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THIS AGREEMENT, Made and entered into, in duplicate, this _____ day of _____, By and Between **MERCER COUNTY TAX COLLECTION COMMITTEE, MERCER COUNTY**, Pennsylvania, hereinafter referred to as “CLIENT,” and **H. A. BERKHEIMER, INC.**, a Pennsylvania corporation, with its principal offices at 50 North Seventh Street, Bangor, Northampton County, Pennsylvania, trading as “Berkheimer Tax Administrator” (berkheimer), hereinafter referred to as “BERKHEIMER.”

WITNESSETH

WHEREAS, Act No. 511 of the 1965 General Assembly of the Commonwealth of Pennsylvania, enacted December 31, 1965, and effective January 1, 1966, known as the “Local Tax Enabling Act” (“LTEA”), authorizes certain political subdivisions to levy, assess and collect a tax on salaries, wages, commissions, compensation and earned income of individuals, as therein with more particularity specified, generally and hereinafter referred to as the “**Earned Income Tax**”;and

WHEREAS, Act No. 511 of the 1965 General Assembly of the Commonwealth of Pennsylvania, enacted December 31, 1965, and effective January 1, 1966, known as the “Local Tax Enabling Act” (“LTEA”), authorizes certain political subdivisions, including CLIENT, to levy, assess and collect a tax on the privilege of engaging in an occuparion, as therin with more particularity specified, generally and hereinafter referred to as the “**Local Services Tax**”; and

1 **WHEREAS**, municipalities and school districts (“Taxing Authorities”) located with the
2 CLIENT’s Tax Collection District (“TCD”) have levied, assessed and provided for the collection of
3 an Earned Income Tax and Local Services Tax under the LTEA; and

4 **WHEREAS**, Section 505 of the LTEA, 53 P.S. § 69204.505, authorizes CLIENT to appoint
5 and oversee a tax officer for the TCD for the collection of the earned income tax and local services
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7 **WHEREAS**, BERKHEIMER has represented to CLIENT that it is competent, experienced
8 and qualified to perform in the capacity of Tax Officer for CLIENT; and

9 **WHEREAS**, CLIENT and BERKHEIMER have negotiated an Agreement whereby and
10 whereunder CLIENT will appoint and/or hire BERKHEIMER to exclusively collect the Earned
11 Income Tax and Local Services Tax levied by the Taxing Authorities; and

12 **WHEREAS**, the terms and form of this written Agreement, in which the parties have
13 embodied the verbal understanding heretofore reached by them, have been submitted to, approved
14 by and the execution hereof authorized by Resolution of CLIENT duly and regularly passed;

15 **NOW, THEREFORE**, in consideration of the foregoing, the mutual covenants herein
16 contained and other good and valuable consideration, the parties hereto, each intending to be legally
17 bound hereby, do covenant and agree as follows:

18 1. **Designation as Tax Officer/ Collector.** CLIENT does hereby designate and
19 employ BERKHeimer as the exclusive Tax Officer, for the above mentioned taxes, levied by
20 Taxing Authorities located in the CLIENT’s TCD for the term commencing on **January 1, 2012**
21 and ending on **December 31, 2012**, and as may be renewed. Said term shall be deemed to include
22 all quarterly collections and all annual collections of tax via final returns for each tax year herein.
23 BERKHEIMER shall perform all of the duties and shall have all of the powers of the exclusive Tax
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1 Officer of the CLIENT for the collection of the Earned Income Tax, as conferred and designated by
2 the tax enactments of the Taxing Authorities located in CLIENT's TCD, by the applicable
3 provisions of the LTEA and any successor laws thereto. To the extent applicable to
4 BERKHEIMER in its capacity as such Tax Officer, BERKHEIMER shall be subject to the
5 requirements, provisions, and penalties provided in the tax enactments of the Taxing Authorities
6 located in CLIENT's TCD; the LTEA and any successor laws thereto.

7 2. **Berkheimer's Duties for Earned Income Tax.** In the collection of the
8 CLIENT's Earned Income Tax, BERKHEIMER agrees as follows:

9 a. to collect, reconcile, administer, enforce, and receive the earned income tax,
10 penalties, interest, collection costs, investment earnings, and other miscellaneous amounts related to
11 or derived from the earned income tax, including performance of all tax officer duties specified in
12 Section 509 of the LTEA, 53 P.S. §6924.509. BERKHEIMER shall perform all duties and have all
13 powers granted for this purpose by the LTEA, regulations promulgated by the Pennsylvania
14 Department of Community and Economic Development ("DCED"), other applicable law, the
15 earned income tax enactments of the Taxing Authorities, TCC policies, and this Agreement.

