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- D. Valiant;
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- 1.12 "Coverage Action" means the following civil action: *Kerr Contractors, Inc. v. Transportation Ins. Co.*, et al., Case No. 0910-14020 (Multnomah County Circuit Court, Oregon), and all appeals therefrom.
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### 3. Payments and Releases

## 3.1 Payments

3.1.1 The following payments will be made to the City:

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В.	By Transportation:	\$300,000
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#### 3.2 Releases

- 3.2.1 Subject to the exceptions listed in paragraph 3.2.2, the Parties release each other from all past, present, and future Claims: (1) related to the facts giving rise to the Underlying Action and the Coverage Action, or that could have been asserted therein; (2) arising in any way from the Project. including Claims for damage or injury caused by contamination at, or migrating from, the location of the Project, and (3) and all other Claims for coverage, contribution, or allocation arising out of the Underlying Action or this Agreement, other than those Claims excepted by paragraph 3.2.2. The mutual releases in this paragraph 3.2.1 release all Claims described in the preceding sentence arising out of all Policies issued by the Insurers, and which provide, or are alleged to provide, coverage to Kerr as a named or additional insured, whether such Claims are based on theories of negligence, breach of contract, breach of warranty, indemnity, contribution, subrogation, breach of the duty of good faith, or bad faith or other Claims at law or in equity.
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## 4. <u>Dismissal of the Coverage Action</u>

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## 5. Reservation of Rights

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If to National Fire or Transportation:	Michael J. Musa Claims Consultant / MCU CNA Insurance 555 Mission Street, Suite 200 San Francisco, California 94105
If to Bituminous:  If to Everest	Margaret Van Valkenburg Bullivant Houser Bailey PC 888 SW 5 <sup>th</sup> Ave. Suite 300 Portland OR 97204  Judie Price Everest National Insurance
	725 Town and Country Road, Suite 400 Orange, CA 92868
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IN WITNESS WHEREOF, the Parties, by their duly authorized representatives, agree to the terms contained herein.

Dated:	_, 2010	By:	
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		For:	Kerr
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			National Fire and Transportation
Dated:	_, 2010	Ву:	
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		For:	Valiant and Northern
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# EXHIBIT A

Insurer	Policy Period	Policy Number	
Transportation	3/31/96 to 3/31/97	CO 103 651 5059 -	
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National Fire	2/15/05 to 2/15/06	U 2066 738 355	
National Fire	2/15/06 to 2/15/07	U 2066 738 355	
Transportation	12/15/02 to 12/15/03	C 2066 738 372	
Transportation	12/15/03 to 2/15/04	C 2066 738 372	
Transportation	2/15/04 to 2/15/05	C 2066 738 372	
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Valiant	3/31/98 to 3/31/99	EPA 3277 8178	
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Valiant	3/31/00 to 12/15/00	CON 3292 0176	
Valiant	12/15/00 to 12/15/01	CON 3741 3607	
Valiant	12/15/01 to 12/15/02	CON 37413607	
Northern	3/1/98 to 3/1/99	CON 95584141	
Northern	3/1/99 to 3/1/00	CON 95584141	
Northern	3/1/00 to 3/1/01	CON 95584141	
Bituminous	2/15/07 to 2/15/08	CLP 323 8637	
Bituminous	2/15/08 to 2/15/09	CLP 325 3143	
Bituminous	2/15/09 to 2/15/10	CLP 326 1470	
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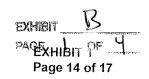
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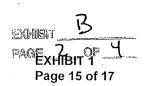
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- J. This Agreement shall be construed under, and in accordance with, the laws of the State of Oregon. Neither this provision, nor any provision in this Agreement, shall have any effect on any choice-of-law issue that may rise in any future litigation involving the Parties to this Agreement.
- K. If any provision of this Agreement is invalid or unenforceable in any respect for any reason, the validity and enforceability of such provision in any other respect and of the remaining provisions of this Agreement will not be in any way impaired.
  - L. This Agreement shall become effective upon complete execution by City.

This Full and Final Release of all claims truthfully sets forth the entire understanding and the complete agreement between the parties and it is specifically agreed that each term hereof is material, contractual and not mere recital.

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	ve read the foregoing document, knows the contents thereof, expresses and intends to be legally bound thereby.
DATED this day of	
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	BY:
	THE CITY OF PORTLAND, PLAINTIFF
	DV.
	BY: KERR CONTRACTORS, INC.