## UNITED STATES SECURITIES AND EXCHANGE COMMISSION

Washington, D.C. 20549

# FORM S-8 REGISTRATION STATEMENT

UNDER
THE SECURITIES ACT OF 1933

## CRYOLIFE, INC.

(Exact name of registrant as specified in its charter)

Florida (State or Other Jurisdiction of Incorporation or Organization) 59-2417093 (I.R.S. Employer Identification No.)

1655 Roberts Boulevard, NW, Kennesaw, Georgia 30144 (Address, including zip code, of principal executive offices)

CryoLife, Inc. Second Amended and Restated 2009 Stock Incentive Plan (Full title of the plan)

> Steven G. Anderson, President, Chief Executive Officer and Chairman of the Board of Directors CryoLife, Inc. 1655 Roberts Boulevard, NW Kennesaw, Georgia 30144 (770) 419-3355

(Name and address, including zip code, and telephone number, including area code, of agent for service)

Copy to:

B. Joseph Alley, Jr., Esq. Arnall Golden Gregory LLP Suite 2100 171 17<sup>th</sup> Street, NW Atlanta, Georgia 30363-1031 (404) 873-8500 Jeffrey W. Burris, Esq. Vice President and General Counsel CryoLife, Inc. 1655 Roberts Boulevard, NW Kennesaw, Georgia 30144 (770) 419-3355

ndicate by check mark whether the registrant is a large accelerated filer, an accelerated filer, a non-accelerated filer, or a smaller reporting company. Se	ee the
definitions of "large accelerated filer," "accelerated filer" and "smaller reporting company" in Rule 12b-2 of the Exchange Act.	

 Large accelerated filer
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 Smaller reporting company
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#### CALCULATION OF REGISTRATION FEE

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		Proposed	Proposed maximum	Amount of
Title of securities to be registered	Amount to be Registered (1)	maximum offering price per share (2)	aggregate offering price (2)	registration fee
to be registered	Registered (1)	price per share (2)	offering price (2)	icc
Common Stock, \$.01 par value	3,000,000 Shares	\$8.96	\$26,880,000	\$3,462.14

- (1) Pursuant to Rule 416 under the Securities Act of 1933, as amended, the shares being registered hereunder include an indeterminate number of additional shares that may be issued to adjust the number of shares issued pursuant to the plan described herein as the result of any future stock split, stock dividend or similar adjustment of Registrant's outstanding Common Stock.
- (2) Estimated solely for purposes of calculating the registration fee pursuant to Rules 457(c) and 457(h) under the Securities Act of 1933, as amended, based upon the average of the high and low price of the Registrant's Common Stock on July 17, 2014 as reported on the New York Stock Exchange.

#### PART II

#### INFORMATION REQUIRED IN THE REGISTRATION STATEMENT

#### Item 3. Incorporation of Certain Documents by Reference.

The following documents are incorporated by reference in the Registration Statement:

- (a) The Registrant's Annual Report on Form 10-K filed with respect to the Registrant's fiscal year ended December 31, 2013.
- (b) The Registrant's Quarterly Report on Form 10-Q filed with respect to the Registrant's quarter ended March 31, 2014.
- (c) The Registrant's Current Reports on Form 8-K filed on March 31, 2014, April 8, 2014, May 27, 2014, and July 11, 2014.
- (d) The description of the Registrant's common stock contained in the Registrant's registration statement on Form 8-A, filed on July 2, 1997, and any amendment or report filed for the purpose of updating such description, including without limitation the description of the Registrant's common stock contained in the Registrant's registration statement on Form S-3 filed on February 22, 2012 and the Registrant's Amendment No. 1 to Form 8-A/A filed on November 3, 2005.

All documents subsequently filed by the Registrant pursuant to Sections 13(a), 13(c), 14 and 15(d) of the Securities Exchange Act of 1934, prior to the filing of a post-effective amendment to this Registration Statement which indicates that all securities offered have been sold or which deregisters all securities then remaining unsold, shall be deemed to be incorporated by reference in this Registration Statement and to be a part hereof from the date of filing of such documents. Any statement contained in a document incorporated or deemed to be incorporated by reference herein shall be deemed to be modified or superseded for purposes of this Registration Statement to the extent that a statement contained herein or in any other subsequently filed document which also is or is deemed to be incorporated by reference herein modifies or supersedes such statement. Any such statement so modified or superseded shall not be deemed, except as so modified or superseded, to constitute a part of this Registration Statement.

#### Item 4. Description of Securities

Not applicable.

#### Item 5. Interests of Named Experts and Counsel.

Certain legal matters in connection with the common stock covered by this Registration Statement are being passed upon for the Registrant by Arnall Golden Gregory LLP, Atlanta, Georgia. As of July 17, 2014, attorneys with Arnall Golden Gregory LLP involved in the preparation of this Registration Statement beneficially owned an aggregate of approximately 49,010 shares of the Registrant's common stock.

#### Item 6. Indemnification of Directors and Officers.

The Registrant is a Florida corporation. The following summary is qualified in its entirety by reference to the complete text of the Florida Business Corporation Act (the "FBCA"), the Registrant's Amended and Restated Articles of Incorporation, and the Registrant's Amended and Restated Bylaws.

Florida Law. Under Section 607.0850(1) of the FBCA, a corporation may indemnify any of its directors and officers against judgments, penalties, fines, amounts paid in settlement, and expenses (including attorneys' fees) actually and reasonably incurred by such person in connection with such action, suit or proceeding (including any appeal thereof) (i) if such person acted in good faith and in a manner he or she reasonably believed to be in, or not opposed to, the best interests of the corporation, and (ii) with respect to any criminal action or proceeding, he or she had no reasonable cause to believe his or her conduct was unlawful. In actions brought by or in the right of the corporation, however, Section 607.0850(2) provides that no indemnification shall be made in respect of any claim, issue or matter as to which the director or officer shall have been adjudged to be liable unless, and only to the extent that, the court in which such proceeding was brought, or any other court of competent jurisdiction, shall determine upon application that, despite the adjudication of liability but in view of all circumstances of the case, such person is fairly and reasonably entitled to indemnity for such expenses which such court shall deem proper.

Charter and Bylaws. Article X of the Registrant's Amended and Restated Articles of Incorporation requires that, if in the judgment of the majority of the Board of Directors (excluding from such majority any director under consideration for indemnification) the criteria set forth under Section 607.0850 have been met, then the Registrant shall indemnify its directors and officers for certain liabilities incurred in the performance of their duties on behalf of the Registrant in the manner and to the extent contemplated by Section 607.0850 of the FBCA (formerly Section 607.014 of the Florida General Corporation Act). Article VI of the Registrant's Amended and Restated Bylaws provides that indemnification is available to directors and officers only if the person to be indemnified acted in good faith and in a manner he or she reasonably believed to be in, or not opposed to, the best interest of the corporation and, with respect to any criminal action or proceeding, had no reasonable cause to believe that his or her conduct was unlawful. The Registrant will have no obligation to provide indemnification until a determination has been made that the applicable standard of conduct has been met and that indemnification is not prohibited by relevant law. With respect to proceedings brought by or in the right of the Registrant, no indemnification shall be made if the officer or director is adjudged to be liable unless, and only to the extent that, a court of competent jurisdiction shall determine that, despite the adjudication of liability but in view of all of the circumstances of the case, such person is fairly and reasonably entitled to indemnification. The Registrant's Amended and Restated Bylaws also state that the rights to indemnification are binding contract rights which are binding on the Registrant with respect to any conduct that takes place while the provision remains in place, even if the provision is later amended, and that the rights continue as to a person who has ceased to be an officer or director. Expenses, including reasonable attorneys' fees, paralegals' fees and court costs, incurred by a director or officer in defending a proceeding for which indemnification is provided will be paid by the Registrant in advance of the final disposition of such proceeding provided that the director or officer represents that he or she has met the applicable standard of conduct in relation to the proceeding and will repay such amount if he or she is ultimately found not to be entitled to indemnification.

