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TRADEMARK ASSIGNMENT

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SUBMISSION TYPE:	NEW ASSIGNMENT
NATURE OF CONVEYANCE:	Notice of Grant of Security Interest in Trademarks

CONVEYING PARTY DATA

Name	Formerly	Execution Date	Entity Type
The Vertex Companies, Inc.		12/17/2013	CORPORATION: DELAWARE

RECEIVING PARTY DATA

Name:	Cole Taylor Bank	
Street Address:	9550 West Higgins Road	
City:	Rosemont	
State/Country:	ILLINOIS	
Postal Code:	60018	
Entity Type:	CORPORATION: ILLINOIS	

PROPERTY NUMBERS Total: 2

Property Type	Number	Word Mark
Registration Number:	3599277	PERFORMANCE AT ITS PEAK
Registration Number:	2382041	VERTEX

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NOTICE

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IN

TRADEMARKS

United States Patent and Trademark Office

Ladies and Gentlemen:

Please be advised that pursuant to the Security Agreement dated as of December 17, 2013 (as the same may be amended, modified, extended or restated from time to time, the "Agreement") by and among the Pledgors party thereto (each a "Pledgor" and collectively, the "Pledgors") and Cole Taylor Bank, as lender (the "Bank"), the undersigned Pledgor has granted a continuing security interest in and a right to set off against the trademarks and trademark applications shown below to the Bank:

TRADEMARKS

Trademark No.

<u>Description of</u> Trademark Item

Date of Trademark

See Schedule 1 attached hereto

TRADEMARK APPLICATIONS

Trademark Applications No.

Description of Trademark Applied for

Date of Trademark Applications

See Schedule 1 attached hereto

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TRADEMARK REEL: 005179 FRAME: 0434 The undersigned Pledgor and the Bank hereby acknowledge and agree that the security interest in the foregoing trademarks and trademark applications (i) may only be terminated in accordance with the terms of the Agreement and (ii) is not to be construed as an assignment of any trademark or trademark application.

Very truly yours,

THE VERTEX COMPANIES, INC., a Delaware corporation.

Name: Jeffrey Picard
Title: President

Acknowledged and Accepted:

COLE TAYLOR BANK, as Bank

> The Vertex Companies, Inc. Motice of grant of security interest in trademarks

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THE VERTEX COMPANIES, INC., a Delaware corporation

By:	
Name:	
Title:	

Acknowledged and Accepted:

COLE TAYLOR BANK, as Bank

Name: JAMES SCABOUSE

Title: Vice Pres 100 100

THE VERTEX COMPANIES, INC. NOTICE OF GRANT OF SECURITY INTEREST IN TRADEMARKS

Schedule 1

The Vertex Companies, Inc. (Delaware Corporation)

U.S. Trademarks

Registered Marks

Mark	\$ \$ \$ \$ \$ \$ \$ \$ \$ \$ \$ \$ \$ \$ \$ \$ \$ \$ \$	Reg. Date
PERFORMANCE AT ITS PEAK	3599277	03/31/09
VERTEX	2382041	09/05/00

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