ARTICLE 4

SEPARABILITY AND SAVINGS

If any article, section, subsection, sentence or phrase of the Agreement or any application of this Agreement to any unit member or members is held invalid by operation of law or by a court or other tribunal of competent jurisdiction, such article, section, subsection, sentence or phrase shall be inoperative, but all other articles, sections, subsections, sentences or phrases shall not be affected thereby and shall continue in full force and effect.

The parties agree, provided there remains more than sixty (60) calendar days prior to contract expiration, that within ten (10) calendar days any such invalid article, section, subsection, sentence or phrase may be re-opened for negotiation upon request of either party.