

AMERICAN LAND TITLE ASSOCIATION  
EXPANDED COVERAGE RESIDENTIAL LOAN POLICY

For a one-to-four family residence

Issued By

BLANK TITLE INSURANCE COMPANY

SUBJECT TO THE EXCLUSIONS FROM COVERAGE, THE EXCEPTIONS FROM COVERAGE CONTAINED IN SCHEDULE B AND THE CONDITIONS AND STIPULATIONS, Blank Title Insurance Company, a[n] \_\_\_\_\_ corporation, herein called the Company, insures, as of Date of Policy shown in Schedule A (and, to the extent expressly stated below, after Date of Policy), against loss or damage, not exceeding one hundred twenty-five percent (125%) of the Amount of Insurance stated in Schedule A, sustained or incurred by the Insured by reason of any of the following Covered Risks:

1. Title to the estate or interest described in Schedule A being vested other than as stated therein;
2. Any defect in or lien or encumbrance on the title;
3. Unmarketability of the title;
4. Lack of both actual pedestrian and vehicular access to and from the land based on a legal right;
5. The invalidity or unenforceability of the lien of the Insured mortgage upon the title;
6. The priority of any lien or encumbrance over the lien of the insured mortgage;
7. Real property taxes and assessments of any governmental authority due or payable at Date of Policy have not been paid.
8. Lack of priority of the lien of the insured mortgage as to each and every advance of proceeds of the loan secured by the insured mortgage, which at Date of Policy the insured has made or is legally obligated to make, over:
  - (a) Any defect in or lien or encumbrance on the title attaching or created before, on or after Date of Policy;
  - (b) Any defect in or lien or encumbrance on the title attaching or created subsequent to Date of Policy and prior to the recording of the insured mortgage in the public records;
  - (c) Any statutory lien for services, labor or material, arising before, on or after Date of Policy, from an improvement or work related to the land which was contracted for or commenced before, on or after Date of Policy;
  - (d) Any environmental protection lien that comes into existence before, on or after Date of Policy pursuant to any federal statute in effect at Date of Policy; and
  - (e) Any assessment for street improvements under construction or completed at Date of Policy.
9. The invalidity or unenforceability of any assignment of the insured mortgage, provided the assignment is shown in Schedule A, and the failure of any assignment shown in Schedule A to vest title to the insured mortgage in the named assignee free and clear of all liens;

10. The failure of the land to have the street address shown in Schedule A;
11. The failure of the land to be improved with a one-to-four family residential structure or, if stated in the description of the land covered by this policy, a residential condominium unit;
12. The failure of the land to be zoned to permit a one-to-four family residential structure or, if stated in the description of the land covered by this policy, a residential condominium unit;
13. The forced removal, modification or replacement of any existing one-to-four family residential structure or residential condominium unit located on the land resulting from the violation of any of the following requirements of any applicable zoning ordinance: Area or dimensions of the land as a building site; floor space area of the structure; height of the structure; or distance of the structure from the boundary lines of the land;
14. The failure of the land to be a lawfully created one-to-four family residential parcel according to state statutes governing subdivision of land and local ordinances adopted pursuant thereto;
15. The assessment or taxation of the land by governmental authority as part of a larger parcel.
16. The failure of the existing one-to-four family residential structure or residential condominium unit or any portion thereof or a future modification or replacement thereof to have been constructed with a valid building permit from the appropriate local government issuing office or agency;
17. Any violation, variation, or adverse circumstance affecting the title that would have been disclosed by an accurate survey, not otherwise covered by the terms of this policy.
18. The inability to use the existing one-to-four family residential structure or residential condominium unit or any portion thereof or a future modification or replacement thereof for one-to-four family residential purposes because that use violates a restriction shown in Schedule B;
19. The encroachment onto the land of an improvement constructed after Date of Policy;
20. Encroachment of improvements constructed on the land after Date of Policy onto adjoining property or over any easement or building setback line on the land.
21. Damage to improvements, lawns, shrubbery or trees constructed or planted on the land before, on or after Date of Policy resulting from the future exercise of any right to use the surface of the land for the extraction or development of minerals, water or any other substance;
22. Forgery after Date of Policy of
  - (a) any instrument purporting to subordinate, assign, release or reconvey the insured mortgage; and
  - (b) any instrument purporting to convey or encumber the title to the estate or interest acquired by the insured;
23. The invalidity, unenforceability or lack of priority of the lien of the insured mortgage as to advances made or changes in the rate of interest charged subsequent to any modification of the terms of the insured mortgage made after Date of Policy which are, by the terms of the insured mortgage as modified, secured thereby;
24. Damage to improvements, lawns, shrubbery or trees constructed or planted on the land before, on or after Date of Policy occasioned by the exercise of the right to use or maintain any easement referred to in Schedule B.
25. Interference with the use for one-to-four family residential purposes of the improvements constructed on the land before, on or after Date of Policy occasioned by the exercise of the right to use or maintain any easement referred to in Schedule B.

