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- 14. Seller shall not be liable for damages due to default or delay in production or delivery of all or any part of the products ordered or to property of Buyer which result directly or indirectly from labor or work disputes, embargoes, fire, explosion, riots, national emergency, fuel or material shortages, government restrictions or orders, delays of suppliers or carriers, accident to or breakdown of plant machinery or equipment, act of God, commercial impracticality, or any condition or cause beyond the control of Seller.
- 15. Prices quoted are F.O.B. Seller's plant in Wheeling, IL and are subject to adjustment to Seller's prices in effect at the time of shipment. Changes involving extra work or material not included in the quotation shall be only at Buyer's expense. Terms of payment are as shown and shall be effective from date of invoice.
- 16. Any taxes or charges which Seller may be required to pay or collect under any existing or future law applicable to the sales of the products hereunder shall be added to the price or in lieu thereof Buyer may provide Seller with a tax exemption certificate or receipts for payment of such taxes acceptable to Seller and taxing authorities. All quoted prices are exclusive of all sales, use, gross income, occupational and similar taxes, which will be either billed or assumed by Purchaser as Seller may elect.
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- 18. Seller has the right to ship in installments. Installments may be separately invoiced by Seller and shall be paid for when due without regard to subsequent deliveries. Delay in the delivery of an installment shall not relieve Buyer if its obligations to accept the remainder of the order. Any shipment prior to acceptance of this document is an accommodation by Seller and subject to these TERMS AND CONDITIONS.
- 19. If at any time in Seller's sole opinion, Buyer's credit is impaired, Seller shall have the right to require payment in advance before further shipment. If Buyer shall fail to make such payment in advance or shall fail to make any other payment when due or shall breach any provision of these TERMS AND CONDITIONS, Seller shall have the right to terminate upon notice without prejudice to any other remedies Seller may have.
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shortage may be added to or deducted from any shipment under this order or any overrun may be used to create an additional final shipment under this order.

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- 22. All tools, jigs, fixtures, dies, drawings, processes, knowhow, engineering, design and other facilities, rights or property of Seller, used in fabricating products for the Buyer, are Seller's exclusive property whether or not the cost thereof has been paid in any way by Buyer. All tools, dies, jigs, fixtures or other special machinery or equipment of Buyer which remains in Seller's possession more than thirty (30) days after the completion by Seller of Buyer's order shall so remain with Seller at Buyer's risk, and Seller shall have no responsibility to see to their safekeeping.
- 23. If quality level and sampling procedures are specific by Buyer after quotation, Seller shall have the sole right to adjust the quotation or delivered price to include the additional cost, if any, or terminate the order. Conformance of products to accepted samples or to previously accepted production or practice shall be deemed to be conformance to specifications.
- 24. Buyer agrees to do a receiving inspection of the products upon receipt. Claims that the products are unsatisfactory shall be made by Buyer within ten (10) days of receipt. Buyer hereby expressly waives provisions of the U.C.C. regarding notification to a seller contrary to this paragraph.
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- 28. No one is authorized by Seller to bind it to any oral affirmation, assurance, representation, promise or warranty concerning its products or services. Product descriptions are approximate and for identification only. Information, statements, suggestions, or service to Buyer or purchases of Buyer by salesman, engineers or other representatives of Seller or contained in advertising, promotional material, catalogs, brochures and the like are for explanation and/or cooperation or assistance and are not warranties or warranted or a part of the basis of the bargain and Seller shall not be deemed to incur legal liability for them. Cooperation or assistance in connection with insurance matters or product difficulties shall not be claimed or deemed to be waivers or admissions by Seller.
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- 30. It is expressly understood that Seller's price is based on the allocation of risk set forth in these TERMS AND CONDITIONS and that Buyer has not bargained for nor is it entitled to damages in excess of the purchasing price. The EXCLUSIVE REMEDY provided hereinafter shall not be deemed to have failed of its essential purpose, even if difficulties are first discovered after the products are in use, so long as Seller is willing and able to repair or replace the products comprising the failure within its normal "lead" time or to refund the purchase price in the prescribed manner.
- 31. Seller warrants for a period of thirty days (30) from the date of shipment that its products are manufactured and shipped free from substantial defects in materials and workmanship and are in conformance with Certificates of Conformance or Compliance or the like, if any, signed by its authorized representative provided, however, that

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