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REGISTRATION STATEMENT
UNDER
THE SECURITIES ACT OF 1933

AMERIGAS PARTNERS, L.P.

(as Co-Issuer)

Delaware

(State or other jurisdiction of incorporation or organization)

23-2787918 (I.R.S. Employer Identification No.)

AMERIGAS FINANCE CORP.

(as Co-Issuer)

Delaware

(State or other jurisdiction of incorporation or organization)

23-2800532 (I.R.S. Employer Identification No.)

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(Address, including zip code, and telephone number, including area code, of registrants' principal executive offices)

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Large accelerated filer

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CALCULATION OF REGISTRATION FEE

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Title of each class of securities to be registered	Amount to be registered/ Proposed maximum offering price per Unit/ Proposed maximum aggregate offering price/ Amount of registration fee					
Senior Debt Securities of AmeriGas Partners, L.P. and AmeriGas Finance Corp.	\$0 (1)					

¹⁾ This registration statement registers an unspecified amount of debt securities that the registrants may offer from time to time at indeterminate prices. In accordance with 457(r), the registrants are deferring payment of the registration fee pursuant to Rule 456(b) and will use the "pay-as-you-go" approach.

PROSPECTUS

AMERIGAS PARTNERS, L.P. AMERIGAS FINANCE CORP.

SENIOR DEBT SECURITIES

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ABOUT THIS PROSPECTUS

This prospectus is part of an "automatic shelf" registration statement that we have filed with the Securities and Exchange Commission, or SEC, as a "well-known seasoned issuer" as defined in Rule 405 under the Securities Act of 1933, or amended, or the Securities Act. Under this shelf registration process, we may sell from time to time the debt securities described in this prospectus in one or more offerings. This prospectus provides you with a general description of us and the debt securities. We will file prospectus supplements that may add to, update or change information in this prospectus. In addition, you should review the documents we have incorporated by reference.

When used in this prospectus, unless the context otherwise requires, "AmeriGas Partners," "we," "our," "ours," and "ourselves" refer to AmeriGas Partners, L.P. itself or AmeriGas Partners, L.P. and its subsidiaries on a consolidated basis, which includes AmeriGas Finance Corp. and our operating partnership, AmeriGas Propane, L.P. References to our "general partner" refer to AmeriGas Propane, Inc., and references to "AmeriGas Propane" or our "Operating Partnership" refer to AmeriGas Propane, L.P. References to "fiscal year" are to our fiscal years ending September 30; for example, references to "fiscal 2015" are to our fiscal year ended September 30, 2015.

We have not authorized anyone to provide you with any information or represent anything about us that is not contained in or incorporated by reference into this prospectus or any prospectus supplement or in any free writing prospectus prepared by or on behalf of us or to which we have referred you to. We take no responsibility for, and can provide no assurance as to the reliability of, any other information that others may give you. We are not making an offer of these securities in any state where the offer is not permitted. You should not assume that the information provided by this prospectus or any prospectus supplement is accurate as of any date other than the date on the front of this prospectus or any prospectus supplement.

ABOUT AMERIGAS PARTNERS, L.P.

We are a publicly traded limited partnership formed under Delaware law on November 2, 1994, and are the largest retail propane distributor in the United States based on the volume of propane gallons distributed annually. AmeriGas Propane, Inc. is our general partner and is responsible for managing our operations. We are a holding company, and we conduct our business principally through our operating partnership, AmeriGas Propane, L.P.

We serve approximately 2 million residential, commercial, industrial, agricultural, wholesale and motor fuel customers in all 50 states from approximately 2,000 propane distribution locations. In addition to distributing propane, we also sell, install and service propane appliances, including heating systems, and operate a residential heating, ventilation, air conditioning, plumbing, and related services business in certain counties of Pennsylvania, Delaware, and Maryland. Typically, we are located in suburban and rural areas where natural gas is not readily available. Our local offices generally consist of a business office and propane storage. As part of our overall transportation and distribution infrastructure, we operate as an interstate carrier in all states throughout the continental United States.

We sell propane primarily to residential, commercial/industrial, motor fuel, agricultural and wholesale customers. We distributed over 1.2 billion gallons of propane in fiscal 2015. Approximately 96% of our fiscal 2015 sales (based on gallons sold) were to retail accounts and approximately 4% were to wholesale and supply customers. The following percentages approximate the customer breakdown of retail gallons sold in fiscal 2015 consisting of the following: 39% to residential customers; 36% to commercial/industrial customers; 15% to motor fuel customers; and 6% to agricultural customers. Transport gallons, which are large-scale deliveries to retail customers other than residential, accounted for 4% of fiscal 2015 retail gallons. No single customer represents, or is anticipated to represent, more than 5% of our consolidated revenues.

We also continue to expand our AmeriGas Cylinder Exchange ("ACE") program. At September 30, 2015, ACE Cylinders were available at nearly 48,500 retail locations throughout the United States. Sales of our

ACE Cylinders to retailers are included in commercial/industrial sales. The ACE program enables customers to purchase or exchange propane cylinders at various retail locations such as home centers, gas stations, mass merchandisers and grocery and convenience stores. We also supply retailers with large propane tanks to enable retailers to replenish customers' propane cylinders directly at the retailer's location.

Residential and commercial customers use propane primarily for heating, water heating and cooking purposes. Commercial users include hotels, restaurants, churches, warehouses, and retail stores. Industrial customers use propane to fire furnaces, as a cutting gas and in other process applications. Other industrial customers are large-scale heating accounts and local gas utility customers who use propane as a supplemental fuel to meet peak load deliverability requirements. As a motor fuel, propane is burned in internal combustion engines that power over-the-road vehicles, forklifts, commercial lawn mowers and stationary engines. Agricultural uses include tobacco curing, chicken brooding, crop drying, and orchard heating. In our wholesale operations, we principally sell propane to large industrial end-users and other propane distributors.

The common units of AmeriGas Partners, representing limited partner interests, trade on the New York Stock Exchange under the symbol "APU."

Our executive offices are located at 460 North Gulph Road, King of Prussia, Pennsylvania 19406. Our telephone number is (610) 337-7000 and our website address is http://www.amerigas.com. The information on our website does not constitute a part of this prospectus. The reference to our website address is intended as an inactive textual reference only.

ABOUT AMERIGAS FINANCE CORP.

AmeriGas Finance Corp. is one of our wholly owned subsidiaries. It has nominal assets and does not and will not conduct any operations or have any employees. It was formed in 1995 for the sole purpose of acting as an issuer or co-obligor of debt securities that we may issue or guarantee from time to time. AmeriGas Finance Corp. acts as issuer or co-obligor for our debt securities solely to allow certain institutional investors that might otherwise not be able to invest in our securities, either because we are a limited partnership, or by reason of the legal investment laws of their states of organization or their charters, to invest in our debt securities.

RATIO OF EARNINGS TO FIXED CHARGES

The following table sets forth the ratio of earnings to fixed charges for each of the periods indicated:

		Year Ended September 30,				Six Months Ended March 31,
	2011	2012	2013	2014	2015	2016
Ratio of earnings to fixed charges (a)	2.72	1.09	2.22	2.59	2.18	4.55

(a) For purposes of determining the ratio of earnings to fixed charges, earnings is defined as income before income taxes plus fixed charges (excluding interest capitalized) and amortization of interest capitalized. Fixed charges consist of interest expensed and capitalized and the estimated portion of operating leases representative of the interest factor.

USE OF PROCEEDS

We will describe the use of proceeds with respect to a particular offering in the applicable prospectus supplement or other offering material, which may include the use for general business purposes, including repayment of our or our Operating Partnership's debt, acquisitions, capital expenditures, and working capital.

DESCRIPTION OF THE DEBT SECURITIES

The debt securities will be issued under an indenture between AmeriGas Partners, L.P. and AmeriGas Finance Corp. and U.S. Bank National Association, as trustee. The indenture is a technical document with terms that have defined meanings. This summary description of the debt securities refers to and includes some of those defined terms, which are capitalized. Some of these terms are defined at the end of this summary but not all of the definitions of these terms are included nor are descriptions included of all of the features of the debt securities and the indenture, some of which you may find relevant. For that reason, we urge you to read the indenture and the prospectus supplement describing the particular terms of the debt securities because they, and not this description, define the rights of the debt security holders. The indenture is filed as an exhibit to this registration statement.

For purposes of this section, the terms "we" and "our" refer only to AmeriGas Partners, L.P. and not to AmeriGas Finance Corp. or any of our other subsidiaries. The term "Issuers" shall mean AmeriGas Partners, L.P. and AmeriGas Finance Corp; the term "Partnership" shall mean AmeriGas Partners, L.P. and its successors; and the term "Operating Partnership" shall mean AmeriGas Propane, L.P. and its successors.

General

The following briefly summarizes the material provisions of the indenture and the debt securities, other than pricing and related terms for a particular issuance, which will be described in an accompanying prospectus supplement. Wherever particular sections or defined terms of the indenture are referred to, such sections or defined terms are incorporated by reference into this prospectus, and the statement in this prospectus is qualified by that reference.

A form of each debt security, reflecting the particular terms and provisions of a series of offered debt securities, will be filed with the SEC at the time of the offering.

Brief Description of the Debt Securities

The debt securities will:

- be the Issuers' unsecured general joint and several obligations;
- rank senior in right of payment to all of the Issuers' subordinated indebtedness;
- rank equally in right of payment with all of the Issuers' existing and future senior indebtedness;
- be effectively subordinated to any of the Issuers' future secured indebtedness to the extent of the value of the assets securing such indebtedness; and
- be structurally subordinated to, which means they rank behind, the indebtedness of the Operating Partnership, including its Credit Agreement.

As described in more detail above under "About AmeriGas Partners, L.P.," the Partnership is a holding company for its subsidiaries. The Partnership has no material operations and no substantial assets other than its consolidated subsidiaries, including the Operating Partnership. Accordingly, the Partnership is dependent upon the distribution of the earnings of its consolidated subsidiaries, including the Operating Partnership, to service its debt obligations, including the debt securities.

Because the debt securities will be structurally subordinated to the indebtedness of the Operating Partnership, debt security holders generally will have no recourse to the Operating Partnership or any of its

subsidiaries or their assets for amounts due under the debt securities. Debt security holders may, however, have indirect recourse, together with the holders of our other senior indebtedness, to the extent the Partnership has rights as a holder of equity interests in the Operating Partnership and its subsidiaries. In addition, the debt security holders will not have any right to require the Operating Partnership to make distributions to the Partnership.

The Issuers will pay principal and interest on the debt securities at an office or agency, which we maintain in The City of New York. At the Issuers' option, they may make payments of interest by check mailed to the debt security holders at their respective addresses as set forth in the register of debt securities. All payments with respect to global debt securities, however, will be made by wire transfer of immediately available funds to the accounts specified by the holders of the global debt securities. Until otherwise designated by the Issuers, our office or agency in The City of New York will be the office of the trustee maintained for payment purposes.

Information in the Prospectus Supplement

The prospectus supplement for any offered series of debt securities will describe the following terms, as applicable:

- · the title of the debt securities;
- · the total principal amount offered;
- the percentage of the principal amount at which the debt securities will be sold and, if applicable, the method of determining the price;
- the maturity date or dates;
- · the rate at which the debt securities will bear interest, if any, and the interest payment dates;
- if the debt securities are original issue discount debt securities, the yield to maturity;
- the date or dates from which any interest will accrue, or how such date or dates will be determined, and the interest payment dates and any related record dates;
- any provisions for the payment of additional amounts for taxes;
- the denominations in which the currency or currency unit of the debt securities will be issuable if other than denominations of \$1,000 and integral multiples thereof;
- $\bullet \quad \text{ the terms and conditions on which the Issuers may optionally redeem the debt securities};\\$
- the terms and conditions on which the Issuers may be required to redeem the debt securities;
- any obligation for the Issuers to redeem, purchase or repay the debt securities at the option of a holder upon the happening of an event other than a change of control and certain sales of assets, which are specified in the indenture, and the terms and conditions of redemption, purchase or repayment;
- the names and duties of any co-trustees, depositaries, authenticating agents, calculation agents, paying agents, transfer agents or registrars for the debt securities:
- · any material provisions of the applicable indenture described in this prospectus that do not apply to the debt securities; and
- · any other specific terms of the debt securities.

The Issuers will issue the debt securities only in registered form. As currently anticipated, debt securities of a series will trade in book-entry form, and global notes will be issued in physical (paper) form, as described below under "Form of Debt Securities." Unless otherwise provided in the accompanying prospectus supplement, the Issuers will issue debt securities denominated in U.S. dollars and only in denominations of \$1,000 and integral multiples thereof.

Offers to Purchase; Repurchase at the Option of the Debt Security Holders

The Issuers may be required to offer to purchase the debt securities if there is a change in control of, or there are certain asset sales by, the Partnership.

Change of Control Offer: The indenture defines the term "change of control." Upon the occurrence of a change of control, each debt security holder will have the right to require the Issuers to repurchase all or any part (equal to \$1,000 or an integral multiple of \$1,000) of that holder's debt securities pursuant to a change of control offer on the terms set forth in the indenture. In a change of control offer, the Issuers will offer a change of control payment in cash equal to 101% of the aggregate principal amount of the debt securities or portion of debt securities validly tendered for payment, plus accrued and unpaid interest to the date of purchase. Generally, a change of control would occur when:

- there is a sale, lease, conveyance or other disposition of all or substantially all of the assets of the Partnership or the Operating Partnership to
 any entity other than UGI Corporation, the Partnership's indirect parent, which is a public company, and its subsidiaries, or any entity in
 which UGI Corporation and its subsidiaries beneficially own at least 51% of such entity's voting stock. In this regard, the meaning of "all or
 substantially all" varies according to the facts and circumstances of the subject transaction and has no clearly established meaning under
 New York law, which is the law that governs the indenture. Therefore, in some transactions it may be unclear whether a change of control
 has occurred;
- there is a merger or consolidation of the Partnership or the Operating Partnership, or a successor to either entity, with any entity other than UGI Corporation and its subsidiaries or any entity in which UGI Corporation and its subsidiaries beneficially own at least 51% of that entity's voting stock;
- there is a liquidation or dissolution of the Partnership or AmeriGas Propane, Inc., the Partnership's general partner, or a successor to the general partner; or
- there is any transaction that results, or series of transactions that result, in UGI Corporation and its subsidiaries beneficially owning in the
 aggregate, directly or indirectly, less than 51% of the voting stock of the Partnership's general partner, or a successor to the general partner.

Within 30 days following any change of control, the Issuers will mail (or deliver in accordance with applicable DTC procedures) a notice to each debt security holder stating that, among other things, a change of control offer is being made, all debt securities tendered will be accepted for payment and any debt securities not tendered will continue to accrue interest and identifying the amount of the change of control payment and the change of control payment date for the debt securities. The notice will also include directions for debt security holders who elect to have their debt securities purchased in the change of control offer.

Debt security holders will be entitled to withdraw any election to have their debt securities purchased if the paying agent receives timely and proper notice of such withdrawal. The notice from the Partnership to debt security holders will describe the requirements for the notice from the debt security holders to the paying agent.

The Issuers will comply with the requirements of Rule 14e-1 under the Securities Exchange Act of 1934, as amended (the "Exchange Act"), and any other relevant securities laws applicable to the repurchase of debt securities in connection with a change of control.

On the change of control payment date, the Issuers will, to the extent lawful, accept for payment any or all portions of debt securities tendered in accordance with the change of control offer; deposit an amount equal to the change of control payment for the debt securities with the paying agent in respect of all debt securities or portions of debt securities properly tendered; and deliver or cause to be delivered to the trustee the debt securities so accepted together with an officer's certificate stating the aggregate amount of the debt securities or portions of debt securities tendered to the Issuers.

The paying agent will promptly mail the change of control payment for such debt securities to each holder of debt securities so accepted. The trustee will promptly authenticate and mail to each debt security holder a new debt security equal in principal amount to any unpurchased portion of the debt securities surrendered.

However, each new debt security will be in a principal amount of \$1,000 or an integral multiple of \$1,000 of the debt securities. The Issuers will publicly announce the results of the change of control offer on or as soon as practicable after the change of control payment date.

The Issuers may be unable to pay the change of control payment because the Operating Partnership's existing Credit Agreement limits, and future debt agreements may limit, the Operating Partnership's ability to make distributions to the Partnership, and, upon such a repurchase, the Issuers may not have sufficient immediate financial resources to pay cash to the holders of the debt securities as well as the holders of any other securities entitled to a similar payment.

The failure of the Issuers to repurchase the debt securities upon a change of control offer would constitute an immediate Event of Default under the indenture.

The failure of UGI Corporation to own directly or indirectly 51% of the general partnership interests in the Operating Partnership and at least a 20% ownership interest in the Operating Partnership would constitute an event of default under the Operating Partnership's existing Credit Agreement. Upon such an event of default, the banks under the Operating Partnership's existing Credit Agreement may accelerate repayment of the Indebtedness owed to them. An acceleration of the Indebtedness under the Operating Partnership's existing Credit Agreement would result in a Default under the indenture as long as the aggregate amount of Indebtedness is \$75 million or more. The Issuers and the Operating Partnership are not likely to be able to repay simultaneously all of the Issuers' Indebtedness upon a change of control and acceleration of the Issuers' Indebtedness.

In the event that holders of not less than 90% of the aggregate principal amount of the debt securities of a series then outstanding accept a change of control offer and the Issuers purchase all of the debt securities of such series tendered by such holders, the Issuers will have the right, upon not less than 30 nor more than 60 days' prior notice, given not more than 30 days following the purchase pursuant to the change of control offer described above, to redeem all of the debt securities of such series that remain outstanding following such purchase at a redemption price equal to the change of control payment plus, to the extent not included in the change of control payment, accrued and unpaid interest on the debt securities of such series that remain outstanding, to, but excluding, the date of redemption, subject to the rights of the holders of the debt securities of such series on a relevant record date to receive interest due on the relevant interest payment date.

Selection and Notice of Redemption: If a series of debt securities is redeemable prior to its stated maturity date, and less than all the debt securities of that series are to be redeemed, the trustee will select the debt securities to be redeemed among the holders of debt securities pro rata, by lot or in accordance with a method which the trustee considers to be fair and appropriate. The trustee must choose such securities in a manner that complies with any legal and stock exchange requirements. Notices of redemption shall be mailed by first class mail (or delivered in accordance with applicable DTC procedures) at least 30 but not more than 60 days before the redemption date to each holder of debt securities to be redeemed at its registered address. If any security is to be redeemed in part only, the notice of redemption that relates to that security shall state the portion of the

principal amount thereof to be redeemed. A new security in principal amount equal to the unredeemed portion of the security will be issued in the name of the holder of that security upon surrender and cancellation of the original security. On and after the redemption date, interest ceases to accrue on debt securities or portions of debt securities called for redemption. Any redemption or notice may, at the Issuers' discretion, be subject to one or more conditions precedent.

Certain Covenants

The indenture requires the Issuers to comply with a number of covenants, including those summarized below.

Limitation on Additional Indebtedness: The Partnership and its Restricted Subsidiaries may only incur more debt under certain circumstances. The Partnership will not, and will not permit any of its Restricted Subsidiaries to, directly or indirectly, create, incur, issue, assume or guarantee or in any manner become directly or indirectly liable, contingently or otherwise, for the payment of any Indebtedness, unless at the time of such incurrence, and after giving pro forma effect to the receipt and application of the proceeds of the Indebtedness, the Consolidated Fixed Charge Coverage Ratio of the Partnership would be greater than 2 to 1.

In addition to any Indebtedness that may be incurred as set forth above, the Partnership and its Restricted Subsidiaries may incur "Permitted Indebtedness." The term Permitted Indebtedness, which is defined in the indenture, means each of the following:

- (1) Indebtedness of (a) AmeriGas Finance Corp. and AmeriGas Finance LLC evidenced by the 7.00% Senior Notes due 2022 and the 6.750% Senior Notes due 2020 and (b) the Operating Partnership issued pursuant to the Note Purchase Agreement, dated November 17, 1997, by and among Heritage Operating L.P. and the initial purchasers named therein, as amended or the Note Purchase Agreement, dated August 10, 2000, by and among Heritage Operating L.P. and the initial purchasers named therein, as amended, to the extent it remains outstanding on the applicable issue date of a series of debt securities;
- (2) Indebtedness of the Partnership and AmeriGas Finance outstanding on the applicable issue date of a series of debt securities;
- (3) Indebtedness of the Operating Partnership; *provided* that the aggregate principal amount, exclusive of any unamortized premium, of this Indebtedness outstanding at any time may not exceed \$518 million;
- (4) Indebtedness of the Partnership or a Restricted Subsidiary incurred for the making of expenditures for the improvement or repair, to the extent the improvements or repairs may be capitalized in accordance with GAAP, or additions, including by way of acquisitions of businesses and related assets, to the property and assets of the Partnership and its Restricted Subsidiaries, or incurred by assumption in connection with additions, including additions by way of acquisitions or capital contributions of businesses and related assets, to the property and assets of the Partnership and its Restricted Subsidiaries; *provided* that the aggregate principal amount of this Indebtedness outstanding at any time may not exceed the greater of (i) \$150 million and (ii) 7.5% of Consolidated Tangible Assets of the Partnership;
- (5) Indebtedness of the Partnership or a Restricted Subsidiary incurred for any purpose permitted under the Credit Agreement; *provided* that the aggregate principal amount of this Indebtedness outstanding at any time may not exceed an amount equal to the greatest of \$825 million, the Consolidated Borrowing Base Amount, or 30% of the Consolidated Tangible Assets of the Partnership;

- (6) Indebtedness of the Partnership owed to the Partnership's general partner or an Affiliate of the Partnership's general partner that is unsecured and that is Subordinated Indebtedness; *provided* that the aggregate principal amount of this Indebtedness outstanding at any time may not exceed \$100 million;
- (7) Indebtedness of the Partnership or a Restricted Subsidiary for the purpose of the payment of liabilities of Petrolane Incorporated ("Petrolane"), a subsidiary of the Partnership's general partner; *provided* that the aggregate amount of such Indebtedness outstanding at any time may not exceed \$30 million;
- (8) Indebtedness owed by the Partnership or any Restricted Subsidiary to any Restricted Subsidiary;
- (9) Indebtedness under any Interest Rate Agreement;
- (10) Permitted Refinancing Indebtedness;
- the incurrence by the Partnership or a Restricted Subsidiary of Indebtedness owed directly to its insurance carriers, without duplication, in connection with the Partnership's, its Subsidiaries' or its Affiliates' self-insurance programs or other similar forms of retained insurable risks for their respective businesses, consisting of reinsurance agreements and indemnification agreements, and guarantees of the foregoing, secured by letters of credit; *provided* that any Consolidated Fixed Charges associated with the Indebtedness evidenced by the reinsurance agreements, indemnification agreements, guarantees and letters of credit will be included, without duplication, in any determination of the Consolidated Fixed Charge Coverage Ratio set forth in the first paragraph of the "Limitation on Additional Indebtedness" covenant in the indenture;
- (12) Indebtedness of the Partnership and its Restricted Subsidiaries in respect of Capital Leases;
- (13) Indebtedness of the Partnership and its Restricted Subsidiaries represented by letters of credit supporting (i) obligations under workmen's compensation laws; (ii) obligations to suppliers of propane, *provided* that the aggregate amount of this Indebtedness outstanding at any time may not exceed \$75 million; and (iii) the repayment of Permitted Indebtedness;
- (14) Indebtedness of the Partnership or a Restricted Subsidiary incurred with respect to any Accounts Receivable Securitization;
- (15) surety bonds and appeal bonds required in the ordinary course of business or in connection with the enforcement of rights or claims of the Partnership or any of its Subsidiaries or in connection with judgments that do not result in a "Default" or "Event of Default;"
- (16) (a) Acquired Indebtedness of the Partnership or any of its Restricted Subsidiaries which Indebtedness exists at the time of such acquisition, merger, consolidation or conversion and is not created in contemplation of such event and where such acquisition, merger or consolidation is otherwise permitted by the indenture and (b) Indebtedness of the Partnership to finance all or a portion of any such acquisition, merger or consolidation; *provided*, *however*, that, in each case, on a pro forma basis, either (x) the Partnership would be permitted to incur at least \$1.00 of additional Indebtedness pursuant to the Consolidated Fixed Charge Coverage Ratio set forth in the first paragraph of the "Limitation on Additional Indebtedness" covenant in the indenture or (y) the Consolidated Fixed Charge Coverage Ratio would not be less than immediately prior to such transactions; and
- (17) the incurrence by the Partnership or any of its Restricted Subsidiaries of Indebtedness in addition to the Indebtedness described in clauses (1) through (16) above in an aggregate principal amount then outstanding, not to exceed the greater of (i) \$125 million or (ii) 7.5% of the Consolidated Tangible Assets of the Partnership.

For purposes of determining compliance with this "Limitation on Additional Indebtedness" covenant, in the event that an item of proposed Indebtedness meets the criteria of more than one of the categories of Permitted Indebtedness described in clauses (1) through (17) above, or is entitled to be incurred pursuant to the first paragraph of this covenant, the Issuers will be permitted to classify such item of Indebtedness on the date of its incurrence, or later reclassify all or a portion of such item of Indebtedness, in any manner that complies with this covenant; *provided* that Indebtedness under the Operating Partnership's Credit Agreement outstanding on the date of the indenture shall be deemed to have been incurred on such date in reliance on the exception provided by clause (5) of the immediately succeeding paragraph and cannot be so reclassified. The accrual of interest, the accretion or amortization of original issue discount, the payment of interest on any Indebtedness in the form of additional Indebtedness with the same terms, and the payment of dividends on Redeemable Capital Stock in the form of additional shares of the same class of Redeemable Capital Stock will not be deemed to be an incurrence of Indebtedness or an issuance of Redeemable Capital Stock for purposes of this covenant. Notwithstanding any other provision of this covenant, the maximum amount of Indebtedness that the Partnership or any Restricted Subsidiary may incur pursuant to this covenant shall not be deemed to be exceeded solely as a result of fluctuations in exchange rates or currency values.

Limitation on Restricted Payments: The Partnership will not, and will not permit any of its Restricted Subsidiaries to, directly or indirectly:

- (1) declare or pay any dividend or make any other distribution or payment on or in respect of Capital Stock of the Partnership or any of its Restricted Subsidiaries or any payment made to the direct or indirect holders (in their capacities as such) of Capital Stock of the Partnership or any of its Restricted Subsidiaries (other than (x) dividends or distributions payable solely in Capital Stock of the Partnership (other than Redeemable Capital Stock) or in options, warrants or other rights to purchase Capital Stock of the Partnership (other than Redeemable Capital Stock); (y) the declaration or payment of dividends or other distributions to the extent declared or paid to the Partnership or any Restricted Subsidiary of the Partnership; and (z) the declaration or payment of dividends or other distributions by any Restricted Subsidiary of the Partnership to all holders of Capital Stock of that Restricted Subsidiary on a pro rata basis (including, in the case of the Operating Partnership, to the general partner thereof));
- (2) purchase, redeem, defease or otherwise acquire or retire for value any Capital Stock of the Partnership or any of its Restricted Subsidiaries, other than any Capital Stock owned by a Wholly Owned Restricted Subsidiary of the Partnership;
- (3) make any principal payment on, or purchase, defease, repurchase, redeem or otherwise acquire or retire for value, prior to any scheduled maturity, scheduled repayment, scheduled sinking fund payment or other stated maturity, any subordinated Indebtedness (other than any such Indebtedness owned by the Partnership or a Wholly Owned Restricted Subsidiary of the Partnership); or
- (4) make any Investment, other than a Permitted Investment, in any entity,

(such payments or Investments described in the preceding clauses (1), (2), (3) and (4) collectively referred to as "Restricted Payments") unless, at the time of and after giving effect to the proposed restricted payment, no Default or Event of Default shall have occurred and be continuing, and the restricted payment, together with the aggregate of all other restricted payments made by the Partnership and its Restricted Subsidiaries during the fiscal quarter during which the restricted payment is made, will not exceed:

- (a) if the Consolidated Fixed Charge Coverage Ratio of the Partnership is greater than 1.75 to 1, an amount equal to:
 - (i) Available Cash as of the end of the immediately preceding fiscal quarter, plus

- (ii) to the extent that any Investment that was made pursuant to this clause (a) or clause (b) below is sold for cash or otherwise liquidated or repaid for cash, the cash return of capital with respect to such Investment (less the cost of disposition, if any), to the extent not previously expended pursuant to this clause (a), plus
- (iii) the net reduction in Investments made pursuant to this clause (a) or clause (b) below resulting from cash dividends, repayments of loans or advances, or other transfers of assets in each case to the Partnership or any of its Restricted Subsidiaries from any Person (including, without limitation, Unrestricted Subsidiaries) or from redesignations of Unrestricted Subsidiaries as Restricted Subsidiaries, to the extent not previously expended pursuant to this clause (a); or
- (b) if the Consolidated Fixed Charge Coverage Ratio of the Partnership is equal to or less than 1.75 to 1, an amount equal to the sum of:
 - (i) \$300 million, less
 - (ii) the aggregate amount of all restricted payments made by the Partnership and its Restricted Subsidiaries in accordance with this clause (b) during the period ending on the last day of the fiscal quarter of the Partnership immediately preceding the date of the restricted payment and beginning on the first day of the sixteenth full fiscal quarter immediately preceding the date of the restricted payment, plus
 - (iii) the aggregate net cash proceeds of any substantially concurrent capital contribution to the Partnership from any Person (other than a Restricted Subsidiary of the Partnership), or issuance and sale of shares of Capital Stock (other than Redeemable Capital Stock) of the Partnership to any Person (other than to a Restricted Subsidiary of the Partnership).

Any permitted restricted payment may be made in assets other than cash, in which case the amount will be the fair market value, as determined in good faith by the general partner on the date of the restricted payment of the assets proposed to be transferred.

The above provisions will not prohibit:

- (1) the payment of any dividend or distribution within 60 days after the date of its declaration if, at the date of declaration, the payment would be permitted as summarized above;
- the making of any Restricted Payment in exchange for, or out of the net cash proceeds of, a substantially concurrent (not to exceed 120 days following the receipt of such net cash proceeds) (x) capital contribution to the Partnership from any Person (other than a Restricted Subsidiary of the Partnership); or (y) issuance and sale of other Capital Stock (other than Redeemable Capital Stock) of the Partnership to any Person (other than to a Restricted Subsidiary of the Partnership); provided, however, that the amount of any net cash proceeds that are utilized for any such Restricted Payment will be excluded from the calculation of Available Cash;
- (3) any redemption, repurchase or other acquisition or retirement of subordinated Indebtedness in exchange for, or out of the net cash proceeds of, a substantially concurrent (not to exceed 120 days following the receipt of such net cash proceeds) (x) capital contribution to the Partnership from any Person (other than a Restricted Subsidiary of the Partnership); or (y) issuance and sale of (a) Capital Stock (other than Redeemable Capital Stock) of the Partnership to any Person (other than to a Restricted Subsidiary of the Partnership), or (b) Indebtedness of the Partnership issued to any Person (other than a Restricted Subsidiary of the Partnership), so long as the Indebtedness is

Permitted Refinancing Indebtedness; *provided*, *however*, that the amount of any net cash proceeds that are utilized for any redemption, repurchase or other acquisition or retirement will be excluded from the calculation of Available Cash; or

(4) so long as no Default has occurred and is continuing or would be caused thereby, other Restricted Payments in an aggregate amount since the applicable issue date of a series of debt securities not to exceed \$30.0 million.

In computing the amount of permitted restricted payments previously made for purposes of the restricted payments test above, restricted payments made under clause (1) above must be included and restricted payments made under clauses (2), (3) and (4) above must not be included.

Asset Sales: The indenture defines the term "Asset Sale" and provides that the Partnership and its Restricted Subsidiaries must comply with restrictions applicable to an Asset Sale. An Asset Sale would include either of the following, whether in a single transaction or a series of related transactions:

- (1) the sale, lease, conveyance or other disposition of any assets (including by way of a Sale and Leaseback Transaction) other than sales of inventory in the ordinary course of business; or
- (2) the issuance or sale of Capital Stock of any Restricted Subsidiary.

The indenture provides that some transactions are not considered Asset Sales, including any single transaction or series of related transactions that involves assets having a fair market value of less than \$25.0 million, any transfer of assets or Capital Stock by the Partnership or any of its Restricted Subsidiaries to the Operating Partnership or a Wholly Owned Restricted Subsidiary of the Partnership, any transfer of assets or Capital Stock by the Partnership or any of its Restricted Subsidiaries to any Person in exchange for other assets having a fair market value, as determined in good faith by the Partnership's general partner, not less than that of the assets so transferred, any transfer of assets pursuant to a Permitted Investment or any transfer of accounts receivable under any Accounts Receivable Securitization. Furthermore, the sale, lease, conveyance or other disposition of all or substantially all of the assets of the Partnership would not be treated as an Asset Sale, but rather as a possible change of control or as if the Partnership merged with another entity.

The Partnership and its Restricted Subsidiaries may complete an Asset Sale if the Partnership or its Restricted Subsidiary, as the case may be, receives consideration at the time of the Asset Sale at least equal to the fair market value, as determined in good faith by the Partnership's general partner, of the assets sold or otherwise disposed of, and at least 75% of the consideration received by the Partnership or the Restricted Subsidiary is in the form of cash. For purposes of determining the amount of cash received in an Asset Sale, the following will be deemed to be cash:

- (1) the amount of any liabilities on the Partnership's or any Restricted Subsidiary's balance sheet that are assumed by the transferee of the assets;
- (2) the amount of any debt securities or other obligations received by the Partnership or the Restricted Subsidiary from the transferee that is converted within 180 days of such Asset Sale by the Partnership or the Restricted Subsidiary into cash, to the extent of the cash received; and
- (3) any Designated Non-Cash Consideration received by the Partnership or such Restricted Subsidiary in such Asset Sale having an aggregate fair market value, taken together with all other Designated Non-Cash Consideration received pursuant to this clause (3) that is at such time outstanding, not to exceed an amount equal to the greater of (x) \$100.0 million and (y) 5.0% of Consolidated Net Tangible Assets of the Partnership at the time of the receipt of such Designated Non-Cash Consideration, with the fair market value of each item of Designated Non-Cash Consideration being measured at the time received and without giving effect to subsequent changes in value.

Furthermore, the 75% limitation will not apply to any Asset Sale in which the cash portion of the consideration received is equal to or greater than what the after-tax proceeds would have been had the Asset Sale complied with the 75% limitation.

If the Partnership or any of its Restricted Subsidiaries receives Net Proceeds from one or more Asset Sales in any fiscal year, then within 360 days after such date, the Partnership must apply the amount to (a) reduce Indebtedness of a Restricted Subsidiary, with a permanent reduction of availability in the case of revolving Indebtedness, or (b) make an investment in assets; *provided* that, with respect to any portion of Net Proceeds relating to clause (b), the 360-day period provided above shall be extended by an additional 180 days if by not later than the 360th day after receipt of such Net Proceeds, the Issuers or a Restricted Subsidiary, as applicable, have entered into a binding commitment with a Person other than an Affiliate of the Issuers to make an investment of the type referred to in such clause in the amount of such Net Proceeds. Any Net Proceeds that are not applied or invested in either of these ways will be considered "Excess Proceeds."

Pending the final application of any Net Proceeds, the Partnership or any Restricted Subsidiary may temporarily reduce borrowings under the Operating Partnership's Credit Agreement, or otherwise invest the Net Proceeds in any manner that is not prohibited by the indenture.

When the aggregate amount of Excess Proceeds exceeds \$50 million, the Issuers will make an offer to all of the holders of debt securities of an applicable series under the indenture and to all holders of other *pari passu* debt securities of the Issuers containing provisions similar to those set forth in the indenture with respect to offers to purchase with the proceeds of sales of assets, to purchase for cash that number of debt securities and such other *pari passu* debt securities that may be purchased out of the Excess Proceeds at a purchase price equal to 100% of the principal amount of the security plus accrued and unpaid interest to the date of purchase. The Issuers will follow the procedures set forth in the indenture and the Issuers will comply with the requirements of Rule 14e-l under the Exchange Act and any other applicable securities laws.

To the extent that the aggregate amount of debt securities and other *pari passu* debt securities tendered in response to the Issuers' purchase offer is less than the Excess Proceeds, the Partnership or any Restricted Subsidiary may use such deficiency for general business purposes. If the aggregate principal amount of debt securities and other *pari passu* debt securities surrendered by their holders exceeds the amount of Excess Proceeds, the trustee shall select the debt securities or other *pari passu* debt securities to be purchased on a pro rata basis.

Notwithstanding the foregoing, if the Issuers make this purchase offer at any time when the Issuers have securities outstanding ranking equally in right of payment with the debt securities under the indenture, and the terms of those securities provide that a similar offer must be made with respect to those other securities, as do the applicable indentures for the Issuers' outstanding senior Indebtedness as of the date of this prospectus, then the Issuers' offer to purchase the debt securities will be made concurrently with the other offers, and securities of each issue will be accepted on a pro rata basis in proportion to the aggregate principal amount of securities of each issue which their holders elect to have purchased. Upon completion of the offer to the debt security holders, regardless of the amount tendered, the amount of Excess Proceeds will be reset at zero.

Limitation on Liens: The Partnership will not, and will not permit any of its Restricted Subsidiaries to, incur, assume or suffer to exist any Liens (other than Permitted Liens) upon any of its respective property or assets, whether owned on the applicable issue date of a series of debt securities or thereafter acquired, unless all payments due under the indenture and the debt securities are secured on an equal and ratable basis with the obligations so secured until such time as such obligations are no longer secured by a Lien.

Limitation on Transactions with Affiliates: The Partnership will not, and will not permit any of its Restricted Subsidiaries to, directly or indirectly, enter into or suffer to exist any transaction or series of related transactions (including, without limitation, the sale, transfer, disposition, purchase, exchange or lease of assets,

property or services) other than as provided for, as of the date of the indenture, in the Partnership's partnership agreement or in the Operating Partnership's partnership agreement and the other agreements entered into between the Partnership or the Operating Partnership and any of their Affiliates, with, or for the benefit of any Affiliates of the Partnership unless:

- (1) the transaction or series of related transactions is between the Partnership and its Wholly Owned Restricted Subsidiaries or between two Wholly Owned Restricted Subsidiaries; or
- (2) (a) the transaction or series of related transactions is on terms that are no less favorable to the Partnership or the Restricted Subsidiary, as the case may be, than those which would have been obtained in a comparable transaction at such time from Persons who are not Affiliates of the Partnership or a Restricted Subsidiary, and, (b) with respect to a transaction or series of transactions involving aggregate payments or value equal to or greater than \$50 million, the Partnership shall have delivered an officer's certificate to the trustee certifying that the transaction or series of transactions is on terms that are no less favorable to the Partnership or the Restricted Subsidiary than those which would have been obtained from Persons who are not Affiliates of the Partnership or a Restricted Subsidiary and has been approved by a majority of the board of directors of the Partnership's general partner (including a majority of the disinterested directors).

However, the covenant limiting transactions with Affiliates will not restrict the Partnership, any Restricted Subsidiary or the general partner from entering into (A) any employment agreement, stock option agreement, restricted stock agreement or similar agreement in the ordinary course of business, (B) any transactions permitted by the provisions of the indenture described under the covenant "Limitation on Restricted Payments," (C) any transactions in the ordinary course of business in connection with reinsuring the self- insurance programs or other similar forms of retained insurable risks of the Partnership, or (D) any Accounts Receivable Securitization.

Limitation on Dividends and Other Payment Restrictions Affecting the Subsidiaries: The Partnership will not, and will not permit any of its Restricted Subsidiaries to, create or otherwise cause or suffer to exist or become effective any encumbrance or restriction on the ability of any Restricted Subsidiary to:

- (a) pay dividends, in cash or otherwise, or make any other distributions on or with respect to its Capital Stock or any other interest or participation in, or measured by, its profits;
- (b) pay any Indebtedness owed to the Partnership or any other Restricted Subsidiary;
- (c) make loans or advances to, or any investment in, the Partnership or any other Restricted Subsidiary;
- (d) transfer any of its properties or assets to the Partnership or any other Restricted Subsidiary; or
- (e) guarantee any Indebtedness of the Partnership or any other Restricted Subsidiary.

However, some encumbrances or restrictions are permissible, including those existing under or by reason of:

- (1) applicable law;
- (2) any agreement in effect at or entered into on the applicable issue date of a series of debt securities, including the Credit Agreement in effect on such date, or any agreement relating to any Permitted Indebtedness; *provided*, *however*, that the encumbrances and restrictions contained in the agreements governing the Permitted Indebtedness are no more restrictive with respect to the payment restrictions than those set forth in the Credit Agreement as in effect on the applicable issue date of a series of debt securities;

- (3) customary non-assignment provisions of any contract or any lease governing a leasehold interest of the Partnership or any Restricted Subsidiary;
- (4) purchase money obligations for property acquired in the ordinary course of business that impose restrictions of the nature described in clause (d) above on the property so acquired;
- (5) any agreement or other instrument of a Person (or any it its Restricted Subsidiaries) acquired by the Partnership or any Restricted Subsidiary, in existence at the time of the acquisition but not created in contemplation of the acquisition, which encumbrance or restriction is not applicable to any Person or the property or assets of any Person other than the Person or the properties, assets or subsidiaries of the Person so acquired; or
- (6) provisions contained in instruments relating to Indebtedness which prohibit the transfer of all or substantially all of the assets of the obligor of the Indebtedness unless the transferee shall assume the obligations of the obligor under the agreement or instrument.

Limitations on AmeriGas Finance Corp.: In addition to the restrictions set forth under "Limitation on Additional Indebtedness" above, AmeriGas Finance Corp. or any substitute obligor may not incur any Indebtedness unless the Partnership is a co-obligor or guarantor of the Indebtedness, or the net proceeds of the Indebtedness are either lent to the Partnership, used to acquire outstanding notes issued by the Partnership, or used, directly or indirectly, to refinance or discharge Indebtedness permitted under the limitation of this paragraph.

AmeriGas Finance Corp. may not engage in any business not related, directly or indirectly, to obtaining money or arranging financing for the Partnership.

Termination of Certain Covenants when Series of Notes Rated Investment Grade

If a series of debt securities shall have an Investment Grade Rating pursuant to ratings from two of the Rating Agencies and the Issuers shall have delivered to the trustee an officer's certificate certifying that the foregoing condition has been satisfied (and notwithstanding the failure of such series of debt securities thereafter to maintain an Investment Grade Rating), then the covenants specifically listed under the following captions will no longer be applicable to such series of debt securities:

- (a) "—Certain Covenants—Limitation on Additional Indebtedness";
- (b) "—Certain Covenants—Limitation on Restricted Payments";
- (c) "—Certain Covenants—Asset Sales";
- $\hbox{\it (d)} \qquad \hbox{\it ``---} Certain \ Covenants--- Limitations on Transactions with Affiliates";}$
- (e) "—Certain Covenants—Limitation on Dividends and Other Payment Restrictions Affecting the Subsidiaries"; and
- (f) clause (4) of the covenant described under "—Merger, Consolidation or Sale of Assets" below.

