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(collectively, the "Parties").

# EMS MASTER "DIRECT" EQUIPMENT LEASE BY AND BETWEEN THE COUNTY OF FRESNO AND ITS PARAMEDIC AMBULANCE SERVICE PROVIDER

#### **RECITALS**

- A. Lessor and Lessee entered into that certain Emergency Medical Services Provider

  Agreement for Emergency Ambulance Service and Advanced Life Support (Paramedic)

  Ambulance Service, dated \_\_\_\_\_\_ (the "Ambulance Agreement").
- **B.** Pursuant to section VI.B.2. of the Ambulance Agreement, Lessor and Lessee may enter into a lease of certain personal property, equipment and vehicles (the "Equipment"), whereby Lessee acquires Equipment free and clear of any and all liens, encumbrances, and security interests of third parties, transfers such Equipment to Lessor, and Lessor directly leases such Equipment to Lessee under a "direct lease" during the term of the Ambulance Agreement so long as Less is not in default of the Ambulance Agreement or this Lease.
- C. This Lease is intended by the Parties to serve as a "direct lease" under sectionVI.B.2. of the Ambulance Agreement.
- **D.** "Three-Way Lease" shall mean any applicable three-way equipment leasing arrangement identified in section VI.B.1. of the Ambulance Agreement through which items of equipment were or may be acquired and financed and used by Lessee in connection with the performance of its services under the Ambulance Agreement.
  - **E.** "Lessor's Director" shall mean the Director of the County of Fresno Department

1. This Lease;		
2. The Three-Way Lease (and between any Three-Way Leases, later		
executed Three-Way Leases shall take precedence over earlier-executed Three-Way		
Leases); and		
3. The Ambulance Agreement.		
<b>D.</b> In addition to the obligations of Lessee set out in the text of this Lease, as a		
separate and additional covenant and agreement, Lessee hereby agrees to fully perform each and		
every one of its obligations stated in the Ambulance Agreement, as they relate to the use of the		
Equipment.		
SECTION 2		
TERM		
A. The term of this Lease shall commence upon its execution by the Parties and shall		
terminate upon the termination of the Ambulance Agreement, unless this Lease is sooner		
terminated by Lessor (for any reason or for no reason) upon written notice thereof given to		
Lessee, in which case this Lease shall be terminated on such sooner termination date.		
B. THIS LEASE IS NON-CANCELABLE BY LESSEE FOR ITS ENTIRE		
TERM. Lessee understands that this provision is necessary and reasonable, and in the best		
interest of the public's health and safety, in order to ensure that Lessor shall have the		
instant and unimpaired use of the Equipment for Lessor's emergency take over of		
emergency ambulance services in Fresno County, under the Ambulance Agreement, if		
Lessee defaults in the performance of its obligations in the Ambulance Agreement or in this		
Lease.		
C. Notwithstanding anything else stated to the contrary in this Section 2, the right of		
Lessee to use the Equipment pursuant to this Lease shall be in effect only so long as the		
Ambulance Agreement is in full force and effect, and Lessee is not in default of the Ambulance		
Agreement and this Lease.		

#### **SECTION 3**

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#### **RENT**

Lessee shall not be required to pay rent as consideration for using the Equipment pursuant to this Lease. The consideration for Lessor's leasing the Equipment to Lessee shall be Lessee's promises, warranties, and covenants made herein and in the Ambulance Agreement, and the full performance thereof by Lessee according to the terms and conditions of this Lease and the Ambulance Agreement.

#### **SECTION 4**

NO WARRANTIES BY LESSOR; LESSEE'S OBLIGATIONS: LESSEE'S ACKNOWLEDGEMENT OF RECEIPT OF EQUIPMENT

LESSEE ACKNOWLEDGES RECEIPT OF THE EQUIPMENT AS OF Α. THE COMMENCEMENT DATE OF THIS LEASE, AND, AS TO ANY ITEM OF EQUIPMENT ADDED TO THIS LEASE AFTER THE EFFECTIVE DATE OF THIS LEASE, LESSEE ACKNOWLEDGES RECEIPT OF SUCH EQUIPMENT AS OF THE EFFECTIVE DATE OF THE APPLICABLE ADDENDUM TO EXHIBIT "A" TO THIS LEASE FOR SUCH EQUIPMENT. LESSEE FURTHER ACKNOWLEDGES THAT LESSOR IS NOT THE MANUFACTURER OF THE EQUIPMENT, NOR THE MANUFACTURER'S AGENT, NOR IS A DEALER THEREIN; THE EQUIPMENT IS OF A SIZE, DESIGN, CAPACITY, DESCRIPTION AND MANUFACTURE SELECTED SOLELY BY LESSEE FOR PURPOSES OF THIS LEASE; LESSEE IS SATISFIED THAT THE EQUIPMENT IS SUITABLE AND FIT FOR ITS PURPOSES; AND LESSOR HAS NOT MADE AND DOES NOT MAKE ANY WARRANTY OR REPRESENTATION WHATSOEVER, EITHER EXPRESSED OR IMPLIED, AS TO THE FITNESS, CONDITION, MERCHANTABILITY, DESIGN OR OPERATION OF THE EQUIPMENT, ITS FITNESS FOR ANY PARTICULAR PURPOSE, THE QUALITY OR CAPACITY OF THE MATERIALS OF THE EQUIPMENT OR WORKMANSHIP OF THE EQUIPMENT, NOR ANY OTHER REPRESENTATION OR WARRANTY WHATSOEVER. LESSOR SHALL NOT BE LIABLE TO LESSEE FOR

