



New Carrier Packet

The Match Maker, Inc
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Email: Support@MHMK.com
Web: www.mhmk.com

Phone: (800) 226 - 3696
Fax: (877) 236 - 8985



In order to get set up as an approved Carrier for The Match Maker, Inc., please complete and return the following documents to us. Thank you.

Required Forms



- Carrier Profile
- Broker-Carrier Agreement
- IRS Form W-9
- Certificate of Cargo, Liability and Worker's Comp Insurance listing The Match Maker, Inc. as the Certificate Holder (Issued by your insurance company)
- Carrier Operating Authority (Issued by the FMCSA)



Optional Forms



- Quick Pay Agreement
- Match Factors Factoring Program

Please fax the following documents to The Match Maker, Inc. at (877) 236-8985 or email them to Support@MHMK.com.

If you have any questions, please contact The Match Maker, Inc. at (843) 665-4968 or your authorized broker/agent.

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CARRIER PROFILE FORM

To assist us in the set-up of your account for payment please take a few minutes to complete the form below. A copy of your **Operating Authority, COI with The Match Maker, Inc. as the holder, W-9 form, and Match Maker Broker-Carrier Agreement** must also be attached to this form to ensure that your account is set-up accurately.

Company Legal Name: _____

Doing Business As: _____

Physical Address: _____

City: _____ State: _____ Zip Code: _____

Mailing Address: _____

City: _____ State: _____ Zip Code: _____

Phone: _____ Fax: _____ Email: _____

Accounts Receivable Contact Name & Phone: _____

Dispatch Contact Name & Phone: _____

Are your receivables factored or assigned? _____ Yes _____ No

If yes, please fill out the following information:

Name of Factoring Company: _____

Telephone Number: _____

Address to Mail Payment: _____

Business Type:	Individual/Sole Proprietor Corporation	Partnership Limited Liability Company (LLC)
MC/FF#: _____	Authority Type:	Contract Common
EIN#: _____		Broker Freight Forwarder
Would you like additional info on:	Transportation Factoring	Truck Insurance
	Licensing/Permitting (permits, BOC-3, authority, DOT, IFTA, etc)	Transportation Consulting

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THE MATCH MAKER INC.
EXPERIENCED TRANSPORTATION BROKERS



BROKER - CARRIER AGREEMENT

This Agreement is entered into this ____ day of _____, 20____, by and between **The Match Maker, Inc.** ("BROKER"), a Registered Property Broker, Lic. No. MC-161546, and _____, a Registered Motor Carrier, Permit No. MC- _____ & Certificate No. DOT- _____ ("CARRIER"); collectively, the "Parties". ("Registered" means operated under authority issued by the Federal Motor Carrier Safety Administration (or its predecessors) within the U.S. Department of Transportation).

1. CARRIER REPRESENTS AND WARRANTS THAT IT:

- A. Is a Registered Motor Carrier of Property authorized to provide transportation of property under contracts with shippers and receivers and/or brokers of general commodities.
- B. Shall transport the property, under its own operating authority and subject to the terms of this Agreement;
- C. Makes the representations herein for the purpose of inducing BROKER to enter into this Agreement.
- D. Agrees that a Shipper's insertion of BROKER's name as the carrier on a bill of lading shall be for the Shipper's convenience only and shall not change BROKER's status as a property broker nor CARRIER's status as a motor carrier.
- E. Will not re-broker, co-broker, subcontract, assign, interline, or transfer the transportation of shipments hereunder to any other persons or entity conducting business under a different operating authority, without prior written consent of BROKER. If CARRIER breaches this provision, BROKER shall have the right of paying the monies it owes CARRIER directly to the delivering carrier, in lieu of payment to CARRIER. Upon BROKER's payment to delivering carrier, CARRIER shall not be released from any liability to BROKER under this Agreement. In addition to the indemnity obligation in Par 1.H, CARRIER will be liable for consequential damages for violation of this provision.
- F. (i) Is in, and shall maintain compliance during the term of this Agreement, with all applicable federal, state and local laws relating to the provision of its services including, but not limited to: transportation of Hazardous Materials (including the licensing and training of Haz Mat qualified drivers), as defined in 49 C.F.R. §172.800, §173, and §397 et seq. to the extent that any shipments hereunder constitute Hazardous Materials; security regulations; owner/operator lease regulations; loading and securement of freight regulations; implementation and maintenance of driver safety regulations including, but not limited to, hiring, controlled substances and alcohol testing, and hours of service regulations; sanitation, temperature, and contamination requirements for transporting food, perishable, and other products, qualification and licensing and training of drivers; implementation and maintenance of equipment safety regulations; maintenance and control of the means and method of transportation including, but not limited to, performance of its drivers; all applicable insurance laws and regulations including but not limited to workers' compensation.
(ii) Is solely responsible for any and all management, governing, discipline, direction and control of its employees, owner/operators, and equipment with respect to operating within all applicable federal and state legal and regulatory requirements to ensure the safe operation of CARRIERS vehicles, drivers and facilities. CARRIER and BROKER agree that safe and legal operation of the CARRIER and its drivers shall completely and without question govern and supersede any service requests, demands, preferences, instructions, and information from BROKER or BROKER's customer with respect to any shipment at any time.
- G. CARRIER will notify BROKER immediately if its federal Operating Authority is revoked, suspended or rendered inactive for any reason; and/or if it is sold, or if there is a change in control of ownership, and/or any insurance required hereunder is threatened to be or is terminated, cancelled, suspended, or revoked for any reason.
- H. (i) CARRIER shall defend, indemnify and hold BROKER and its shipper customer harmless from any claims, actions or damages, arising out of its performance under this Agreement, including cargo loss and damage, theft, delay, damage to property, and personal injury or death. Neither Party shall be liable to the other for any claims, actions or damages due to the negligence or intentional act of the other Party, or the shipper. The obligation to defend shall include all costs of defense as they accrue.
(ii) Except for CARRIER's liability under Par 1.E, unless otherwise agreed in writing, the Parties' indemnity obligations shall be subject to the insurance coverage and monetary insurance limits referred to in Subp. 3. D.

- I. Does not have an "Unsatisfactory" safety rating issued by the Federal Motor Carrier Safety Administration (FMCSA), U.S. Department of Transportation, and will notify BROKER in writing immediately if its safety rating is changed to "Unsatisfactory" or "Conditional". Authorizes BROKER to invoice CARRIER's freight charges to shipper, consignee, or third parties responsible for payment.
- J. Has investigated, monitors, and agrees to conduct business hereunder based on the credit-worthiness of BROKER and is granting BROKER credit terms accordingly.
- K. On behalf of shipper, consignee and broker interests, to the extent that any shipments subject to this Agreement are transported within the State of California on refrigerated equipment, CARRIER warrants that it shall only utilize equipment which is in full compliance with the California Air Resources Board (ARB) TRU ACTM in-use regulations. CARRIER shall be liable to BROKER for any penalties, or any other liability, imposed on, or assumed by BROKER due to penalties imposed on BROKERS customer because of CARRIER's use of non-compliant equipment.

