~~SECTION~~ **ARTICLE** TWENTY-SIX

DURATION

~~1.~~ **Section 1.** This Agreement shall become effective on ~~the 03 October 2016~~ **07** **October 2019**, and shall remain in force until 11:59 p.m. on ~~the 06 October 2019~~ **07 October 2023**, and at the end of each year period thereafter, this Agreement shall be renewed automatically for periods of one (1) year unless either party gives written notice of interest to terminate or amend same at least sixty (60) calendar days prior to the renewal date.

~~2.~~ **Section 2.** In the event notice to amend is properly given by either party, the parties shall simultaneously exchange their written notice to amend within ten (10) calendar days following their first meeting.

~~3.~~ **Section 3.** Negotiations concerning amendments to this Agreement shall commence not later than forty-five (45) calendar days or sooner than ninety (90) calendar days before the end of the contract period in effect when the notice to amend is given. During said negotiations this Agreement shall remain in full force and effect, except that it may be terminated by either party upon thirty (30) calendar days’ notice in writing, as hereinafter provided. During said thirty (30) calendar day period, negotiations shall continue at the request of either party.

~~4.~~ **Section 4.** In the event that one party serves a notice to terminate in accordance with this ~~Section~~ **Article** and the other party serves a notice to amend in accordance with this ~~Section~~ **Article**, negotiations shall commence as provided in ~~Paragraph~~ **Section** 3 of this ~~Section~~ **Article**. During negotiations this Agreement shall continue in full force and effect unless, after the commencement of negotiations, a written thirty (30) calendar day notice of termination is given by either party, provided that the termination date established by such notice does not occur sooner than the next renewal date. The parties may by mutual agreement extend such termination date, it being recognized that a notice of dispute under Section 8, sub-Section (d) (3) of the Labor Management Relations Act of 1947, shall be due thirty (30) calendar days prior to an agreed to or established expiration date, that is, simultaneously with the thirty (30) calendar day notice of termination required during negotiations to cause a termination of the Agreement.

~~5.~~ **Section 5.** This Agreement supersedes and renders void all previous agreements, including the Agreement effective ~~10 June 2013~~ **03** **October 2016** until ~~2 October 2016~~ **06 October 2019** whether written or oral, between the parties.