AGREEMENT

BETWEEN

THE OWEN SOUND TRANSPORTATION COMPANY, LTD.

AND

SEAFARERS' INTERNATIONAL UNION OF CANADA

COVERING

UNLICENSED PERSONNEL

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MEMORANDUM OF AGREEMENT

Between

OWEN SOUND TRANSPORTATION COMPANY LTD.

(hereinafter referred to as "the Company")

and

SEAFARERS' INTERNATIONAL UNION OF CANADA

(hereinafter referred to as "the Union")

PREAMBLE

WHEREAS the Company owns and/or operates a Ferry Service between the ports of Tobermory and South Baymouth, Ontario.

AND WHEREAS the Union has been certified to represent certain employees at those ports.

AND WHEREAS the parties are desirous of promoting collective bargaining and stability of Industrial Relations.

NOW THEREFORE it is agreed that the terms set out herein shall govern.

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GENERAL PURPOSE

- **1.01** The general purpose of this Agreement is, in the mutual interests of the Company and its unlicensed employees, to provide the most reasonable operation of the Company's ships under methods which will further, to the fullest extent possible, the safety and welfare of the said employees and economy of operation. It is recognized **by** this Agreement to be the duty of the Union, the Company and the employees to co-operate fully, individually and collectively, for the advancement of these conditions.
- **1.02** A Labour-Management Committee shall be established consisting of the following:

Union Representation :Executive Vice-president

and two (2) union representatives

Company Representation: Members of the Company Negotiating Committee

1.03 The purpose of the Labour-Management Committee shall be to discuss and make every effort to resolve matters of mutual interest to the parties and the Committee may discuss grievances not settled at Step 2 of the grievance procedure.

- **1.05** Each of the parties shall submit to the other an agenda of matters to be discussed at least fourteen (14) days prior to the meeting day.
- **1.06** An Occupational Health and Safety Labour-Management Committee is established to promote safe and healthy working conditions for employees. It will not deal with matters such as operational safety or public safety.

RECOGNITION

- **2.01** The Company recognizes the Union as the sole and exclusive representative for the purpose of collective bargaining for the unlicensed personnel employed on the Company's ships, which unlicensed personnel are hereinafter referred to as "employees", which word shall include the singular, as well as the masculine and feminine.
- **2.02** Discipline shall be governed by the principles and procedures laid out in the Disciplinary Code **as** agreed to by the Company and the Union.
- **2.03** In order to portray a proper image to the travelling public, all employees will be governed by the Company's rules concerning neatness and dress.

CLAUSE PARAMOUNT

- **3.01** The parties to this Agreement will not establish or enforce regulations which will in any way be contrary to or interfere with the effective implementation of all clauses in this Agreement.
- **3.02** Nothing in this Agreement shall be so construed as to affect the obligations of the signatories under the provisions of the Canada Shipping Act as amended, or other Government legislation, nor to impair in any manner whatsoever the authority of the Master.

ARTICLE 4

STRIKES AND LOCKOUTS

- **4.01** It is agreed that there shall be no strikes, walkouts, lockouts, secondary boycotts, or other similar interruptions of work during the term of this Agreement or any renewal thereof, and disputes and grievances shall be adjusted through the regular channels established in the grievance procedure.
- **4.02** There **shall** be no discrimination, interference, restraint, or coercing by the Company against any employee because of membership in the Union. The Union agrees not to intimidate or coerce

or threaten employees in any manner that will interfere or hinder the effective carrying out of this Agreement and the principles contained herein, and will assist and co-operate with the Masters, Chief Engineer and Executives of the Company in maintaining discipline aboard ship.

4.03 It is agreed, for the purpose of this Agreement, that the refusal of an employee to pass through a lawful picket line shall be construed as a violation of this Agreement and shall not be a reason for dismissal.

ARTICLE 5

CONDITIONS OF EMPLOYMENT

- **5.01** (a) An employee covered by this Agreement who is not a member of the Union shall, within 30 days of employment, make application for membership in the Union. If the Union refuses to accept such employee, a satisfactory written statement of reason must be supplied by the Union to the Company.
- (b) The Company agrees to maintain in their employ only members of the Union in good standing. "Good standing" is herein interpreted to mean that a member has not failed to pay the periodic dues, assessments and initiation fees uniformly required to be paid by all members of the Union.

