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 TORONTO-DOMINION BANK

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Execution Date: May 18, 1995



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 Name: ETI EXPLOSIVES TECHNOLOGIES INTERNATIONAL INC.; ETI EXPLOSIVES TECHNOLOGIES INTERNATIONAL LTD. and ETI EXPLOSIVES TECHNOLOGIES INTERNATIONAL (CANADA) LTD. carrying on business in partnership as ETI EXPLOSIVES; and ETI EXPLOSIVES TECHNOLOGIES INTERNATIONAL (CANADA) LTD.

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RELEASE AGREEMENT

May 18, 1995

CIC Canadian Investment Capital Limited,
ETI Explosives,
ETI Explosives Technologies International Ltd.,
ETI Explosives Technologies International (Canada), Ltd. and
Explosifs ETI Quebec Inc.
James A. Coutts
Daniel C. Casey
Canadian Imperial Bank of Commerce

Dear Sirs:

Reference is made to the credit agreement dated as of July 19, 1990, among the Toronto-Dominion Bank (the "Lender"), ETI Explosives Technologies International Ltd. ("CanHoldco") and ETI Explosives Technologies International (Canada), Ltd. ("CanOpco"), carrying on business in partnership as ETI Explosives, as borrower and obligor (the "Borrower"), CanHoldco, CanOpco and certain U.S. subsidiaries of the Borrower (the "Original Credit Agreement"). The Original Credit Agreement was amended pursuant to (i) a credit amending agreement dated as of May 31, 1993, among the Lender, the Borrower, CanHoldco, CanOpco, CIC Canadian Investment Capital Limited ("CIC"), James A. Coutts ("Coutts"), Daniel C. Casey ("Casey") and certain U.S. subsidiaries of the Borrower (the "Credit Amending Agreement") and (ii) a waiver acknowledgement and amending agreement dated as of August 31, 1993, among, the Lender, the Borrower, CanHoldco, CanOpco, CIC, Coutts, Casey, Explosifs ETI Québec Inc. ("ETI Quebec") and certain U.S. subsidiaries of the Borrower (the "Waiver Acknowledgement and Amending Agreement"). The Original Credit Agreement, together with the Credit Amending Agreement and the Waiver Acknowledgement and Amending Agreement shall hereinafter be referred to as the "Canadian Credit Agreement". CanHoldco, CanOpco, CIC, Coutts, Casey and ETI Quebec and Ace Explosives ETI Ltd. ("Ace") shall hereinafter be referred to as the "Obligors".

Reference is also made to the credit agreement, dated as of July 19, 1990 (the "U.S. Credit Agreement") among the Lender, ETI Explosives Technologies International Inc., as borrower and obligor thereunder (the "U.S. Borrower"), ETI Enterprises Inc., as obligor thereunder and certain affiliates of the U.S. Borrower. Capitalized terms used but not defined herein shall have the meanings set forth in the Canadian Credit Agreement.

(b) The Lender hereby terminates and releases any and all security interests in, liens upon, rights of set off against and pledges of, all properties and assets of the Borrower and the Obligors, heretofore granted, pledged, assigned to, or otherwise claimed by, the Lender, whether personal, real or mixed, tangible or intangible, pursuant to the Loan Documents, or otherwise.


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10. **Governing Law**

This Agreement shall be governed by, and construed and interpreted in accordance with, the laws of the Province of Ontario.

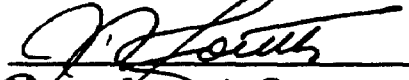
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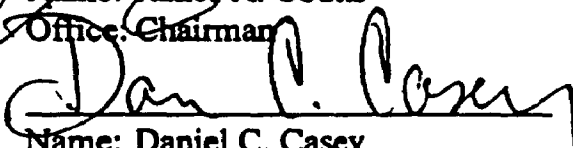
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Office: *Manager*


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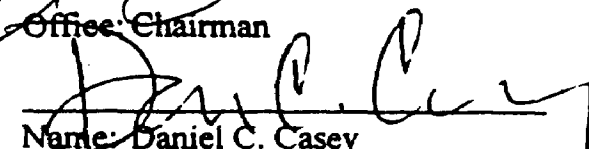
**ETI EXPLOSIVES TECHNOLOGIES INTERNATIONAL LTD., and
ETI EXPLOSIVES TECHNOLOGIES INTERNATIONAL (CANADA), LTD.
carrying on business in partnership as "ETI Explosives"**

By: 
Name: James A. Coutts
Office: Chairman

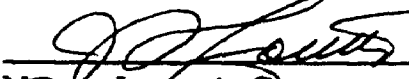
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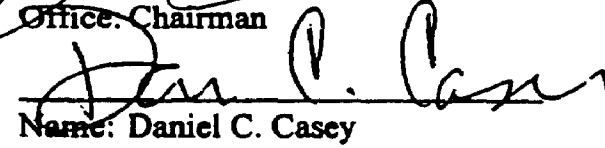
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Name: Daniel C. Casey
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CIC CANADIAN INVESTMENT CAPITAL LIMITED

By: *[Signature]*

Name: James A. Coutts
Office: Chairman

I have authority to bind the Corporation.

By: *[Signature]*

Name: Daniel C. Casey
Office: Vice Chairman and Secretary

I have authority to bind the Corporation.

Witness *[Signature]*

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JAMES A. COUTTS

[Signature]
DANIEL C. CASEY

EXPLOSIFS ETI QUEBEC INC.

By: *[Signature]*

Name: James A. Coutts
Office: Director

I have authority to bind the Corporation.

By: *[Signature]*

Name: Daniel C. Casey
Office:

SCHEDULE "A"

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