ARC Pay Agreement

The parties to this ARC Pay Agreement and the attached ARC Pay Supplemental Terms and Conditions ("Supplement"), collectively referred to as the "Agreement," are Airlines Reporting Corporation, headquartered in Arlington, Virginia ("ARC") and ______________________ ("Entity"), which submits to ARC using a credit, charge, or debit card (collectively "credit card") a Transaction, as defined further below (alternatively referred to as an "ARC Pay Transaction") and has satisfied the ARC Pay Application and acceptance requirements.

The purpose of this Agreement is to address how Entity submits and processes ARC Pay Transactions and to outline the rights and obligations of the parties to this Agreement.

In consideration of these statements and the mutual covenants and agreements, the parties acknowledge, understand, and agree as follows:

Article I. Scope of Agreement

1. Defined Terms: Capitalized terms not defined elsewhere in this Agreement have the following meaning:

1.1 "Account" means an account at any federally insured financial institution in the United States, established and maintained by Entity and reasonably approved by ARC.

1.2 "Alternative Business Requirement Agreement (ABRA)" means part of a monitoring program into which an Entity may be required to enter if ARC, in its sole discretion, determines that the Entity is or may be engaging in, or has or may have engaged in, conduct that could result or may have resulted in a breach of any of the terms of this Agreement or of any requirements established by any Payment Brand, or is conducting or has conducted business in a way which could be deemed harmful to the ARC Pay product or brand or to ARC’s brand or reputation. Conduct which may cause ARC to require an ABRA can include, but is not limited to, excessive Chargebacks or Fraud.

1.3 "Application" means any and all information that ARC may require Entity to submit to ARC in order to determine whether or not to grant Entity’s access to the ARC Pay product.

1.4 "ARC-Accredited Entity" means an Entity that has entered into, and is subject to the terms and conditions of, a Reporting Agreement.

1.5 "ARC Mark" shall have the meaning set forth in Section 20.

1.6 "Carrier" means any airline, railroad or other Entity that provides transportation services and: (1) has appointed a resident agent subject to the service of process within the United States; (2) is authorized by the government of any nation to engage in passenger transportation; and (3) has executed the Carrier Services Agreement with ARC, or is otherwise authorized by ARC, to participate in ARC programs and services.

1.7 "Cardholder" (also referred to as "Card Member" in some Payment Brand materials) means the person whose name is embossed upon the face of the credit card and...
who purports to be the person in whose name the credit card is issued.

1.8 “Cardholder Data” shall have the same meaning as set forth by the PCI DSS Glossary.

1.9 “Chargeback” means the reversal and return of the value of an ARC Pay Transaction (or disputed portion thereof) to a Cardholder by the issuer of Cardholder’s credit card.

1.10 “Consolidator” means an Entity that processes Transactions on behalf of one or more Sub-Entities.

1.11 “Credit Card Association” means any of (i) Visa; (ii) Mastercard; (iii) American Express; (iv) Discover; (v) Diners Club International Ltd.; (vi) JCB International Co., Ltd.; (vii) China UnionPay Co., Ltd; and (viii) any other organization or association that hereafter contracts with ARC to authorize, capture, and settle Transactions effected with credit cards issued or sponsored by such organization or association, and any successor organization or association to any of the foregoing.

1.12 “Fraud” or “Fraudulent” means any deceitful or dishonest conduct, including but not limited to, misrepresentations, falsifications, trickery, deception, theft, forgery, misappropriation, or other similar conduct, whether criminal or not, by Entity or its Representative.

1.13 “Internet Entity” means an Entity that operates only on the Internet without a brick-and-mortar physical location.

1.14 “Laws” means any law, statute, ordinance, rule, regulation, order, writ, judgment, injunction, treaty, or decree of any nation or government, any state, municipality or other political subdivision thereof and any entity, body, agency, commission or court, whether domestic, foreign or multinational, exercising executive, legislative, judicial, regulatory or administrative functions of or pertaining to government and any executive official thereof.

1.15 “Mark” shall have the meaning set forth in Section 20.

1.16 “Payment Brand” means any credit card payment brand accepted by ARC for processing, including, without limitation, Visa, Mastercard, Discover, American Express and other credit card providers.

1.17 “Payment Network” means any Credit Card Association, electronic funds transfer network, electronic check services association or automated clearing house association, governmental agency or authority, and any other entity or association that issues or sponsors a Payment Device or operates a network on which a Payment Device is processed.

1.18 “Personal Information” means any information that can be used to distinguish or trace an individual’s identity, either alone or when combined with other personal or identifying information that is linked or linkable to a specific individual.

1.19 “Privacy and Information Security Requirements” means all applicable Laws relating in any way to the privacy, confidentiality, collection, retention, use or security of Personal Information or Transaction Information, including: EU Data Directive 95/46/EC, as of
May 25, 2018, the General Data Protection Regulation (EU) 2016/679 (“GDPR”); the Gramm-Leach-Bliley Act; Laws regulating unsolicited email communications; security breach notification laws; Laws imposing minimum security requirements; Laws requiring the secure disposal of records containing certain Personal Information; and all other similar international, federal, state, provincial, and local requirements.

1.20 “Reporting Agreement” means a separate agreement to which Entity, Carrier, and ARC are parties, governing Entity’s sale of tickets for air travel provided by Carrier.

1.21 “Representative(s)” means any of Entity’s employees, affiliates, subcontractors, or agents, or any third-party associated with Entity.

1.22 “Reserve Account” shall have the meaning set forth in Section 16.2.

1.23 “Rules” means the rules, regulations, and other requirements of any Payment Brand or related authority, including, without limitation, those of the PCI Security Standards Council, LLC and the National Automated Clearing House Association, as amended from time to time. “Rules” includes without limitation the Visa USA, Inc. Operating Regulations, Visa International Operating Regulations, Mastercard Rules, Discover Operating Regulations, and the American Express Merchant Operating Guide. Capitalized terms not defined herein shall have the meanings set forth in the Rules.

1.24 “Services” means the payment processing and related services provided by ARC to Entity pursuant to this Agreement, including but not limited to the Web Services, as may be further detailed herein.

1.25 “Sub-Entity” means any individual or business entity that may be, but is not required to be, an ARC-Accredited Entity or VTC that issues or engages in Transactions facilitated by a Consolidator.

1.26 “Transaction” means Entity’s sale of any products or services related to the travel industry or travel bookings, including but not limited to airline tickets, hotel bookings, cruises, tours, hotels, car rentals, or other travel-related package deals.

1.27 “Transaction Information” means any information concerning a Transaction, including, but not limited to, Personal Information and financial data.

1.28 “VTC” or “Verified Travel Consultant” means an individual or business entity that has entered into the ARC VTC Program Agreement (“VTC Agreement”) with ARC, and does not hold the authority to issue passenger tickets for travel on Carrier.

2. This Agreement:

2.1. Becomes effective between ARC and Entity when ARC (a) ARC has approved Entity’s Application and (b) Entity issues an ARC Pay transaction. In all instances Entity’s owners, managers, associates, Representatives, and all other parties who have the right to act on behalf of the agency will be vetted as part of ARC’s due diligence and Know Your Customer (KYC) procedures.

2.2. Governs the terms and conditions under which Entity is authorized to issue and submit
a Transaction to ARC, as part of a product currently known as “ARC Pay” the name of which may change from time-to-time;

2.3. Supersedes any and all prior agreements between ARC and the Entity, other than any Reporting Agreement, unless otherwise stated in a separately executed agreement or other document to which ARC and the Entity are both parties; and

2.4. Does not in any way guarantee, or otherwise obligate ARC to permit, Entity’s access to any of ARC’s other products or services, including those that may be subject to a Reporting Agreement.

2.5. Incorporates by reference the latest version of “Instructions for ARC Pay Transactions” (“ARC Pay Instructions”) and any terms and conditions of use applicable to ARC Pay, as may be updated from time to time.