Merger, Consolidation or Sale of Assets

The indenture provides that the Partnership may not consolidate or merge with or into (whether or not the Partnership is the surviving Person), or sell, assign, transfer, lease, convey or otherwise dispose of all or substantially all of its properties or assets in one or more related transactions to, another Person unless:

- (1) the Partnership is the surviving Person or the Person formed by or surviving any such consolidation or merger (if other than the Partnership) or to which such sale, assignment, transfer, lease, conveyance or other disposition was made is a corporation or partnership organized or existing under the laws of the United States, any state thereof or the District of Columbia;
- (2) the Person formed by or surviving any such consolidation or merger (if other than the Partnership) or the Person to which such sale, assignment, transfer, lease, conveyance or other disposition was made assumes all the obligations of the Partnership in accordance with a supplemental indenture in a form reasonably satisfactory to the trustee, under the debt securities and the indenture;
- (3) immediately after the transaction no Default or Event of Default exists; and
- (4) (i) the Partnership or such other Person formed by or surviving any such consolidation or merger, or to which such sale, assignment, transfer, lease, conveyance or other disposition was made, will, at the time of the transaction and after giving pro forma effect to it as if the transaction had occurred at the beginning of the applicable Four-Quarter Period, be permitted to incur at least \$1.00 of additional Indebtedness in accordance with the Consolidated Fixed Charge Coverage Ratio described in the indenture covenant entitled "Limitation on Additional Indebtedness" or (ii) the Consolidated Fixed Charge Coverage Ratio would not be less than the Consolidated Fixed Charge Coverage Ratio immediately prior to such transaction or transactions.

The indenture also provides that AmeriGas Finance Corp. may not consolidate or merge with or into, whether or not AmeriGas Finance Corp. is the surviving entity, or sell, assign, transfer, lease, convey or otherwise dispose of all or substantially all of its properties or assets in one or more related transactions to, another Person except under conditions similar to those described in clauses (1), (2) and (3) above.

Reports by the Registrants

The Partnership shall file with the SEC, or if the Partnership is not subject to the reporting requirements of Section 13 or 15(d) of the Exchange Act, post on the Partnership's website, in either case within the time periods specified in the SEC's rules and regulations, including the additional periods provided by Rule 12b-25 under the Exchange Act, annual reports and other reports or statements prepared in accordance with the reporting provisions under Section 13 or Section 15(d) of the Exchange Act.

Events of Default and Remedies

The indenture describes in detail the occurrences that would constitute an "Event of Default" of a particular series of debt securities. Such occurrences include the following:

- (1) Default in the payment of the principal of or premium, if any, on any debt securities of that series, upon its stated maturity;
- (2) Default in the payment of an installment of interest or any sinking fund payment on any debt securities of that series, when the same becomes due and payable, which Default continues for a period of 30 days;
- (3) failure to perform or observe any other term, covenant or agreement contained in the debt securities of the applicable series or the indenture, other than a Default specified in clause (1) or (2) above or

clause (4) below, and the Default continues for a period of 45 days after written notice of the Default requiring the Issuers to remedy the same shall have been given (x) to the Issuers by the trustee or (y) to the Issuers and the trustee by holders of 25% in aggregate principal amount of the applicable debt securities then outstanding;

- (4) the continuance of a default as a result of the failure by the Partnership for whatever reason to comply with the covenant captioned "— Reports by the Registrants" for a period of 105 days after written notice of such default requiring the Issuers to remedy the same shall have been given (x) to the Issuers by the trustee or (y) to the Issuers and the trustee by holders of 25% of the aggregate principal amount of the debt securities then outstanding;
- (5) a default occurs or defaults occur under one or more agreements, instruments, mortgages, bonds, debentures or other evidences of Indebtedness under which the Partnership or any Restricted Subsidiary of the Partnership then has outstanding Indebtedness, if the default:
 - (a) is caused by a failure to pay principal with respect to Indebtedness of a Restricted Subsidiary at its stated maturity or within the applicable grace period, if any, provided with respect to the Indebtedness; or principal, premium or interest with respect to Indebtedness of the Partnership within the applicable grace period, if any, provided in the Indebtedness, which, collectively, is a "Payment Default;" or
 - (b) results in the acceleration of the Indebtedness prior to its stated maturity and, in each case, the principal amount of the Indebtedness, together with the principal amount of any other Indebtedness under which there has been a Payment Default or the maturity of which has been so accelerated, amounts to \$75 million or more;
- (6) final judgment or judgments, which is or are non-appealable and nonreviewable or which has or have not been stayed pending appeal or review or as to which all rights to appeal or review have expired or been exhausted, shall be rendered against the Partnership, any Restricted Subsidiary, the general partner, or any significant subsidiary, as that term is defined in Rule 1.02(w) of Regulation S-X under the Securities Act, *provided* such judgment or judgments requires or require the payment of money in excess of \$75 million in the aggregate and is not covered by insurance or discharged or stayed pending appeal or review within 60 days after entry of such judgment. In the event of a stay, the judgment shall not be discharged within 30 days after the stay expires; or
- (7) certain events of bankruptcy, insolvency or reorganization with respect to the Issuers or any of their respective significant subsidiaries.

In the case of an Event of Default described in clause (7) above with respect to the Partnership or AmeriGas Finance Corp., all outstanding debt securities of all outstanding series will become due and payable immediately without further action or notice. If any other Event of Default occurs and is continuing, the trustee or the holders of at least 25% in principal amount of the applicable series of debt securities then outstanding may declare all of the debt securities of that series to be due and payable immediately by notice in writing to the Issuers specifying the Event of Default. Debt security holders may not enforce the indenture or the debt securities except as provided in the indenture. Subject to limitations, holders of a majority in principal amount of thenoutstanding debt securities of a series may direct the trustee in its exercise of any trust or power. The trustee may withhold from debt security holders notice of any continuing Default or Event of Default or Event of Default relating to the payment of principal or interest, if the trustee determines in good faith that withholding notice is in their interest. If any Event of Default occurs because the Issuers or those acting on the Issuers' behalf willfully intended to avoid payment of the premium that the Issuers would have to pay if the Issuers then elected to redeem the debt securities under the optional redemption provisions of the indenture, then an equivalent premium shall also become and be immediately due and payable to the extent permitted by law

upon the acceleration of the debt securities. The holders of a majority in aggregate principal amount of a series of debt securities issued under the indenture and then outstanding may waive, by notice to the trustee for those debt securities, any existing Default or Event of Default for all debt security holders of that series and its consequences under the indenture, except a continuing Default or Event of Default in the payment of any principal of, premium, if any, or interest on the debt securities. The Issuers are required to deliver to the trustee annually a statement regarding compliance with the indenture. In addition, upon becoming aware of any Default or Event of Default, the Issuers are required to deliver to the trustee a statement specifying the Default or Event of Default.

No Personal Liability of Limited Partners, Directors, Officers, Employees and Unitholders

No director, officer, employee, agent, manager, limited partner, interest holder or stockholder of the Partnership or AmeriGas Finance Corp., as such, shall have any liability for any of our obligations under the debt securities or the indenture or for any claim based on, in respect of, or by reason of these obligations. Each debt security holder, by accepting a debt security, waives and releases all such liability. The waiver and release are part of the consideration for issuance of the debt securities. The waiver may not be effective to waive liabilities under the federal securities laws and it is the view of the SEC that such a waiver is against public policy.

Legal Defeasance and Covenant Defeasance

The Issuers may, at the option of the board of directors of our general partner, on our behalf, and the board of directors of AmeriGas Finance Corp., at any time, elect to have all of the Issuers' obligations discharged with respect to outstanding debt securities. This is known as "legal defeasance." However, under legal defeasance the Issuers cannot discharge:

- (1) the rights of holders of outstanding debt securities to receive payments with respect to any principal, premium, and interest on the debt securities when the payments are due;
- (2) the Issuers' obligations with respect to the debt securities concerning issuing temporary debt securities, registration of debt securities or mutilated, destroyed, lost or stolen debt securities;
- (3) the Issuers' obligation to maintain an office or agency for payment and money for security payments held in trust;
- (4) the rights, powers, trusts, duties and immunities of the trustee, and the Issuers' obligations in connection therewith; and
- (5) the legal defeasance and covenant defeasance provisions of the indenture.

In addition, the Issuers may, at their option and at any time, elect to have their obligations released with respect to certain covenants that are described in the indenture. This is called "covenant defeasance." After the Issuers' obligations have been released in this manner, any failure to comply with these obligations will not constitute a Default or Event of Default with respect to the debt securities. In the event covenant defeasance occurs, certain events, not including non-payment, bankruptcy, receivership, reorganization and insolvency, described in the indenture and summarized in this prospectus under the caption "Events of Default," will no longer constitute an Event of Default with respect to the debt securities.

In order to exercise either legal defeasance or covenant defeasance, the Issuers must irrevocably deposit with the trustee, in trust, for the benefit of the debt security holders, cash in U.S. dollars, non-callable U.S. government securities, or a combination thereof, in amounts sufficient, in the opinion of a nationally recognized firm of independent public accountants, to pay the principal, any premium and interest on the outstanding debt securities on the stated maturity date or on the applicable redemption date.

In addition, the Issuers will be required to deliver to the trustee an opinion of counsel stating that, after the 91st day following the deposit, the trust funds will not be subject to the effect of any applicable bankruptcy, insolvency, reorganization or similar laws affecting creditors' rights generally, and that all conditions precedent provided for or relating to legal defeasance or covenant defeasance have been complied with, and confirming other matters. Furthermore, in the case of a legal defeasance, the opinion must confirm that the Issuers have received from, or there shall have been published by, the Internal Revenue Service a ruling, or since the date of the indenture, there shall have been a change in the applicable federal income tax law, in either case, to the effect that, and based thereon, the holders of the outstanding debt securities will not recognize income, gain or loss for federal income tax purposes as a result of the legal defeasance and will be subject to federal income tax on the same amounts, in the same manner and at the same times as would have been the case if the legal defeasance had not occurred. In the case of covenant defeasance, the opinion must confirm that the holders of the outstanding debt securities will not recognize income, gain or loss for federal income tax purposes as a result of the covenant defeasance and will be subject to federal income tax on the same amounts, in the same manner and at the same times as would have been the case if the covenant defeasance had not occurred.

Finally, to exercise either legal defeasance or covenant defeasance, the Issuers must have delivered to the trustee an officer's certificate stating that the Issuers did not make the deposit with the intent of preferring the holders of debt securities over the Issuers' other creditors or with the intent of defeating, hindering, delaying or defrauding the Issuers' other creditors.

The Issuers may not exercise either legal defeasance or covenant defeasance if an Event of Default has occurred and is continuing on the date of the deposit or, insofar as Events of Default from bankruptcy or insolvency events are concerned, at any time in the period ending on the 91st day after the date of deposit. In addition, the Issuers may not exercise either legal defeasance or covenant defeasance if such legal defeasance or covenant defeasance will result in a breach or violation or constitute a default under any material agreement or instrument to which the Partnership or any of its Restricted Subsidiaries is a party or by which the Partnership or any of its Restricted Subsidiaries is bound.

Satisfaction and Discharge of Indenture

The indenture shall, upon our request, cease to be of further effect with respect to a series of debt securities (except as to any surviving rights of registration of transfer or exchange of the debt securities expressly provided for in the indenture) when either:

- we have delivered to the trustee for cancellation all outstanding securities of such series (other than (i) any securities that have been destroyed, lost or stolen and that have been replaced or paid as provided in the indenture and (ii) any securities of such series for whose payment money has theretofore been deposited in trust or segregated and held in trust by us and thereafter repaid to us or discharged from such trust);
- all outstanding securities of such series that have not been delivered to the trustee for cancellation have become due and payable or are by their terms to become due and payable within one year or are to be called for redemption within one year under arrangements satisfactory to the trustee for the giving of notice of redemption, and we shall have irrevocably deposited with the trustee as trust funds an amount sufficient to pay and discharge the entire indebtedness of the securities of such series not theretofore delivered to the trustee for cancellation, for principal and any premium and interest to the date of such deposit (in the case of securities of such series which have become due and payable) or to the date of maturity or the date of redemption, as the case may be; or
- we have properly fulfilled any other means of satisfaction and discharge that may be set forth in the terms of the securities of such series.

In each case, we will also pay all other sums payable by us under the indenture with respect to the securities of such series and deliver to the trustee an opinion of counsel and an officer's certificate, each stating that all conditions precedent to satisfaction and discharge with respect to the securities of such series have been complied with.

Modification of the Indenture

Under the indenture, the Issuers and the trustee can enter into supplemental indentures to establish the form and terms of any new series of debt securities without obtaining the consent of any holder of debt securities.

The Issuers and the trustee may, with the consent of the holders of at least a majority in aggregate principal amount of all outstanding debt securities, voting as one class, modify the applicable indenture or the rights of the holders of the securities.

No such modification may, without the consent of each holder affected,

- (1) change the stated maturity of the principal of any such debt securities or of any installment of principal or interest thereon;
- (2) reduce the rate or change the time of payment of interest on such debt securities;
- (3) reduce the principal amount of such debt securities or the premium, if any, on such debt securities;
- (4) change any obligation of the Issuers to pay additional amounts;
- (5) reduce the amount of the principal payable on acceleration of any securities issued originally at a discount;
- (6) adversely affect the right of repayment or repurchase at the option of the debt security holder;
- (7) reduce or postpone any sinking fund or similar provision;
- (8) change the place of payment or the currency or currency unit in which any such debt securities are payable or the right of selection thereof;
- (9) impair the right to sue for the enforcement of any such payment on or after the maturity of such debt securities;
- (10) reduce the percentage of securities referred to above whose holders need to consent to the modification or a waiver without the consent of such debt security holders; or
- (11) change any obligation of the Issuers to maintain an office or agency.

The Trustee

Should the trustee, U.S. Bank National Association, become a creditor of the Issuers, the indenture contains certain limitations on the trustee's rights to obtain payment of claims or to realize on certain property received in respect of any claim as security or otherwise. The trustee will be permitted to engage in other transactions; however, if it acquires any conflicting interest it must eliminate the conflict within 90 days, apply to the SEC for permission to continue, or resign.

The holders of a majority in principal amount of the then-outstanding debt securities of the applicable series will have the right to direct the time, method and place of conducting any proceeding for exercising any remedy available to the trustee, subject to certain exceptions. The indenture provides that, in case an uncured Event of Default occurs, the trustee will be required, in the exercise of its power, to use the same degree of care and skill as a prudent person would exercise or use under the circumstance in the conduct of his own affairs.

Subject to these provisions, the trustee will be under no obligation to exercise any of its rights or powers under the indenture at the request of any debt security holder, unless the debt security holder offers to the trustee security and indemnity satisfactory to the trustee against any loss, liability or expense.

Certain Definitions

Set forth below are certain defined terms used in the indenture and in the summary of the debt securities set forth above. These defined terms frequently refer to other defined terms and include details that explain the terms of the indenture with greater precision than the summary section above does. We have not, however, included in this glossary all of the defined terms that are included in the indenture. We urge you to read the indenture and the form of note because they, not this summary description, define the rights of the debt security holders and include all the details about the debt securities.

"Accounts Receivable Securitization" means a financing arrangement involving the transfer or sale of accounts receivable of the Partnership and its Restricted Subsidiaries in the ordinary course of business through one or more SPEs, the terms of which arrangement do not impose (a) any recourse or repurchase obligations upon the Partnership and its Restricted Subsidiaries (other than any such SPE) except to the extent of the breach of a representation or warranty by the Partnership and its Restricted Subsidiaries in connection therewith or (b) any negative pledge or Lien on any accounts receivable not actually transferred to any such SPE in connection with such arrangement; provided that the aggregate amount of accounts receivable that may be securitized in all Accounts Receivable Securitizations at any one time may not exceed \$100 million.

"Acquired Indebtedness" means, with respect to any specified Person, (i) Indebtedness of any other Person existing at the time such other Person merged with or into or became a Subsidiary of such specified Person, including Indebtedness incurred in connection with, or in contemplation of, such other Person merging with or into or becoming a Subsidiary of such specified Person and (ii) Indebtedness encumbering any asset acquired by such specified Person.

"Affiliate" means, with respect to any specified Person, any other Person directly or indirectly controlling or controlled by, or under direct or indirect common control with, such specified Person. For purposes of this definition, "control" means the power to direct management and policies, directly or indirectly, whether through the ownership of voting securities, by contract or otherwise. Notwithstanding the foregoing, the term "Affiliate" shall not include any Wholly Owned Restricted Subsidiary.

"Asset Acquisition" means:

- (1) an Investment by the Partnership or any Restricted Subsidiary of the Partnership in any other Person pursuant to which such Person shall become a Restricted Subsidiary of the Partnership, or shall be merged with or into the Partnership or any Restricted Subsidiary of the Partnership;
- (2) the acquisition by the Partnership or any Restricted Subsidiary of the Partnership of the assets of any Person (other than a Restricted Subsidiary of the Partnership) which constitute all or substantially all of the assets of such Person; or
- (3) the acquisition by the Partnership or any Restricted Subsidiary of the Partnership of any division or line of business of any Person (other than a Restricted Subsidiary of the Partnership).

"Attributable Debt" means, with respect to any Sale and Leaseback Transactions not involving a Capital Lease, as of any date of determination, the total obligation, discounted to present value at the rate of interest implicit in the lease included in the transaction, of the lessee for rental payments during the remaining portion of the term of the lease, including extensions which are at the sole option of the lessor. For purposes of this

definition, the rental payments shall not include amounts required to be paid on account of property taxes, maintenance, repairs, insurance, assessments, utilities, operating and labor costs and other items which do not constitute payments for property rights. In the case of any lease which is terminable by the lessee upon the payment of a penalty, the rental obligation shall also include the amount of the penalty, but no rent shall be considered as required to be paid under such lease subsequent to the first date upon which it may be so terminated.

"Available Cash" as to any quarter means:

- (1) the sum of:
- (a) all cash of the Partnership, the Operating Partnership and any Subsidiaries thereof, treated as a single consolidated entity (together, the "Partnership Group"), on hand at the end of the quarter; and
- (b) all additional cash of the Partnership Group on hand on the date of determination of Available Cash with respect to such quarter resulting from borrowings subsequent to the end of the quarter; less
- (2) the amount of cash reserves that is necessary or appropriate in the reasonable discretion of the General Partner to:
- (a) provide for the proper conduct of the business of the Partnership Group (including reserves for future capital expenditures) subsequent to such quarter;
- (b) provide funds for distributions under Section 5.4 of the Partnership Agreement in respect of any one or more of the next four quarters; or
- (c) comply with applicable law or any debt instrument or other agreement or obligation to which any member of the Partnership Group is a party or its assets are subject;

provided, *however*, that Available Cash attributable to any Restricted Subsidiary of the Partnership shall be excluded to the extent dividends or distributions of such Available Cash by such Restricted Subsidiary are not at the date of determination permitted by the terms of its charter or any agreement, instrument, judgment, decree, order, statute, rule or other regulation.

"Capital Lease" means, as applied to any Person, any lease of any property (whether real, personal or mixed) by such Person (as lessee or guarantor or other surety) which would, in accordance with GAAP, be required to be classified and accounted for as a capital lease on a balance sheet of such Person.

"Capital Stock" means, with respect to any Person, any and all shares, interests, units representing interests, participations, rights in or other equivalents (however designated) of such Person's capital stock, including, with respect to partnerships, partnership interests (whether general or limited) and any other interest or participation that confers upon a Person the right to receive a share of the profits and losses of, or distributions of assets of, such partnership, and any rights (other than debt securities convertible into capital stock), warrants or options exchangeable for or convertible into such capital stock.

"Commission" means the U.S. Securities and Exchange Commission, from time to time constituted, created under the Exchange Act or, if at any time after the execution of this instrument such Commission is not existing and performing the duties now assigned to it under the Trust Indenture Act, then the body performing such duties at such time.

"Consolidated Borrowing Base Amount" means an amount equal to the sum of:

(1) 90% of the face amount of Eligible Accounts Receivable of the Partnership and its Restricted Subsidiaries; and

(2) 70% of the book value of the consolidated Inventory of the Partnership and its Restricted Subsidiaries, in each case as determined in accordance with GAAP.

To the extent that information is not available as to the amount of Eligible Accounts Receivable or Inventory as of a specific date, the Partnership may utilize the most recent available information for purposes of calculating the Consolidated Borrowing Base Amount.

"Consolidated Cash Flow Available for Fixed Charges" means, with respect to the Partnership and its Restricted Subsidiaries, for any period, the sum of, without duplication, the amounts for each such single period of:

- (1) Consolidated Net Income;
- (2) Consolidated Non-Cash Charges;
- (3) Consolidated Interest Expense; and
- (4) Consolidated Income Tax Expense.

"Consolidated Fixed Charge Coverage Ratio" means, with respect to the Partnership and its Restricted Subsidiaries, the ratio of:

- (1) the aggregate amount of Consolidated Cash Flow Available for Fixed Charges of the Partnership and its Restricted Subsidiaries for the four full fiscal quarters immediately preceding the date of the transaction (the "Transaction Date") giving rise to the need to calculate the Consolidated Fixed Charge Coverage Ratio (such four full fiscal quarter period being referred to herein as the "Four Quarter Period") to
- (2) the aggregate amount of Consolidated Fixed Charges of the Partnership and its Restricted Subsidiaries for the Four Quarter Period.

In addition to and without limitation of the foregoing, for purposes of this definition, "Consolidated Cash Flow Available for Fixed Charges" and "Consolidated Fixed Charges" shall be calculated after giving effect on a pro forma basis for the period of such calculation to, without duplication:

- (1) the incurrence or repayment of any Indebtedness (other than revolving credit borrowings) of the Partnership or any of its Restricted Subsidiaries (and in the case of any incurrence, the application of the net proceeds thereof) during the period commencing on the first day of the Four Quarter Period to and including the Transaction Date (the "Reference Period"), including, without limitation, the incurrence of the Indebtedness giving rise to the need to make such calculation (and the application of the net proceeds thereof), as if such incurrence (and application) occurred on the first day of the Reference Period; and
- (2) any Asset Sales or Asset Acquisitions (including, without limitation, any Asset Acquisition giving rise to the need to make such calculation as a result of the Partnership or one of its Restricted Subsidiaries, including any Person who becomes a Restricted Subsidiary as a result of the Asset Acquisition, incurring, assuming or otherwise being liable for Acquired Indebtedness) occurring during the Reference Period, as if such Asset Sale or Asset Acquisition occurred on the first day of the Reference Period; *provided*, *however*, that:
 - (a) Consolidated Fixed Charges shall be reduced by amounts attributable to businesses or assets that are so disposed of or discontinued only to the extent that the obligations giving rise to such Consolidated Fixed Charges would no longer be obligations contributing to the Consolidated Fixed Charges subsequent to the date of determination of the Consolidated Fixed Charge Coverage Ratio; and

(b) Consolidated Cash Flow Available for Fixed Charges generated by an acquired business or asset shall be determined by the actual gross profit (revenues minus cost of goods sold) of such acquired business or asset during the immediately preceding four full fiscal quarters in the Reference Period, minus the pro forma expenses that would have been incurred by the Partnership and its Restricted Subsidiaries in the operation of such acquired business or asset during such period computed on the basis of personnel expenses for employees retained or to be retained by the Partnership and its Restricted Subsidiaries in the operation of the acquired business or asset and non-personnel costs and expenses incurred by the Partnership and its Restricted Subsidiaries in the operation of the Partnership's business at similarly situated facilities.

For purposes of this definition, whenever pro forma effect is to be given to an Asset Sale or Asset Acquisition, the pro forma calculations shall be made in good faith by a responsible financial or accounting officer of the Partnership, giving effect to any synergies or cost savings reasonably expected to be achieved as a result of such transaction, whether or not they could then be reflected in pro forma financial statements in accordance with Regulation S-X promulgated under the Securities Act or any other regulation or policy of the Commission related thereto. Furthermore, in calculating "Consolidated Fixed Charges" for purposes of determining the "Consolidated Fixed Charge Coverage Ratio":

- (1) interest on outstanding Indebtedness (other than Indebtedness referred to in clause (2) below) determined on a fluctuating basis as of the last day of the Four Quarter Period and which will continue to be so determined thereafter shall be deemed to have accrued at a fixed rate per annum equal to the rate of interest on such Indebtedness in effect on such date;
- only actual interest payments associated with Indebtedness incurred in accordance with clauses (6) and (7) of the definition of Permitted Indebtedness and all Permitted Refinancing Indebtedness thereof, during the Four Quarter Period shall be included in such calculation; and
- (3) if interest on any Indebtedness actually incurred on such date may optionally be determined at an interest rate based upon a factor of a prime or similar rate, a eurocurrency interbank offered rate, or other rates, then the interest rate in effect on the last day of the Four Quarter Period will be deemed to have been in effect during such period.

"Consolidated Fixed Charges" means, with respect to the Partnership and its Restricted Subsidiaries for any period, the sum of, without duplication:

- (1) the amounts for such period of Consolidated Interest Expense; and
- (2) the aggregate amount of dividends and other distributions paid or accrued during the period in respect of preferred stock and Redeemable Capital Stock of the Partnership and its Restricted Subsidiaries on a consolidated basis.

"Consolidated Income Tax Expense" means, with respect to the Partnership and its Restricted Subsidiaries for any period, the provision for federal, state, local and foreign income taxes of the Partnership and its Restricted Subsidiaries for such period as determined on a consolidated basis in accordance with GAAP.

"Consolidated Interest Expense" means, with respect to the Partnership and its Restricted Subsidiaries, for any period, without duplication, the sum of:

- (1) the interest expense of the Partnership and its Restricted Subsidiaries for such period as determined on a consolidated basis in accordance with GAAP, including, without limitation:
- (a) any amortization of debt discount;

- (b) the net cost under Interest Rate Agreements;
- (c) the interest portion of any deferred payment obligation;
- (d) all commissions, discounts and other fees and charges owed with respect to letters of credit and bankers' acceptance financings; and
- (e) all accrued interest for all instruments evidencing Indebtedness; and
- (2) the interest component of Capital Leases paid, accrued or scheduled to be paid or accrued by the Partnership and its Restricted Subsidiaries during such period as determined on a consolidated basis in accordance with GAAP.

"Consolidated Net Income" means the net income of the Partnership and its Restricted Subsidiaries, as determined on a consolidated basis in accordance with GAAP and as adjusted to exclude:

- (1) net after-tax extraordinary gains or losses;
- (2) net after-tax gains or losses attributable to Asset Sales or sales of receivables under any Accounts Receivable Securitization;
- (3) the net income or loss of any Person which is not a Restricted Subsidiary and which is accounted for by the equity method of accounting, provided that Consolidated Net Income shall include the amount of dividends or distributions actually paid to the Partnership or any Restricted Subsidiary;
- (4) the net income or loss prior to the date of acquisition of any Person combined with the Partnership or any Restricted Subsidiary in a pooling-of-interest;
- (5) the net income of any Restricted Subsidiary to the extent that dividends or distributions of such net income are not at the date of determination permitted by the terms of its charter or any agreement, instrument, judgment, decree, order, statute, rule or other regulation; and
- (6) the cumulative effect of any changes in accounting principles.

"Consolidated Non-Cash Charges" means, with respect to the Partnership and its Restricted Subsidiaries for any period, the aggregate depreciation, amortization and any other non-cash charges, in each case, reducing Consolidated Net Income of the Partnership and its Restricted Subsidiaries for such period, determined on a consolidated basis in accordance with GAAP.

"Consolidated Tangible Assets" of any Person means, as of any date, the amount which, in accordance with GAAP, would be set forth under the caption "Total Assets" (or any like caption) on a consolidated balance sheet of such Person and its Restricted Subsidiaries, as of the end of the most recently ended fiscal quarter for which internal financial statements are available, less all intangible assets, including, without limitation, goodwill, organization costs, patents, trademarks, copyrights, franchises, customer lists, non-competition agreements and research and development costs.

"Credit Agreement" means the Operating Partnership's credit agreement in effect on the issue date of a series of the debt securities and as it may be amended, supplemented or otherwise modified from time to time, including all exhibits and schedules thereto, and any successor or supplemental facility or replacement facility entered into.

"Default" means any event that is, or after notice or passage of time or both would be, an Event of Default; provided, however, that a default described in clause (4) under "Events of Default and Remedies" shall not constitute a Default until such time as such default becomes an Event of Default in accordance with the indenture.

"Designated Non-Cash Consideration" means the fair market value of non-cash consideration received by the Partnership or any of its Restricted Subsidiaries in connection with an Asset Sale that is so designated as Designated Non-Cash Consideration pursuant to an officer's certificate, setting forth the basis of such valuation, less the amount of cash or cash equivalents received in connection with a subsequent sale, redemption or payment of, on or with respect to, such Designated Non-Cash Consideration.

"Designation Amount" means, with respect to the designation of a Restricted Subsidiary or a newly acquired or formed Subsidiary as an Unrestricted Subsidiary, an amount equal to:

- (1) the net book value of all assets of such Subsidiary at the time of such designation in the case of a Restricted Subsidiary; and
- (2) the cost of acquisition or formation in the case of a newly acquired or formed Subsidiary.

"Exchange Act" means the Securities Exchange Act of 1934, as amended, from time to time, or any statute successor thereto, and the rules and regulations of the Commission promulgated thereunder.

"Fitch" means Fitch Ratings and its successors.

"GAAP" means accounting principles applicable to the financial statements filed by United States entities in reports required by the Exchange Act as in effect on the date of issuance of a particular series of debt securities.

"Indebtedness" means, as applied to any Person, without duplication:

- (1) any indebtedness for borrowed money and all obligations evidenced by any bond, note, debenture or other similar instrument or letter of credit (or reimbursement agreements in respect thereof) which such Person has, directly or indirectly, created, incurred or assumed;
- (2) any indebtedness for borrowed money and all obligations evidenced by any bond, note, debenture or other similar instrument secured by any Lien in respect of property owned by such Person, whether or not such Person has assumed or become liable for the payment of such indebtedness; *provided* that the amount of such indebtedness, if such Person has not assumed the same or become liable therefor, shall in no event be deemed to be greater than the fair market value from time to time (as determined in good faith by such Person) of the property subject to such Lien;
- (3) any indebtedness, whether or not for borrowed money (excluding trade payables and accrued expenses arising in the ordinary course of business), with respect to which such Person has become directly or indirectly liable and which represents the deferred purchase price (or a portion thereof) or has been incurred to finance the purchase price (or a portion thereof) of any property or service or business acquired by such Person, whether by purchase, consolidation, merger or otherwise;
- (4) the principal component of any obligations under Capital Leases to the extent such obligations would, in accordance with GAAP, appear on a balance sheet of such Person;
- (5) all Attributable Debt of the person in respect of Sale and Leaseback Transactions not involving a Capital Lease;

- (6) any indebtedness of the character referred to in clause (1), (2), (3), (4) or (5) of this definition deemed to be extinguished under GAAP but for which the Person remains legally liable;
- (7) any indebtedness of any other Person of the character referred to in clause (1), (2), (3), (4), (5) or (6) of this definition with respect to which the Person whose indebtedness is being determined has become liable by way of a guaranty;
- (8) all Redeemable Capital Stock of such Person valued at the greater of its voluntary or involuntary maximum fixed repurchase price plus accrued dividends;
- (9) any Preferred Stock of any Subsidiary of such Person valued at the liquidation preference thereof or any mandatory redemption payment obligations in respect thereof plus, in either case, accrued dividends thereon; and
- (10) any amendment, supplement, modification, deferral, renewal, extension or refunding of any liability of the types referred to in clauses (1) through (9) above.

For purposes hereof, the "maximum fixed repurchase price" of any Redeemable Capital Stock which does not have a fixed repurchase price shall be calculated in accordance with the terms of such Redeemable Capital Stock as if such Redeemable Capital Stock were purchased on any date on which Indebtedness shall be required to be determined pursuant to the indenture and, if such price is based upon, or measured by, the fair market value of such Redeemable Capital Stock, such fair market value shall be determined in good faith by the board of directors of the issuer of such Redeemable Capital Stock.

"Interest Rate Agreement" means any interest rate swap agreement, interest rate cap agreement, interest rate collar agreement or other similar agreement or arrangement designed to protect the Partnership or any Restricted Subsidiary from fluctuations in interest rates.

"Investment" means, as applied to any Person:

- (1) any direct or indirect purchase or other acquisition by such Person of stock or other securities of any other Person; or
- (2) any direct or indirect loan, advance or capital contribution by such Person to any other Person and any other item which would be classified as an "investment" on a balance sheet of such Person prepared in accordance with GAAP, including without limitation any direct or indirect contribution by such Person of property or assets to a joint venture, partnership or other business entity in which such Person retains an interest (it being understood that a direct or indirect purchase or other acquisition by such Person of assets of any other Person (other than stock or other securities) shall not constitute an "Investment" for purposes of the indenture).

The amount classified as Investments made during any period shall be the aggregate cost to the Partnership and its Restricted Subsidiaries of all such Investments made during such period, determined in accordance with GAAP, but without regard to unrealized increases or decreases in value, or write-ups, write-downs or write-offs, of such Investments and without regard to the existence of any undistributed earnings or accrued interest with respect thereto accrued after the respective dates on which such Investments were made, less any net return of capital realized during such period upon the sale, repayment or other liquidation of such Investments (determined in accordance with GAAP, but without regard to any amounts received during such period as earnings (in the form of dividends not constituting a return of capital, interest or otherwise) on such Investments or as loans from any Person in whom such Investments have been made).

"Investment Grade Rating" means, with respect to a series of debt securities, (i) in the case of Moody's, a rating equal to or higher than Baa3 (or the equivalent), (ii) in the case of S&P, a rating equal to or higher than BBB- (or the equivalent), and (iii) in the case of Fitch, a rating equal to or higher than BBB- (or the equivalent).

"Lien" means any mortgage, charge, pledge, lien (statutory or other), security interest, hypothecation, assignment for security, claim, or preference or priority or other encumbrance upon or with respect to any property of any kind. A Person shall be deemed to own subject to a Lien any property which such Person has acquired or holds subject to the interest of a vendor or lessor under any conditional sale agreement, capital lease or other title retention agreement.

"Moody's" means Moody's Investors Service, Inc. and its successors.

"Net Amount of Unrestricted Investment" means, without duplication, the sum of:

- (1) the aggregate amount of all Investments made after the issuance date of a series of debt securities pursuant to clause (8) of the definition of Permitted Investments (computed as provided in the last sentence of the definition of Investment); and
- (2) the aggregate of all Designation Amounts in connection with the designation of Unrestricted Subsidiaries, less all Designation Amounts in respect of Unrestricted Subsidiaries which have been designated as Restricted Subsidiaries and otherwise reduced in a manner consistent with the provisions of the last sentence of the definition of Investment.

"Net Proceeds" means, with respect to any Asset Sale or sale of Capital Stock, the proceeds thereof in the form of cash or cash equivalents including payments in respect of deferred payment obligations when received in the form of cash or cash equivalents (except to the extent that such deferred payment obligations are financed or sold with recourse to the Partnership or any Restricted Subsidiary of the Partnership), net of:

- (1) brokerage commissions and other fees and expenses (including, without limitation, fees and expenses of legal counsel and accountants and fees, expenses and discounts or commissions of underwriters, placement agents and investment bankers) related to such Asset Sale;
- (2) provisions for all taxes payable as a result of such Asset Sale;
- (3) amounts required to be paid to any Person (other than the Partnership or any Restricted Subsidiary of the Partnership) owning a beneficial interest in the assets subject to such Asset Sale;
- (4) appropriate amounts to be provided by the Partnership or any Restricted Subsidiary of the Partnership, as the case may be, as a reserve required in accordance with GAAP against any liabilities associated with such Asset Sale and retained by the Partnership or any Restricted Subsidiary of the Partnership, as the case may be, after such Asset Sale, including, without limitation, pension and other post-employment benefit liabilities, liabilities related to environmental matters and liabilities under any indemnification obligations associated with such Asset Sale; and
- (5) amounts required to be applied to the repayment of Indebtedness secured by a Lien on the asset or assets sold in such Asset Sale.

"Permitted Investments" means each of the following:

- (1) Investments made or owned by the Partnership or any Restricted Subsidiary in:
- (a) marketable obligations issued or unconditionally guaranteed by the United States of America, or issued by any agency thereof and backed by the full faith and credit of the United States, in each case maturing one year or less from the date of acquisition thereof;

- (b) marketable direct obligations issued by any state of the United States of America or any political subdivision of any such state or any public instrumentality thereof maturing within one year from the date of acquisition thereof and having at such date the highest rating obtainable from S&P, Moody's or Fitch;
- (c) commercial paper maturing no more than 365 days from the date of creation thereof and having at the date of acquisition thereof one of the two highest ratings obtainable from S&P, Moody's, or Fitch;
- (d) certificates of deposit maturing one year or less from the date of acquisition thereof issued by commercial banks incorporated under the laws of the United States of America or any state thereof or the District of Columbia or Canada ("Permitted Banks"); (i) the commercial paper or other short-term unsecured debt obligations of which are at such date rated either "A-2" or better (or comparably if the rating system is changed) by S&P, "Prime-2" or better (or comparably if the rating system is changed) by Fitch; (ii) or the long-term debt obligations of which are, at such date, rated either "A" or better (or comparably if the rating system is changed) by S&P, Moody's, or Fitch;
- (e) eurodollar time deposits having a maturity of less than 270 days from the date of acquisition thereof purchased directly from any Permitted Bank;
- (f) bankers' acceptances eligible for rediscount under requirements of the Board of Governors of the Federal Reserve System and accepted by Permitted Banks;
- (g) obligations of the type described in clause (a), (b), (c), (d) or (e) above purchased from a securities dealer designated as a "primary dealer" by the Federal Reserve Bank of New York or from a Permitted Bank as counterparty to a written repurchase agreement obligating such counterparty to repurchase such obligations not later than 14 days after the purchase thereof and which provides that the obligations which are the subject thereof are held for the benefit of the Partnership or a Restricted Subsidiary by a custodian which is a Permitted Bank and which is not a counterparty to the repurchase agreement in question;
- (h) shares of money market mutual funds having as at such date one of the two highest ratings obtainable from S&P, Moody's, or Fitch; and
- (i) auction rate investments having as at such date one of the two highest ratings obtainable from S&P, Moody's, or Fitch;
- (2) the acquisition by the Partnership or any Restricted Subsidiary of Capital Stock or other ownership interests, whether in a single transaction or in a series of related transactions, of a Person such that, upon the completion of such transaction or series of transactions, such Person becomes a Restricted Subsidiary;
- (3) subject to the provisions of clause (8) below, the making or ownership by the Partnership or any Restricted Subsidiary of Investments (in addition to Investments permitted by clauses (1), (2), (4), (5), (6) and (7)) in any Person; *provided* that the aggregate amount of all such Investments made by the Partnership and its Restricted Subsidiaries following the issue date of the debt securities and outstanding pursuant to this clause (3) and clause (8) below shall not at any date of determination exceed 10% of Total Assets (the "Investment Limit"); *provided* that, in addition to Investments that would be permitted under the Investment Limit, during any fiscal year the Partnership and its Restricted Subsidiaries may invest up to \$25 million (the "Annual Limit") pursuant to the provisions of this clause (3), but the unused amount of the Annual Limit shall not be carried over to any future years;

- (4) the making or ownership by the Partnership or any Restricted Subsidiary of Investments:
- (a) arising out of loans and advances to employees incurred in the ordinary course of business;
- (b) arising out of extensions of trade credit or advances to third parties in the ordinary course of business; or
- (c) acquired by reason of the exercise of customary creditors' rights upon default or pursuant to the bankruptcy, insolvency or reorganization of a debtor;
- (5) the creation or incurrence of liability by the Partnership or any Restricted Subsidiary, with respect to any guaranty constituting an obligation, warranty or indemnity, not guaranteeing Indebtedness of any Person, which is undertaken or made in the ordinary course of business;
- (6) the creation or incurrence of liability by the Partnership or any Restricted Subsidiary with respect to any Interest Rate Agreements;
- (7) the making by the Partnership or any Restricted Subsidiary of Investments in the Partnership or another Restricted Subsidiary;
- (8) the making or ownership by the Partnership or any Restricted Subsidiary of Investments in Unrestricted Subsidiaries; *provided* that the Net Amount of Unrestricted Investment shall not at any time exceed \$50 million (and subject to the limitations specified in clause (3) above);
- (9) the making or ownership by the Partnership or any Restricted Subsidiary of Investments in the Operating Partnership;
- (10) the creation or incurrence of liability by the Partnership or any Restricted Subsidiary or the making or ownership by the Partnership or any Restricted Subsidiary of Investments with respect to any Accounts Receivable Securitization;
- (11) any Investment to the extent made in exchange for the issuance of Capital Stock (other than Redeemable Capital Stock) of the Partnership; and
- other Investments in any Person having an aggregate fair market value (measured on the date each such Investment was made and without giving effect to subsequent changes in value), when taken together with all other Investments made pursuant to this clause (12) that are at the time outstanding, not to exceed the greater of (i) \$150 million or (ii) 7.5% of Consolidated Tangible Assets of the Partnership.

