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SECURITIES AND EXCHANGE COMMISSION WASHINGTON, D.C. 20549

FORM S-8

REGISTRATION STATEMENT UNDER
THE SECURITIES ACT OF 1933

USA NETWORKS, INC. (formerly HSN, Inc.) (Exact name of registrant as specified in its charter)

Delaware 59-2712887 (State or other jurisdiction (I.R.S. Employer of incorporation or organization) Identification No.)

152 West 57th Street, New York, New York 10019 (Address of Principal Executive Offices) (Zip Code)

HSN, INC. 1997 STOCK AND ANNUAL INCENTIVE PLAN

(Full title of the plan)

THOMAS KUHN, ESQ.
USA NETWORKS, INC.
152 WEST 57TH STREET, 38TH FLOOR
NEW YORK, NEW YORK 10019
(Name and address of agent for service)

(212) 247-5810 (Telephone number, including area code, of agent for service)

CALCULATION OF REGISTRATION FEE

TITLE OF OF SECURITIES TO BE REGISTERED	AMOUNT TO BE REGISTERED(1)	PROPOSED MAXIMUM OFFERING PRICE PER SHARE	PROPOSED MAXIMUM AGGREGATE OFFERING PRICE	AMOUNT OF REGISTRATION FEE
Common Stock, par value \$.01 per share	20,000,000 shares	\$27.375(2)	\$547,500,000(2)	\$161,512.50(2)

- (1) In addition, pursuant to Rule 416(c) under the Securities Act of 1933, this registration statement also covers an indeterminate amount of interests to be offered or sold pursuant to the employee benefit plan described herein.
- (2) The average of the high and low reported prices of the Registrant's Common Stock on March 27, 1998 has been used for the purpose of calculating the registration fee pursuant to Rule 457(c).

PART II INFORMATION REQUIRED IN THE REGISTRATION STATEMENT

INTRODUCTORY STATEMENT

This Registration Statement on Form S-8 (the "Registration Statement") of USA Networks, Inc., a Delaware corporation formerly known as HSN, Inc. (the "Company" or the "Registrant"), relates to up to 20,000,000 shares of the Registrant's common stock, par value \$.01 per share (the "Common Stock"), issuable in connection with the HSN, Inc. 1997 Stock and Annual Incentive Plan (the "Plan").

ITEM 3. INCORPORATION OF DOCUMENTS BY REFERENCE.

The documents listed below are incorporated by reference in this Registration Statement. All documents filed by the Company pursuant to Sections 13(a), 13(c), 14 and 15(d) of the Securities Exchange Act of 1934, as amended (the "Exchange Act"), subsequent to the date of the filing of this Registration Statement and prior to the filing of a post-effective amendment that indicates that all securities registered hereunder have been sold, or that 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 the filing of such documents.

(a) The Company's Annual Report on Form 10-K for the fiscal year ended December 31, 1997; and

(b) The description of the Common Stock contained in the Company's Registration Statement on Form S-4 dated November 20, 1996 (No. 333-16437).

ITEM 6. INDEMNIFICATION OF DIRECTORS AND OFFICERS.

The Registrant's Restated Certificate of Incorporation limits, to the maximum extent permitted by Delaware law, the personal liability of directors for monetary damages for breach of their fiduciary duties as directors. The Registrant's Bylaws provide that the directors, officers and certain other persons will be indemnified to the fullest extent permitted by Delaware law with respect to third-party actions or suits, provided such person has met the applicable standard of conduct which permits indemnification under Delaware law. The Registrant's Bylaws further provide that directors, officers and certain other persons will be indemnified with respect to actions or suits initiated by such person, provided that such proceeding was authorized by the Board of Directors. The Registrant's Bylaws allow the Registrant to pay all expenses incurred by a director, officer, employee or agent in defending any proceeding within the scope of the indemnification provisions as such expenses are incurred in advance of its final disposition, subject to repayment if it is ultimately determined that such party was not entitled to indemnity by the Registrant. From time to time, officers and directors may be provided with indemnification agreements that are consistent with the foregoing provisions. The Registrant believes that these agreements are necessary to attract and retain qualified persons as directors and officers.

Section 145 of the Delaware General Corporation Law provides that a corporation may indemnify a director, officer, employee or agent made a party to an action by reason of the fact that he was a director, officer or agent of the corporation or was serving at the request of the corporation against expenses actually and reasonably incurred by him in connection with such action if he acted in good faith and in a manner he reasonably believed to be in, or not opposed to, the best interests of the corporation and, with respect to any criminal action, had no reasonable cause to believe his conduct was unlawful.

Insofar as indemnification for liabilities arising under the Securities Act of 1933, as amended (the "Securities Act"), may be permitted to directors, officers or persons controlling the Registrant pursuant to the foregoing provisions, 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 Securities Act and is, therefore, unenforceable.

ITEM 8. EXHIBITS.

EXHIBIT NUMBER	EXHIBIT DESCRIPTION
5.01	Opinion of Wachtell, Lipton, Rosen & Katz as to legality of the shares of Common Stock being registered
23.01	Consent of Wachtell, Lipton, Rosen & Katz (included in Opinion filed as Exhibit 5.01 hereto)
23.02	Consent of Deloitte & Touche LLP (filed as Exhibit 23.2 to FORM 10-K dated March 30, 1998 as incorporated herein by reference)
23.03	Consent of Ernst & Young LLP (filed as Exhibit 23.1 to FORM 10-K dated March 30, 1998 as incorporated herein by reference)
24.01	Power of Attorney (included on Page 7 of this Registration Statement)
99.01	HSN, Inc. 1997 Stock and Annual Incentive Plan

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, as amended (the "Securities Act"); (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; and (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 clauses (i) and (ii) do not apply if the information required to be included in a post-effective amendment by those clauses is contained in periodic reports filed with or furnished to the Securities and Exchange Commission by the Registrant pursuant to

Section 13 or Section 15(d) of the Exchange Act that are incorporated by reference in the Registration Statement;

- (2) That, for the purpose of determining any liability under the Securities Act, 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; and
- (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, each filing of the Registrant's annual report pursuant to Section 13(a) or Section 15(d) of the Exchange Act 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 may be permitted to directors, officers and controlling persons of the Registrant pursuant to the provisions described under Item 6 above 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 Securities 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 Securities 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 this Registration Statement 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 Los Angeles, State of California, on the 20th day of February, 1998.

USA NETWORKS, INC.

By: /s/ Barry Diller

Name: Barry Diller
Title: Chairman of the
Board and Chief
Executive Officer

POWER OF ATTORNEY

KNOW ALL PERSONS BY THESE PRESENTS, that each person whose signature appears below constitutes and appoints James G. Gallagher and Thomas Kuhn, jointly and severally, his attorneys-in-fact, each with the power of substitution, for him in any and all capacities, to sign any amendments to this Registration Statement and to file the same, with exhibits thereto and other documents in connection therewith, with the Securities and Exchange Commission, hereby ratifying and confirming all that each of said attorneys-in-fact, or his substitute or substitutes, may do or cause to be done by virtue hereof.

