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INTERSTATE COMMERCE COMMISSION

Dear Sir:

The attached Conditional Sale Agreement between General Motors Corporation (Electro-Motive Division) and the Lake Erie, Franklin & Clarion Railroad Company documents the sale of one new Model MP-15 diesel-electric locomotive to the Railroad by the manufacturer. The attached Agreement and Assignment between General Motors Corporation (Electro-Motive Division) and General Motors Acceptance Corporation documents the assignment of a security interest in the locomotive to GMAC by the manufacturer. We are submitting these documents for recordation under Section 20(c) of the Interstate Commerce Act.

Upon completion of the recordation procedure, it will be appreciated if you will retain the documents which will be retrieved by Mrs. Carolyn H. Kunkel.

Very truly yours,

Jay F. Miller, President

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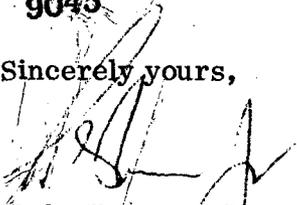
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Lake Erie, Franklin & Clarion RR. Co.
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Dear **Sir:**

The enclosed document(s) was recorded pursuant to the provisions of Section 20(c) of the Interstate Commerce Act, 49 U.S.C. 20(c), on **10/18/77** at **2:45pm** and assigned recordation number(s) **9045**

Sincerely yours,


H.G. Homme, Jr.
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CONDITIONAL SALE AGREEMENT

Dated as of October 1, 1977

between

GENERAL MOTORS CORPORATION (Electro-Motive Division),

and

LAKE ERIE, FRANKLIN & CLARION RAILROAD COMPANY

AGREEMENT AND ASSIGNMENT

Dated as of October 1, 1977

between

GENERAL MOTORS CORPORATION (Electro-Motive Division),
BUILDER

and

GENERAL MOTORS ACCEPTANCE CORPORATION

CONDITIONAL SALE AGREEMENT

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CONDITIONAL SALE AGREEMENT dated as of _____, 1977 between GENERAL MOTORS CORPORATION (Electro-Motive Division) (hereinafter called the Builder or the Vendor as the context may require, all as more particularly set forth in Article 1 hereof), and LAKE ERIE, FRANKLIN & CLARION RAILROAD COMPANY, a Pennsylvania Corporation (hereinafter called the Railroad).

WHEREAS, the Builder has agreed to construct, sell and deliver to the Railroad, and the Railroad has agreed to purchase, the equipment described in Schedule B hereto (hereinafter called the Equipment);

NOW, THEREFORE, in consideration of the mutual promises, covenants and agreements hereinafter set forth, the parties hereto do hereby agree as follows:

ARTICLE 1. Certain Definitions. The term "Vendor", whenever used in this Agreement, means, before any assignment of any of its rights hereunder, the corporation named in Item 1 of Schedule A hereto and any successor or successors for the time being to its manufacturing properties and businesses, and, after any such assignment, both any assignee or assignees for the time being of such particular assigned rights as regards such rights, and also any assignor as regards any rights hereunder that are retained or excluded from any assignment. The term "Builder", whenever used in this Agreement, means, both before and after any such assignment, the corporation named in Item 1 of Schedule A hereto and any successor or successors for the time being to its respective manufacturing properties and businesses.

ARTICLE 2. Construction and Sale. Pursuant to this Agreement, the Builder shall construct the Equipment and will sell and deliver to the Railroad, and the Railroad will purchase from the Builder and accept delivery of and pay for (as hereinafter provided), the Equipment, which shall be constructed in accordance with the specifications set forth therefor in Schedule B hereto and in accordance with such modifications thereof as may be agreed upon in writing between the Builder and the Railroad (which specifications and modifications, if any, are hereinafter called the Specifications). The design, quality and component parts of the Equipment shall conform, on the date of completion of manufacture of each thereof, to all Department of Transportation and Interstate Commerce Commission requirements and specifications and to all standards recommended by the Association of American Railroads reasonably interpreted as being applicable to equipment of the character of such Equipment and such Equipment (except to the extent, if any, referred to in Schedule A hereto and/or in Article 8 hereof) will be new railroad equipment.

ARTICLE 3. Inspection and Delivery. The Builder will deliver the Equipment to the Railroad at the place specified in Schedule B here- to (or if Schedule B does not specify a place, at the place designated by the Railroad). Freight charges, if any, prepaid, in accordance with the delivery schedule set forth in Schedule B hereto; provided, however, that the Builder shall not have any obligation to deliver the Equipment hereunder at any time after the commencement of any proceedings speci- fied in clause (c) or (d) of Article 16 hereof or if any event of de- fault (as described in Article 16 hereof), or event which with the lapse of time and/or demand could constitute such an event of default, shall have occurred.

The Builder's obligation as to time of delivery is subject, however, to delays resulting from causes beyond such Builder's reason- able control, including but not limited to acts of God, acts of govern- ment such as embargoes, priorities and allocations, war or war condi- tions, riot or civil commotion, sabotage, strikes, differences with workmen, accidents, fire, flood, explosion, damage to plant, equipment or facilities, delays in receiving necessary materials or delays of carriers or subcontractors.

If the Builder's failure to deliver the Equipment as scheduled resulted from one or more of the causes set forth in the immediately preceding paragraph, the Railroad shall nevertheless be obligated to accept such Equipment and pay the full purchase price therefor, deter- mined as provided in this Agreement, if and when such Equipment shall be completed and delivered by such Builder, such payment to be in cash on the delivery of such Equipment, either directly or, in case the Railroad shall arrange therefor, by means of a conditional sale agreement, equip- ment trust or such other appropriate method of financing as the Railroad shall determine and as shall be reasonably acceptable to the Builder.

During construction, the Equipment shall be subject to inspec- tion and approval by the authorized inspectors of the Railroad and the Builder shall grant to such authorized inspectors reasonable access to its plant. The Builder agrees to inspect all materials used in the construction of the Equipment in accordance with the standard quality control practices of the Builder. Upon completion of the Equipment, such Equipment shall be presented to an inspector of the Railroad for inspection at the place specified for delivery of such Equipment, and if each such Equipment conforms to the Specifications, requirements and standards applicable thereto, such inspector or an authorized represen- tative of the Railroad shall execute and deliver to such Builder a cer- tificate of acceptance (hereinafter called the Certificate of Acceptance) stating that such Equipment has been inspected and accepted on behalf of the Railroad and is marked in accordance with Article 7 hereof; provided, however, that the Builder shall not thereby be relieved of its warranty referred to in Article 14 hereof.

On delivery of the Equipment at the place specified for delivery, the Railroad will assume the responsibility and risk of, and shall not be released from its obligations hereunder in the event of, any damage to or the destruction or loss of such Equipment; provided, however, that the Builder shall not thereby be relieved of its warranty referred to in Article 14 hereof.

ARTICLE 4. Purchase Price and Payment. The base price of the Equipment is set forth in Schedule B hereto. Such base price is subject to such increase or decrease as is agreed to by the Builder and the Railroad. The term "Purchase Price" as used herein shall mean the base price as so increased or decreased, including without limitation any increase, pursuant to the presentation of a supplemental invoice as hereinafter provided.

The Railroad hereby acknowledges itself to be indebted to the Vendor in the amount of, and hereby promises to pay in cash to the Vendor at such place as the Vendor may designate, the Purchase Price of the Equipment, as follows:

(a) on the Closing Date (as hereinafter defined) the amount by which the Purchase Price of the Equipment, as stated in the invoice presented in respect of such Closing Date (said invoiced price being hereinafter called the Invoiced Purchase Price), exceeds the sum of \$300,000; and

(b) in three consecutive, equal, annual installments, as hereinafter provided, an amount equal to the aggregate of the Invoiced Purchase Price for the Equipment less the amount paid or payable with respect thereto pursuant to subparagraph (a) of this paragraph (the aggregate of said installments being hereinafter called the Conditional Sale Indebtedness).

The installments of the Conditional Sale Indebtedness payable pursuant to subparagraph (b) of the second paragraph of this Article 4 shall be payable annually on November 1, of each year commencing on November 1, 1979, to and including November 1, 1981. The unpaid portion of the Conditional Sale Indebtedness shall bear interest at nine (9) percent per annum.

All interest under this Agreement shall be calculated on the basis of a 360-day year of twelve months. Interest is payable monthly in arrears on the first day of each month following the Closing Date.