ANY LOSS, DAMAGE, OR EXPENSE OF ANY KIND OR NATURE CAUSED,

1	DIRECTLY OR INDIRECTLY, BY ANY EQUIPMENT LEASED HEREUNDER OR
2	THE USE OR MAINTENANCE THEREOF OR THE FAILURE OR OPERATION
3	THEREOF, OR THE REPAIR, SERVICE OR ADJUSTMENT THEREOF, OR BY ANY
4	DELAY OR FAILURE TO PROVIDE ANY SUCH MAINTENANCE, REPAIRS,
5	SERVICE OR ADJUSTMENT, OR BY ANY INTERRUPTION OF SERVICE OR LOSS
6	OF USE THEREOF OR FOR ANY LOSS OF BUSINESS HOWSOEVER CAUSED.
7	LESSOR SHALL NOT BE LIABLE FOR ANY INCIDENTAL OR CONSEQUENTIAL
8	DAMAGES AS THOSE TERMS ARE USED IN SECTION 2715 OF THE CALIFORNIA
9	COMMERCIAL CODE. No defect or unfitness of the Equipment shall relieve Lessee of
10	Lessee's obligations under this Lease or the Ambulance Agreement. Lessor shall have no
11	obligation whatsoever under this Lease with respect to the Equipment and shall have no
12	obligation whatsoever to install, erect, test, adjust or service the Equipment. Lessor agrees, so
13	long as there shall not have occurred any Event of Default, as defined in Section 13 hereof,
14	which has continued without cure by Lessee, as provided for in this Lease, that Lessor will
15	permit Lessee to enforce in Lessee's own name and at Lessee's sole expense any supplier's or
16	manufacturer's warranty or agreement with respect to the Equipment. This Subsection 4.A. shall
17	apply to this Lease notwithstanding any other provisions of this Lease.

**B.** By executing this Lease, Lessee acknowledges and agrees that prior to its receipt of an item of Equipment, Lessee has been given a reasonable opportunity to fully inspect and test the Equipment and did fully inspect and test the Equipment identified on the applicable exhibit, or addendum thereto, and unconditionally accepted the Equipment.

- C. If Lessee adds any Equipment to this Lease from a Three-Way Lease, Lessee shall or shall cause the lessor under the Three-Way Lease to execute a Release Certificate prior to adding such Equipment to this Lease, a form of which is attached hereto as Exhibit "B" to this Lease and incorporated herein. Lessor hereby authorizes Lessor's Director to accept fully executed Release Certificates, subject to such modifications as he deems appropriate and in the best interest of Lessor.
  - D. LESSEE'S TIME FOR BRINGING ANY LEGAL ACTION FOR BREACH

1	OF CONTR	ACT ARISING OUT OF THE LEASE MUST BE COMMENCED WITHIN
2	TWO (2) YI	EARS AFTER THE CAUSE OF ACTION HAS ACCRUED, OR TWO (2)
3	YEARS AF	TER THE REMOVAL OF SUCH ITEM OF EQUIPMENT FROM THE
4	LEASE, WI	HICHEVER OCCURS FIRST. NOTHING HEREIN SHALL BE
5	INTERPRE	TED TO EXTEND THE STATUTE OF LIMITATIONS FOR ANY OTHER
6	CAUSE OF	ACTION ARISING OUT OF THIS LEASE WHICH MAY HAVE A
7	LIMITATIO	ONS PERIOD FOR BRINGING LEGAL ACTION OF LESS THAN TWO (2)
8	YEARS.	
9		SECTION 5
10		CONDITIONS PRECEDENT
11	As co	onditions precedent to Lessor's obligations to lease Equipment to Lessee under this
12	Lease, Lesso	r shall receive on or before the date hereof (or for any later-added equipment, the
13	date of the ac	ldendum to Exhibit "A" to this Lease) the following:
14	<b>A.</b>	Duly executed copies of any subordination agreements and agreements to waive
15	and/or release	e any interest in the Equipment by creditors of Lessee as Lessor may request, or
16	such other ev	ridence as Lessor shall require from Lessee to ensure that the Equipment is free and
17	clear of any a	and all liens, encumbrances, and security interests of third parties;
18	В.	Appropriate evidence as to the authority and power of Lessee to execute, deliver
19	and perform	this Lease;
20	C.	Copies of certificates of insurance or other evidence satisfactory to Lessor
21	required to be	e delivered pursuant to Subsection 10.B. hereof;
22	D.	All such other documents and instruments as Lessor may request to carry out this
23	Lease.	
24	<b>E.</b>	All the foregoing documentation required to be provided pursuant to this Section
25	5 shall be sat	isfactory in form and substance to Lessor and as to legal form to its counsel.
26	F.	Lessee's tender of the equipment to Lessor that qualifies as Equipment under this
27	Lease.	
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#### SECTION 6