Pursuant to the requirements of the Securities Act of 1933, this Registration Statement on Form S-8 has been signed by the following persons in the capacities and on the dates indicated:

SIGNATURE	TITLE	DATE
/s/Barry Diller	Chairman of the Board and Chief	February 20, 1998
Barry Diller	Executive Officer	
/s/Paul G. Allen	Director	February 20, 1998
Paul G. Allen		
/s/Frank J. Biondi, Jr.	Director	February 20, 1998
Frank J. Biondi, Jr.		
/s/Edgar Bronfman, Jr.	Director	February 20, 1998
Edgar Bronfman, Jr.		
/s/James G. Held	Director, Vice Chairman	February 20, 1998
James G. Held	Citatiman	
/s/Victor A. Kaufman	Director, Office of the Chairman,	February 20, 1998
Victor A. Kaufman	and Chief Financial Officer (Principal financial officer)	
/s/Robert W. Matschullat	Director	February 20, 1998
Robert W. Matschullat		
/s/Samuel Minzberg	Director	February 20, 1998
Samuel Minzberg		

/s/Bruce M. Ramer	Director	February 20, 1998
Bruce M. Ramer		
/s/William D. Savoy	Director	February 20, 1998
William D. Savoy		
/s/H. Norman Schwarzkopf	Director	February 20, 1998
H. Norman Schwarzkopf		
/s/Richard E. Snyder	Director	February 20, 1998
Richard E. Snyder		
/s/Brian Feldman	Controller (Chief	February 24, 1998
Brian Feldman	accounting officer)	

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March 2, 1998

USA Networks, Inc. 152 West 57th Street New York, NY 10019

Re: Registration Statement on Form S-8 of USA

Networks, Inc.

Members of the Board:

We are acting as special counsel to USA Networks, Inc., a Delaware corporation formerly known as HSN, Inc. (the "Company"), in connection with the above-captioned Registration Statement on Form S-8 filed with the Securities and Exchange Commission (the "Registration Statement") with respect to the 10,000,000 shares of common stock, par value \$.01 per share (the "Common Stock"), of the Company pursuant to the Company's 1997 Stock and Annual Incentive Plan (the "Plan").

In connection with this opinion, we have reviewed the Registration Statement and the exhibits thereto, and we have examined originals or copies, certified or otherwise identified to our satisfaction, of such corporate records, agreements, certificates of public officials and of officers of the Company, the Plan and other instruments, and such matters of law and fact as we have deemed necessary to render the opinion contained herein.

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Based upon and subject to the foregoing, we are of the opinion that the shares of Common Stock available under the Plan, when issued, delivered and paid for in accordance with the terms and conditions of the Plan, will be validly issued, fully paid, and non-assessable.

We hereby consent to the filing of this opinion with the Securities and Exchange Commission as an exhibit to the Registration Statement. In giving such consent, we do not hereby admit that we are in the category of persons whose consent is required under Section 7 of the Securities Act of 1933, as amended.

 $\,$ This letter is provided to USA Networks, Inc. and may not, except as expressly provided herein, be provided to or relied upon by any other person.

Very truly yours,

/s/ Wachtell, Lipton, Rosen & Katz

PSS:ajs

HSN, INC.

1997 STOCK AND ANNUAL INCENTIVE PLAN

SECTION 1. PURPOSE; DEFINITIONS

The purpose of the Plan is to give the Corporation a competitive advantage in attracting, retaining and motivating officers and employees and to provide the Corporation and its subsidiaries with a stock plan providing incentives more directly linked to the profitability of the Corporation and increases in shareholder value.

For purposes of the Plan, the following terms are defined as set forth below:

- (a) "Affiliate" means a corporation or other entity controlling, controlled by or under common control with the Corporation.
- (b) "Award" means a Stock Appreciation Right, Stock Option, Restricted Stock, Performance Unit or Bonus Award.
- (c) "Award Cycle" shall mean a period of consecutive fiscal years or portion thereof designated by the Committee over which Performance Units are to be earned.
 - (d) "Board" means the Board of Directors of the Corporation.
 - (e) "Bonus Award" means an annual bonus award made pursuant to Section 10.
- (f) "Cause" means, except as otherwise determined by the Committee pursuant to an Award agreement, the willful and continued failure on the part of a participant substantially to perform his employment duties in any material respect, or such other events as shall be determined by the Committee. The Committee shall have the sole discretion to determine whether "Cause" exists, and its determination shall be final.
- (g) "Change in Control" and "Change in Control Price" have the meanings set forth in Sections 11(b) and (c), respectively.
- (h) "Code" means the Internal Revenue Code of 1986, as amended from time to time, and any successor thereto.
- (i) "Commission" means the Securities and Exchange Commission or any successor agency.
 - (j) "Committee" means the Committee referred to in Section 2.
- (k) "Common Stock" means common stock, par value \$.01 per share, of the Corporation.
 - (1) "Corporation" means HSN, Inc., a Delaware corporation.
- (m) "Covered Employee" means a participant designated prior to the grant of shares of Restricted Stock, Performance Units or Bonus Awards by the Committee who is or may be a "covered employee" within the meaning of Section 162(m)(3) of the Code in the year in which Restricted Stock or Performance Units are expected to be taxable to such participant.
- (n) "Disability" means, except as otherwise determined by the Committee in an Award Agreement, permanent and total disability as determined under procedures established by the Committee for purposes of the Plan.
- (o) "Early Retirement" means retirement from active employment with the Corporation, a subsidiary or Affiliate pursuant to the early retirement provisions of the applicable pension plan of such employer.
- (p) "EBITDA" means for any period, the consolidated earnings (losses) of the Corporation before extraordinary items and the cumulative effect of accounting changes, as determined by the Corporation in accordance with GAAP, and before interest (expenses or income), taxes, depreciation, amortization, non-cash gains and losses from sales of assets other than in the ordinary course of business and non-cash expense charged against earnings resulting from the application of accounting for business combinations in accordance with Accounting Principles Board Opinion No. 16 ("APB No. 16").