All payments provided for in this Agreement shall be made in immediately available funds in such coin or currency of the United States of America as at the time of payment shall be legal tender for the payment of public and private debts. Except as provided in Article 8 hereof, the Railroad shall have the privilege of prepaying any installment of its indebtedness hereunder prior to the date it becomes due for an amount equal to the unpaid principal balance and interest accrued to the date of the prepayment plus a prepayment premium expressed as a percentage of the Conditional Sale Indebtedness as follows:

<u>Prepayment Prior to</u>	<u>Prepayment Premium</u>
November 1, 1978	2%
November 1, 1979	1%
Thereafter	None

In the event the Vendor, pursuant to Article 15 hereof, assigns the right to receive the payments herein provided to be made by the Railroad, the assignee thereof may request the Railroad to make and the Railroad shall make such payments to it at such address as shall be supplied to the Railroad by the assignee.

ARTICLE 5. Taxes. All payments to be made by the Railroad hereunder will be free of expense to the Vendor for collection or other charges and will be free of expense to the Vendor with respect to the amount of any local, state, federal or foreign taxes (other than net income, gross receipts [except gross receipts taxes in the nature of or in lieu of sales or use taxes], excess profits and similar taxes) or license fees, assessments, charges, fines or penalties hereafter levied or imposed upon or in connection with or measured by, this Agreement or any sale, use, payment, shipment, delivery or transfer of title under the terms hereof (all such expenses, taxes, license fees, assessments, charges, fines and penalties being hereinafter called impositions), all of which impositions the Railroad assumes and agrees to pay on demand. The Railroad will also pay promptly all impositions which may be imposed upon the Equipment delivered to it or for the use or operation thereof or upon the earnings arising therefrom or upon the Vendor solely by reason of its interest therein and will keep at all times all and every part of the Equipment free and clear of all impositions which might in any way affect the security interest of the Vendor or result in a lien upon any part of the Equipment; provided, however, that the Railroad shall be under no obligation to pay any impositions of any kind so long as it is contesting in good faith and by appropriate legal proceedings such impositions and the nonpayment thereof does not, in the opinion of the Vendor, adversely affect the interest or rights of the Vendor in or to the Equipment or otherwise under this Agreement. If any such impositions shall have been charged or levied against the Vendor directly and paid by the Vendor, the Railroad shall reimburse the Vendor upon presentation of an invoice therefor, and any amounts so paid by the Vendor shall be secured by and under this Agreement; provided, however, that the Railroad shall not be obligated to reimburse the Vendor for any impositions so paid unless the Vendor shall have been legally liable with respect thereto (as evidenced by an opinion of counsel for the Vendor) or unless the Railroad shall have approved the payment thereof.

ARTICLE 6. Security Interest in the Equipment. The Vendor shall and hereby does retain a security interest in the Equipment until the Railroad shall have made all its payments under this Agreement and shall have kept and performed all its agreements herein contained, notwithstanding the delivery of the Equipment to and the possession and use thereof by the Railroad as provided in this Agreement. Any and all additions to the Equipment (except any communications, signal and automatic control equipment or devices having a similar use which have been added to any unit of Equipment by the Railroad, the cost of which is not included in the Purchase Price of such unit and which are not required for the operation or use of such unit by the Interstate Commerce Commission, the Department of Transportation or any other applicable regulatory body) and any and all replacements of the Equipment and of parts thereof and additions thereto shall constitute accessions to the Equipment and shall be subject to all the terms and conditions of this Agreement and included in the term "Equipment" as used in this Agreement.

Except as otherwise specifically provided in Article 8 hereof, when and only when the full indebtedness in respect of the Purchase Price of the Equipment, together with interest and all other payments as herein provided, shall have been paid, and all the Railroad's obligations herein contained shall have been performed by the Railroad, absolute right to the possession of, title to and property in the Equipment shall pass to and vest in the Railroad without further transfer or action on the part of the Vendor. However, the Vendor, if so requested by the Railroad at that time, will (a) execute a bill or bills of sale for the Equipment transferring and releasing its interest therein to the Railroad, or upon its order, free of all liens, security interests and other encumbrances created or retained hereby and deliver such bill or bills of sale to the Railroad at its address referred to in Article 21 hereof, (b) execute and deliver at the same place, for filing, recording or depositing in all necessary public offices, such instrument or instruments in writing as may be necessary or appropriate in order then to make clear upon the public records the release of the security interest of the Vendor in the Equipment and (c) pay to the Railroad any money paid to the Vendor pursuant to Article 8 hereof and not theretofore applied as therein provided. The Railroad hereby waives and releases any and all rights, existing or that may be acquired, in or to the payment of any penalty, forfeit or damages for failure to execute and deliver such bill or bills of sale or instrument or instruments or to file any certificate of payment in compliance with any law or statute requiring the filing of the same, except for failure to execute and deliver such bill or bills of sale or instrument or instruments or to file such certificate within a reasonable time after written demand by the Railroad.

ARTICLE 7. Marking of the Equipment. The Railroad will cause the Equipment to be kept numbered with its identifying number as set

forth in Schedule B hereto, and will keep and maintain, plainly, distinctly, permanently and conspicuously marked on each side of each unit, in letters not less than one inch in height, the words "Ownership subject to a Security Agreement Filed under the Interstate Commerce Act, Section 20c", with appropriate changes thereof and additions thereto as from time to time may be required by law in order to protect the Vendor's interest in the Equipment and its rights under this Agreement. The Railroad will not place the Equipment in operation or exercise any control or dominion over the same until such markings have been made thereon and will replace promptly any such markings which may be removed, defaced or destroyed. The Railroad will not change the number of the Equipment except in accordance with a Statement of new number or numbers to be substituted therefor, which statement previously shall have been filed with the Vendor by the Railroad and filed, recorded and deposited by the Railroad in all public offices where this Agreement shall have been filed, recorded and deposited.

Except as provided in the immediately preceding paragraph, the Railroad will not allow the name of any person, association or corporation to be placed on the Equipment as a designation that might be interpreted as a claim of ownership; provided, however, that the Railroad may cause the Equipment to be lettered with the names or initials or other insignia of the Railroad or its affiliates.

ARTICLE 8. Casualty Occurrences. In the event that the Equipment shall be worn out, lost, stolen, destroyed, irreparably damaged or otherwise rendered permanently unfit for use from any cause whatsoever, or taken or requisitioned by condemnation or otherwise (such occurrences being hereinafter called Casualty Occurrences), the Railroad shall promptly and fully inform the Vendor in regard thereto (after it has knowledge of such Casualty Occurrence). When the aggregate Casualty Value (as defined herein) of the Equipment shall exceed the greater of \$40,000 or 10% of the original Conditional Sale Indebtedness, the Railroad, within 60 days after it has knowledge of such event, shall promptly pay to the Vendor a sum equal to the aggregate Casualty Value of such unit of the Equipment as of the date of such payment and shall file with the Vendor a certificate of an officer of the Railroad setting forth the Casualty Value of the Equipment suffering a Casualty Occurrence.

Any money paid to the Vendor pursuant to the preceding paragraph of this Article 8 shall, as the Railroad may direct in a written instrument filed with the Vendor, be applied on or before the next installment date for the payment of Conditional Sale Indebtedness occurring more than 30 days following the date of such payment to the Vendor (so long as no event of default shall have occurred and be continuing), in whole or in part, to prepay installments of Conditional Sale Indebtedness or toward the cost of a unit or units of standard guage railroad equipment

(other than passenger or work equipment of types other than locomotives) first put into service no earlier than the date of this Agreement, to replace units suffering a Casualty Occurrence. Any money not applied toward the cost of railroad equipment as aforesaid within one year of the date paid to the Vendor in respect of a Casualty Occurrence shall be applied to prepay indebtedness. Any unit of replacement equipment shall have a remaining useful life (as evidenced by a certificate of an operating officer of the Railroad) at least as long as that which the Equipment being replaced would have had, but for the Casualty Occurrence. If such replacement equipment shall be equipment theretofore used in railroad service, the Railroad shall deliver to the Vendor a certificate of an officer of the Railroad that the cost of such equipment does not exceed the fair value thereof. In case any money is applied to prepay indebtedness, it shall be so applied, on the installment date for the payment of Conditional Sale Indebtedness next following receipt by the Vendor of such written direction.

The Casualty Value of the Equipment (other than a replacement unit) shall be deemed to be that amount which bears the same ratio to the original Purchase Price thereof (less, in the event that the Railroad shall have made any payment or payments under the provisions of subparagraph (a) of the second paragraph of Article 4 hereof, an amount which bears the same ratio to the aggregate of all such payments as the original Purchase Price of such unit bears to the original aggregate Purchase Price of all the Equipment) as the unpaid Conditional Sale Indebtedness (without giving effect to any prepayments then or theretofore made pursuant to this Article 8) as of the date payment is made with respect to such Casualty Occurrence bears to the original Conditional Sale Indebtedness. The Casualty Value of each replacement unit shall be deemed to be that amount which bears the same ratio to the portion of the cost thereof paid by the Vendor as the unpaid Conditional Sale Indebtedness (without giving effect to any prepayments then or theretofore made pursuant to this Article 8) as of the date payment is made with respect to such Casualty Occurrence bears to the unpaid Conditional Sale Indebtedness (without giving effect to any such prepayments) as of the date of acquisition by the Vendor of such replacement unit.