# LESSEE'S RIGHTS TO EQUIPMENT AT THE

#### **END OF THIS LEASE**

Upon Lessee's performance of all of its obligations under this Lease to the satisfaction of Lessor, Lessor shall, at the end of this Lease, release its right, title, and interest in the Equipment to Lessee if, and only if, <u>ALL</u> of the following conditions under this Section 6 are completely satisfied to the satisfaction of Lessor's Director:

- A. Lessee has fully performed all of its obligations under the Ambulance Agreement and this Lease and the Three-Way Lease, provided however, this shall not include Lessee's failure to perform an obligation under the Ambulance Agreement that results in a "Minor Breach" (as that term is defined therein), but only where there is no related obligation of Lessee to pay funds to Lessor (without limiting the foregoing, an example of a related obligation of Lessee to pay funds to Lessor is the obligation to pay liquidated damages that is related to a Minor Breach);
- **B.** The Ambulance Agreement and this Lease, and the Three-Way Lease, expire according to their terms and conditions; and
- C. The Ambulance Agreement, this Lease, or any Three-Way Lease, shall not have been terminated because of the occurrence of a breach or event of default caused, in whole or in part, by Lessee under the Ambulance Agreement, this Lease, or any Three-Way Lease, or all of such agreements.

Lessor's release of its right, title, and interest in the Equipment to Lessee shall be in its then-present condition and location, "as is, where is," subject to Lessor's disclaimer of warranties and representations provided in Subsection 4.A of this Lease, and the terms and conditions of this Lease.

#### **SECTION 7**

#### MID-TERM REMOVAL OF EQUIPMENT FROM THIS LEASE

**A.** In the event an item of Equipment is removed from this Lease for any reason and at any time other than at the end of this Lease, **ALL** of the following conditions shall be

- 1. The Ambulance Agreement, this Lease, or any Three-Way Lease shall not have been terminated because of the occurrence of a breach or event of default caused, in whole or in part, by Lessee under the Ambulance Agreement, this Lease, or any Three-Way Lease, or all of such agreements.
- 2. Lessee shall make a written request for Lessor to remove the item of Equipment from this Lease ("Mid-Term Disposal Request"). Any Mid-Term Disposal Request shall specify the following:
  - (a) The reason for the Mid-Term Disposal Request;
  - (b) the identity of the person or entity that will acquire the Equipment; and
  - (c) whether and, if so, when Lessee intends to replace such Equipment with a functionally-similar item of new or used Equipment, and if so,
    - (i) whether the replacement Equipment is new or used, and
    - (ii) the specific item of new or used Equipment that Lessee intends to use as a replacement Equipment.
- 3. Lessor may require Lessee to purchase or authorize the purchase or acquisition of such replacement Equipment as a condition precedent to granting its approval of a Mid-Term Disposal Request. Lessee shall be allowed not to replace such item of Equipment only upon the written approval thereof from Lessor's Director or his designee.
- 4. Lessee shall do all of the following, subject to approval in writing by Lessor's Director which approval shall have the concurrence of Lessor's Purchasing Agent, or Board of Supervisors, as applicable, for the disposal of the item of Equipment, if such concurrence is required by the Fresno County Ordinance Code or state law, or both:
  - (a) If the item of Equipment is lost, damaged or destroyed, Lessee shall, at its own cost and expense, dispose of the item of Equipment by selling such item of Equipment to the insurer of the item of Equipment for its full insured