2. BROKER RESPONSIBILITIES:

- A. **SHIPMENTS, BILLING & RATES:** BROKER shall offer CARRIER at least one (1) load/shipment annually. BROKER shall inform CARRIER of (i) place of origin and destination of all shipments; and (ii) if applicable, any special shipping and handling instructions, special equipment requirements, or value of shipments in excess of the amount specified in Par. 3C(vi) below, of which BROKER has been timely notified.
- B. BROKER agrees to conduct all billing services to shippers, consignees, or other party responsible for payment. CARRIER shall invoice BROKER for its (CARRIER's) charges, as mutually agreed in writing, by fax, or by electronic means, contained in BROKER's Load Confirmation Sheet(s) / dispatch sheets incorporated herein by this reference. Additional rates for truckload or LTL shipments, or modifications or amendments of the above rates, or additional rates, may be established to meet changing market conditions, shipper requirements, BROKER requirements, and/or specific shipping schedules as mutually agreed upon, and shall be confirmed in writing (or by fax or email) by both Parties. Any such additional, modified, or amended rates, changes in rates shall automatically be incorporated herein by this reference.
- C. **RATES:** Additionally, any rates, which may be verbally agreed upon, shall be deemed confirmed in writing where CARRIER has billed the agreed rate and BROKER has paid it. All written confirmations of rates, including confirmations by billing and payment, shall be incorporated herein by this reference. Rates or charges, including but not limited to stop-offs, detention, loading or unloading, fuel surcharges, or other accessorial charges, tariff rates, released rates or values, or tariff rules or circulars, shall only be valid when their terms are specifically agreed to in a writing signed by both Parties.
- D. **PAYMENT:** The Parties agree that BROKER is the sole party responsible for payment of CARRIER's charges. Failure of BROKER to collect payment from its customer shall not exonerate BROKER of its obligation to pay CARRIER. BROKER agrees to pay CARRIER's invoice within thirty (30) days of receipt of the bill of lading or proof of delivery, provided CARRIER is not in default under the terms of this Agreement. If BROKER has not paid CARRIER's invoice as agreed, and CARRIER has complied with the terms of this Agreement, CARRIER may seek payment from the Shipper or other party responsible for payment after giving BROKER fourteen (14) days (business days) advance written notice. CARRIER shall not seek payment from Shipper, consignees, or third parties, if they can prove payment to BROKER.
- E. **BOND:** BROKER shall maintain a surety bond /trust fund as agreed to in the amount of \$75,000 and on file with the Federal Motor Carrier Safety Administration (FMCSA) in the form and amount not less than that required by that agency's regulations.
- F. BROKER will notify CARRIER immediately if its federal Operating Authority is revoked, suspended or rendered inactive for any reason; and/or if it is sold, or if there is a change in control of ownership, and/or any insurance required hereunder is threatened to be or is terminated, cancelled, suspended, or revoked for any reason.
- G. BROKER's responsibility is limited to arranging for, but not actually performing, transportation of a shipper's freight.

3. CARRIER RESPONSIBILITIES:

- A. **EQUIPMENT:** Subject to its representations and warranties in Paragraph 1 above, CARRIER agrees to provide the necessary equipment and qualified personnel for completion of the transportation services required for BROKER and/or its customers. CARRIER will not supply equipment that has been used to transport hazardous wastes, solid or liquid, regardless of whether they meet the definition in 40 C.F.R. §261.1 et. seq. CARRIER agrees that all shipments will be transported and delivered with reasonable dispatch, or as otherwise agreed in writing.

B. **BILLS OF LADING:** CARRIER shall sign a bill of lading, produced by shipper or CARRIER in compliance with 49 C.F.R. §373.101 (and any amendments thereto), for the property it receives for transportation under this Agreement. Unless otherwise agreed in writing, CARRIER shall become fully responsible/liable for the freight when it takes/receives possession thereof, and the trailer(s) is loaded, regardless of whether a bill of lading has been issued, and/or signed, and/or delivered to CARRIER, and which responsibility/liability shall continue until delivery of the shipment to the consignee and the consignee signs the bill of lading or delivery receipt. Any terms of the bill of lading (including but not limited to payment and credit terms, released rates or released value) inconsistent with the terms of this Agreement shall be ineffective. Failure to issue a bill of lading, or sign a bill of lading acknowledging receipt of the cargo, by CARRIER, shall not affect the liability of CARRIER.

C. **LOSS & DAMAGE CLAIMS:**

(i) CARRIER shall comply with 49 C.F.R. §370.1 et seq. and any amendments and/or any other applicable regulations adopted by the Federal Motor Carrier Safety Administration, U.S. Department of Transportation, or any applicable state regulatory agency, for processing all loss and damage claims and salvage and

(ii) CARRIER's liability for any cargo damage, loss, or theft from any cause shall be determined under the Carmack Amendment, 49 U.S.C. §14706; and

(iii) Special Damages: CARRIER's indemnification liability (Par 1.H) for freight loss and damage claims under this sub par C (ii) shall include legal fees which shall constitute special damages, the risk of which is expressly assumed by CARRIER, and which shall not be limited by any liability of CARRIER under Subp. (ii) above.

(iv) Except as provided in Par 1.E above, neither Party shall be liable to the other for consequential damages without prior written notification of the risk of loss and its approximate financial amount, and agreement to assume such responsibility in writing.

(v) Notwithstanding the terms of 49 CFR 370.9, CARRIER shall pay, decline or make settlement offer in writing on all cargo loss or damage claims within twenty (20) days of receipt of the claim. Failure of CARRIER to pay, decline or offer settlement within this twenty (20) day period shall be deemed admission by CARRIER of full liability for the amount claimed and a material breach of this Agreement.

(vi) CARRIER's liability for cargo damage, loss, or theft from any cause for any one shipment, under Subp. (ii) above shall not exceed \$100,000 unless CARRIER is notified by BROKER or Shipper of the increased value three (3)-days prior to shipment pick up.

D. **INSURANCE:** CARRIER shall furnish BROKER with Certificate(s) of Insurance, or insurance policies providing thirty (30) days advance written notice of cancellation or termination, and unless otherwise agreed, subject to the following minimum limits: General liability \$1,000,000.00; motor vehicle (including hired and non-owned vehicles) \$1,000,000.00, (\$5,000,000 if transporting hazardous materials including environmental damages due to release or discharge of hazardous substances); cargo damage/loss, \$100,000.00; workers' compensation with limits required by law. Except for the higher coverage limits which may be specified above, the insurance policies shall comply with minimum requirements of the Federal Motor Carrier Safety Administration and any other applicable regulatory state agency. Nothing in this Agreement shall be construed to avoid or limit CARRIER's liability due to any exclusion or deductible in any insurance policy.

E. **ASSIGNMENT OF RIGHTS:** CARRIER automatically assigns to BROKER all its rights to collect freight charges from Shipper or any responsible third party on receipt of payment of its freight charges from BROKER.

F. CARRIER assumes full responsibility and liability for payment of the following items: All applicable federal, state, and local payroll taxes, taxes for unemployment insurance, old age pensions, workers' compensation, social security, with respect to persons engaged in the performance of its transportation services hereunder. BROKER shall not be liable for any of the payroll-related tax obligations specified above and CARRIER shall indemnify, defend, and hold BROKER harmless from any claim or liability imposed or asserted against BROKER for any such obligations.

4. **MISCELLANEOUS:**

A. **INDEPENDENT CONTRACTOR:** It is understood and agreed that the relationship between BROKER and CARRIER is that of independent contractor. None of the terms of this Agreement, or any act or omission of either Party shall be construed for any purpose to express or imply a joint venture, partnership, principal/agent, fiduciary, employer/employee relationship between the Parties. CARRIER shall provide the sole supervision and shall have exclusive control over the operations of its employees, contractors, subcontractors, agents, as well as all vehicles and equipment used to perform its transportation services hereunder. BROKER has no right to discipline or direct the performance of any driver and/or employees, contractors, subcontractors, or agents of CARRIER. CARRIER represents and agrees that at no time and for no purpose shall it represent to any party that it is anything other than an independent contractor in its relationship to BROKER.

