpaid balance of which exceeds twenty-five percent (25%) of the aggregate unpaid balance of all Accounts owed to the Company or the applicable Grantor at such time by all of the Company's or the applicable Grantor's Account Debtors, but only to the extent of such excess;

(s) which is not subject to the Administrative Agent's Liens, which are perfected as to such Accounts, or which are subject to any other Lien whatsoever;

(t) in which the payment thereof has been extended, the Account Debtor has made a partial payment, or such Account arises from a sale on a cash-on-delivery basis;
or

(u) which includes a billing for interest, fees or late charges, provided that ineligibility shall be limited to the extent of such billing.

The Company, by including an Account in any computation of the Revolving Borrowing Base, shall be deemed to represent and warrant to the Administrative Agent and the Lenders that such Account is not of the type described in any of (a) through (t) above, and if any Account at any time ceases to be an Eligible Account, then such Account shall promptly be excluded by the Company from the calculation of Eligible Accounts.

“Eligible Equipment” means Equipment of the Company or a Grantor which the Administrative Agent, in the exercise of its reasonable commercial discretion, determines to be Eligible Equipment. Without limiting the discretion of the Administrative Agent to establish other criteria of ineligibility, Eligible Equipment shall not (unless otherwise agreed to by the Administrative Agent) include any Equipment:

(a) that is not legally owned by the Company or a Grantor;

(b) that is not subject to the Administrative Agent’s Liens, which are perfected as to such Equipment, or that are subject to any other Lien whatsoever (other than the Equipment described on Schedule 1.01C), and (without limiting the generality of the foregoing) in no event shall “Eligible Equipment” include any Permitted Real Estate Indebtedness Collateral;

(c) that is not in good working condition for its intended use or for sale;

(d) that is located outside the United States or at a location other than a place of business of the Company or a Grantor; or

(e) that is located in a facility leased by the Company or the applicable Grantor, if the lessor has not delivered to the Administrative Agent, if requested by the Administrative Agent, a Landlord Waiver in form and substance satisfactory to the Administrative Agent.

The Company, by including Equipment in any computation of the Revolving Borrowing Base, shall be deemed to represent and warrant to the Administrative Agent that such Equipment is not of the type described in any of (a) through (e) above, and if any Equipment at any time ceases to be Eligible Equipment, then such Equipment shall promptly be excluded by the Company from the calculation of Eligible Equipment.

“Eligible Inventory” means Inventory consisting of parts and accessories which the Administrative Agent, in its reasonable discretion, determines to be Eligible Inventory. Without limiting the discretion of the Administrative Agent to establish other criteria of ineligibility,

Eligible Inventory shall not (unless otherwise agreed to by the Administrative Agent) include any Inventory:

- (a) that is not owned by the Company or a Grantor;
- (b) that is not subject to the Administrative Agent's Liens, which are perfected as to such Inventory, or that are subject to any other Lien whatsoever, and (without limiting the generality of the foregoing) in no event shall "Eligible Inventory" include any Permitted Real Estate Indebtedness Collateral;
- (c) that does not consist of finished goods;
- (d) that consists of raw materials, work-in-process, chemicals, samples, prototypes, supplies, or packing and shipping materials;
- (e) that is not in good condition, is unmerchantable, or does not meet all standards imposed by any Governmental Authority, having regulatory authority over such goods, their use or sale;
- (f) that is not currently either usable or salable, at prices approximating at least cost, in the normal course of the Company's or the applicable Grantor business, or that is slow moving or stale;
- (g) that is obsolete or returned or repossessed or used goods taken in trade;
- (h) that is located outside the United States of America or Canada (or that is in-transit from vendors or suppliers);
- (i) that is located in a public warehouse or in possession of a bailee or in a facility leased by the Company or the applicable Grantor, if the warehouseman, or the bailee, or the lessor has not delivered to the Administrative Agent, if requested by the Administrative Agent, a subordination agreement in form and substance satisfactory to the Administrative Agent;
- (j) that contains or bears any IP Rights licensed to the Company or the applicable Grantor by any Person, if the Administrative Agent is not satisfied that it may sell or otherwise dispose of such Inventory in accordance with the terms of the Security Agreement and Section 9.10 without infringing the rights of the licensor of such IP Rights or violating any contract with such licensor, and, as to which the Company or the applicable Grantor has not delivered to the Administrative Agent a consent or sublicense agreement from such licensor in form and substance acceptable to the Administrative Agent if requested; or
- (k) that is Inventory placed on consignment.

The Company, by including Inventory in any computation of the Revolving Borrowing Base, shall be deemed to represent and warrant to the Administrative Agent and the Lenders that such Inventory is not of the type described in any of (a) through (k) above, and if any Inventory at any

time ceases to be Eligible Inventory, such Inventory shall promptly be excluded by the Company from the calculation of Eligible Inventory.

“Eligible Used Vehicle Inventory” means Inventory of any Grantor consisting of Used Vehicles (excluding Used Vehicles of any Specified BMW Franchise) that (a) in the case of all such Used Vehicles, are subject to a perfected, first priority Lien in favor of the Administrative Agent for the benefit of the Secured Parties pursuant to the Security Instruments, free from any other Lien other than those acceptable to the Administrative Agent in its discretion, (b) are properly titled in such Grantor’s name or the certificates of title for such Used Vehicles are endorsed in blank by the prior owners and such Grantor physically holds such certificates of title (or such Grantor has, in accordance with its standard policies and procedures, initiated the process by which the requirements of this clause (b) will be satisfied) and (c) are held for sale and located at such Grantor’s dealership facilities (except as set forth in Section 6.13), and with respect to such leased facilities, the Administrative Agent has received a Landlord Waiver if requested by the Administrative Agent.

“Environmental Laws” means any and all Federal, state, local, and foreign statutes, laws, regulations, ordinances, rules, judgments, orders, decrees, permits, licenses, agreements or governmental restrictions relating to pollution and the protection of the environment or the release of any materials into the environment, including those related to hazardous substances or wastes, air emissions and discharges to waste or public systems.

“Environmental Liability” means any liability, contingent or otherwise (including any liability for damages, costs of environmental remediation, fines, penalties or indemnities), of the Company, any other Loan Party or any of their respective Subsidiaries directly or indirectly resulting from or based upon (a) violation of any Environmental Law, (b) the generation, use, handling, transportation, storage, treatment or disposal of any Hazardous Materials, (c) exposure to any Hazardous Materials, (d) the release or threatened release of any Hazardous Materials into the environment or (e) any contract, agreement or other consensual arrangement pursuant to which liability is assumed or imposed with respect to any of the foregoing.

“Equipment” means all of the Company’s and the Grantor’s now owned and hereafter acquired machinery, equipment, furniture, furnishings, trade fixtures, and other tangible personal property (except Inventory), including computer equipment, embedded software, construction in progress, parts and accessories, motor vehicles (which are not Inventory) with respect to which a certificate of title has been issued, dies, tools, jigs, molds and office equipment, as well as all of such types of property leased by the Company or any Grantor and all of the Company’s and Grantors’ rights and interests with respect thereto under such leases (including, without limitation, options to purchase); together with all present and future additions and accessions thereto, replacements therefor, component and auxiliary parts and supplies used or to be used in connection therewith, and all substitutes for any of the foregoing, and all manuals, drawings, instructions, warranties and rights with respect thereto; wherever any of the foregoing is located.

“Equity Interests” means, with respect to any Person, all of the shares of capital stock of (or other ownership or profit interests in) such Person, all of the warrants, options or other rights for the purchase or acquisition from such Person of shares of capital stock of (or other ownership

or profit interests in) such Person, all of the securities convertible into or exchangeable for shares of capital stock of (or other ownership or profit interests in) such Person or warrants, rights or options for the purchase or acquisition from such Person of such shares (or such other interests), and all of the other ownership or profit interests in such Person (including partnership, member or trust interests therein), whether voting or nonvoting, and whether or not such shares, warrants, options, rights or other interests are outstanding on any date of determination.

“ERISA” means the Employee Retirement Income Security Act of 1974.

“ERISA Affiliate” means any trade or business (whether or not incorporated) under common control with the Company within the meaning of Section 414(b) or (c) of the Code (and Sections 414(m) and (o) of the Code for purposes of provisions relating to Section 412 of the Code).

“ERISA Event” means (a) a Reportable Event with respect to a Pension Plan; (b) a withdrawal by the Company or any ERISA Affiliate from a Pension Plan subject to Section 4063 of ERISA during a plan year in which it was a substantial employer (as defined in Section 4001(a)(2) of ERISA) or a cessation of operations that is treated as such a withdrawal under Section 4062(e) of ERISA that has resulted or could reasonably be expected to result in liability of the Company under Title IV of ERISA in excess of \$1,000,000; (c) a complete or partial withdrawal by the Company or any ERISA Affiliate from a Multiemployer Plan or notification that a Multiemployer Plan is in reorganization, in either case that has resulted or could reasonably be expected to result in liability of the Company under Title IV of ERISA in excess of \$1,000,000; (d) the filing of a notice of intent to terminate, the treatment of a Plan amendment as a termination under Sections 4041 or 4041A of ERISA, or the commencement of proceedings by the PBGC to terminate a Pension Plan or Multiemployer Plan; (e) an event or condition which constitutes grounds under Section 4042 of ERISA for the termination of, or the appointment of a trustee to administer, any Pension Plan or Multiemployer Plan; or (f) the imposition of any liability under Title IV of ERISA, other than for PBGC premiums due but not delinquent under Section 4007 of ERISA, upon the Company or any ERISA Affiliate in excess of \$1,000,000.

“Escrow and Security Agreement” means that certain Escrow and Security Agreement dated as of the Closing Date made by the Company and certain Loan Parties in favor of the Administrative Agent for the benefit of the Secured Parties, substantially in the form of Exhibit K-2 attached hereto, as supplemented from time to time by the execution and delivery of Joinder Agreements pursuant to Section 6.14, and as otherwise supplemented, amended, or modified from time to time.

“Eurodollar Rate” means, for any Interest Period with respect to a Eurodollar Rate Loan, the rate per annum equal to the British Bankers Association LIBOR Rate (“BBA LIBOR”), as published by Reuters (or other commercially available source providing quotations of BBA LIBOR as designated by the Administrative Agent from time to time) at approximately 11:00 a.m., London time, two Business Days prior to the commencement of such Interest Period, for Dollar deposits (for delivery on the first day of such Interest Period) with a term equivalent to such Interest Period. If such rate is not available at such time for any reason, then the “Eurodollar Rate” for such Interest Period shall be the rate per annum determined by the

Administrative Agent to be the rate at which deposits in Dollars for delivery on the first day of such Interest Period in same day funds in the approximate amount of the Eurodollar Rate Loan being made, continued or converted by Bank of America and with a term equivalent to such Interest Period would be offered by Bank of America's London Branch to major banks in the London interbank eurodollar market at their request at approximately 11:00 a.m. (London time) two Business Days prior to the commencement of such Interest Period. A Loan bearing interest at the Eurodollar Rate may be (a) borrowed on a day other than the first day of the applicable Interest Period and (b) repaid or converted to a different Type of Loan on a day other than the last day of an Interest Period without giving rise to any additional payment for "break funding" losses.

"Eurodollar Rate Committed Loan" means a Revolver Committed Loan, a New Vehicle Committed Loan or a Used Vehicle Committed Loan, as the context may require, that is a Eurodollar Rate Loan.

"Eurodollar Rate Loan" means a Loan that bears interest at a rate based on the Eurodollar Rate.

"Event of Default" means either a Revolving Event of Default or a Floorplan Event of Default.

"Excluded Taxes" means, with respect to the Administrative Agent, any Lender, the L/C Issuer or any other recipient of any payment to be made by or on account of any obligation of the Company or any Borrower hereunder, (a) taxes imposed on or measured by its net income (however denominated), and franchise taxes imposed on it, by the jurisdiction (or any political subdivision thereof) under the laws of which such recipient is organized or in which its principal office is located or, in the case of any Lender, in which its applicable Lending Office is located, (b) any branch profits taxes imposed by the United States or any similar tax imposed by any other jurisdiction in which the Company or such Borrower, as the case may be, is located and (c) in the case of a Foreign Lender (other than an assignee pursuant to a request by the Company under Section 10.13), any withholding tax that is imposed on amounts payable to such Foreign Lender at the time such Foreign Lender becomes a party hereto (or designates a new Lending Office) or is attributable to such Foreign Lender's failure or inability (other than as a result of a Change in Law) to comply with Section 3.01(e), except to the extent that such Foreign Lender (or its assignor, if any) was entitled, at the time of designation of a new Lending Office (or assignment), to receive additional amounts from the Company or the applicable Borrower with respect to such withholding tax pursuant to Section 3.01(a).

"Existing Credit Agreement" means that certain Second Amended and Restated Credit Agreement dated as of February 5, 2003, as amended prior to the date hereof, among the Company, Ford Motor Credit Corporation, as agent, and a syndicate of lenders.

"Existing Letters of Credit" means those Letters of Credit described on Schedule 2.03.

"Existing New Vehicle Facilities" has the meaning set forth in Section 6.11.

“Facility Termination Date” means the date as of which all of the following shall have occurred: (a) the Company and the other Borrowers shall have permanently terminated the credit facilities under the Loan Documents by final payment in full of all Outstanding Amounts, together with all accrued and unpaid interest and fees thereon, other than (i) the undrawn portion of Letters of Credit and (ii) all letter of credit fees relating thereto accruing after such date (which fees shall be payable solely for the account of the L/C Issuer and shall be computed (based on interest rates and the Applicable Rate then in effect) on such undrawn amounts to the respective expiry dates of the Letters of Credit), that have, in each case, been fully Cash Collateralized or as to which other arrangements with respect thereto satisfactory to the Administrative Agent and the L/C Issuer shall have been made; (b) all Commitments shall have terminated or expired; (c) the obligations and liabilities of the Company and each other Loan Party under all Related Swap Contracts shall have been fully, finally and irrevocably paid and satisfied in full and the Related Swap Contracts shall have expired or been terminated, or other arrangements satisfactory to the counterparties shall have been made with respect thereto; and (d) the Company and each other Loan Party shall have fully, finally and irrevocably paid and satisfied in full all of their respective Obligations and liabilities arising under the Loan Documents, (except for future obligations consisting of continuing indemnities and other contingent Obligations of the Company or any Loan Party that may be owing to the Administrative Agent, any of its Related Parties or any Lender pursuant to the Loan Documents and expressly survive termination of the Credit Agreement or any other Loan Document).

“Falcon Indebtedness” has the meaning set forth in Section 4.02(b).

“Falcon Party” has the meaning set forth in Section 4.02(b).

“Federal Funds Rate” means, for any day, the rate per annum equal to the weighted average of the rates on overnight Federal funds transactions with members of the Federal Reserve System arranged by Federal funds brokers on such day, as published by the Federal Reserve Bank of New York on the Business Day next succeeding such day; provided that (a) if such day is not a Business Day, the Federal Funds Rate for such day shall be such rate on such transactions on the next preceding Business Day as so published on the next succeeding Business Day, and (b) if no such rate is so published on such next succeeding Business Day, the Federal Funds Rate for such day shall be the average rate (rounded upward, if necessary, to a whole multiple of 1/100 of 1%) charged to Bank of America on such day on such transactions as determined by the Administrative Agent.

“Fee Letters” means the Bank of America Fee Letter and the JPMorgan Fee Letter.

“Fleet Vehicle” means one of a large group of New Vehicles sold to a Person (e.g., a rental car agency) which purchases in excess of ten (10) Vehicles per purchase contract for commercial use.

“Floorplan Facility” means, collectively or individually, as the context may require, the New Vehicle Floorplan Facility or the Used Vehicle Floorplan Facility.

“Floorplan Events of Default” has the meaning set forth in Section 8.03.

“Floorplan Loan” means any New Vehicle Floorplan Loan or any Used Vehicle Floorplan Loan.

“Floorplan On-line System” has the meaning set forth in Section 2.10.

“Foreign Lender” means with respect to the Company or any Borrower, any Lender that is organized under the laws of a jurisdiction other than that in which the Company or such Borrower is resident for tax purposes. For purposes of this definition, the United States, each State thereof and the District of Columbia shall be deemed to constitute a single jurisdiction.

“Foreign Person” means any Person that is organized under the laws of any jurisdiction other than the District of Columbia or any of the states of the United States.

“Framework Agreement” means a framework agreement, in each case between a Loan Party and a manufacturer or distributor of New Vehicles.

The term “franchise” when used with respect to any vehicle manufacturer or distributor shall be deemed to include each dealership that is authorized by a Franchise Agreement to sell New Vehicles manufactured or distributed by such manufacturer or distributor, whether or not such dealership is expressly referred to as a franchise in the respective Franchise Agreement or Framework Agreement.

“Franchise Agreement” means a franchise agreement, in each case between a Loan Party and a manufacturer or distributor of New Vehicles.

“FRB” means the Board of Governors of the Federal Reserve System of the United States.

“Fund” means any Person (other than a natural person) that is (or will be) engaged in making, purchasing, holding or otherwise investing in commercial loans and similar extensions of credit in the ordinary course of its business.

“GAAP” means generally accepted accounting principles in the United States set forth in the opinions and pronouncements of the Accounting Principles Board and the American Institute of Certified Public Accountants and statements and pronouncements of the Financial Accounting Standards Board or such other principles as may be approved by a significant segment of the accounting profession in the United States, that are applicable to the circumstances as of the date of determination, consistently applied.

“Governmental Authority” means the government of the United States or any other nation, or of any political subdivision thereof, whether state or local, and any agency, authority, instrumentality, regulatory body, court, central bank or other entity exercising executive, legislative, judicial, taxing, regulatory or administrative powers or functions of or pertaining to government (including any supra-national bodies such as the European Union or the European Central Bank).

“Grantor” has the meaning specified in Section 2A.03.

“Guarantee” means, as to any Person, any (a) any obligation, contingent or otherwise, of such Person guaranteeing or having the economic effect of guaranteeing any Indebtedness or other obligation payable or performable by another Person (the “primary obligor”) in any manner, whether directly or indirectly, and including any obligation of such Person, direct or indirect, (i) to purchase or pay (or advance or supply funds for the purchase or payment of) such Indebtedness or other obligation, (ii) to purchase or lease property, securities or services for the purpose of assuring the obligee in respect of such Indebtedness or other obligation of the payment or performance of such Indebtedness or other obligation, (iii) to maintain working capital, equity capital or any other financial statement condition or liquidity or level of income or cash flow of the primary obligor so as to enable the primary obligor to pay such Indebtedness or other obligation, or (iv) entered into for the purpose of assuring in any other manner the obligee in respect of such Indebtedness or other obligation of the payment or performance thereof or to protect such obligee against loss in respect thereof (in whole or in part), or (b) any Lien on any assets of such Person securing any Indebtedness or other obligation of any other Person, whether or not such Indebtedness or other obligation is assumed by such Person (or any right, contingent or otherwise, of any holder of such Indebtedness to obtain any such Lien). The amount of any Guarantee shall be deemed to be an amount equal to the stated or determinable amount of the related primary obligation, or portion thereof, in respect of which such Guarantee is made or, if not stated or determinable, the maximum reasonably anticipated liability in respect thereof as determined by the guaranteeing Person in good faith. The term “Guarantee” as a verb has a corresponding meaning.

“Guaranties” means, collectively, the Company Guaranty and the Subsidiary Guaranty.

“Guarantors” means, collectively, the Company and the Subsidiary Guarantors.

“Hazardous Materials” means all explosive or radioactive substances or wastes and all hazardous or toxic substances, wastes or other pollutants, including petroleum or petroleum distillates, asbestos or asbestos-containing materials, polychlorinated biphenyls, radon gas, infectious or medical wastes and all other substances or wastes of any nature regulated pursuant to any Environmental Law.

“Historical Consolidated EBITDA” means Consolidated EBITDA, without giving effect to any adjustment thereof pursuant to Section 1.03(d).

“Indebtedness” means, as to any Person at a particular time, without duplication, all of the following, whether or not included as indebtedness or liabilities in accordance with GAAP:

- (a) all obligations of such Person for borrowed money and all obligations of such Person evidenced by bonds, debentures, notes, loan agreements or other similar instruments;
- (b) all direct or contingent obligations of such Person arising under letters of credit (including standby and commercial), bankers’ acceptances, bank guaranties, surety bonds and similar instruments;

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- (c) net obligations of such Person under any Swap Contract;
 - (d) all obligations of such Person to pay the deferred purchase price of property or services (other than trade accounts payable in the ordinary course of business and, in each case, not past due for more than 60 days after the date on which such trade account payable was created);
 - (e) indebtedness (excluding prepaid interest thereon) secured by a Lien on property owned or being purchased by such Person (including indebtedness arising under conditional sales or other title retention agreements), whether or not such indebtedness shall have been assumed by such Person or is limited in recourse;
 - (f) capital leases and Synthetic Lease Obligations;
 - (g) all obligations of such Person to purchase, redeem, retire, defease or otherwise make any payment in respect of any Equity Interest in such Person or any other Person, valued, in the case of a redeemable preferred interest, at the greater of its voluntary or involuntary liquidation preference plus accrued and unpaid dividends; and
 - (h) all Guarantees of such Person in respect of any of the foregoing.

For all purposes hereof, the Indebtedness of any Person shall include the Indebtedness of any partnership or joint venture (other than a joint venture that is itself a corporation or limited liability company) in which such Person is a general partner or a joint venturer, unless such Indebtedness is expressly made non-recourse to such Person. The amount of any net obligation under any Swap Contract on any date shall be deemed to be the Swap Termination Value thereof as of such date. The amount of any capital lease or Synthetic Lease Obligation as of any date shall be deemed to be the amount of Attributable Indebtedness in respect thereof as of such date.

“Indemnified Taxes” means Taxes other than Excluded Taxes.

“Indemnities” has the meaning specified in Section 10.04(b).

“Indenture Indebtedness” means, collectively or individually, as the context may require, 2002-5.25% Indenture Indebtedness, 2002-4.25% Indenture Indebtedness, 2009 Indenture Indebtedness, 2003 Indenture Indebtedness and the related Permitted Indenture Refinancing Indebtedness, if any.

“Information” has the meaning specified in Section 10.07.

“Intangible Assets” means assets that are considered to be intangible assets under GAAP, including customer lists, goodwill, computer software, copyrights, trade names, trademarks, patents, franchises, licenses, unamortized deferred charges, unamortized debt discount and capitalized research and development costs.

“Interim Floorplan Indebtedness” means the Indebtedness existing pursuant to (i) those certain Accession Agreements or Amended and Restated Accession Agreements between Bank

of America and certain Subsidiaries of the Company and (ii) that certain Accession Agreement Dated July 1, 2004 to Inventory Loan and Security Agreement dated April 1, 2004 between JPMorgan Chase Bank, N.A. and Sonic Momentum B, L.P.

“Interest Payment Date” means the Automatic Debit Date of each calendar month.

“Interest Period” means a period of approximately one month commencing on the first Business Day of each month and ending on the first Business Day of the following month.

“Internal Control Event” means a material weakness in, or fraud that involves management or other employees who have a significant role in, the Company’s internal controls over financial reporting, in each case as described in the Securities Laws.

“Inventory” has the meaning given such term in Section 9-102 of the UCC.

“Investment” means, as to any Person, any direct or indirect acquisition or investment by such Person, whether by means of (a) the purchase or other acquisition of capital stock or other securities of another Person, (b) a loan, advance or capital contribution to, Guarantee or assumption of debt of, or purchase or other acquisition of any other debt or equity participation or interest in, another Person, including any partnership or joint venture interest in such other Person and any arrangement pursuant to which the investor Guarantees Indebtedness of such other Person, or (c) the purchase or other acquisition (in one transaction or a series of transactions) of assets of another Person that constitute a business unit. For purposes of covenant compliance, the amount of any Investment shall be the amount actually invested, without adjustment for subsequent increases or decreases in the value of such Investment.

“IP Rights” has the meaning specified in Section 5.17.

“IRS” means the United States Internal Revenue Service.

“ISP” means, with respect to any Letter of Credit, the “International Standby Practices 1998” published by the Institute of International Banking Law & Practice (or such later version thereof as may be in effect at the time of issuance).

“Issuer Documents” means with respect to any Letter of Credit, the Letter of Credit Application, and any other document, agreement and instrument entered into by the L/C Issuer and the Company (or any Subsidiary) or in favor of the L/C Issuer and relating to any such Letter of Credit.

“Joinder Agreement” means each Joinder Agreement, substantially in the form of Exhibit I, executed and delivered by a Subsidiary or any other Person to the Administrative Agent, for the benefit of the Secured Parties, pursuant to Section 6.14.

“JPMorgan Fee Letter” means the letter agreement, dated January 20, 2006, among the Company, JP Morgan Chase Bank, N.A. and JPMorgan Securities Inc.

“Landlord Waiver” means, as to any leasehold interest of a Loan Party, a landlord waiver and consent agreement executed by the landlord of such leasehold interest, in each case in form and substance satisfactory to the Administrative Agent.

“Laws” means, collectively, all international, foreign, Federal, state and local statutes, treaties, rules, regulations, ordinances, codes and administrative or judicial precedents or authorities, including the interpretation or administration thereof by any Governmental Authority charged with the enforcement, interpretation or administration thereof, and all applicable administrative orders, directed duties, licenses, authorizations and permits of, and agreements with, any Governmental Authority, in each case whether or not having the force of law.

“L/C Advance” means, with respect to each Revolving Lender, such Revolving Lender’s funding of its participation in any L/C Borrowing in accordance with its Applicable Revolving Percentage.

“L/C Borrowing” means an extension of credit resulting from a drawing under any Letter of Credit which has not been reimbursed on the date when made or refinanced as a Revolving Committed Borrowing.

“L/C Credit Extension” means, with respect to any Letter of Credit, the issuance thereof or extension of the expiry date thereof, or the increase of the amount thereof.

“L/C Issuer” means Bank of America in its capacity as issuer of Letters of Credit hereunder, or any successor issuer of Letters of Credit hereunder.

“L/C Obligations” means, as at any date of determination, the aggregate amount available to be drawn under all outstanding Letters of Credit ~~plus~~ the aggregate of all Unreimbursed Amounts, including all L/C Borrowings. For purposes of computing the amount available to be drawn under any Letter of Credit, the amount of such Letter of Credit shall be determined in accordance with Section 1.06. For all purposes of this Agreement, if on any date of determination a Letter of Credit has expired by its terms but any amount may still be drawn thereunder by reason of the operation of Rule 3.14 of the ISP, such Letter of Credit shall be deemed to be “outstanding” in the amount so remaining available to be drawn.

“Lender” has the meaning specified in the introductory paragraph hereto and, as the context requires, includes the Revolving Swing Line Lender, the New Vehicle Swing Line Lender and the Used Vehicle Swing Line Lender.

“Lending Office” means, as to any Lender, the office or offices of such Lender described as such in such Lender’s Administrative Questionnaire, or such other office or offices as a Lender may from time to time notify the Company and the Administrative Agent.

“Letter of Credit” means any standby letter of credit issued hereunder and shall include the Existing Letters of Credit.

“Letter of Credit Application” means an application and agreement for the issuance or amendment of a Letter of Credit in the form from time to time in use by the L/C Issuer.

“Letter of Credit Expiration Date” means the day that is fifteen days prior to the Maturity Date then in effect (or, if such day is not a Business Day, the next preceding Business Day).

“Letter of Credit Fee” has the meaning specified in Section 2.03(i).

“Letter of Credit Sublimit” means an amount equal to \$115,000,000. The Letter of Credit Sublimit is part of, and not in addition to, the Aggregate Revolving Commitments.

“Lien” means any mortgage, pledge, hypothecation, assignment, deposit arrangement, encumbrance, lien (statutory or other), charge, or preference, priority or other security interest or preferential arrangement in the nature of a security interest of any kind or nature whatsoever (including any conditional sale or other title retention agreement, any easement, right of way or other encumbrance on title to real property, and any financing lease having substantially the same economic effect as any of the foregoing).

“Loan” means a Revolving Loan, a New Vehicle Floorplan Loan or a Used Vehicle Floorplan Loan, as the context may require.

“Loan Documents” means, collectively, this Agreement, the Side Letter Agreement, each Note, each Issuer Document, each Payment Commitment, the Security Agreement, the Escrow and Security Agreement, the Pledge Agreement, the Sonic Financial Pledge Agreement, each Joinder Agreement, each other Security Instrument, each Guaranty, the Fee Letters and any Autoborrow Agreement.

“Loan Parties” means, collectively, the Company, each New Vehicle Borrower, each Guarantor, and each Person (other than the Administrative Agent, any Lender or any landlord executing a Landlord Waiver) executing a Security Instrument.

“Material Adverse Effect” means (a) a material adverse effect on (i) the business, assets, properties, liabilities (actual or contingent), operations, condition (financial or otherwise) or prospects of the Company and its Subsidiaries, taken as a whole, or (ii) the ability of any Borrower, any Guarantor and the other Loan Parties, taken as a whole, to perform their respective obligations under any Loan Document to which it is a party (unless such Borrower, Guarantor or other Loan Party has repaid in full all of its respective Obligations and is no longer a Loan Party in accordance with the terms of this Agreement and the other Loan Documents) or (b) an adverse effect on the rights and remedies of the Administrative Agent or the Lenders under the Loan Documents.

“Maturity Date” means February 17, 2010.

“Maximum Interest Amount” has the meaning specified in the Bank of America 2009 Side Letter.

“Multiemployer Plan” means any employee benefit plan of the type described in Section 4001(a)(3) of ERISA, to which the Company or any ERISA Affiliate makes or is obligated to make contributions, or during the preceding five plan years, has made or been obligated to make contributions.

“Net Book Value” means, (i) for any Vehicle, the net book value of such Vehicle as reflected on the books of the Company in accordance with GAAP, after netting out (without limitation) (A) the cost of payoff of any Lien (including any consumer Lien) on such Vehicle excluding the Lien of the Administrative Agent under the Loan Documents and (B) reserves maintained in accordance with the Company’s internal accounting policies, (ii) for any Eligible Account, the gross amount of such Eligible Account less sales, excise or similar taxes, and less returns, discounts, claims, credits, allowances, accrued rebates, offsets, deductions, counterclaims, disputes and other defenses of any nature at any time issued, owing, granted, outstanding, available or claimed in respect of such Eligible Account, (iii) for any Eligible Inventory, the lower of cost (on a first-in, first-out basis) or market, (iv) for any Eligible Equipment, the then-current book value of such Eligible Equipment (giving effect to any adjustments to such book value on or prior to the date of measurement thereof) less all accumulated depreciation and amortization of such Equipment through the date of measurement.

“Net Cash Proceeds” means, with respect to any Disposition by any Loan Party or any of its Subsidiaries, the excess, if any, of:

(i) the sum of cash and cash equivalents received in connection with such transaction (including any cash or cash equivalents received by way of deferred payment pursuant to, or by monetization of, a note receivable or otherwise, but only as and when so received) over

(ii) the sum of

(A) (1) with respect to any Disposition occurring on or before May 4, 2009, the principal amount of any purchase money Indebtedness that is secured by the applicable asset and that is required to be repaid in connection with such transaction (other than Indebtedness under the Loan Documents), and (2) commencing on May 7, 2009, with respect to any Disposition occurring on or after May 5, 2009, any Indebtedness that is secured by the applicable asset and that is required to be repaid in connection with such transaction (other than Indebtedness under the Loan Documents and 2009 Indenture Indebtedness), and (in the case of clause (2)) any net obligations of such Person under any Swap Contract that relates to such Indebtedness and is also required by the terms of such Swap Contract to be repaid,

(B) the reasonable and customary out-of-pocket expenses incurred by such Loan Party or such Subsidiary in connection with such transaction and

(C) income taxes reasonably estimated to be actually payable within two years of the date of the relevant transaction as a result of any gain recognized in connection therewith; provided that, if the amount of any estimated taxes pursuant to subclause (C) exceeds the amount of taxes actually required to be paid in cash in respect of such Disposition, the aggregate amount of such excess shall constitute Net Cash Proceeds.

“New Vehicle” means a Vehicle which has never been owned except by a manufacturer, distributor or dealer and has never been registered, and (notwithstanding clause (c) of the definition of “Vehicle”) includes Rental Vehicles and Demonstrators whether or not held for sale.

“New Vehicle Borrower” has the meaning specified in the introductory paragraph hereto; provided that, subject to Section 2.24(e), in no event shall a Foreign Person, an Unrestricted Subsidiary or a Silo Subsidiary be a “New Vehicle Borrower”.

“New Vehicle Borrower Notice” has the meaning specified in Section 2.24(b).

“New Vehicle Floorplan Borrowing” means a New Vehicle Floorplan Committed Borrowing or a New Vehicle Floorplan Swing Line Borrowing, as the context may require.

“New Vehicle Floorplan Commitment” means, as to each Lender, its obligation to (a) make New Vehicle Floorplan Committed Loans to the New Vehicle Borrowers pursuant to Section 2.06, and (b) purchase participations in New Vehicle Floorplan Swing Line Loans, in an aggregate principal amount at any one time outstanding not to exceed the amount set forth opposite such Lender’s name on Schedule 2.01 or in the Assignment and Assumption pursuant to which such Lender becomes a party hereto, as applicable, as such amount may be adjusted from time to time in accordance with this Agreement.

“New Vehicle Floorplan Committed Borrowing” means a borrowing consisting of simultaneous New Vehicle Floorplan Committed Loans of the same Type made by each of the New Vehicle Floorplan Lenders pursuant to Section 2.06.

“New Vehicle Floorplan Committed Loan” has the meaning specified in Section 2.06.

“New Vehicle Floorplan Committed Loan Notice” means a notice of (a) a New Vehicle Floorplan Committed Borrowing, or (b) a conversion of New Vehicle Floorplan Committed Loans from one Type to the other, pursuant to Section 2.07, which, if in writing, shall be substantially in the form of Exhibit A-1.

“New Vehicle Floorplan Facility” means the new vehicle floorplan facility described in Sections 2.06 through 2.10 providing for New Vehicle Floorplan Loans to the New Vehicle Borrowers by the New Vehicle Floorplan Lenders.

“New Vehicle Floorplan Lender” means each Lender that has a New Vehicle Floorplan Commitment or, following termination of the New Vehicle Floorplan Commitments, has New Vehicle Floorplan Loans outstanding.

“New Vehicle Floorplan Loan” means an extension of credit by a New Vehicle Floorplan Lender to a New Vehicle Borrower under Article II in the form of a New Vehicle Floorplan Committed Loan or a New Vehicle Floorplan Swing Line Loan.

“New Vehicle Floorplan Overdraft” has the meaning specified in Section 2.09.

“New Vehicle Floorplan Swing Line” means the revolving credit facility made available by the New Vehicle Floorplan Swing Line Lender pursuant to Section 2.08.

“New Vehicle Floorplan Swing Line Borrowing” means a borrowing of a New Vehicle Floorplan Swing Line Loan pursuant to Section 2.08.

“New Vehicle Swing Line Lender” means Bank of America in its capacity as provider of New Vehicle Floorplan Swing Line Loans, or any successor new vehicle swing line lender hereunder.

“New Vehicle Floorplan Swing Line Loan” has the meaning specified in Section 2.08(a).

“New Vehicle Floorplan Swing Line Loan Notice” means a notice of a New Vehicle Floorplan Swing Line Borrowing pursuant to Section 2.08(b), which, if in writing, shall be substantially in the form of Exhibit B-1(a) in the case of a New Vehicle Floorplan Swing Line Borrowing and Exhibit B-1(b) in the case of a conversion of any New Vehicle Floorplan Swing Line Loan from one Type to the other.

“New Vehicle Floorplan Swing Line Sublimit” means an amount equal to the lesser of (a) \$75,000,000 and (b) the Aggregate New Vehicle Floorplan Commitments. The New Vehicle Floorplan Swing Line Sublimit is part of, and not in addition to, the Aggregate New Vehicle Floorplan Commitments.

“Note” means a promissory note made by a Borrower or Borrowers, in favor of a Lender evidencing Loans made by such Lender to such Borrower or Borrowers, as applicable, substantially in the form of Exhibit C.

“Obligations” means all advances to, and debts, liabilities, obligations, covenants and duties of, any Loan Party arising under any Loan Document or otherwise with respect to any Loan, Letter of Credit, Secured Cash Management Arrangement or any Related Swap Contract, whether direct or indirect (including those acquired by assumption), absolute or contingent, due or to become due, now existing or hereafter arising and including interest and fees that accrue after the commencement by or against any Loan Party or any Affiliate thereof of any proceeding under any Debtor Relief Laws naming such Person as the debtor in such proceeding, regardless of whether such interest and fees are allowed claims in such proceeding.

“Obligors” means, collectively, the purchasers and co-purchasers of the Cornerstone Financed Vehicles.

“Organization Documents” means, (a) with respect to any corporation, the certificate or articles of incorporation and the bylaws (or equivalent or comparable constitutive documents with respect to any non-U.S. jurisdiction); (b) with respect to any limited liability company, the certificate or articles of formation or organization and operating agreement; and (c) with respect to any partnership, joint venture, trust or other form of business entity, the partnership, joint venture or other applicable agreement of formation or organization and any agreement, instrument, filing or notice with respect thereto filed in connection with its formation or organization with the applicable Governmental Authority in the jurisdiction of its formation or

organization and, if applicable, any certificate or articles of formation or organization of such entity.

“Other Taxes” means all present or future stamp or documentary taxes or any other excise or property taxes, charges or similar levies arising from any payment made hereunder or under any other Loan Document or from the execution, delivery or enforcement of, or otherwise with respect to, this Agreement or any other Loan Document.

“Out of Balance” means, with respect to a New Vehicle Floorplan Loan, the outstanding balance thereof has not been paid in accordance with Section 2.16(b)(iii).

“Outstanding Amount” means (i) with respect to Revolving Committed Loans and Revolving Swing Line Loans on any date, the aggregate outstanding principal amount thereof after giving effect to any borrowings and prepayments or repayments of Revolving Committed Loans and Revolving Swing Line Loans, as the case may be, occurring on such date; (ii) with respect to any L/C Obligations on any date, the amount of such L/C Obligations on such date after giving effect to any L/C Credit Extension occurring on such date and any other changes in the aggregate amount of the L/C Obligations as of such date, including as a result of any reimbursements by the Company of Unreimbursed Amounts, (iii) with respect to New Vehicle Floorplan Committed Loans and New Vehicle Floorplan Swing Line Loans on any date, the aggregate outstanding principal amount thereof after giving effect to any borrowings and prepayments or repayments of New Vehicle Floorplan Commitment Loans and New Vehicle Floorplan Swing Line Loans, as the case may be, occurring on such date and (iv) with respect to Used Vehicle Floorplan Committed Loans and Used Vehicle Floorplan Swing Line Loans on any date, the aggregate outstanding principal amount thereof after giving effect to any borrowings and prepayments of repayments of Used Vehicle Floorplan Committed Loans and Used Vehicle Floorplan Swing Line Loans, as the case may be, occurring on such date.

“Participant” has the meaning specified in Section 10.06(d).

“Payment Commitment” means a written agreement entered into between the New Vehicle Swing Line Lender and a vehicle manufacturer or distributor (and if required pursuant to the terms of the Payment Commitment, the applicable Borrower), providing for advances of the proceeds of New Vehicle Floorplan Swing Line Loans directly by the New Vehicle Swing Line Lender to such manufacturer or distributor in payment for the purchase of New Vehicles by the applicable New Vehicle Borrower.

“Payoff Letter Commitment” means a written agreement entered into between the New Vehicle Swing Line Lender and a financial institution (and if required pursuant to the terms of the Payoff Letter Commitment, the applicable Borrower), which agreement is delivered in connection with the payoff of floorplan financing provided by such financial institution and provides for advances of the proceeds of New Vehicle Floorplan Swing Line Loans directly by the New Vehicle Swing Line Lender to such financial institution in order to pay for or refinance the purchase of New Vehicles by the applicable New Vehicle Borrower.

“PBGC” means the Pension Benefit Guaranty Corporation.

“Pension Plan” means any “employee pension benefit plan” (as such term is defined in Section 3(2) of ERISA), other than a Multiemployer Plan, that is subject to Title IV of ERISA and is sponsored or maintained by the Company or any ERISA Affiliate or to which the Company or any ERISA Affiliate contributes or has an obligation to contribute, or in the case of a multiple employer or other plan described in Section 4064(a) of ERISA, has made contributions at any time during the immediately preceding five plan years.

“Permitted Disposition” means any Disposition permitted by Section 7.05.

“Permitted Indenture Refinancing Indebtedness” means any refinancings, refundings, renewals or extensions of the 2009 Indenture Indebtedness, the 2002-4.25% Indenture Indebtedness or the 2003 Indenture Indebtedness *provided*, that (i) the amount of such Indebtedness is not increased at the time of such refinancing, refunding, renewal or extension (such refinancing, refunding, renewal or extension being referred to hereafter as the “Applicable Refinancing”), and (ii) such Indebtedness, after giving effect to the Applicable Refinancing, (u) is not secured by any property other than property that secured such Indebtedness prior to the Applicable Refinancing, (v) does not have any obligor or guarantor other than the obligors or guarantors of such Indebtedness prior to the Applicable Refinancing, (w) other than with respect to any refinancing, refunding, renewal or extension of the 2009 Indenture Indebtedness or the 2002-4.25% Indenture Indebtedness, is subordinated to payment of the Obligations on terms that are no less favorable to the Lenders and the other Secured Parties in any respect than the subordination provisions contained in the applicable Indebtedness prior to the Applicable Refinancing, provided that the holders of any Indebtedness arising from the Applicable Refinancing of the 2009 Indenture Indebtedness or the 2002-4.25% Indenture Indebtedness enter into an intercreditor agreement with the Administrative Agent that is at least as favorable to the Administrative Agent and the Secured Parties as the 2009 Indenture Notes Intercreditor Agreement (but nothing contained in this clause (w) shall suggest that any Applicable Refinancing of the 2002-4.25% Indenture Indebtedness may be secured), (x) is subordinated in rights to collateral on terms that are no less favorable to the Lenders and the other Secured Parties in any respect than the collateral subordination provisions, if any, contained in the applicable Indebtedness prior to the Applicable Refinancing, (y) does not have a maturity, and does not require any principal payments, earlier than two (2) years following the Maturity Date, and (z) has terms that are no more restrictive than the terms of the Loan Documents, and further provided, after giving effect to the issuance of such Indebtedness, no Event of Default shall have occurred and be continuing or would occur as a result thereof and any refinancings, refundings, renewals or extensions thereof.

“Permitted Real Estate Indebtedness” means Indebtedness of the Company or a Subsidiary (including any bankruptcy remote, special purpose Subsidiary described in the proviso immediately following clause (vi) of Section 6.14) owing to non-Affiliated Persons secured solely by Liens on Permitted Real Estate Indebtedness Collateral so long as the amount of such Indebtedness (as measured for any specified real property parcel and improvements (if any) financed thereby) is no greater than eighty-five percent (85%) of the value of such parcel and improvements set forth in an appraisal thereof prepared by a member of the Appraisal Institute and an independent appraisal firm satisfactory to Agent and commissioned in connection with such

financing, a copy of which such appraisal has been provided to the Administrative Agent upon its request.

“Permitted Real Estate Indebtedness Collateral” means, with respect to any particular Permitted Real Estate Indebtedness, the applicable real property used (at the time of the incurrence of such Permitted Real Estate Indebtedness) by a Subsidiary of the Company for the operation of a vehicle dealership or a business ancillary thereto, together with related real property rights, improvements, fixtures (other than trade fixtures), insurance payments, leases and rents related thereto and proceeds thereof.

“Permitted Service Loaner Indebtedness” means Indebtedness incurred from time to time by the Company or any current or (so long as no Default shall have occurred and be continuing) future Subsidiary consisting of financing for New Vehicles which are used exclusively by the Company or such Subsidiary as service loaner vehicles for customers of the Company or such Subsidiary that are having their vehicles serviced by the Company or such Subsidiary (collectively, “Service Loaner Vehicles”), which financing is provided by the respective manufacturers or manufacturer-affiliated finance companies to the Company or such Subsidiary, provided that (i) no Subsidiary may initially incur any such Indebtedness at any time that a Default shall have occurred or be continuing; (ii) such financing applies only to Service Loaner Vehicles sold to the Company or such Subsidiary by the respective manufacturer affiliated with said finance company, and that (to the extent that an intercreditor agreement is required to be in effect pursuant to clause (iv) below) the required intercreditor agreement provides that such Service Loaner Vehicles are not subject to a first priority security interest in favor of the Administrative Agent, (iii) such Indebtedness is secured solely by a Lien on said Service Loaner Vehicles sold and so financed and the proceeds thereof, and (iv) unless the Administrative Agent waives such requirement in its sole discretion, the Administrative Agent shall have executed with said affiliate finance company an intercreditor agreement, reasonably satisfactory to the Administrative Agent, setting forth the respective rights of each party in the assets of the Company and such dealerships, (A) in the case of such Indebtedness existing on the Second Amendment Effectiveness Date, within 90 days of the Second Amendment Effective Date, and (B) in all other cases, on or before the incurrence of such Indebtedness.

“Permitted Silo Indebtedness” means Indebtedness incurred from time to time by the Company or any current or (so long as no Default shall have occurred and be continuing) future Silo Subsidiary or Dual Subsidiary consisting of floorplan financing for New Vehicles (and in the case of Specified BMW Franchises, Used Vehicles) provided by manufacturer-affiliated finance companies to the Company, Silo Subsidiaries or Dual Subsidiaries, provided that (i) such financing applies only to New Vehicles manufactured by Daimler AG, Chrysler LLC, Bayerische Motoren Werke AG, General Motors Corporation, Ford Motor Corporation, Jaguar Land Rover North America, LLC or any manufacturer affiliated with a finance company that is a Lender (and, in each case, the respective successors thereof) and sold to such Silo Subsidiary or Dual Subsidiary by such respective manufacturer affiliated with said finance company (and in the case of Jaguar Land Rover North America, LLC, financed by Ford Motor Credit Company), or in the case of Used Vehicles at Specified BMW Franchises originally sold by BMW of North America, LLC, and that (as contemplated by the intercreditor agreement described in clause (iv) below) are not subject to a first priority security interest in favor of the Administrative Agent, (ii)

such Indebtedness is secured solely by a Lien on said Vehicles sold and so financed and the proceeds thereof or one or more cash collateral accounts maintained with (or letters of credit in favor of) such manufacturer-affiliated finance companies in an aggregate amount consistent with past practice and acceptable to the Administrative Agent in its reasonable discretion, provided that, (x) no new cash collateral accounts may be established and no new letters of credit may be issued in support of any such floorplan facilities after the Amendment No. 5 Effective Date, (y) the balance of any cash collateral accounts and the face amount of any letters of credit existing as of the Amendment No. 5 Effective Date may be maintained and the expiration date thereof extended, but the balance of such accounts and the face amount of such letters of credit shall not be increased after the Amendment No. 5 Effective Date, and (z) cash collateral accounts and letters of credit existing as of the Amendment No. 5 Effective Date shall not provide credit support for any such floorplan facility to the extent such floorplan facility is initially extended to a franchise after the Amendment No. 5 Effective Date (iii) such Silo Subsidiaries or Dual Subsidiaries, as the case may be, own, and such Vehicles are held as Inventory at, dealerships that are franchisees of Daimler AG, Chrysler LLC, Bayerische Motoren Werke AG, General Motors Corporation, Ford Motor Corporation, Jaguar Land Rover North America, LLC or any such manufacturer affiliated with a Lender (and, in each case, the respective successors thereof) and (iv) the Administrative Agent shall have executed with said affiliate finance company an intercreditor agreement, reasonably satisfactory to the Administrative Agent, setting forth the respective rights of each party in the assets of the Company and such dealerships.

“Person” means any natural person, corporation, limited liability company, trust, joint venture, association, company, partnership, Governmental Authority or other entity.

“Plan” means any “employee benefit plan” (as such term is defined in Section 3(3) of ERISA), other than a Multiemployer Plan, established by the Company or, with respect to any such plan that is subject to Section 412 of the Code or Title IV of ERISA, any ERISA Affiliate.

“Platform” has the meaning specified in Section 6.02.

“Pledge Agreement” means that certain Pledge Agreement dated as of the Closing Date made by the Company and certain Loan Parties in favor of the Administrative Agent for the benefit of the Secured Parties, substantially in the form of Exhibit K-1 attached hereto, as supplemented from time to time by the execution and delivery of Joinder Agreements pursuant to Section 6.14 and as otherwise supplemented, amended, or modified from time to time.

“Reduction Amount” has the meaning specified in Section 2.14(m).

“Register” has the meaning specified in Section 10.06(c).

“Registered Public Accounting Firm” has the meaning specified in the Securities Laws and shall be independent of the Company as prescribed in the Securities Laws.

“Related Parties” means, with respect to any Person, such Person’s Affiliates and the partners, directors, officers, employees, agents and advisors of such Person and of such Person’s Affiliates.

“Related Swap Contract” means all Swap Contracts that are entered into or maintained with a Lender or Affiliate of a Lender that are not prohibited by the express terms of the Loan Documents.

“Removed Franchise” has the meaning specified in Section 2.24(e).

“Rental Vehicle” means a New Vehicle less than two years old owned by a New Vehicle Borrower and purchased directly from a manufacturer as a New Vehicle and that is used as a service loaner vehicle or is periodically subject to a rental contract with customers of the New Vehicle Borrower for loaner or rental periods of up to thirty (30) consecutive days or is used by dealership personnel in connection with parts and service operations.

“Reportable Event” means any of the events set forth in Section 4043(c) of ERISA, other than events for which the 30 day notice period has been waived.

“Request for Credit Extension” means (a) with respect to a Revolving Borrowing, or conversion of Revolving Committed Loans, a Revolving Committed Loan Notice, (b) with respect to an L/C Credit Extension, a Letter of Credit Application, (c) with respect to a Revolving Swing Line Loan, or conversion of Revolving Swing Line Loans, a Revolving Swing Line Loan Notice, (d) with respect to a New Vehicle Floorplan Borrowing, or conversion of New Vehicle Floorplan Committed Loan, a New Vehicle Floorplan Committed Loan Notice, (e) with respect to a New Vehicle Floorplan Swing Line Loan, or conversion of New Vehicle Floorplan Swing Line Loans, a New Vehicle Floorplan Swing Line Loan Notice, (f) with respect to a Used Vehicle Floorplan Borrowing, or conversion of Used Vehicle Floorplan Committed Loans, a Used Vehicle Floorplan Committed Loan Notice, and (g) with respect to a Used Vehicle Floorplan Swing Line Loan, or conversion of Used Vehicle Floorplan Swing Line Loans, a Used Vehicle Floorplan Swing Line Loan Notice.

“Required Financial Information” has the meaning specified in the definition of “Restricted Subsidiary”.

“Required Lenders” means, as of any date of determination, Lenders whose Applicable Percentages aggregate more than 50% of the Aggregate Commitments, provided that, if the commitment of each Lender under an Applicable Facility to make Loans or the obligation of the L/C Issuer to make L/C Credit Extensions have been terminated pursuant to Section 8.02 or 8.04, the Commitments under such Facility shall be calculated based on the Total Revolving Outstandings, Total New Vehicle Floorplan Outstandings, or Total Used Vehicle Floorplan Outstandings (as the case may be) with respect to such Facility (with the aggregate amount of each Lender’s risk participation and funded participation in L/C Obligations, Revolving Swing Line Loans, New Vehicle Floorplan Swing Line Loans and Used Vehicle Floorplan Swing Line Loans, as applicable, being deemed “held” by such Lender for purposes of this definition); provided that (i) the Commitment of, and the portion of the Total Outstandings held or deemed held by, any Defaulting Lender shall be excluded for purposes of making a determination of Required Lenders and (ii) in the event that at the time of such determination any New Vehicle Floorplan Overdraft is outstanding, each of (x) the Aggregate Commitments and the Total New Vehicle Floorplan Outstandings, and (y) the Commitment of or Total New Vehicle Floorplan

Outstandings held by the New Vehicle Swing Line Lender (as the case may be), shall be deemed for purposes of this determination to be increased in the amount of such outstanding New Vehicle Floorplan Overdraft.

“Required New Vehicle Floorplan Lenders” means, as of any date of determination, New Vehicle Floorplan Lenders having more than 50% of the Aggregate New Vehicle Floorplan Commitments or, if the commitment of each New Vehicle Floorplan Lender to make New Vehicle Floorplan Loans has been terminated pursuant to Section 8.04, New Vehicle Floorplan Lenders holding in the aggregate more than 50% of the Total New Vehicle Floorplan Outstandings (with the aggregate amount of each New Vehicle Floorplan Lender’s risk participation and funded participation in New Vehicle Floorplan Swing Line Loans being deemed “held” by such New Vehicle Floorplan Lender for purposes of this definition); provided that the New Vehicle Floorplan Commitment of, and the portion of the Total New Vehicle Floorplan Outstandings held or deemed held by, any Defaulting Lender shall be excluded for purposes of making a determination of Required New Vehicle Floorplan Lenders.

“Required Revolving Lenders” means, as of any date of determination, Revolving Lenders having more than 50% of the Aggregate Revolving Commitments or, if the commitment of each Revolving Lender to make Revolving Loans and the obligation of the L/C Issuer to make L/C Credit Extensions have been terminated pursuant to Section 8.02, Revolving Lenders holding in the aggregate more than 50% of the Total Revolving Outstandings (with the aggregate amount of each Revolving Lender’s risk participation and funded participation in L/C Obligations and Revolving Swing Line Loans being deemed “held” by such Revolving Lender for purposes of this definition); provided that the Revolving Commitment of, and the portion of the Total Revolving Outstandings held or deemed held by, any Defaulting Lender shall be excluded for purposes of making a determination of Required Revolving Lenders.

“Reserve Commitment” has the meaning specified in Section 2.05.

“Responsible Officer” means the chief executive officer, president, chief financial officer, chief accounting officer, treasurer or assistant treasurer (or in the case of Sonic Financial, a vice president) of a Loan Party. Any document delivered hereunder that is signed by a Responsible Officer of a Loan Party shall be conclusively presumed to have been authorized by all necessary corporate, partnership and/or other action on the part of such Loan Party and such Responsible Officer shall be conclusively presumed to have acted on behalf of such Loan Party.

“Restricted Manufacturer” has the meaning specified in Section 2.06.

“Restricted Payment” means any dividend or other distribution (whether in cash, securities or other property) with respect to any capital stock or other Equity Interest of the Company or any Subsidiary, or any payment (whether in cash, securities or other property), including any sinking fund or similar deposit, on account of the purchase, redemption, retirement, acquisition, cancellation or termination of any such capital stock or other Equity Interest, or on account of any return of capital to the stockholders, partners or members (or the equivalent Person thereof) of the Company or any Subsidiary.

“Restricted Subsidiary” means each direct or indirect Subsidiary of the Company that (i) has total assets (including Equity Interests in other Persons) of equal to or greater than \$2500 (calculated as of the most recent fiscal period with respect to which the Administrative Agent shall have received financial statements required to be delivered pursuant to Sections 6.01(a) or (b) (or if prior to delivery of any financial statements pursuant to such Sections, then calculated based on the Audited Financial Statements) (the “Required Financial Information”)), or (ii) has revenues (on a consolidated basis with its Subsidiaries) equal to or greater than \$2500 for a period of four consecutive fiscal quarters (calculated for the most recent four fiscal quarter period for which the Administrative Agent has received the Required Financial Information); provided, however, that notwithstanding the foregoing, the term “Restricted Subsidiaries” shall also include any Subsidiaries designated as “Restricted Subsidiaries” pursuant to the definition of “Unrestricted Subsidiaries”.

“Retail Contracts” means the chattel paper purchased by Cornerstone from the Affiliated Dealers consisting of retail installment sale contracts for Vehicles and any amendments, modifications or supplements to any such chattel paper, and any documents and customer files pertaining thereto, and all monies paid thereon and due thereunder.

“Revolving Advance Limit” means, as of any date of a Revolving Borrowing or other date of determination, calculated as of the most recent date for which a Revolving Borrowing Base Certificate has been delivered pursuant to the terms hereof, an amount equal to the lesser of (i) the Aggregate Revolving Commitments and (ii) the Revolving Borrowing Base minus, in each case, the amount of the Reserve Commitment, if any, in existence at the time of determination.

“Revolving Borrowing” means a Revolving Committed Borrowing or a Revolving Swing Line Borrowing, as the context may require.

“Revolving Borrowing Base” means as of any date of calculation, the lesser of (1) the Aggregate Revolving Commitments and (2) the sum of:

(A) the sum of (i) 80% of the Net Book Value of Eligible Accounts which constitute factory receivables, net of holdback, (ii) 80% of the Net Book Value of Eligible Accounts which constitute current finance receivables, provided that in no event shall Buyer Notes or the rights or obligations thereunder be considered finance receivables or otherwise be included in the calculation of the Revolving Borrowing Base, (iii) 75% of the Net Book Value of Eligible Accounts which constitute receivables for parts and services (after netting any amounts payable in connection with such parts and services), (iv) 65% of the Net Book Value of Eligible Inventory which constitutes parts and accessories, and (v) 45% of the Net Book Value of Eligible Equipment,

plus (B) 50% of the fair market value (determined using the average daily share price for the five (5) Business Days immediately preceding the date of calculation) of the 5,000,000 shares of common stock of Speedway Motorsports, Inc. that are pledged as Collateral under the Sonic Financial Pledge Agreement,

plus, (C)(i) at all times on or prior to September 30, 2009, the lesser of (w) 50% times Historical Consolidated EBITDA, for the four quarters of the Company most recently ended for which financial statements have been delivered pursuant to Section 6.01(a) or (b), and (x) 50% of the sum of clauses (A) plus (B), and (ii) at all times on or after October 1, 2009, the lesser of (y) 25% times Historical Consolidated EBITDA, for the four quarters of the Company most recently ended for which financial statements have been delivered pursuant to Section 6.01(a) or (b), and (z) 25% of the sum of clauses (A) plus (B); provided that, subject to any mandatory prepayment required by Section 2.14(l), the Company may at any time, upon not less than 3 Business Days notice to the Administrative Agent and the Revolving Lenders, permanently eliminate this clause (C) from the calculation of the Revolving Borrowing Base.

“Revolving Borrowing Base Certificate” means a certificate by a Responsible Officer of the Company, substantially in the form of Exhibit L-1 (or another form acceptable to the Administrative Agent) setting forth the calculation of the Revolving Borrowing Base, including a calculation of each component thereof, all in such detail as shall be reasonably satisfactory to the Administrative Agent. All calculations of the Revolving Borrowing Base in connection with the preparation of any Revolving Borrowing Base Certificate shall originally be made by the Company and certified to the Administrative Agent; provided, that the Administrative Agent shall have the right to review and adjust, in the exercise of its reasonable credit judgment, any such calculation to the extent that such calculation is not in accordance with this Agreement.

“Revolving Commitment” means, as to each Lender, its obligation to (a) make Revolving Committed Loans to the Company pursuant to Section 2.01, (b) purchase participations in L/C Obligations, and (c) purchase participations in Revolving Swing Line Loans, in an aggregate principal amount at any one time outstanding not to exceed the amount set forth opposite such Lender’s name on Schedule 2.01 or in the Assignment and Assumption pursuant to which such Lender becomes a party hereto, as applicable, as such amount may be adjusted from time to time in accordance with this Agreement.

“Revolving Committed Borrowing” means a borrowing consisting of simultaneous Revolving Committed Loans of the same Type made by each of the Revolving Lenders pursuant to Section 2.01.

“Revolving Committed Loan” has the meaning specified in Section 2.01.

“Revolving Committed Loan Notice” means a notice of (a) a Revolving Borrowing or (b) a conversion of Revolving Committed Loans from one Type to the other, pursuant to Section 2.02(a), which, if in writing, shall be substantially in the form of Exhibit A-2.

“Revolving Credit Facility” means the revolving credit facility described in Sections 2.01 through 2.05 providing for Revolving Loans to the Company by the Revolving Lenders.

“Revolving Default” means any event or condition that constitutes a Revolving Event of Default or that, with the giving of any notice, the passage of time, or both, would be a Revolving Event of Default.

“Revolving Event of Default” has the meaning specified in Section 8.01.

“Revolving Facility Liquidity Amount” means, as of any date of determination, the lesser of:

(a) the difference of the Revolving Advance Limit minus Total Revolving Outstandings, and

(b) the largest principal amount of Revolving Committed Loans that may then be borrowed under the Revolving Credit Facility without resulting in an Event of Default under Section 7.11(c) (on a pro forma basis as of the last day of the most recent fiscal quarter for which a Compliance Certificate was delivered or required to be delivered), after giving pro forma effect to such Revolving Committed Loans.

“Revolving Lender” means each Lender that has a Revolving Commitment or, following termination of the Revolving Commitments, has Revolving Loans outstanding.

“Revolving Loan” means an extension of credit by a Revolving Lender to the Company under Article II in the form of a Revolving Committed Loan or a Revolving Swing Line Loan.

“Revolving Swing Line” means the revolving credit facility made available by the Revolving Swing Line Lender pursuant to Section 2.04.

“Revolving Swing Line Borrowing” means a borrowing of a Revolving Swing Line Loan pursuant to Section 2.04.

“Revolving Swing Line Lender” means Bank of America in its capacity as provider of Revolving Swing Line Loans, or any successor revolving swing line lender hereunder.

“Revolving Swing Line Loan” has the meaning specified in Section 2.04(a).

“Revolving Swing Line Loan Notice” means a notice of a Revolving Swing Line Borrowing pursuant to Section 2.04(b), which, if in writing, shall be substantially in the form of Exhibit B-2.

“Revolving Swing Line Sublimit” means an amount equal to the lesser of (a) \$25,000,000 and (b) the Aggregate Revolving Commitments. The Revolving Swing Line Sublimit is part of, and not in addition to, the Aggregate Revolving Commitments.

“Sarbanes-Oxley” means the Sarbanes-Oxley Act of 2002.

“SEC” means the Securities and Exchange Commission, or any Governmental Authority succeeding to any of its principal functions.

“Second Amendment Effectiveness Date” means April 24, 2007.

“Secured Cash Management Arrangement” means any Cash Management Arrangement that is entered into by and between any Loan Party and any Cash Management Bank, in each case, in such Cash Management Bank’s sole discretion.

“Secured Parties” means, collectively, with respect to each of the Security Instruments, the Administrative Agent, the Lenders, the Cash Management Banks, and each Affiliate of any Lender, which Affiliate is party to a Related Swap Contract.

“Securities Laws” means the Securities Act of 1933, the Securities Exchange Act of 1934, Sarbanes-Oxley and the applicable accounting and auditing principles, rules, standards and practices promulgated, approved or incorporated by the SEC or the Public Company Accounting Oversight Board, as each of the foregoing may be amended and in effect on any applicable date hereunder.

“Security Agreement” means that certain Security Agreement dated as of the Closing Date made by the Company and each other Loan Party (except Sonic Financial) in favor of the Administrative Agent for the benefit of the Secured Parties, substantially in the form of Exhibit N attached hereto, as supplemented from time to time by the execution and delivery of Joinder Agreements pursuant to Section 6.14, and as otherwise supplemented, amended, or modified from time to time.

“Security Instruments” means, collectively or individually as the context may indicate, the Security Agreement, the Pledge Agreement, the Escrow and Security Agreement, the Sonic Financial Pledge Agreement, any Joinder Agreement, any Landlord Waiver, and all other agreements (including control agreements), instruments and other documents, whether now existing or hereafter in effect, pursuant to which the Company, any other Loan Party, or any other Person shall grant or convey to the Administrative Agent, for the benefit of the Secured Parties a Lien in, or any other Person shall acknowledge any such Lien in, property as security for all or any portion of the Obligations, any other obligation under any Loan Document and any obligation or liability arising under any Related Swap Contract.

“Side Letter Agreement” means that certain Side Letter Agreement dated as of the Closing Date by and between the Company and the Administrative Agent.

“Silo Financing Commencement Date” has the meaning specified in Section 2.15(d).