<u>D&O Insurance</u>. The Registrant has purchased insurance to insure (i) the Registrant's directors and officers against damages from actions and claims incurred in the course of their duties, and (ii) the Registrant against expenses incurred in defending lawsuits arising from certain alleged acts of its directors and officers.

Indemnification Agreements. The Registrant has entered into indemnification agreements with each of its directors and its Executive Vice President, Chief Operating Officer and Chief Financial Officer ("Indemnitees"). Pursuant to such agreements, the Registrant shall indemnify each Indemnitee whenever he or she is or was a party or is threatened to be made a party to any proceeding, including without limitation any such proceeding brought by or in the right of the Registrant, because he or she is or was a director or officer of the Registrant or is or was serving at the request of the Registrant as a director or officer of another corporation, partnership, joint venture, trust or other enterprise, or because of anything done or not done by the Indemnitee in such capacity, against expenses and liabilities (including the costs of any investigation, defense, settlement or appeal) actually and reasonably incurred by the Indemnitee or on his or her behalf in connection with such proceeding, if he or she acted in good faith and in a manner he or she reasonably believed to be in or not opposed to the best interests of the Registrant, and, with respect to any criminal action or proceeding, had no reasonable cause to believe his or her conduct was unlawful. The termination of any action, suit or proceeding by judgment, order, settlement, conviction, or upon a plea of nolo contendere or its equivalent, shall not, of itself, create a presumption that an Indemnitee did not act in good faith and in a manner which he or she reasonably believed to be in or not opposed to the best interests of the Registrant, and, with respect to any criminal action or proceeding, had reasonable cause to believe that his or her conduct was unlawful. Unless a determination has been made that the Indemnitee is not entitled to indemnification pursuant to the agreement, all reasonable expenses incurred by or on behalf of such Indemnitee shall be advanced from time to time by the Registrant to the Indemnitee within thirty (30) days after the Registrant's receipt of a written request for an advance of expenses by such Indemnitee, whether prior to or after final disposition of a proceeding. Indemnitee shall agree, at the time of such advance, to repay the amounts advanced if it is ultimately determined that Indemnitee is not entitled to be indemnified under the terms of the agreement. Any advances made shall be unsecured and no interest shall be charged thereon.

#### Item 7. Exemption from Registration Claimed.

Not applicable.

#### Item 8. Exhibits.

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4.1	Amended and Restated Articles of Incorporation of the Company. (Incorporated herein by reference to Exhibit 3.1 to the Registrant's Form S-3 filed February 22, 2012).
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4.3	Form of Certificate for the Company's Common Stock. (Incorporated herein by reference to Exhibit 4.2 to the Registrant's Annual Report on Form 10-K for the year ended December 31, 1997) (File No. 001-13165).
4.4	First Amended and Restated Rights Agreement, dated as of November 2, 2005, between CryoLife, Inc. and American Stock Transfer & Trust Company. (Incorporated herein by reference to Exhibit 4.1 to Registrant's Current Report on Form 8-K filed November 3, 2005) (File No. 001-13165).
5.1*	Opinion of Arnall Golden Gregory LLP regarding legality of securities being registered
23.1*	Consent of Arnall Golden Gregory LLP (included as part of Exhibit 5.1 hereto)
23.2*	Consent of Ernst & Young LLP
23.3*	Consent of Deloitte & Touche LLP
24.1*	Power of Attorney (included in the signature pages of this registration statement)
99.1*	CryoLife, Inc. Second Amended and Restated 2009 Stock Incentive Plan

<sup>\*</sup> Filed herewith.

#### Item 9. Undertakings.

- (a) The undersigned Registrant hereby undertakes:
  - (1) To file, during any period in which offers or sales are being made, a post-effective amendment to this Registration Statement:
    - (i) To include any prospectus required by Section 10(a)(3) of the Securities Act of 1933;
  - (ii) To reflect in the prospectus any facts or events arising after the effective date of the Registration Statement (or the most recent post-effective amendment thereof) which, individually or in the aggregate, represent a fundamental change in the information set forth in the Registration Statement. Notwithstanding the foregoing, any increase or decrease in volume of securities offered (if the total dollar value of securities offered would not exceed that which was registered) and any deviation from the low or high end of the estimated maximum offering range may be reflected in the form of prospectus filed with the Commission pursuant to Rule 424(b) if, in the aggregate, the changes in volume and price represent no more than a 20% change in the maximum aggregate offering price set forth in the "Calculation of Registration Fee" table in the effective registration statement.
  - (iii) To include any material information with respect to the plan of distribution not previously disclosed in the Registration Statement or any material change to such information in the Registration Statement;

provided, however, that paragraphs (a)(1)(i) and (a)(1)(ii) shall not apply if the information required to be included in a post-effective amendment by those paragraphs is contained in reports filed with or furnished to the Securities and Exchange Commission by the Registrant pursuant to Section 13 or Section 15(d) of the Securities Exchange Act of 1934 that are incorporated by reference in the Registration Statement.

- (2) That, for the purpose of determining any liability under the Securities Act of 1933, each such post-effective amendment shall be deemed to be a new registration statement relating to the securities offered therein, and the offering of such securities at that time shall be deemed to be the initial bona fide offering thereof.
- (3) To remove from registration by means of a post-effective amendment any of the securities being registered which remain unsold at the termination of the offering.
- (b) The undersigned Registrant hereby undertakes that, for purposes of determining any liability under the Securities Act of 1933, each filing of the Registrant's annual report pursuant to Section 13(a) or Section 15(d) of the Securities Exchange Act of 1934 (and, where applicable, each filing of an employee benefit plan's annual report pursuant to Section 15(d) of the Securities Exchange Act of 1934) that is incorporated by reference in the Registration Statement shall be deemed to be a new registration statement relating to the securities offered therein, and the offering of such securities at that time shall be deemed to be the initial bona fide offering thereof.
- (c) Insofar as indemnification for liabilities arising under the Securities Act of 1933 may be permitted to directors, officers and controlling persons of the Registrant pursuant to the provisions described in Item 6, or otherwise, the Registrant has been advised that in the opinion of the Securities and Exchange Commission such indemnification is against public policy as expressed in the Act and is, therefore, unenforceable. In the event that a claim for indemnification against such liabilities (other than the payment by the Registrant of expenses incurred or paid by a director, officer or controlling person of the Registrant in the successful defense of any action, suit or proceeding) is asserted by such director, officer or controlling person in connection with the securities being registered, the Registrant will, unless in the opinion of its counsel the matter has been settled by controlling precedent, submit to a court of appropriate jurisdiction the question whether such indemnification by it is against public policy as expressed in the Act and will be governed by the final adjudication of such issue.

#### **SIGNATURES**

Pursuant to the requirements of the Securities Act of 1933, the Registrant certifies that it has reasonable grounds to believe that it meets all of the requirements for filing on Form S-8 and has duly caused this Registration Statement to be signed on its behalf by the undersigned, thereunto duly authorized, in the City of Kennesaw, State of Georgia, on July 21, 2014.

CRYOLIFE, INC.

