**LEASE AGREEMENT with OPTION to PURCHASE REAL ESTATE**

This Agreement (hereinafter referred to as the Lease/Option) is made this day of , 20 , by and between

the following parties: (hereinafter referred to as the Tenant/Buyer); and ,

(hereinafter referred to as the Landlord/Seller). In consideration of the mutual promises and covenants hereinafter stipulated, the parties hereby agree as follows:

**(1) DESCRIPTION:** The Landlord/Seller agrees to lease, and, the Tenant/Buyer agrees to rent the real property and

improvements, hereinafter called property; located at: as more fully

described as follows (legal description if desired): .

 **(2) TERM:** The term of this Lease/Option shall be for a period of months commencing on , and ending on

 . The term will be automatically extended for periods of months, unless the Tenant/Buyer gives notice to the Landlord/Seller of its intent to terminate this Lease/Option. Liability for payment will not extend beyond notice to terminate this agreement. Possession shall be given to Tenant/Buyer on .

 **(3) RENT:** Tenant/Buyer agrees to pay Landlord/Seller the sum of $ per month as rent for the property, for the term of this Lease/Option and during any extensions thereof, with the first payment beginning [ ] the day of , 20 , OR [ ] 30 days after end Tenant/Buyer is installed. If the first payment has not been made within 90 days, this agreement will become null and void unless jointly extended by the Landlord/Seller and Tenant/Buyer. All rental payments shall be due and payable on the day of each and every month. An amount [ ] totaling $ OR [ ] equal to the principal balance reduction according to the current amortization schedule OR [ ] of no monthly rent, in which rent was paid shall be credited to the Tenant/Buyer and applied to the purchase price of the property in the event that the Tenant/Buyer exercises its option hereun­der; otherwise this credit shall be non-refundable and considered forfeited if the option is not exercised.

**(4) OPTION TO PURCHASE:** The Tenant/Buyer, as part of the consideration herein, is hereby granted the exclusive right, option and privilege of purchasing property at any time during the term of this Lease/Option agreement or any extension thereof. The Tenant/Buyer shall notify the Landlord/Seller of the exercise of this option at least ten (10) days prior to the expiration of the initial term of this Lease/Option or the expiration of any extension thereof. In consideration of this option the Tenant/Buyer agrees to pay Landlord/Seller $ upon [ ] initial closing [ ] cash-out closing [ ] 30 days after Tenant/Buyer is installed, all of which shall be credited to the Tenant/Buyer and applied to the purchase price of the property at the time of the cash-out closing.

 **(5) COVENANTS OF TENANT/BUYER**: Commencing with and during the term of this agreement, including extensions, the Tenant/Buyer here­by covenants and agrees as follows:

**(A)** That the Tenant/Buyer will pay all utility charges and bills, including but not limited to water, sewer, gas, and electric, which may be assessed or charged against the property;

**(B)** Thatthe Tenant/Buyer will not use the property for any unlawful purpose; and that the Tenant/Buyer will conform to and obey all laws, bylaws, ordinances, rules, regulations, requirements and orders of all Federal, Provincial, and Local governmental authorities, agencies, departments, bureaus, boardsor officials, respecting the use of the property;

**(C)** That the Tenant/Buyer will surrender and deliver up the property at the end of the term or any extensions thereof, should the option herein not be exercised, in as good order and condition as the same now exists, natural wear and tear excepted.

 **(6)** **COVENANTS OF LANDLORD/SELLER**: The Landlord/Seller hereby covenants and agrees as follows:

**(A)** That the Landlord/Seller shall pay for and maintain fire and extended coverage insurance on said property in the minimum amount of $ . The Tenant/Buyer shall be named as an additional insured or loss-payee on the insurance policy, a copy of which shall be provided to Tenant/Buyer.

**(B)** That the Tenant/Buyer shall peaceably and quietly hold, occupy, use and enjoy the property, without any let, hindrance or molestation by Landlord/Seller or any person associated therewith.