“Silo Subsidiaries” means, those Subsidiaries (other than Dual Subsidiaries) from time to time obligated pursuant to Permitted Silo Indebtedness as permitted pursuant to the terms of this Agreement, which such Subsidiaries as of the Closing Date are set forth on Schedule 1.01B. The Company may designate other Subsidiaries as Silo Subsidiaries from time to time in accordance with Sections 2.24(e) and 7.18.

“Solvent” means, when used with respect to any Person, that at the time of determination:

(a) the fair value of its assets (both at fair valuation and at present fair saleable value on an orderly basis) is in excess of the total amount of its liabilities, including contingent obligations; and

(b) it is then able and expects to be able to pay its debts as they mature; and

(c) it has capital sufficient to carry on its business as conducted and as proposed to be conducted.

“Sonic Financial” means Sonic Financial Corporation, a North Carolina corporation.

“Sonic Financial Pledge Agreement” means that certain Pledge Agreement dated as of the Closing Date made by Sonic Financial in favor of the Administrative Agent for the benefit of the Secured Parties, substantially in the form of Exhibit J attached hereto, as supplemented, amended, or modified from time to time.

“Specified BMW Franchise” means (a) any Silo Subsidiary that operates a BMW of North America, LLC franchise or (b) any BMW of North America, LLC franchise operated by a Dual Subsidiary.

“Specified Franchise” means a franchise for the sale of New Vehicles manufactured by Daimler AG, Chrysler LLC, Bayerische Motoren Werke AG, General Motors Corporation, Ford Motor Corporation, Jaguar Land Rover North America, LLC or any manufacturer affiliated with a finance company that is a Lender (and, in each case, the respective successors thereof).

“Subsidiary” of a Person means a corporation, partnership, joint venture, limited liability company or other business entity of which a majority of the shares of securities or other interests having ordinary voting power for the election of directors or other governing body (other than securities or interests having such power only by reason of the happening of a contingency) are at the time beneficially owned, or the management of which is otherwise controlled, directly, or indirectly through one or more intermediaries, or both, by such Person. Unless otherwise specified, all references herein to a “Subsidiary” or to “Subsidiaries” shall refer to a Subsidiary or Subsidiaries of the Company and shall include, without limitation, the Unrestricted Subsidiaries.

“Subsidiary Guarantors” means, collectively, all Restricted Subsidiaries executing a Subsidiary Guaranty on the Closing Date and all other Subsidiaries that enter into a Joinder Agreement.

“Subsidiary Guaranty” means the Subsidiary Guaranty Agreement made by the Subsidiary Guarantors in favor of the Administrative Agent and the Lenders, substantially in the form of Exhibit G as supplemented from time to time by execution and delivery of Joinder Agreements pursuant to Section 6.14 and as otherwise supplemented, amended, or modified from time to time.

“Super-Majority New Vehicle Floorplan Lenders” means, as of any date of determination, New Vehicle Floorplan Lenders having more than 80% of the Aggregate New

Vehicle Floorplan Commitments or, if the commitment of each New Vehicle Floorplan Lender to make New Vehicle Floorplan Loans has been terminated pursuant to Section 8.04, New Vehicle Floorplan Lenders holding in the aggregate more than 80% of the Total New Vehicle Floorplan Outstandings (with the aggregate amount of each New Vehicle Floorplan Lender's risk participation and funded participation in New Vehicle Floorplan Swing Line Loans being deemed "held" by such New Vehicle Floorplan Lender for purposes of this definition); provided that the New Vehicle Floorplan Commitment of, and the portion of the Total New Vehicle Floorplan Outstandings held or deemed held by, any Defaulting Lender shall be excluded for purposes of making a determination of Super-Majority New Vehicle Floorplan Lenders.

"Super-Majority Used Vehicle Floorplan Lenders" means, as of any date of determination, Used Vehicle Floorplan Lenders having more than 80% of the Aggregate Used Vehicle Floorplan Commitments or, if the commitment of each Used Vehicle Floorplan Lender to make Used Vehicle Floorplan Loans has been terminated pursuant to Section 8.04, Used Vehicle Floorplan Lenders holding in the aggregate more than 80% of the Total Used Vehicle Floorplan Outstandings (with the aggregate amount of each Used Vehicle Floorplan Lender's risk participation and funded participation in Used Vehicle Floorplan Swing Line Loans being deemed "held" by such Used Vehicle Floorplan Lender for purposes of this definition); provided that the Used Vehicle Floorplan Commitment of, and the portion of the Total Used Vehicle Floorplan Outstandings held or deemed held by, any Defaulting Lender shall be excluded for purposes of making a determination of Super-Majority Used Vehicle Floorplan Lenders.

"Swap Contract" means (a) any and all rate swap transactions, basis swaps, credit derivative transactions, forward rate transactions, commodity swaps, commodity options, forward commodity contracts, equity or equity index swaps or options, bond or bond price or bond index swaps or options or forward bond or forward bond price or forward bond index transactions, interest rate options, forward foreign exchange transactions, cap transactions, floor transactions, collar transactions, currency swap transactions, cross-currency rate swap transactions, currency options, spot contracts, or any other similar transactions or any combination of any of the foregoing (including any options to enter into any of the foregoing), whether or not any such transaction is governed by or subject to any master agreement, and (b) any and all transactions of any kind, and the related confirmations, which are subject to the terms and conditions of, or governed by, any form of master agreement published by the International Swaps and Derivatives Association, Inc., any International Foreign Exchange Master Agreement, or any other master agreement (any such master agreement, together with any related schedules, a "Master Agreement"), including any such obligations or liabilities under any Master Agreement.

"Swap Termination Value" means, in respect of any one or more Swap Contracts, after taking into account the effect of any legally enforceable netting agreement relating to such Swap Contracts, (a) for any date on or after the date such Swap Contracts have been closed out and termination value(s) determined in accordance therewith, such termination value(s), and (b) for any date prior to the date referenced in clause (a), the amount(s) determined as the mark-to-market value(s) for such Swap Contracts, as determined based upon one or more mid-market or other readily available quotations provided by any recognized dealer in such Swap Contracts (which may include a Lender or any Affiliate of a Lender).

“Synthetic Lease Obligation” means the monetary obligation of a Person under (a) a so-called synthetic, off-balance sheet or tax retention lease, or (b) an agreement for the use or possession of property creating obligations that do not appear on the balance sheet of such Person but which, upon the insolvency or bankruptcy of such Person, would be characterized as the indebtedness of such Person (without regard to accounting treatment).

“Taxes” means all present or future taxes, levies, imposts, duties, deductions, withholdings, assessments, fees or other charges imposed by any Governmental Authority, including any interest, additions to tax or penalties applicable thereto.

“Threshold Amount” means \$10,000,000.

“Total New Vehicle Floorplan Outstandings” means the aggregate Outstanding Amount of all New Vehicle Floorplan Loans.

“Total Outstandings” means the aggregate of the Total Revolving Outstandings, Total New Vehicle Floorplan Outstandings and Total Used Vehicle Floorplan Outstandings.

“Total Revolving Outstandings” means the aggregate Outstanding Amount of all Revolving Loans and all L/C Obligations.

“Total Used Vehicle Floorplan Outstandings” means the aggregate Outstanding Amount of all Used Vehicle Floorplan Loans.

“Type” means, with respect to a Committed Loan, its character as a Base Rate Loan or a Eurodollar Rate Loan.

“UCC” means the Uniform Commercial Code then in effect in the state of North Carolina or, if the context so indicates, another applicable jurisdiction.

“Unfunded Pension Liability” means the excess of a Pension Plan’s benefit liabilities under Section 4001(a)(16) of ERISA, over the current value of that Pension Plan’s assets, determined in accordance with the assumptions used for funding the Pension Plan pursuant to Section 412 of the Code for the applicable plan year.

“United States” and “U.S.” mean the United States of America.

“Unreimbursed Amount” has the meaning specified in Section 2.03(c)(i).

“Unrestricted Subsidiaries” means all Subsidiaries of the Company other than the Restricted Subsidiaries; provided that in no event shall the Unrestricted Subsidiaries as a whole have more than \$100,000 in total assets or more than \$100,000 in total revenues for a period of four consecutive fiscal quarters (in each case) calculated as of the most recent four fiscal quarter period for which the Administrative Agent has received the Required Financial Information; and if either such threshold is exceeded, the Company shall immediately designate one or more such Subsidiaries to be “Restricted Subsidiaries” and deliver to the Administrative Agent all

documents specified in Section 6.14 for such Subsidiaries, so that after giving effect to such designation, the remaining Unrestricted Subsidiaries shall satisfy such requirements.

“Used Vehicle” means a Vehicle other than a New Vehicle.

“Used Vehicle Borrowing Base” means, as of any date of calculation, 75% of the Net Book Value of Eligible Used Vehicle Inventory.

“Used Vehicle Borrowing Base Certificate” means a certificate by a Responsible Officer of the Company, substantially in the form of Exhibit L-2 (or another form acceptable to the Administrative Agent) setting forth the calculation of the Used Vehicle Borrowing Base, including a calculation of each component thereof, all in such detail as shall be reasonably satisfactory to the Administrative Agent. All calculations of the Used Vehicle Borrowing Base in connection with the preparation of any Used Vehicle Borrowing Base Certificate shall originally be made by the Company and certified to the Administrative Agent; provided, that the Administrative Agent shall have the right to review and adjust, in the exercise of its reasonable credit judgment, any such calculation to the extent that such calculation is not in accordance with this Agreement.

“Used Vehicle Floorplan Borrowing” means a Used Vehicle Floorplan Committed Borrowing or a Used Vehicle Floorplan Swing Line Borrowing, as the context may require.

“Used Vehicle Floorplan Commitment” means, as to each Lender, its obligation to (a) make Used Vehicle Floorplan Committed Loans to the Company pursuant to Section 2.11, and (b) purchase participations in Used Vehicle Floorplan Swing Line Loans, in an aggregate principal amount at any one time outstanding not to exceed the amount set forth opposite such Lender’s name on Schedule 2.01 or in the Assignment and Assumption pursuant to which such Lender becomes a party hereto, as applicable, as such amount may be adjusted from time to time in accordance with this Agreement.

“Used Vehicle Floorplan Committed Borrowing” means a borrowing consisting of simultaneous Used Vehicle Floorplan Committed Loans of the same Type made by each of the Used Vehicle Floorplan Lenders pursuant to Section 2.11.

“Used Vehicle Floorplan Committed Loan” has the meaning specified in Section 2.11.

“Used Vehicle Floorplan Committed Loan Notice” means a notice of (a) a Used Vehicle Floorplan Committed Borrowing, or (b) a conversion of Used Vehicle Floorplan Committed Loans from one Type to the other, pursuant to Section 2.12(a), which, if in writing, shall be substantially in the form of Exhibit A-3.

“Used Vehicle Floorplan Facility” means the used vehicle floorplan facility described in Sections 2.11 through 2.13 providing for Used Vehicle Floorplan Loans to the Company by the Used Vehicle Floorplan Lenders.

“Used Vehicle Floorplan Loan” means an extension of credit by a Used Vehicle Floorplan Lender to the Company under Article II in the form of a Used Vehicle Floorplan Committed Loan or a Used Vehicle Floorplan Swing Line Loan.

“Used Vehicle Floorplan Lender” means each Lender that has a Used Vehicle Floorplan Commitment or, following termination of the Used Vehicle Floorplan Commitments, has Used Vehicle Floorplan Loans outstanding.

“Used Vehicle Floorplan Swing Line” means the revolving credit facility made available by the Used Vehicle Floorplan Swing Line Lender pursuant to Section 2.13.

“Used Vehicle Floorplan Swing Line Borrowing” means a borrowing of a Used Vehicle Floorplan Swing Line Loan pursuant to Section 2.13.

“Used Vehicle Swing Line Lender” means Bank of America in its capacity as provider of Used Vehicle Floorplan Swing Line Loans, or any successor used vehicle swing line lender hereunder.

“Used Vehicle Floorplan Swing Line Loan” has the meaning specified in Section 2.13(a).

“Used Vehicle Floorplan Swing Line Loan Notice” means a notice of a Used Vehicle Floorplan Swing Line Borrowing pursuant to Section 2.13(b), which, if in writing, shall be substantially in the form of Exhibit B-3.

“Used Vehicle Floorplan Swing Line Sublimit” means an amount equal to the lesser of (a) \$25,000,000 and (b) the Aggregate Used Vehicle Floorplan Commitments. The Used Vehicle Floorplan Swing Line Sublimit is part of, and not in addition to, the Aggregate Used Vehicle Floorplan Commitments.

“Vehicle” means an automobile or truck with a gross vehicle weight of less than 16,000 pounds which satisfies the following requirements: (a) the vehicle is owned by a Grantor free of any title defects or any liens or interests of others except the security interest in favor of the Administrative Agent for the benefit of the Secured Parties and other Liens to which the Administrative Agent consents in writing in its sole discretion; (b) except as set forth in Section 6.13, the vehicle is located at one of the locations identified in Schedule 6.13; and (c) the vehicle is held for sale in the ordinary course of a Grantor’s business and is of good and merchantable quality; provided that, in the case of vehicles financed under the New Vehicle Floorplan Facility, “Vehicle” shall include (i) any Vehicle described above or (ii) any truck with a gross vehicle weight of 16,000 pounds or more (each, a “Heavy Truck”) so long as (A) such truck satisfies the requirements of clauses (a) through (c) above and (B) the aggregate Outstanding Amount of New Vehicle Floorplan Committed Loans and New Vehicle Floorplan Swing Line Loans used to finance Heavy Trucks does not exceed \$35,000,000 at any time.

“Vehicle Title Documentation” has the meaning specified in Section 6.05.

“Within Line Limitation” means,

(a) with respect to any New Vehicle Borrower, any dealer location and any specific vehicle manufacturer or distributor, as applicable, limitations on the amount of New Vehicle Floorplan Loans that may be advanced to such manufacturer or distributor with respect to New Vehicles purchased or to be purchased by such New Vehicle Borrower for such dealer location, or

(b) with respect to any New Vehicle Borrower, any dealer location and any specific vehicle manufacturer or distributor, as applicable, and Demonstrators, Rental Vehicles and Fleet Vehicles, limitations on the amount of New Vehicle Floorplan Loans that may be advanced to such manufacturer or distributor with respect to Demonstrators, Rental Vehicles and Fleet Vehicles purchased or to be purchased by such New Vehicle Borrower for such dealer location,

which limitations (in each case) are agreed to from time to time by the New Vehicle Swing Line Lender and such distributor or manufacturer from time to time.

“Voting Securities” means Equity Interests, the holders of which are ordinarily, in the absence of contingencies, entitled to vote for the election of directors (or persons performing similar functions) of such Person, even if the right to vote has been suspended by the happening of such contingency.

“50% NCP Requirements” has the meaning set forth in Section 2.14(l)(ii).

“2002-4.25% Indenture Indebtedness” means, collectively or individually, as the context may require, Indebtedness of the Company or any of its Subsidiaries incurred or outstanding under the 2002 Indenture (as supplemented only by the Second Supplemental Indenture dated as of November 23, 2005 among the Company, the guarantors set forth therein and U.S. Bank National Association, as Trustee, and without giving effect to any subsequent amendment, modification or supplement other than the 2002-4.25% Indenture Notes Restructure) and any 2002-4.25% Indenture Notes, including any such 2002-4.25% Indenture Notes that are refinanced in accordance with a 2002-4.25% Indenture Notes Restructure.

“2002-4.25% Indenture Notes” means the 4.25% Convertible Senior Subordinated Notes due November 30, 2015 in an initial aggregate principal amount of \$160,000,000 issued under the 2002 Indenture (as supplemented only by the Second Supplemental Indenture dated as of November 23, 2005 among the Company, the guarantors set forth therein and U.S. Bank National Association, as Trustee, and without giving effect to any subsequent amendment, modification or supplement other than the 2002-4.25% Indenture Notes Restructure).

“2002-4.25% Indenture Notes Restructure” means the restructuring of the 2002- 4.25% Notes upon the following terms and conditions: (i) the outstanding balance of the Indebtedness evidenced by the 2002-4.25% Indenture Notes immediately prior to such refinancing is not increased, (ii) the maturity of the 2002-4.25% Indenture Notes (as refinanced) is not shorter than the maturity of the 2002-4.25% Indenture Notes immediately prior to such refinancing, and no principal payments or repurchases of the 2002-4.25% Indenture Notes (as refinanced) are required to be made any earlier than they would have been made under the terms of the 2002-4.25% Indenture Notes prior to such refinancing, (iii) the 2002-4.25% Indenture Notes (as

refinanced) are unsecured, and (iv) the Company complies with the limit on aggregate interest payments payable with the respect to the 2009 Indenture Notes and the 2002-4.25% Indenture Notes (including such 2002-4.25% Indenture Notes (as refinanced as permitted hereby) contained in Section 7.16. The refinancing of the 2002-4.25% Indenture Notes may include the elimination of their subordination in payment priority, provided that the holder of such notes enter into an intercreditor agreement with the Administrative Agent that is at least as favorable to the Administrative Agent and the Secured Parties as the 2009 Indenture Notes Intercreditor Agreement.

“2002-5.25% Indenture Indebtedness” means, collectively or individually, as the context may require, Indebtedness of the Company or any of its Subsidiaries incurred or outstanding under the 2002 Indenture (as supplemented only by the First Supplemental Indenture dated as of May 7, 2002 among the Company, the guarantors set forth therein and U.S. Bank National Association, as Trustee, and without giving effect to any subsequent amendment, modification or supplement) and any 2002-5.25% Indenture Notes, but not including as any such 2002-5.25% Indenture Notes are refinanced in accordance with the 2002-5.25% Indenture Notes Restructure.

“2002-5.25% Indenture Notes” means the 5.25% Convertible Senior Subordinated Notes due May 7, 2009 issued by the Company in an initial aggregate principal amount of \$149,500,000 issued under the 2002 Indenture, as supplemented only by the First Supplemental Indenture dated as of May 7, 2002 among the Company, the guarantors set forth therein and U.S. Bank National Association, as Trustee, and without giving effect to any subsequent amendment, modification or supplement.

“2002-5.25% Indenture Notes Restructure” means the occurrence of both the 2002-5.25% Indenture Notes Restructure Closing and the 2002-5.25% Indenture Notes Restructure Settlement.

“2002-5.25% Indenture Notes Restructure Closing” means the closing of the restructuring of the 2002-5.25% Indenture Notes on or before May 4, 2009 (the “2002-5.25% Notes Closing Date”) upon terms and conditions satisfactory to the Administrative Agent and the Required Lenders, including, without limitation, (a) the satisfactory review and approval by the Administrative Agent and the Required Lenders of the terms and conditions of definitive documentation for such restructuring, including, (i) the 2009 Indenture, the 2009 Indenture Notes and the 2009 Indenture Notes Intercreditor Agreement (which such documents shall have been executed by the Company, each Subsidiary party thereto and U.S. Bank National Association, as trustee, and shall have been delivered by such Persons in escrow with no condition to the release thereof other than the occurrence of the 2002-5.25% Indenture Notes Restructure Settlement Conditions) and (ii) the 2009 Subscription Agreements (as defined in and as executed and delivered as set forth in clause (b) below), (b) no less than 82% of the holders of the 2002-5.25% Indenture Notes shall have agreed to participate in such restructuring (such participating holders, the “2002-5.25% Participating Holders”) by executing and delivering irrevocable subscription agreements in connection therewith (the “2009 Subscription Agreements”), (c) the aggregate amount of prepayments or purchases by the Company of the 2002-5.25% Indenture Notes shall not exceed \$15,000,000~~plus~~ the amount of the 2009 Special Capital Contribution, as set forth in Section 7.16(a)(i), (d) the Company’s and the respective Subsidiaries’ certification to the 2002-

5.25% Participating Holders, the Administrative Agent and the Lenders that the representations and warranties of such Persons set forth in the 2009 Indenture and the 2009 Indenture Notes (collectively, the “Indenture Representations and Warranties”) are true and correct as of the 2002-5.25% Notes Closing Date and neither the Company nor any such Subsidiary has any knowledge that any Indenture Representation and Warranty will not be true and correct as of the 2002-5.25% Notes Settlement Date (as defined below), and (e) the only conditions to the 2002-5.25% Indenture Notes Restructure Settlement are the 2002-5.25% Indenture Notes Restructure Settlement Conditions.

“2002-5.25% Indenture Notes Restructure Settlement” means the settlement of the restructuring of the 2002-5.25% Indenture Notes on or before May 7, 2009 (the “2002-5.25% Notes Settlement Date”), which shall occur upon the satisfaction of the 2002-5.25% Indenture Notes Restructure Settlement Conditions.

“2002-5.25% Indenture Notes Restructure Settlement Conditions” means (i) the making by the Company and the respective Subsidiaries of the Indenture Representations and Warranties as of May 7, 2009 and (ii) each 2002-5.25% Participating Holder shall have submitted, or caused the submission of, an order through the Deposit/Withdrawal at Custodian transaction system run by the Depository Trust Company (the “DWAC System”) (x) to remove such 2002-5.25% Participating Holder’s 2002-5.25% Indenture Notes from the DWAC System and (y) to add such 2002-5.25% Participating Holder’s respective 2009 Indenture Notes to the DWAC System.

“2002-5.25% Notes Settlement Date” shall have the meaning specified in the definition of “2002-5.25% Indenture Notes Restructure Settlement”.

“2002-5.25% Participating Holders” shall have the meaning specified in the definition of “2002-5.25% Indenture Notes Restructure Closing”.

“2002 Indenture” means the Subordinated Indenture dated as of May 7, 2002 between the Company, the guarantors set forth therein and U.S. Bank National Association, as Trustee, as supplemented by the First Supplemental Indenture dated as of May 7, 2002 among the Company, the guarantors set forth therein and U.S. Bank National Association, as Trustee and the Second Supplemental Indenture dated as of November 23, 2005 among the Company, the guarantors set forth therein and U.S. Bank National Association, as Trustee.

“2003 Indenture” means the Indenture dated as of August 12, 2003 between the Company, the guarantors set forth therein and U.S. Bank National Association, as Trustee.

“2003 Indenture Indebtedness” means, collectively or individually, as the context may require, Indebtedness of the Company or any of its Subsidiaries incurred or outstanding under the 2003 Indenture and any 2003 Indenture Notes.

“2003 Indenture Notes” means (i) the 8.625% Senior Notes due 2013 issued by the Company in (i) an initial aggregate principal amount of \$200,000,000 and (ii) an additional principal amount of \$75,000,000, in each case issued under the 2003 Indenture.

“2009 Indenture” means the Indenture dated as of May 7, 2009 between the Company, the guarantors set forth therein and U.S. Bank National Association, as Trustee.

“2009 Indenture Indebtedness” means, collectively or individually, as the context may require, Indebtedness of the Company or any of its Subsidiaries incurred or outstanding under any of the 2009 Indenture and any 2009 Indenture Notes.

“2009 Indenture Notes” means the 6.00% Senior Secured Convertible Notes due 2012 issued by the Company in an initial aggregate principal amount not to exceed \$85,965,973.02 under the 2009 Indenture.

“2009 Indenture Notes Intercreditor Agreement” means that certain Intercreditor Agreement dated as of May 7, 2009 among the Administrative Agent, U.S. Bank, National Association, the Company and the Loan Parties.

“2009 Special Capital Contribution” means capital contributions provided to the Company from any Person(s) in an aggregate amount of up to \$3,500,000 so long as (i) such capital contributions are made in exchange solely for Class A Common Stock of the Company (and in any event without any warrants, options or other non-common stock rights) and (ii) all of the proceeds of such contributions are used for the prepayments or purchases by the Company of the 2002-5.25% Indenture Notes on the 2002-5.25% Notes Settlement Date.

1.02 Other Interpretive Provisions. With reference to this Agreement and each other Loan Document, unless otherwise specified herein or in such other Loan Document:

(a) The definitions of terms herein shall apply equally to the singular and plural forms of the terms defined. Whenever the context may require, any pronoun shall include the corresponding masculine, feminine and neuter forms. The words “include,” “includes” and “including” shall be deemed to be followed by the phrase “without limitation.” The word “will” shall be construed to have the same meaning and effect as the word “shall.” Unless the context requires otherwise, (i) any definition of or reference to any agreement, instrument or other document (including any Organization Document) shall be construed as referring to such agreement, instrument or other document as from time to time amended, supplemented or otherwise modified (subject to any restrictions on such amendments, supplements or modifications set forth herein or in any other Loan Document), (ii) any reference herein to any Person shall be construed to include such Person’s successors and assigns, (iii) the words “herein,” “hereof” and “hereunder,” and words of similar import when used in any Loan Document, shall be construed to refer to such Loan Document in its entirety and not to any particular provision thereof, (iv) all references in a Loan Document to Articles, Sections, Exhibits and Schedules shall be construed to refer to Articles and Sections of, and Exhibits and Schedules to, the Loan Document in which such references appear, (v) any reference to any law shall include all statutory and regulatory provisions consolidating, amending, replacing or interpreting such law and any reference to any law or regulation shall, unless otherwise specified, refer to such law or regulation as amended, modified or supplemented from time to time, and (vi) the words “asset” and “property” shall be construed to have the same meaning and effect and to

refer to any and all tangible and intangible assets and properties, including cash, securities, accounts and contract rights.

(b) In the computation of periods of time from a specified date to a later specified date, the word “from” means “from and including,” the words “to” and “until” each mean “to but excluding,” and the word “through” means “to and including.”

(c) Section headings herein and in the other Loan Documents are included for convenience of reference only and shall not affect the interpretation of this Agreement or any other Loan Document.

1.03 Accounting Terms.

(a) Generally. All accounting terms not specifically or completely defined herein shall be construed in conformity with, and all financial data (including financial ratios and other financial calculations) required to be submitted pursuant to this Agreement shall be prepared in conformity with, GAAP applied on a consistent basis, as in effect from time to time, applied in a manner consistent with that used in preparing the Audited Financial Statements, except as otherwise specifically prescribed herein.

(b) Changes in GAAP. If at any time any change in GAAP would affect the computation of any financial ratio or requirement set forth in any Loan Document, and either the Company or the Required Lenders shall so request, the Administrative Agent, the Lenders and the Company shall negotiate in good faith to amend such ratio or requirement to preserve the original intent thereof in light of such change in GAAP (subject to the approval of the Required Lenders); provided that, until so amended, (i) such ratio or requirement shall continue to be computed in accordance with GAAP prior to such change therein and (ii) the Company shall provide to the Administrative Agent and the Lenders financial statements and other documents required under this Agreement or as reasonably requested hereunder setting forth a reconciliation between calculations of such ratio or requirement made before and after giving effect to such change in GAAP.

(c) Consolidation of Variable Interest Entities. All references herein to consolidated financial statements of the Company and its Subsidiaries or to the determination of any amount for the Company and its Subsidiaries on a consolidated basis or any similar reference shall, in each case, be deemed to include each variable interest entity that the Company is required to consolidate pursuant to FASB Interpretation No. 46 – Consolidation of Variable Interest Entities: an interpretation of ARB No. 51 (January 2003) as if such variable interest entity were a Subsidiary as defined herein.

(d) Calculation of Consolidated EBITDA. Consolidated EBITDA shall be calculated for any period by including the actual amount for such period, including the Consolidated EBITDA attributable to Acquisitions permitted prior to the Amendment No. 4 Effective Date and occurring during such period and (to the extent otherwise included in net income from continuing operations) excluding the Consolidated EBITDA attributable to Permitted Dispositions of assets occurring during such period on a pro forma basis for the period from the

first day of the applicable period through the date of the closing of each such permitted Acquisition or Permitted Disposition, utilizing (a) where available or required pursuant to the terms of this Agreement, historical audited and/or reviewed unaudited financial statements obtained from the seller, broken down by fiscal quarter in the Company's reasonable judgment or (b) unaudited financial statements (where no audited or reviewed financial statements are required pursuant to the terms of this Agreement) reviewed internally by the Company, broken down in the Company's reasonable judgment; provided, however, that any such pro forma adjustment of Consolidated EBITDA shall not result in an increase of more than 10% of Consolidated EBITDA prior to such adjustment, unless the Company provides to the Administrative Agent (y) the supporting calculations for such adjustment and (z) such other information as the Administrative Agent may reasonably request to determine the accuracy of such calculations.

(e) **Calculation of Consolidated EBITDAR.** Consolidated EBITDAR shall be calculated for any period by including the actual amount for such period, including the Consolidated EBITDAR attributable to Acquisitions permitted prior to the Amendment No. 4 Effective Date and occurring during such period and (to the extent otherwise included in net income from continuing operations) excluding the Consolidated EBITDA attributable to Permitted Dispositions of assets occurring during such period on a pro forma basis for the period from the first day of the applicable period through the date of the closing of each such permitted Acquisition or Permitted Disposition, utilizing (a) where available or required pursuant to the terms of this Agreement, historical audited and/or reviewed unaudited financial statements obtained from the seller, broken down by fiscal quarter in the Company's reasonable judgment or (b) unaudited financial statements (where no audited or reviewed financial statements are required pursuant to the terms of this Agreement) reviewed internally by the Company, broken down in the Company's reasonable judgment; provided, however, that any such pro forma adjustment of Consolidated EBITDAR shall not result in an increase of more than 10% of Consolidated EBITDAR prior to such adjustment, unless the Company provides to the Administrative Agent (y) the supporting calculations for such adjustment and (z) such other information as the Administrative Agent may reasonably request to determine the accuracy of such calculations.

1.04 Rounding. Any financial ratios required to be maintained by the Company pursuant to this Agreement shall be calculated by dividing the appropriate component by the other component, carrying the result to one place more than the number of places by which such ratio is expressed herein and rounding the result up or down to the nearest number (with a rounding-up if there is no nearest number).

1.05 Times of Day. Unless otherwise specified, all references herein to times of day shall be references to Eastern time (daylight or standard, as applicable).

1.06 Letter of Credit Amounts. Unless otherwise specified herein, the amount of a Letter of Credit at any time shall be deemed to be the stated amount of such Letter of Credit in effect at such time; provided, however, that with respect to any Letter of Credit that, by its terms or the terms of any Issuer Document related thereto, provides for one or more automatic increases in the stated amount thereof, the amount of such Letter of Credit shall be deemed to be

the maximum stated amount of such Letter of Credit after giving effect to all such increases, whether or not such maximum stated amount is in effect at such time.

ARTICLE II. THE COMMITMENTS AND CREDIT EXTENSIONS

2.01 Revolving Committed Loans. Subject to the terms and conditions set forth herein, each Revolving Lender severally agrees to make loans (each such loan, a “Revolving Committed Loan”) to the Company from time to time, on any Business Day during the Availability Period, in an aggregate amount not to exceed at any time outstanding the amount of such Revolving Lender’s Revolving Commitment; provided, however, that after giving effect to any Revolving Committed Borrowing, (i) the Total Outstandings shall not exceed the Aggregate Commitments, (ii) the Total Revolving Outstandings shall not exceed an amount equal to the Revolving Advance Limit plus the BofA Treasury Support Amount), (iii) the Total Revolving Outstandings shall not exceed the Aggregate Revolving Commitments, and (iv) the aggregate Outstanding Amount of the Revolving Committed Loans of any Revolving Lender, plus such Lender’s Applicable Revolving Percentage of the Outstanding Amount of all L/C Obligations, plus such Lender’s Applicable Revolving Percentage of the Outstanding Amount of all Revolving Swing Line Loans shall not exceed such Revolving Lender’s Revolving Commitment. Within the limits of each Lender’s Revolving Commitment, and subject to the other terms and conditions hereof, the Company may borrow under this Section 2.01, prepay under Section 2.14, and reborrow under this Section 2.01. Revolving Committed Loans may be Base Rate Loans or Eurodollar Rate Loans, as further provided herein.

2.02 Borrowings, Conversions and Continuations of Revolving Committed Loans.

(a) Each Revolving Committed Borrowing and each conversion of Revolving Committed Loans from one Type to the other, shall be made upon the Company’s irrevocable notice to the Administrative Agent, which may be given by telephone. Each such notice must be received by the Administrative Agent not later than 11:00 a.m. (i) one Business Day prior to the requested date of any Revolving Borrowing of Eurodollar Rate Loans or of any conversion of Eurodollar Rate Loans to Base Rate Committed Loans or of any conversion of Base Rate Committed Loans to Eurodollar Rate Loans, and (ii) one Business Day prior to the requested date of any Borrowing of Base Rate Committed Loans. Each telephonic notice by the Company pursuant to this Section 2.02(a) must be confirmed promptly by delivery to the Administrative Agent of a written Revolving Committed Loan Notice, appropriately completed and signed by a Responsible Officer of the Company. Each Borrowing of, conversion to or continuation of Eurodollar Rate Loans shall be in a principal amount of \$5,000,000 or a whole multiple of \$1,000,000 in excess thereof. Except as provided in Sections 2.03(c) and 2.04(c), each Borrowing of or conversion to Base Rate Committed Loans shall be in a principal amount of \$1,000,000 or a whole multiple of \$100,000 in excess thereof. Each Revolving Committed Loan Notice (whether telephonic or written) shall specify (i) whether the Company is requesting a Revolving Committed Borrowing, a conversion of Revolving Committed Loans from one Type to the other, (ii) the requested date of the Borrowing or conversion, as the case may be (which shall be a Business Day), (iii) the principal amount of Revolving Committed Loans to be

borrowed or converted, and (iv) the Type of Revolving Committed Loans to be borrowed or to which existing Revolving Committed Loans are to be converted. If the Company fails to provide a timely Revolving Committed Loan Notice requesting a conversion of Eurodollar Rate Loans to Base Rate Loans, such Loans shall, subject to Article III, continue as Eurodollar Rate Loans. If the Company fails to specify a Type of Revolving Committed Loan in a Revolving Committed Loan Notice, then the applicable Revolving Committed Loans shall, subject to Article III, be made as, or converted to, Eurodollar Rate Loans.

(b) Following receipt of a Revolving Committed Loan Notice, the Administrative Agent shall promptly notify each Revolving Lender of the amount of its Applicable Revolving Percentage of the applicable Revolving Committed Loans. Each Lender shall make the amount of its Revolving Committed Loan available to the Administrative Agent in immediately available funds at the Administrative Agent's Office not later than 2:00 p.m. on the Business Day specified in the applicable Revolving Committed Loan Notice. Upon satisfaction of the applicable conditions set forth in Section 4.02 (and, if such Borrowing is an initial Credit Extension, Section 4.01), the Administrative Agent shall make all funds so received available to the Company in like funds as received by the Administrative Agent by crediting the account of the Company on the books of Bank of America with the amount of such funds; provided, however, that if, on the date the Revolving Committed Loan Notice with respect to such Borrowing is given by the Company, there are L/C Borrowings outstanding, then the proceeds of such Borrowing, first, shall be applied to the payment in full of any such L/C Borrowings, and second, shall be made available to the Company as provided above.

(c) The Administrative Agent shall promptly notify the Company and the Revolving Lenders of the interest rate applicable to any Eurodollar Rate Loans upon determination of such interest rate. At any time that Base Rate Loans are outstanding, the Administrative Agent shall notify the Company and the Revolving Lenders of any change in Bank of America's prime rate used in determining the Base Rate promptly following the public announcement of such change.

2.03 Letters of Credit.

(a) The Letter of Credit Commitment

(i) Subject to the terms and conditions set forth herein, (A) the L/C Issuer agrees, in reliance upon the agreements of the Revolving Lenders set forth in this Section 2.03, (1) from time to time on any Business Day during the period from the Closing Date until the Letter of Credit Expiration Date, to issue Letters of Credit for the account of the Company or its Subsidiaries, and to amend or extend Letters of Credit previously issued by it, in accordance with subsection (b) below, and (2) to honor drawings under the Letters of Credit; and (B) the Revolving Lenders severally agree to participate in Letters of Credit issued for the account of the Company or its Subsidiaries and any drawings thereunder; provided that after giving effect to any L/C Credit Extension with respect to any Letter of Credit, (v) the Total Outstandings shall not exceed the Aggregate Commitments, (w) the Total Revolving Outstandings shall not exceed an amount equal to the Revolving Advance Limit plus the BofA Treasury Support Amount, (x) the Total Revolving Outstanding shall not exceed the Aggregate Revolving Commitments, (y) the

aggregate Outstanding Amount of the Revolving Committed Loans of any Revolving Lender, plus such Lender's Applicable Revolving Percentage of the Outstanding Amount of all L/C Obligations, plus such Lender's Applicable Revolving Percentage of the Outstanding Amount of all Revolving Swing Line Loans shall not exceed such Lender's Revolving Commitment, and (z) the Outstanding Amount of the L/C Obligations shall not exceed the Letter of Credit Sublimit. Each request by the Company for the issuance or amendment of a Letter of Credit shall be deemed to be a representation by the Company that the L/C Credit Extension so requested complies with the conditions set forth in the proviso to the preceding sentence. Within the foregoing limits, and subject to the terms and conditions hereof, the Company's ability to obtain Letters of Credit shall be fully revolving, and accordingly the Company may, during the foregoing period, obtain Letters of Credit to replace Letters of Credit that have expired or that have been drawn upon and reimbursed. All Existing Letters of Credit shall be deemed to have been issued pursuant hereto, and from and after the Closing Date shall be subject to and governed by the terms and conditions hereof.

(ii) The L/C Issuer shall not issue any Letter of Credit, if:

(A) subject to Section 2.03(b)(iii), the expiry date of such requested Letter of Credit would occur more than twelve months after the date of issuance or last extension, unless the Required Revolving Lenders have approved such expiry date; or

(B) the expiry date of such requested Letter of Credit would occur after the Letter of Credit Expiration Date, unless all the Revolving Lenders have approved such expiry date.

(iii) The L/C Issuer shall not be under any obligation to issue any Letter of Credit if:

(A) any order, judgment or decree of any Governmental Authority or arbitrator shall by its terms purport to enjoin or restrain the L/C Issuer from issuing such Letter of Credit, or any Law applicable to the L/C Issuer or any request or directive (whether or not having the force of law) from any Governmental Authority with jurisdiction over the L/C Issuer shall prohibit, or request that the L/C Issuer refrain from, the issuance of letters of credit generally or such Letter of Credit in particular or shall impose upon the L/C Issuer with respect to such Letter of Credit any restriction, reserve or capital requirement (for which the L/C Issuer is not otherwise compensated hereunder) not in effect on the Closing Date, or shall impose upon the L/C Issuer any unreimbursed loss, cost or expense which was not applicable on the Closing Date and which the L/C Issuer in good faith deems material to it;

(B) the issuance of such Letter of Credit would violate one or more policies of the L/C Issuer;

(C) such Letter of Credit is to be denominated in a currency other than Dollars;

(D) such Letter of Credit contains any provisions for automatic reinstatement of the stated amount after any drawing thereunder; or

(E) a default of any Revolving Lender's obligations to fund under Section 2.03(c) exists or any Revolving Lender is at such time a Defaulting Lender hereunder, unless the L/C Issuer has entered into satisfactory arrangements with the Company or such Revolving Lender to eliminate the L/C Issuer's risk with respect to such Revolving Lender.

(iv) The L/C Issuer shall not amend any Letter of Credit if the L/C Issuer would not be permitted at such time to issue such Letter of Credit in its amended form under the terms hereof.

(v) The L/C Issuer shall be under no obligation to amend any Letter of Credit if (A) the L/C Issuer would have no obligation at such time to issue such Letter of Credit in its amended form under the terms hereof, or (B) the beneficiary of such Letter of Credit does not accept the proposed amendment to such Letter of Credit.

(vi) The L/C Issuer shall act on behalf of the Lenders with respect to any Letters of Credit issued by it and the documents associated therewith, and the L/C Issuer shall have all of the benefits and immunities (A) provided to the Administrative Agent in Article IX with respect to any acts taken or omissions suffered by the L/C Issuer in connection with Letters of Credit issued by it or proposed to be issued by it and Issuer Documents pertaining to such Letters of Credit as fully as if the term "Administrative Agent" as used in Article IX included the L/C Issuer with respect to such acts or omissions, and (B) as additionally provided herein with respect to the L/C Issuer.

(b) Procedures for Issuance and Amendment of Letters of Credit; Auto-Extension Letters of Credit

(i) Each Letter of Credit shall be issued or amended, as the case may be, upon the request of the Company delivered to the L/C Issuer (with a copy to the Administrative Agent) in the form of a Letter of Credit Application, appropriately completed and signed by a Responsible Officer of the Company. Such Letter of Credit Application must be received by the L/C Issuer and the Administrative Agent not later than 11:00 a.m. at least ten Business Days (or such later date and time as the Administrative Agent and the L/C Issuer may agree in a particular instance in their sole discretion) prior to the proposed issuance date or date of amendment, as the case may be. In the case of a request for an initial issuance of a Letter of Credit, such Letter of Credit Application shall specify in form and detail satisfactory to the L/C Issuer: (A) the proposed issuance date of the requested Letter of Credit (which shall be a Business Day); (B) the amount thereof; (C) the expiry date thereof; (D) the name and address of the beneficiary thereof; (E) the documents to be presented by such beneficiary in case of any drawing thereunder; (F) the

full text of any certificate to be presented by such beneficiary in case of any drawing thereunder; and (G) such other matters as the L/C Issuer may require. In the case of a request for an amendment of any outstanding Letter of Credit, such Letter of Credit Application shall specify in form and detail satisfactory to the L/C Issuer (A) the Letter of Credit to be amended; (B) the proposed date of amendment thereof (which shall be a Business Day); (C) the nature of the proposed amendment; and (D) such other matters as the L/C Issuer may require. Additionally, the Company shall furnish to the L/C Issuer and the Administrative Agent such other documents and information pertaining to such requested Letter of Credit issuance or amendment, including any Issuer Documents, as the L/C Issuer or the Administrative Agent may require.

(ii) Promptly after receipt of any Letter of Credit Application, the L/C Issuer will confirm with the Administrative Agent (by telephone or in writing) that the Administrative Agent has received a copy of such Letter of Credit Application from the Company and, if not, the L/C Issuer will provide the Administrative Agent with a copy thereof. Unless the L/C Issuer has received written notice from any Revolving Lender, the Administrative Agent or any Loan Party, at least one Business Day prior to the requested date of issuance or amendment of the applicable Letter of Credit, that one or more applicable conditions contained in Article IV shall not then be satisfied, then, subject to the terms and conditions hereof, the L/C Issuer shall, on the requested date, issue a Letter of Credit for the account of the Company (or the applicable Subsidiary) or enter into the applicable amendment, as the case may be, in each case in accordance with the L/C Issuer's usual and customary business practices. Immediately upon the issuance of each Letter of Credit, each Revolving Lender shall be deemed to, and hereby irrevocably and unconditionally agrees to, purchase from the L/C Issuer a risk participation in such Letter of Credit in an amount equal to the product of such Revolving Lender's Applicable Revolving Percentage times the amount of such Letter of Credit.

(iii) If the Company so requests in any applicable Letter of Credit Application, the L/C Issuer may, in its sole and absolute discretion, agree to issue a Letter of Credit that has automatic extension provisions (each, an "Auto-Extension Letter of Credit"); provided that any such Auto-Extension Letter of Credit must permit the L/C Issuer to prevent any such extension at least once in each twelve-month period (commencing with the date of issuance of such Letter of Credit) by giving prior notice to the beneficiary thereof not later than a day (the "Non-Extension Notice Date") in each such twelve-month period to be agreed upon at the time such Letter of Credit is issued. Unless otherwise directed by the L/C Issuer, the Company shall not be required to make a specific request to the L/C Issuer for any such extension. Once an Auto-Extension Letter of Credit has been issued, the Revolving Lenders shall be deemed to have authorized (but may not require) the L/C Issuer to permit the extension of such Letter of Credit at any time to an expiry date not later than the Letter of Credit Expiration Date; provided, however, that the L/C Issuer shall not permit any such extension if (A) the L/C Issuer has determined that it would not be permitted, or would have no obligation, at such time to issue such Letter of Credit in its revised form (as extended) under the terms hereof (by reason of the provisions of clause (ii) or (iii) of Section 2.03(a) or otherwise), or (B) it has received notice (which may be by telephone or in writing) on or before the day that is

ten Business Days before the Non-Extension Notice Date (1) from the Administrative Agent that the Required Revolving Lenders have elected not to permit such extension or (2) from the Administrative Agent, any Revolving Lender or the Company that one or more of the applicable conditions specified in Section 4.02 is not then satisfied, and in each such case directing the L/C Issuer not to permit such extension.

(iv) Promptly after its delivery of any Letter of Credit or any amendment to a Letter of Credit to an advising bank with respect thereto or to the beneficiary thereof, the L/C Issuer will also deliver to the Company and the Administrative Agent a true and complete copy of such Letter of Credit or amendment.

(c) Drawings and Reimbursements; Funding of Participations.

(i) Upon receipt from the beneficiary of any Letter of Credit of any notice of a drawing under such Letter of Credit, the L/C Issuer shall notify the Company and the Administrative Agent thereof. Not later than 11:00 a.m. on the date of any payment by the L/C Issuer under a Letter of Credit (each such date, an “Honor Date”), the Company shall reimburse the L/C Issuer through the Administrative Agent in an amount equal to the amount of such drawing. If the Company fails to so reimburse the L/C Issuer by such time, the Administrative Agent shall promptly notify each Revolving Lender of the Honor Date, the amount of the unreimbursed drawing (the “Unreimbursed Amount”), and the amount of such Revolving Lender’s Applicable Revolving Percentage thereof. In such event, the Company shall be deemed to have requested a Revolving Committed Borrowing of Base Rate Loans to be disbursed on the Honor Date in an amount equal to the Unreimbursed Amount, without regard to the minimum and multiples specified in Section 2.02 for the principal amount of Base Rate Loans, but subject to the amount of the unutilized portion of the Aggregate Revolving Commitments and the conditions set forth in Section 4.02 (other than the delivery of a Revolving Committed Loan Notice). Any notice given by the L/C Issuer or the Administrative Agent pursuant to this Section 2.03(c)(i) may be given by telephone if immediately confirmed in writing; provided that the lack of such an immediate confirmation shall not affect the conclusiveness or binding effect of such notice.

(ii) Each Revolving Lender shall upon any notice pursuant to Section 2.03(c)(i) make funds available to the Administrative Agent for the account of the L/C Issuer at the Administrative Agent’s Office in an amount equal to its Applicable Revolving Percentage of the Unreimbursed Amount not later than 2:00 p.m. on the Business Day specified in such notice by the Administrative Agent, whereupon, subject to the provisions of Section 2.03(c)(iii), each Revolving Lender that so makes funds available shall be deemed to have made a Base Rate Committed Loan to the Company in such amount. The Administrative Agent shall remit the funds so received to the L/C Issuer.

(iii) With respect to any Unreimbursed Amount that is not fully refinanced by a Revolving Committed Borrowing of Base Rate Loans because the conditions set forth in Section 4.02 cannot be satisfied or for any other reason, the Company shall be deemed

to have incurred from the L/C Issuer an L/C Borrowing in the amount of the Unreimbursed Amount that is not so refinanced, which L/C Borrowing shall be due and payable on demand (together with interest) and shall bear interest at the Default Rate. In such event, each Revolving Lender's payment to the Administrative Agent for the account of the L/C Issuer pursuant to Section 2.03(c)(ii) shall be deemed payment in respect of its participation in such L/C Borrowing and shall constitute an L/C Advance from such Revolving Lender in satisfaction of its participation obligation under this Section 2.03.

(iv) Until each Revolving Lender funds its Revolving Committed Loan or L/C Advance pursuant to this Section 2.03(c) to reimburse the L/C Issuer for any amount drawn under any Letter of Credit, interest in respect of such Revolving Lender's Applicable Revolving Percentage of such amount shall be solely for the account of the L/C Issuer.

(v) Each Revolving Lender's obligation to make Revolving Committed Loans or L/C Advances to reimburse the L/C Issuer for amounts drawn under Letters of Credit, as contemplated by this Section 2.03(c), shall be absolute and unconditional and shall not be affected by any circumstance, including (A) any setoff, counterclaim, recoupment, defense or other right which such Revolving Lender may have against the L/C Issuer, the Company or any other Person for any reason whatsoever; (B) the occurrence or continuance of a Default, or (C) any other occurrence, event or condition, whether or not similar to any of the foregoing; provided, however, that each Revolving Lender's obligation to make Revolving Committed Loans pursuant to this Section 2.03(c) is subject to the conditions set forth in Section 4.02 (other than delivery by the Company of a Revolving Committed Loan Notice). No such making of an L/C Advance shall relieve or otherwise impair the obligation of the Company to reimburse the L/C Issuer for the amount of any payment made by the L/C Issuer under any Letter of Credit, together with interest as provided herein.

(vi) If any Revolving Lender fails to make available to the Administrative Agent for the account of the L/C Issuer any amount required to be paid by such Revolving Lender pursuant to the foregoing provisions of this Section 2.03(c) by the time specified in Section 2.03(c)(ii), the L/C Issuer shall be entitled to recover from such Revolving Lender (acting through the Administrative Agent), on demand, such amount with interest thereon for the period from the date such payment is required to the date on which such payment is immediately available to the L/C Issuer at a rate per annum equal to the greater of the Federal Funds Rate and a rate determined by the L/C Issuer in accordance with banking industry rules on interbank compensation. A certificate of the L/C Issuer submitted to any Lender (through the Administrative Agent) with respect to any amounts owing under this clause (vi) shall be conclusive absent manifest error.

(d) Repayment of Participations.

(i) At any time after the L/C Issuer has made a payment under any Letter of Credit and has received from any Revolving Lender such Revolving Lender's L/C

Advance in respect of such payment in accordance with Section 2.03(c), if the Administrative Agent receives for the account of the L/C Issuer any payment in respect of the related Unreimbursed Amount or interest thereon (whether directly from the Company or otherwise, including proceeds of Cash Collateral applied thereto by the Administrative Agent), the Administrative Agent will distribute to such Revolving Lender its Applicable Revolving Percentage thereof (appropriately adjusted, in the case of interest payments, to reflect the period of time during which such Revolving Lender's L/C Advance was outstanding) in the same funds as those received by the Administrative Agent.

(ii) If any payment received by the Administrative Agent for the account of the L/C Issuer pursuant to Section 2.03(c)(i) is required to be returned under any of the circumstances described in Section 10.05 (including pursuant to any settlement entered into by the L/C Issuer in its discretion), each Revolving Lender shall pay to the Administrative Agent for the account of the L/C Issuer its Applicable Revolving Percentage thereof on demand of the Administrative Agent, plus interest thereon from the date of such demand to the date such amount is returned by such Revolving Lender, at a rate per annum equal to the Federal Funds Rate from time to time in effect. The obligations of the Revolving Lenders under this clause shall survive the payment in full of the Obligations and the termination of this Agreement.

(e) Obligations Absolute. The obligation of the Company to reimburse the L/C Issuer for each drawing under each Letter of Credit and to repay each L/C Borrowing shall be absolute, unconditional and irrevocable, and shall be paid strictly in accordance with the terms of this Agreement under all circumstances, including the following:

(i) any lack of validity or enforceability of such Letter of Credit, this Agreement, or any other Loan Document;

(ii) the existence of any claim, counterclaim, setoff, defense or other right that the Company, any Borrower or any Subsidiary may have at any time against any beneficiary or any transferee of such Letter of Credit (or any Person for whom any such beneficiary or any such transferee may be acting), the L/C Issuer or any other Person, whether in connection with this Agreement, the transactions contemplated hereby or by such Letter of Credit or any agreement or instrument relating thereto, or any unrelated transaction;

(iii) any draft, demand, certificate or other document presented under such Letter of Credit proving to be forged, fraudulent, invalid or insufficient in any respect or any statement therein being untrue or inaccurate in any respect; or any loss or delay in the transmission or otherwise of any document required in order to make a drawing under such Letter of Credit;

(iv) any payment by the L/C Issuer under such Letter of Credit against presentation of a draft or certificate that does not strictly comply with the terms of such Letter of Credit; or any payment made by the L/C Issuer under such Letter of Credit to

any Person purporting to be a trustee in bankruptcy, debtor-in-possession, assignee for the benefit of creditors, liquidator, receiver or other representative of or successor to any beneficiary or any transferee of such Letter of Credit, including any arising in connection with any proceeding under any Debtor Relief Law; or

(v) any other circumstance or happening whatsoever, whether or not similar to any of the foregoing, including any other circumstance that might otherwise constitute a defense available to, or a discharge of, the Company, any Borrower or any Subsidiary.

The Company shall promptly examine a copy of each Letter of Credit and each amendment thereto that is delivered to it and, in the event of any claim of noncompliance with the Company's instructions or other irregularity, the Company will immediately notify the L/C Issuer. The Company shall be conclusively deemed to have waived any such claim against the L/C Issuer and its correspondents unless such notice is given as aforesaid.

(f) Role of L/C Issuer. Each Revolving Lender and the Company agree that, in paying any drawing under a Letter of Credit, the L/C Issuer shall not have any responsibility to obtain any document (other than any sight draft, certificates and documents expressly required by the Letter of Credit) or to ascertain or inquire as to the validity or accuracy of any such document or the authority of the Person executing or delivering any such document. None of the L/C Issuer, the Administrative Agent, any of their respective Related Parties nor any correspondent, participant or assignee of the L/C Issuer shall be liable to any Revolving Lender for (i) any action taken or omitted in connection herewith at the request or with the approval of the Revolving Lenders or the Required Revolving Lenders, as applicable; (ii) any action taken or omitted in the absence of gross negligence or willful misconduct; or (iii) the due execution, effectiveness, validity or enforceability of any document or instrument related to any Letter of Credit or Issuer Document. The Company hereby assumes all risks of the acts or omissions of any beneficiary or transferee with respect to its use of any Letter of Credit; provided, however, that this assumption is not intended to, and shall not, preclude the Company's pursuing such rights and remedies as it may have against the beneficiary or transferee at law or under any other agreement. None of the L/C Issuer, the Administrative Agent, any of their respective Related Parties nor any correspondent, participant or assignee of the L/C Issuer shall be liable or responsible for any of the matters described in clauses (i) through (v) of Section 2.03(e); provided, however, that anything in such clauses to the contrary notwithstanding, the Company may have a claim against the L/C Issuer, and the L/C Issuer may be liable to the Company, to the extent, but only to the extent, of any direct, as opposed to consequential or exemplary, damages suffered by the Company which the Company proves were caused by the L/C Issuer's willful misconduct or gross negligence or the L/C Issuer's willful failure to pay under any Letter of Credit after the presentation to it by the beneficiary of a sight draft and certificate(s) strictly complying with the terms and conditions of a Letter of Credit. In furtherance and not in limitation of the foregoing, the L/C Issuer may accept documents that appear on their face to be in order, without responsibility for further investigation, regardless of any notice or information to the contrary, and the L/C Issuer shall not be responsible for the validity or sufficiency of any instrument transferring or assigning or purporting to transfer or assign a Letter of Credit or the rights or benefits thereunder or proceeds thereof, in whole or in part, which may prove to be invalid or ineffective for any reason.

(g) Cash Collateral. Upon the request of the Administrative Agent, (i) if the L/C Issuer has honored any full or partial drawing request under any Letter of Credit and such drawing has resulted in an L/C Borrowing, or (ii) if, as of the Letter of Credit Expiration Date, any L/C Obligation for any reason remains outstanding, the Company shall, in each case, immediately Cash Collateralize the then Outstanding Amount of all L/C Obligations. Sections 2.14 and 8.02(c) set forth certain additional requirements to deliver Cash Collateral hereunder. For purposes of this Section 2.03, Section 2.14 and Section 8.02(c), “Cash Collateralize” means to pledge and deposit with or deliver to the Administrative Agent, for the benefit of the L/C Issuer and the Revolving Lenders, as collateral for the L/C Obligations, cash or deposit account balances pursuant to documentation in form and substance satisfactory to the Administrative Agent and the L/C Issuer (which documents are hereby consented to by the Lenders). Derivatives of such term have corresponding meanings. The Company hereby grants to the Administrative Agent, for the benefit of the L/C Issuer and the Revolving Lenders, a security interest in all such cash, deposit accounts and all balances therein and all proceeds of the foregoing. Cash Collateral shall be maintained in blocked, non-interest bearing deposit accounts at Bank of America.

(h) Applicability of ISP. Unless otherwise expressly agreed by the L/C Issuer and the Company when a Letter of Credit is issued (including any such agreement applicable to an Existing Letter of Credit), the rules of the ISP shall apply to each standby Letter of Credit

(i) Letter of Credit Fees. The Company shall pay to the Administrative Agent for the account of each Revolving Lender in accordance with its Applicable Revolving Percentage a Letter of Credit fee (the “Letter of Credit Fee”) for each Letter of Credit equal to the Applicable Rate times the daily amount available to be drawn under such Letter of Credit. For purposes of computing the daily amount available to be drawn under any Letter of Credit, the amount of such Letter of Credit shall be determined in accordance with Section 1.06. Letter of Credit Fees shall be (i) computed on a quarterly basis in arrears, (ii) due and payable on the Automatic Debit Date after the end of each March, June, September and December, commencing with the first such date to occur after the issuance of such Letter of Credit, on the Letter of Credit Expiration Date and thereafter on demand and (iii) automatically debited from a deposit account maintained by the Company with Bank of America (provided that if there are not sufficient funds in such account to pay such Letter of Credit Fees, then the Company shall pay such fees in cash when due). If there is any change in the Applicable Rate during any quarter, the daily amount available to be drawn under each Letter of Credit shall be computed and multiplied by the Applicable Rate separately for each period during such quarter that such Applicable Rate was in effect. Notwithstanding anything to the contrary contained herein, upon the request of the Required Revolving Lenders, while any Event of Default exists, all Letter of Credit Fees shall accrue at the Default Rate.

(j) Fronting Fee and Documentary and Processing Charges Payable to L/C Issuer. The Company shall pay directly to the L/C Issuer for its own account a fronting fee with respect to each Letter of Credit, at the rate per annum specified in the Bank of America Fee Letter, computed on the daily amount available to be drawn under such Letter of Credit and on a quarterly basis in arrears. Such fronting fee shall be (i) due and payable on the Automatic Debit Date after the end of each March, June, September and December in respect of the most recently-

ended quarterly period (or portion thereof, in the case of the first payment), commencing with the first such date to occur after the issuance of such Letter of Credit, on the Letter of Credit Expiration Date and thereafter on demand and (ii) may be automatically debited from a deposit account maintained by the Company with Bank of America (provided that if there are not sufficient funds in such account to pay such fronting fees, then the Company shall pay such fees in cash when due). For purposes of computing the daily amount available to be drawn under any Letter of Credit, the amount of such Letter of Credit shall be determined in accordance with Section 1.06. In addition, the Company shall pay directly to the L/C Issuer for its own account the customary issuance, presentation, amendment and other processing fees, and other standard costs and charges, of the L/C Issuer relating to letters of credit as from time to time in effect. Such customary fees and standard costs and charges are due and payable on demand and are nonrefundable.

(k) Conflict with Issuer Documents. In the event of any conflict between the terms hereof and the terms of any Issuer Document, the terms hereof shall control.

(l) Letters of Credit Issued for Subsidiaries. Notwithstanding that a Letter of Credit issued or outstanding hereunder is in support of any obligations of, or is for the account of, a Subsidiary, the Company shall be obligated to reimburse the L/C Issuer hereunder for any and all drawings under such Letter of Credit. The Company hereby acknowledges that the issuance of Letters of Credit for the account of Subsidiaries inures to the benefit of the Company, and that the Company's business derives substantial benefits from the businesses of such Subsidiaries.

2.04 Revolving Swing Line Loans.

(a) The Revolving Swing Line. Subject to the terms and conditions set forth herein, the Revolving Swing Line Lender may, in its sole discretion and in reliance upon the agreements of the other Revolving Lenders set forth in this Section 2.04, make loans (each such loan, a "Revolving Swing Line Loan") to the Company from time to time on any Business Day during the Availability Period in an aggregate amount not to exceed at any time outstanding the amount of the Revolving Swing Line Sublimit, notwithstanding the fact that such Revolving Swing Line Loans, when aggregated with the Applicable Revolving Percentage of the Outstanding Amount of Revolving Committed Loans and L/C Obligations of the Revolving Lender acting as Revolving Swing Line Lender, may exceed the amount of such Revolving Lender's Revolving Commitment; provided, however, that after giving effect to any Revolving Swing Line Loan, (i) the Total Outstandings shall not exceed the Aggregate Commitments, (ii) the Total Revolving Outstandings shall not exceed an amount equal to the Revolving Advance Limit plus the BofA Treasury Support Amount, (iii) the Total Revolving Outstandings shall not exceed the Aggregate Revolving Commitments, and (iv) the aggregate Outstanding Amount of the Revolving Committed Loans of any Revolving Lender, plus such Lender's Applicable Revolving Percentage of the Outstanding Amount of all L/C Obligations, plus such Lender's Applicable Revolving Percentage of the Outstanding Amount of all Revolving Swing Line Loans shall not exceed such Lender's Revolving Commitment, and provided, further, that the Company shall not use the proceeds of any Revolving Swing Line Loan to refinance any outstanding Revolving Swing Line Loan. Within the foregoing limits, and subject to the other terms and conditions hereof, the Company, may borrow under this Section 2.04, prepay under Section 2.14, and

reborrow under this Section 2.04. Each Revolving Swing Line Loan may be a Base Rate Loan or a Eurodollar Rate Loan. Immediately upon the making of a Revolving Swing Line Loan, each Revolving Lender shall be deemed to, and hereby irrevocably and unconditionally agrees to, purchase from the Revolving Swing Line Lender a risk participation in such Revolving Swing Line Loan in an amount equal to the product of such Lender's Applicable Revolving Percentage times the amount of such Revolving Swing Line Loan.

(b) Borrowing Procedures. Each Revolving Swing Line Borrowing and each conversion of Revolving Swing Line Loans from one type to the other shall be made upon the Company's irrevocable notice to the Revolving Swing Line Lender and the Administrative Agent, which may be given by telephone. Each such notice must be received by the Revolving Swing Line Lender and the Administrative Agent not later than 1:00 p.m. on the requested borrowing date or date of conversion of Eurodollar Rate Loans to Base Rate Loans or of any conversion of Base Rate Loans to Eurodollar Rate Loans, and in each case shall specify (i) the amount to be borrowed, (ii) the requested borrowing date, which shall be a Business Day and (iii) the Type of Revolving Swing Line Loan to be borrowed or to which existing Revolving Swing Line Loans are to be converted. Each such telephonic notice must be confirmed promptly by delivery to the Revolving Swing Line Lender and the Administrative Agent of a written Revolving Swing Line Loan Notice, appropriately completed and signed by a Responsible Officer of the Company. Promptly after receipt by the Revolving Swing Line Lender of any telephonic Revolving Swing Line Loan Notice, the Revolving Swing Line Lender will confirm with the Administrative Agent (by telephone or in writing) that the Administrative Agent has also received such Revolving Swing Line Loan Notice and, if not, the Revolving Swing Line Lender will notify the Administrative Agent (by telephone or in writing) of the contents thereof. Unless the Revolving Swing Line Lender has received notice (by telephone or in writing) from the Administrative Agent (including at the request of any Revolving Lender) prior to 2:00 p.m. on the date of the proposed Revolving Swing Line Borrowing (A) directing the Revolving Swing Line Lender not to make such Revolving Swing Line Loan as a result of the limitations set forth in the proviso to the first sentence of Section 2.04(a), or (B) that one or more of the applicable conditions specified in Article IV is not then satisfied, then, subject to the terms and conditions hereof, the Revolving Swing Line Lender will, not later than 3:00 p.m. on the borrowing date specified in such Revolving Swing Line Loan Notice, make the amount of its Revolving Swing Line Loan available to the Company at its office by crediting the account of the Company on the books of the Revolving Swing Line Lender in immediately available funds. If the Company fails to provide a timely Revolving Swing Line Loan Notice requesting a conversion of Eurodollar Rate Loans to Base Rate Loans, such Loans shall, subject to Article III, continue as Eurodollar Rate Loans. If the Company fails to specify a Type of Revolving Swing Line Loan in a Revolving Swing Line Loan Notice, then the applicable Revolving Swing Line Loan shall, subject to Article III, be made as a Eurodollar Rate Loan.