- 26. Supplemental real estate taxes, including those caused by construction or a change of ownership or use that occurred before Date of Policy, not previously assessed against the land for any period before Date of Policy.
- 27. The invalidity or unenforceability of the lien of the Insured Mortgage upon the title based upon a violation of the usury laws of the state where the land is located if no other mortgage is shown as an exception in Schedule B.
- [28. The failure of the map, if any, attached to this policy to show the correct location and dimensions of the land according to the Public Records.]

Unless stated to the contrary in Schedule B, the Company incorporates the following American Land Title Association endorsements into this policy by this reference as if these endorsements had been attached hereto:

- (a) ALTA Form 4 (Condominium), if a condominium unit is referred to in the description of the land in Schedule A;
- (b) ALTA Form 5 (Planned Unit Development);
- (c) ALTA Form 6 (Variable Rate Mortgage);
- (d) ALTA Form 6.2 (Variable Rate Mortgage - Negative Amortization); and
- (e) ALTA Form 8.1 (Environmental Protection Lien) subject to the statutes, if any, shown in Schedule B specifically for this endorsement.
- (f) ALTA Form 9 (Restrictions, Encroachments, Minerals).

The Company will also pay the costs, attorneys' fees and expenses incurred in the defense of the title or the lien of the Insured Mortgage, as insured, but only to the extent provided in the Conditions and Stipulations.

[Witness clause optional]

**BLANK TITLE INSURANCE COMPANY**

**BY:** \_\_\_\_\_  
**PRESIDENT**

**BY:** \_\_\_\_\_  
**SECRETARY**

## EXCLUSIONS FROM COVERAGE

The following matters are expressly excluded from the coverage of this policy and the Company will not pay loss or damage, costs, attorneys fees or expenses which arise by reason of:

1. (a) Any law, ordinance or governmental regulation (including but not limited to building and zoning laws, ordinances, or regulations) restricting, regulating, prohibiting or relating to (i) the occupancy, use, or enjoyment of the Land; (ii) the character, dimensions or location of any improvement now or hereafter erected on the Land; (iii) a separation in ownership or a change in the dimensions or areas of the Land or any parcel of which the Land is or was a part; or (iv) environmental protection, or the effect of any violation of these laws, ordinances or governmental regulations, except to the extent that a notice of the enforcement thereof or a notice of a defect, lien or encumbrance resulting from a violation or alleged violation affecting the Land has been recorded in the Public Records at Date of Policy. This exclusion does not limit the coverage provided under Covered Risks 12, 13, 14, and 16 of this policy.  
  