The Railroad will cause any replacement unit or units to be marked as provided in Article 7 hereof. Any and all such replacements of Equipment shall constitute accessions to the Equipment and shall be subject to all appropriate terms and conditions of this Agreement as though part of the original Equipment delivered hereunder and shall be included in the term "Equipment" as used in this Agreement; provided, however, that nothing herein shall result in the Builder having any liability or obligation with respect to any replacement unit or units not manufactured by it. Title to all such replacement units shall be

free and clear of all liens and encumbrances except the liens permitted by the second paragraph of Article 12 hereof and shall be taken initially and shall remain in the name of the Vendor subject to the provisions hereof, and the Railroad shall execute, acknowledge, deliver, file, record or deposit all such documents and do any and all such acts as may be necessary to cause such replacement units to come under and be subject to this Agreement. All such replacement units shall be guaranteed and warranted in like manner as is customary at the time for similar equipment.

Whenever the Railroad shall file with the Vendor a written direction to apply amounts toward the cost of any replacement unit or units, the Railroad shall file therewith:

(1) a certificate of a Vice President of the Railroad certifying that such replacement unit is standard gauge railroad equipment (other than work or passenger equipment of types other than locomotives) first put into service no earlier than the date of this Agreement, and has been marked as required by the provisions of this Article 8 and certifying, in the event such replacement unit is new equipment, the cost of such replacement unit and, in the event such replacement unit shall be equipment theretofore used in railroad service, the fair value thereof and the original cost thereof and rate of depreciation taken thereon;

(2) a bill of sale from the owner of such replacement unit to the Vendor transferring to the Vendor a security interest in such unit warranting to the Vendor and to the Railroad that at the time thereof such owner had legal title to such unit and good and lawful right to sell such unit and that such unit was free of all claims, liens, security interests and other encumbrances (other than those created by this Agreement), and covenanting to defend the title to such unit against the demands of all persons whomsoever based on claims originating prior to the delivery of such unit by such owner under this Agreement; and

(3) an opinion of counsel for the Railroad that the Vendor has a valid and perfected security interest in such replacement unit, free and clear from all claims, liens, security interests and other encumbrances except the rights of the Railroad under this Agreement, and that such unit has come under and become subject to this Agreement.

So long as no event of default shall have occurred and be continuing, any money paid to the Vendor pursuant to this Article 8 shall, if the

Railroad shall in writing so direct, be invested, pending its application as hereinabove provided, in such of the following as may be specified in such written direction: (i) direct obligations of the United States of America or obligations for which the faith of the United States is pledged to provide for the payment of principal and interest, (ii) open market commercial paper rated A-1 or A-2 by Standard & Poor's Corporation or prime-1 or better by NCO/Moody's Commercial Paper Division of Moody's Investors Service, Inc., or the successor of either of them, or (iii) certificates of deposit of commercial banks in the United States of America having a capital and surplus aggregating at least \$50,000,000, in each case maturing in not more than one year from the date of such investment (such investments being hereinafter called Investments). Any such obligations shall from time to time be sold and the proceeds reinvested in such Investments as the Railroad may in writing direct. Any interest received by the Vendor on any Investments shall be held by the Vendor and applied as hereinafter provided. Upon any sale or the maturity of any Investments, the proceeds thereof, plus any interest received by the Vendor thereon, up to the cost (including accrued interest) thereof, shall be held by the Vendor for application pursuant to this Article 8, and any excess shall be paid to the Railroad. If such proceeds (plus such interest) shall be less than such cost, the Railroad will promptly pay to the Vendor an amount equal to such deficiency. The Railroad will pay all expenses incurred by the Vendor in connection with the purchase and sale of Investments.

If one or more events of default shall have occurred and be continuing, all money held by the Vendor pursuant to this Article 8 (including, for this purpose, Investments) shall be applied by the Vendor as if such money were money received upon the sale of Equipment pursuant to Article 17 hereof.

In order to facilitate the sale or other disposition of any Equipment suffering a Casualty Occurrence, the Vendor shall, upon request of the Railroad, after payment by the Railroad of a sum equal to the Casualty Value of such Equipment, execute and deliver to the Railroad or the Railroad's vendee, assignee or nominee, a bill of sale (without warranties) for such Equipment, and such other documents as may be required to release such Equipment from the terms and scope of this Agreement, in such form as may be reasonably requested by the Railroad.

ARTICLE 9. Insurance; Maintenance; Compliance with Laws and Rules. The Railroad will at all times prior to the payment of the full indebtedness in respect of the Purchase Price of the Equipment, together with interest thereon and all other payments required hereby, at its own expense, cause to be carried and maintained insurance in respect of the Equipment at the time subject hereto in amounts and against risks customarily insured against by railroad companies on similar equipment, and in any event in amounts and against risks comparable to those insured against by the Railroad on similar equipment owned by it.

The Railroad will at all times maintain the Equipment or cause the Equipment to be maintained in good order and repair at its own expense.

During the term of this Agreement, the Railroad will at all times comply in all respects with all laws of the jurisdictions in which its operations involving the Equipment may extend, with the interchange rules of the Association of American Railroads and with all lawful rules of the Department of Transportation, Interstate Commerce Commission and any other legislative, executive, administrative or judicial body exercising any power or jurisdiction over the Equipment, to the extent that such laws and rules affect the title, operation or use of the Equipment, and in the event that such laws or rules require any alteration, replacement or addition of any part on any unit of the Equipment, the Railroad will conform therewith, at its own expense; provided, however, that the Railroad may, in good faith, contest the validity or application of any such law or rule in any reasonable manner which does not, in the opinion of the Vendor, adversely affect the property or rights of the Vendor under this Agreement.

ARTICLE 10. Reports and Inspections. On or before April 30 in each year, commencing with the calendar year which begins after the date of this Agreement, the Railroad shall furnish to the Vendor its previous year-end financial statements and an accurate statement signed by an officer of the Railroad such information regarding the condition and state of repair of the Equipment as the Vendor may reasonably request. The Vendor shall have the right, by its agents, to inspect the Equipment and the Railroad's records with respect thereto at such reasonable times as the Vendor may request during the term of this Agreement.

ARTICLE 11. Possession and Use. The Railroad, so long as an event of default shall not have occurred under this Agreement and be continuing, shall be entitled to the possession of the Equipment and the use thereof upon the lines of railroad owned or operated by it either alone or jointly with others and whether under lease or otherwise, or upon the lines of railroad owned or operated by any railroad company controlled by, or under common control with, the Railroad, or over which it has trackage rights, or upon connecting and other carriers in the usual interchange of traffic or pursuant to run-through agreements, from and after delivery of the Equipment by the Builder to the Railroad, but only upon and subject to all the terms and conditions of this Agreement.

ARTICLE 12. Prohibition Against Liens. The Railroad will pay or discharge any and all sums claimed by any party from, through or under the

Railroad or its successors or assigns which, if unpaid, might become a lien, charge or security interest on or in the Equipment, or any unit thereof, equal or superior to the Vendor's interest therein; provided, however, that the Railroad shall be under no obligation to pay or discharge any such claim so long as it is contesting in good faith any by appropriate legal proceedings such claim and the nonpayment thereof does not, in the opinion of the Vendor, adversely affect the property or rights of the Vendor in or to the Equipment or otherwise under this Agreement. Any amounts paid by the Vendor in discharge of liens, charges or security interests upon the Equipment shall be secured by and under this Agreement.

This covenant will not be deemed breached by reason of liens for taxes, assessments or governmental charges or levies, in each case not due and delinquent, or undetermined or inchoate materialmen's, mechanic's, workmen's, repairmen's or other like liens arising in the ordinary course of business and, in each case, not delinquent.

ARTICLE 13. Railroad's Indemnities. The Railroad agrees to indemnify, protect and hold harmless the Vendor from and against all losses, damages, injuries, liabilities, claims and demands whatsoever, regardless of the cause thereof, and expenses in connection therewith, including counsel fees arising out of retention by the Vendor of a security interest in the Equipment, the use and operation thereof by the Railroad during the period when said security interest remains in the Vendor or the transfer of said security interest in the Equipment by the Vendor pursuant to any of the provisions of this Agreement, except, however, any losses, damages, injuries, liabilities, claims and demands whatsoever arising out of any tort, breach of warranty or failure to perform any covenant hereunder by the Builder. This covenant of indemnity shall continue in full force and effect notwithstanding the full payment of all sums due under this Agreement, or the satisfaction, discharge or termination of this Agreement in any manner whatsoever.