B. NON-EXCLUSIVE AGREEMENT: CARRIER and BROKER acknowledge and agree that this contract does not bind the respective Parties to exclusive services to each other. Either party may enter into similar agreements with other carriers, brokers, or freight forwarders.

C. WAIVER OF PROVISIONS:

(i) Failure of either Party to enforce a breach or waiver of any provision or term of this Agreement shall not be deemed to constitute a waiver of any subsequent failure or breach, and shall not affect or limit the right of either Party to thereafter enforce such a term or provision.

(ii) This Agreement is for specified services pursuant to 49 U.S.C. §14101(b). To the extent that terms and conditions herein are inconsistent with Part (b), Subtitle IV, of Title 49 U.S.C. (ICC Termination Act of 1995), the Parties expressly waive any or all rights and remedies they may have under the Act.

D. DISPUTES: In the event of a dispute arising out of this Agreement, including but not limited to Federal or State statutory claims, the Party's sole recourse (except as provided below) shall be to arbitration. Proceedings shall be conducted under the rules of the Transportation ADR Council, Inc. (ADR), upon mutual agreement of the Parties, or if no agreement, then at BROKER's sole discretion. Arbitration proceedings shall be started within eighteen (18) months from the date of delivery or scheduled date of delivery of the freight, whichever is later. Upon agreement of the Parties, arbitration proceedings may be conducted outside of the administrative control of the ADR. The decision of the arbitrators shall be binding and final and the award of the arbitrator may be entered as judgment in any court of competent jurisdiction. The rationale and reasoning of the decision of arbitrator(s) shall be fully explained in a written opinion. The prevailing party shall be entitled to recovery of costs, expenses and reasonable attorney fees as well as those incurred in any action for injunctive relief, or in the event further legal action is taken to enforce the award of arbitrators. Arbitration proceedings shall be conducted at the office of the ADR nearest to Florence, SC, or such other place as mutually agreed upon in writing, or by conference call or video conferencing upon agreement of the Parties, or as directed by the acting arbitration association. Provided, however, either Party may apply to a court of competent jurisdiction for injunctive relief. Unless preempted or controlled by federal transportation law and regulations, the laws of the State of South Carolina shall be controlling notwithstanding applicable conflicts of laws rules. The arbitration provisions of this paragraph shall not apply to enforcement of the award of arbitration.

(i) Subject to the time limitation set forth in Subp. D above, for disputes where the amount in controversy exceeds \$75,000, BROKER shall have the right, but not the obligation, to select litigation in order to resolve any disputes arising hereunder. In the event of litigation the prevailing Party shall be entitled to recover costs, expenses and reasonable attorney fees, including but not limited to any incurred on appeals.

(ii) Venue, controlling law, and jurisdiction in any legal proceedings under Subps. i or ii above shall be in the State of South Carolina.

E. NO BACK SOLICITATION:

(i) Unless otherwise agreed in writing, CARRIER shall not knowingly solicit freight shipments (or accept shipments) for a period of six (6) month(s) following termination of this agreement for any reason, from any shipper, consignor, consignee, or other customer of BROKER, when such shipments of shipper customers were first tendered to CARRIER by BROKER.

(OPTIONAL)

(ii) In the event of breach of this provision, BROKER shall be entitled, for a period of six (6) months following delivery of the last shipment transported by CARRIER under this Agreement, to a commission of fifty percent (50%) of the gross transportation revenue (as evidenced by freight bills) received by CARRIER for the transportation of said freight as liquidated damages. Additionally, BROKER may seek injunctive relief and in the event it is successful, CARRIER shall be liable for all costs and expenses incurred by BROKER, including, but not limited to, reasonable attorney's fees.

F. CONFIDENTIALITY:

(i) In addition to Confidential Information protected by law, statutory or otherwise, the Parties agree that all of their financial information and that of their customers, including but not limited to freight and brokerage rates, amounts received for brokerage services, amounts of freight charges collected, freight volume requirements, as well as personal customer information, customer shipping or other logistics requirements shared or learned between the Parties and their customers, shall be treated as Confidential, and shall not be disclosed or used for any reason without prior written consent.

(ii) In the event of violation of this Confidentiality paragraph, the Parties agree that the remedy at law, including monetary damages, may be inadequate and that the Parties shall be entitled, in addition to any other remedy they may have, to an injunction restraining the violating Party from further violation of this Agreement in which case the prevailing Party shall be liable for all costs and expenses incurred, including but not limited to reasonable attorney's fees.

G. The limitations of liability for cargo loss and damage as well as other liabilities, arising out of the transportation of shipments, which originate outside the United States of America, may be subject to the laws of the country of origination.

H. MODIFICATION OF AGREEMENT: This Agreement and any Exhibits et. seq. attached may not be amended, except by mutual written agreement, or the procedures set forth above (Pars 2.B and 2.C).

I. NOTICES:

(i) All notices provided or required by this Agreement, shall be made in writing and delivered, return receipt requested, to the addresses shown herein with postage prepaid; or by confirmed (electronically acknowledged on paper) fax, or by email with electronic receipt.

(ii) The Parties shall promptly notify each other of any claim that is asserted against either of them by anyone arising out of the Parties performance of this Agreement.

(iii) Notices sent as required hereunder, to the addresses shown in this Agreement shall be deemed sent to the correct address, unless the Parties are notified in writing of any changes in address.

J. CONTRACT TERM: The term of this Agreement shall be one year from the date hereof and thereafter it shall automatically be renewed for successive one (1) year periods, unless terminated, upon thirty (30) day's prior written notice, with or without cause, by either Party at any time, including the initial term. In the event of termination of this Agreement for any reason, the Parties shall be obligated to complete performance of any work in progress in accordance with the terms of this Agreement.

K. SEVERANCE: SURVIVAL: In the event any of the terms of this Agreement are determined to be invalid or unenforceable, no other terms shall be affected and the unaffected terms shall remain valid and enforceable as written. The representations, rights and obligations of the parties hereunder shall survive termination of this Agreement for any reason.

L. COUNTERPARTS: This Agreement may be executed in any number of counterparts each of which shall be deemed to be a duplicate original hereof.

M. FAX CONSENT: The Parties to this Agreement are authorized to fax to each other at the numbers shown herein, (or otherwise modified in writing from time to time) shipment availabilities, equipment and rate promotions, or any advertisements of new services.

N. FORCE MAJEURE. In the event that either Party is prevented from performing its obligations under this Agreement because of an occurrence beyond its control and arising without its fault or negligence, including without limitation, war, riots, rebellion, acts of God, acts of lawful authorities, fire, strikes, lockouts or other labor disputes, such failures to perform (except for any payments due hereunder) shall be excused for the duration of such occurrence. Economic hardships, including, but not limited to, recession and depression, shall not constitute Force Majeure events.

O. ENTIRE AGREEMENT: Unless otherwise agreed in writing, this Agreement contains the entire understanding of the Parties and supersedes all verbal or written prior agreements, arrangements, and understandings of the Parties relating to the subject matter stated herein. The Parties further intend that this Agreement constitutes the complete and exclusive statement of its terms, and that no extrinsic evidence may be introduced to reform this Agreement in any judicial or arbitration proceeding involving this Agreement.

IN WITNESS WHEREOF, we have signed this Agreement the date and year first shown above.

Broker: The Match Maker, Inc.

Carrier Legal Name: _____

Printed Name: Eric Belk

Printed Name: _____

Signature: 

Authorized Signature: _____

Title: Vice President

Title: _____

Date: 2-13-15

Date: _____

Phone: _____ Fax: _____

Request for Taxpayer Identification Number and Certification

Give Form to the
requester. Do not
send to the IRS.

