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# Election Of Withholding

Contract Number:		Trust or Entity Name:		
(Prefix)	Legal Name (First)	(Middle)	(Last)	(Suffix)

## TAX WITHHOLDING ELECTION

### SEE STATE SPECIFIC INSTRUCTIONS ON PAGE 2.

Federal law requires us to withhold 10% of the taxable portion of your distribution for federal income tax. You may elect not to have federal income tax withheld or you may elect a higher withholding rate. Even if you elect not to have federal income tax withheld, you may be responsible for paying estimated taxes. You may incur penalties under the estimated tax rules if your payment of estimated tax and withholding, if any, are not sufficient to satisfy your tax liabilities.

Your distribution may also be subject to state income tax withholding. Some states require that state income tax be withheld when federal income tax is withheld. Additionally, some states have minimum withholding requirements. If you live in one of these states, we will withhold state income tax as required by your state. In other states, withholding is voluntary. If you do not make a withholding election, or if you do not specify a withholding amount, we will withhold 10% federal income tax and will not withhold any state income tax, unless a different amount is required by your state.

### See Instructions Page for State Specific Tax Withholding Instructions

**Federal Withholding Election:** (Please choose one)

- I DO NOT want federal income tax withheld.
- I DO want the following federal income tax withheld: \_\_\_\_\_% federal (minimum withholding is \$10.00.)

**State Withholding Election:** (Please choose one)

- I DO NOT want state income tax withheld.
- I DO want the following state income tax withheld: \_\_\_\_\_% state (minimum withholding is \$10.00.)

**In which state do you file your taxes?** \_\_\_\_\_

## TAX PAYER IDENTIFICATION NUMBER (MUST BE COMPLETED)

\_\_\_\_\_ OR \_\_\_\_\_  
 Social Security Number Employer Identification Number

## TAX IDENTIFICATION CERTIFICATION (SUBSTITUTE W-9)

Under penalties of perjury, I certify that:

1. My Social Security number or taxpayer identification number shown on this form is correct;
2. I am not subject to backup withholding due to failure to report interest or dividend income;
3. I am a U.S. citizen or other U.S. person (as defined in the W-9 instructions); and
4. I am not subject to FATCA reporting because I am a U.S. person and the account is located within the United States.

**Certification Instructions – You must cross out item 2 above if you have been notified by the IRS that you are currently subject to backup withholding because you have failed to report all interest or dividends on your tax return. If you are not a U.S. citizen or other U.S. person for tax purposes, please cross out certifications 3 and 4 and complete and return to us the appropriate IRS documentation.**



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## PLEASE SIGN & DATE BELOW

The Internal Revenue Service does not require your consent to any provision of this document other than the certifications required to avoid backup withholding.

Owner's Signature\* \_\_\_\_\_

\_\_\_\_\_ Date

\*If you are signing on behalf of the owner, please indicate the capacity in which you are signing:

Trustee    Attorney-in-Fact    Conservator/guardian    Other: \_\_\_\_\_

Joint Owner's Signature\* \_\_\_\_\_

\_\_\_\_\_ Date

\*If you are signing on behalf of the joint owner, please indicate the capacity in which you are signing:

Trustee    Attorney-in-Fact    Conservator/guardian    Other: \_\_\_\_\_

## STATE SPECIFIC INSTRUCTIONS:

**Arizona residents:** If you want to have Arizona taxes withheld, you must submit Form A-4P.

**Arkansas residents:** We are required to withhold state income tax from the taxable portion of your distribution, unless you elect not to withhold using Form AR4P.

**Connecticut residents:** We are required to withhold state income tax from the taxable portion of your distribution on a full surrender. Connecticut does not allow taxpayers to elect out of withholding on full surrenders. We are required to withhold state income tax from the taxable portion of all other distributions, unless you elect not to withhold using Form CT-W4P.

**District of Columbia residents:** We are required to withhold state income tax from the taxable portion of your distribution on a full surrender from a *qualified* plan (i.e. all contracts other than non-qualified contracts). The District of Columbia does not allow taxpayers to elect out of withholding on full surrenders from *qualified* plans.

**Georgia residents:** If you want to elect not to withhold state income tax, submit form G-4P.

**Michigan residents:** If you were born after 1945, we are required to withhold state income tax from the taxable portion of your distribution, unless you elect not to withhold using Form MI-W4P.

**New York residents:** If you want to have New York state taxes withheld, submit Form IT-2104-P.

**North Carolina residents:** We are required to withhold state income tax from the taxable portion of your distribution, unless you elect not to withhold using Form NC-4P.

Please consult a tax advisor for more information on withholding requirements for your state.