"Permitted Liens" means each of the following:

- (1) Liens for taxes, assessments or other governmental charges, the payment of which is not yet due and is being contested in good faith by appropriate proceedings promptly initiated and diligently conducted and as to which reserves or other appropriate provision, if any, as shall be required by GAAP, shall have been made therefor and be adequate in the good faith judgment of the obligor;
- (2) Liens of lessors, landlords and carriers, vendors, warehousemen, mechanics, materialmen, repairmen and other like Liens incurred in the ordinary course of business for sums not yet due or the payment of which is being contested in good faith by appropriate proceedings promptly initiated and diligently conducted and as to which reserves or other appropriate provisions, if any, as shall be required by GAAP, shall have been made therefor and be adequate in the good faith judgment of the obligor, in each case:

- (a) not incurred or made in connection with the borrowing of money, the obtaining of advances or credit or the payment of the deferred purchase price of property; or
- (b) incurred in the ordinary course of business securing the unpaid purchase price of property or services constituting current accounts payable;
- (3) Liens (other than any Lien imposed by ERISA), incurred or deposits made in the ordinary course of business:
 - (a) in connection with workers' compensation, unemployment insurance and other types of social security; or
 - (b) to secure (or to obtain letters of credit that secure) the performance of tenders, statutory obligations, surety and appeal bonds, bids, leases, performance bonds, purchase, construction or sales contracts and other similar obligations, in each case not incurred or made in connection with the borrowing of money;
- (4) other deposits made to secure liability to insurance carriers under insurance or self-insurance arrangements;
- (5) Liens securing reimbursement obligations under letters of credit; provided in each case that such Liens cover only the title documents and related goods (and any proceeds thereof) covered by the related letter of credit;
- (6) any attachment or judgment Lien, unless the judgment it secures shall not, within 60 days after the entry thereof, have been discharged or execution thereof stayed pending appeal or review, or shall not have been discharged within 60 days after expiration of any such stay;
- (7) leases or subleases granted to others, easements, rights-of-way, restrictions and other similar charges or encumbrances, which in each case either (i) are granted, entered into or created in the ordinary course of the business of the Partnership or any Restricted Subsidiary or (ii) do not materially impair the value or intended use of the property covered thereby;
- (8) Liens on property or assets of any Restricted Subsidiary securing Indebtedness of such Restricted Subsidiary owing to the Partnership or a Wholly Owned Restricted Subsidiary;
- (9) Liens on assets of the Partnership or any Restricted Subsidiary existing on the applicable issue date of a series of debt securities;
- (10) Liens (other than the Liens securing Indebtedness incurred under the Credit Agreement for the purpose of acquisitions) securing Indebtedness incurred in accordance with:
- (a) clause (4) of the definition of Permitted Indebtedness;
- (b) clauses (5) and (7) of the definition of Permitted Indebtedness; or
- (c) Indebtedness otherwise permitted to be incurred under the "Limitation on Additional Indebtedness" covenant to the extent incurred:
 - (i) to finance the making of expenditures for the improvement or repair (to the extent such improvements and repairs may be capitalized on the books of the Partnership and the Restricted Subsidiaries in accordance with GAAP) of, or additions (including additions by way of acquisitions of businesses and related assets) to, the assets and property of the Partnership and the Restricted Subsidiaries; or

(ii) by assumption in connection with additions (including additions by way of acquisition or capital contributions of businesses and related assets) to the property and assets of the Partnership and the Restricted Subsidiaries;

provided that, in the case of Indebtedness incurred in accordance with clause (a) or (c), the principal amount of such Indebtedness does not exceed the lesser of the cost to the Partnership and the Restricted Subsidiaries of such additional property or assets and the fair market value of such additional property or assets at the time of the acquisition thereof (as determined in good faith by the general partner);

- (11) Liens existing on any property of any Person at the time it becomes a Restricted Subsidiary of the Partnership, or existing at the time of acquisition by the Partnership or any such Restricted Subsidiary through purchase, merger or consolidation or otherwise, whether or not assumed by the Partnership or such Restricted Subsidiary, or created to secure Indebtedness incurred to pay all or any part of the purchase price (a "Purchase Money Lien") of property (including, without limitation, Capital Stock and other securities) acquired by the Partnership or a Restricted Subsidiary; *provided* that:
 - (a) the Lien shall be confined solely to such item or items of property and, if required by the terms of the instrument originally creating such Lien, other property which is an improvement to or is acquired for use specifically in connection with such acquired property;
 - (b) in the case of a Purchase Money Lien, the principal amount of the Indebtedness secured by such Purchase Money Lien shall at no time exceed an amount equal to the lesser of:
 - (i) the cost to the Partnership and the Restricted Subsidiaries of such property; and
 - (ii) the fair market value of such property at the time of the acquisition thereof (as determined in good faith by the general partner);
 - (c) any such Purchase Money Lien shall be created not later than 30 days after the acquisition of such property; and
 - any such Lien (other than a Purchase Money Lien) shall not have been created or assumed in contemplation of such Person's becoming a Subsidiary of the Partnership or such acquisition of property by the Partnership or any Subsidiary;
- (12) easements, exceptions or reservations in any property of the Partnership or any Restricted Subsidiary granted or reserved for the purpose of pipelines, roads, the removal of oil, gas, coal or other minerals, and other like purposes, or for the joint or common use of real property, facilities and equipment, which are incidental to, and do not materially interfere with, the ordinary conduct of the business of the Partnership or any Restricted Subsidiary;
- (13) Liens securing the obligations under the Credit Agreement or any Permitted Indebtedness of the Operating Partnership (or any extension, renewal, refunding or refinancing of any such Indebtedness);
- (14) Liens arising from or constituting permitted encumbrances under the agreements and instruments securing the obligations under the Credit Agreement or any Permitted Indebtedness of the Operating Partnership (or any extension, renewal, refunding or refinancing of any such Indebtedness);

- (15) Liens securing indebtedness arising under an Accounts Receivable Securitization (including the filing of any related financing statements naming the Partnership or any Restricted Subsidiary as the debtor thereunder) in conjunction with the sale of accounts receivable by the Partnership or any Restricted Subsidiary to an SPE in connection with any such permitted Accounts Receivable Securitization;
- (16) any Lien renewing or extending any Lien permitted by clauses (9), (10) or (11) above; *provided* that (i) the principal amount of the Indebtedness secured by any such Lien shall not exceed the principal amount of such Indebtedness outstanding immediately prior to the renewal or extension of such Lien, and (ii) no assets encumbered by any such Lien other than the assets encumbered immediately prior to such renewal or extension shall be encumbered thereby; and
- (17) Liens in addition to the Liens described in clauses (1) through (16) above incurred in the ordinary course of business of the Partnership or any Restricted Subsidiary of the Partnership with respect to Indebtedness that does not exceed the greater of (i) \$100 million and (ii) 5% of Consolidated Tangible Assets of the Partnership at any one time outstanding.

"Permitted Refinancing Indebtedness" means Indebtedness incurred by the Partnership or any Restricted Subsidiary to substantially concurrently (excluding any notice period on redemptions) repay, refund, renew, replace, extend or refinance, in whole or in part, any Permitted Indebtedness of the Partnership or any Restricted Subsidiary or any other Indebtedness incurred by the Partnership or any Restricted Subsidiary pursuant to the "Limitation on Additional Indebtedness" covenant, to the extent that:

- (1) the principal amount of such Permitted Refinancing Indebtedness does not exceed the principal or accreted amount plus the amount of accrued and unpaid interest of the Indebtedness so repaid, refunded, renewed, replaced, extended or refinanced and the amount of a reasonably determined premium necessary to accomplish such financing;
- (2) with respect to the repayment, refunding, renewal, replacement, extension or refinancing of our Indebtedness, the Permitted Refinancing Indebtedness ranks no more favorably in right of payment with respect to the debt securities than the Indebtedness so repaid, refunded, renewed, replaced, extended or refinanced; and
- (3) with respect to the repayment, refunding, renewal, replacement, extension or refinancing our Indebtedness, the Permitted Refinancing Indebtedness has a Weighted Average Life to Stated Maturity and Stated Maturity equal to, or greater than, and has no fixed mandatory redemption or sinking fund requirement in an amount greater than or at a time prior to the amounts set forth in, the Indebtedness so repaid, refunded, renewed, replaced, extended or refinanced;

provided, *however*, that Permitted Refinancing Indebtedness shall not include Indebtedness incurred by a Restricted Subsidiary to repay, refund, renew, replace, extend or refinance Indebtedness of the Partnership.

"Person" means any individual, corporation, limited liability company, partnership, joint venture, association, joint stock company, trust, charitable foundation, unincorporated organization, government or any agency or political subdivision thereof, or any other entity.

"Rating Agency" means each of S&P, Moody's and Fitch.

"Redeemable Capital Stock" means any shares of any class or series of Capital Stock, that, either by the terms thereof, by the terms of any security into which it is convertible or exchangeable or by contract or otherwise, is, or upon the happening of an event or passage of time would be, required to be redeemed prior to the Stated Maturity with respect to the principal of any series of debt securities or is redeemable at the option of the holder thereof at any time prior to the Stated Maturity of any series of debt securities, or is convertible into or exchangeable for debt securities at any time prior to the Stated Maturity of any series of debt securities.

"Restricted Subsidiary" means a Subsidiary of the Partnership (including AmeriGas Finance Corp.), which, as of the date of determination, is not an Unrestricted Subsidiary of the Partnership.

"S&P" means Standard & Poor's Ratings Services, a division of The McGraw-Hill Companies, Inc., and its successors.

"Sale and Leaseback Transaction" of any Person (a "Transferor") means any arrangement (other than between the Partnership and a Wholly Owned Restricted Subsidiaries) whereby (a) property (the "Subject Property") has been or is to be disposed of by such Transferor to any other Person with the intention on the part of such Transferor of taking back a lease of such Subject Property pursuant to which the rental payments are calculated to amortize the purchase price of such Subject Property substantially over the useful life of such Subject Property, and (b) such Subject Property is in fact so leased by such Transferor or an Affiliate of such Transferor.

"Securities Act" means the Securities Act of 1933, as amended, from time to time, or any statute successor thereto, and the rules and regulations of the Commission promulgated thereunder.

"SPE" means any special purpose Unrestricted Subsidiary established in connection with any Accounts Receivable Securitization.

"Stated Maturity" means, (i) when used with respect to any series of debt securities or any installment of interest thereon, the date specified in such series of debt securities as the fixed date on which the principal of such series of debt securities or such installment of interest is due and payable, and (ii) when used with respect to any other Indebtedness, means the date or dates specified in the instrument governing such Indebtedness as the fixed date or dates on which each then remaining installment, sinking fund, serial maturity or other required payments of principal, including payment at final maturity, in respect of such Indebtedness, or any installment of interest thereon, is due and payable.

"Total Assets" means, as of any date of determination, the consolidated total assets of the Partnership and the Restricted Subsidiaries as would be shown on a consolidated balance sheet of the Partnership and the Restricted Subsidiaries prepared in accordance with GAAP.

"Unrestricted Subsidiary" means any subsidiary of the Partnership or a Restricted Subsidiary that is designated as such by the General Partner; provided that no portion of the Indebtedness or any other obligation (contingent or otherwise) of such subsidiary (other than any Indebtedness or other obligation incurred in respect of an Accounts Receivable Securitization):

- (1) is guaranteed by the Partnership or any Restricted Subsidiary;
- (2) is recourse to or obligates the Partnership or any Restricted Subsidiary in any way; or
- (3) subjects any property or assets of the Partnership or any Restricted Subsidiary, directly or indirectly, contingently or otherwise, to the satisfaction thereof.

Notwithstanding the foregoing, the Partnership or a Restricted Subsidiary may guaranty or agree to provide funds for the payment or maintenance of, or otherwise become liable with respect to Indebtedness of an Unrestricted Subsidiary, but only to the extent that the Partnership or a Restricted Subsidiary would be permitted to:

- (1) make an Investment in such Unrestricted Subsidiary pursuant to clause (8) of the definition of Permitted Investments; and
- (2) incur the Indebtedness represented by such guaranty or agreement pursuant to the first paragraph of the covenant captioned "Limitation on Additional Indebtedness."

The board of directors may designate an Unrestricted Subsidiary to be a Restricted Subsidiary, *provided* that immediately after giving effect to such designation, (i) there exists no Event of Default or event that after notice or lapse of time or both would become an Event of Default, and (ii) if such Unrestricted Subsidiary has, as of the date of such designation, outstanding Indebtedness (other than Permitted Indebtedness), the Partnership could incur at least \$1.00 of Indebtedness (other than Permitted Indebtedness).

Notwithstanding the foregoing, (i) no Subsidiary may be designated an Unrestricted Subsidiary if such Subsidiary, directly or indirectly, holds Capital Stock of a Restricted Subsidiary and (ii) neither the Operating Partnership nor AmeriGas Finance Corp. may be designated an Unrestricted Subsidiary.

"Weighted Average Life to Stated Maturity" means, when applied to any Indebtedness at any date, the number of years obtained by dividing:

- (1) the sum of the products obtained by multiplying:
- (a) the amount of each then remaining installment, sinking fund, serial maturity or other required payments of principal, including payment at final maturity, in respect thereof, by
- (b) the number of years (calculated to the nearest one-twelfth) that will elapse between such date and the making of such payment, by
- (2) the then outstanding principal amount of such Indebtedness;

provided, *however*, that with respect to any revolving Indebtedness, the foregoing calculation of Weighted Average Life to Stated Maturity shall be determined based upon the total available commitments and the required reductions of commitments in lieu of the outstanding principal amount and the required payments of principal, respectively.

"Wholly Owned Restricted Subsidiary" means the Operating Partnership or any Subsidiary of the Partnership of which 100% of the outstanding Capital Stock is owned by the Partnership or by one or more Wholly Owned Restricted Subsidiaries of the Partnership or the Operating Partnership or by the Partnership and one or more Wholly Owned Restricted Subsidiaries of the Partnership or the Operating Partnership. For purposes of this definition, any directors' qualifying shares or investments by foreign nationals mandated by applicable law shall be disregarded in determining the ownership of a Subsidiary.

Form of Debt Securities

The certificates representing the debt securities will be issued in fully registered form, without coupons. Except as described in an accompanying prospectus supplement, the debt securities will be deposited with, or on behalf of, The Depository Trust Company ("DTC"), and registered in the name of Cede & Co., as DTC's nominee, in the form of a global note. Holders of the debt securities will own book-entry interests in the global note evidenced by records maintained by DTC. Book-entry interests may be exchanged for certificated debt securities of like tenor and equal aggregate principal amount, if:

- (1) DTC notifies us that it is unwilling or unable to continue as depositary or we determine that DTC is unable to continue as depositary and we fail to appoint a successor depositary;
- (2) we provide for the exchange pursuant to the terms of the indenture;
- (3) we determine that the book-entry interests will no longer be represented by global debt securities and we execute and deliver to the trustee instructions to that effect; or
- (4) there shall have occurred and be continuing a Default or an Event and Default with respect to the debt securities.

PLAN OF DISTRIBUTION

We will offer the debt securities only by and through underwriters in firm commitment underwritings.

The prospectus supplement relating to a particular offering of securities will set forth the terms of such offering, including:

- (1) the name or names of any underwriters;
- (2) the purchase price of the offered debt securities and the proceeds to us from such sale;
- (3) any underwriters' discounts and commissions and other items constituting underwriters' compensation;
- (4) any securities exchanges on which such offered debt securities may be listed; and
- (5) any sales by third parties of securities covered by this prospectus, including in short sale transactions.

Debt securities offered by this prospectus will be acquired by the underwriters for their own account and may be resold from time to time in one or more transactions, including negotiated transactions, at a fixed public offering price or at varying prices determined at the time of sale. The debt securities may be either offered to the public through underwriting syndicates represented by one or more managing underwriters or by one or more underwriters without a syndicate. Unless otherwise set forth in the prospectus supplement, the underwriters will not be obligated to purchase the offered debt securities unless specified conditions are satisfied, and if the underwriters do purchase any offered debt securities, they will purchase all offered debt securities.

In accordance with applicable law and industry practice, underwriters may over-allot or effect transactions that stabilize, maintain or otherwise affect the market price of the offered debt securities at levels above those that might otherwise prevail in the open market, including by entering stabilizing bids, effecting syndicate covering transactions or imposing penalty bids, each of which is described below.

- (1) A stabilizing bid means the placing of any bid, or the effecting of any purchase, for the purpose of pegging, fixing or maintaining the price of a security.
- (2) A syndicate covering transaction means the placing of any bid on behalf of the underwriting syndicate or the effecting of any purchase to reduce a short position created in connection with the offering.
- (3) A penalty bid means an arrangement that permits the managing underwriter to reclaim a selling concession from a syndicate member in connection with the offering when offered securities originally sold by the syndicate member are purchased in syndicate covering transactions.

These transactions may be effected on the New York Stock Exchange, in the over-the-counter market, or otherwise. Underwriters are not required to engage in any of these activities, or to continue such activities if commenced.

Underwriters may be entitled, under agreements with us, to indemnification by us relating to material misstatements and omissions. Underwriters may be customers of, engage in transactions with, or perform services for, us and our affiliates in the ordinary course of business.

The debt securities offered under this prospectus will have no established trading market. Any underwriters to whom such offered debt securities are sold for public offering and sale may make a market in such offered debt securities, but such underwriters will not be obligated to do so and may discontinue any market making at any time without notice. The offered debt securities may or may not be listed on a national securities exchange. No assurance can be given that there will be a market for the offered securities.

LEGAL MATTERS

The validity of the debt securities being offered will be passed upon for us by Morgan, Lewis & Bockius LLP.

EXPERTS

The consolidated financial statements of AmeriGas Partners, L.P., appearing in AmeriGas Partners, L.P.'s Annual Report (Form 10-K) as of and for the year ended September 30, 2015, as amended (including schedules appearing therein), and the effectiveness of AmeriGas Partners, L.P.'s internal control over financial reporting as of September 30, 2015, have been audited by Ernst & Young LLP, independent registered public accounting firm, as set forth in their reports thereon, included therein, and incorporated herein by reference. Such consolidated financial statements are incorporated herein by reference in reliance upon such reports given on the authority of such firm as experts in accounting and auditing.

The consolidated balance sheet as of September 30, 2014 and the related consolidated statements of operations, comprehensive income, cash flows and partners' capital for each of the two years in the period ended September 30, 2014, incorporated by reference in this prospectus by reference to our Annual Report on Form 10-K for the fiscal year ended September 30, 2015, as amended, have been so incorporated in reliance on the report of PricewaterhouseCoopers LLP, an independent registered public accounting firm, given on the authority of said firm as experts in auditing and accounting.

INCORPORATION OF DOCUMENTS BY REFERENCE

We incorporate by reference information that we file with the SEC. This means that we disclose important information to you by referring you to those documents. Any information we incorporate in this manner is considered a part of this prospectus. Any information we file with the SEC after the date of this prospectus will automatically update and supersede the information contained in this prospectus.

We incorporate by reference the following documents that we have filed with the SEC:

- (1) our annual report on Form 10-K for the fiscal year ended September 30, 2015, filed on November 25, 2015, as amended on December 18, 2015;
- (2) our quarterly reports on Form 10-Q for the fiscal quarter ended December 31, 2015, filed on February 5, 2016, and for the fiscal quarter ended March 31, 2016, filed on May 6, 2016; and
- (3) our current reports on Form 8-K filed on November 20, 2015, March 16, 2016, and April 19, 2016.

We also incorporate by reference into this prospectus additional documents that we may file with the SEC under Section 13(a), 13(c), 14 or 15(d) of the Securities Exchange Act of 1934, as amended, from the date of this prospectus to the end of the offering of the debt securities. These documents may include annual reports on Form 10-K, quarterly reports on Form 10-Q and current reports on Form 8-K, as well as proxy statements. We are not incorporating by reference any information furnished under items 2.02 or 7.01 (or corresponding information furnished under item 9.01 or included as an exhibit) in any past or future current report on Form 8-K that we may furnish to the SEC, unless otherwise specified in such current report or in a particular prospectus supplement.

We will provide without charge to each person to whom a copy of this prospectus is delivered, upon the written or oral request of such person, a copy of any or all of the documents incorporated by reference (other than exhibits to such documents, unless such exhibits are specifically incorporated by reference into the information that this prospectus incorporates). Requests should be made to AmeriGas Propane, Inc., 460 North Gulph Road, King of Prussia, Pennsylvania 19406, telephone (610) 337-7000, Attention: Treasurer.

WHERE YOU CAN FIND MORE INFORMATION

We file annual, quarterly and special reports and other information with the SEC. You can read and copy these reports and other information, including the documents incorporated by reference, at the SEC's public reference room at 100 F Street, N.E., Washington, D.C. 20549 (please call 1-800-SEC-0330 for further information about the operation of the public reference room). Such documents, reports and information are also available on the SEC's website at http://www.sec.gov.

We also provide information to the New York Stock Exchange because our common units are traded on the New York Stock Exchange. You may obtain our reports and other information at the offices of the New York Stock Exchange, Inc., 20 Broad Street, New York, NY 10005.

PART II

INFORMATION NOT REQUIRED IN THE PROSPECTUS

Item 14. Other Expenses of Issuance and Distribution

The following table sets forth estimated fees and expenses in connection with the issuance and distribution of the securities being registered hereby (other than any underwriting discounts and commissions).

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^{*} In accordance with Rule 457(r), the registrants are deferring payment of the registration fee pursuant to Rule 456(b).

Item 15. Indemnification of Directors and Officers

AmeriGas Partners, L.P.

The partnership agreement of AmeriGas Partners, L.P. provides that we will indemnify and hold harmless our general partner, any departing partner, any person who is or was an affiliate of the general partner or any departing partner, any person who is or was an officer, director, employee, partner, agent or trustee of the general partner, any departing partner or any such affiliate, and any person who is or was serving at the request of the general partner, any departing partner or any such affiliate as an officer, director, employee, partner, agent, fiduciary or trustee of another person, to the fullest extent permitted by law but subject to the limitations expressly provided for in the partnership agreement, from and against any and all losses, claims, damages, liabilities (joint or several), expenses (including legal fees and expenses), judgments, fines, penalties, interest, settlements or other amounts arising from any and all claims, demands, actions, suits or proceedings, whether civil, criminal, administrative or investigative, in which any of the above persons may be involved, or is threatened to be involved, as a party or otherwise, by reason of his, her or its status as any of the foregoing; *provided, however*, that in each case such person acted in good faith and in a manner that such person reasonably believed to be in, or not opposed to, the best interests of AmeriGas Partners, L.P., and, with respect to any criminal proceeding, had no reasonable cause to believe that the conduct was unlawful. Any indemnification under these provisions will be made only out of our available assets, and our general partner shall not be personally liable for, or have any obligation to contribute or loan funds or assets to us to enable us to effectuate, such indemnification.

The indemnification so provided shall be in addition to any other rights to which any of the aforementioned persons may be entitled under any agreement, pursuant to a vote of the holders of outstanding units, as a matter of law or otherwise, and shall continue for such persons who have ceased to serve in such capacity and shall inure to the benefit of the heirs, successors, assigns and administrators of such persons.

To the fullest extent permitted by law, expenses (including legal fees and expenses) incurred by any of the aforementioned persons who is so indemnified in defending any claim, demand, action, suit or proceeding shall, from time to time, be advanced by us prior to the final disposition of such claim, demand, action, suit or proceeding upon receipt by us of any undertaking by or on behalf of such person to repay such amount if it shall be determined that such person is not entitled to be indemnified.

We are authorized to purchase (or to reimburse our general partner or its affiliates for the cost of) insurance against any liability that may be asserted against or expense that may be incurred by such persons in connection with our activities, regardless of whether we would have the power to indemnify such persons against such liability under the provisions of the partnership agreement described above.

⁽¹⁾ These fees are calculated based on the securities offered and the number of issuances and, accordingly, cannot be estimated at this time.

AmeriGas Finance Corp.

Section 145 of Delaware General Corporation Law

Section 145 of the Delaware General Corporation Law provides that a corporation may indemnify any person who was or is a party or is threatened to be made a party to any threatened, pending or completed action, suit or proceeding, whether civil, criminal, administrative or investigative (other than an action by or in the right of the corporation) by reason of the fact that the person is or was a director, officer, employee, or agent of the corporation, or is or was serving at the request of the corporation as a director, officer, employee or agent of another corporation, partnership, joint venture, trust or other enterprise against expenses (including attorneys' fees), judgments, fines and amounts paid in settlement actually and reasonably incurred by him in connection with such action, suit, or proceeding if the person acted in good faith and in a manner the person reasonably believed to be in or not opposed to the best interests of the corporation, and, with respect to any criminal action or proceeding, had no reasonable cause to believe the person's conduct was unlawful.

Section 145 of the Delaware General Corporation Law also provides that a corporation may indemnify any person who was or is a party or is threatened to be made a party to any threatened, pending, or completed action or suit by or in the right of the corporation to procure a judgment in its favor by reason of the fact that he is or was a director, officer, employee or agent of the corporation, or is or was serving at the request of the corporation as a director, officer, employee or agent of another corporation, partnership, joint venture, trust or other enterprise against expenses (including attorneys' fees) actually and reasonably incurred by the person in connection with the defense or settlement of such action or suit if the person acted in good faith and in a manner the person reasonably believed to be in or not opposed to the best interests of the corporation and except that no indemnification shall be made in respect of any claim, issue or matter as to which such person shall have been adjudged to be liable to the corporation unless and only to the extent that the Court of Chancery of Delaware or the court in which such action or suit was brought shall determine upon application that, despite the adjudication of liability but in view of all the circumstances of the case, such person is fairly and reasonably entitled to indemnity for such expenses which the Court of Chancery of Delaware or such other court shall deem proper.

To the extent that a present or former director or officer of a corporation has been successful on the merits or otherwise in defense of any action, suit or proceeding referred to above, or in defense of any claim, issue or matter therein, such person shall be indemnified against expenses (including attorneys' fees) actually and reasonably incurred by such person in connection therewith; *provided* that indemnification provided for by Section 145 or granted pursuant thereto shall not be deemed exclusive of any other rights to which the indemnified party may be entitled; and a corporation shall have power to purchase and maintain insurance on behalf of any person who is or was a director, officer, employee or agent of the corporation, or is or was serving at the request of the corporation as a director, officer, employee or agent of another corporation, partnership, joint venture, trust or other enterprise against any liability asserted against such person and incurred by such person in any such capacity or arising out of such person's status as such whether or not the corporation would have the power to indemnify such person against such liabilities under Section 145.

In addition, Section 102(b)(7) of the Delaware General Corporation Law permits Delaware corporations to include a provision in their certificates of incorporation eliminating or limiting the personal liability of a director to the corporation or its stockholders for monetary damages for breach of fiduciary duty as a director, *provided* that such provisions shall not eliminate or limit the liability of a director: (i) for any breach of the director's duty of loyalty to the corporation or its stockholders; (ii) for acts or omissions not in good faith or that involve intentional misconduct or a knowing violation of law; (iii) for unlawful payment of dividends or unlawful stock purchases or redemptions; or (iv) for any transactions from which the director derived an improper personal benefit.

The Certificate of Incorporation of AmeriGas Finance Corp. currently provides that, subject to certain exceptions, each Director shall not be personally liable to such corporation or its stockholders for monetary damages for breach of fiduciary duty as a director.

Bylaws Provisions on Indemnity.

Article 7 of the Bylaws of AmeriGas Finance Corp. sets forth the extent to which the directors and officers of AmeriGas Finance Corp. may be indemnified by AmeriGas Finance Corp. against liabilities which they may incur while serving in such capacity. Article 7 generally provides that AmeriGas Finance Corp. shall indemnify the directors and officers of AmeriGas Finance Corp. who are or were a party to any threatened, pending, or contemplated action, suit or proceeding, whether civil, criminal, administrative or investigative, by reason of the fact that such person is or was a director or officer of AmeriGas Finance Corp. or of another corporation, partnership, joint venture, employee benefit plan, trust or other enterprise, or by reason of any action alleged to have been taken or omitted in such capacity, against expenses (including attorneys' fees), judgments, fines, and amounts paid in settlement actually and reasonably incurred in connection therewith, *provided* that the applicable standard of conduct set forth in Section 145 of the Delaware General Corporation Law was met and, *provided further*, that such indemnification shall be limited to expenses (including attorneys' fees) actually and reasonably incurred in the case of an action or suit by or in the right of AmeriGas Finance Corp. to procure a judgment in its favor. Subject to the procedures for indemnification of directors and officers set forth in the Bylaws, the indemnification of the directors and officers of AmeriGas Finance Corp. provided for therein is in all other respects substantially similar to that provided for in Section 145 of the Delaware General Corporation Law. Any such indemnification shall continue as to a person who has ceased to be a director or officer of AmeriGas Finance Corp. and shall inure to the benefit of the heirs, executors, and administrators of such person.

The above discussion of the Bylaws of AmeriGas Finance Corp. and of Section 145 of the Delaware General Corporation Law is not intended to be exhaustive and is qualified in its entirety by such Bylaws and the Delaware General Corporation Law.

Insofar as indemnification for liabilities arising under the Securities Act may be permitted to directors, officers or persons controlling the registrants as disclosed above, the registrants have been informed that in the opinion of the Commission such indemnification is against public policy as expressed in the Securities Act and is therefore unenforceable.

Item 16. Exhibits

Exhibit Number	Description of Exhibits
1.1*	Underwriting Agreement
4.1	Form of Indenture between AmeriGas Partners, L.P. and AmeriGas Finance Corp. as co-issuers, and U.S. Bank National Association, as trustee
5.1	Legal Opinion of Morgan, Lewis & Bockius LLP
12.1	Statement Regarding Computation of Ratio of Earnings to Fixed Charges
23.1	Consent of Ernst & Young LLP
23.2	Consent of PricewaterhouseCoopers LLP
23.3	Consent of Morgan, Lewis & Bockius LLP (included in Exhibit 5.1)
24.1	Power of Attorney (included on signature page)
25.1	Form T-1 Statement of Eligibility and Qualification under the Trust Indenture Act of 1939, as amended, of U.S. Bank National Association, as trustee

^{*} To be filed by amendment or by the filing of a Form 8-K.

Item 17. Undertakings.

- (a) The undersigned registrant hereby undertakes:
 - (1) To file, during any period in which offers or sales are being made, a post-effective amendment to this registration statement:
 - (i) To include any prospectus required by Section 10(a)(3) of the Securities Act of 1933;
 - (ii) To reflect in the prospectus any facts or events arising after the effective date of the registration statement (or the most recent post-effective amendment thereof) which, individually or in the aggregate, represent a fundamental change in the information set forth in the registration statement. Notwithstanding the foregoing, any increase or decrease in volume of securities offered (if the total dollar value of securities offered would not exceed that which was registered) and any deviation from the low or high end of the estimated maximum offering range may be reflected in the form of prospectus filed with the Commission pursuant to Rule 424(b) if, in the aggregate, the changes in volume and price represent no more than a 20% change in the maximum aggregate offering price set forth in the "Calculation of Registration Fee" table in the effective registration statement; 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 paragraphs (a)(1)(i), (a)(1) (ii) and (a)(1)(iii) do not apply if the registration statement is on Form S-3 and the information required to be included in a post-effective amendment by those paragraphs is contained in reports filed with or furnished to the Commission by the registrant pursuant to Section 13 or Section 15(d) of the Securities Exchange Act of 1934 that are incorporated by reference in the registration statement, or is contained in a form of prospectus filed pursuant to Rule 424(b) that is part of the registration statement;

- (2) That, for the purpose of determining any liability under the Securities Act of 1933, each such post-effective amendment shall be deemed to be a new registration statement relating to the securities offered therein, and the offering of such securities at that time shall be deemed to be the initial bona fide offering thereof:
- (3) To remove from registration by means of a post-effective amendment any of the securities being registered which remain unsold at the termination of the offering;
 - (4) That, for the purpose of determining liability under the Securities Act of 1933 to any purchaser:
 - (A) Each prospectus filed by the registrant pursuant to Rule 424(b)(3) shall be deemed to be part of the registration statement as of the date the filed prospectus was deemed part of and included in the registration statement; and
 - (B) Each prospectus required to be filed pursuant to Rule 424(b)(2), (b)(5) or (b)(7) as part of a registration statement in reliance on Rule 430B relating to an offering made pursuant to Rule 415(a)(1)(i), (vii) or (x) for the purpose of providing the information required by section 10(a) of the Securities Act of 1933 shall be deemed to be part of and included in the registration statement as of the earlier of the date such form of prospectus is first used after effectiveness or the date of the first contract of sale of securities in the offering described in prospectus. As provided in Rule 430B, for liability purposes of the issuer and any person that is at that date an underwriter, such date shall be deemed to be a new effective date of the registration statement relating to the securities in the registration statement to which the prospectus relates, and the offering of such securities at that time shall be deemed to be the initial bona fide offering thereof. *Provided*, *however*, that no statement made in a registration statement or prospectus that is part of the registration statement or made in a document incorporated or deemed incorporated by reference into the registration statement or prospectus that is part of the registration statement will, as to a purchaser with a time of contract of sale prior to such effective date, supersede or modify any statement that was made in the registration statement or prospectus that was part of the registration statement or made in any such document immediately prior to such effective date; and
- (5) that, for the purpose of determining liability of the registrant under the Securities Act of 1933 to any purchaser in the initial distribution of the securities, the undersigned registrant undertakes that in a primary offering of securities of the undersigned registrant pursuant to this registration statement, regardless of the underwriting method used to sell the securities to the purchaser, if the securities are offered or sold to such purchaser by means of any of the following communications, the undersigned registrant will be a seller to the purchaser and will be considered to offer or sell such securities to such purchaser:
 - (i) Any preliminary prospectus or prospectus of the undersigned registrant relating to the offering required to be filed pursuant to Rule 424;
 - (ii) Any free writing prospectus relating to the offering prepared by or on behalf of the undersigned registrant or used or referred to by the undersigned registrant;
 - (iii) The portion of any other free writing prospectus relating to the offering containing material information about the undersigned registrant or its securities provided by or on behalf of an undersigned registrant; and
 - (iv) Any other communication that is an offer in the offering made by the undersigned registrant to the purchaser.
- (b) The undersigned registrant hereby undertakes that, for purposes of determining any liability under the Securities Act of 1933, each filing of the registrant's annual report pursuant to Section 13(a) or Section 15(d) of the Securities Exchange Act of 1934 (and, where applicable, each filing of an employee benefit plan's annual report pursuant to Section 15(d) of the Securities Exchange Act of 1934) that is incorporated by reference in the registration statement shall be deemed to be a new registration statement relating to the securities offered therein, and the offering of such securities at that time shall be deemed to be the initial bona fide offering thereof.
- (c) Insofar as indemnification for liabilities arising under the Securities Act of 1933 may be permitted to directors, officers and controlling persons of the registrant pursuant to the foregoing provisions, or otherwise, the registrant has been advised that in the opinion of the Securities and Exchange Commission such indemnification is against public policy as expressed in the Act and is, therefore, unenforceable. In the event that a claim for indemnification against such liabilities (other than the payment by the registrant of expenses incurred or paid by a director, officer or controlling person of the registrant in the successful defense of any action, suit or proceeding) is asserted by such director, officer or controlling person in connection with the securities being registered, the registrant will, unless in the opinion of its counsel the matter has been settled by controlling precedent, submit to a court of appropriate jurisdiction the question whether such indemnification by it is against public policy as expressed in the Act and will be governed by the final adjudication of such issue.

- (e) The undersigned registrant hereby undertakes that:
- (1) For purposes of determining any liability under the Securities Act of 1933, the information omitted from the form of prospectus filed as part of this registration statement in reliance upon Rule 430A and contained in a form of prospectus filed by the registrant pursuant to Rule 424(b)(1) or (4) or 497(h) under the Securities Act of 1993 shall be deemed to be part of this registration statement as of the time it was declared effective.
- (2) For purposes of determining any liability under the Securities Act of 1933, each post-effective amendment that contains a form of prospectus 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.

SIGNATURES

Pursuant to the requirements of the Securities Act of 1933, each registrant certifies that it has reasonable grounds to believe that it meets all of the requirements for filing on Form S-3 and has duly caused this registration statement to be signed on its behalf by the undersigned, thereunto duly authorized in King of Prussia, Pennsylvania, on June 20, 2016.

AMERIGAS PARTNERS, L.P. a Delaware limited partnership

By: AMERIGAS PROPANE, INC., a Pennsylvania corporation, its general partner

By: /s/ Hugh J. Gallagher

Name: Hugh J. Gallagher

Title: Vice President—Finance and Chief

Financial Officer

POWER OF ATTORNEY

Each person whose signature appears below makes, constitutes and appoints Jerry E. Sheridan, Hugh J. Gallagher, and Monica M. Gaudiosi, and each of them acting alone, his or her true and lawful attorney-in-fact, with full power of substitution, for him or her and in his or her name, place and stead, in any and all capacities, to execute any and all amendments to this registration statement (including post-effective amendments to the registration statement and any such related registration statements, including any registration statement for the same offering to be effective upon filing pursuant to Rule 462(b)), and to file the same, with all exhibits thereto, and any other documents in connection therewith, granting unto said attorneys-in-fact and agents full power and authority to do and perform each and every act and thing requisite and necessary to be done in and about the premises, as fully to all intents and purposes as he or she might or could do in person, hereby ratifying and confirming all that said attorneys-in-fact and agents, or their substitute or substitutes, may lawfully do or cause to be done by virtue hereof.

Pursuant to the requirements of the Securities Act of 1933, as amended, this registration statement has been signed by the following persons on behalf of AmeriGas Partners, L.P. in the capacities with AmeriGas Propane, Inc., its general partner, and on the dates indicated.

<u>Signature</u>	Capacity in which Signed	<u>Date</u>
/s/ JERRY E. SHERIDAN Jerry E. Sheridan	President, Chief Executive Officer (Principal Executive Officer) and Director	June 20, 2016
/S/ JOHN L. WALSH John L. Walsh	Chairman and Director	June 20, 2016
/S/ HUGH J. GALLAGHER Hugh J. Gallagher	Vice President—Finance and Chief Financial Officer (Principal Financial Officer)	June 20, 2016
/S/ LAURIE BERGMAN Laurie Bergman	Controller and Chief Accounting Officer (Principal Accounting Officer)	June 20, 2016
/s/ BRIAN R. FORD Brian R. Ford	Director	June 20, 2016

<u>Signature</u>	Capacity in which Signed	<u>Date</u>
/S/ JOHN R. HARTMANN John R. Hartmann	Director	June 20, 2016
/S/ WILLIAM J. MARRAZZO William J. Marrazzo	Director	June 20, 2016
/S/ ANNE POL Anne Pol	Director	June 20, 2016
/S/ PEDRO A. RAMOS Pedro A. Ramos	Director	June 20, 2016
/S/ MARVIN O. SCHLANGER Marvin O. Schlanger	Presiding Director	June 20, 2016
/s/ K. RICHARD TURNER K. Richard Turner	Director	June 20, 2016

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AMERIGAS FINANCE CORP. a Delaware corporation

By: /s/ Hugh J. Gallagher

Name: Hugh J. Gallagher

Title: Vice President—Finance and Chief

Financial Officer

POWER OF ATTORNEY

Each person whose signature appears below makes, constitutes and appoints Jerry E. Sheridan, Hugh J. Gallagher, and Monica M. Gaudiosi, and each of them acting alone, his or her true and lawful attorney-in-fact, with full power of substitution, for him or her and in his or her name, place and stead, in any and all capacities, to execute any and all amendments to this registration statement (including post-effective amendments to the registration statement and any such related registration statements, including any registration statement for the same offering to be effective upon filing pursuant to Rule 462(b)), and to file the same, with all exhibits thereto, and any other documents in connection therewith, granting unto said attorneys-in-fact and agents full power and authority to do and perform each and every act and thing requisite and necessary to be done in and about the premises, as fully to all intents and purposes as he or she might or could do in person, hereby ratifying and confirming all that said attorneys-in-fact and agents, or their substitute or substitutes, may lawfully do or cause to be done by virtue hereof.

Pursuant to the requirements of the Securities Act of 1933, as amended, this registration statement has been signed by the following persons on behalf of AmeriGas Finance Corp. in the capacities and on the dates indicated.

<u>Signature</u>	Capacity in which Signed	<u>Date</u>
/s/ Jerry E. Sheridan Jerry E. Sheridan	President (Principal Executive Officer) and Director	June 20, 2016
/s/ Hugh J. Gallagher Hugh J. Gallagher	Vice President—Finance and Chief Financial Officer (Principal Financial Officer) and Director	June 20, 2016
/s/ Laurie Bergman Laurie Bergman	Controller and Chief Accounting Officer (Principal Accounting Officer)	June 20, 2016
/s/ MONICA M. GAUDIOSI Monica M. Gaudiosi	Vice President, General Counsel and Secretary and Director	June 20, 2016

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5.1	Legal Opinion of Morgan, Lewis & Bockius LLP
12.1	Statement Regarding Computation of Ratio of Earnings to Fixed Charges
23.1	Consent of Ernst & Young LLP
23.2	Consent of PricewaterhouseCoopers LLP
23.3	Consent of Morgan, Lewis & Bockius LLP (included in Exhibit 5.1)
24.1	Power of Attorney (included on signature page)
25.1	Form T-1 Statement of Eligibility and Qualification under the Trust Indenture Act of 1939, as amended, of U.S. Bank National Association, as trustee

^{*} To be filed by amendment or by the filing of a Form 8-K

AMERIGAS PARTNERS, L.P.,

AMERIGAS FINANCE CORP.

Issuers

and

U.S. Bank National Association

Trustee

INDENTURE

Dated as of [●], 2016

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INDENTURE, dated as of [●], 2016, among AmeriGas Partners, L.P., a Delaware limited partnership (the "Partnership"), and AmeriGas Finance Corp., a Delaware corporation (herein called "Finance Corp.," and together with the Partnership, the "Issuers"), having their principal office at 460 North Gulph Road, King of Prussia, Pennsylvania 19406, and U.S. Bank National Association, a national banking association, as trustee (herein called the "Trustee").

RECITALS OF THE ISSUERS

The Issuers have duly authorized the execution and delivery of this Indenture to provide for the issuance from time to time of unsecured debentures, notes or other evidences of indebtedness (herein called the "Securities"), to be issued in one or more series as *provided* in this Indenture.

All things necessary to make this Indenture a valid and legally binding agreement of the Issuers, in accordance with its terms, have been done.

NOW, THEREFORE, THIS INDENTURE WITNESSETH:

For and in consideration of the premises and the purchase of the Securities by the Holders thereof, it is mutually agreed, for the equal and proportionate benefit of all Holders of the Securities or of series thereof, as follows:

ARTICLE I

DEFINITIONS AND OTHER PROVISIONS OF GENERAL APPLICATION

Section 1.01. Definitions.