ARTICLE 14. Patent Indemnities; Builder's Warranty of Material and Workmanship. Except in cases of articles or materials specified by the Railroad and not manufactured by the Builder and in cases of designs, systems, processes, formulae or combinations specified by the Railroad and not developed or purported to be developed by the Builder, the Builder agrees to indemnify, protect and hold harmless the Railroad from and against any and all liability, claims, costs, charges and expenses, including royalty payments and counsel fees, in any manner imposed upon or accruing against the Railroad, its assigns or the users of the Equipment because of the use in or about the construction or operation of any of the Equipment of any design, system, process, formula, combination, article or material which infringes or is claimed to infringe on any patent or other right. The Railroad likewise will indemnify, protect and hold harmless

the Vendor from and against any and all liability, claims, costs, charges and expenses, including royalty payments and counsel fees, in any manner imposed upon or accruing against the Vendor because of the use in or about the construction or operation of any of the Equipment of any article or material specified by the Railroad and not manufactured by the Builder or of any design, system, process, formula or combination specified by the Railroad and not developed or purported to be developed by the Builder which infringes or is claimed to infringe on any patent or other right. The Builder agrees to and hereby does, to the extent legally possible without impairing any claim, right or cause of action hereinafter referred to, assign, set over and deliver to the Railroad every claim, right and cause of action which the Builder has or hereafter shall have against the seller or sellers of any designs, systems, processes, formulae, combinations, articles or materials specified by the Railroad and purchased or otherwise acquired by the Builder for use in or about the construction or operation of any of the Equipment on the ground that any such design, system, process, formula, combination, article or material or operation thereof infringes or is claimed to infringe on any patent or other right. The Builder further agrees to execute and deliver to the Railroad or the users of the Equipment all and every such further assurance as may be reasonably requested by the Railroad more fully to effectuate the assignment and delivery of every such claim, right and cause of action. The Builder will give notice to the Railroad of any claim known to the Builder from which liability may be charged against the Railroad hereunder and the Railroad will give notice to the Builder of any claim known to the Railroad from which liability may be charged against the Builder hereunder. Such covenants of indemnity shall continue in full force and effect notwithstanding the full payment of all sums due under this Agreement, or the satisfaction, discharge or termination of this Agreement in any manner whatsoever.

The Builder shall defend any suit or proceeding brought against the Railroad and/or the assignee of the Builder's rights under this Agreement so far as the same is based on a claim that the Equipment of the Builder's specification, or any part thereof, furnished under this Agreement constitutes an infringement of any patent, if notified promptly in writing and given authority, information and assistance (at the Builder's expense) for the defense of same, and the Builder shall pay all damages and costs awarded therein against the Railroad and/or any such assignee. In case any unit of the Equipment, or any part thereof, is in such suit held to constitute infringement and the use of such unit or part is enjoined, the Builder shall at its option and at its own expense either procure for the Railroad and any such assignee the right to continue using such unit or part, or replace the same with noninfringing equipment subject to this Agreement, or modify it so it becomes noninfringing, or remove such unit or part and refund the purchase price and the transportation and installation costs thereof. If the purchase price is so

refunded, such refund shall be made to the assignee of the Builder's rights under this Agreement if this Agreement has been so assigned, which refund shall be applied in like manner as payments in respect of Casualty Occurrences under Article 8 of this Agreement.

The Builder will not assume liability for patent infringement by reason of purchase, manufacture, sale or use of devices not included in and covered by its specification.

The Builder's warranty of material and workmanship is set forth in Item 3 of Schedule A hereto.

ARTICLE 15. Assignments. The Railroad will not sell, assign, transfer or otherwise dispose of its rights under this Agreement or, except as provided in Article 11 hereof, transfer the right to possession of any unit of the Equipment without first obtaining the written consent of the Vendor. A sale, assignment, transfer or disposition to a railroad company organized under the laws of the United States of America or any of the states thereof which shall acquire all or substantially all the lines of railroad of the Railroad, and which, by execution of an appropriate instrument satisfactory to the Vendor, shall assume and agree to perform each of, and all, the obligations and covenants of the Railroad under this Agreement, shall not be deemed a breach of this covenant, provided such railroad company shall have capital and surplus aggregating at least that of the Railroad immediately prior to such acquisition.

All or any of the rights, benefits and advantages of the Vendor under this Agreement, including the right to receive the payments herein provided to be made by the Railroad, may be assigned by the Vendor and reassigned by any assignee at any time or from time to time. No such assignment shall subject any assignee to, or relieve the Builder from, any of the obligations of the Builder to construct and deliver the Equipment in accordance with this Agreement or to respond to its warranties and indemnities contained or referred to in Article 14 hereof, or relieve the Railroad of any of its obligations to the Builder under Articles 2, 3, 4, 5, 13 and 14 hereof, Schedule A hereto and this Article 15 or of any other obligation which, according to its terms or context, is intended to survive an assignment.

Upon any such assignment either the assignor or the assignee shall give written notice to the Railroad, together with a counterpart or copy of such assignment, stating the identity and post office address of the assignee, and such assignee shall by virtue of such assignment acquire all the assignor's right, title and interest in and to the Equipment and this Agreement, or in and to a portion thereof, as the case may be, subject only to such reservations as may be contained in such assignment. From and after the receipt by the Railroad of the notification of any such assignment, all payments thereafter to be made by the Railroad under this

Agreement shall, to the extent so assigned, be made to the assignee in such manner as it may direct.

The railroad recognizes that it is the custom of railroad equipment manufacturers to assign conditional sale agreements and understands that the assignment of this Agreement, or of some of or all the rights of the Vendor hereunder, is contemplated. The Railroad expressly represents, for the purpose of assurance to any person, firm or corporation considering the acquisition of this Agreement or of all or any of the rights of the Vendor hereunder and for the purposes of inducing such acquisition, that in the event of such assignment by the Vendor as hereinbefore provided, the rights of such assignee to the entire unpaid indebtedness in respect of the Purchase Price or such part thereof as may be assigned, together with interest thereon, as well as any other rights hereunder which may be so assigned, shall not be subject to any defense, setoff, counterclaim or recoupment whatsoever arising out of any breach of any obligation of the Builder with respect to the Equipment or the manufacture, construction, delivery or warranty thereof, or with respect to any indemnity herein contained, nor subject to any defense, setoff, counterclaim or recoupment whatsoever arising by reason of any other indebtedness or liability at any time owing to the Railroad by the Builder. Any and all such obligations, howsoever arising, shall be and remain enforceable by the Railroad against and only against the Builder.

The Railroad will (a) in connection with settlement for the Equipment subsequent to such assignment, deliver to the assignee, at least five business days prior to the Closing Date, all documents required by the terms of such assignment to be delivered to such assignee in connection with such settlement, in such number of counterparts or copies as may reasonably be requested, except for any opinion of counsel for such assignee, and (b) furnish to such assignee such number of counterparts of any other certificate or document required by the Vendor as may reasonably be requested.

If this Agreement shall have been assigned by the Builder or if the assignee shall not make payment to the Builder with respect to its Equipment as provided in the instrument making such assignment, the Builder will promptly notify the Railroad of such event and, if such amount shall not have been previously paid by such assignee, the Railroad will, not later than 90 days after the date such payment was due, pay or cause to be paid to the Builder the aggregate unpaid Purchase Price of such units of its Equipment in cash, together with interest from the day such payment was due to the date of payment by the Railroad at the rate of interest of nine (9) percent per annum.