(b) Any governmental police power not excluded by (a) above, except to the extent that a notice of the exercise thereof or a notice of a defect, lien or encumbrance resulting from a violation or alleged violation affecting the Land has been recorded in the Public Records at Date of Policy. This exclusion does not limit the coverage provided under Covered Risks 12, 13, 14, and 16 of this policy.
2. Rights of eminent domain unless notice of the exercise thereof has been recorded in the Public Records at Date of Policy, but not excluding from coverage any taking which has occurred prior to Date of Policy which would be binding on the rights of a purchaser for value without Knowledge.
3. Defects, liens, encumbrances, adverse claims or other matters:
  - (a) created, suffered, assumed or agreed to by the Insured Claimant;
  - (b) not Known to the Company, not recorded in the Public Records at Date of Policy, but Known to the Insured Claimant and not disclosed in writing to the Company by the Insured Claimant prior to the date the Insured Claimant became an Insured under this policy;
  - (c) resulting in no loss or damage to the Insured Claimant;
  - (d) attaching or created subsequent to Date of Policy (this paragraph does not limit the coverage provided under Covered Risks 8, 16, 18, 19, 20, 21, 22, 23, 24, 25 and 26); or
  - (e) resulting in loss or damage which would not have been sustained if the Insured Claimant had paid value for the Insured Mortgage.
4. Unenforceability of the lien of the Insured Mortgage because of the inability or failure of the Insured at Date of Policy, or the inability or failure of any subsequent owner of the indebtedness, to comply with applicable doing business laws of the state in which the Land is situated.
5. Invalidity or unenforceability of the lien of the Insured Mortgage, or claim thereof, which arises out of the transaction evidenced by the Insured Mortgage and is based upon usury, except as provided in Covered Risk 27, or any consumer credit protection or truth in lending law.
6. Real property taxes or assessments of any governmental authority which become a lien on the Land subsequent to Date of Policy. This exclusion does not limit the coverage provided under Covered Risks 7, 8(e) and 26.
7. Any claim of invalidity, unenforceability or lack of priority of the lien of the Insured Mortgage as to advances or modifications made after the Insured has Knowledge that the vestee shown in Schedule A is no longer the owner of the estate or interest covered by this policy. This exclusion does not limit the coverage provided in Covered Risk 8.
8. Lack of priority of the lien of the Insured Mortgage as to each and every advance made after Date of Policy, and all interest charged thereon, over liens, encumbrances and other matters affecting the title, the existence of which are Known to the Insured at:

- (a) The time of the advance; or
- (b) The time a modification is made to the terms of the Insured Mortgage which changes the rate of interest charged, if the rate of Interest is greater as a result of the modification than it would have been before the modification. This exclusion does not limit the coverage provided in Covered Risk 8.

9. The failure of the residential structure, or any portion thereof to have been constructed before, on or after Date of Policy in accordance with applicable building codes. This exclusion does not apply to violations of building codes if notice of the violation appears in the Public Records at Date of Policy.

SCHEDULE A

File No.

Policy No.

Amount of Insurance: \$

[Premium: \$ ]

Date of Policy: am/pm or the date of recording of the Insured Mortgage, whichever is later.

Street Address of the Land:

1. Name of Insured:
2. The estate or interest in the Land which is encumbered by the Insured Mortgage is:
3. Title to the estate or interest in the Land is vested in:
4. The Insured Mortgage and assignments thereof, if any, are described as follows:
5. The Land referred to in this Policy is described as follows:

SCHEDULE B - PART I

File No.

Policy No.

EXCEPTIONS FROM COVERAGE

This policy does not insure against loss or damage (and the Company will not pay costs, attorneys' fees or expenses) which arise by reason of:

[1. The following state statutes, reference to which are made part of the ALTA 8.1 Environmental Protection Lien Endorsement incorporated into this Policy following item [27/28] of COVERED RISKS:\_\_\_\_\_.]

SCHEDULE B - PART II

In addition of the matters set forth in Part I of the Schedule, the title to the estate or interest in the land described or referred to in Schedule (A) Is subject to the following matters, if any be shown, but the Company insures that these matters are subordinate to the lien or charge of the insured mortgage upon the estate or interest:

## CONDITIONS AND STIPULATIONS

### 1. DEFINITION OF TERMS.

The following terms when used in this policy mean:

- (a) "Insured": the Insured named in Schedule A. The term "Insured" also includes:
  - (i) the owner of the indebtedness secured by the Insured Mortgage and each successor in ownership of the indebtedness except a successor who is an obligor under the provisions of Section 12(c) of these Conditions and Stipulations (reserving, however, all rights and defenses as to any successor that the Company would have had against any predecessor Insured, unless the successor acquired the indebtedness as a purchaser for value without Knowledge of the asserted defect, lien, encumbrance, adverse claim or other matter insured against by this policy as affecting title to the estate or interest in the Land);
  - (ii) any governmental agency or governmental instrumentality which is an insurer or guarantor under an insurance contract or guaranty insuring or guaranteeing the indebtedness secured by the Insured Mortgage, or any part thereof, whether named as an Insured herein or not;
  - (iii) the parties designated in Section 2(a) of these Conditions and Stipulations.
- (b) "Insured Claimant": an insured claiming loss or damage.
- (c) "Knowledge" or "Known": actual knowledge, not constructive knowledge or notice which may be imputed to an Insured by reason of the Public Records as defined in this policy or any other records which impart constructive notice of matters affecting the Land.
- (d) "Land": the land described or referred to in Schedule A, and improvements affixed thereto which by law constitute real property. The term "Land" does not include any property beyond the lines of the area described or referred to in Schedule A, nor any right, title, interest, estate or easement in abutting streets, roads, avenues, alleys, lanes, ways or waterways, but nothing herein shall modify or limit the extent to which a right of access to and from the Land is insured by this policy.
- (e) "Mortgage": mortgage, deed of trust, trust deed, or other security instrument.
- (f) "Public Records": records established under state statutes at Date of Policy for the purpose of imparting constructive notice of matters relating to real property to purchasers for value and without Knowledge. With respect to Section 1(a)(iv) of the Exclusions From Coverage, "Public Records" shall also include environmental protection liens filed in the records of the clerk of the United States district court for the district in which the Land is located.
- (g) "Unmarketability of the title": an alleged or apparent matter affecting the title to the Land, not excluded or excepted from coverage, which would enable a purchaser of the estate or interest described in Schedule A or the insured Mortgage to be released from the obligation to purchase by virtue of a contractual condition requiring the delivery of marketable title.

### 2. CONTINUATION OF INSURANCE.

- (a) After Acquisition of Title. The coverage of this policy shall continue in force as of Date of Policy in favor of (i) an Insured who acquires all or any part of the estate or interest in the Land by foreclosure, trustee's sale, conveyance in lieu of foreclosure, or other legal manner which discharges the lien of the Insured Mortgage; (ii) a transferee of the estate or interest so acquired from an Insured corporation, provided the transferee is the parent or wholly-owned subsidiary of the Insured corporation, and their corporate successors by operation of law and not by purchase, subject to any rights or defenses the Company may have against any predecessor Insureds; and (iii) any governmental agency or governmental instrumentality which acquires all or any part of the estate or interest pursuant to a contract of insurance or guaranty insuring or guaranteeing the indebtedness secured by the Insured Mortgage.
- (b) After Conveyance of Title. The coverage of this policy shall continue in force as of Date of Policy in favor of an Insured only so long as the Insured retains an estate or interest in the Land, or holds an indebtedness secured by a purchase money Mortgage given by a purchaser from the Insured, or only so long as the Insured shall have liability by reason of covenants of warranty made by the Insured in any transfer or conveyance of the estate or interest. This policy shall not continue in force in favor of any purchaser from the Insured of either (i) an estate or interest in the Land, or (ii) an indebtedness secured by a purchase money Mortgage given to the Insured.
- (c) Amount of insurance. The amount of insurance after the acquisition or after the conveyance shall in neither event exceed the least of:
  - (i) one hundred twenty-five percent (125%) of the Amount of Insurance stated in Schedule A;
  - (ii) the amount of the principal of the indebtedness secured by the Insured Mortgage, at the time of acquisition of the estate or interest, interest thereon, expenses of foreclosure, amounts advanced pursuant to the Insured Mortgage to assure compliance with laws or to protect the lien of the insured Mortgage prior to the time of acquisition of the estate or interest in the Land and secured thereby and reasonable amounts expended to prevent deterioration of improvements, but reduced by the amount of all payments made; or
  - (iii) the amount paid by any governmental agency or governmental instrumentality, if the agency or instrumentality is the Insured Claimant, in the acquisition of the estate or interest in satisfaction of its insurance contract or guaranty.