16 b. to at all times act in the best interests of the TCC and the Taxing Authorities.
17 BERKHEIMER shall comply with all applicable federal, state, and local laws, rules, and
18 regulations, including the Local Taxpayer Bill of Rights, 53 Pa.C.S.A §8421 et seq., the LTEA,
19 DCED rules and regulations, other applicable law, and TCC policies;

20 c. to furnish to CLIENT a bond with corporate surety in an amount sufficient to
21 cover collections which, under the terms hereto, shall remain undistributed in the control of
22 BERKHEIMER at any time, in accordance with the requirements of Section 509(d) of the LTEA,
23 53 P.S. §6924.509(d);

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- 1 d. to promptly deposit all sums collected by it in a banking institute of its choice
2 and in an account designated as “Berkheimer Tax Account,” which need not be separate and
3 segregated from other taxes or funds of other taxing bodies collected by BERKHEIMER, and to
4 disburse to the appropriate Taxing Authorities all collected sums identified by BERKHEIMER as
5 legally due them in accordance with the applicable provisions of the LTEA;
- 6 e. to provide to the secretary of the CLIENT and to the Secretary of each
7 Taxing Authority located in the CLIENT’s TCD a monthly written report, on forms prescribed by
8 the DCED, showing a breakdown of all income taxes collected during the previous month, income
9 generated from investments, penalties, costs and other money received, collected, expended and
10 distributed for each Taxing Authority and all money distributed to tax officers for other tax
11 collection districts;
- 12 f. to perform all necessary work and supply all forms, equipment, computer
13 hardware and software, facilities, and other material necessary to efficiently fulfill its obligations
14 under this Agreement;
- 15 g. to provide assistance to taxpayers through operation of a toll-free phone
16 number during normal business hours, counter walk-in assistance at BERKHEIMER’s principal
17 office, and a website to provide information to taxpayers, including without limitation, Taxpayer
18 Bill of Rights; tax regulations, policies, and procedures; and copies of tax returns and all other
19 forms applicable to taxpayer and that taxpayers may use to make credit card payments.
20 BERKHEIMER shall also maintain the infrastructure and provide information necessary to receive
21 tax returns and payments electronically.
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1 h. to deliver to CLIENT and each Taxing Authority an Independent Service
2 Auditor's Report relating to internal controls prepared by a CPA in accordance with SAS No.70
3 covering the prior calendar year;

4 i. to advise CLIENT of any errors which it may discover committed in the
5 collection of the Taxing Authority's Earned Income Taxes prior to BERKHEIMER's tenure as
6 Earned Income Tax officer, including but not limited to errors in tax distributions and/or inaccurate
7 tax records, which may have been caused or created by the Taxing Authoritys' or their duly elected
8 or appointed officials, agents or tax collectors, past or present, and to correct said errors to the best
9 of its ability. To the extent that BERKHEIMER is required to correct said prior collection errors,
10 CLIENT and the Taxing Authorities hereby indemnify BERKHEIMER from and against any and
11 all loss, damage or claim relative to uncollected tax revenue caused by said prior collection errors
12 an/or BERKHEIMER's inability to correct same.

13 3. **Berkheimer's Local Services Tax Duties.** In the collection of CLIENT's Local
14 Services Tax, BERKHEIMER agrees as follows:

15 a. to perform, at its expense, all of the necessary work and/or labor and to
16 supply all necessary forms, notices, modern accounting equipment, facilities and materials and all
17 else necessary to efficiently administer, enforce and collect the Local Services Tax levied by
18 CLIENT:

19 b. to exclusively collect, administer, receive and enforce the provisions of
20 CLIENT's Local Services Tax enactments, the LTEA and any subsequent laws relative to same;

21 c. to collect and receive the taxes, fines, interest and penalties levied and
22 imposed by CLIENT's tax enactments and maintain a record showing the amount received by it
23 from each taxpayer paying same and the date of such collection and receipt;

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1 d. to furnish to CLIENT a bond with corporate surety in an amount sufficient to
2 cover collections that, under the terms hereto, shall remain undistributed in the control of
3 BERKHEIMER at any time;

