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United States Department of Transportation
Federal Motor Carrier Safety Administration

Broker's or Freight Forwarder's Trust Fund Agreement under 49 U.S.C. 13906 or Notice of Cancellation of the Agreement

FORM BMC-85

Filer FMCSA Account Number: _____

KNOW ALL MEN BY THESE PRESENTS, that we, _____,
(Name of Broker or Freight Forwarder)
of _____,
(Street) (City) (State) (Zip)
as TRUSTOR (hereinafter called Trustor), and _____,
(Name of Trustee)
a financial institution created and existing under the laws of the State of _____ as TRUSTEE (hereinafter called Trustee)
(State)

hold and firmly bind ourselves and our heirs, executors, administrators, successors, and assigns, jointly and severally, firmly by these presents.

WHEREAS, the Trustor is or intends to become either a Broker or a Freight Forwarder pursuant to the provisions of the Title 49 U.S.C. 13904, and the rules and regulations of the Federal Motor Carrier Safety Administration (FMCSA) relating to insurance or other security for the protection of motor carriers and shippers, and has elected to file with the Federal Motor Carrier Safety Administration such a Trust Fund Agreement as will ensure financial responsibility and the supplying of transportation subject to the ICC Termination Act of 1995 in accordance with contracts, agreements, or arrangements therefor, and

WHEREAS, this Trust Fund Agreement is written to assure compliance by the Trustor as either a licensed Broker or a licensed Freight Forwarder of Transportation by motor vehicle with 49 U.S.C 13906(b), and the rules and regulations of the Federal Motor Carrier Safety Administration, relating to insurance or other security for the protection of motor carriers or shippers, and shall inure to the benefit of any and all motor carriers or shippers to whom the Trustor may be legally liable for any of the damages herein described.

NOW, THEREFORE, the trustor and trustee, to accomplish the above, agree as follows:

- Trustee agrees that payments made pursuant to the security provided herein to shippers and motor carriers pursuant to this Agreement will be made exclusively and directly to shippers or motor carriers that are parties to contracts, agreements or arrangements with Trustor.
- Trustee agrees that the protection afforded to shippers and motor carriers hereby will continue until any and all claims made by shippers or motor carriers for which Trustor may be legally liable have been settled or until the funds deposited by Trustor pursuant to this Agreement have been exhausted, whichever comes first.
- The parties hereto acknowledge and certify that said Trustee shall exclusively manage the security and trust fund, as herein set forth, and shall have legal title to the security and trust fund, pursuant to the terms and conditions as set forth in this agreement. Further, the parties hereto, and the said Trustee, as evidenced by their signatures to this agreement, acknowledge and certify that (a) said Trustee, neither has nor expects to have any interest, financial, proprietary, or otherwise, whatsoever, in Trustor; and (b) said Trustor, neither has nor expects to have any interest, financial, proprietary, or otherwise, whatsoever, in Trustee.
- Trustee acknowledges the receipt of the sum of Seventy Five Thousand Dollars (\$75,000) for a Broker or Freight Forwarder, to be held in trust under the terms and conditions set forth herein.
- Trustee may, within its sole discretion, invest the funds comprising the corpus of this trust fund consistent with its fiduciary obligation under applicable law.
- Trustee shall pay, up to a limit of Seventy Five Thousand Dollars (\$75,000) for a Broker or Freight Forwarder, directly to a shipper or motor carrier any sum or sums which Trustee, in good faith, determines that the Trustor has failed to pay and would be held legally liable by reason of Trustor's failure to perform faithfully its contracts, agreements, or arrangements for transportation by authorized motor carriers, made by Trust or while this agreement is in effect, regardless of the financial responsibility or lack thereof, or the solvency or bankruptcy, of Trustor.