3. **Compliance with Laws, Payment Card Industry Data Security Standards, and Payment Network Regulations:**

3.1. **General.** Entity will comply with all applicable Laws, Rules, and operating regulations, guidelines, specifications and related or similar requirements of any Payment Network (“Payment Network Regulations”). Entity shall not affect or submit any ARC Pay Transaction, or impose any other fee or charge, that could be treated as a finance charge under the Federal Truth in Lending Act, 12 CFR Part 226 (Subpart A), or any similar state law.

3.2. **Security Programs Compliance**

3.2.1. Entity will comply with the applicable requirements of the Payment Card Industry Data Security Standards (“PCI DSS”), including the Cardholder Information Security Program (CISP) of Visa, the Site Data Protection Program (SDP) of Mastercard, the Data Security DISC Program and the PCI DSS regulations of Discover’s network, and the security programs of any other Payment Network, and any modifications to, or replacements of, such programs that may occur from time to time. Each Entity considered a Level 4 merchant under PCI DSS (determined based on Transaction volume) must validate its PCI DSS compliance on an annual basis, with initial validation to occur no later than ninety (90) days after Entity’s Approval.

3.2.2. Entity hereby certifies that it (and any Representatives that it may utilize to submit Transactions to ARC) complies and will comply with the PCI DSS and Entity hereby agrees to pay any fines and penalties that may be assessed by a Payment Brand as a result of Entity’s noncompliance with the requirements of PCI DSS, any data breaches, or by its failure to accurately validate its compliance. Entity will review and monitor the PCI DSS and other related Rules in order to determine the timeframes and mandates for compliance under PCI DSS. The foregoing is an ongoing obligation during the initial term of this Agreement and any renewal term. Entity acknowledges and understands that Entity may be prohibited from participating in Payment Brand programs if it is determined that Entity is non-compliant with these requirements.

3.2.3. The following lists certain (but not all) of the current PCI DSS requirements, all
of which Entity shall comply with, if applicable: (i) install and maintain a working network firewall to protect data accessible via the Internet; (ii) keep security patches up-to-date; (iii) encrypt stored data; (iv) encrypt data sent across networks; (v) use and regularly update anti-virus software; (vi) restrict access to data to business “need to know;” (vii) assign a unique ID to each person with computer access to data; (viii) do not use vendor supplied defaults for system passwords and other security parameters; (ix) track access data by unique ID; (x) maintain a policy that addresses information security for employees and contractors; and (xi) restrict physical access to Cardholder information. Entity shall notify ARC if it utilizes any Representative that provides payment related services, directly or indirectly and/or stores transmits, or processes Cardholder Data and Entity is responsible ensuring compliance of any such Representative with PCI DSS.

3.2.4. To the extent Entity is required under the Rules, or Entity otherwise elects, to utilize EMV chip-capable terminals, all EMV chip-capable terminals used by Entity must appear on the EMV co-approved terminal list maintained by the Payment Brands.

3.2.5. In the event of a business failure, including bankruptcy, insolvency, or other suspension of Entity’s business operations, Entity shall not sell, transfer, or disclose any materials that contain Cardholder account numbers, Personal Information, or other Transaction information to third parties. Entity and/or its Representative shall either return this information to ARC or provide ARC with acceptable proof of destruction of this information.

3.3. If Entity is undergoing a forensic investigation regarding PCI DSS compliance at the time Entity executes this Agreement, then Entity shall fully cooperate with the investigation until completed. ARC warrants that it complies with the applicable required PCI DSS regulations and that ARC is a PCI DSS Validated Service Provider.

3.4. Office of Foreign Assets Control (OFAC) Compliance. For any Entity operating in the United States, Entity acknowledges that ARC and Entity are entities governed by the Laws of the United States and, as such, ARC cannot provide any products or services to Entity or its Cardholders that contravene the Laws of the United States, including the Laws promulgated by OFAC or the United States Department of the Treasury or any successor thereto.

3.5. Export Laws Compliance. Entity will comply with all United States Laws governing the export and re-export of hardware, software or technology applicable to the Services and any associated equipment.

3.6. Privacy Compliance. Entity will comply with the Privacy and Information Security Requirements. Entity represents and warrants that its provision of any Personal Information to ARC in connection with this Agreement is permitted under the Privacy and Information Security Requirements, as well as any privacy policies or other statement or disclosure to which such Personal Information is subject, and the terms of Entity’s contracts with its customers or other third parties (“All Applicable Requirements”); (b) the use, analysis and processing of the Personal Information by ARC for the purposes set forth in this Agreement are permitted in accordance with All Applicable Requirements and that the individuals to whom the Personal Information relates have been properly informed and, if necessary, have given proper consent, at the point of collection of
Personal Information by the collecting entity, in accordance with the Privacy and Information Security Requirements, including disclosures on the collection, processing, uses, and sharing practices (including any overseas transfers) of Personal Information by Entity, ARC, and/or any Payment Brand as set out in this Agreement; and (c) in accordance with the Privacy and Information Security Requirements and where required, it develops and implements appropriate procedures for handling requests by individuals to whom the Personal Information relates for access to and/or correction of Personal Information maintained by Entity or ARC. ARC will cooperate with Entity in responding to such requests and will provide access to Personal Information maintained by ARC where appropriate. If an access request is made directly to either party, the other party will cooperate with such party in promptly responding to the request.

3.7. Anti-Money Laundering. Entity will comply with applicable financial recordkeeping and reporting requirements, including those of the Bank Secrecy Act, as amended by Title III of the Uniting and Strengthening America by Providing Appropriate Tools Required to Intercept and Obstruct Terrorism Act of 2001 (USA PATRIOT Act), and the applicable anti-money laundering Laws of any jurisdiction where Entity conducts business.

3.8. Verification. Entity must provide any documentation requested by ARC regarding verification of Entity’s compliance with the requirements of this Section 3, including, but not limited to, the requirements concerning Security Programs Compliance stated in Section 3.2. Failure to do so within the timeframe required by ARC constitutes a material breach of this Agreement.

4. Data Retention, Disclosure, and Use; Intellectual Property Rights

4.1. Entity Retention, Disclosure, and Use. Entity will retain Cardholder Data and Transaction Information for such periods of time required by Laws and the Payment Network Regulations and thereafter will destroy, in a manner that will render the information unreadable, all such information. Entity will not disclose Cardholder Data, including but not limited to, credit card numbers, a Cardholder’s Personal Information, or any other Transaction Information to any third party, except to Entity’s Representatives, ARC or ARC’s Representatives, or as otherwise required to perform its obligations under this Agreement or as required by applicable Laws and/or the Payment Network Regulations. Entity will not retain or store magnetic stripe or CVV2/CVC2/CID data after authorization for any purpose. After authorization, Entity may retain only the Cardholder account number, name, and card expiration date if Entity has a reasonable business purpose to retain such information. Entity will only use the Cardholder Data and Transaction Information to support the Services.

4.2. ARC Disclosure and Use. Entity hereby grants ARC, its Representatives, and applicable referral partners a worldwide, non-exclusive right to collect, use, reproduce, distribute, store, and share with third parties any Cardholder Data, Transaction Information and/or information regarding Entity, its principals, or Representatives that ARC otherwise obtains in connection with the Agreement, for the following purposes: (i) to provide the Services and to carry out related administrative and account maintenance functions and internal Fraud and compliance monitoring; (ii) disclosure to credit rating agencies and to the financial institution where the demand deposit account is maintained, if applicable; (iii) to develop ARC’s products or services generally; (iv) usage or disclosure by ARC in the course of any proposed sale or other change to ARC’s business; (v) collection, usage, disclosure and/or retention by ARC as required or permitted by Laws; (vi) to ensure Entity has complied and is complying with Entity’s
obligations under this Agreement. ARC may prepare, use, and share with third parties, aggregated, non-Personal Information derived from Transaction Information of all of ARC’s Cardholders or specific segments of ARC’s Cardholders.