In order to facilitate the borrowing of Revolving Swing Line Loans, the Revolving Swing Line Lender may, in its sole discretion, enter into or cancel any Autoborrow Agreement with the Company, and is hereby so authorized, provide for the automatic advance by the Revolving Swing Line Lender of Revolving Swing Line Loans under the conditions set forth in such agreement and without the necessity for any notice by the Company otherwise required by this subsection (b).

(c) Refinancing of Revolving Swing Line Loans.

(i) The Revolving Swing Line Lender at any time in its sole and absolute discretion may request, on behalf of the Company (which hereby irrevocably authorizes the Revolving Swing Line Lender to so request on its behalf), that each Revolving Lender make a Eurodollar Rate Committed Loan in an amount equal to such Revolving Lender's Applicable Revolving Percentage of the amount of Revolving Swing Line Loans then outstanding; provided that the Revolving Swing Line Lender intends to request each Revolving Lender to make such Eurodollar Rate Committed Loans no less frequently than twice in any given calendar month and no more frequently than once in any given calendar week. Such request shall be made in writing (which written request shall be deemed to be a Revolving Committed Loan Notice for purposes hereof) and in accordance with the requirements of Section 2.02, without regard to the minimum and multiples specified therein for the principal amount of Eurodollar Rate Loans, but subject to the unutilized portion of the Aggregate Revolving Commitments and the conditions set forth in Section 4.02. The Revolving Swing Line Lender shall furnish the Company with a copy of the applicable Revolving Committed Loan Notice promptly after delivering such notice to the Administrative Agent. Each Revolving Lender shall make an amount equal to its Applicable Revolving Percentage of the amount specified in such Revolving Committed Loan Notice available to the Administrative Agent in immediately available funds for the account of the Revolving Swing Line Lender at the Administrative Agent's Office not later than 1:00 p.m. on the day specified in such Revolving Committed Loan Notice, whereupon, subject to Section 2.04(c)(ii), each Revolving Lender that so makes funds available shall be deemed to have made a Eurodollar Rate Committed Loan to the Company in such amount. The Administrative Agent shall remit the funds so received to the Revolving Swing Line Lender.

(ii) If for any reason any Revolving Swing Line Loan cannot be refinanced by such a Revolving Committed Borrowing in accordance with Section 2.04(c)(i), the request for Eurodollar Rate Revolving Committed Loans submitted by the Revolving Swing Line Lender as set forth herein shall be deemed to be a request by the Revolving Swing Line Lender that each of the Revolving Lenders fund its risk participation in the relevant Revolving Swing Line Loan and each Lender's payment to the Administrative Agent for the account of the Revolving Swing Line Lender pursuant to Section 2.04(c)(i) shall be deemed payment in respect of such participation.

(iii) If any Revolving Lender fails to make available to the Administrative Agent for the account of the Revolving Swing Line Lender any amount required to be paid by such Revolving Lender pursuant to the foregoing provisions of this Section 2.04(c) by the time specified in Section 2.04(c)(i), the Revolving Swing Line Lender shall be entitled to recover from such Revolving Lender (acting through the Administrative Agent), on demand, such amount with interest thereon for the period from the date such payment is required to the date on which such payment is immediately available to the Revolving Swing Line Lender at a rate per annum equal to the greater of the Federal Funds Rate and a rate determined by the Revolving Swing Line Lender in accordance with banking industry rules on interbank compensation. A certificate of the

Revolving Swing Line Lender submitted to any Revolving Lender (through the Administrative Agent) with respect to any amounts owing under this clause (iii) shall be conclusive absent manifest error.

(iv) Each Revolving Lender's obligation to make Revolving Committed Loans or to purchase and fund risk participations in Revolving Swing Line Loans pursuant to this Section 2.04(c) shall be absolute and unconditional and shall not be affected by any circumstance, including (A) any setoff, counterclaim, recoupment, defense or other right which such Revolving Lender may have against the Revolving Swing Line Lender, the Company or any other Person for any reason whatsoever, (B) the occurrence or continuance of a Default, or (C) any other occurrence, event or condition, whether or not similar to any of the foregoing; provided, however, that each Revolving Lender's obligation to make Revolving Committed Loans pursuant to this Section 2.04(c) is subject to the conditions set forth in Section 4.02. No such funding of risk participations shall relieve or otherwise impair the obligation of the Company to repay Revolving Swing Line Loans, together with interest as provided herein.

(d) Repayment of Participations.

(i) At any time after any Revolving Lender has purchased and funded a risk participation in a Revolving Swing Line Loan, if the Revolving Swing Line Lender receives any payment on account of such Revolving Swing Line Loan, the Revolving Swing Line Lender will distribute to such Revolving Lender its Applicable Revolving Percentage of such payment (appropriately adjusted, in the case of interest payments, to reflect the period of time during which such Revolving Lender's risk participation was funded) in the same funds as those received by the Revolving Swing Line Lender.

(ii) If any payment received by the Revolving Swing Line Lender in respect of principal or interest on any Revolving Swing Line Loan is required to be returned by the Revolving Swing Line Lender under any of the circumstances described in Section 10.05 (including pursuant to any settlement entered into by the Revolving Swing Line Lender in its discretion), each Revolving Lender shall pay to the Revolving Swing Line Lender its Applicable Revolving Percentage thereof on demand of the Administrative Agent, plus interest thereon from the date of such demand to the date such amount is returned, at a rate per annum equal to the Federal Funds Rate. The Administrative Agent will make such demand upon the request of the Revolving Swing Line Lender. The obligations of the Revolving Lenders under this clause shall survive the payment in full of the Obligations and the termination of this Agreement.

(e) Interest for Account of Revolving Swing Line Lender. The Revolving Swing Line Lender shall be responsible for invoicing the Company for interest on the Revolving Swing Line Loans. Until each Revolving Lender funds its Eurodollar Rate Committed Loan or risk participation pursuant to this Section 2.04 to refinance such Revolving Lender's Applicable Revolving Percentage of any Revolving Swing Line Loan, interest in respect of such Applicable Revolving Percentage shall be solely for the account of the Revolving Swing Line Lender.

(f) Payments Directly to Revolving Swing Line Lender. The Company shall make all payments of principal and interest in respect of the Swing Line Loans directly to the Revolving Swing Line Lender.

2.05 Reserve Commitment; Suspension of Revolving Loans. Notwithstanding the foregoing provisions of this Article II, in the event that on any day the aggregate outstanding principal amount of all (a) New Vehicle Floorplan Committed Loans, plus (b) New Vehicle Floorplan Swing Line Loans, plus (c) requests for New Vehicle Floorplan Borrowings pursuant to Sections 2.07(a) and 2.08(a) exceeds ninety-five percent (95%) of the Aggregate New Vehicle Floorplan Commitments as of such date (the "Reserve Condition"), then (i) a portion of the Aggregate Revolving Commitments (the "Reserve Commitment") in an amount equal to the lesser of (A) Ten Million and No/100 Dollars (\$10,000,000.00) and (B) the entire remaining unused portion of the Aggregate Revolving Commitments as of such date, shall be reserved and shall no longer be available for funding Revolving Loans but shall be available under Section 2.09(b)(iii), and (ii) no further Revolving Borrowings (after giving effect to the Reserve Commitment in clause (i) hereof) shall be available to the Company so long as the Reserve Commitment is less than \$10,000,000, in each case until the first Business Day on which such Reserve Condition no longer exists.

2.06 New Vehicle Floorplan Committed Loans. Subject to the terms and conditions set forth herein, each New Vehicle Floorplan Lender severally agrees to make loans (each such loan, a "New Vehicle Floorplan Committed Loan") to the New Vehicle Borrowers, jointly or severally, from time to time, on any Business Day during the Availability Period, in an aggregate amount not to exceed at any time outstanding the amount of such Lender's New Vehicle Floorplan Commitment; provided, however, that after giving effect to any New Vehicle Floorplan Committed Borrowing, (i) the Total Outstandings shall not exceed the Aggregate Commitments, (ii) the Total New Vehicle Floorplan Outstandings shall not exceed the Aggregate New Vehicle Floorplan Commitments, (iii) the aggregate Outstanding Amount of the New Vehicle Floorplan Committed Loans of any New Vehicle Floorplan Lender, plus such Lender's Applicable New Vehicle Floorplan Percentage of the Outstanding Amount of all New Vehicle Floorplan Swing Line Loans shall not exceed such Lender's New Vehicle Floorplan Commitment, and (iv) on a per New Vehicle basis, such Loan shall not exceed 100% of the original invoice price (including freight charges) of each New Vehicle financed, provided, further, that the proceeds of New Vehicle Floorplan Committed Loans shall only be used to pay the purchase price of New Vehicles, including the refinancing of New Vehicle Floorplan Swing Line Loans or other New Vehicle Floorplan Loans utilized for such purpose (but not including New Vehicles manufactured by a manufacturer set forth on Schedule 2.06 (a "Restricted Manufacturer")) unless the applicable New Vehicle Borrower sold (at the applicable franchise) New Vehicles manufactured by such Restricted Manufacturer, and financed such New Vehicles under the New Vehicle Floorplan Facility, prior to the Amendment No. 5 Effective Date). Within the limits of each New Vehicle Floorplan Lender's New Vehicle Floorplan Commitment, and subject to the other terms and conditions hereof, the New Vehicle Borrowers may borrow under this Section 2.06, prepay under Section 2.14, and reborrow under this Section 2.06. New Vehicle Floorplan Committed Loans may be Base Rate Loans or Eurodollar Rate Loans, as further provided herein.

2.07 Borrowings, Conversions and Continuations of New Vehicle Floorplan Committed Loans.

(a) Each New Vehicle Floorplan Committed Borrowing and each conversion of New Vehicle Floorplan Committed Loans from one Type to the other shall be made upon the Company's irrevocable notice to the Administrative Agent, which may be given by telephone. Each such notice must be received by the Administrative Agent not later than 11:00 a.m. (i) one Business Day prior to the requested date of any New Vehicle Floorplan Borrowing of Eurodollar Rate Loans or of any conversion of Eurodollar Rate Loans to Base Rate Committed Loans or of any conversion of Base Rate Committed Loans to Eurodollar Rate Loans, and (ii) one Business Day prior to the requested date of any Borrowing of Base Rate Committed Loans. Each telephonic notice by the Company pursuant to this Section 2.07(a) must be confirmed promptly by delivery to the Administrative Agent of a written New Vehicle Floorplan Committed Loan Notice, appropriately completed and signed by a Responsible Officer of the Company. Each New Vehicle Floorplan Committed Loan Notice (whether telephonic or written) shall specify (i) whether the Company is requesting a New Vehicle Floorplan Committed Borrowing, a conversion of New Vehicle Floorplan Committed Loans from one Type to the other, (ii) the requested date of the Borrowing or conversion, as the case may be (which shall be a Business Day), (iii) the principal amount of New Vehicle Floorplan Committed Loans to be borrowed or converted, (iv) the Type of New Vehicle Floorplan Committed Loans to be borrowed or to which existing New Vehicle Floorplan Committed Loans are to be converted, (v) the applicable New Vehicle Borrower, and (vi) (in the case of a Committed Borrowing) the make, model, and vehicle identification number of each New Vehicle to be financed thereby. If the Company fails to provide a timely New Vehicle Floorplan Committed Loan Notice requesting a conversion of Eurodollar Rate Loans to Base Rate Loans, such Loans shall continue as Eurodollar Rate Loans. If the Company fails to specify a Type of New Vehicle Floorplan Committed Loan in a New Vehicle Floorplan Committed Loan Notice then the applicable New Vehicle Floorplan Committed Loans shall be made as, or converted to, Eurodollar Rate Loans.

(b) Following receipt of a New Vehicle Floorplan Committed Loan Notice, the Administrative Agent shall promptly notify each New Vehicle Floorplan Lender of the amount of its Applicable New Vehicle Floorplan Percentage of the applicable New Vehicle Floorplan Committed Loans. Each such Lender shall make the amount of its New Vehicle Floorplan Committed Loan available to the Administrative Agent in immediately available funds at the Administrative Agent's Office not later than 2:00 p.m. on the Business Day specified in the applicable New Vehicle Floorplan Committed Loan Notice. Upon satisfaction of the applicable conditions set forth in Section 4.02 (and, if such Borrowing is an initial Credit Extension, Section 4.01), the Administrative Agent shall make all funds so received available to the Company or other applicable New Vehicle Borrower in like funds as received by the Administrative Agent by crediting the account of such Borrower on the books of Bank of America with the amount of such funds.

(c) The Administrative Agent shall promptly notify the Company and the New Vehicle Floorplan Lenders of the interest rate applicable to any Eurodollar Rate Loans upon determination of such interest rate. At any time that Base Rate Loans are outstanding, the Administrative Agent shall notify the Company and the New Vehicle Floorplan Lenders of any

change in Bank of America's prime rate used in determining the Base Rate promptly following the public announcement of such change.

2.08 New Vehicle Floorplan Swing Line Loan.

(a) The New Vehicle Floorplan Swing Line. Subject to the terms and conditions set forth herein, the New Vehicle Swing Line Lender may, in its sole discretion and in reliance upon the agreements of the other New Vehicle Floorplan Lenders set forth in this Section 2.08, make loans (each such loan, a "New Vehicle Floorplan Swing Line Loan") to the New Vehicle Borrowers, jointly and severally, from time to time on any Business Day during the Availability Period in an aggregate amount not to exceed at any time outstanding the amount of the New Vehicle Floorplan Swing Line Sublimit, notwithstanding the fact that such New Vehicle Floorplan Swing Line Loans, when aggregated with the Applicable New Vehicle Floorplan Percentage of the Outstanding Amount of New Vehicle Floorplan Committed Loans of the Lender acting as New Vehicle Swing Line Lender, may exceed the amount of such Lender's New Vehicle Floorplan Commitment; provided, however, that after giving effect to any New Vehicle Floorplan Swing Line Loan, (i) subject to Section 2.09, the Total Outstandings shall not exceed the Aggregate Commitments, (ii) subject to Section 2.09, the Total New Vehicle Floorplan Outstandings shall not exceed the Aggregate New Vehicle Floorplan Commitments, (iii) subject to Section 2.09, the aggregate Outstanding Amount of the New Vehicle Floorplan Committed Loans of any New Vehicle Floorplan Lender, plus such Lender's Applicable New Vehicle Floorplan Percentage of the Outstanding Amount of all New Vehicle Floorplan Swing Line Loans shall not exceed such Lender's New Vehicle Floorplan Commitment, and (iv) such Loan, together with the aggregate Outstanding Amount of all other New Vehicle Floorplan Swing Line Loans made on or prior to such date shall not exceed any applicable Within Line Limitation unless otherwise consented to by the New Vehicle Swing Line Lender in its sole discretion; and provided, further, that the proceeds of New Vehicle Floorplan Swing Line Loans shall only be used (x) to honor New Vehicle Floorplan drafts presented by the applicable vehicle manufacturer or distributor to the New Vehicle Swing Line Lender pursuant to Payment Commitments, (y) to honor New Vehicle Floorplan drafts presented by the applicable financial institution to the New Vehicle Swing Line Lender pursuant to Payoff Letter Commitments or (z) otherwise to pay the purchase price of New Vehicles (but not including in each case of clauses (x), (y) and (z), New Vehicles manufactured by a Restricted Manufacturer unless the applicable New Vehicle Borrower sold (at the applicable franchise) New Vehicles manufactured by such Restricted Manufacturer, and financed such New Vehicles under the New Vehicle Floorplan Facility, prior to the Amendment No. 5 Effective Date). Within the foregoing limits, and subject to the other terms and conditions hereof, the New Vehicle Borrowers, may borrow under this Section 2.08, prepay under Section 2.14, and reborrow under this Section 2.08. Each New Vehicle Floorplan Swing Line Loan may be a Base Rate Loan or a Eurodollar Rate Loan. Except as otherwise provided with respect to New Vehicle Floorplan Overdrafts, immediately upon the making of a New Vehicle Floorplan Swing Line Loan, each New Vehicle Floorplan Lender shall be deemed to, and hereby irrevocably and unconditionally agrees to, purchase from the New Vehicle Floorplan Swing Line Lender a risk participation in such New Vehicle Floorplan Swing Line Loan in an amount equal to the product of such Lender's Applicable New Vehicle Floorplan Percentage times the amount of such New Vehicle Floorplan Swing Line Loan.

(b) Payment Commitments and Payoff Letter Commitments.

(i) The New Vehicle Swing Line Lender is authorized to make New Vehicle Floorplan Swing Line Loans for the account of the New Vehicle Borrowers directly to certain individual manufacturers or distributors that provide New Vehicles to the New Vehicle Borrowers, in accordance with the terms and conditions of the respective Payment Commitment agreed to between the New Vehicle Swing Line Lender and each such manufacturer or distributor, and without any further notice as otherwise required in this Section. Each New Vehicle Swing Line Loan made pursuant to a Payment Commitment shall be a Eurodollar Rate Loan at the time of such Borrowing, but may be converted to a Base Rate Loan in accordance with the terms of this Agreement. The New Vehicle Borrowers shall be and remain jointly and severally liable to the New Vehicle Swing Line Lender, or the New Vehicle Floorplan Lenders, as applicable, for all payments made to a manufacturer or distributor pursuant to a Payment Commitment.

(ii) The New Vehicle Swing Line Lender is authorized to make New Vehicle Floorplan Swing Line Loans for the account of the New Vehicle Borrowers directly to certain individual financial institutions that financed New Vehicles for the New Vehicle Borrowers, in accordance with the terms and conditions of the respective Payoff Letter Commitment agreed to between the New Vehicle Swing Line Lender and each such financial institution, and without any further notice as otherwise required in this Section. Each New Vehicle Swing Line Loan made pursuant to a Payoff Letter Commitment shall be a Eurodollar Rate Loan at the time of such Borrowing, but may be converted to a Base Rate Loan in accordance with the terms of this Agreement. The New Vehicle Borrowers shall be and remain jointly and severally liable to the New Vehicle Swing Line Lender, or the New Vehicle Floorplan Lenders, as applicable, for all payments made to a financial institution pursuant to a Payoff Letter Commitment.

(c) **Borrowing Procedures.** Each New Vehicle Floorplan Swing Line Borrowing and each conversion of New Vehicle Floorplan Swing Line Loans from one Type to the other shall be made pursuant to (i) a Payment Commitment, (ii) a Payoff Letter Commitment, (iii) upon the Company's irrevocable notice to the New Vehicle Floorplan Swing Line Lender by delivery of a written New Vehicle Swing Line Loan Notice, appropriately completed and signed (in the case of a Borrowing) by an authorized representative of the applicable New Vehicle Borrower and (in the case of a conversion) by a Responsible Officer, or (iv) in the case of a dealer trade, pursuant to the Floorplan On-line System in accordance with practices agreed to from time to time between the New Vehicle Swing Line Lender and the applicable New Vehicle Borrower. Each such notice from the Company must be received by the New Vehicle Floorplan Swing Line Lender not later than 1:00 p.m. on the Business Day of the requested borrowing date or date of conversion of Eurodollar Rate Loans to Base Rate Loans or of any conversion of Base Rate Loans to Eurodollar Rate Loans, and in each case shall specify (i) the amount to be borrowed, (ii) the requested borrowing date, which shall be a Business Day, (iii) the Type of New Vehicle Floorplan Swing Line Loan to be borrowed or to which existing New Vehicle Floorplan Swing Line Loans are to be converted, (iv) the applicable New Vehicle Borrower and (v) the applicable New Vehicle(s) (including the make, model and vehicle identification number of such New Vehicle(s)). The New Vehicle Floorplan Swing Line Lender will, not later than 6:00 p.m. on the

borrowing date specified in such New Vehicle Floorplan Swing Line Loan Notice, make the amount of its New Vehicle Floorplan Swing Line Loan available directly to the manufacturer or distributor pursuant to a Payment Commitment, to the financial institution pursuant to a Payoff Letter Commitment or to the applicable New Vehicle Borrower at the New Vehicle Floorplan Swing Line Lender's office by crediting the account of such Borrower on the books of the New Vehicle Floorplan Swing Line Lender. If the Company fails to provide a timely New Vehicle Floorplan Swing Line Loan Notice requesting a conversion of Eurodollar Rate Loans to Base Rate Loans, such Loans shall continue as Eurodollar Rate Loans. If the Company fails to specify a Type of New Vehicle Floorplan Swing Line Loan in a New Vehicle Floorplan Swing Line Loan Notice or if a Payment Commitment or Payoff Letter Commitment fails to specify a Type of New Vehicle Swing Line Loan, then the applicable New Vehicle Floorplan Swing Line Loan shall be made as a Eurodollar Rate Loan.

(d) Authorization. Each New Vehicle Borrower authorizes the New Vehicle Swing Line Lender (and each New Vehicle Floorplan Lender consents to such authorization) to enter into, modify or terminate Payment Commitments and Payoff Letter Commitments (in each case, in the New Vehicle Swing Line Lender's discretion) and to advise each manufacturer or distributor or financial institution, as the case may be, that provides New Vehicles to such New Vehicle Borrower of any change or termination which may occur with respect to the New Vehicle Floorplan Swing Line. The New Vehicle Swing Line Lender will promptly notify the Company of any such modification or termination.

(e) Refinancing of New Vehicle Floorplan Swing Line Loans.

(i) The New Vehicle Swing Line Lender at any time in its sole and absolute discretion may request, on behalf of the New Vehicle Borrowers (which hereby irrevocably authorizes the New Vehicle Swing Line Lender to so request on its behalf), that each New Vehicle Floorplan Lender make a Eurodollar Rate Committed Loan in an amount equal to such Lender's Applicable New Vehicle Floorplan Percentage of the amount of New Vehicle Floorplan Swing Line Loans then outstanding (including, subject to Section 2.09(b)(iv), any New Vehicle Floorplan Overdrafts); provided that the New Vehicle Swing Line Lender intends to request each New Vehicle Floorplan Lender to make such Eurodollar Rate Committed Loans no less frequently than twice in any given calendar month. Such request shall be made in writing (which written request shall be deemed to be a New Vehicle Floorplan Committed Loan Notice for purposes hereof) and in accordance with the requirements of Section 2.07, without regard to the minimum and multiples specified therein for the principal amount of Eurodollar Rate Loans, but subject to the unutilized portion of the Aggregate New Vehicle Floorplan Commitments and the conditions set forth in Section 4.02. The New Vehicle Floorplan Swing Line Lender shall furnish the Company with a copy of the applicable New Vehicle Floorplan Committed Loan Notice promptly after delivering such notice to the Administrative Agent. Each New Vehicle Floorplan Lender shall make an amount equal to its Applicable New Vehicle Floorplan Percentage of the amount specified in such New Vehicle Floorplan Committed Loan Notice available to the Administrative Agent in immediately available funds for the account of the New Vehicle Swing Line Lender at the Administrative Agent's Office not later than 2:00 p.m. on the day specified in such

New Vehicle Floorplan Committed Loan Notice, whereupon, subject to Section 2.09(b)(iv), each New Vehicle Floorplan Lender that so makes funds available shall be deemed to have made a Eurodollar Rate Committed Loan to the Company in such amount. The Administrative Agent shall remit the funds so received to the New Vehicle Swing Line Lender.

(ii) If for any reason any New Vehicle Floorplan Swing Line Loan (other than a New Vehicle Floorplan Overdraft) cannot be refinanced by such a New Vehicle Floorplan Committed Borrowing in accordance with Section 2.08(c)(i), the request for Eurodollar Rate New Vehicle Floorplan Committed Loans submitted by the New Vehicle Swing Line Lender as set forth herein shall be deemed to be a request by the New Vehicle Swing Line Lender that each of the New Vehicle Floorplan Lenders fund its risk participation in the relevant New Vehicle Floorplan Swing Line Loan and each Lender's payment to the Administrative Agent for the account of the New Vehicle Swing Line Lender pursuant to Section 2.08(c)(i) shall be deemed payment in respect of such participation.

(iii) If any New Vehicle Floorplan Lender fails to make available to the Administrative Agent for the account of the New Vehicle Swing Line Lender any amount required to be paid by such New Vehicle Floorplan Lender pursuant to the foregoing provisions of this Section 2.08(c) by the time specified in Section 2.08(c)(i), the New Vehicle Swing Line Lender shall be entitled to recover from such New Vehicle Floorplan Lender (acting through the Administrative Agent), on demand, such amount with interest thereon for the period from the date such payment is required to the date on which such payment is immediately available to the New Vehicle Swing Line Lender at a rate per annum equal to the greater of the Federal Funds Rate and a rate determined by the New Vehicle Swing Line Lender in accordance with banking industry rules on interbank compensation. A certificate of the New Vehicle Swing Line Lender submitted to any New Vehicle Floorplan Lender (through the Administrative Agent) with respect to any amounts owing under this clause (iii) shall be conclusive absent manifest error.

(iv) Each New Vehicle Floorplan Lender's obligation to make New Vehicle Floorplan Committed Loans or to purchase and fund risk participations in New Vehicle Floorplan Swing Line Loans pursuant to this Section 2.08(c) shall be absolute and unconditional and shall not be affected by any circumstance, including (A) any setoff, counterclaim, recoupment, defense or other right which such New Vehicle Floorplan Lender may have against the New Vehicle Swing Line Lender, the Company or any other Person for any reason whatsoever, (B) the occurrence or continuance of a Default, or (C) any other occurrence, event or condition, whether or not similar to any of the foregoing; provided, however, that each New Vehicle Floorplan Lender's obligation to make New Vehicle Floorplan Committed Loans pursuant to this Section 2.08(c) is subject to the conditions set forth in Section 4.02. No such funding of risk participations shall relieve or otherwise impair the obligation of the New Vehicle Borrowers (jointly and severally) to repay New Vehicle Floorplan Swing Line Loans, together with interest as provided herein.

(f) Repayment of Participations.

(i) At any time after any New Vehicle Floorplan Lender has purchased and funded a risk participation in a New Vehicle Floorplan Swing Line Loan, if the New Vehicle Swing Line Lender receives any payment on account of such New Vehicle Floorplan Swing Line Loan, the New Vehicle Swing Line Lender will distribute to such Lender its Applicable New Vehicle Floorplan Percentage of such payment (appropriately adjusted, in the case of interest payments, to reflect the period of time during which such Lender's risk participation was funded) in the same funds as those received by the New Vehicle Swing Line Lender.

(ii) If any payment received by the New Vehicle Swing Line Lender in respect of principal or interest on any New Vehicle Floorplan Swing Line Loan (other than a New Vehicle Floorplan Overdraft) is required to be returned by the New Vehicle Swing Line Lender under any of the circumstances described in Section 10.05 (including pursuant to any settlement entered into by the New Vehicle Swing Line Lender in its discretion), each New Vehicle Floorplan Lender shall pay to the New Vehicle Swing Line Lender its Applicable New Vehicle Floorplan Percentage thereof on demand of the Administrative Agent, plus interest thereon from the date of such demand to the date such amount is returned, at a rate per annum equal to the Federal Funds Rate. The Administrative Agent will make such demand upon the request of the New Vehicle Swing Line Lender. The obligations of the New Vehicle Floorplan Lenders under this clause shall survive the payment in full of the Obligations and the termination of this Agreement.

(g) Interest for Account of New Vehicle Floorplan Swing Line Lender. The New Vehicle Swing Line Lender shall be responsible for invoicing the New Vehicle Borrowers for interest on the New Vehicle Floorplan Swing Line Loans. Until each New Vehicle Floorplan Lender funds its Eurodollar Rate Committed Loan or risk participation pursuant to this Section 2.08 to refinance such Lender's Applicable New Vehicle Floorplan Percentage of any New Vehicle Floorplan Swing Line Loan, interest in respect of such Applicable New Vehicle Floorplan Percentage shall be solely for the account of the New Vehicle Swing Line Lender.

(h) Payments Directly to New Vehicle Floorplan Swing Line Lender. Each New Vehicle Borrower shall make all payments of principal and interest in respect of the New Vehicle Floorplan Swing Line Loans directly to the New Vehicle Swing Line Lender.

2.09 New Vehicle Floorplan Overdrafts. Notwithstanding the foregoing provisions of Sections 2.06, 2.07 and 2.08,

(a) if the New Vehicle Swing Line Lender has (acting in its discretion), according to the terms hereof, taken action to suspend or terminate Payment Commitments and/or Payoff Letter Commitments and such Payment Commitments and/or Payoff Letter Commitments, as the case may be, have in fact been suspended or terminated in accordance with their respective terms, then the New Vehicle Swing Line Lender shall not fund any draft with respect to such Payment Commitments and/or Payoff Letter Commitments;

(b) if on any day the conditions precedent set forth in Section 4.03 have been satisfied and a draft with respect to a Payment Commitment or a Payoff Letter Commitment is presented for payment, the payment of which would cause (i) (A) the Outstanding Amount of all New Vehicle Floorplan Committed Loans, plus (B) the Outstanding Amount of all New Vehicle Floorplan Swing Line Loans, plus (C) the aggregate principal amount of all Requests for Credit Extensions of New Vehicle Floorplan Loans outstanding as of such day to exceed the Aggregate New Vehicle Floorplan Commitments as of such day or (ii) the Outstanding Amount of New Vehicle Floorplan Swing Line Loans to exceed the New Vehicle Floorplan Swing Line Sublimit, then, in such event:

(i) the Company or any New Vehicle Borrower may either immediately reduce any pending Requests for Credit Extensions (if any) of a New Vehicle Floorplan Committed Loan or make a payment of principal on New Vehicle Floorplan Committed Loans and/or New Vehicle Floorplan Swing Line Loans in an amount which would prevent the aggregate amounts described in (A), (B) and (C) above from exceeding the Aggregate New Vehicle Floorplan Commitments; or

(ii) the Company may request an increase in the Aggregate New Vehicle Floorplan Commitments pursuant to Section 2.23, and such Payment Commitment or Payoff Letter Commitment shall be funded to the extent of such increase in accordance with said Section; or

(iii) if the Company does not elect to act under clause (i) or (ii) above and if there is a Reserve Commitment then available under Section 2.05, then the Aggregate New Vehicle Floorplan Commitments shall be increased by the amount of such Reserve Commitment, and such Payment Commitment or Payoff Letter Commitment shall be funded to the extent of such increase; or

(iv) if there is no Reserve Commitment available, and regardless of whether the conditions of Section 4.02 have otherwise been met, the New Vehicle Swing Line Lender may in its sole and absolute discretion, but shall not be obligated to, fund the payment due under such Payment Commitment or Payoff Letter Commitment in whole or in part (the amount of any such funding made by the New Vehicle Swing Line Lender, the "New Vehicle Floorplan Overdraft"). Nothing in this Agreement shall be construed as a commitment by or as requiring the New Vehicle Swing Line Lender to fund any such New Vehicle Floorplan Overdraft. The New Vehicle Floorplan Lenders shall not be obligated to purchase any portion of or any participation in any such New Vehicle Floorplan Overdraft; or

(v) if such New Vehicle Swing Line Loan would not cause the aggregate amounts described in (A), (B) and (C) above to exceed the Aggregate New Vehicle Floorplan Commitments, the New Vehicle Swing Line Lender may in its sole and absolute discretion, but shall not be obligated to, fund the payment due under such Payment Commitment or Payoff Letter Commitment in whole or in part, notwithstanding that such Loan would cause the Outstanding Amount of New Vehicle Floorplan Swing Line Loans to exceed the New Vehicle Floorplan Swing Line Sublimit (and the amount

of any such funding made by the New Vehicle Swing Line Lender shall not be deemed to be a New Vehicle Floorplan Overdraft) provided that, within five (5) Business Days after funding such payment, the New Vehicle Swing Line Lender shall make a demand upon the Company that the Borrowers immediately repay such New Vehicle Floorplan Swing Line Loans to the extent that the Outstanding Amount of New Vehicle Floorplan Swing Line Loans exceeds the New Vehicle Floorplan Swing Line Sublimit.

2.10 Electronic Processing. The New Vehicle Borrowers may request New Vehicle Floorplan Loans electronically by access to Administrative Agent's web based floorplan on-line system ("Floorplan On-line System") in accordance with and subject to the terms and conditions established between the Administrative Agent, the New Vehicle Swing Line Lender and the Company from time to time. In connection with the New Vehicle Floorplan Facility, interest, curtailments and other payments pursuant to Section 2.16(b) or 2.18(b) or otherwise in respect of each New Vehicle, shall be automatically debited on the Automatic Debit Date of each month from the applicable New Vehicle Borrower's account with Bank of America pursuant to on-line procedures established and agreed to from time to time between such New Vehicle Borrower, the Administrative Agent and the New Vehicle Swing Line Lender, including without limitation, automatic debits to cure Out of Balance conditions pursuant to Section 8.04. The New Vehicle Borrowers have requested access to the Floorplan On-line System to retrieve monthly bills, to permit the New Vehicle Borrowers to access certain account information relating to the New Vehicle Floorplan Loans and to facilitate the making of any payments on the New Vehicle Floorplan Loans by authorizing the Administrative Agent and the New Vehicle Swing Line Lender to debit any one or more of the New Vehicle Borrowers' deposit accounts with the Administrative Agent or the New Vehicle Swing Line Lender. In consideration for the Administrative Agent's and the New Vehicle Swing Line Lender's granting to the New Vehicle Borrowers access to the Floorplan On-line System to view loan account information and make payments, the New Vehicle Borrowers acknowledge responsibility for the security of such New Vehicle Borrowers' passwords and other information necessary for access to Floorplan On-line System, and the Company and each New Vehicle Borrower fully, finally, and forever releases and discharges the Administrative Agent, the New Vehicle Swing Line Lender and their employees, agents, and representatives from any and all causes of action, claims, debts, demands, and liabilities, of whatever kind or nature, in law or equity that the Company or any New Vehicle Borrower may now or hereafter have, in any way relating to the Company or any New Vehicle's Borrower's access to, or use of, the Floorplan On-line System, other than those arising out of the gross negligence, bad faith or willful misconduct of the Administrative Agent or the New Vehicle Swing Line Lender.

2.11 Used Vehicle Floorplan Committed Loans. Subject to the terms and conditions set forth herein, each Used Vehicle Floorplan Lender severally agrees to make loans (each such loan, a "Used Vehicle Floorplan Committed Loan") to the Company from time to time, on any Business Day during the Availability Period, in an aggregate amount not to exceed at any time outstanding the amount of such Used Vehicle Floorplan Lender's Used Vehicle Floorplan Commitment; provided, however, that after giving effect to any Used Vehicle Floorplan Committed Borrowing, (i) the Total Outstandings shall not exceed the Aggregate Commitments, (ii) the Total Used Vehicle Floorplan Outstandings shall not exceed the lesser of the Aggregate Used Vehicle Floorplan Commitments and the Used Vehicle Borrowing Base, and (iii) the

aggregate Outstanding Amount of the Used Vehicle Floorplan Committed Loans of any Used Vehicle Floorplan Lender, plus such Lender's Applicable Used Vehicle Floorplan Percentage of the Outstanding Amount of all Used Vehicle Floorplan Swing Line Loans shall not exceed such Lender's Used Vehicle Floorplan Commitment. Within the limits of each Used Vehicle Floorplan Lender's Used Vehicle Floorplan Commitment, and subject to the other terms and conditions hereof, the Company may borrow under this Section 2.11, prepay under Section 2.14, and reborrow under this Section 2.11. Used Vehicle Floorplan Committed Loans may be Base Rate Loans or Eurodollar Rate Loans, as further provided herein.

2.12 Borrowings, Conversions and Continuations of Used Vehicle Floorplan Committed Loans.

(a) Each Used Vehicle Floorplan Committed Borrowing and each conversion of Used Vehicle Floorplan Committed Loans from one Type to the other, shall be made upon the Company's irrevocable notice to the Administrative Agent, which may be given by telephone. Each such notice must be received by the Administrative Agent not later than 11:00 a.m. (i) one Business Day prior to the requested date of any Used Vehicle Floorplan Borrowing of Eurodollar Rate Loans or of any conversion of Eurodollar Rate Loans to Base Rate Committed Loans or of any conversion of Base Rate Committed Loans to Eurodollar Rate Loans, and (ii) one Business Day prior to the requested date of any Borrowing of Base Rate Committed Loans. Each telephonic notice by the Company pursuant to this Section 2.12(a) must be confirmed promptly by delivery to the Administrative Agent of a written Used Vehicle Floorplan Committed Loan Notice, appropriately completed and signed by a Responsible Officer of the Company. Each Borrowing of or conversion to Eurodollar Rate Loans shall be in a principal amount of \$1,000,000 or a whole multiple of \$100,000 in excess thereof. Each Used Vehicle Floorplan Committed Loan Notice (whether telephonic or written) shall specify (i) whether the Company is requesting a Used Vehicle Floorplan Committed Borrowing, a conversion of Used Vehicle Floorplan Committed Loans from one Type to the other, (ii) the requested date of the Borrowing or conversion, as the case may be (which shall be a Business Day), (iii) the principal amount of Used Vehicle Floorplan Committed Loans to be borrowed or converted, and (iv) the Type of Used Vehicle Floorplan Committed Loans to be borrowed or to which existing Used Vehicle Floorplan Committed Loans are to be converted. If the Company fails to provide a timely Used Vehicle Floorplan Committed Loan Notice requesting a conversion of Eurodollar Rate Loans to Base Rate Loans, such Loans shall, subject to Article III, continue as Eurodollar Rate Loans. If the Company fails to specify a Type of Used Vehicle Floorplan Committed Loan in a Used Vehicle Floorplan Committed Loan Notice, then the applicable Used Vehicle Floorplan Committed Loans shall, subject to Article III, be made as, or converted to, Eurodollar Rate Loans.

(b) Following receipt of a Used Vehicle Floorplan Committed Loan Notice, the Administrative Agent shall promptly notify each Used Vehicle Floorplan Lender of the amount of its Applicable Used Vehicle Floorplan Percentage of the applicable Used Vehicle Floorplan Committed Loans. Each Lender shall make the amount of its Used Vehicle Floorplan Committed Loan available to the Administrative Agent in immediately available funds at the Administrative Agent's Office not later than 2:00 p.m. on the Business Day specified in the applicable Used Vehicle Floorplan Committed Loan Notice. Upon satisfaction of the applicable

conditions set forth in Section 4.02 (and, if such Borrowing is an initial Credit Extension, Section 4.01), the Administrative Agent shall make all funds so received available to the Company in like funds as received by the Administrative Agent by crediting the account of the Company on the books of Bank of America with the amount of such funds.

(c) The Administrative Agent shall promptly notify the Company and the Used Vehicle Floorplan Lenders of the interest rate applicable to any Eurodollar Rate Loans upon determination of such interest rate. At any time that Base Rate Loans are outstanding, the Administrative Agent shall notify the Company and the Used Vehicle Floorplan Lenders of any change in Bank of America's prime rate used in determining the Base Rate promptly following the public announcement of such change.

2.13 Used Vehicle Floorplan Swing Line Loans

(a) The Used Vehicle Floorplan Swing Line. Subject to the terms and conditions set forth herein, the Used Vehicle Swing Line Lender may, in its sole discretion and in reliance upon the agreements of the other Used Vehicle Floorplan Lenders set forth in this Section 2.13, make loans (each such loan, a "Used Vehicle Floorplan Swing Line Loan") to the Company from time to time on any Business Day during the Availability Period in an aggregate amount not to exceed at any time outstanding the amount of the Used Vehicle Floorplan Swing Line Sublimit, notwithstanding the fact that such Used Vehicle Floorplan Swing Line Loans, when aggregated with the Applicable Used Vehicle Floorplan Percentage of the Outstanding Amount of Used Vehicle Floorplan Committed Loans of the Used Vehicle Floorplan Lender acting as Used Vehicle Swing Line Lender, may exceed the amount of such Used Vehicle Floorplan Lender's Used Vehicle Floorplan Commitment; provided, however, that after giving effect to any Used Vehicle Floorplan Swing Line Loan (i) the Total Outstandings shall not exceed the Aggregate Commitments, (ii) the Total Used Vehicle Floorplan Outstandings shall not exceed the lesser of the Aggregate Used Vehicle Floorplan Commitments and the Used Vehicle Borrowing Base, and (iii) the aggregate Outstanding Amount of the Used Vehicle Floorplan Committed Loans of any Used Vehicle Floorplan Lender, plus such Lender's Applicable Used Vehicle Floorplan Percentage of the Outstanding Amount of all Used Vehicle Floorplan Swing Line Loans shall not exceed such Lender's Used Vehicle Floorplan Commitment, and provided, further, that the Company shall not use the proceeds of any Used Vehicle Floorplan Swing Line Loan to refinance any outstanding Used Vehicle Floorplan Swing Line Loan. Within the foregoing limits, and subject to the other terms and conditions hereof, the Company, may borrow under this Section 2.13, prepay under Section 2.14, and reborrow under this Section 2.13. Each Used Vehicle Floorplan Swing Line Loan may be a Base Rate Loan or a Eurodollar Rate Loan. Immediately upon the making of a Used Vehicle Floorplan Swing Line Loan, each Used Vehicle Floorplan Lender shall be deemed to, and hereby irrevocably and unconditionally agrees to, purchase from the Used Vehicle Swing Line Lender a risk participation in such Used Vehicle Floorplan Swing Line Loan in an amount equal to the product of such Lender's Applicable Used Vehicle Floorplan Percentage times the amount of such Used Vehicle Floorplan Swing Line Loan.

(b) Borrowing Procedures. Each Used Vehicle Floorplan Swing Line Borrowing and each conversion of Used Vehicle Floorplan Swing Line Loans from one type to the other shall be

made upon the Company's irrevocable notice to the Used Vehicle Swing Line Lender and the Administrative Agent, which may be given by telephone. Each such notice must be received by the Used Vehicle Swing Line Lender and the Administrative Agent not later than 1:00 p.m. on the requested borrowing date or date of conversion of Eurodollar Rate Loans to Base Rate Loans or of any conversion of Base Rate Loans to Eurodollar Rate Loans, and in each case shall specify (i) the amount to be borrowed, (ii) the requested borrowing date, which shall be a Business Day and (iii) the Type of Used Vehicle Floorplan Swing Line Loan to be borrowed or to which existing Used Vehicle Floorplan Swing Line Loans are to be converted. Each such telephonic notice must be confirmed promptly by delivery to the Used Vehicle Swing Line Lender and the Administrative Agent of a written Used Vehicle Floorplan Swing Line Loan Notice, appropriately completed and signed by a Responsible Officer of the Company. Promptly after receipt by the Used Vehicle Swing Line Lender of any telephonic Used Vehicle Floorplan Swing Line Loan Notice, the Used Vehicle Swing Line Lender will confirm with the Administrative Agent (by telephone or in writing) that the Administrative Agent has also received such Used Vehicle Floorplan Swing Line Loan Notice and, if not, the Used Vehicle Swing Line Lender will notify the Administrative Agent (by telephone or in writing) of the contents thereof. Unless the Used Vehicle Swing Line Lender has received notice (by telephone or in writing) from the Administrative Agent (including at the request of any Used Vehicle Floorplan Lender) prior to 2:00 p.m. on the date of the proposed Used Vehicle Floorplan Swing Line Borrowing (A) directing the Used Vehicle Swing Line Lender not to make such Used Vehicle Floorplan Swing Line Loan as a result of the limitations set forth in the proviso to the first sentence of Section 2.13(a), or (B) that one or more of the applicable conditions specified in Article IV is not then satisfied, then, subject to the terms and conditions hereof, the Used Vehicle Swing Line Lender will, not later than 3:00 p.m. on the borrowing date specified in such Used Vehicle Floorplan Swing Line Loan Notice, make the amount of its Used Vehicle Floorplan Swing Line Loan available to the Company at its office by crediting the account of the Company on the books of the Used Vehicle Swing Line Lender in immediately available funds. If the Company fails to provide a timely Used Vehicle Floorplan Swing Line Loan Notice requesting a conversion of Eurodollar Rate Loans to Base Rate Loans, such Loans shall, subject to Article III, continue as Eurodollar Rate Loans. If the Company fails to specify a Type of Used Vehicle Floorplan Swing Line Loan in a Used Vehicle Floorplan Swing Line Loan Notice, then the applicable Used Vehicle Floorplan Swing Line Loan shall, subject to Article III, be made as a Eurodollar Rate Loan.

(c) Refinancing of Used Vehicle Floorplan Swing Line Loans.

(i) The Used Vehicle Swing Line Lender at any time in its sole and absolute discretion may request, on behalf of the Company (which hereby irrevocably authorizes the Used Vehicle Swing Line Lender to so request on its behalf), that each Used Vehicle Floorplan Lender make a Eurodollar Rate Committed Loan in an amount equal to such Used Vehicle Floorplan Lender's Applicable Used Vehicle Floorplan Percentage of the amount of Used Vehicle Floorplan Swing Line Loans then outstanding; provided that the Used Vehicle Swing Line Lender intends to request each Used Vehicle Floorplan Lender to make such Eurodollar Rate Committed Loans no less frequently than twice in any given calendar month and no more frequently than once in any given calendar week. Such request shall be made in writing (which written request shall be deemed to be a

Used Vehicle Floorplan Committed Loan Notice for purposes hereof) and in accordance with the requirements of Section 2.12, without regard to the minimum and multiples specified therein for the principal amount of Eurodollar Rate Loans, but subject to the unutilized portion of the Aggregate Used Vehicle Floorplan Commitments and the conditions set forth in Section 4.02. The Used Vehicle Swing Line Lender shall furnish the Company with a copy of the applicable Used Vehicle Floorplan Committed Loan Notice promptly after delivering such notice to the Administrative Agent. Each Used Vehicle Floorplan Lender shall make an amount equal to its Applicable Used Vehicle Floorplan Percentage of the amount specified in such Used Vehicle Floorplan Committed Loan Notice available to the Administrative Agent in immediately available funds for the account of the Used Vehicle Swing Line Lender at the Administrative Agent's Office not later than 2:00 p.m. on the day specified in such Used Vehicle Floorplan Committed Loan Notice, whereupon, subject to Section 2.13(c)(ii), each Used Vehicle Floorplan Lender that so makes funds available shall be deemed to have made a Eurodollar Rate Committed Loan to the Company in such amount. The Administrative Agent shall remit the funds so received to the Used Vehicle Swing Line Lender.

(ii) If for any reason any Used Vehicle Floorplan Swing Line Loan cannot be refinanced by such a Used Vehicle Floorplan Committed Borrowing in accordance with Section 2.13(c)(i), the request for Eurodollar Rate Used Vehicle Floorplan Committed Loans submitted by the Used Vehicle Swing Line Lender as set forth herein shall be deemed to be a request by the Used Vehicle Swing Line Lender that each of the Used Vehicle Floorplan Lenders fund its risk participation in the relevant Used Vehicle Floorplan Swing Line Loan and each Lender's payment to the Administrative Agent for the account of the Used Vehicle Swing Line Lender pursuant to Section 2.13(c)(i) shall be deemed payment in respect of such participation.

(iii) If any Used Vehicle Floorplan Lender fails to make available to the Administrative Agent for the account of the Used Vehicle Swing Line Lender any amount required to be paid by such Used Vehicle Floorplan Lender pursuant to the foregoing provisions of this Section 2.13(c) by the time specified in Section 2.13(c)(i), the Used Vehicle Swing Line Lender shall be entitled to recover from such Used Vehicle Floorplan Lender (acting through the Administrative Agent), on demand, such amount with interest thereon for the period from the date such payment is required to the date on which such payment is immediately available to the Used Vehicle Swing Line Lender at a rate per annum equal to the greater of the Federal Funds Rate and a rate determined by the Used Vehicle Swing Line Lender in accordance with banking industry rules on interbank compensation. A certificate of the Used Vehicle Swing Line Lender submitted to any Used Vehicle Floorplan Lender (through the Administrative Agent) with respect to any amounts owing under this clause (iii) shall be conclusive absent manifest error.

(iv) Each Used Vehicle Floorplan Lender's obligation to make Used Vehicle Floorplan Committed Loans or to purchase and fund risk participations in Used Vehicle Floorplan Swing Line Loans pursuant to this Section 2.13(c) shall be absolute and unconditional and shall not be affected by any circumstance, including (A) any setoff, counterclaim, recoupment, defense or other right which such Used Vehicle Floorplan

Lender may have against the Used Vehicle Swing Line Lender, the Company or any other Person for any reason whatsoever, (B) the occurrence or continuance of a Default, or (C) any other occurrence, event or condition, whether or not similar to any of the foregoing; provided, however, that each Used Vehicle Floorplan Lender's obligation to make Used Vehicle Floorplan Committed Loans pursuant to this Section 2.13(c) is subject to the conditions set forth in Section 4.02. No such funding of risk participations shall relieve or otherwise impair the obligation of the Company to repay Used Vehicle Floorplan Swing Line Loans, together with interest as provided herein.

(d) Repayment of Participations.

(i) At any time after any Used Vehicle Floorplan Lender has purchased and funded a risk participation in a Used Vehicle Floorplan Swing Line Loan, if the Used Vehicle Swing Line Lender receives any payment on account of such Used Vehicle Floorplan Swing Line Loan, the Used Vehicle Swing Line Lender will distribute to such Used Vehicle Floorplan Lender its Applicable Used Vehicle Floorplan Percentage of such payment (appropriately adjusted, in the case of interest payments, to reflect the period of time during which such Used Vehicle Floorplan Lender's risk participation was funded) in the same funds as those received by the Used Vehicle Swing Line Lender.

(ii) If any payment received by the Used Vehicle Swing Line Lender in respect of principal or interest on any Used Vehicle Floorplan Swing Line Loan is required to be returned by the Used Vehicle Swing Line Lender under any of the circumstances described in Section 10.05 (including pursuant to any settlement entered into by the Used Vehicle Swing Line Lender in its discretion), each Used Vehicle Floorplan Lender shall pay to the Used Vehicle Swing Line Lender its Applicable Used Vehicle Floorplan Percentage thereof on demand of the Administrative Agent, plus interest thereon from the date of such demand to the date such amount is returned, at a rate per annum equal to the Federal Funds Rate. The Administrative Agent will make such demand upon the request of the Used Vehicle Swing Line Lender. The obligations of the Used Vehicle Floorplan Lenders under this clause shall survive the payment in full of the Obligations and the termination of this Agreement.

(e) Interest for Account of Used Vehicle Swing Line Lender. The Used Vehicle Swing Line Lender shall be responsible for invoicing the Company for interest on the Used Vehicle Floorplan Swing Line Loans. Until each Used Vehicle Floorplan Lender funds its Eurodollar Rate Committed Loan or risk participation pursuant to this Section 2.13 to refinance such Used Vehicle Floorplan Lender's Applicable Used Vehicle Floorplan Percentage of any Used Vehicle Floorplan Swing Line Loan, interest in respect of such Applicable Used Vehicle Floorplan Percentage shall be solely for the account of the Used Vehicle Swing Line Lender.

(f) Payments Directly to Used Vehicle Swing Line Lender. The Company shall make all payments of principal and interest in respect of the Used Vehicle Floorplan Swing Line Loans directly to the Used Vehicle Swing Line Lender.

2.14 Prepayments.

(a) In addition to the required payments of principal of Revolving Loans, New Vehicle Floorplan Loans and Used Vehicle Floorplan Loans set forth in Section 2.16(b), the Company may, upon notice to the Administrative Agent, at any time or from time to time voluntarily prepay Revolving Committed Loans, New Vehicle Floorplan Committed Loans or Used Vehicle Floorplan Committed Loans in whole or in part without premium or penalty; provided that (i) such notice must be received by the Administrative Agent not later than 11:00 a.m. on the date of prepayment of such Loans; (ii) any prepayment of Loans shall be in a principal amount of \$500,000 or a whole multiple of \$100,000 in excess thereof or, in each case, if less, the entire principal amount thereof then outstanding. Each such notice shall specify the date and amount of such prepayment, whether such prepayment is applicable to the Revolving Committed Loans, New Vehicle Floorplan Committed Loans or Used Vehicle Floorplan Committed Loans and the Type(s) of Loans to be prepaid. The Administrative Agent will promptly notify each applicable Lender of its receipt of each such notice, and of the amount of such Lender's Applicable Revolving Percentage, Applicable New Vehicle Floorplan Percentage or Applicable Used Vehicle Floorplan Percentage, as applicable, of such prepayment. If such notice is given by the Company, the Company shall make such prepayment and the payment amount specified in such notice shall be due and payable on the date specified therein. Each such prepayment of Revolving Committed Loans of the Revolving Lenders shall be applied in accordance with their respective Applicable Revolving Percentages. Each such prepayment of New Vehicle Floorplan Committed Loans of the New Vehicle Floorplan Lenders shall be applied in accordance with their respective Applicable New Vehicle Floorplan Percentages. Each such prepayment of Used Vehicle Floorplan Committed Loans of the Used Vehicle Floorplan Lenders shall be applied in accordance with their respective Applicable Used Vehicle Floorplan Percentages.

(b) The Company may, upon notice to the Revolving Swing Line Lender (with a copy to the Administrative Agent), at any time or from time to time, voluntarily prepay Revolving Swing Line Loans in whole or in part without premium or penalty; provided that (i) such notice must be received by the Revolving Swing Line Lender and the Administrative Agent not later than 1:00 p.m. on the date of the prepayment, and (ii) any such prepayment shall be in a minimum principal amount of \$100,000. Each such notice shall specify the date and amount of such prepayment. If such notice is given by the Company, the Company shall make such prepayment and the payment amount specified in such notice shall be due and payable on the date specified therein.

(c) The Company may, upon notice to the New Vehicle Swing Line Lender, at any time or from time to time, voluntarily prepay New Vehicle Floorplan Swing Line Loans in whole or in part without premium or penalty; provided that such notice must be received by the New Vehicle Swing Line Lender not later than 2:00 p.m. on the date of the prepayment (or 6:00 p.m. if such prepayment is accomplished through the Floorplan On-line System). Each such notice shall specify the date and amount of such prepayment and the New Vehicle(s) (including the make, model and vehicle identification number of such New Vehicle(s)) attributable to such prepayment. If such notice is given by the Company, the Company shall make such prepayment

and the payment amount specified in such notice shall be due and payable on the dated specified therein.

(d) The Company may, upon notice to the Used Vehicle Swing Line Lender (with a copy to the Administrative Agent), at any time or from time to time, voluntarily prepay Used Vehicle Floorplan Swing Line Loans in whole or in part without premium or penalty; provided that (i) such notice must be received by the Used Vehicle Swing Line Lender not later than 1:00 p.m. on the date of the prepayment and (ii) any such prepayment shall be in a minimum principal amount of \$100,000. Each such notice shall specify the date and amount of such prepayment. If such notice is given by the Company, the Company shall make such prepayment and the payment amount specified in such notice shall be due and payable on the dated specified therein.

(e) If for any reason the Total Revolving Outstandings at any time exceed the sum of (i) the Revolving Advance Limit then in effect plus (ii) on or after May 4, 2009, the Bank of America Treasury Support Amount, the Company shall immediately prepay Revolving Loans and/or Cash Collateralize the L/C Obligations in an aggregate amount equal to such excess; provided, however, that the Company shall not be required to Cash Collateralize the L/C Obligations pursuant to this Section 2.14(e) unless after the prepayment in full of the Revolving Loans the Total Revolving Outstandings exceed the Revolving Advance Limit then in effect.

(f) If for any reason the Total New Vehicle Floorplan Outstandings at any time exceed the Aggregate New Vehicle Floorplan Commitments then in effect, the Borrowers (jointly and severally) shall immediately prepay New Vehicle Floorplan Loans in an aggregate amount at least equal to such excess.

(g) If for any reason the Total Used Vehicle Floorplan Outstandings at any time exceed the lesser of the Aggregate Used Vehicle Floorplan Commitments then in effect and the Used Vehicle Borrowing Base then in effect, the Company shall immediately prepay Used Vehicle Floorplan Loans in an aggregate amount at least equal to such excess.

(h) If for any reason the aggregate Outstanding Amount of Revolving Swing Line Loans exceeds the Revolving Swing Line Sublimit, the Company shall immediately prepay Revolving Swing Line Loans in an aggregate amount at least equal to such excess.

(i) If for any reason the Outstanding Amount of any New Vehicle Floorplan Swing Line Loans exceeds either any applicable Within Line Limitation (unless otherwise agreed to by the New Vehicle Swing Line Lender) or the New Vehicle Floorplan Swing Line Sublimit, the Borrowers (jointly and severally) shall immediately prepay such New Vehicle Floorplan Swing Line Loans in an aggregate amount at least equal to such excess.

(j) If for any reason the aggregate Outstanding Amount of Used Vehicle Floorplan Swing Line Loans exceeds the Used Vehicle Floorplan Swing Line Sublimit, the Company shall immediately prepay Used Vehicle Floorplan Swing Line Loans in an aggregate amount at least equal to such excess.

(k) Prepayments made in respect of any New Vehicle Floorplan Loan must specify the applicable New Vehicle Borrower and New Vehicle(s) (including the make, model and vehicle identification number of such New Vehicle(s)) attributable to such prepayment.

(l) Dispositions.

(i) If, on or prior to May 4, 2009, any Loan Party or any of its Subsidiaries Disposes of any property (other than any Disposition of any property permitted by Section 7.04(a), (b) or (c) or Section 7.05(a), (b), or (d)) which results in the realization by such Person of Net Cash Proceeds, the Borrowers shall prepay an aggregate principal amount of Revolving Loans equal to 100% of such Net Cash Proceeds immediately upon receipt thereof by such Person (such prepayments to be paid to the Administrative Agent in accordance with Section 2.21(a), and to be applied as set forth in clause (m) below, provided that, to the extent necessary to repay Revolving Swing Line Loans, all or any portion of such payments may be made by the applicable Loan Party's deposit into a deposit account if subject to an Autoborrow Agreement); and

(ii) If, on or after May 5, 2009, any Loan Party or any of its Subsidiaries Disposes of any property (other than any Disposition of any property permitted by Section 7.04(a), (b) or (c) or Section 7.05(a), (b), or (d)) which results in the realization by such Person of Net Cash Proceeds, commencing on May 7, 2009, the Borrowers shall prepay an aggregate principal amount of Revolving Loans equal to 100% of such Net Cash Proceeds immediately upon receipt thereof by such Person (or, in the case of a Disposition occurring on May 5, 2009 or May 6, 2009, on May 7, 2009) (such prepayments to be paid to the Administrative Agent in accordance with Section 2.21(a), and to be applied as set forth in clause (m) below, provided that, to the extent necessary to repay Revolving Swing Line Loans, all or any portion of such payments may be made by the applicable Loan Party's deposit into a deposit account if subject to an Autoborrow Agreement), and provided further that, if prior to any such Disposition described in this clause (ii), (A) the Company has eliminated from the calculation of the Revolving Borrowing Base the provision contained in clause 2(C) of the definition thereof and (B) after giving pro forma effect to such Disposition, (1) the Outstanding Amount of all Revolving Loans does not exceed \$25,000,000 and (2) the Revolving Advance Limit is not less than \$75,000,000 (the requirements set forth in clauses (A) and (B) above being referred to herein as the "50% NCP Requirements"), then the amount of such prepayment shall be equal to 50% of such Net Cash Proceeds.

(m) Prepayments of the Revolving Credit Facility made pursuant to Section 2.14(l), first, shall be applied ratably to the L/C Borrowings and the Revolving Swing Line Loans, second, shall be applied ratably to the outstanding Revolving Loans, and, third, shall be used to Cash Collateralize the remaining L/C Obligations in the amount of such remaining L/C Obligations; and, the amount remaining, if any, after the prepayment in full of all L/C Borrowings, Revolving Swing Line Loans and Revolving Loans outstanding at such time and the Cash Collateralization of the remaining L/C Obligations in full (the sum of such prepayment amounts, cash collateralization amounts and remaining amount being, collectively, the "Reduction Amount") may be retained by the Borrowers for use in the ordinary course of its

business, and the Aggregate Revolving Commitments shall be automatically and permanently reduced by the Reduction Amount (but, on or after May 7, 2009, only until such time as the Aggregate Revolving Commitments have been reduced to \$185,000,000) as of the date the Administrative Agent is deemed to receive such prepayment or cash collateralization amounts pursuant to Section 2.21(a) (such reduction to be allocated among the Revolving Lenders on a pro rata basis according to their respective Revolving Commitments); provided that, in no event shall the Aggregate Revolving Commitments (after giving effect to such reduction) be in an amount less than the then Outstanding Amount of L/C Obligations. Upon the drawing of any Letter of Credit that has been Cash Collateralized, the funds held as Cash Collateral shall be applied (without any further action by or notice to or from any Borrower or any other Loan Party) to reimburse the L/C Issuer or the Revolving Lenders, as applicable, for the amount of such drawing.

2.15 Termination or Reduction of Commitments.

(a) The Company may, upon notice to the Administrative Agent, terminate the Aggregate Revolving Commitments, Aggregate New Vehicle Floorplan Commitments or the Aggregate Used Vehicle Floorplan Commitments, or from time to time permanently reduce the Aggregate Revolving Commitments, Aggregate New Vehicle Floorplan Commitments or the Aggregate Used Vehicle Floorplan Commitments; provided that (i) any such notice shall be received by the Administrative Agent not later than 11:00 a.m. 30 days prior to the date of termination or reduction, (ii) any such partial reduction shall be in an aggregate amount of \$10,000,000 or any whole multiple of \$1,000,000 in excess thereof, (iii) the Company shall not terminate or reduce the Aggregate Revolving Commitments if, after giving effect thereto and to any concurrent prepayments hereunder, the Total Revolving Outstandings would exceed the Revolving Advance Limit, (iv) the Company shall not terminate or reduce the Aggregate Revolving Commitments below \$20,000,000 (or such lower amount determined by the L/C Issuer in its sole discretion), (v) if, after giving effect to any reduction of the Aggregate Revolving Commitments, the Letter of Credit Sublimit or the Revolving Swing Line Sublimit exceeds the amount of the Aggregate Revolving Commitments, such Sublimit shall be automatically reduced by the amount of such excess, (vi) if, after giving effect to any reduction of the Aggregate New Vehicle Floorplan Commitments, the New Vehicle Floorplan Swing Line Sublimit exceeds the amount of the Aggregate New Vehicle Floorplan Commitments, such Sublimit shall be automatically reduced by the amount of such excess, (vii) if, after giving effect to any reduction of the Aggregate Used Vehicle Floorplan Commitments, the Used Vehicle Floorplan Swing Line Sublimit exceeds the amount of the Aggregate Used Vehicle Floorplan Commitments, such Sublimit shall be automatically reduced by the amount of such excess, and (viii) following any such reduction, at least 65% of the Aggregate Commitments must be allocated to the Aggregate Floorplan Facility Commitments and at least 75% of the Aggregate Floorplan Facility Commitments must be allocated to the Aggregate New Vehicle Floorplan Commitments. In connection with any reduction of the Aggregate New Vehicle Floorplan Commitments, the New Vehicle Floorplan Swing Line Lender in its discretion may suspend and/or terminate all or a portion of the then outstanding Payment Commitments or Payoff Letter Commitments which shall be promptly selected by the Company, in an amount that corresponds to the size of said reduction. The Administrative Agent will promptly notify the applicable Lenders of any such notice of termination or reduction of the Aggregate Commitments. Any

reduction of the Aggregate Revolving Commitments, Aggregate New Vehicle Floorplan Commitments or Used Vehicle Floorplan Commitments shall be applied to the Commitment of each Lender in accordance with (x) its respective Applicable Revolving Percentage, (y) its respective Applicable New Vehicle Floorplan Percentage and (z) its respective Applicable Used Vehicle Floorplan Percentage, as the case may be. All fees accrued until the effective date of any termination of the Aggregate Commitments shall be paid on the effective date of such termination.

(b) The Letter of Credit Sublimit shall not be reduced below the amount that is the lesser of (i) \$20,000,000 and (ii) the amount of the Aggregate Revolving Commitments.

