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Irrevocable Letter of Credit

SAMPLE LETTER OF CREDIT

IRREVOCABLE LETTER OF CREDIT Date
Letter of Credit #
Expires:

To Whom it May Concern:

We hereby authorize you to value on (Name of bank) for the account of:

up to an aggregate amount of (\$) available by your draft at sight bearing this credit number accompanied by:

Your statement that the account of of is delinquent;

Two (2) copies of the bill(s) in the amount of the arrearages.

"It is a condition of the credit that it shall be deemed automatically extended without amendment for one (1) year from the present or any future expiration date hereof, unless thirty (30) days prior to any such date we shall notify you in writing that we elect not to consider this Letter of Credit renewed for any such additional period. Upon receipt by you of such notice, you may draw the full amount of the credit hereunder, against your draft only, without the documentation mentioned herein."

EXPIRATION DATE:

Drafts must be negotiated not later than the expiration date shown above or any extension thereof and the amount must be endorsed in this letter of credit by the negotiating bank.

We hereby agree with the drawers, endorsers, and bona fide holders of drafts drawn under and in compliance with the terms of this credit that such drafts will be duly honored on due presentation to the drawee.

Except: so far as otherwise stated, this credit is subject to the Uniform Customs and Practice for Documentary Credit 1974 revision International Chamber of Commerce brochure #290.

Very truly yours,

AUTHORIZED SIGNATURE

CJT/skm

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