4.3. **Usage Data.** Entity acknowledges and agrees that ARC may monitor, record, collect, store, maintain, use and copy Transaction Information and/or metadata and other statistical data, which it will derive from the Transaction Information on behalf of Entity. ARC will own all right, title and interest in all information it collects with respect to Entity’s use of the Services, including statistical information and traffic analysis data (“**Usage Data**”). ARC may use and exploit all Usage Data for any purpose without any obligation to Entity or any third-party; provided however, that ARC may only disclose Usage Data to third parties so long as the Usage Data is disclosed only in the aggregate and not in a manner so that it is attributable to Entity or any of Entity’s customers, and in compliance with applicable Laws.

4.4. **ARC Property.** ARC and its licensors own and retain all right, title and interest, including any and all patents, trademarks, copyrights, trade secrets and other intellectual property rights, whether registered or not, in any and all jurisdictions (“**Intellectual Property Rights**”), in the following: (i) the Services; (ii) the ARC Marks; (iii) the ARC Confidential Information; and (iv) all derivative works of all of the foregoing (collectively, the “**ARC Property**”). In the event any right, title or interest arises or vests at any time in Entity to any ARC Property, Entity will promptly disclose to and hereby assigns to ARC all such right, title and interest. Entity will execute, and cause its Representatives to execute, all necessary documents to give legal effect to such assignment or otherwise secure ARC’s ownership of the ARC Property. During and after the Term, Entity will fully cooperate with ARC’s efforts to procure Intellectual Property Rights in the ARC Property (including signing all papers) as ARC may request. Entity waives, and will cause its Representatives to waive, all rights to royalties and claims for other amounts for the ARC Property, including any improvements thereto. Except as expressly specified in this Agreement, all rights in the ARC Property are reserved by ARC.

5. **Business Purpose**

5.1 Entity represents that it is obtaining and using the Services from ARC to facilitate lawful Transactions between Entity and its Cardholders and using the associated demand deposit account only for lawful business purposes as permitted under this Agreement.

5.2 Entity represents that it designates ARC as its non-exclusive agent for purposes of facilitating Transactions between Entity and its Cardholders. Entity represents that payment by a Cardholder to ARC for the Entity’s product or services will be considered by Entity to constitute payment to the Entity. Entity may seek or obtain similar Transaction-related services from non-ARC-related entities at any time.

6. **Entity’s Business**

6.1. Entity shall provide ARC with immediate notice of its intent to (i) transfer or sell any substantial part of its total assets, or liquidate; (ii) change the basic nature of its business, including selling any products or services not related to its current business; (iii) change fifty percent (50%) or more of the ownership or transfer control of its business; (iv) enter into any joint venture, partnership or similar business arrangement whereby any person or entity not a party to this Agreement
assumes any interest in Entity’s business; or (v) alter in any way Entity’s approved monthly volume and average ticket;

6.2. Failure to provide notice as required above may be deemed a material breach and shall be sufficient grounds for termination of this Agreement, or, at ARC’s option may result in ARC amending the terms of this Agreement, holding funds and/or altering the Entity funding schedule if ARC deem it necessary to protect against financial loss. If any of the changes listed above occur, ARC shall have the option to amend the terms of this Agreement or immediately terminate this Agreement;

6.3. Entity will immediately notify ARC of any bankruptcy, receivership, insolvency or similar action initiated by or against Entity or any of its principals. Entity will include ARC on the list of creditors filed with the Bankruptcy Court, whether or not a claim exists at the time of filing;

6.4. Entity must notify ARC in writing of any changes to the information in the Application, including but not limited to: a change to Entity’s financial condition (within three (3) calendar days); any additional location or new business; the identity of principals and/or owners; the form of business organization; type of goods and services provided; Entity’s name, address, or website/URL; and the manner in which sales are completed. Entity must also notify ARC in writing if Entity sells or closes its business. Except for a change to the financial condition, ARC must receive all such notices seven (7) calendar days prior to the change and otherwise upon request from ARC. Entity is liable to ARC for all losses and expenses incurred by ARC arising out of Entity’s failure to report changes. ARC may immediately terminate this Agreement upon a change to the information in the Application, whether ARC independently discover such change or whether Entity notifies ARC of such change.

7. Disclaimer of Warranties

7.1. THE SERVICES ARE PROVIDED “AS IS,” AND ARC DISCLAIMS ALL WARRANTIES, EXPRESS, IMPLIED, OR STATUTORY, REGARDING THE SERVICES AND ENTITY’S USE OF THIRD PARTY SERVICES, EQUIPMENT, SOFTWARE, OR DATA IN CONNECTION WITH THE SERVICES, INCLUDING THE IMPLIED WARRANTIES OF MERCHANTABILITY, ACCURACY, SATISFACTORY QUALITY, TITLE, SECURITY, NONINFRINGEMENT, UNINTERRUPTED OR ERROR-FREE USE, AND FITNESS FOR A PARTICULAR PURPOSE, AND ANY IMPLIED WARRANTY ARISING FROM COURSE OF PERFORMANCE, COURSE OF DEALING, USAGE OR TRADE.

8. Amendments to This Agreement:

8.1. Except as otherwise provided by this Agreement, ARC may amend this Agreement, at any time, if it makes the amendments available to Entity at least ten (10) calendar days prior to the amendment’s effective date.

8.2. ARC may change the amount or percentage of fees charged, at any time, and will make the changes available to Entity at least thirty (30) calendar days prior to the effective date of the change.

9. Concurrence with Future Amendments to This Agreement:
9.1. Notwithstanding paragraph 8 of this Agreement, Entity’s concurrence with future amendments to this Agreement becomes effective anytime Entity submits to ARC an ARC Pay Transaction.

10. Termination of This Agreement:

10.1. Entity may submit written notice of voluntary termination of this Agreement at any time.

10.1.1. Termination will take effect fourteen (14) calendar days after receipt of notice or on the date indicated in Entity’s notice, whichever is later. However, despite termination of this Agreement, the Entity must continue to meet all its obligations on or before the effective date of termination because those obligations will continue to exist and will remain in full force and effect. ARC will have no obligation to process ARC Pay transactions after notice of termination of this Agreement.

10.2. ARC may terminate this Agreement with Entity, for convenience, at any time for any reason.

10.2.1. Termination, for convenience, will take effect fourteen (14) calendar days after the date indicated on ARC’s notice. ARC will have no obligation to process ARC Pay Transactions after notice of termination of this Agreement.

10.3. ARC may terminate this Agreement with Entity, for cause, effective immediately, and without notice, if:

10.3.1. Entity fails to pay ARC any monies due and owing to ARC under this Agreement;

10.3.2. Entity defaults in the performance of any of its duties, obligations, or performance requirements under this Agreement;

10.3.3. ARC, in its sole discretion, determines that there is an adverse change in Entity’s business or financial condition, including but not limited to, Entity becomes insolvent, a debtor in any bankruptcy proceeding, or the subject of a receivership proceeding;

10.3.4. ARC, in its sole discretion, determines that Entity or any of its owners, partners, officers or employees have participated in the commission or attempted commission of a Fraud against ARC, a Payment Network, credit card company, issuer, or a Cardholder;

10.3.5. Entity is no longer a party to a Reporting Agreement or the VTC Agreement (“Former Entity”), or is alleged by ARC to be in breach of a Reporting Agreement or the VTC Agreement;

10.3.6. Entity engages in ARC Pay Transactions involving a sole proprietorship, corporation, partnership, association, or other organized enterprise, which:
i. Is a Former Entity;

ii. Is a partially- or wholly-owned subsidiary of Entity or of a Former Entity ("Subsidiary");

iii. Is a Verified Travel Consultant; or

iv. Is a Sub-Entity, if Entity is a Consolidator,

if Entity had knowledge or could have obtained knowledge based on reasonable due diligence, that the Former Entity, Subsidiary, Verified Travel Consultant, or Sub-Entity has or may have participated in the commission or attempted commission of a Fraud against ARC, a Payment Network, Credit Card Association, issuer, or a Cardholder.