(c) The Aggregate Revolving Commitments shall be automatically and permanently reduced by the amount required by Section 2.14(m) on each date on which such reduction is required to be made pursuant to such Section.

(d) On and after May 7, 2009, the Aggregate New Vehicle Floorplan Commitments shall be automatically and permanently reduced by the amount equal to the aggregate amount of any Within Line Limitations (the "Dealership Commitment Amount") applicable to any Removed Franchise of a Subsidiary immediately prior to the date (each such date, a "Silo Financing Commencement Date") such Subsidiary begins to finance New Vehicles through Permitted Silo Indebtedness as permitted by Section 2.24(e); provided that, if the aggregate amount of the mandatory prepayments that are required to be made by any Subsidiary pursuant to Section 2.16(b)(iii)(C) with respect to such Removed Franchise is greater than its Dealership Commitment Amount, then the amount of the related permanent reduction in Aggregate New Vehicle Floorplan Commitments will be the greater of (i) the Dealership Commitment Amount, and (ii) the average outstanding balance of New Vehicle Floorplan Committed Loans and New Vehicle Floorplan Swing Line Loans related to such Removed Franchises for the 30-day period immediately preceding the applicable Silo Financing Commencement Date or (in the case of this clause (ii)) such other amount as may be agreed to by the Administrative Agent in its sole discretion. Any reduction of the Aggregate New Vehicle Floorplan Commitments pursuant to this Section 2.15(d) with respect to any mandatory prepayment that is made or required to be made during a calendar month will occur on the first Business Day of the next succeeding month.

2.16 Repayment of Loans.

(a) Repayment of Revolving Loans.

(i) The Company shall repay to the Revolving Lenders on the Maturity Date the aggregate principal amount of Revolving Committed Loans outstanding on such date.

(ii) The Company shall repay each Revolving Swing Line Loan (i) no less frequently than twice in any calendar month, (ii) at any time on demand by the Revolving Swing Line Lender and (iii) on the Maturity Date.

(b) Repayment of New Vehicle Floorplan Loans.

(i) The New Vehicle Borrowers (jointly and severally) shall pay down the New Vehicle Floorplan Committed Loans (x) at any time on demand by the Administrative Agent at the request of the Super-Majority New Vehicle Floorplan Lenders and (y) on the Maturity Date.

(ii) The New Vehicle Borrowers (jointly and severally) shall repay each New Vehicle Floorplan Swing Line Loan (x) no less frequently than twice in any calendar month, (y) at any time on demand by the New Vehicle Swing Line Lender and (z) on the Maturity Date.

(iii) (A) The New Vehicle Borrowers (jointly and severally) shall pay in full an amount equal to the New Vehicle Floorplan Loan with respect to any New Vehicle that has been sold by any New Vehicle Borrower upon the earliest to occur of: (A) (1) with respect to New Vehicles other than those described in (2) and (3) below, five (5) Business Days after the sale thereof, (2) with respect to Fleet Vehicles, within thirty (30) days of the date of sale and, (3) with respect to New Vehicles financed by a consumer lease agreement, within ten (10) days of the date such New Vehicle was sold (or possession of the New Vehicle transferred to the buyer, if earlier), and (B) in all cases, no later than two (2) Business Days following receipt of proceeds from the sale thereof. With respect to each New Vehicle that has not been sold, the New Vehicle Borrowers (jointly and severally) shall pay in full an amount equal to (i) in the case of any such New Vehicle held as Inventory, beginning 12 months after the date such New Vehicle is Deemed Floored, monthly payments of 10% of the original amount of the New Vehicle Floorplan Loan relating to such New Vehicle, with the final payment for all amounts then outstanding under such New Vehicle Floorplan Loan due 15 months after the date such New Vehicle is Deemed Floored, and (ii) in the case of each Demonstrator, Rental Vehicle, and other mileage Vehicle, beginning the date such New Vehicle is Deemed Floored, monthly payments of 2% of the original amount of the New Vehicle Floorplan Loan relating to such New Vehicle, with the final payment for all amounts then outstanding under such New Vehicle Floorplan Loan due 24 months after the date such New Vehicle is Deemed Floored. Upon the funding thereof, any New Vehicle Floorplan Overdraft shall be due and payable in full by the New Vehicle Borrowers on the next following Business Day.

(B) If any Loan Party sells all or substantially all of the assets of a dealership or franchise to a Person other than a New Vehicle Borrower (each such sale being referred to as a “Dealership Sale”), then the New Vehicle Borrowers (jointly and severally) shall pay in full an amount equal to the outstanding New Vehicle Floorplan Loan, if any, with respect to each New Vehicle that had been owned by (or identified as an asset on the books or records of) such dealership or franchise immediately prior to such Dealership Sale, which payment shall be made no later than five (5)

Business Days following the receipt of proceeds from such Dealership Sale (whether or not such New Vehicle was sold in connection with such Dealership Sale).

- (C) If the Company terminates the designation of a Subsidiary as a “New Vehicle Borrower” with respect to any Removed Franchise in accordance with Section 2.24(e), then the New Vehicle Borrowers (jointly and severally) shall (1) repay each New Vehicle Floorplan Committed Loan and each New Vehicle Floorplan Swingline Loan with respect to any New Vehicle that is subsequently financed by Permitted Silo Indebtedness at such Removed Franchise immediately upon the applicable Silo Financing Commencement Date, and (2) repay (within five (5) Business Days after the applicable Silo Financing Commencement Date) any New Vehicle Floorplan Committed Loan or New Vehicle Floorplan Swingline Loan with respect to any other Vehicle that is owned by any respective Removed Franchise on or after the applicable Silo Financing Commencement Date.

(iv) Payments required to be made by any New Vehicle Borrower as set forth in Section 2.16(b)(i) and (ii) shall be applied in the following order: (1) first, to the outstanding principal balance and then to accrued interest on any New Vehicle Floorplan Overdraft, (2) second, to the outstanding principal balance of New Vehicle Floorplan Swing Line Loans, (3) third, to the outstanding principal balance of New Vehicle Floorplan Loans funded from the Reserve Commitment, and (4) finally, to the remaining outstanding principal balance of the New Vehicle Floor Plan Committed Loans. Payments required to be made by any New Vehicle Borrower as set forth in Section 2.16(b)(iii) shall be applied first to the outstanding principal balance and then to accrued interest on the New Vehicle Floorplan Loan with respect to such New Vehicle, and then in the order set forth in the sentence above.

(v) In the event of any disputed or duplicate New Vehicle Floorplan Loan (each a “Disputed Existing Loan”) being refinanced or paid down by any New Vehicle Floorplan Committed Loan or New Vehicle Floorplan Swing Line Loan in reliance on information provided by the Company, any Subsidiary or any existing lender pursuant to any audit completed under Section 4.01(a)(xxi), the Borrowers will (jointly and severally) upon demand, repay any New Vehicle Floorplan Committed Loan or New Vehicle Floorplan Swing Line Loan related to such Disputed Existing Loan, including accrued interest with respect to such New Vehicle Floorplan Committed Loan or New Vehicle Floorplan Swing Line Loan, regardless of whether such Disputed Existing Loan has been resolved with the prior lender.

(vi) Without limiting any other rights or obligations hereunder, interest, curtailment and other payments then due pursuant to this Section 2.16(b) or Section 2.18(b) shall be automatically debited on the Automatic Debit Date of each month from a deposit account maintained by the applicable New Vehicle Borrower with Bank of America pursuant to the Floorplan On-line System (provided that if there are not

sufficient funds in such account to pay such amounts, then the applicable New Vehicle Borrower shall pay such amounts in cash when due).

(vii) Payments made in respect of any New Vehicle Floorplan Loan must specify the applicable New Vehicle Borrower and New Vehicle(s) (including the make, model and vehicle identification number of such New Vehicle(s)) attributable to such payment.

(c) Repayment of Used Vehicle Floorplan Loans.

(i) The Company shall repay each Used Vehicle Floorplan Committed Loan (x) no less frequently than twice in any calendar month, (y) at any time on demand by the Administrative Agent at the request of the Super-Majority Used Vehicle Floorplan Lenders and (z) on the Maturity Date.

(ii) The Company shall repay each Used Vehicle Floorplan Swing Line Loan (x) at any time on demand by the Used Vehicle Swing Line Lender and (y) on the Maturity Date.

2.17 Interest.

(a) Subject to the provisions of subsection (b) below, (i) each Eurodollar Rate Loan shall bear interest on the outstanding principal amount thereof from the applicable borrowing date at a rate per annum equal to the Eurodollar Rate plus the Applicable Rate; and (ii) each Base Rate Loan shall bear interest on the outstanding principal amount thereof from the applicable borrowing date at a rate per annum equal to the Base Rate.

(b) (i) If any amount of principal of any Loan is not paid when due (without regard to any applicable grace periods), whether at stated maturity, by acceleration or otherwise, such amount shall thereafter bear interest at a fluctuating interest rate per annum at all times equal to the Default Rate to the fullest extent permitted by applicable Laws.

(ii) If any amount (other than principal of any Loan) payable by any Borrower under any Loan Document is not paid when due (without regard to any applicable grace periods), whether at stated maturity, by acceleration or otherwise, then upon the request of the Required Lenders, such amount shall thereafter bear interest at a fluctuating interest rate per annum at all times equal to the Default Rate to the fullest extent permitted by applicable Laws.

(iii) Upon the request of the Required Lenders, while any Event of Default exists, each Borrower shall pay interest on the principal amount of all outstanding Obligations hereunder at a fluctuating interest rate per annum at all times equal to the Default Rate to the fullest extent permitted by applicable Laws.

(iv) Accrued and unpaid interest on past due amounts (including interest on past due interest) shall be due and payable upon demand.

(c) Interest on each Loan shall be due and payable in arrears on each Interest Payment Date applicable thereto and at such other times as may be specified herein. Interest hereunder shall be due and payable in accordance with the terms hereof before and after judgment, and before and after the commencement of any proceeding under any Debtor Relief Law.

2.18 Fees. In addition to certain fees described in subsections (i) and (j) of Section 2.03:

(a) Commitment Fees. The Company shall pay to the Administrative Agent for the account of each Revolving Lender in accordance with its Applicable Revolving Percentage, a commitment fee equal to the Applicable Rate times the actual daily amount by which the Aggregate Revolving Commitments exceed the sum of (i) the Outstanding Amount of Revolving Committed Loans and (ii) the Outstanding Amount of L/C Obligations. The Borrowers (jointly and severally) shall pay to the Administrative Agent for the account of each New Vehicle Floorplan Lender in accordance with its Applicable New Vehicle Floorplan Percentage, a commitment fee equal to the Applicable Rate times the actual daily amount by which the Aggregate New Vehicle Floorplan Commitments exceed the Outstanding Amount of New Vehicle Floorplan Committed Loans. The Company shall pay to the Administrative Agent for the account of each Used Vehicle Floorplan Lender in accordance with its Applicable Used Vehicle Floorplan Percentage, a commitment fee equal to the Applicable Rate times the actual daily amount by which the Aggregate New Vehicle Floorplan Commitments exceed the Outstanding Amount of New Vehicle Floorplan Committed Loans. The commitment fees shall accrue at all times during the Availability Period, including at any time during which one or more of the conditions in Article IV is not met, and shall be due and payable quarterly in arrears on the Automatic Debit Date after the end of each March, June, September and December, commencing with the first such date to occur after the Closing Date, and on the Maturity Date. The commitment fees shall be calculated quarterly in arrears, and if there is any change in the respective Applicable Rate during any quarter, the actual daily amount shall be computed and multiplied by such Applicable Rate separately for each period during such quarter that such Applicable Rate was in effect. For purposes of clarity, Revolving Swing Line Loans, New Vehicle Floorplan Swing Line Loans and Used Vehicle Floorplan Swing Line Loans shall not be included in calculating the Outstanding Amount of Revolving Committed Loans, New Vehicle Floorplan Committed Loans or Used Vehicle Floorplan Committed Loans used in determining the commitment fees set forth above.

(b) Other Fees. (i) The Company shall pay to the Arrangers and the Administrative Agent for their own respective accounts fees in the amounts and at the times specified in the Fee Letters. Such fees shall be fully earned when paid and shall not be refundable for any reason whatsoever.

(ii) The Company shall pay to the Lenders such fees as shall have been separately agreed upon in writing in the amounts and at the times so specified. Such fees shall be fully earned when paid and shall not be refundable for any reason whatsoever.

2.19 Computation of Interest and Fees. All computations of interest for Base Rate Loans when the Base Rate is determined by Bank of America's "prime rate" shall be made on the basis of a year of 365 or 366 days, as the case may be, and actual days elapsed. All other computations of fees and interest shall be made on the basis of a 360-day year and actual days elapsed (which results in more fees or interest, as applicable, being paid than if computed on the basis of a 365-day year). Interest shall accrue on each Loan for the day on which the Loan is made, and shall not accrue on a Loan, or any portion thereof, for the day on which the Loan or such portion is paid, provided that any Loan that is repaid on the same day on which it is made shall, subject to Section 2.21(a), bear interest for one day. Each determination by the Administrative Agent of an interest rate or fee hereunder shall be conclusive and binding for all purposes, absent manifest error.

2.20 Evidence of Debt.

(a) The Credit Extensions made by each Lender shall be evidenced by one or more accounts or records maintained by such Lender and by the Administrative Agent in the ordinary course of business. The accounts or records maintained by the Administrative Agent and each Lender shall be conclusive absent manifest error of the amount of the Credit Extensions made by the Lenders to the Borrowers and the interest and payments thereon. Any failure to so record or any error in doing so shall not, however, limit or otherwise affect the obligation of the Borrowers hereunder to pay any amount owing with respect to the Obligations. In the event of any conflict between the accounts and records maintained by any Lender and the accounts and records of the Administrative Agent in respect of such matters, the accounts and records of the Administrative Agent shall control in the absence of manifest error. Upon the request of any Lender made through the Administrative Agent, the Borrowers shall execute and deliver to such Lender (through the Administrative Agent) a Note, which shall evidence such Lender's Loans in addition to such accounts or records. Each Lender may attach schedules to its Note and endorse thereon the date, Type (if applicable), amount and maturity of its Loans and payments with respect thereto.

(b) In addition to the accounts and records referred to in subsection (a), each Lender and the Administrative Agent shall maintain in accordance with its usual practice accounts or records evidencing the purchases and sales by such Lender of participations in Letters of Credit, Revolving Swing Line Loans, New Vehicle Floorplan Swing Line Loans and Used Vehicle Floorplan Swing Line Loans. In the event of any conflict between the accounts and records maintained by the Administrative Agent and the accounts and records of any Lender in respect of such matters, the accounts and records of the Administrative Agent shall control in the absence of manifest error.

2.21 Payments Generally; Administrative Agent's Clawback.

(a) General. All payments to be made by any Borrower shall be made without condition or deduction for any counterclaim, defense, recoupment or setoff. Except as otherwise expressly provided herein, all payments by any Borrower hereunder shall be made to the Administrative Agent, for the account of the respective Lenders to which such payment is owed, at the Administrative Agent's Office in Dollars and in immediately available funds not later than

2:00 p.m. on the date specified herein. The Administrative Agent will promptly distribute to each Lender its Applicable Revolving Percentage, Applicable New Vehicle Floorplan Percentage or Applicable Used Vehicle Floorplan Percentage, as applicable (or other applicable share as provided herein) of such payment in like funds as received by wire transfer to such Lender's Lending Office. All payments received by the Administrative Agent after 2:00 p.m. shall be deemed received on the next succeeding Business Day and any applicable interest or fee shall continue to accrue. If any payment to be made by any Borrower shall come due on a day other than a Business Day, payment shall be made on the next following Business Day, and such extension of time shall be reflected in computing interest or fees, as the case may be.

(b)(i) Funding by Lenders; Presumption by Administrative Agent. Unless the Administrative Agent shall have received notice from a Lender prior to 12:00 noon on the date of any Committed Borrowing that such Lender will not make available to the Administrative Agent such Lender's share of such Committed Borrowing, the Administrative Agent may assume that such Lender has made such share available on such date in accordance with Section 2.02, Section 2.07 or Section 2.12 and may, in reliance upon such assumption, make available to the Company or applicable New Vehicle Borrower a corresponding amount. In such event, if a Lender has not in fact made its share of the applicable Committed Borrowing available to the Administrative Agent, then the applicable Lender, the Company and the other Borrowers severally agree to pay to the Administrative Agent forthwith on demand such corresponding amount in immediately available funds with interest thereon, for each day from and including the date such amount is made available to the Company or applicable New Vehicle Borrower to but excluding the date of payment to the Administrative Agent, at (A) in the case of a payment to be made by such Lender, the greater of the Federal Funds Rate and a rate determined by the Administrative Agent in accordance with banking industry rules on interbank compensation and (B) in the case of a payment to be made by the Company or any other Borrower, the interest rate applicable to Base Rate Loans. If the Company or any other Borrower and such Lender shall pay such interest to the Administrative Agent for the same or an overlapping period, the Administrative Agent shall promptly remit to the Company or applicable New Vehicle Borrower the amount of such interest paid by the Company or such Borrower for such period. If such Lender pays its share of the applicable Committed Borrowing to the Administrative Agent, then the amount so paid shall constitute such Lender's Loan included in such Committed Borrowing. Any payment by the Company or any other Borrower shall be without prejudice to any claim the Company or any other Borrower may have against a Lender that shall have failed to make such payment to the Administrative Agent.

(ii) Payments by Borrower; Presumptions by Administrative Agent. Unless the Administrative Agent shall have received notice from the Company (on its own behalf or on behalf of another Borrower) prior to the date on which any payment is due to the Administrative Agent for the account of the Lenders or the L/C Issuer hereunder that such Borrower will not make such payment, the Administrative Agent may assume that such Borrower has made such payment on such date in accordance herewith and may, in reliance upon such assumption, distribute to the Lenders or the L/C Issuer, as the case may be, the amount due. In such event, if such Borrower has not in fact made such

payment, then each of the Lenders or the L/C Issuer, as the case may be, severally agrees to repay to the Administrative Agent forthwith on demand the amount so distributed to such Lender or the L/C Issuer, in immediately available funds with interest thereon, for each day from and including the date such amount is distributed to it to but excluding the date of payment to the Administrative Agent, at the greater of the Federal Funds Rate and a rate determined by the Administrative Agent in accordance with banking industry rules on interbank compensation.

A notice of the Administrative Agent to any Lender or any Borrower with respect to any amount owing under this subsection (b) shall be conclusive, absent manifest error.

(c) Failure to Satisfy Conditions Precedent. If any Lender makes available to the Administrative Agent funds for any Loan to be made by such Lender to any Borrower as provided in the foregoing provisions of this Article II, and such funds are not made available to such Borrower by the Administrative Agent because the conditions to the applicable Credit Extension set forth in Article IV are not satisfied or waived in accordance with the terms hereof, the Administrative Agent shall return such funds (in like funds as received from such Lender) to such Lender, without interest.

(d) Obligations of Revolving Lenders Several. The obligations of the Revolving Lenders hereunder to make Revolving Committed Loans, to fund participations in Letters of Credit and Revolving Swing Line Loans and to make payments pursuant to Section 10.04(c) are several and not joint. The failure of any Revolving Lender to make any Revolving Committed Loan, to fund any such participation or to make any payment under Section 10.04(c) on any date required hereunder shall not relieve any other Revolving Lender of its corresponding obligation to do so on such date, and no Revolving Lender shall be responsible for the failure of any other Revolving Lender to so make its Revolving Committed Loan, to purchase its participation or to make its payment under Section 10.04(c).

(e) Obligations of New Vehicle Floorplan Lenders Several. The obligations of the New Vehicle Floorplan Lenders hereunder to make New Vehicle Floorplan Committed Loans, to fund participations in New Vehicle Floorplan Swing Line Loans and to make payments pursuant to Section 10.04(c) are several and not joint. The failure of any New Vehicle Floorplan Lender to make any New Vehicle Floorplan Committed Loan, to fund any such participation or to make any payment under Section 10.04(c) on any date required hereunder shall not relieve any other New Vehicle Floorplan Lender of its corresponding obligation to do so on such date, and no New Vehicle Floorplan Lender shall be responsible for the failure of any other New Vehicle Floorplan Lender to so make its New Vehicle Floorplan Committed Loan, to purchase its participation or to make its payment under Section 10.04(c).

(f) Obligations of Used Vehicle Floorplan Lenders Several. The obligations of the Used Vehicle Floorplan Lenders hereunder to make Used Vehicle Floorplan Committed Loans, to fund participations in Used Vehicle Floorplan Swing Line Loans and to make payments pursuant to Section 10.04(c) are several and not joint. The failure of any Used Vehicle Floorplan Lender to make any Used Vehicle Floorplan Committed Loan, to fund any such participation or to make any payment under Section 10.04(c) on any date required hereunder shall not relieve any

other Used Vehicle Floorplan Lender of its corresponding obligation to do so on such date, and no Used Vehicle Floorplan Lender shall be responsible for the failure of any other Used Vehicle Floorplan Lender to so make its Used Vehicle Floorplan Committed Loan, to purchase its participation or to make its payment under Section 10.04(c).

(g) Funding Source. Nothing herein shall be deemed to obligate any Lender to obtain the funds for any Loan in any particular place or manner or to constitute a representation by any Lender that it has obtained or will obtain the funds for any Loan in any particular place or manner.

2.22 Sharing of Payments by Lenders. If any Lender shall, by exercising any right of setoff or counterclaim or otherwise, obtain payment in respect of any principal of or interest on any of the Revolving Committed Loans, New Vehicle Floorplan Committed Loans, or Used Vehicle Floorplan Committed Loans made by it, or the participations in L/C Obligations, Revolving Swing Line Loans, New Vehicle Floorplan Swing Line Loans or Used Vehicle Floorplan Swing Line Loans held by it resulting in such Lender's receiving payment of a proportion of the aggregate amount of such Revolving Committed Loans, New Vehicle Floorplan Committed Loans, or Used Vehicle Floorplan Committed Loans or participations and accrued interest thereon greater than its pro rata share thereof as provided herein, then the Lender receiving such greater proportion shall (a) notify the Administrative Agent of such fact, and (b) purchase from the other applicable Lenders (in the respective Revolving Facility, New Vehicle Floorplan Facility or Used Vehicle Floorplan Facility (for cash at face value) participations in the applicable Revolving Committed Loans, New Vehicle Floorplan Committed Loans, or Used Vehicle Floorplan Committed Loans and subparticipations in L/C Obligations, Revolving Swing Line Loans, New Vehicle Floorplan Swing Line Loans or Used Vehicle Floorplan Swing Line Loans of the other Lenders, or make such other adjustments as shall be equitable, so that the benefit of all such payments shall be shared by the Lenders ratably in accordance with the aggregate amount of principal of and accrued interest on their respective Committed Loans and other amounts owing them, provided that:

(i) if any such participations or subparticipations are purchased and all or any portion of the payment giving rise thereto is recovered, such participations or subparticipations shall be rescinded and the purchase price restored to the extent of such recovery, without interest; and

(ii) the provisions of this Section shall not be construed to apply to (x) any payment made by any Borrower pursuant to and in accordance with the express terms of this Agreement or (y) any payment obtained by a Lender as consideration for the assignment of or sale of a participation in any of its Revolving Committed Loans, New Vehicle Floorplan Swing Line Loans or Used Vehicle Floorplan Swing Line Loans or subparticipations in L/C Obligations, Revolving Swing Line Loans, New Vehicle Floorplan Swing Line Loans or Used Vehicle Floorplan Swing Line Loans, as the case may be to any assignee or participant, other than to the Company or any Subsidiary thereof (as to which the provisions of this Section shall apply).

Each Borrower consents to the foregoing and agrees, to the extent it may effectively do so under applicable law, that any Lender acquiring a participation pursuant to the foregoing arrangements may exercise against such Borrower rights of setoff and counterclaim with respect to such participation as fully as if such Lender were a direct creditor of such Borrower in the amount of such participation.

2.23 Increase in Commitments.

(a) Request for Increase. Provided there exists no Default, upon notice to the Administrative Agent (which shall promptly notify the Lenders), the Company may from time to time, request an increase in the Aggregate Commitments by an amount (i) for all such requests, not exceeding \$250,000,000, and (ii) for all such requests after the Amendment No. 3 Effective Date, not exceeding \$65,000,000; provided that the Company may make a maximum of two such requests after the Amendment No. 3 Effective Date. Such increase shall be allocated between the Aggregate Revolving Commitments, the Aggregate New Vehicle Floorplan Commitments and the Aggregate Used Vehicle Floorplan Commitments as requested by the Company and specified in its notice, provided that, following such increase, (i) the percentage of each Lender's Commitment allocated to the Revolving Facility shall be equal to the percentage of each other Lender's Commitment allocated to the Revolving Facility (including any Lender obtaining a Commitment pursuant to this Section 2.23), (ii) the percentage of each Lender's Commitment allocated to the New Vehicle Floorplan Facility shall be equal to the percentage of each other Lender's Commitment allocated to the New Vehicle Floorplan Facility (including any Lender obtaining a Commitment pursuant to this Section 2.23), (iii) the percentage of each Lender's Commitment allocated to the Used Vehicle Floorplan Facility shall be equal to the percentage of each other Lender's Commitment allocated to the Used Vehicle Floorplan Facility (including any Lender obtaining a Commitment pursuant to this Section 2.23), (iv) at least 70% of the Aggregate Commitments must be allocated to the Aggregate Floorplan Facility Commitments, and (v) at least 80% of the Aggregate Floorplan Facility Commitments must be allocated to the Aggregate New Vehicle Floorplan Commitments. At the time of sending such notice, the Company (in consultation with the Administrative Agent) shall specify the time period within which each Lender is requested to respond (which shall in no event be less than ten Business Days from the date of delivery of such notice to the Lenders).

(b) Lender Elections to Increase. Each Lender shall notify the Administrative Agent within such time period whether or not it agrees to increase its respective Commitment and, if so, whether by an amount equal to, greater than, or less than its Applicable Percentage of such requested increase. Any Lender not responding within such time period shall be deemed to have declined to increase its Commitment.

(c) Notification by Administrative Agent; Additional Lenders. The Administrative Agent shall notify the Company and each Lender of the Lenders' responses to each request made hereunder. To achieve the full amount of a requested increase and subject to the approval of the Administrative Agent and the L/C Issuer (which approvals shall not be unreasonably withheld), the Company may also invite additional Eligible Assignees to become Lenders pursuant to a joinder agreement in form and substance satisfactory to the Administrative Agent and its counsel.

(d) Effective Date and Allocations. If the Aggregate Commitments are increased in accordance with this Section, the Administrative Agent and the Company shall determine the effective date (the “Increase Effective Date”) and the final allocation of such increase. The Administrative Agent shall promptly notify the Company and the Lenders of the final allocation of such increase and the Increase Effective Date.

(e) Conditions to Effectiveness of Increase. As a condition precedent to such increase, the Company shall deliver to the Administrative Agent a certificate of each Loan Party dated as of the Increase Effective Date (in sufficient copies for each Lender) signed by a Responsible Officer of such Loan Party (i) certifying and attaching the resolutions adopted by such Loan Party approving or consenting to such increase, and (ii) in the case of the Company, certifying that, before and after giving effect to such increase, (A) the representations and warranties contained in Article V and the other Loan Documents are true and correct on and as of the Increase Effective Date, except to the extent that such representations and warranties specifically refer to an earlier date, in which case they are true and correct as of such earlier date, and except that for purposes of this Section 2.23, the representations and warranties contained in subsections (a) and (b) of Section 5.05 shall be deemed to refer to the most recent statements furnished pursuant to clauses (a) and (b), respectively, of Section 6.01, and (B) no Default exists. The Borrowers shall prepay any Committed Loans outstanding on the Increase Effective Date (and pay any additional amounts required pursuant to Section 3.05) to the extent necessary to keep the outstanding Committed Loans ratable with any revised Applicable Percentages arising from any nonratable increase in the Commitments under this Section.

(f) Conflicting Provisions. This Section shall supersede any provisions in Sections 2.22 or 10.01 to the contrary.

2.24 New Vehicle Borrowers.

(a) Effective as of the date hereof, each Subsidiary that has executed this Agreement shall be a “New Vehicle Borrower” hereunder and may receive New Vehicle Floorplan Loans for its account on the terms and conditions set forth in this Agreement.

(b) If any Subsidiary engages in the sale or leasing of New Vehicles and the Company wishes to designate such Subsidiary as a New Vehicle Borrower, the Company shall deliver to the Administrative Agent, pursuant to Section 6.14 or otherwise, a Joinder Agreement executed by such Subsidiary identifying such Subsidiary as a New Vehicle Borrower; provided that a New Vehicle Borrower shall not be required to execute a Joinder Agreement if such New Vehicle Borrower has executed and delivered this Agreement on the Closing Date. The parties hereto acknowledge and agree that prior to any such Subsidiary becoming entitled to utilize the credit facilities provided for in Sections 2.07, through 2.09 the Administrative Agent, the New Vehicle Swing Line Lender, and the other Lenders shall have received the documents required by Section 6.14. If the Administrative Agent and the New Vehicle Swing Line Lender agree that such Subsidiary shall be entitled to receive New Vehicle Floorplan Loans hereunder, then promptly following receipt of all such documents required by Section 6.14, the Administrative Agent shall send a notice in substantially the form of Exhibit O (a “New Vehicle Borrower Notice”) to the Company and the Lenders specifying the effective date upon which such

Subsidiary shall constitute a New Vehicle Borrower for purposes hereof, whereupon each of the New Vehicle Floorplan Lenders agrees to permit such New Vehicle Borrower to receive New Vehicle Floorplan Loans hereunder, on the terms and conditions set forth herein, and each of the parties agrees that such New Vehicle Borrower otherwise shall be a Borrower for all purposes of this Agreement.

(c) Notwithstanding any other provision of this Agreement, each New Vehicle Borrower shall be jointly and severally liable as a primary obligor, and not merely as surety, for any and all Obligations under the New Vehicle Floorplan Facility now or hereafter owed to the Administrative Agent, the New Vehicle Swing Line Lender and the New Vehicle Floorplan Lenders, whether voluntary or involuntary and however arising, whether direct or acquired by any Lender by assignment or succession, whether due or not due, absolute or contingent, liquidated or unliquidated, determined or undetermined (such Obligations, the “New Vehicle Borrowers’ Liabilities”).

(d) Each New Vehicle Borrower expressly waives any and all defenses now or hereafter arising or asserted by reason of (i) any lack of legality, validity or enforceability of this Agreement, of any of the Notes, of any other Loan Document, or of any other agreement or instrument creating, providing security for, or otherwise relating to any of the Obligations or any guaranty of any of the New Vehicle Borrowers’ Liabilities (the Loan Documents and all such other agreements and instruments being collectively referred to as the “Related Agreements”); (ii) any action taken under any of the Related Agreements, any exercise of any right or power therein conferred, any failure or omission to enforce any right conferred thereby, or any waiver of any covenant or condition therein provided; (iii) any acceleration of the maturity of any of the New Vehicle Borrowers’ Liabilities or of any other obligations or liabilities of any Person under any of the Related Agreements; (iv) any release, exchange, non-perfection, lapse in perfection, disposal, deterioration in value, or impairment of any security for any of the New Vehicle Borrowers’ Liabilities, or for any other obligations or liabilities of any Person under any of the Related Agreements; (v) any dissolution of any Borrower, any Loan Party or any other party to a Related Agreement, or the combination or consolidation of any Borrower, any Loan Party or any other party to a Related Agreement into or with another entity or any transfer or disposition of any assets of any Borrower, any Loan Party or any other party to a Related Agreement; (vi) any extension (including without limitation extensions of time for payment), renewal, amendment, restructuring or restatement of, any acceptance of late or partial payments under, or any change in the amount of any borrowings or any credit facilities available under, this Agreement, any of the Notes or any other Loan Document or any other Related Agreement, in whole or in part; (vii) the existence, addition, modification, termination, reduction or impairment of value, or release of any other guaranty (or security therefor) of the New Vehicle Borrowers’ Liabilities; (viii) any waiver of, forbearance or indulgence under, or other consent to any change in or departure from any term or provision contained in this Agreement, any other Loan Document or any other Related Agreement, including without limitation any term pertaining to the payment or performance of any of the New Vehicle Borrowers’ Liabilities, or any of the obligations or liabilities of any party to any other Related Agreement; and (ix) any other circumstance whatsoever (with or without notice to or knowledge of such New Vehicle Borrower) which may or might in any manner or to any extent vary the risks of such New Vehicle Borrower, or might otherwise constitute a legal or equitable defense available to, or discharge of, a surety or a

guarantor, including without limitation any right to require or claim that resort be had to any Borrower or any other Loan Party or to any collateral in respect of the New Vehicle Borrowers' Liabilities. It is the express purpose and intent of the parties hereto that the joint and several liability of each New Vehicle Borrower for the New Vehicle Borrowers' Liabilities shall be absolute and unconditional under any and all circumstances and shall not be discharged except by payment as herein provided. Notwithstanding the foregoing, the liability of each New Vehicle Borrower with respect to its New Vehicle Borrowers' Liabilities shall be limited to an aggregate amount equal to the largest amount that would not render its obligations hereunder subject to avoidance under Section 548 of the Bankruptcy Code of the United States or any comparable provisions of any applicable state law.

(e) The Company shall be permitted to terminate the designation of a Subsidiary as a "New Vehicle Borrower" with respect to any particular franchise (any such franchise, a "~~Removed Franchise~~") and redesignate such Subsidiary as a "Dual Subsidiary" or a "Silo Subsidiary", as applicable, in order to finance New Vehicles through Permitted Silo Indebtedness so long as (i) the Company has (x) delivered notice of such request to the Administrative Agent, (y) executed and delivered acknowledgements (in form and substance reasonably acceptable to the Administrative Agent) of such Subsidiary's continuing Obligations under the Loan Documents (including pursuant to the Subsidiary Guaranty) as requested by the Administrative Agent and (z) prepaid all outstanding New Vehicle Floorplan Loans with respect to such redesignation as required by Section 2.16(b)(iii)(C) and otherwise complied with Section 7.18 or 7.19, as applicable, (ii) such Subsidiary otherwise qualifies as a "Silo Subsidiary" or a "Dual Subsidiary", as applicable, entitled to incur Permitted Silo Indebtedness pursuant to the terms of the Agreement at the time of such redesignation, (iii) no Default or Event of Default then exists or will result therefrom, (iv) following any prepayment of New Vehicle Floorplan Loans required by Section 2.16(b)(iii)(C) and any reduction in the Aggregate New Vehicle Floorplan Commitments required by Section 2.15(d) in connection with such redesignation, at least 65% of the Aggregate Commitments must be allocated to the Aggregate Floorplan Facility Commitments and at least 75% of the Aggregate Floorplan Facility Commitments must be allocated to the Aggregate New Vehicle Floorplan Commitments, and (v) the amount of the reductions in the Aggregate New Vehicle Floorplan Commitments required pursuant to Section 2.15(d) as a result of all such redesignations does not exceed \$50,000,000 in the aggregate. Following any such redesignation, such Subsidiary shall no longer be entitled to utilize the credit facilities provided for in Sections 2.07 through 2.09 with respect to any Removed Franchise.

(f) Each Subsidiary that is or becomes a "New Vehicle Borrower" pursuant to this Section 2.24 hereby irrevocably appoints the Company as its agent for all purposes relevant to this Agreement and each of the other Loan Documents, including (i) the giving and receipt of notices, (ii) the execution and delivery of all documents, instruments and certificates contemplated herein and all modifications hereto, and (iii) the receipt of the proceeds of any New Vehicle Floorplan Loans made by the Lenders to any such New Vehicle Borrower hereunder. Any acknowledgment, consent, direction, certification or other action which might otherwise be valid or effective only if given or taken by all Borrowers, or by any Borrower acting singly, shall be valid and effective if given or taken only by the Company, whether or not any such other Borrower joins therein. Any notice, demand, consent, acknowledgement, direction, certification or other communication delivered to the Company in accordance with the terms of this

**ARTICLE IIA
SECURITY**

2A.01 Security. As security for the full and timely payment and performance of all Obligations, the Company and each Borrower shall, and shall cause all other Loan Parties to, on or before the Closing Date, do or cause to be done all things reasonably necessary in the opinion of the Administrative Agent and its counsel to grant to the Administrative Agent for the benefit of the Secured Parties a duly perfected first priority security interest in all Collateral subject to no prior Lien or other encumbrance except as expressly permitted hereunder. Without limiting the foregoing, the Company and each Borrower shall deliver, and shall cause each other applicable Loan Party to deliver, to the Administrative Agent, in form and substance reasonably acceptable to the Administrative Agent, (a) the Security Agreement, the Pledge Agreement and the Escrow and Security Agreement, or (b) in the case of Sonic Financial, the Sonic Financial Pledge Agreement and (c) in either case, UCC financing statements in form, substance and number as requested by the Administrative Agent, reflecting the Lien in favor of the Administrative Agent for the benefit of the Secured Parties on the Collateral. In addition, and without limiting the foregoing, the Company and each Borrower shall take and cause each other Loan Party to take such further action, and deliver or cause to be delivered such further documents and instruments, as required by the Security Instruments or otherwise as the Administrative Agent may reasonably request to create, perfect and maintain the effectiveness and priority of the Liens contemplated by this Article IIA and each of the Security Instruments.

2A.02 Further Assurances. At the request of the Administrative Agent from time to time, the Company and each Borrower will or will cause all other Loan Parties, as the case may be, to execute, by their respective Responsible Officers, alone or with the Administrative Agent, any certificate, instrument, financing statement, control agreement, statement or document, or to procure any certificate, instrument, statement or document or to take such other action (and pay all related costs) which the Administrative Agent reasonably deems necessary from time to time to create, continue or preserve the Liens in Collateral (and the perfection and priority thereof) of the Administrative Agent for the benefit of the Secured Parties contemplated hereby and by the other Loan Documents and specifically including all Collateral acquired by the Company or any Borrower or any other Loan Party after the Closing Date and all Collateral moved to or from time to time located at locations owned by third parties, including all leased locations, bailees, warehousemen and third party processors. The Administrative Agent is hereby irrevocably authorized to execute and file or cause to be filed, with or if permitted by applicable law without the signature of the Company, any Borrower or any Loan Party appearing thereon, all UCC financing statements reflecting the Company, any Borrower or any other Loan Party as “debtor” and the Administrative Agent as “secured party”, and continuations thereof and amendments thereto, as the Administrative Agent reasonably deems necessary or advisable to give effect to the transactions contemplated hereby and by the other Loan Documents.

2A.03 Information Regarding Collateral. Each of the Company and each Borrower represents, warrants and covenants that Schedule 2A.03(a) contains a true and complete list of (i)

the exact legal name, jurisdiction of formation and location of the chief executive office of the Company and each Borrower and each other Person providing Collateral pursuant to a Security Instrument on the Closing Date (such Persons, together with any other Persons that provide Collateral at any time pursuant to a Security Instrument, being referred to collectively as the “Grantors”), (ii) each trade name, trademark or other trade style used by such Grantor on the Closing Date, (iii) (as to each Grantor other than Sonic Financial) each location in which goods constituting Collateral having an aggregate value in excess of \$100,000 are located as of the Closing Date, whether owned, leased or third-party locations, and (iv) with respect to each leased or third party location, the name of each owner of such location and a summary description of the relationship between the applicable Grantor and such Person. Each of the Company and each Borrower further covenants that it shall not change, and shall not permit any other Grantor to change, its name, type of entity, jurisdiction of formation (whether by reincorporation, merger or otherwise), or the location of its chief executive office, or use or permit any other Grantor to use, any additional trade name, trademark or other trade style, except upon giving not less than 15 days’ prior written notice to the Administrative Agent and taking or causing to be taken all such action at the Company’s, such Borrower’s or such other Grantor’s expense as may be reasonably requested by the Administrative Agent to perfect or maintain the perfection of the Lien of the Administrative Agent for the benefit of the Secured Parties in Collateral.

ARTICLE III. TAXES, YIELD PROTECTION AND ILLEGALITY

3.01 Taxes.

(a) Payments Free of Taxes. Any and all payments by or on account of any obligation of the Company or any Borrower hereunder or under any other Loan Document shall be made free and clear of and without reduction or withholding for any Indemnified Taxes or Other Taxes, provided that if the Company or any Borrower shall be required by applicable law to deduct any Indemnified Taxes (including any Other Taxes) from such payments, then (i) the sum payable shall be increased as necessary so that after making all required deductions (including deductions applicable to additional sums payable under this Section) the Administrative Agent, Lender or L/C Issuer, as the case may be, receives an amount equal to the sum it would have received had no such deductions been made, (ii) the Company or such Borrower, as applicable, shall make such deductions and (iii) the Company or such Borrower, as applicable, shall timely pay the full amount deducted to the relevant Governmental Authority in accordance with applicable law.

(b) Payment of Other Taxes by the Borrowers. Without limiting the provisions of subsection (a) above, the Company and each Borrower shall timely pay any Other Taxes to the relevant Governmental Authority in accordance with applicable law.

(c) Indemnification by the Company and the Borrowers. The Company and each Borrower (jointly and severally) shall indemnify the Administrative Agent, each Lender and the L/C Issuer, within 10 days after demand therefor, for the full amount of any Indemnified Taxes or Other Taxes (including Indemnified Taxes or Other Taxes imposed or asserted on or

attributable to amounts payable under this Section) paid by the Administrative Agent, such Lender or the L/C Issuer, as the case may be, and any penalties, interest and reasonable expenses arising therefrom or with respect thereto, whether or not such Indemnified Taxes or Other Taxes were correctly or legally imposed or asserted by the relevant Governmental Authority. A certificate as to the amount of such payment or liability delivered in good faith to the Company or any Borrower by a Lender or the L/C Issuer (with a copy to the Administrative Agent), or by the Administrative Agent on its own behalf or on behalf of a Lender or the L/C Issuer, shall be conclusive absent manifest error.

(d) Evidence of Payments. As soon as practicable after any payment of Indemnified Taxes or Other Taxes by the Company or any Borrower to a Governmental Authority and at the written request of the Administrative Agent or any Lender, the Company or such Borrower shall deliver to the Administrative Agent the original or a certified copy of a receipt issued by such Governmental Authority evidencing such payment, a copy of the return reporting such payment or other evidence of such payment reasonably satisfactory to the Administrative Agent.

(e) Status of Lenders. Any Foreign Lender that is entitled to an exemption from or reduction of withholding tax under the law of the jurisdiction in which the Company or any Borrower is resident for tax purposes, or any treaty to which such jurisdiction is a party, with respect to payments hereunder or under any other Loan Document shall deliver to the Company (with a copy to the Administrative Agent), at the time or times prescribed by applicable law or reasonably requested by the Company or the Administrative Agent, such properly completed and executed documentation prescribed by applicable law as will permit such payments to be made without withholding or at a reduced rate of withholding. In addition, any Lender, if requested by the Borrower or the Administrative Agent, shall deliver such other documentation prescribed by applicable law or reasonably requested by the Company or the Administrative Agent as will enable the Company or the Administrative Agent to determine whether or not such Lender is subject to backup withholding or information reporting requirements.

Without limiting the generality of the foregoing, in the event that the Company or any Borrower is resident for tax purposes in the United States, any Foreign Lender shall deliver to the Company and the Administrative Agent (in such number of copies as shall be requested by the recipient) on or prior to the date on which such Foreign Lender becomes a Lender under this Agreement (and from time to time thereafter upon the request of the Company or the Administrative Agent, but only if such Foreign Lender is legally entitled to do so), whichever of the following is applicable:

- (i) duly completed copies of Internal Revenue Service Form W-8BEN claiming eligibility for benefits of an income tax treaty to which the United States is a party,
- (ii) duly completed copies of Internal Revenue Service Form W-8ECI,
- (iii) in the case of a Foreign Lender claiming the benefits of the exemption for portfolio interest under section 881(c) of the Code, (x) a certificate to the effect that such Foreign Lender is not (A) a “bank” within the meaning of section 881(c)(3)(A) of the

Code, (B) a “10 percent shareholder” of the Company or the applicable Borrower within the meaning of section 881(c)(3)(B) of the Code, or (C) a “controlled foreign corporation” described in section 881(c)(3)(C) of the Code and (y) duly completed copies of Internal Revenue Service Form W-8BEN, or

(iv) any other form prescribed by applicable law as a basis for claiming exemption from or a reduction in United States Federal withholding tax duly completed together with such supplementary documentation as may be prescribed by applicable law to permit the Company to determine the withholding or deduction required to be made.

(f) **Treatment of Certain Refunds.** If the Administrative Agent, any Lender or the L/C Issuer determines, in its reasonable discretion, that it has received a refund of any Taxes or Other Taxes as to which it has been indemnified by the Company or any Borrower or with respect to which the Company or any Borrower has paid additional amounts pursuant to this Section, it shall pay to such Borrower an amount equal to such refund (but only to the extent of indemnity payments made, or additional amounts paid, by the Company or such Borrower under this Section with respect to the Taxes or Other Taxes giving rise to such refund), net of all reasonable out-of-pocket expenses of the Administrative Agent, such Lender or the L/C Issuer, as the case may be, and without interest (other than any interest paid by the relevant Governmental Authority with respect to such refund), provided that the Company and each Borrower, upon the request of the Administrative Agent, such Lender or the L/C Issuer, agrees to repay the amount paid over to the Company or such Borrower (plus any penalties, interest or other charges imposed by the relevant Governmental Authority) to the Administrative Agent, such Lender or the L/C Issuer in the event the Administrative Agent, such Lender or the L/C Issuer is required to repay such refund to such Governmental Authority. This subsection shall not be construed to require the Administrative Agent, any Lender or the L/C Issuer to make available its tax returns (or any other information relating to its taxes that it deems confidential) to the Company or any Borrower or any other Person.

3.02 Illegality. If any Lender determines that any Law has made it unlawful, or that any Governmental Authority has asserted that it is unlawful, for any Lender or its applicable Lending Office to make, maintain or fund Eurodollar Rate Loans, or to determine or charge interest rates based upon the Eurodollar Rate, or any Governmental Authority has imposed material restrictions on the authority of such Lender to purchase or sell, or to take deposits of, Dollars in the London interbank market, then, on notice thereof by such Lender to the Company through the Administrative Agent, any obligation of such Lender to make or continue Eurodollar Rate Loans or to convert Base Rate Committed Loans to Eurodollar Rate Loans shall be suspended until such Lender notifies the Administrative Agent and the Company that the circumstances giving rise to such determination no longer exist. Upon receipt of such notice, the Company and the Borrowers (jointly and severally) shall, upon demand from such Lender (with a copy to the Administrative Agent), prepay or, if applicable, convert all such Eurodollar Rate Loans of such Lender to Base Rate Loans immediately. If any Lender determines that any Law has made it unlawful, or that any Governmental Authority has asserted that it is unlawful, for such Lender or its applicable Lending Office to participate in outstanding Eurodollar Rate Loans, then, on notice thereof by such Lender to the Company through the Administrative Agent, the Company and the Borrowers (jointly and severally) shall prepay such Eurodollar Rate Loans of

such Lender or convert all such Eurodollar Rate Loans of such Lender to Base Rate Loans immediately. Upon any such prepayment or conversion, the Company and the Borrowers (jointly and severally) shall also pay accrued interest on the amount so prepaid or converted.

3.03 Inability to Determine Rates. If the Required Lenders determine that for any reason in connection with any request for a Eurodollar Rate Loan or a conversion thereto that (a) adequate and reasonable means do not exist for determining the Eurodollar Rate for any requested Interest Period with respect to a proposed Eurodollar Rate Loan, or (b) the Eurodollar Rate with respect to a proposed Eurodollar Rate Loan does not adequately and fairly reflect the cost to such Lenders of funding such Loan, the Administrative Agent will promptly so notify the Company and each Lender. Thereafter, the obligation of the Lenders to make or maintain Eurodollar Rate Loans shall be suspended until the Administrative Agent (upon the instruction of the Required Lenders) revokes such notice. Upon receipt of such notice, the Company may revoke any pending request for a Borrowing of or conversion to Eurodollar Rate Loans or, failing that, will be deemed to have converted such request into (i) in the case of a Revolving Committed Loan, a request for a Revolving Committed Borrowing of Base Rate Loans, (ii) in the case of a Revolving Swing Line Loan, a request for a Revolving Swing Line Borrowing of Base Rate Loans, (iii) in the case of a New Vehicle Floorplan Committed Loan, a request for a New Vehicle Floorplan Committed Borrowing of Base Rate Loans, (iv) in the case of a New Vehicle Floorplan Swing Line Loan, a request for a New Vehicle Floorplan Swing Line Borrowing of Base Rate Loans, (v) in the case of Used Vehicle Floorplan Committed Loan, a request for a Used Vehicle Floorplan Committed Borrowing of Base Rate Loans, and (vi) in the case of a Used Vehicle Floorplan Swing Line Loan, a request for a Used Vehicle Floorplan Swing Line Borrowing of Base Rate Loans, in each case in the amount specified therein.

3.04 Increased Costs.

(a) Increased Costs Generally. If any Change in Law shall:

- (i) impose, modify or deem applicable any reserve, special deposit, compulsory loan, insurance charge or similar requirement against assets of, deposits with or for the account of, or credit extended or participated in by, any Lender (except any reserve requirement contemplated by Section 3.04(e)) or the L/C Issuer;
- (ii) subject any Lender or the L/C Issuer to any tax of any kind whatsoever with respect to this Agreement, any Letter of Credit, any participation in a Letter of Credit or any Eurodollar Rate Loan made or participated in by it, or change the basis of taxation of payments to such Lender or the L/C Issuer in respect thereof (except, in each case, for Indemnified Taxes or Other Taxes covered by Section 3.01 and the imposition of, or any change in the rate of, any Excluded Tax payable by such Lender or the L/C Issuer); or
- (iii) impose on any Lender or the L/C Issuer or the London interbank market any other condition, cost or expense affecting this Agreement or Eurodollar Rate Loans made or participated in by such Lender or any Letter of Credit or participation therein;

and the result of any of the foregoing shall be to increase the cost to such Lender of making or maintaining or participating in any Eurodollar Rate Loan (or of maintaining its obligation to make or participated in any such Loan), or to increase the cost to such Lender or the L/C Issuer of participating in, issuing or maintaining any Letter of Credit (or of maintaining its obligation to participate in or to issue any Letter of Credit), or to reduce the amount of any sum received or receivable by such Lender or the L/C Issuer hereunder (whether of principal, interest or any other amount) then, upon request of such Lender or the L/C Issuer, the Company and the Borrowers (jointly and severally) will pay to such Lender or the L/C Issuer, as the case may be, such additional amount or amounts as will compensate such Lender or the L/C Issuer, as the case may be, for such additional costs incurred or reduction suffered.

(b) Capital Requirements. If any Lender or the L/C Issuer determines that any Change in Law affecting such Lender or the L/C Issuer or any Lending Office of such Lender or such Lender's or the L/C Issuer's holding company, if any, regarding capital requirements has or would have the effect of reducing the rate of return on such Lender's or the L/C Issuer's capital or on the capital of such Lender's or the L/C Issuer's holding company, if any, as a consequence of this Agreement, the Commitments of such Lender or the Loans made by, or participations in Loans or Letters of Credit held by, such Lender, or the Letters of Credit issued by the L/C Issuer, to a level below that which such Lender or the L/C Issuer or such Lender's or the L/C Issuer's holding company could have achieved but for such Change in Law (taking into consideration such Lender's or the L/C Issuer's policies and the policies of such Lender's or the L/C Issuer's holding company with respect to capital adequacy), then from time to time the Company and the Borrowers (jointly and severally) will pay to such Lender or the L/C Issuer, as the case may be, such additional amount or amounts as will compensate such Lender or the L/C Issuer or such Lender's or the L/C Issuer's holding company for any such reduction suffered.

(c) Certificates for Reimbursement. A certificate of a Lender or the L/C Issuer setting forth the amount or amounts necessary to compensate such Lender or the L/C Issuer or its holding company, as the case may be, as specified in subsection (a) or (b) of this Section and delivered to the Company shall be conclusive absent manifest error. The Company and the Borrowers (jointly and severally) shall pay such Lender or the L/C Issuer, as the case may be, the amount shown as due on any such certificate within 10 days after receipt thereof.

(d) Delay in Requests. Failure or delay on the part of any Lender or the L/C Issuer to demand compensation pursuant to the foregoing provisions of this Section shall not constitute a waiver of such Lender's or the L/C Issuer's right to demand such compensation, provided that neither the Company nor any Borrower shall be required to compensate a Lender or the L/C Issuer pursuant to the foregoing provisions of this Section for any increased costs incurred or reductions suffered more than nine months prior to the date that such Lender or the L/C Issuer, as the case may be, notifies the Company of the Change in Law giving rise to such increased costs or reductions and of such Lender's or the L/C Issuer's intention to claim compensation therefor (except that, if the Change in Law giving rise to such increased costs or reductions is retroactive, then the nine-month period referred to above shall be extended to include the period of retroactive effect thereof).

(e) Reserves on Eurodollar Rate Loans. The Company and each Borrower, jointly and severally, shall pay to each Lender, as long as such Lender shall be required to maintain reserves with respect to liabilities or assets consisting of or including Eurocurrency funds or deposits (currently known as “Eurocurrency liabilities”), additional interest on the unpaid principal amount of each Eurodollar Rate Loan equal to the actual costs of such reserves allocated to such Loan by such Lender (as determined by such Lender in good faith, which determination shall be conclusive), which shall be due and payable on each date on which interest is payable on such Loan, provided the Company shall have received at least 10 days’ prior notice (with a copy to the Administrative Agent) of such additional interest from such Lender. If a Lender fails to give notice 10 days prior to the relevant Interest Payment Date, such additional interest shall be due and payable 10 days from receipt of such notice.

3.05 Mitigation Obligations; Replacement of Lenders

(a) Designation of a Different Lending Office. If any Lender requests compensation under Section 3.04, or any Borrower is required to pay any additional amount to any Lender or any Governmental Authority for the account of any Lender pursuant to Section 3.01, or if any Lender gives a notice pursuant to Section 3.02, then such Lender shall use reasonable efforts to designate a different Lending Office for funding or booking its Loans hereunder or to assign its rights and obligations hereunder to another of its offices, branches or affiliates, if, in the judgment of such Lender, such designation or assignment (i) would eliminate or reduce amounts payable pursuant to Section 3.01 or 3.04, as the case may be, in the future, or eliminate the need for the notice pursuant to Section 3.02, as applicable, and (ii) in each case, would not subject such Lender to any unreimbursed cost or expense and would not otherwise be disadvantageous to such Lender. The Borrowers (jointly and severally) hereby agree to pay all reasonable costs and expenses incurred by any Lender in connection with any such designation or assignment.

(b) Replacement of Lenders. If any Lender requests compensation under Section 3.04, or if the Company or any Borrower is required to pay any additional amount to any Lender or any Governmental Authority for the account of any Lender pursuant to Section 3.01, the Company may replace such Lender in accordance with Section 10.13.

3.06 Survival. All of the Company’s and the Borrowers’ obligations under this Article III shall survive termination of the Aggregate Commitments and repayment of all other Obligations hereunder.

ARTICLE IV. CONDITIONS PRECEDENT TO CREDIT EXTENSIONS

4.01 Conditions of Initial Credit Extension. The obligation of the L/C Issuer and each Lender to make its initial Credit Extension hereunder is subject to satisfaction of the following conditions precedent:

(a) The Administrative Agent’s receipt of the following, each of which shall be originals or telecopies (followed promptly by originals) unless otherwise specified, each properly

executed by a Responsible Officer of the signing Loan Party, each dated the Closing Date (or, in the case of certificates of governmental officials, a recent date before the Closing Date) and each in form and substance satisfactory to the Administrative Agent and each of the Lenders (except to the extent expressly waived or postponed pursuant to the Side Letter Agreement of even date herewith among the Company and the Administrative Agent):

- (i) executed counterparts of (A) this Agreement, (B) the Security Agreement, (C) the Pledge Agreement, (D) the Escrow and Security Agreement, (E) the Sonic Financial Pledge Agreement, (F) each Guaranty and (G) each other Security Instrument (other than Landlord Waivers, for which one (1) original counterpart shall be sufficient) required to be delivered in connection herewith, in each case, sufficient in number for distribution to the Administrative Agent, each Lender and the Company;
- (ii) a Note executed by the Borrowers in favor of each Lender requesting a Note;
- (iii) such certificates of resolutions or other action, incumbency certificates and/or other certificates of Responsible Officers of each Loan Party as the Administrative Agent may require evidencing the identity, authority and capacity of each Responsible Officer thereof authorized to act as a Responsible Officer in connection with this Agreement and the other Loan Documents to which such Loan Party is a party;
- (iv) such documents and certifications as the Administrative Agent may reasonably require to evidence that each Loan Party is duly organized or formed, and that each Loan Party is validly existing, in good standing and qualified to engage in business in the respective jurisdictions specified in Schedule 4.01, which includes each jurisdiction where its ownership, lease or operation of properties or the conduct of its business requires such qualification, except to the extent that failure to do so could not reasonably be expected to have a Material Adverse Effect;
- (v) a favorable opinion of Parker Poe Adams & Bernstein LLP, counsel to the Loan Parties, addressed to the Administrative Agent and each Lender, as to the matters set forth in Exhibit P (which shall include matters of Delaware, North Carolina, South Carolina and Federal Law) and such other matters concerning the Loan Parties and the Loan Documents as the Required Lenders may reasonably request;
- (vi) a favorable opinion of local counsel to the Loan Parties in Florida, Texas, California, Alabama, and Tennessee, addressed to the Administrative Agent and each Lender in form and substance satisfactory to the Administrative Agent;
- (vii) a certificate of a Responsible Officer of each Loan Party either (A) attaching copies of all consents, licenses and approvals required in connection with the execution, delivery and performance by such Loan Party and the validity against such Loan Party of the Loan Documents to which it is a party, and such consents, licenses and approvals shall be in full force and effect, or (B) stating that no such consents, licenses or approvals are so required;

(viii) a certificate signed by a Responsible Officer of the Company certifying (A) that the conditions specified in Sections 4.02(a) and (b) have been satisfied, and (B) that there has been no event or circumstance since the date of the Audited Financial Statements that has had or could be reasonably expected to have, either individually or in the aggregate, a Material Adverse Effect;

(ix) a certificate signed by the chief executive officer, chief financial officer, treasurer or chief accounting officer (or in the case of Sonic Financial, a vice president) of each Loan Party certifying that each Loan Party is Solvent, after giving effect to this Agreement and the other Loan Documents and the Indebtedness pursuant hereto and thereto;

(x) a duly completed Compliance Certificate as of the last day of the fiscal quarter of the Company ended on September 30, 2005, signed by a Responsible Officer of the Company;

(xi) a duly completed Revolving Borrowing Base Certificate dated as of the Closing Date certifying as to the Revolving Borrowing Base as of September 30, 2005, signed by a Responsible Officer of the Company;

(xii) a duly completed Used Vehicle Borrowing Base Certificate dated as of the Closing Date certifying as to the Used Vehicle Borrowing Base as of September 30, 2005, signed by a Responsible Officer of the Company;

(xiii) a copy of (A) each standard form of Franchise Agreement for each vehicle manufacturer or distributor and (B) each executed Framework Agreement;

(xiv) duly executed consents and waivers required pursuant to any Franchise Agreement or Framework Agreement;

(xv) executed counterparts of intercreditor agreements between the Administrative Agent and the holders of Permitted Silo Indebtedness outstanding as of the Closing Date and evidence that all Liens securing obligations under the Permitted Silo Indebtedness (other than those Liens securing the property financed by such Permitted Silo Indebtedness) have been or concurrently with the Closing Date are being released (unless arrangements have been made to the satisfaction of the Administrative Agent in its sole discretion for release of such Liens within a reasonable period after the Closing Date);

(xvi) executed counterparts of intercreditor agreements between the Administrative Agent and the holders of Interim Floorplan Indebtedness permitted hereunder outstanding on the Closing Date and evidence that all Liens securing obligations under the Interim Floorplan Indebtedness (other than those Liens securing the property financed by such Interim Floorplan Indebtedness) have been or concurrently with the Closing Date are being released (unless arrangements have been made to the

satisfaction of the Administrative Agent in its sole discretion for the termination of such facilities and release of such Liens within a reasonable period after the Closing Date);

(xvii) evidence that all insurance required to be maintained pursuant to the Loan Documents has been obtained and is in effect, including endorsements naming the Administrative Agent (on behalf of the Secured Parties) as an additional insured and loss payee, as the case may be, on all such insurance policies maintained with respect to properties of the Company or any Loan Party constituting part of the Collateral;

(xviii) evidence that the Existing Credit Agreement has been or concurrently with the Closing Date is being terminated and all Liens securing obligations under the Existing Credit Agreement have been or concurrently with the Closing Date are being released (unless arrangements have been made to the satisfaction of the Administrative Agent in its sole discretion for release of such Liens within a reasonable period after the Closing Date);

(xix) evidence that the Existing New Vehicle Facilities have been or concurrently with the Closing Date are being terminated and all Liens securing obligations under the Existing New Vehicle Facilities have been or concurrently with the Closing Date are being released (unless arrangements have been made to the satisfaction of the Administrative Agent in its sole discretion for termination of such facilities and release of such Liens within a reasonable period after the Closing Date);

(xx) consolidating balance sheets (including a separate line item for Eligible Used Vehicle Inventory) for the Company and each Subsidiary as at the end of September 30, 2005, and the related consolidating statements of income or operations, all in reasonable detail prepared by management of the Company or such Subsidiary, in each case with subtotals for (a) all New Vehicle Borrowers and the portion of the Dual Subsidiaries not represented by Specified Franchises and (b) all Silo Subsidiaries and the portion of the Dual Subsidiaries represented by Specified Franchises, and in each case prior to intercompany eliminations;

(xxi) forecasts (including assumptions) prepared by the management of the Company of consolidated balance sheets, income statements and cash flow statements in the form and substance reasonably satisfactory to the Administrative Agent for each of the first four years following the Closing Date;

(xxii) If required by the Administrative Agent in its sole discretion, satisfactory results of audits of the Collateral provided that, whether or not any such audit is performed, the Administrative Agent and the New Vehicle Swing Line Lender shall be entitled to rely on information provided by any existing lender of the Company or its Subsidiaries as to any Vehicles and Existing New Vehicle Facilities being refinanced or paid down on the Closing Date.

(xxiii) (x) delivery by the Company and each applicable Loan Party owning any Equity Interests required to be pledged pursuant to this Agreement, the Pledge

Agreement or the Sonic Financial Pledge Agreement of all stock certificates evidencing such pledged Equity Interests, accompanied in each case by duly executed stock powers (or other appropriate transfer documents) in blank affixed thereto and (y) delivery by the Company and each other applicable Loan Party owning any Equity Interests required to be delivered in escrow pursuant to the Escrow and Security Agreement of all stock certificates evidencing such Equity Interests;

(xxiv) UCC financing statements for filing in all places required by applicable law to perfect the Liens of the Administrative Agent for the benefit of the Secured Parties under the Security Instruments as a first priority Lien as to items of Collateral in which a security interest may be perfected by the filing of financing statements, and such other documents and/or evidence of other actions as may be necessary under applicable law to perfect the Liens of the Administrative Agent for the benefit of the Secured Parties under the Security Instruments as a first priority Lien in and to such other Collateral as the Administrative Agent may require;

(xxv) UCC search results with respect to the Borrowers showing only Liens acceptable to the Administrative Agent (or pursuant to which arrangements satisfactory to the Administrative Agent shall have been made to remove any unacceptable Liens promptly after the Closing Date),

(xxvi) such duly executed Landlord Waivers as may be requested by the Administrative Agent in its sole discretion;

(xxvii) a certificate signed by a Responsible Officer of the Company certifying as to the status of the Unrestricted Subsidiaries;

(xxviii) such other assurances, certificates, documents, consents or opinions as the Administrative Agent, the L/C Issuer, the Revolving Swing Line Lender, the New Vehicle Swing Line Lender, the Used Vehicle Swing Line Lender or the Required Lenders reasonably may require.

