

AUTOMOBILE LEASE AGREEMENT

This AGREEMENT made _____, by and between **UNDERRINER MOTORS** with its principal place of business at 523 North 29th Street, Billings, Montana (the LESSOR), and **THE BILLINGS MONTANA POLICE DEPARTMENT**, P. O. Box 1554, Billings, MT 59103 (the LESSEE), for the lease of six (6) vehicles.

The terms of this agreement is for a period of 12 months from July 1, 2013, to June 30, 2014, subject to the terms and conditions set forth below:

1) **RENTAL:** The LESSEE shall pay to the LESSOR a monthly rental of FOUR HUNDRED DOLLARS (\$425.00) per vehicle (6 vehicles) for a total of THIRTY THOUSAND SIX HUNDRED DOLLARS (\$30,600.00), paid on an annual basis.

2) **MAINTENANCE:** The LESSEE will bear all expense of maintaining the leased vehicle in good operating condition. The LESSEE shall provide and pay for all gasoline, oil, maintenance, washing, tire and battery replacements, and all necessary repairs other than those covered by the standard manufacturer's limited warranty, where applicable. LESSEE also agrees to pay the deductible in connection with any collision losses.

3) **LICENSING:** The LESSEE agrees to pay at its own cost and expense, State License Fees imposed against said vehicle(s). Each lease vehicle shall bear a license plate, and title shall be registered in the name of the LESSOR.

4) **INSURANCE:**

A) The LESSEE agrees to furnish and keep in force and effect an acceptable public liability and property damage insurance policy covering all leased vehicles(s), naming therein or by endorsement thereto, the LESSOR as an additional insured. The minimum limits of liability coverage shall be in the amount of \$500,000 combined single limit for all person(s) killed or injured in any one accident, for property damage or loss of use of property of third persons as a result of any one accident. Prior to delivery of possession of said vehicle(s) hereunder, the LESSEE agrees to furnish the LESSOR with a valid certificate of an acceptable insurance company, licensed in Montana, certifying that such insurance is in force and agreeing that the same shall not be cancelled except upon ten days' prior written notice to the LESSOR.

B) LESSEE agrees that it will, and will cause its agents and employees and their families, to cooperate fully with LESSOR and all insurance carriers required by this lease in the investigation, prosecution, and defense of all claims arising from all hazards insured hereunder.

5) **EXCESS MILEAGE:** LESSEE agrees to pay for excess mileage at the rate of \$.10 per mile in excess of 15,000 miles per year. The payment for excess mileage shall be due at the end of the term of the lease.

6) **PERMISSION TO MOVE:** LESSEE agrees to notify and gain written permission from LESSOR should LESSEE decide to move the leased property as described above from the address stated above to another state on a permanent basis or for an extended period of time (longer than six (6) months).

7) **NOTICE:** LESSEE agrees to inform the LESSOR immediately regarding any accident, collision or other damage to the said vehicle(s). All other notices required to be given under the terms of this lease shall be in writing and shall be sent by United State Registered Mail or Certified Mail addressed to the party to be notified at its address as above stated.

8) **SECURITY AGREEMENT:** LESSOR shall have the right to finance any vehicle(s) now or hereafter covered by this lease by arranging for a Security Agreement thereon or by assigning LESSOR's interest under this lease or both, and LESSEE agrees that such Security Agreement placed by LESSOR shall be superior to this lease.

9) **REASONABLE CARE:** LESSEE agrees to use reasonable care in the operation of said vehicle(s) and, in good faith, to require reasonable care from users authorized by LESSEE hereunder, including the obligation to maintain the vehicle(s). In any event, LESSEE shall be held personally liable to LESSOR pursuant to the terms of this lease, regardless of permissive use by third parties.

10) **REPLACEMENT VEHICLES:** At any time during the initial or any renewal term of the within lease, the LESSOR may replace the above-described vehicle(s) with a vehicle of the same make and year, such replacement vehicle being in equal or better operating condition; in such event, all the terms and conditions of the within lease shall apply to any and all such replacement vehicle(s) for the term of this agreement or any renewal thereof.

11) **AGENTS:** LESSEE agrees to permit said vehicle(s) to be used only by LESSEE, (its) (his) agents or employees or the members of the immediate family thereof, and by no others. No operator or driver of said vehicle(s), including LESSEE shall have authority to act on behalf of the LESSOR under any circumstances.

12) **NON-LIABILITY:** LESSOR shall not be liable for any loss from the interruption of, or damage to the LESSEE'S business, and shall not be liable to any of the authorized uses hereunder, in connection with any operating failure of said vehicle(s) (or substitute vehicles provided to LESSEE during repair of the leased vehicle(s) or its replacement), or in connection with any delay in making repairs thereon or furnishing replacement(s) therefor.