10.3.7. Entity is alleged to be in violation of any provision of this Agreement.

Article II. Monitoring; Documentation; Security Interests

11. Accounting Monitoring.

11.1. Entity agrees that ARC may suspend, within its sole discretion, the disbursement of Entity’s funds for any reasonable period of time required to investigate suspicious or unusual deposit activity or Fraud. ARC will make good faith efforts to notify Entity promptly. ARC shall have no liability for any losses, either direct or indirect, which Entity may attribute to any suspension of funds disbursement;

11.2. In the event of unusual Transactions that have been “suspended” and cannot be verified as valid sales or have been verified as Cardholder disputes, Entity agrees that a security processing fee not to exceed 110% of the unusual Transaction(s) may be assessed.

11.3. Entity’s presentation to ARC of Excessive Activity will be a breach of this Agreement and cause for immediate termination of this Agreement. “Excessive Activity” refers to any period of two or more calendar months during which Entity has a Chargeback ratio that exceeds 1% by number of Transactions or a Chargeback ratio that exceeds 1% by dollar volume. Entity authorizes, upon the occurrence of Excessive Activity, ARC to take additional actions as either of them may deem necessary, including, but not limited to, suspension of processing privileges, increase of any fees that may be charged to Entity and/or creation or maintenance of a Reserve Account in accordance with this Agreement.

12. Forms. Entity shall use only such forms or modes of transmission of ARC Pay Transactions and Credit Vouchers as are provided or approved in advance by ARC, and Entity shall not use forms provided by ARC other than in connection with Transactions without ARC’s prior written consent.

13. Records. In addition to any records routinely furnished to ARC under this Agreement, Entity shall preserve a paper or electronic copy of all actual paper ARC Pay Transactions, Credit
Vouchers and Debit Card Sales and, if a mail, phone order or preauthorized order is involved, the Cardholder’s signed authorization for the Transaction, for at least three (3) years after the date Entity presents the Transaction. ARC may produce records, information and/or other data in ARC’s possession, custody or control requested pursuant to a lawfully-issued subpoena or other legal process without notice to Entity.

14. Requests for Copies. Within three calendar (3) days of receipt of any written or verbal request by ARC, Entity shall provide either the actual paper ARC Pay Transaction, Credit Voucher and/or Debit Card Sales or a legible copy thereof (in size comparable to the actual voucher or draft) and any other documentary evidence available to Entity and reasonably requested by ARC to meet its obligations under law (including its obligations under the Fair Credit Billing Act) or otherwise to respond to questions concerning Cardholder accounts.

15. IRS Withholdings and Reporting. Section 6050W of the Internal Revenue Code ("Code") requires payment providers and third-party Payment Networks, such as ARC, to report payment settlement amounts to the Internal Revenue Service ("IRS") for each Entity processing through ARC. Entity shall verify its identity by providing ARC with a Tax Identification Number ("TIN") such as a Social Security Number ("SSN") or Employer Identification Number ("EIN") for each Entity Account. In the event Entity fails to provide its TIN, ARC will place a restriction on Entity’s Account and may restrict the receipt of funds into Entity’s Account or withhold a percentage of payments deposited into Entity’s Account in order to satisfy the backup withholding requirements of the IRS.


16.1. This Agreement is a security agreement under the Uniform Commercial Code. Entity grants to ARC a security interest in and lien upon: (i) the Account and all funds at any time in the Account, whatever the source of such funds, (ii) the Reserve Account (as defined below) and all funds at any time in the Reserve Account, whatever the source of such funds, (iii) future ARC Pay Transactions, (iv) all Entity’s rights relating to this Agreement including, without limitation, all rights to receive any payments or credits under this Agreement; and (v) all Entity deposit accounts now owned or hereafter acquired and the proceeds of all of the foregoing (collectively, the “Secured Assets”). Upon request of ARC, Entity will execute one or more financing statements or other documents to evidence this security interest. Entity irrevocably authorizes bank to execute any financing statements or other documents necessary related to this security interest. Entity represents and warrants that no other party has a security interest in the Secured Assets. These security interests and liens will secure all of Entity’s obligations under this Agreement and any other agreements between Entity, ARC including, but not limited to, Entity’s obligation to pay any amounts due to ARC. With respect to such security interests and liens, ARC will have all rights afforded under the Uniform Commercial Code, any other applicable Law and in equity. Entity will obtain from ARC written consent prior to granting a security interest of any kind in the Secured Assets to a third-party;

16.2. ARC may establish and maintain a non-interest-bearing account at any federally insured financial institution ("Reserve Account"), with sums provided by Entity that are sufficient to satisfy Entity’s current or future obligations as determined by ARC: (i) ARC shall have the right to initiate a debit to the Account or any other account at any institution to establish or maintain funds in the Reserve Account. ARC may deposit into
the Reserve Account funds they would otherwise be obligated to pay Entity, for the purpose of establishing or maintaining the Reserve Account in accordance with this Section, if they determine such action is reasonably necessary to protect their interests; (ii) ARC may, without notice to Entity, apply deposits in the Reserve Account against any outstanding amounts Entity owes under this Agreement or any other agreement between Entity and ARC. ARC may exercise their rights under this Agreement to collect any amounts due to ARC including, without limitation, rights of set-off and recoupment. Entity shall have no right to withdraw funds or debit the Reserve Account. In the event of a bankruptcy proceeding, ARC may exercise its rights under this Agreement to debit the Reserve Account for amounts due ARC regardless of the pre-petition or post-petition nature of the amount due Bank and/or ARC. In the event of a bankruptcy proceeding, Entity also agrees that it will not contest any Motion for Relief from the Automatic Stay, which ARC may file to debit the Reserve Account. Funds in the Reserve Account will remain in the Reserve Account for a minimum of 270 days following termination of this Agreement. ARC will have sole control of the Reserve Account. In the event of a bankruptcy proceeding, ARC does not consent to the assumption of this Agreement. Nevertheless, if this Agreement is assumed Entity agrees that, in order to establish adequate assurance of future performance within the meaning of 11 U.S.C. § 365, as amended from time to time, Entity must establish or maintain a Reserve Account in an amount satisfactory to ARC;

16.3. ARC has the right of recoupment and set-off. This means that ARC may offset any outstanding/uncollected amounts owed to them from: (i) any amounts they would otherwise be obligated to deposit into the Account, and (ii) any other amounts ARC may owe Entity under this Agreement or any other agreement; (d) The rights conferred upon ARC in this Section are not intended to be exclusive of each other or of any other rights and remedies of ARC under this Agreement, at law or in equity. Rather, each and every right of ARC at law or in equity will be cumulative and concurrent and in addition to every other right.

16.4. Upon termination of this Agreement, ARC shall return any funds remaining in the Reserve Account upon full satisfaction of all of Entity’s current and anticipated future obligations under this Agreement.