For all purposes of this Indenture, except as otherwise expressly *provided* or unless the context otherwise requires:

- (1) the terms defined in this Article have the meanings assigned to them in this Article and include the plural as well as the singular;
- (2) all other terms used herein which are defined in the Trust Indenture Act, either directly or by reference therein, have the meanings assigned to them therein;
 - (3) the words "Article" and "Section" refer to an Article and Section, respectively, of this Indenture;
- (4) the words "herein," "hereof" and "hereunder" and other words of similar import refer to this Indenture as a whole and not to any particular Article, Section, clause or other subdivision;
- (5) references to sections or rules under the Securities Act or the Exchange Act shall be deemed to include substitute, replacement or successor rules adopted by the Commission from time to time;

- (6) "or" is not exclusive; and
- (7) "including" or "include" means including or include without limitation.
- "Accounts Receivable Securitization" means a financing arrangement involving the transfer or sale of accounts receivable of the Partnership and its Restricted Subsidiaries in the ordinary course of business through one or more SPEs, the terms of which arrangement do not impose (a) any recourse or repurchase obligations upon the Partnership and its Restricted Subsidiaries or any Affiliate of the Partnership and its Restricted Subsidiaries (other than any such SPE) except to the extent of the breach of a representation or warranty by the Partnership and its Restricted Subsidiaries in connection therewith or (b) any negative pledge or Lien on any accounts receivable not actually transferred to any such SPE in connection with such arrangement; *provided* that the aggregate amount of accounts receivable that may be securitized in all Accounts Receivable Securitizations at any one time may not exceed \$100 million.
- "Acquired Indebtedness" means, with respect to any specified Person, (i) Indebtedness of any other Person existing at the time such other Person merged with or into or became a Subsidiary of such specified Person, including Indebtedness incurred in connection with, or in contemplation of, such other Person merging with or into or becoming a Subsidiary of such specified Person and (ii) Indebtedness encumbering any asset acquired by such specified Person.
 - "Act," when used with respect to any Holder, has the meaning specified in Section 1.04.
 - "Add On Securities" has the meaning specified in Section 3.01.
- "Affiliate" means, with respect to any specified Person, any other Person directly or indirectly controlling or controlled by or under direct or indirect common control with such specified Person. For purposes of this definition, "control" means the power to direct management and policies, directly or indirectly, whether through the ownership of voting securities, by contract or otherwise. Notwithstanding the foregoing, the term "Affiliate" shall not include any Wholly Owned Restricted Subsidiary.
 - "Annual Limit" has the meaning specified in the definition of "Permitted Investments."
- "Asset Acquisition" means (a) an Investment by the Partnership or any Restricted Subsidiary of the Partnership in any other Person pursuant to which such Person shall become a Restricted Subsidiary of the Partnership, or shall be merged with or into the Partnership or any Restricted Subsidiary of the Partnership or any Restricted Subsidiary of the Partnership of the assets of any Person (other than a Restricted Subsidiary of the Partnership) which constitute all or substantially all of the assets of such Person, or (c) the acquisition by the Partnership or any Restricted Subsidiary of the Partnership of any division or line of business of any Person (other than a Restricted Subsidiary of the Partnership).
 - "Asset Sale" has the meaning specified in Section 10.14.
 - "Asset Sale Offer" has the meaning specified in Section 10.14.

"Attributable Debt" means, with respect to any Sale and Leaseback Transactions not involving a Capital Lease, as of any date of determination, the total obligation, discounted to present value at the rate of interest implicit in the lease included in the transaction, of the lessee for rental payments during the remaining portion of the term of the lease, including extensions which are at the sole option of the lessor. For purposes of this definition, the rental payments shall not include amounts required to be paid on account of property taxes, maintenance, repairs, insurance, assessments, utilities, operating and labor costs and other items which do not constitute payments for property rights. In the case of any lease which is terminable by the lessee upon the payment of a penalty, the rental obligation shall also include the amount of the penalty, but no rent shall be considered as required to be paid under such lease subsequent to the first date upon which it may be so terminated.

"Available Cash," as to any quarter, means: (a) the sum of (i) all cash of the Partnership, the Operating Partnership and any Subsidiaries thereof, treated as a single consolidated entity (together the "Partnership Group"), on hand at the end of such quarter, and (ii) all additional cash of the Partnership Group on hand on the date of determination of Available Cash with respect to such quarter resulting from borrowings subsequent to the end of such quarter, less (b) the amount of cash reserves that is necessary or appropriate in the reasonable discretion of the General Partner to (i) provide for the proper conduct of the business of the Partnership Group (including reserves for future capital expenditures) subsequent to such quarter, (ii) provide funds for distributions under Section 5.4 of the Partnership Agreement in respect of any one or more of the next four quarters or (iii) comply with applicable law or any debt instrument or other agreement or obligation to which any member of the Partnership Group is a party or its assets are subject; *provided*, *however*, that Available Cash attributable to any Restricted Subsidiary of the Partnership shall be excluded to the extent dividends or distributions of such Available Cash by such Restricted Subsidiary are not at the date of determination permitted by the terms of its charter or any agreement, instrument, judgment, decree, order, statute, rule or other regulation.

"Bankruptcy Law" means Title 11, U.S. Code or any similar federal, state or foreign law for the relief of debtors.

"Board of Directors" or "Board" means, as applicable, the Board of Directors of the General Partner, on behalf of the Partnership (or the Partnership if the Partnership is a corporation), the Board of Directors of Finance Corp. or any authorized committee of the Board of Directors.

"Board Resolution" means a copy of a resolution certified by the Secretary or an Assistant Secretary of the General Partner, on behalf of the Partnership (or the Partnership if the Partnership is a corporation) or by the Secretary or an Assistant Secretary of Finance Corp., as applicable, to have been duly adopted by the Board of Directors of such entity and to be in full force and effect on the date of such certification, and delivered to the Trustee.

"Business Day" when used with respect to any Place of Payment, means each Monday, Tuesday, Wednesday, Thursday and Friday that is not a day on which banking institutions in The City of New York, in the city in which the Corporate Trust Office of the Trustee is located or the Place of Payment are authorized or obligated by law, regulation or executive order to close. If a payment date is not a Business Day at any Place of Payment, payment may be made at that place on the next succeeding day that is a Business Day, and no interest shall accrue for the intervening period.

"Capital Lease" means, as applied to any Person, any lease of any property (whether real, personal or mixed) by such Person (as lessee or guarantor or other surety) which would, in accordance with GAAP, be required to be classified and accounted for as a capital lease on a balance sheet of such Person.

"Capital Stock" means, with respect to any Person, any and all shares, interests, units representing interests, participations, rights in or other equivalents (however designated) of such Person's capital stock, including, with respect to partnerships, partnership interests (whether general or limited) and any other interest or participation that confers upon a Person the right to receive a share of the profits and losses of, or distributions of assets of, such partnership, and any rights (other than debt securities convertible into capital stock), warrants or options exchangeable for or convertible into such capital stock.

"Change of Control" means (i) the sale, lease, conveyance or other disposition of all or substantially all of the assets of the Partnership or the Operating Partnership to any Person or group (as such term is used in Section 13(d)(3) of the Exchange Act) other than Permitted Holders or any Person of which Permitted Holders beneficially own in the aggregate 51% or more of the Voting Stock, (ii) the merger or consolidation of the Partnership or the Operating Partnership with another partnership or corporation other than a Permitted Holder or any Person of which Permitted Holders beneficially own in the aggregate 51% or more of the Voting Stock, (iii) the liquidation or dissolution of the Partnership or the General Partner or (iv) the occurrence of any transaction, or series of transactions, the result of which is that Permitted Holders beneficially own in the aggregate, directly or indirectly, less than 51% of the Voting Stock of the General Partner.

"Change of Control Offer" has the meaning specified in Section 10.15.

"Change of Control Payment" has the meaning specified in Section 10.15.

"Change of Control Payment Date" has the meaning specified in Section 10.15.

"Commission" means the U.S. Securities and Exchange Commission, from time to time constituted, created under the Exchange Act or, if at any time after the execution of this instrument such Commission is not existing and performing the duties now assigned to it under the Trust Indenture Act, then the body performing such duties at such time.

"Common Units" means the common units representing limited partner interests of the Partnership, having the rights and obligations specified with respect to Common Units of the Partnership.

"Consolidated Borrowing Base Amount" means an amount equal to the sum of (i) 90% of the face amount of Eligible Accounts Receivable of the Partnership and its Restricted Subsidiaries and (ii) 70% of the book value of the consolidated Inventory of the Partnership and its Restricted Subsidiaries, in each case as determined in accordance with GAAP. To the extent that information is not available as to the amount of Eligible Accounts Receivable or Inventory as of a specific date, the Partnership may utilize the most recent available information for purposes of calculating the Consolidated Borrowing Base Amount.

"Consolidated Cash Flow Available for Fixed Charges" means, with respect to the Partnership and its Restricted Subsidiaries, for any period, the sum of, without duplication, the amounts for each such single period of (a) Consolidated Net Income, (b) Consolidated Non-Cash Charges, (c) Consolidated Interest Expense and (d) Consolidated Income Tax Expense.

"Consolidated Fixed Charge Coverage Ratio" means, with respect to the Partnership and its Restricted Subsidiaries, the ratio of the aggregate amount of Consolidated Cash Flow Available for Fixed Charges of the Partnership and its Restricted Subsidiaries for the four full fiscal quarters immediately preceding the date of the transaction (the "Transaction Date") giving rise to the need to calculate the Consolidated Fixed Charge Coverage Ratio (such four full fiscal quarter period being referred to herein as the "Four Quarter Period") to the aggregate amount of Consolidated Fixed Charges of the Partnership and its Restricted Subsidiaries for the Four Quarter Period. In addition to and without limitation of the foregoing, for purposes of this definition, "Consolidated Cash Flow Available for Fixed Charges" and "Consolidated Fixed Charges" shall be calculated after giving effect on a pro forma basis for the period of such calculation to, without duplication, (a) the incurrence or repayment of any Indebtedness (other than revolving credit borrowings) of the Partnership or any of its Restricted Subsidiaries (and, in the case of any incurrence, the application of the net proceeds thereof) during the period commencing on the first day of the Four Quarter Period to and including the Transaction Date (the "Reference Period"), including, without limitation, the incurrence of the Indebtedness giving rise to the need to make such calculation (and the application of the net proceeds thereof), as if such incurrence (and application) occurred on the first day of the Reference Period, and (b) any Asset Sales or Asset Acquisitions (including, without limitation, any Asset Acquisition giving rise to the need to make such calculation as a result of the Partnership or one of its Restricted Subsidiaries (including any Person who becomes a Restricted Subsidiary as a result of the Asset Acquisition) incurring, assuming or otherwise being liable for Acquired Indebtedness) occurring during the Reference Period, as if such Asset Sale or Asset Acquisition occurred on the first day of the Reference Period; provided, however, that (i) Consolidated Fixed Charges shall be reduced by amounts attributable to businesses or assets that are so disposed of or discontinued only to the extent that the obligations giving rise to such Consolidated Fixed Charges would no longer be obligations contributing to the Consolidated Fixed Charges subsequent to the date of determination of the Consolidated Fixed Charge Coverage Ratio and (ii) Consolidated Cash Flow Available for Fixed Charges generated by an acquired business or asset shall be determined by the actual gross profit (revenues minus cost of goods sold) of such acquired business or asset during the immediately preceding four full fiscal quarters in the Reference Period minus the pro forma expenses that would have been incurred by the Partnership and its Restricted Subsidiaries in the operation of such acquired business or asset during such period, computed on the basis of personnel expenses for employees retained or to be retained by the Partnership and its Restricted Subsidiaries in the operation of the acquired business or asset and non-personnel costs and expenses incurred by the Partnership and its Restricted Subsidiaries in the operation of the Partnership's business at similarly situated facilities. For purposes of this definition, whenever pro forma effect is to be given to an Asset Sale or Asset Acquisition, the pro forma calculations shall be made in good faith by a responsible financial or accounting officer of the Partnership, giving effect to any synergies or cost savings reasonably expected to be achieved as a result of

such transaction, whether or not they could then be reflected in pro forma financial statements in accordance with Regulation S-X promulgated under the Securities Act or any other regulation or policy of the Commission related thereto. Furthermore, in calculating "Consolidated Fixed Charges" for purposes of determining the "Consolidated Fixed Charge Coverage Ratio": (i) interest on outstanding Indebtedness (other than Indebtedness referred to in clause (ii) below) determined on a fluctuating basis as of the last day of the Four Quarter Period and which will continue to be so determined thereafter shall be deemed to have accrued at a fixed rate per annum equal to the rate of interest on such Indebtedness in effect on such date; (ii) only actual interest payments associated with Indebtedness incurred in accordance with clauses (f) and (g) of the definition of Permitted Indebtedness, and all Permitted Refinancing Indebtedness thereof, during the Four Quarter Period shall be included in such calculation; and (iii) if interest on any Indebtedness actually incurred on such date may optionally be determined at an interest rate based upon a factor of a prime or similar rate, a eurocurrency interbank offered rate, or other rates, then the interest rate in effect on the last day of the Four Quarter Period will be deemed to have been in effect during such period.

"Consolidated Fixed Charges" means, with respect to the Partnership and its Restricted Subsidiaries for any period, the sum of, without duplication: (a) the amounts for such period of Consolidated Interest Expense and (b) the aggregate amount of dividends and other distributions paid or accrued during such period in respect of Preferred Stock and Redeemable Capital Stock of the Partnership and its Restricted Subsidiaries on a consolidated basis.

"Consolidated Income Tax Expense" means, with respect to the Partnership and its Restricted Subsidiaries for any period, the provision for federal, state, local and foreign income taxes of the Partnership and its Restricted Subsidiaries for such period as determined on a consolidated basis in accordance with GAAP.

"Consolidated Interest Expense" means, with respect to the Partnership and its Restricted Subsidiaries for any period, without duplication, the sum of (i) the interest expense of the Partnership and its Restricted Subsidiaries for such period as determined on a consolidated basis in accordance with GAAP, including, without limitation, (a) any amortization of debt discount, (b) the net cost under Interest Rate Agreements, (c) the interest portion of any deferred payment obligation, (d) all commissions, discounts and other fees and charges owed with respect to letters of credit and bankers' acceptance financings and (e) all accrued interest for all instruments evidencing Indebtedness and (ii) the interest component of Capital Leases paid, accrued or scheduled to be paid or accrued by the Partnership and its Restricted Subsidiaries during such period as determined on a consolidated basis in accordance with GAAP.

"Consolidated Net Income" means the net income of the Partnership and its Restricted Subsidiaries, as determined on a consolidated basis in accordance with GAAP and as adjusted to exclude (i) net after-tax extraordinary gains or losses, (ii) net after-tax gains or losses attributable to Asset Sales or sales of receivables under any Accounts Receivable Securitization, (iii) the net income or loss of any Person which is not a Restricted Subsidiary and which is accounted for by the equity method of accounting, *provided that* Consolidated Net Income shall include the amount of dividends or distributions actually paid to the Partnership or any Restricted Subsidiary, (iv) the net income or loss prior to the date of acquisition of any Person combined with the Partnership or any Restricted Subsidiary in a pooling of interest, (v) the net income of

any Restricted Subsidiary to the extent that dividends or distributions of such net income are not at the date of determination permitted by the terms of its charter or any agreement, instrument, judgment, decree, order, statute, rule or other regulation and (vi) the cumulative effect of any changes in accounting principles.

"Consolidated Non-Cash Charges" means, with respect to the Partnership and its Restricted Subsidiaries for any period, the aggregate depreciation, amortization and any other non-cash charges, in each case, reducing Consolidated Net Income of the Partnership and its Restricted Subsidiaries for such period, determined on a consolidated basis in accordance with GAAP.

"Consolidated Tangible Assets" of any Person means, as of any date, the amount which, in accordance with GAAP, would be set forth under the caption "Total Assets" (or any like caption) on a consolidated balance sheet of such Person and its Restricted Subsidiaries, as of the end of the most recently ended fiscal quarter for which internal financial statements are available, less all intangible assets, including, without limitation, goodwill, organization costs, patents, trademarks, copyrights, franchises, customer lists, non-competition agreements and research and development costs.

"Corporate Trust Office" shall be the address of the Trustee specified pursuant to Section 10.02 hereof or such other address as to which the Trustee may give notice to the Issuers.

"Covenant Defeasance" has the meaning specified in Section 13.03.

"Credit Agreement" means the Operating Partnership's credit agreement in effect on the Issue Date of a series of the Securities and as it may be amended, supplemented or otherwise modified from time to time, including all exhibits and schedules thereto, and any successors or replacements thereto.

"Custodian" means any receiver, trustee, assignee, liquidator or similar official under any Bankruptcy Law.

"Default" means any event that is, or after notice or passage of time or both would be, an Event of Default; *provided*, *however*, that a default described in Section 5.01(5) shall not constitute a Default until such time as such default becomes an Event of Default in accordance with the terms hereof.

"Defaulted Interest" has the meaning specified in Section 3.07.

"Defeasible Series" has the meaning specified in Section 13.01.

"Depositary" means, with respect to Securities of any series issuable in whole or in part in the form of one or more Global Securities, a clearing agency registered under the Exchange Act that is designated to act as Depositary for such Securities as contemplated by Section 3.01.

"Designated Non-Cash Consideration" means the fair market value of non-cash consideration received by the Partnership or any of its Restricted Subsidiaries in connection with an Asset Sale that is so designated as Designated Non-Cash Consideration pursuant to an Officer's Certificate, setting forth the basis of such valuation, less the amount of cash or cash equivalents received in connection with a subsequent sale, redemption or payment of, on or with respect to, such Designated Non-Cash Consideration.

"Designation Amount" means, with respect to the designation of a Restricted Subsidiary or a newly acquired or formed Subsidiary as an Unrestricted Subsidiary, an amount equal to (x) the net book value of all assets of such Subsidiary at the time of such designation in the case of a Restricted Subsidiary and (y) the cost of acquisition or formation in the case of a newly acquired or formed Subsidiary.

"Disinterested Director" means, with respect to any transaction or series of transactions with Affiliates, a member of the Board of Directors of the General Partner who has no financial interest, and whose employer has no financial interest, in such transaction or series of transactions.

"Eligible Accounts Receivable" means consolidated accounts receivable of the Partnership and its Restricted Subsidiaries that are no more than 60 days past due under their scheduled payment terms.

"ERISA" means the Employee Retirement Income Security Act of 1974, as the same may be amended from time to time.

"Event of Default" has the meaning set forth in Section 5.01 hereof.

"Excess Proceeds" has the meaning specified in Section 10.14.

"Exchange Act" means the Securities Exchange Act of 1934, as amended, from time to time, or any statute successor thereto, and the rules and regulations of the Commission promulgated thereunder.

"Finance Corp." means the party named as such in this Indenture until a successor replaces it pursuant to this Indenture with respect to one or more series of Securities issued pursuant to this Indenture, and thereafter means the successor or other obligor with respect to such one or more series of Securities in the applicable supplemental indenture.

"Fitch" means Fitch Ratings and its successors.

"Four Quarter Period" has the meaning specified in the definition of "Consolidated Fixed Charge Coverage Ratio."

"GAAP" means accounting principles applicable to the financial statements filed by United States entities in reports required by the Exchange Act as in effect on the Issue Date for a particular series of Securities.

"General Partner" means AmeriGas Propane, Inc., a Pennsylvania corporation, and any successors in the capacity of general partner of the Partnership or the Operating Partnership (including, if applicable, more than one successor in any such capacity at the same time).

"Global Security" means a Security that evidences all or part of the Securities of any series and is authenticated and delivered to, and registered in the name of, the Depositary for such Securities or a nominee thereof.

"Government Securities" means direct obligations of, or obligations guaranteed by, the United States of America for the payment of which guarantee or obligations the full faith and credit of the United States of America is pledged.

"Guaranty" as applied to any Person, means any direct or indirect liability, contingent or otherwise, of such Person with respect to any Indebtedness, lease, cash dividend or other obligation of another, including, without limitation, (a) any such obligation directly or indirectly guaranteed or endorsed (otherwise than for collection or deposit in the ordinary course of business) by such Person, or in respect of which such Person is otherwise directly or indirectly liable, (b) any other obligation under any contract which, in economic effect, is substantially equivalent to a guaranty, including, without limitation, any such obligation of a partnership in which such Person is a general partner or of a joint venture in which such Person is a joint venturer, or (c) any obligation in effect guaranteed by such Person through any agreement (contingent or otherwise) to purchase, repurchase or otherwise acquire such obligation or any security therefor, or to provide funds for the payment or discharge of such obligation (whether in the form of loans, advances, stock purchases, capital contributions or otherwise), or to maintain the solvency or any balance sheet or other financial condition of the obligor of such obligation, or to make payment for any products, materials or supplies or for any transportation or services regardless of the non-delivery or nonfurnishing thereof, in any such case if the purpose or intent of such agreement is to provide assurance that such obligation will be paid or discharged, or that any agreements relating thereto will be complied with, or that the holders of such obligation will be protected against loss in respect thereof.

"Holder" means a Person in whose name a Security is registered in the Security Register.

"incur" has the meaning specified in Section 10.09.

"Indebtedness" means as applied to any Person, without duplication:

- (a) any indebtedness for borrowed money and all obligations evidenced by any bond, note, debenture or other similar instrument or letter of credit (or reimbursement agreements in respect thereof) which such Person has directly or indirectly created, incurred or assumed;
- (b) any indebtedness for borrowed money and all obligations evidenced by any bond, note, debenture or other similar instrument secured by any Lien in respect of property owned by such Person, whether or not such Person has assumed or become liable for the payment of such indebtedness; *provided that* the amount of such indebtedness, if such Person has not assumed the same or become liable therefor, shall in no event be deemed to be greater than the fair market value from time to time (as determined in good faith by such Person) of the property subject to such Lien;
- (c) any indebtedness, whether or not for borrowed money (excluding trade payables and accrued expenses arising in the ordinary course of business), with respect to which such Person has become directly or indirectly liable and which represents the deferred purchase price (or a

portion thereof) or has been incurred to finance the purchase price (or a portion thereof) of any property or service or business acquired by such Person, whether by purchase, consolidation, merger or otherwise;

- (d) the principal component of any obligations under Capital Leases to the extent such obligations would, in accordance with GAAP, appear on a balance sheet of such Person;
 - (e) all Attributable Debt of such Person in respect of Sale and Leaseback Transactions not involving a Capital Lease;
- (f) any indebtedness of the character referred to in clause (a), (b), (c), (d) or (e) of this definition deemed to be extinguished under GAAP but for which such Person remains legally liable;
- (g) any indebtedness of any other Person of the character referred to in clause (a), (b), (c), (d), (e) or (f) of this definition with respect to which the Person whose indebtedness is being determined has become liable by way of a Guaranty;
- (h) all Redeemable Capital Stock of such Person valued at the greater of its voluntary or involuntary maximum fixed repurchase price plus accrued dividends;
- (i) any Preferred Stock of any Subsidiary of such Person valued at the liquidation preference thereof or any mandatory redemption payment obligations in respect thereof plus, in either case, accrued dividends thereon; and
- (j) any amendment, supplement, modification, deferral, renewal, extension or refunding of any liability of the types referred to in clauses (a) through (i) above.

For purposes hereof, the "maximum fixed repurchase price" of any Redeemable Capital Stock which does not have a fixed repurchase price shall be calculated in accordance with the terms of such Redeemable Capital Stock as if such Redeemable Capital Stock were purchased on any date on which Indebtedness shall be required to be determined pursuant to this Indenture, and if such price is based upon, or measured by, the fair market value of such Redeemable Capital Stock, such fair market value shall be determined in good faith by the board of directors of the issuer of such Redeemable Capital Stock.

"Indenture" means this instrument as originally executed or as it may from time to time be supplemented or amended by one or more indentures supplemental hereto entered into pursuant to the applicable provisions hereof, including, for all purposes of this instrument and any such supplemental indenture, the provisions of the Trust Indenture Act that are deemed to be a part of and to govern this instrument and any such supplemental indenture, respectively. The term "Indenture" shall also include the terms of particular series of Securities established as contemplated by Section 3.01.

"Interest," when used with respect to an Original Issue Discount Security, which by its terms bears interest only after the Stated Maturity, means interest payable after the Stated Maturity.

"Interest Payment Date," when used with respect to any Security, means the Stated Maturity of an installment of interest on such Security.

"Interest Rate Agreement" means any interest rate swap agreement, interest rate cap agreement, interest rate collar agreement or other similar agreement or arrangement designed to protect the Partnership or any Restricted Subsidiary from fluctuations in interest rates.

"Inventory" means goods held by a Person for sale or lease or to be furnished under contracts of service or if such Person has so furnished them, or if they are raw materials, work in process materials used or consumed in the business or finished inventory of every type or description (including, without limitation, all liquefied petroleum gas), in each case as would be shown as inventory on a balance sheet of such Person prepared in accordance with GAAP consistently applied; and all documents of title covering such inventory, and shall specifically include all "inventory" as such term is defined in the UCC, now or hereafter owned by such Person.

"Investment Limit" has the meaning specified in the definition of "Permitted Investments."

"Investment" means as applied to any Person, (1) any direct or indirect purchase or other acquisition by such Person of stock or other securities of any other Person, or (2) any direct or indirect loan, advance or capital contribution by such Person to any other Person, and any other item which would be classified as an "investment" on a balance sheet of such Person prepared in accordance with GAAP, including, without limitation, any direct or indirect contribution by such Person of property or assets to a joint venture, partnership or other business entity in which such Person retains an interest (it being understood that a direct or indirect purchase or other acquisition by such Person of assets of any other Person (other than stock or other securities) shall not constitute an "Investment" for purposes of this Indenture). The amount classified as Investments made during any period shall be the aggregate cost to the Partnership and its Restricted Subsidiaries of all such Investments made during such period, determined in accordance with GAAP, but without regard to unrealized increases or decreases in value, or write-ups, write-downs or write-offs, of such Investments and without regard to the existence of any undistributed earnings or accrued interest with respect thereto accrued after the respective dates on which such Investments were made, less any net return of capital realized during such period upon the sale, repayment or other liquidation of such Investments (determined in accordance with GAAP, but without regard to any amounts received during such period as earnings (in the form of dividends not constituting a return of capital, interest or otherwise) on such Investments or as loans from any Person in whom such Investments have been made).

"Investment Grade Rating" means, with respect to a series of Securities, (i) in the case of Moody's, a rating equal to or higher than Baa3 (or the equivalent), (ii) in the case of S&P, a rating equal to or higher than BBB- (or the equivalent), and (iii) in the case of Fitch, a rating equal to or higher than BBB- (or the equivalent).

"Issue Date," for each series of Securities, means the date on which Securities of such series are originally issued.

"Issuers' Request" or "Issuers' Order" means a written request or order of the General Partner on behalf of the Partnership (or the Partnership if the Partnership is a corporation) and of

Finance Corp., signed by the Chairman of the Board, any Vice Chairman of the Board, the President or a Vice President, and by the Treasurer, an Assistant Treasurer, the Secretary or an Assistant Secretary, and delivered to the Trustee.

"Issuers" means the parties named as such in this Indenture until a successor or other obligor replaces either the Partnership or Finance Corp. pursuant to this Indenture with respect to one or more series of Securities as set forth in a supplemental indenture and thereafter means the remaining Issuer and such successor with respect to the one or more series of Securities specified in the applicable supplemental indenture.

"Legal Defeasance" has the meaning specified in Section 13.02.

"Lien" means any mortgage, charge, pledge, lien (statutory or other), security interest, hypothecation, assignment for security, claim, or preference or priority or other encumbrance upon or with respect to any property of any kind. A Person shall be deemed to own subject to a Lien any property which such Person has acquired or holds subject to the interest of a vendor or lessor under any conditional sale agreement, capital lease or other title retention agreement.

"Maturity Date" means, with respect to any Security, the date on which the principal of such Security or an installment of principal becomes due and payable as therein or herein provided, whether at the Stated Maturity with respect to such principal or by declaration of acceleration, call for redemption, purchase or otherwise.

"Moody's" means Moody's Investors Service, Inc. and its successors.

"Net Amount of Unrestricted Investment" means, without duplication, the sum of (x) the aggregate amount of all Investments made after the Issue Date of a series of the Securities pursuant to subdivision (h) of the definition of Permitted Investments (computed as provided in the last sentence of the definition of Investment) and (y) the aggregate of all Designation Amounts in connection with the designation of Unrestricted Subsidiaries less all Designation Amounts in respect of Unrestricted Subsidiaries which have been designated as Restricted Subsidiaries and otherwise reduced in a manner consistent with the provisions of the last sentence of the definition of Investment.

"Net Proceeds" means, with respect to any Asset Sale or sale of Capital Stock, the proceeds thereof in the form of cash or cash equivalents including payments in respect of deferred payment obligations when received in the form of cash or cash equivalents (except to the extent that such deferred payment obligations are financed or sold with recourse to the Partnership or any Restricted Subsidiary of the Partnership) net of (i) brokerage commissions and other fees and expenses (including, without limitation, fees and expenses of legal counsel and accountants and fees, expenses and discounts or commissions of underwriters, placement agents and investment bankers) related to such Asset Sale, (ii) provisions for all taxes payable as a result of such Asset Sale, (iii) amounts required to be paid to any Person (other than the Partnership or any Restricted Subsidiary of the Partnership) owning a beneficial interest in the assets subject to such Asset Sale, (iv) appropriate amounts to be provided by the Partnership or any Restricted Subsidiary of the Partnership, as the case may be, as a reserve required in accordance with GAAP against any liabilities associated with such Asset Sale and retained by the Partnership or any Restricted

Subsidiary of the Partnership, as the case may be, after such Asset Sale, including, without limitation, pension and other post-employment benefit liabilities, liabilities related to environmental matters and liabilities under any indemnification obligations associated with such Asset Sale and (v) amounts required to be applied to the repayment of Indebtedness secured by a Lien on the asset or assets sold in such Asset Sale.

"Notice of Default" means a written notice of the kind specified in Section 5.01.

"Officer's Certificate" means a certificate signed on behalf of (i) the General Partner (acting on behalf of the Partnership) by an officer of the General Partner (or the Partnership if the Partnership is a corporation), who must be the principal executive officer, the principal financial officer, the treasurer or the principal accounting officer of the General Partner, or (ii) Finance Corp. by an officer of Finance Corp., who must be the principal executive officer, the principal financial officer, the treasurer or the principal accounting officer of Finance Corp, in either case that meets the requirements of Section 1.02 hereof.

"Offer Amount" has the meaning specified in Section 11.08.

"Offer Period" has the meaning specified in Section 11.08.

"Operating Partnership" means AmeriGas Propane, L.P., a Delaware limited partnership, and its successors.

"Operating Partnership Agreement" means the Amended and Restated Agreement of Limited Partnership of the Operating Partnership, as in effect on the Issue Date of a series of the Securities, and as the same may from time to time be amended, supplemented or otherwise modified in accordance with the terms thereof, or any successor to such agreement.

"Operative Agreements" means the Partnership Agreement, the Operating Partnership Agreement and the other agreements entered into between the Partnership or the Operating Partnership and any of their respective Affiliates (including the General Partner) on April 19, 1995, as amended, supplemented or otherwise modified in accordance with the terms thereof or any successor to such agreements.

"Opinion of Counsel" means an opinion from legal counsel, who is reasonably acceptable to the Trustee, who may be an employee of or counsel to the Partnership, the General Partner, Finance Corp., UGI, any of their respective Subsidiaries or the Trustee, consistent with the requirements of Section 1.02 hereof.

"Original Issue Discount Security" means any Security which provides for an amount less than the principal amount thereof to be due and payable upon a declaration of acceleration of the Maturity Date thereof pursuant to Section 5.02.

"Outstanding," when used with respect to Securities, means, as of the date of determination, all Securities theretofore authenticated and delivered under this Indenture, except:

(1) Securities theretofore cancelled by the Trustee or delivered to the Trustee for cancellation;

- (2) Securities for whose payment or redemption money in the necessary amount has been theretofore deposited with the Trustee or any Paying Agent (other than the Issuers) in trust or set aside and segregated in trust by the Issuers (if the Issuers shall act as their own Paying Agent) for the Holders of such Securities; *provided* that, if such Securities are to be redeemed, notice of such redemption has been duly given pursuant to this Indenture or provision therefor satisfactory to the Trustee has been made;
 - (3) Securities as to which Legal Defeasance has been effected pursuant to Section 13.02; and
- (4) Securities which have been paid pursuant to Section 3.06 or in exchange for or in lieu of which other Securities have been authenticated and delivered pursuant to this Indenture, other than any such Securities in respect of which there shall have been presented to the Trustee proof satisfactory to it that such Securities are held by a bona fide purchaser in whose hands such Securities are valid obligations of the Partnership; provided, however, that in determining whether the Holders of the requisite principal amount of the Outstanding Securities have given any request, demand, authorization, direction, notice, consent or waiver hereunder, (A) the principal amount of an Original Issue Discount Security that shall be deemed to be Outstanding shall be the amount of the principal thereof that would be due and payable as of the date of such determination upon acceleration of the Maturity Date thereof to such date pursuant to Section 5.02, and (B) Securities owned by the Partnership or any other obligor upon the Securities or any Affiliate or Wholly Owned Restricted Subsidiary of the General Partner on behalf of the Partnership or of such other obligor shall be disregarded and deemed not to be Outstanding, except that, in determining whether the Trustee shall be protected in relying upon any such request, demand, authorization, direction, notice, consent or waiver, only Securities which a Responsible Officer of the Trustee actually knows to be so owned shall be so disregarded. Securities so owned which have been pledged in good faith may be regarded as Outstanding if the pledgee establishes to the satisfaction of the Trustee the pledgee's right so to act with respect to such Securities and that the pledgee is not the Issuers or any other obligor upon the Securities or any Affiliate of the Issuers or of such other obligor.

"Partnership" means the party named as such in this Indenture until a successor replaces it pursuant to this Indenture and thereafter means the successor.

"Partnership Agreement" means the Amended and Restated Agreement of Limited Partnership of the Partnership, as in effect on the Issue Date of a series of the Securities, and as the same may from time to time be amended, supplemented or otherwise modified in accordance with the terms thereof or any successor to such agreement.

"Partnership Group" has the meaning specified in the definition of "Available Cash."

"Paying Agent" means any Person authorized by the Issuers to pay the principal of or any premium or interest on any Securities on behalf of the Issuers.

"Payment Default" has the meaning specified in Section 5.01.

"Payment Restrictions" has the meaning specified in Section 10.12.

- "Permitted Banks" has the meaning specified in the definition of "Permitted Investments."
- "Permitted Holders" means UGI and its Subsidiaries.
- "Permitted Indebtedness" means each of the following:
- (a) Indebtedness of (a) AmeriGas Finance Corp. and AmeriGas Finance LLC evidenced by the 7.00% Senior Notes due May 2022 and the 6.750% Senior Notes due 2020 and (b) the Operating Partnership issued pursuant to the Note Purchase Agreement, dated November 17, 1997, by and among Heritage Operating L.P. and the initial purchasers named therein, as amended or the Note Purchase Agreement, dated August 10, 2000, by and among Heritage Operating L.P. and the initial purchasers named therein, as amended, to the extent it remains outstanding on the applicable Issue Date of a series of Securities;
 - (b) Indebtedness of the Issuers outstanding on the applicable Issue Date of a series of Securities;
- (c) Indebtedness of the Operating Partnership; *provided that* the aggregate principal amount (exclusive of any unamortized premium) of such Indebtedness outstanding at any time may not exceed \$518 million;
- (d) Indebtedness of the Partnership or a Restricted Subsidiary incurred (A) for the making of expenditures for the improvement or repair of (to the extent such improvements or repairs may be capitalized on the books of such Person in accordance with GAAP) or additions to (including additions by way of acquisitions of businesses and related assets) the property and assets of the Partnership and its Restricted Subsidiaries or (B) by assumption in connection with additions (including additions by way of acquisition or capital contributions of businesses and related assets) to the property and assets of the Partnership and its Restricted Subsidiaries; *provided* that the aggregate principal amount of this Indebtedness outstanding at any time may not exceed the greater of (i) \$150 million and (ii) 7.5% of Consolidated Tangible Assets of the Partnership;
- (e) Indebtedness of the Partnership or a Restricted Subsidiary incurred for any purpose permitted under the Credit Agreement; *provided* that the aggregate principal amount of such Indebtedness outstanding at any time may not exceed an amount equal to the greatest of (i) \$825 million, (ii) the Consolidated Borrowing Base Amount, or (iii) 30% of Consolidated Tangible Assets of the Partnership;
- (f) Indebtedness of the Partnership owing to the General Partner or an Affiliate of the General Partner that is unsecured and that is Subordinated Indebtedness; *provided that* the aggregate principal amount of such Indebtedness outstanding at any time may not exceed \$100 million;
- (g) Indebtedness of the Partnership or a Restricted Subsidiary for the purpose of the payment of liabilities of Petrolane; *provided* that the aggregate amount of such Indebtedness outstanding at any time may not exceed \$30 million;
 - (h) Indebtedness owed by the Partnership or any Restricted Subsidiary to any Restricted Subsidiary;

- (i) Indebtedness under Interest Rate Agreements;
- (j) Permitted Refinancing Indebtedness;
- (k) the incurrence by the Partnership or a Restricted Subsidiary of Indebtedness owing directly to its insurance carriers (without duplication) in connection with the Partnership's, its Subsidiaries' or its Affiliates' self-insurance programs or other similar forms of retained insurable risks for their respective businesses, consisting of reinsurance agreements and indemnification agreements (and guarantees of the foregoing) secured by letters of credit; provided that any Consolidated Fixed Charges associated with the Indebtedness evidenced by such reinsurance agreements, indemnification agreements, guarantees and letters of credit shall be included (without duplication) in any determination of the Consolidated Fixed Charge Coverage Ratio set forth in the first paragraph of Section 10.09 hereof;
 - (1) Indebtedness of the Partnership and its Restricted Subsidiaries in respect of Capital Leases;
- (m) Indebtedness of the Partnership and its Restricted Subsidiaries represented by letters of credit supporting (i) obligations under workmen's compensation laws; (ii) obligations to suppliers of propane, *provided that* the aggregate amount of such Indebtedness outstanding at any time may not exceed \$75 million; and (iii) the repayment of Permitted Indebtedness;
 - (n) Indebtedness of the Partnership or a Restricted Subsidiary incurred with respect to any Accounts Receivable Securitization;
- (o) surety bonds and appeal bonds required in the ordinary course of business or in connection with the enforcement of rights or claims of the Partnership or any of its Subsidiaries or in connection with judgments that do not result in a Default or Event of Default;
- (p) (a) Acquired Indebtedness of the Partnership or any of its Restricted Subsidiaries which Indebtedness exists at the time of such acquisition, merger, consolidation or conversion and is not created in contemplation of such event and where such acquisition, merger or consolidation is otherwise permitted by the Indenture and (b) Indebtedness of the Partnership to finance all or a portion of any such acquisition, merger or consolidation; *provided*, *however*, that, in each case, on a pro forma basis, either (x) the Partnership would be permitted to incur at least \$1.00 of additional Indebtedness pursuant to the Consolidated Fixed Charge Coverage Ratio set forth in the first paragraph of Section 10.09 or (y) the Consolidated Fixed Charge Coverage Ratio would not be less than immediately prior to such transactions; and
- (q) the incurrence by the Partnership or any of its Restricted Subsidiaries of Indebtedness in addition to the Indebtedness described in clauses (a) through (p) above in an aggregate principal amount then outstanding not to exceed the greater of (i) \$125 million or (ii) 7.5% of Consolidated Tangible Assets of the Partnership.

"Permitted Investments" means each of the following:

(a) Investments made or owned by the Partnership or any Restricted Subsidiary in (i) marketable obligations issued or unconditionally guaranteed by the United States of America, or

issued by any agency thereof and backed by the full faith and credit of the United States, in each case maturing one year or less from the date of acquisition thereof, (ii) marketable direct obligations issued by any state of the United States of America or any political subdivision of any such state or any public instrumentality thereof maturing within one year from the date of acquisition thereof and having as at such date the highest rating obtainable from S&P, Moody's, or Fitch, (iii) commercial paper maturing no more than 365 days from the date of creation thereof and having as at the date of acquisition thereof one of the two highest ratings obtainable from S&P, Moody's, or Fitch, (iv) certificates of deposit maturing one year or less from the date of acquisition thereof issued by commercial banks incorporated under the laws of the United States of America or any state thereof or the District of Columbia or Canada ("Permitted Banks") (A) the commercial paper or other short-term unsecured debt obligations of which are as at such date rated either A-2 or better (or comparably if the rating system is changed) by S&P, Prime-2 or better (or comparably if the rating system is changed) by Moody's, or F2 or better (or comparably if the rating system is changed) by Fitch or (B) the long-term debt obligations of which are as at such date rated either A or better (or comparably if the rating system is changed) by S&P, Moody's, or Fitch, (v) Eurodollar time deposits having a maturity of less than 270 days from the date of acquisition thereof purchased directly from any Permitted Bank, (vi) bankers' acceptances eligible for rediscount under requirements of The Board of Governors of the Federal Reserve System and accepted by Permitted Banks, (vii) obligations of the type described in clause (i), (ii), (iii), (iv) or (v) above purchased from a securities dealer designated as a "primary dealer" by the Federal Reserve Bank of New York or from a Permitted Bank as counterparty to a written repurchase agreement obligating such counterparty to repurchase such obligations not later than 14 days after the purchase thereof and which provides that the obligations that are the subject thereof are held for the benefit of the Partnership or a Restricted Subsidiary by a custodian that is a Permitted Bank and that is not a counterparty to the repurchase agreement in question; (viii) shares of money market mutual funds having as at such date one of the two highest ratings obtainable from S&P, Moody's, or Fitch, and (ix) auction rate investments having as at such date one of the two highest ratings obtainable from S&P, Moody's, or Fitch;

- (b) the acquisition by the Partnership or any Restricted Subsidiary of Capital Stock or other ownership interests, whether in a single transaction or in a series of related transactions, of a Person such that, upon the completion of such transaction or series of transactions, such Person becomes a Restricted Subsidiary;
- (c) subject to the provisions of clause (h) below, the making or ownership by the Partnership or any Restricted Subsidiary of Investments (in addition to Investments permitted by clauses (a), (b), (d), (e), (f) and (g)) in any Person; *provided* that the aggregate amount of all such Investments made by the Partnership and its Restricted Subsidiaries following the Issue Date of a series of the Securities and outstanding pursuant to this clause (c) and clause (h) below shall not at any date of determination exceed 10% of Total Assets (the "Investment Limit"); *provided* that, in addition to Investments that would be permitted under the Investment Limit, during any fiscal year the Partnership and its Restricted Subsidiaries may invest up to \$25 million (the "Annual Limit") pursuant to the provisions of this clause (c), but the unused amount of the Annual Limit shall not be carried over to any future years;
- (d) the making or ownership by the Partnership or any Restricted Subsidiary of Investments (x) arising out of loans and advances to employees incurred in the ordinary course of business,

- (y) arising out of extensions of trade credit or advances to third parties in the ordinary course of business or (z) acquired by reason of the exercise of customary creditors' rights upon default or pursuant to the bankruptcy, insolvency or reorganization of a debtor;
- (e) the creation or incurrence of liability by the Partnership or any Restricted Subsidiary with respect to any Guaranty constituting an obligation, warranty or indemnity, not guaranteeing Indebtedness of any Person, which is undertaken or made in the ordinary course of business;
 - (f) the creation or incurrence of liability by the Partnership or any Restricted Subsidiary with respect to any Interest Rate Agreements;
 - (g) the making by the Partnership or any Restricted Subsidiary of Investments in the Partnership or another Restricted Subsidiary;
- (h) the making or ownership by the Partnership or any Restricted Subsidiary of Investments in Unrestricted Subsidiaries; *provided* that the Net Amount of Unrestricted Investment shall not at any time exceed \$50 million (and subject to the limitations specified in clause (c) above);
 - (i) the making or ownership by the Partnership or any Restricted Subsidiary of Investments in the Operating Partnership;
- (j) the creation or incurrence of liability by the Partnership or any Restricted Subsidiary or the making or ownership by the Partnership or any Restricted Subsidiary of Investments with respect to any Accounts Receivable Securitization;
 - (k) any Investment to the extent made in exchange for the issuance of Capital Stock (other than Redeemable Capital Stock) of the Partnership; and
- (l) other Investments in any Person having an aggregate fair market value (measured on the date each such Investment was made and without giving effect to subsequent changes in value), when taken together with all other Investments made pursuant to this clause (l) that are at the time outstanding, not to exceed the greater of (i) \$150 million or (ii) 7.5% of Consolidated Tangible Assets of the Partnership.