- (q) "Exchange Act" means the Securities Exchange Act of 1934, as amended from time to time, and any successor thereto.
- (r) "Fair Market Value" means, as of any given date, the last reported sales price of the Common Stock in the over-the-counter market, as reported by NASDAQ (or, if the Common Stock is listed on a national securities exchange, as reported in the principal consolidated transaction reporting system with respect to securities listed on the principal national security exchange on which the Common Stock is listed or admitted to trading) on the last preceding date or, if there are no reported sales on that date, on the last day prior to that date on which there are such reported sales.
- (s) "Incentive Stock Option" means any Stock Option designated as, and qualified as, an "incentive stock option" within the meaning of Section 422 of the Code.
- (t) "Nonqualified Stock Option" means any Stock Option that is not an Incentive Stock Option.
- (u) "Normal Retirement" means retirement from active employment with the Corporation, a subsidiary or Affiliate at or after age 65.
- (v) "Performance Goals" means the performance goals established by the Committee in connection with the grant of Restricted Stock, Performance Units or Bonus Awards. In the case of Qualified-Performance Based Awards, (i) such goals shall be based on the attainment of one or any combination of the following: specified levels of earnings per share from continuing operations, EBITDA, operating income, revenues, return on operating assets, return on equity, profits, total shareholder return (measured in terms of stock price appreciation and/or dividend growth), and/or stock price, with respect to the Corporation or such subsidiary, division or department of the Corporation for or within which the participant performs services and that are intended to qualify under Section 162(m)(4)(c) of the Code and (ii) such Performance Goals shall be set by the Committee within the time period prescribed by Section 162(m) of the Code and related regulations. Such Performance Goals also may be based upon the attaining of specified levels of Corporation performance under one or more of the measures described above relative to the performance of other corporations.
 - (w) "Performance Units" means an award made pursuant to Section $8. \,$
- (x) "Plan" means the HSN, Inc. 1997 Stock and Annual Incentive Plan, as set forth herein and as hereinafter amended from time to time.
- (y) "Plan Year" means the calendar year or, with respect to Bonus Awards, the Corporation's fiscal year if different.
- (z) "Qualified Performance-Based Award" means an Award designated as such by the Committee at the time of grant, based upon a determination that (i) the recipient is or may be a "covered employee" within the meaning of Section 162(m)(3) of the Code in the year in which the Company would expect to be able to claim a tax deduction with respect to such Awards and (ii) the Committee wishes such Award to qualify for the Section 162(m) Exemption.
 - (aa) "Restricted Stock" means an award granted under Section 7.
 - (bb) "Retirement" means Normal or Early Retirement.
- (cc) "Section 162(m) Exemption" means the exemption from the limitation on deductibility imposed by Section 162(m) of the Code that is set forth in Section 162(m) (4) (C) of the Code.
 - (dd) "Stock Appreciation Right" means a right granted under Section 6.
 - (ee) "Stock Option" means an option granted under Section 5.
- (ff) "Termination of Employment" means the termination of the participant's employment with the Corporation and any subsidiary or Affiliate. A participant employed by a subsidiary or an Affiliate shall also be deemed to incur a Termination of Employment if the subsidiary or Affiliate ceases to be such a subsidiary or an Affiliate, as the case may be, and the participant does not immediately thereafter become an employee of the Corporation or another subsidiary or Affiliate. Temporary absences from employment because of illness, vacation or leave of absence and transfers among the Corporation and its subsidiaries and Affiliates shall not be considered Terminations of Employment.

In addition, certain other terms used herein have definitions given to them in the first place in which they are used.

SECTION 2. ADMINISTRATION

The Plan shall be administered by the Compensation/Benefits Committee or such other committee of two or more directors as the Board may from time to time designate (the "Committee"), which shall be appointed by and serve at the pleasure of the Board.

The Committee shall have plenary authority to grant Awards pursuant to the terms of the Plan to officers and employees of the Corporation and its subsidiaries and Affiliates.

Among other things, the Committee shall have the authority, subject to the terms of the Plan:

- (a) To select the officers and employees, to whom Awards may from time to time be granted;
- (b) Determine whether and to what extent Incentive Stock Options, Nonqualified Stock Options, Stock Appreciation Rights, Restricted Stock, Performance Units and Bonus Awards or any combination thereof are to be granted hereunder:
- (c) Determine the number of shares of Common Stock to be covered by each Award granted hereunder;
- (d) Determine the terms and conditions of any Award granted hereunder (including, but not limited to, the option price (subject to Section 5(a)), any vesting condition, restriction or limitation (which may be related to the performance of the participant, the Corporation or any subsidiary or Affiliate) and any vesting acceleration or forfeiture waiver regarding any Award and the shares of Common Stock relating thereto, based on such factors as the Committee shall determine;
- (e) Modify, amend or adjust the terms and conditions of any Award, at any time or from time to time, including but not limited to Performance Goals; provided, however, that the Committee may not adjust upwards the amount payable to a designated Covered Employee with respect to a particular award upon the satisfaction of applicable Performance Goals;
- (f) Determine to what extent and under what circumstances Common Stock and other amounts payable with respect to an Award shall be deferred; and
- (g) Determine under what circumstances an Award may be settled in cash or Common Stock under Sections 5(j), 8(b)(i), 10(b), and 11(a)(iii).

The Committee shall have the authority to adopt, alter and repeal such administrative rules, guidelines and practices governing the Plan as it shall from time to time deem advisable, to interpret the terms and provisions of the Plan and any Award issued under the Plan (and any agreement relating thereto) and to otherwise supervise the administration of the Plan.

The Committee may act only by a majority of its members then in office, except that the members thereof may (i) delegate to an officer of the Corporation the authority to make decisions pursuant to paragraphs (c), (f), (g), (h) and (i) of Section 5 (provided that without approval by the Board no such delegation may be made that would cause Awards or other transactions under the Plan to cease to be exempt from Section 16(b) of the Exchange Act) and (ii) authorize any one or more of their number or any officer of the Corporation to execute and deliver documents on behalf of the Committee. Any action permitted to be taken by the Committee under the Plan may be taken by the full Board in its discretion, and in such case the Board shall be treated as the Committee hereunder.

Any determination made by the Committee or pursuant to delegated authority pursuant to the provisions of the Plan with respect to any Award shall be made in the sole discretion of the Committee or such delegate at the time of the grant of the Award or, unless in contravention of any express term of the Plan, at any time thereafter. All decisions made by the Committee or any appropriately delegated officer pursuant to the provisions of the Plan shall be final and binding on all persons, including the Corporation and Plan participants.

SECTION 3. COMMON STOCK SUBJECT TO PLAN

The total number of shares of Common Stock reserved and available for grant under the Plan shall be 10,000,000. No participant may be granted Awards pursuant to the Plan covering in excess of 8,000,000 shares of Common Stock over the life of the Plan. Shares subject to an Award under the Plan may be authorized and unissued shares or may be treasury shares.

If any shares of Restricted Stock are forfeited for which the participant did not receive any benefits of ownership (as such phrase is construed by the Commission or its staff), or if any Stock Option (and related Stock Appreciation Right, if any) terminates without being exercised, or if any Stock Appreciation Right is exercised for cash, shares subject to such Awards shall again be available for distribution in connection with Awards under the Plan.