17. Third Parties

17.1. Entity will notify ARC immediately if Entity decides to use electronic authorization or data capture terminals or software provided by any entity other than ARC or its authorized designee (“Third-Party Terminals”) to process Transactions. If Entity elects to use Third-Party Terminals, Entity agrees (i) the third party providing the Third-Party Terminals will be Entity’s agent in the delivery of Transactions to Bank via Visa Net or a similar data processing system or network; and (ii) to assume full responsibility and liability for any failure of that third party to comply with the Rules or this Agreement. ARC will not be responsible for any losses or additional fees incurred by Entity as a result of any error by a third-party agent or a malfunction in a Third-Party Terminal;

17.2. Entity may be using special services or software provided by a third party to assist Entity in processing Transactions, including authorizations and settlements, or accounting functions. Entity is responsible for ensuring compliance with the requirements of any third party in using their products. This includes making sure Entity has and complies with any software updates. ARC has no responsibility for any
Article III. ABRA; Liability, Responsibility, and Payment for ARC Pay Losses

18. ABRA

18.1. Requirements. ARC may, at its sole discretion, at any time, require Entity to enter into an ABRA, which shall be subject to the terms of this Agreement. Entity’s failure to do so or to comply with any ABRA requirements shall constitute a breach of this Agreement entitling ARC to terminate this Agreement for cause. Such requirements may include, but are not limited to, the following: increased and/or additional fees; Chargeback rate reduction requirements; holdbacks; rolling reserves; and posting of collateral or financial instrument or guaranty.

18.2. Personal Guaranty. ARC may, at its sole discretion, require an Entity subject to ABRA to execute and provide to ARC a valid personal guaranty in the form required by ARC (“Personal Guaranty”).

19. Liability for ARC Pay:

19.1. Entity agrees that under this Agreement, Entity remains solely liable for any liability, including, but not limited to, liability resulting from Fraud, that ARC incurs as the merchant of record for an ARC Pay Transaction issued by Entity, since the ARC Pay is solely between Entity and the Cardholder.

19.2. Entity agrees that if an ARC Pay Transaction is rejected or charged back to ARC or otherwise not paid by any Payment Network, credit card company, issuer, or bank for any reason, Entity will be liable for and will reimburse ARC for any losses it incurs due to such nonpayment and will reimburse ARC for such losses upon ARC’s demand.

19.3. Entity authorizes ARC to deduct from Entity’s Account or withhold from money due and owing to the Entity by ARC, by way of setoff, the amount of the ARC Pay Transaction that was rejected or charged back to ARC.

19.4. A Consolidator is jointly and severally liable with any and all of its relevant Sub-Entities for any and all liability of any such Sub-Entity pursuant to this Agreement, including, but not limited to, ARC’s attorneys’ fees and costs.

19.5. Entity acknowledges that any Cardholder or other consumer or (a “Consumer”) transaction successfully processed through ARC Pay will be deemed complete as to the Consumer once accepted by ARC Pay, and no Consumer shall be held liable or otherwise denied any purchased good or service on account of any payment delay or dispute between ARC and the Entity.

19.5.1. Entity shall provide a receipt or other confirmation of payment submitted through ARC Pay, and shall include on such receipt or confirmation provided to a Consumer a statement informing the Consumer that payment to the Entity is made through ARC Pay. Payment to ARC will be deemed payment to the Entity, and will be effective upon receipt by ARC.
Article IV. General Provisions

20. Entity shall not use any promotional materials or display in any manner any trade name, trademark, service mark, or logotype (“Marks”) associated with ARC (“ARC Marks”) or any Payment Brand in any way which implies that the Payment Brand endorses any goods or services other than Card services and Entity shall not refer to any Payment Brand in stating eligibility for Entity’s products or services. Entity’s rights to use the Marks shall terminate with termination of this Agreement and Entity will cease all use of the Marks upon notification by the applicable Card association to discontinue use. Entity shall be fully liable to ARC for any and all loss, cost and expenses suffered or incurred by ARC, arising out of failure to return or destroy such materials following termination or Entity’s misuse of the Marks.

21. Entity will indemnify and hold harmless ARC and ARC’s officers and Representatives, from all responsibility and liability for any damage, expense, or loss to any person, entity, or thing caused by or arising from any act, omission, or misrepresentation of Entity, or Entity’s Representatives relating directly or indirectly to the performance of the duties and obligations of Entity under this Agreement.

22. Confidentiality

22.1. Confidential Information. Each party acknowledges that they may be exposed to confidential or proprietary information of the other party, including, without limitation, computer programs, customers, employees, methods, processes, work flow, data flow, functional and technical specifications, business plans, accounting and financial information, pricing information regarding purchases and sales and other material designated as confidential expressly or by the circumstances under which it is provided (“Confidential Information”). Without limiting the generality of the foregoing, any information concerning ARC received by Entity due to ARC’s provision of the Services, and all components thereof, shall be treated as ARC’s Confidential Information.

22.2. Obligations. Each party will use at least the same degree of care to prevent disclosing to third parties the Confidential Information of the other to third parties performing services hereunder where (i) such disclosure is reasonably necessary to or otherwise occurs in that entity’s scope of responsibility, and (ii) the disclosure is in accordance with the terms and conditions of this Agreement and subject to commercially reasonable obligations of confidentiality. Neither party will (i) make any use or copies of the Confidential Information of the other except as necessary to perform its obligations under this Agreement, (ii) acquire any right in or assert any lien against the Confidential Information of the other, or (iii) refuse for any reason (including a default or material breach of this Agreement by the other party) to promptly provide the other party’s Confidential Information (including all copies thereof) to it if requested in writing to do so. Upon the expiration or termination for any reason of this Agreement and the concomitant completion of a party’s obligations under this Agreement, each party shall (except as
22.3. **Exceptions.** The obligations of this Section 22 will not apply to any particular information which any party can demonstrate: (i) was, at the time of disclosure to it, in the public domain; (ii) after disclosure to it, is published or otherwise becomes part of the public domain through no fault of the receiving party; (iii) was rightfully in the possession of the receiving party at the time of disclosure to it; (iv) is received from a third party who had a lawful right to disclose such information to it; or (v) was independently developed by the receiving party without reference to Confidential Information of the furnishing party. In addition, a party shall not be considered to have breached its obligations under this Section 22 for disclosing Confidential Information of the other party as required to satisfy any legal demand of a government, judicial or administrative body; provided, however, that, promptly upon receiving any such demand and to the extent legally permissible to do so, such party advises the other party so that the other party may take appropriate actions in response to the demand.

22.4. **Notification.** In the event of any material disclosure or loss of, or inability to account for, any Confidential Information of the furnishing party, the receiving party will notify the furnishing party promptly upon the occurrence of any such event.

22.5. **No Obligation to Disclose.** Nothing contained in this Agreement shall be construed as obligating a party to disclose its Confidential Information to the other party, or as granting to or conferring on a party, expressly or impliedly, any rights or license to the Confidential Information of the other party.

23. Any notice provided under this Agreement will be considered given as of the mailing date of the notice. Notices can be given to Entity’s home office address, MyARC Primary Administrator, and/or Operational Email Address, or if to ARC, to ARCPay@arccorp.com.

24. **ARC’s AGGREGATE LIABILITY.** IF ANY, ARISING OUT OF THIS AGREEMENT SHALL NOT EXCEED $500.00 PER OCCURRENCE OF EACH DISCRETE EVENT GIVING RISE TO ANY SUCH LIABILITY. ARC SHALL NOT BE LIABLE FOR SPECIAL, CONSEQUENTIAL, OR EXEMPLARY DAMAGES.

25. Entity agrees to reimburse ARC for expenses and reasonable attorney’s fees incurred by ARC in connection with ARC enforcing or defending any terms and conditions of this Agreement.

26. This Agreement cannot be assigned to any third party by Entity without the prior written consent of ARC. ARC can assign this Agreement without Entity's prior consent, written, or otherwise.

27. A waiver by either party of any breach or default by either party will not be construed as a waiver of any other breach or default whether or not similar and whether or not occurring before or after the subject breach.
28. If any provision of this Agreement is held invalid in a court of law or equity, the remaining provisions will remain in full force and effect and will be construed as if the invalid provisions were not included in this Agreement.