By: /s/ Steven G. Anderson

Steven G. Anderson

President, Chief Executive Officer and Chairman of the Board of Directors

#### POWER OF ATTORNEY

KNOW ALL MEN BY THESE PRESENTS, that each person whose signature appears below constitutes and appoints Steven G. Anderson and Jeffrey W. Burris and each of them, his or her true and lawful attorneys-in-fact and agents, with full power of substitution and resubstitution, for him or her and in his or her name, place, and stead, in any and all capacities, to sign any and all amendments (including post-effective amendments) to this Registration Statement, and to file the same, with all exhibits thereto, and other documents in connection therewith, with the Securities and Exchange Commission, granting unto said attorneys-in-fact and agents, and each of them, full power and authority to do and perform each and every act and thing requisite and necessary to be done in and about the premises, as he or she might or could do in person, hereby ratifying and confirming all that said attorneys-in-fact and agents, or any of them, or their or his or her substitute or substitutes, may lawfully do or cause to be done by virtue hereof.

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Pursuant to the requirements of the Securities Act of 1933, this Registration Statement has been signed by the following persons in the capacities and on the dates indicated.

#### PRINCIPAL EXECUTIVE, FINANCIAL & ACCOUNTING OFFICERS AND DIRECTORS:

Signature	<u>Title</u>	<u>Date</u>
/s/ Steven G. Anderson Steven G. Anderson	President, Chief Executive Officer and Chairman of the Board of Directors (Principal Executive Officer)	July 21, 2014
/s/ D. Ashley Lee D. Ashley Lee	Executive Vice President, Chief Operating Officer and Chief Financial Officer (Principal Financial Officer)	July 21, 2014
/s/ Amy D. Horton Amy D. Horton	Chief Accounting Officer (Principal Accounting Officer)	July 21, 2014
/s/ Thomas F. Ackerman Thomas F. Ackerman	Director	July 21, 2014
/s/ James S. Benson James S. Benson	Director	July 21, 2014

/s/ Daniel J. Bevevino Daniel J. Bevevino	Director	July 21, 2014
/s/ Ronald C. Elkins, M.D. Ronald C. Elkins, M.D.	Director	July 21, 2014
/s/ Ronald D. McCall, Esq. Ronald D. McCall, Esq.	Director	July 21, 2014
/s/ Harvey Morgan Harvey Morgan	Director	July 21, 2014
Jon W. Salveson	Director	July, 2014

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# ARNALL GOLDEN GREGORY LLP 171 17TH STREET, NW SUITE 2100 ATLANTA, GEORGIA 30363-1031 TELEPHONE (404) 873-8500 – FACSIMILE (404) 873-8501

July 21, 2014

CryoLife, Inc. 1655 Roberts Boulevard, N.W. Kennesaw, Georgia 30144

Re: Registration Statement on Form S-8

Ladies and Gentlemen:

This opinion is rendered in connection with the proposed issue and sale by CryoLife, Inc., a Florida corporation (the "Company"), of up to 3,000,000 additional shares of the Company's Common Stock, \$.01 par value (the "Shares"), pursuant to stock options, stock appreciation rights, restricted stock, restricted stock units, stock units and performance shares under the CryoLife, Inc. Second Amended and Restated 2009 Stock Incentive Plan (the "Plan") upon the terms and conditions set forth in the Registration Statement on Form S-8 (the "Registration Statement") filed by the Company with the Securities and Exchange Commission under the Securities Act of 1933, as amended (the "Act"), and the prospectus utilized in connection therewith. We have acted as counsel for the Company in connection with the issuance and sale of the Shares by the Company.

In rendering the opinion contained herein, we have relied in part upon examination of the Company's corporate records, documents, certificates and other instruments and the examination of such questions of law as we have considered necessary or appropriate for the purpose of this opinion. Based upon the foregoing, we are of the opinion that the Shares have been duly and validly authorized and the Shares will be legally issued, fully paid and non-assessable (a) when issued in the manner contemplated by the terms of the Plan and pursuant to a current prospectus in conformity with the Act, and (b) upon receipt by the Company of payment therefor (assuming that such payment at all times exceeds the par value thereof).

We consent to the filing of this opinion as an exhibit to the Registration Statement. This consent is not to be construed as an admission that we are a party whose consent is required to be filed with the Registration Statement under the provisions of the Act.

Sincerely,

/s/ ARNALL GOLDEN GREGORY LLP ARNALL GOLDEN GREGORY LLP

#### Exhibit 23.2

#### CONSENT OF INDEPENDENT REGISTERED PUBLIC ACCOUNTING FIRM

We consent to the incorporation by reference in the Registration Statement (Form S-8) pertaining to the Second Amended and Restated 2009 Stock Incentive Plan of CryoLife, Inc. of our reports dated February 21, 2014, with respect to the consolidated financial statements of CryoLife, Inc. and subsidiaries and the effectiveness of internal control over financial reporting of CryoLife, Inc. and subsidiaries included in its Annual Report (Form 10-K) for the year ended December 31, 2013, filed with the Securities and Exchange Commission.

/s/ Ernst & Young LLP

Atlanta, Georgia July 21, 2014

#### Exhibit 23.3

#### CONSENT OF INDEPENDENT REGISTERED PUBLIC ACCOUNTING FIRM

We consent to the incorporation by reference in this Registration Statement on Form S-8 of our report dated February 15, 2013, relating to the consolidated financial statements of CryoLife, Inc., appearing in the Annual Report on Form 10-K of CryoLife for the year ended December 31, 2013.

/s/ Deloitte & Touche LLP

Atlanta, Georgia July 21, 2014

### CRYOLIFE, INC. SECOND AMENDED AND RESTATED 2009 STOCK INCENTIVE PLAN

#### SECTION 1

#### **GENERAL**

- 1.1 <u>Purpose</u>. The CryoLife, Inc. Second Amended and Restated 2009 Stock Incentive Plan (the "Plan") has been established by CryoLife, Inc. (the "Company") to (i) attract and retain persons eligible to participate in the Plan; (ii) motivate Participants (as defined in Section 1.2 below), by means of appropriate incentives, to achieve long-range goals; (iii) provide equity compensation to Directors of the Company; (iv) provide incentive compensation opportunities to employee Participants that are competitive with those of other similar companies; and (iv) further identify Participants' interests with those of the Company's stockholders through compensation that is based on the Company's common stock; and thereby promote the long-term financial interests of the Company and its Subsidiaries, as defined in Section 9(g), including the growth in value of the Company's equity and enhancement of long-term stockholder return. Pursuant to the Plan, Participants may receive Options, SARs, or Other Stock Awards, each as defined herein (collectively referred to as "Awards"). The Plan is designed so that Awards granted hereunder intended to comply with the requirements for "performance-based compensation" under Section 162(m) of the Internal Revenue Code of 1986, as amended (the "Code"), may comply with such requirements, and the Plan and such Awards shall be interpreted in a manner consistent with such requirements.
- 1.2 <u>Participation</u>. Subject to the terms and conditions of the Plan, the Committee (as defined in Section 6) shall determine and designate, from time to time, from among the Eligible Grantees, as defined in Section 9(e), those persons who will be granted one or more Awards under the Plan, and thereby become "Participants" in the Plan. In the discretion of the Committee, a Participant may be granted any Award permitted under the provisions of the Plan, and more than one Award may be granted to a Participant. Subject to the provisions of Section 6.2(e), Awards may be granted as alternatives to or replacement of awards outstanding under the Plan, or any other plan or arrangement of the Company or a Subsidiary (including a plan or arrangement of a business or entity, all or a portion of which is acquired by the Company or a Subsidiary).
- 1.3 Operation, Administration, and Definitions. The operation and administration of the Plan, including the Awards made under the Plan, shall be subject to the provisions of Section 5 (relating to operation and administration). Capitalized terms in the Plan shall be defined as set forth in the Plan (including the definition provisions of Section 9 of the Plan).