ARTICLE 16. Defaults. In the event that any one or more of the following events of default shall occur and be continuing, to wit:

(a) the Railroad shall fail to pay in full any indebtedness in respect of the Purchase Price of the Equipment or any other sum payable by the Railroad as provided in this Agreement within ten days after payment thereof shall be due hereunder; or

(b) the Railroad shall, for more than 30 days after the Vendor shall have demanded in writing performance thereof, fail or refuse to comply with any covenant, agreement, term or provision of this Agreement, or of any agreement entered into concurrently herewith relating to the financing of the Equipment on its part to be kept or performed or to make provision satisfactory to the Vendor for such compliance; or

(c) a petition for reorganization under Section 77 of the Bankruptcy Act, as now constituted or as said Section 77 may be hereafter amended, shall be filed by or against the Railroad and, unless such petition shall have been dismissed, nullified, stayed or otherwise rendered ineffective (but then only so long as such stay shall continue in force or such ineffectiveness shall continue), all the obligations of the Railroad under this Agreement shall not have been (and shall not continue to have been) duly assumed in writing, pursuant to a court order or decree, by a trustee or trustees appointed (whether or not subject to ratification) in such proceedings in such manner that such obligations shall have the same status as obligations incurred by such trustee or trustees, within 30 days after such appointment, if any, or 60 days after such petition shall have been filed, whichever shall be earlier; or

(d) any other proceedings shall be commenced by or against the Railroad for any relief under any bankruptcy or insolvency law, or law relating to the relief of debtors, readjustments of indebtedness, reorganizations, arrangements, compositions or extensions (other than a law which does not permit any readjustment of the indebtedness payable hereunder), and, unless such proceedings shall have been dismissed, nullified, stayed or otherwise rendered ineffective (but then only so long as such stay shall continue in force or such ineffectiveness shall continue), all the obligations of the Railroad under this Agreement shall not have been (and shall not continue to have been) duly assumed in writing, pursuant to a court order or decree, by a trustee or trustees or receiver or receivers appointed (whether or not subject to ratification) for the Railroad or for its property in connection with any such

proceedings in such manner that such obligations shall have the same status as obligations incurred by such trustee or trustees or receiver or receivers, within 30 days after such appointment, if any, or 60 days after such proceedings shall have been commenced, whichever shall be earlier; or

(e) the Railroad shall make or suffer any unauthorized assignment or transfer of this Agreement or any interest herein or any unauthorized transfer of the right to possession of the Equipment;

then at any time after the occurrence of such an event of default the Vendor may, upon written notice to the Railroad and upon compliance with any mandatory legal requirements then in force and applicable to such action by the Vendor, declare (hereinafter called a Declaration of Default) the entire indebtedness in respect of the Purchase Price of the Equipment, together with the interest thereon then accrued and unpaid, immediately due and payable, without further demand, and thereafter the aggregate of the unpaid balance of such indebtedness and accrued interest shall bear interest from the date of such Declaration of Default at the higher of twelve (12) percent per annum, or 150% of the prime rate charged by a majority of the largest twelve commercial banks in the United States, to the extent legally enforceable. The Vendor shall thereupon be entitled to recover judgment for the entire unpaid balance of the indebtedness in respect of the Purchase Price of the Equipment so payable, with interest as aforesaid, and to collect such judgment out of any property of the Railroad wherever situated. The Railroad shall promptly notify the Vendor of any event which has come to its attention which constitutes, or which with the giving of notice and/or lapse of time could constitute, an event of default under this Agreement.

The Vendor may at its election waive any such event of default and its consequences and rescind and annul any Declaration of Default by notice to the Railroad in writing to that effect, and thereupon the respective rights of the parties shall be as they would have been if no such event of default had occurred and no Declaration of Default had been made. Notwithstanding the provisions of this paragraph, it is expressly understood and agreed by the Railroad that time is of the essence of this Agreement and that no such waiver, rescission or annulment shall extend to or affect any other or subsequent default or impair any rights or remedies consequent thereon.

ARTICLE 17. Remedies. At any time during the continuance of a Declaration of Default, the Vendor may, subject to compliance with any mandatory legal requirements then in force and applicable to the action to be taken by the Vendor, take or cause to be taken by its agent or agents immediate possession of the Equipment, or one or more of the units

thereof, without liability to return to the Railroad any sums theretofore paid and free from all claims whatsoever, except as hereinafter in this Article 17 expressly provided, and may remove the same from possession and use of the Railroad or any other person and for such purpose may enter upon the Railroad's premises or any other premises where the Equipment may be located and may use and employ in connection with such removal any supplies, services and aids and any available trackage and other facilities or means of the Railroad.

In case the Vendor shall demand possession of the Equipment pursuant to this Agreement and shall reasonably designate a point or points upon the premises of the Railroad for the delivery of the Equipment to the Vendor, the Railroad shall, at its own expense, forthwith and in the usual manner (including, but not by way of limitation, giving prompt telegraphic and written notice to the Association of American Railroads and all railroads to which any part of the Equipment has been interchanged to return the Equipment so interchanged), cause (a) the Equipment to be moved to such point or points on its lines as shall be designated by the Vendor and shall there deliver the Equipment or cause it to be delivered to the Vendor and (b) the Equipment to be moved to such interchange point or points of the Railroad as shall be designated by the Vendor upon any sale, lease or other disposal of the Equipment by the Vendor. At the option of the Vendor, the Vendor may keep the Equipment on any of the lines or premises of the Railroad until the Vendor shall have leased, sold or otherwise disposed of the same, and for such purpose the Railroad agrees to furnish, without charge for rent or storage, the necessary facilities at any point or points selected by the Vendor reasonably convenient to the Railroad and, at the Railroad's risk, to permit inspection of the Equipment by the Vendor, the Vendor's representatives and prospective purchasers and users. This Agreement to deliver the Equipment and furnish facilities as hereinbefore provided is of the essence of the agreement between the parties, and, upon application to any court of equity having jurisdiction in the premises, the Vendor shall be entitled to a decree against the Railroad requiring specific performance hereof. The Railroad hereby expressly waives any and all claims against the Vendor and its agent or agents for damages of whatever nature in connection with any retaking of any unit of the Equipment in any reasonable manner.

At any time during the continuance of a Declaration of Default, the Vendor (after retaking possession of the Equipment as hereinbefore in this Article 17 provided) may at its election and upon such notice as is hereinafter set forth retain the Equipment in satisfaction of the entire indebtedness in respect of the Purchase Price of the Equipment and make such disposition thereof as the Vendor shall deem fit. Written notice of the Vendor's election to retain the Equipment shall be given to the Railroad by telegram or registered mail, addressed as provided in Article 21 hereof, and to any other persons to whom the law may require notice, within 30 days after such Declaration of Default. In the

event that the Vendor should elect to retain the Equipment and no objection is made thereto within the 30-day period described in the second proviso below, all the Railroad's rights in the Equipment shall thereupon terminate and all payments made by the Railroad may be retained by the Vendor as compensation for the use of the Equipment by the Railroad; provided, however, that if the Railroad, before the expiration of the 30-day period described in the proviso below, should pay or cause to be paid to the Vendor the total unpaid balance of the indebtedness in respect of the Purchase Price of the Equipment, together with interest thereon accrued and unpaid and all other payments due under this Agreement as well as expenses of the Vendor in retaking possession of, removing and storing the Equipment and the Vendor's reasonable attorneys' fees, then in such event absolute right to the possession of, title to and property in the Equipment shall pass to and vest in the Railroad.

At any time during the continuance of a Declaration of Default, the Vendor, with or without retaking possession thereof, at its election and upon reasonable notice to the Railroad and to any other persons to whom the law may require notice of the time and place, may sell the Equipment, or any unit thereof, free from any and all claims of the Railroad or any other party claiming from, through or under the Railroad, at law or in equity, at public or private sale and with or without advertisement as the Vendor may determine; provided, however, that if, prior to such sale and prior to the making of a contract for such sale, the Railroad should tender full payment of the total unpaid balance of the indebtedness in respect of the Purchase Price of the Equipment, together with interest thereon accrued and unpaid and all other payments due under this Agreement as well as expenses of the Vendor in retaking possession of, removing, storing, holding and preparing the Equipment for, and otherwise arranging for, the sale and the Vendor's reasonable attorneys' fees, then in such event absolute right to the possession of, title to and property in the Equipment shall pass to and vest in the Railroad. The proceeds of such sale, less the attorneys' fees and any other expenses incurred by the Vendor in retaking possession of, removing, storing, holding, preparing for sale and selling the Equipment, shall be credited on the amount due to the Vendor under the provisions

of this Agreement.

Any sale hereunder may be held or conducted at such place or places and at such time or times as the Vendor may specify, in one lot and as an entirety or in separate lots and without the necessity of gathering at the place of sale the property to be sold, and in general in such manner as the Vendor may determine. The Vendor or the Railroad may bid for and become the purchaser of the Equipment, or any unit thereof, so offered for sale. The Railroad shall be given written notice of such sale not less than ten days prior thereto, by telegram or registered mail addressed to the Railroad as provided in Article 21 hereof. If such sale shall be a private sale (which shall be deemed to mean only a sale where an advertisement for bids has not been published in a newspaper of general circulation or a sale where less than 40 railroads have been solicited in writing to submit bids), it shall be subject to the right of the Railroad to purchase or provide a purchaser, within ten days after notice of the proposed sale price, at the same price offered by the intending purchaser or a better price. In the event that the Vendor shall be the purchaser of the Equipment, it shall not be accountable to the Railroad (except to the extent of surplus money received as hereinafter provided in this Article 17), and in payment of the purchase price therefor the Vendor shall be entitled to have credited on account thereof all or any part of the sums due to the Vendor from the Railroad hereunder. From and after the date of any such sale, the Railroad shall pay to the Vendor the per diem interchange for each unit of Equipment which shall not have been assembled, as hereinabove provided, by the date of such sale for each day from the date of such sale to the date of delivery to the Purchaser at such sale.