"Permitted Liens" means each of the following:

- (a) Liens for taxes, assessments or other governmental charges the payment of which is not yet due and is being contested in good faith by appropriate proceedings promptly initiated and diligently conducted and as to which reserves or other appropriate provision, if any, as shall be required by GAAP shall have been made therefor and be adequate in the good faith judgment of the obligor;
- (b) Liens of lessors, landlords and carriers, vendors, warehousemen, mechanics, materialmen, repairmen and other like Liens incurred in the ordinary course of business for sums not yet due or the payment of which is being contested in good faith by appropriate proceedings promptly initiated and diligently conducted and as to which reserves or other appropriate provision, if any, as shall be required by GAAP shall have been made therefor and be adequate in the good faith judgment of the obligor, in each case (i) not incurred or made in connection with the borrowing

of money, the obtaining of advances or credit or the payment of the deferred purchase price of property or (ii) incurred in the ordinary course of business securing the unpaid purchase price of property or services constituting current accounts payable;

- (c) Liens (other than any Lien imposed by ERISA) incurred or deposits made in the ordinary course of business (i) in connection with workers' compensation, unemployment insurance and other types of social security or (ii) to secure (or to obtain letters of credit that secure) the performance of tenders, statutory obligations, surety and appeal bonds, bids, leases, performance bonds, purchase, construction or sales contracts and other similar obligations, in each case not incurred or made in connection with the borrowing of money;
 - (d) other deposits made to secure liability to insurance carriers under insurance or self-insurance arrangements;
- (e) Liens securing reimbursement obligations under letters of credit; *provided* in each case that such Liens cover only the title documents and related goods (and any proceeds thereof) covered by the related letter of credit;
- (f) any attachment or judgment Lien, unless the judgment it secures shall not, within 60 days after the entry thereof, have been discharged or execution thereof stayed pending appeal or review, or shall not have been discharged within 60 days after expiration of any such stay;
- (g) leases or subleases granted to others, easements, rights-of-way, restrictions and other similar charges or encumbrances, which, in each case either (i) are granted, entered into or created in the ordinary course of the business of the Partnership or any Restricted Subsidiary or (ii) do not materially impair the value or intended use of the property covered thereby;
- (h) Liens on property or assets of any Restricted Subsidiary securing Indebtedness of such Restricted Subsidiary owing to the Partnership or a Wholly Owned Restricted Subsidiary;
 - (i) Liens on assets of the Partnership or any Restricted Subsidiary existing on the applicable Issue Date of a series of Securities;
- (j) Liens (other than the Liens securing Indebtedness incurred under the Credit Agreement for the purpose of acquisitions) securing Indebtedness incurred in accordance with (i) clause (d) of the definition of Permitted Indebtedness, (ii) clauses (e) and (g) of the definition of Permitted Indebtedness or (iii) Indebtedness otherwise permitted to be incurred under Section 10.09 hereof to the extent incurred (A) to finance the making of expenditures for the improvement or repair (to the extent such improvements and repairs may be capitalized on the books of the Partnership and the Restricted Subsidiaries in accordance with GAAP) of, or additions (including additions by way of acquisitions of businesses and related assets) to, the assets and property of the Partnership and the Restricted Subsidiaries, or (B) by assumption in connection with additions (including additions by way of acquisition or capital contributions of business and related assets) to the property and assets of the Partnership and the Restricted Subsidiaries; provided that in the case of Indebtedness incurred in accordance with clause (i) or (iii), the principal amount of such Indebtedness does not exceed the lesser of the cost to the Partnership and the Restricted Subsidiaries of such additional property or assets and the fair market value of such additional property or assets at the time of the acquisition thereof (as determined in good faith by the General Partner);

- (k) Liens existing on any property of any Person at the time it becomes a Restricted Subsidiary of the Partnership, or existing at the time of acquisition by the Partnership or any such Restricted Subsidiary through purchase, merger or consolidation or otherwise, whether or not assumed by the Partnership or such Restricted Subsidiary, or created to secure Indebtedness incurred to pay all or any part of the purchase price (a "Purchase Money Lien") of property (including, without limitation, Capital Stock and other securities) acquired by the Partnership or a Restricted Subsidiary; provided that (i) any such Lien shall be confined solely to such item or items of property and, if required by the terms of the instrument originally creating such Lien, other property which is an improvement to or is acquired for use specifically in connection with such acquired property, (ii) in the case of a Purchase Money Lien, the principal amount of the Indebtedness secured by such Purchase Money Lien shall at no time exceed an amount equal to the lesser of (A) the cost to the Partnership and the Restricted Subsidiaries of such property and (B) the fair market value of such property at the time of the acquisition thereof (as determined in good faith by the General Partner), (iii) any such Purchase Money Lien shall be created not later than 30 days after the acquisition of such property and (iv) any such Lien (other than a Purchase Money Lien) shall not have been created or assumed in contemplation of such Person's becoming a Subsidiary of the Partnership or such acquisition of property by the Partnership or any Subsidiary;
- (l) easements, exceptions or reservations in any property of the Partnership or any Restricted Subsidiary granted or reserved for the purpose of pipelines, roads, the removal of oil, gas, coal or other minerals, and other like purposes, or for the joint or common use of real property, facilities and equipment, which are incidental to, and do not materially interfere with, the ordinary conduct of the business of the Partnership or any Restricted Subsidiary;
- (m) Liens securing the obligations under the Credit Agreement or any other Permitted Indebtedness of the Operating Partnership (or any extension, renewal, refunding or refinancing of any such Indebtedness);
- (n) Liens arising from or constituting permitted encumbrances under the agreements and instruments securing the obligations under the Credit Agreement or any Permitted Indebtedness of the operating partnership (or any extension, renewal, refunding or refinancing of any such Indebtedness);
- (o) Liens securing Indebtedness arising under an Accounts Receivable Securitization (including the filing of any related financing statements naming the Partnership or any Restricted Subsidiary as the debtor thereunder in connection with the sale of accounts receivable by the Partnership or any Restricted Subsidiary to an SPE in connection with any such permitted Accounts Receivable Securitization);
- (p) any Lien renewing or extending any Lien permitted by clause (i), (j), or (k) above; provided that (i) the principal amount of the Indebtedness secured by any such Lien shall not exceed the principal amount of such Indebtedness outstanding immediately prior to the renewal or extension of such Lien, and (ii) no assets encumbered by any such Lien other than the assets encumbered immediately prior to such renewal or extension shall be encumbered thereby; and

(q) Liens in addition to the Liens described in clauses (a) through (p) above incurred in the ordinary course of business of the Partnership or any Restricted Subsidiary of the Partnership with respect to Indebtedness that does not exceed the greater of (i) \$100 million and (ii) 5% of Consolidated Tangible Assets of the Partnership at any one time outstanding.

"Permitted Refinancing Indebtedness" means Indebtedness incurred by the Partnership or any Restricted Subsidiary to substantially concurrently (excluding any notice period on redemptions) repay, refund, renew, replace, extend or refinance, in whole or in part, any Permitted Indebtedness of the Partnership or any Restricted Subsidiary pursuant to Section 10.09 hereof, to the extent that (i) the principal amount of such Permitted Refinancing Indebtedness does not exceed the principal or accreted amount plus the amount of accrued and unpaid interest of the Indebtedness so repaid, refunded, renewed, replaced, extended or refinanced and the amount of a reasonably determined premium necessary to accomplish such financing, (ii) with respect to the repayment, refunding, renewal, replacement, extension or refinancing of Indebtedness of the Issuers, the Permitted Refinancing Indebtedness ranks no more favorably in right of payment with respect to the Securities than the Indebtedness so repaid, refunded, renewed, replaced, extended or refinanced, and (iii) with respect to the repayment, refunding or refinancing of Indebtedness of the Issuers, the Permitted Refinancing Indebtedness has a Weighted Average Life to Stated Maturity and Stated Maturity equal to, or greater than, and has no fixed mandatory redemption or sinking fund requirement in an amount greater than or at a time prior to the amounts set forth in, the Indebtedness or repaid, refunded, renewed, replaced, extended or refinanced; provided, however, that Permitted Refinancing Indebtedness shall not include Indebtedness incurred by a Restricted Subsidiary to repay, refund, renew, replace, extend or refinance Indebtedness of the Partnership.

"Person" means any individual, corporation, limited liability company, partnership, joint venture, association, joint stock company, trust, charitable foundation, unincorporated organization, government or any agency or political subdivision thereof, or any other entity.

"Petrolane" means Petrolane Incorporated, a Pennsylvania corporation, and its successors.

"Place of Payment," when used with respect to the Securities of any series, means the place or places where the principal of and any premium and interest on the Securities of that series are payable as specified as contemplated by Section 3.01.

"Preferred Stock," as applied to the Capital Stock of any Person, means Capital Stock (other than the Common Units) of any class or classes (however designated), which is preferred as to the payment of distributions, dividends, or upon any voluntary or involuntary liquidation or dissolution of such Person, over shares or units of Capital Stock of any other class of such Person.

"Purchase Date" has the meaning specified in Section 11.08.

"Purchase Money Lien" has the meaning specified in the definition of "Permitted Liens."

"Rating Agency" means each of S&P, Moody's and Fitch.

"Redeemable Capital Stock" means any shares of any class or series of Capital Stock, that, either by the terms thereof, by the terms of any security into which it is convertible or exchangeable or by contract or otherwise, is, or upon the happening of an event or passage of time would be, required to be redeemed prior to the Stated Maturity with respect to the principal of any series of Securities or is redeemable at the option of the holder thereof at any time prior to the Stated Maturity of any series of Securities, or is convertible into or exchangeable for debt securities at any time prior to the Stated Maturity of any series of Securities.

"Redemption Date," when used with respect to any Security to be redeemed, means the date fixed for such redemption by or pursuant to this Indenture.

"Redemption Price," when used with respect to any Security to be redeemed, means the price at which it is to be redeemed pursuant to this Indenture.

"Reference Period" has the meaning specified in the definition of "Consolidated Fixed Charge Coverage Ratio."

"Regular Record Date" for the interest payable on any Interest Payment Date on the Securities of any series means the date specified for that purpose as contemplated by Section 3.01.

"Responsible Officer," when used with respect to the Trustee, means any officer within the corporate trust department of the Trustee (or any successor to the Trustee) and also means, with respect to a particular corporate trust matter, any other officer to whom such matter is referred because of his knowledge of and familiarity with the particular subject.

"Restricted Payments" has the meaning specified in Section 10.10.

"Restricted Subsidiary" means a Subsidiary of the Partnership (including Finance Corp.), which, as of the date of determination, is not an Unrestricted Subsidiary of the Partnership.

"S&P" means Standard & Poor's Ratings Services, a division of The McGraw-Hill Companies, Inc., and its successors.

"Sale and Leaseback Transaction" of any Person (a "Transferor") means any arrangement (other than between the Partnership and a Wholly Owned Restricted Subsidiaries) whereby (a) property (the "Subject Property") has been or is to be disposed of by such Transferor to any other Person with the intention on the part of such Transferor of taking back a lease of such Subject Property pursuant to which the rental payments are calculated to amortize the purchase price of such Subject Property substantially over the useful life of such Subject Property, and (b) such Subject Property is in fact so leased by such Transferor or an Affiliate of such Transferor.

"Securities" has the meaning stated in the first recital of this Indenture and more particularly means any Securities authenticated and delivered under this Indenture.

"Securities Act" means the Securities Act of 1933, as amended, from time to time, or any statute successor thereto, and the rules and regulations of the Commission promulgated thereunder.

"Significant Subsidiary" shall have the same meaning as in Rule 1.02(w) of Regulation S-X under the Securities Act.

"Security Register" and "Security Registrar" have the respective meanings specified in Section 3.05.

"Special Record Date" for the payment of any Defaulted Interest means a date fixed by the Trustee pursuant to Section 3.07.

"SPE" means any special purpose Unrestricted Subsidiary established in connection with any Accounts Receivable Securitization.

"Stated Maturity" means, (i) when used with respect to any series of Security or any installment of interest thereon, the date specified in such series of Securities as the fixed date on which the principal of such series of Securities or such installment of interest is due and payable, and (ii) when used with respect to any other Indebtedness, means the date or dates specified in the instrument governing such Indebtedness as the fixed date or dates on which each then remaining installment, sinking fund, serial maturity or other required payments of principal, including payment at final maturity, in respect of such Indebtedness, or any installment of interest thereon, is due and payable.

"Subject Property" has the meaning specified in the definition of "Sale and Leaseback Transaction."

"Subordinated Indebtedness" means Indebtedness of the Partnership which is expressly subordinated in right of payment to the Securities.

"Subsidiary" means, with respect to any Person, (i) a corporation a majority of whose Voting Stock (or, in the case of a partnership, a majority of the partners' Capital Stock, considering all partners' Capital Stock as a single class) is at the time, directly or indirectly, owned by such Person, by one or more Subsidiaries of such Person or by such Person and one or more Subsidiaries thereof and (ii) any other Person, including, without limitation, a joint venture, in which such Person, one or more Subsidiaries thereof or such Person and one or more Subsidiaries thereof, directly or indirectly, at the date of determination thereof, has at least a majority ownership interest entitled to vote in the election of directors, managers, general partners or trustees thereof (or other Person performing similar functions) or, if such Persons are not elected, to vote on any matter that is submitted to the vote of all Persons holding ownership interests in such entity. For purposes of this definition, any directors' qualifying shares or investments by foreign nationals mandated by applicable law shall be disregarded in determining the ownership of a Subsidiary.

"Total Assets" means as of any date of determination, the consolidated total assets of the Partnership and the Restricted Subsidiaries as would be shown on a consolidated balance sheet of the Partnership and the Restricted Subsidiaries prepared in accordance with GAAP.

"Transaction Date" has the meaning specified in the definition of "Consolidated Fixed Charge Coverage Ratio."

"Transferor" has the meaning specified in the definition of "Sale and Leaseback Transaction."

"Trust Indenture Act" means the Trust Indenture Act of 1939 as in force at the date as of the Issue Date; *provided, however*, that in the event the Trust Indenture Act of 1939 is amended after such date, "Trust Indenture Act" means, to the extent required by any such amendment, the Trust Indenture Act of 1939 as so amended.

"Trustee" means the Person named as such in the first paragraph of this instrument until a successor replaces it in accordance with the applicable provision of this Indenture and thereafter means the successor serving hereunder.

"UCC" means the Uniform Commercial Code as it may be from time to time in effect in the State of New York.

"UGI" means UGI Corporation, a Pennsylvania corporation, and its successors.

"Unrestricted Subsidiary" means any Subsidiary of the Partnership or a Restricted Subsidiary that is designated as such by the General Partner; provided that no portion of the Indebtedness or any other obligation (contingent or otherwise) of such Subsidiary (other than any Indebtedness or other obligation incurred in respect of an Accounts Receivable Securitization): (a) is guaranteed by the Partnership or any Restricted Subsidiary, (b) is recourse to or obligates the Partnership or any Restricted Subsidiary in any way or (c) subjects any property or assets of the Partnership or any Restricted Subsidiary, directly or indirectly, contingently or otherwise, to the satisfaction thereof. Notwithstanding the foregoing, the Partnership or a Restricted Subsidiary may Guaranty or agree to provide funds for the payment or maintenance of, or otherwise become liable with respect to Indebtedness of an Unrestricted Subsidiary; but only to the extent that the Partnership or a Restricted Subsidiary would be permitted to (a) make an Investment in such Unrestricted Subsidiary pursuant to clause (h) of the definition of Permitted Investments and (b) incur the Indebtedness represented by such Guaranty or agreement pursuant to the first paragraph of Section 10.09 hereof. The Board of Directors may designate an Unrestricted Subsidiary to be a Restricted Subsidiary; provided that immediately after giving effect to such designation, (i) there exists no Event of Default or event which after notice or lapse of time or both would become an Event of Default and (ii) if such Unrestricted Subsidiary has, as of the date of such designation, outstanding Indebtedness (other than Permitted Indebtedness) the Partnership could incur at least \$1.00 of Indebtedness (other than Permitted Indebtedness). Notwithstanding the foregoing, (i) no Subsidiary may be designated an Unrestricted Subsidiary, directly or indirectly, holds Capital Stock of a Restricted Subsidiary and (ii) neither the Operating Partnership nor Finance Corp. may be designated an Un

"Vice President," when used with respect to a corporation or the Trustee, means any vice president, whether or not designated by a number or a word or words added before or after the title "vice president."

"Voting Stock" means, with respect to an entity with outstanding voting Capital Stock, any class or classes of Capital Stock pursuant to which the holders thereof have the general voting power under ordinary circumstances to elect at least a majority of the board of directors, managers, general partners or trustees of any Person (irrespective of whether or not, at the time, Capital Stock of any other class or classes shall have, or might have, voting power by reason of the happening of any contingency) or, with respect to a partnership (whether general or limited), any general partner interest in such partnership.

"Weighted Average Life to Stated Maturity" means, when applied to any Indebtedness at any date, the number of years obtained by dividing (a) the sum of the products obtained by multiplying (x) the amount of each then remaining installment, sinking fund, serial maturity or other required payments of principal, including payment at final maturity, in respect thereof, by (y) the number of years (calculated to the nearest one-twelfth) that will elapse between such date and the making of such payment, by (b) the then outstanding principal amount of such Indebtedness; provided, however, that with respect to any revolving Indebtedness, the foregoing calculation of Weighted Average Life to Stated Maturity shall be determined based upon the total available commitments and the required reductions of commitments in lieu of the outstanding principal amount and the required payments of principal, respectively.

"Wholly Owned Restricted Subsidiary" means the Operating Partnership or any Subsidiary of the Partnership of which 100% of the outstanding Capital Stock is owned by the Partnership or by one or more Wholly Owned Restricted Subsidiaries of the Partnership or the Operating Partnership or by the Partnership and one or more Wholly Owned Restricted Subsidiaries of the Partnership or the Operating Partnership. For purposes of this definition, any directors' qualifying shares or investments by foreign nationals mandated by applicable law shall be disregarded in determining the ownership of a Subsidiary.

Section 1.02. Compliance Certificates and Opinions.

Upon any application or request by the Issuers to the Trustee to take any action under any provision of this Indenture, the Issuers shall furnish to the Trustee such certificates and opinions as may be required under the Trust Indenture Act. Each such certificate or opinion shall be given in the form of an Officer's Certificate, if to be given by officers of the Issuers, or an Opinion of Counsel, if to be given by counsel, and shall comply with the requirements of the Trust Indenture Act and any other requirements set forth in this Indenture.

Every certificate or opinion with respect to compliance with a condition or covenant provided for in this Indenture (including certificates provided for in Section 10.06) shall include:

- (1) a statement that each individual signing such certificate or opinion has read such covenant or condition and the definitions herein relating thereto;
- (2) a brief statement as to the nature and scope of the examination or investigation upon which the statements or opinions contained in such certificate or opinion are based;
- (3) a statement that, in the opinion of each such individual, he or she has made such examination or investigation as is necessary to enable such individual to express an informed opinion as to whether or not such covenant or condition has been complied with; and

(4) a statement as to whether, in the opinion of each such individual, such condition or covenant has been complied with.

Section 1.03. Form of Documents Delivered to Trustee.

In any case where several matters are required to be certified by, or covered by an opinion of, any specified Person, it is not necessary that all such matters be certified by, or covered by the opinion of, only one such Person, or that they be so certified or covered by only one document, but one such Person may certify or give an opinion with respect to some matters and one or more other such Persons as to other matters, and any such Person may certify or give an opinion as to such matters in one or several documents.

Any certificate or opinion of officers of the General Partner on behalf of the Partnership (or the Partnership if the Partnership is a corporation) may be based, insofar as it relates to legal matters, upon a certificate or opinion of, or representations by, counsel, unless such officers know, or in the exercise of reasonable care should know, that the certificate or opinion or representations with respect to the matters upon which the certificate or opinion is based are erroneous. Any such certificate or opinion of counsel may be based, insofar as it relates to factual matters, upon a certificate or opinion of, or representations by, officers of the General Partner on behalf of the Partnership (or the Partnership if the Partnership is a corporation) or any Subsidiaries of the Issuers stating that the information with respect to such factual matters is in the possession of the Issuers or any Subsidiaries of the Issuers, unless such counsel knows, or in the exercise of reasonable care should know, that the certificate or opinion or representations with respect to such matters are erroneous.

Where any Person is required to make, give or execute two or more applications, requests, consents, certificates, statements, opinions or other instruments under this Indenture, they may, but need not, be consolidated and form one instrument.

Section 1.04. Acts of Holders; Record Dates.

Any request, demand, authorization, direction, notice, consent, waiver or other action *provided* or permitted by this Indenture to be given or taken by Holders may be embodied in and evidenced by one or more instruments of substantially similar tenor signed by such Holders in person or by agent duly appointed in writing; and, except as herein otherwise expressly provided, such action shall become effective when such instrument or instruments are delivered to the Trustee and, where it is hereby expressly required, to the Issuers. Such instrument or instruments (and the action embodied therein and evidenced thereby) are herein sometimes referred to as the "Act" of the Holders signing such instrument or instruments. Proof of execution of any such instrument or of a writing appointing any such agent shall be sufficient for any purpose of this Indenture and (subject to Section 6.01) conclusive in favor of the Trustee and the Issuers, if made in the manner provided in this Section 1.04.

The fact and date of the execution by any Person of any such instrument or writing may be proved by the affidavit of a witness of such execution or by a certificate of a notary public or other officer authorized by law to take acknowledgments of deeds, certifying that the individual signing such instrument or writing acknowledged to him the execution thereof. Where such

execution is by a signer acting in a capacity other than his or her individual capacity, such certificate or affidavit shall also constitute sufficient proof of his or her authority. The fact and date of the execution of any such instrument or writing, or the authority of the Person executing the same, may also be proved in any other manner which the Trustee deems sufficient.

The ownership of Securities shall be proved by the Security Register.

Any request, demand, authorization, direction, notice, consent, waiver or other Act of the Holder of any Security shall bind every future Holder of the same Security and the Holder of every Security issued upon the registration of transfer thereof or in exchange therefor or in lieu thereof in respect of anything done, omitted or suffered to be done by the Trustee or the Issuers in reliance thereon, whether or not notation of such action is made upon such Security.

The Issuers may, in the circumstances permitted by the Trust Indenture Act, set any day as the record date for the purpose of determining the Holders of Outstanding Securities of any series entitled to give or take any request, demand, authorization, direction, notice, consent, waiver or other action provided or permitted by this Indenture to be given or taken by Holders of Securities of such series. With regard to any record date set pursuant to this paragraph, the Holders of Outstanding Securities of the relevant series on such record date (or their duly appointed agents), and only such Persons, shall be entitled to give or take the relevant action, whether or not such Holders remain Holders after such record date. With regard to any action that may be given or taken hereunder only by Holders of a requisite principal amount of Outstanding Securities of any series (or their duly appointed agents) and for which a record date is set pursuant to this paragraph, the Issuers may, at their option, set an expiration date after which no such action purported to be given or taken by any Holder shall be effective hereunder unless given or taken on or prior to such expiration date by Holders of the requisite principal amount of Outstanding Securities of such series on such record date (or their duly appointed agents). On or prior to any expiration date set pursuant to this paragraph, the Issuers may, on one or more occasions at their option, extend such date to any later date. Nothing in this paragraph shall prevent any Holder (or any duly appointed agent thereof) from giving or taking, after any such expiration date, any action identical to, or, at any time, contrary to or different from, the action or purported action to which such expiration date relates, in which event the Issuers may set a record date in respect thereof pursuant to this paragraph. Nothing in this paragraph shall be construed to render ineffective any action taken at any time by the Holders (or their duly appointed agents) of the requisite principal amount of Outstanding Securities of the relevant series on the date such action is so taken. Notwithstanding the foregoing or the Trust Indenture Act, the Issuers shall not set a record date for, and the provisions of this paragraph shall not apply with respect to, any notice, declaration or direction referred to in the next paragraph.

The Trustee may set any day as a record date for the purpose of determining the Holders of Outstanding Securities of any series entitled to join in the giving or making of (i) any Notice of Default, (ii) any declaration of acceleration referred to in Section 5.02, if an Event of Default with respect to Securities of such series has occurred and is continuing and the Trustee shall not have given such a declaration to the Issuers, (iii) any request to institute proceedings referred to in Section 5.07 or (iv) any direction referred to in Section 5.05, in each case with respect to Securities of such series. Promptly after any record date is set pursuant to this paragraph, the

Trustee shall notify the Issuers and the Holders of Outstanding Securities of such series of any such record date so fixed and the proposed action. The Holders of Outstanding Securities of such series on such record date (or their duly appointed agents), and only such Persons, shall be entitled to join in such notice, declaration or direction, whether or not such Holders remain Holders after such record date; *provided* that, unless such notice, declaration or direction shall have become effective by virtue of Holders of the requisite principal amount of Outstanding Securities of such series on such record date (or their duly appointed agents) having joined therein on or prior to the 90th day after such record date, such notice, declaration or direction shall automatically and without any action by any Person be cancelled and of no further effect. Nothing in this paragraph shall be construed to prevent a Holder (or a duly appointed agent thereof) from giving, before or after the expiration of such 90-day period, a notice, declaration or direction contrary to or different from, or, after the expiration of such period, identical to, the notice, declaration or direction to which such record date relates, in which event a new record date in respect thereof shall be set pursuant to this paragraph. Nothing in this paragraph shall be construed to render ineffective any notice, declaration or direction of the type referred to in this paragraph given at any time to the Trustee and the Issuers by Holders (or their duly appointed agents) of the requisite principal amount of Outstanding Securities of the relevant series on the date such notice, declaration or direction is so given.

Without limiting the foregoing, a Holder entitled hereunder to give or take any action hereunder with regard to any particular Security may do so with regard to all or any part of the principal amount of such Security or by one or more duly appointed agents each of which may do so pursuant to such appointment with regard to all or any different part of such principal amount.

Section 1.05. Notices, Etc., to Trustee and Issuers.

Any request, demand, authorization, direction, notice, consent, waiver or Act of Holders or other document provided or permitted by this Indenture to be made upon, given or furnished to, or filed with,

- (1) the Trustee by any Holder or by the Issuers shall be sufficient for every purpose hereunder if made, given, furnished or filed in writing (which may be via facsimile) to or with the Trustee at its Corporate Trust Office, Attention: Corporate Trust Department, or
- (2) the Issuers by the Trustee or by any Holder shall be sufficient for every purpose hereunder (unless otherwise herein expressly provided) if in writing and mailed, first-class postage prepaid, to the Issuers addressed to them at the address of their principal office specified in the first paragraph of this instrument or at any other address previously furnished in writing to the Trustee by the Issuers.

Section 1.06. Notice to Holders; Waiver.

Where this Indenture provides for notice to Holders of any event, such notice shall be sufficiently given (unless otherwise herein expressly provided) if in writing and mailed, first-class postage prepaid, to each Holder affected by such event, at his address as it appears in the Security Register, not later than the latest date (if any), and not earlier than the earliest date (if

any), prescribed for the giving of such notice. In any case where notice to Holders is given by mail, neither the failure to mail such notice, nor any defect in any notice so mailed, to any particular Holder shall affect the sufficiency of such notice with respect to other Holders. Where this Indenture provides for notice in any manner, such notice may be waived in writing by the Person entitled to receive such notice, either before or after the event, and such waiver shall be the equivalent of such notice. Waivers of notice by Holders shall be filed with the Trustee, but such filing shall not be a condition precedent to the validity of any action taken in reliance upon such waiver.

In case by reason of the suspension of regular mail service or by reason of any other cause it shall be impracticable to give such notice by mail, then such notification as shall be made with the approval of the Trustee shall constitute a sufficient notification for every purpose hereunder.

Section 1.07. Conflict with Trust Indenture Act.

If any provision hereof limits, qualifies or conflicts with a provision of the Trust Indenture Act that is required under the Trust Indenture Act to be a part of and govern this Indenture, the latter provision shall control. If any provision of this Indenture modifies or excludes any provision of the Trust Indenture Act that may be so modified or excluded, the latter provision shall be deemed to apply to this Indenture as so modified or to be excluded, as the case may be. Wherever this Indenture refers to a provision of the Trust Indenture Act, such provision is incorporated by reference in and made a part of this Indenture.

The following Trust Indenture Act terms used in this Indenture have the following meanings:

"indenture securities" means the Securities.

"indenture security holder" means a Holder.

"indenture to be qualified" means this Indenture.

"indenture trustee" or "institutional trustee" means the Trustee.

"obligor on the indenture securities" means the Issuers and any other obligor on the Securities.

All other Trust Indenture Act terms used in this Indenture that are defined by the Trust Indenture Act, defined by the Trust Indenture Act referenced to another statute or defined by any rule of the Commission and not otherwise defined herein have the meanings defined to them thereby.

Section 1.08. Effect of Headings and Table of Contents.

The Article and Section headings herein and the Table of Contents are for convenience only and shall not affect the construction hereof.

Section 1.09. Successors and Assigns.

All covenants and agreements in this Indenture by the Issuers shall bind their respective successors and assigns, whether so expressed or not. All agreements of the Trustee in this Indenture shall bind its successors.

Section 1.10. Separability Clause.

In case any provision in this Indenture or in the Securities shall be invalid, illegal or unenforceable, the validity, legality and enforceability of the remaining provisions shall not in any way be affected or impaired thereby.

Section 1.11. Benefits of Indenture.

Nothing in this Indenture or in the Securities, express or implied, shall give to any Person, other than the parties hereto and their successors hereunder and the Holders, any benefit or any legal or equitable right, remedy or claim under this Indenture.

Section 1.12. Governing Law.

This Indenture and the Securities, and any claim, controversy or dispute arising under or relating to this Indenture or the Securities, shall be governed by, and construed in accordance with, the laws of the State of New York.

Section 1.13. Legal Holidays.

In any case where any Interest Payment Date, Redemption Date or Stated Maturity of any Security shall not be a Business Day at any Place of Payment, then (notwithstanding any other provision of this Indenture or of the Securities (other than a provision of the Securities of any series which specifically states that such provision shall apply in lieu of this Section 1.13)) payment of interest or principal (and premium, if any) need not be made at such Place of Payment on such date, but may be made on the next succeeding Business Day at such Place of Payment with the same force and effect as if made on the Interest Payment Date or Redemption Date, or at the Stated Maturity, *provided that* no interest shall accrue for the intervening period.

Section 1.14 No Adverse Interpretation of Other Agreements.

This Indenture may not be used to interpret any other indenture, loan or debt agreement of the Partnership or any of its Subsidiaries or of any other Person. Any such indenture, loan or debt agreement may not be used to interpret this Indenture.

Section 1.15 Counterpart Originals.

The parties may sign any number of copies of this Indenture. Each signed copy shall be an original, but all of them together represent the same agreement.

ARTICLE II

SECURITY FORMS

Section 2.01. Forms Generally.

The Securities of each series shall be in substantially the form set forth in this Article, or in such other form as shall be established by or pursuant to Board Resolutions or in one or more indentures supplemental hereto, in each case with such appropriate insertions, omissions, substitutions and other variations as are required or permitted by this Indenture, and may have such letters, numbers or other marks of identification and such legends or endorsements placed thereon as may be required to comply with the rules of any securities exchange or as may, consistently herewith, be determined by the officers executing such Securities, as evidenced by their execution of the Securities. If the form of Securities of any series is established by action taken pursuant to Board Resolutions, an Officer's Certificate certifying a copy of an appropriate record of such action shall be delivered to the Trustee at or prior to the delivery of the Issuers' Order contemplated by Section 3.03 for the authentication and delivery of such Securities.

The definitive Securities shall be printed, lithographed or engraved on steel engraved borders or may be produced in any other manner, all as determined by the officers executing such Securities, as evidenced by their execution of such Securities.

Section 2.02. Form of Face of Security.

[Insert any legend required by the Internal Revenue Code and the regulations thereunder.]

AmeriGas Partners, L.P. AmeriGas Finance Corp.

No. \$

AmeriGas Partners, L.P., a Delaware limited partnership (the "Partnership"), and AmeriGas Finance Corp., a Delaware corporation ("Finance Corp." and together with the Partnership, the "Issuers"), which term includes any successor Persons under the Indenture hereinafter referred to), for value received, jointly and severally hereby promise to pay to , or registered assigns, the principal sum of U.S. Dollars on the Security is to bear interest prior to Stated Maturity, insert—, and to pay interest thereon from or from the most recent Interest Payment Date to which interest has been paid or duly provided for, semi-annually on and in each year, commencing at the rate of per annum, until the principal hereof is paid or made available for payment] [if Applicable, Insert—, and at the rate of % per annum on any overdue principal and premium and on any overdue installment of interest]. The interest so payable, and punctually paid or duly provided for, on any Interest Payment Date will, as provided in such Indenture, be paid to the Person in whose name this Security (or one or more predecessor securities) is registered at the close of business on the Regular Record Date for such interest, which shall be the or (whether or not a Business Day), as the case may be, next preceding such Interest Payment Date. Any such interest not so punctually paid or duly provided for will forthwith cease to be payable to the

Holder on such Regular Record Date and may either be paid to the Person in whose name this Security (or one or more predecessor securities) is registered at the close of business on a Special Record Date for the payment of such Defaulted Interest to be fixed by the Trustee, notice whereof shall be given to Holders of Securities of this series not less than 10 days prior to such Special Record Date, or be paid at any time in any other lawful manner not inconsistent with the requirements of any securities exchange on which the Securities of this series may be listed, and upon such notice as may be required by such exchange, all as more fully provided in said Indenture. To the extent permitted by applicable law, in the event of any inconsistency between the terms of this Security and the terms of the Indenture, the terms of the Indenture will control.

[If the Security is not to bear interest prior to Stated Maturity, insert—The principal of this Security shall not bear interest except in the case of a Default in payment of principal upon acceleration, upon redemption or at the Stated Maturity and in such case the overdue principal of this Security shall bear interest at the rate of % per annum, which shall accrue from the date of such Default in payment to the date payment of such principal has been made or duly provided for. Interest on any overdue principal shall be payable on demand. Any such interest on any overdue principal that is not so paid on demand shall bear interest at the rate of % per annum, which shall accrue from the date of such demand for payment to the date payment of such interest has been made or duly provided for, and such interest shall also be payable on demand.]

Payment of the principal of (and premium, if any) and [if applicable, insert—any such] interest on this Security will be made at the office or agency of the Issuers maintained for that purpose in , in such coin or currency of the United States of America as at the time of payment is legal tender for payment of public and private debts [if applicable, insert—; provided, however, that at the option of the Issuers payment of interest may be made by check mailed to the address of the Person entitled thereto as such address shall appear in the Security Register].

Reference is hereby made to the further provisions of this Security set forth on the reverse hereof, which further provisions shall for all purposes have the same effect as if set forth at this place.

Unless the certificate of authentication hereon has been executed by the Trustee referred to on the reverse hereof by manual signature, this Security shall not be entitled to any benefit under the Indenture or be valid or obligatory for any purpose.

IN WITNESS WHEREOF, the Issuers have caused this instrument to be duly executed.

Dated:

AmeriGas Partners, L.P.

By: AmeriGas Propane, Inc., its General Partner

By:

Name:

Title:

Attest:		
	AmeriGas Finance Corp.	
	By:Name:	
	Title:	
Attest:		

Section 2.03. Form of Reverse of Security.

This Security is one of a duly authorized issue of securities of the Issuers (herein called the "Securities"), issued and to be issued in one or more series under an Indenture, dated as of , 20 (herein called the "Indenture"), between the Issuers and U.S. Bank National Association, as trustee (herein called the "Trustee", which term includes any successor trustee under the Indenture), to which Indenture and all indentures supplemental thereto reference is hereby made for a statement of the respective rights, limitations of rights, duties and immunities thereunder of the Issuers, the Trustee and the Holders of the Securities and of the terms upon which the Securities are, and are to be, authenticated and delivered. This Security is one of the series designated on the face hereof [if applicable insert—, limited in aggregate principal amount to \$].

[If applicable insert—The Securities of this series are subject to redemption upon not less than 30 days' notice by mail, [if applicable, insert—(1) on in any year commencing with the year and ending with the year through operation of the sinking fund for this series at a Redemption Price equal to 100% of the principal amount, and (2)] at any time [if applicable insert on or after , 20], as a whole or in part, at the election of the Issuers, at the following Redemption Prices (expressed as percentages of the principal amount): If redeemed [if applicable insert—on or before , %, and if redeemed] during the 12-month period beginning of the years indicated,

<u>Year</u> <u>Redemption Price</u> <u>Year</u> <u>Redemption Price</u>

and thereafter at a Redemption Price equal to % of the principal amount, together in the case of any such redemption [if applicable, insert—(whether through operation of the sinking fund or otherwise)] with accrued interest to the Redemption Date, but interest installments whose

Stated Maturity is on or prior to such Redemption Date will be payable to the Holders of such Securities, or one or more predecessor securities, of record at the close of business on the relevant Record Dates referred to on the face hereof, all as provided in the Indenture.]

Year

Redemption Price For Redemption Through Operation of the Sinking Fund Redemption
Price For Redemption
Otherwise Than Through
Operation of the Sinking Fund

and thereafter at a Redemption Price equal to % of the principal amount, together in the case of any such redemption (whether through operation of the sinking fund or otherwise) with accrued interest to the Redemption Date, but interest installments whose Stated Maturity is on or prior to such Redemption Date will be payable to the Holders of such Securities, or one or more predecessor securities, of record at the close of business on the relevant Record Dates referred to on the face hereof, all as provided in the Indenture.]

[*If applicable, insert*—Notwithstanding the foregoing, the Issuers may not, prior to redeem any Securities of this series as contemplated by [*if applicable, insert*—Clause (2) of] the preceding paragraph as a part of, or in anticipation of, any refunding operation by the application, directly or indirectly, of moneys borrowed having an interest cost to the Issuers (calculated in accordance with generally accepted financial practice) of less than % per annum.]

[If applicable, insert—The sinking fund for this series provides for the redemption on in each year beginning with the year and ending with the year of [if applicable, insert—not less than \$ "mandatory sinking fund") and not more than] \$ aggregate principal amount of Securities of this series. Securities of this series acquired or redeemed by the Issuers otherwise than through [if applicable, insert—mandatory] sinking fund payments may be credited against subsequent [if applicable, insert—mandatory] sinking fund payments otherwise required to be made [if applicable, insert—in the inverse order in which they become due).]

[*If the Security is subject to redemption of any kind, insert*—In the event of redemption of this Security in part only, a new Security or Securities of this series and of like tenor for the unredeemed portion hereof will be issued in the name of the Holder hereof upon the cancellation hereof.]

[Insert any other redemption provisions]

[If the Security is not subject to redemption of any kind, insert—The Securities of this series are not subject to redemption prior to the Maturity Date.]

[*If applicable, insert*—The Indenture contains provisions for defeasance at any time of (l) the entire indebtedness of this Security or (2) certain restrictive covenants and Events of Default with respect to this Security, in each case upon compliance with certain conditions set forth in the Indenture.]

[If the Security is not an Original Issue Discount Security, insert—If an Event of Default with respect to Securities of this series shall occur and be continuing, the principal of the Securities of this series may be declared due and payable in the manner and with the effect provided in the Indenture.]

[If the Security is an Original Issue Discount Security, insert—If an Event of Default with respect to Securities of this series shall occur and be continuing, an amount of principal of the Securities of this series may be declared due and payable in the manner and with the effect provided in the Indenture. Such amount shall be equal to insert formula for determining the amount. Upon payment (i) of the amount of principal so declared due and payable, and (ii) of interest on any overdue principal and overdue interest, all of the Issuers' obligations in respect of the payment of the principal of and interest, if any, on the Securities of this series shall terminate.]

The Indenture permits, with certain exceptions as therein provided, the amendment thereof and the modification of the rights and obligations of the Issuers and the rights of the Holders of the Securities of each series to be affected under the Indenture at any time by the Issuers and the Trustee with the consent of the Holders of a majority in principal amount of the Securities at the time Outstanding of each series to be affected. The Indenture also contains provisions permitting the Holders of specified percentages in principal amount of the Securities of each series at the time Outstanding, on behalf of the Holders of all Securities of such series, to waive compliance by the Issuers with certain provisions of the Indenture and certain past Defaults under the Indenture and their consequences. Any such consent or waiver by the Holder of this Security shall be conclusive and binding upon such Holder and upon all future Holders of this Security and of any Security issued upon the registration of transfer hereof or in exchange herefor or in lieu hereof, whether or not notation of such consent or waiver is made upon this Security.

As provided in and subject to the provisions of the Indenture, the Holder of this Security shall not have the right to institute any proceeding with respect to the Indenture or for the appointment of a receiver or trustee or for any other remedy thereunder, unless such Holder shall have previously given the Trustee written notice of a continuing Event of Default with respect to the Securities of this series, the Holders of not less than 25% in principal amount of the Securities of this series at the time Outstanding shall have made written request to the Trustee to institute proceedings in respect of such Event of Default as Trustee and offered the Trustee reasonable indemnity and the Trustee shall not have received from the Holders of a majority in principal amount of Securities of this series at the time Outstanding a direction inconsistent with such request, and shall have failed to institute any such proceeding, for 60 days after receipt of

such notice, request and offer of indemnity. The foregoing shall not apply to any suit instituted by the Holder of this Security for the enforcement of any payment of principal hereof or any premium or interest hereon on or after the respective due dates expressed herein.

No reference herein to the Indenture and no provision of this Security or of the Indenture shall alter or impair the obligations of the Issuers, which are absolute and unconditional, to pay the principal of and any premium and interest on this Security at the times, place and rate, and in the coin or currency, herein prescribed.