13) **INDEMNITY:** LESSOR assumes no liability for any acts or omissions of the LESSEE or the LESSEE'S agents. The LESSEE hereby releases and agrees to indemnify the LESSOR and hold the LESSOR harmless from any and all claims against the LESSOR of any kind or nature whatsoever, arising out of or resulting from the use and/or operation of the leased vehicles by the LESSEE, including any expenses and attorneys' fees which the LESSOR may incur in defending any such claims, except such claims or portions thereof as are covered by applicable insurance as otherwise herein provided.

14) **OWNERSHIP:** It is expressly understood and agreed that this Agreement is a contract for leasing only, and that the LESSEE acquires no ownership, title, or property right or interest in, of, or to the said motor vehicle(s) and equipment, but acquires only the right to use the vehicle(s) in accordance with the provision of this lease. Any accessories installed on said vehicle(s) by the LESSEE may be removed upon expiration of this lease. If such removal shall, in the opinion of the LESSOR, cause damage to said vehicle(s), the LESSEE agrees to pay the Lessor for such damage.

15) **RETURN:** Upon the termination of this lease, the leased vehicle(s), at the expense of the LESSEE, shall be returned to the place of business of the LESSOR in as good condition as when received, ordinary wear and tear excepted. This return provision shall apply to all substitute vehicles which may be the subject of this contract.

16) **EARLY TERMINATION:** Early termination of this Lease may result in an early termination charge to LESSEE.

17) **ASSIGNMENT, PLEDGE, LIENS, AND ENCUMBRANCES:** This lease may not be assigned, except by the LESSOR as provided herein. The LESSEE shall not have the right to pledge or otherwise encumber this lease or any interest therein nor shall the LESSEE have the right to encumber or otherwise suffer any lien to be placed against the leased vehicle(s), or abandon or conceal the leased vehicle(s). The LESSEE shall not sublet the leased vehicle(s) or any replacement vehicle(s) without the written consent of the LESSOR.

18) **WAIVER:** The failure of either party in any one or more instances to insist upon the performance of any of the terms, covenants or conditions of this lease, or to exercise any right or privilege in this lease conferred, or the waiver of any breach of any of the terms, covenants, or conditions of this lease, shall not be construed as thereafter waiving any such terms, covenants, conditions, rights or privileges, but the same shall continue and remain in full force and effect, as if no such forbearance or waiver had occurred.

19) **DEFAULT:** If the LESSEE shall default in the payment in any of the installments of rent as herein provided, or breach any of the terms, conditions or provisions herein contained, or, during the term of this lease, shall file a voluntary petition in bankruptcy, shall make an assignment for the benefit of creditors or shall be adjudicated bankrupt; if a receiver shall be appointed for LESSEE'S business; or if LESSOR deems itself insecure, LESSOR may at its election terminate this Agreement without notice to LESSEE and shall thereupon be entitled to the immediate possession of any and all vehicles in LESSEE'S possession hereunder. In the event this Agreement shall be so terminated, LESSEE shall not be released from any liability to LESSOR for LESSEE'S failure to make any of the payments required by this Agreement or for LESSEE'S failure or inability to perform the conditions of this Agreement, and LESSEE hereby waives all claims for injury suffered through or loss caused by such repossession.

Upon default, the balance of the installments of rent, to the end of this lease or any existing extension of it, shall, without notice or demand by the LESSEE, at once become due and

payable; and in addition thereto, the LESSEE hereby authorizes and empowers the LESSOR to enter its premises or any other place where the leased vehicle(s) may be found, forcibly if necessary, to take possession and carry away and remove such vehicle(s), with or without legal process and thereby terminate the LESSEE'S right to retention and use of such vehicle(s). In the event any legal proceedings shall be instituted by LESSOR against LESSEE to recover any sums due or to become due hereunder and/or for the repossession of the vehicle(s) leased hereunder, LESSEE shall pay to LESSOR reasonable attorneys' fees sand costs of repossession.

20) **BINDING EFFECT:** This lease shall be binding upon and inure to the benefit of the parties hereto, their successors, legal representatives, and assigns.

21) **ENTIRE AGREEMENT:** This lease together with the Vehicle Lease Disclosure Statement represents the entire Agreement between the parties. All prior negotiations have been merged into this lease, and there are no understandings, representations, or agreements, oral nor written, express or implied, other than those set forth herein. This lease shall not be modified or amended except by an agreement in writing signed by the parties.

22) **CONSTRUCTION:** This lease shall in all respects be governed by and construed in accordance with the laws of the State of Montana.

IN WITNESS WHEREOF, the Parties have caused this agreement to be executed the day and year first above written.

LESSEE:

CITY OF BILLINGS

BY _____
THOMAS W. HANEL, MAYOR

LESSOR:

UNDERRINER MOTORS

BY _____
BILL UNDERRINER , OWNER

ATTEST BY:

CARI MARTIN, CITY CLERK

APPROVED AS TO FORM:

BRENT BROOKS, CITY ATTORNEY