- (c) The Company shall not be required to discharge any employee under paragraphs (a) and (b) above unless and until a qualified replacement is available subject to the Captain's determination and the grievance procedure.
- **5.02** The Union agrees that the Captain or Chief Engineer, or Designated Management Personnel, has the exclusive right to direct the crew, hire, promote, transfer, lay-off, suspend or discharge employees for cause. The Captain or Chief Engineer will determine qualification.
- **5.03** Refusal of any employee to work **as** directed or to obey lawful orders of his superior officers shall be grounds for discharge. Any employee who leaves the vessel without being properly relieved shall forfeit his or her job with the Company.
- 5.04 The parties agree that where the Union fails or is unable to fill a request for replacement personnel acceptable to the Company within forty-eight (48) hours of the receipt of the Company's request, the Company shall be free to engage replacement personnel through any other available source, subject to appropriate rules hereinafter:
- (a) Where an employee terminates his employment with the Company, he shall provide the appropriate officer with a minimum of forty-eight (48) hours' written notice. Such notice shall be in duplicate so that the employee can retain a copy signed by the officer. The officer shall immediately thereafter request the union to supply the required personnel. If the Union is unable to dispatch the

replacement personnel within forty-eight (48) hours, the Company may hire replacement personnel from any other source available. The replacement personnel shall hold the same employment status as that held by the terminating employee. The forty-eight (48) hours' notice shall be waived at the employee's request where there has been a death or other emergency in the immediate family of the employee.

- (b) When **as** indicated above, the officer does not provide the union with a minimum of forty-eight **(48)** hours' notice for replacement personnel, the Union shall, in any event, endeavour to dispatch the requested personnel within the time limits required by the Company. However, if the Union is unable to dispatch within the time limits required by the Company, the Company shall be free' to hire replacement personnel on a temporary basis only. Should this occur, the Captain upon hiring temporary personnel shall immediately notify the nearest Union office so that the replacement personnel hired by the Company will be replaced by a Union member as soon as possible.
- (c) Where an employee terminates his employment without giving forty-eight (48) hours' written notice to the appropriate officer, the officer shall notify the nearest Union hall immediately with a request for replacement personnel. However, if the Union is unable to dispatch within the time limits required by the Company, the Company shall be free to hire replacement personnel and said personnel shall hold the same employment status as the terminating employee.

- (d) Where an employee is dismissed for cause, the appropriate officer shall notify the nearest Union hall immediately with a request for replacement personnel. However, if the Union is unable to dispatch within the time limits required by the Company, and Company shall be free to hire replacement personnel. The replacement personnel shall hold the same employment status as that held by the terminating employee.
- **5.05** When the Captain or Chief Engineer decides to lay off, other than when the ship lays up, twenty-four **(24)** hours' written notice shall be given to the employee affected, stating thereon the reason for such lay off.
- **5.06** It is agreed between the parties that when an employee returns from sick leave or a regular leave, he will notify the Captain twenty-four **(24)** hours ahead of time in order to facilitate the paying off of the relieving employee.
- **5.07** In addition to the anti-discrimination provisions contained in applicable legislation, the Company agrees not to discriminate against any employee for **a** legitimate Union activity.
- **5.08** Employees will be retired in accordance with Company policy under which the normal retirement age is presently age 65.

HIRING

- **6.01** The Company agrees that during the period this Agreement is in effect, all personnel to be hired shall be requested through the closest office of the Union.
- The Union agrees that its hiring facilities shall be available **as** follows:
- (a) The Union hiring halls shall be open Monday through Friday from 0900 hours to 1700 hours.
- (b) Dispatching of personnel shall be conducted at all ports in accordance with the above stated hours, Monday through Friday.
- (c) Outside the hours of 0900 hours to 1700 hours, the Union hall shall have an answering service for incoming calls.
- (d) Telephone numbers of Union officials shall be furnished to the Company in case of emergency calls for employment.
- (e) The Union hiring facilities shall be closed on all statutory holidays specified in Article 14 hereof and on all other applicable Federal or Provincial statutory holidays. Where such statutory holidays fall on a Saturday or a Sunday, the Union hiring halls shall be closed on the following Monday or on the

next juridical day should the following Monday be a statutory holiday.

- 6.03 The Union agrees to co-operate fully with the ship's officers and management of the Company in obtaining qualified, reliable employees to fill vacancies as they occur. When employees are requested, the Union agrees that the Company's requirements will be filled as quickly as possible.
- 6.04 When presenting themselves employment, members shall remit a Union dispatch slip and discharge book to the Captain or designated Members who are refused for ship's officer. employment must be immediately furnished in writing with a valid reason for such refusal. If the member is not accepted by the Company, as a result of or because of an error committed by the Company in placing a call for a replacement, the said member shall be reimbursed any and all reasonable transportation costs to and from the vessel, living expenses supported by receipts and shall receive one day's basic pay.