4 e. to promptly deposit all sums collected by it in a banking institution of its
5 choice and in an account designated as "Berkheimer Tax Account," which need not be separate and
6 segregated from other taxes or funds of other taxing bodies collected by BERKHEIMER, and to
7 disburse to CLIENT all collected sums identified by BERKHEIMER as legally due CLIENT during
8 each calendar month, reconciling disbursements not later than the twenty-fifth (25th) day of the next
9 succeeding month;

10 f. to provide to CLIENT, on or about the twentieth (20th) day of each calendar
11 month, a written report identifying separately, without individual names or amounts, all taxes,
12 interest, penalties and fines collected under this Agreement during the preceding calendar month;

13 g. to advise CLIENT of any errors which it may discover committed in the
14 collection of CLIENT's Local Service Tax prior to BERKHEIMER's tenure as Local Service Tax
15 Collector, including but not limited to errors in tax distributions and/or inaccurate tax records,
16 which may have been caused or created by the CLIENT or its duly elected or appointed officials,
17 agents or tax collectors, past or present, and to correct said errors to the best of its ability. To the
18 extent that BERKHEIMER is required to correct said prior collection errors, CLIENT hereby
19 indemnifies BERKHEIMER from and against any and all loss, damage or claim relative to
20 uncollected tax revenue caused by said prior collection errors and/or BERKHEIMER's inability to
21 correct same.

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1 4. **Compensation.** CLIENT agrees to compensate and reimburse
2 BERKHEIMBER for all of BERKHEIMER's services and for materials furnished including, but
3 not limited to, expenditures made by BERKHEIMER for equipment, supplies, personnel and related
4 expenses, except postage, in an amount equal to **One and Six Tenths Percent (1.6%)** of the gross
5 Earned Income Tax and Local Services Tax collected by BERKHEIMER, which compensation and
6 reimbursement shall be known as "BERKHEIMER's commission." This commission rate shall be
7 effective throughout the term of this Agreement except in the event of a change in the rate of the tax
8 levy. In the event of such change, the rate of commission shall be immediately open for negotiation
9 and be considered as a change in the terms of the agreement. CLIENT agrees that BERKHEIMER
10 shall retain said commission for the proceeds of any tax sums collected and shall not be transmitted
11 with the monthly reconciliation payment. CLIENT shall be liable for all postage charges incurred
12 by BERKHEIMER.

13 5. **Client Contact.** CLIENT agrees to appoint a specific individual or individuals
14 as its authorized representative to make requests upon and receive any and all tax information and
15 records from Berkheimer, relative to the collection of taxes for CLIENT and the Taxing Authorities
16 located in CLIENTs TCD, as desired and deemed necessary by CLIENT, to be used for official
17 purposes only.

18 6. **Duties of Client.** CLIENT and/or the Taxing Authorities located in CLIENTs
19 TCD, expressly agree to do the following:

20 a. at their sole expense, publish all legal notices required to be published in any
21 newspaper of general circulation and/or in the necessary legal journals by the laws of the
22 Commonwealth of Pennsylvania in the enactment and/or administration of their tax enactments.

23 b. provide BERKHEIMER with their most recent tax records and tax rolls;
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1 c. provide BERKHEIMER information sufficient to maintain and update said
2 tax records and rolls. The parties agree and acknowledge that BERKHEIMER shall use its best
3 reasonable efforts to update Taxing Authorities' tax rolls during its tenure as Tax Officer, using
4 those resources available to it; however, CLIENT and the Taxing Authorities bear the ultimate
5 responsibility for updating said tax rolls;

6 d. designate and authorize BERKHEIMER to appear before any district court,
7 or other local court, including without limitation, any court of common pleas in which legal
8 proceedings may be brought for the purpose of collecting Earned Income Tax herein and to give
9 BERKHEIMER actual an/or apparent authority to settle any lawsuit brought by BERKHEIMER for
10 the collection of the Tax. BERKHEIMER shall use its best judgment and expertise in settling said
11 collection lawsuits;

12 e. provide to BERKHEIMER all necessary appointment resolutions,
13 confidentiality resolutions, tax enactment and other documents not previously identified herein for
14 the collection of the Earned Income Tax; and

15 f. to provide, at CLIENT's expense, legal representation on any matter relative
16 to the validity and constitutionality of the Earned Income Tax; and

17 g. to provide BERKHEIMER with office space located in the Mercer County
18 Municipal Building, at no additional expense to CLIENT.