In the event of any change in corporate capitalization (including, but not limited to, a change in the number of shares of Common Stock outstanding), such as a stock split or a corporate transaction, such as any merger, consolidation, separation, including a Spin-off, or other distribution of stock or property of the Corporation, any reorganization (whether or not such reorganization comes within the definition of such term in Section 368 of the Code) or any partial or complete liquidation of the Corporation, the Committee or Board may make such substitution or adjustments in the aggregate number and kind of shares reserved for issuance under the Plan and the maximum limitation upon Awards to be granted to any participant, in the number, kind and option price of shares subject to outstanding Stock Options and Stock Appreciation Rights, in the number and kind of shares subject to other outstanding Awards granted under the Plan and/or such other equitable substitution or adjustments as it may determine to be appropriate in its sole discretion; provided, however, that the number of shares subject to any Award shall always be a whole number. In the event of a corporate merger, consolidation, acquisition of property or stock, separation, reorganization or liquidation, the Board shall be authorized to cause the Corporation to issue or assume stock options, whether or not in a transaction to which Section 424(a) of the Code applies, by means of substitution of new stock options for previously issued stock options or an assumption of previously issued stock options. In such event, the aggregate number of shares of the Stock available for issuance under Awards under Section 3 will be increased to reflect such substitution or assumption.

SECTION 4. ELIGIBILITY

Persons who serve or agree to serve as officers, employees, directors or consultants of the Corporation (including prospective officers or employees), its subsidiaries and Affiliates who are responsible for or contribute to the management, growth and profitability of the business of the Corporation, its subsidiaries and Affiliates are eligible to be granted Awards under the Plan.

SECTION 5. STOCK OPTIONS

Stock Options may be granted alone or in addition to other Awards granted under the Plan and may be of two types: Incentive Stock Options and Nonqualified Stock Options. Any Stock Option granted under the Plan shall be in such form as the Committee may from time to time approve.

The Committee shall have the authority to grant any participant Incentive Stock Options, Nonqualified Stock Options or both types of Stock Options (in each case with or without Stock Appreciation Rights); provided, however, that grants hereunder are subject to the aggregate limit on grants to individual participants set forth in Section 3. Incentive Stock Options may be granted only to employees of the Corporation and its "subsidiaries" and "parent", if any (within the meaning of Section 424(f) of the Code). To the extent that any Stock Option is not designated as an Incentive Stock Option or even if so designated does not qualify as an Incentive Stock Option, it shall constitute a Nonqualified Stock Option.

Stock Options shall be evidenced by option agreements, the terms and provisions of which may differ. An option agreement shall indicate on its face whether it is intended to be an agreement for an Incentive Stock Option or a Nonqualified Stock Option. The grant of a Stock Option shall occur on the date the Committee by resolution selects an individual to be a participant in any grant of a Stock Option, determines the number of shares of Common Stock to be subject to such Stock Option to be granted to such individual and specifies the terms and provisions of the Stock Option. The Corporation shall notify a participant of any grant of a Stock

Option, and a written option agreement or agreements shall be duly executed and delivered by the Corporation to the participant. Such grant shall become effective upon the date of grant (subject to conditions set forth therein), and the execution of the option agreements(s) may occur following the grant of the Stock Option.

Stock Options granted under the Plan shall be subject to the following terms and conditions and shall contain such additional terms and conditions as the Committee shall deem desirable:

- (a) Option Price. The option price per share of Common Stock purchasable under a Stock Option shall be determined by the Committee and set forth in the option agreement, and shall not be less than the Fair Market Value of the Common Stock subject to the Stock Option on the date of grant.
- (b) Option Term. The term of each Stock Option shall be fixed by the Committee, but no Incentive Stock Option shall be exercisable more than 10 years after the date the Incentive Stock Option is granted.
- (c) Exercisability. Except as otherwise provided herein, Stock Options shall be exercisable at such time or times and subject to such terms and conditions as shall be determined by the Committee. If the Committee provides that any Stock Option is exercisable only in installments, the Committee may at any time waive such installment exercise provisions, in whole or in part, based on such factors as the Committee may determine. In addition, the Committee may at any time accelerate the exercisability of any Stock Option.
- (d) Method of Exercise. Subject to the provisions of this Section 5, Stock Options may be exercised, in whole or in part, at any time during the option term by giving written notice of exercise to the Corporation specifying the number of shares of Common Stock subject to the Stock Option to be purchased.

Such notice shall be accompanied by payment in full of the purchase price by certified or bank check or such other instrument as the Corporation may accept. If approved by the Committee, payment, in full or in part, may also be made in the form of unrestricted Common Stock already owned by the optionee of the same class as the Common Stock subject to the Stock Option (based on the Fair Market Value of the Common Stock on the date the Stock Option is exercised); provided, however, that, in the case of an Incentive Stock Option the right to make a payment in the form of already owned shares of Common Stock of the same class as the Common Stock subject to the Stock Option may be authorized only at the time the Stock Option is granted.

In the discretion of the Committee, payment for any shares subject to a Stock Option may also be made by delivering a properly executed exercise notice to the Corporation, together with a copy of irrevocable instructions to a broker to deliver promptly to the Corporation the amount of sale or loan proceeds from shares of Common Stock owned by the optionee necessary to pay the purchase price, and, if requested, to pay the amount of any federal, state, local or foreign withholding taxes. To facilitate the foregoing, the Corporation may enter into agreements for coordinated procedures with one or more brokerage firms.

In addition, in the discretion of the Committee, payment for any shares subject to a Stock Option may also be made by instructing the Committee to withhold a number of such shares having a Fair Market Value on the date of exercise equal to the aggregate exercise price of such Stock Option.

No shares of Common Stock shall be issued until full payment therefor has been made. An optionee shall have all of the rights of a shareholder of the Corporation holding the class or series of Common Stock that is subject to such Stock Option (including, if applicable, the right to vote the shares and the right to receive dividends), when the optionee has given written notice of exercise, has paid in full for such shares and, if requested, has given the representation described in Section 14(a).

(e) Nontransferability of Stock Options. No Stock Option shall be transferable by the optionee other than (i) by will or by the laws of descent and distribution; or (ii) in the case of a Nonqualified Stock Option, pursuant to (a) a qualified domestic relations order (as defined in the Code, or the regulations thereunder), (b) a gift to such optionee's immediate family or other specified individuals or entities, whether directly or indirectly or by means of a trust, partnership, limited liability corporation or otherwise, if expressly permitted under the applicable option agreement or (c) a gift to a charitable organization, if expressly permitted under the applicable option agreement. All Stock Options shall be exercisable, subject to the terms of this Plan, during the optionee's lifetime, only by the optionee or any person to whom the Stock Option is transferred by will or the laws of descent and distribution or, in the

case of a Nonqualified Stock Option, pursuant to a

qualified domestic relations order or a gift permitted under the applicable option agreement. For purposes of this Section 5(e), "immediate family" shall mean, except as otherwise defined by the Committee, the optionee's spouse, children, siblings, stepchildren, grandchildren, parents, stepparents, grandparents, in-laws and persons related by legal adoption. Such transferees may transfer a Stock Option only by will or the laws of descent and distribution.