3. NOTICE OF CLAIM TO BE GIVEN BY INSURED CLAIMANT.

The Insured shall notify the Company promptly in writing (i) in case of any litigation as set forth in Section 4(a) below, (ii) in case Knowledge shall come to an Insured hereunder of any claim that might cause loss or damage for which the Company may be liable by virtue of this policy or (iii) if title to the estate or interest or the lien of the Insured Mortgage, as insured, is rejected as unmarketable. If prompt notice shall not be given to the Company, then as to the Insured all liability of the Company shall terminate with regard to the matter or matters for which prompt notice is required; provided, however, that failure to notify the Company shall, in no case prejudice the rights of any Insured under this policy unless the Company shall be prejudiced by the failure and then only to the extent of the prejudice.

4. DEFENSE AND PROSECUTION OF ACTIONS; DUTY OF INSURED CLAIMANT TO COOPERATE.

(a) Upon written request by the Insured and subject to the options contained in Section 6 of these Conditions and Stipulations, the Company, at its own cost and without unreasonable delay, shall provide for the defense of an Insured in litigation in which any third party asserts a claim adverse to the insured, but only as to those stated causes of action alleging a defect, lien or encumbrance or other matter insured against by this policy. The Company shall have the right to select counsel of its choice (subject to the right of the Insured to object for reasonable cause) to represent the Insured as to those stated causes of action and shall not be liable for and will not pay the fees of any other counsel. The Company will not pay any fees, costs or expenses incurred by the Insured in the defense of those causes of action which allege matters not insured against by this policy.

(b) The Company shall have the right, at its own cost, to institute and prosecute any action or proceeding or to do any other act which in its opinion may be necessary or desirable to establish the title to the estate or interest or the lien of the Insured Mortgage, as insured, or to prevent or reduce loss or damage to the Insured. The Company may take any appropriate action under the terms of this policy, whether or not it shall be liable hereunder, and shall not thereby concede liability or waive any provision of this policy. If the Company shall exercise its rights under this paragraph, it shall do so diligently.

(c) Whenever the Company shall have brought an action or interposed a defense as required or permitted by the provisions of this policy, the Company may pursue any litigation to final determination by a court of competent jurisdiction and expressly reserves the right, in its sole discretion, to appeal from any adverse judgment or order.

(d) In all cases where this policy permits or requires the Company to prosecute or provide for the defense of any action or proceeding, the Insured shall secure to the Company the right to so prosecute or provide defense in the action or proceeding, and all appeals therein, and permit the Company to use, at its option, the name of the Insured for this purpose. Whenever requested by the Company, the Insured, at the Company's expense, shall give the Company all reasonable aid (i) in any action or proceeding, securing evidence, obtaining witnesses, prosecuting or defending the action or proceeding, or effecting settlement, and (ii) in any other lawful act which in the opinion of the Company may be necessary or desirable to establish the title to the estate or interest or the lien of the Insured Mortgage, as insured or to prevent or reduce loss to the insured. If the Company is prejudiced by the failure of the Insured to furnish the required cooperation, the Company's obligations to the Insured under the policy shall terminate, including any liability or obligation to defend, prosecute, or continue any litigation, with regard to the matter or matters requiring such cooperation.

5. PROOF OF LOSS OR DAMAGE.

In addition to and after the notices required under Section 3 of these Conditions and Stipulations have been provided the Company, a proof of loss or damage signed and sworn to by the Insured Claimant shall be furnished to the Company within 90 days after the Insured Claimant shall ascertain the facts giving rise to the loss or damage. The proof of loss or damage shall describe the defect in, or lien or encumbrance on the title, or other matter insured against by this policy which constitutes the basis of loss or damage and shall state, to the extent possible, the basis of calculating the amount of the loss or damage. If the Company is prejudiced by the failure of the Insured Claimant to provide the required proof of loss or damage, the Company's obligations to the Insured under this policy shall terminate, including any liability or obligation to defend, prosecute, or continue any litigation, with regard to the matter or matters requiring such proof of loss or damage.

In addition, the Insured Claimant may reasonably be required to submit to examination under oath by any authorized representative of the Company and shall produce for examination, inspection and copying, at such reasonable times and places as may be designated by any authorized representative of the Company, all records, books, ledgers, checks, correspondence and memoranda, whether bearing a date before or after Date of Policy, which reasonably pertain to the loss or damage. Further, if requested by any authorized representative of the Company, the Insured Claimant shall grant its permission, in writing, for any authorized representative of the Company to examine, inspect and copy all records, books, ledgers, checks, correspondence and memoranda in the custody or control of a third party, which reasonably pertain to the loss or damage. All information designated as confidential by the Insured Claimant provided to the Company pursuant to this Section shall not be disclosed to others unless, in the reasonable judgment of the Company, it is necessary in the administration of the claim. Failure of the Insured Claimant to submit for examination under oath, produce other reasonably requested information or grant permission to secure reasonably necessary

information from third parties as required in this paragraph, unless prohibited by law or governmental regulation, shall terminate any liability of the Company under this policy as to that claim.