If the ship is delayed in transit and the employee must stay overnight waiting for it, the Company shall pay reasonable living expenses supported by receipts until the arrival of the vessel or until the call is cancelled. In the latter case, the employee shall receive basic wages from the date on which the employee was to report to the vessel.

6.05 The right of any employee to employment with the Company shall be conditional upon the employee being medically fit to perform his duties and in possession of a valid Medical Fitness

Card recognized by Transport Canada. The Company may, at any time, cause an employee to be medically examined at the Company's expense.

DEDUCTION OF UNION DUES

- **7.01** The Company agrees to deduct initiation fees and/or monthly Union dues and/or assessments in respect to all employees covered by this Agreement in the amounts as established by the Union. In addition, the Company agrees to deduct and remit, at the request of the Union, any other monies related to Union membership.
- 7.02 All amounts required to be deducted by this Article will be remitted monthly to the Union headquarters at Montreal, Quebec not later than the 15th of the following month.
- **7.03** The Union shall indemnify the Company and hold it harmless against any and all suits, claims, demands and liabilities that shall arise out *of* or by reason *of* any action that shall be taken by the Company for the purpose of complying with the foregoing provisions of this Article or in compliance with any notice which shall have been furnished to the Company under any of such provisions.

ARTICLE 8

GRIEV ROCEDURE

8.01 An employee who is refused employment, discharged, or suspended, has the right to file a grievance with the Company through the Union provided the grievance is filed within five days of the incident. **After** the five days has expired such a grievance cannot be filed.

8.02 Where an employee has a grievance concerning the interpretation or alleged violation of the Agreement while working on board a vessel, it must be processed in the following manner:

Step 1:

- (a) Within I 0 days of the cause of its alleged occurrence, the employee must present his grievance on a standard grievance form (if available) to the Captain, Chief Engineer or Chief Steward with a copy to the ship's delegate.
- (b) Upon request of the grieving employee, the ship's delegate shall assist in the grievance procedure. **He shall** not **be** subject to discipline for assisting the griever in the grievance procedure provided such assistance does not interfere with the operating of the ship.
- (c) The Captain, Chief Engineer or Chief Steward shall acknowledge receipt and reply to the grievance by completing and returning to the griever a duly completed standard grievance form within five days **of** receipt of the grievance.
- (d) If settlement is not achieved, the griever shall submit the Company's reply to the Union immediately.

Step 2:

(a) Within 30 days of the reply of the Captain, Chief Engineer or Chief Steward, the office of the Executive Vice-president of the Union shall submit the duly completed standard grievance form to the Manager of the Company at Owen Sound, Ontario.

- (b) At Step 2, the Union shall also have the right to submit a grievance in writing to the Company on behalf of all **of** the employees in the bargaining unit or a group or category thereof, or on behalf of an individual member not employed aboard the vessel at the time, within 30 days of the alleged occurrence giving rise to the grievance.
- (c) The submission at Step 2 shall include a written statement of the grievance and, where this concerns the interpretation or alleged violation of the Agreement, the statement shall identify the Article and paragraph of the Article involved,
- (d) The Manager of the Company shall, within 30 days **of** receipt of the grievance **at** Step 2, reply to the Office of the Executive Vice-president in writing enclosing a copy of the standard grievance form.
- (e) A labour management meeting shall be held between the Company and SIU prior to a grievance being referred to arbitration.
- 8.03 Should a grievance not be settled at Step 2 of the grievance procedure, the matter may be submitted to arbitration in accordance with Article 9. A request for arbitration must be given by the one party to the other in writing within 10 days of the Company's decision at Step 2 of the grievance procedure.