1	value (if it is insured, otherwise to any other person for the fair market value of		
2	such item of Equipment), and the proceeds thereof shall be applied to:		
3	(i) to purchase replacement items of Equipment;		
4	(ii) the principal balance owing on any Three-Way Lease for any other		
5	items of equipment (with the proceeds being applied first to the latest		
6	payments due),		
7	(iii) if Lessor allows Lessee not to obtain replacement equipment, and		
8	if there is no Three-Way Lease then in effect, then Lessee may keep the		
9	proceeds of the sale of such equipment;		
10	(b) Lessee shall transfer the replacement item of Equipment, if any, as		
11	follows:		
12	(i) To Lessor whereupon such equipment shall be deemed to		
13	be Equipment under this Lease for all purposes; or		
14	(ii) To a Three-Way Lease, if one is then in effect.		
15	<b>B.</b> Upon Lessee's performance of <u>ALL</u> of its obligations to the satisfaction of Lesson		
16	under this Section 7, Lessor shall release its right, title, and interest in the item of Equipment to		
17	Lessee in its then-present condition and location, "as is, where is," subject to Lessor's disclaimer		
18	of warranties and representations provided in Subsection 4.A of this Lease and the terms and		
19	conditions of this Lease.		
20	C. Nothing in this Section 7 of this Lease shall be deemed to be an authorization that		
21	Lessee may reduce, limit, or otherwise modify its obligations under the Ambulance Agreement,		
22	to provide a specified level and manner of paramedic ambulance service thereunder.		
23	SECTION 8		
24	LOSS OR DAMAGE TO EQUIPMENT		
25	Lessee hereby assumes and shall bear the entire risk of loss for theft, damage, destruction		
26	or other injury to the Equipment from any and every cause whatsoever. NO SUCH LOSS OR		
27	DAMAGE SHALL IMPAIR ANY OBLIGATION OF LESSEE UNDER THIS LEASE		
28	WHICH SHALL CONTINUE IN FULL FORCE AND EFFECT. In the event of damage or		

granted to Lessor, in writing, or as may be permitted by Lessor, in writing, to exist as a lien or

interest inferior and subordinate to that of Lessor.

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#### **SECTION 10**

#### AFFIRMATIVE COVENANTS OF LESSEE

Lessee represents and warrants to Lessor and during the term of this Lease, Lessee shall continue to represent and warrant to Lessor that:

- A. Maintenance of Equipment. The Equipment shall be maintained by Lessee, at Lessee's sole cost and expense, in good repair, condition and working order sufficient to be used in accordance with all manufacturer's instructions and warranty requirements, all governmental laws, regulations, requirements and rules and the requirements of all policies of insurance as provided herein. Lessee shall furnish any and all parts, mechanisms and devices required to keep the Equipment in such repair, condition and working order, at the sole cost and expense of Lessee. Any and all such parts, mechanisms, devices, and modifications added or affixed to the Equipment shall be deemed to be Equipment for all purposes under this Lease.
- B. **Insurance.** Lessee shall obtain and maintain for the entire term of this Lease, at Lessee's sole cost and expense, property damage and liability insurance and insurance against loss or damage to the Equipment including, without limitation, loss by fire (including so-called extended coverage as that term is commonly used in the insurance industry), and such other risks of loss as are customarily insured against on the type of Equipment leased hereunder and by businesses in which Lessee is engaged, in such amounts, in such form and with such Californiaadmitted insurers as shall be satisfactory to Lessor and Lessor's risk manager. Each insurance policy (a) will name Lessor as additional insured, and Lessor as loss payee thereof, as Lessor's interest may appear, (b) and shall contain a clause requiring the insurer to give Lessor at least thirty (30) calendar days advance written notice of any material alteration in the terms of such policy or of the cancellation thereof. Lessee shall furnish to Lessor a certificate of insurance or other evidence satisfactory to Lessor that such insurance coverage is in effect; provided, however, that Lessor shall be under no duty either to ascertain the existence of or to examine such insurance policy or to advise Lessee in the event such insurance coverage shall not comply with the requirements hereof. Lessee further agrees to give Lessor prompt notice of any material