Each and every power and remedy hereby specifically given to the Vendor shall be in addition to every other power and remedy hereby specifically given or now or hereafter existing at law or in equity, and each and every power and remedy may be exercised from time to time and simultaneously and as often and in such order as may be deemed expedient by the Vendor. All such powers and remedies shall be cumulative, and the exercise of one shall not be deemed a waiver of the right to exercise any other or others. No delay or omission of the Vendor in the exercise of any such power or remedy and no renewal or extension of any payments due hereunder shall impair any such power or remedy or shall be construed to be a waiver of any default or an acquiescence therein. Any extension of time for payment hereunder or other indulgence duly granted to the Railroad shall not otherwise alter or affect the Vendor's rights or the Railroad's obligations hereunder. The Vendor's acceptance of any payment after it shall have become due hereunder shall not be deemed to alter or affect the Railroad's obligations or the Vendor's rights hereunder with respect to any subsequent payments or default therein.

If, after applying all sums of money realized by the Vendor under the remedies herein provided, there shall remain any amount due to it under the provisions of this Agreement, the Railroad shall pay the amount of such deficiency to the Vendor upon demand, together with interest from the date of such demand to the date of payment by the Railroad at the rate per annum set forth in Article 16 hereof. If the Railroad shall fail to pay such deficiency, the Vendor may bring suit therefor and shall be entitled to recover a judgment therefor against the Railroad. If, after applying as aforesaid all sums realized by the Vendor, there shall remain a surplus in the possession of the Vendor, such surplus shall be paid to the Railroad.

The Railroad will pay all reasonable expenses, including attorneys' fees, incurred by the Vendor in enforcing its remedies under the terms of this Agreement. In the event that the Vendor shall bring any suit to enforce any of its rights hereunder and shall be entitled to judgment, then in such suit the Vendor may recover reasonable expenses, including attorneys' fees, and the amount thereof shall be included in such judgment.

The foregoing provisions of this Article 17 are subject in all respects to all mandatory legal requirements at the time in force and applicable thereto.

ARTICLE 18. Applicable State Laws. Any provision of this Agreement prohibited by any applicable law of any jurisdiction (which is not overridden by applicable Federal law) shall as to such jurisdiction be ineffective, without modifying the remaining provisions of this Agreement. Where, however, the conflicting provisions of any such applicable law may be waived, they are hereby waived by the Railroad to the full extent permitted by law, it being the intention of the parties hereto that this Agreement shall be deemed to be a conditional sale and enforced as such.

Except as otherwise provided in this Agreement, the Railroad, to the full extent permitted by law, hereby waives all statutory or other legal requirements for any notice of any kind, notice of intention to take possession of or to sell or lease the Equipment, or any unit thereof, and any other requirements as to the time, place and terms of the sale or lease thereof, any other requirements with respect to the enforcement of the Vendor's rights under this Agreement and any and all rights of redemption.

ARTICLE 19. Recording. The Railroad will cause this Agreement, any assignments hereof and any amendments or supplements hereto or thereto to be filed and recorded with the Interstate Commerce Commission in accordance with Section 20c of the Interstate Commerce Act; and the Railroad will from time to time do and perform any other act and will

execute, acknowledge, deliver, file, register, deposit and record any and all further instruments required by law or reasonably requested by the Vendor for the purpose of proper protection, to the satisfaction of counsel for the Vendor, of its interest in the Equipment and its rights under this Agreement or for the purpose of carrying out the intention of this Agreement; and the Railroad will promptly furnish to the Vendor certificates or other evidence of such filing, registering, depositing and recording satisfactory to the Vendor.

ARTICLE 20. Payment of Expenses. The Railroad will pay all reasonable costs and expenses (other than the fees and expenses of counsel for the Builder) incident to this Agreement and the first assignment of this Agreement.

ARTICLE 21. Notice. Any notice hereunder to any of the parties designated below shall be deemed to be properly served if delivered or mailed to it at its chief place of business at the following specified addresses:

(a) to the Railroad, at Clarion, Pennsylvania, attention of President,

(b) to the Builder, at its address specified in Item 1 of Schedule A hereto, and

(c) to any assignee of the Vendor or of the Railroad, at such address as may have been furnished in writing to each of the other parties hereto by such assignee,

or at such other address as may have been furnished in writing by such party to the other parties to this Agreement.

ARTICLE 22. Article Headings; Effect and Modification of Agreement. All article headings are inserted for convenience only and shall not affect any construction or interpretation of this Agreement.

This Agreement, including the Schedules hereto, exclusively states the rights of the Vendor and the Railroad with respect to the Equipment and supersedes all other agreements, oral or written, with respect to the Equipment. No variation or modification of this Agreement and no waiver of any of its provisions or conditions shall be valid unless in writing and signed by duly authorized officers of the Vendor and the Railroad.

ARTICLE 23. Law Governing. The Railroad warrants that its chief place of business and its executive offices are located in the state specified in clause (a) of Article 21 hereof. The terms of this Agreement

and all rights and obligations hereunder shall be governed by the laws of New York State; provided, however, that the parties shall be entitled to all rights conferred by Section 20c of the Interstate Commerce Act and such additional rights arising out of the filing, recording or deposit hereof, if any, and of any assignment hereof as shall be conferred by the laws of the several jurisdictions in which this Agreement or any assignment hereof shall be filed, recorded or deposited.

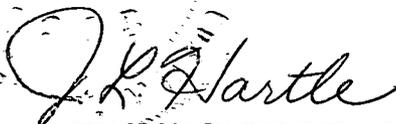
ARTICLE 24. Execution. This Agreement may be executed in any number of counterparts, each of which so executed shall be deemed to be an original, and such counterparts together shall constitute but one and the same contract, which shall be sufficiently evidenced by any such original counterpart. Although this Agreement is dated, for convenience, as of the date first set forth above, the actual date or dates of execution hereof by the parties hereto is or are, respectively, the date or dates stated in the acknowledgments hereto annexed.

IN WITNESS WHEREOF, the parties hereto, each pursuant to due corporate authority, have caused this instrument to be executed in their respective corporate names by their officers, thereunto duly authorized, and their respective corporate seals to be hereunto affixed, duly attested, all as of the date first above written.

LAKE ERIE, FRANKLIN & CLARION RAILROAD COMPANY,


[Corporate Seal]

Attest:



Assistant Secretary

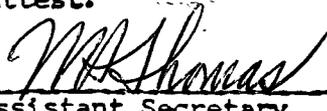
BY:



President


[Corporate Seal]

Attest:



Assistant Secretary

GENERAL MOTORS CORPORATION
(Electro-Motive Division),

BY:



Vice President

SCHEDULE A

Item 1: General Motors Corporation (Electro-Motive Division),
La Grange, Illinois 60525.

Item 2:

GENERAL MOTORS CORPORATION (Electro-Motive Division)

The Builder warrants that its Equipment is of the kind and quality described in, or will be built in accordance with, the Specifications referred to in Article 2 of the Conditional Sale Agreement to which this Schedule A is attached (hereinafter in this Schedule A called the Agreement) and is suitable for the ordinary purposes for which its Equipment is used and warrants each unit of its Equipment to be free from defects in material and workmanship which may develop under normal use and service within two years from the date of delivery of such unit or before such unit has been operated 250,000 miles, whichever event shall first occur. The Builder agrees to correct such defects, which examination shall disclose to the Builders' satisfaction to be defective, by repair or replacement F.O.B. factory and such correction shall constitute fulfillment of the Builder's obligation with respect to such defect under this warranty.

The Builder warrants specialties not of its own specification or design to the same extent that the suppliers of such specialties warrant such items to the Builder.

There are no warranties with respect to material and workmanship, expressed or implied, made by the Builder except the warranties set out above.

Notwithstanding anything to the contrary contained in the Agreement, it is understood and agreed that there will be incorporated in each unit of the Builder's Equipment a limited number of used components which will be remanufactured by the Builder and will be the equivalent of new components.

The Builder reserves the right to make changes in the design of, or add any improvements to, units of its Equipment at any time without incurring any obligation to make similar changes or additions in respect of units of its Equipment previously delivered to the Railroad.

The Builder further agrees with the Railroad that neither the inspection as provided in Article 3 of the Agreement, nor any examination, nor the acceptance of any units of its Equipment as provided in said Article 3 shall be deemed a waiver or a modification by the Railroad of any of its rights under this Item 3.