#### SECTION 2

#### OPTIONS AND SARS

#### 2.1 Definitions.

- (a) The grant of an "Option" entitles the Participant to purchase shares of Stock at an Exercise Price established by the Committee. Options granted under this Section 2 may either be Incentive Stock Options ("ISOs") or Non-Qualified Options ("NQOs"), as determined in the discretion of the Committee. An "ISO" is an Option that is intended to satisfy the requirements applicable to an "incentive stock option" described in Section 422(b) of the Code. An "NQO" is an Option that is not intended to be an "incentive stock option" as that term is described in Section 422(b) of the Code.
- (b) A stock appreciation right (a "SAR") entitles the Participant to receive, in cash or Stock (as determined in accordance with Subsection 2.5), value equal to (or otherwise based on) the excess of: (a) the Fair Market Value (as defined in Section 9) of a specified number of shares of Stock at the time of exercise; over (b) an Exercise Price established by the Committee.
- 2.2 Exercise Price. The Exercise Price of each Option and SAR granted under this Section 2 shall be not less than 100% of the Fair Market Value of a share of Stock on the date of grant of the Award. Unless a higher price is established by the Committee or determined by a method established by the Committee at the time the Option or SAR is granted, the Exercise Price for each Option and SAR shall be equal to 100% of the Fair Market Value on the date of grant of the Award.

- 2.3 Exercise. An Option and an SAR shall be exercisable in accordance with such terms and conditions and during such periods as may be established by the Committee, before or after grant.
  - 2.4 Payment of Option Exercise Price. The payment of the Exercise Price of an Option granted under this Section 2 shall be subject to the following:
- (a) Subject to the following provisions of this Subsection 2.4, the full Exercise Price for shares of Stock purchased upon the exercise of any Option shall be paid at the time of such exercise (except that, in the case of an exercise arrangement approved by the Committee and described in paragraph 2.4(c), payment may be made as soon as practicable after the exercise).
- (b) The Exercise Price shall be payable in cash or by tendering (by actual delivery of shares) unrestricted shares of Stock that are acceptable to the Committee, valued at Fair Market Value as of the day the shares are tendered, or in any combination of cash or shares, as determined by the Committee.
- (c) To the extent permitted by applicable law, a Participant may elect to pay the Exercise Price upon the exercise of an Option by irrevocably authorizing a third party to sell shares of Stock (or a sufficient portion of the shares) acquired upon exercise of the Option and remit to the Company a sufficient portion of the sale proceeds to pay the entire Exercise Price and any tax withholding resulting from such exercise.
- 2.5 Settlement of Award. Shares of Stock delivered pursuant to the exercise of an Option or an SAR shall be subject to such conditions, restrictions and contingencies as the Committee may establish in the applicable Award Agreement. Settlement of SARs may be made in shares of Stock (valued at their Fair Market Value at the time of exercise), in cash, or in a combination thereof, as determined in the discretion of the Committee. The Committee, in its discretion, may impose such conditions, restrictions and contingencies with respect to shares of Stock acquired pursuant to the exercise of an Option or an SAR as the Committee determines to be desirable.
  - 2.6 Restrictions on Options and SAR Awards. Each Option and SAR shall be subject to the following:
    - (a) The term of any Option or SAR granted under the Plan shall not exceed seven years from the date of grant.
    - (b) Any such Award shall be subject to such conditions, restrictions and contingencies as the Committee shall determine.
- (c) The Committee may designate whether any such Awards being granted to any Participant are intended to be "performance-based compensation" as that term is used in Section 162(m) of the Code. Any such Awards designated as intended to be "performance-based compensation" shall be conditioned on the achievement of one or more "Performance Measures." The Performance Measures that may be used by the Committee for such Awards shall be based on any one or more of the following, which shall not be required to be calculated in accordance with GAAP and which may be adjusted measures, as selected by the Committee: revenues or increase in revenues of the Company and/or one or more divisions and/or subsidiaries, cash flow or increase in cash flow, including without limitation cash flow from operations and free cash flow, of the Company and/or one or more divisions and/or subsidiaries, earnings before interest, taxes, depreciation and amortization ("EBITDA") or increase in EBITDA of the Company and/or one or more divisions and/or subsidiaries, return on capital or increase in pretax earnings of the Company and/or one or more divisions and/or subsidiaries, pretax earnings per share of the Company, sales of the Company and/or one or more products or service offerings, divisions and/or subsidiaries, pretax earnings of the Company and/or one or more divisions and/or subsidiaries, control of operating and/or non-operating expenses of the Company and/or one or more divisions and/or subsidiaries, control of operating and/or non-operating expenses of the Company and/or one or more divisions and/or subsidiaries, market price of the Company's securities, and, solely for an Award not intended to constitute "performance-based compensation" under Section 162(m) of the Code, other factors directly tied to the performance of the Company and/or one or more divisions and/or subsidiaries or other performance criteria. For Awards intended to be "performance-based compensation," the grant of the Awards and the establishment of the Performance

#### OTHER STOCK AWARDS

- 3.1 <u>Definitions</u>. The term "Other Stock Awards" means any of the following:
  - (a) A "Stock Unit" Award is the grant of a right to receive shares of Stock in the future.
- (b) A "Performance Share" Award is a grant of a right to receive shares of Stock or Stock Units, which is contingent on the achievement of performance or other objectives during a specified period.
- (c) A "Restricted Stock" Award is a grant of shares of Stock, and a "Restricted Stock Unit" Award is the grant of a right to receive shares of Stock in the future, with such shares of Stock or right to future delivery of such shares of Stock subject to a risk of forfeiture or other restrictions that will lapse upon the achievement of one or more goals relating to completion of service by the Participant, or achievement of performance or other objectives, as determined by the Committee.
- 3.2 <u>Restrictions on Other Stock Awards</u>. Each Stock Unit Award, Restricted Stock Award, Restricted Stock Unit Award and Performance Share Award shall be subject to the following:
  - (a) Any such Award shall be subject to such conditions, restrictions and contingencies as the Committee shall determine.
- (b) The Committee may designate whether any such Awards being granted to any Participant are intended to be "performance-based compensation" as that term is used in Section 162(m) of the Code. Any such Awards designated as intended to be "performance-based compensation" shall be conditioned on the achievement of one or more Performance Measures.

#### SECTION 4

#### STOCK SUBJECT TO THE PLAN

- 4.1 Awards Subject to Plan. Awards granted under the Plan shall be subject to the following:
- (a) Subject to the following provisions of this Subsection 4.1, the maximum number of shares of Stock that may be delivered to Participants and their beneficiaries under the Plan shall be 7.1 million shares of Stock. This amount includes 2 million shares that were authorized in May 2009, an additional 2.1 million shares that were authorized in May 2012, and an additional 3 million shares authorized in May 2014. Shares of Stock issuable hereunder may, in whole or in part, be authorized but unissued shares or shares of Stock that shall have been or may be reacquired by the Company in the open market, in private transactions or otherwise. Notwithstanding the foregoing, with respect to SARs that are settled in Stock, the aggregate number of shares of Stock subject to the SAR grant shall be counted against the shares available for issuance under the Plan as one share for every share subject thereto, regardless of the number of shares used to settle the SAR upon exercise.
  - (b) Subject to adjustment in accordance with Subsections 4.2 and 4.3, the following additional maximums are imposed under the Plan:
- (i) Subject to the proviso contained in this paragraph, the maximum number of shares of Stock that may be issued in conjunction with Other Stock Awards granted pursuant to Section 3 shall be up to 500,000 shares; provided, however, that for every share of Stock in excess of 500,000 awarded hereunder in respect of Other Stock Awards, the maximum number of shares reserved for grant hereunder shall be reduced by 1.5 shares.
- (ii) The maximum number of shares of Stock that may be covered by Awards granted to any one individual pursuant to Section 2 (relating to Options and SARs) shall be 400,000 during any fiscal year and the maximum number of shares of Stock that may be covered by Other Stock Awards granted to any one individual pursuant to Section 3 shall be 250,000 during any fiscal year; and
- (c) To the extent any shares of Stock covered by an Award are not delivered to a Participant or beneficiary because the Award is forfeited or canceled, or the shares of Stock are not delivered because the Award is