19 7. **Audit.** Relative to the collection of the Earned Income Tax, BERKHEIMER agrees
20 to provide, at its expense, a complete annual audit by a firm of Certified Public Accountants,
21 designated by BERKHEIMER and approved by CLIENT, as required by law. Through this
22 Agreement, CLIENT approves the firm of Certified Public Accountants selected by
23 BERKHEIMER to conduct this independent audit. Except as set forth in this Agreement, or as
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1 otherwise required by law, BERKHEIMER shall not be responsible to either submit to or provide
2 for any other type of audit or inspection of tax collection records. BERKHEIMER shall file a copy
3 of the audit report with the Taxing Authorities located within the CLIENT's TCD and with the
4 DCED on or before September 1st of the succeeding year.

5 Except as otherwise required by law, BERKHEIMER shall not be required to either submit
6 to or provide for any other type of audit or inspection of local services tax collection records.

7 8. **Non-liability of Berkheimer & Disclaimer.** CLIENT and the Taxing
8 Authorities located within the CLIENT's TCD shall hold harmless and indemnify BERKHEIMER
9 from and against any and all loss, damage or claim for actual or attempted Earned Income Tax
10 collection(s) arising from:

11 a. incorrect, illegal or improper tax records submitted by CLIENT and/or the
12 Taxing Authorities to BERKHEIMER;

13 b. incorrect, illegal or improper tax information submitted by taxpayers and/or
14 employers located within Taxing Authorities' jurisdiction, to BERKHEIMER;

15 c. incorrect, illegal or improper tax information submitted by any other source
16 to BERKHEIMER, including without limitation, another tax collector or taxing district, upon which
17 BERKHEIMER can reasonably be expected to rely upon;

18 d. the withholding of correct, legal or proper information by CLIENT and/or the
19 Taxing Authorities from BERKHEIMER;

20 e. the withholding of correct, legal and proper information by taxpayers and/or
21 employers located with the Taxing Authorities' jurisdiction, from BERKHEIMER; and

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1 f. the withholding of correct, legal and proper information by any other source
2 from BERKHEIMER, including without limitation, another tax collector or taxing district, upon
3 which BERKHEIMER can reasonably be expected to rely upon.

4 BERKHEIMER does not expressly or impliedly guarantee to CLIENT and/or the
5 Taxing Authorities' within the CLIENT's TCD that it will collect a sum certain for any given
6 Taxing Authority in any given tax year. BERKHEIMER shall not be responsible to defend or
7 uphold the validity, legality, or constitutionality of the Taxing Authorities' Earned Income Tax
8 Ordinance/Resolution except to the extent that the legality of same is challenged in response to a
9 collection suit filed by BERKHEIMER for and on behalf of any given Taxing Authority. To the
10 extent BERKHEIMER advises CLIENT and/or the Taxing Authorities of any errors which it may
11 discover committed in the collection of the Taxing Authorities' Earned Income tax prior to
12 BERKHEIMER's tenure as Earned Income tax officer, including but not limited to errors in tax
13 distributions and/or inaccurate tax records, which may have been caused or created by the CLIENT
14 and/or the Taxing Authorities or their duly elected or appointed officials, agents or tax collectors,
15 past or present, and to correct said errors to the best of its ability and to the extent that
16 BERKHEIMER is required to correct said prior collection errors, CLIENT and the Taxing
17 Authorities hereby indemnify BERKHEIMER from and against any and all loss, damage or claim
18 relative to uncollected tax revenue caused by said prior collection errors and/or BERKHEIMER's
19 inability to correct same. BERKHEIMER shall not be ultimately responsible for the maintenance or
20 update of and does not guarantee the accuracy of Taxing Authorities' tax rolls.

21 **BERKHEIMER DOES NOT MAKE ANY EXPRESS OR IMPLIED**
22 **WARRANTY OF ANY KIND. SPECIFICALLY, THERE IS NO EXPRESS OR**

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1 **IMPLIED WARRANTY OF MERCHANTABILITY OR FITNESS FOR A PARTICULAR**
2 **PURPOSES FOR THE SERVICES TO BE PROVIDED HEREUNDER.**

3 BERKHEIMER shall not be liable to CLIENT and/or the Taxing Authorities for any
4 damage arising from any event that is out of the control of BERKHEIMER. BERKHEIMER shall
5 not be liable for any requested and proven taxpayer refunds or interest thereon. Neither shall
6 BERKHEIMER be liable to CLIENT and/or the Taxing Authorities for indirect, special, incidental,
7 exemplary, consequential, or any other form of monetary damages, including without limitation,
8 lost revenue, or for the loss of data or information of any kind, however caused, and arising out of
9 or in connection with the performance of BERKHEIMER, or the provision of services or
10 performance hereunder, whether based in contract, tort or any other legal theory, and whether or not
11 BERKHEIMER has been aware of the possibility of such damages. Any damages not excluded by
12 this provision or the Agreement in general shall be limited to proven direct damages that CLIENT
13 and/or the Taxing Authorities shall have the duty to mitigate.