► Go to www.irs.gov/FormW9 for instructions and the latest information.

Print or type. See Specific Instructions on page 3.	1 Name (as shown on your income tax return). Name is required on this line; do not leave this line blank.	
	2 Business name/disregarded entity name, if different from above	
	3 Check appropriate box for federal tax classification of the person whose name is entered on line 1. Check only one of the following seven boxes. <input type="checkbox"/> Individual/sole proprietor or single-member LLC <input type="checkbox"/> Limited liability company. Enter the tax classification (C=C corporation, S=S corporation, P=Partnership) ► _____ Note: Check the appropriate box in the line above for the tax classification of the single-member owner. Do not check LLC if the LLC is classified as a single-member LLC that is disregarded from the owner unless the owner of the LLC is another LLC that is not disregarded from the owner for U.S. federal tax purposes. Otherwise, a single-member LLC that is disregarded from the owner should check the appropriate box for the tax classification of its owner. <input type="checkbox"/> Other (see instructions) ► _____	4 Exemptions (codes apply only to certain entities, not individuals; see instructions on page 3): Exempt payee code (if any) _____ Exemption from FATCA reporting code (if any) _____ <i>(Applies to accounts maintained outside the U.S.)</i>
	5 Address (number, street, and apt. or suite no.) See instructions.	Requester's name and address (optional)
	6 City, state, and ZIP code	
	7 List account number(s) here (optional)	

Part I Taxpayer Identification Number (TIN)

Enter your TIN in the appropriate box. The TIN provided must match the name given on line 1 to avoid backup withholding. For individuals, this is generally your social security number (SSN). However, for a resident alien, sole proprietor, or disregarded entity, see the instructions for Part I, later. For other entities, it is your employer identification number (EIN). If you do not have a number, see *How to get a TIN*, later.

Note: If the account is in more than one name, see the instructions for line 1. Also see *What Name and Number To Give the Requester* for guidelines on whose number to enter.

Social security number										
				-				-		
or										
Employer identification number										
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Part II Certification

Under penalties of perjury, I certify that:

1. The number shown on this form is my correct taxpayer identification number (or I am waiting for a number to be issued to me); and
2. I am not subject to backup withholding because: (a) I am exempt from backup withholding, or (b) I have not been notified by the Internal Revenue Service (IRS) that I am subject to backup withholding as a result of a failure to report all interest or dividends, or (c) the IRS has notified me that I am no longer subject to backup withholding; and
3. I am a U.S. citizen or other U.S. person (defined below); and
4. The FATCA code(s) entered on this form (if any) indicating that I am exempt from FATCA reporting is correct.

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 and dividends on your tax return. For real estate transactions, item 2 does not apply. For mortgage interest paid, acquisition or abandonment of secured property, cancellation of debt, contributions to an individual retirement arrangement (IRA), and generally, payments other than interest and dividends, you are not required to sign the certification, but you must provide your correct TIN. See the instructions for Part II, later.

Sign Here	Signature of U.S. person ►	Date ►

General Instructions

Section references are to the Internal Revenue Code unless otherwise noted.

Future developments. For the latest information about developments related to Form W-9 and its instructions, such as legislation enacted after they were published, go to www.irs.gov/FormW9.

Purpose of Form

An individual or entity (Form W-9 requester) who is required to file an information return with the IRS must obtain your correct taxpayer identification number (TIN) which may be your social security number (SSN), individual taxpayer identification number (ITIN), adoption taxpayer identification number (ATIN), or employer identification number (EIN), to report on an information return the amount paid to you, or other amount reportable on an information return. Examples of information returns include, but are not limited to, the following.

- Form 1099-INT (interest earned or paid)

- Form 1099-DIV (dividends, including those from stocks or mutual funds)
- Form 1099-MISC (various types of income, prizes, awards, or gross proceeds)
- Form 1099-B (stock or mutual fund sales and certain other transactions by brokers)
- Form 1099-S (proceeds from real estate transactions)
- Form 1099-K (merchant card and third party network transactions)
- Form 1098 (home mortgage interest), 1098-E (student loan interest), 1098-T (tuition)
- Form 1099-C (canceled debt)
- Form 1099-A (acquisition or abandonment of secured property)

Use Form W-9 only if you are a U.S. person (including a resident alien), to provide your correct TIN.

If you do not return Form W-9 to the requester with a TIN, you might be subject to backup withholding. See What is backup withholding, later.

By signing the filled-out form, you:

1. Certify that the TIN you are giving is correct (or you are waiting for a number to be issued),
2. Certify that you are not subject to backup withholding, or
3. Claim exemption from backup withholding if you are a U.S. exempt payee. If applicable, you are also certifying that as a U.S. person, your allocable share of any partnership income from a U.S. trade or business is not subject to the withholding tax on foreign partners' share of effectively connected income, and
4. Certify that FATCA code(s) entered on this form (if any) indicating that you are exempt from the FATCA reporting, is correct. See *What is FATCA reporting*, later, for further information.

Note: If you are a U.S. person and a requester gives you a form other than Form W-9 to request your TIN, you must use the requester's form if it is substantially similar to this Form W-9.

Definition of a U.S. person. For federal tax purposes, you are considered a U.S. person if you are:

- An individual who is a U.S. citizen or U.S. resident alien;
- A partnership, corporation, company, or association created or organized in the United States or under the laws of the United States;
- An estate (other than a foreign estate); or
- A domestic trust (as defined in Regulations section 301.7701-7).

Special rules for partnerships. Partnerships that conduct a trade or business in the United States are generally required to pay a withholding tax under section 1446 on any foreign partners' share of effectively connected taxable income from such business. Further, in certain cases where a Form W-9 has not been received, the rules under section 1446 require a partnership to presume that a partner is a foreign person, and pay the section 1446 withholding tax. Therefore, if you are a U.S. person that is a partner in a partnership conducting a trade or business in the United States, provide Form W-9 to the partnership to establish your U.S. status and avoid section 1446 withholding on your share of partnership income.

In the cases below, the following person must give Form W-9 to the partnership for purposes of establishing its U.S. status and avoiding withholding on its allocable share of net income from the partnership conducting a trade or business in the United States.

- In the case of a disregarded entity with a U.S. owner, the U.S. owner of the disregarded entity and not the entity;
- In the case of a grantor trust with a U.S. grantor or other U.S. owner, generally, the U.S. grantor or other U.S. owner of the grantor trust and not the trust; and
- In the case of a U.S. trust (other than a grantor trust), the U.S. trust (other than a grantor trust) and not the beneficiaries of the trust.

Foreign person. If you are a foreign person or the U.S. branch of a foreign bank that has elected to be treated as a U.S. person, do not use Form W-9. Instead, use the appropriate Form W-8 or Form 8233 (see Pub. 515, *Withholding of Tax on Nonresident Aliens and Foreign Entities*).

Nonresident alien who becomes a resident alien. Generally, only a nonresident alien individual may use the terms of a tax treaty to reduce or eliminate U.S. tax on certain types of income. However, most tax treaties contain a provision known as a "saving clause." Exceptions specified in the saving clause may permit an exemption from tax to continue for certain types of income even after the payee has otherwise become a U.S. resident alien for tax purposes.

If you are a U.S. resident alien who is relying on an exception contained in the saving clause of a tax treaty to claim an exemption from U.S. tax on certain types of income, you must attach a statement to Form W-9 that specifies the following five items.