settled in cash, such shares shall not be deemed to have been delivered for purposes of determining the maximum number of shares of Stock available for delivery under the Plan. To the extent that shares of Stock subject to Other Stock Awards, and the issuance of which reduced the maximum number of shares authorized for issuance under the Plan by 1.5 shares, are forfeited or cancelled, or if such an Award terminates or expires without a distribution of shares to the Participant, the number of shares of Stock remaining for Award grants hereunder shall be increased by 1.5 for each share forfeited, cancelled or otherwise not delivered. Shares of Stock shall not again be available if such shares are surrendered or withheld as payment of either the exercise price of an Award and/ or withholding taxes in respect of an Award. Awards that are settled solely in cash shall not reduce the number of shares of Stock available for Awards. Upon the exercise of any Award granted in tandem with any other Award, such related Awards shall be cancelled to the extent of the number of shares of Stock as to which the Award is exercised and, notwithstanding the foregoing, such number of shares shall no longer be available for Awards under the Plan. The maximum number of shares of Stock available for delivery under the Plan shall not be reduced for shares subject to plans assumed by the Company in an acquisition of an interest in another company.

- 4.2 Adjustments for Changes in Capitalization. If the outstanding shares of Stock are changed into or exchanged for a different number or kind of shares or other securities of the Company by reason of any recapitalization, reclassification, stock split, stock dividend, combination, subdivision or similar transaction, or if the Company makes an extraordinary dividend or distribution to its stockholders (including without limitation to implement a spinoff) (each, a "Corporate Transaction") then, subject to any required action by the stockholders of the Company, the number and kind of shares of Company stock available under the Plan or subject to any limit or maximum hereunder shall automatically be proportionately adjusted, with no action required on the part of the Committee or otherwise. Subject to any required action by the stockholders, the number and kind of shares covered by each outstanding Award, and the price per share in each such Award, shall also be automatically proportionately adjusted for any increase or decrease in the number of issued shares of the Company resulting from a Corporate Transaction or any other increase or decrease in the number of such shares, or any decrease in the value of such shares, effected without receipt of consideration by the Company. Notwithstanding the foregoing, no fractional shares shall be issued or made subject to an Option, SAR or Other Stock Award in making the foregoing adjustments. All adjustments made pursuant to this Section shall be final, conclusive and binding upon the holders of Options, SARs and Other Stock Awards.
- 4.3 Certain Mergers and Other Extraordinary Events. If the Company merges or consolidates with another corporation, or if the Company is liquidated or sells or otherwise disposes of substantially all of its assets while unexercised Options or other Awards remain outstanding under this Plan, (A) subject to the provisions of clause (C) below, after the effective date of the merger, consolidation, liquidation, sale or other disposition, as the case may be, whether or not the Company is the surviving corporation, each holder of an outstanding Option or other Award shall be entitled, upon exercise of that Option or Award or in place of it, as the case may be, to receive, at the option of the Committee and in lieu of shares of Stock, (i) the number and class or classes of shares of Stock or other securities or property to which the holder would have been entitled if, immediately prior to the merger, consolidation, liquidation, sale or other disposition, the holder had been the holder of record of a number of shares of Stock equal to the number of shares of Stock as to which that Option may be exercised or are subject to the Award or (ii) shares of stock of the company that is the surviving corporation in such merger, consolidation, liquidation, sale or other disposition having a value, as of the date of payment under Subsection 4.3(i) as determined by the Committee in its sole discretion, equal to the value of the shares of Stock or other securities or property otherwise payable under Subsection 4.3(i); (B) whether or not the Company is the surviving corporation, if Options or other Awards have not already become exercisable, the Board of Directors may waive any limitations set forth in or imposed pursuant to this Plan so that all Options or other Awards, from and after a date prior to the effective date of that merger, consolidation, liquidation, sale or other disposition, as the case may be, specified by the Board of Directors, shall be exercisable in full; and (C) all outstanding Options or SARs may be cancelled by the Board of Directors as of the effective date of any merger, consolidation, liquidation, sale or other disposition, provided that with respect to a merger or consolidation the Company is not the surviving company, and provided further that any optionee or SAR holder shall have the right immediately prior to such event to exercise his or her Option or SAR to the extent such optionee or holder is otherwise able to do so in accordance with this Plan or his or her individual Option or SAR agreement; provided, further, that any such cancellation pursuant to this Section 4.3 shall be contingent upon the payment to the affected Participants of an amount equal to (i) in the case of any out-of-the-money Option or SAR, cash, property or a combination thereof having an aggregate value equal to the value of such Option or SAR, as determined by the Committee or the Board of Directors, as applicable, in its sole discretion, and (ii) in the case of an in-themoney Option or SAR, cash, property or a combination thereof having an aggregate value equal to the excess of the value of the per-share amount of consideration paid pursuant to the merger, consolidation, liquidation, sale or other disposition, as the case may be, giving rise to such cancellation, over the exercise price of such Option or SAR multiplied by the number of shares of Stock subject to the Option or SAR.

Any adjustments pursuant to this Subsection 4.3 shall be made by the Board or Committee, as the case may be, whose determination in that respect shall be final, binding and conclusive, regardless of whether or not any such adjustment shall have the result of causing an ISO to cease to qualify as an ISO.

- 4.4 <u>Changes in Par Value</u>. In the event of a change in the shares of the Company as presently constituted, which is limited to a change of all of its authorized shares with par value into the same number of shares with a different par value or without par value, the shares resulting from any such change shall be deemed to be the shares within the meaning of this Plan.
- 4.5 <u>Limitation on Grantees' Rights</u>. Except as hereinbefore expressly provided in this Section 4, a Participant shall have no rights by reason of any subdivision or consolidation of shares of stock of any class or the payment of any stock dividend or any other increase or decrease in the number of shares of stock of any class or by reason of any dissolution, liquidation, merger, or consolidation or spin-off of assets or stock of another corporation, and any issue by the Company of shares of stock of any class, shall not affect, and no adjustment by reason thereof shall be made with respect to, the number or price of shares of Stock subject to an Award, unless the Committee shall otherwise determine.
- 4.6 Company Right and Power. The grant of any Award pursuant to this Plan shall not adversely affect in any way the right or power of the Company (A) to make adjustments, reclassifications, reorganizations or changes of its capital or business structure, (B) to merge or consolidate, (C) to dissolve, liquidate or sell, or transfer all or any part of its business or assets or (D) to issue any bonds, debentures, preferred or other preference stock ahead of or affecting the Stock.
- 4.7 <u>Fractional Shares</u>. If any action described in this Section 4 results in a fractional share for any Participant under any Award hereunder, such fraction shall be completely disregarded and the Participant shall be entitled only to the whole number of shares resulting from such adjustment.