(b) Any fees required to be paid on or before the Closing Date shall have been paid.

(c) Unless waived by the Administrative Agent, the Company shall have paid all fees, charges and disbursements of counsel to the Administrative Agent to the extent invoiced prior to or on the Closing Date, plus such additional amounts of such fees, charges and disbursements as shall constitute its reasonable estimate of such fees, charges and disbursements incurred or to be incurred by it through the closing proceedings (provided that such estimate shall not thereafter preclude a final settling of accounts between the Company and the Administrative Agent).

Without limiting the generality of the provisions of Section 9.04, for purposes of determining compliance with the conditions specified in this Section 4.01, each Lender that has signed this Agreement shall be deemed to have consented to, approved or accepted or to be satisfied with, each document or other matter required hereunder to be consented to or approved

by or acceptable or satisfactory to a Lender unless the Administrative Agent shall have received notice from such Lender prior to the proposed Closing Date specifying its objection thereto.

4.02 Conditions to all Credit Extensions. The obligation of each Lender to honor any Request for Credit Extension (other than pursuant to (x) a Revolving Committed Loan Notice, a New Vehicle Committed Loan Notice or a Used Vehicle Committed Loan Notice, in each case requesting only a conversion of Committed Loans to the other Type, (y) a Payment Commitment, or (z) a Payoff Letter Commitment) is subject to the following conditions precedent:

(a) The representations and warranties of the Company and each other Loan Party contained in Article V or any other Loan Document, or which are contained in any document furnished at any time under or in connection herewith or therewith, shall be true and correct on and as of the date of such Credit Extension, except to the extent that such representations and warranties specifically refer to an earlier date, in which case they shall be true and correct as of such earlier date, and except that for purposes of this Section 4.02, the representations and warranties contained in subsections (a) and (b) of Section 5.05 shall be deemed to refer to the most recent statements furnished pursuant to clauses (a) and (b), respectively, of Section 6.01.

(b)(i) In the case of Revolving Borrowings, (x) no Revolving Default or Revolving Event of Default shall exist, or would result from such proposed Credit Extension or from the application of the proceeds thereof and (y) the proceeds of such Revolving Borrowing shall be used solely for (1) reimbursement of Letters of Credit in accordance with Section 2.03 and refinancing of Swing Line Loans in accordance with Section 2.04, (2) ordinary course of business expenditures (including without limitation scheduled payments of interest on Indenture Indebtedness), and in any event (except as described in the parenthetical in clause (2) above), not for the repayment of Indebtedness except for regularly scheduled payments of principal and interest (or regularly scheduled payments of rent deemed to be principal and interest) (and regularly scheduled payments of interest (but not termination or unwind payments) on the applicable Related Swap Contract(s) that relate to any Indebtedness described in clause (A), (B) or (C) below) on: (A) Permitted Real Estate Indebtedness, (B) Indebtedness owed to Falcon Financial Corp., or an affiliate, successor or assign thereof (any such Person, a "Falcon Party"), which Indebtedness is identified as "Falcon Financial Corp." on Schedule 7.03 as of the Closing Date (such Indebtedness, "Falcon Indebtedness") and (C) capital leases, and (3) prepayments, payments or open market purchases of the 2002-5.25% Indenture Notes on or prior to May 7, 2009 in connection with the 2002-5.25% Indenture Notes Restructure in an aggregate amount not to exceed \$15,000,000, and (ii) in the case of New Vehicle Floorplan Borrowings and Used Vehicle Floorplan Borrowings, (A) no Floorplan Event of Default shall exist, or would result from such proposed Credit Extension or the application of the proceeds thereof, with respect to the Company or the New Vehicle Borrower that is requesting the Borrowing, (B) no Floorplan Event of Default under Section 8.03(b) shall exist, (C) no Floorplan Event of Default under Section 8.03(d) or (e) shall exist with respect to the Company, and (D) no Floorplan Event of Default under any other subsection of Section 8.03 has continued for sixty (60) days or more.

(c) The Administrative Agent and, if applicable, the L/C Issuer, the Revolving Swing Line Lender, the New Vehicle Swing Line Lender or the Used Vehicle Swing Line Lender shall have received a Request for Credit Extension in accordance with the requirements hereof.

(d) In the case of Revolving Borrowings, the Total Revolving Outstandings after giving effect to such Request for Credit Extension shall not exceed the Revolving Advance Limit on such date.

(e) In the case of Used Vehicle Floorplan Borrowings, the Total Used Vehicle Floorplan Outstandings after giving effect to such Request for Credit Extensions shall not exceed the Used Vehicle Borrowing Base on such date.

(f) If the applicable Borrower is a New Vehicle Borrower, then the conditions of Section 2.24 to the designation of such Borrower as a New Vehicle Borrower shall have been met to the satisfaction of the Administrative Agent.

Each Request for Credit Extension (other than a Revolving Committed Loan Notice a New Vehicle Committed Loan Notice or a Used Vehicle Committed Loan Notice, in each case requesting only a conversion of Committed Loans to the other Type) submitted by the Company shall be deemed to be a representation and warranty that the conditions specified in Sections 4.02(a) and (b) have been satisfied on and as of the date of the applicable Credit Extension.

4.03 Conditions to all New Vehicle Floorplan Borrowings pursuant to a Payment Commitment or a Payoff Letter Commitment. The obligation of the New Vehicle Floorplan Swing Line Lender to honor any request for a New Vehicle Floorplan Borrowing pursuant to a Payment Commitment or a Payoff Letter Commitment is subject to the following conditions precedent:

(a) To the extent required pursuant to the terms of such Payment Commitment or Payoff Letter Commitment, as the case may be, the New Vehicle Floorplan Swing Line Lender shall have received a manufacturer/distributor invoice, cash draft, electronic record, depository transfer check, sight draft, or such other documentation as may be specified in such Payment Commitment or Payoff Letter Commitment, identifying the Vehicles delivered or to be delivered to the applicable New Vehicle Borrower; and

(b) any other conditions precedent set forth in such Payment Commitment or Payoff Letter Commitment.

ARTICLE V.
REPRESENTATIONS AND WARRANTIES

Each of the Company and each New Vehicle Borrower represents and warrants to the Administrative Agent and the Lenders that:

5.01 Existence, Qualification and Power; Compliance with Laws. Each Loan Party and each Subsidiary thereof (a) is duly organized or formed, validly existing and in good standing under the Laws of the jurisdiction of its incorporation or organization, (b) has all requisite power and authority and all franchises and all requisite governmental licenses, authorizations, consents and approvals to (i) own or lease its assets and carry on its business and (ii) execute, deliver and perform its obligations under the Loan Documents to which it is a party, (c) is duly qualified and is licensed and in good standing under the Laws of each jurisdiction where its ownership, lease or operation of properties or the conduct of its business requires such qualification or license, and (d) is in compliance with all Laws; except in each case referred to in clause (b)(i), (c) or (d), to the extent that failure to do so could not reasonably be expected to have a Material Adverse Effect.

5.02 Authorization; No Contravention. The execution, delivery and performance by each Loan Party of each Loan Document to which such Person is party, have been duly authorized by all necessary corporate or other organizational action, and do not and will not (a) contravene the terms of any of such Person's Organization Documents; (b) conflict with or result in any breach or contravention of, or the creation of any Lien under, or require any payment to be made under (i) any Contractual Obligation to which such Person is a party or affecting such Person or the properties of such Person or any of its Subsidiaries or (ii) any order, injunction, writ or decree of any Governmental Authority or any arbitral award to which such Person or its property is subject; or (c) violate any Law. Each Loan Party and each Subsidiary thereof is in compliance with all Contractual Obligations referred to in clauses (b) and (c), except to the extent that failure to do so could not reasonably be expected to have a Material Adverse Effect.

5.03 Governmental Authorization; Other Consents. No approval, consent, exemption, authorization, or other action by, or notice to, or filing with, any Governmental Authority or any other Person is necessary or required in connection with the execution, delivery or performance by, or enforcement against, any Loan Party of this Agreement or any other Loan Document (other than (i) any such filing necessary or advisable to perfect in favor of the Administrative Agent, for the benefit of the Secured Parties, the Liens on the Collateral and (ii) any such approval, consent, exemption, authorization, other action, notice or filing that has been obtained, taken, given or made and is in full force and effect), except to the extent that failure to do so could not reasonably be expected to have a Material Adverse Effect.

5.04 Binding Effect. This Agreement has been, and each other Loan Document, when delivered hereunder, will have been, duly executed and delivered by each Loan Party that is party thereto. This Agreement constitutes, and each other Loan Document when so delivered will constitute, a legal, valid and binding obligation of such Loan Party, enforceable against each Loan Party that is party thereto in accordance with its terms.

5.05 Financial Statements; No Material Adverse Effect; No Internal Control Event.

(a) The Audited Financial Statements (i) were prepared in accordance with GAAP consistently applied throughout the period covered thereby, except as otherwise expressly noted therein; (ii) fairly present the financial condition of the Company and its Subsidiaries as of the date thereof and their results of operations for the period covered thereby in accordance with GAAP consistently applied throughout the period covered thereby, except as otherwise expressly noted therein; and (iii) show all material indebtedness and other liabilities, direct or contingent, of the Company and its Subsidiaries as of the date thereof, including liabilities for taxes, material commitments and Indebtedness.

(b) The unaudited consolidated and consolidating balance sheets of the Company and its Subsidiaries dated September 30, 2005, and the related consolidated statements of income or operations, shareholders' equity and cash flows, and consolidating statements of income or operations, in each case for the fiscal quarter ended on that date, and in each case prior to intercompany eliminations (i) were prepared in accordance with GAAP consistently applied throughout the period covered thereby, except as otherwise expressly noted therein, and (ii) fairly present the consolidated financial condition of the Company and its Subsidiaries as of the date thereof and their consolidated results of operations for the period covered thereby, subject, in the case of clauses (i) and (ii), to the absence of footnotes and to normal year-end audit adjustments. Schedule 7.03 sets forth all material indebtedness and other liabilities, direct or contingent, of the Company and its consolidated Subsidiaries as of the date of such financial statements, including liabilities for taxes, material commitments and Indebtedness.

(c) Since the date of the Audited Financial Statements, there has been no event or circumstance, either individually or in the aggregate, that has had or could reasonably be expected to have a Material Adverse Effect.

(d) To the Company's best knowledge, no Internal Control Event exists or has occurred since the date of the Audited Financial Statements that has resulted in or could reasonably be expected to result in a misstatement in any material respect, in any financial information delivered or to be delivered to the Administrative Agent or the Lenders, of (x) covenant compliance calculations provided hereunder or (y) the assets, liabilities, financial condition or results of operations of the Company and its Subsidiaries on a consolidated basis.

5.06 Litigation. There are no actions, suits, proceedings, claims or disputes pending or, to the knowledge of the Company after due and diligent investigation, threatened or contemplated, at law, in equity, in arbitration or before any Governmental Authority, by or against the Company or any of its Subsidiaries or against any of their properties or revenues that (a) purport to affect or pertain to this Agreement or any other Loan Document, or any of the transactions contemplated hereby, or (b) if determined adversely, could reasonably be expected to have a Material Adverse Effect. Schedule 5.06 sets forth all actions, suits, proceedings, claims or disputes pending, or to the knowledge of the Company after due and diligent investigation, threatened or contemplated, at law, in equity, in arbitration or before any Governmental

Authority seeking damages or other remedies in excess of \$5,000,000 or which if determined adversely, could reasonably be expected to have a Material Adverse Effect.

5.07 No Default. Neither the Company nor any Subsidiary is in default under or with respect to any Contractual Obligation that could, either individually or in the aggregate, reasonably be expected to have a Material Adverse Effect. No Default has occurred and is continuing or would result from the consummation of the transactions contemplated by this Agreement or any other Loan Document.

5.08 Ownership of Property; Liens. Each of the Company and each Subsidiary has good record and marketable title in fee simple to, or valid leasehold interests in, all real property necessary or used in the ordinary conduct of its business, except for such defects in title as could not, individually or in the aggregate, reasonably be expected to have a Material Adverse Effect. The property of the Company and its Subsidiaries is subject to no Liens, other than Liens permitted by Section 7.01.

5.09 Environmental Compliance. The Company and its Subsidiaries conduct in the ordinary course of business a review of the effect of existing Environmental Laws and any material claims alleging potential liability or responsibility for violation of any Environmental Law on their respective businesses, operations and properties, and as a result thereof the Company has reasonably concluded that such Environmental Laws and claims could not, individually or in the aggregate, reasonably be expected to have a Material Adverse Effect.

5.10 Insurance. The properties of the Borrower and its Subsidiaries are insured with financially sound and reputable insurance companies not Affiliates of the Borrower, in such amounts, with such deductibles and covering such risks as (i) are customarily carried by companies engaged in similar businesses and owning similar properties in localities where the Company or the applicable Subsidiary operates and (ii) satisfy the requirements of the Security Instruments.

5.11 Taxes. The Company and its Subsidiaries have filed all Federal, state and other material tax returns and reports required to be filed, and have paid all Federal, state and other material taxes, assessments, fees and other governmental charges levied or imposed upon them or their properties, income or assets otherwise due and payable, except those which are being contested in good faith by appropriate proceedings diligently conducted and for which adequate reserves have been provided in accordance with GAAP. There is no proposed tax assessment against the Company or any Subsidiary that would, if made, have a Material Adverse Effect. Neither any Loan Party nor any Subsidiary thereof is party to any tax sharing agreement.

5.12 ERISA Compliance.

(a) Each Plan, and to the knowledge of the Company, each Multiemployer Plan is in compliance in all material respects with the applicable provisions of ERISA, the Code and other Federal or state Laws. Each Plan, and to the knowledge of the Company, each Multiemployer Plan that is intended to qualify under Section 401(a) of the Code has received a favorable determination letter from the IRS, an application for such a letter is currently being processed by

the IRS with respect thereto or the Company is properly relying on the qualification of a prototype plan which the Company has duly adopted and, to the best knowledge of the Company, nothing has occurred which would prevent, or cause the loss of, such qualification. The Company and each ERISA Affiliate have made all required contributions to each Plan and each Multiemployer Plan subject to Section 412 of the Code, and no application for a funding waiver or an extension of any amortization period pursuant to Section 412 of the Code has been made by the Company or any ERISA Affiliate with respect to any Plan.

(b) There are no pending or, to the best knowledge of the Company, threatened claims, actions or lawsuits, or action by any Governmental Authority, with respect to any Plan or Multiemployer Plan that could reasonably be expected to have a Material Adverse Effect. Neither the Company nor any ERISA Affiliate has engaged in any prohibited transaction or violation of the fiduciary responsibility rules with respect to any Plan or Multiemployer Plan that has resulted or could reasonably be expected to result in a Material Adverse Effect.

(c) (i) No ERISA Event has occurred or is reasonably expected to occur with respect to any Pension Plan, and to the knowledge of the Company, with respect to any Multiemployer Plan; (ii) no Pension Plan has any Unfunded Pension Liability in excess of \$1,000,000; (iii) neither the Company nor any ERISA Affiliate has incurred, or reasonably expects to incur, any liability (and no event has occurred which, with the giving of notice under Section 4219 of ERISA, would result in such liability) under Sections 4201 or 4243 of ERISA with respect to a Multiemployer Plan in an aggregate amount in excess of \$1,000,000; and iv) neither the Company nor any ERISA Affiliate has engaged in a transaction that could be subject to Sections 4069 or 4212(c) of ERISA.

5.13 Subsidiaries; Equity Interests. As of the Closing Date, the Company has no Subsidiaries other than those specifically disclosed in Part (a) of Schedule 5.13, and all of the outstanding Equity Interests in such Subsidiaries have been validly issued, are fully paid and nonassessable and are owned by a Loan Party in the amounts specified on Part (a) of Schedule 5.13 free and clear of all Liens. The Company has no equity investments in any other corporation or entity other than those specifically disclosed in Part(b) of Schedule 5.13. All of the outstanding Equity Interests in the Company have been validly issued and are fully paid and nonassessable.

5.14 Margin Regulations; Investment Company Act; Public Utility Holding Company Act.

(a) Neither the Company nor any New Vehicle Borrower is engaged or will engage, principally or as one of its important activities, in the business of purchasing or carrying margin stock (within the meaning of Regulation U issued by the FRB), or extending credit for the purpose of purchasing or carrying margin stock.

(b) None of the Company, any Person Controlling the Company, or any Subsidiary (i) is a “holding company,” or a “subsidiary company” of a “holding company,” or an “affiliate” of a “holding company” or of a “subsidiary company” of a “holding company,” within the meaning

of the Public Utility Holding Company Act of 1935, or (ii) is or is required to be registered as an “investment company” under the Investment Company Act of 1940.

5.15 Disclosure. The Company has disclosed to the Administrative Agent and the Lenders all agreements, instruments and corporate or other restrictions to which it or any of its Subsidiaries is subject, and all other matters known to it, that, individually or in the aggregate, could reasonably be expected to result in a Material Adverse Effect. No report, financial statement, certificate or other information furnished (whether in writing or orally) by or on behalf of any Loan Party to the Administrative Agent or any Lender in connection with the transactions contemplated hereby and the negotiation of this Agreement or delivered hereunder or under any other Loan Document (in each case, as modified or supplemented by other information so furnished) contains any material misstatement of fact or omits to state any material fact necessary to make the statements therein, in the light of the circumstances under which they were made, not misleading; provided that, with respect to projected financial information, the Company represents only that such information was prepared in good faith based upon assumptions believed to be reasonable at the time.

5.16 Compliance with Laws. Each of the Company and each Subsidiary is in compliance in all material respects with the requirements of all Laws and all orders, writs, injunctions and decrees applicable to it or to its properties, except in such instances in which (a) such requirement of Law or order, writ, injunction or decree is being contested in good faith by appropriate proceedings diligently conducted or (b) the failure to comply therewith, either individually or in the aggregate, could not reasonably be expected to have a Material Adverse Effect.

5.17 Intellectual Property; Licenses, Etc. The Company and its Subsidiaries own, or possess the right to use, all of the trademarks, service marks, trade names, copyrights, patents, patent rights, franchises, licenses and other intellectual property rights (collectively, “IP Rights”) that are reasonably necessary for the operation of their respective businesses, without conflict with the rights of any other Person, except where the failure to do so, either individually or in the aggregate, could not reasonably be expected to have a Material Adverse Effect. To the best knowledge of the Company, no slogan or other advertising device, product, process, method, substance, part or other material now employed, or now contemplated to be employed, by the Company or any Subsidiary infringes upon any rights held by any other Person. No claim or litigation regarding any of the foregoing is pending or, to the best knowledge of the Company, threatened, which, either individually or in the aggregate, could reasonably be expected to have a Material Adverse Effect.

5.18 Books and Records. Each of the Company and each Subsidiary maintains proper books of record and account, in which full, true and correct entries in conformity with GAAP consistently applied have been made of all financial transactions and matters involving the assets and business of the Company or such Subsidiary, as the case may be.

5.19 Franchise Agreements and Framework Agreements. The Company has provided to the Administrative Agent true, correct and complete copies of (a) a standard form of Franchise Agreement for each vehicle manufacturer or distributor and (b) each Framework

Agreement, in each case in effect as of the Closing Date. Except as set forth on Schedule 5.19 or with respect to any Franchise Agreement entered into after the Closing Date and delivered to the Administrative Agent and each Lender pursuant to Section 6.03(f), there is no material deviation in any Franchise Agreement from the standard form of Franchise Agreements for the applicable vehicle manufacturer or distributor delivered as of the Closing Date. Each Franchise Agreement and Framework Agreement is, other than as disclosed in writing to the Administrative Agent and the Lenders, in full force and effect and is enforceable by the applicable Loan Party in accordance with its terms. To the knowledge of the Company, (a) no party to any Franchise Agreement or Framework Agreement is in material breach of, or has failed to perform in any material respect or is in material default under, such Franchise Agreement or Framework Agreement and (b) no party to any Franchise Agreement or Framework Agreement has given or received any notice of any proposed or threatened termination of such Franchise Agreement or Framework Agreement (except any such notice that has been disclosed to the Administrative Agent and each Lender, as the case may be, pursuant to Section 6.03(f)).

5.20 Collateral.

(a) The provisions of each of the Security Instruments are effective to create in favor of the Administrative Agent for the benefit of the Secured Parties, a legal, valid and enforceable first priority, perfected security interest in all right, title and interest of each applicable Loan Party in the Collateral described therein, except as otherwise permitted hereunder.

(b) No Contractual Obligation to which any Loan Party is a party or by which the property of any Loan Party is bound prohibits the filing or recordation of any of the Loan Documents or any other action which is necessary or appropriate in connection with the perfection of the Liens on Collateral evidenced and created by any of the Loan Documents.

5.21 Solvency. Both before and after giving effect to the Loans hereunder, each Loan Party is Solvent. On the Closing Date, both before and after giving effect to the Loans hereunder, each Loan Party is Solvent.

5.22 Labor Matters. As of the date hereof, to the Company's and its Subsidiaries' knowledge, there are no material labor disputes to which the Company or any of its Subsidiaries may become a party, including, without limitation, any strikes, lockouts or other disputes relating to such Persons' plants and other facilities.

5.23 [Intentionally omitted.]

5.24 Retail Contracts.

(a) No legal or governmental proceedings are pending which would reasonably be seen as likely to materially impair the value of the Retail Contracts taken as a whole, and to the knowledge of Company and Cornerstone, no such proceedings are threatened or contemplated by any Governmental Authority or any other Person.

(b) Each Retail Contract shall represent the genuine, legal, valid, and binding payment obligation in writing of the obligors thereunder, enforceable by the holder thereof in

accordance with its terms subject to the effect of bankruptcy, insolvency, reorganization, or other similar laws affecting the enforcement of creditor's rights generally.

(c) The Obligor on each Retail Contract has obtained or agreed to obtain physical damage insurance covering the Vehicles financed pursuant to the applicable Retail Contract.

(d) The numerical data relating to the characteristics of the Retail Contracts contained in the Company's and Subsidiaries' financial statements provided to the Administrative Agent are true and correct in all material respects.

(e) Each Retail Contract constitutes "chattel paper" or "electronic chattel paper" as each is defined in the UCC.

(f) There is only one original executed copy of each Retail Contract

5.25 Proceeds of Revolving Credit Facility. On and after the Amendment No. 4 Effective Date, the proceeds of the Revolving Credit Facility shall be used solely for (i) reimbursement of Letters of Credit in accordance with Section 2.03 and refinancing of Swing Line Loans in accordance with Section 2.04, (ii) ordinary course of business operating expenses (including without limitation scheduled payments of interest on Indenture Indebtedness), and in any event (except as described in the parenthetical in clause (2) above), not for the repayment of Indebtedness except for regularly scheduled payments of principal and interest (or regularly scheduled payments of rent deemed to be principal and interest) (and regularly scheduled payments of interest (but not termination or unwind payments) on the applicable Related Swap Contract(s) that relate to any Indebtedness described in clause (A), (B) or (C) below) on: (A) Permitted Real Estate Indebtedness, (B) Indebtedness owed to any Falcon Party, which Indebtedness is Falcon Indebtedness and (C) capital leases, and (iii) prepayments, payments or open market purchases of the 2002-5.25% Notes on or prior to May 7, 2009 in connection with the 2002-5.25% Indenture Notes Restructure in an aggregate amount not to exceed \$15,000,000.

ARTICLE VI. AFFIRMATIVE COVENANTS

So long as any Lender shall have any Commitment hereunder, any Loan or other Obligation hereunder shall remain unpaid or unsatisfied, or any Letter of Credit shall remain outstanding, the Company shall, and shall (except in the case of the covenants set forth in Sections 6.01, 6.02, and 6.03) cause each Subsidiary to:

6.01 Financial Statements. Deliver to the Administrative Agent and each Lender, in form and detail satisfactory to the Administrative Agent and the Required Lenders:

(a) as soon as available, but in any event within ninety (90) days after the end of each fiscal year of the Company (or if earlier, fifteen (15) days after the date required to be filed with the SEC (without giving effect to any extension permitted by the SEC)), a consolidated and consolidating balance sheet (including a separate line item for Eligible Used Vehicle Inventory)

of the Company and its Subsidiaries as at the end of such fiscal year, and the related consolidated statements of income or operations, shareholders' equity and cash flows and consolidating statements of income or operations, in each case for such fiscal year, in each case prior to intercompany eliminations and setting forth in each case in comparative form the figures for the previous fiscal year, all in reasonable detail and prepared in accordance with GAAP, such consolidated statements to be audited and accompanied by (i) a report and opinion of a Registered Public Accounting Firm of nationally recognized standing reasonably acceptable to the Required Lenders as to whether such financial statements are free of material misstatement, which report and opinion shall be prepared in accordance with audit standards of the Public Company Accounting Oversight Board and applicable Securities Laws and shall not be subject to any "going concern" or like qualification or exception (other than in the case of the audit report with respect to the financial statements for the fiscal year ended December 31, 2008) or any qualification or exception as to the scope of such audit or with respect to the absence of material misstatement; and (ii) (A) management's assessment of the effectiveness of the Company's internal controls over financial reporting as of the end of such fiscal year of the Company as required in accordance with Item 308 of SEC Regulation S-K expressing a conclusion which contains no statement that there is a material weakness in such internal controls, except for such material weaknesses as to which the Required Lenders do not object, and (B) an attestation report of such Registered Public Accounting Firm on management's assessment of, and the opinion of the Registered Public Accounting Firm independently assessing the effectiveness of, the Company's internal controls over financial reporting in accordance with Item 308 of SEC Regulation S-K, PCAOB Auditing Standard No. 2 and Section 404 of Sarbanes-Oxley and expressing a conclusion which contains no statement that there is a material weakness in such internal controls, except for such material weakness as to which the Required Lenders do not object, and such consolidating statements to be certified by a Responsible Officer of the Company to the effect that such statements are fairly stated in all material respects when considered in relation to the consolidated financial statements of the Company and its Subsidiaries;

(b) as soon as available, but in any event within thirty (30) days after the end of each of the calendar months (including December) of each fiscal year of the Company (or if earlier, five days after the date required to be filed with the SEC (without giving effect to any extension permitted by the SEC)), (i) a consolidated and consolidating balance sheet (including a separate line item for Eligible Used Vehicle Inventory) of the Company and its Subsidiaries as at the end of such calendar month, and the related consolidated statements of income or operations, shareholders' equity and cash flows and consolidating statements of income or operations, in each case for such calendar month and for the portion of the Company's fiscal year then ended, in each case prior to intercompany eliminations and setting forth in each case in comparative form the figures for the corresponding calendar month of the previous fiscal year and the corresponding portion of the previous fiscal year, all in reasonable detail, such consolidated statements be certified by a Responsible Officer of the Company as fairly presenting the financial condition, results of operations, shareholders' equity and cash flows of the Company and its Subsidiaries in accordance with GAAP, subject only to normal year-end audit adjustments and the absence of footnotes and such consolidating statements to be certified by a Responsible Officer of the Company to the effect that such statements are fairly stated in all material respects when considered in relation to the consolidated financial statements of the

Company and its Subsidiaries and (ii) a cash flow forecast for the 13 weeks following such period;

As to any information contained in materials furnished pursuant to Section 6.02(h), the Company shall not be separately required to furnish such information under clause (a) or (b) above, but the foregoing shall not be in derogation of the obligation of the Company to furnish the information and materials described in clauses (a) and (b) above at the times specified therein.

6.02 Certificates; Other Information. Deliver to the Administrative Agent and each Lender, in form and detail satisfactory to the Administrative Agent and the Required Lenders:

(a) concurrently with the delivery of the financial statements referred to in Sections 6.01(a) and (b) (except financial statements for a month other than the last month of a fiscal quarter), a duly completed Compliance Certificate signed by a Responsible Officer of the Company; provided that, with respect to the Compliance Certificate delivered in connection with the fiscal year ending December 31, 2008 or the month ending March 31, 2009, the Company shall identify each category of exclusion from the "Consolidated Current Liabilities" (pursuant to the first proviso to the definition of "Consolidated Liquidity Ratio") in detail on such Compliance Certificate;

(b) concurrently with (and in no event later than the time required for) the delivery of the financial statements referred to in Sections 6.01(a) and (b), a duly completed Revolving Borrowing Base Certificate as of the end of the respective fiscal year or calendar month, signed by a Responsible Officer of the Company; provided that, (i) if any Event of Default shall have occurred and be continuing, the Company shall deliver such Revolving Borrowing Base Certificates, each signed by a Responsible Officer of the Company, at any other time requested by the Administrative Agent and (ii) the parties acknowledge that the Historical Consolidated EBITDA reflected in the monthly Revolving Borrowing Base Certificates delivered with the financial statements referred to in Section 6.01(b) shall be calculated using the four quarters of the Company most recently ended;

(c) on and after May 7, 2009, in the event of any Disposition resulting in Net Cash Proceeds in an amount greater than \$10,000,000 and concurrently with the delivery of a notice of Disposition required pursuant to Section 6.03(g), a duly completed Revolving Borrowing Base Certificate and a duly completed Used Vehicle Borrowing Base Certificate, in each case giving pro forma effect to such Disposition, based on the prior month's Revolving Borrowing Base Certificate and Used Vehicle Borrowing Base Certificate, as applicable, and subtracting sold assets and the Consolidated EBITDA attributable to such sold assets (to the extent such Consolidated EBITDA was included in the prior month's Revolving Borrowing Base) but reflecting (x) reductions in the Aggregate Revolving Commitments required pursuant to Section 2.15(c) in connection with such Disposition and delivery of such certificates, and (y) prepayments of Revolving Loans required pursuant to Section 2.14(e) and prepayments of Used Vehicle Floorplan Loans required pursuant to Section 2.14(g) in connection with such Disposition and delivery of such certificates;

(d) within twenty (20) days after the end of each calendar month, a duly completed Used Vehicle Borrowing Base Certificate signed by a Responsible Officer of the Company as at the end of such calendar month;

(e) within a reasonable period of time after any request by the Administrative Agent, detailed information regarding assets in the Revolving Borrowing Base, including without limitation receivables ageing reports, inventory and equipment listings for all Vehicles, in each case in form and substance and containing such details as may be reasonably requested by the Administrative Agent;

(f) within a reasonable period of time after any request by the Administrative Agent, Vehicle Title Documentation and manufacturer/dealer statements;

(g) promptly after any request by the Administrative Agent or any Lender, copies of any detailed audit reports, management letters or recommendations submitted to the board of directors (or the audit committee of the board of directors) of the Company by independent accountants in connection with the accounts or books of the Company or any Subsidiary, or any audit of any of them;

(h) promptly after the same are available, copies of each annual report, proxy or financial statement or other report or communication sent to the stockholders of the Company, and copies of all annual, regular, periodic and special reports and registration statements which the Company may file or be required to file with the SEC under Section 13 or 15(d) of the Securities Exchange Act of 1934, and not otherwise required to be delivered to the Administrative Agent pursuant hereto;

(i) promptly, and in any event within five Business Days after receipt thereof by any Loan Party or any Subsidiary thereof, copies of each notice or other correspondence received from the SEC (or comparable agency in any applicable non-U.S. jurisdiction) concerning any investigation or possible investigation by such agency regarding financial or other operational results of any Loan Party or any Subsidiary thereof; and

(j) promptly, such additional information regarding the business, financial or corporate affairs of the Company or any Subsidiary, or compliance with the terms of the Loan Documents, as the Administrative Agent or any Lender may from time to time reasonably request.

Documents required to be delivered pursuant to Section 6.01(a) or (b) or Section 6.02(h) (to the extent any such documents are included in materials otherwise filed with the SEC) may be delivered electronically and if so delivered, shall be deemed to have been delivered on the date (i) on which the Company posts such documents, or provides a link thereto on the Company's website on the Internet at the website address listed on Schedule 10.02; or (ii) on which such documents are posted on the Company's behalf on an Internet or intranet website, if any, to which each Lender and the Administrative Agent have access (whether a commercial, third-party website or whether sponsored by the Administrative Agent); provided that: (i) the Company shall deliver paper copies of such documents to the Administrative Agent or any

Lender that requests the Company to deliver such paper copies until a written request to cease delivering paper copies is given by the Administrative Agent or such Lender and (ii) the Company shall notify the Administrative Agent and each Lender (by telecopier or electronic mail) of the posting of any such documents and provide to the Administrative Agent by electronic mail electronic versions (i.e., soft copies) of such documents. Notwithstanding anything contained herein, in every instance the Company shall be required to provide paper copies of the Compliance Certificates required by Section 6.02(a) to the Administrative Agent. Except for such Compliance Certificates, the Administrative Agent shall have no obligation to request the delivery or to maintain copies of the documents referred to above, and in any event shall have no responsibility to monitor compliance by the Company with any such request for delivery, and each Lender shall be solely responsible for requesting delivery to it or maintaining its copies of such documents.

The Company hereby acknowledges that (a) the Administrative Agent and/or the Arrangers will make available to the Lenders and the L/C Issuer materials and/or information provided by or on behalf of the Company hereunder (collectively, "Borrower Materials") by posting the Borrower Materials on IntraLinks or another similar electronic system (the "Platform") and (b) certain of the Lenders may be "public-side" Lenders (*i.e.*, Lenders that do not wish to receive material non-public information with respect to the Company or its securities) (each, a "Public Lender"). The Company hereby agrees that (w) all Borrower Materials that are to be made available to Public Lenders shall be clearly and conspicuously marked "PUBLIC" which, at a minimum, shall mean that the word "PUBLIC" shall appear prominently on the first page thereof; (x) by marking Borrower Materials "PUBLIC", the Company shall be deemed to have authorized the Administrative Agent, the Arrangers, the L/C Issuer and the Lenders to treat such Borrower Materials as not containing any material non-public information with respect to the Company or its securities for purposes of United States Federal and state securities laws (provided, however, that to the extent such Borrower Materials constitute Information, they shall be treated as set forth in Section 10.07); (y) all Borrower Materials marked "PUBLIC" are permitted to be made available through a portion of the Platform designated "Public Investor"; and (z) the Administrative Agent and the Arranger shall be entitled to treat any Borrower Materials that are not marked "PUBLIC" as being suitable only for posting on a portion of the Platform not designated "Public Investor".

6.03 Notices. Promptly notify the Administrative Agent and each Lender:

(a) of the occurrence of any Default;

(b) of any matter that has resulted or could reasonably be expected to result in a Material Adverse Effect, including (i) breach or non-performance of, or any default under, a Contractual Obligation of the Company or any Subsidiary; (ii) any notice or correspondence from or on behalf of the applicable franchisor, distributor or manufacturer, the Company or any Subsidiary alleging that any such event has occurred with respect to any Franchise Agreement or Framework Agreement, (iii) any dispute, litigation, investigation, proceeding or suspension between the Company or any Subsidiary and any Governmental Authority which such dispute, litigation, investigation, proceeding or suspension arising under this clause (iii) has resulted or could reasonably be expected to result in a Material Adverse Effect; or (iv) the commencement

of, or any material development in, any litigation or proceeding affecting the Company or any Subsidiary, including pursuant to any applicable Environmental Laws, where the result of such event arising under this clause (iv) has resulted or could reasonably be expected to result in a Material Adverse Effect;

(c) of the occurrence of any ERISA Event with respect to a Pension Plan, and subject to notification to the Company, with respect to a Multiemployer Plan;

(d) of any material change in accounting policies or financial reporting practices by the Company or any Subsidiary;

(e) of the Registered Public Accounting Firm's determination (in connection with its preparation of any report under Section 6.01(a)(ii)) or the Company's determination at any time of the occurrence or existence of any Internal Control Event;

(f) of (i) any Franchise Agreement entered into after the Closing Date (and a copy of such Franchise Agreement) which deviates in any material respect from the Franchise Agreements for the applicable vehicle manufacturer or distributor delivered as of the Closing Date, (ii) any Framework Agreement (and a copy of such Framework Agreement) entered into after the Closing Date (including the subject matter and term of such Framework Agreement), (iii) the termination or expiration of any Franchise Agreement or Framework Agreement, (iv) any amendment or other modification (and a copy of such amendment or modification) of any Framework Agreement, and (v) any material adverse change in the relationship between the Company or any Borrower and any vehicle manufacturer or distributor, including the written threat of loss of a new vehicle franchise or the written threat of termination of a Franchise Agreement or Framework Agreement;

(g) of the occurrence of any Disposition of property or assets for which any Borrower is required to make a mandatory prepayment or cash collateralize L/C Obligations pursuant to Section 2.14(l), such notice pursuant to this clause (g) to be given on the date of such Disposition and to include (i) a statement of the date of the Disposition, the property or assets Disposed of, and the Reduction Amount in connection therewith, and (ii) an itemized calculation of the Net Cash Proceeds from such Disposition (including showing as a separate line item each category of payments, expenses or taxes that are deducted as part of such calculation; and

(h) of the occurrence of any Silo Financing Commencement Date occurring during any month with respect to any Removed Franchise of a Subsidiary not later than the last Business Day of such month, stating (i) such Silo Financing Commencement Date, (ii) each applicable Removed Franchise, (iii) the mandatory prepayments of New Vehicle Floorplan Committed Loans and New Vehicle Floorplan Swing Line Loans required in connection therewith by Section 2.16(b)(iii)(C), and (iv) the amount of the reduction in Aggregate New Vehicle Floorplan Commitments required in connection therewith by Section 2.15(d).

Each notice pursuant to this Section shall be accompanied by a statement of a Responsible Officer of the Company setting forth details of the occurrence referred to therein and stating what action the Borrower has taken and proposes to take with respect thereto. Each

notice pursuant to Section 6.03(a) shall describe with particularity any and all provisions of this Agreement and any other Loan Document that have been breached.

6.04 Payment of Obligations. Pay and discharge as the same shall become due and payable (a) all tax liabilities, assessments and governmental charges or levies upon it or its properties or assets, including Vehicles, unless the same are being contested in good faith by appropriate proceedings diligently conducted and adequate reserves in accordance with GAAP are being maintained by the Company or such Subsidiary; (b) all lawful claims which, if unpaid, would by law become a Lien upon its property; and (c) all Indebtedness, as and when due and payable, but subject to any subordination provisions contained in any instrument or agreement evidencing such Indebtedness.

6.05 Preservation of Existence, Etc.; Maintenance of Vehicle Title Documentation. Preserve, renew and maintain in full force and effect its legal existence and good standing under the Laws of the jurisdiction of its organization except in a transaction permitted by Section 7.04 or 7.05; (b) take all reasonable action to maintain all rights, privileges, permits, licenses and franchises necessary or desirable in the normal conduct of its business, except to the extent that failure to do so could not reasonably be expected to have a Material Adverse Effect; (c) preserve or renew all of its registered patents, trademarks, trade names and service marks, the non-preservation of which could reasonably be expected to have a Material Adverse Effect; and (d) if applicable, preserve and maintain, in accordance with its standard policies and procedures, all manufacturer statements of origin, certificates of origin, certificates of title or ownership and other customary vehicle title documentation (collectively, the "Vehicle Title Documentation") necessary or desirable in the normal conduct of its business and maintain records evidencing which Vehicles are being used as Demonstrators and Rental Vehicles.

6.06 Maintenance of Properties; Repairs. (a) Maintain, preserve and protect all of its material properties and equipment necessary in the operation of its business in good working order and condition, ordinary wear and tear excepted; (b) make all necessary repairs thereto and renewals and replacements thereof except where the failure to do so could not reasonably be expected to have a Material Adverse Effect; and (c) use the standard of care typical in the industry in the operation and maintenance of its facilities.

6.07 Maintenance of Insurance. (a) Maintain with financially sound and reputable insurance companies not Affiliates of the Company or any Subsidiary, insurance with respect to its properties and business against loss or damage of the kinds customarily insured against by Persons engaged in the same or similar business and otherwise as required by the Security Instruments; (b) maintain general public liability insurance at all times with financially sound and reputable insurance companies not Affiliates of the Company or any Subsidiary, against liability on account of damage to persons and property; and (c) maintain insurance under all applicable workers' compensation laws and against loss by reason of business interruption with such policies of insurance to have such limits, deductibles, exclusions, co-insurance and other provisions providing no less coverage than that maintained on the Closing Date, such insurance policies to be in form reasonably satisfactory to the Administrative Agent. Each of the policies described in this Section 6.07 shall provide that the insurer shall give the Administrative Agent not less than thirty (30) days' prior written notice before any material amendment to any such

policy by endorsement or any lapse, termination or cancellation thereof, each such policy of liability insurance shall list the Administrative Agent as an additional insured, and each such policy of casualty insurance shall list the Administrative Agent as loss payee pursuant to a loss payee clause in form and substance satisfactory to the Administrative Agent.

6.08 Compliance with Laws and Contractual Obligations. Comply in all material respects with the requirements of all Laws and all orders, writs, injunctions and decrees and all Contractual Obligations applicable to it or to its business or property, except in such instances in which (a) such requirement of Law or order, writ, injunction or decree is being contested in good faith by appropriate proceedings diligently conducted; or (b) the failure to comply therewith could not reasonably be expected to have a Material Adverse Effect.

6.09 Books and Records. Maintain proper books of record and account, in which full, true and correct entries in conformity with GAAP consistently applied shall be made of all financial transactions and matters involving the assets and business of the Company or such Subsidiary, as the case may be, including, if applicable, books and records specifying the year, make, model, cost, price, location and vehicle identification number of each Vehicle owned by the Company or such Subsidiary.

6.10 Inspection Rights. Permit representatives and independent contractors of the Administrative Agent and each Lender to visit and inspect any of its properties (including inspecting Vehicles and conducting random samples of the Net Book Value of the Used Vehicles), to examine its corporate, financial and operating records, and make copies thereof or abstracts therefrom, and to discuss its affairs, finances and accounts with its directors, officers, and independent public accountants, all at such reasonable times during normal business hours and as often as may be reasonably desired, upon reasonable advance notice to the Company (except for access required in connection with a floorplan audit pursuant to Section 6.12, which will be permitted at any time during regular business hours (or at other times consistent with standard industry practice) and without advance notice); provided, however, that when an Event of Default exists the Administrative Agent or any Lender (or any of their respective representatives or independent contractors) may do any of the foregoing at the expense of the Company at any time during normal business hours and without advance notice.

6.11 Use of Proceeds. Use the proceeds of the Credit Extensions:

(a) in the case of the Revolving Credit Facility, solely for (i) reimbursement of Letters of Credit in accordance with Section 2.03 and refinancing of Swing Line Loans in accordance with Section 2.04, (ii) ordinary course of business operating expenses (including without limitation scheduled payments of interest on Indenture Indebtedness), and in any event (except as described in the parenthetical in clause (2) above), not for the repayment of Indebtedness except for regularly scheduled payments of principal and interest (or regularly scheduled payments of rent deemed to be principal and interest) (and regularly scheduled payments of interest (but not termination or unwind payments) on the applicable Related Swap Contract(s) that relate to any Indebtedness described in clause (A), (B) or (C) below) on: (A) Permitted Real Estate Indebtedness, (B) Indebtedness owed to any Falcon Party, which Indebtedness is Falcon Indebtedness and (C) capital leases, and (iii) prepayments, payments or

open market purchases of the 2002-5.25% Notes on or prior to May 7, 2009 in connection with the 2002-5.25% Indenture Notes Restructure in an aggregate amount not to exceed \$15,000,000.

(b) in the case of the New Vehicle Floorplan Facility (i) to finance the acquisition by the New Vehicle Borrowers of New Vehicle Inventory (including dealer trade, Demonstrators, Rental Vehicles and Fleet Vehicles) pursuant to New Vehicle Floorplan Committed Loan Notices, New Vehicle Floorplan Swing Line Loan Notices, Payment Commitments or Payoff Letter Commitments; provided that, on and after the Amendment No. 5 Effective Date, no New Vehicle Floorplan Committed Loan or New Vehicle Floorplan Swing Line Loan shall be made to any New Vehicle Borrower to finance New Vehicles manufactured by a Restricted Manufacturer unless the applicable New Vehicle Borrower sold (at the applicable franchise) New Vehicles manufactured by such Restricted Manufacturer, and financed such New Vehicles under the New Vehicle Floorplan Facility, prior to the Amendment No. 5 Effective Date, and (ii) to refinance indebtedness outstanding under existing new vehicle floorplan facilities of the New Vehicle Borrowers (collectively, the "Existing New Vehicle Facilities"), in each case not in contravention of any Law or any Loan Document; and

(c) in the case of the Used Vehicle Floorplan Facility (i) to finance the acquisition of Used Vehicle inventory, and (ii) to refinance the Existing Credit Agreement, in each case not in contravention of any Law or of any Loan Document;

provided that no proceeds of any Credit Extension shall be paid to any Unrestricted Subsidiary.

6.12 Floorplan Audits.

(a) Entry on Premises. Each New Vehicle Borrower shall permit a duly authorized representative of the New Vehicle Swing Line Lender to enter upon such New Vehicle Borrower's premises during regular business hours (or at other times consistent with standard industry practice) to perform audits of Vehicles constituting Collateral in a manner reasonably satisfactory to the New Vehicle Swing Line Lender on a quarterly basis or at other intervals as requested by the New Vehicle Swing Line Lender from time to time, but no less frequently than three times in any twelve (12) month period. Each New Vehicle Borrower shall assist the New Vehicle Swing Line Lender, and its representatives, in whatever way reasonably necessary to make the inspections and audits provided for herein.

(b) Delivery of Audits. Within thirty (30) days after the end of each calendar month of the Company, the New Vehicle Swing Line Lender shall deliver to the Administrative Agent a summary of the audits of each of the New Vehicle Borrowers performed by the New Vehicle Swing Line Lender during the calendar month just ended, setting forth therein a spread sheet reflecting, for each New Vehicle Borrower, a summary of the results of each floorplan audit during the calendar month. The Administrative Agent shall promptly deliver a copy of such report to each Lender.

6.13 Location of Vehicles. Keep the Vehicles only at the locations set forth on Schedule 6.13, as such schedule may be revised from time to time as set forth in the Compliance Certificate delivered pursuant to Section 6.02(a), except that Vehicles may, in the ordinary

course of business, (i) be temporarily in transit to or between such locations or (ii) be temporarily removed from such locations (a) for repair, (b) when being test driven by potential customers or (c) in the case of Heavy Trucks, for conversion of any such Heavy Truck at a conversion facility, provided that, (1) if requested by the New Vehicle Swing Line Lender in its sole discretion during a floorplan audit, the Company or the applicable New Vehicle Borrower shall provide the New Vehicle Swing Line Lender with the name, location and contact information of the conversion facility or other information reasonably requested by the New Vehicle Swing Line Lender with respect to such Heavy Truck, and (2) if the applicable customer has purchased the applicable Heavy Truck, the conversion facility may transport such Heavy Truck directly to such customer.

6.14 Additional Subsidiaries. As soon as practicable but in any event within thirty (30) days following the acquisition, creation or designation of any Restricted Subsidiary (or the date a Subsidiary otherwise qualifies as a Restricted Subsidiary) cause to be delivered to the Administrative Agent each of the following:

(i) a Joinder Agreement duly executed by such Restricted Subsidiary with all schedules and information thereto appropriately completed (including appropriate indications if such Restricted Subsidiary is a Dual Subsidiary or a Silo Subsidiary);

(ii) a Joinder Agreement (or an amendment to a Joinder Agreement or a supplement to the Pledge Agreement or Escrow and Security Agreement, as applicable) by the direct owner of the Equity Interests in such Restricted Subsidiary, which Joinder Agreement (or amendment or supplement) effects the pledge of the Equity Interests of such Restricted Subsidiary pursuant to the Pledge Agreement or the escrow of the Equity Interests of such Restricted Subsidiary pursuant to the Escrow and Security Agreement, as the case may be;

(iii) UCC financing statements naming such Restricted Subsidiary as “Debtor” and naming the Administrative Agent for the benefit of the Secured Parties as “Secured Party,” in form, substance and number sufficient in the reasonable opinion of the Administrative Agent and its counsel to be filed in all UCC filing offices in which filing is necessary or advisable to perfect in favor of the Administrative Agent for the benefit of the Secured Parties the Liens on the Collateral conferred under such Joinder Agreement and other Security Instruments to the extent such Lien may be perfected by UCC filings;

(iv) unless the Required Lenders expressly waive such requirement in accordance with Section 10.01, in the case of any single Acquisition or any related series of Acquisitions with an aggregate Cost of Acquisition of \$25,000,000 or more, an opinion or opinions of counsel to such Restricted Subsidiary dated as of the date of delivery of such Joinder Agreements (and other Loan Documents) provided for in this Section 6.14 and addressed to the Administrative Agent, in form and substance acceptable to the Administrative Agent;

(v) the documents described in Sections 4.01(a)(iii), (iv), (vii), (xiii), (xiv), (xxv) and (xxvi) with respect to such Restricted Subsidiary; and

(vi) evidence satisfactory to the Administrative Agent that all taxes, filing fees, recording fees and other related transaction costs have been paid, ~~provided~~ that any bankruptcy remote, special purpose Subsidiary formed for the sole purpose of, and engaged solely in the business of, owning real estate and leases thereof, and issuing non-recourse securities in connection with securitizations of such real estate and leases, (or, in the case of Sonic FFC 1, Inc., Sonic FFC 2, Inc. and Sonic FFC 3, Inc., repayment of Falcon Indebtedness with proceeds of rental payments received by such Persons in the amount of such payments) shall be excluded from the requirements contained in this Section 6.14.

Within ninety (90) days after the Closing Date, the Company shall deliver to the Administrative Agent each of the items required in clauses (i) – (vi) above with respect to Sonic Tysons Corner H, Inc. and Sonic Tysons Corner Infiniti, Inc.

6.15 New Vehicle Borrowers. If the Company requests that the Aggregate New Vehicle Floorplan Commitments be made available to a newly acquired or created Subsidiary which engages in the business of selling or leasing New Vehicles (other than a Silo Subsidiary) deliver within sixty (60) days following the acquisition or creation of such Subsidiary, in addition to the deliveries required pursuant to Section 6.14 (which still must be delivered within the thirty (30) day period set forth therein), a Joinder Agreement (or amended and restated Joinder Agreement) duly executed by such Subsidiary with all schedules thereto appropriately completed with respect to becoming a New Vehicle Borrower hereunder and an opinion or opinions of counsel to such Subsidiary dated as of the date of delivery of such Joinder Agreement (as amended and restated Joinder Agreement) provided for in this Section 6.15 and addressed to the Administrative Agent, in form and substance acceptable to the Administrative Agent. In addition, such Subsidiary shall also comply with Section 7.18 (in the case of a Silo Subsidiary) or Section 7.19 (in the case of a Dual Subsidiary).

6.16 Further Assurances. Execute, acknowledge, deliver, and record or file such further instruments, including, without limitation, further security agreements, financing statements, and continuation statements, and do such further acts as may be reasonably necessary, desirable, or proper to carry out more effectively the purposes of this Agreement, including, without limitation, (i) causing any additions, substitutions, replacements, or equipment related to the Vehicles financed hereunder to be covered by and subject to the Liens created in the Loan Documents to which any New Vehicle Borrower is a party; and (ii) with respect to any Vehicles which are or required to be subject to Liens created in the Loan Document to which any New Vehicle Borrower is a party, execute, acknowledge, endorse, deliver, procure, and record or file any document or instrument, including, without limitation, any financing statement or any Vehicle Title Documentation, deemed advisable by the Administrative Agent or the New Vehicle Swing Line Lender to protect the Liens granted in this Agreement or the Loan Documents to which any of them respectively is a party and against the rights or interests of third Persons, and the Company will pay all reasonable costs connected with any of the foregoing.

6.17 Retail Contracts.

(i) at request of the Administrative Agent, stamp each Retail Contract with a notation, in order to perfect the Administrative Agent's security interest, containing such language as the Administrative Agent may require to indicate the Administrative Agent's valid first priority lien, and/or at the Administrative Agent's sole discretion, the Administrative Agent or its authorized agent may take possession of the Retail Contracts;

(ii) purchase only those Retail Contracts originating from an Affiliated Dealer;

(iii) purchase only those Retail Contracts which (a) were originated by an Affiliated Dealer in the state in which the applicable Affiliated Dealer conducts business for the retail sale of a Cornerstone Financed Vehicle in the ordinary course of such Affiliated Dealer's business, (b) were fully and properly executed by the parties thereto, (c) were originated by an Affiliated Dealer, and (d) were validly assigned by such Affiliated Dealer to Cornerstone;

(iv) purchase only those Retail Contracts which (a) create a valid, subsisting, and enforceable first priority security interest in favor of the Affiliated Dealer in the Financed Vehicle, (b) contain customary and enforceable provisions such that the rights and remedies of the holder thereof shall be adequate for realization against the collateral, and (c) provide for, in the event that such Retail Contract is prepaid, a prepayment that fully pays the principal balance;

(v) purchase only those Retail Contracts originated pursuant to the sale of a Cornerstone Financed Vehicle which such sale complied (at the time it was originated or made) and shall comply (at the execution of this Agreement) in all material respects with all requirements of applicable Laws, including, without limitation, usury laws, the Federal Truth-in-Lending Act, the Equal Credit Opportunity Act, the Fair Credit Reporting Act, the Fair Debt Collection Practices Act, the Federal Trade Commission Act, the Magnuson-Moss Warranty Act, the Federal Reserve Board's Regulations B, M and Z, and the State adaptations of the National Consumer Act and of the Uniform Consumer Credit Code, and other consumer credit laws and equal credit opportunity and disclosure laws;

(vi) keep the Retail Contracts at Cornerstone's Addresses, unless otherwise directed by the Administrative Agent, in a reasonably secured area, protected by fire, and with adequate protection to resume business in a reasonable amount of time, in case of loss;

(vii) maintain accounts and records as to each Retail Contract accurately and in sufficient detail to permit the reader thereof to know at any time the status of each Retail Contract, including payments and recoveries made and payments owing (and the nature of each);

(viii) give to any prospective purchaser, lender, or other transferee, computer tapes, records, or print-outs (including restored from back-up archives), which, if containing references in any manner whatsoever to any Retail Contract shall indicate clearly that the Administrative Agent has a first priority and valid lien against such Retail Contract, if at any time Cornerstone proposes to sell, grant a security interest in, or otherwise transfer any interest in the Retail Contracts to any prospective purchaser, lender, or other transferee;

(ix) defend the rights, title, and interest of the Administrative Agent in, to and under such Retail Contracts against all claims of third parties claiming through or under Cornerstone, and shall join in such defense;

(x) cause the Affiliated Dealers to use only such Retail Contracts as will have been approved by Administrative Agent in writing, it being understood, however, that any such approval shall not indicate compliance with any applicable Laws or with this Agreement; and

(xi) promptly notify the Administrative Agent in writing of any material change occurring in or to the Cornerstone Collateral, including any event causing a material loss or depreciation of the Collateral and the amount of such loss or depreciation.

6.18 Interim Floorplan Indebtedness. Within thirty (30) days of the Closing Date, designate each Subsidiary obligated pursuant to Interim Floorplan Indebtedness which is not a New Vehicle Borrower as of the Closing Date as either a Dual Subsidiary or a Silo Subsidiary in accordance with the terms of this Agreement.

6.19 Landlord Waivers. With respect to any real property leased by the Company or any Loan Party, where requested by the Administrative Agent, the Company and each Loan Party shall use commercially reasonable efforts (and shall deliver to the Administrative Agent satisfactory evidence of such efforts) to deliver a Landlord Waiver (to the extent not previously delivered to the Administrative Agent) duly executed by the applicable landlord in form and substance reasonably satisfactory to the Administrative Agent.

6.20 Deposit Accounts.

(a) The Company and each applicable Loan Party shall deliver deposit account control agreements that perfect the Administrative Agent's security interest in Deposit Accounts (as defined in the Security Agreement) (other than payroll, medical benefit and controlled disbursement accounts) duly executed by the applicable depository bank, each in form and substance reasonably satisfactory to the Administrative Agent in accordance with Section 1(f) of Amendment No. 5; provided that, if the Administrative Agent has waived the condition precedent of a deposit account control agreement for any Deposit Account as described in Section 1(f) of Amendment No. 5, then within 45 days after the Amendment No. 5 Effective Date, the Company and each applicable Loan Party shall deliver a deposit account control agreement for such Deposit Account, provided, however, that the Administrative Agent may

waive in its sole discretion the requirement to deliver any deposit account control agreement(s) for any Deposit Account(s) that collect, in the aggregate, less than 2.5% of the consolidated gross receipts or revenues of the Company and its Subsidiaries.

(b) The Company and each applicable Loan Party shall (i) deliver to the Administrative Agent, within fifteen (15) days after the end of each calendar month, a report of any changes in the account number or legal name of any Deposit Account, any newly opened Deposit Account (including the account number and legal name thereof), and any closed Deposit Account (including the account number and legal name thereof) for each depository bank during such month (any such change, opening or closing, a "Deposit Account Change"), and (ii) by no later than the time required for delivery of any notice described in clause (i) above, cause the Schedule of Deposit Accounts (or applicable schedule) under any applicable Deposit Account Control Agreement to be amended, executed and submitted by the Company and other applicable Loan Parties to the applicable depository bank for its acknowledgement and ratification, with evidence thereof provided to the Administrative Agent.

ARTICLE VII. NEGATIVE COVENANTS

So long as any Lender shall have any Commitment hereunder, any Loan or other Obligation hereunder shall remain unpaid or unsatisfied, or any Letter of Credit shall remain outstanding, the Company shall not, nor shall it permit any Subsidiary to, directly or indirectly:

7.01 Liens. Create, incur, assume or suffer to exist any Lien upon any of its property, assets or revenues, whether now owned or hereafter acquired, other than the following:

(a) Liens pursuant to any Loan Document;

(b) Liens existing on the date hereof and listed on Schedule 7.01 and any refunding, refinancing, renewals or extensions thereof, provided that (i) the property covered thereby is not changed, (ii) the amount secured or benefited thereby is not increased, (iii) the direct or any contingent obligor with respect thereto is not changed, and (iv) any refunding, refinancing, renewal or extension of the obligations secured or benefited thereby is permitted by Section 7.03(b);

(c) Liens for taxes not yet due or which are being contested in good faith and by appropriate proceedings diligently conducted, if adequate reserves with respect thereto are maintained on the books of the applicable Person in accordance with GAAP;

(d) carriers', warehousemen's, mechanics', materialmen's, repairmen's or other like Liens arising in the ordinary course of business which are not overdue for a period of more than thirty (30) days or which are being contested in good faith and by appropriate proceedings diligently conducted, if adequate reserves with respect thereto are maintained on the books of the applicable Person;

(e) pledges or deposits in the ordinary course of business in connection with workers' compensation, unemployment insurance and other social security legislation, other than any Lien imposed by ERISA;

(f) deposits to secure the performance of bids, trade contracts and leases (other than Indebtedness), statutory obligations, surety and appeal bonds, performance bonds and other obligations of a like nature incurred in the ordinary course of business;

(g) easements, rights-of-way, restrictions and other similar encumbrances affecting real property which, in the aggregate, are not substantial in amount, and which do not in any case materially detract from the value of the property subject thereto or materially interfere with the ordinary conduct of the business of the applicable Person;

(h) Liens securing judgments for the payment of money not constituting a Revolving Event of Default under Section 8.01(h) or a Floorplan Event of Default under Section 8.03(f);

(i) Liens securing Indebtedness permitted under Section 7.03(e); provided that (i) such Liens do not at any time encumber any property other than the property financed by such Indebtedness and (ii) the Indebtedness secured thereby does not exceed the cost or fair market value, whichever is lower, of the property being acquired on the date of acquisition;

(j) Liens securing Permitted Silo Indebtedness, provided that such Liens do not at any time encumber any property other than the New Vehicles and, in the case of Specified BMW Franchises, the Used Vehicles financed by such Permitted Silo Indebtedness, and cash collateral accounts maintained by (or letters of credit issued to) the holders of such Permitted Silo Indebtedness and agreed to by the Administrative Agent, and proceeds of the foregoing property described in this clause (j); provided further that a Vehicle financed by one or more loans under a Permitted Silo Indebtedness facility provided by a finance company may also cross-collateralize other loans under such facility;

(k) Liens securing Interim Floorplan Indebtedness, provided that (i) such Liens do not at any time encumber any property other than the property financed by such Interim Floorplan Indebtedness and (ii) such Liens are released to the satisfaction of the Administrative Agent within 30 days of the Closing Date;

(l) Liens securing the Equipment described on Schedule 1.01C, provided that such Liens shall be terminated within one (1) year of the Closing Date;

(m) Liens on Permitted Real Estate Indebtedness Collateral securing either Permitted Real Estate Indebtedness permitted by Section 7.03(o) or permitted Guarantees thereof;

(n) Liens securing Permitted Service Loaner Indebtedness, provided that such Liens do not at any time encumber any property other than the New Vehicles financed by such Permitted Service Loaner Indebtedness, and proceeds of such Vehicles;

(o) Liens securing the 2009 Indenture Indebtedness, provided that such Liens do not encumber any property that is not Collateral under the Loan Documents and such Liens are

expressly subordinated to the Liens on the Collateral in favor of the Secured Parties under the Loan Documents in a manner acceptable to the Administrative Agent and otherwise containing terms and conditions acceptable to the Administrative Agent (including without limitation prohibitions on additional liens on real property and other property securing the 2009 Indenture Notes), and will only secure an aggregate amount not to exceed the outstanding amount of the 2009 Indenture Notes immediately after giving effect to the prepayments or open market purchases of the 2002-5.25% Indenture Notes in connection with the 2002-5.25% Indenture Notes Restructure on or prior to May 7, 2009; and

(p) Liens not otherwise permitted under this Section 7.01; provided that (i) at the time of the creation or incurrence of such Lien, no Default shall exist or would result from such Lien, (ii) no such Lien attaches to any Collateral, and (iii) the aggregate Indebtedness secured by all Liens created or incurred in reliance on this clause (m) shall not exceed \$25,000,000 at any time.

7.02 Investments. Make any Investments, except:

- (a) Investments held by the Company or such Subsidiary in the form of cash equivalents or short-term marketable securities;
- (b) advances to officers, directors and employees of the Company and Subsidiaries in an aggregate amount not to exceed \$5,000,000 at any time outstanding, for travel, entertainment, relocation and analogous ordinary business purposes;
- (c) Investments of the Company in any Guarantor and Investments of any Guarantor in the Company or in another Guarantor;
- (d) Investments consisting of extensions of credit in the nature of accounts receivable or notes receivable arising from the grant of trade credit in the ordinary course of business, and Investments received in satisfaction or partial satisfaction thereof from financially troubled account debtors to the extent reasonably necessary in order to prevent or limit loss;
- (e) Guarantees permitted by Section 7.03;
- (f) Acquisitions permitted by Section 7.12;
- (g) loans to consumers to finance such consumers' purchase of Vehicles, which loans are made pursuant to Retail Contracts;
- (h) capital contributions (in order to meet capital requirements imposed by applicable Law) or insurance premium payments by any Loan Party to SRM Assurance, Ltd., which capital contributions and premium payments do not exceed \$6,000,000 in the aggregate in any fiscal year of the Company;
- (i) Buyer Notes obtained by the Company or a Subsidiary in connection with a Disposition permitted by Section 7.05(i), provided, however, that the aggregate amount of all such Investments at any one time shall not exceed \$15,000,000; and

(j) other Investments not exceeding \$5,000,000 in the aggregate in any fiscal year of the Company.