**(7) BREACH BY TENANT/BUYER**: If the Tenant/Buyer shall fail to keep and perform any of the covenants, agreements, or provisions of this Lease/Option, or if the Tenant/Buyer shall abandon the property, it shall be lawful for the Landlord/Seller to enter into said property and again have, repossess, and enjoy the same as if this Lease/Option had not been made. Thereupon this Lease/Option and everything herein con­tained on the part of the Landlord/Seller to be done and performed shall cease and be utterly void, except as set forth in paragraph (8), below.

**(8) COSTS OF IMPROVEMENTS:** In the event the Tenant/Buyer exercises the option to purchase set forth in paragraph (4) above, and through no fault of the Tenant/Buyer the Landlord/Seller fails to convey said property to Tenant/Buyer in accordance with the terms of this Lease/Option, the Tenant/Buyer, in addition to any other rights which Tenant/Buyer may have in law or equity for the enforcement of Tenant/Buyer's option to purchase, shall be entitled to reimbursement for the cost of all repairs, maintenance and improvements.

**(9)** **FURTHER ENCUMBRANCES:** The Landlord/Seller hereby warrants that the total of the leases, options, mortgages, liens, and any other encumbrances against the property, whether of public record or not, are as follows:

**(A)**A first mortgage in favor of in the approximate amount of $ .

**(B)**Current taxes for in the amount of $ due on .

**(C)** .

The Landlord/Seller agrees not to lease to another third party, nor to assign, sell, option, transfer, pledge or otherwise to convey any or all rights or interests had by Landlord/Seller in the property or in this Lease/Option agreement, nor to further encumber the property nor allow the same to occur. All third parties are hereby put on notice that any leases, assignments by the Landlord/Seller, liens, options, mortgages or any other con­veyances or transfers occurring subsequent to the date of this Lease/Option are hereby declared by the Landlord/Seller to be null and void and of no force and effect. The Landlord/Seller further agrees to keep all mortgages, liens, taxes or other encumbrances on the property, current and in good standing. Tenant/Buyer shall have the right to make payments on same in the event that Landlord/Seller becomes non-current or otherwise defaults thereon, and said payments will be deducted from any equity due seller or recovered from future rent due seller. Tenant/Buyer shall have the right to and be provided with by Landlord/Seller whatever information may be necessary to monitor the payments on any current underlying mortgage, lien, tax or insurance payment, or any other payment connected to the property which could affect the future disposition of the cash-out closing.

 **(10) RIGHT OF ASSIGNMENT:** The Tenant/Buyer shall have the unqualified right to sublet the property, and/or to assign, sell, transfer, pledge or otherwise convey any or all rights or interests which the Tenant/Buyer may have in the property or in this Lease/

Option Agreement. Any such assignment will release original Tenant/Buyer from liability, substituting assignee in his/her or its place.

**(11) MAINTENANCE AND REPAIRS:** The Tenant/Buyer accepts the property “as is" on the date of execution of this Lease/Option except for items listed in paragraph (13). The Tenant/Buyer shall henceforth be responsible for all maintenance and repair upon said property, both interior and exterior. The Tenant/Buyer shall have the right to make such repairs, maintenance, and improvements as Tenant/Buyer shall deem necessary, proper, or desirable. The Tenant/Buyer shall be solely liable for payment for said improvements and shall hold the Landlord/Seller nameless therefrom. As a condition of this agreement any electric, plumbing, heating or cooling system that is out of order or any repairs exceeding $ at the commencement of this lease or within 30 days after occupancy will be repaired by the Landlord/Seller at his/her expense. If the Landlord/Seller cannot or will not make the repairs necessary the Tenant/Buyer will have the option of either voiding this agreement by written notice to the Landlord/Seller or making such repairs and, a) receiving a reimbursement from the next monthly payment or payments due the Landlord/Seller or,

b) receiving a credit against the purchase price plus interest at 10% per annum from date of payment.