- (f) Termination by Death. Unless otherwise determined by the Committee (in the option agreement or otherwise), if an optionee's Termination of Employment is by reason of death, any Stock Option held by such optionee may thereafter be exercised, to the extent then exercisable, or on such accelerated basis as the Committee may determine, for a period of one year (or such other period as the Committee may specify in the option agreement) from the date of such death or until the expiration of the stated term of such Stock Option, whichever period is the shorter.
- (g) Termination by Reason of Disability. Unless otherwise determined by the Committee (in the option agreement or otherwise), if an optionee's Termination of Employment is by reason of Disability, any Stock Option held by such optionee may thereafter be exercised by the optionee, to the extent it was exercisable at the time of termination, or on such accelerated basis as the Committee may determine, for a period of 3 years from the date of such Stock Option, whichever period is the shorter; provided, however, that if the optionee dies within such period, any unexercised Stock Option held by such optionee shall, notwithstanding the expiration of such period, continue to be exercisable to the extent to which it was exercisable at the time of death for a period of 12 months from the date of such death or until the expiration of the stated term of such Stock Option, whichever period is the shorter. In the event of Termination of Employment by reason of Disability, if an Incentive Stock Option is exercised after the expiration of the exercise periods that apply for purposes of Section 422 of the Code, such Stock Option will thereafter be treated as a Nonqualified Stock Option.
- (h) Termination by Reason of Retirement. Unless otherwise determined by the Committee (in the option agreement or otherwise), if an optionee's Termination of Employment is by reason of Retirement, any Stock Option held by such optionee may thereafter be exercised by the optionee, to the extent it was exercisable at the time of such Retirement, or on such accelerated basis as the Committee may determine, for a period of 5 years from the date of such termination of employment or until the expiration of the stated term of such Stock Option, whichever period is the shorter; provided, however, that if the optionee dies within such period any unexercised Stock Option held by such optionee shall, notwithstanding the expiration of such period, continue to be exercisable to the extent to which it was exercisable at the time of death for a period of 12 months from the date of such death or until the expiration of the stated term of such Stock Option, whichever period is the shorter. In the event of Termination of Employment by reason of Retirement, if an Incentive Stock Option is exercised after the expiration of the exercise periods that apply for purposes of Section 422 of the Code, such Stock Option will thereafter be treated as a Nonqualified Stock Option.
- (i) Other Termination. Unless otherwise determined by the Committee (in the option agreement or otherwise): (A) if an optionee incurs a Termination of Employment for Cause, all Stock Options held by such optionee shall thereupon terminate; and (B) if an optionee incurs a Termination of Employment for any reason other than death, Disability, Retirement or Cause, any Stock Option held by such optionee, to the extent then exercisable, or on such accelerated basis as the Committee may determine, may be exercised for the lesser of 3 months from the date of such Termination of Employment or the balance of such Stock Option's term; provided, however, that if the optionee dies within such three-month period, any unexercised Stock Option held by such optionee shall, notwithstanding the expiration of such 3-month period, continue to be exercisable to the extent to which it was exercisable at the time of death for a period of 12 months from the date of such death or until the expiration of the stated term of such Stock Option, whichever period is the shorter. Notwithstanding the foregoing, unless otherwise determined by the Committee (in the option agreement or otherwise), if an optionee incurs a Termination of Employment at or after a Change in Control (as defined Section 11(b)), other than by reason of death, Disability or Retirement, any Stock Option held by such optionee shall be exercisable for the lesser of (1) 6 months and one day from the date following such Termination of Employment, and (2) the balance of such Stock Option's term. In the event of Termination of Employment, if an Incentive Stock Option is exercised after the expiration of the exercise periods that apply

for purposes of Section 422 of the Code, such Stock Option will thereafter be treated as a Nongualified Stock Option.

- (j) Cashing Out of Stock Option. On receipt of written notice of exercise, the Committee may elect to cash out all or part of the portion of the shares of Common Stock for which a Stock Option is being exercised by paying the optionee an amount, in cash or Common Stock, equal to the excess of the Fair Market Value of the Common Stock over the option price times the number of shares of Common Stock for which the Option is being exercised on the effective date of such cash-out.
- (k) Change in Control Cash-Out. Notwithstanding any other provision of the Plan, during the 60-day period from and after a Change in Control (the "Exercise Period"), unless the Committee shall determine otherwise at the time of grant, an optionee shall have the right, whether or not the Stock Option is fully exercisable and in lieu of the payment of the exercise price for the shares of Common Stock being purchased under the Stock Option and by giving notice to the Corporation, to elect (within the Exercise Period) to surrender all or part of the Stock Option to the Corporation and to receive cash, within 10 days of such notice, in an amount equal to the amount by which the Change in Control Price per share of Common Stock on the date of such election shall exceed the exercise price per share of Common Stock under the Stock Option (the "Spread") multiplied by the number of shares of Common Stock granted under the Stock Option as to which the right granted under this Section 5(k) shall have been exercised. Notwithstanding the foregoing, if the exercise of any right granted pursuant to this Section 5(k) would make a Change in Control transaction ineligible for pooling of interests accounting under APB No. 16 that but for this Section 5(k)would otherwise be eligible for such accounting treatment, the Committee shall have the ability to substitute the cash payable pursuant to this Section 5(k)with Common Stock (or shares of common stock of the entity surviving the Change in Control transaction, or its parent corporation, if applicable) with a Fair Market Value equal to the cash that would otherwise be payable hereunder.

SECTION 6. STOCK APPRECIATION RIGHTS

(a) Grant and Exercise. Stock Appreciation Rights may be granted in conjunction with all or part of any Stock Option granted under the Plan. In the case of a Nonqualified Stock Option, such rights may be granted either at or after the time of grant of such Stock Option. In the case of an Incentive Stock Option, such rights may be granted only at the time of grant of such Stock Option. A Stock Appreciation Right shall terminate and no longer be exercisable upon the termination or exercise of the related Stock Option.

A Stock Appreciation Right may be exercised by an optionee in accordance with Section 6(b) by surrendering the applicable portion of the related Stock Option in accordance with procedures established by the Committee. Upon such exercise and surrender, the optionee shall be entitled to receive an amount determined in the manner prescribed in Section 6(b). Stock Options which have been so surrendered shall no longer be exercisable to the extent the related Stock Appreciation Rights have been exercised.