As provided in the Indenture and subject to certain limitations therein set forth, the transfer of this Security can be registered in the Security Register, upon surrender of this Security for registration of transfer at the office or agency of the Issuers in any place where the principal of and any premium and interest on this Security are payable, duly endorsed by, or accompanied by a written instrument of transfer in form satisfactory to the Issuers and the Security Registrar duly executed by, the Holder hereof or his attorney duly authorized in writing, and thereupon one or more new Securities of this series and of like tenor, of authorized denominations and for the same aggregate principal amount, will be issued to the designated transferee or transferees.

The Securities of this series are issuable only in registered form without coupons in denominations of \$\\$ and any integral multiple thereof. As provided in the Indenture and subject to certain limitations therein set forth, Securities of this series are exchangeable for a like aggregate principal amount of Securities of this series and of like tenor of a different authorized denomination, as requested by the Holder surrendering the same.

No service charge shall be made for any such registration of transfer or exchange, but the Issuers or the Security Registrar may require payment of a sum sufficient to cover any tax or other governmental charge payable in connection therewith.

Prior to due presentment of this Security for registration of transfer, the Issuers, the Trustee and any agent of the Issuers or the Trustee may treat the Person in whose name this Security is registered as the owner hereof for all purposes, whether or not this Security be overdue, and neither the Issuers, the Trustee nor any such agent shall be affected by notice to the contrary.

All terms used in this Security which are defined in the Indenture shall have the meanings assigned to them in the Indenture.

Section 2.04. Form of Legend for Global Securities.

Unless otherwise specified as contemplated by Section 3.01 for the Securities evidenced thereby, every Global Security authenticated and delivered hereunder shall bear a legend in substantially the following form:

THIS SECURITY IS A GLOBAL SECURITY WITHIN THE MEANING OF THE INDENTURE HEREINAFTER REFERRED TO AND IS REGISTERED IN THE NAME OF A DEPOSITARY OR A NOMINEE THEREOF. THIS SECURITY MAY NOT BE TRANSFERRED TO, OR REGISTERED OR EXCHANGED FOR SECURITIES REGISTERED IN THE NAME OF, ANY PERSON OTHER THAN THE DEPOSITARY OR A NOMINEE THEREOF AND NO SUCH TRANSFER MAY BE REGISTERED, EXCEPT IN

THE LIMITED CIRCUMSTANCES DESCRIBED IN THE INDENTURE. EVERY SECURITY AUTHENTICATED AND DELIVERED UPON REGISTRATION OF TRANSFER OF, OR IN EXCHANGE FOR OR IN LIEU OF, THIS SECURITY SHALL BE A GLOBAL SECURITY SUBJECT TO THE FOREGOING, EXCEPT IN SUCH LIMITED CIRCUMSTANCES.

Section 2.05. Form of Trustee's Certificate of Authentication.

The Trustee's certificates of authentication shall be in substantially the following form:

This is one of the Securities of the series designated therein referred to in the within-mentioned Indenture.

U.S. Bank National Association, as Trustee
By:
Authorized Signatory
Dated:

ARTICLE III

THE SECURITIES

Section 3.01. Amount Unlimited: Issuable in Series.

The aggregate principal amount of Securities which may be authenticated and delivered under this Indenture is unlimited.

The Securities may be issued in one or more series. There shall be established in or pursuant to Board Resolutions and, subject to Section 3.03, set forth, or determined in the manner provided, in one or more Officer's Certificates, or established in one or more indentures supplemental hereto, prior to the issuance of Securities of any series,

- (1) the title of the Securities of the series, including CUSIP numbers (which shall distinguish the Securities of the series from Securities of any other series);
- (2) any limit upon the aggregate principal amount of the Securities of the series which may be authenticated and delivered under this Indenture (except for the Securities authenticated and delivered upon registration of transfer of, or in exchange for, or in lieu of, other Securities of the series pursuant to Section 3.04, 3.05, 3.06, 9.06 or 11.07 and except for any Securities which, pursuant to Section 3.03, are deemed never to have been authenticated and delivered hereunder);
- (3) the Person to whom any interest on a Security of the series shall be payable, if other than the Person in whose name that Security (or one or more predecessor securities) is registered at the close of business on the Regular Record Date for such interest;

- (4) the date or dates on which the principal of the Securities of the series is payable;
- (5) the rate or rates at which the Securities of the series shall bear interest, if any, or the manner in which such rate shall be calculated, the date or dates from which such interest shall accrue, the Interest Payment Dates on which any such interest shall be payable and the Regular Record Date for any interest payable on any Interest Payment Date;
 - (6) the place or places where the principal of and any premium and interest on the Securities of the series shall be payable;
- (7) the period or periods within which, the price or prices at which and the terms and conditions upon which the Securities of the series may be redeemed, in whole or in part, at the option of the Issuers;
- (8) the obligation, if any, of the Issuers to redeem or purchase the Securities of the series pursuant to any sinking fund or analogous provisions or at the option of a Holder thereof and the period or periods within which, the price or prices at which and the terms and conditions upon which the Securities of the series shall be redeemed or purchased, in whole or in part, pursuant to such obligation;
- (9) if other than denominations of \$1,000 and any integral multiple thereof, the denominations in which the Securities of the series shall be issuable;
- (10) if the amount of payments of principal of or any premium or interest on any Securities of the series may be determined with reference to an index, the manner in which such amounts shall be determined;
- (11) if the principal of or any premium or interest on any Securities of the series is to be payable, at the election of the Issuers or a Holder thereof, in one or more currencies or currency units other than that or those in which the Securities are stated to be payable, the currency, currencies or currency units in which payment of the principal of and any premium and interest on the Securities of such series as to which such election is made shall be payable, and the periods within which and the terms and conditions upon which such election is to be made;
- (12) if other than the principal amount thereof, the portion of the principal amount of the Securities of the series which shall be payable upon declaration of acceleration of the Stated Maturity thereof pursuant to Section 5.02;
- (13) if applicable, that the Securities of the series shall be subject to either or both of Legal Defeasance or Covenant Defeasance as provided in Article XIII;
- (14) if and as applicable, that the Securities of the series shall be issuable in whole or in part in the form of one or more Global Securities and, in such case, the Depositary or Depositaries for such Global Security or Global Securities and any circumstances other than those set forth in Section 3.05 in which any such Global Security may be transferred to, and registered and exchanged for Securities registered in the name of, a Person other than the Depositary for such Global Security or a nominee thereof and in which any such transfer may be registered;

- (15) any addition to or change in the Events of Default set forth in Section 5.01 and/or the covenants set forth in Article X, which applies to the Securities of the series; and
- (16) any other terms of the series including the terms of any collateral securing such securities (which terms shall not be inconsistent with the provisions of this Indenture, except as permitted by Section 9.01(5)).

All Securities of any one series shall be substantially identical except as to denomination and except as may otherwise be provided in or pursuant to the Board Resolutions referred to above and (subject to Section 3.03) set forth, or determined in the manner provided, in the Officer's Certificate referred to above or in any such indenture supplemental hereto.

If any of the terms of the series are established by action taken pursuant to Board Resolutions, a copy of an appropriate record of such action shall be certified by the Secretary or an Assistant Secretary of the General Partner of the Partnership (or the Partnership if the Partnership is a corporation) or by the Secretary or an Assistant Secretary of Finance Corp and delivered to the Trustee at or prior to the delivery of the Officer's Certificate setting forth the terms of the series.

The Issuers may, from time to time, by adoption of Board Resolutions and subject to compliance with any other applicable provisions of this Indenture, without the consent of the Holders, create and issue pursuant to this Indenture additional securities of any series of Securities ("Add On Securities") having terms and conditions identical to those of such series of Outstanding Securities, except that such Add On Securities:

- (i) may have a different issue date from such series of Outstanding Securities;
- (ii) may have a different amount of interest payable on the first Interest Payment Date after issuance than is payable on such series of Outstanding Securities; and
- (iii) may have terms specified in such Board Resolutions for such Add On Securities making appropriate adjustments to this Article III applicable to such Add On Securities in order to conform to and ensure compliance with the Securities Act (or applicable securities laws) which are not adverse in any material respect to the Holder of any Outstanding Securities (other than such Add On Securities) and which shall not affect the rights or duties of the Trustee.

Section 3.02. Denominations.

The Securities of each series shall be issuable only in registered form without coupons in such denominations as shall be specified as contemplated by Section 3.01. In the absence of any such specified denomination with respect to the Securities of any series, the Securities of such series shall be issuable in denominations of \$1,000 and any integral multiple thereof.

Section 3.03. Execution, Authentication, Delivery and Dating.

The Securities shall be executed on behalf of the Issuers by the Chairman of the Board, Vice Chairman of the Board, President, one of the Vice Presidents or the Treasurer for each of the General Partner (or the Partnership if the Partnership is a corporation) and Finance Corp. and attested by the Secretary or one of the Assistant Secretaries or by the Chief Financial Officer. The signature of any of these officers on the Securities may be manual or facsimile.

Securities bearing the manual or facsimile signatures of individuals who were at any time the proper officers of the General Partner (or the Partnership if the Partnership is a corporation) and Finance Corp., respectively, shall bind the Issuers, notwithstanding that such individuals or any of them have ceased to hold such offices prior to the authentication and delivery of such Securities or did not hold such offices at the date of such Securities.

At any time and from time to time after the execution and delivery of this Indenture, the Issuers may deliver the Securities of any series that have been properly executed to the Trustee for authentication, together with an Issuers' Order for the authentication and delivery of such Securities, and the Trustee in accordance with the Issuers' Order shall authenticate and deliver such Securities. If the form or terms of the Securities of the series have been established in or pursuant to Board Resolutions as permitted by Sections 2.01 and 3.01, in authenticating such Securities, and accepting the additional responsibilities under this Indenture in relation to such Securities, the Trustee shall be entitled to receive, and (subject to Section 6.01) shall be fully protected in relying upon, an Opinion of Counsel stating,

- (1) if the form of such Securities has been established by or pursuant to Board Resolutions as permitted by Section 2.01, that such form has been established in conformity with the provisions of this Indenture;
- (2) if the terms of such Securities have been established by or pursuant to Board Resolutions as permitted by Section 3.01, that such terms have been established in conformity with the provisions of this Indenture; and
- (3) that such Securities, when authenticated and delivered by the Trustee and issued by the Issuers in the manner and subject to any conditions specified in such Opinion of Counsel, will constitute valid and legally binding obligations of the Issuers enforceable in accordance with their terms, subject to bankruptcy, insolvency, fraudulent transfer, reorganization, moratorium and similar laws of general applicability relating to or affecting creditors' rights and to general equity principles.

If such form or terms have been so established, the Trustee shall not be required to authenticate such Securities if the issue of such Securities pursuant to this Indenture will affect the Trustee's own rights, duties or immunities under the Securities and this Indenture or otherwise in a manner which is not reasonably acceptable to the Trustee.

Notwithstanding the provisions of Section 3.01 and of the preceding paragraph, if all of the Securities of a series are not to be originally issued at one time, it shall not be necessary to deliver the Officer's Certificate otherwise required pursuant to Section 3.01 or the Issuers' Order and Opinion of Counsel otherwise required pursuant to such preceding paragraph at or prior to the time of authentication of each Security of such series if such documents are delivered at or prior to the authentication upon original issuance of the first Security of such series to be issued.

Each Security shall be dated the date of its authentication.

No Security shall be entitled to any benefit under this Indenture or be valid or obligatory for any purpose unless there appears on such Security a certificate of authentication substantially in the form provided for herein executed by the Trustee by manual signature, and such certificate upon any Security shall be conclusive evidence, and the only evidence, that such Security has been duly authenticated and delivered hereunder. Notwithstanding the foregoing, if any Security shall have been authenticated and delivered hereunder but never issued and sold by the Issuers, and the Issuers shall deliver such Security to the Trustee for cancellation as provided in Section 3.09, for all purposes of this Indenture such Security shall be deemed never to have been authenticated and delivered hereunder and shall never be entitled to the benefits of this Indenture.

Section 3.04. Temporary Securities.

Pending the preparation of definitive Securities of any series, the Issuers may execute, and upon the Issuers' Order the Trustee shall authenticate and deliver, temporary Securities which are printed, lithographed, typewritten, mimeographed or otherwise produced, in any authorized denomination, substantially of the tenor of the definitive Securities in lieu of which they are issued and with such appropriate insertions, omissions, substitutions and other variations as the officers executing such Securities may determine, as evidenced by their execution of such Securities.

If temporary Securities of any series are issued, the Issuers will cause definitive Securities of that series to be prepared without unreasonable delay. After the preparation of definitive Securities of such series, the temporary Securities of such series shall be exchangeable for definitive Securities of such series upon surrender of the temporary Securities of such series at the office or agency of the Issuers in a Place of Payment for that series, without charge to the Holder. Upon surrender for cancellation of any one or more temporary Securities of any series, the Issuers shall execute and the Trustee shall authenticate and deliver in exchange therefor one or more definitive Securities of the same series, of any authorized denominations and of a like aggregate principal amount and tenor. Until so exchanged, the temporary Securities of any series shall in all respects be entitled to the same benefits under this Indenture as definitive Securities of such series and tenor.

Section 3.05. Registration, Registration of Transfer and Exchange.

The Issuers shall cause to be kept at the Corporate Trust Office of the Trustee a register (the register maintained in such office and in any other office or agency of the Issuers in a Place of Payment being herein sometimes collectively referred to as the "Security Register") in which, subject to such reasonable regulations as it may prescribe, the Issuers shall provide for the registration of Securities and of transfers of Securities. The Trustee is hereby appointed "Security Registrar" for the purpose of registering Securities and transfers of Securities as herein provided.

Upon surrender for registration of transfer of any Security of any series at the office or agency in a Place of Payment for that series, the Issuers shall execute, and the Trustee shall authenticate and deliver, in the name of the designated transferees, one or more new Securities of the same series, of any authorized denominations and of a like aggregate principal amount and tenor.

At the option of the Holder, the Securities of any series may be exchanged for other Securities of the same series, of any authorized denominations and of a like aggregate principal amount and tenor, upon surrender of the Securities to be exchanged at such office or agency. Whenever any Securities are so surrendered for exchange, the Issuers shall execute, and the Trustee shall authenticate and deliver, the Securities which the Holder making the exchange is entitled to receive.

All of the Securities issued upon any registration of transfer or exchange of the Securities shall be the valid obligations of the Issuers, evidencing the same debt, and entitled to the same benefits under this Indenture, as the Securities surrendered upon such registration of transfer or exchange.

Every Security presented or surrendered for registration of transfer or for exchange shall (if so required by the Issuers or the Trustee) be duly endorsed, or be accompanied by a written instrument of transfer in form satisfactory to the Issuers and the Security Registrar duly executed, by the Holder thereof or his attorney duly authorized in writing.

No service charge shall be made for any registration of transfer or exchange of the Securities, but the Issuers or Security Registrar may require payment of a sum sufficient to cover any tax or other governmental charge that may be imposed in connection with any registration of transfer or exchange of the Securities, other than exchanges pursuant to Section 3.04, 9.06 or 11.07 not involving any transfer.

The Issuers shall not be required (1) to issue, register the transfer of or exchange Securities of any series during a period beginning at the opening of business 15 days before the day of the mailing of a notice of redemption of the Securities of that series selected for redemption under Section 11.03 and ending at the close of business on the day of such mailing, or (2) to register the transfer of or exchange any Security so selected for redemption in whole or in part, except the unredeemed portion of any Security being redeemed in part.

Notwithstanding any other provision in this Indenture, no Global Security may be transferred to, or registered or exchanged for the Securities registered in the name of, any Person other than the Depositary for such Global Security or any nominee thereof, and no such transfer may be registered, unless (1) such Depositary (A) notifies the Issuers that it is unwilling or unable to continue as Depositary for such Global Security or (B) has ceased to be a clearing agency registered under the Exchange Act, (2) the Issuers execute and deliver to the Trustee an Issuers' Order that such Global Security shall be so transferable, registrable and exchangeable, and such transfers shall be registrable, (3) there shall have occurred and be continuing an Event of Default with respect to the Securities evidenced by such Global Security or (4) there shall exist such other circumstances, if any, as have been specified for this purpose as contemplated by Section 3.01. Notwithstanding any other provision in this Indenture, a Global Security to which the

restriction set forth in the preceding sentence shall have ceased to apply may be transferred only to, and may be registered and exchanged for the Securities registered only in the name or names of, such Person or Persons as the Depositary for such Global Security shall have directed and no transfer thereof other than such a transfer may be registered.

Every Security authenticated and delivered upon registration of transfer of, or in exchange for or in lieu of, a Global Security to which the restriction set forth in the first sentence of the preceding paragraph shall apply, whether pursuant to this Section 3.05, Section 3.04, 3.06, 9.06 or 11.07 or otherwise, shall be authenticated and delivered in the form of, and shall be, a Global Security.

Section 3.06. Mutilated, Destroyed, Lost and Stolen Securities.

If any mutilated Security is surrendered to the Trustee, the Issuers shall execute and the Trustee shall authenticate and deliver in exchange therefor a new Security of the same series and of like tenor and principal amount and bearing a number not contemporaneously outstanding.

If there shall be delivered to the Issuers and the Trustee (i) evidence to their satisfaction of the destruction, loss or theft of any Security and (ii) such security or indemnity as may be required by them to save each of them and any agent of either of them harmless, then, in the absence of notice to the Issuers or the Trustee that such Security has been acquired by a bona fide purchaser, the Issuers shall execute and the Trustee shall authenticate and deliver, in lieu of any such destroyed, lost or stolen Security, a new Security of the same series and of like tenor and principal amount and bearing a number not contemporaneously outstanding.

In case any such mutilated, destroyed, lost or stolen Security has become or is about to become due and payable, the Issuers in their discretion may, instead of issuing a new Security, pay such Security.

Upon the issuance of any new Security under this Section 3.06, the Issuers may require the payment of a sum sufficient to cover any tax or other governmental charge that may be imposed in relation thereto and any other expenses (including the fees and expenses of the Trustee) connected therewith.

Every new Security of any series issued pursuant to this Section 3.06 in exchange for any mutilated Security or in lieu of any destroyed, lost or stolen Security shall constitute an original additional contractual obligation of the Issuers, whether or not the mutilated, destroyed, lost or stolen Security shall be at any time enforceable by anyone, and shall be entitled to all the benefits of this Indenture equally and proportionately with any and all other Securities of that series duly issued hereunder.

The provisions of this Section 3.06 are exclusive and shall preclude (to the extent lawful) all other rights and remedies with respect to the replacement or payment of mutilated, destroyed, lost or stolen Securities.

Section 3.07. Payment of Interest; Interest Rights Preserved.

Except as otherwise provided as contemplated by Section 3.01 with respect to any series of the Securities, interest on any Security which is payable, and is punctually paid or duly provided for, on any Interest Payment Date shall be paid to the Person in whose name that Security (or one or more predecessor securities) is registered at the close of business on the Regular Record Date for such interest.

Any interest on any Security of any series which is payable, but is not punctually paid or duly provided for, on any Interest Payment Date (herein called "Defaulted Interest") shall forthwith cease to be payable to the Holder on the relevant Regular Record Date by virtue of having been such Holder, and such Defaulted Interest may be paid by the Issuers, at their election in each case, as provided in Clause (1) or (2) below:

- (1) The Issuers may elect to make payment of any Defaulted Interest to the Persons in whose names the Securities of such series (or their respective predecessor securities) are registered at the close of business on a Special Record Date for the payment of such Defaulted Interest, which shall be fixed in the following manner. The Issuers shall notify the Trustee in writing of the amount of Defaulted Interest proposed to be paid on each Security of such series and the date of the proposed payment, and at the same time the Issuers shall deposit with the Trustee an amount of money equal to the aggregate amount proposed to be paid in respect of such Defaulted Interest or shall make arrangements satisfactory to the Trustee for such deposit prior to the date of the proposed payment, such money when deposited to be held in trust for the benefit of the Persons entitled to such Defaulted Interest as in this Clause provided. Thereupon the Trustee shall fix a Special Record Date for the payment of such Defaulted Interest which shall be not more than 15 days and not less than 10 days prior to the date of the proposed payment and not less than 10 days after the receipt by the Trustee of the notice of the proposed payment. The Trustee shall promptly notify the Issuers of such Special Record Date and, in the name and at the expense of the Issuers, shall cause notice of the proposed payment of such Defaulted Interest and the Special Record Date therefor to be mailed, first-class postage prepaid, to each Holder of the Securities of such series at his address as it appears in the Security Register, not less than 10 days prior to such Special Record Date. Notice of the proposed payment of such Defaulted Interest and the Special Record Date therefor having been so mailed, such Defaulted Interest shall be paid to the Persons in whose names the Securities of such series (or their respective predecessor securities) are registered at the close of business on such Special Record Date and shall no longer be payable pursuant to the follo
- (2) The Issuers may make payment of any Defaulted Interest on the Securities of any series in any other lawful manner not inconsistent with the requirements of any securities exchange on which such Securities may be listed, and upon such notice as may be required by such exchange, if, after notice given by the Issuers to the Trustee of the proposed payment pursuant to this Clause, such manner of payment shall be deemed practicable by the Trustee.

Subject to the foregoing provisions of this Section 3.07, each Security delivered under this Indenture upon registration of transfer of or in exchange for or in lieu of any other Security shall carry the rights to interest accrued and unpaid, and to accrue, which were carried by such other Security.

Section 3.08. Persons Deemed Owners.

Prior to due presentment of a Security for registration of transfer, the Issuers, the Trustee and any agent of the Issuers or the Trustee may treat the Person in whose name such Security is registered as the owner of such Security for the purpose of receiving payment of principal of and any premium and (subject to Section 3.07) any interest on such Security and for all other purposes whatsoever, whether or not such Security be overdue, and neither the Issuers, the Trustee nor any agent of the Issuers or the Trustee shall be affected by notice to the contrary.

Section 3.09. Cancellation.

All of the Securities surrendered for payment, redemption, registration of transfer or exchange or for credit against any sinking fund payment shall, if surrendered to any Person other than the Trustee, be delivered to the Trustee and shall be promptly cancelled by it. The Issuers may at any time deliver to the Trustee for cancellation any Securities previously authenticated and delivered hereunder which the Issuers may have acquired in any manner whatsoever, and may deliver to the Trustee (or to any other Person for delivery to the Trustee) for cancellation any Securities previously authenticated hereunder which the Issuers have not issued and sold, and all Securities so delivered shall be promptly cancelled by the Trustee. No Securities shall be authenticated in lieu of or in exchange for any Securities cancelled as provided in this Section 3.09, except as expressly permitted by this Indenture. All cancelled Securities held by the Trustee shall be disposed of by the Trustee in its customary manner.

Section 3.10. Computation of Interest.

Except as otherwise specified as contemplated by Section 3.01 for the Securities of any series, interest on the Securities of each series shall be computed on the basis of a 360-day year of twelve 30-day months.

Section 3.11. CUSIP Numbers.

The Issuers in issuing the Securities may use CUSIP numbers (if then generally in use), and, if so, the Trustee shall use CUSIP numbers in notices of redemption as a convenience to Holders; *provided that* any such notice may state that no representation is made as to the correctness of such numbers either as printed on the Securities or as contained in any notice of a redemption and that reliance may be placed only on the other identification numbers printed on the Securities, and any such redemption shall not be affected by any defect in or omission of such numbers. The Issuers will promptly notify the Trustee of any changes in the CUSIP numbers.

ARTICLE IV

SATISFACTION AND DISCHARGE

Section 4.01. Satisfaction and Discharge of Indenture.

This Indenture shall upon the Issuers' Request cease to be of further effect with respect to a series of Securities (except as to any surviving rights of registration of transfer or exchange of the Securities herein expressly provided for), and the Trustee, at the expense of the Issuers, shall execute proper instruments acknowledging satisfaction and discharge of this Indenture with respect to such series of Securities, when:

(1) either:

- (A) all of the Securities of such series theretofore authenticated and delivered (other than (i) the Securities of such series which have been destroyed, lost or stolen and which have been replaced or paid as provided in Section 3.06 and (ii) the Securities of such series for whose payment money has theretofore been deposited in trust or segregated and held in trust by the Issuers and thereafter repaid to the Issuers or discharged from such trust) have been delivered to the Trustee for cancellation; or
 - (B) all Securities of such series not theretofore delivered to the Trustee for cancellation
 - (i) have become due and payable, or
 - (ii) will become due and payable at their Stated Maturity within one year, or
 - (iii) are to be called for redemption within one year under arrangements satisfactory to the Trustee for the giving of notice of redemption by the Trustee in the name, and at the expense, of the Issuers,

and the Issuers, in the case of clause (i), (ii) or (iii) above, have deposited or caused to be deposited with the Trustee as trust funds in trust for the purpose an amount sufficient to pay and discharge the entire indebtedness on the Securities of such series not theretofore delivered to the Trustee for cancellation, for principal and any premium and interest to the date of such deposit (in the case of Securities of such series which have become due and payable) or to the Stated Maturity or Redemption Date, as the case may be;

- (2) the Issuers have paid or caused to be paid all other sums payable hereunder by the Issuers with respect to the Securities of such series; and
- (3) the Issuers have delivered to the Trustee an Officer's Certificate and an Opinion of Counsel, each stating that all conditions precedent herein provided for relating to the satisfaction and discharge of this Indenture with respect to the Securities of such series have been complied with.

Notwithstanding the satisfaction and discharge of this Indenture with respect to a series of Securities, the obligations of the Issuers to the Trustee under Section 6.06, and, if money shall have been deposited with the Trustee pursuant to clause (1)(B) of this Section 4.01, the obligations of the Trustee under Section 4.02 shall survive such satisfaction and discharge with respect to such series of Securities.

Section 4.02. Application of Trust Money.

All money deposited with the Trustee pursuant to Section 4.01 in respect of a series of Securities shall be held in trust and applied by it, in accordance with the provisions of the Securities of such series and this Indenture, to the payment, either directly or through any Paying Agent (including the Issuers acting as their own Paying Agent) as the Trustee may determine, to the Persons entitled thereto, of the principal and any premium and interest for whose payment such money has been deposited with the Trustee.

ARTICLE V

REMEDIES

Section 5.01. Events of Default.

"Event of Default," wherever used herein with respect to the Securities of any series, means any one of the following events (whatever the reason for such Event of Default and whether it shall be voluntary or involuntary or be effected by operation of law or pursuant to any judgment, decree or order of any court or any order, rule or regulation of any administrative or governmental body):

- (1) Default in the payment of the principal of (or premium, if any, on) any Security of that series at its Stated Maturity; or
- (2) Default in the payment of any interest upon any Security of that series when it becomes due and payable, and continuance of such Default for a period of 30 days; or
- (3) Default in the deposit of any sinking fund payment, when and as due by the terms of a Security of that series, and continuance of such Default for a period of 30 days; or
- (4) either of the Issuers fails to perform or observe any other term, covenant or agreement contained in the applicable series of Securities or this Indenture (other than a Default specified in clause (1), (2) or (3) above or clause (5) below) and such Default continues for a period of 45 days after written notice of such Default requiring the Issuers to remedy the same shall have been given (x) to the Issuers by the Trustee or (y) to the Issuers and the Trustee by Holders of 25% in aggregate principal amount of the Securities of that series then Outstanding;
- (5) the continuance of a default as a result of the failure by the Partnership for whatever reason to comply with Section 7.04 for a period of 105 days after written notice of such default requiring the Issuers to remedy the same shall have been given (x) to the Issuers by the Trustee or (y) to the Issuers and the Trustee by holders of 25% of the aggregate principal amount of the Securities then Outstanding;

- (6) a default occurs or defaults occur under one or more agreements, instruments, mortgages, bonds, debentures or other evidences of Indebtedness under which the Partnership or any Restricted Subsidiary then has outstanding Indebtedness, which default (a) is caused by failure to pay (x) principal with respect to Indebtedness of a Restricted Subsidiary at its Stated Maturity or within the applicable grace period, if any, provided with respect to such Indebtedness or (y) principal, premium or interest with respect to Indebtedness of the Partnership within the applicable grace period, if any, provided in such Indebtedness (collectively, a "Payment Default") or (b) results in the acceleration of such Indebtedness prior to its Stated Maturity and, in each case, the principal amount of any such Indebtedness, together with the principal amount of any other such Indebtedness under which there has been a Payment Default or the maturity of which has been so accelerated, aggregates \$75 million or more; or
- (7) a final judgment or judgments (which is or are non-appealable and non-reviewable or which has or have not been stayed pending appeal or review or as to which all rights to appeal or review have expired or been exhausted) shall be rendered against the Partnership, any Restricted Subsidiary, the General Partner or any Significant Subsidiary for the payment of money in excess of \$75 million in the aggregate and which judgment or judgments shall not be covered by insurance or discharged or execution thereon stayed pending appeal or review within 60 days after entry of such judgment, or, in the event of such a stay, such judgment shall not be discharged within 30 days after such stay expires; or
- (8) the Partnership, Finance Corp. or any of their respective Significant Subsidiaries pursuant to or within the meaning of any Bankruptcy Law:
 - (a) commences a voluntary case,
 - (b) consents to the entry of an order for relief against it in an involuntary case,
 - (c) consents to the appointment of a Custodian of it or for all or substantially all of its property,
 - (d) makes a general assignment for the benefit of its creditors, or
 - (e) admits in writing its inability to pay debts as the same become due; or
 - (9) a court of competent jurisdiction enters an order or decree under any Bankruptcy Law that:
 - (a) is for relief against the Partnership, Finance Corp. or any of their respective Significant Subsidiaries in an involuntary case,
 - (b) appoints a Custodian of the Partnership, Finance Corp. or any of their respective Significant Subsidiaries or for all or substantially all of their property, or

(c) orders the liquidation of the Partnership, Finance Corp. or any of their respective Significant Subsidiaries, and the order or decree remains unstayed and in effect for 60 days; or

(10) any other Event of Default provided with respect to Securities of that series.

The notice under clause (4) must specify the Default, demand that it be remedied and state that the notice is a "Notice of Default,"

Section 5.02. Acceleration of Stated Maturity, Rescission and Annulment.

If an Event of Default (other than an Event of Default specified in clauses (8) and (9) of Section 5.01) with respect to Securities of any series at the time Outstanding occurs and is continuing, the Trustee by notice to the Issuers, or the Holders of at least 25% in principal amount of the then Outstanding Securities of that series by written notice to the Issuers and the Trustee, may declare the unpaid principal (or, if any of the Securities of that series are Original Issue Discount Securities, such portion of the principal amount of such Securities as may be specified in the terms thereof) of all of the Securities of that series, and any accrued interest on such Securities be due and payable. Upon such declaration the principal and interest shall be due and payable immediately. If an Event of Default specified in clause (8) or (9) of Section 5.01 occurs, such an amount shall ipso facto become and be immediately due and payable without any declaration or other act on the part of the Trustee or any Holder. If any Event of Default occurs because the Issuers or those acting on the Issuers' behalf willfully intended to avoid payment of the premium that the Issuers would have to pay if the Issuers then elected to redeem the Securities of a Series under Article XI of this Indenture, then an equivalent premium shall also become and be immediately due and payable to the extent permitted by law upon the acceleration of the Securities of such series. The Holders of a majority in principal amount of the then Outstanding Securities of any series by written notice to the Trustee may rescind an acceleration and its consequences if the rescission would not conflict with any judgment or decree and if all existing Events of Default with respect to the Securities of that series (except nonpayment of principal or interest that has become due solely because of the acceleration) have been cured or waived.

Section 5.03. Other Remedies.

If an Event of Default occurs and is continuing, the Trustee may pursue any available remedy (under this Indenture or otherwise) to collect the payment of principal or interest on the Securities of that series or to enforce the performance of any provision of the Securities of that series, or this Indenture.

The Trustee may maintain a proceeding even if it does not possess any of the Securities of that series or does not produce any of them in the proceeding. A delay or omission by the Trustee or any Holder of the Securities of that series in exercising any right or remedy accruing upon an Event of Default shall not impair the right or remedy or constitute a waiver of or acquiescence in the Event of Default. All remedies are cumulative to the extent permitted by law.

Section 5.04. Waiver of Past Defaults.

Holders of a majority in principal amount of the Securities of any series then Outstanding by notice to the Trustee may waive an existing Default or Event of Default with respect to that series and its consequences, except a continuing Default or Event of Default in the payment of the principal of, premium, if any, or interest on, any Securities of that series held by a non-consenting Holder. Upon any such waiver, such Default shall cease to exist, and any Event of Default arising therefrom shall be deemed to have been cured for every purpose of this Indenture; but no such waiver shall extend to any subsequent or other Default or impair any right consequent thereon.

Section 5.05. Control by Majority.

The Holders of a majority in principal amount of the Securities of any series then Outstanding may direct the time, method and place of conducting any proceeding for any remedy available to the Trustee with respect to such series, or exercising any trust or power conferred on it. However, the Trustee may refuse to follow any direction that conflicts with law or this Indenture that the Trustee determines may be unduly prejudicial to the rights of other Holders of the Securities of that series, or that may involve the Trustee in personal liability.

Section 5.06. Limitation on Suits.

A Holder of the Securities of any series may pursue a remedy with respect to this Indenture or the Securities only if:

- (1) the Holder gives to the Trustee written notice of a continuing Event of Default;
- (2) the Holders of at least 25% in principal amount of the Securities of that series then Outstanding make a written request to the Trustee to pursue the remedy;
- (3) such Holder or Holders offer and, if requested, provide to the Trustee indemnity satisfactory to the Trustee against any loss, liability or expense;
- (4) the Trustee does not comply with the request within 60 days after receipt of the request and the offer and, if requested, the provision of indemnity; and
- (5) during such 60-day period the Holders of a majority in principal amount of the Securities of that series then Outstanding do not give the Trustee a direction inconsistent with the request.

A Holder of the Securities of any series may not use this Indenture to prejudice the rights of another Holder of the Securities of that series or to obtain a preference or priority over another Holder of the Securities of that series.

Section 5.07. Rights of Holders to Receive Payment.

Notwithstanding any other provision in this Indenture, the Holder of any Security shall have the right, which is absolute and unconditional, to receive payment of the principal of and any premium and (subject to Section 3.07) interest on such Security on the respective Stated Maturity expressed in such Security (or, in the case of redemption, on the Redemption Date) and to institute suit for the enforcement of any such payment, and such rights shall not be impaired without the consent of such Holder.

Section 5.08. Collection Suit by Trustee.

If an Event of Default specified in Section 5.01(1) or (2) with respect to any series of the Securities occurs and is continuing, the Trustee is authorized to recover judgment in its own name and as trustee of an express trust against the Issuers for the whole amount of principal and interest remaining unpaid on the Securities of that series and interest on overdue principal and, to the extent lawful, interest and such further amount as shall be sufficient to cover the costs and expenses of collection, including the reasonable compensation, expenses, disbursements and advances of the Trustee, its agents and counsel.

Section 5.09. Trustee May File Proofs of Claim.

The Trustee is authorized to file such proofs of claim and other papers or documents as may be necessary or advisable in order to have the claims of the Trustee (including any claim for the reasonable compensation, expenses, disbursements and advances of the Trustee, its agents and counsel) and the Holders of the Securities allowed in any judicial proceedings relative to the Issuers (or any other obligor upon the Securities), their creditors or their property and shall be entitled and empowered to collect, receive and distribute any money or other property payable or deliverable on any such claims and any custodian in any such judicial proceeding is hereby authorized by each Holder of the Securities to make such payments to the Trustee, and in the event that the Trustee shall consent to the making of such payments directly to the Holders of the Securities, to pay to the Trustee any amount due to it for the reasonable compensation, expenses, disbursements and advances of the Trustee under Section 6.06 hereof. To the extent that the payment of any such compensation, expenses, disbursements and advances of the Trustee, its agents and counsel, and any other amounts due the Trustee under Section 6.06 hereof out of the estate in any such proceeding, shall be denied for any reason, payment of the same shall be secured by a Lien on, and shall be paid out of, any and all distributions, dividends, money, securities and other properties which the Holders of the Securities may be entitled to receive in such proceeding whether in liquidation or under any plan of reorganization or arrangement or otherwise. Nothing herein contained shall be deemed to authorize the Trustee to authorize or consent to or accept or adopt on behalf of any Holder of the Securities any plan of reorganization, arrangement, adjustment or composition affecting the Securities or the rights of any Holder thereof, or to authorize the Trustee to vote in respect of the claim of any Holder of the Securities in any such proceeding.

Section 5.10. Priorities.

If the Trustee collects any money pursuant to this Article, it shall pay out the money in the following order:

First: to the Trustee, its agents and attorneys for amounts due under Section 6.06, including payment of all compensation, expense and liabilities incurred, and all advances made, by the Trustee and the costs and expenses of collection:

Second: To the payment of the amounts then due and unpaid for principal of and any premium and interest on the Securities in respect of which or for the benefit of which such money has been collected, ratably, without preference or priority of any kind, according to the amounts due and payable on such Securities for principal and any premium and interest, respectively; and

Third: to the Issuers or to such party as a court of competent jurisdiction shall direct.

The Trustee may fix a record date and payment date for any payment to Holders of Securities.

Section 5.11. Undertaking for Costs.

In any suit for the enforcement of any right or remedy under this Indenture or in any suit against the Trustee for any action taken or omitted by it as a Trustee, a court in its discretion may require the filing by any party litigant in the suit of an undertaking to pay the costs of the suit, and the court in its discretion may assess reasonable costs, including reasonable attorneys' fees, against any party litigant in the suit, having due regard to the merits and good faith of the claims or defenses made by the party litigant. This Section 5.11 does not apply to a suit by the Trustee, a suit by a Holder pursuant to Section 5.07, or a suit by Holders of more than 10% in principal amount of any series of Securities then Outstanding.

ARTICLE VI

THE TRUSTEE

The Trustee hereby accepts the trust imposed upon it by this Indenture and covenants and agrees to perform the same, as herein expressed.

Section 6.01. Duties of Trustee.

- (1) If an Event of Default with respect to a series of Securities has occurred and is continuing, the Trustee shall exercise such of the rights and powers vested in it by this Indenture, and use the same degree of care and skill in its exercise, as a prudent person would exercise or use under the circumstances in the conduct of his own affairs.
 - (2) Except during the continuance of an Event of Default with respect to a series of Securities:

- (a) The duties of the Trustee shall be determined solely by the express provisions of this Indenture and the Trustee need perform only those duties that are specifically set forth in this Indenture and no others, and no implied covenants or obligations shall be read into this Indenture against the Trustee.
- (b) In the absence of bad faith on its part, the Trustee may conclusively rely, as to the truth of the statements and the correctness of the opinions expressed therein, upon certificates or opinions furnished to the Trustee and conforming to the requirements of this Indenture. However, the Trustee shall examine the certificates and opinions to determine whether or not they conform to the requirements of this Indenture.
- (3) The Trustee may not be relieved from liabilities for its own negligent action, its own negligent failure to act, or its own willful misconduct, except that:
- (a) This paragraph does not limit the effect of paragraph (2) of this Section 6.01.
- (b) The Trustee shall not be liable for any error of judgment made in good faith by a Responsible Officer, unless it is proved that the Trustee was negligent in ascertaining the pertinent facts.
- (c) The Trustee shall not be liable with respect to any action it takes or omits to take in good faith in accordance with a direction received by it pursuant to Section 5.05.
- (4) Whether or not therein expressly so provided, every provision of this Indenture that in any way relates to the Trustee is subject to paragraphs (1), (2) and (3) of this Section 6.01.
- (5) No provision of this Indenture shall require the Trustee to expend or risk its own funds or incur any liability. The Trustee may refuse to perform any duty or exercise any right or power unless it receives indemnity satisfactory to it against any loss, liability or expense.
- (6) The Trustee shall not be liable for interest on any money received by it except as the Trustee may agree in writing with the Issuers. Money held in trust by the Trustee need not be segregated from other funds except to the extent required by law.

Section 6.02. Rights of Trustee.

Subject to the provisions of Sections 315(a) through 315(d) of the Trust Indenture Act:

- (1) The Trustee may conclusively rely upon any document believed by it to be genuine and to have been signed or presented by the proper Person. The Trustee need not investigate any fact or matter stated in the document.
- (2) Before the Trustee acts or refrains from acting, it may require an Officer's Certificate or an Opinion of Counsel or both. The Trustee shall not be liable for any action it takes or omits to take in good faith in reliance on such Officer's Certificate or Opinion of Counsel. The Trustee may consult with counsel and the written advice of such counsel or any Opinion of Counsel shall be full and complete authorization and protection from liability, in respect of any action taken, suffered or omitted by it hereunder in good faith and in reliance thereon.

- (3) The Trustee may act through agents and shall not be responsible for the misconduct or negligence of any agent appointed with due care.
- (4) The Trustee shall not be liable for any action it takes or omits to take in good faith that it believes to be authorized or within its rights or powers conferred upon it by this Indenture.
- (5) Unless otherwise specifically provided in this Indenture, any demand, request, direction or notice from the Issuers shall be sufficient if signed by an officer of the General Partner, on behalf of the Partnership (or the Partnership if the Partnership is a corporation) or by an officer of Finance Corp.

Section 6.03. Definitive Rights of Trustee.

The Trustee in its individual or any other capacity may become the Holder or pledgee of the Securities of any series and may otherwise deal with the Partnership, Finance Corp. or an Affiliate of the Partnership or Finance Corp. with the same rights it would have if it were not Trustee. Any Paying Agent or Security Registrar may do the same with like rights. However, the Trustee is subject to Sections 6.09 and 6.10.

Section 6.04. Trustee's Disclaimer.

The Trustee shall not be responsible for and makes no representation as to the validity or adequacy of this Indenture or the Securities of any series, it shall not be accountable for the Issuers' use of the proceeds from the Securities of any series or any money paid to the Issuers or upon the Issuers' direction under any provision hereof, it shall not be responsible for the use or application of any money received by any Paying Agent other than the Trustee and it shall not be responsible for any statement or recital herein or any statement in the Securities of any series or any other document in connection with the sale of the Securities of any series or pursuant to this Indenture other than its certificate of authentication and that it is duly authorized to execute and deliver this Indenture, authenticate the Securities and perform its obligations hereunder and that the statements made by it in a Statement of Eligibility and Qualification on Form T-1, if any, supplied to the Issuers are true and accurate subject to the qualifications set forth therein.

Section 6.05. Notice of Defaults.

If an Event of Default occurs and is continuing and if it is known to a Responsible Officer of the Trustee, the Trustee shall mail to Holders of the Securities of the applicable series a notice of the Event of Default within 90 days after it occurs. Except in the case of an Event of Default in payment on any series of the Securities pursuant to Section 5.01(1) or (2), the Trustee may withhold the notice if it determines in good faith that withholding the notice is in the interests of Holders of the Securities of such series.

Section 6.06. Compensation and Indemnity.