#### SECTION 5

#### OPERATION AND ADMINISTRATION

- 5.1 Effective Date; Duration. The Plan was originally effective as of the date of its initial approval by the stockholders of the Company, May 19, 2009. The Plan was then amended and restated by the Board in February 2012, and such amended and restated Plan became effective upon the approval of the stockholders of the Company on May 16, 2012. Upon approval of the Plan at the annual stockholders meeting in 2014 (the "Amended Effective Date"), the Plan shall have a duration of seven years from the Amended Effective Date; provided that in the event of Plan termination, the Plan shall remain in effect as long as any Awards under it are outstanding; provided further, however, that no Award may be granted under the Plan on a date that is more than seven years from the Amended Effective Date.
- 5.2 <u>Vesting</u>. Except as set forth below and in Section 4.3, and other than Options, SARs, Restricted Stock, Restricted Stock Units or Other Stock Awards conditioned upon the attainment of Performance Goals that relate to performance periods of at least one fiscal year, and except to the extent accelerated by the Committee upon death, disability, retirement or Change in Control, no Award granted hereunder to any Eligible Grantee other than a non-employee Director of the Company may vest in excess of 1/3 of the number of shares subject to the Award per year for the first three years after the grant date and no Award granted hereunder to any Eligible Grantee that is a non-employee Director of the Company may vest earlier than twelve months after the grant date. Unless the Committee determines otherwise, the date on which the Committee adopts a resolution expressly granting an Award shall be considered the day on which such Award is granted. The term of any Award granted under the Plan will not exceed seven years from the date of grant.
- 5.3 <u>Uncertificated Stock</u>. To the extent that the Plan provides for issuance of stock certificates to reflect the issuance of shares of Stock, the issuance may be effected on a non-certificated basis, to the extent not prohibited by applicable law or the applicable rules of any stock exchange.
- 5.4 <u>Tax Withholding</u>. All distributions under the Plan are subject to withholding of all applicable taxes, and the Committee may condition the delivery of any shares or other benefits under the Plan on satisfaction of the applicable withholding obligations. The Committee, in its discretion, and subject to such requirements as the Committee may

impose prior to the occurrence of such withholding, may permit such withholding obligations to be satisfied through cash payment by the Participant, through the surrender of shares of Stock which the Participant already owns, or through the surrender of unrestricted shares of Stock to which the Participant is otherwise entitled under the Plan, but only to the extent of the minimum amount required to be withheld under applicable law.

- 5.5 <u>Use of Shares</u>. Subject to the overall limitation on the number of shares of Stock that may be delivered under the Plan, the Committee may use available shares of Stock as the form of payment for compensation, grants or rights earned or due under any other compensation plans or arrangements of the Company or a Subsidiary, including the plans and arrangements of the Company or a Subsidiary assumed in business combinations.
- 5.6 <u>Dividends and Dividend Equivalents</u>. An Award (including without limitation an Option or SAR Award) may provide the Participant with the right to receive dividend payments or dividend equivalent payments with respect to Stock subject to the Award (both before and after the Stock subject to the Award is earned, vested, or acquired), which payments may be either made currently or credited to an account for the Participant, and may be settled in cash or Stock as determined by the Committee. Any such settlements, and any such crediting of dividends or dividend equivalents or reinvestment in shares of Stock, may be subject to such conditions, restrictions and contingencies as the Committee shall establish, including the reinvestment of such credited amounts in Stock equivalents. In the event an Award is conditioned on the achievement of one or more Performance Measures, any dividend payments or dividend equivalent payments will only be earned, vested or acquired to the extent the underlying Stock subject to the Award is earned, vested or acquired.
- 5.7 <u>Payments</u>. Awards may be settled through cash payments, the delivery of shares of Stock, the granting of replacement Awards, or any combination thereof as the Committee shall determine. Any Award settlement, including payment deferrals, may be subject to such conditions, restrictions and contingencies as the Committee shall determine. The Committee may permit or require the deferral of any Award payment, subject to such rules and procedures as it may establish.
- 5.8 <u>Transferability</u>. Except as otherwise provided by the Committee, Awards under the Plan are not transferable except as designated by the Participant by will or by the laws of descent and distribution.
- 5.9 Form and Time of Elections. Unless otherwise specified herein, each election required or permitted to be made by any Participant or other person entitled to benefits under the Plan, and any permitted modification, or revocation thereof, shall be in writing filed with the Committee at such times, in such form, and subject to such restrictions and limitations, not inconsistent with the terms of the Plan, as the Committee shall require.
- 5.10 Agreement With Company. An Award under the Plan shall be subject to such terms and conditions, not inconsistent with the Plan, as the Committee shall, in its sole discretion, prescribe. The terms and conditions of any Award to any Participant shall be reflected in such form of written document as is determined by the Committee. A copy of such document shall be provided to the Participant, and the Committee may, but need not, require that the Participant sign a copy of such document. Such document is referred to in the Plan as an "Award Agreement" regardless of whether any Participant signature is required.
- 5.11 Action by Company or Subsidiary. Any action required or permitted to be taken by the Company or any Subsidiary shall be by resolution of its Board of Directors, or by action of one or more members of the Board (including a committee of the Board) who are duly authorized to act for the Board, or (except to the extent prohibited by applicable law or applicable rules of any stock exchange) by a duly authorized officer of such company.
- 5.12 Gender and Number. Where the context admits, words in any gender shall include any other gender, words in the singular shall include the plural and the plural shall include the singular.

#### 5.13 <u>Limitation of Implied Rights.</u>

(a) Neither a Participant nor any other person shall, by reason of participation in the Plan, acquire any right in or title to any assets, funds or property of the Company or any Subsidiary whatsoever, including, without limitation, any specific funds, assets, or other property which the Company or any Subsidiary, in its sole discretion, may set aside in anticipation of a liability under the Plan. A Participant shall have only a contractual right to the Stock or amounts, if any, payable under the Plan, unsecured by any assets of the Company or any Subsidiary, and nothing contained in the Plan shall constitute a guarantee that the assets of the Company or any Subsidiary shall be sufficient to pay any benefits to any person.

- (b) The Plan does not constitute a contract of employment, and selection as a Participant will not give any participating employee the right to be retained in the employ of the Company or any Subsidiary, nor any right or claim to any benefit under the Plan, unless such right or claim has specifically accrued under the terms of the Plan. Except as otherwise provided in the Plan, no Award under the Plan shall confer upon the holder thereof any rights as a stockholder of the Company prior to the date on which the individual fulfills all conditions for receipt of such rights.
- 5.14 Evidence. Evidence required of anyone under the Plan may be by certificate, affidavit, document or other information which the person acting on it considers pertinent and reliable, and shall be signed, made or presented by the proper party or parties.
- 5.15 <u>Termination of Employment Following Change In Control</u>. In the event that the employment of a Participant who is an employee of the Company or a Subsidiary is terminated by the Company during the six-month period following a Change in Control, all of such Participant's outstanding Options and SARs may thereafter be exercised by the Participant, to the extent that such Options and SARs were exercisable as of the date of such termination of employment (x) for a period of six months from such date of termination or (y) until expiration of the stated term of such Option or SAR, whichever period is the shorter.
- 5.16 Section 409A. It is intended that all Options and SARs granted under the Plan shall be exempt from the provisions of Section 409A of the Code and that all Other Stock Awards under the Plan, to the extent that they constitute "non-qualified deferred compensation" within the meaning of Section 409A of the Code, will comply with Section 409A of the Code (and any regulations and guidelines issued thereunder). The Plan and any Award Agreements issued hereunder may be amended in any respect deemed by the Board or the Committee to be necessary in order to preserve compliance with Section 409A of the Code.