7.03 Indebtedness. Create, incur, assume or suffer to exist any Indebtedness, except:

(a) Indebtedness under the Loan Documents;

(b) Indebtedness outstanding on the date hereof and listed on Schedule 7.03 and any refinancings, refundings, renewals or extensions thereof; provided that (i) the amount of such Indebtedness is not increased at the time of such refinancing, refunding, renewal or extension except by an amount equal to a reasonable premium or other reasonable amount paid, and fees and expenses reasonably incurred, in connection with such refinancing and by an amount equal to any existing commitments unutilized thereunder and (ii) the terms relating to principal amount, amortization, maturity, collateral (if any) and subordination (if any), and other material terms taken as a whole, of any such refinancing, refunding, renewing or extending Indebtedness, and of any agreement entered into and of any instrument issued in connection therewith, are no less favorable in any material respect to the Loan Parties or the Lenders than the terms of any agreement or instrument governing the Indebtedness being refinanced, refunded, renewed or extended and the interest rate applicable to any such refinancing, refunding, renewing or extending Indebtedness does not exceed the then applicable market interest rate;

(c) Guarantees of the Company or any Guarantor in respect of Indebtedness otherwise permitted hereunder of the Company or any other Guarantor;

(d) obligations (contingent or otherwise) of the Company or any Subsidiary existing or arising under any Swap Contract, provided that (i) such obligations are (or were) entered into by such Person in the ordinary course of business for the purpose of directly mitigating risks associated with liabilities, commitments, investments, assets, or property held or reasonably anticipated by such Person, or changes in the value of securities issued by such Person, and not for purposes of speculation or taking a “market view;” and (ii) such Swap Contract does not contain any provision exonerating the non-defaulting party from its obligation to make payments on outstanding transactions to the defaulting party;

(e) Indebtedness in respect of capital leases, Synthetic Lease Obligations and purchase money obligations for fixed or capital assets within the limitations set forth in Section 7.01(i); provided, however, that the aggregate amount of all such Indebtedness at any one time outstanding shall not exceed \$5,000,000;

(f) Indebtedness in an aggregate principal amount not to exceed \$40,000,000 at any time outstanding;

(g) Permitted Silo Indebtedness;

(h) Indebtedness of Subsidiaries that are new vehicle dealerships and that are not New Vehicle Borrowers as of the Closing Date, owed to any manufacturer-affiliated finance company (including BMW Financial Services, NA, LLC but excluding any other Lender under the Senior Credit Facility as of the Closing Date) providing financing pursuant to any Permitted

Silo Indebtedness to the Borrowers (other than Borrowers who as of the Closing Date were New Vehicle Borrowers) if the Company provides written notice to the Administrative Agent that (i) the conditions precedent for imposition of the Reserve Commitment exist as of the date of such notice, and requesting therein a reasonable increase in the Aggregate New Vehicle Floorplan Commitments pursuant to Section 2.23 and the Lenders shall not, within thirty (30) Business Days after the date of such notice, have provided for such increase in the Aggregate New Vehicle Floorplan Commitments, or (ii) in connection with an Acquisition permitted prior to the Amendment No. 4 Effective Date, the Aggregate New Vehicle Floorplan Commitments will not, in the reasonable determination of the Company, be adequate for the floor plan funding requirements of the new vehicle dealership Subsidiaries to be acquired and the Lenders shall not, within thirty (30) Business Days after the date of such notice have agreed to increase the Aggregate New Vehicle Floorplan Commitments in the amounts reasonably requested by the Company upon closing of the acquisition of such new vehicle dealership Subsidiaries;

(i) On or prior to May 7, 2009, 2002-5.25% Indenture Indebtedness; provided that the aggregate amount of all such 2002-5.25% Indenture Indebtedness at any one time outstanding shall not exceed the aggregate principal amount of such Indebtedness existing as of the Amendment No. 5 Effective Date, less the aggregate principal amount of all 2002-5.25% Indenture Notes that are prepaid or purchased pursuant to the 2002-5.25% Indenture Notes Restructure after the Amendment No. 5 Effective Date;

(j) 2009 Indenture Indebtedness and any Permitted Indenture Refinancing Indebtedness that has refinanced any 2009 Indenture Indebtedness; provided that the aggregate amount of all such 2009 Indenture Indebtedness and such Permitted Indenture Refinancing Indebtedness at any one time outstanding shall not exceed the aggregate principal amount of all 2002-5.25% Indenture Notes, less, the amount of 2002-5.25% Indenture Notes that are prepaid or purchased in connection with the 2002-5.25% Indenture Notes Restructure on or prior to May 7, 2009, less the aggregate principal amount of all 2009 Indenture Indebtedness that is prepaid as permitted hereunder, plus, to the extent permitted hereunder, the amount of payment-in-kind interest accrued on such 2009 Indenture Indebtedness;

(k) 2002-4.25% Indenture Indebtedness and any Permitted Indenture Refinancing Indebtedness that has refinanced any 2002-4.25% Indenture Indebtedness; provided that the aggregate amount of all such 2002-4.25% Indenture Indebtedness and such Permitted Indenture Refinancing Indebtedness at any one time outstanding shall not exceed the aggregate principal amount of such Indebtedness existing as of the Amendment No. 5 Effective Date, less the aggregate principal amount of all 2002-4.25% Indenture Indebtedness that is prepaid as permitted hereunder, plus, to the extent permitted hereunder, the amount of payment-in-kind interest accrued on such 2002-4.25% Indenture Indebtedness;

(l) 2003 Indenture Indebtedness and any Permitted Indenture Refinancing Indebtedness that has refinanced any 2003 Indenture Indebtedness; provided that the aggregate amount of all such 2003 Indenture Indebtedness and such Permitted Indenture Refinancing Indebtedness at any one time outstanding shall not exceed the aggregate principal amount of such Indebtedness existing as of the Amendment No. 5 Effective Date, less the aggregate principal amount of all 2002-4.25% Indenture Indebtedness that is prepaid as permitted

hereunder, plus, to the extent permitted hereunder, the amount of payment-in-kind interest accrued on such 2003 Indenture Indebtedness;

(m) Additional Subordinated Indebtedness in addition to the Indebtedness described in Sections 7.03(i), (j), (k) and (l), if both immediately prior to the issuance of such Additional Subordinated Indebtedness and after giving effect to such Additional Subordinated Indebtedness (i) no Default shall have occurred or be continuing, and (ii) the Consolidated Total Debt to EBITDA Ratio is less than or equal to 4.50 to 1.00, less the aggregate principal amount of all such Additional Subordinated Indebtedness that is prepaid as permitted hereunder;

(n) Interim Floorplan Indebtedness; provided that such Indebtedness is terminated within 30 days of the Closing Date;

(o) Permitted Real Estate Indebtedness, provided, however, that the aggregate amount of all such Permitted Real Estate Indebtedness at any one time outstanding shall not exceed \$200,000,000; and

(p) Permitted Service Loaner Indebtedness.

7.04 Fundamental Changes. Merge, dissolve, liquidate, consolidate with or into another Person, or Dispose of (whether in one transaction or in a series of transactions) all or substantially all of its assets (whether now owned or hereafter acquired) to or in favor of any Person, except that, so long as no Default exists or would result therefrom:

(a) any Subsidiary may merge with (i) the Company, provided that the Company shall be the continuing or surviving Person, or (ii) any one or more other Subsidiaries, provided that when any Guarantor is merging with another Subsidiary, the Guarantor shall be the continuing or surviving Person;

(b) any Subsidiary may Dispose of all or substantially all of its assets (upon voluntary liquidation or otherwise) to the Company or to another Subsidiary provided that if the transferor in such a transaction is a Guarantor, then the transferee must either be the Company or a Guarantor;

(c) any Subsidiary may Dispose of all or substantially all of its assets to or in favor of any Person in one transaction or in a series of transactions, provided that such Disposition or Dispositions satisfy the requirements of Section 7.05(i); and

(d) any Subsidiary which has Disposed of all or substantially all of its assets in accordance with the terms of this Agreement (i) may be dissolved or have its entity status terminated or (ii) so long as such Subsidiary does not qualify as a Restricted Subsidiary after giving effect to such Disposition, shall promptly at the request of the Company be released by the Administrative Agent from its obligations under the Subsidiary Guaranty and the other Loan Documents, provided that, at any time such Subsidiary thereafter qualifies as an Restricted Subsidiary, the Company shall cause to be delivered to the Administrative Agent all documents required to be delivered by Section 6.14 with respect to such Subsidiary in the timeframes set forth therein.

7.05 Dispositions. Make any Disposition or enter into any agreement to make any Disposition, except:

- (a) Dispositions of obsolete or worn out property, whether now owned or hereafter acquired, in the ordinary course of business;
- (b) Dispositions of inventory including Eligible Vehicle Inventory, in the ordinary course of business;
- (c) Dispositions of equipment or real property to the extent that (i) such property is exchanged for credit against the purchase price of similar replacement property or (ii) the proceeds of such Disposition are reasonably promptly applied to the purchase price of such replacement property;
- (d) Dispositions of property by any Subsidiary to the Company or to a wholly-owned Subsidiary; provided that if the transferor of such property is a Guarantor, the transferee thereof must either be the Company or a Guarantor;
- (e) Dispositions permitted by Section 7.04;
- (f) Dispositions of real estate for fair market value, which real estate is simultaneously leased back by the Company or a Subsidiary for use as a motor vehicle dealership;
- (g) Disposition of any Retail Contract(s);
- (h) Dispositions by the Borrower and its Subsidiaries of property pursuant to sale-leaseback transactions, provided that the book value of all property so Disposed of shall not exceed \$50,000,000 in any fiscal year;
- (i) Dispositions by the Company and its Subsidiaries not otherwise permitted under this Section 7.05; provided that at the time of such Disposition, no Default shall exist or would result from such Disposition;

provided, however, that any Disposition pursuant to clauses (a) through (h) shall be for fair market value.

7.06 Restricted Payments. Except as permitted by Section 7.16, declare or make, directly or indirectly, any Restricted Payment, or incur any obligation (contingent or otherwise) to do so, except that, so long as no Default shall have occurred and be continuing at the time of any action described below or would result therefrom:

- (a) each Subsidiary may make Restricted Payments to a Borrower and any Subsidiaries of any Borrower that are Guarantors;
 - (b) any Borrower may declare and make dividend payments or other distributions payable solely in the common stock or other common Equity Interests of such Person;
- and

(c) any Loan Party may make “net share settlements” of vested restricted stock for tax withholding.

7.07 Change in Nature of Business. Engage in any material line of business substantially different from those lines of business conducted by the Company and its Subsidiaries on the date hereof or any business substantially related or incidental thereto.

7.08 Transactions with Affiliates. Enter into any transaction of any kind with any Affiliate of the Company, whether or not in the ordinary course of business, other than on fair and reasonable terms substantially as favorable to the Company or such Subsidiary as would be obtainable by the Company or such Subsidiary at the time in a comparable arm’s length transaction with a Person other than an Affiliate, provided that the foregoing restriction shall not apply to transactions between or among the Company and any Guarantor or between and among any Guarantors.

7.09 Burdensome Agreements. Enter into any Contractual Obligation (other than this Agreement or any other Loan Document) that (a) limits the ability (i) of any Subsidiary to make Restricted Payments to the Company or any Loan Party or to otherwise transfer property to the Company or any Loan Party, (ii) of any Subsidiary to Guarantee the Indebtedness of the Company, or (iii) of the Company or any Subsidiary to create, incur, assume or suffer to exist Liens on property of such Person; provided, however, that this clause (iii) shall not prohibit (w) any negative pledge incurred or provided in favor of any holder of Indebtedness permitted under Section 7.03(e), (g) or (n) solely to the extent any such negative pledge relates to the property financed by or the subject of such Indebtedness, (x) any negative pledge incurred or provided in favor of any holder of Indebtedness permitted under Section 7.03(j) or Section 7.03(k) solely to the extent any such negative pledge relates does not prohibit any current or future Lien of the Administrative Agent (for the benefit of the Secured Parties), on any property of any Loan Party, or (y) manufacturer limitations on dividends set forth in Franchise Agreements or Framework Agreements which limitations relate to minimum capitalization requirements for dealerships; or (b) requires the grant of a Lien to secure an obligation of such Person if a Lien is granted to secure another obligation of such Person.

7.10 Use of Proceeds. Use the proceeds of any Credit Extension, whether directly or indirectly, and whether immediately, incidentally or ultimately, (i) to purchase or carry margin stock (within the meaning of Regulation U of the FRB) or to extend credit to others for the purpose of purchasing or carrying margin stock or to refund indebtedness originally incurred for such purpose or (ii) in the case of the Revolving Credit Facility, solely for (x) reimbursement of Letters of Credit in accordance with Section 2.03 and refinancing of Swing Line Loans in accordance with Section 2.04, (y) ordinary course of business operating expenses (including without limitation scheduled payments of interest on Indenture Indebtedness), and in any event (except as described in the parenthetical in clause (2) above), not for the repayment of Indebtedness except for regularly scheduled payments of principal and interest (or regularly scheduled payments of rent deemed to be principal and interest) (and regularly scheduled payments of interest (but not termination or unwind payments) on the applicable Related Swap Contract(s) that relate to any Indebtedness described in clause (A), (B) or (C) below) on:

(A) Permitted Real Estate Indebtedness, (B) Indebtedness owed to any Falcon Party, which

Indebtedness is Falcon Indebtedness and (C) capital leases, and (z) prepayments, payments or open market purchases of the 2002-5.25% Notes on or prior to May 7, 2009 in connection with the 2002-5.25% Indenture Notes Restructure in an aggregate amount not to exceed \$15,000,000.

7.11 Financial Covenants.

(a) Consolidated Liquidity Ratio. Permit the Consolidated Liquidity Ratio as of the end of any fiscal quarter of the Company to be less than 1.10 to 1.00.

(b) Consolidated Fixed Charge Coverage Ratio. Permit the Consolidated Fixed Charge Coverage Ratio at any time during any period of four fiscal quarters of the Company to be less than 1.15 to 1.00.

(c) Consolidated Total Senior Secured Debt to EBITDA Ratio. Permit the Consolidated Total Senior Secured Debt to EBITDA Ratio at any time during any period of four fiscal quarters of the Company to be greater than 2.25 to 1.00.

7.12 Acquisitions. Enter into any agreement, contract, binding commitment or other arrangement providing for any Acquisition, or take any action to solicit the tender of securities or proxies in respect thereof in order to effect any Acquisition.

7.13 Revolving Borrowing Base. (a) Permit at any time the sum of the Total Revolving Outstandings to exceed the Revolving Advance Limit, unless the Company shall have immediately complied with Section 2.14(e) with respect to such excess; or (b) substantially change the method of valuation of the Collateral with respect to the Revolving Borrowing Base from that used by the Company and its Subsidiaries on the Closing Date.

7.14 Used Vehicle Borrowing Base.

(a) Permit at any time the sum of the Total Used Vehicle Floorplan Outstandings to exceed the Used Vehicle Borrowing Base, unless the Company shall have immediately complied with Section 2.14(g) with respect to such excess; or

(b) substantially change the method of valuing the Collateral with respect to the Used Vehicle Borrowing Base from that used by the Company and its Subsidiaries on the Closing Date.

7.15 Amendments of Certain Indebtedness. Amend, modify or change in any manner any term or condition of any of the Indenture Indebtedness or any Additional Subordinated Indebtedness permitted by Section 7.03(j) or refinance any such Indebtedness so that the terms and conditions thereof are less favorable to the Administrative Agent, the Lenders and the L/C Issuers than the terms and conditions of the relevant Indebtedness as of the later of the Amendment No. 5 Effective Date (or with respect to any 2002-4.25% Indenture Notes that are refinanced in accordance with a 2002-4.25% Indenture Notes Restructure, the date of effectiveness of such 2002-4.25% Indenture Notes Restructure) or the date of incurrence thereof.

7.16 Prepayments, etc. of Certain Indebtedness.

(a) Prepay, redeem, purchase, defease or otherwise satisfy prior to the scheduled maturity thereof in any manner, or make any payment in violation of any subordination terms of any of the Indenture Indebtedness or any Additional Subordinated Indebtedness permitted by Section 7.03(m), except that, so long as no Default shall have occurred and be continuing at the time of any action described below or would result therefrom:

(i) the Company may make prepayments or open market purchases of the 2002-5.25% Indenture Notes in connection with the 2002-5.25% Indenture Notes Restructure on or before May 7, 2009 in an aggregate amount not to exceed \$15,000,000 plus the amount of the 2009 Special Capital Contribution;

(ii) the Company may refinance (A) the 2002-4.25% Indenture Notes in connection with a 2002-4.25% Indenture Notes Restructure and (B) any Indebtedness permitted by Sections 7.01(j), (k) and (l) with Permitted Indenture Refinancing Indebtedness; and

(iii) in the event the 50% NCP Requirements have been met, and subject to compliance with Section 2.14(l), the Company may make prepayments or open market purchases of the Indenture Indebtedness or any Additional Subordinated Indebtedness permitted by Section 7.03(m) in an unlimited amount using only Disposition Proceeds.

(b) During the period commencing on the 2002-5.25% Notes Settlement Date and continuing at all times thereafter, make cash interest payments with respect to the 2009 Indenture Notes and the 2002-4.25% Indenture Notes (including such 2002-4.25% Indenture Notes as refinanced as permitted hereby) in an aggregate annual amount greater than the Maximum Interest Amount.

7.17 Retail Contracts.

(a) Permit Cornerstone to purchase any Retail Contract which shall have been originated in, or shall be subject to the laws of, any jurisdiction under which the sale, transfer, or assignment of such Retail Contract under this Agreement shall be unlawful, void, or voidable.

(b) Permit Cornerstone to sell, pledge, assign or transfer to any other Person, or grant, create, incur, assume or suffer to exist any Lien on any interest therein, or

(c) Permit Cornerstone to enter into any agreement of sale with an Affiliated Dealer containing any waiver of any Affiliated Dealer's obligations to repurchase the Retail Contracts and Cornerstone Financed Vehicles.

7.18 Silo Subsidiaries. Permit any Subsidiary to become a Silo Subsidiary unless such Subsidiary operates only a Specified Franchise; provided that, (i) such Subsidiary shall not be designated a New Vehicle Borrower or entitled to the proceeds of any New Vehicle Floorplan Loans, (ii) no New Vehicle Inventory of such Subsidiary shall be financed by any New Vehicle Floorplan Loans, and (iii) prior to the time of designation of such Subsidiary as a Silo

Subsidiary, all outstanding New Vehicle Floorplan Loans with respect to such Subsidiary shall have been repaid.

7.19 Dual Subsidiaries. Permit any Subsidiary to become a Dual Subsidiary unless such Subsidiary operates one or more Specified Franchises; provided that, (i) although such Subsidiary may be designated as a New Vehicle Borrower, no New Vehicle Inventory of any such Specified Franchise shall be financed by any New Vehicle Floorplan Loan, and (ii) prior to the time of designation of such Subsidiary as a Dual Subsidiary, all outstanding New Vehicle Floorplan Loans with respect to such Subsidiary for New Vehicles of any Specified Franchise shall have been repaid.

7.20 Related Swap Contracts. Permit the Company or any other Loan Party party to any Related Swap Contract to amend, supplement or otherwise modify the terms of any Related Swap Contract or any document relating thereto in any way to advantage, or provide any incremental credit support to, any Lender or any Affiliate of a Lender party to such Related Swap Contract without amending, modifying or supplementing each other Related Swap Contract to equally advantage, or to provide the same incremental credit support to, the Lender or Affiliate of a Lender party to such other Related Swap Contract. Each Lender agrees to and acknowledges (on behalf of itself and its Affiliates) the restrictions on amendments, supplements or other modifications of Related Swap Contracts described herein.

7.21 Maximum Cash Balance. Permit the Company and its Subsidiaries on a consolidated basis to maintain collected cash balances in an amount greater than \$10,000,000 for any period of three (3) consecutive Business Days; provided, however, that in the event (i) the Company's primary treasury management provider cancels all treasury connectivity and risk products or (ii) the Revolving Swing Line Lender, the New Vehicle Swing Line Lender or the Used Vehicle Swing Line Lender fails for any period of three (3) consecutive Business Days to make advances as requested in accordance with this Agreement, then the amount of collected cash balances needed to pre-fund all account disbursements and outflows of the Company and its Subsidiaries shall be excluded from this calculation; and provided further that the limitation on collected cash balances shall not apply at any time that (y) the aggregate Outstanding Amount of all Revolving Loans plus (z) all Unreimbursed Amounts (including all L/C Borrowings) is equal to \$0.

ARTICLE VIII. EVENTS OF DEFAULT AND REMEDIES

8.01 Revolving Events of Default. Any of the following shall constitute a Revolving Event of Default (each a "Revolving Event of Default"):

(a) Non-Payment. The Company or any other Loan Party fails to pay (i) when and as required to be paid herein, any amount of principal of any Revolving Loan or any L/C Obligation, or (ii) within five (5) days after the same becomes due, any interest on any Revolving Loan or on any L/C Obligation, or any fee due hereunder with respect to the Revolving Facility,

or (iii) within five (5) days after the same becomes due, any other amount payable hereunder or under any other Loan Document with respect to the Revolving Facility; or

(b) Specific Covenants. The Company fails to perform or observe any term, covenant or agreement contained in any of Section 6.01, 6.02(a), (b), (c) or (d), 6.03, 6.05, 6.10, 6.11 or 6.12 or Article VII; or

(c) Other Defaults. Any Loan Party fails to perform or observe any other covenant or agreement (not specified in subsection (a) or (b) above) contained in any Loan Document on its part to be performed or observed and such failure continues for thirty (30) days after the giving of written notice to such Loan Party specifying the alleged default; or

(d) Representations and Warranties. Any representation, warranty, certification or statement of fact made or deemed made by or on behalf of the Company or any other Loan Party herein, in any other Loan Document, or in any document delivered in connection herewith or therewith shall be incorrect or misleading in any material respect (i) when made or deemed made or (ii) at the time a draft with respect to a Payment Commitment or a Payoff Letter Commitment is presented for payment; or

(e) Cross-Default. (i) The Company or any Subsidiary (A) fails to make any payment when due (whether by scheduled maturity, required prepayment, acceleration, demand, or otherwise) in respect of any Indebtedness or Guarantee (other than Indebtedness hereunder and Indebtedness under Swap Contracts) having an aggregate principal amount (including undrawn committed or available amounts and including amounts owing to all creditors under any combined or syndicated credit arrangement) of more than the Threshold Amount, or (B) fails to observe or perform any other agreement or condition relating to any such Indebtedness or Guarantee or contained in any instrument or agreement evidencing, securing or relating thereto, or any other event occurs, the effect of which default or other event is to cause, or to permit the holder or holders of such Indebtedness or the beneficiary or beneficiaries of such Guarantee (or a trustee or agent on behalf of such holder or holders or beneficiary or beneficiaries) to cause, with the giving of notice if required, such Indebtedness in excess of the Threshold Amount to be demanded or to become due or to be repurchased, prepaid, defeased or redeemed (automatically or otherwise), or an offer to repurchase, prepay, defease or redeem such Indebtedness to be made, prior to its stated maturity, or such Guarantee to become payable or cash collateral in respect thereof to be demanded; or (ii) there occurs under any Swap Contract an Early Termination Date (as defined in such Swap Contract) resulting from (A) any event of default under such Swap Contract as to which the Company or any Subsidiary is the Defaulting Party (as defined in such Swap Contract) or (B) any Termination Event (as so defined) under such Swap Contract as to which the Company or any Subsidiary is an Affected Party (as so defined) and, in either event, the Swap Termination Value owed by the Company or such Subsidiary as a result thereof is greater than the Threshold Amount; or

(f) Insolvency Proceedings, Etc. The Company, any Loan Party or any of their respective Subsidiaries institutes or consents to the institution of any proceeding under any Debtor Relief Law, or makes an assignment for the benefit of creditors; or applies for or consents to the appointment of any receiver, trustee, custodian, conservator, liquidator, rehabilitator or

similar officer for it or for all or any material part of its property; or any receiver, trustee, custodian, conservator, liquidator, rehabilitator or similar officer is appointed without the application or consent of such Person and the appointment continues undischarged or unstayed for sixty (60) calendar days; or any proceeding under any Debtor Relief Law relating to any such Person or to all or any material part of its property is instituted without the consent of such Person and continues undismissed or unstayed for sixty (60) calendar days, or an order for relief is entered in any such proceeding; or

(g) Inability to Pay Debts; Attachment. (i) The Company or any Subsidiary becomes unable or admits in writing its inability or fails generally to pay its debts as they become due, or (ii) any writ or warrant of attachment or execution or similar process is issued or levied against all or any material part of the property of any such Person and is not released, vacated or fully bonded within thirty (30) days after its issue or levy; or

(h) Judgments. There is entered against the Company or any Subsidiary (i) a final judgment or order for the payment of money in an aggregate amount exceeding the Threshold Amount (to the extent not covered by independent third-party insurance as to which the insurer does not dispute coverage), or (ii) any one or more non-monetary final judgments that have, or could reasonably be expected to have, individually or in the aggregate, a Material Adverse Effect and, in either case, (A) enforcement proceedings are commenced by any creditor upon such judgment or order, or (B) there is a period of ten (10) consecutive days during which a stay of enforcement of such judgment, by reason of a pending appeal or otherwise, is not in effect; or

(i) ERISA. (i) An ERISA Event occurs with respect to a Pension Plan or Multiemployer Plan which has resulted or could reasonably be expected to result in liability of the Company under Title IV of ERISA to the Pension Plan, Multiemployer Plan or the PBGC in an aggregate amount in excess of the Threshold Amount, or (ii) the Company or any ERISA Affiliate fails to pay when due, after the expiration of any applicable grace period, any installment payment with respect to its withdrawal liability under Section 4201 of ERISA under a Multiemployer Plan in an aggregate amount in excess of the Threshold Amount; or

(j) Invalidity of Loan Documents. (i) Any Loan Document, at any time after its execution and delivery and for any reason other than as expressly permitted hereunder or thereunder or satisfaction in full of all the Obligations, ceases to be in full force and effect; or (ii) any Security Instrument shall for any reason (other than pursuant to the terms thereof) cease to create a valid security interest in the Collateral purported to be covered thereby or such security interest shall for any reason cease to be a perfected and first priority security interest subject only to those Liens permitted by Section 7.01; or

(k) Change of Control. There occurs any Change of Control; or

(l) Franchise Agreements and Framework Agreements. (i) Any Franchise Agreement or Framework Agreement is terminated or suspended or expires and a replacement for such Franchise Agreement or Framework Agreement is not entered into within 30 days of such termination, suspension or expiration; or (ii) there occurs a default by any Person in the performance or observance of any term of any Franchise Agreement or Framework Agreement

which is not cured within any applicable cure period therein, except in each case referred to in clauses (i) and (ii) to the extent such termination, suspension, expiration, or default (either individually or in the aggregate) could not reasonably be expected to have a Material Adverse Effect;

(m) Out of Balance. An audit performed by the Administrative Agent or New Vehicle Swing Line Lender pursuant to the provisions of Section 6.10 reveals that Vehicles of the Borrowers securing the Obligations have, for a period of thirty (30) consecutive days, been Out of Balance, and such Out of Balance condition continues until the earlier of (i) three (3) days following knowledge thereof by an officer of the Company and (ii) three (3) days following notice to the Company thereof; or

(n) Floorplan Event of Default. A Floorplan Event of Default shall occur and be continuing.

8.02 Remedies Upon Revolving Event of Default If any Revolving Event of Default occurs and is continuing, the Administrative Agent shall, at the request of, or may, with the consent of, the Required Lenders, take any or all of the following actions:

(a) declare the commitment of each Revolving Lender to make Revolving Loans and any obligation of the L/C Issuer to make L/C Credit Extensions to be terminated, whereupon such commitments and obligation shall be terminated;

(b) declare the unpaid principal amount of all outstanding Revolving Loans, all interest accrued and unpaid thereon, and all other amounts owing or payable hereunder or under any other Loan Document with respect to the Revolving Facility to be immediately due and payable, without presentment, demand, protest or other notice of any kind, all of which are hereby expressly waived by the Company;

(c) require that the Company Cash Collateralize the L/C Obligations (in an amount equal to the then Outstanding Amount thereof); and

(d) exercise on behalf of itself and the Revolving Lenders all rights and remedies available to it and the Revolving Lenders under the Loan Documents;

provided, however, that upon the occurrence of an actual or deemed entry of an order for relief with respect to the Company under the Bankruptcy Code of the United States, the obligation of each Revolving Lender to make Revolving Loans and any obligation of the L/C Issuer to make L/C Credit Extensions shall automatically terminate, the unpaid principal amount of all outstanding Revolving Loans and all interest and other amounts as aforesaid shall automatically become due and payable, and the obligation of the Company to Cash Collateralize the L/C Obligations as aforesaid shall automatically become effective, in each case without further act of the Administrative Agent or any Revolving Lender.

(e) Notwithstanding the above, with respect to a Revolving Event of Default described in Section 8.01(n), if such is caused solely by the occurrence of a single Event of Default occurring under Section 8.03(a), (c), (d), or (h) and affects only one New Vehicle

Borrower and no other Event of Default has occurred and is continuing, the Administrative Agent shall not be entitled to accelerate the Revolving Credit Facility for a period of sixty (60) days from the date of such Floorplan Event of Default.

8.03 Floorplan Events of Default. Any of the following shall constitute a Floorplan Event of Default in respect of any one or more Borrowers (each, a “Floorplan Event of Default”):

(a) Non-Payment. (i) Any Borrower or any other Loan Party fails to pay (A) when and as required to be paid herein, any amount of principal of any Floorplan Loan or any New Vehicle Floorplan Overdraft (except for any payment required by Section 2.16(b)(iii) which constitutes an Out of Balance condition (as to which reference is made to clause (ii) below)), or (B) within five (5) days after the same becomes due, any interest on any Floorplan Loan, or any fee due hereunder with respect to the Floorplan Facility, or (C) within five days after the same becomes due, any other amount payable hereunder or under any other Loan Document with respect to the Floorplan Facility, or (ii) the Company shall fail to cure any Out of Balance condition, which condition shall remain unremedied for a period of three days following notice thereof by the Administrative Agent or New Vehicle Swing Line Lender to the Company; or

(b) Specific Covenants. (i) A Revolving Event of Default which has not been cured or waived within 60 days of the occurrence of such Revolving Event of Default, (ii) repayment of amounts outstanding under the Revolving Credit Facility shall be accelerated, or (iii) the Company shall fail to pay any principal or interest due under the Revolving Facility within sixty (60) days of the due date; or

(c) Cross-Default. (i) The Company or any New Vehicle Borrower (A) fails to make any payment when due (whether by scheduled maturity, required prepayment, acceleration, demand, or otherwise) in respect of any Indebtedness or Guarantee (other than Indebtedness hereunder and Indebtedness under Swap Contracts) having an aggregate principal amount (including undrawn committed or available amounts and including amounts owing to all creditors under any combined or syndicated credit arrangement) of more than the Threshold Amount, or (B) fails to observe or perform any other agreement or condition relating to any such Indebtedness or Guarantee or contained in any instrument or agreement evidencing, securing or relating thereto, or any other event occurs, the effect of which default or other event is to cause, or to permit the holder or holders of such Indebtedness or the beneficiary or beneficiaries of such Guarantee (or a trustee or agent on behalf of such holder or holders or beneficiary or beneficiaries) to cause, with the giving of notice if required, such Indebtedness in excess of the Threshold Amount to be demanded or to become due or to be repurchased, prepaid, defeased or redeemed (automatically or otherwise), or an offer to repurchase, prepay, defease or redeem such Indebtedness to be made, prior to its stated maturity, or such Guarantee to become payable or cash collateral in respect thereof to be demanded; or (ii) there occurs under any Swap Contract an Early Termination Date (as defined in such Swap Contract) resulting from (A) any event of default under such Swap Contract as to which the Company or such New Vehicle Borrower is the Defaulting Party (as defined in such Swap Contract) or (B) any Termination Event (as so defined) under such Swap Contract as to which the Company or such New Vehicle Borrower is an Affected Party (as so defined) and, in either event, the Swap Termination Value owed by the

Company or such New Vehicle Borrower as a result thereof is greater than the Threshold Amount; or

(d) Insolvency Proceedings, Etc. The Company or any New Vehicle Borrower institutes or consents to the institution of any proceeding under any Debtor Relief Law, or makes an assignment for the benefit of creditors; or applies for or consents to the appointment of any receiver, trustee, custodian, conservator, liquidator, rehabilitator or similar officer for it or for all or any material part of its property; or any receiver, trustee, custodian, conservator, liquidator, rehabilitator or similar officer is appointed without the application or consent of such Person and the appointment continues undischarged or unstayed for sixty (60) calendar days; or any proceeding under any Debtor Relief Law relating to any such Person or to all or any material part of its property is instituted without the consent of such Person and continues undismissed or unstayed for sixty (60) calendar days, or an order for relief is entered in any such proceeding; or

(e) Inability to Pay Debts; Attachment (i) The Company or any New Vehicle Borrower becomes unable or admits in writing its inability or fails generally to pay its debts as they become due, or (ii) any writ or warrant of attachment or execution or similar process is issued or levied against all or any material part of the property of any such Person and is not released, vacated or fully bonded within thirty (30) days after its issue or levy; or

(f) Judgments. There is entered against the Company or any New Vehicle Borrower (i) a final judgment or order for the payment of money in an aggregate amount exceeding the Threshold Amount (to the extent not covered by independent third-party insurance as to which the insurer does not dispute coverage), or (ii) any one or more non-monetary final judgments that have, or could reasonably be expected to have, individually or in the aggregate, a Material Adverse Effect and, in either case, (A) enforcement proceedings are commenced by any creditor upon such judgment or order, or (B) there is a period of ten (10) consecutive days during which a stay of enforcement of such judgment, by reason of a pending appeal or otherwise, is not in effect; or

(g) Franchise Agreements and Framework Agreement . With respect to the Company or any New Vehicle Borrower, (i) any Franchise Agreement or Framework Agreement of the Company or such New Vehicle Borrower is terminated or suspended or expires and a replacement for such Franchise Agreement or Framework Agreement is not entered into within thirty (30) days of such termination, suspension or expiration; or (ii) there occurs a default by any Person in the performance or observance of any term of any Franchise Agreement or Framework Agreement which is not cured within any applicable cure period therein, except in each case referred to in clauses (i) and (ii) to the extent such termination, suspension, expiration, or default (either individually or in the aggregate) could not reasonably be expected to have a Material Adverse Effect; or

(h) Invalidity of Loan Documents and Collateral. (i) Any Loan Document with respect to the Company or any New Vehicle Borrower, at any time after its execution and delivery and for any reason other than as expressly permitted hereunder or thereunder or satisfaction in full of all the Obligations, ceases to be in full force and effect; or (ii) any Security Instrument shall for any reason (other than pursuant to the terms thereof) cease to create a valid

security interest in the Collateral purported to be covered thereby or such security interest shall for any reason cease to be a perfected and first priority security interest subject only to those Liens permitted by Section 7.01.

8.04 Floorplan Remedies.

(a) Upon the occurrence of a Floorplan Event of Default under Section 8.03(a), (c), (d), (e), (f), (g) or (h) with respect to the Company or any New Vehicle Borrower, the Administrative Agent may, and at the direction of the Required Lenders, shall: (i) (A) make no further Floorplan Loans to the Company, such New Vehicle Borrower or (in the case of any Floorplan Event of Default under Section 8.03(d) or (e) with respect to the Company) any New Vehicle Borrower during the continuance of such Floorplan Event of Default and shall at the direction of the Required Lenders cause the Borrowers to terminate all “sweep”, “connectivity”, “automatic funding”, “zero balanced” account features and related transfer services in respect of automatic deposit accounts, and (B) the Administrative Agent and the New Vehicle Swing Line Lender, upon three (3) days prior notice to the Company before the first debit, may initiate automatic debits from all such accounts of the Company or such New Vehicle Borrower in order to pay sums due under any Floorplan Loans of the Company or such New Vehicle Borrower. Notwithstanding the foregoing, the Lenders shall continue to make Floorplan Loans available to the Company and all New Vehicle Borrowers with respect to which no Floorplan Event of Default has occurred unless otherwise provided in Section 8.04(c) below.

(b) Upon the occurrence and during the continuance of a Floorplan Event of Default under Section 8.03(b) above, the Applicable Margin for all Floorplan Loans made to the Company and all New Vehicle Borrowers during the sixty (60) day period referred to therein shall increase by two percent (2%).

(c) Immediately upon the occurrence of a Floorplan Event of Default under Section 8.03(b), or sixty (60) days after the occurrence of any Floorplan Event of Default under Section 8.03(a), (c), (d), (e), (f), (g) or (h) that is continuing and immediately upon the occurrence of a second, concurrent Floorplan Event of Default under Section 8.03(a), (c), (d), (e), (f), (g) or (h), (i) (unless otherwise permitted by the New Vehicle Swing Line Lender pursuant to Section 2.09) no further Loans shall be made to the Company or any New Vehicle Borrower and the Administrative Agent may, and at the request of the Required Lenders shall, by written or facsimile notice to the Company, take any of the following actions at the same or different times: (w) declare the commitment of each Lender to make Loans and any obligation of the L/C Issuer to make L/C Credit Extensions to be terminated, whereupon such commitments and obligation shall be terminated and any such termination shall automatically terminate the Revolving Swing Line, the New Vehicle Floorplan Swing Line and the Used Vehicle Floorplan Swing Line, (x) declare the unpaid principal amount of all outstanding Loans, all interest accrued and unpaid thereon, and all other amounts owing or payable hereunder or under any other Loan Document to be immediately due and payable, without presentment, demand, protest or other notice of any kind, all of which are hereby expressly waived by the Company, (y) require that the Company Cash Collateralize the L/C Obligations (in an amount equal to the then Outstanding Amount thereof), and (z) exercise on behalf of itself and the Lenders all rights and remedies available to it and the Lenders under the Loan Documents and (ii) the New Vehicle Swing Line Lender in its

sole discretion may suspend and terminate all Payment Commitments and Payoff Letter Commitments, (iii) to the extent the New Vehicle Swing Line Lender determines that such suspension and termination is permitted by the terms of such Payment Commitments and Payoff Letter Commitments) the New Vehicle Swing Line Lender shall, at the request of the Required Lenders, suspend and terminate any or all of the Payment Commitments and Payoff Letter Commitments, and (iv) the Administrative Agent shall have all remedies available to it at law or in equity or as contained in any of the Loan Documents;

provided, however, that if any Revolving Event of Default occurs and is continuing and if the commitment of the Revolving Lenders to make Revolving Loans has been terminated pursuant to Section 8.02, then the Administrative Agent shall, at the request of, or may, with the consent of, the Required Lenders, take any or all of the following actions:

(x) declare the commitment of each Used Vehicle Floorplan Lender to make Used Vehicle Floorplan Loans to be terminated, whereupon such commitments and obligation shall be terminated;

(y) declare the unpaid principal amount of all outstanding Used Vehicle Floorplan Loans, all interest accrued and unpaid thereon, and all other amounts owing or payable hereunder or under any other Loan Document with respect to the Used Vehicle Floorplan Facility to be immediately due and payable, without presentment, demand, protest or other notice of any kind, all of which are hereby expressly waived by the Company; and

exercise on behalf of itself and the Used Vehicle Floorplan Lenders all rights and remedies available to it and the Used Vehicle Floorplan Lenders under the Loan Documents;

provided further, that upon the occurrence of an actual or deemed entry of an order for relief with respect to the Company under the Bankruptcy Code of the United States, the obligation of each Lender to make New Vehicle Floorplan Loans or Used Vehicle Floorplan Loans shall automatically terminate, the unpaid principal amount of all outstanding Floorplan Loans and all interest and other amounts as aforesaid shall automatically become due and payable, in each case without further act of the Administrative Agent or any Lender; and

provided further, that upon the occurrence of an actual or deemed entry of an order for relief with respect to any New Vehicle Borrower under the Bankruptcy Code of the United States, the obligation of each New Vehicle Floorplan Lender to make New Vehicle Floorplan Loans to such New Vehicle Borrower shall automatically terminate, the unpaid principal amount of all outstanding New Vehicle Floorplan Loans made to such New Vehicle Borrower and all interest and with respect thereto shall automatically become due and payable, in each case without further act of the Administrative Agent or any New Vehicle Floorplan Lender.

8.05 Overdrawing of New Vehicle Floorplan Loans. If at any time the aggregate outstanding principal amount of all (i) New Vehicle Floorplan Loans (including New Vehicle Floorplan Swing Line Loans and any outstanding New Vehicle Floorplan Overdraft), plus (ii) Requests for Credit Extensions of New Vehicle Floorplan Loans (including requests pursuant to Payment Commitments), exceeds (a) 110% of the Aggregate New Vehicle Floorplan

Commitments and such condition exists for five (5) consecutive days or (b) the Aggregate New Vehicle Floorplan Commitments by any amount for fifteen (15) days out of any 30-day period, then, in such event, the New Vehicle Swing Line Lender acting in its sole discretion may (y) take any and all actions reasonably necessary to suspend and/or terminate Payment Commitments and Payoff Letter Commitments and (z) elect by written notice to the Company to terminate the Aggregate New Vehicle Floorplan Commitments and to deem such occurrence as constituting a Revolving Event of Default. Nothing contained in this Section 8.05 shall be deemed to reduce the obligation of the Company and the Borrowers to make the payments required pursuant to Section 2.16.

8.06 Application of Funds. After the exercise of remedies provided for in this Article VIII (or after the Loans have automatically become immediately due and payable and the L/C Obligations have automatically been required to be Cash Collateralized as set forth in the proviso to Section 8.02), any amounts received on account of the Obligations shall be applied by the Administrative Agent in the following order:

First, to payment of that portion of the Obligations constituting fees, indemnities, expenses and other amounts (including fees, charges and disbursements of counsel to the Administrative Agent and amounts payable under Article III but excluding amounts payable under Related Swap Contracts or Secured Cash Management Arrangements) payable to the Administrative Agent in its capacity as such;

Second, to payment of that portion of the Obligations constituting outstanding New Vehicle Floorplan Overdrafts plus any accrued interest thereon ratably among the New Vehicle Floorplan Lenders in proportion to the respective amounts described in this clause Second payable to them;

Third, to payment of that portion of the Obligations constituting accrued and unpaid interest and principal of the New Vehicle Floorplan Swing Line Loans due to the New Vehicle Swing Line Lender;

Fourth, to payment of that portion of the Obligations constituting accrued and unpaid interest and principal of the New Vehicle Floorplan Committed Loans that were funded from the Reserve Commitment ratably among the New Vehicle Floorplan Lenders in proportion to the respective amounts described in this clause Fourth payable to them;

Fifth, to payment of that portion of the Obligations constituting accrued and unpaid interest and principal of the New Vehicle Floorplan Committed Loans not paid pursuant to clause Fourth above ratably among the New Vehicle Floorplan Lenders in proportion to the respective amounts described in this clause Fifth payable to them;

Sixth, to payment of that portion of the Obligations constituting accrued and unpaid interest and principal of the Used Vehicle Facility Swing Line Loans due to the Used Vehicle Swing Line Lender;

Seventh, to payment of that portion of the Obligations constituting accrued and unpaid interest and principal of the Used Vehicle Facility Committed Loans ratably among the Used Vehicle Floorplan Lenders in proportion to the respective amounts described in this clause Seventh payable to them;

Eighth, to payment of that portion of the Obligations constituting fees, indemnities and other amounts (other than principal, interest, Letter of Credit Fees and amounts payable in respect of Related Credit Agreements or Secured Cash Management Arrangements) payable to the Lenders and the L/C Issuer (including fees, charges and disbursements of counsel to the respective Lenders and the L/C Issuer (including fees and time charges for attorneys who may be employees of any Lender or the L/C Issuer) and amounts payable under Article III), ratably among them in proportion to the respective amounts described in this clause Eighth payable to them;

Ninth, to payment of that portion of the Obligations constituting accrued and unpaid Letter of Credit Fees and interest on the Revolving Loans, L/C Borrowings and other Obligations under the Revolving Facility (other than such Obligations under Related Swap Contracts or Secured Cash Management Arrangements), ratably among the Revolving Lenders and the L/C Issuer in proportion to the respective amounts described in this clause Ninth payable to them;

Tenth, to payment of that portion of the Obligations constituting unpaid principal of the Revolving Loans and L/C Borrowings, ratably among the Revolving Lenders and the L/C Issuer in proportion to the respective amounts described in this clause Tenth held by them;

Eleventh, to the Administrative Agent for the account of the L/C Issuer, to Cash Collateralize that portion of L/C Obligations comprised of the aggregate undrawn amount of Letters of Credit;

Twelfth, to payment of Swap Termination Values and amounts owing under Related Swap Contracts, in each case to the extent owing to any Lender or any Affiliate of any Lender arising under Related Swap Contracts that shall have been terminated and as to which the Administrative Agent shall have received notice of such termination and the Swap Termination Value thereof or the amount owing under the applicable Related Swap Contracts from the applicable Lender or Affiliate of a Lender;

Thirteenth, to the payment of all other Obligations (other than Obligations owing under Secured Cash Management Arrangements) of the Loan Parties owing under or in respect of the Loan Documents that are due and payable to the Administrative Agent and the other Secured Parties, or any of them, on such date, ratably based on the respective aggregate amounts of all such Obligations owing to the Administrative Agent and the other Secured Parties on such date;

Fourteenth, to payment of that portion of the Obligations owing under Secured Cash Management Arrangements, ratably among the Cash Management Banks in proportion to the respective amounts described in this clause Fourteenth held by them; and

Last, the balance, if any, after all of the Obligations have been indefeasibly paid in full, to the Company or as otherwise required by Law.

Subject to Section 2.03(c), amounts used to Cash Collateralize the aggregate undrawn amount of Letters of Credit pursuant to clause Eleventh above shall be applied to satisfy drawings under such Letters of Credit as they occur. If any amount remains on deposit as Cash Collateral after all Letters of Credit have either been fully drawn or expired, such remaining amount shall be applied to the other Obligations, if any, in the order set forth above.

Notwithstanding the foregoing, Obligations arising under Secured Cash Management Arrangements and Related Swap Agreements shall be excluded from the application described above if the Administrative Agent has not received written notice thereof, together with such supporting documentation as the Administrative Agent may request, from the applicable Cash Management Bank or Lender or Affiliate of a Lender party to a Related Swap Agreement, as the case may be. Each Cash Management Bank or Affiliate of a Lender party to a Related Swap Agreement not a party to this Agreement that has given the notice contemplated by the preceding sentence shall, by such notice, be deemed to have acknowledged and accepted the appointment of the Administrative Agent pursuant to the terms of Article IX for itself and its Affiliates as if a "Lender" party hereto.

ARTICLE IX. ADMINISTRATIVE AGENT

9.01 Appointment and Authority. Each of the Lenders and the L/C Issuer hereby irrevocably appoints Bank of America to act on its behalf as the Administrative Agent hereunder and under the other Loan Documents and authorizes the Administrative Agent to take such actions on its behalf and to exercise such powers as are delegated to the Administrative Agent by the terms hereof or thereof, together with such actions and powers as are reasonably incidental thereto. The provisions of this Article are solely for the benefit of the Administrative Agent, the Lenders and the L/C Issuer, and neither the Company nor any other Loan Party shall have rights as a third party beneficiary of any of such provisions.

9.02 Rights as a Lender. The Person serving as the Administrative Agent hereunder shall have the same rights and powers in its capacity as a Lender as any other Lender and may exercise the same as though it were not the Administrative Agent and the term "Lender" or "Lenders" shall, unless otherwise expressly indicated or unless the context otherwise requires, include the Person serving as the Administrative Agent hereunder in its individual capacity. Such Person and its Affiliates may accept deposits from, lend money to, act as the financial advisor or in any other advisory capacity for and generally engage in any kind of business with the Company, any Borrower or any Subsidiary or other Affiliate thereof as if such Person were not the Administrative Agent hereunder and without any duty to account therefor to the Lenders.

9.03 Exculpatory Provisions. The Administrative Agent shall not have any duties or obligations except those expressly set forth herein and in the other Loan Documents. Without limiting the generality of the foregoing, the Administrative Agent:

(a) shall not be subject to any fiduciary or other implied duties, regardless of whether a Default has occurred and is continuing;

(b) shall not have any duty to take any discretionary action or exercise any discretionary powers, except discretionary rights and powers expressly contemplated hereby or by the other Loan Documents that the Administrative Agent is required to exercise as directed in writing by the Required Lenders (or such other number or percentage of the Lenders as shall be expressly provided for herein or in the other Loan Documents), provided that the Administrative Agent shall not be required to take any action that, in its opinion or the opinion of its counsel, may expose the Administrative Agent to liability or that is contrary to any Loan Document or applicable law; and

(c) shall not, except as expressly set forth herein and in the other Loan Documents, have any duty to disclose, and shall not be liable for the failure to disclose, any information relating to the Company or any of the Borrowers or any of their Affiliates that is communicated to or obtained by the Person serving as the Administrative Agent or any of its Affiliates in any capacity.

The Administrative Agent shall not be liable for any action taken or not taken by it (i) with the consent or at the request of the Required Lenders (or such other number or percentage of the Lenders as shall be necessary, or as the Administrative Agent shall believe in good faith shall be necessary, under the circumstances as provided in Sections 10.01 and 8.02) or (ii) in the absence of its own gross negligence or willful misconduct. The Administrative Agent shall be deemed not to have knowledge of any Default unless and until notice describing such Default is given to the Administrative Agent by the Company, a Lender or the L/C Issuer.

The Administrative Agent shall not be responsible for or have any duty to ascertain or inquire into (i) any statement, warranty or representation made in or in connection with this Agreement or any other Loan Document, (ii) the contents of any certificate, report or other document delivered hereunder or thereunder or in connection herewith or therewith, (iii) the performance or observance of any of the covenants, agreements or other terms or conditions set forth herein or therein or the occurrence of any Default, (iv) the validity, enforceability, effectiveness or genuineness of this Agreement, any other Loan Document or any other agreement, instrument or document or (v) the satisfaction of any condition set forth in Article IV or elsewhere herein, other than to confirm receipt of items expressly required to be delivered to the Administrative Agent.

9.04 Reliance by Administrative Agent. The Administrative Agent shall be entitled to rely upon, and shall not incur any liability for relying upon, any notice, request, certificate, consent, statement, instrument, document or other writing (including any electronic message, Internet or intranet website posting or other distribution) believed by it to be genuine and to have been signed, sent or otherwise authenticated by the proper Person. The Administrative Agent also may rely upon any statement made to it orally or by telephone and believed by it to have been made by the proper Person, and shall not incur any liability for relying thereon. In determining compliance with any condition hereunder to the making of a Loan, or the issuance of a Letter of Credit, that by its terms must be fulfilled to the satisfaction of a Lender or the L/C

Issuer, the Administrative Agent may presume that such condition is satisfactory to such Lender or the L/C Issuer unless the Administrative Agent shall have received notice to the contrary from such Lender or the L/C Issuer prior to the making of such Loan or the issuance of such Letter of Credit. The Administrative Agent may consult with legal counsel (who may be counsel for the Company), independent accountants and other experts selected by it, and shall not be liable for any action taken or not taken by it in accordance with the advice of any such counsel, accountants or experts.

9.05 Delegation of Duties. The Administrative Agent may perform any and all of its duties and exercise its rights and powers hereunder or under any other Loan Document by or through any one or more sub-agents appointed by the Administrative Agent. The Administrative Agent and any such sub-agent may perform any and all of its duties and exercise its rights and powers by or through their respective Related Parties. The exculpatory provisions of this Article shall apply to any such sub-agent and to the Related Parties of the Administrative Agent and any such sub-agent, and shall apply to their respective activities in connection with the syndication of the credit facilities provided for herein as well as activities as Administrative Agent.

9.06 Resignation of Administrative Agent. The Administrative Agent may at any time give notice of its resignation to the Lenders, the L/C Issuer and the Company. Upon receipt of any such notice of resignation, the Required Lenders shall have the right, in consultation with the Company, to appoint a successor, which shall be a bank with an office in the United States, or an Affiliate of any such bank with an office in the United States. If no such successor shall have been so appointed by the Required Lenders and shall have accepted such appointment within 30 days after the retiring Administrative Agent gives notice of its resignation, then the retiring Administrative Agent may on behalf of the Lenders and the L/C Issuer, appoint a successor Administrative Agent meeting the qualifications set forth above; provided that if the Administrative Agent shall notify the Company and the Lenders that no qualifying Person has accepted such appointment, then such resignation shall nonetheless become effective in accordance with such notice and (1) the retiring Administrative Agent shall be discharged from its duties and obligations hereunder and under the other Loan Documents (except that in the case of any collateral security held by the Administrative Agent on behalf of the Lenders or the L/C Issuer under any of the Loan Documents, the retiring Administrative Agent shall continue to hold such collateral security until such time as a successor Administrative Agent is appointed) and (2) all payments, communications and determinations provided to be made by, to or through the Administrative Agent shall instead be made by or to each Lender and the L/C Issuer directly, until such time as the Required Lenders appoint a successor Administrative Agent as provided for above in this Section. Upon the acceptance of a successor's appointment as Administrative Agent hereunder, such successor shall succeed to and become vested with all of the rights, powers, privileges and duties of the retiring (or retired) Administrative Agent, and the retiring Administrative Agent shall be discharged from all of its duties and obligations hereunder or under the other Loan Documents (if not already discharged therefrom as provided above in this Section). The foregoing notwithstanding, upon the discharge of the retiring Administrative Agent's duties hereunder, neither the retiring Administrative Agent nor the successor Administrative Agent or any New Vehicle Swing Line Lender shall be required to honor any request by a vehicle manufacturer or distributor or financial institution for advance of a New Vehicle Swing Line Loan, unless and until (A) such successor Administrative Agent and such

manufacturer or distributor or financial institution (and if required pursuant to the terms of such Payment Commitment or Payoff Letter Commitment, the applicable New Vehicle Borrower) have entered into a new Payment Commitment or Payoff Letter Commitment, and (B) any existing Payment Commitment between such manufacturer or distributor or Payoff Commitment Letter between such financial institution and the retiring Administrative Agent has been terminated. The fees payable by the Company to a successor Administrative Agent shall be the same as those payable to its predecessor unless otherwise agreed between the Company and such successor. After the retiring Administrative Agent's resignation hereunder and under the other Loan Documents, the provisions of this Article and Section 10.04 shall continue in effect for the benefit of such retiring Administrative Agent, its sub-agents and their respective Related Parties in respect of any actions taken or omitted to be taken by any of them while the retiring Administrative Agent was acting as Administrative Agent.

Any resignation by Bank of America as Administrative Agent pursuant to this Section shall also constitute its resignation as L/C Issuer, Revolving Swing Line Lender, New Vehicle Swing Line Lender and Used Vehicle Swing Line Lender. Upon the acceptance of a successor's appointment as Administrative Agent hereunder, (a) such successor shall succeed to and become vested with all of the rights, powers, privileges and duties of the retiring L/C Issuer, Revolving Swing Line Lender, New Vehicle Swing Line Lender and Used Vehicle Swing Line Lender, (b) the retiring L/C Issuer, Revolving Swing Line Lender, New Vehicle Swing Line Lender and Used Vehicle Swing Line Lender shall be discharged from all of their respective duties and obligations hereunder or under the other Loan Documents, and (c) the successor L/C Issuer shall issue letters of credit in substitution for the Letters of Credit, if any, outstanding at the time of such succession or make other arrangements satisfactory to the retiring L/C Issuer to effectively assume the obligations of the retiring L/C Issuer with respect to such Letters of Credit.

9.07 Non-Reliance on Administrative Agent and Other Lenders. Each Lender and the L/C Issuer acknowledges that it has, independently and without reliance upon the Administrative Agent or any other Lender or any of their Related Parties and based on such documents and information as it has deemed appropriate, made its own credit analysis and decision to enter into this Agreement. Each Lender and the L/C Issuer also acknowledges that it will, independently and without reliance upon the Administrative Agent or any other Lender or any of their Related Parties and based on such documents and information as it shall from time to time deem appropriate, continue to make its own decisions in taking or not taking action under or based upon this Agreement, any other Loan Document or any related agreement or any document furnished hereunder or thereunder.

9.08 No Other Duties, Etc. Anything herein to the contrary notwithstanding, none of the Bookrunners, Arrangers or Syndication Agents or Documentation Agents listed on the cover page hereof shall have any powers, duties or responsibilities under this Agreement or any of the other Loan Documents, except in its capacity, as applicable, as the Administrative Agent, a Lender or the L/C Issuer hereunder.

9.09 Administrative Agent May File Proofs of Claim. In case of the pendency of any receivership, insolvency, liquidation, bankruptcy, reorganization, arrangement, adjustment, composition or other judicial proceeding relative to any Loan Party, the Administrative Agent

(irrespective of whether the principal of any Loan or L/C Obligation shall then be due and payable as herein expressed or by declaration or otherwise and irrespective of whether the Administrative Agent shall have made any demand on the Company) shall be entitled and empowered, by intervention in such proceeding or otherwise.

(a) to file and prove a claim for the whole amount of the principal and interest owing and unpaid in respect of the Loans, L/C Obligations and all other Obligations that are owing and unpaid and to file such other documents as may be necessary or advisable in order to have the claims of the Lenders, the L/C Issuer and the Administrative Agent (including any claim for the reasonable compensation, expenses, disbursements and advances of the Lenders, the L/C Issuer and the Administrative Agent and their respective agents and counsel and all other amounts due the Lenders, the L/C Issuer and the Administrative Agent under Sections 2.03(i) and (j), 2.18 and 10.04) allowed in such judicial proceeding; and

(b) to collect and receive any monies or other property payable or deliverable on any such claims and to distribute the same;

and any custodian, receiver, assignee, trustee, liquidator, sequestrator or other similar official in any such judicial proceeding is hereby authorized by each Lender and the L/C Issuer to make such payments to the Administrative Agent and, in the event that the Administrative Agent shall consent to the making of such payments directly to the Lenders and the L/C Issuer, to pay to the Administrative Agent any amount due for the reasonable compensation, expenses, disbursements and advances of the Administrative Agent and its agents and counsel, and any other amounts due the Administrative Agent under Sections 2.18 and 10.04.

Nothing contained herein shall be deemed to authorize the Administrative Agent to authorize or consent to or accept or adopt on behalf of any Lender or the L/C Issuer any plan of reorganization, arrangement, adjustment or composition affecting the Obligations or the rights of any Lender or to authorize the Administrative Agent to vote in respect of the claim of any Lender in any such proceeding.

9.10 Collateral and Guaranty Matters. The Lenders and the L/C Issuer irrevocably authorize the Administrative Agent, at its option and in its discretion,

(a) to release any Lien on any property granted to or held by the Administrative Agent under any Loan Document (i) upon termination of the Aggregate Commitments and payment in full of all Obligations (other than (A) contingent indemnification obligations and (B) obligations and liabilities under Secured Cash Management Arrangements and Related Swap Contracts as to which arrangements satisfactory to the applicable Cash Management Bank or applicable Lender or Affiliate of a Lender party to a Related Swap Agreement shall have been made) and the expiration or termination of all Letters of Credit, (ii) that is sold or to be sold as part of or in connection with any sale permitted hereunder or under any other Loan Document, or (iii) subject to Section 10.01, if approved, authorized or ratified in writing by the Required Lenders;

(b)(i) to subordinate any Lien on any property granted to or held by the Administrative Agent under any Loan Document to the holder of any Lien on such property that is permitted by Section 7.01(i) or to the interests of any lessor or purchaser of accounts receivable in assets that are owned by such Person and not by any Loan Party, (ii) to enter into intercreditor arrangements with holders of Permitted Real Estate Indebtedness for the purpose of releasing or subordinating any Lien of the Administrative Agent on property that constitutes Permitted Real Estate Indebtedness Collateral, (iii) to enter into intercreditor arrangements with holders of the 2009 Indenture Notes for the purpose of permitting a junior and subordinate lien on the Collateral in favor of the trustee and the holders of the 2009 Indenture Notes.

(c) to release or subordinate any Lien on any property granted to or held by the Administrative Agent under any Loan Document to the holder of any Lien on such property that is permitted by Section 7.01(j), including without limitation, in connection with the termination of designation of a Subsidiary as a "New Vehicle Borrower" with respect to a Removed Franchise, as applicable, pursuant to Section 2.24(e);

(d) to release any Subsidiary Guarantor from its obligations under the Subsidiary Guaranty (and to release any Lien on any property of such Subsidiary Guarantor) if such Person ceases to be a Subsidiary as a result of a transaction permitted hereunder.

Upon request by the Administrative Agent at any time, the Required Lenders will confirm in writing the Administrative Agent's authority to release or subordinate its interest in particular types or items of property, or to release any Guarantor from its obligations under the Subsidiary Guaranty pursuant to this Section 9.10.

9.11 Secured Cash Management Arrangements and Secured Hedge Agreements Except as otherwise expressly set forth herein or in any Guaranty or any Security Instrument, no Cash Management Bank or Lender or Affiliate of a Lender party to a Related Swap Agreement that obtains the benefit of the provisions of Section 8.04, any Guaranty or any Collateral by virtue of the provisions hereof or of any Guaranty or any Security Instrument shall have any right to notice of any action or to consent to, direct or object to any action hereunder or under any other Loan Document or otherwise in respect of the Collateral (including the release or impairment of any Collateral) other than in its capacity as a Lender and, in such case, only to the extent expressly provided in the Loan Documents. Notwithstanding any other provision of this Article IX to the contrary, the Administrative Agent shall not be required to verify the payment of, or that other satisfactory arrangements have been made with respect to, Obligations arising under Secured Cash Management Arrangements and Related Swap Agreements unless the Administrative Agent has received written notice of such Obligations, together with such supporting documentation as the Administrative Agent may request, from the applicable Cash Management Bank or Lender or Affiliate of a Lender, as the case may be

**ARTICLE X.
MISCELLANEOUS**

10.01 Amendments, Etc. No amendment or waiver of any provision of this Agreement or any other Loan Document, and no consent to any departure by the Company or any other Loan Party therefrom, shall be effective unless in writing signed by the Required Lenders and the Company or the applicable Loan Party, as the case may be, and acknowledged by the Administrative Agent, and each such waiver or consent shall be effective only in the specific instance and for the specific purpose for which given; provided, however, that no such amendment, waiver or consent shall:

(a) waive any condition set forth in Section 4.01(a) without the written consent of each Lender;

(b) extend or increase the Revolving Commitment, the New Vehicle Floorplan Commitment or the Used Vehicle Floorplan Commitment of any Lender (or reinstate any Revolving Commitment, New Vehicle Floorplan Commitment or Used Vehicle Floorplan Commitment terminated pursuant to Section 8.05) without the written consent of such Lender;

(c) postpone any date fixed by this Agreement or any other Loan Document for any payment of principal, interest, fees or other amounts due to the Revolving Lenders (or any of them) or any scheduled or mandatory reduction of the Aggregate Revolving Commitments hereunder or under any other Loan Document without the written consent of each Revolving Lender directly affected thereby;

(d) postpone any date fixed by this Agreement or any other Loan Document for any payment of principal, interest, fees or other amounts due to the New Vehicle Floorplan Lenders (or any of them) or any scheduled or mandatory reduction of the Aggregate New Vehicle Floorplan Commitments hereunder or under any other Loan Document without the written consent of each New Vehicle Floorplan Lender directly affected thereby; provided, however, that only the consent of the Required New Vehicle Floorplan Lenders shall be required to postpone any date fixed for any mandatory prepayment of principal of any New Vehicle Floorplan Loan or interest accrued on such principal amount;

(e) postpone any date fixed by this Agreement or any other Loan Document for any payment of principal, interest, fees or other amounts due to the Used Vehicle Floorplan Lenders (or any of them) or any scheduled or mandatory reduction of the Aggregate Used Vehicle Floorplan Commitments hereunder or under any other Loan Document without the written consent of each Used Vehicle Floorplan Lender directly affected thereby;

(f) reduce the principal of, or the rate of interest specified herein on, any Loan or L/C Borrowing, or (subject to clause (v) of the second proviso to this Section 10.01) any fees or other amounts payable hereunder or under any other Loan Document without the written consent of each Lender directly affected thereby; provided, however, that only the consent of the Required Lenders shall be necessary (i) to amend the definition of "Default Rate" or to waive any obligation of any Borrower to pay interest or Letter of Credit Fees at the Default Rate or (ii) to

amend any financial covenant hereunder (or any defined term used therein) even if the effect of such amendment would be to reduce the rate of interest on any Loan or L/C Borrowing or to reduce any fee payable hereunder;

(g) change Section 2.22 or Section 8.06 in a manner that would alter the pro rata sharing of payments required thereby without the written consent of each Lender; or

(h) change any provision of this Section or the definition of "Required Lenders", "Required Revolving Lenders", "Required New Vehicle Floorplan Lenders" "Super-Majority New Vehicle Floorplan Lenders", "Super-Majority Used Vehicle Floorplan Lenders" or any other provision hereof specifying the number or percentage of Lenders required to amend, waive or otherwise modify any rights hereunder or make any determination or grant any consent hereunder, without the written consent of each Lender;

(i) release the Company from the Company Guaranty or release all or substantially all of the value of the Subsidiary Guaranty without the written consent of each Lender;

(j) release all or substantially all of the Collateral in any transaction or series of related transactions, except as specifically required by the Loan Documents, without the written consent of each Lender;

and, provided further, that (i) no amendment, waiver or consent shall, unless in writing and signed by the L/C Issuer in addition to the Lenders required above, affect the rights or duties of the L/C Issuer under this Agreement or any Issuer Document relating to any Letter of Credit issued or to be issued by it; (ii) no amendment, waiver or consent shall, unless in writing and signed by the Revolving Swing Line Lender in addition to the Lenders required above, affect the rights or duties of the Revolving Swing Line Lender under this Agreement; (iii) no amendment, waiver or consent shall, unless in writing and signed by the New Vehicle Swing Line Lender in addition to the Lenders required above, affect the rights or duties of the New Vehicle Swing Line Lender under this Agreement; (iv) no amendment, waiver or consent shall, unless in writing and signed by the Used Vehicle Swing Line Lender in addition to the Lenders required above, affect the rights or duties of the Used Vehicle Swing Line Lender under this Agreement; (v) no amendment, waiver or consent shall, unless in writing and signed by the Administrative Agent in addition to the Lenders required above, affect the rights or duties of the Administrative Agent under this Agreement or any other Loan Document; and (vi) the Fee Letter may be amended, or rights or privileges thereunder waived, in a writing executed only by the parties thereto. Notwithstanding anything to the contrary herein, no Defaulting Lender shall have any right to approve or disapprove any amendment, waiver or consent hereunder, except that the Commitment of such Lender may not be increased or extended without the consent of such Lender.