The Issuers shall pay to the Trustee from time to time reasonable compensation for its acceptance of this Indenture and services hereunder. The Trustee's compensation shall not be limited by any law on compensation of a trustee of an express trust. The Issuers shall reimburse the Trustee promptly upon request for all reasonable disbursements, advances and expenses incurred or made by it in addition to the compensation for its services. Such expenses shall include the reasonable compensation, disbursements and expenses of the Trustee's agents and counsel, except such disbursements, advances and expenses as may be attributable to its negligence or bad faith.

The Issuers shall indemnify the Trustee against any and all losses, liabilities or expenses incurred by it without negligence or bad faith on its part arising out of or in connection with the acceptance or administration of its duties under this Indenture, except as set forth below. The Trustee shall notify the Issuers promptly of any claim for which it may seek indemnity. Failure by the Trustee to so notify the Issuers shall not relieve the Issuers of their obligations hereunder. The Issuers shall defend the claim and the Trustee shall cooperate in the defense. The Trustee may have separate counsel and the Issuers shall pay the reasonable fees and expenses of such counsel. Neither the Partnership nor Finance Corp. need pay for any settlement made without their consent, which consent shall not be unreasonably withheld.

The obligations of the Issuers under this Section 6.06 shall survive the satisfaction and discharge of this Indenture.

The Issuers need not reimburse any expense or indemnify against any loss or liability incurred by the Trustee through its own negligence or bad faith.

To secure the Issuers' payment obligations in this Section 6.06, the Issuers hereby grant to the Trustee a Lien prior to the Securities of any series on all money or property held or collected by the Trustee, except that held in trust to pay principal and interest on a particular series of the Securities. Such Lien shall survive the satisfaction and discharge of this Indenture.

When the Trustee incurs expenses or renders services after an Event of Default specified in Section 5.01(8) or (9) occurs, the expenses and the compensation for the services are intended to constitute expenses of administration under any Bankruptcy Law.

Section 6.07. Replacement of Trustee.

A resignation or removal of the Trustee and appointment of a successor Trustee shall become effective only upon the successor Trustee's acceptance of appointment as provided in this Section 6.07.

The Trustee may resign at any time with respect to the Securities of one or more series and be discharged from the trust hereby created by so notifying the Issuers. The Holders of a majority in principal amount of the Outstanding Securities of such series may remove the Trustee by so notifying the Trustee and the Issuers. The Issuers may remove the Trustee if:

(1) the Trustee fails to comply with Section 6.09;

- (2) the Trustee is adjudged a bankrupt or an insolvent or an order for relief is entered with respect to the Trustee under any Bankruptcy
- (3) a Custodian or public officer takes charge of the Trustee or its property; or
 - (4) the Trustee becomes incapable of acting.

If the Trustee resigns or is removed or if a vacancy exists in the office of Trustee, with respect to the Securities of one or more series, for any reason, the Issuers shall promptly appoint a successor Trustee, with respect to Securities of that or those series. Within one year after the successor Trustee with respect to a series of Securities takes office, the Holders of a majority in principal amount of the Outstanding Securities of such series may appoint a successor Trustee with respect to such series to replace the successor Trustee appointed by the Issuers.

If a successor Trustee does not take office within 60 days after the retiring Trustee resigns or is removed, the retiring Trustee, the Partnership, Finance Corp. or the Holders of at least 10% in principal amount of the Outstanding Securities of a series may petition any court of competent jurisdiction for the appointment of a successor Trustee.

If the Trustee after written request by any Holder of the Securities of any series who has been a Holder of such series of the Securities for at least six months fails to comply with Section 6.09, such Holder may petition any court of competent jurisdiction for the removal of the Trustee and the appointment of a successor Trustee.

A successor Trustee shall deliver a written acceptance of its appointment to the retiring Trustee and to the Issuers. Thereupon, the resignation or removal of the retiring Trustee shall become effective, and the successor Trustee shall have all the rights, powers and duties of the Trustee under this Indenture. The successor Trustee shall mail a notice of its succession to Holders of the Securities of each applicable series. The retiring Trustee shall promptly transfer all property held by it as Trustee to the successor Trustee, provided all sums owing to the Trustee hereunder have been paid and subject to the Lien provided for in Section 6.06. Notwithstanding replacement of the Trustee pursuant to this Section 6.07, the Issuers' obligations under Section 6.06 hereof shall continue for the benefit of the retiring Trustee.

Section 6.08. Successor Trustee by Merger, etc.

If the Trustee consolidates, merges or converts into, or transfers all or substantially all of its corporate trust business to, another corporation, the successor corporation without any further act shall be the successor Trustee.

Section 6.09. Eligibility; Disqualification.

Law;

There shall at all times be a Trustee hereunder that shall be a corporation organized and doing business under the laws of the United States of America or of any state thereof authorized under such laws to exercise corporate trust powers, shall be subject to supervision or examination by federal or state authority and shall have a combined capital and surplus of at least \$100 million as set forth in its most recent published annual report of condition.

Section 6.10. Preferential Collection of Claims Against Issuers.

The Trustee is subject to Trust Indenture Act Section 311(a), excluding any creditor relationship listed in Trust Indenture Act Section 311(b). A Trustee who has resigned or been removed shall be subject to Trust Indenture Act Section 311(a) to the extent indicated therein.

ARTICLE VII

HOLDERS' LISTS AND REPORTS BY TRUSTEE AND ISSUERS

Section 7.01. Issuers to Furnish Trustee Names and Addresses of Holders.

The Issuers shall furnish or cause to be furnished to the Trustee:

- (1) semi-annually, not more than 15 days after each Regular Record Date, a list for each series of Securities, in such form as the Trustee may reasonably require, of the names and addresses of the Holders of Securities of such series as of the Regular Record Date, as the case may be, and
- (2) at such other times as the Trustee may request in writing, within 30 days after the receipt by the Issuers of any such request, a list of similar form and content as of a date not more than 15 days prior to the time such list is furnished;

excluding from any such list names and addresses received by the Trustee in its capacity as Security Registrar.

Section 7.02. Preservation of Information; Communications to Holders.

The Trustee shall preserve, in as current a form as is reasonably practicable, the names and addresses of Holders contained in the most recent list furnished to the Trustee as provided in Section 7.01 and the names and addresses of Holders received by the Trustee in its capacity as Security Registrar. The Trustee may destroy any list furnished to it as provided in Section 7.01 upon receipt of a new list so furnished.

The rights of the Holders to communicate with other Holders with respect to their rights under this Indenture or under the Securities, and the corresponding rights and privileges of the Trustee, shall be as provided by the Trust Indenture Act.

Every Holder of Securities, by receiving and holding the same, agrees with the Issuers and the Trustee that neither the Issuers nor the Trustee nor any agent of either of them shall be held accountable by reason of any disclosure of information as to names and addresses of Holders made pursuant to the Trust Indenture Act.

Section 7.03. Reports by Trustee.

Within 60 days after each May 15 beginning with the May 15 following the Issue Date of a series of Securities, the Trustee shall mail to each Holder of such series of Securities a brief report dated as of such May 15 that complies with Trust Indenture Act Section 313(a) if such report is required by such Trust Indenture Act Section 313(a). The Trustee also shall comply with Trust Indenture Act Sections 313(b) and 313(c).

The Issuers shall promptly notify the Trustee in writing if the Securities of any series become listed on any stock exchange or automatic quotation system.

A copy of each report at the time of its mailing to Holders shall be mailed to the Issuers and filed with the Commission and each stock exchange, if any, on which the Securities are listed.

Section 7.04. Reports by Issuers.

The Partnership shall file with the Commission or, if the Partnership is not subject to the reporting requirements of Section 13 or 15(d) of the Exchange Act, post on the Partnership's website, in either case within the time periods specified in the Commission's rules and regulations, including the additional periods provided by Rule 12b-25 under the Exchange Act, annual reports and other reports or statements prepared in accordance with the reporting provisions under Section 13 or Section 15(d) of the Exchange Act.

ARTICLE VIII

CONSOLIDATION, MERGER, CONVEYANCE, TRANSFER OR LEASE

Section 8.01. When Issuers May Merge, Etc.

(a) The Partnership shall not consolidate or merge with or into (whether or not the Partnership is the surviving Person), or sell, assign, transfer, lease, convey or otherwise dispose of all or substantially all of its properties or assets in one or more related transactions to, another Person unless (i) the Partnership is the surviving Person, or the Person formed by or surviving any such consolidation or merger (if other than the Partnership) or to which such sale, assignment, transfer, lease, conveyance or other disposition shall have been made is a corporation or partnership organized or existing under the laws of the United States, any state thereof or the District of Columbia; (ii) the Person formed by or surviving any such consolidation or merger (if other than the Partnership) or the Person to which such sale, assignment, transfer, lease, conveyance or other disposition shall have been made assumes all the obligations of the Partnership pursuant to a supplemental indenture in a form reasonably satisfactory to the Trustee, under the Securities and this Indenture; (iii) immediately after such transaction no Default or Event of Default exists; and (iv) the Partnership or such other Person formed by or surviving any such consolidation or merger, or to which such sale, assignment, transfer, lease, conveyance or other disposition shall have been made will, at the time of such transaction and after giving pro forma effect thereto as if such transaction had occurred at the beginning of the applicable Four-Quarter Period, be permitted to incur at least \$1.00 of additional Indebtedness pursuant to the Consolidated Fixed Charge Coverage Ratio immediately prior to such transaction or transactions.

- (b) Finance Corp. shall not consolidate or merge with or into (whether or not Finance Corp. is the surviving Person), or sell, assign, transfer, lease, convey or otherwise dispose of all or substantially all of its properties or assets in one or more related transactions to, another Person unless (i) Finance Corp. is the surviving Person, or the Person formed by or surviving any such consolidation or merger (if other than Finance Corp.) or to which such sale, assignment, transfer, lease, conveyance or other disposition shall have been made is a corporation organized or existing under the laws of the United States, any state thereof or the District of Columbia and a Wholly Owned Restricted Subsidiary of the Partnership; (ii) the Person formed by or surviving any such consolidation or merger (if other than Finance Corp.) or the Person to which such sale, assignment, transfer, lease, conveyance or other disposition shall have been made assumes all the obligations of Finance Corp., pursuant to a supplemental indenture in a form reasonably satisfactory to the Trustee, under the Securities and this Indenture; and (iii) immediately after such transaction no Default or Event of Default exists.
- (c) The Partnership or Finance Corp., as the case may be, shall deliver to the Trustee prior to the consummation of any proposed transaction subject to the foregoing paragraphs (a) and (b) an Officer's Certificate to the foregoing effect and an Opinion of Counsel stating that the proposed transaction and such supplemental indenture comply with this Indenture. The Trustee shall be entitled to conclusively rely upon such Officer's Certificate and Opinion of Counsel.

Section 8.02. Successor Person Substituted.

Upon any consolidation or merger, or any sale, assignment, transfer, lease, conveyance or other disposition of all or substantially all of the assets of the Partnership or Finance Corp. in accordance with Section 8.01 hereof, the successor Person formed by such consolidation or into or with which the Partnership or Finance Corp. is merged or to which such sale, assignment, transfer, lease, conveyance or other disposition is made shall succeed to, and be substituted for (so that from and after the date of such consolidation, merger, sale, lease, conveyance or other disposition, the provisions of this Indenture referring to the "Partnership," "Finance Corp." or the "Issuers," as the case may be, shall refer to or include instead the successor Person and not the Partnership or Finance Corp., as the case may be, under this Indenture with the same effect as if such successor Person had been named as the Partnership or Finance Corp., as the case may be, herein and thereafter, the predecessor Person shall be relieved of all obligations and covenants under this Indenture and the Securities.

ARTICLE IX

SUPPLEMENTAL INDENTURES

Section 9.01. Supplemental Indentures Without Consent of Holders.

Without the consent of any Holders, the Issuers, when authorized by Board Resolutions, and the Trustee, at any time and from time to time, may enter into one or more indentures supplemental hereto, in form satisfactory to the Trustee, for any of the following purposes:

- (1) to evidence the succession of another Person to either or both of the Issuers and the assumption by any such successor of the covenants of such Issuers herein and in the Securities; or
- (2) to add to the covenants for the benefit of the Holders of all or any series of Securities (and if such covenants are to be for the benefit of less than all series of the Securities, stating that such covenants are expressly being included solely for the benefit of such series) or to surrender any right or power herein conferred upon the Issuers; or
- (3) to add any additional Events of Default for the benefit of the Holders of all or any series of the Securities (and if such Events of Default are to be for the benefit of less than all series of the Securities, stating that such Events of Default are expressly being included solely for the benefit of such series); or
- (4) to add to or change any of the provisions of this Indenture to such extent as shall be necessary to permit or facilitate the issuance of the Securities in bearer form, registrable or not registrable as to principal, and with or without interest coupons, or to permit or facilitate the issuance of the Securities in uncertificated form; or
- (5) to add to, change or eliminate any of the provisions of this Indenture in respect of one or more series of the Securities, *provided* that any such addition, change or elimination (A) shall neither (i) apply to any Security of any series created prior to the execution of such supplemental indenture and entitled to the benefit of such provision nor (ii) modify the rights of the Holder of any such Security with respect to such provision or (B) shall become effective only when there is no such Security Outstanding; or
 - (6) to provide security for the Securities; or
 - (7) to establish the form or terms of the Securities of any series as permitted by Sections 2.01 and 3.01; or
- (8) to evidence and provide for the acceptance of appointment hereunder by a successor Trustee with respect to the Securities of one or more series and to add to or change any of the provisions of this Indenture as shall be necessary to provide for or facilitate the administration of the trusts hereunder by more than one Trustee, pursuant to the requirements of Section 6.07; or
- (9) to cure any ambiguity, to correct or supplement any provision herein which may be defective or inconsistent with any other provision herein, or to make any other provisions with respect to matters or questions arising under this Indenture, *provided* that such action pursuant to this clause (9) shall not adversely affect the interests of the Holders of Securities of any series in any material respect; or
- (10) to add to, change, or eliminate any of the provisions of this Indenture to such extent as shall be necessary to add or substitute any of the Partnership's Subsidiaries as a co-issuer of securities of an applicable series; or

(11) to conform the text of this Indenture, the Securities of a series, or any supplemental indenture in respect such series of Securities to any provision of the "Description of Notes" or "Description of Debt Securities" contained in the prospectus supplement or accompanying prospectus relating to such series of Securities.

Section 9.02. Supplemental Indentures with Consent of Holders.

With the consent of the Holders of not less than a majority in principal amount of the Securities at the time Outstanding of all series affected by such supplemental indenture (voting as one class), by Act of said Holders delivered to the Issuers and the Trustee, the Issuers, when authorized by Board Resolutions, and the Trustee may enter into an indenture or indentures supplemental hereto for the purpose of adding any provisions to or changing in any manner or eliminating any of the provisions of this Indenture or of modifying in any manner the rights of the Holders of the Securities so affected under this Indenture; *provided*, *however*, that no such supplemental indenture shall, without the consent of the Holder of each Outstanding Security affected thereby,

- (1) change the Stated Maturity of the principal of, or any installment of principal of or interest on, any Security, or reduce the principal amount thereof or the rate of interest or the time of payment of interest thereon or any premium payable upon the redemption thereof, or reduce the amount of the principal of an Original Issue Discount Security that would be due and payable upon a declaration of acceleration of the Stated Maturity thereof pursuant to Section 5.02, or change any Place of Payment where, or the coin or currency in which, any Security or any premium or interest thereon is payable, or impair the right to institute suit for the enforcement of any such payment on or after the Stated Maturity thereof (or, in the case of redemption, on or after the Redemption Date), or
- (2) reduce the percentage in principal amount of the Outstanding Securities of any series, the consent of whose Holders is required for any such supplemental indenture, or the consent of whose Holders is required for any waiver (of compliance with certain provisions of this Indenture or certain Defaults hereunder and their consequences) provided for in this Indenture, or
- (3) modify any of the provisions of this Section 9.02 or Section 5.04, except to increase any such percentage or to provide that certain other provisions of this Indenture cannot be modified or waived without the consent of the Holder of each Outstanding Security affected thereby, *provided*, *however*, that this clause shall not be deemed to require the consent of any Holder with respect to changes in the references to "the Trustee" and concomitant changes in this Section 9.02, or the deletion of this proviso, in accordance with the requirements of Sections 6.07 and 9.01(8),
 - (4) change any obligation of the Issuers to maintain an office or agency, or
 - (5) change any obligation of the Issuers to pay additional amounts, or
 - (6) adversely affect the right of repayment or repurchase at the option of the Holder, or
 - (7) reduce or postpone any sinking fund or similar provision.

A supplemental indenture which changes or eliminates any covenant or other provision of this Indenture which has expressly been included solely for the benefit of one or more particular series of the Securities, or which modifies the rights of the Holders of the Securities of such series with respect to such covenant or other provision, shall be deemed not to affect the rights under this Indenture of the Holders of the Securities of any other series.

It shall not be necessary for any Act of Holders under this Section 9.02 to approve the particular form of any proposed supplemental indenture, but it shall be sufficient if such Act shall approve the substance thereof.

Section 9.03. Execution of Supplemental Indentures.

In executing, or accepting the additional trusts created by, any supplemental indenture permitted by this Article or the modifications thereby of the trusts created by this Indenture, the Trustee shall be entitled to receive, and (subject to Section 6.01) shall be fully protected in relying upon, an Opinion of Counsel stating that the execution of such supplemental indenture is authorized or permitted by this Indenture. The Trustee may, but shall not be obligated to, enter into any such supplemental indenture which affects the Trustee's own rights, duties or immunities under this Indenture or otherwise.

Section 9.04. Effect of Supplemental Indentures.

Upon the execution of any supplemental indenture under this Article, this Indenture shall be modified in accordance therewith, and such supplemental indenture shall form a part of this Indenture for all purposes; and every Holder of the Securities theretofore or thereafter authenticated and delivered hereunder shall be bound thereby except as otherwise provided in the relevant supplemental indenture.

Section 9.05. Conformity with Trust Indenture Act.

Every supplemental indenture executed pursuant to this Article shall conform to the requirements of the Trust Indenture Act.

Section 9.06. Reference in Securities to Supplemental Indentures.

The Securities of any series authenticated and delivered after the execution of any supplemental indenture pursuant to this Article may, and shall if required by the Trustee, bear a notation in form approved by the Trustee as to any matter provided for in such supplemental indenture. If the Issuers shall so determine, new Securities of any series so modified as to conform, in the opinion of the Trustee and the Issuers, to any such supplemental indenture may be prepared and executed by the Issuers and authenticated and delivered by the Trustee in exchange for Outstanding Securities of such series.

ARTICLE X

COVENANTS

Section 10.01. Payment of Securities.

The Issuers covenant and agree for the benefit of each series of Securities that they will pay the principal of and interest on the Securities of that series on the dates and in the manner provided in the Securities of that series and this Indenture. An installment of principal, premium, if any, or interest on the Securities shall be considered paid on the date it is due if the Trustee or Paying Agent (other than the Issuers or Affiliates of the Issuers) holds for the benefit of the Holders, on that date, immediately available funds deposited and designated for and sufficient to pay all principal, premium, if any, and interest then due.

The Issuers shall pay interest on overdue principal and on overdue installments of interest at the rate specified in the Securities compounded semi-annually, to the extent lawful.

Section 10.02. Maintenance of Office or Agency.

The Issuers shall maintain in the Place of Payment for each series of Securities, an office or agency where Securities of that series may be presented or surrendered for payment, where Securities of that series may be surrendered for registration of transfer or exchange and where notices and demands to or upon the Issuers in respect of the Securities of that series and this Indenture may be served. The Issuers shall give prompt written notice to the Trustee of the location, and any change in the location, of such office or agency. If at any time the Issuers shall fail to maintain any such required office or agency or shall fail to furnish the Trustee with the address thereof, such presentations, surrenders, notices and demands may be made or served at the Corporate Trust Office of the Trustee.

The Issuers may also from time to time designate one or more other offices or agencies where the Securities of one or more series may be presented or surrendered for any or all such purposes and may from time to time rescind such designations; *provided*, *however*, that no such designation or rescission shall in any manner relieve the Issuers of their obligation to maintain an office or agency in each Place of Payment for Securities of any series for such purposes. The Issuers shall give prompt written notice to the Trustee of any such designation or rescission and of any change in the location of any such other office or agency. The Issuers hereby initially designate the principal Corporate Trust Office of the Trustee as such office of the Issuers.

Section 10.03. Money for Securities Payments to Be Held in Trust.

If the Issuers shall at any time act as their own Paying Agent with respect to any series of Securities, the Issuers will, on or before each due date of the principal of or any premium or interest on any of the Securities of that series, segregate and hold in trust for the benefit of the Persons entitled thereto a sum sufficient to pay the principal and any premium and interest so becoming due until such sums shall be paid to such Persons or otherwise disposed of as herein provided and will promptly notify the Trustee of their action or failure so to act.

Whenever the Issuers shall have one or more Paying Agents for any series of Securities, they will, on or prior to each due date of the principal of or any premium or interest on any Securities of that series, deposit with a Paying Agent a sum sufficient to pay such amount, such sum to be held as provided by the Trust Indenture Act, and (unless such Paying Agent is the Trustee) the Issuers will promptly notify the Trustee of their action or failure so to act.

The Issuers will cause each Paying Agent for any series of Securities other than the Trustee to execute and deliver to the Trustee an instrument in which such Paying Agent shall agree with the Trustee, subject to the provisions of this Section 10.03, that such Paying Agent will (1) comply with the provisions of the Trust Indenture Act applicable to it as a Paying Agent and (2) during the continuance of any Default by the Issuers (or any other obligor upon the Securities of that series) in the making of any payment in respect of the Securities of that series, upon the written request of the Trustee, forthwith pay to the Trustee all sums held in trust by such Paying Agent for payment in respect of the Securities of that series.

The Issuers may at any time, for the purpose of obtaining the satisfaction and discharge of this Indenture or for any other purpose, pay, or by Issuers' Order direct any Paying Agent to pay, to the Trustee all sums held in trust by the Issuers or such Paying Agent, such sums to be held by the Trustee upon the same trusts as those upon which such sums were held by the Issuers or such Paying Agent; and, upon such payment by any Paying Agent to the Trustee, such Paying Agent shall be released from all further liability with respect to such money.

Any money deposited with the Trustee or any Paying Agent, or then held by the Issuers, in trust for the payment of the principal of or any premium or interest on any Security of any series and remaining unclaimed for two years after such principal, premium or interest has become due and payable shall be paid to the Issuers on the Issuers' Request, or (if then held by the Issuers) shall be discharged from such trust; and the Holder of such Security shall thereafter, as an unsecured general creditor, look only to the Issuers for payment thereof, and all liability of the Trustee or such Paying Agent with respect to such trust money, and all liability of the Issuers as trustee thereof, shall thereupon cease; *provided*, *however*, that the Trustee or such Paying Agent, before being required to make any such repayment, may at the expense of the Issuers cause to be published once, in a newspaper published in the English language, customarily published on each Business Day and of general circulation in The City of New York, notice that such money remains unclaimed and that, after a date specified therein, which shall not be less than 30 days from the date of such publication, any unclaimed balance of such money then remaining will be repaid to the Issuers.

Section 10.04. Partnership and Corporate Existence.

Subject to Article VIII, each of the Partnership and Finance Corp. shall do or cause to be done all things necessary to preserve and keep in full force and effect (a) its partnership or its corporate existence, as the case may be, and the partnership, corporate or other existence of each of their respective Subsidiaries, in accordance with their respective organizational documents (as the same may be amended from time to time) and (b) its (and its Subsidiaries') rights (charter and statutory), licenses and franchises; *provided*, *however*, that the Partnership and Finance Corp. shall not be required to preserve any such right, license or franchise or the partnership, corporate or other existence of any Subsidiary if (i) the Board of Directors of the General Partner

on behalf of the Partnership (or the Partnership if the Partnership is a corporation) shall determine that the preservation thereof is no longer desirable in the conduct of the business of the Issuers and their respective Subsidiaries taken as a whole and (ii) the loss thereof is not adverse in any material respect to the Holders.

Section 10.05. Payment of Taxes and Other Claims.

Each of the Partnership and Finance Corp. shall, and shall cause each of its respective Subsidiaries to, pay prior to delinquency all material taxes, assessments and governmental levies, except as contested in good faith and by appropriate proceedings.

Section 10.06. Compliance Certificate; Notice of Default.

- (a) The Partnership shall deliver to the Trustee within 120 days after the end of each fiscal year an Officer's Certificate stating that a review of its activities and the activities of its Subsidiaries (including Finance Corp.) during the preceding fiscal year has been made under the supervision of the signing officers with a view to determining whether each of the Issuers has kept, observed, performed and fulfilled its obligations under this Indenture, and further stating, as to each such officer signing such certificate, that to the officer's knowledge each Issuer has kept, observed, performed and fulfilled each and every covenant contained in this Indenture, and is not in Default in the performance or observance of any of the terms, provisions and conditions hereof or thereof (or, if an Event of Default shall have occurred, describing such Events of Default of which the officer may have knowledge and what action is being taken or proposes to be taken with respect thereto).
- (b) The Issuers shall, so long as any of the Securities of any series are Outstanding, deliver to the Trustee, immediately upon becoming aware of (i) any Event of Default with respect to such series under this Indenture or (ii) any event of default under any other mortgage, indenture or instrument referred to in Section 5.01(6), an Officer's Certificate specifying such Event of Default or other event of default and what action the Issuers are taking or propose to take with respect thereto.

Section 10.07. Waiver of Stay, Extension or Usury Laws.

Each of the Partnership and Finance Corp. covenants for the benefit of each series of Securities (to the extent that each may lawfully do so) that it will not at any time insist upon, plead, or in any manner whatsoever claim or take the benefit or advantage of, any stay or extension law or any usury law or other law wherever enacted that would prohibit or forgive the Issuers from paying all or any portion of the principal of or interest on the Securities of that series as contemplated herein, wherever enacted, now or at any time hereafter in force, or which may affect the covenants or the performance of this Indenture; and each of the Partnership and Finance Corp. (to the extent that it may lawfully do so) hereby expressly waives for the benefit of each series of Securities all benefit or advantage of any such law insofar as such law applies to the Securities of that series, and covenants for the benefit of each series of Securities that it shall not hinder, delay or impede the execution of any power herein granted to the Trustee with respect to that series, but will suffer and permit the execution of every such power as though no such law had been enacted.

Section 10.08. Limitation on Liens.

The Partnership shall not, and shall not permit any of its Restricted Subsidiaries to, incur, assume or suffer to exist any Liens, other than Permitted Liens, upon any of its respective property or assets, whether owned on the applicable Issue Date of a series of Securities or thereafter acquired, unless all payments due under this Indenture and any series of Securities are secured on an equal and ratable basis with the obligations so secured until such time such obligations are no longer secured by a Lien.

Section 10.09. Limitation on Additional Indebtedness.

The Partnership shall not, and shall not permit any of its Restricted Subsidiaries to, directly or indirectly, create, incur, issue, assume or guarantee or in any manner become directly or indirectly liable, contingently or otherwise, for the payment of (in each case, to "incur"), any Indebtedness, unless at the time of such incurrence, and after giving *pro forma* effect to the receipt and application of the proceeds of such Indebtedness, the Consolidated Fixed Charge Coverage Ratio of the Partnership is greater than 2 to 1.

Notwithstanding the foregoing, the Partnership and its Restricted Subsidiaries may incur Permitted Indebtedness.

For purposes of determining compliance with this Section 10.09, in the event that an item of proposed Indebtedness meets the criteria of more than one of the categories of Permitted Indebtedness described in clauses (a) through (q) of the definition thereof, or is entitled to be incurred pursuant to the first paragraph of this Section 10.09, the Issuers will be permitted to classify such item of Indebtedness on the date of its incurrence, or later reclassify all or a portion of such item of Indebtedness, in any manner that complies with this Section 10.09; *provided* that Indebtedness under the Credit Agreement outstanding on the date of this Indenture shall be deemed to have been incurred on such date in reliance on the exception provided by clause (e) of the definition of Permitted Indebtedness and cannot be so reclassified. The accrual of interest, the accretion or amortization of original issue discount, the payment of interest on any Indebtedness in the form of additional Indebtedness with the same terms, and the payment of dividends on Redeemable Capital Stock in the form of additional shares of the same class of Redeemable Capital Stock will not be deemed to be an incurrence of Indebtedness or an issuance of Redeemable Capital Stock for purposes of this Section 10.09. Notwithstanding any other provision of this Section 10.09, the maximum amount of Indebtedness that the Partnership or any Restricted Subsidiary may incur pursuant to this Section 10.09 shall not be deemed to be exceeded solely as a result of fluctuations in exchange rates or currency values.

Section 10.10. Limitation on Restricted Payments.

The Partnership shall not, and shall not permit any of its Restricted Subsidiaries to, directly or indirectly:

(a) declare or pay any dividend or make any other distribution or payment on or in respect of Capital Stock of the Partnership or any of its Restricted Subsidiaries or any payment made to the direct or indirect holders (in their capacities as such) of Capital Stock of the Partnership or any of its Restricted Subsidiaries (other than (x) dividends or distributions payable solely in Capital

Stock of the Partnership (other than Redeemable Capital Stock) or in options, warrants or other rights to purchase Capital Stock of the Partnership (other than Redeemable Capital Stock); (y) the declaration or payment of dividends or other distributions to the extent declared or paid to the Partnership or any Restricted Subsidiary of the Partnership; and (z) the declaration or payment of dividends or other distributions by any Restricted Subsidiary of the Partnership to all holders of Capital Stock of such Restricted Subsidiary on a *pro rata* basis (including, in the case of the Operating Partnership, to the general partner thereof));

- (b) purchase, redeem, defease or otherwise acquire or retire for value any Capital Stock of the Partnership or any of its Restricted Subsidiaries (other than any such Capital Stock owned by a Wholly Owned Restricted Subsidiary of the Partnership);
- (c) make any principal payment on, or purchase, defease, repurchase, redeem or otherwise acquire or retire for value, prior to any scheduled maturity, scheduled repayment, scheduled sinking fund payment or other Stated Maturity, any Subordinated Indebtedness (other than any such Indebtedness owned by the Partnership or a Wholly Owned Restricted Subsidiary of the Partnership); or
 - (d) make any Investment (other than any Permitted Investment) in any entity

(such payments or Investments described in the preceding clauses (a), (b), (c) and (d) are collectively referred to as "Restricted Payments"), unless, at the time of and after giving effect to the proposed Restricted Payment, (A) no Default or Event of Default shall have occurred and be continuing and (B) such Restricted Payment, together with the aggregate of all other Restricted Payments made by the Partnership and its Restricted Subsidiaries during the fiscal quarter during which such Restricted Payment is made, shall not exceed (I) if the Consolidated Fixed Charge Coverage Ratio of the Partnership shall be greater than 1.75 to 1, an amount equal to: (x) Available Cash as of the end of the immediately preceding fiscal quarter, plus (y) to the extent that any Investment that was made pursuant to this clause (I) or clause (II) below is sold for cash or otherwise liquidated or repaid for cash, the cash return of capital with respect to such Investment (less the cost of disposition, if any), to the extent not previously expended pursuant to this clause (I), plus (z) the net reduction in Investments made pursuant to this clause (I) or clause (II) below resulting from cash dividends, repayments of loans or advances, or other transfers of assets in each case to the Partnership or any of its Restricted Subsidiaries from any Person (including, without limitation, Unrestricted Subsidiaries) or from redesignations of Unrestricted Subsidiaries as Restricted Subsidiaries, to the extent not previously expended pursuant to this clause (I); or (II) if the Consolidated Fixed Charge Coverage Ratio of the Partnership shall be equal to or less than 1.75 to 1, an amount equal to the sum of: (x) \$300 million, less (y) the aggregate amount of all Restricted Payments made by the Partnership and its Restricted Subsidiaries pursuant to this clause (II) during the period ending on the last day of the fiscal quarter of the Partnership immediately preceding the date of such Restricted Payment and beginning on the first day of the sixteenth full fiscal quarter immediately preceding the date of such Restricted Payment, plus (y) the aggregate net cash proceeds of any substantially concurrent (1) capital contribution to the Partnership from any Person (other than a Restricted Subsidiary of the Partnership) or (2) issuance and sale of shares of Capital Stock (other than Redeemable Capital Stock) of the Partnership to any Person (other than to a Restricted Subsidiary of the Partnership). The amount of any such Restricted Payment, if other than cash, shall be the fair

market value (as determined in good faith by the General Partner) on the date of such Restricted Payment of the asset(s) proposed to be transferred by the Partnership or such Restricted Subsidiary, as the case may be, pursuant to such Restricted Payment.

None of the foregoing provisions will prohibit: (i) the payment of any dividend or distribution within 60 days after the date of its declaration, if at the date of declaration such payment would be permitted by the foregoing paragraph; (ii) the making of any Restricted Payment in exchange for, or out of the net cash proceeds of, a substantially concurrent (not to exceed 120 days following the receipt of such net cash proceeds) (x) capital contribution to the Partnership from any Person (other than a Restricted Subsidiary of the Partnership); or (y) issuance and sale of other Capital Stock (other than Redeemable Capital Stock) of the Partnership to any Person (other than to a Restricted Subsidiary of the Partnership); provided, however, that the amount of any net cash proceeds that are utilized for any such Restricted Payment will be excluded from the calculation of Available Cash; (iii) any redemption, repurchase or other acquisition or retirement of subordinated Indebtedness in exchange for, or out of the net cash proceeds of, a substantially concurrent (not to exceed 120 days following the receipt of such net cash proceeds) (x) capital contribution to the Partnership); or (y) issuance and sale of (a) Capital Stock (other than Redeemable Capital Stock) of the Partnership to any Person (other than a Restricted Subsidiary of the Partnership), or (b) Indebtedness of the Partnership issued to any Person (other than a Restricted Subsidiary of the Partnership), or (b) Indebtedness; provided, however, that the amount of any net cash proceeds that are utilized for any redemption, repurchase or other acquisition or retirement will be excluded from the calculation of Available Cash; or (iv) so long as no Default has occurred and is continuing or would be caused thereby, other Restricted Payments in an aggregate amount since the applicable Issue Date of a series of Securities not to exceed \$30.0 million. In computing the amount of Restricted Payments previously made for purposes of the preceding paragraph, Restricted Pay

Section 10.11. Limitation on Transactions with Affiliates.

The Partnership shall not, and shall not permit any of its Restricted Subsidiaries to, directly or indirectly, enter into or suffer to exist any transaction or series of related transactions (including, without limitation, the sale, transfer, disposition, purchase, exchange or lease of assets, property or services), other than as provided for, as of the date of this Indenture, in the Operative Agreements, with, or for the benefit of, any Affiliate of the Partnership, unless (1) such transaction or series of related transactions is between the Partnership and its Wholly Owned Restricted Subsidiaries or between two Wholly Owned Restricted Subsidiaries or (2) (a) such transaction or series of related transactions is on terms that are no less favorable to the Partnership or such Restricted Subsidiary, as the case may be, than those which would have been obtained in a comparable transaction at such time from Persons who are not Affiliates of the Partnership or a Restricted Subsidiary and (b) with respect to a transaction or series of transactions involving aggregate payments or value equal to or greater than \$50 million, the Partnership shall have delivered an Officer's Certificate to the Trustee certifying that such transaction or series of transactions complies with the preceding clause (a) and that such transaction or series of transactions has been approved by a majority of the Board of Directors of

the General Partner (including a majority of the Disinterested Directors); provided, however, that this Section 10.11 will not restrict the Partnership, any Restricted Subsidiary or the General Partner from entering into (A) any employment agreement, stock option agreement, restricted stock agreement or other similar agreement in the ordinary course of business, (B) any transactions permitted by the provisions of this Indenture set forth in Sections 10.10 hereof; (C) any transactions in the ordinary course of business in connection with reinsuring the self-insurance programs or other similar forms of retained insurable risks of the Partnership or (D) any Accounts Receivable Securitization.

Section 10.12. Limitation on Dividends and Other Payment Restrictions Affecting Subsidiaries.

The Partnership shall not, and shall not permit any of its Restricted Subsidiaries to, create or otherwise cause or suffer to exist or become effective any encumbrance or restriction on the ability of any Restricted Subsidiary to (a) pay dividends, in cash or otherwise, or make any other distributions on or in respect of its Capital Stock or any other interest or participation in, or measured by, its profits, (b) pay any Indebtedness owed to the Partnership or any other Restricted Subsidiary, (c) make loans or advances to, or any investment in, the Partnership or any other Restricted Subsidiary, (d) transfer any of its properties or assets to the Partnership or any other Restricted Subsidiary or (e) guarantee any Indebtedness of the Partnership or any other Restricted Subsidiary (collectively, "Payment Restrictions"), except for such encumbrances or restrictions existing under or by reason of (i) applicable law, (ii) any agreement in effect at or entered into on the Issue Date of a particular series of Securities or any agreement relating to any Permitted Indebtedness; provided, however, that the encumbrances and restrictions contained in the agreements governing such Permitted Indebtedness are no more restrictive with respect to such Payment Restrictions than those set forth in the Credit Agreement as in effect on the Issue Date of the series of Securities, (iii) customary non-assignment provisions of any contract or any lease governing a leasehold interest of the Partnership or any Restricted Subsidiary, (iv) purchase money obligations for property acquired in the ordinary course of business that impose restrictions of the nature described in clause (d) above on the property so acquired, (v) any agreement or other instrument of a Person acquired by the Partnership or any Restricted Subsidiary (or of a Restricted Subsidiary of such Person) in existence at the time of such acquisition (but not created in contemplation thereof), which encumbrance or restriction is not applicable to any Person or the properties or assets of any Person other than the Person, or the properties, assets or Subsidiaries of the Person, so acquired, or (vi) provisions contained in agreements or instruments relating to Indebtedness which prohibit the transfer of all or substantially all of the assets of the obligor thereunder unless the transferee shall assume the obligations of the obligor under such agreement or instrument.

Section 10.13. Limitation on Finance Corp.

In addition to the restrictions set forth under Section 10.09 hereof, Finance Corp. or any substitute obligor may not incur any Indebtedness unless (a) the Partnership is a co-obligor or guarantor of such Indebtedness or (b) the net proceeds of such Indebtedness are either lent to the Partnership, used to acquire outstanding debt securities issued by the Partnership or used directly or indirectly to refinance or discharge Indebtedness permitted under the limitation of this Section 10.13. Finance Corp. may not engage in any business not related directly or indirectly to obtaining money or arranging financing for the Partnership.

Section 10.14. Asset Sales.

The Partnership shall not, and shall not permit any of its Restricted Subsidiaries to, (i) sell, lease, convey or otherwise dispose of any assets (including by way of a Sale and Leaseback Transaction) other than sales of inventory in the ordinary course of business (provided, that the sale, lease, conveyance or other disposition of all or substantially all of the assets of the Partnership shall be governed by the provisions of this Indenture set forth under Section 10.15 hereof or Article VIII hereof and not by the provisions of this Section 10.14) or (ii) issue or sell Capital Stock of any of its Restricted Subsidiaries, in the case of either clause (i) or (ii) above, whether in a single transaction or a series of related transactions (each of the foregoing, an "Asset Sale"), unless (x) the Partnership (or the Restricted Subsidiary, as the case may be) receives consideration at the time of such Asset Sale at least equal to the fair market value (as determined in good faith by the General Partner) of the assets sold or otherwise disposed of and (y) at least 75% of the consideration therefor received by the Partnership or such Restricted Subsidiary is in the form of cash; *provided*, *however*, that the amount of (A) any liabilities (as shown on the Partnership's or such Restricted Subsidiary's most recent balance sheet or in the notes thereto) of the Partnership or any Restricted Subsidiary that are assumed by the transferee of any such assets; (B) any notes or other obligations received by the Partnership or any such Restricted Subsidiary from such transferee that are converted within 180 days of such Asset Sale by the Partnership or such Restricted Subsidiary into cash (to the extent of the cash received), and (C) any Designated Non-Cash Consideration received by the Partnership or such Restricted Subsidiary in such Asset Sale having an aggregate fair market value, taken together with all other Designated Non-Cash Consideration received pursuant to this clause (C) that is at such time outstanding, not to exceed an amount equal to the greater of (x) \$100.0 million and (y) 5.0% of Consolidated Net Tangible Assets of the Partnership at the time of the receipt of such Designated Non-Cash Consideration, with the fair market value of each item of Designated Non-Cash Consideration being measured at the time received and without giving effect to subsequent changes in value shall be deemed to be cash for purposes of this provision; and provided, further, that the 75% limitation referred to in this clause (y) shall not apply to any Asset Sale in which the cash portion of the consideration received therefrom, determined in accordance with the foregoing proviso, is equal to or greater than what the after-tax proceeds would have been had such Asset Sale complied with the aforementioned 75% limitation. Notwithstanding the foregoing, Asset Sales shall not be deemed to include (1) any single transaction or series of related transactions that involves assets having fair market value of less than \$25.0 million, (2) any transfer of assets or Capital Stock by the Partnership or any of its Restricted Subsidiaries to a Wholly Owned Restricted Subsidiary of the Partnership, (3) any transfer of assets or Capital Stock by the Partnership or any of its Restricted Subsidiaries to any Person in exchange for other assets having a fair market value (as determined in good faith by the General Partner) not less than that of the assets so transferred, (4) any transfer of assets pursuant to a Permitted Investment and (5) any transfer of accounts receivable under any Accounts Receivable Securitization.

In the event that the Partnership or any of its Restricted Subsidiaries receives Net Proceeds from one or more Assets Sales in any fiscal year, then within 360 days after such date the Partnership shall apply the amount of such aggregate Net Proceeds to (a) reduce Indebtedness of

a Restricted Subsidiary (with a permanent reduction of availability in the case of revolving Indebtedness) or (b) make an investment in assets; *provided* that, with respect to any portion of Net Proceeds relating to clause (b), the 360-day period provided above shall be extended by an additional 180 days if by not later than the 360th day after receipt of such Net Proceeds, the Issuers or a Restricted Subsidiary, as applicable, have entered into a binding commitment with a Person other than an Affiliate of the Issuers to make an investment of the type referred to in such clause in the amount of such Net Proceeds. Any Net Proceeds that are not applied or invested in either of these ways will be considered "Excess Proceeds."

Pending the final application of any such Net Proceeds, the Partnership or any Restricted Subsidiary may temporarily reduce borrowings under the Credit Agreement or otherwise invest such Net Proceeds in any manner that is not prohibited by this Indenture. When the aggregate amount of Excess Proceeds exceeds \$50 million, the Issuers shall make an offer to all Holders of the Securities of applicable series (an "Asset Sale Offer") and to all holders of other pari passu debt securities of the Partnership or the Issuers containing provisions similar to those set forth in this Indenture with respect to offers to purchase with the proceeds of sales of assets, to purchase the maximum principal amount of the Securities and such other pari passu debt securities that may be purchased out of the Excess Proceeds, at an offer price in cash in an amount equal to 100% of the principal amount thereof plus accrued and unpaid interest, if any, to the date of purchase, in accordance with the procedures set forth in this Indenture. To the extent that the aggregate amount of the Securities and other pari passu debt securities tendered pursuant to an Asset Sale Offer is less than the Excess Proceeds, the Partnership or any Restricted Subsidiary may use such deficiency for general business purposes. If the aggregate principal amount of the Securities and other pari passu debt securities surrendered by Holders thereof exceeds the amount of Excess Proceeds, the Trustee shall select the Securities or other pari passu debt securities to be purchased on a pro rata basis.