SCHEDULE B

<u>Type</u>	<u>Builder's Specifications</u>	<u>Builder's Plant</u>	<u>Quantity</u>	<u>Unit Base Price</u>	<u>Total Base Price</u>	<u>Road Numbers (Inclusive)</u>	<u>Estimated Time and Place of Delivery</u>
Model MD-15 diesel-electric loco-motive	8097	La Grange, Illinois	1	\$389,670	\$389,670	26	October 1977 at Clarion, Pennsylvania

AGREEMENT AND ASSIGNMENT

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AGREEMENT AND ASSIGNMENT, dated as of
_____, 1977, between GENERAL MOTORS
ACCEPTANCE CORPORATION, As Assignees and
GENERAL MOTORS CORPORATION (Electro-Motive
Division) (hereinafter called the Builder).

WHEREAS, the Builder and Lake Erie, Franklin & Clarion Railroad Company (hereinafter called the Railroad), have entered into a Conditional Sale Agreement dated as of the date hereof (hereinafter called the Conditional Sale Agreement), covering the construction, sale and delivery, on the conditions therein set forth, by the Builder and the purchase by the Railroad of the railroad equipment described in Schedule B to the Conditional Sale Agreement (said equipment being hereinafter called the Equipment);

NOW, THEREFORE, THIS AGREEMENT AND ASSIGNMENT (hereinafter called this Assignment) WITNESSETH: That, in consideration of the sum of One Dollar (\$1.00) and other good and valuable consideration paid by the Assignees to the Builder, the receipt of which is hereby acknowledged, as well as of the mutual covenants herein contained:

SECTION 1. The Builder hereby assigns, transfers and sets over unto the Assignees, its successors and assigns:

(a) all the right, title and interest of the Builder in and to the Equipment when delivered to and accepted by the Railroad, subject to payment by the Assignees to the Builder of the amount required to be paid under Section 4 hereof;

(b) all the right, title and interest of the Builder in and to the Conditional Sale Agreement (except the right to construct and deliver the Equipment and the right to receive the payments specified in the third paragraph of Article 3 thereof and in subparagraph (a) of the third paragraph of Article 4 thereof and the last paragraph of Article 15 thereof and reimbursements for taxes paid or incurred by the Builder as provided in Article 5 thereof), and in and to any and all amounts which may be or become due or owing by the Railroad to the Builder under the Conditional Sale Agreement

in respect of the Purchase Price (as defined in the Conditional Sale Agreement) of the Equipment and interest thereon, and in and to any other sums becoming due from the Railroad under the Conditional Sale Agreement, other than those hereinabove excluded; and

(c) except as limited by subparagraph (b) hereof, all the Builder's rights, powers, privileges and remedies under the Conditional Sale Agreement;

without any recourse against the Builder for or on account of the failure of the Railroad to make any of the payments provided for in, or otherwise to comply with, any of the provisions of the Conditional Sale Agreement; provided, however, that this Assignment shall not subject the Assignees to, or transfer, or pass, or in any way affect or modify, the liability of the Builder to construct and deliver the Equipment in accordance with the Conditional Sale Agreement or with respect to its obligations contained or referred to in Article 14 of the Conditional Sale Agreement, or relieve the Railroad from its obligations to the Builder contained or referred to in Articles 2, 3, 4, 5, 13, 14 and 15 of the Conditional Sale Agreement, it being understood and agreed that, notwithstanding this Assignment, or any subsequent assignment pursuant to the provisions of Article 15 of the Conditional Sale Agreement, all obligations of the Builder to the Railroad with respect to the Equipment shall be and remain enforceable by the Railroad, its successors and assigns, against and only against the Builder. In furtherance of the foregoing assignment and transfer, the Builder hereby authorizes and empowers the Assignees, in the Assignees' own name or in the name of the Assignees' nominee, or in the name of and as attorney hereby irrevocably constituted for the Builder, to ask, demand, sue for, collect, receive and enforce any and all sums to which the Assignees are or may become entitled under this Assignment and to ask, demand, sue for and enforce compliance by the Railroad with the terms and agreements on its part to be performed under the Conditional Sale Agreement, but at the expense and liability and for the sole benefit of the Assignees.

SECTION 2. The Builder agrees that it shall construct the Equipment in full accordance with the Conditional Sale Agreement and will deliver the same upon completion to the Railroad in accordance with the provisions of the Conditional Sale Agreement; and that, notwithstanding this Assignment, it will perform and fully comply with each of and all the covenants and conditions of the Conditional Sale Agreement set forth to be performed and complied with by the Builder. The Builder further agrees that it will warrant to the Assignees and the Railroad that at the

time of delivery of the Equipment under the Conditional Sale Agreement it had legal title to such Equipment and good and lawful right to sell such Equipment and that title to such Equipment was free of all claims, liens, security interests and other encumbrances (other than those created by the Conditional Sale Agreement); and the Builder further agrees that it will defend the title to the Equipment against the demands of all persons whomsoever based on claims originating prior to the delivery of such Equipment by the Builder under the Conditional Sale Agreement; all subject, however, to the provisions of the Conditional Sale Agreement and the rights of the Railroad thereunder.

SECTION 3. The Builder agrees with the Assignees that in any suit, proceeding or action brought by the Assignees under the Conditional Sale Agreement for any installment of, or interest on, indebtedness in respect of the Purchase Price of its Equipment or to enforce any provision of the Conditional Sale Agreement, the Builder will indemnify, protect and hold harmless the Assignees from and against all expense, loss or damage suffered by reason of any defense, setoff, counterclaim or recoupment whatsoever of the Railroad arising out of a breach by the Builder of any obligation with respect to the Equipment or the manufacture, construction, delivery or warranty thereof, or by reason of any defense, setoff, counterclaim or recoupment whatsoever arising by reason of any other indebtedness or liability at any time owing to the Railroad by the Builder. The Builder's obligation so to indemnify, protect and hold harmless the Assignees is conditional upon (a) the Assignees' timely motion or other appropriate action, on the basis of Article 15 of the Conditional Sale Agreement, to strike any defense, setoff, counterclaim or recoupment asserted by the Railroad in any such suit, proceeding or action and (b) if the court or other body having jurisdiction in such suit, proceeding or action denies such motion or other action and accepts such defense, setoff, counterclaim or recoupment as a triable issue in such suit, proceeding or action, the Assignees' prompt notification to the Builder of the asserted defense, setoff, counterclaim or recoupment and the Assignees giving the Builder the right, at the Builder's expense, to compromise, settle or defend against such defense, setoff, counterclaim or recoupment.

Except in cases of articles or materials specified by the Railroad and not manufactured by the Builder and in cases of designs, systems, processes, formulae or combinations specified by the Railroad and not developed or purported to be developed by the Builder, the Builder agrees, except as otherwise specifically provided in the Conditional Sale Agreement, to indemnify, protect and hold harmless the Assignees from and against any and all liability, claims, costs, charges and expenses, including royalty payments and counsel fees, in any manner imposed upon or

accruing against the Assignees or their assigns because of the use in or about the construction or operation of any of its Equipment of any design, system, process, formula, combination, article or material which infringes or is claimed to infringe on any patent or other right. The Assignees will give prompt notice to the Builder of any such liability or claim actually known to the Assignees and will give the Builder the right, at the Builder's expense, to compromise, settle or defend against such claim. The Builder agrees that any amounts payable to it by the Railroad with respect to its Equipment, with the exception of amounts payable pursuant to subparagraph (a) of the third paragraph of Article 4 of the Conditional Sale Agreement (other than amounts owing under supplemental invoices as therein provided), whether pursuant to the Conditional Sale Agreement or otherwise, not hereby assigned to the Assignees, shall not be secured by any lien, charge or security interest upon the Equipment.

SECTION 4. The Assignees, on the Closing Date, shall pay to the Builder an amount equal to the portion of the Purchase Price of the Equipment as shown on the invoice therefor then being settled for which, under the terms of said Article 4, is payable in installments, provided that there shall have been delivered to the Assignee, as provided in Article 15 of the Conditional Sale Agreement, on or before the Closing Date, the following documents, in form and substance satisfactory to it and to its special counsel hereinafter mentioned, in such number of counterparts as may be reasonably requested by said special counsel:

(a) a bill of sale from the Builder to the Assignees transferring to the Assignees the security interest of the Builder in the Equipment warranting to the Assignees and to the Railroad that at the time of delivery under the Conditional Sale Agreement the Builder had legal title to the Equipment and good and lawful right to sell the same and that the Equipment was free of all claims, liens, security interests and other encumbrances (other than those created by the Conditional Sale Agreement), and covenanting to defend the title to the Equipment against the demands of all persons whomsoever based on claims originating prior to the delivery of the Equipment by the Builder under the Conditional Sale Agreement;

(b) a Certificate or Certificates of Acceptance with respect to the units of Equipment in such Group as contemplated by Article 3 of the Conditional Sale Agreement;

(c) an invoice of the Builder for the units of Equipment in such Group and any supplemental invoice for which settlement is then being made, in each case accompanied by or having endorsed thereon a certification by the Railroad as to the correctness of the prices stated therein;