- (b) Terms and Conditions. Stock Appreciation Rights shall be subject to such terms and conditions as shall be determined by the Committee, including the following: $\frac{1}{2} \left(\frac{1}{2} \right) \left(\frac{1}{2$
 - (i) Stock Appreciation Rights shall be exercisable only at such time or times and to the extent that the Stock Options to which they relate are exercisable in accordance with the provisions of Section 5 and this Section 6.
 - (ii) Upon the exercise of a Stock Appreciation Right, an optionee shall be entitled to receive an amount in cash, shares of Common Stock or both, in value equal to the excess of the Fair Market Value of one share of Common Stock over the option price per share specified in the related Stock Option multiplied by the number of shares in respect of which the Stock Appreciation Right shall have been exercised, with the Committee having the right to determine the form of payment.
 - (iii) Stock Appreciation Rights shall be transferable only to permitted transferees of the underlying Stock Option in accordance with Section $5\,(\mathrm{e})$.
 - (iv) Upon the exercise of a Stock Appreciation Right, the Stock Option or part thereof to which such Stock Appreciation Right is related shall be deemed to have been exercised for the purpose of the limitation set forth in Section 3 on the number of shares of Common Stock to be issued under the Plan,

but only to the extent of the number of shares in respect of which the Stock Appreciation Right has been exercised.

SECTION 7. RESTRICTED STOCK

(a) Administration. Shares of Restricted Stock may be awarded either alone or in addition to other Awards granted under the Plan. The Committee shall determine the officers and employees to whom and the time or times at which grants of Restricted Stock will be awarded, the number of shares to be awarded to any participant (subject to the aggregate limit on grants to individual participants set forth in Section 3), the conditions for vesting, the time or times within which such Awards may be subject to forfeiture and any other terms and conditions of the Awards, in addition to those contained in Section 7(c).

The Committee may, prior to grant, condition the vesting of Restricted Stock upon the attainment of Performance Goals. The Committee may, in addition to or instead of requiring satisfaction of Performance Goals, condition vesting upon the continued service of the participant. The provisions of Restricted Stock Awards (including the applicable Performance Goals) need not be the same with respect to each recipient.

(b) Awards and Certificates. Shares of Restricted Stock shall be evidenced in such manner as the Committee may deem appropriate, including book-entry registration or issuance of one or more stock certificates. Any certificate issued in respect of shares of Restricted Stock shall be registered in the name of such participant and shall bear an appropriate legend referring to the terms, conditions, and restrictions applicable to such Award, substantially in the following form:

"The transferability of this certificate and the shares of stock represented hereby are subject to the terms and conditions (including forfeiture) of the HSN, Inc. 1997 Stock and Annual Incentive Plan and a Restricted Stock Agreement. Copies of such Plan and Agreement are on file at the offices of HSN, Inc."

The Committee may require that the certificates evidencing such shares be held in custody by the Corporation until the restrictions thereon shall have lapsed and that, as a condition of any Award of Restricted Stock, the participant shall have delivered a stock power, endorsed in blank, relating to the Common Stock covered by such Award.

- (c) Terms and Conditions. Shares of Restricted Stock shall be subject to the following terms and conditions:
 - (i) Subject to the provisions of the Plan and the Restricted Stock Agreement referred to in Section 7(c)(vi), during the period, if any, set by the Committee, commencing with the date of such Award for which such participant's continued service is required (the "Restriction Period"), and until the later of (i) the expiration of the Restriction Period and (ii) the date the applicable Performance Goals (if any) are satisfied, the participant shall not be permitted to sell, assign, transfer, pledge or otherwise encumber shares of Restricted Stock; provided, that the foregoing shall not prevent a participant from pledging Restricted Stock as security for a loan, the sole purpose of which is to provide funds to pay the option price for Stock Options. Within these limits, the Committee may provide for the lapse of restrictions based upon period of service in installments or otherwise and may accelerate or waive, in whole or in part, restrictions based upon period of service or upon performance; provided, however, that in the case of Restricted Stock subject to Performance Goals granted to a participant who is a Covered Employee, the applicable Performance Goals have been satisfied.
 - (ii) Except as provided in this paragraph (ii) and Section 7(c)(i) and the Restricted Stock Agreement, the participant shall have, with respect to the shares of Restricted Stock, all of the rights of a stockholder of the Corporation holding the class or series of Common Stock that is the subject of the Restricted Stock, including, if applicable, the right to vote the shares and the right to receive any cash dividends. If so determined by the Committee in the applicable Restricted Stock Agreement and subject to Section 14(e) of the Plan, (1) cash dividends on the class or series of Common Stock that is the subject of the Restricted Stock Award shall be automatically deferred and reinvested in additional Restricted Stock, held subject to the vesting of the underlying Restricted Stock, or held subject to meeting Performance Goals applicable only to dividends, (2) dividends payable in Common Stock shall be paid in the form of Restricted Stock of the same class as the Common Stock with which such dividend

was paid, held subject to the vesting of the underlying Restricted Stock, or held subject to meeting Performance Goals applicable only to dividends and (3) dividends payable in shares of a subsidiary of the Corporation upon a Spin-off transaction shall be held as restricted shares subject to the vesting provisions of the underlying Restricted Stock.

- (iii) Except to the extent otherwise provided in the applicable Restricted Stock Agreement and Sections 7(c)(i), 7(c)(iv) and 11(a)(ii), upon a participant's Termination of Employment for any reason during the Restriction Period or before the applicable Performance Goals are satisfied, all shares still subject to restriction shall be forfeited by the participant.
- (iv) In the event of a participant's Retirement or a participant's involuntary Termination of Employment (other than for Cause), the Committee shall have the discretion to waive, in whole or in part, any or all remaining restrictions (other than, in the case of Restricted Stock with respect to which a participant is a Covered Employee, satisfaction of the applicable Performance Goals unless the participant's employment is terminated by reason of death or Disability) with respect to any or all of such participant's shares of Restricted Stock.
- (v) If and when any applicable Performance Goals are satisfied and the Restriction Period expires without a prior forfeiture of the Restricted Stock, unlegended certificates for such shares shall be delivered to the participant upon surrender of the legended certificates.
- (vi) Each Award shall be confirmed by, and be subject to, the terms of a Restricted Stock Agreement.

SECTION 8. PERFORMANCE UNITS

(a) Administration. Performance Units may be awarded either alone or in addition to other Awards granted under the Plan. The Committee shall determine the officers and employees to whom and the time or times at which Performance Units shall be awarded, the number of Performance Units to be awarded to any participant (subject to the aggregate limit on grants to individual participants set forth in Section 3), the duration of the Award Cycle and any other terms and conditions of the Award, in addition to those contained in Section 8(b).

The Committee may condition the settlement of Performance Units upon the continued service of the participant, the attainment of Performance Goals, or both. The provisions of such Awards (including the applicable Performance Goals) need not be the same with respect to each recipient.