1. The treaty country. Generally, this must be the same treaty under which you claimed exemption from tax as a nonresident alien.
2. The treaty article addressing the income.
3. The article number (or location) in the tax treaty that contains the saving clause and its exceptions.
4. The type and amount of income that qualifies for the exemption from tax.
5. Sufficient facts to justify the exemption from tax under the terms of the treaty article.

Example. Article 20 of the U.S.-China income tax treaty allows an exemption from tax for scholarship income received by a Chinese student temporarily present in the United States. Under U.S. law, this student will become a resident alien for tax purposes if his or her stay in the United States exceeds 5 calendar years. However, paragraph 2 of the first Protocol to the U.S.-China treaty (dated April 30, 1984) allows the provisions of Article 20 to continue to apply even after the Chinese student becomes a resident alien of the United States. A Chinese student who qualifies for this exception (under paragraph 2 of the first protocol) and is relying on this exception to claim an exemption from tax on his or her scholarship or fellowship income would attach to Form W-9 a statement that includes the information described above to support that exemption.

If you are a nonresident alien or a foreign entity, give the requester the appropriate completed Form W-8 or Form 8233.

Backup Withholding

What is backup withholding? Persons making certain payments to you must under certain conditions withhold and pay to the IRS 24% of such payments. This is called "backup withholding." Payments that may be subject to backup withholding include interest, tax-exempt interest, dividends, broker and barter exchange transactions, rents, royalties, nonemployee pay, payments made in settlement of payment card and third party network transactions, and certain payments from fishing boat operators. Real estate transactions are not subject to backup withholding.

You will not be subject to backup withholding on payments you receive if you give the requester your correct TIN, make the proper certifications, and report all your taxable interest and dividends on your tax return.

Payments you receive will be subject to backup withholding if:

1. You do not furnish your TIN to the requester,
2. You do not certify your TIN when required (see the instructions for Part II for details),
3. The IRS tells the requester that you furnished an incorrect TIN,
4. The IRS tells you that you are subject to backup withholding because you did not report all your interest and dividends on your tax return (for reportable interest and dividends only), or
5. You do not certify to the requester that you are not subject to backup withholding under 4 above (for reportable interest and dividend accounts opened after 1983 only).

Certain payees and payments are exempt from backup withholding. See *Exempt payee code*, later, and the separate Instructions for the Requester of Form W-9 for more information.

Also see *Special rules for partnerships*, earlier.

What is FATCA Reporting?

The Foreign Account Tax Compliance Act (FATCA) requires a participating foreign financial institution to report all United States account holders that are specified United States persons. Certain payees are exempt from FATCA reporting. See *Exemption from FATCA reporting code*, later, and the Instructions for the Requester of Form W-9 for more information.

Updating Your Information

You must provide updated information to any person to whom you claimed to be an exempt payee if you are no longer an exempt payee and anticipate receiving reportable payments in the future from this person. For example, you may need to provide updated information if you are a C corporation that elects to be an S corporation, or if you no longer are tax exempt. In addition, you must furnish a new Form W-9 if the name or TIN changes for the account; for example, if the grantor of a grantor trust dies.

Penalties

Failure to furnish TIN. If you fail to furnish your correct TIN to a requester, you are subject to a penalty of \$50 for each such failure unless your failure is due to reasonable cause and not to willful neglect.

Civil penalty for false information with respect to withholding. If you make a false statement with no reasonable basis that results in no backup withholding, you are subject to a \$500 penalty.

Criminal penalty for falsifying information. Willfully falsifying certifications or affirmations may subject you to criminal penalties including fines and/or imprisonment.

Misuse of TINs. If the requester discloses or uses TINs in violation of federal law, the requester may be subject to civil and criminal penalties.

Specific Instructions

Line 1

You must enter one of the following on this line; **do not** leave this line blank. The name should match the name on your tax return.

If this Form W-9 is for a joint account (other than an account maintained by a foreign financial institution (FFI)), list first, and then circle, the name of the person or entity whose number you entered in Part I of Form W-9. If you are providing Form W-9 to an FFI to document a joint account, each holder of the account that is a U.S. person must provide a Form W-9.

a. **Individual.** Generally, enter the name shown on your tax return. If you have changed your last name without informing the Social Security Administration (SSA) of the name change, enter your first name, the last name as shown on your social security card, and your new last name.

Note: ITIN applicant: Enter your individual name as it was entered on your Form W-7 application, line 1a. This should also be the same as the name you entered on the Form 1040/1040A/1040EZ you filed with your application.

b. **Sole proprietor or single-member LLC.** Enter your individual name as shown on your 1040/1040A/1040EZ on line 1. You may enter your business, trade, or "doing business as" (DBA) name on line 2.

c. **Partnership, LLC that is not a single-member LLC, C corporation, or S corporation.** Enter the entity's name as shown on the entity's tax return on line 1 and any business, trade, or DBA name on line 2.

d. **Other entities.** Enter your name as shown on required U.S. federal tax documents on line 1. This name should match the name shown on the charter or other legal document creating the entity. You may enter any business, trade, or DBA name on line 2.

e. **Disregarded entity.** For U.S. federal tax purposes, an entity that is disregarded as an entity separate from its owner is treated as a "disregarded entity." See Regulations section 301.7701-2(c)(2)(iii). Enter the owner's name on line 1. The name of the entity entered on line 1 should never be a disregarded entity. The name on line 1 should be the name shown on the income tax return on which the income should be reported. For example, if a foreign LLC that is treated as a disregarded entity for U.S. federal tax purposes has a single owner that is a U.S. person, the U.S. owner's name is required to be provided on line 1. If the direct owner of the entity is also a disregarded entity, enter the first owner that is not disregarded for federal tax purposes. Enter the disregarded entity's name on line 2, "Business name/disregarded entity name." If the owner of the disregarded entity is a foreign person, the owner must complete an appropriate Form W-8 instead of a Form W-9. This is the case even if the foreign person has a U.S. TIN.

Line 2

If you have a business name, trade name, DBA name, or disregarded entity name, you may enter it on line 2.

Line 3

Check the appropriate box on line 3 for the U.S. federal tax classification of the person whose name is entered on line 1. Check only one box on line 3.

IF the entity/person on line 1 is a(n) . . .	THEN check the box for . . .
• Corporation	Corporation
• Individual • Sole proprietorship, or • Single-member limited liability company (LLC) owned by an individual and disregarded for U.S. federal tax purposes.	Individual/sole proprietor or single-member LLC
• LLC treated as a partnership for U.S. federal tax purposes, • LLC that has filed Form 8832 or 2553 to be taxed as a corporation, or • LLC that is disregarded as an entity separate from its owner but the owner is another LLC that is not disregarded for U.S. federal tax purposes.	Limited liability company and enter the appropriate tax classification. (P= Partnership; C= C corporation; or S= S corporation)
• Partnership	Partnership
• Trust/estate	Trust/estate

Line 4, Exemptions

If you are exempt from backup withholding and/or FATCA reporting, enter in the appropriate space on line 4 any code(s) that may apply to you.

Exempt payee code.

- Generally, individuals (including sole proprietors) are not exempt from backup withholding.
- Except as provided below, corporations are exempt from backup withholding for certain payments, including interest and dividends.
- Corporations are not exempt from backup withholding for payments made in settlement of payment card or third party network transactions.
- Corporations are not exempt from backup withholding with respect to attorneys' fees or gross proceeds paid to attorneys, and corporations that provide medical or health care services are not exempt with respect to payments reportable on Form 1099-MISC.

The following codes identify payees that are exempt from backup withholding. Enter the appropriate code in the space in line 4.