ARBITRATION

- **9.01** Any grievance involving the interpretation or alleged violation of any provision of this Agreement which has not been settled to the satisfaction of the Company and the Union by conference or negotiation, may be submitted to an arbitration board. Matters involving any request for **a** modification of this Agreement or which are not covered by this Agreement shall not be subject to arbitration.
- 9.02 The arbitration board shall consist of one arbitrator who shall be jointly selected by the Union and the Company. This selection 'shall be made within ten (10) days after the request for arbitration has been made by either party to this Agreement. In the event that the parties fail within the said ten (10) day period to agree upon the selection of an arbitrator, the matter may be referred by either party to the Minister of Labour for Canada, who shall select and designate the arbitrator.
- **9.03** In the event the arbitration board is vacated by reason *of* death, incapacity or resignation, or for any other reason, such vacancy shall be filled in the same manner **as** is provided herein for the establishment of the board in the first instance.
- **9.04** A statement of the dispute or question to be arbitrated shall be submitted by both parties, either jointly or separately, to the arbitrator within five (5) days of his appointment. The arbitration board

shall convene within ten (10) days following the appointment of the arbitrator unless otherwise mutually agreed by the parties, and shall render its decision as soon thereafter as possible.

- 9.05 The decision of the board shall be limited to the dispute or question contained in the statement or statements submitted to it by the parties. The decision of the arbitration board shall not change, add to, vary or disregard any conditions of this Agreement. The decisions of the arbitrator which are made under the authority of this Arbitration Article shall be final and binding upon the Company, the Union and all persons concerned.
- **9.06** The expenses, fees and costs of the arbitrator shall be paid by the party to this Agreement found to be in default upon the arbitrator's resolution of the grievance or, if the arbitrator resolves the grievance in such a way that neither side shall be found wholly in the right, then the arbitrator shall also establish the proper split of the expenses, fees and costs between the **two** parties in the proportion appropriate to the share of responsibility that each side had in the production of the grievance.

ARTICLE 10

SENIORITY AND PROMOTIONS

10.01 At the lay-up of the vessel for the season, the Company shall provide each satisfactory employee with the following letter of intent:

Copy for Employee Copy for Captain/Chief Engineer/ChiefSteward Copy for Company

Copy for \$.I.U.

COMPANY LETTERHEAD NOTICE OF INTENT

Employee's Name Rating

Home Address Home Telephone

Name of Ship Captain/Chief Engineer

Chief Steward

Officer's Address Officer's Telephone

This will certify that the above named employee has indicated his intention to resume his employment with this Company for the navigation season. I have accepted his notice of intent, and accordingly endorse the same.

Signed

Captain, Chief Engineer, Chief Steward Company Authority

NOTICE TO EMPLOYEE

According to the terms of this Collective Agreement between the S.I.U. and this Company, you are entitled to return only to the ship you laid up. This notice does not constitute a promise of employment if the vessel which you laid up is not placed in operation by the Company that year. Unlicensed personnel will receive a notice of 72 hours prior to joining the ship.

Your notice for recall for duty shall be by telephone. If by telephone and there is no answer, the Company will immediately send a telegram. If a telegram is sent you must acknowledge receipt of the said

telegram within 48 hours of its delivery to you. Failure to acknowledge shall constitute unavailability for service. This notice shall be cancelled in any undertaking expressed or implied where any employee proves unavailable for service at time of recall subject to reasonable travelling time allowance.

- **10.02** It is agreed that promotions will only take place when a job vacancy is available on the ship. A promotion shall, like lay-offs and rehirings, be based on an employee's skill and efficiency. These being equal, the preference shall be given to an employee with the greatest seniority with the Company.
- 10.03 Where the Company commissions new vessels during the navigation season, the Captain and/or Chief Engineer assigned to the new vessel may reassign fifty percent of the required crew for the new vessel from the previous command of the said Captain or Chief Engineer. Where the Company exercises their rights, employee transfers resulting therefrom shall be made at no expense and no loss of employment to the employees affected by the said transfers. Any further crew adjustments shall be mutually agreed to by the Company and the Union.
- **10.04** A seniority list will be made up and posted on board the ship in the spring of each year.
- **10.05** Employees who transfer from one vessel to another shall retain their seniority position within the company.
- **10.06** Recognizing that the Company, from time to time, sees fit to promote unlicensed employees to

positions outside of the bargaining unit, it is agreed that:

- (a) Employees who are promoted shall only retain their seniority rights with the Unlicensed Union provided they remain as members in good standing with the Union.
- (b) Employees who are temporarily promoted for the purpose of training and/or relieving, shall retain their unlicensed seniority provided they do not work outside the Unlicensed bargaining unit for more than a total of two hundred and ten (210) consecutive days in any calendar year.
- (c) Upon full time promotion to a position with the Company outside of the bargaining unit, an unlicensed employee will have his unlicensed seniority frozen **so** as to enable later possible returns to his former unlicensed position. Such recall rights shall only continue for **a** period of two (2) years from the date of his initial full time position, following this he shall have no further claim to unlicensed seniority.