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- C. **Fees and Taxes.** Lessee shall pay to the appropriate governmental authority when due all license fees, assessments and sales, use, property (including possessor interest), excise and other taxes now and hereafter imposed by any governmental body or agency upon any Equipment, or the use thereof, and shall assume the risk of liability arising from or pertaining to the possession, operation or use of such Equipment.
- D. **Charges and Expenses.** Lessee shall pay all shipping and delivery charges and other expenses incurred in connection with the Equipment and shall pay all lawful claims, whether for labor, materials, supplies, rents or services, which might or could, if unpaid, become a lien on the Equipment.
- E. **Compliance.** Lessee shall comply with all Federal and State statutes, laws, regulations, codes and requirements, all applicable provisions of the Fresno County Charter and Ordinance Code, and all other applicable local codes, regulations, ordinances, and requirements, and rules, all EMS Agency policies and procedures, all manufacturer's instructions and warranty requirements and all conditions and requirements of all policies of insurance with respect to the Equipment and this Lease.
- F. **Identification**. Lessee shall mark and identify the Equipment with all information and in such manner as Lessor may request from time to time and replace promptly, any such markings or identification which are removed, defaced or destroyed.
- G. Access to Inspect. Lessee shall, at any and all times during Lessee's business hours, grant Lessor or its agent free access to enter upon the premises wherein the Equipment shall be located or used and permit Lessor to inspect the Equipment, provided that Lessee's business shall not be unreasonably interrupted.
- H. Costs. Lessee shall reimburse Lessor for all reasonable charges, costs and expenses (including attorney's fees) incurred by Lessor in defending or protecting its interests in the Equipment (including repossessing, refurbishing, storing, relocating and selling or disposing of the Equipment), in the enforcement of the provisions of this Lease.
  - I. **Indemnification.** Lessee shall indemnify, defend, and hold harmless Lessor,

including Lessor's officers, agents, and employees, from and against any and all claims, losses, liabilities (including, but not limited to, negligence, tort and strict liability), damages, judgments, suits, and all legal proceedings, and any and all costs and expenses in connection therewith (including attorney's fees) arising out of or in any manner connected with the manufacture, purchase, financing, ownership, delivery, rejection, non-delivery, possession, use, transportation, storage, operation, maintenance, repair, return or other disposition of the Equipment, or with this Lease, including, without limitation, claims for injury to or death of persons and for damage or loss to property, and give Lessor prompt notice of any such claim or liability. The provisions of this paragraph shall survive the termination of this Lease.

- **J. Vehicles.** As to any vehicles which are Equipment, the following shall apply:
- 1. <u>Drivers</u>. Lessee shall furnish and permit only licensed drivers whom Lessee duly authorizes to operate the vehicles. All such drivers shall be the agents, employees, or representatives of Lessee and not the agents, employees or representatives of Lessor.
- **2. <u>Fuel.</u>** Lessee shall provide and pay for all fuel necessary to operate the vehicles including applicable federal, state and local taxes, charges and fees thereon.
- 3. <u>Licensing</u>. Lessee shall cause the vehicles to be duly licensed in the name of Lessor and to be periodically inspected as required by all applicable laws, rules and ordinances.
- 4. <u>Use of Vehicles</u>. Lessee shall use the vehicles for the purpose which they were intended and agrees to comply with all applicable laws, ordinances and regulations relating to the use or possession of the vehicles.
- **K.** <u>Use of Equipment.</u> Lessee shall use the Equipment for the sole purpose of providing emergency ambulance services and advanced life support (paramedic) ambulance services and other emergency medical services-related functions approved by Lessor's Director within Fresno County pursuant to the terms and conditions of this Lease and the Ambulance Agreement, unless

1	otherwise provided herein or by written agreement of the Parties.		
2	SECTION 11		
3	NEGATIVE COVENANTS OF LESSEE		
4	Throughout the term of this Lease, Lessee hereby agrees that it shall not:		
5	A. <u>Liens</u> . Create, incur, assume or suffer to exist any mortgage, lien, security interest,		
6	pledge or other encumbrance or attachment of any kind whatsoever upon, affecting, or with		
7	respect to the Equipment or this Lease or any of Lessor's interests thereunder.		
8	B. Alterations to Equipment. Make any changes or alterations in or to the		
9	Equipment except in maintaining and/or altering the Equipment by Lessee so that it may be used		
10	for the purpose under the Ambulance Agreement.		
11	C. <u>Designation of Ownership</u> . Except as otherwise provided herein, permit the		
12	name of any person, association or corporation other than Lessor to be placed on the Equipment		
13	as a designation that might be interpreted as a claim of ownership or security interest. However,		
14	Lessee shall be allowed to place signs on the Equipment which state the name of Lessee.		
15	<b>D.</b> <u>Possession</u> . Part with possession or control of or suffer or allow to pass out of		
16	Lessee's possession or control the Equipment or any part thereof from the address designated		
17	herein as the location of the Equipment without the prior written consent of Lessor.		
18	E. <u>Disposition</u> . Assign or in any way dispose of all or any part of its rights or		
19	obligations under this Lease or enter into any sublease without the prior express written consent		
20	of Lessor.		
21	SECTION 12		
22	EQUIPMENT		
23	A. <u>Use of Equipment</u> . So long as no Event of Default shall have occurred, and		
24	continue without cure by Lessee pursuant to this Lease, Lessee shall be entitled to peaceable		
25	possession and use of the Equipment for the term of this Lease in Lessee's lawful business and		
26	performance of service under the Ambulance Agreement and in accordance with the provisions		
27	of this Lease.		
28	<b>B.</b> <u>Lien Waivers</u> . If Lessee attaches or affixes any Equipment to any real property or		