(d) an opinion of Calvert Thomas, Esq., who is acting as counsel for the vendor, dated as of such Closing Date, stating that (i) the Conditional Sale Agreement has been duly authorized, executed and delivered by the Railroad and the Builder and is a legal, valid and binding instrument, enforceable in accordance with its terms, (ii) this Assignment has been duly authorized, executed and delivered by the Builder and the Assignees and is a legal, valid and binding instrument enforceable in accordance with its terms, (iii) the Assignees are vested with all the rights, titles, interests, powers and privileges purported to be assigned to it by this Assignment, (iv) the Assignee has a valid and perfected security interest in the Equipment at the time of delivery thereof to the Railroad under the Conditional Sale Agreement, were free from all claims, liens, security interests and other encumbrances (other than those created by the Conditional Sale Agreement), (v) no approval of the Interstate Commerce Commission or any other governmental authority is necessary for the valid execution and delivery of the Conditional Sale Agreement or this Assignment, or if any such authority is necessary, it has been obtained, (vi) the Conditional Sale Agreement and this Assignment have been duly filed and recorded with the Interstate Commerce Commission in accordance with Section 20c of the Interstate Commerce Act and no other filing or recordation is necessary for the protection of the rights of the Assignee in any state of the United States of America or in the District of Columbia and (vii) registration of the Conditional Sale Agreement, this Assignment, and such opinion shall also cover such other matters as may reasonably be requested by the Assignees;

(e) an opinion of counsel for the Railroad, dated as of such Closing Date, to the effect that (i) the Railroad is a duly organized and existing corporation in good standing under the laws of its jurisdiction of incorporation and has the power and authority to own its properties and to carry on its business as now conducted and (ii) there are no actions, suits or proceedings

(whether or not purportedly on behalf of the Railroad) pending or threatened against or affecting the Railroad or any property rights of the Railroad at law, in admiralty or in equity, or before any commission or other administrative agency, which could materially and adversely affect the condition, financial or otherwise, of the Railroad; and the Railroad is not in default with respect to any order or decree of any court or governmental commission, agency or instrumentality;

(f) an opinion of counsel for the Builder, dated as of such Closing Date, to the effect set forth in clauses (iii) and (v) of subparagraph (d) above in respect of its Equipment and stating that (i) the Builder is a duly organized and existing corporation in good standing under the laws of its jurisdiction of incorporation and has the power and authority to own its properties and to carry on its business as now conducted, (ii) the Conditional Sale Agreement has been duly authorized, executed and delivered by the Builder and is a legal and valid instrument binding upon the Builder and enforceable against the Builder in accordance with its terms and (iii) this Assignment has been duly authorized, executed and delivered by the Builder and is a legal and valid instrument binding upon the Builder; and

(g) a receipt from the Builder for any payment (other than the payment being made by the Assignees pursuant to the first paragraph of this Section 4) required to be made on such Closing Date to such Builder with respect to the Equipment, unless such payment is made by the Assignees with funds furnished to it for that purpose by the Railroad.

In giving the opinions specified in subparagraphs (d), (e) and (f) of the first paragraph of this Section 4, counsel may qualify any opinion to the effect that any agreement is a legal, valid and binding instrument enforceable in accordance with its terms by a general reference to limitations as to enforceability imposed by bankruptcy, insolvency, reorganization, moratorium or other similar laws affecting the enforcement of creditors' rights generally. In giving the opinion specified in said subparagraphs (d) and (e), counsel may rely on the opinion of counsel for the Builder as to authorization, execution and delivery by the Builder of the documents executed by the Builder and as to title to the Equipment at the time of delivery thereof under the Conditional Sale Agreement.

The Assignees shall not be obligated to make payment at any time after the commencement of any proceedings specified in clause (c) or (d) of Article 16 of the Conditional Sale Agreement or if an event of default,

or any event which with the lapse of time and/or demand provided for in the Conditional Sale Agreement could constitute an event of default, shall have occurred and be continuing under the Conditional Sale Agreement. In the event that the Assignees shall not make payment for the Equipment, the Assignees shall reassign to the Builder, without recourse to the Assignees, all right, title and interest of the Assignees in and to the Equipment with respect to which payment has not been made by the Assignees.

SECTION 5. The Assignees may assign all or any of their rights under the Conditional Sale Agreement, including the right to receive any payments due or to become due to them from the Railroad thereunder. In the event of any such assignment any such subsequent or successive assignee or assignees shall, to the extent of such assignment, enjoy all the rights and privileges and be subject to all the obligations of the Assignees hereunder.

SECTION 6. The Builder hereby:

(a) represents and warrants to the Assignees, its successors and assigns, that the Conditional Sale Agreement was duly authorized by it and lawfully executed and delivered by it for a valid consideration, that, assuming due authorization, execution and delivery by the Railroad, the Conditional Sale Agreement is, in so far as the Builder is concerned, a valid and existing agreement binding upon it and the Railroad in accordance with its terms and that it is now in force without amendment thereto;

(b) agrees that it will from time to time and at all times, at the request of the Assignees or their successors or assigns, make, execute and deliver all such further instruments of assignment, transfer and assurance and do such further acts and things as may be necessary and appropriate in the premises to give effect to the provisions hereinabove set forth and more perfectly to confirm the rights, titles and interests hereby assigned and transferred to the Assignees or intended so to be; and

(c) agrees that, upon request of the Assignees, their successors and assigns, it will execute any and all instruments which may be necessary or proper in order to discharge of record the Conditional Sale Agreement or any other instrument evidencing any interest of the Builder therein or in the Equipment.

SECTION 7. The terms of this Assignment and all rights and obligations hereunder shall be governed by the laws of the State of New York; provided, however, that the parties shall be entitled to all the rights conferred as provided in Article 23 of the Conditional Sale Agreement.

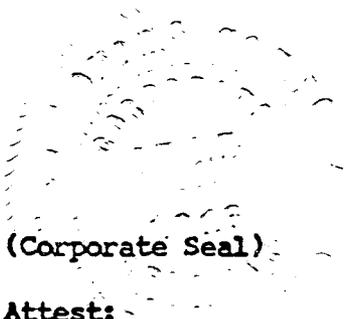
SECTION 8. The Assignees agree to deliver an executed counterpart of this Assignment to the Railroad, which delivery shall constitute due notice of the assignment hereby made. Although this Assignment is dated for convenience as of the date first set forth above, the actual date or dates of execution hereof by the parties hereto is or are, respectively, the date or dates stated in the acknowledgments hereto annexed.

SECTION 9. This Assignment may be executed in any number of counterparts, all of which together shall constitute a single instrument.

IN WITNESS WHEREOF, the parties hereto, each pursuant to due authority, have caused this instrument to be executed in their respective corporate names by duly authorized officers, and their respective corporate seals to be hereunto affixed and duly attested, all as of the date first above written.

GENERAL MOTORS CORPORATION
(Electro-Motive Division),

BY: P.K. Hogan
Vice President


(Corporate Seal)

Attest:

W.K. Thomas
Assistant Secretary

GENERAL MOTORS ACCEPTANCE CORPORATION

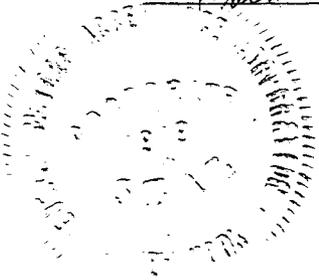
BY: *J. R. Samardak*
VICE PRESIDENT

(Corporate Seal)

Attest:

Carl M. Colby

SECRETARY



STATE OF NEW YORK)
) ss.:
COUNTY OF NEW YORK)

On this 12th day of October 1977, before me personally appeared W.R. Samardich, to me personally known, who, being by me duly sworn, says that he is Vice President of GENERAL MOTORS ACCEPTANCE CORPORATION, that one of the seals affixed to the foregoing instrument is the corporate seal of said corporation, that said instrument was signed and sealed on behalf of said corporation by authority of its Board of Directors and he acknowledged that the execution of the foregoing instrument was the free act and deed of said corporation.



Patricia A. Sheehan
Notary Public

(NOTARIAL SEAL)

My Commission expires

PATRICIA A. SHEEHAN
Notary Public, State of New York
No. 41223095
Qualified in Queens County
Certificate Filed in New York County
Commission Expires March 30, 1978

ACKNOWLEDGMENT OF NOTICE OF ASSIGNMENT

LAKE ERIE, FRANKLIN & CLARION RAILROAD COMPANY hereby acknowledges notice of and consents to the assignment made by the foregoing Agreement and Assignment as of October 15, 1977.

LAKE ERIE, FRANKLIN & CLARION RAILROAD COMPANY

BY: Jay T. Miller
President