ARTICLE 11

HOURS OF WORK

- **11.01** (a) The regular work week for employees of the deck, engine-room and steward's departments shall be forty (40) hours consisting of five (5) consecutive days of eight (8) hours per day.
- (b) In addition, when the vessel is in operation, each employee of those departments shall be guaranteed

- eight (8) hours of work at the overtime rate one **day** each week on a day other then the five consecutive days indicated in 11.01(a). Such guaranteed overtime shall not apply during periods of fit-out and lay-up.
- **11.02** At the beginning of the season, mutually satisfactory arrangements shall be made between management and the employees to provide for one day off each week based on seniority.
- 11.03 The regular work day for employees of the Steward's Department shall consist of eight (8) hours work, exclusive of meal period, within a spread of twelve (2) hours, as determined by the Captain from time to time.
- 11.04 (a) The regular work day for non-watchkeepers shall consist of eight (8) hours work, exclusive of meal period, within a spread of twelve (12) hours. When a meal period is assigned it shall be one (1) hour unless otherwise mutually agreed between supervisor and the employee concerned. When a meal period is not assigned, the employee affected will be allowed (20) minutes in which to eat without loss of pay.
- (b) The regular hours of work for all employees assigned to standard watched (i.e. watchkeepers) shall be eight (8) hours during each calendar day on a three (3) watch system, so that four (4) hours on watch shall be followed by eight (8) hours off watch, except when in the Master's or Chief Engineer's discretion it is deemed advisable to break watches while a vessel is in port, anchored or not otherwise

underway. Arrangements may also be made to have watchkeepers work straight eight (8) hour shifts.

- **11.05** The sailing schedule shall be posted on the bulletin boards for the benefit of crew members.
- **11.06** When employees of the Deck Department are required to do spray painting, they shall be "knocked off' one-half (1/2) hour early to clean up. Coveralls and respirators will be supplied.
- **11.07** Should an employee fail to report for his regular shift, his mate on the preceding shift shall remain on duty until a substitute is secured. If it *is* necessary to pay overtime because of these circumstances, the additional cost will be deducted from the wages of the employee who was missing from his shift.
- **11.08** The Company agrees that all vessels shall be manned with crews sufficient to meet the requirements of the operations.
- **11.09** When men are promoted for the purpose of replacing men who are injured, sick or absent, they shall receive the differential in pay while **so** acting.
- **11.10** All ratings working a six *(6)* day week shall perform only necessary work on the day prior to their designated day off. Necessary work may include the following:
- 1. Navigation duties, including the keeping of watches.
- 2. Docking, undocking, handling or mooring lines, preparing for loading and unloading of the

- vessel including ballasting and deballasting, also loading and unloading.
- 3. Securing the vessel in preparation for the voyage.
- **4**. Washing down by the Deck Department immediately after loading and unloading of cargo.
- Cleaning of cargo holds if it is necessary to avoid delay to the immediate loading of cargo and/or water ballast.
- 6. Sanitary work, which shall include cleaning the wheelhouse. wheelhouse windows mopping out wheelhouse, also rinsing down the forward and aft housing. It **shall** also include sweeping and general cleaning of quarters, washrooms, hallways, recreation rooms and messrooms, burning and/or other required methods of garbage disposal. It is understood that any of the above mentioned sanitary work may be performed on Sunday only if it cannot wait until the following regular work day.
- 7. Taking onboard fuel and stores required for the continuous operation of the vessel.
- Sweeping, mopping, wiping and cleaning floor plates and deck oil in machinery space areas, including the exterior of main engines and auxiliaries.
- 9. Normal duties of Steward's Department.

"Necessary work" shall not include scraping, chipping, painting or soogeeing. Employees required to perform work not described in this Article 11.10, paragraphs 1 to 9, shall be paid at the hourly overtime rate of double time. Such rate shall constitute the total wages for this work.

ARTICLE 12

OVERTIME

- **12.01** The overtime rate is defined as being **one** and one-half (1 1/2) the applicable basic hourly **wage** rate for each job classification as stipulated in the Schedules of Wages contained in Article 29 hereof.
- **12.02** (a) Except **as** provided in Article 11.01, all time worked in excess of eight hours in a day or forty hours in a week **sha**ll be paid for at a rate of time and one-half, except that overtime payment shall not be duplicated for any hour of work.
- (b) Time worked in excess of eight hours per day on an employee's assigned rest day shall be paid at double the basic rate.
- **12.03** An employee performing overtime work which ceases before the expiration of one (1) hour shall nevertheless be credited with one (1) hour's overtime. After the first hour of overtime, each further period of

one-half (1/2) hour shall entitle the employee to one-half (1/2) hour at the overtime rate.