6. OPTIONS TO PAY OR OTHERWISE SETTLE CLAIMS; TERMINATION OF LIABILITY.

In case of a claim under this policy, the Company shall have the following options:

(a) To Pay or Tender Payment of One Hundred Twenty-Five percent (125%) of the Amount of Insurance or to Purchase the Indebtedness.

(i) to pay or tender payment of one hundred twenty-five percent (125%) of the amount of insurance under this policy together with any costs, attorneys' fees and expenses incurred by the Insured Claimant, which were authorized by the Company, up to the time of payment or tender of payment and which the Company is obligated to pay; or

(ii) to purchase the indebtedness secured by the Insured Mortgage for the amount owing thereon together with any costs, attorneys' fees and expenses incurred by Insured Claimant which were authorized by the Company up to the time of purchase and which the Company is obligated to pay.

If the Company offers to purchase the indebtedness as herein provided, the owner of the indebtedness shall transfer, assign, and convey the indebtedness and the Insured Mortgage, together with any collateral security, to the Company upon payment therefore.

Upon the exercise by the Company of either of the options provided for in paragraphs (a)(i) or (ii), all liability and obligations to the Insured under this policy, other than to make the payment required in those paragraphs, shall terminate, including any liability or obligation to defend, prosecute, or continue any litigation, and the policy shall be surrendered to the Company for cancellation.

(b) To Pay or Otherwise Settle With Parties other than the Insured or With the Insured Claimant.

(i) to pay or otherwise settle with other parties for or in the name of an Insured Claimant any claim insured against under this policy, together with any costs, attorneys' fees and expenses incurred by the Insured Claimant which were authorized by the Company up to the time of payment and which the Company is obligated to pay; or

(ii) to pay or otherwise settle with the Insured Claimant the loss or damage provided for under this policy, together with any costs, attorneys' fees and expenses incurred by the Insured Claimant which were authorized by the Company up to the time of payment and which the Company is obligated to pay.

Upon the exercise by the Company of either of the options provided for in paragraphs (b)(i) or (ii), the Company's obligations to the Insured under this policy for the claimed loss or damage, other than the payments required to be made, shall terminate, including any liability or obligation to defend, prosecute or continue any litigation.

7. DETERMINATION AND EXTENT OF LIABILITY.

This policy is a contract of indemnity against actual monetary loss or damage sustained or incurred by the Insured Claimant who has suffered loss or damage by reason of matters insured against by this policy and only to the extent herein described.

(a) The liability of the Company under this policy shall not exceed the least of:

(i) one hundred twenty-five percent (125%) of the Amount of Insurance stated in Schedule A, or, if applicable, the amount of insurance as defined in Section 2(e) of these Conditions and Stipulations.

(ii) the amount of the unpaid principal indebtedness secured by the insured Mortgage as limited or provided under Section 8 of these Conditions and Stipulations or as reduced under Section 9 of these Conditions and Stipulations at the time the loss or damage insured against by this policy occurs, together with interest thereon; or

(iii) the difference between the value of the insured estate or interest as insured and the value of the insured estate or interest subject to the defect, lien, encumbrance or other matter insured against by this policy; provided, however, that this Section 7(a)(iii) shall not apply when the defect, lien, encumbrance or other matter insured against by this policy results in a total failure of the lien of the Insured Mortgage to attach to the insured estate or interest.

(b) In the event the Insured has acquired the estate or interest in the manner described in Section 2(a) of these Conditions and Stipulations or has conveyed the title, then the liability of the Company shall continue as set forth in Section 7(a) of these Conditions and Stipulations.

(c) The Company will pay only those costs, attorneys' fees and expenses incurred in accordance with Section 4 of these Conditions and Stipulations.