14 9. **Renewal.** Either party may terminate this Agreement at the expiration of the
15 term created herein by giving to the other written notice of its intention to do so at least ninety (90)
16 days prior to the actual ending date of the current term of appointment; however, in default of such
17 notice, this Agreement, with all the conditions and covenants thereof, shall continue in full force
18 and effect for the additional period of **one year (1) years** and so on for **one-year periods** thereafter
19 until terminated by either party giving to the other ninety (90) days written notice of intention to
20 terminate said Agreement prior to the expiration of the then current term. In the event of
21 termination of this Agreement, either at the expiration of the initial collection term or subsequent
22 renewal terms, BERKHEIMER shall complete, and have the opportunity and right to complete its
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1 tax collections for the then current term and shall be compensated accordingly under the terms of
2 this Agreement.

3 10. Records. BERKHEIMER shall deliver to CLIENT alphabetical lists of all
4 taxpayers located in the CLIENT's jurisdiction at the time the Agreement expires and reports of
5 payments posted by BERKHEIMER during the preceding tax year upon termination of this
6 Agreement and at the end of any two (2) year extension period, more fully described herein. In the
7 event of termination of this Agreement, either at the expiration of initial collection term or
8 subsequent renewal terms, BERKHEIMER reserves the right to retain said information / records
9 until such time that it has fully completed its obligations under this Agreement to collect taxes for
10 the term set forth herein or any subsequent renewal term for a period not to exceed two (2) years.
11 Any taxpayer account(s) under or subject to civil or criminal litigation commenced by
12 BERKHEIMER, wage garnishment, and/or payment plan, shall remain with BERKHEIMER until
13 such collection action is completed and BERKHEIMER shall be compensated for such collections
14 pursuant to the terms of this Agreement. BERKHEIMER shall have the right to deliver said
15 information to CLIENT in a form it so chooses and mutually agreeable to both parties. In the
16 event that the parties cannot agree upon an acceptable format to deliver said records,
17 BERKHEIMER shall deliver said records in an universal computer, Delimited, flat data file.
18 Moreover, in the event said records or information are contained within and made a part of similar
19 records relating to the collection of taxes of other Tax Collection Districts whose taxes are also
20 collected by BERKHEIMER, then in that event, the CLIENT shall not be entitled to receive non-
21 CLIENT records. However, CLIENT shall have the right to make copies of its records or to
22 examine same in the office of BERKHEIMER for the purpose of obtaining such information as it
23 relates solely and exclusively to the collection of the tax from taxpayers of CLIENT's Tax
24 Collection

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1 District. BERKHEIMER shall not be required to deliver to CLIENT any source documents such as
2 taxpayer returns or filings. Computer hardware and software utilized by BERKHEIMER in the tax
3 collection process is, and shall remain, the exclusive property of BERKHEIMER.

4 11. **Tax Enactment/Regulations.** Incorporated by reference into this Agreement
5 is the Taxing Authorities' Earned Income Tax Resolutions / Ordinances and other pertinent
6 materials relating to the Earned Income Tax as adopted from time to time by the Taxing
7 Authorities' located within the CLIENT's TCD. Concurrently with the execution hereof, CLIENT
8 has delivered to BERKHEIMER a copy of the Taxing Authority's Earned Income Tax Resolutions
9 and/or Ordinances, of the Resolution approving these Articles of Agreement and appointing
10 BERKHEIMER as Tax Officer, and other pertinent materials relating to the Earned Income Tax. In
11 the event that any Taxing Authority's tax enactment is declared invalid or repealed for any reason
12 whatsoever following the execution of this Agreement, CLIENT shall remain liable to
13 BERKHEIMER for any and all reasonable costs and expenses incurred and collection fees for
14 services rendered by BERKHEIMER in the collection of the Earned Income Tax until such time
15 that the alleged invalidity has been finally adjudicated or such repeal finalized. If any provision of
16 any Taxing Authority' tax enactment is challenged in a court of competent jurisdiction,
17 BERKHEIMER shall be permitted to continue with its collection efforts until final adjudication,
18 unless otherwise enjoined by the court.