29. ARC and its wholly-owned subsidiary, Settlement Plan Management, Inc. (SPMI) may from time to time receive funds from credit card companies and/or credit card acquiring banks and/or travel agents pursuant to this Agreement, and ARC agrees, on behalf of itself and SPMI, that ARC and/or SPMI shall manage such funds (less any fees due and payable from time to time to ARC and/or SPMI) during the term of this Agreement.
The following ARC Pay Supplemental Terms and Conditions (the “Supplement”) are attached to and incorporated into the ARC Pay Agreement between Entity and ARC:

Article V. Acceptance; Internet Entities; Gateway Programming

1. Acceptance

1.1. Entity shall comply with all requirements for acceptance regarding ARC Pay as established by ARC from time to time at its sole discretion. Any failure by Entity to comply with any of the requirements shall entitle ARC to terminate this Agreement immediately for cause.

1.2. As part of the acceptance process, ARC may, at its sole discretion, conduct any investigation or inquiry of Entity or its Representatives, as ARC deems appropriate. Entity shall ensure that it and its Representatives shall fully cooperate with any and all of ARC’s requests and promptly provide all information requested by ARC hereunder. Entity shall further ensure that its Representatives fully cooperate with any and all of ARC’s requests under this Agreement. Such investigation or inquiry may include, but is not limited to, in-person or virtual inspections of the physical premises, whether located in the U.S. or internationally (including any call centers actually or believed to be affiliated with Entity, whether by ownership or contract) and/or the electronic systems of Entity or its Representatives.

1.3. ARC may, at its sole discretion, require that any Sub-Entity of a Consolidator submit an application to become an ARC-Accredited Entity or VTC, or any other information, documents, or materials, as a condition to such Consolidator’s continued processing of ARC Pay Transactions on behalf of Sub-Entity.

2. Entity acknowledges and agrees:

2.1. To comply with the ARC Pay Instructions and, when applicable, the ARC Pay Terms of Use.

2.2. This Agreement will be construed in accordance with, and governed by, the laws of the Commonwealth of Virginia. State and Federal courts of the Commonwealth of Virginia will have personal jurisdiction over all matters arising under this Agreement. This Agreement was entered into in Arlington, Virginia and all Transactions issued pursuant to this Agreement will be deemed to have occurred in Virginia.

2.3. That ARC may, at any time and without prior notice, inspect, audit, and make copies of, the books and records of Entity that pertain to ARC Pay Transactions to determine whether Entity is in compliance with this Agreement, including, but not limited to, compliance with applicable law and industry security standards.

2.4. Entity’s business name must avoid consumer confusion. Entity will not use or display
in any manner any Marks of ARC or any airline without the prior written consent of ARC or such airline, proof of which must be provided to ARC at Application or immediately upon request. Neither Entity nor its Representatives shall make any statements or representations, directly or indirectly, whether verbally or in writing, to Entity’s Cardholders or any third party, that Entity or its Representatives are in any way affiliated with ARC, its affiliates, or any airline, except with respect to the required disclosure set forth in §§ 19.5 and 19.5.1 of the Agreement.

2.5. To comply with any requirements of ARC’s acquiring bank, Elavon, Inc. (“Elavon”), including, but not limited to, any requirements or agreements concerning ARC’s role as a payment facilitator on behalf of Entity’s corresponding role as a sponsored merchant. If Entity processes, or is likely to process, annual volume of at least one million dollars ($1,000,000.00) in Visa Transactions, one million dollars ($1,000,000.00) in Mastercard Transactions, or one hundred thousand dollars ($100,000.00) in Discover Transactions, Entity must enter into an Acquirer Sponsored Merchant Agreement with Elavon and ARC in the form attached as Exhibit 1 to this Supplement, as may be amended by Elavon from time to time.

3. Internet Entity Requirements

3.1. Internet Entities, i.e., Entities that operate only on the Internet without a brick-and-mortar physical location, shall, at a minimum, include the following information and processes on their Internet sites:

3.1.1. Prominent display of Entity’s name as “Entity”

3.1.2. Clearly state and inform Cardholder of how the Transaction will be identified on the Cardholder’s statement;

3.1.3. A complete description of goods or services offered;

3.1.4. Delivery standards including method and time for delivery;

3.1.5. Terms and conditions of purchase, or legal descriptions;

3.1.6. Return/refund policy described in reasonable detail;

3.1.7. Opportunity to view and confirm order before order submission;

3.1.8. Secure method for payment data transmission;

3.1.9. Currency of Transaction provided (USD);

3.1.10. Disclosure of Entity’s outlets to country of origin;

3.1.11. Display of Credit Card Association or Payment Network logos;

3.1.12. Clear disclosure of Entity’s privacy policy;

3.1.13. Alternate Entity contact info options; and

4. Gateway Programming

4.1. Applicability to this Agreement. In addition to all the other provisions of this Agreement, the provisions of this Section 4 shall apply if Entity utilizes web services from ARC, including any payments gateway, vault services, any application program interface (“API”), code samples, web services, integration specifications, and any offline components (collectively “Web Services”).

4.2. Programming of Web Site. Although ARC provides specific APIs or programming scripts to Entity or Entity's Web site programmer(s), Entity acknowledges that such sample programming scripts may be insufficient in and of themselves to allow Entity’s website to function with the Web Services. Programming of Entity's website and its functionality are the sole responsibility of Entity.

4.3. Entity’s Programming Agent. Entity has the sole responsibility to select and employ any competent programming agent to accomplish the programming required to make Entity’s website function correctly with the Web Services.

4.4. Fees Subject to Fluctuation. Fees for the electronic commerce payment system offered by ARC may be based on the number and/or volume of monthly transactions processed by the Entity. Thus, notwithstanding anything to the contrary herein, the provisions of this Agreement which require notice prior to a change in fees shall not apply to any transactions or services covered by this Section 4.

4.5. Technical Support. Entity shall be solely responsible for all website technical support and related issues.

4.6. Shutdowns/Updates. ARC reserves the right, from time to time, without prior notice, to shut down and restart the Web Services for maintenance and/or Web Services upgrades or updates from time to time. ARC will use commercially reasonable efforts to keep service shutdowns as brief as possible. Entity must monitor updates and upgrades to the Web Services and update Entity’s website and programming accordingly.

4.7. Intellectual Property. Entity may only use the Web Services as expressly permitted by this Agreement. Entity will promptly notify ARC in writing of any unauthorized use, disclosure, reproduction or distribution of or concerning the Web Services which comes to Entity’s attention or which Entity reasonably suspects. Without limitation of the foregoing, and except as otherwise expressly permitted herein:

4.7.1. Entity will not itself, or through any affiliate, agent or third party, disassemble, reverse engineer or otherwise attempt to (a) derive source code or underlying ideas, algorithms, structure, protocols or organization from the Web Services, or any part thereof; or (b) defeat, avoid, bypass, remove, deactivate or otherwise circumvent any software protection mechanisms in the Web Services, or any part thereof, including any such mechanism used to restrict or control the functionality of the Web Services, or any part thereof.

4.7.2. Entity will not itself, or through any affiliate, agent or third party, sell, lease, license, sublicense, distribute or otherwise provide to any third-party access to the Web Services, in whole or in part.
4.7.3. Entity will not itself, or through any affiliate, agent or third party, modify or create derivative works from the Web Services, or any part thereof.

4.7.4. Entity will not itself, or through any affiliate, agent or third party, use or reproduce any portion of the Web Services except as specifically permitted under this Agreement. Entity will not (and will not allow anyone under its direction or control to), remove, alter, cover or obfuscate any patent, copyright, trademark or other proprietary notices, labels or marks on or in the Web Services, or that appear when a party accesses the Web Services.