8. LIMITATION OF LIABILITY.

(a) If the Company establishes the title, or removes the alleged defect, lien, encumbrance, or other matter, or cures the lack of a right of access to or from the Land, or cures the claim of Unmarketability of title, or otherwise establishes the lien of the Insured Mortgage, all as insured, in a reasonably diligent manner by any method, including litigation and the completion of any appeals therefrom, it shall have fully performed its obligations with respect to that matter and shall not be liable for any loss or damage caused thereby.

(b) In the event of any litigation, including litigation by the Company or with the Company's consent, the Company shall have no liability for loss or damage until there has been a final determination by a court of competent jurisdiction, and disposition of all appeals therefrom, adverse to the title or interest of the Insured or to the lien of the Insured Mortgage, as insured.

(c) The Company shall not be liable for loss or damage to any Insured for liability voluntarily assumed by the Insured in settling any claim or suit without the prior written consent of the Company.

(d) The Company shall not be liable for: (i) any indebtedness created subsequent to Date of Policy except for advances covered under Covered Risk 23 and those made to protect the lien of the Insured Mortgage and secured thereby and reasonable amounts expended to prevent deterioration of improvements; or (ii) construction loan advances made subsequent to Date of Policy, except construction loan advances made subsequent to Date of Policy for the purpose of financing in whole or in part the construction of an improvement to the Land which at Date of Policy were secured by the Insured Mortgage and which the Insured was and continued to be obligated to advance at and after Date of Policy.

#### 9. REDUCTION OF INSURANCE; REDUCTION OR TERMINATION OF LIABILITY.

(a) All payments under this policy, except payments made for costs, attorneys' fees and expenses, shall reduce the amount of insurance pro tanto. However, any payments made prior to the acquisition of title to the estate or interest as provided in Section 2(a) of these Conditions and Stipulations shall not reduce pro tanto the amount of insurance afforded under this policy except to the extent that the payments reduce the amount of indebtedness secured by the Insured Mortgage.

(b) Payment in part by any person of the principal of the indebtedness, or any other obligation secured by the Insured Mortgage, or any voluntary partial satisfaction or release of the Insured Mortgage, to the extent of the payment, satisfaction or release, shall reduce the amount of insurance pro tanto. The amount of insurance may thereafter be increased by accruing interest and advances made pursuant to the terms of the Insured Mortgage and secured thereby, with interest thereon, provided in no event shall the amount of insurance be greater than one hundred twenty-five percent (125%) of the Amount of Insurance stated in Schedule A.

(c) Payment in full by any person or the voluntary satisfaction or release of the Insured Mortgage shall terminate all liability of the Company except as provided in Section 2(a) and Section 9(b) of these Conditions and Stipulations.

#### 10. LIABILITY NONCUMULATIVE.

If the Insured acquires title to the estate or interest in satisfaction of the indebtedness secured by the Insured Mortgage, or any part thereof, it is expressly understood that the amount of insurance under this policy shall be reduced by any amount the Company may pay under any policy insuring a Mortgage to which exception is taken in Schedule B or to which the Insured has agreed, assumed, or taken subject, or which is hereafter executed by an insured and which is a charge or lien on the estate or interest described or referred to in Schedule A, and the amount so paid shall be deemed a payment under this policy.

#### 11. PAYMENT OF LOSS.

(a) No payment shall be made without producing this policy for endorsement of the payment unless the policy has been lost or destroyed, in which case proof of loss or destruction shall be furnished to the satisfaction of the Company.

(b) When liability and the extent of loss or damage has been definitely fixed in accordance with these Conditions and Stipulations, the loss or damage shall be payable within 30 days thereafter.

#### 12. SUBROGATION UPON PAYMENT OR SETTLEMENT.

(a) The Company's Right of Subrogation. Whenever the Company shall have settled and paid a claim under this policy, all right of subrogation shall vest in the Company unaffected by any act of the Insured Claimant. The Company shall be subrogated to and be entitled to all rights and remedies which the Insured Claimant would have had against any person or property in respect to the claim had this policy not been issued. If requested by the Company, the Insured Claimant shall transfer to the Company all rights and remedies against any person or property necessary in order to perfect this right of subrogation. The Insured Claimant shall permit the Company to sue, compromise or settle in the name of the Insured Claimant and to use the name of the Insured Claimant in any transaction or litigation involving these rights or remedies. If a payment on account of a claim does not fully cover the loss of the Insured Claimant, the Company shall be subrogated to all rights and remedies of the Insured Claimant after the insured Claimant shall have recovered its principal, interest, and costs of collection.