#### 5.17 Regulations and Other Approvals.

- (a) The obligation of the Company to sell or deliver Stock with respect to any Award granted under the Plan or make any other distribution of benefits under the Plan shall be subject to all applicable laws, rules and regulations, including all applicable federal and state securities laws (including, without limitation, the requirements of the Securities Act of 1933) and all applicable requirements of any securities exchange or similar entity, and the obtaining of all such approvals by governmental agencies as may be deemed necessary or appropriate by the Committee.
- (b) Each Award is subject to the requirement that, if at any time the Committee determines, in its absolute discretion, that the listing, registration or qualification of Stock issuable pursuant to the Plan is required by any securities exchange or under any state or federal law, or the consent or approval of any governmental regulatory body is necessary or desirable as a condition of, or in connection with, the grant of an Award or the issuance of Stock, no such Award shall be granted or payment made or Stock issued, in whole or in part, unless listing, registration, qualification, consent or approval, as applicable, has been effected or obtained free of any conditions not acceptable to the Committee.
- (c) In the event that the disposition of Stock acquired pursuant to the Plan is not covered by a then current registration statement under the Securities Act of 1933 and is not otherwise exempt from such registration, such Stock shall be restricted against transfer to the extent required by the Securities Act of 1933, as amended, or regulations thereunder, and applicable state securities laws, and the Committee may require a Participant receiving Stock pursuant to the Plan, as a condition precedent to receipt of such Stock, to represent to the Company in writing that the Stock acquired by such Participant is acquired for investment only and not with a view to distribution.
- (d) With respect to persons subject to section 16 of the Securities and Exchange Act of 1934, as amended, it is the intent of the Company that the Plan and all transactions under the Plan comply with all applicable provisions of Rule 16b-3.
- 5.18 Awards to Employees Subject to Taxation Outside of the United States. Without amending the Plan, Awards may be granted to Participants who are foreign nationals or who are employed outside the United States or both, on such terms and conditions different from those specified in the Plan as may, in the judgment of the Committee, be

necessary or desirable to further the purposes of the Plan. Such different terms and conditions may be reflected in Addenda to the Plan or in the applicable Award Agreement. However, no such different terms or conditions shall be employed if such terms or conditions constitute, or in effect result in, an increase in the aggregate number of shares which may be issued under the Plan or a change in the definition of Eligible Grantee.

#### SECTION 6

#### COMMITTEE

- 6.1 <u>Administration</u>. The authority to control and manage the operation and administration of the Plan shall be vested in a committee (the "Committee") in accordance with this Section 6. The Committee shall be selected by the Board, and shall consist solely of two or more members of the Board who are non-employee Directors within the meaning of Rule 16b-3 under the Securities Exchange Act of 1934, as amended, and are outside Directors within the meaning of Code Section 162(m). If the Committee does not exist, or for any other reason determined by the Board, the Board may take any action under the Plan that would otherwise be the responsibility of the Committee. Unless otherwise determined by the Board, CryoLife's Compensation Committee shall be designated as the "Committee" hereunder.
  - 6.2 Powers of Committee. The Committee's administration of the Plan shall be subject to the following:
- (a) Subject to the provisions of the Plan, the Committee will have the authority and discretion to select from among the Eligible Grantees those persons who shall receive Awards, to determine the time or times of receipt, to determine the types of Awards and the number of shares covered by the Awards, to establish the terms, conditions, performance criteria, restrictions, and other provisions of such Awards, and (subject to the restrictions imposed by Section 7) to cancel or suspend Awards, and to waive or otherwise modify any vesting or other restrictions contained in awards. The Committee may also, without obtaining stockholder approval, amend any outstanding award to provide the holder thereof with additional rights or benefits of the type otherwise permitted by the Plan, including without limitation, extending the term thereof; provided, however, that in no event may the term of any Option or SAR exceed seven years.
- (b) The Committee will have the authority and discretion to interpret the Plan, to establish, amend, and rescind any rules and regulations relating to the Plan, to determine the terms and provisions of any Award Agreement made pursuant to the Plan, and to make all other determinations that may be necessary or advisable for the administration of the Plan.
  - (c) Any interpretation of the Plan by the Committee and any decision made by it under the Plan is final and binding on all persons.
- (d) In controlling and managing the operation and administration of the Plan, the Committee shall take action in a manner that conforms to the certificate of incorporation and by-laws of the Company, and applicable state corporate law.
- (e) Subject to Section 4.2 hereof, neither the Board, the Committee nor their respective delegates shall have the authority to (i) reprice (or cancel and regrant) any Option, SAR or, if applicable, other Award at a lower exercise, base or purchase price, (ii) take any other action (whether in the form of an amendment, cancellation or replacement grant, or a cash-out of underwater options) that has the effect of repricing an Option, SAR or other Award, or (iii) grant any Option, SAR or other Award that contains a so-called "reload" feature under which additional Options, SARs or other Awards are granted automatically to the Grantee upon exercise of the original Option, SAR or Award, without in each instance first obtaining the approval of the Company's stockholders.
- (f) Anything in the Plan to the contrary notwithstanding, neither the Board nor the Committee may accelerate the payment or vesting of any Option, SAR or other Award except in the event of death, disability, retirement or a Change in Control.
- 6.3 <u>Delegation by Committee</u>. Except to the extent prohibited by applicable law or the applicable rules of a stock exchange, the Committee may allocate all or any portion of its responsibilities and powers to any one or more of its members and may delegate all or any part of its responsibilities and powers hereunder, including without limitation, the power to designate Participants hereunder and determine the amount, timing and terms of Awards hereunder, to any person or persons selected by it, including without limitation, any executive officer of the Company. Any such allocation or delegation may be revoked by the Committee at any time.

- 6.4 <u>Information to be Furnished to Committee</u>. The Company and Subsidiaries shall furnish the Committee with such data and information as it determines may be required for it to discharge its duties. The records of the Company and Subsidiaries as to an employee's or Participant's employment, termination of employment, leave of absence, reemployment and compensation shall be conclusive unless the Committee determines such records to be incorrect. Participants and other persons entitled to benefits under the Plan must furnish the Committee such evidence, data or information as the Committee considers desirable to carry out the terms of the Plan.
- 6.5 <u>Indemnification</u>. Each person who is or shall have been a member of the Committee, or the Board, shall be indemnified and held harmless by the Company against and from any loss, cost, liability or expense that may be imposed upon or reasonably incurred by him or her in connection with or resulting from any claim, action, suit or proceeding to which he or she may be a party or in which he or she may be involved by reason of any action taken or failure to act under the Plan and against and from any and all amounts paid by him or her in settlement thereof, with the Company's approval, or paid by him or her in satisfaction of any judgment in any such action, suit or proceeding against him or her, provided he or she shall give the Company an opportunity, at its own expense, to handle and defend the same before he or she undertakes to handle and defend it on his or her own behalf. The foregoing right of indemnification shall be in addition to any other rights of indemnification or elimination of liability to which such persons may be entitled under the Company's Certificate of Incorporation or Bylaws, as a matter of law, or otherwise, or any power that the Company may have to indemnify them or hold them harmless.