- 1—An organization exempt from tax under section 501(a), any IRA, or a custodial account under section 403(b)(7) if the account satisfies the requirements of section 401(f)(2)
- 2—The United States or any of its agencies or instrumentalities
- 3—A state, the District of Columbia, a U.S. commonwealth or possession, or any of their political subdivisions or instrumentalities
- 4—A foreign government or any of its political subdivisions, agencies, or instrumentalities
- 5—A corporation
- 6—A dealer in securities or commodities required to register in the United States, the District of Columbia, or a U.S. commonwealth or possession
- 7—A futures commission merchant registered with the Commodity Futures Trading Commission
- 8—A real estate investment trust
- 9—An entity registered at all times during the tax year under the Investment Company Act of 1940
- 10—A common trust fund operated by a bank under section 584(a)
- 11—A financial institution
- 12—A middleman known in the investment community as a nominee or custodian
- 13—A trust exempt from tax under section 664 or described in section 4947

The following chart shows types of payments that may be exempt from backup withholding. The chart applies to the exempt payees listed above, 1 through 13.

IF the payment is for . . .	THEN the payment is exempt for . . .
Interest and dividend payments	All exempt payees except for 7
Broker transactions	Exempt payees 1 through 4 and 6 through 11 and all C corporations. S corporations must not enter an exempt payee code because they are exempt only for sales of noncovered securities acquired prior to 2012.
Barter exchange transactions and patronage dividends	Exempt payees 1 through 4
Payments over \$600 required to be reported and direct sales over \$5,000 ¹	Generally, exempt payees 1 through 5 ²
Payments made in settlement of payment card or third party network transactions	Exempt payees 1 through 4

¹ See Form 1099-MISC, Miscellaneous Income, and its instructions.

² However, the following payments made to a corporation and reportable on Form 1099-MISC are not exempt from backup withholding: medical and health care payments, attorneys' fees, gross proceeds paid to an attorney reportable under section 6045(f), and payments for services paid by a federal executive agency.

Exemption from FATCA reporting code. The following codes identify payees that are exempt from reporting under FATCA. These codes apply to persons submitting this form for accounts maintained outside of the United States by certain foreign financial institutions. Therefore, if you are only submitting this form for an account you hold in the United States, you may leave this field blank. Consult with the person requesting this form if you are uncertain if the financial institution is subject to these requirements. A requester may indicate that a code is not required by providing you with a Form W-9 with "Not Applicable" (or any similar indication) written or printed on the line for a FATCA exemption code.

A—An organization exempt from tax under section 501(a) or any individual retirement plan as defined in section 7701(a)(37)

B—The United States or any of its agencies or instrumentalities

C—A state, the District of Columbia, a U.S. commonwealth or possession, or any of their political subdivisions or instrumentalities

D—A corporation the stock of which is regularly traded on one or more established securities markets, as described in Regulations section 1.1472-1(c)(1)(i)

E—A corporation that is a member of the same expanded affiliated group as a corporation described in Regulations section 1.1472-1(c)(1)(i)

F—A dealer in securities, commodities, or derivative financial instruments (including notional principal contracts, futures, forwards, and options) that is registered as such under the laws of the United States or any state

G—A real estate investment trust

H—A regulated investment company as defined in section 851 or an entity registered at all times during the tax year under the Investment Company Act of 1940

I—A common trust fund as defined in section 584(a)

J—A bank as defined in section 581

K—A broker

L—A trust exempt from tax under section 664 or described in section 4947(a)(1)

M—A tax exempt trust under a section 403(b) plan or section 457(g) plan

Note: You may wish to consult with the financial institution requesting this form to determine whether the FATCA code and/or exempt payee code should be completed.

Line 5

Enter your address (number, street, and apartment or suite number). This is where the requester of this Form W-9 will mail your information returns. If this address differs from the one the requester already has on file, write NEW at the top. If a new address is provided, there is still a chance the old address will be used until the payor changes your address in their records.

Line 6

Enter your city, state, and ZIP code.

Part I. Taxpayer Identification Number (TIN)

Enter your TIN in the appropriate box. If you are a resident alien and you do not have and are not eligible to get an SSN, your TIN is your IRS individual taxpayer identification number (ITIN). Enter it in the social security number box. If you do not have an ITIN, see *How to get a TIN* below.

If you are a sole proprietor and you have an EIN, you may enter either your SSN or EIN.

If you are a single-member LLC that is disregarded as an entity separate from its owner, enter the owner's SSN (or EIN, if the owner has one). Do not enter the disregarded entity's EIN. If the LLC is classified as a corporation or partnership, enter the entity's EIN.

Note: See *What Name and Number To Give the Requester*, later, for further clarification of name and TIN combinations.

How to get a TIN. If you do not have a TIN, apply for one immediately. To apply for an SSN, get Form SS-5, Application for a Social Security Card, from your local SSA office or get this form online at www.SSA.gov. You may also get this form by calling 1-800-772-1213. Use Form W-7, Application for IRS Individual Taxpayer Identification Number, to apply for an ITIN, or Form SS-4, Application for Employer Identification Number, to apply for an EIN. You can apply for an EIN online by accessing the IRS website at www.irs.gov/Businesses and clicking on Employer Identification Number (EIN) under Starting a Business. Go to www.irs.gov/Forms to view, download, or print Form W-7 and/or Form SS-4. Or, you can go to www.irs.gov/OrderForms to place an order and have Form W-7 and/or SS-4 mailed to you within 10 business days.

If you are asked to complete Form W-9 but do not have a TIN, apply for a TIN and write "Applied For" in the space for the TIN, sign and date the form, and give it to the requester. For interest and dividend payments, and certain payments made with respect to readily tradable instruments, generally you will have 60 days to get a TIN and give it to the requester before you are subject to backup withholding on payments. The 60-day rule does not apply to other types of payments. You will be subject to backup withholding on all such payments until you provide your TIN to the requester.

Note: Entering "Applied For" means that you have already applied for a TIN or that you intend to apply for one soon.

Caution: A disregarded U.S. entity that has a foreign owner must use the appropriate Form W-8.

Part II. Certification

To establish to the withholding agent that you are a U.S. person, or resident alien, sign Form W-9. You may be requested to sign by the withholding agent even if item 1, 4, or 5 below indicates otherwise.

For a joint account, only the person whose TIN is shown in Part I should sign (when required). In the case of a disregarded entity, the person identified on line 1 must sign. Exempt payees, see *Exempt payee code*, earlier.

Signature requirements. Complete the certification as indicated in items 1 through 5 below.

1. Interest, dividend, and barter exchange accounts opened before 1984 and broker accounts considered active during 1983.

You must give your correct TIN, but you do not have to sign the certification.

2. Interest, dividend, broker, and barter exchange accounts opened after 1983 and broker accounts considered inactive during 1983. You must sign the certification or backup withholding will apply. If you are subject to backup withholding and you are merely providing your correct TIN to the requester, you must cross out item 2 in the certification before signing the form.

3. Real estate transactions. You must sign the certification. You may cross out item 2 of the certification.

4. Other payments. You must give your correct TIN, but you do not have to sign the certification unless you have been notified that you have previously given an incorrect TIN. "Other payments" include payments made in the course of the requester's trade or business for rents, royalties, goods (other than bills for merchandise), medical and health care services (including payments to corporations), payments to a nonemployee for services, payments made in settlement of payment card and third party network transactions, payments to certain fishing boat crew members and fishermen, and gross proceeds paid to attorneys (including payments to corporations).