(b) The Insured's Rights and Limitations. Notwithstanding the foregoing, the owner of the indebtedness secured by the Insured Mortgage, provided the priority of the lien of the Insured Mortgage or its enforceability is not affected, may release or substitute the personal liability of any debtor or guarantor, or extend or otherwise modify the terms of payment, or release a portion of the estate or interest from the lien of the Insured Mortgage, or release any collateral security for the indebtedness. When the permitted acts of the Insured Claimant occur and the Insured has Knowledge of any claim of title or interest adverse to the title to the estate or interest or the priority or enforceability of the lien of the Insured Mortgage, as insured, the Company shall be required to pay only that part of any losses insured against by this policy which shall exceed the amount, if any, lost to the Company by reason of the impairment by the Insured Claimant of the Company's right of subrogation.

(c) The Company's Rights Against Non-Insured Obligors. The Company's right of subrogation against non-insured obligors shall exist and shall include, without limitation, the rights of the Insured to indemnities, guaranties, other policies of insurance or bonds, notwithstanding any terms or conditions contained in those instruments which provide for subrogation rights by reason of this policy.

The Company's right of subrogation shall not be avoided by acquisition of the Insured Mortgage by an obligor (except an obligor described in Section 1 (a)(ii) of these Conditions and Stipulations) who acquires the Insured Mortgage as a result of an indemnity, guarantee, other policy of insurance, or bond and the obligor will not be an Insured under this policy, notwithstanding Section 1(a)(i) of these Conditions and Stipulations.

13. ARBITRATION.

Unless prohibited by applicable law, either the Company or the Insured may demand arbitration pursuant to the Title Insurance Arbitration Rules of the American Land Title Association. Arbitrable matters may include, but are not limited to, any controversy or claim between the Company and the Insured arising out of or relating to this policy, any service of the Company in connection with its issuance or the breach of a policy provision or other obligation. All arbitrable matters when the Amount of Insurance is \$1,000,000 or less shall be arbitrated at the option of either the Company or the Insured. All arbitrable matters when the Amount of Insurance is in excess of \$1,000,000 shall be arbitrated only when agreed to by both the Company and the Insured. Arbitration pursuant to this policy and under the Rules in effect on the date the demand for arbitration is made or, at the option of the Insured, the Rules in effect at Date of Policy shall be binding upon the parties. The award may include attorneys' fees only if the laws of the state in which the Land is located permit a court to award attorneys' fees to a prevailing party. Judgment upon the award rendered by the Arbitrator(s) may be entered in any court having jurisdiction thereof.

The law of the situs of the Land shall apply to an arbitration under the Title Insurance Arbitration Rules. A copy of the Rules may be obtained from the Company upon request.

14. LIABILITY LIMITED TO THIS POLICY; POLICY ENTIRE CONTRACT.

(a) This policy together with all endorsements, if any, attached hereto by the Company is the entire policy and contract between the Insured and the Company. In interpreting any provision of this policy, this policy shall be construed as a whole.

(b) Any claim of loss or damage, whether or not based on negligence, and which arises out of the status of the lien of the Insured Mortgage or of any other matters insured against by this policy or by any action asserting such claim, shall be restricted to this policy.

(c) No amendment of or endorsement to this policy can be made except by a writing endorsed hereon or attached hereto signed by either the President, a Vice President, the Secretary, an Assistant Secretary, or validating officer or authorized signatory of the Company.

15. SEVERABILITY.

In the event any provision of this policy is held invalid or unenforceable under applicable law, the policy shall be deemed not to include that provision and all other provisions shall remain in full force and effect.

16. NOTICES, WHERE SENT.

All notices required to be given the Company and any statement in writing required to be furnished the Company shall include the number of this policy and shall be addressed to the Company \_\_\_\_\_ .