**(12) BINDING AGREEMENTS:** The parties hereto agree that this Lease/Option comprises the entire agreement of the parties and that no other representation or agreements have been made or relied upon, and that this Lease/Option agreement shall inure to the benefit of and shall be binding upon the parties, their heirs, executors, administrators, personal representatives, successors or assigns.

**(13) SPECIAL PROVISIONS:**

(A)The landlord/Seller will complete the following by or this Lease/Option will become null and void and all monies disbursed by Tenant/Buyer will be immediately refunded by Landlord/Seller or, at Tenant/Buyers option, these items will be completed by Tenant/Buyer and the cost of same will be recovered as provided for in paragraph (11) in which case this lease will continue in force .

Other provisions .

(B) A TITLE SEARCH will be ordered immediately by the Tenant/Buyer: This cost will be borne by the Tenant/Buyer unless it is discovered that Landlord/Seller has unmarketable title in which case the Landlord/Seller will reimburse Tenant/Buyer the cost of the search. If the title is unmarketable the Tenant/Buyer will then have the option to void this agreement or proceed as agreed herewith.

#  OPTION TO PURCHASE PRICE

**(14) PURCHASE PRICE**: The Tenant/Buyer agrees to pay for said property the sum of $ \* less any sums for which the Tenant/Buyer is entitled to claim reimbursement or offset in accordance with this agreement; the net sum to be paid by bank draft, certified check or cashier’s check at closing.

\*Purchase price to equal mortgage pay-off amount at time of cash-out closing (*if applicable*, plus $ ).

**(15) INCLUDED IN THE PURCHASE**: The property shall also include all land, together with all improvements thereon, all appurtenant rights, privileges, easements, buildings, fixtures, heating, electrical, plumbing and air conditioning fixtures and facilities, window shades, venetian blinds, awnings, curtain rods, screens, storm windows and doors, affixed mirrors, carpeting, stair carpeting, built in kitchen appliances, bathroom fixtures, radio and television aerials, landscaping and shrubbery, water softeners, garage door openers and operating devices, and all util­ity or storage buildings or sheds, range and refrigerator. The property shall also include the following items: .

**(16) TITLE:** The Landlord/Seller shall provide a transfer of land on or before closing; title to be free, clear, and unencumbered except for existing mortgages, restrictions, and permitted encumbrances shown in paragraph (9). Title to be conveyed to the Tenant/Buyer and/or assigns.

**(17) CLOSING**: The completion date shall be no later than sixty **(60)** days after notification to the Landlord/Seller of the Tenant/Buyer's exercise of the option.

**(18) COSTS AND PRORATIONS:** There shall be prorated between the Landlord/Seller and the Tenant/Buyer, as of date of closing, the following items: (a) All real estate taxes and assessments; (b) Interest on encumbrances assumed or taken over by Tenant/Buyer with the Tenant/Buyer having responsibility for such items as follows:

  Landlord/Seller will pay Tenant/Buyer will pay

**(19)INSURANCE:** While this option shall remain executory and up until the time of closing, the Landlord/Seller shall maintain fire and extended coverage upon the property, and immediately convert the owner occupied (if applicable) policy to a non-owner occupied policy. In the event of loss or destruction in whole or in part of said property, the Tenant/Buyer shall have the option to proceed with the closing and accept the insur­ance proceeds for said damage, or to declare this Lease/Option null and void, releasing both parties from any obligations hereunder, except for the return of reimbursable expenses previously paid by Tenant/Buyer which amounts shall become immediately due and payable from the insur­ance proceeds. Upon closing the Tenant/Buyer shall be responsible for fire and extended coverage from that date forward.

 **(20)** In the event this agreement is placed in the hands of an attorney for enforcement the prevailing party shall be entitled to recover costs as well as legal fees on an attorney and his own client basis.

 IN WITNESS HEREOF: the parties have set their hands to this Lease/Option Agreement on this day of , 20 .

PRINTED NAMES:

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Landlord/Seller Signature Date

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