Notwithstanding the foregoing, if the Issuers are required to commence an Asset Sale Offer at any time when the Issuers have securities outstanding ranking *pari passu* in right of payment with the Securities of the applicable series and the terms of those securities provide that a similar offer must be made with respect to those other securities, then the Asset Sale Offer for the Securities will be made concurrently with the other offers and securities of each issue will be accepted on a *pro rata* basis in proportion to the aggregate principal amount of securities of each issue which their holders elect to have purchased. Upon completion of the Asset Sale Offer, the amount of Excess Proceeds will be reset at zero.

In the event the Issuers are required to make an Asset Sale Offer pursuant to Section 11.08 and this Section 10.14, and the amount of the Net Proceeds from the Asset Sale is not evenly divisible by \$1,000, the Trustee shall promptly refund to the Issuers the portion of such Excess Proceeds that is not necessary to purchase the immediately lesser principal amount of the Securities that is so divisible.

Section 10.15. Change of Control.

Upon the occurrence of a Change of Control, each Holder of the Securities shall have the right to require the Issuers to repurchase all or any part (equal to \$1,000 (or such higher minimum authorized denomination applicable to such series of the Securities) or an integral

multiple thereof) of such Holder's Securities pursuant to the offer described below (the "Change of Control Offer") at an offer price in cash equal to 101% of the aggregate principal amount thereof plus accrued and unpaid interest, if any, to the date of purchase (the "Change of Control Payment"). Within 30 days following any Change of Control, the Issuers will mail (or deliver in accordance with applicable Depositary procedures) a notice to each Holder stating: (1) that the Change of Control Offer is being made pursuant to this Section 10.15 and that all of the Securities tendered will be accepted for payment; (2) the purchase price and the purchase date (the "Change of Control Payment Date"), which shall be no earlier than 30 days nor later than 60 days from the date such notice is mailed; (3) that any Security not tendered will continue to accrue interest; (4) that, unless the Issuers default in the payment of the Change of Control Payment, all of the Securities accepted for payment pursuant to the Change of Control Offer will cease to accrue interest after the Change of Control Payment Date; (5) that Holders electing to have any Securities purchased pursuant to a Change of Control Offer will be required to surrender the Securities, in accordance with such Change of Control Offer, to the Paying Agent for the series of Securities at the address specified in the notice prior to the close of business on the third Business Day preceding the Change of Control Payment Date; (6) that Holders will be entitled to withdraw their election if the Paying Agent for the series of the Securities receives, not later than the close of business on the second Business Day preceding the Change of Control Payment Date, a telegram, telex, facsimile transmission or letter setting forth the name of the Holder, the principal amount of the Securities delivered for purchase, and a statement that such Holder is withdrawing his election to have such Securities purchased; and (7) that Holders whose Securities are being purchased only in part will be issued new Securities equal in principal amount to the unpurchased portion of the Securities surrendered, which unpurchased portion must be equal to \$1,000 in principal amount (or such higher minimum authorized denomination applicable to such series of the Securities) or an integral multiple of \$1,000.

On the Change of Control Payment Date, the Issuers shall, to the extent lawful, (1) accept for payment the Securities or portions thereof tendered pursuant to the Change of Control Offer, (2) deposit with the Paying Agent for the series of the Securities an amount equal to the Change of Control Payment in respect of all of the Securities or portions thereof so tendered and (3) deliver or cause to be delivered to the Trustee the Securities so accepted together with an Officer's Certificate stating the aggregate amount of the Securities of such series or portions thereof tendered to the Issuers. The Paying Agent for the series of the Securities will promptly mail the Change of Control Payment for such Securities to each Holder of the Securities so accepted, and the Trustee will promptly authenticate and mail to each Holder a new Security equal in principal amount to the unpurchased portion of the Securities of such series surrendered, if any; provided that each such new Security of such series will be in a principal amount of \$1,000 (or such higher minimum authorized denomination applicable to such series of the Securities) or an integral multiple of \$1,000. The Issuers will publicly announce the results of the Change of Control Offer on or as soon as practicable after the Change of Control Payment Date.

In the event that Holders of not less than 90% of the aggregate principal amount of the Securities of a series then Outstanding accept a Change of Control Offer and the Issuers purchase all of the Securities of such series tendered by such Holders, the Issuers will have the right, upon not less than 30 nor more than 60 days' prior notice, given not more than 30 days following the purchase pursuant to the Change of Control Offer described above, to redeem all of the Securities of such series that remain Outstanding following such purchase at a Redemption Price

equal to the Change of Control Payment plus, to the extent not included in the Change of Control Payment, accrued and unpaid interest on the Securities of such series that remain Outstanding, to, but excluding, the Redemption Date, subject to the rights of the Holders of the Securities of such series on a relevant Regular Record Date to receive interest due on the relevant Interest Payment Date.

The Issuers shall comply with any tender offer rules under the Exchange Act which may then be applicable, including Rule 14e-1, in connection with any offer required to be made by the Issuers to repurchase the Securities as a result of a Change of Control. To the extent that the provisions of any applicable securities laws or regulations conflict with provisions of this Section 10.15, the Issuers shall comply with such securities laws and regulations and shall not be deemed to have breached its obligations hereunder by virtue thereof.

Section 10.16. No Recourse Against Others.

(a)No director, officer, employee, agent, manager, limited partner, interest holder or stockholder of the Partnership or Finance Corp., as such, shall have any liability for any obligations of the Partnership or Finance Corp. under the Securities or this Indenture or for any claim based on, in respect of or by reason of such obligations. Each Holder of Securities, by accepting such Securities, waives and releases all such liability. The waiver and release shall be part of the consideration for the issuance of the Securities.

(b)Notwithstanding the foregoing, nothing in this provision shall be construed as a waiver or release of any claims under the federal securities laws.

Section 10.17. Termination of Certain Covenants when Series of Notes Rated Investment Grade

If a series of Securities shall have an Investment Grade Rating pursuant to ratings from two of the Rating Agencies and the Issuers shall have delivered to the Trustee an Officer's Certificate certifying that the foregoing condition has been satisfied (and notwithstanding the failure of such series of Securities to maintain an Investment Grade Rating), then Sections 8.01(a)(iv), 10.09, 10.10, 10.11, 10.12 and 10.14 will no longer be applicable to such series of Securities.

ARTICLE XI

REDEMPTION OF SECURITIES

Section 11.01. Applicability of Article.

The Securities of any series which are redeemable before their Stated Maturity shall be redeemable in accordance with their terms and (except as otherwise specified as contemplated by Section 3.01 for the Securities of any series) in accordance with this Article.

Section 11.02. Election to Redeem; Notice to Trustee.

The election of the Issuers to redeem any Securities shall be evidenced by Board Resolutions. In case of any redemption at the election of the Issuers of less than all the Securities of any series, the Issuers shall, at least 60 days prior to the Redemption Date fixed by the Issuers (unless a shorter notice shall be satisfactory to the Trustee), notify the Trustee of such Redemption Date, of the principal amount of Securities of such series to be redeemed and, if applicable, of the tenor of the Securities to be redeemed. In the case of any redemption of Securities prior to the expiration of any restriction on such redemption provided in the terms of such Securities or elsewhere in this Indenture, the Issuers shall furnish the Trustee with an Officer's Certificate evidencing compliance with such restriction.

Section 11.03. Selection by Trustee of Securities to Be Redeemed.

If less than all the Securities of any series are to be redeemed (unless all of the Securities of such series and of a specified tenor are to be redeemed), the particular Securities to be redeemed shall be selected not more than 60 days prior to the Redemption Date by the Trustee, from the Outstanding Securities of such series not previously called for redemption, by such method as the Trustee shall deem fair and appropriate and which may provide for the selection for redemption of portions (equal to the minimum authorized denomination for Securities of that series or any integral multiple of \$1,000) of the principal amount of Securities of such series of a denomination larger than the minimum authorized denomination for Securities of that series. If less than all of the Securities of such series and of a specified tenor are to be redeemed, the particular Securities to be redeemed shall be selected not more than 60 days prior to the Redemption Date by the Trustee, from the Outstanding Securities of such series and specified tenor not previously called for redemption in accordance with the preceding sentence.

The Trustee shall promptly notify the Issuers in writing of the Securities selected for redemption and, in the case of any Securities selected for partial redemption, the principal amount thereof to be redeemed.

For all purposes of this Indenture, unless the context otherwise requires, all provisions relating to the redemption of Securities shall relate, in the case of any Securities redeemed or to be redeemed only in part, to the portion of the principal amount of such Securities which has been or is to be redeemed.

Section 11.04. Notice of Redemption.

Notice of redemption shall be given by first-class mail (or delivered in accordance with applicable Depositary procedures), postage prepaid, mailed not less than 30 nor more than 60 days prior to the Redemption Date, to each Holder of Securities to be redeemed, at his address appearing in the Security Register.

All notices of redemption shall state:

- (1) the Redemption Date,
- (2) the Redemption Price,

- (3) if less than all the Outstanding Securities of any series are to be redeemed, the identification (and, in the case of partial redemption of any Securities, the principal amount) of the particular Securities to be redeemed,
- (4) that on the Redemption Date the Redemption Price will become due and payable upon each such Security to be redeemed and, if applicable, that interest thereon will cease to accrue on and after said date,
 - (5) the place or places where such Securities are to be surrendered for payment of the Redemption Price,
 - (6) that the redemption is for a sinking fund, if such is the case, and
 - (7) applicable CUSIP numbers.

Notice of redemption of Securities to be redeemed at the election of the Issuers shall be given by the Issuers or, at the Issuer's request, by the Trustee in the name and at the expense of the Issuers and shall be irrevocable. Any redemption or notice may, at the Issuers' discretion, be subject to one or more conditions precedent.

Section 11.05. Deposit of Redemption Price.

Prior to any Redemption Date, the Issuers shall deposit with the Trustee or with a Paying Agent an amount of money sufficient to pay the Redemption Price of, and (except if the Redemption Date shall be an Interest Payment Date) accrued interest on, all the Securities which are to be redeemed on that date.

Section 11.06. Securities Payable on Redemption Date.

Notice of redemption having been given as aforesaid, the Securities so to be redeemed shall, on the Redemption Date, become due and payable at the Redemption Price therein specified, and from and after such date (unless the Issuers shall default in the payment of the Redemption Price and accrued interest) such Securities shall cease to bear interest. Upon surrender of any such Security for redemption in accordance with said notice, such Security shall be paid by the Issuers at the Redemption Price, together with accrued interest to the Redemption Date; *provided*, *however*, that, unless otherwise specified as contemplated by Section 3.01, installments of interest whose Stated Maturity is on or prior to the Redemption Date shall be payable to the Holders of such Securities, or one or more predecessor securities, registered as such at the close of business on the relevant Record Dates according to their terms and the provisions of Section 3.07.

If any Security called for redemption shall not be so paid upon surrender thereof for redemption, the principal and any premium shall, until paid, bear interest from the Redemption Date at the rate prescribed therefor in the Security.

Section 11.07. Securities Redeemed in Part.

Any Security which is to be redeemed only in part shall be surrendered at a Place of Payment therefor (with, if the Issuers or the Trustee so requires, due endorsement by, or a written instrument of transfer in form satisfactory to the Issuers and the Trustee duly executed by, the Holder thereof or his attorney duly authorized in writing), and the Issuers shall execute, and the Trustee shall authenticate and deliver to the Holder of such Security without service charge, a new Security or Securities of the same series and of like tenor, of any authorized denomination as requested by such Holder, in aggregate principal amount equal to and in exchange for the unredeemed portion of the principal of the Security so surrendered.

Section 11.08. Offer to Purchase by Application of Excess Proceeds.

Any Asset Sale Offer pursuant to Section 10.14 shall remain open for a period of 20 Business Days following its commencement and no longer, except to the extent that a longer period is required by applicable law (the "Offer Period"). On a date within five Business Days after the termination of the Offer Period (the "Purchase Date"), the Issuers shall purchase the principal amount of Securities required to be purchased pursuant to Section 10.14 hereof (the "Offer Amount") or, if less than the Offer Amount has been tendered, all Securities tendered in response to the Asset Sale Offer. Payment for any Securities so purchased shall be made in the same manner as interest payments are made.

The Issuers shall comply with any tender offer rules under the Exchange Act which may then be applicable, including Rule 14e-1, in connection with any offer required to be made by the Issuers to repurchase the Securities as a result of an Asset Sale Offer. To the extent that the provisions of any securities laws or regulations conflict with provisions of this Section 11.08, the Issuers shall comply with the applicable securities laws or regulations and shall not be deemed to have breached their obligations hereunder by virtue thereof.

If the Purchase Date is on or after an interest record date and on or before the related interest payment date, any accrued and unpaid interest shall be paid to the Person in whose name a Security is registered at the close of business on such record date, and no additional interest shall be payable to Holders who tender Securities pursuant to the Asset Sale Offer.

Upon the commencement of an Asset Sale Offer, the Issuers shall send, by first class mail, a notice to the Trustee and each of the Holders, with a copy to the Trustee. The notice shall contain all instructions and materials necessary to enable such Holders to tender Securities pursuant to the Asset Sale Offer. The Asset Sale Offer shall be made to all Holders. The notice, which shall govern the terms of the Asset Sale Offer, shall state:

- (a) that the Asset Sale Offer is being made pursuant to this Section 11.08 and Section 10.14 hereof and the length of time the Asset Sale Offer shall remain open;
 - (b) the Offer Amount, the purchase price and the Purchase Date;
 - (c) that any Security not tendered or accepted for payment shall continue to accrue interest;

- (d) that, unless the Issuers default in making such payments, any Security accepted for payment pursuant to the Asset Sale Offer shall cease to accrue interest after the Purchase Date;
- (e) that Holders electing to have a Security purchased pursuant to an Asset Sale Offer may only elect to have all of such Security purchased and may not elect to have only a portion of such Security purchased;
- (f) that Holders electing to have a Security purchased pursuant to any Asset Sale Offer shall be required to surrender the Security, with a form entitled "Option of Holder to Elect Purchase" delivered with the notice, or transfer by book-entry transfer, to the Issuers, a Depositary, if appointed by the Issuers, or a Paying Agent at the address specified in the notice at least three days before the Purchase Date;
- (g) that Holders shall be entitled to withdraw their election if the Issuers, the Depositary or the Paying Agent, as the case may be, receives, not later than the expiration of the Offer Period, a telegram, telex, facsimile transmission or letter setting forth the name of the Holder, the principal amount of the Security the Holder delivered for purchase and a statement that such Holder is withdrawing his election to have such Security purchased;
- (h) that, if the aggregate principal amount of the Securities surrendered by Holders exceeds the Offer Amount, the Issuers shall select the Securities to be purchased on a pro rata basis (with such adjustments as may be deemed appropriate by the Issuers so that only Securities in denominations of \$1,000 (or such higher minimum authorized denomination applicable to such series of the Securities) or an integral multiple of \$1,000, shall be purchased); and
- (i) that Holders whose Securities were purchased only in part shall be issued new Securities equal in principal amount to the unpurchased portion of the Securities surrendered (or transferred by book-entry transfer).

On or before the Purchase Date, the Issuers shall, to the extent lawful, accept for payment, on a pro rata basis to the extent necessary, the Offer Amount of the Securities or portions thereof tendered pursuant to the Asset Sale Offer, or if less than the Offer Amount has been tendered, all of the Securities tendered, and shall deliver to the Trustee an Officer's Certificate stating that such Securities or portions thereof were accepted for payment by the Issuers in accordance with the terms of this Section 11.08. The Issuers, the Depositary or the Paying Agent, as the case may be, shall promptly (but in any case not later than five days after the Purchase Date) mail or deliver to each tendering Holder an amount equal to the purchase price of the Securities tendered by such Holder and accepted by the Issuers for purchase, and the Issuers shall promptly issue a new Security, and the Trustee, upon written request from the Issuers shall authenticate and mail or deliver such new Security to such Holder, in a principal amount equal to any unpurchased portion of the Security surrendered. Any Security not so accepted shall be promptly mailed or delivered by the Issuers to the Holder thereof. The Issuers shall publicly announce by means of a press release the results of the Asset Sale Offer on the Purchase Date.

Other than as specifically provided in this Section 11.08, any purchase pursuant to this Section 11.08 shall be made pursuant to the provisions of Sections 11.01 through 11.07 hereof.

No repurchase of the Securities under this Section 11.08 shall be deemed to be a redemption of the Securities.

ARTICLE XII

SINKING FUNDS

Section 12.01. Applicability of Article.

The provisions of this Article shall be applicable to any sinking fund for the retirement of Securities of a series except as otherwise specified as contemplated by Section 3.01 for the Securities of such series.

The minimum amount of any sinking fund payment provided for by the terms of the Securities of any series is herein referred to as a "mandatory sinking fund payment", and any payment in excess of such minimum amount provided for by the terms of the Securities of any series is herein referred to as an "optional sinking fund payment". If provided for by the terms of the Securities of any series, the cash amount of any sinking fund payment may be subject to reduction as provided in Section 12.02. Each sinking fund payment shall be applied to the redemption of the Securities of any series as provided for by the terms of the Securities of such series.

Section 12.02. Satisfaction of Sinking Fund Payments with Securities.

The Issuers (1) may deliver Outstanding Securities of a series (other than any previously called for redemption) and (2) may apply as a credit the Securities of a series which have been redeemed either at the election of the Issuers pursuant to the terms of such Securities or through the application of permitted optional sinking fund payments pursuant to the terms of such Securities, in each case in satisfaction of all or any part of any sinking fund payment with respect to the Securities of such series required to be made pursuant to the terms of such Securities as provided for by the terms of such series; *provided that* such Securities have not been previously so credited. Such Securities shall be received and credited for such purpose by the Trustee at the Redemption Price specified in such Securities for redemption through operation of the sinking fund and the amount of such sinking fund payment shall be reduced accordingly.

Section 12.03. Redemption of Securities for Sinking Fund.

Not less than 60 days prior to each sinking fund payment date for any series of the Securities, the Issuers will deliver to the Trustee an Officer's Certificate specifying the amount of the next ensuing sinking fund payment for that series pursuant to the terms of that series, the portion thereof, if any, which is to be satisfied by payment of cash and the portion thereof, if any, which is to be satisfied by delivering and crediting the Securities of that series pursuant to Section 12.02 and will also deliver to the Trustee any Securities to be so delivered. Not less than 30 days before each such sinking fund payment date, the Trustee shall select the Securities to be redeemed upon such sinking fund payment date in the manner specified in Section 11.03 and cause notice of the redemption thereof to be given in the name of and at the expense of the Issuers in the manner provided in Section 11.04. Such notice having been duly given, the redemption of such Securities shall be made upon the terms and in the manner stated in Sections 11.06 and 11.07.

ARTICLE XIII

LEGAL DEFEASANCE AND COVENANT DEFEASANCE

Section 13.01. Option to Effect Legal Defeasance or Covenant Defeasance.

The Issuers may, at the option of the Board of Directors of the General Partner, on behalf of the Partnership (or the Partnership if the Partnership is a corporation), and the Board of Directors of Finance Corp., in each case evidenced by Board Resolutions, elect to have either Section 13.02 or Section 13.03 applied to the Outstanding Securities of any series designated pursuant to Section 3.01 as being defeasible pursuant to this Article XIII (hereinafter called a "Defeasible Series"), upon compliance with the conditions set forth below in this Article XIII.

Section 13.02. Legal Defeasance and Discharge.

Upon the Issuers' exercise of the option provided in Section 13.01 to have this Section 13.02 applied to the Outstanding Securities of any Defeasible Series and, subject to the proviso to Section 13.01, the Issuers shall be deemed to have been discharged from their obligations with respect to the Outstanding Securities of such series as provided in this Section 13.02 on and after the date the conditions set forth in Section 13.04 are satisfied (hereinafter called "Legal Defeasance"). For this purpose, such Legal Defeasance means that the Issuers shall be deemed to have paid and discharged the entire indebtedness represented by the Outstanding Securities of such series and to have satisfied all other obligations under the Securities of such series and this Indenture insofar as the Securities of such series are concerned (and the Trustee, on demand of and at the expense of the Issuers, shall execute proper instruments acknowledging the same), except for the following, which shall survive until otherwise terminated or discharged hereunder: (1) the rights of Holders of the Securities of such series to receive, solely from the trust fund described in Section 13.04 and as more fully set forth in such Section, payments in respect of the principal of and any premium and interest on such Securities of such series when payments are due, (2) the Issuers' obligations with respect to the Securities of such series under Sections 3.04, 3.05, 3.06, 10.02 and 10.03, (3) the Issuers' obligation to maintain an office or agency for payment and money for security payments held in trust, (4) the rights, powers, trusts, duties and immunities of the Trustee hereunder and (5) this Article XIII. Subject to compliance with this Article XIII, the Issuers may exercise their option provided in Section 13.01 to have this Section 13.02 applied to the Outstanding Securities of any Defeasible Series notwithstanding the prior exercise of their option provided in Section 13.01 to have Section 13.03 applied to the

Section 13.03. Covenant Defeasance.

Upon the Issuers' exercise of the option provided in Section 13.01 to have this Section 13.03 applied to the Outstanding Securities of any Defeasible Series, (1) the Issuers shall be released from their obligations under Section 8.01, and Sections 7.04, 10.04-10.06, 10.08-10.16, and Article XII, and (2) the occurrence of any event specified in Sections 5.01(3), 5.01(4) (with

respect to any of Sections 8.01, 10.04, 10.05, 10.08-10.16, and Article XII), 5.01(5), 5.01(6) and 5.01(9), and 5.01(7) and 5.01(8) with respect to any Restricted Subsidiary that is a Significant Subsidiary, shall be deemed not to be or result in an Event of Default, in each case with respect to the Outstanding Securities of such series as provided in this Section 13.03 on and after the date the conditions set forth in Section 13.04 are satisfied (hereinafter called "Covenant Defeasance"). For this purpose, such Covenant Defeasance means that the Issuers may omit to comply with and shall have no liability in respect of any term, condition or limitation set forth in any such specified Section (to the extent so specified in the case of Section 5.01(4)), whether directly or indirectly, by reason of any reference elsewhere herein to any such Section or by reason of any reference in any such Section to any other provision herein or in any other document, but the remainder of this Indenture and the Securities of such series shall be unaffected thereby.

Section 13.04. Conditions to Legal Defeasance or Covenant Defeasance.

The following shall be the conditions to application of either Section 13.02 or Section 13.03 to the Outstanding Securities of any Defeasible Series:

(1) The Issuers shall irrevocably have deposited or caused to be deposited with the Trustee (or another trustee that satisfies the requirements contemplated by Section 6.10 and agrees to comply with the provisions of this Article XIII applicable to it) as trust funds in trust for the purpose of making the following payments, specifically pledged as security for, and dedicated solely to, the benefit of the Holders of Outstanding Securities of such series, (A) money in an amount, or (B) Government Securities that through the scheduled payment of principal and interest in respect thereof in accordance with their terms will provide, not later than one day before the due date of any payment, money in an amount, or (C) a combination thereof, in each case sufficient, in the opinion of a nationally recognized firm of independent certified public accountants expressed in a written certification thereof delivered to the Trustee, to pay and discharge, and which shall be applied by the Trustee (or any such other qualifying trustee) to pay and discharge, the principal of and any premium and interest on the Securities of such series on the respective Stated Maturities, in accordance with the terms of this Indenture and the Securities of such series.

(2) In the case of an election under Section 13.02, the Issuers shall have delivered to the Trustee an Opinion of Counsel stating that (A) the Issuers have received from, or there has been published by, the Internal Revenue Service a ruling or (B) since the date first set forth hereinabove, there has been a change in the applicable federal income tax law, in either case (A) or (B) to the effect that, and based thereon such opinion shall confirm that, the Holders of the Outstanding Securities of such series will not recognize gain or loss for federal income tax purposes as a result of the deposit, Legal Defeasance and discharge to be effected with respect to the Securities of such series and will be subject to federal income tax on the same amount, in the same manner and at the same times as would be the case if such deposit, Legal Defeasance and discharge were not to occur (which opinion need not address the effect of a transfer or other disposition of a Holder's interest in Outstanding Securities of a series of the Securities before the respective Stated Maturity or Redemption Date).

- (3) In the case of an election under Section 13.03, the Issuers shall have delivered to the Trustee an Opinion of Counsel to the effect that the Holders of the Outstanding Securities of such series will not recognize gain or loss for federal income tax purposes as a result of the deposit and Covenant Defeasance to be effected with respect to the Securities of such series and will be subject to federal income tax on the same amount, in the same manner and at the same times as would be the case if such deposit and Covenant Defeasance were not to occur (which opinion need not address the effect of a transfer or other disposition of a Holder's interest in Outstanding Securities of a series of the Securities before the respective Stated Maturity or Redemption Date).
- (4) The Issuers shall have delivered to the Trustee an Officer's Certificate to the effect that the Securities of such series, if then listed on any securities exchange, will not be delisted as a result of such deposit.
- (5) No Event of Default or Default shall have occurred and be continuing at the time of such deposit or, with regard to any Event of Default or any such event specified in Sections 5.01(8) and (9), at any time on or prior to the 90th day after the date of such deposit (it being understood that this condition shall not be deemed satisfied until after such 90th day).
- (6) Such Legal Defeasance or Covenant Defeasance shall not cause the Trustee to have a conflicting interest within the meaning of the Trust Indenture Act (assuming all of the Securities are in default within the meaning of such Act).
- (7) Such Legal Defeasance or Covenant Defeasance shall not result in a breach or violation of, or constitute a default under, any other agreement or instrument to which the Issuers are a party or by which they are bound.
- (8) The Issuers shall have delivered to the Trustee an Officer's Certificate and an Opinion of Counsel, each stating that all conditions precedent with respect to such Legal Defeasance or Covenant Defeasance have been complied with.
- (9) Such Legal Defeasance or Covenant Defeasance shall not result in the trust arising from such deposit constituting an investment company within the meaning of the Investment Company Act of 1940, as amended, unless such trust shall be qualified under such Act or exempt from regulation thereunder.
- (10) On or prior to the 91st day following the deposit, the Issuers shall have delivered to the Trustee an Opinion of Counsel to the effect that on the 91st day following the deposit, the trust funds are not subject to any applicable bankruptcy, insolvency, reorganization or similar laws affecting creditors' rights generally.
- (11) The Issuers shall have delivered to the Trustee an Officer's Certificate stating that the deposit was not made by the Issuers with the intent of preferring the Holders over any other creditors of the Issuers or with the intent of defeating, hindering, delaying or defrauding any other creditors of the Issuers.

Section 13.05. Deposited Money and Government Securities to be Held in Trust; Other Miscellaneous Provisions.

All money and Government Securities (including the proceeds thereof) deposited with the Trustee or other qualifying trustee (solely for purposes of this Section 13.05 and Section 13.06, the Trustee and any such other trustee are referred to collectively as the "Trustee") pursuant to Section 13.04 in respect of the Securities of any Defeasible Series shall be held in trust and applied by the Trustee, in accordance with the provisions of the Securities of such series and this Indenture, to the payment, either directly or through any such Paying Agent (including the Issuers acting as Paying Agent) as the Trustee may determine, to the Holders of the Securities of such series, of all sums due and to become due thereon in respect of principal and any premium and interest, but money so held in trust need not be segregated from other funds except to the extent required by law.

The Issuers shall pay and indemnify the Trustee against any tax, fee or other charge imposed on or assessed against the

Government Securities deposited pursuant to Section 13.04 or the principal and interest received in respect thereof other than any such tax, fee or other charge that by law is for the account of the Holders of Outstanding Securities.

Anything in this Article XIII to the contrary notwithstanding, the Trustee shall deliver or pay to the Issuers from time to time upon the Issuers' Request any money or Government Securities held by it as provided in Section 13.04 with respect to Securities of any Defeasible Series that, in the opinion of a nationally recognized firm of independent certified public accountants expressed in a written certification thereof delivered to the Trustee, are in excess of the amount thereof that would then be required to be deposited to effect an equivalent Legal Defeasance or Covenant Defeasance with respect to the Securities of such series.

Subject to any applicable abandoned property law, the Trustee and the Paying Agent shall pay to the Issuers upon request any money held by them for the payment of principal, interest, and any premium that remains unclaimed for one year after such principal, interest, or premium, if any, became due and payable, and, thereafter, Holders entitled to the money must look to the Issuers for payment of such money as secured creditors and all liability of the Trustee and the Paying Agent with respect to such money shall cease.

Section 13.06. Reinstatement.

If the Trustee or the Paying Agent is unable to apply any money in accordance with this Article XIII with respect to the Securities of any series by reason of any order or judgment of any court or governmental authority enjoining, restraining or otherwise prohibiting such application, then the Issuers' obligations under this Indenture and the Securities of such series shall be revived and reinstated as though no deposit had occurred pursuant to this Article XIII with respect to the Securities of such series until such time as the Trustee or Paying Agent is permitted to apply all money held in trust pursuant to Section 13.05 with respect to the Securities of such series in accordance with this Article XIII; provided, however, that if the Issuers make any payment of principal of or any premium or interest on any Security of such series following the reinstatement of its obligations, the Issuers shall be subrogated to the rights of the Holders of the Securities of such series to receive such payment from the money so held in trust.

This instrument may be executed in any number of counterparts, each of which so executed shall be deemed to be an original, but all such counterparts shall together constitute but one and the same instrument.

(Signature Page to Follow)

IN WITNESS WHEREOF, the parties hereto have caused this Indenture to be duly executed as of the day and year first above written.				
	AMERIGAS PARTNERS, L.P.			
	By: AmeriGas Propane, Inc., its General Partner			
	By:			
	Title:			
	AMERIGAS FINANCE CORP.			

By:

Name: Title:

U.S. BANK NATIONAL ASSOCIATION		
Ву:		
Name:		
Title:		

June 20, 2016

AmeriGas Partners, L.P. AmeriGas Finance Corp. 460 North Gulph Road King of Prussia, Pennsylvania 19406

RE: AmeriGas Partners, L.P. and AmeriGas Finance Corp. Registration Statement on Form S-3

Ladies and Gentlemen:

This opinion is rendered at the request of AmeriGas Partners, L.P., a Delaware limited partnership, and AmeriGas Finance Corp., a Delaware corporation (the "Issuers"), in connection with the filing of the referenced Registration Statement (the "Registration Statement") under the Securities Act of 1933, as amended (the "Act"), with the Securities and Exchange Commission (the "Commission"). The Registration Statement relates to the potential offer and sale, from time to time, as set forth in the prospectus contained in the Registration Statement and as shall be set forth in one or more supplements to the Prospectus of one or more series of the Issuers' senior debt securities (the "Debt Securities"). The Debt Securities will be issued from time to time under an Indenture to be executed by the Issuers and U.S. Bank National Association, as trustee (the "Trustee"), a form of which is filed as Exhibit 4.1 to the Registration Statement (the "Indenture").

In connection with this opinion letter, we have examined the Registration Statement, the proposed form of the Indenture, originals, or copies certified or otherwise identified to our satisfaction, of AmeriGas Partners, L.P.'s Certificate of Limited Partnership and Fourth Amended and Restated Agreement of Limited Partnership, dated as of July 27, 2009, as amended by Amendment No. 1 to Fourth Amended and Restated Agreement of Limited Partnership dated as of March 13, 2012, and Amendment No. 2 to Fourth Amended and Restated Agreement of Limited Partnership dated as of July 27, 2015, and AmeriGas Finance Corp.'s Articles of Incorporation and Bylaws, and such other documents, records and instruments of the Issuers as we have deemed appropriate for purposes of the opinions set forth herein.

We have assumed the genuineness of all signatures, the legal capacity of all natural persons, the authenticity of the documents submitted to us as originals, the conformity with the originals of all documents submitted to us as certified, facsimile, or photostatic copies and the authenticity of the originals of all documents submitted to us as copies.

We have also assumed for purposes of our opinion that the Indenture will be duly authorized, executed and delivered by the Trustee, that the Indenture will constitute a legal, valid and binding obligation of the Trustee, and that the Trustee has the requisite organizational and legal power and authority to perform its obligations under the Indenture.

Based upon the foregoing, we are of the opinion that, when the specific terms of a particular issuance of the Debt Securities have been duly authorized by the Issuers and established in accordance with the terms of the Indenture, and such Debt Securities have been duly executed, authenticated by the Trustee, issued and delivered, against payment of consideration for such Debt Securities, in accordance with the terms and provisions of the Indenture, such Debt Securities will constitute valid and binding obligations of the Issuers.

The opinions expressed herein are subject to bankruptcy, insolvency, fraudulent transfer and other similar laws affecting the rights and remedies of creditors generally and general principles of equity.

The opinions expressed herein are limited to the laws of the State of New York, the Delaware General Corporation Law and the Delaware Revised Uniform Limited Partnership Act, and we express no opinion with respect to the laws of any other state or jurisdiction.

We hereby consent to the use of this opinion as Exhibit 5.1 to the Registration Statement and to the reference to us under the caption "Legal Matters" in the prospectus included in the Registration Statement. In giving such consent, we do not hereby admit that we are acting within the category of persons whose consent is required under Section 7 of the Act or the rules or regulations of the Commission thereunder.

Very truly yours,

/s/ Morgan, Lewis & Bockius LLP

AMERIGAS PARTNERS, L.P. COMPUTATION OF RATIO OF EARNINGS TO FIXED CHARGES (thousands of dollars)

						Six Months Ended
	<u>2011</u>	<u>Year</u> 2012	Ended Septemb 2013	<u>er 30,</u> 2014	2015	March 31, 2016
Earnings:						
Income before income taxes	\$141,314	\$ 14,602	\$226,762	\$297,052	\$217,867	\$332,172
Add: Interest expense	63,518	142,641	165,432	165,581	162,842	81,831
Amortization of capitalized interest	165	173	173	173	173	87
Estimated interest component of rental expense	18,511	20,358	21,195	21,018	22,435	11,727
	\$223,508	\$177,774	\$413,562	\$483,824	\$403,317	\$425,817
Fixed Charges:						
Interest expense	\$ 63,518	\$142,641	\$165,432	\$165,581	\$162,842	\$ 81,831
Capitalized interest	96	_	_	_	_	_
Estimated interest component of rental expense	18,511	20,358	21,195	21,018	22,435	11,727
	\$ 82,125	\$162,999	\$186,627	\$186,599	\$185,277	93,558
Ratio of earnings to fixed charges	2.72	1.09	2.22	2.59	2.18	4.55

CONSENT OF INDEPENDENT REGISTERED PUBLIC ACCOUNTING FIRM

We consent to the reference to our firm under the caption "Experts" in this Registration Statement (Form S-3) and related Prospectus of AmeriGas Partners, L.P. for the registration of debt securities and to the incorporation by reference therein of our reports dated November 25, 2015, with respect to the consolidated financial statements and schedules of AmeriGas Partners, L.P., and the effectiveness of internal control over financial reporting of AmeriGas Partners, L.P., included in its Annual Report (Form 10-K, as amended) for the year ended September 30, 2015, filed with the Securities and Exchange Commission.

/s/ Ernst & Young LLP

Philadelphia, Pennsylvania June 17, 2016

CONSENT OF INDEPENDENT REGISTERED PUBLIC ACCOUNTING FIRM

We hereby consent to the incorporation by reference in the Registration Statement on Form S-3 of AmeriGas Partners, L.P. of our report dated November 26, 2014 relating to the financial statements and financial statement schedules which appears in the Form 10-K for the year ended September 30, 2015. We also consent to the reference to us under the heading "Experts" in such Registration Statement.

/s/ PricewaterhouseCoopers LLP

Philadelphia, PA June 17, 2016

SECURITIES AND EXCHANGE COMMISSION

Washington, D.C. 20549

FORM T-1

STATEMENT OF ELIGIBILITY UNDER THE TRUST INDENTURE ACT OF 1939 OF A CORPORATION DESIGNATED TO ACT AS TRUSTEE

Check if an Application to Determine Eligibility of a Trustee Pursuant to Section 305(b)(2)

U.S. BANK NATIONAL ASSOCIATION

(Exact name of Trustee as specified in its charter)

31-0841368
I.R.S. Employer Identification No.

800 Nicollet Mall Minneapolis, Minnesota (Address of principal executive offices)

55402 (Zip Code)

Stacy L. Mitchell
U.S. Bank National Association
Two Liberty Place, Suite 2000
50 S. 16th Street
Philadelphia, PA 19102
(215) 761-9316
(Name, address and telephone number of agent for service)

AmeriGas Partners, L.P. AmeriGas Finance Corp. (Issuer with respect to the Securities)

Delaware
Delaware
(State or other jurisdiction of incorporation or organization)

23-2787918 23-2800532 (I.R.S. Employer Identification No.)

460 North Gulph Road
King of Prussia, PA
(Address of Principal Executive Offices)

19406 (Zip Code)

Senior Debt Securities (Title of the Indenture Securities)

FORM T-1

- **Item 1. GENERAL INFORMATION.** Furnish the following information as to the Trustee.
 - a) Name and address of each examining or supervising authority to which it is subject.

Comptroller of the Currency Washington, D.C.

b) Whether it is authorized to exercise corporate trust powers.

Yes

Item 2. AFFILIATIONS WITH OBLIGOR. *If the obligor is an affiliate of the Trustee, describe each such affiliation.*

None

- **Items 3-15** Items 3-15 are not applicable because to the best of the Trustee's knowledge, the obligor is not in default under any Indenture for which the Trustee acts as Trustee.
- **Item 16. LIST OF EXHIBITS:** List below all exhibits filed as a part of this statement of eligibility and qualification.
 - 1. A copy of the Articles of Association of the Trustee.*
 - 2. A copy of the certificate of authority of the Trustee to commence business, attached as Exhibit 2.
 - 3. A copy of the certificate of authority of the Trustee to exercise corporate trust powers, attached as Exhibit 3.
 - 4. A copy of the existing bylaws of the Trustee.**
 - 5. A copy of each Indenture referred to in Item 4. Not applicable.
 - 6. The consent of the Trustee required by Section 321(b) of the Trust Indenture Act of 1939, attached as Exhibit 6.
 - 7. Report of Condition of the Trustee as of December 31, 2015 published pursuant to law or the requirements of its supervising or examining authority, attached as Exhibit 7.
 - * Incorporated by reference to Exhibit 25.1 to Amendment No. 2 to registration statement on S-4, Registration Number 333-128217 filed on November 15, 2005.
 - ** Incorporated by reference to Exhibit 25.1 to registration statement on form S-3ASR, Registration Number 333-199863 filed on November 5, 2014.

SIGNATURE

Pursuant to the requirements of the Trust Indenture Act of 1939, as amended, the Trustee, U.S. BANK NATIONAL ASSOCIATION, a national banking association organized and existing under the laws of the United States of America, has duly caused this statement of eligibility and qualification to be signed on its behalf by the undersigned, thereunto duly authorized, all in the City of Philadelphia, Commonwealth of Pennsylvania on the 14th of June, 2016.

By: /s/ Stacy L. Mitchell
Stacy L. Mitchell
Vice President

Exhibit 2



Washington, DC 20219

CERTIFICATE OF CORPORATE EXISTENCE

- I, Thomas J. Curry, Comptroller of the Currency, do hereby certify that:
- 1. The Comptroller of the Currency, pursuant to Revised Statutes 324, et seq, as amended, and 12 USC 1, et seq, as amended, has possession, custody, and control of all records pertaining to the chartering, regulation, and supervision of all national banking associations.
- 2. "U.S. Bank National Association," Cincinnati, Ohio (Charter No. 24), is a national banking association formed under the laws of the United States and is authorized thereunder to transact the business of banking on the date of this certificate.

IN TESTIMONY WHEREOF, today,
December 4, 2015, I have hereunto
subscribed my name and caused my seal
of office to be affixed to these presents at
the U.S. Department of the Treasury, in
the City of Washington, District of
Columbia.





Exhibit 3



CERTIFICATION OF FIDUCIARY POWERS

- I, Thomas J. Curry, Comptroller of the Currency, do hereby certify that:
- 1. The Office of the Comptroller of the Currency, pursuant to Revised Statutes 324, et seq, as amended, and 12 USC 1, et seq, as amended, has possession, custody, and control of all records pertaining to the chartering, regulation, and supervision of all national banking associations.
- 2. "U.S. Bank National Association," Cincinnati, Ohio (Charter No. 24), was granted, under the hand and seal of the Comptroller, the right to act in all fiduciary capacities authorized under the provisions of the Act of Congress approved September 28, 1962, 76 Stat. 668, 12 USC 92a, and that the authority so granted remains in full force and effect on the date of this certificate.

IN TESTIMONY WHEREOF, today,
December 4, 2015, I have hereunto
subscribed my name and caused my seal of
office to be affixed to these presents at
the U.S. Department of the Treasury, in the City of
Washington, District of Columbia.

Comptroller of the Currency



Exhibit 6

CONSENT

In accordance with Section 321(b) of the Trust Indenture Act of 1939, the undersigned, U.S. BANK NATIONAL ASSOCIATION hereby consents that reports of examination of the undersigned by Federal, State, Territorial or District authorities may be furnished by such authorities to the Securities and Exchange Commission upon its request therefor.

Dated: June 14, 2016

By: /s/ Stacy L. Mitchell
Stacy L. Mitchell

Vice President

Exhibit 7 U.S. Bank National Association Statement of Financial Condition As of 3/31/2016

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	3/31/2016
Assets	
Cash and Balances Due From Depository Institutions	\$ 10,947,868
Securities	106,681,861
Federal Funds	36,987
Loans & Lease Financing Receivables	263,697,563
Fixed Assets	5,196,349
Intangible Assets	12,814,361
Other Assets	23,828,774
Total Assets	\$423,203,763
Liabilities	
Deposits	\$315,187,684
Fed Funds	1,383,186
Treasury Demand Notes	0
Trading Liabilities	1,570,792
Other Borrowed Money	44,382,132
Acceptances	0
Subordinated Notes and Debentures	3,800,000
Other Liabilities	12,270,761
Total Liabilities	\$378,594,555
Equity	
Common and Preferred Stock	18,200
Surplus	14,266,915
Undivided Profits	29,514,964
Minority Interest in Subsidiaries	809,129
Total Equity Capital	\$ 44,609,208
Total Liabilities and Equity Capital	\$423,203,763