10.02 Notices; Effectiveness; Electronic Communication.

(a) Notices Generally. Except in the case of notices and other communications expressly permitted to be given by telephone (and except as provided in subsection (b) below), all notices and other communications provided for herein shall be in writing and shall be

delivered by hand or overnight courier service, mailed by certified or registered mail or sent by telecopier as follows, and all notices and other communications expressly permitted hereunder to be given by telephone shall be made to the applicable telephone number, as follows:

(i) if to the Company, a Borrower, any other Loan Party, the Administrative Agent, the L/C Issuer, the Revolving Swing Line Lender, the New Vehicle Swing Line Lender, or the Used Vehicle Swing Line Lender to the address, telecopier number, electronic mail address or telephone number specified for such Person on Schedule 10.02; and

(ii) if to any other Lender, to the address, telecopier number, electronic mail address or telephone number specified in its Administrative Questionnaire.

Notices sent by hand or overnight courier service, or mailed by certified or registered mail, shall be deemed to have been given when received; notices sent by telecopier shall be deemed to have been given when sent (except that, if not given during normal business hours for the recipient, shall be deemed to have been given at the opening of business on the next business day for the recipient). Notices delivered through electronic communications to the extent provided in subsection (b) below, shall be effective as provided in such subsection (b).

(b) Electronic Communications. Notices and other communications to the Lenders and the L/C Issuer hereunder may be delivered or furnished by electronic communication (including e-mail and Internet or intranet websites) pursuant to procedures approved by the Administrative Agent, provided that the foregoing shall not apply to notices to any Lender or the L/C Issuer pursuant to Article II if such Lender or the L/C Issuer, as applicable, has notified the Administrative Agent that it is incapable of receiving notices under such Article by electronic communication. The Administrative Agent or the Company may, in its discretion, agree to accept notices and other communications to it hereunder by electronic communications pursuant to procedures approved by it, provided that approval of such procedures may be limited to particular notices or communications.

Unless the Administrative Agent otherwise prescribes, (i) notices and other communications sent to an e-mail address shall be deemed received upon the sender's receipt of an acknowledgement from the intended recipient (such as by the "return receipt requested" function, as available, return e-mail or other written acknowledgement), provided that if such notice or other communication is not sent during the normal business hours of the recipient, such notice or communication shall be deemed to have been sent at the opening of business on the next business day for the recipient, and (ii) notices or communications posted to an Internet or intranet website shall be deemed received upon the deemed receipt by the intended recipient at its e-mail address as described in the foregoing clause (i) of notification that such notice or communication is available and identifying the website address therefor.

(c) The Platform. THE PLATFORM IS PROVIDED "AS IS" AND "AS AVAILABLE." THE AGENT PARTIES (AS DEFINED BELOW) DO NOT WARRANT THE ACCURACY OR COMPLETENESS OF THE BORROWER MATERIALS OR THE ADEQUACY OF THE PLATFORM, AND EXPRESSLY DISCLAIM LIABILITY FOR

ERRORS IN OR OMISSIONS FROM THE BORROWER MATERIALS. NO WARRANTY OF ANY KIND, EXPRESS, IMPLIED OR STATUTORY, INCLUDING ANY WARRANTY OF MERCHANTABILITY, FITNESS FOR A PARTICULAR PURPOSE, NON-INFRINGEMENT OF THIRD PARTY RIGHTS OR FREEDOM FROM VIRUSES OR OTHER CODE DEFECTS, IS MADE BY ANY AGENT PARTY IN CONNECTION WITH THE BORROWER MATERIALS OR THE PLATFORM. In no event shall the Administrative Agent or any of its Related Parties (collectively, the "Agent Parties") have any liability to the Company, any Lender, the L/C Issuer or any other Person for losses, claims, damages, liabilities or expenses of any kind (whether in tort, contract or otherwise) arising out of the Company's or the Administrative Agent's transmission of Borrower Materials through the Internet, except to the extent that such losses, claims, damages, liabilities or expenses are determined by a court of competent jurisdiction by a final and nonappealable judgment to have resulted from the gross negligence or willful misconduct of such Agent Party; provided, however, that in no event shall any Agent Party have any liability to the Company, any Loan Party, any Lender, the L/C Issuer or any other Person for indirect, special, incidental, consequential or punitive damages (as opposed to direct or actual damages).

(d) Change of Address, Etc. Each of the Company (for itself and on behalf of the other Borrowers), the Administrative Agent, the L/C Issuer, the Revolving Swing Line Lender, the New Vehicle Swing Line Lender and the Used Vehicle Swing Line Lender may change its address, telecopier or telephone number for notices and other communications hereunder by notice to the other parties hereto. Each other Lender may change its address, telecopier or telephone number for notices and other communications hereunder by notice to the Company, the Administrative Agent, the L/C Issuer, the Revolving Swing Line Lender, the New Vehicle Swing Line Lender and the Used Vehicle Swing Line Lender. In addition, each Lender agrees to notify the Administrative Agent from time to time to ensure that the Administrative Agent has on record (i) an effective address, contact name, telephone number, telecopier number and electronic mail address to which notices and other communications may be sent and (ii) accurate wire instructions for such Lender.

(e) Reliance by Administrative Agent, L/C Issuer and Lenders The Administrative Agent, the L/C Issuer and the Lenders shall be entitled to rely and act upon any notices (including telephonic Revolving Committed Loan Notices, Revolving Swing Line Loan Notices, New Vehicle Floorplan Committed Loan Notices, New Vehicle Floorplan Swing Line Loan Notices, Used Vehicle Floorplan Committed Loan Notices and Used Vehicle Swing Line Loan Notices) purportedly given by or on behalf of any Borrower even if (i) such notices were not made in a manner specified herein, were incomplete or were not preceded or followed by any other form of notice specified herein, or (ii) the terms thereof, as understood by the recipient, varied from any confirmation thereof. The Company and each Borrower shall indemnify the Administrative Agent, the L/C Issuer, each Lender and the Related Parties of each of them from all losses, costs, expenses and liabilities resulting from the reliance by such Person on each notice purportedly given by or on behalf of the Company or any Borrower. All telephonic notices to and other telephonic communications with the Administrative Agent may be recorded by the Administrative Agent, and each of the parties hereto hereby consents to such recording.

10.03 No Waiver; Cumulative Remedies No failure by any Lender, the L/C Issuer or the Administrative Agent to exercise, and no delay by any such Person in exercising, any right, remedy, power or privilege hereunder shall operate as a waiver thereof; nor shall any single or partial exercise of any right, remedy, power or privilege hereunder preclude any other or further exercise thereof or the exercise of any other right, remedy, power or privilege. The rights, remedies, powers and privileges herein provided are cumulative and not exclusive of any rights, remedies, powers and privileges provided by law.

10.04 Expenses; Indemnity; Damage Waiver.

(a) Costs and Expenses. The Company and each Borrower (jointly and severally) shall pay (i) all reasonable out-of-pocket expenses incurred by the Administrative Agent and its Affiliates (including the reasonable fees, charges and disbursements of counsel for the Administrative Agent), in connection with the syndication of the credit facilities provided for herein, the preparation, negotiation, execution, delivery and administration of this Agreement and the other Loan Documents or any amendments, modifications or waivers of the provisions hereof or thereof (whether or not the transactions contemplated hereby or thereby shall be consummated), (ii) all reasonable out-of-pocket expenses incurred by the L/C Issuer in connection with the issuance, amendment, renewal or extension of any Letter of Credit or any demand for payment thereunder and (iii) all out-of-pocket expenses incurred by the Administrative Agent, any Lender or the L/C Issuer (including the fees, charges and disbursements of any counsel for the Administrative Agent, any Lender or the L/C Issuer), and shall pay all fees and time charges for attorneys who may be employees of the Administrative Agent, any Lender or the L/C Issuer, in connection with the enforcement or protection of its rights, including any audit fees incurred when conducting any audit of any Loan Party or any Collateral during the continuance of any Event of Default (A) in connection with this Agreement and the other Loan Documents, including its rights under this Section, or (B) in connection with the Loans made or Letters of Credit issued hereunder, including all such out-of-pocket expenses incurred during any workout, restructuring or negotiations in respect of such Loans or Letters of Credit.

(b) Indemnification by the Company and the Borrowers. The Company and each Borrower (jointly and severally) shall indemnify the Administrative Agent (and any sub-agent thereof), each Lender and the L/C Issuer, and each Related Party of any of the foregoing Persons (each such Person being called an "Indemnitee") against, and hold each Indemnitee harmless from, any and all losses, claims, damages, liabilities and related expenses (including the fees, charges and disbursements of any counsel for any Indemnitee), and shall indemnify and hold harmless each Indemnitee from all fees and time charges and disbursements for attorneys who may be employees of any Indemnitee, incurred by any Indemnitee or asserted against any Indemnitee by any third party or by the Company or any Borrower or any other Loan Party arising out of, in connection with, or as a result of (i) the execution or delivery of this Agreement, any other Loan Document or any agreement or instrument contemplated hereby or thereby, the performance by the parties hereto of their respective obligations hereunder or thereunder, the consummation of the transactions contemplated hereby or thereby or, in the case of the Administrative Agent (and any sub-agent thereof) and its Related Parties only, the administration of this Agreement and the other Loan Documents, (ii) any Loan or Letter of

Credit or the use or proposed use of the proceeds therefrom (including any refusal by the L/C Issuer to honor a demand for payment under a Letter of Credit if the documents presented in connection with such demand do not strictly comply with the terms of such Letter of Credit), (iii) any actual or alleged presence or release of Hazardous Materials on or from any property owned or operated by the Company, any Borrower or any of its Subsidiaries, or any Environmental Liability related in any way to the Company, any Borrower or any of its Subsidiaries, or (iv) any actual or prospective claim, litigation, investigation or proceeding relating to any of the foregoing, whether based on contract, tort or any other theory, whether brought by a third party or by the Company or any other Loan Party, and regardless of whether any Indemnitee is a party thereto, in all cases, whether or not caused by or arising, in whole or in part, out of the comparative, contributory or sole negligence of the Indemnitee; provided that such indemnity shall not, as to any Indemnitee, be available to the extent that such losses, claims, damages, liabilities or related expenses (x) are determined by a court of competent jurisdiction by final and nonappealable judgment to have resulted from the gross negligence or willful misconduct of such Indemnitee or (y) result from a claim brought by the Company or any other Loan Party against an Indemnitee for breach in bad faith of such Indemnitee's obligations hereunder or under any other Loan Document, if the Company or such Loan Party has obtained a final and nonappealable judgment in its favor on such claim as determined by a court of competent jurisdiction.

(c) Reimbursement by Lenders. To the extent that the Company or any Borrower for any reason fails to indefeasibly pay any amount required under subsection (a) or (b) of this Section to be paid by it to the Administrative Agent (or any sub-agent thereof), the L/C Issuer or any Related Party of any of the foregoing, each Lender severally agrees to pay to the Administrative Agent (or any such sub-agent), the L/C Issuer or such Related Party, as the case may be, such Lender's Applicable Percentage (determined as of the time that the applicable unreimbursed expense or indemnity payment is sought) of such unpaid amount, provided that the unreimbursed expense or indemnified loss, claim, damage, liability or related expense, as the case may be, was incurred by or asserted against the Administrative Agent (or any such sub-agent) or the L/C Issuer in its capacity as such, or against any Related Party of any of the foregoing acting for the Administrative Agent (or any such sub-agent) or L/C Issuer in connection with such capacity. The obligations of the Lenders under this subsection (c) are subject to the provisions of Section 2.21(d).

(d) Waiver of Consequential Damages, Etc. To the fullest extent permitted by applicable law, neither the Company nor any Borrower shall assert, and each of the Company and each Borrower hereby waives, any claim against any Indemnitee, on any theory of liability, for special, indirect, consequential or punitive damages (as opposed to direct or actual damages) arising out of, in connection with, or as a result of, this Agreement, any other Loan Document or any agreement or instrument contemplated hereby, the transactions contemplated hereby or thereby, any Loan or Letter of Credit or the use of the proceeds thereof. No Indemnitee referred to in subsection (b) above shall be liable for any damages arising from the use by unintended recipients of any information or other materials distributed by it through telecommunications, electronic or other information transmission systems in connection with this Agreement or the other Loan Documents or the transactions contemplated hereby or thereby.

(e) Payments. All amounts due under this Section shall be payable not later than ten Business Days after demand therefor.

(f) Survival. The agreements in this Section shall survive the resignation of the Administrative Agent and the L/C Issuer, the replacement of any Lender, the termination of the Aggregate Commitments and the repayment, satisfaction or discharge of all the other Obligations.

10.05 Payments Set Aside. To the extent that any payment by or on behalf of the Company or any Borrower is made to the Administrative Agent, the L/C Issuer, the Revolving Swing Line Lender, the New Vehicle Swing Line Lender, the Used Vehicle Swing Line Lender or any other Lender, or the Administrative Agent, the L/C Issuer the Revolving Swing Line Lender, the New Vehicle Swing Line Lender, the Used Vehicle Swing Line Lender or any other Lender exercises its right of setoff, and such payment or the proceeds of such setoff or any part thereof is subsequently invalidated, declared to be fraudulent or preferential, set aside or required (including pursuant to any settlement entered into by the Administrative Agent, the L/C Issuer or such Lender in its discretion) to be repaid to a trustee, receiver or any other party, in connection with any proceeding under any Debtor Relief Law or otherwise, then (a) to the extent of such recovery, the obligation or part thereof originally intended to be satisfied shall be revived and continued in full force and effect as if such payment had not been made or such setoff had not occurred, and (b) each Lender and the L/C Issuer severally agrees to pay to the Administrative Agent upon demand its applicable share (without duplication) of any amount so recovered from or repaid by the Administrative Agent, plus interest thereon from the date of such demand to the date such payment is made at a rate per annum equal to the Federal Funds Rate from time to time in effect. The obligations of the Lenders and the L/C Issuer under clause (b) of the preceding sentence shall survive the payment in full of the Obligations and the termination of this Agreement.

10.06 Successors and Assigns.

(a) Successors and Assigns Generally. The provisions of this Agreement shall be binding upon and inure to the benefit of the parties hereto and their respective successors and assigns permitted hereby, except that neither the Company nor any other Loan Party may assign or otherwise transfer any of its rights or obligations hereunder without the prior written consent of the Administrative Agent and each Lender and no Lender may assign or otherwise transfer any of its rights or obligations hereunder except (i) to an Eligible Assignee in accordance with the provisions of subsection (b) of this Section, (ii) by way of participation in accordance with the provisions of subsection (d) of this Section, or (iii) by way of pledge or assignment of a security interest subject to the restrictions of subsection (f) of this Section (and any other attempted assignment or transfer by any party hereto shall be null and void). Nothing in this Agreement, expressed or implied, shall be construed to confer upon any Person (other than the parties hereto, their respective successors and assigns permitted hereby, Participants to the extent provided in subsection (d) of this Section and, to the extent expressly contemplated hereby, the Related Parties of each of the Administrative Agent, the L/C Issuer and the Lenders) any legal or equitable right, remedy or claim under or by reason of this Agreement.

(b) Assignments by Lenders. Any Lender may at any time assign to one or more Eligible Assignees all or a portion of its rights and obligations under this Agreement (including all or a portion of its Revolving Commitment and the Revolving Loans at the time owing to it (including for purposes of this subsection (b), participations in L/C Obligations and in Revolving Swing Line Loans) or its New Vehicle Floorplan Commitment and the New Vehicle Floorplan Loans at the time owing to it (including for purposes of this subsection (b), participations in New Vehicle Floorplan Swing Line Loans), or its Used Vehicle Floorplan Commitment and the Used Vehicle Floorplan Loans at the time owing to it (including for purposes of this subsection (b), participations in Used Vehicle Floorplan Swing Line Loans) (such Lender's portion of Loans, Commitments and risk participations with respect to an Applicable Facility being referred to in this Section 10.06 as its "Applicable Share"); provided that

(i) except in the case of an assignment of the entire remaining amount of the assigning Lender's Applicable Share of the Applicable Facility at the time owing to it or in the case of an assignment to a Lender or an Affiliate of a Lender or an Approved Fund with respect to a Lender, the aggregate amount of the Applicable Share (which for this purpose includes Loans outstanding thereunder) with respect to each Applicable Facility, determined as of the date the Assignment and Assumption with respect to such assignment is delivered to the Administrative Agent or, if "Trade Date" is specified in the Assignment and Assumption, as of the Trade Date, shall not be less than \$5,000,000 in the aggregate with respect to the Revolving Facility, the New Vehicle Floorplan Facility and the Used Vehicle Floorplan Facility unless in any case each of the Administrative Agent and, so long as no Event of Default has occurred and is continuing, the Company otherwise consents (each such consent not to be unreasonably withheld or delayed); provided, however, that concurrent assignments to members of an Assignee Group and concurrent assignments from members of an Assignee Group to a single Eligible Assignee (or to an Eligible Assignee and members of its Assignee Group) will be treated as a single assignment for purposes of determining whether such minimum amount has been met;

(ii) each partial assignment shall be made as an assignment of a proportionate part of all the assigning Lender's rights and obligations under this Agreement with respect to the Applicable Facility, except that this clause (ii) shall not prohibit any Lender from assigning all or a portion of its rights among the Applicable Facilities on a pro rata basis;

(iii) any assignment of a Commitment must be approved by the Administrative Agent, the L/C Issuer, the Revolving Swing Line Lender, the New Vehicle Floorplan Swing Line Lender and the Used Vehicle Floorplan Swing Line Lender unless the Person that is the proposed assignee is itself a Lender (whether or not the proposed assignee would otherwise qualify as an Eligible Assignee); and

(iv) the parties to each assignment shall execute and deliver to the Administrative Agent an Assignment and Assumption, together with a processing and recordation fee in the amount, if any, required as set forth in Schedule 10.06, and the

Eligible Assignee, if it shall not be a Lender, shall deliver to the Administrative Agent an Administrative Questionnaire.

Subject to acceptance and recording thereof by the Administrative Agent pursuant to subsection (c) of this Section, from and after the effective date specified in each Assignment and Assumption, the Eligible Assignee thereunder shall be a party to this Agreement and, to the extent of the interest assigned by such Assignment and Assumption, have the rights and obligations of a Lender under this Agreement, and the assigning Lender thereunder shall, to the extent of the interest assigned by such Assignment and Assumption, be released from its obligations under this Agreement (and, in the case of an Assignment and Assumption covering all of the assigning Lender's rights and obligations under this Agreement, such Lender shall cease to be a party hereto) but shall continue to be entitled to the benefits of Sections 3.01, 3.04, 3.05, and 10.04 with respect to facts and circumstances occurring prior to the effective date of such assignment. Upon request, each Borrower (at its expense) shall execute and deliver a Note to the assignee Lender. Any assignment or transfer by a Lender of rights or obligations under this Agreement that does not comply with this subsection shall be treated for purposes of this Agreement as a sale by such Lender of a participation in such rights and obligations in accordance with subsection (d) of this Section.

(c) Register. The Administrative Agent, acting solely for this purpose as an agent of the Borrowers, shall maintain at the Administrative Agent's Office a copy of each Assignment and Assumption delivered to it and a register for the recordation of the names and addresses of the Lenders, and the Commitments of, and principal amounts of the Loans and L/C Obligations owing to, each Lender pursuant to the terms hereof from time to time (the "Register"). The entries in the Register shall be conclusive, and the Company, the Administrative Agent and the Lenders may treat each Person whose name is recorded in the Register pursuant to the terms hereof as a Lender hereunder for all purposes of this Agreement, notwithstanding notice to the contrary. The Register shall be available for inspection by each of the Borrowers and the L/C Issuer at any reasonable time and from time to time upon reasonable prior notice. In addition, at any time that a request for a consent for a material or substantive change to the Loan Documents is pending, any Lender may request and receive from the Administrative Agent a copy of the Register.

(d) Participations. Any Lender may at any time, without the consent of, or notice to, the Company, any Borrower, the Revolving Swing Line Lender, the New Vehicle Swing Line Lender, the Used Vehicle Swing Line Lender, the L/C Issuer or the Administrative Agent, sell participations to any Person (other than a natural person or the Company or any of the Company's Affiliates or Subsidiaries) (each, a "Participant") in all or a portion of such Lender's rights and/or obligations under this Agreement (including all or a portion of its Commitment and/or the Loans (including such Lender's participations in L/C Obligations, Revolving Swing Line Loans, New Vehicle Floorplan Swing Line Loans and/or Used Vehicle Floorplan Swing Line Loans) owing to it); provided that (i) such Lender's obligations under this Agreement shall remain unchanged, (ii) such Lender shall remain solely responsible to the other parties hereto for the performance of such obligations and (iii) the Company, the Borrowers, the Administrative Agent, the Lenders and the L/C Issuer shall continue to deal solely and directly with such Lender in connection with such Lender's rights and obligations under this Agreement.

Any agreement or instrument pursuant to which a Lender sells such a participation shall provide that such Lender shall retain the sole right to enforce this Agreement and to approve any amendment, modification or waiver of any provision of this Agreement; provided that such agreement or instrument may provide that such Lender will not, without the consent of the Participant, agree to any amendment, waiver or other modification described in the first proviso to Section 10.01 that affects such Participant. Subject to subsection (e) of this Section, each of the Company and each Borrower agree that each Participant shall be entitled to the benefits of Sections 3.01 and 3.04 to the same extent as if it were a Lender and had acquired its interest by assignment pursuant to subsection (b) of this Section. To the extent permitted by law, each Participant also shall be entitled to the benefits of Section 10.08 as though it were a Lender, provided such Participant agrees to be subject to Section 2.22 as though it were a Lender.

(e) Limitations upon Participant Rights. A Participant shall not be entitled to receive any greater payment under Section 3.01 or 3.04 than the applicable Lender would have been entitled to receive with respect to the participation sold to such Participant, unless the sale of the participation to such Participant is made with the Company's prior written consent. A Participant that would be a Foreign Lender if it were a Lender shall not be entitled to the benefits of Section 3.01 unless the Company is notified of the participation sold to such Participant and such Participant agrees, for the benefit of the Borrowers, to comply with Section 3.01(e) as though it were a Lender.

(f) Certain Pledges. Any Lender may at any time pledge or assign a security interest in all or any portion of its rights under this Agreement (including under any of its Note, if any) to secure obligations of such Lender, including any pledge or assignment to secure obligations to a Federal Reserve Bank; provided that no such pledge or assignment shall release such Lender from any of its obligations hereunder or substitute any such pledgee or assignee for such Lender as a party hereto.

(g) Electronic Execution of Assignments. The words "execution," "signed," "signature," and words of like import in any Assignment and Assumption shall be deemed to include electronic signatures or the keeping of records in electronic form, each of which shall be of the same legal effect, validity or enforceability as a manually executed signature or the use of a paper-based recordkeeping system, as the case may be, to the extent and as provided for in any applicable law, including the Federal Electronic Signatures in Global and National Commerce Act, the New York State Electronic Signatures and Records Act, or any other similar state laws based on the Uniform Electronic Transactions Act.

(h) Resignation as L/C Issuer, Revolving Swing Line Lender, New Vehicle Swing Line Lender or Used Vehicle Swing Line Lender after Assignment Notwithstanding anything to the contrary contained herein, if at any time Bank of America assigns all of its Commitment and Loans pursuant to subsection (b) above, Bank of America may, (i) upon 30 days' notice to the Company and the Lenders, resign as L/C Issuer and/or (ii) upon 30 days' notice to the Company, resign as Revolving Swing Line Lender and/or (iii) upon 30 days' notice to the Company, resign as New Vehicle Swing Line Lender and/or (iv) upon 30 days notice to the Company, resign as Used Vehicle Swing Line Lender. In the event of any such resignation as L/C Issuer, Revolving Swing Line Lender, New Vehicle Swing Line Lender or Used Vehicle Swing Line Lender, the

Company shall be entitled to appoint from among the Lenders a successor L/C Issuer, Revolving Swing Line Lender, New Vehicle Swing Line Lender or Used Vehicle Swing Line Lender hereunder; provided, however, that no failure by the Company to appoint any such successor shall affect the resignation of Bank of America as L/C Issuer, Revolving Swing Line Lender, New Vehicle Swing Line Lender or Used Vehicle Swing Line Lender, as the case may be. If Bank of America resigns as L/C Issuer, it shall retain all the rights, powers, privileges and duties of the L/C Issuer hereunder with respect to all Letters of Credit outstanding as of the effective date of its resignation as L/C Issuer and all L/C Obligations with respect thereto (including the right to require the Lenders to make Base Rate Committed Loans or fund risk participations in Unreimbursed Amounts pursuant to Section 2.03(c)). If Bank of America resigns as Revolving Swing Line Lender, it shall retain all the rights of the Revolving Swing Line Lender provided for hereunder with respect to Revolving Swing Line Loans made by it and outstanding as of the effective date of such resignation, including the right to require the Revolving Lenders to make Eurodollar Rate Committed Loans or fund risk participations in outstanding Revolving Swing Line Loans pursuant to Section 2.04(c). If Bank of America resigns as New Vehicle Swing Line Lender, it shall retain all the rights of the New Vehicle Swing Line Lender provided for hereunder with respect to New Vehicle Swing Line Loans made by it and outstanding as of the effective date of such resignation, including the right to require the New Vehicle Floorplan Lenders to make Eurodollar Rate Committed Loans or fund risk participations in outstanding New Vehicle Swing Line Loans pursuant to Section 2.08(c). If Bank of America resigns as Used Vehicle Swing Line Lender, it shall retain all the rights of the Used Vehicle Swing Line Lender provided for hereunder with respect to Used Vehicle Swing Line Loans made by it and outstanding as of the effective date of such resignation, including the right to require the Used Vehicle Floorplan Lenders to make Eurodollar Rate Committed Loans or fund risk participations in outstanding Used Vehicle Swing Line Loans pursuant to Section 2.13(c). Upon the appointment of a successor L/C Issuer, Revolving Swing Line Lender and/or New Vehicle Swing Line Lender and/or Used Vehicle Swing Line Lender, (a) such successor shall succeed to and become vested with all of the rights, powers, privileges and duties of the retiring L/C Issuer, Revolving Swing Line Lender, New Vehicle Swing Line Lender or Used Vehicle Swing Line Lender, as the case may be, and (b) the successor L/C Issuer shall issue letters of credit in substitution for the Letters of Credit, if any, outstanding at the time of such succession or make other arrangements satisfactory to Bank of America to effectively assume the obligations of Bank of America with respect to such Letters of Credit.

10.07 Treatment of Certain Information; Confidentiality. Each of the Administrative Agent, the Lenders and the L/C Issuer agrees to maintain the confidentiality of the Information (as defined below), except that Information may be disclosed (a) to its Affiliates and to its and its Affiliates' respective partners, directors, officers, employees, agents, advisors and representatives (it being understood that the Persons to whom such disclosure is made will be informed of the confidential nature of such Information and instructed to keep such Information confidential), (b) to the extent requested by any regulatory authority purporting to have jurisdiction over it (including any self-regulatory authority, such as the National Association of Insurance Commissioners), (c) to the extent required by applicable laws or regulations or by any subpoena or similar legal process, (d) to any other party hereto, (e) in connection with the exercise of any remedies hereunder or under any other Loan Document or any action or proceeding relating to this Agreement or any other Loan Document or the

enforcement of rights hereunder or thereunder, (f) subject to an agreement containing provisions substantially the same as those of this Section, to (i) any assignee of or Participant in, or any prospective assignee of or Participant in, any of its rights or obligations under this Agreement or (ii) any actual or prospective counterparty (or its advisors) to any swap or derivative transaction relating to a Borrower and its obligations, (g) with the consent of the Company or (h) to the extent such Information (x) becomes publicly available other than as a result of a breach of this Section or (y) becomes available to the Administrative Agent, any Lender, the L/C Issuer or any of their respective Affiliates on a nonconfidential basis from a source other than the Company.

For purposes of this Section, "Information" means all information received from the Company or any Subsidiary relating to the Company or any Subsidiary or any of their respective businesses, other than any such information that is available to the Administrative Agent, any Lender or the L/C Issuer on a nonconfidential basis prior to disclosure by the Company or any Subsidiary, provided that, in the case of information received from the Company or any Subsidiary after the date hereof, such information is clearly identified at the time of delivery as confidential. Any Person required to maintain the confidentiality of Information as provided in this Section shall be considered to have complied with its obligation to do so if such Person has exercised the same degree of care to maintain the confidentiality of such Information as such Person would accord to its own confidential information.

Each of the Administrative Agent, the Lenders and the L/C Issuer acknowledges that (a) the Information may include material non-public information concerning the Company or a Subsidiary, as the case may be, (b) it has developed compliance procedures regarding the use of material non-public information and (c) it will handle such material non-public information in accordance with applicable Law, including Federal and state securities Laws.

10.08 Right of Setoff If an Event of Default shall have occurred and be continuing, each Lender, the L/C Issuer and each of their respective Affiliates is hereby authorized at any time and from time to time, to the fullest extent permitted by applicable law, to set off and apply any and all deposits (general or special, time or demand, provisional or final, in whatever currency) at any time held and other obligations (in whatever currency) at any time owing by such Lender, the L/C Issuer or any such Affiliate to or for the credit or the account of the Company or any Borrower against any and all of the obligations of the Company or any Borrower, as applicable, now or hereafter existing under this Agreement or any other Loan Document to such Lender or the L/C Issuer, irrespective of whether or not such Lender or the L/C Issuer shall have made any demand under this Agreement or any other Loan Document and although such obligations of the Company or such Borrower may be contingent or unmatured or are owed to a branch or office of such Lender or the L/C Issuer different from the branch or office holding such deposit or obligated on such indebtedness. The rights of each Lender, the L/C Issuer and their respective Affiliates under this Section are in addition to other rights and remedies (including other rights of setoff) that such Lender, the L/C Issuer or their respective Affiliates may have. Each Lender and the L/C Issuer agrees to notify the Company and the Administrative Agent promptly after any such setoff and application, provided that the failure to give such notice shall not affect the validity of such setoff and application.

10.09 Interest Rate Limitation. Notwithstanding anything to the contrary contained in any Loan Document, the interest paid or agreed to be paid under the Loan Documents shall not exceed the maximum rate of non-usurious interest permitted by applicable Law (the "Maximum Rate"). If the Administrative Agent or any Lender shall receive interest in an amount that exceeds the Maximum Rate, the excess interest shall be applied to the principal of the Loans or, if it exceeds such unpaid principal, refunded to the Company. In determining whether the interest contracted for, charged, or received by the Administrative Agent or a Lender exceeds the Maximum Rate, such Person may, to the extent permitted by applicable Law, (a) characterize any payment that is not principal as an expense, fee, or premium rather than interest, (b) exclude voluntary prepayments and the effects thereof, and (c) amortize, prorate, allocate, and spread in equal or unequal parts the total amount of interest throughout the contemplated term of the Obligations hereunder.

10.10 Counterparts; Integration; Effectiveness. This Agreement and the other Loan Documents may be executed in counterparts (and by different parties hereto in different counterparts), each of which shall constitute an original, but all of which when taken together shall constitute a single contract. This Agreement and the other Loan Documents constitute the entire contract among the parties relating to the subject matter hereof and supersede any and all previous agreements and understandings, oral or written, relating to the subject matter hereof. Except as provided in Section 4.01, this Agreement and the other Loan Documents shall become effective when they shall have been executed by the Administrative Agent and when the Administrative Agent shall have received counterparts hereof that, when taken together, bear the signatures of each of the other parties hereto. Delivery of an executed counterpart of a signature page of this Agreement and any other Loan Document by telecopy shall be effective as delivery of a manually executed counterpart of this Agreement and the other Loan Documents.

10.11 Survival of Representations and Warranties. All representations and warranties made hereunder and in any other Loan Document or other document delivered pursuant hereto or thereto or in connection herewith or therewith shall survive the execution and delivery hereof and thereof. Such representations and warranties have been or will be relied upon by the Administrative Agent and each Lender, regardless of any investigation made by the Administrative Agent or any Lender or on their behalf and notwithstanding that the Administrative Agent or any Lender may have had notice or knowledge of any Default at the time of any Credit Extension, and shall continue in full force and effect as long as any Loan or any other Obligation hereunder shall remain unpaid or unsatisfied or any Letter of Credit shall remain outstanding.

10.12 Severability. If any provision of this Agreement or the other Loan Documents is held to be illegal, invalid or unenforceable, (a) the legality, validity and enforceability of the remaining provisions of this Agreement and the other Loan Documents shall not be affected or impaired thereby and (b) the parties shall endeavor in good faith negotiations to replace the illegal, invalid or unenforceable provisions with valid provisions the economic effect of which comes as close as possible to that of the illegal, invalid or unenforceable provisions. The invalidity of a provision in a particular jurisdiction shall not invalidate or render unenforceable such provision in any other jurisdiction.

10.13 Replacement of Lenders. If any Lender requests compensation under Section 3.04, or if the Company or any Borrower is required to pay any additional amount to any Lender or any Governmental Authority for the account of any Lender pursuant to Section 3.01, or if any Lender is a Defaulting Lender, then the Company may, at its sole expense and effort, upon notice to such Lender and the Administrative Agent, require such Lender to assign and delegate, without recourse (in accordance with and subject to the restrictions contained in, and consents required by, Section 10.06), all of its interests, rights and obligations under this Agreement and the related Loan Documents to an assignee that shall assume such obligations (which assignee may be another Lender, if a Lender accepts such assignment), provided that:

(a) the Company shall have paid to the Administrative Agent the assignment fee specified in Section 10.06(b);

(b) such Lender shall have received payment of an amount equal to the outstanding principal of its Loans and L/C Advances, accrued interest thereon, accrued fees and all other amounts payable to it hereunder and under the other Loan Documents from the assignee (to the extent of such outstanding principal and accrued interest and fees) or the Company (in the case of all other amounts);

(c) in the case of any such assignment resulting from a claim for compensation under Section 3.04 or payments required to be made pursuant to Section 3.01, such assignment will result in a reduction in such compensation or payments thereafter; and

(d) such assignment does not conflict with applicable Laws.

A Lender shall not be required to make any such assignment or delegation if, prior thereto, as a result of a waiver by such Lender or otherwise, the circumstances entitling the Company to require such assignment and delegation cease to apply.

10.14 Governing Law; Jurisdiction; Etc.

(a) GOVERNING LAW. THIS AGREEMENT SHALL BE GOVERNED BY, AND CONSTRUED IN ACCORDANCE WITH, THE LAW OF THE STATE OF NORTH CAROLINA.

(b) SUBMISSION TO JURISDICTION. THE COMPANY AND EACH BORROWER IRREVOCABLY AND UNCONDITIONALLY SUBMITS, FOR ITSELF AND ITS PROPERTY, TO THE NONEXCLUSIVE JURISDICTION OF THE COURTS OF THE STATE OF NORTH CAROLINA SITTING IN MECKLENBURG COUNTY AND OF THE UNITED STATES FOR THE WESTERN DISTRICT, AND ANY APPELLATE COURT FROM ANY THEREOF, IN ANY ACTION OR PROCEEDING ARISING OUT OF OR RELATING TO THIS AGREEMENT OR ANY OTHER LOAN DOCUMENT, OR FOR RECOGNITION OR ENFORCEMENT OF ANY JUDGMENT, AND EACH OF THE PARTIES HERETO IRREVOCABLY AND UNCONDITIONALLY AGREES THAT ALL CLAIMS IN RESPECT OF ANY SUCH ACTION OR PROCEEDING MAY BE HEARD AND DETERMINED IN SUCH NORTH CAROLINA STATE COURT OR, TO THE FULLEST

EXTENT PERMITTED BY APPLICABLE LAW, IN SUCH FEDERAL COURT. EACH OF THE PARTIES HERETO AGREES THAT A FINAL JUDGMENT IN ANY SUCH ACTION OR PROCEEDING SHALL BE CONCLUSIVE AND MAY BE ENFORCED IN OTHER JURISDICTIONS BY SUIT ON THE JUDGMENT OR IN ANY OTHER MANNER PROVIDED BY LAW. NOTHING IN THIS AGREEMENT OR IN ANY OTHER LOAN DOCUMENT SHALL AFFECT ANY RIGHT THAT THE ADMINISTRATIVE AGENT, ANY LENDER OR THE L/C ISSUER MAY OTHERWISE HAVE TO BRING ANY ACTION OR PROCEEDING RELATING TO THIS AGREEMENT OR ANY OTHER LOAN DOCUMENT AGAINST THE COMPANY OR ANY BORROWER OR ITS PROPERTIES IN THE COURTS OF ANY JURISDICTION.

(c) WAIVER OF VENUE. THE COMPANY AND EACH BORROWER IRREVOCABLY AND UNCONDITIONALLY WAIVES, TO THE FULLEST EXTENT PERMITTED BY APPLICABLE LAW, ANY OBJECTION THAT IT MAY NOW OR HEREAFTER HAVE TO THE LAYING OF VENUE OF ANY ACTION OR PROCEEDING ARISING OUT OF OR RELATING TO THIS AGREEMENT OR ANY OTHER LOAN DOCUMENT IN ANY COURT REFERRED TO IN PARAGRAPH (B) OF THIS SECTION. EACH OF THE PARTIES HERETO HEREBY IRREVOCABLY WAIVES, TO THE FULLEST EXTENT PERMITTED BY APPLICABLE LAW, THE DEFENSE OF AN INCONVENIENT FORUM TO THE MAINTENANCE OF SUCH ACTION OR PROCEEDING IN ANY SUCH COURT.

(d) SERVICE OF PROCESS. EACH PARTY HERETO IRREVOCABLY CONSENTS TO SERVICE OF PROCESS IN THE MANNER PROVIDED FOR NOTICES IN SECTION 10.02. NOTHING IN THIS AGREEMENT WILL AFFECT THE RIGHT OF ANY PARTY HERETO TO SERVE PROCESS IN ANY OTHER MANNER PERMITTED BY APPLICABLE LAW.

10.15 Waiver of Jury Trial EACH PARTY HERETO HEREBY IRREVOCABLY WAIVES, TO THE FULLEST EXTENT PERMITTED BY APPLICABLE LAW, ANY RIGHT IT MAY HAVE TO A TRIAL BY JURY IN ANY LEGAL PROCEEDING DIRECTLY OR INDIRECTLY ARISING OUT OF OR RELATING TO THIS AGREEMENT OR ANY OTHER LOAN DOCUMENT OR THE TRANSACTIONS CONTEMPLATED HEREBY OR THEREBY (WHETHER BASED ON CONTRACT, TORT OR ANY OTHER THEORY). EACH PARTY HERETO (A) CERTIFIES THAT NO REPRESENTATIVE, AGENT OR ATTORNEY OF ANY OTHER PERSON HAS REPRESENTED, EXPRESSLY OR OTHERWISE, THAT SUCH OTHER PERSON WOULD NOT, IN THE EVENT OF LITIGATION, SEEK TO ENFORCE THE FOREGOING WAIVER AND (B) ACKNOWLEDGES THAT IT AND THE OTHER PARTIES HERETO HAVE BEEN INDUCED TO ENTER INTO THIS AGREEMENT AND THE OTHER LOAN DOCUMENTS BY, AMONG OTHER THINGS, THE MUTUAL WAIVERS AND CERTIFICATIONS IN THIS SECTION.

10.16 USA PATRIOT Act Notice Each Lender that is subject to the Act (as hereinafter defined) and the Administrative Agent (for itself and not on behalf of any Lender) hereby notifies the Company and the Borrowers that pursuant to the requirements of the USA

Patriot Act (Title III of Pub. L. 107-56 (signed into law October 26, 2001)) (the “Act”), it is required to obtain, verify and record information that identifies the Company and the Borrowers, which information includes the name and address of the Company and the Borrowers and other information that will allow such Lender or the Administrative Agent, as applicable, to identify the Company and each Borrower in accordance with the Act.

10.17 Designated Senior Indebtedness. Each party acknowledges and agrees that the Indebtedness under the Loan Documents is “Designated Senior Indebtedness” (or any similar term) under, and as defined in, the Subordinated Indenture Indebtedness or any other Additional Subordinated Indebtedness.

**COMMITMENTS AND
APPLICABLE PERCENTAGES**

Revolving Commitments

<u>Lender</u>	<u>Commitment</u>	<u>Applicable Percentage</u>
Bank of America, N.A.	\$ 38,989,169.67	17.328519856%
Toyota Credit Corporation	30,866,425.99	13.718411552%
BMW Financial Services NA, LLC	29,648,014.44	13.176895307%
JPMorgan Chase Bank, N.A.	23,555,956.68	10.469314079%
DCFS USA LLC	13,321,299.64	5.920577617%
Comerica Bank	11,371,841.16	5.054151625%
Sovereign Bank	11,371,841.16	5.054151625%
Wachovia Bank, National Association	11,371,841.16	5.054151625%
KeyBank National Association	9,341,155.24	4.151624549%
Nissan Motor Acceptance Corporation	7,310,469.31	3.249097473%
SunTrust Bank	7,310,469.31	3.249097473%
VW Credit, Inc.	6,579,422.38	2.924187726%
Wells Fargo Bank, N.A.	5,279,783.39	2.346570397%
Fifth Third Bank	4,873,646.21	2.166064982%
General Electric Capital Corporation	4,873,646.21	2.166064982%
World Omni Financial Corp.	4,873,646.21	2.166064982%
Carolina First Bank	4,061,371.84	1.805054152%
Total	<u>\$ 225,000,000.00</u>	<u>100.000000000%</u>

New Vehicle Floorplan Commitments

<u>Lender</u>	<u>Commitment</u>	<u>Applicable Percentage</u>
Bank of America, N.A.	\$ 110,036,101.08	17.328519856%
Toyota Credit Corporation	87,111,913.36	13.718411552%
BMW Financial Services NA, LLC	83,673,285.20	13.176895307%
JPMorgan Chase Bank, N.A.	66,480,144.40	10.469314079%
DCFS USA LLC	37,595,667.87	5.920577617%
Comerica Bank	32,093,862.82	5.054151625%
Sovereign Bank	32,093,862.82	5.054151625%
Wachovia Bank, National Association	32,093,862.82	5.054151625%
KeyBank National Association	26,362,815.89	4.151624549%
Nissan Motor Acceptance Corporation	20,631,768.95	3.249097473%
SunTrust Bank	20,631,768.95	3.249097473%
VW Credit, Inc.	18,568,592.06	2.924187726%
Wells Fargo Bank, N.A.	14,900,722.02	2.346570397%
Fifth Third Bank	13,754,512.63	2.166064982%
General Electric Capital Corporation	13,754,512.63	2.166064982%
World Omni Financial Corp.	13,754,512.63	2.166064982%
Carolina First Bank	11,462,093.87	1.805054152%
Total	<u>\$ 635,000,000.00</u>	<u>100.000000000%</u>

Used Vehicle Floorplan Commitments

<u>Lender</u>	<u>Commitment</u>	<u>Applicable Percentage</u>
Bank of America, N.A.	\$ 17,328,519.85	17.328519856%
Toyota Credit Corporation	13,718,411.55	13.718411552%
BMW Financial Services NA, LLC	13,176,895.31	13.176895307%
JPMorgan Chase Bank, N.A.	10,469,314.08	10.469314079%
DCFS USA LLC	5,920,577.62	5.920577617%
Comerica Bank	5,054,151.63	5.054151625%
Sovereign Bank	5,054,151.63	5.054151625%
Wachovia Bank, National Association	5,054,151.63	5.054151625%
KeyBank National Association	4,151,624.55	4.151624549%
Nissan Motor Acceptance Corporation	3,249,097.47	3.249097473%
SunTrust Bank	3,249,097.47	3.249097473%
VW Credit, Inc.	2,924,187.72	2.924187726%
Wells Fargo Bank, N.A.	2,346,570.40	2.346570397%
Fifth Third Bank	2,166,064.98	2.166064982%
General Electric Capital Corporation	2,166,064.98	2.166064982%
World Omni Financial Corp.	2,166,064.98	2.166064982%
Carolina First Bank	1,805,054.15	1.805054152%
Total	<u>\$ 100,000,000.00</u>	<u>100.000000000%</u>

Aggregate Commitments

<u>Lender</u>	<u>Commitment</u>	<u>Applicable Percentage</u>
Bank of America, N.A.	\$ 166,353,790.60	17.328519856%
Toyota Credit Corporation	131,696,750.90	13.718411552%
BMW Financial Services NA, LLC	126,498,194.95	13.176895307%
JPMorgan Chase Bank, N.A.	100,505,415.16	10.469314079%
DCFS USA LLC	56,837,545.13	5.920577617%
Comerica Bank	48,519,855.61	5.054151625%
Sovereign Bank	48,519,855.61	5.054151625%
Wachovia Bank, National Association	48,519,855.61	5.054151625%
KeyBank National Association	39,855,595.68	4.151624549%
Nissan Motor Acceptance Corporation	31,191,335.73	3.249097473%
SunTrust Bank	31,191,335.73	3.249097473%
VW Credit, Inc.	28,072,202.16	2.924187726%
Wells Fargo Bank, N.A.	22,527,075.81	2.346570397%
Fifth Third Bank	20,794,223.82	2.166064982%
General Electric Capital Corporation	20,794,223.82	2.166064982%
World Omni Financial Corp.	20,794,223.82	2.166064982%
Carolina First Bank	17,328,519.86	1.805054152%
Total	<u>\$ 960,000,000.00</u>	<u>100.000000000%</u>

RESTRICTED MANUFACTURERS

Chrysler LLC
General Motors Corporation
Ford Motor Corporation
Any Affiliates of any of the foregoing

FORM OF REVOLVING COMMITTED LOAN NOTICE

Date: _____,

To: Bank of America, N.A., as Administrative Agent

Ladies and Gentlemen:

Reference is made to that certain Credit Agreement, dated as of February 17, 2006 (as amended, restated, extended, supplemented or otherwise modified in writing from time to time, the "Credit Agreement") the terms defined therein being used herein as therein defined), among Sonic Automotive, Inc., a Delaware corporation (the "Company"), certain Subsidiaries of the Company from time to time party thereto, the Lenders from time to time party thereto, and Bank of America, N.A., as Administrative Agent, L/C Issuer, Revolving Swing Line Lender, New Vehicle Swing Line Lender, and Used Vehicle Swing Line Lender.

The undersigned hereby requests (select one):

- ☐ A Revolving Committed Borrowing
- ☐ A conversion of Revolving Committed Loans

1. On _____ (a Business Day).

2. In the amount of \$ _____.

3. Comprised of _____
[Type of Revolving Committed Loan requested]

The Committed Borrowing, if any, requested herein complies with the provisos to the first sentence of Section 2.01 of the Credit Agreement.

The proceeds of the Committed Borrowing, if any, requested herein shall be used solely for (i) reimbursement of Letters of Credit in accordance with Section 2.03 and refinancing of Swing Line Loans in accordance with Section 2.04, (ii) ordinary course of business operating expenses (including without limitation scheduled payments of interest on Indenture Indebtedness), and in any event (except as described in the parenthetical in clause (2) above), not for the repayment of Indebtedness except for regularly scheduled payments of principal and interest (or regularly scheduled payments of rent deemed to be principal and interest) (and regularly scheduled payments of interest (but not termination or unwind payments) on the applicable Related Swap Contract(s) that relate to any Indebtedness described in clause (A), (B) or (C) below) on: (A) Permitted Real Estate Indebtedness, (B) Indebtedness owed to any Falcon Party, which Indebtedness is Falcon Indebtedness and (C) capital leases, and (iii) prepayments, payments or open market purchases of the 2002-5.25% Indenture Notes on or prior to May 7, 2009 in connection with the 2002-5.25% Indenture Notes Restructure in an aggregate amount not to exceed \$15,000,000.

SONIC AUTOMOTIVE, INC.

By: _____
Name: _____
Title: _____

FORM OF COMPLIANCE CERTIFICATE

Financial Statement Date: ,

To: Bank of America, N.A., as Administrative Agent

Ladies and Gentlemen:

Reference is made to that certain Credit Agreement, dated as of February 17, 2006 (as amended, restated, extended, supplemented or otherwise modified in writing from time to time, the "Credit Agreement") the terms defined therein being used herein as therein defined), among SONIC AUTOMOTIVE, INC., a Delaware corporation (the "Company"), certain Subsidiaries of the Company from time to time party thereto (each a "New Vehicle Borrower" and collectively with the Company, the "Borrowers"), the Lenders from time to time party thereto, and Bank of America, N.A., as Administrative Agent, L/C Issuer, Revolving Swing Line Lender, New Vehicle Swing Line Lender, and Used Vehicle Swing Line Lender. All terms used herein but not otherwise defined herein have the respective meanings given thereto in the Credit Agreement.

The undersigned Responsible Officer hereby certifies as of the date hereof that he/she is the of the Company, and that, as such, he/she is authorized to execute and deliver this Certificate to the Administrative Agent on the behalf of the Company, and that:

*[Use following paragraph 1 for fiscal **year-end** financial statements]*

1. Attached hereto as Schedule 1 are the year-end audited financial statements required by Section 6.01(a) of the Agreement for the fiscal year of the Company ended as of the above date, together with the report and opinion of an independent certified public accountant required by such section.

*[Use following paragraph 1 for fiscal **quarter-end** financial statements]*

1. Attached hereto as Schedule 1 are the unaudited financial statements required by Section 6.01(b) of the Credit Agreement for the fiscal quarter of the Company ended as of the above date. Such financial statements fairly present the financial condition, results of operations and cash flows of the Company and its Subsidiaries in accordance with GAAP as at such date and for such period, subject only to normal year-end audit adjustments and the absence of footnotes.

2. The undersigned has reviewed and is familiar with the terms of the Credit Agreement and has made, or has caused to be made under his/her supervision, a detailed review

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of the transactions and condition (financial or otherwise) of the Company and its Subsidiaries during the accounting period covered by the attached financial statements.

3. A review of the activities of the Borrowers during such fiscal period has been made under the supervision of the undersigned with a view to determining whether during such fiscal period each Loan Party has performed and observed all of its Obligations under the Loan Documents, and

[select one:]

[to the best knowledge of the undersigned during such fiscal period, each Borrower performed and observed each covenant and condition of the Loan Documents applicable to it, and no Default has occurred and is continuing.]

—or—

[the following covenants or conditions have not been performed or observed and the following is a list of each such Default and its nature and status:]

4. The representations and warranties of the Company and each New Vehicle Borrower contained in Article V of the Credit Agreement, and any representations and warranties of any Loan Party that are contained in any document furnished at any time under or in connection with the Loan Documents, are true and correct on and as of the date hereof, except to the extent that such representations and warranties specifically refer to an earlier date, in which case they are true and correct as of such earlier date, and except that for purposes of this Compliance Certificate, the representations and warranties contained in subsections (a) and (b) of Section 5.05 of the Credit Agreement shall be deemed to refer to the most recent statements furnished pursuant to clauses (a) and (b), respectively, of Section 6.01 of the Credit Agreement, including the statements in connection with which this Compliance Certificate is delivered.

5. The financial covenant analyses and information set forth on Schedule 2 attached hereto are true and accurate on and as of the date of this Certificate.

IN WITNESS WHEREOF, the undersigned has executed this Certificate as of _____, _____.

SONIC AUTOMOTIVE, INC.

By: _____
Name: _____
Title: _____

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to the Compliance Certificate
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SCHEDULE 2
to the Compliance Certificate
(\$ in 000's)

I. Section 7.11(a) – Consolidated Liquidity Ratio.

Numerator:

A. Consolidated Current Assets at Statement Date:

\$ _____

B. Revolving Facility Liquidity Amount at Statement Date:

1. Revolving Advance Limit:

(a) Aggregate Revolving Commitments at Statement Date:

\$ _____

(b) The Reserve Commitment at Statement Date:

\$ _____

(c) Lines I.B.1(a) – I.B.1(b):

\$ _____

(d) The Revolving Borrowing Base at Statement Date:

\$ _____

(e) The Reserve Commitment at Statement Date:

\$ _____

(f) Lines I.B.1(d) – I.B.1(e):

\$ _____

(g) The lesser of Lines I.B.1(c) and I.B.1(f):

\$ _____

2. Total Revolving Outstandings (less the B of A Treasury Support Amount) at Statement Date:

\$ _____

3. Lines I.B.1(g) – I.B.2:

\$ _____

4. The largest principal amount of Revolving Committed Loans that may be borrowed under the Revolving Credit Facility without resulting in an Event of Default under Section 7.11(c) of the Credit Agreement (on a pro forma basis as of the Statement Date) after giving pro forma effect to such Revolving Committed Loans:

\$ _____

5. Revolving Facility Liquidity Amount at Statement Date (Lesser of Lines I.B.3 and I.B.4):

\$ _____

C. Numerator: Lines I.A. + I.B.5:

\$ _____

Denominator:

D. Consolidated Current Liabilities (but excluding, without duplication and only to the extent such amounts would otherwise have been included in Consolidated Current Liabilities (w) Total Revolving Outstandings, (x) 2002-

5.25% Indenture Indebtedness, (y) 2009 Indenture Indebtedness and (z) 2002-4.25% Indenture Indebtedness) at Statement Date: \$_____

E. Indebtedness (whether or not reflected as Indebtedness under GAAP) under all floorplan financing arrangements at Statement Date: \$_____

F. Denominator: Lines I.D. + I.E: \$_____

G. Consolidated Liquidity Ratio (Lines I.C. ÷ I.F.): _____to 1

Minimum Required:

1.10 to 1.00

II. Section 7.11 (b) – Consolidated Fixed Charge Coverage Ratio.

Numerator:

A. Consolidated EBITDAR for four consecutive fiscal quarters ending on above date (“Subject Period”):

1. Consolidated Net Income from Continuing Operations for Subject Period: \$_____

2. Consolidated Interest Expense with respect to non- floorplan Indebtedness for Subject Period*: \$_____

3. Consolidated Interest Expense with respect to Used Vehicle floorplan Indebtedness for Subject Period*: \$_____

4. Charges against income for income taxes for Subject Period*: \$_____

5. Depreciation expenses for Subject Period*: \$_____

6. Amortization expenses (including, without limitation, amortization of other intangible assets and transaction costs) for Subject Period*: \$_____

7. Non-cash charges for Subject Period*: \$_____

8. Extraordinary losses for Subject Period*: \$_____

9. Consolidated Rental Expense for Subject Period*: \$_____

* To the extent deducted in computing Consolidated Net Income from Continuing Operations in Line II.A.1. above.

10. Extraordinary gains (to the extent included in computing Consolidated Net Income from Continuing Operations in Line II.A.1. above) for Subject Period**:	\$_____
11. Consolidated EBITDAR for Subject Period ((Lines II.A.1 + 2+3+4 + 5 + 6 + 7 + 8 + 9 - 10):	\$_____
B. Assumed franchised vehicle dealership maintenance and capital expenditures during Subject Period:	
1. \$100,000	
2. Average daily number of physical dealership locations at which the Subsidiaries operated franchised vehicle dealerships during the Subject Period = _____	
3. Line IV.B.1 multiplied by Line IV.B.2:	\$_____
C. Numerator: Consolidated EBITDAR less assumed franchised vehicle dealership maintenance and capital expenditures during Subject Period (Lines II.A.11 – II.B.3):	\$_____
Denominator:	
D. Consolidated Fixed Charges for Subject Period:	
1. Consolidated Interest Expense with respect to non- floorplan Indebtedness for Subject Period:	\$_____
2. Consolidated Interest Expense with respect to Used Vehicle floorplan Indebtedness for Subject Period:	\$_____
3. Consolidated Principal Payments for Subject Period:	\$_____
4. Consolidated Rental Expenses for Subject Period:	\$_____
5. Income taxes paid in cash during Subject Period:	\$_____
6. Cash refunds of income taxes received by the Company and its Subsidiaries on a consolidated basis for Subject Period:	\$_____
7. Prepayments or open market purchases of the 2002- 5.25% Indenture Notes in connection with the 2002- 5.25% Indenture Notes Restructure on or before May 7, 2009 in an aggregate amount not to exceed \$15,000,000 <u>plus</u> the amount of the 2009 Special Capital Contribution:	\$_____
8. Denominator: Consolidated Fixed Charges for Subject Period (Lines II.D.1 + 2 + 3 + 4 +5 – 6 – 7):	\$_____
** To the extent included in computing Consolidated Net Income from Continuing Operations in Line II.A.1. above	

E. Consolidated Fixed Charge Coverage Ratio (Line II.C. ÷ Line II.D.8):

_____ to 1

Minimum Required:

1.15 to 1.00

III. Section 7.11 (c) – Consolidated Total Senior Secured Debt to EBITDA Ratio.

A. Consolidated Total Outstanding Senior Secured Indebtedness at Statement Date (Each of items 2, 3, 4, 5, 6, 7 and 8 shall only be subtracted if such item is without duplication of any other item and only to the extent such amounts would otherwise have been included in Consolidated Total Outstanding Senior Secured Indebtedness):

1. Aggregate outstanding principal amount of Consolidated Funded Indebtedness at Statement Date: \$_____
2. Aggregate outstanding principal amount of Indebtedness under New Vehicle Floorplan Facility at Statement Date: \$_____
3. Aggregate outstanding principal amount of Indebtedness under Permitted Silo Indebtedness at Statement Date: \$_____
4. Aggregate amount of all Permitted Real Estate Indebtedness permitted by Section 7.03(o) of the Credit Agreement at Statement Date: \$_____
5. Aggregate outstanding principal amount of 2002- 5.25% Indenture Indebtedness at Statement Date: \$_____
6. Aggregate outstanding principal amount of 2009 Indenture Indebtedness at Statement Date: \$_____
7. Aggregate outstanding principal amount of 2002- 4.25% Indenture Indebtedness at Statement Date: \$_____
8. Aggregate outstanding principal amount of 2003 Indenture Indebtedness at Statement Date: \$_____
9. Aggregate outstanding principal amount of Additional Subordinated Indebtedness permitted by permitted by Section 7.03(m) of the Credit Agreement at Statement Date: \$_____
10. Consolidated Total Outstanding Senior Secured Indebtedness at Statement Date (Lines III.A.1 – 2 – 3 – 4 – 5 – 6 – 7 – 8 - 9): \$_____

B. Consolidated EBITDA for Subject Period: \$_____

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| 1. | Consolidated Net Income from Continuing Operations for Subject Period (See also Line A.II.1 above): | \$_____ |
| 2. | Consolidated Interest Expense with respect to non- floorplan Indebtedness for Subject Period* (See also Line A.II.2 above): | \$_____ |
| 3. | Consolidated Real Property Interest Expense: | \$_____ |
| 4. | Permitted Consolidated Interest Expense with respect to non-floorplan Indebtedness for Subject Period* (Line III.B.2 – 3): | \$_____ |
| 5. | Consolidated Interest Expense with respect to Used Vehicle floorplan Indebtedness for Subject Period*(See also Line A.II.3 above): | \$_____ |
| 6. | Charges against income for income taxes for Subject Period**(See also Line A.II.4 above): | \$_____ |
| 7. | Depreciation expenses for Subject Period**(See also Line A.II.5 above): | \$_____ |
| 8. | Amortization expenses (including, without limitation, amortization of other intangible assets and transaction costs) for Subject Period**(See also Line A.II.6 above): | \$_____ |
| 9. | Non-cash charges for Subject Period* *(See also Line A.II.7 above): | \$_____ |
| 10. | Extraordinary losses for Subject Period**(See also Line A.II.8 above): | \$_____ |
| 11. | Extraordinary gains (to the extent included in computing Consolidated Net Income from Continuing Operations in Line III.B.1. above) for Subject Period**: | \$_____ |
| 12. | Consolidated EBITDA for Subject Period ((Lines III.B.1 + 4 + 5 + 6 + 7 + 8 + 9 + 10 - 11): | \$_____ |

* To the extent deducted in computing Consolidated Net Income from Continuing Operations in Line III.B.1. above.
* To the extent deducted in computing Consolidated Net Income from Continuing Operations in Line III.B.1. above.
** To the extent included in computing Consolidated Net Income from Continuing Operations in Line III.B.1. above.

C. Consolidated Total Senior Secured Debt to EBITDA Ratio (Line III.A.10 ÷ Line III.B.12):
Maximum permitted:

_____to 1
2.25 to 1.00

FORM OF REVOLVING BORROWING BASE CERTIFICATE

To: Bank of America, N.A., as Administrative Agent

Ladies and Gentlemen:

Reference is made to that certain Credit Agreement, dated as of February 17, 2006 (as amended, restated, extended, supplemented or otherwise modified in writing from time to time, the "Credit Agreement;" the terms defined therein being used herein as therein defined), among Sonic Automotive, Inc., a Delaware corporation (the "Company"), certain Subsidiaries of the Company from time to time party thereto, the Lenders from time to time party thereto, and Bank of America, N.A., as Administrative Agent, L/C Issuer, Revolving Swing Line Lender, New Vehicle Swing Line Lender, and Used Vehicle Swing Line Lender. Terms used herein not otherwise defined herein have the respective meanings given thereto in the Credit Agreement.

The undersigned Responsible Officer of the Company hereby certifies as of the date hereof that at the close of business on [_____] (the "Calculation Date") the Revolving Borrowing Base¹ was \$____, computed as set forth on the schedule attached hereto.

SONIC AUTOMOTIVE, INC.

By: _____
Its: _____
Date: _____

¹ See definition of Revolving Borrowing Base in the Credit Agreement.