4.8. Disclaimer. ENTITY EXPRESSLY AGREES THAT THE USE OF THE WEBSITE, WEB SERVICES AND/OR CONTENT IS AT ENTITY’S SOLE RISK. THE WEBSITE, WEB SERVICES AND/OR CONTENT ARE PROVIDED ON AN “AS IS” AND “AS AVAILABLE” BASIS FOR ENTITY’S USE, WITHOUT WARRANTIES. ARC AND ITS LICENSORS DISCLAIMS ALL REPRESENTATIONS, WARRANTIES, AND GUARANTIES, EXPRESS OR IMPLIED, MADE TO ENTITY, ENTITY’S AGENTS, OR ANY OTHER PERSON, INCLUDING, WITHOUT LIMITATION, ANY REPRESENTATIONS, WARRANTIES, OR GUARANTIES AS TO THE RELIABILITY, TIMELINESS, QUALITY, SUITABILITY, AVAILABILITY, MERCHANTABILITY, FITNESS FOR A PARTICULAR PURPOSE, NONINFRINGEMENT, ACCURACY OR COMPLETENESS OF THE WEB SERVICES OR ANY CONTENT STORED THEREIN OR OTHERWISE OF ANY SERVICES OR GOODS PROVIDED UNDER THIS AGREEMENT, INCLUDING, WITHOUT LIMITATION, ANY SERVICES PROVIDED BY A THIRD PARTY. ARC AND ITS LICENSORS DO NOT REPRESENT OR WARRANT THAT (A) THE USE OF THE WEB SERVICES WILL BE SECURE, TIMELY, UNINTERRUPTED OR ERROR-FREE OR OPERATE IN COMBINATION WITH ANY OTHER HARDWARE, SOFTWARE, SYSTEM OR DATA, OR (B) THE WEB SERVICES WILL MEET MERCHANT’S REQUIREMENTS OR EXPECTATIONS.

The parties acknowledge that the Web Services are a computer network-based service which may be subject to outages and delay occurrences. As such, ARC does not guarantee continuous or uninterrupted access to the website or Web Services. Entity further acknowledges that access to the Web Services may be restricted for maintenance. ARC will make reasonable efforts to ensure that transactions are processed in a timely manner; however, ARC will not be liable for any interruption, outage, or failure to provide the Web Services.

Article VI. Submitting ARC Pay Transactions

5. Entity Acknowledges and Agrees:

5.1. An ARC Pay Transaction is a travel-related Transaction that Entity:

5.1.1. Will not submit using the credit card of Entity, its owner, officer, or Representative, or on the credit card of anyone other than the Cardholder or passenger, and only when the Cardholder has given Entity permission to use Cardholder’s credit card for specific ARC Pay Transactions.

5.1.2. Will identify to its Cardholder(s) it will assess an ARC Pay charge and identify the amount of the ARC Pay charge.
5.2. To issue an ARC Pay Transaction, Entity must:

5.2.1. Obtain a valid approval code from the credit card company at the time the Cardholder acknowledged and agreed to accept the ARC Pay Transaction; and

5.2.2. Provide all other information and follow all rules identified in the ARC Pay Instructions.

5.3. Entity shall not impose materially different terms for Transactions dependent on the form of payment.

6. Voiding and Refunding a Submitted ARC Pay Transaction:

6.1. ARC may reject any ARC Pay Transaction or revoke its prior acceptance of an ARC Pay Transaction for any reason at ARC’s sole discretion, including but not limited to the following:

6.1.1. the Transaction giving rise to the ARC Pay Transaction was not made in compliance with all terms and conditions of this Agreement;

6.1.2. the Cardholder disputes his or her liability for any reason, including but not limited to any Chargeback rights;

6.1.3. the Transaction giving rise to the ARC Pay Transaction was not directly between Entity and the Cardholder.

6.2. If, upon review of an ARC Pay Transaction, ARC determines that such Transaction is invalid based on Fraud or any breach of this Agreement, Entity agrees to void or refund the ARC Pay within 48 hours of ARC’s notice of invalidity.

6.3. ARC may offset from payments due to Entity, any amount previously credited to Entity for an ARC Pay Transaction not accepted or later revoked by ARC.

6.4. Entity shall regularly and promptly review all statements of account, banking statements, and other communications sent to Entity and shall immediately notify ARC if any discrepancy exists between Entity’s records and those provided by ARC, the Entity’s bank, or with respect to any transfer that Entity believes was not authorized by Entity or Cardholder. If Entity fails to notify ARC in writing within fourteen (14) calendar days after the date that ARC mails or otherwise provides a statement of account or other report of activity to Entity, Entity will be solely responsible for all losses or other costs associated with any erroneous or unauthorized transfer. The foregoing does not limit in any way Entity’s liability for any breach of this Agreement.

Article VII. Processing ARC Pay Transactions

7. Processing ARC Pay Transactions:

7.1. Subject to sections 7.2 and 7.3 below, ARC, as merchant of record on the ARC Pay Transaction, agrees to process ARC Pay Transactions submitted by Entity in accordance with the terms and conditions of this Agreement.
7.2. This Agreement constitutes Entity’s agreement to sell and assign its right, title, and interest in each ARC Pay Transaction completed in conformity with ARC’s requirements, and shall constitute an endorsement by Entity to ARC of such Transactions. Entity hereby authorizes ARC to supply such endorsement on Entity’s behalf. Entity agrees that this Agreement is a contract of financial accommodation within the meaning of the Bankruptcy Code, 11 U.S.C. § 365, as amended from time to time. Entity acknowledges that its obligation to ARC for all amounts owed under this Agreement arise out of the same Transaction as ARC’s obligation to deposit funds to the Account.

7.3. Because ARC is the merchant of record, ARC may for any reason reject, void or not process any ARC Pay Transaction that Entity issues.

7.4. Entity is prohibited from making any misstatements or misrepresentations, whether orally or in writing, to any Cardholder indicating or implying that ARC is responsible for originating or initiating any Transaction involving a charge to such Cardholder’s credit card. Any Cardholder complaint or inquiry containing such assertions regarding ARC shall entitle ARC to immediately terminate this Agreement for cause.

8. Chargebacks

8.1. Simultaneously with each Cardholder Transaction, a Chargeback claim accrues against Entity in favor of ARC if ARC is required, or has the right, to pay to any Payment Brand any fees, discounts, Cardholder credits and adjustments, charges, fines, assessments, penalties or other items which may be charged back to Entity by ARC. Entity agrees that it is fully liable to ARC for all Chargebacks, and that ARC is authorized to offset from incoming Transactions and to debit via ACH the Account, the Reserve Account, or any other account held at any other financial institution in the amount of any Chargeback. Entity agrees to accept for Chargeback any sale for which the Cardholder disputes the validity of the sale; or if ARC determines that Entity has in any way failed to comply with this Agreement or ARC’s procedures, including but not limited to the following:

(i) The ARC Pay Transaction is illegible, not signed by the Cardholder or has not been presented within the required time-frames;
(ii) The ARC Pay Transaction does not involve the Imprint of a valid, un-expired Card;
(iii) A valid Authorization number has not been correctly and legibly recorded on the ARC Pay Transaction;
(iv) The ARC Pay Transaction is a duplicate of a prior Transaction or is the result of two or more Transactions generated on one Card for a single sale;
(v) The Cardholder alleges that he or she did not participate in the sale, authorize the use of the Card, receive goods or services purchased, or receive a required credit adjustment, or disputes the quality of the goods or services purchased;
(vi) The price of goods or services on the ARC Pay Transaction differs from the amount which Entity presents for payment;
(vii) The Transaction results from an Internet, mail, phone or preauthorized order and the Cardholder disputes entering into or authorizing the Transaction or the Transaction has been made on an expired or non-existing account number;
(viii) ARC believes, within its sole discretion, that Entity has violated any provision of this Agreement;
(ix) ARC determines that the Transaction record is Fraudulent or that the Transaction is not bona fide or is subject to any claim of illegality, cancellation, rescission, avoidance or offset for any reason whatsoever, including without limitation negligence, Fraud or dishonesty on the part of Entity or Entity’s Representatives;
(x) Entity fails to provide an ARC Pay Transaction or legible copy thereof to ARC in accordance with this Agreement.