#### AMENDMENT AND TERMINATION

- (a) The Plan may be terminated or amended by the Board of Directors at any time, except that the following actions may not be taken without stockholder approval:
  - (i) any increase in the number of shares that may be issued under the Plan (except by certain adjustments provided for under the Plan);
  - (ii) any change in the class of persons eligible to receive Awards under the Plan;
  - (iii) any change in the requirements of Section 2.2 hereof regarding the Exercise Price of Options and SARs;
- (iv) any repricing or cancellation and regrant of any Option or, if applicable, other Award at a lower exercise, base or purchase price, whether in the form of an amendment, cancellation or replacement grant, or a cash-out of underwater options or any action that provides for Awards that contain a so-called "reload" feature under which additional Options or other Awards are granted automatically to the Grantee upon exercise of the original Option or Award; or
  - (v) any other amendment to the Plan that would require approval of the Company's stockholders under applicable law, regulation or rule.

Notwithstanding any of the foregoing, adjustments pursuant to paragraph 4.2 shall not be subject to the foregoing limitations of this Section 7.

(b) Options, SARs and other Awards may not be granted under the Plan after the date of termination of the Plan, but Options and SARs granted prior to that date shall continue to be exercisable according to their terms and other Awards shall continue to vest in accordance with their terms.

#### CHANGE IN CONTROL

Subject to the provisions of paragraph 4.2 (relating to the adjustment of shares), and except as otherwise provided in the Plan or the Award Agreement reflecting the applicable Award, upon the occurrence of a Change in Control as defined in Section 9:

- (a) All outstanding Options (regardless of whether in tandem with SARs) shall become fully exercisable.
- (b) All outstanding SARs (regardless of whether in tandem with Options) shall become fully exercisable.
- (c) All Stock Units, Restricted Stock, Restricted Stock Units, Performance Shares and other Awards shall become fully vested.

#### SECTION 9

#### **DEFINED TERMS**

In addition to the other definitions contained herein, the following definitions shall apply:

- (a) <u>Award</u>. The term "Award" shall mean any award or benefit granted under the Plan, including, without limitation, the grant of Options, SARs, Stock Unit Awards, Restricted Stock Awards, Restricted Stock Unit Awards and Performance Share Awards.
  - (b) Board. The term "Board" shall mean the Board of Directors of the Company.
- (c) Change in Control. "Change of Control" means a change in the ownership or effective control of, or in the ownership of a substantial portion of the assets of, the Company, as described in paragraphs (i) through (iii) below.
- (i) Change in Ownership of the Company. A change in the ownership of the Company shall occur on the date that any one person, or more than one person acting as a group (within the meaning of paragraph (iv)), acquires ownership of the Company stock that, together with the Company stock held by such person or group, constitutes more than 50% of the total voting power of the stock of the Company.
- (A) If any one person or more than one person acting as a group (within the meaning of paragraph (iv) below), is considered to own more than 50% of the total voting power of the stock of the Company, the acquisition of additional the Company stock by such person or persons shall not be considered to cause a change in the ownership of the Company or to cause a change in the effective control of the Company (within the meaning of paragraph (ii) below).
- (B) An increase in the percentage of the Company stock owned by any one person, or persons acting as a group (within the meaning of paragraph (iv) below), as a result of a transaction in which the Company acquires its stock in exchange for property, shall be treated as an acquisition of stock for purposes of this paragraph (i).
- (C) Except as provided in (B) above, the provisions of this paragraph (i) shall apply only to the transfer or issuance of the Company stock if such stock remains outstanding after such transfer or issuance.
  - (ii) Change in Effective Control of the Company.
    - (A) A change in the effective control of the Company shall occur on the date that either of (1) or (2) below occurs:
- (1) Any one person, or more than one person acting as a group (within the meaning of paragraph (iv) below), acquires (or has acquired during the 12 month period ending on the date of the most recent acquisition by such person or persons) ownership of stock of the Company possessing 30% or more of the total voting power of the stock of the Company; or

(2) A majority of the members of the Board are replaced during any 12 month period by Directors whose appointment or election is not endorsed by a majority of the Board prior to the date of the appointment or election.
(B) A change in effective control of the Company also may occur with respect to any transaction in which either of the Company or the other entity involved in a transaction experiences a Change of Control event described in paragraphs (i) or (iii).

- (C) If any one person, or more than one person acting as a group (within the meaning of paragraph (iv) below), is considered to effectively control the Company (within the meaning of this paragraph (ii)), the acquisition of additional control of the Company by the same person or persons shall not be considered to cause a change in the effective control of the Company (or to cause a change in the ownership of the Company within the meaning of paragraph (i) above).
- (iii) Change in Ownership of a Substantial Portion of the Company's Assets. A change in the ownership of a substantial portion of the Company's assets shall occur on the date that any one person, or more than one person acting as a group (within the meaning of paragraph (iv) below), acquires (or has acquired during the 12 month period ending on the date of the most recent acquisition by such person or persons) assets from the Company that have a total gross fair market value (within the meaning of paragraph (iii)(B)) equal to or more than 40% of the total gross fair market value of all of the assets of the Company immediately prior to such acquisition or acquisitions.
- (A) A transfer of the Company's assets shall not be treated as a change in the ownership of such assets if the assets are transferred to one or more of the following:
- (1) A shareholder of the Company (immediately before the asset transfer) in exchange for or with respect to the Company stock;
  - (2) An entity, 50% or more of the total value or voting power of which is owned, directly or indirectly, by the Company;
- (3) A person, or more than one person acting as a group (within the meaning of paragraph (iv) below) that owns, directly or indirectly, 50% or more of the total value or voting power of all of the outstanding stock of the Company; or
- (4) An entity, at least 50% of the total value or voting power of which is owned, directly or indirectly, by a person described in paragraph (iii)(A)(3).
- For purposes of this paragraph (iii)(A), and except as otherwise provided, a person's status is determined immediately after the transfer of assets.
- (B) For purposes of this paragraph (iii), gross fair market value means the value of all the Company assets, or the value of the assets being disposed of, determined without regard to any liabilities associated with such assets.
- (iv) For purposes of this Section 9(c), persons shall be considered to be acting as a group if they are owners of an entity that enters into a merger, consolidation, purchase, or acquisition of assets, or similar business transaction with the Company. If a person, including an entity shareholder, owns stock in the Company and another entity with which the Company enters into a merger, consolidation, purchase, or acquisition of stock, or similar business transaction, such shareholder shall be considered to be acting as a group with the other shareholders in a corporation only to the extent of the ownership in that corporation prior to the transaction giving rise to the change and not with respect to the ownership interest in the other corporation. Persons shall not be considered to be acting as a group solely because they purchase or own stock of the Company at the same time, or as a result of the same public offering of the Company's stock.
- (d) <u>Code</u>. The term "Code" means the Internal Revenue Code of 1986, as amended. A reference to any provision of the Code shall include reference to any successor provision of the Code.

- (e) Eligible Grantee. The term "Eligible Grantee" shall mean any director, executive officer or employee of the Company or a Subsidiary, as determined by the Committee in its sole discretion. An Award may be granted to an employee or director, in connection with hiring, retention or otherwise, prior to the date the employee or director first performs services for the Company or the Subsidiaries, provided that such Award shall not become vested prior to the date the employee first performs such services or the director assumes his position.
- (f) Fair Market Value. For purposes of determining the "Fair Market Value" of a share of Stock as of any date, then the "Fair Market Value" as of that date shall be the closing sale price of the Stock on that date on the New York Stock Exchange.
- (g) <u>Subsidiaries</u>. The term "Subsidiary" means any present or future subsidiary corporation of the Company within the meaning of Section 424(f) of the Code, and any present or future business venture designated by the Committee in which the Company has a significant interest, as determined in the discretion of the Committee.
  - (h) Stock. The term "Stock" shall mean shares of common stock of the Company.

#### **GOVERNING LAW**

This Plan shall be governed by, and construed in accordance with, the laws of the State of Georgia, except to the extent that the Florida Business Corporation Act shall be applicable.