1	any building located thereon, Lessee shall obtain Lessor's written approval thereof, provided
2	however, Lessee shall first obtain from all persons who may claim any interest in the affected
3	real property their written waivers of interest or liens in the Equipment satisfactory in form and
4	substance to Lessor and as to legal form to its counsel. Lessor shall be permitted to record those
5	written waivers of interest or liens against the title of the affected real property.
6	SECTION 13
7	EVENTS OF DEFAULT
8	An Event of Default shall occur hereunder if Lessee:
9	<b>A.</b> Fails to pay any payment required hereunder when due and such failure continues
10	for a period of fifteen (15) calendar days;
11	<b>B.</b> Fails to perform or observe any other covenant, condition or agreement to be
12	performed or observed by it hereunder, or breaches any representation, warranty or other
13	provision contained herein or in any other document furnished to Lessor in connection herewith,
14	and such failure or breach continues for a period of fifteen (15) calendar days after receipt of
15	written notice thereof from Lessor;

- C. Without Lessor's written consent, attempts to or does remove, sell, assign, transfer, encumber, dispose of, part with possession, or sublet any item of Equipment;
  - D. Becomes insolvent or admits in writing its inability to pay its debts as they mature;
- E. A trustee or receiver is appointed for Lessee or a substantial part of its property, or any bankruptcy, reorganization, debt arrangement, moratorium, or any proceeding under any bankruptcy or insolvency law, or any dissolution or liquidation proceeding, is instituted by or against Lessee; or
- F. Fails to perform or observe any covenant, condition or agreement to be performed or observed by it under the Ambulance Agreement, or breaches any representation, warranty or other provision contained therein or in any other document furnished to Lessor in connection therewith, and such failure or breach continues according to the terms and conditions of the Ambulance Agreement, and thereby results in a breach or default of the Ambulance Agreement.

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#### **SECTION 14**

#### LESSOR'S REMEDIES

- **A.** If an Event of Default occurs, and continues without cure by Lessee within the time provided in Section 13 hereof (or if there is no requirement for the passage of time, then this provision shall apply immediately), then at that time and at any time thereafter, Lessor may, with or without terminating this Lease, in its sole discretion, do any one or more of the following:
  - 1. Upon written notice to Lessee, terminate this Lease and all Lease addenda executed pursuant hereto;
  - **2.** Subject to Subsection 14.C. herein, upon written notice to Lessee, with or without terminating this Lease:
  - (a) Declare immediately due and payable by Lessee and/or recover all sums due and payable by Lessee and to become due and payable by Lessee hereunder for the full remainder of the term of this Lease;
  - (b) Enter upon the premises where such Equipment is located and take immediate possession of same for Lessor's use (which use shall include, but shall not be limited to, using the Equipment in connection with the "Material Breach" and "Emergency Takeover of Contractor's Operations/Replacement of Contractor's Service" provisions in Subsection VII.B. of the Ambulance Agreement), or re-lease or sell the Equipment, as provided herein;
  - (c) Recover all reasonable costs and expenses including, but not limited to, attorney's fees and expenses incurred by Lessor as a result of Lessee's default hereunder;
  - 3. Subject to Subsection 14.C. herein, re-lease or sell any or all of the Equipment at a public or private sale and recover from Lessee damages, not as a penalty but herein liquidated for all purposes and in an amount equal to the sum of:
  - (a) Any unpaid amounts due and payable plus interest at Lessee' Borrowing Rate, which shall be conclusively deemed to be four percent