- (b) Terms and Conditions. Performance Units Awards shall be subject to the following terms and conditions:
 - (i) Subject to the provisions of the Plan and the Performance Units Agreement referred to in Section 8(b)(vi), Performance Units may not be sold, assigned, transferred, pledged or otherwise encumbered during the Award Cycle. At the expiration of the Award Cycle, the Committee shall evaluate the Corporation's performance in light of the Performance Goals for such Award to the extent applicable, and shall determine the number of Performance Units granted to the participant which have been earned, and the Committee may then elect to deliver (1) a number of shares of Common Stock equal to the number of Performance Units determined by the Committee to have been earned, or (2) cash equal to the Fair Market Value of such number of shares of Common Stock to the participant.
 - (ii) Except to the extent otherwise provided in the applicable Performance Unit Agreement and Sections 8(b)(iii) and 11(a)(iii), upon a participant's Termination of Employment for any reason during the Award Cycle or before any applicable Performance Goals are satisfied, the rights to the shares still covered by the Performance Units Award shall be forfeited by the participant.
 - (iii) Except to the extent otherwise provided in Section 11(a)(iii), upon a participant's Termination of Employment (other than for Cause), or in the event of a participant's Retirement, the Committee shall have the discretion to waive, in whole or in part, any or all remaining payment limitations (other than, in the case of Performance Units with respect to which a participant is a Covered Employee, satisfaction of any applicable Performance Goals unless the participant's Termination of Employment is by reason of death or Disability) with respect to any or all of such participant's Performance Units.

- (iv) A participant may elect to further defer receipt of the Performance Units payable under an Award (or an installment of an Award) for a specified period or until a specified event, subject in each case to the Committee's approval and to such terms as are determined by the Committee (the "Elective Deferral Period"). Subject to any exceptions adopted by the Committee, such election must generally be made prior to commencement of the Award Cycle for the Award (or for such installment of an Award).
- (v) If and when any applicable Performance Goals are satisfied and the Elective Deferral Period expires without a prior forfeiture of the Performance Units, payment in accordance with Section 8(b)(i) hereof shall be made to the participant.
- (vi) Each Award shall be confirmed by, and be subject to, the terms of a Performance Unit Agreement.

SECTION 9. TAX OFFSET BONUSES

At the time an Award is made hereunder or at any time thereafter, the Committee may grant to the participant receiving such Award the right to receive a cash payment in an amount specified by the Committee, to be paid at such time or times (if ever) as the Award results in compensation income to the participant, for the purpose of assisting the participant to pay the resulting taxes, all as determined by the Committee and on such other terms and conditions as the Committee shall determine.

SECTION 10. BONUS AWARDS

- (a) Determination of Awards. The Committee shall determine the total amount of Bonus Awards for each Plan Year. Prior to the beginning of the Plan Year (or such later date as may be prescribed by the Internal Revenue Service under Section 162(m) of the Code), the Committee shall establish Performance Goals for Bonus Awards for the Plan Year; provided, that such Performance Goals may be established at a later date for participants who are not Covered Employees. Bonus amounts payable to any individual participant with respect to a Plan Year will be limited to a maximum of \$10 million. To the extent provided by the Committee, a participant may elect to defer receipt of amounts payable under a Bonus Award for a specified period, or until a specified event, subject in each case to the Committee's approval and to such terms as are determined by the Committee.
- (b) Payment of Awards. Bonus Awards under the Plan shall be paid in cash or in shares of Common Stock (valued at Fair Market Value as of the date of payment) as determined by the Committee, as soon as practicable following the close of the Plan Year, but in any event within 90 days following the close of the Plan Year. The Bonus Award for any Plan Year to any participant may be reduced or eliminated by the Committee in its discretion.
- (c) Termination of Employment. A participant shall not be entitled to receive payment of a Bonus Award, unless the annual Performance Goals for the Plan Year are satisfied or as otherwise set forth in Section 11, if at any time prior to the end of the Plan Year the participant has a Termination of Employment for any reason other than death or Disability.

SECTION 11. CHANGE IN CONTROL PROVISIONS

- (a) Impact of Event. Notwithstanding any other provision of the Plan to the contrary, upon a Change in Control:
 - (i) Any Stock Options and Stock Appreciation Rights outstanding as of the date of such Change in Control, and which are not then exercisable and vested, shall become immediately fully exercisable and vested.
 - (ii) The restrictions and deferral limitations applicable to any Restricted Stock shall immediately lapse, and such Restricted Stock shall become free of all restrictions and become fully vested and transferable to the full extent of the original grant.
 - (iii) All Performance Units shall be considered to be immediately earned and payable in full, and any deferral or other restriction shall lapse and such Performance Units shall be settled in cash or shares of Common Stock, as determined by the Committee, as promptly as is practicable.

- (iv) To the extent determined by the Committee, Bonus Awards may be paid in whole or in part to participants notwithstanding the attainment of Performance Goals.
- (b) Definition of Change in Control. For purposes of the Plan, unless otherwise provided in an option agreement or other agreement relating to an Award, a "Change in Control" shall mean the happening of any of the following events:
 - (i) The acquisition by any individual entity or group (within the meaning of Section 13(d)(3) or 14(d)(2) of the Exchange Act), other than Barry Diller, Liberty Media Corporation, Universal Studios, Inc. and their respective Affiliates (a "Person") of beneficial ownership (within the meaning of Rule 13d-3 promulgated under the Exchange Act) of equity securities of the Corporation representing more than 50% of the voting power of the then outstanding equity securities of the Corporation entitled to vote generally in the election of directors (the "Outstanding Corporation Voting Securities"); provided, however, that for purposes of this subsection (i), the following acquisitions shall not constitute a Change of Control: (A) any acquisition by the Corporation, (B) any acquisition by any employee benefit plan (or related trust) sponsored or maintained by the Corporation or any corporation controlled by the Corporation, or (C) any acquisition by any corporation pursuant to a transaction which complies with clauses (A), (B) and (C) of subsection (iii); or
 - (ii) Individuals who, as of October 19, 1997, constitute the Board (the "Incumbent Board") cease for any reason to constitute at least a majority of the Board; provided, however, that any individual becoming a director subsequent to October 19, 1997, whose election, or nomination for election by the Corporation's shareholders, was approved by a vote of at least a majority of the directors then comprising the Incumbent Board shall be considered as though such individual were a member of the Incumbent Board, but excluding, for this purpose, any such individual whose initial assumption of office occurs as a result of an actual or threatened election contest with respect to the election or removal of directors or other actual or threatened solicitation of proxies or consents by or on behalf of a Person other than the Board; or
 - (iii) Approval by the stockholders of the Corporation of a reorganization, merger or consolidation or sale or other disposition of all or substantially all of the assets of the Corporation or the purchase of assets or stock of another entity (a "Business Combination"), in each case, unless immediately following such Business Combination, (A) all or substantially all of the individuals and entities who were the beneficial owners of the Outstanding Corporation Voting Securities immediately prior to such Business Combination will beneficially own, directly or indirectly, more than 50% of the then outstanding combined voting power of the then outstanding voting securities entitled to vote generally in the election of directors of the corporation resulting from such Business Combination (including, without limitation, a corporation which as a result of such transaction owns the Corporation or all or substantially all of the Corporation's assets either directly or through one or more subsidiaries) in substantially the same proportions as their ownership, immediately prior to such Business Combination of the Outstanding Corporation Voting Securities, (B) no Person (excluding Barry Diller, Liberty Media Corporation, Universal Studios, Inc. and their Affiliates, any employee benefit plan (or related trust) of the Corporation or such corporation resulting from such Business Combination) will beneficially own, directly or indirectly, more than a majority of the combined voting power of the then outstanding voting securities of such corporation except to the extent that such ownership of the Corporation existed prior to the Business Combination and (C) at least a majority of the members of the board of directors of the Corporation resulting from such Business Combination will have been members of the Incumbent Board at the time of the initial agreement, or action of the Board, providing for such Business Combination;
 - (iv) Approval by the stockholders of the Corporation of a complete liquidation or dissolution of the Corporation.
- (c) Change in Control Price. For purposes of the Plan, "Change in Control Price" means the higher of (i) the highest reported sales price, regular way, of a share of Common Stock in any transaction reported on the New York Stock Exchange Composite Tape or other national exchange on which such shares are listed or on NASDAQ during the 60-day period prior to and including the date of a Change in Control or (ii) if the Change in Control is the result of a tender or exchange offer or a Business Combination, the highest price per