5. Mortgage interest paid by you, acquisition or abandonment of secured property, cancellation of debt, qualified tuition program payments (under section 529), ABLE accounts (under section 529A), IRA, Coverdell ESA, Archer MSA or HSA contributions or distributions, and pension distributions. You must give your correct TIN, but you do not have to sign the certification.

What Name and Number To Give the Requester

For this type of account:	Give name and SSN of:
1. Individual	The individual
2. Two or more individuals (joint account) other than an account maintained by an FFI	The actual owner of the account or, if combined funds, the first individual on the account ¹
3. Two or more U.S. persons (joint account maintained by an FFI)	Each holder of the account
4. Custodial account of a minor (Uniform Gift to Minors Act)	The minor ²
5. a. The usual revocable savings trust (grantor is also trustee)	The grantor-trustee ¹
b. So-called trust account that is not a legal or valid trust under state law	The actual owner ¹
6. Sole proprietorship or disregarded entity owned by an individual	The owner ³
7. Grantor trust filing under Optional Form 1099 Filing Method 1 (see Regulations section 1.671-4(b)(2)(i)(A))	The grantor*
For this type of account:	Give name and EIN of:
8. Disregarded entity not owned by an individual	The owner
9. A valid trust, estate, or pension trust	Legal entity ⁴
10. Corporation or LLC electing corporate status on Form 8832 or Form 2553	The corporation
11. Association, club, religious, charitable, educational, or other tax-exempt organization	The organization
12. Partnership or multi-member LLC	The partnership
13. A broker or registered nominee	The broker or nominee

For this type of account:	Give name and EIN of:
14. Account with the Department of Agriculture in the name of a public entity (such as a state or local government, school district, or prison) that receives agricultural program payments	The public entity
15. Grantor trust filing under the Form 1041 Filing Method or the Optional Form 1099 Filing Method 2 (see Regulations section 1.671-4(b)(2)(i)(B))	The trust

¹ List first and circle the name of the person whose number you furnish. If only one person on a joint account has an SSN, that person's number must be furnished.

² Circle the minor's name and furnish the minor's SSN.

³ You must show your individual name and you may also enter your business or DBA name on the "Business name/disregarded entity" name line. You may use either your SSN or EIN (if you have one), but the IRS encourages you to use your SSN.

⁴ List first and circle the name of the trust, estate, or pension trust. (Do not furnish the TIN of the personal representative or trustee unless the legal entity itself is not designated in the account title.) Also see *Special rules for partnerships*, earlier.

***Note:** The grantor also must provide a Form W-9 to trustee of trust.

Note: If no name is circled when more than one name is listed, the number will be considered to be that of the first name listed.

Secure Your Tax Records From Identity Theft

Identity theft occurs when someone uses your personal information such as your name, SSN, or other identifying information, without your permission, to commit fraud or other crimes. An identity thief may use your SSN to get a job or may file a tax return using your SSN to receive a refund.

To reduce your risk:

- Protect your SSN,
- Ensure your employer is protecting your SSN, and
- Be careful when choosing a tax preparer.

If your tax records are affected by identity theft and you receive a notice from the IRS, respond right away to the name and phone number printed on the IRS notice or letter.

If your tax records are not currently affected by identity theft but you think you are at risk due to a lost or stolen purse or wallet, questionable credit card activity or credit report, contact the IRS Identity Theft Hotline at 1-800-908-4490 or submit Form 14039.

For more information, see Pub. 5027, Identity Theft Information for Taxpayers.

Victims of identity theft who are experiencing economic harm or a systemic problem, or are seeking help in resolving tax problems that have not been resolved through normal channels, may be eligible for Taxpayer Advocate Service (TAS) assistance. You can reach TAS by calling the TAS toll-free case intake line at 1-877-777-4778 or TTY/TDD 1-800-829-4059.

Protect yourself from suspicious emails or phishing schemes.

Phishing is the creation and use of email and websites designed to mimic legitimate business emails and websites. The most common act is sending an email to a user falsely claiming to be an established legitimate enterprise in an attempt to scam the user into surrendering private information that will be used for identity theft.

The IRS does not initiate contacts with taxpayers via emails. Also, the IRS does not request personal detailed information through email or ask taxpayers for the PIN numbers, passwords, or similar secret access information for their credit card, bank, or other financial accounts.

If you receive an unsolicited email claiming to be from the IRS, forward this message to phishing@irs.gov. You may also report misuse of the IRS name, logo, or other IRS property to the Treasury Inspector General for Tax Administration (TIGTA) at 1-800-366-4484. You can forward suspicious emails to the Federal Trade Commission at spam@uce.gov or report them at www.ftc.gov/complaint. You can contact the FTC at www.ftc.gov/idtheft or 877-IDTHEFT (877-438-4338). If you have been the victim of identity theft, see www.IdentityTheft.gov and Pub. 5027.

Visit www.irs.gov/IdentityTheft to learn more about identity theft and how to reduce your risk.

Privacy Act Notice

Section 6109 of the Internal Revenue Code requires you to provide your correct TIN to persons (including federal agencies) who are required to file information returns with the IRS to report interest, dividends, or certain other income paid to you; mortgage interest you paid; the acquisition or abandonment of secured property; the cancellation of debt; or contributions you made to an IRA, Archer MSA, or HSA. The person collecting this form uses the information on the form to file information returns with the IRS, reporting the above information. Routine uses of this information include giving it to the Department of Justice for civil and criminal litigation and to cities, states, the District of Columbia, and U.S. commonwealths and possessions for use in administering their laws. The information also may be disclosed to other countries under a treaty, to federal and state agencies to enforce civil and criminal laws, or to federal law enforcement and intelligence agencies to combat terrorism. You must provide your TIN whether or not you are required to file a tax return. Under section 3406, payers must generally withhold a percentage of taxable interest, dividend, and certain other payments to a payee who does not give a TIN to the payer. Certain penalties may also apply for providing false or fraudulent information.

The Match Maker, Inc.'s standard payment terms for carriers are twenty to twenty-five (20-25) days from receipt in our corporate office of the carrier's invoice, bills of lading, and any load receipts associated with the shipment. Although we pay our invoices in less than 30-days, we have established a 24-hour "Quick Pay" policy for carriers desiring a faster payment option

Terms and Conditions

Payment will be made within one (1) day from receipt of the required documents for a five percent (5%) fee of the total amount due to the carrier.

This agreement will be effective for all invoices received by the date set forth below or until cancelled in writing by either party, The Match Maker or Carrier.

Exceptions – This agreement will be suspending if there is a possible claim on a load. The fee will be waived if the Investigation is not completed within this time period. This agreement will be reinstated after all issues have been resolved.

This agreement automatically becomes null and void or cancelled upon receipt of notification that a Carrier's invoices have been factored or assigned to another party.

By checking this box, I decline to use the Quick Pay feature

Carrier Legal Name: _____

Motor Carrier #: _____

Carrier dba Name: _____

Mailing Address _____

Signed: _____

Name & Title: _____

Date: _____

Delivery Method:

Regular Check (normal
delivery)

ACH Direct Deposit (contact
corporate office, add'l \$5
processing fee)

Wire Transfer (contact corporate
office, add'l \$15 processing fee)

Comcheck (contact corporate office,
add'l \$10 processing fee)

Please fax the following documents to The Match Maker, Inc. at (843) 665-5073 or email them to Support@MHMK.com. If you have any questions, please contact The Match Maker, Inc. at (843) 665-4968 or your authorized broker/agent.

Why Match Factors?