REVOLVING BORROWING BASE SCHEDULE

		Available Revolving Borrowing Base Amount	
		Column 1	Column 2
I. Eligible Accounts			
A.	Net Book Value of factory receivables	\$ _____	
B.	Net Book Value of warranty claims receivables – factory	\$ _____	
C.	Net Book Value of warranty claims receivables – other	\$ _____	
D.	2210 – A/R factory holdback	\$ _____	
E.	Net Book Value of Accounts which constitute factory receivables, net of holdback (Lines I.A + B + C – D)	\$ _____	
F.	Net Book Value of Accounts described in Line I.E which are subject to any Lien (other than the Administrative Agent’s Lien) ²	\$ _____	
G.	Net Book Value of any other Accounts described in Line I.E which fail to satisfy any of the requirements set forth in the definition of “Eligible Accounts” in the Credit Agreement	\$ _____	
H.	Lines I.F + G	\$ _____	
I.	Net Book Value of Eligible Accounts which constitute factory receivables, net of holdback (Lines I.E – H)	\$ _____	
J.	Line I.I x 80%		\$ _____
K.	Net Book Value of Accounts which constitute current finance receivables	\$ _____	
L.	Net Book Value of Accounts described in Line I.K which are subject to any Lien (other than the Administrative Agent’s Lien)	\$ _____	
M.	Net Book Value of any other Accounts described In Line I.K which fail to satisfy any of the requirements set forth in the definition of “Eligible Accounts” in the Credit Agreement	\$ _____	
N.	Lines I.L + M	\$ _____	
O.	Net Book Value of Eligible Accounts which	\$ _____	

² Administrative Agent’s Lien means a first priority, perfected Lien of the Administrative Agent (for the benefit of the Secured Parties) pursuant to the Loan Documents.

	constitute current finance receivables (Lines I.K – N)	\$ _____	
P.	Line I.O x 80%		\$ _____
Q.	Net Book Value of Accounts which constitute receivables for parts and services	\$ _____	
R.	Allowance for doubtful Accounts described in Line I.Q	\$ _____	
S.	Amounts payable in connection with parts and services related to the Accounts described in Line I.Q	\$ _____	
T.	Lines I.R + S	\$ _____	
U.	Lines I.Q – T	\$ _____	
V.	Net Book Value of Accounts described in Line I.U which are subject to any Lien other than the Administrative Agent's Lien Lien	\$ _____	
W.	Net Book Value of any other Accounts described in Line I.U which fail to satisfy any of the requirements set forth in the definition of "Eligible Accounts" in the Credit Agreement	\$ _____	
X.	Lines I.V + W	\$ _____	
Y.	Net Book Value of Eligible Accounts which constitute receivables for parts and services (after netting any amounts payable in connection with such parts and services) (Lines I.U – X)	\$ _____	
Z.	Line I.Y x 75%		\$ _____

II. Eligible Inventory

A.	Net Book Value of parts Inventory	\$ _____
B.	Net Book Value of accessories Inventory	\$ _____
C.	Net Book Value of parts and accessories Inventory (Lines II.A + B)	\$ _____
D.	Net Book Value of parts and accessories Inventory described in Line II.C which is subject to any Lien (other than the Administrative Agent's Lien), including without limitation any Permitted Real Estate Indebtedness Collateral	\$ _____
E.	Net Book Value of any other parts and accessories Inventory described in Line II.C which fails to satisfy any of the requirements set forth in the definition of "Eligible Inventory" in the Credit Agreement	\$ _____
F.	Lines II.D + E	\$ _____
G.	Net Book Value of Eligible Inventory which	\$ _____

	constitutes parts and accessories (Lines II.C – F)	\$_____	
H.	Line II.G x 65%		\$_____
III. Eligible Equipment			
A.	Gross Book Value of equipment – machinery and shop	\$_____	
B.	Gross Book Value of equipment – parts and accessories	\$_____	
C.	Gross Book Value of furniture and trade fixtures (signage)	\$_____	
D.	Gross Book Value of computer equipment	\$_____	
E.	Gross Book Value of company Vehicles (excluding Inventory and any other Vehicles financed by any New Vehicle Floorplan Loan or included in the Used Vehicle Borrowing Base)	\$_____	
F.	Lines III.A + B +C + D + E	\$_____	
G.	Accumulated depreciation – machinery and shop	\$_____	
H.	Accumulated depreciation – parts and accessories	\$_____	
I.	Accumulated depreciation – furniture and trade fixtures (signage)	\$_____	
J.	Accumulated depreciation – computer equipment	\$_____	
K.	Accumulated depreciation – company vehicles	\$_____	
L.	Lines III.F + G + H + I + J + K	\$_____	
M.	Amount of Equipment Notes payable	\$_____	
N.	Net Book Value of Equipment, less Equipment Notes payable (Lines III.L - M)	\$_____	
O.	Net Book Value of Equipment described in Line III.N which is subject to any Lien (other than the Administrative Agent’s Lien), including without limitation any Permitted Real Estate Indebtedness Collateral	\$_____	
P.	Net Book Value of any other Equipment described in Line III.N which fails to satisfy any of the requirements set forth in the definition of Eligible Equipment” in the Credit Agreement	\$_____	
Q.	Lines III.O + P	\$_____	
R.	Net Book Value of Eligible Equipment (Lines III.N – Q)	\$_____	
S.	Line III.R. x 45%		\$_____

IV. Stock of Speedway Motor Sports, Inc.

- A. Fair market value (determined using the average daily share price for the five (5) Business Days immediately preceding the Calculation Date) of the 5,000,000 shares of common stock of Speedway Motor Sports, Inc. pledged as Collateral \$_____
- B. Line IV.A. x 50% \$_____

V. Historical Consolidated EBITDA

- A. Historical Consolidated EBITDA (for the four quarters of the Company most recently ended for which financial statements have been delivered pursuant to Section 6.01(a) or (b) of the Credit Agreement)* \$_____
- B. Line V.A. x 50% if on or prior to September 30, 2009; 25% if after October 1, 2009 \$_____
- C. Lines I.J + I.P + I.Z + II.H + III.S + IV.B \$_____
- D. Line V.C. x 50% if on or prior to September 30, 2009; 25% if after October 1, 2009 \$_____
- E. Historical Consolidated EBITDA portion of Revolving Borrowing Base (Lesser of Line V.B and Line V.D) \$_____

VI. Revolving Borrowing Base (Total of Column 2)

- A. Total of column 2 \$_____
- B. Lesser of (i) Aggregate Revolving Commitments and (ii) Line VI.A. \$_____

VII. Revolving Advance Limit

- A. Line VI.B \$_____
- B. Reserve Commitment \$_____
- C. Revolving Advance Limit (Lines VII.A – B) \$_____
- D. Outstanding Amount of all Revolving Committed Loans \$_____
- E. Outstanding Amount of all Revolving Swing Line Loans \$_____
- F. Outstanding Amount of all L/C Obligations \$_____
- G. Lines VII.D + E + F \$_____
- H. Amount available to be drawn under \$_____

* Note: Historical Consolidated EBITDA does not include any pro forma adjustment pursuant to Section 1.03(d).

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Form of Compliance Certificate

**SONIC AUTOMOTIVE, INC.
2004 STOCK INCENTIVE PLAN**

AMENDED AND RESTATED AS OF FEBRUARY 11, 2009

ARTICLE 1. PURPOSE AND EFFECTIVE DATE

1.1 Purposes of the Plan. Sonic Automotive, Inc. (the "Company") has established this Sonic Automotive, Inc. 2004 Stock Incentive Plan (the "Plan") to promote the interests of the Company and its stockholders. The purposes of the Plan are to provide key employees and consultants providing services to the Company and its Subsidiaries with incentives to contribute to the Company's performance and growth, to offer such persons stock ownership in the Company or other compensation that aligns their interests with those of the Company's stockholders and to enhance the Company's ability to attract, reward and retain such persons upon whose efforts the Company's success and future growth depends.

1.2 Original Effective Date. The Plan was initially adopted by the Board of Directors on February 19, 2004 and effective as of such date, subject to the requisite approval of the Company's stockholders at the 2004 Annual Meeting of Stockholders which was obtained on April 22, 2004. Awards could be granted prior to the initial stockholder approval of the Plan, provided that all such Awards must have been subject to stockholder approval of the Plan. This means that no Option or SAR could be exercised prior to such approval, and all Awards were subject to forfeiture if such approval was not obtained.

1.3 Restatement Effective Dates. The Plan was previously amended and restated effective as of February 13, 2007, subject to the requisite approval of the Company's stockholders at the 2007 Annual Meeting of Stockholders which was obtained on April 19, 2007. The Plan was subsequently amended and restated effective as of December 3, 2008, provided that the amendments to Section 10.1(b) in such amendment and restatement of the Plan shall be subject to the requisite approval of the Company's stockholders at the 2009 Annual Meeting of Stockholders. This amendment and restatement is a continuation of the Plan and shall be effective as of February 11, 2009, provided that this amendment and restatement of the Plan shall be subject to the requisite approval of the Company's stockholders at the 2009 Annual Meeting of Stockholders.

ARTICLE 2. DEFINITIONS

2.1 Definitions. As used in the Plan, the following capitalized terms shall have the meanings set forth below:

(a) "Award" means, individually or collectively, a grant under this Plan of Incentive Stock Options, Nonqualified Stock Options, Stock Appreciation Rights, Restricted Stock, Restricted Stock Units, Performance Awards or Stock Awards.

(b) "Award Agreement" means an agreement between the Company and a Participant, setting forth the terms and conditions applicable to an Award granted to the Participant under this Plan. The Award Agreement may be in such form as the Committee shall determine, including a master agreement with respect to all or any types of Awards supplemented by an Award notice issued by the Company.

(c) "Board" or "Board of Directors" means the Board of Directors of the Company.

(d) "Cause" means, except to the extent the applicable Award Agreement provides otherwise or incorporates a different definition of "Cause," any act, action or series of acts or actions or any omission, omissions, or series of omissions which result in, or which have the effect of resulting in, (i) the commission by the Participant of a crime involving moral turpitude, which crime has a material adverse impact on the Company or a Subsidiary or which is intended to result in the personal enrichment of the Participant at the expense of the Company or a Subsidiary; (ii) the Participant's material violation of his responsibilities, or the Participant's gross negligence or willful misconduct; or (iii) the continuous and willful failure by the Participant to follow the reasonable directives of the Board of Directors. In any event, the existence of "Cause" shall be determined by the Committee.

(e) "Change in Control" means, except to the extent the applicable Award Agreement provides otherwise or incorporates a different definition of "Change in Control," any merger or consolidation in which the Company is not the surviving corporation and which results in the holders of the outstanding voting securities of the Company (determined immediately prior to such merger or consolidation) owning less than a majority of the outstanding voting securities of

the surviving corporation (determined immediately following such merger or consolidation), or any sale or transfer by the Company of all or substantially all of its assets or any tender offer or exchange offer for, or the acquisition, directly or indirectly, by any person or group of, all or a majority of the then-outstanding voting securities of the Company. Notwithstanding the foregoing and unless otherwise provided by the Committee, to the extent necessary to comply with Section 409A of the Code, the foregoing events shall constitute a Change in Control with respect to an Award that is subject to Section 409A of the Code only to the extent that such events also constitute a “change in control event” within the meaning of Section 409A of the Code.

(f) “Code” means the Internal Revenue Code of 1986, as amended from time to time, or any successor act thereto. Reference to any section of the Code shall be deemed to include reference to applicable regulations or other authoritative guidance thereunder, and any amendments or successor provisions to such section, regulations or guidance.

(g) “Committee” means (i) the committee appointed by the Board to administer the Plan or (ii) in the absence of such appointment, the Board itself. Notwithstanding the foregoing, to the extent required for Awards to be exempt from Section 16 of the Exchange Act pursuant to Rule 16b-3, the Committee shall consist of two or more Directors who are “non-employee directors” within the meaning of such Rule 16b-3, and to the extent required for Awards to satisfy the requirements for “performance-based compensation” within the meaning of Section 162(m) of the Code, the Committee shall consist of two or more Directors who are “outside directors” within the meaning of Section 162(m) of the Code. The Compensation Committee of the Board of Directors shall constitute the Committee until otherwise determined by the Board of Directors.

(h) “Common Stock” means the Class A common stock of the Company, par value \$0.01 per share.

(i) “Company” means Sonic Automotive, Inc., a Delaware corporation, or any successor thereto.

(j) “Director” means any individual who is a member of the Board of Directors of the Company.

(k) “Disability” means, except to the extent the applicable Award Agreement provides otherwise or incorporates a different definition of “Disability,” a permanent and total disability as described in Section 22(e)(3) of the Code and determined by the Committee. Notwithstanding the foregoing and unless otherwise provided by the Committee, for Awards that are subject to Section 409A of the Code, Disability shall mean that a Participant is disabled within the meaning of Section 409A(a)(2)(C)(i) or (ii) of the Code.

(l) “Employee” means any employee of the Company or any Subsidiary. Directors who are not otherwise employed by the Company or a Subsidiary are not considered Employees under this Plan.

(m) “Exchange Act” means the Securities Exchange Act of 1934, as amended from time to time, or any successor act thereto. Reference to any section of (or rule promulgated under) the Exchange Act shall be deemed to include reference to applicable rules, regulations or other authoritative guidance thereunder, and any amendments or successor provisions to such section, rules, regulations and guidance.

(n) “Fair Market Value” means, as of a particular date, the value of the Common Stock determined as follows:

(i) If the Common Stock is traded on a national or regional securities exchange or on the Nasdaq National Market System (“Nasdaq”), Fair Market Value shall be determined on the basis of the closing sale price on the principal securities exchange on which the Common Stock may then be traded on the date as of which Fair Market Value is to be determined or, if there is no such sale on the relevant date, then on the last previous day on which a sale was reported;

(ii) If the Common Stock is not listed on any securities exchange or traded on Nasdaq, but nevertheless is publicly traded and reported on Nasdaq without closing sale prices for the Common Stock being customarily quoted, Fair Market Value shall be determined on the basis of the mean between the closing high bid and low asked quotations in such other over-the-counter market as reported by Nasdaq on the date as of which Fair Market Value is to be determined; but, if there are no bid and asked quotations in the over-the-counter market as reported by Nasdaq on that date, then the mean between the closing bid and asked quotations in the over-the-counter market as reported by Nasdaq on the immediately preceding day such bid and asked prices were quoted; and

(iii) If the Common Stock is not publicly traded as described in (i) or (ii) above, Fair Market Value shall be determined by the Committee in good faith and, with respect to an Option or SAR intended to be exempt from Section 409A of the Code, in a manner consistent with Section 409A of the Code.

(o) "Family Members" means the Participant's child, stepchild, grandchild, parent, stepparent, grandparent, spouse, former spouse, sibling, niece, nephew, mother-in-law, father-in-law, son-in-law, daughter-in-law, brother-in-law or sister-in-law, including adoptive relationships, or any person sharing the Participant's household (other than a tenant or employee).

(p) "Incentive Stock Option" or "ISO" means an option to purchase shares of Common Stock granted under Article 6 which is designated as an Incentive Stock Option and is intended to meet the requirements of Section 422 of the Code.

(q) "Involuntary Termination Without Cause" means the dismissal, or the request for the resignation, of a Participant by either (i) a court order, order of any court-appointed liquidator or trustee of the Company, or the order or request of any creditors' committee of the Company constituted under the federal bankruptcy laws, provided that such order or request contains no specific reference to actions or omissions that would constitute Cause; or (ii) a duly authorized corporate officer of the Company or any Subsidiary, or by the Board, for any reason other than for Cause.

(r) "Named Executive Officer" means a Participant who is considered a "covered employee" within the meaning of Section 162(m) of the Code.

(s) "Nonqualified Stock Option" or "NSO" means an option to purchase shares of Common Stock granted under Article 6, and which is not intended or otherwise fails to meet the requirements of Section 422 of the Code.

(t) "Option" means an Incentive Stock Option or a Nonqualified Stock Option.

(u) "Option Price" means the price at which a share of Common Stock may be purchased by a Participant pursuant to an Option, as determined by the Committee in accordance with Article 6.

(v) "Participant" means an Employee or consultant who performs services for the Company or a Subsidiary who has been granted an Award under the Plan which Award is outstanding.

(w) "Performance Award" means an Award granted under Article 10 which is subject to the attainment of one or more Performance Goals during a Performance Period, as established by the Committee in its discretion.

(x) "Performance Goals" means the criteria and objectives designated by the Committee that must be met during the Performance Period as a condition of the Participant's receipt of a Performance Award, as described in Section 10.1(b) hereof.

(y) "Performance Period" means the period designated by the Committee during which the Performance Goals with respect to a Performance Award will be measured.

(z) "Plan" means this Sonic Automotive, Inc. 2004 Stock Incentive Plan, as amended from time to time.

(aa) "Restricted Period" means the period beginning on the grant date of an Award of Restricted Stock and ending on the date the shares of Common Stock subject to such Award are no longer restricted and subject to forfeiture.

(bb) "Restricted Stock" means a share of Common Stock granted in accordance with the terms of Article 8, which Common Stock is nontransferable and subject to a substantial risk of forfeiture and such other restrictions as determined by the Committee.

(cc) "Restricted Stock Unit" means a non-voting unit of measurement that represents the contingent right to receive a share of Common Stock (or the value of a share of Common Stock) in the future granted in accordance with the terms of Article 8, which right is subject to such restrictions as determined by the Committee.

(dd) "SAR" means a stock appreciation right granted pursuant to Article 7.

(ee) "Stock Award" means an equity-based award granted pursuant to Article 9.

(ff) "Subsidiary" means a corporation, partnership, limited liability company, joint venture or other entity in which the Company directly or indirectly controls more than 50% of the voting power or equity or profits interests; provided, that for purposes of Incentive Stock Options, Subsidiary means a "subsidiary corporation" within the meaning of Section 424(f) of the Code. Unless the Committee provides otherwise, for purposes of granting Options or SARs, an entity shall not be considered a Subsidiary if such Options or SARs would then be considered to provide for a deferral of compensation within the meaning of Section 409A of the Code.

(gg) “Ten Percent Stockholder” means a Participant who owns (directly or by attribution within the meaning of Section 424(d) of the Code) stock possessing more than 10% of the total combined voting power of all classes of stock of the Company, any Subsidiary or a parent of the Company.

(hh) “Termination of Service” means, except to the extent the applicable Award Agreement provides otherwise or incorporates a different definition of “Termination of Service” (and which may instead use the term “Separation from Service”), the termination of a Participant’s service with the Company and its Subsidiaries as an Employee or consultant for any reason other than a change in the capacity in which the Participant renders service to the Company or a Subsidiary or a transfer between or among the Company and its Subsidiaries. Unless otherwise determined by the Committee, an Employee shall be considered to have incurred a Termination of Service if his or her employer ceases to be a Subsidiary. All determinations relating to whether a Participant has incurred a Termination of Service and the effect thereof shall be made by the Committee in its discretion, including whether a leave of absence shall constitute a Termination of Service, subject to applicable law.

ARTICLE 3. ADMINISTRATION

3.1 Authority of the Committee. Subject to the provisions of the Plan, the Committee shall have full and exclusive power to select the individuals to whom Awards may from time to time be granted under the Plan; determine the size and types of Awards; determine the terms, restrictions and conditions of Awards in a manner consistent with the Plan (including, but not limited to, the number of shares of Common Stock subject to an Award; vesting or exercise conditions applicable to an Award; the duration of an Award; whether an Award is intended to qualify as a Performance Award; restrictions on transferability of an Award and any shares of Common Stock issued thereunder; and other restrictions and covenants upon which a Participant’s rights to receive, exercise or retain an Award or cash, Common Stock or other gains related thereto shall be contingent); construe and interpret the Plan and any agreement or instrument entered into under the Plan; establish, amend or waive rules and regulations for the Plan’s administration; delegate administrative responsibilities under the Plan and (subject to the provisions of Article 12) amend the terms and conditions of any outstanding Award to the extent such terms and conditions are within the discretion of the Committee, including accelerating the time any Option or SAR may be exercised, waiving restrictions and conditions on Awards and establishing different terms and conditions relating to the effect of a Termination of Service. The Committee also shall have the absolute discretion to make all other determinations which may be necessary or advisable in the Committee’s opinion for the administration of the Plan.

3.2 Award Agreements. Each Award granted under the Plan shall be evidenced by an Award Agreement in such form as the Committee shall determine. Each Award Agreement shall be subject to the applicable terms and conditions of the Plan and incorporate any other terms and conditions, not inconsistent with the Plan (except when necessary to comply with Section 409A or other applicable law), as may be directed by the Committee. Except to the extent prohibited by applicable law, the Committee may, but need not, require as a condition of any such Award Agreement’s effectiveness that the Agreement be signed by the Participant.

3.3 Decisions Binding. All determinations, decisions and interpretations made by the Committee pursuant to the provisions of the Plan and all related resolutions of the Board shall be final, conclusive and binding on all persons, including the Company, the Company’s stockholders, and Participants and their estates and beneficiaries.

3.4 Indemnification. In addition to such other rights they may have as Directors or members of the Committee, each person who is or shall have been a member of the Committee shall be indemnified and held harmless by the Company against any loss, cost, liability or expense (including settlement amounts paid with the approval of the Committee) that may be imposed upon or reasonably incurred by the Committee member in connection with or resulting from any claim, action, suit or proceeding in which the member may be a party or otherwise involved by reason of any action taken or failure to act under or in connection with the Plan or any Award, except with respect to matters as to which the Committee member has been grossly negligent or engaged in willful misconduct or as prohibited by applicable law; provided, however, that the member shall give the Company an opportunity, at its own expense, to handle and defend the same before the member undertakes to handle and defend it on the member’s own behalf.

ARTICLE 4. STOCK SUBJECT TO THE PLAN

4.1 Stock Available Under the Plan. Subject to adjustments as provided in Section 4.3, the aggregate number of shares of Common Stock that may be issued pursuant to Awards under the Plan is 5,000,000 shares. The maximum number of shares of Common Stock that may be issued pursuant to ISOs under this Plan shall be 5,000,000 shares. Shares of Common Stock issued under the Plan may be shares of original issuance, shares held in the treasury of the Company or shares purchased in the open market or otherwise. Shares of Common Stock covered by Awards which expire or are forfeited or canceled for any reason or which are settled in cash shall be available for further Awards under the Plan.

4.2 Individual Award Limits. Notwithstanding any provision in the Plan to the contrary, the following limitations shall apply (subject to adjustment as provided in Section 4.3):

(a) Individual Option and SAR Limit. No Participant shall be granted, during any one calendar year, Options and/or SARs (whether such SARs may be settled in shares of Common Stock, cash or a combination thereof) covering in the aggregate more than 500,000 shares of Common Stock.

(b) Individual Limit on Other Awards. With respect to any Awards other than Options and SARs, no Participant shall be granted, during any one calendar year, such Awards (whether such Awards may be settled in shares of Common Stock, cash or a combination thereof) consisting of, covering or relating to in the aggregate more than 250,000 shares of Common Stock.

4.3 Adjustments. In the event of a reorganization, recapitalization, stock split, stock dividend, combination of shares, merger, consolidation or similar transaction or other change in corporate capitalization affecting the Common Stock, equitable adjustments and/or substitutions, as applicable, shall be made by the Committee to the maximum number and kind of shares of Common Stock which may be issued under the Plan set forth in Section 4.1, the number of shares subject to the ISO limit in Section 4.1, the number of shares of Common Stock subject to the Award limits set forth in Section 4.2 and in the number, kind and price of shares of Common Stock subject to outstanding Awards granted under the Plan. In addition, the Committee, in its discretion, shall have the right to make such similar adjustments as described above in the event of any corporate transaction to which Section 424(a) of the Code applies or such other event which in the judgment of the Committee necessitates an adjustment as may be determined to be appropriate and equitable by the Committee. Adjustments under this Section 4.3 shall, to the extent practicable and applicable, be made in a manner consistent with the requirements of Sections 162(m) and 409A of the Code and, in the case of ISOs, Section 424(a) of the Code. Notwithstanding the foregoing, the number of shares of Common Stock subject to any Award shall always be a whole number and the Committee, in its discretion, shall make such adjustments as are necessary to eliminate fractional shares that may result from any adjustments made pursuant hereto. Except as expressly provided herein, the issuance by the Company of shares of stock of any class, or securities convertible into shares of stock of any class, shall not affect, and no adjustment by reason thereof shall be made with respect to, the number or price of shares of Common Stock subject to an outstanding Award.

ARTICLE 5. ELIGIBILITY AND PARTICIPATION

Awards under the Plan may be granted to Employees and consultants providing services to the Company or a Subsidiary (provided such consultants render bona fide services not in connection with the offer and sale of securities in a capital-raising transaction) as selected by the Committee. In determining the individuals to whom such an Award shall be granted and the terms and conditions of such Award, the Committee may take into account any factors it deems relevant, including the duties of the individual, the Committee's assessment of the individual's present and potential contributions to the success of the Company or its Subsidiaries and such other factors as the Committee shall deem relevant in connection with accomplishing the purposes of the Plan. Such determinations made by the Committee under the Plan need not be uniform and may be made selectively among eligible individuals under the Plan, whether or not such individuals are similarly situated. Subject to the Award limits set forth in Section 4.2, a Participant may be granted more than one Award under the Plan; however, a grant made hereunder in any one year to a Participant shall neither guarantee nor preclude a further grant to such Participant in that year or subsequent years.

ARTICLE 6. STOCK OPTIONS

6.1 Stock Options. Subject to the provisions of the Plan, the Committee may grant Options upon the following terms and conditions:

(a) Award Agreement. Each grant of an Option shall be evidenced by an Award Agreement in such form as the Committee shall determine. The Award Agreement shall specify the number of shares of Common Stock to which the Option pertains, whether the Option is an ISO or a NSO, the Option Price, the term of the Option, the conditions upon which the Option shall become vested and exercisable, and such additional terms and conditions, not inconsistent with the provisions of the Plan, as the Committee shall determine. ISOs may be granted only to Employees of the Company or a Subsidiary.

(b) Option Price. The Option Price per share of Common Stock shall be determined by the Committee, but shall not be less than the Fair Market Value per share of Common Stock on the date of grant of the Option. In the case of an ISO granted to a Ten Percent Stockholder, the Option Price per share of Common Stock shall not be less than 110% of the Fair Market Value per share of Common Stock on the date of grant of the Option. Notwithstanding the foregoing, an Option may be granted with an Option Price per share of Common Stock less than that set forth above if such Option is granted pursuant to an assumption of, or substitution for, another option in a manner satisfying the provisions of Section 424(a) of the Code.

(c) Exercise of Options. An Option shall be exercisable in whole or in part (including periodic installments) at such time or times, and subject to such restrictions and conditions, as the Committee shall determine. Except as otherwise provided in the Award Agreement, the right to purchase shares of Common Stock under the Option that become exercisable in periodic installments shall be cumulative so that such shares of Common Stock (or any part thereof) may be purchased at any time thereafter until the expiration or termination of the Option.

(d) Option Term. The term of an Option shall be determined by the Committee, but in no event shall an ISO be exercisable more than ten years from the date of its grant or in the case of any ISO granted to a Ten Percent Stockholder, more than five years from the date of its grant.

(e) Termination of Service. Except to the extent an Option remains exercisable as provided below or as otherwise set forth in the Award Agreement, an Option shall immediately terminate upon the Participant's Termination of Service with the Company and its Subsidiaries for any reason.

(i) General Rule. In the event that a Participant incurs a Termination of Service for any reason other than Cause, Involuntary Termination Without Cause, or his death or Disability, the Participant may exercise an Option to the extent that the Participant was entitled to exercise such Option as of the date of termination, but only within such period of time ending on the earlier of (1) 60 days following such Termination of Service or (2) the expiration of the term of the Option as set forth in the Award Agreement.

(ii) Involuntary Termination Without Cause. In the event that a Participant incurs a Termination of Service that constitutes an Involuntary Termination Without Cause, the Participant may exercise an Option to the extent that the Participant was entitled to exercise such Option as of the date of termination, but only within such period of time ending on the earlier of (1) 90 days following such Termination of Service or (2) the expiration of the term of the Option as set forth in the Award Agreement.

(iii) Disability. In the event that a Participant incurs a Termination of Service as a result of the Participant's Disability, the Participant may exercise an Option to the extent that the Participant was entitled to exercise such Option as of the date of termination, but only within such period of time ending on the earlier of (1) one year following such Termination of Service or (2) the expiration of the term of the Option as set forth in the Award Agreement.

(iv) Death. In the event that a Participant's Termination of Service is caused by the Participant's death, or in the event of the Participant's death following the Participant's Termination of Service but during the exercise period following termination described in subparagraph (i), (ii) or (iii) above, as applicable, then an Option may be exercised to the extent the Participant was entitled to exercise such Option as of the date of death by the person or persons to whom the Participant's rights to exercise the Option passed by will or the laws of descent and distribution (or by the executor or administrator of the Participant's estate), but only within the period ending on the earlier of (1) one year following the date of death or (2) the expiration of the term of the Option as set forth in the Award Agreement.

(f) ISO Limitation. To the extent that the aggregate Fair Market Value (determined as of the date of grant) of the shares of Common Stock with respect to which a Participant's ISOs are exercisable for the first time during any calendar year (under all plans of the Company and its Subsidiaries) exceeds \$100,000 or such other applicable limitation set forth in Section 422 of the Code, such ISOs shall be treated as NSOs. The determination of which ISOs shall be treated as NSOs generally shall be based on the order in which such ISOs were granted and shall be made in accordance with applicable rules and regulations under the Code.

(g) Payment. Options shall be exercised by the delivery of a written notice of exercise to the Company in the manner prescribed by the Company (or its delegate), specifying the number of shares of Common Stock with respect to which the Option is to be exercised, accompanied by the aggregate Option Price for the shares of Common Stock. The aggregate Option Price shall be payable to the Company in full in cash or cash equivalents acceptable to the Company, or if approved by the Committee, by tendering previously acquired shares of Common Stock (or delivering a certification of ownership of such shares) having an aggregate Fair Market Value at the time of exercise equal to the total Option Price (provided that the shares of Common Stock either were purchased on the open market or have been held by the Participant for a period of at least six months (unless such six-month period is waived by the Committee)), a combination of the foregoing, or by any other means which the Company determines to be consistent with the Plan's purpose and applicable law (including the tendering of Awards having an aggregate Fair Market Value at the time of exercise equal to the total Option Price, as determined by the Committee).

(h) Transfer Restrictions. Except as otherwise set forth herein, Options may not be sold, transferred, pledged, assigned, alienated, hypothecated or disposed of in any manner other than by will or the laws of descent and distribution, and Options shall be exercisable during the Participant's lifetime only by the Participant (or, to the extent permitted by applicable law, the Participant's guardian or legal representative in the event of the Participant's legal incapacity). Notwithstanding the foregoing, the Committee, in its absolute discretion, may permit a Participant to transfer NSOs, in whole or in part, for no consideration to (1) one or more Family Members; (2) a trust in which Family Members have more than 50% of the beneficial interest; (3) a foundation in which Family Members (or the Participant) control the management of assets; or (4) any other entity in which Family Members (or the Participant) own more than 50% of the voting interests; provided, that such transfer is permitted under applicable tax laws and Rule 16b-3 of the Exchange Act as in effect from time to time. In all cases, the Committee must be notified in advance in writing of the terms of any proposed transfer to a permitted transferee and such transfers may occur only with the consent of and subject to the rules and conditions imposed by the Committee. The transferred NSOs shall continue to be subject to the same terms and conditions in the hands of the transferee as were applicable immediately prior to the transfer (including the provisions of the Plan and Award Agreement relating to the expiration or termination of the NSOs). The NSOs shall be exercisable by the permitted transferee only to the extent and for the periods specified herein and in any applicable Award Agreement.

(i) No Stockholder Rights. No Participant shall have any rights as a stockholder with respect to shares of Common Stock subject to the Participant's Option until the issuance of such shares to the Participant pursuant to the exercise of such Option.

ARTICLE 7. STOCK APPRECIATION RIGHTS

7.1 Grants of SARs. Subject to the provisions of the Plan, the Committee may grant SARs upon the following terms and conditions:

(a) Award Agreement. Each grant of a SAR shall be evidenced by an Award Agreement in such form as the Committee shall determine. The Award Agreement shall specify the number of shares of Common Stock to which the SAR pertains, the term of the SAR, the conditions upon which the SAR shall become vested and exercisable, and such additional terms and conditions, not inconsistent with the provisions of the Plan, as the Committee shall determine. The Committee may grant SARs in tandem with or independently from Options.

(b) Initial Value of SARs. The Committee shall assign an initial value to each SAR, provided that the initial value may not be less than the aggregate Fair Market Value on the date of grant of the shares of Common Stock to which the SAR pertains.

(c) Exercise of SARs. A SAR shall be exercisable in whole or in part (including periodic installments) at such time or times, and subject to such restrictions and conditions, as the Committee shall determine. Notwithstanding the foregoing, in the case of a SAR that is granted in tandem with an Option, the SAR may be exercised only with respect to

the shares of Common Stock for which its related Option is then exercisable. The exercise of either an Option or a SAR that are granted in tandem shall result in the termination of the other to the extent of the number of shares of Common Stock with respect to which such Option or SAR is exercised.

(d) Term of SARs. The term of a SAR granted independently from an Option shall be determined by the Committee, but in no event shall such a SAR be exercisable more than ten years from the date of its grant. A SAR granted in tandem with an Option shall have the same term as the Option to which it relates.

(e) Termination of Service. In the event that a Participant incurs a Termination of Service, the Participant's SARs shall terminate in accordance with the provisions specified in Article 6 with respect to Options.

(f) Payment of SAR Value. Upon the exercise of a SAR, a Participant shall be entitled to receive (i) the excess of the Fair Market Value on the date of exercise of the shares of Common Stock with respect to which the SAR is being exercised, over (ii) the initial value of the SAR on the date of grant, as determined in accordance with Section 7.1(b) above. Notwithstanding the foregoing, the Committee may specify in an Award Agreement that the amount payable upon the exercise of a SAR shall not exceed a designated amount. At the Committee's discretion, the amount payable as a result of the exercise of a SAR may be settled in cash, shares of Common Stock of equivalent value, or a combination of cash and Common Stock. A fractional share of Common Stock shall not be deliverable upon the exercise of a SAR, but a cash payment shall be made in lieu thereof.

(g) Nontransferability. Except as otherwise set forth herein, SARs granted under the Plan may not be sold, transferred, pledged, assigned, alienated, hypothecated or disposed of in any manner other than by will or the laws of descent and distribution, and SARs shall be exercisable during the Participant's lifetime only by the Participant (or, to the extent permitted by applicable law, the Participant's guardian or legal representative in the event of the Participant's legal incapacity). Notwithstanding the foregoing, the Committee, in its absolute discretion, may permit a Participant to transfer SARs, in whole or in part, for no consideration to (i) one or more Family Members; (ii) a trust in which Family Members have more than 50% of the beneficial interest; (iii) a foundation in which Family Members (or the Participant) control the management of assets; or (iv) any other entity in which Family Members (or the Participant) own more than 50% of the voting interests; provided, that such transfer is permitted under applicable tax laws and Rule 16b-3 of the Exchange Act as in effect from time to time. In all cases, the Committee must be notified in advance in writing of the terms of any proposed transfer to a permitted transferee and such transfers may occur only with the consent of and subject to the rules and conditions imposed by the Committee. The transferred SARs shall continue to be subject to the same terms and conditions in the hands of the transferee as were applicable immediately prior to the transfer (including the provisions of the Plan and Award Agreement relating to the expiration or termination of the SARs). The SARs shall be exercisable by the permitted transferee only to the extent and for the periods specified herein and in any applicable Award Agreement.

(h) No Stockholder Rights. No Participant shall have any rights as a stockholder of the Company with respect to shares of Common Stock subject to a SAR until the issuance of shares (if any) to the Participant pursuant to the exercise of such SAR.

ARTICLE 8. RESTRICTED STOCK AND RESTRICTED STOCK UNITS

8.1 Grants of Restricted Stock and Restricted Stock Units. Subject to the provisions of the Plan, the Committee may grant Restricted Stock and/or Restricted Stock Units upon the following terms and conditions:

(a) Award Agreement. Each grant of Restricted Stock or Restricted Stock Units shall be evidenced by an Award Agreement in such form as the Committee shall determine. The Award Agreement shall specify the number of shares of Restricted Stock granted or with respect to which the Restricted Stock Units are granted, the Restricted Period, the conditions upon or the time at which the Restricted Period shall lapse, and such additional terms and conditions, not inconsistent with the provisions of the Plan, as the Committee shall determine.

(b) Purchase Price. The Committee shall determine the purchase price, if any, to be paid for each share of Restricted Stock or each Restricted Stock Unit, subject to such minimum consideration as may be required by applicable law.

(c) Nontransferability. Except as otherwise set forth in the Award Agreement, shares of Restricted Stock and Restricted Stock Units may not be sold, transferred, pledged, assigned, alienated, hypothecated or disposed of in any manner until the end of the Restricted Period applicable to such shares and the satisfaction of any and all other conditions prescribed by the Committee.

(d) Other Restrictions. The Committee may impose such conditions and restrictions on the grant or vesting of Restricted Stock and Restricted Stock Units as it determines, including but not limited to restrictions based upon the occurrence of a specific event, continued service for a period of time or other time-based restrictions, or the achievement of financial or other business objectives (including the Performance Goals described in Section 10.1(b)). The Committee may provide that such restrictions may lapse separately or in combination at such time or times and with respect to all shares of Restricted Stock and Restricted Stock Units or in installments or otherwise as the Committee may deem appropriate.

(e) Settlement of Restricted Stock Units. After the expiration of the Restricted Period and all conditions and restrictions applicable to Restricted Stock Units have been satisfied or lapsed, the Participant shall be entitled to receive the then Fair Market Value of the shares of Common Stock with respect to which the Restricted Stock Units were granted. Such amount shall be paid in cash, shares of Common Stock (which shares of Common Stock themselves may be shares of Restricted Stock) or a combination thereof as specified by the Committee.

(f) Section 83(b) Election. If a Participant makes an election pursuant to Section 83(b) of the Code with respect to Restricted Stock, the Participant shall be required to promptly file a copy of such election with the Company as required under Section 83(b) of the Code.

(g) Termination of Service. Notwithstanding anything herein to the contrary and except as otherwise determined by the Committee, in the event of the Participant's Termination of Service prior to the expiration of the Restricted Period, all shares of Restricted Stock and Restricted Stock Units with respect to which the applicable restrictions have not yet lapsed shall be forfeited.

(h) Stockholder Rights.

(i) Restricted Stock. Except to the extent otherwise provided by the Committee, a Participant that has been granted Restricted Stock shall have the rights and privileges of a stockholder as to such Restricted Stock, including the right to vote such Restricted Stock and the right to receive dividends, if and when declared by the Board of Directors, provided, that the Committee may require that any cash dividends shall be automatically reinvested in additional shares of Restricted Stock.

(ii) Restricted Stock Units. A Participant shall have no voting or other stockholder rights or ownership interest in shares of Common Stock with respect to which Restricted Stock Units are granted. Notwithstanding the foregoing, the Committee may, in its discretion, provide in an Award Agreement that, if the Board of Directors declares a dividend with respect to the Common Stock, Participants shall receive dividend equivalents with respect to their Restricted Stock Units. Subject to Section 409A of the Code, the Committee may determine the form, time of payment and other terms of such dividend equivalents, which may include cash or Restricted Stock Units.

(iii) Adjustments and Dividends Subject to Plan. With respect to any shares of Restricted Stock or Restricted Stock Units received as a result of adjustments under Section 4.3 hereof and also any shares of Common Stock, Restricted Stock or Restricted Stock Units that result from dividends declared on the Common Stock, the Participant shall have the same rights and privileges, and be subject to the same restrictions, as are set forth in this Article 8 except to the extent the Committee otherwise determines.

(i) Issuance of Restricted Stock. A grant of Restricted Stock may be evidenced in such manner as the Committee shall deem appropriate, including without limitation, book-entry registration or the issuance of a stock certificate (or certificates) representing the number of shares of Restricted Stock granted to the Participant, containing such legends as the Committee deems appropriate and held in custody by the Company or on its behalf, in which case the grant of Restricted Stock shall be accompanied by appropriate stop-transfer instructions to the transfer agent for the Common Stock, until (1) the expiration or termination of the Restricted Period for such shares of Restricted Stock and the satisfaction of any and all other conditions prescribed by the Committee or (2) the forfeiture of such shares of Restricted Stock. The Committee may require a Participant to deliver to the Company a stock power, endorsed in blank, relating to the shares of Restricted Stock to be held in custody by or for the Company.

ARTICLE 9. STOCK AWARDS

The Committee may grant other types of Stock Awards that involve the issuance of shares of Common Stock or that are denominated or valued by reference to shares of Common Stock, including but not limited to the grant of shares of Common Stock or the right to acquire or purchase shares of Common Stock. Stock Awards shall be evidenced by an Award Agreement in such form as the Committee shall determine. The Award Agreement shall specify the number of shares of Common Stock to which the Stock Award pertains, the form in which the Stock Award shall be paid and such additional terms and conditions, not inconsistent with the provisions of the Plan, as the Committee shall determine.

ARTICLE 10. PERFORMANCE AWARDS

10.1 Performance Awards. Subject to the terms of the Plan (including the share limit in Section 4.2), the Committee may designate an Award of Restricted Stock or Restricted Stock Units or a Stock Award as a Performance Award based upon a determination that the Participant is or may become a Named Executive Officer and the Committee wishes such Awards to qualify for the exemption from the limitation on deductibility imposed by Section 162(m) of the Code. Performance Awards shall be contingent upon the attainment of one or more Performance Goals. The provisions of this Article 10 shall control to the extent inconsistent with Articles 8 and 9 and such Performance Awards shall be subject to the following terms and conditions:

(a) Award Agreement. Each grant of a Performance Award shall be evidenced by an Award Agreement in such form as the Committee shall determine. The Award Agreement shall specify the number of shares of Common Stock to which the Performance Award pertains, the Performance Goals applicable to such Performance Award, the length of the Performance Period, and such additional terms and conditions, not inconsistent with the provisions of the Plan, as the Committee shall determine.

(b) Performance Goals. The Committee shall establish one or more Performance Goals for the Participant that are objectively determinable (i.e., such that a third party with knowledge of the relevant facts could determine whether the goals have been met). Such Performance Goals must be established in writing by the Committee within ninety (90) days after the beginning of the Performance Period (or, if earlier, by the date on which 25% of the Performance Period has elapsed) or within such other time period prescribed by Section 162(m) of the Code; provided, that achievement of the Performance Goals must be substantially uncertain at the time they are established. Such Performance Goals shall be based on one or more of the following, as determined in the sole discretion of the Committee: stock price; market share; earnings per share (basic or diluted); net earnings; operating or other earnings; gross or net profits; revenues; financial return ratios; stockholder return; cash flow measures (including operating cash flow, free cash flow, and cash flow return on investment); cash position; return on equity; return on investment; debt rating; sales (including Company-wide sales and dealership sales); expense reduction levels; debt levels (including borrowing capacity); return on assets (gross or net); debt to equity ratio; debt to capitalization ratio; consummation of debt offerings; consummation of equity offerings; growth in assets, sales, or market share; customer satisfaction; reducing, retiring or refinancing all or a portion of the Company's long-term or short-term public or private debt or similar financial obligations (including the attainment of a certain level of reduction in such debt); share count reduction; gross or operating margins; contractual compliance (including maintaining compliance with financial and other covenants, obtaining waivers of non-compliance, or obtaining amendments of contractual covenants); or strategic business objectives based on meeting specified revenue goals, market penetration goals, geographic business expansion goals, cost targets, or goals relating to acquisitions or divestitures. Performance Goals may be based on the performance of the Company, based on the Participant's division, business unit or employing Subsidiary, based on the performance of one or more divisions, business units or Subsidiaries, based on the performance of the Company and its Subsidiaries as a whole, or based on any combination of the foregoing. Performance Goals also may be expressed by reference to the Participant's individual performance with respect to any of the foregoing criteria.

Performance Goals may be expressed in such form as the Committee shall determine, including either in absolute or relative terms (including, but not by way of limitation, by relative comparison to a pre-established target, to previous years or to other companies or other external measures), in percentages, in terms of growth over time or otherwise, provided that the Performance Goals meet the requirements hereunder. Performance Goals need not be based upon an increase or positive result under one of the above criteria and could include, for example, maintaining the status quo or the limitation of economic losses (measured in such case by reference to the specific criteria). When establishing the Performance Goals, the Committee may specify that the Performance Goals shall be determined either before or after

taxes and shall be adjusted to exclude items such as (i) asset write-downs or impairment charges; (ii) the effect of unusual or extraordinary charges or income items or other events, including acquisitions or dispositions of businesses or assets, restructurings, discontinued operations, reductions in force, refinancing/restructuring of short term and/or long term debt, or other extraordinary non-recurring items as described in Accounting Principles Board Opinion No. 30 and/or management's discussion and analysis of financial condition and results of operations appearing in the Company's annual report to stockholders for the applicable year; (iii) litigation or claim expenses, judgments or settlements, or (iv) changes in accounting principles or tax laws or other laws or provisions affecting reported results. The Performance Goals established by the Committee may be (but need not be) particular to a Participant and/or different each Performance Period.

The Committee also may establish subjective Performance Goals for Participants, provided that for Named Executive Officers, the subjective Performance Goals may be used only to reduce, and not increase, the Performance Award otherwise payable under the Plan. The Committee can establish other performance measures for Awards granted to Participants that are not intended to qualify under the performance-based compensation provisions of Section 162(m) of the Code.

(c) Payment. Prior to the vesting, settlement, payment or delivery, as the case may be, of a Performance Award, the Committee shall certify in writing the extent to which the applicable Performance Goals and any other material terms of the Performance Award have been achieved or exceeded for the applicable Performance Period. In no event may the Committee waive achievement of the Performance Goal requirements for a Named Executive Officer except in its discretion in the case of the death or Disability of the Participant or as otherwise provided in Article 11 with respect to a Change in Control. Notwithstanding anything herein to the contrary, the maximum cash payment that may be paid during a calendar year to a Participant pursuant to a Performance Award shall be \$2,000,000.

(d) Code Section 162(m). The Committee shall have the power to impose such other restrictions on Performance Awards as it may deem necessary or appropriate to ensure that such Performance Awards satisfy all requirements for "performance-based compensation" within the meaning of Section 162(m) of the Code.

ARTICLE 11. CHANGE IN CONTROL

11.1 Impact on Options, SARs and Stock Awards. Notwithstanding any other provision of the Plan, all outstanding Options, SARs and Stock Awards (other than Stock Awards that have been designated as Performance Awards) shall become fully vested and exercisable on and after (a) the date of consummation of a tender offer or exchange offer that constitutes a Change in Control or (b) the third business day prior to the effective date of any other Change in Control.

11.2 Impact on Restricted Stock and Restricted Stock Units. Notwithstanding any other provision of the Plan, all Awards of Restricted Stock and Restricted Stock Units (other than those that have been designated as Performance Awards) shall be deemed vested, all restrictions shall be deemed lapsed, all terms and conditions shall be deemed satisfied and the Restricted Period with respect thereto shall be deemed to have ended as of (a) the date of consummation of a tender offer or exchange offer that constitutes a Change in Control or (b) the third business day prior to the effective date of any other Change in Control.

11.3 Performance Awards. All Performance Awards earned and outstanding as of the date of the Change in Control shall be payable in full within 30 days following the Change in Control. Any remaining Performance Awards shall be accelerated and deemed to have been fully earned as of the date of the Change in Control, with a pro rata settlement of the Performance Award to be made within 30 days following the Change in Control based upon an assumed achievement of the applicable Performance Goals and the length of time within the Performance Period that has elapsed prior to the Change in Control.

ARTICLE 12. AMENDMENT, SUSPENSION AND TERMINATION

12.1 Amendment, Suspension and Termination of Plan. The Board may at any time, and from time to time, amend, suspend or terminate the Plan in whole or in part; provided, that no amendment, suspension or termination shall be effective unless approved by the stockholders of the Company (a) to the extent stockholder approval is necessary to satisfy the applicable requirements of the Code (including, but not limited to, Sections 162(m) and 422 thereof), the Exchange Act or Rule 16b-3 thereunder, any New York Stock Exchange, Nasdaq or securities exchange listing requirements or any other law or regulation; (b) if such amendment is intended to allow the Option Price of outstanding Options to be reduced by repricing

or replacing such Options; or (c) to the extent the Board determines, in its discretion, that stockholder approval is desirable even if such stockholder approval is not expressly required by the Plan or applicable law or regulation. Unless sooner terminated by the Board, the Plan shall terminate ten years from the date the Plan is adopted by the Board. No further Awards may be granted after the termination of the Plan, but the Plan shall remain effective with respect to any outstanding Awards previously granted. No amendment, suspension or termination of the Plan shall adversely affect in any material way the rights of a Participant under any outstanding Award without the Participant's consent.

12.2 Amendment of Awards. Subject to Section 12.1 above, the Committee may at any time amend the terms of an Award previously granted to a Participant, but no such amendment shall adversely affect in any material way the rights of the Participant without the Participant's consent except as otherwise provided in the Plan or the Award Agreement.

12.3 Section 409A and Compliance Amendments. Notwithstanding any other provision of the Plan to the contrary, the Board may amend the Plan and/or the Committee may amend any outstanding Award in any respect it deems necessary or advisable to comply with applicable law without obtaining a Participant's consent, including but not limited to reforming (including on a retroactive basis, if permissible and applicable) any terms of an outstanding Award to comply with or meet an exemption from Section 409A of the Code.

ARTICLE 13. WITHHOLDING

13.1 Tax Withholding in General. The Company shall have the power and the right to deduct or withhold from cash payments or other property to be paid to the Participant, or require a Participant to remit to the Company or a Subsidiary, an amount sufficient to satisfy federal, state and local taxes (including the Participant's FICA obligation) required by law to be withheld with respect to any taxable event arising in connection with an Award under this Plan. The Company shall not be required to issue any shares of Common Stock or settle any Awards payable hereunder until such withholding requirements have been satisfied.

13.2 Share Withholding and Remittance. With respect to withholding required upon the exercise of Options, or upon any other taxable event arising as a result of Awards granted hereunder which are to be paid in the form of shares of Common Stock, the Company may withhold from an Award, or the Participant may remit, subject to applicable law (including Rule 16b-3 under the Exchange Act), shares of Common Stock having a Fair Market Value on the date the tax is to be determined of no more than the minimum statutory total tax which could be imposed on the transaction. All such elections shall be made in accordance with procedures established by the Committee and/or the Company. Notwithstanding the foregoing, the Committee and/or the Company shall have the right to restrict a Participant's ability to satisfy tax obligations through share withholding as they may deem necessary or appropriate.

ARTICLE 14. GENERAL PROVISIONS

14.1 Restrictions on Stock Ownership/Legends. The Committee, in its discretion, may establish guidelines applicable to the ownership of any shares of Common Stock acquired pursuant to the exercise of an Option or SAR or in connection with any other Award under this Plan as it may deem desirable or advisable, including, but not limited to, time-based or other restrictions on transferability regardless of whether or not the Participant is otherwise vested in such Common Stock. All stock certificates representing shares of Common Stock issued pursuant to this Plan shall be subject to such stock transfer orders and other restrictions as the Committee may deem advisable and the Committee may cause any such certificates to have legends affixed thereto to make appropriate references to any applicable restrictions.

14.2 Deferrals. Subject to Section 14.10, the Committee may require or permit a Participant to defer receipt of the delivery of shares of Common Stock or other payments pursuant to Awards under the Plan that otherwise would be due to such Participant. Subject to Section 14.10, any deferral elections shall be subject to such terms, conditions, rules and procedures as the Committee shall determine.

14.3 No Employment Rights. Nothing in the Plan or any Award Agreement shall confer upon any Participant any right to continue in the employ or service of the Company or a Subsidiary nor interfere with or limit in any way the right of the Company or a Subsidiary to terminate any Participant's employment by, or performance of services for, the Company or Subsidiary at any time for any reason.

14.4 No Participation Rights. No person shall have the right to be selected to receive an Award under this Plan and there is no requirement for uniformity of treatment among Participants.

14.5 No Trust or Fund Created. To the extent that any person acquires a right to receive Common Stock or cash payments under the Plan, such right shall be only contractual in nature unsecured by any assets of the Company or a Subsidiary. Neither the Company nor any Subsidiary shall be required to segregate any specific funds, assets or other property from its general assets with respect to any Awards under this Plan. Nothing contained in this Plan, and no action taken pursuant to its provisions, shall create or be construed to create a trust of any kind, or a fiduciary relationship, between the Company or any Subsidiary, on the one hand, and any Participant or other person, on the other hand. Participants shall have no rights under the Plan other than as unsecured general creditors of the Company or the applicable Subsidiary.

14.6 Restrictions on Transferability. Except as otherwise provided herein or in an Award Agreement, no Award or any shares of Common Stock subject to an Award which have not been issued, or as to which any applicable restrictions have not lapsed, may be sold, transferred, pledged, assigned, alienated, hypothecated or disposed of in any manner. Any attempt to transfer an Award or such shares of Common Stock in violation of the Plan or an Award Agreement shall relieve the Company and its Subsidiaries from any obligations to the Participant thereunder.

14.7 Requirements of Law. The granting of Awards and the issuance of shares of Common Stock under the Plan shall be subject to all applicable laws, rules and regulations, and to such approvals by any governmental agencies or national securities exchanges as may be required. With respect to Participants who are subject to Section 16 of the Exchange Act, this Plan is intended to comply with all provisions of Rule 16b-3 or any successor rule under the Exchange Act, unless determined otherwise by the Committee.

14.8 Approvals and Listing. The Company shall not be required to grant, issue or settle any Awards or issue any certificate or certificates for shares of Common Stock under the Plan prior to (a) obtaining any required approval from the stockholders of the Company; (b) obtaining any approval from any governmental agency which the Company shall, in its discretion, determine to be necessary or advisable; (c) the admission of such shares of Common Stock to listing on any national securities exchange on which the Company's Common Stock may be listed; and (d) the completion of any registration or other qualification of such shares of Common Stock under any state or federal law or ruling or regulation of any governmental or regulatory body which the Company shall, in its sole discretion, determine to be necessary or advisable. The Company may require that any recipient of an Award make such representations and agreements and furnish such information as it deems appropriate to assure compliance with the foregoing or any other applicable legal requirement. Notwithstanding the foregoing, the Company shall not be obligated at any time to file or maintain a registration statement under the Securities Act of 1933, as amended, or to effect similar compliance under any applicable state laws with respect to the Common Stock that may be issued pursuant to this Plan.

14.9 Compliance with Code Section 162(m). It is intended that the Plan comply fully with and meet all of the requirements of Section 162(m) of the Code with respect to Options and SARs granted hereunder. At all times when the Committee determines that compliance with the performance-based compensation exception under Section 162(m) of the Code is required or desired, all Performance Awards granted under this Plan also shall comply with the requirements of Section 162(m) of the Code, and the Plan must be resubmitted to the stockholders of the Company as necessary to enable Performance Awards to qualify as performance-based compensation thereunder (which rules currently require that the stockholders reapprove the Plan no later than the first stockholders meeting that occurs in the fifth year following the year in which the stockholders previously approved the Plan). In addition, in the event that changes are made to Section 162(m) of the Code to permit greater flexibility with respect to any Award or Awards under the Plan, the Committee may make any adjustments it deems appropriate. The Committee may, in its discretion, determine that it is advisable to grant Awards that shall not qualify as "performance-based compensation" and may grant Awards without satisfying the requirements of Section 162(m) of the Code.

14.10 Compliance with Code Section 409A. It is generally intended that the Plan and all Awards hereunder either comply with or meet the requirements for an exemption from Section 409A of the Code and the Plan shall be operated and administered accordingly. No Award (or modification thereof) shall provide for a deferral of compensation (within the meaning of Section 409A of the Code) that does not comply with Section 409A of the Code and the Award Agreement shall incorporate the terms and conditions required by Section 409A of the Code, unless the Committee, at the time of grant (or modification, as the case may be), provides that the Award is not intended to comply with Section 409A of the Code.

Notwithstanding anything in the Plan to the contrary, the Committee may amend or vary the terms of Awards under the Plan in order to conform such terms to the requirements of Section 409A of the Code. To the extent an Award does not provide for a deferral of compensation (within the meaning of Section 409A of the Code), but may be deferred under a nonqualified deferred compensation plan established by the Company, the terms of such nonqualified deferred compensation plan shall govern such deferral, and to the extent necessary, are incorporated herein by reference. Notwithstanding any other provisions of the Plan or any Award Agreement, the Company does not guarantee to any Participant (or any other person with an interest in an Award) that the Plan or any Award hereunder complies with or is exempt from Section 409A of the Code, and shall not have any liability to or indemnify or hold harmless any individual with respect to any tax consequences that arise from any such failure to comply with or meet an exemption under Section 409A of the Code.

14.11 Other Corporate Actions. Nothing contained in the Plan shall be construed to limit the authority of the Company to exercise its corporate rights and powers, including, but not by way of limitation, the right of the Company to adopt other compensation arrangements (including an arrangement not intended to be performance-based compensation under Section 162(m) of the Code) or the right of the Company to authorize any adjustment, reclassification, reorganization, or other change in its capital or business structure, any merger or consolidation of the Company, the dissolution or liquidation of the Company, or any sale or transfer of all or any part of its business or assets.

14.12 Gender and Number. Except where otherwise indicated by the context, any masculine term used herein shall also include the feminine, and the plural shall include the singular and the singular shall include the plural.

14.13 Severability. The invalidity or unenforceability of any particular provision of this Plan shall not affect the other provisions hereof, and the Committee may elect in its discretion to construe such invalid or unenforceable provision in a manner which conforms to applicable law or as if such provision was omitted.

14.14 Governing Law. To the extent not preempted by federal law, the Plan, and all Award Agreements hereunder, shall be construed in accordance with and governed by the laws of the State of North Carolina (excluding the principles of conflict of law thereof).

CERTIFICATION

I, David P. Cospers, certify that:

1. I have reviewed this quarterly report on Form 10-Q of Sonic Automotive, Inc.;
2. Based on my knowledge, this report does not contain any untrue statement of a material fact or omit to state a material fact necessary to make the statements made, in light of the circumstances under which such statements were made, not misleading with respect to the period covered by this report;
3. Based on my knowledge, the financial statements, and other financial information included in this report, fairly present in all material respects the financial condition, results of operations and cash flows of the registrant as of, and for, the periods presented in this report;
4. The registrant's other certifying officer(s) and I are responsible for establishing and maintaining disclosure controls and procedures (as defined in Exchange Act Rules 13a-15(e) and 15d-15(e)) and internal control over financial reporting (as defined in Exchange Act Rules 13a-15(f) and 15d-15(f)) for the registrant and have:
 - (a) Designed such disclosure controls and procedures, or caused such disclosure controls and procedures to be designed under our supervision, to ensure that material information relating to the registrant, including its consolidated subsidiaries, is made known to us by others within those entities, particularly during the period in which this report is being prepared;
 - (b) Designed such internal control over financial reporting, or caused such internal control over financial reporting to be designed under our supervision, to provide reasonable assurance regarding the reliability of financial reporting and the preparation of financial statements for external purposes in accordance with generally accepted accounting principles;
 - (c) Evaluated the effectiveness of the registrant's disclosure controls and procedures and presented in this report our conclusions about the effectiveness of the disclosure controls and procedures, as of the end of the period covered by this report based on such evaluation; and
 - (d) Disclosed in this report any change in the registrant's internal control over financial reporting that occurred during the registrant's most recent fiscal quarter (the registrant's fourth fiscal quarter in the case of an annual report) that has materially affected, or is reasonably likely to materially affect, the registrant's internal control over financial reporting; and
5. The registrant's other certifying officer(s) and I have disclosed, based on our most recent evaluation of internal control over financial reporting, to the registrant's auditors and the audit committee of the registrant's board of directors (or persons performing the equivalent functions):
 - (a) All significant deficiencies and material weaknesses in the design or operation of internal control over financial reporting which are reasonably likely to adversely affect the registrant's ability to record, process, summarize and report financial information; and
 - (b) Any fraud, whether or not material, that involves management or other employees who have a significant role in the registrant's internal control over financial reporting.

Date: **August 10, 2009**

By: /s/ David P. Cospers

David P. Cospers

Vice Chairman and Chief Financial Officer

CERTIFICATION

I, O. Bruton Smith, certify that:

1. I have reviewed this quarterly report on Form 10-Q of Sonic Automotive, Inc.;
2. Based on my knowledge, this report does not contain any untrue statement of a material fact or omit to state a material fact necessary to make the statements made, in light of the circumstances under which such statements were made, not misleading with respect to the period covered by this report;
3. Based on my knowledge, the financial statements, and other financial information included in this report, fairly present in all material respects the financial condition, results of operations and cash flows of the registrant as of, and for, the periods presented in this report;
4. The registrant's other certifying officer(s) and I are responsible for establishing and maintaining disclosure controls and procedures (as defined in Exchange Act Rules 13a-15(e) and 15d-15(e)) and internal control over financial reporting (as defined in Exchange Act Rules 13a-15(f) and 15d-15(f)) for the registrant and have:
 - (a) Designed such disclosure controls and procedures, or caused such disclosure controls and procedures to be designed under our supervision, to ensure that material information relating to the registrant, including its consolidated subsidiaries, is made known to us by others within those entities, particularly during the period in which this report is being prepared;
 - (b) Designed such internal control over financial reporting, or caused such internal control over financial reporting to be designed under our supervision, to provide reasonable assurance regarding the reliability of financial reporting and the preparation of financial statements for external purposes in accordance with generally accepted accounting principles;
 - (c) Evaluated the effectiveness of the registrant's disclosure controls and procedures and presented in this report our conclusions about the effectiveness of the disclosure controls and procedures, as of the end of the period covered by this report based on such evaluation; and
 - (d) Disclosed in this report any change in the registrant's internal control over financial reporting that occurred during the registrant's most recent fiscal quarter (the registrant's fourth fiscal quarter in the case of an annual report) that has materially affected, or is reasonably likely to materially affect, the registrant's internal control over financial reporting; and
5. The registrant's other certifying officer(s) and I have disclosed, based on our most recent evaluation of internal control over financial reporting, to the registrant's auditors and the audit committee of the registrant's board of directors (or persons performing the equivalent functions):
 - (a) All significant deficiencies and material weaknesses in the design or operation of internal control over financial reporting which are reasonably likely to adversely affect the registrant's ability to record, process, summarize and report financial information; and
 - (b) Any fraud, whether or not material, that involves management or other employees who have a significant role in the registrant's internal control over financial reporting.

Date: **August 10, 2009**

By: /s/ O. Bruton Smith

O. Bruton Smith
Chairman and Chief Executive Officer

**CERTIFICATION PURSUANT TO
18 U.S.C. SECTION 1350,
AS ADOPTED PURSUANT TO
SECTION 906 OF THE SARBANES-OXLEY ACT OF 2002**

In connection with the Quarterly Report of Sonic Automotive, Inc. (the "Company") on Form 10-Q for the period ended June 30, 2009 as filed with the Securities and Exchange Commission on the date hereof (the "Report"), I, David P. Cosper, Vice Chairman and Chief Financial Officer of the Company, certify, pursuant to 18 U.S.C. § 1350, as adopted pursuant to § 906 of the Sarbanes-Oxley Act of 2002, that:

- (1) the Report fully complies with the requirements of Section 13(a) or 15(d) of the Securities Exchange Act of 1934; and
- (2) the information contained in the Report fairly presents, in all material respects, the financial condition and results of operations of the Company.

/s/ David P. Cosper

David P. Cosper

Vice Chairman and Chief Financial Officer

August 10, 2009

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In connection with the Quarterly Report of Sonic Automotive, Inc. (the "Company") on Form 10-Q for the period ended June 30, 2009 as filed with the Securities and Exchange Commission on the date hereof (the "Report"), I, O. Bruton Smith, Chairman and Chief Executive Officer of the Company, certify, pursuant to 18 U.S.C. § 1350, as adopted pursuant to § 906 of the Sarbanes-Oxley Act of 2002, that:

- (1) the Report fully complies with the requirements of Section 13(a) or 15(d) of the Securities Exchange Act of 1934; and
- (2) the information contained in the Report fairly presents, in all material respects, the financial condition and results of operations of the Company.

/s/ O. Bruton Smith

O. Bruton Smith

Chairman and Chief Executive Officer

August 10, 2009