share of Common Stock paid in such tender or exchange offer or Business Combination; provided, however, that in the case of Incentive Stock Options and Stock Appreciation Rights relating to Incentive Stock Options, the Change in Control Price shall be in all cases the Fair Market Value of the Common Stock on the date the right set forth in Section 5(k) is exercised. To the extent that the consideration paid in any such transaction described above consists all or in part of securities or other noncash consideration, the value of such securities or other noncash consideration shall be determined in the sole discretion of the Board.

SECTION 12. TERM, AMENDMENT AND TERMINATION

The Plan will terminate 10 years after the effective date of the Plan; provided, that the Plan Awards outstanding as of such date shall not be affected or impaired by the termination of the Plan.

The Board may amend, alter, or discontinue the Plan, but no amendment, alteration or discontinuation shall be made which would impair the rights of an optionee under a Stock Option or a recipient of a Stock Appreciation Right, Restricted Stock Award, Performance Unit Award or Bonus Award theretofore granted without the optionee's or recipient's consent. In addition, no such amendment shall be made without the approval of the Corporation's stockholders to the extent such approval is required by law or agreement.

The Committee may amend the terms of any Stock Option or other Award theretofore granted, prospectively or retroactively, but no such amendment shall impair the rights of any holder of such Award without the holder's consent.

Subject to the above provisions, the Board shall have authority to amend the Plan to take into account changes in law and tax and accounting rules as well as other developments, and to grant Awards which qualify for beneficial treatment under such rules without stockholder approval.

SECTION 13. UNFUNDED STATUS OF PLAN

It is presently intended that the Plan constitute an "unfunded" plan for incentive and deferred compensation. The Committee may authorize the creation of trusts or other arrangements to meet the obligations created under the Plan to deliver Common Stock or make payments; provided, however, that unless the Committee otherwise determines, the existence of such trusts or other arrangements shall be consistent with the "unfunded" status of the Plan.

SECTION 14. GENERAL PROVISIONS

(a) The Committee may require each person purchasing or receiving shares pursuant to an Award to represent to and agree with the Corporation in writing that such person is acquiring the shares without a view to the distribution thereof. The certificates for such shares may include any legend which the Committee deems appropriate to reflect any restrictions on transfer.

Notwithstanding any other provision of the Plan or agreements made pursuant thereto, the Corporation shall not be required to issue or deliver any certificate or certificates for shares of Common Stock under the Plan prior to fulfillment of all of the following conditions:

- (1) Listing or approval for listing upon notice of issuance, of such shares on NASDAQ or on the New York Stock Exchange, Inc., or such other securities exchange as may at the time be the principal market for the Common Stock;
- (2) Any registration or other qualification of such shares of the Corporation under any state or federal law or regulation or the maintaining in effect of any such registration or other qualification which the Committee shall, in its absolute discretion upon the advice of counsel, deem necessary or advisable; and
- (3) Obtaining any other consent, approval, or permit from any state or federal governmental agency which the Committee shall, in its absolute discretion after receiving the advice of counsel, determine to be necessary or advisable.
- (b) Nothing contained in the Plan shall prevent the Corporation or any subsidiary or Affiliate from adopting other or additional compensation arrangements for its employees.

- (c) Adoption of the Plan shall not confer upon any employee any right to continued employment, nor shall it interfere in any way with the right of the Corporation or any subsidiary or Affiliate to terminate the employment of any employee at any time.
- (d) No later than the date as of which an amount first becomes includible in the gross income of the participant for federal income tax purposes with respect to any Award under the Plan, the participant shall pay to the Corporation, or make arrangements satisfactory to the Corporation regarding the payment of, any federal, state, local or foreign taxes of any kind required by law to be withheld with respect to such amount. Unless otherwise determined by the Corporation, withholding obligations may be settled with Common Stock, including Common Stock that is part of the Award that gives rise to the withholding requirement. The obligations of the Corporation under the Plan shall be conditional on such payment or arrangements, and the Corporation and its Affiliates shall, to the extent permitted by law, have the right to deduct any such taxes from any payment otherwise due to the participant. The Committee may establish such procedures as it deems appropriate, including making irrevocable elections, for the settlement of withholding obligations with Common Stock.
- (e) Reinvestment of dividends in additional Restricted Stock at the time of any dividend payment with respect to Restricted Stock shall only be permissible if sufficient shares of Common Stock are available under Section 3 for such reinvestment (taking into account then outstanding Stock Options and other Awards).
- (f) The Committee shall establish such procedures as it deems appropriate for a participant to designate a beneficiary to whom any amounts payable in the event of the participant's death are to be paid or by whom any rights of the participant, after the participant's death, may be exercised.
- (g) In the case of a grant of an Award to any employee of a subsidiary or other Affiliate of the Corporation, the Corporation may, if the Committee so directs, issue or transfer the shares of Common Stock, if any, covered by the Award to the subsidiary or such other Affiliate, for such lawful consideration as the Committee may specify, upon the condition or understanding that the subsidiary will transfer the shares of Common Stock to the employee in accordance with the terms of the Award specified by the Committee pursuant to the provisions of the Plan.
- (h) The Plan and all Awards made and actions taken thereunder shall be governed by and construed in accordance with the laws of the State of Delaware, without reference to principles of conflict of laws.

SECTION 15. EFFECTIVE DATE OF PLAN

The Plan shall be effective as of October 19, 1997, the date it was approved by the Board, subject to later approval by the Corporation's stockholders; provided, however, that no Awards may be exercised or paid out prior to receipt of such stockholder approval.