- 1. Low Flat Rates** – 5% or lower!
- 2. 95% or Higher Cash Advance** – The highest in the industry!
- 3. Simple Reserve Programs** – Reserve and non-reserve programs offered!
- 4. Free, Unlimited Customer Credit Checks** – Free, unlimited credit checks!
- 5. No Hidden Fees or Commitments** – No sales volume or time conditions are required! No program set up fees!
- 6. Free Online Account Management** – Free online access to your account!
- 7. FedEx Discount Program** – We offer 35% price discounts on FedEx packages!
- 8. Comdata Fuel Card** – We offer Free Comdata fuel cards!
- 9. Broker Quick Pay Matching Program** – We can match your broker's 24-hour quick pay rate!
- 10. Accounts Receivable Management** – We have offer experienced AR management and collections!
- 11. Time** – Same day funding on your invoices!
- 12. Transportation Specialists** – We are transportation experts!

1. What is Match Factors?

Match Factors, Inc. is our "sister" company that provides simple transportation factoring solutions to motor carriers in the continental United States.

2. What is Factoring?

Factoring is the purchase of your accounts receivables at a discount. Similar to "Quick Pay," you can immediately get paid on your invoice by selling your accounts receivables to a Factor for a small discount, instead of having to wait the 30-90 days for payment from your customer.

3. How much does Factoring cost?

Match Factors offers 5% and lower factoring rates.

4. I want to get Quick Paid; do I have to Factor with Match Factors?

No, factoring with Match Factor is an optional service. You can still receive "Quick Pay" on the loads you haul with The Match Maker, Inc. However if you would like us to "Quick Pay" on loads hauled with other brokers and shippers, you'll need to factor with Match Factors.

5. What are some other benefits of factoring with Match Factors?

Factoring with Match Factors provides a number of benefits to you, including but not limited to:

- Immediate Payment on your Invoices
- A/R Management
- Customer Credit Checks
- Simple, Personal Service
- Comdata Fuel Card
- And More!

6. How do I get set-up with Match Factors?

To join our program, you just need to submit a simple application. To request an application, please contact us toll-free at 800.738.9591 or visit us online at MatchFactors.com.

7. Does The Match Maker provide any other transportation services?

Yes, through our other "sister" companies, we can provide you with licensing/permitting (including BOC-3, UCR, USDOT, Intra- and Interstate Authority, IFTA) and insurance services. Each of our "sister" companies include:

- Match Factors, Inc. (MatchFactors.com)
- Logistec/TTS Resident Agents Service, Inc. (OperatingAuthority.com)
- Truck Insurance, Inc. (TruckInsuranceInc.net)

FEDERAL HIGHWAY ADMINISTRATION

NCA
SERVICE DATE
Jan 12, 1999

LICENSE

No. MC-161546
SUN BELT LINE, INC.
D/B/A THE MATCH MAKER
FLORENCE, SC

REENTITLED

THE MATCH MAKER, INC.

This License is evidence of the applicant's authority to engage in operations as a broker.

This authority will become effective only when applicant has met the compliance requirements pertaining to insurance coverage for the protection of the public (49 CFR 1043) and designation of agents upon whom process may be served (49 CFR 1044). Applicant shall also render reasonably continuous and adequate service under this authority. Failure to meet these conditions will constitute sufficient grounds for the suspension, change, or revocation of this authority.

This authority is subject to any terms, conditions, and limitations as are now, or will be, attached to this privilege.

Any duplication in this authority and rights currently held does not confer more than one operating right.

The service to be performed is described on the reverse side of this document and will be valid as long as the applicant maintains compliance with the above requirements.

Decided: Jan 07, 1999

By the Motor Carrier Board.

Thomas T. Vining, Chief
Licensing and Insurance Division

To operate as a broker of general commodities (except household goods), between points in the United States, except Alaska and Hawaii.

Bond Number: 13248

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PROPERTY BROKER'S SURETY BOND UNDER 49 U.S.C. 13906

KNOW ALL MEN BY THESE PRESENTS, That we The Match Maker, Inc.
(Name of Property Broker)

of 2736 TV Road, Florence, SC, 29504
(Street) (City) (State) (ZIP Code)

as PRINCIPAL (hereinafter called Principal), and Southwest Marine and General Insurance Company a corporation,
(Name of Surety)

or a Risk Retention Group established under the Liability Risk Retention Act of 1986, Pub. L. 99-563, created and

existing under the laws of the State of Arizona (hereinafter called Surety) are held and
(State or District of Columbia)

firmly bound unto the United States of America in the sum of \$75,000, for which payment, well and truly to be made, we bind ourselves and our heirs, executors, administrators, successors, and assigns, jointly and severally, firmly by these presents.

WHEREAS, the Principal is or intends to become a Broker pursuant to the provisions of Title 49 U.S.C. 13903, and the rules and regulations of the Federal Highway Administration relating to insurance or other security for the protection of motor carriers and shippers, and has elected to file with the Federal Highway Administration such a bond 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 therefore, and

WHEREAS, this bond is written to assure compliance by the Principal as a licensed Property Broker of Transportation by motor vehicle with 49 U.S.C. 13906(b), and the rules and regulations of the Federal Highway Administration, relating to insurance or other security for the protection of motor carriers and shippers, and shall inure to the benefit of any and all motor carriers or shippers to whom the Principal may be legally liable for any of the damages herein described.

NOW, THEREFORE, the condition of this obligation is such that if the Principal shall pay or cause to be paid to motor carriers or shippers by motor vehicle any sum or sums for which the Principal may be held legally liable by reason of the Principal's failure faithfully to perform, fulfill and carry out all contracts, agreements, and arrangements made by the Principal while this bond is in effect for the supplying of transportation subject to the ICC Termination Act of 1995 under license issued to the Principal by the Federal Highway Administration, then this obligation shall be void, otherwise to remain in full force and effect.

The liability of the Surety shall not be discharged by any payment or succession of payments hereunder, unless and until such payment or payments shall amount in the aggregate to the penalty of the bond, but in no event shall the Surety's obligation hereunder exceed the amount of said penalty. The Surety agrees to furnish written notice to the Federal Highway Administration forthwith of all suits filed, judgments rendered, and payments made by said Surety under this bond.

This bond is effective the 19th day of October, 2012, 12:01 a.m., standard time at the address of the Principal as stated herein and shall continue in force until terminated as hereinafter provided. The principal or the Surety may at any time cancel this bond by written notice to the Federal Highway Administration at its office in Washington, D.C., such cancellation to become effective thirty (30) days after actual receipt of said notice by the FHWA on the prescribed Form BMC-36, Notice of Cancellation Motor Carrier and Broker Surety Bond. The Surety shall not be liable hereunder for the payment of any damages hereinbefore described which arise as the result of any contracts, agreements, undertakings or arrangements made by the Principal for supplying of transportation after the termination of this bond as herein provided, but such termination shall not affect the liability of the Surety hereunder for the payment of any such damages arising as the result of contracts, agreements, or arrangements made by the Principal for the supplying for transportation prior to the date such termination becomes effective.

The receipt of this filing by the FHWA certifies that a broker Surety Bond has been issued by the company identified above, and that such company is qualified to make this filing under Section 387.315 of Title 49 of the Code of Federal Regulations.

Falsification of this document can result in criminal penalties prescribed under 18 U.S.C. 1001.

IN WITNESS WHEREOF, the said Principal and Surety have executed this instrument on the 19th day
of October, 2012.

PRINCIPAL

Name The Match Maker, Inc.

By

Eric Belk
Eric Belk, Vice President

Witness

[Signature]

SURETY

Name: Southwest Marine and General Insurance C

By

Lisa Gelsomino

Lisa Gelsomino, Attorney-in-Fact

Witness

Ma Gabriela Toto