19 12. **Miscellaneous Charges.** In addition to the aforestated commission, CLIENT
20 agrees to pay BERKHEIMER file establishment charge of One Hundred Dollars (\$100.00) per
21 thousand accounts or a minimum charge of Three Hundred (\$300.00) for the establishment of
22 CLIENT's earned income tax file on BERKHEIMER's computer system. BERKHEIMER agrees
23 to eliminate said charge if the Taxing Authorities' earned income tax file is available and
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1 provided to BERKHEIMER on compatible magnetic media. BERKHEIMER shall also eliminate
2 this fee for pre-existing clients. In addition to the aforesated commission and initial file
3 establishment charge, the costs of collecting delinquent taxes incurred by BERKHEIMER may be
4 assessed to the taxpayer and retained by BERKHEIMER as allowed by law. CLIENT shall be
5 solely responsible for and fully reimburse BERKHEIMER for all costs of any legal proceedings
6 undertaken to administer, enforce or otherwise collect Earned Income Tax. CLIENT shall be
7 responsible for any legal expenses relative to any matter pertaining to the validity and
8 constitutionality of the Taxing Authorities' earned income tax enactments. Additionally, the parties
9 acknowledge and agree that BERKHEIMER is authorized to retain any interest, income and/or
10 excess bank earning credits to offset any bank item processing fees incurred by BERKHEIMER.

11 13. **Interest.** Notwithstanding any other provisions of this Agreement, the parties
12 agree and acknowledge that any monies that remain unidentified or are to be forwarded to other
13 taxing districts may be held by BERKHEIMER in an interest bearing account until CLIENT or
14 BERKHEIMER determines where such monies should be paid. Any interest accrued on such funds
15 shall be retained by BERKHEIMER as its compensation for the handling, processing and
16 distribution of such funds with no additional charge being made to CLIENT for this service.

17 14. **Non-Competition.** During the Term of Appointment and / or any renewal thereof,
18 and for the two (2) year extension period thereafter, CLIENT agrees not to solicit or hire for
19 employment any current or past employee of BERKHEIMER for services as an independent
20 contractor, employee of otherwise in such a capacity that competes with the services and/or
21 business of BERKHEIMER.

22 15. **Dispute Resolution.** Any dispute, controversy or claim arising out of or under this
23 agreement or its performance shall first be negotiated by the parties, and if an acceptable resolution
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1 does not result shall be submitted to arbitration which shall be exclusive, final, and binding and
2 conducted in accordance with the Pennsylvania's Uniform Arbitration Act, 42 Pa.C.S.A §7301 *et*
3 *seq.*, and shall be nonappealable except in accordance with such act. Each party shall appoint one
4 such arbitrator, and a third arbitrator shall be chosen by the two arbitrators aforementioned within
5 five days after their appointment. The decision of the majority of such arbitration shall be binding
6 and conclusive upon the parties hereto. The appointment of such arbitrators shall be made within
7 five days after receiving notice from any one of the parties hereto to make such appointment. The
8 failure of any one of the parties to so appoint an arbitrator shall authorize the other to make an
9 appointment for it. If such two arbitrators shall fail or be unable within five days to select a third
10 arbitrator, then and in such event, any Judge of the Common Pleas Court of Mercer County, upon
11 application made by any one of the parties hereto for that purpose, is authorized and empowered to
12 appoint such additional arbitrator.

13 16. **Breach of Contract.** If a party breaches any material term of the Agreement and
14 fails to remedy the breach within sixty (60) days of receipt of written notice from the non-breaching
15 party, the non-breaching party may terminate this Agreement for cause. Any other claim for
16 damages resulting from the alleged breach must be handled through the dispute resolution process
17 set forth in paragraph 14 above.

18 17. **Effect of Termination.** In the event that this Agreement is terminated at the
19 end of any Term of Appointment or renewal thereof, and upon BERKHEIMER's completion of its
20 collections, no term, right, or duty imposed by this Agreement upon a party, with the exception of
21 those rights contained in paragraphs 9, 13, and 14 pertaining to tax collection records, CLIENT's
22 non-competition with BERKHEIMER and the dispute resolution process, shall be deemed or
23 construed to survive the termination of the Agreement as a whole.

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1 **ATTEST:**

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3 **BY:** _____

BY: _____

4 **Henry U. Sandt, Jr., Secretary/Treasurer**

Secretary

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