8.2. Entity acknowledges that ARC shall have full recourse to charge back the amount of a credit card sale for which the Cardholder disputes that he/she did not authorize the charge if (i) the imprint of the card or (ii) the signature of the Cardholder was not obtained by Entity; and (iii) Entity shall not initiate a Transaction in an attempt to collect a Chargeback. Entity shall be liable for all fees arising out of the Chargeback dispute process, including, but not limited to, pre-arbitration fees.

8.3. Entity must provide to ARC or its designee any and all documentation required, at ARC’s sole discretion, as part of any Chargeback dispute process, including, but not limited to, responses to pre-arbitration notifications.

9. Processing Limits

9.1. Entity’s “Approved Monthly Volume” for sales drafts is that monthly volume set forth in the Application or as otherwise set forth in the Application approval letter from ARC to Entity or as may be later changed by ARC from time to time upon notice to Entity.

9.2. If Entity exceeds the Approved Monthly Volume, either in the aggregate or with respect to any “method of sale”: (i) ARC may suspend processing, hold the funds over the Approved Monthly Volume, and/or return all ARC Pay Transactions evidencing funds over the Approved Monthly Volume to Entity; and (ii) Entity is subject to a five percent (5%) fee on all monies processed over the Approved Monthly Volume.

9.3. Entity’s “Transaction Cap” is the per-transaction limitation in dollar amount set forth in the Application or as otherwise set forth in the Application approval letter from ARC to Entity or as may be later changed by ARC from time to time upon notice to Entity.

9.4. If the amount of any Transaction exceeds the Transaction Cap, (i) ARC may suspend processing and/or return such Transaction, and (ii) Entity is subject to a five percent (5%) fee on the amount of each Transaction above the Transaction Cap processed by ARC.

10. Prohibited Transactions

10.1. Entity’s use of ARC Pay is strictly limited to Transactions involving the sale of travel-related products or services only. Any Transaction involving a combination of travel- and non-travel-related products or services, whether Fraudulent or not, shall be considered invalid and a breach of this Agreement.

10.2. Entity must provide any and all information requested by ARC for verification that
Transactions are travel-related. ARC reserves the right to determine, in its sole discretion, whether or not a Transaction is travel-related or invalid.

11. Restrictions for ARC-Accredited Agents

11.1. Entity is prohibited from issuing a Transaction without specific authorization from the Cardholder, and may not utilize an authorization of an existing Transaction in order to issue a subsequent Transaction.

11.2. Any of Entity’s funds used for ARC Pay shall be segregated and held in separate accounts independent of funds used for settlement by Entity pursuant to any applicable Reporting Agreement.

12. Cardholder Disputes and Communications

12.1. Entity agrees to deal and communicate directly with the Cardholder to resolve any claims or complaints about the nature or quality of services purchased from Entity.

12.2. Entity agrees to deal and communicate directly with the Cardholder to resolve any sales that are rejected or charged back to ARC.

13. Notice to System Providers

13.1. In its sole discretion, ARC may notify System Providers to stop or reinstate Entity’s use of their system for the issuance of an ARC Pay Transaction.

14. Consolidators

14.1. For each ARC Pay Transaction, a Consolidator must provide the following information regarding each Sub-Entity involved in the Transaction:

   14.1.1. Business name (including any d/b/a)
   14.1.2. Address
   14.1.3. Phone number
   14.1.4. Email address

14.2. Unless requested otherwise by ARC, the Consolidator shall provide all information required by Section 14.1 above by completing the “endorsement/restrictions” field pertaining to each Transaction.

14.3. Upon ARC’s request, a Consolidator must provide any and all information not identified above that is requested by ARC regarding any of its Sub-Entities, promptly and in any event within three (3) calendar days of such request by ARC.

14.4. ARC may, at its sole discretion, require Consolidator to take any corrective action regarding any Sub-Entity which may not be in compliance with the terms of this Agreement, including, but not limited to, restricting or prohibiting the Sub-Entity from further processing Transactions, and to provide written certification thereto.
14.5. If a Consolidator has knowledge or could have obtained knowledge based on reasonable due diligence, that any of its Sub-Entities has or may have participated in the commission or attempted commission of a Fraud against ARC, a Payment Network, Credit Card Association, issuer, or a Cardholder, the Consolidator must immediately notify ARC thereof.

Article VIII. Account; Fees

15. Account

15.1. Entity will maintain sufficient funds in the Account to satisfy all obligations, including but not limited to fees, contemplated by this Agreement. Entity irrevocably authorizes ARC to debit the Account for Chargebacks (whether Fraudulent or not), fees and any other penalties or amounts owed under this Agreement. Entity must obtain prior written consent from ARC to change the Account. If Entity does not obtain that consent, ARC may immediately terminate the Agreement and may take other action necessary, as determined by them within their sole discretion;

15.2. Entity shall promptly examine all statements relating to the Account, and immediately notify ARC in writing of any errors. Entity’s written notice must include:

   15.2.1. Entity name and account number,
   15.2.2. the dollar amount of the asserted error,
   15.2.3. a description of the asserted error, and
   15.2.4. an explanation of why Entity believes an error exists and the cause of it, if known.

Such written notice must be received by ARC within sixty (60) days after Entity received the periodic statement containing the asserted error and failure to provide such notice shall bar any claim of errors. ENTITY MAY NOT MAKE ANY CLAIM AGAINST ARC FOR ANY LOSS OR EXPENSE RELATING TO ANY ASSERTED ERROR FOR SIXTY (60) DAYS IMMEDIATELY FOLLOWING RECEIPT OF ENTITY’S WRITTEN NOTICE. During such 60-day period, ARC will be entitled to investigate the asserted error, and Entity will not incur any cost or expense in connection with the asserted error without notifying ARC.

15.3. Entity will indemnify and hold ARC harmless for any action ARC takes against the Account pursuant to this Section. Entity will also indemnify and hold harmless the institution at which Entity maintains the Account for acting in accordance with any instruction from ARC regarding the Account. This Section will survive termination of this Agreement;

15.4. Entity authorizes ARC to initiate debit/credit entries to the Account, as the Account may be changed from time to time, and to any other account maintained by Entity at any institution that is a receiving bank of ACH, all in accordance with this Agreement. In the event Entity changes the Account, Entity will notify ARC, and this authorization will apply to the new Account. This authorization will be effective until both: (i) ARC have received written notification from Entity terminating this authorization, and (ii) all obligations of Entity to ARC have been paid in full. Entity will provide to ARC a voided Account check, and will fill in the Account numbers on the Application
16. Fees

16.1. Entity agrees to pay, and authorizes ARC to deduct from Entity’s designated bank account, or otherwise withhold from money due and owing the Entity by ARC by way of set off, the following fees:

16.1.1. On a weekly basis, a nonrefundable processing fee for each submitted ARC Pay Transaction equivalent to 3.5% of the amount of the ARC Pay transaction or $0.70, whichever is greater.

16.1.2. On a monthly basis, a fee of $17.50 per Entity Location that submitted an ARC Pay Transaction in the previous month.

16.1.3. On a weekly basis, if applicable, a nonrefundable rejection or chargeback handling fee of $30.00 per ARC Pay Transaction that is rejected or charged back.

16.1.4. On a monthly basis, if applicable, a nonrefundable handling fee of $100.00 per ARC Pay Transaction that is rejected or charged back due to an invalid authorization code, as identified by the bank.

16.1.5. On a periodic basis, if applicable, a nonrefundable fee that is equivalent to a fee that was levied on ARC by a third party.

16.1.6. Where applicable, an amount equal to the outstanding total owed by Entity for any unpaid fees or chargebacks.

16.1.7. On a monthly basis, if applicable, a nonrefundable fee for any Web Services provided pursuant to Section 4 of this Supplement.