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- **(b)** All reasonable costs and expenses incurred in taking, repairing, restoring and selling the Equipment;
- (c) All reasonable costs and expenses, including but not limited to, legal fees and expenses incurred by Lessor as a result of Lessee's default hereunder;
- (d) Any indemnity allowed pursuant to this Lease, or allowed as a matter of law or equity.
- **B.** If this Lease shall be deemed at any time by a court of competent jurisdiction to be one intended as security, then Lessee agrees that the Equipment shall be deemed to secure in addition to any financial obligation set forth herein, any other financial obligation of Lessee at any time owing by Lessee to Lessor.
- C. Lessor, in exercising its rights and remedies in Subsections 14.A.2 and 14.A.3, herein, shall mitigate its damages in a commercially-reasonable manner, unless mitigation in such manner will in any way adversely affect or jeopardize the public health, welfare or safety, as determined by Lessor's Director. However, if such mitigation will in any way adversely affect or jeopardize the public health, welfare or safety, as determined by Lessor's Director, then, to the extent permitted by applicable law, Lessee hereby waives any rights now or hereafter conferred by statute or otherwise which may require Lessor to sell, lease or otherwise use the Equipment in mitigation of Lessor's damages as set forth in this Section 14 or which may otherwise limit or modify any of Lessor's rights or remedies under this Section 14. Lessor shall be entitled to sell, use or re-lease the Equipment as part of its emergency take over of emergency ambulance services in Fresno County, under the Ambulance Agreement without regard to whether such sale, use or disposition of the Equipment is done in a commercially reasonable manner. Lessee understands and acknowledges that the provisions of this Subsection 14.C. are necessary and reasonable, and in the best interest of the public's health and safety, in order to ensure that Lessor shall have the instant and unimpaired use of the Equipment for Lessor's emergency take

**D.** No right or remedy of Lessor referred to in this Section 14 is intended to be exclusive but each right and remedy of Lessor shall be cumulative and in addition to any other right and remedy of Lessor referred to in this Lease or otherwise available to Lessor at law or in equity. No waiver by Lessor of any default of Lessee shall constitute a waiver of any other default by Lessee or a waiver of any of Lessor's rights.

#### **SECTION 15**

#### LESSOR'S RIGHT TO PERFORM FOR LESSEE

If fifteen (15) calendar days after receipt of notice, Lessee fails to perform or comply with any of its promises, covenants, or warranties contained herein, Lessor may perform or comply with such promises, covenants or warranties, and the amount of any payments and expenses of Lessor incurred in connection with such performance or compliance (including reasonable attorney's fees), together with interest thereon at Lessee's Borrowing Rate, shall be deemed due and payable by Lessee upon demand.

#### **SECTION 16**

#### **RETURN OF EQUIPMENT**

Except as otherwise provided in Sections 6 and 7 of this Agreement, upon the termination of this Lease, Lessee shall promptly and peaceably surrender the Equipment to Lessor at any place within Fresno County, California, as designated by Lessor in the same condition as when delivered to Lessee under this Lease, ordinary wear and tear excepted. If Lessee surrenders the Equipment to Lessor under this Section 16, Lessee shall not be entitled to any payment or compensation.

#### **SECTION 17**

#### LEGAL TITLE TO THE EQUIPMENT

It is understood and agreed that legal title to the Equipment shall, at all times during the term of this Lease, remain and be vested solely in Lessor, and that Lessee or any successor or assignee of Lessee shall not have any right (including both legal and equitable), claim interest in,

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#### **SECTION 18**

# FURTHER ASSURANCES

Lessee shall cooperate with Lessor for the purpose of protecting the interests of Lessor in the Equipment, this Lease and the sums due under this Lease, including, without limitation, the execution of any written statements, such as Uniform Commercial Code financing statements, showing Lessor's ownership of the Equipment (or security interest) as requested by Lessor. Lessor is authorized to file one or more written statements of ownership (or security interest), such as Uniform Commercial Code financing statements, disclosing the Lessor's ownership (and any security interests) in the Equipment, this Lease and any sums due under this Lease, without the signature of Lessee or signed by Lessor as Attorney-in-Fact for Lessee. Lessee shall pay all costs of filing any written financing, continuation or termination statements with respect to this Lease, including, without limitation, any documentary stamp taxes relating thereto. Lessee will do whatever may be legally necessary to have a statement of the ownership (or security interest) of Lessor in the Equipment noted on any certificate of title relating to the Equipment and will deposit said certificate with Lessor. Lessee shall execute and deliver to Lessor upon request such other instruments and assurances as Lessor deems necessary or advisable for the implementation, effectuation, confirmation or perfection of this Lease and any rights of Lessor hereunder.

#### **SECTION 19**

#### **NOTICE**

Any notices or demands required to be given herein shall be given by one of the Parties to the other in writing and by regular mail at the addresses herein set forth in the first paragraph of this Lease, or to such other addresses as either of the Parties may hereafter substitute by written notice given in the manner prescribed in this Section 19. Any notices or demands shall not be modifications to this Lease.

#### **SECTION 20**

#### NONCANCELABLE LEASE BY LESSEE; OBLIGATIONS UNCONDITIONAL

This Lease may not be canceled or terminated by Lessee. Lessee hereby agrees that

1	Lessee's obligation to perform any acts or to pay any amounts owing hereunder shall be absolute
2	and unconditional.
3	SECTION 21
4	GOVERNING LAW/VENUE
5	This Lease shall in all respects be governed by, and construed in accordance with, the
6	laws of the State of California including all matters of construction, validity and performance;
7	Lessee hereby agrees to submit to the jurisdiction of the state and/or Federal courts in the State
8	of California. Venue for any legal action arising out of this Lease shall be in Fresno County,
9	California.
10	SECTION 22
11	NO ASSIGNMENT BY LESSEE
12	Lessee may not assign or transfer this Lease, or any right in, or interest to the Equipment
13	hereunder, or delegate any obligation hereunder, without the prior express written approval of
14	Lessor. Any such assignment, transfer or delegation in violation of this Section 22 shall be void.
15	SECTION 23
16	BINDING UPON SUCCESSORS
17	This Lease shall be binding upon the Parties, including their respective successors,
18	assigns, transferees, sublessees, and legal representatives, provided however, that in the case of
19	the successors, assigns, transferees, sublessees, and legal representatives of Lessee, the right of
20	such persons to succeed to the rights and/or assume the obligations of Lessee under this Lease
21	shall be subject to the express, written approval of Lessor.
22	SECTION 24
23	NO WAIVER BY LESSOR
24	Lessor's failure at any time to require strict performance by Lessee of any of the
25	provisions of this Lease shall not waive or diminish Lessor's right thereafter to demand strict

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#### **SECTION 25**

#### ENTIRE AGREEMENT

This Lease constitutes the entire understanding or agreement between Lessee and Lessor concerning the subject matter hereof, and there is no understanding or agreement, oral or written, which is not set forth herein.

#### **SECTION 26**

# THIS LEASE DOES NOT AFFECT THE PARTIES' OTHER LEASING ARRANGEMENTS

Notwithstanding anything else stated to the contrary herein, the terms and conditions of this Lease shall apply only to this Lease and the Equipment to be leased hereunder, and such terms and conditions shall not in any way whatsoever apply to or affect any other leasing arrangements by and between Lessor and Lessee concerning any other property, both personal and real, or equipment.

#### **SECTION 27**

#### OTHER LEASING ARRANGEMENTS DO NOT AFFECT THIS LEASE

The terms and conditions of any other leasing arrangements by and between Lessor and Lessee shall not in any way whatsoever apply to or affect this Lease.

#### **SECTION 28**

#### NO THIRD PARTY BENEFICIARIES

Notwithstanding anything else stated to the contrary herein, it is understood that this Lease is between Lessor and Lessee, and that the benefits to be derived therefrom are intended to accrue only to the Parties and/or their permitted respective assigns as provided herein. Accordingly, it is understood that no other person, firm, corporation, or entity, including, but not limited to, the vendor(s), supplier(s), manufacturer(s), dealer(s), and/or salespeople of the Equipment, shall be deemed an intended third party beneficiary of this Lease.

#### **SECTION 29**

#### INDEPENDENT RELATIONSHIP

It is understood that the relationship of the Parties is strictly that of lessor and lessee. This Lease shall not be construed to create the relationship of principal-agent, master-servant,

employer-employee, partnership, joint-venture or association between Lessor and Lessee; neither is any party an officer of the other. Each of the Parties, their officers, agents, and employees, in their performance of this Lease shall at all times act in an independent capacity between each other.

#### **SECTION 30**

#### **AMENDMENTS**

This Lease may not be amended except in writing, signed by each of the Parties, and all such amendments and shall be binding upon and inure to the benefit of the Parties, their permitted successors and assigns.

#### **SECTION 31**

#### EACH PARTY'S REPRESENTATIVE

Lessor and Less designate their respective representatives for this Lease as follows:

Lessor: Lessor's Director or his designee.

Lessee: Lessee's General Manager, or his designee.

Unless otherwise provided herein, Lessor's Director, or his designee, is hereby authorized by Lessor to take all action on behalf of Lessor to carry out the terms and conditions of this Lease for Lessor. Unless otherwise provided herein, Lessee's General Manager, or his designee, is hereby authorized by Lessee to take all action on behalf of Lessee to carry out the terms and conditions of this Lease for Lessee.

#### **SECTION 32**

#### **MISCELLANEOUS**

If any provision of this Lease or the application thereof to any person or circumstance shall, to any extent, be invalid or unenforceable, the remainder of this Lease, or the application of such provision to persons or circumstances other than those as to which it is invalid or unenforceable, shall not be affected thereby, and each provision of this Lease shall remain in effect and shall be enforceable to the full extent permitted by law. Time is of the essence with respect to this Lease. All representations, covenants and warranties of Lessee made in this

1	Lease and any certificates delivered in connection herewith shall survive the termination of this
2	Lease for any reason.
3	IN WITNESS WHEREOF, the Parties have executed this Lease as of the day and year
4	first hereinabove written.
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