- **12.04** When men are called out to work on overtime and then "knocked off' for less than two (2) hours, excepting where a man is recalled for his regular duties, overtime shall be paid straight through.
- **12.05** An employee who **is** not on regular duty when called for overtime work shall be allowed as a general practice thirty (30) minutes in which to dress. However, the union recognizes that under special circumstances the Master may not be able to comply.
- **12.06** When a seaman is required to work during a meal hour, he shall be paid at the overtime rate for such hour. (This means 9 1/2 hours pay for 8 hours worked).
- **12.07** At the completion of any overtime work the employee and the officer in charge shall both sign duplicate overtime sheets recording the duration of such work. One (1) copy of the sheet shall be given the employee and the other retained by the Master. In the event a question arises **as** to whether work performed is payable as overtime, or if claim is rejected, the Senior Officer must sign "Disputed" and the reason(s) for non-approval. In case of a dispute, the matter shall immediately enter the Grievance Procedure as provided for in this Agreement.
- **12.08** The Company agrees to supply overtime books or sheets for the purpose of keeping a record of overtime worked. Where the Company fails to supply the said overtime books or sheets, employee's

overtime claims shall be considered as valid on any form of paper.

- **12.09** An employee may be assigned to **several** duties within his own department during an overtime period, at the discretion of the officer in charge.
- **12.10** Overtime shall be divided as equally as may be reasonably practicable among the employees who normally perform the work.

ARTICLE 13

VACATION PAY

- **13.01** An employee having completed less than one (1) full season of service with the Company shall receive vacation pay equal to four percent **(4%)** of his gross wages earned during the then current season with the Company.
- **13.02** An employee having completed between one (1) and six (6) full consecutive seasons of service with the Company **shall** receive vacation pay equal to five percent (5%) of his gross wages earned during the then current season with the Company.
- **13.03** An employee having completed more than six **(6)** full consecutive seasons of service with the Company shall receive vacation pay equal to seven percent (7%) of his gross wages earned during the then current season with the Company.

- **13.04** Effective January 1, 2004, an employee having completed more than ten (10) full consecutive seasons of service with the company shall receive vacation pay equal to nine (9) percent of his/her gross wages earned during the then current season with the company.
- 13.05 The right of an employee to receive vacation pay pursuant to Articles 13.02 and 13.03 above shall not be affected in any way where such employee is absent from his employment for reasons satisfactory to the Captain.
- 13.06 The Company shall pay all accumulated vacation pay to employees on a monthly basis.
- **13.07** At the beginning of the season, employees who have continually returned to a regular summer position will accumulate the equivalent of one (1) full season of service after the completion of 3 consecutive summer operating seasons.

STATUTORY HOLIDAYS

- 14.01 The Company agrees to recognize the following holidays:
- New Year's Day
 7. Civic Holiday
- **Good** Friday
- 3. Easter Monday
- 4. Victoria Day
- 5. Dominion Day
- 6. First Monday in June
- 8. Labour Dav
- 9. Remembrance Day
- 10. Thanksgiving Day
- 11. Christmas Day
- 12. Boxing Day

- **14.02** In the event that any of the foregoing holidays falls on a Saturday or Sunday, the following Monday will be considered as the statutory holiday and paid at the same rate as a statutory holiday. If the following Monday is a regularly assigned rest day for any employee, then the substituted holiday will be moved to the next regular working day for that employee.
- **14.03** The work performed on a holiday shall be that usually performed on a Sunday.
- **14.04** If an employee does not work on a statutory holiday, he will receive his usual daily wage.
- **14.05** If an employee is required to work on a statutory holiday, he will be paid for each hour worked double time and one-half his basic hourly rate.
- **14.06** If a statutory holiday falls during an unlicensed crew member's period of leave, he will be paid a day's basic pay on the first payday following his return to work.

STEWARD'S DEPARTMENT

15.01 Routine duties for members of the Steward's Department include the supervision, preparation and sewing of the regular meals, the preparation of night lunches, the cleaning and maintaining of the quarters of the licensed personnel and of all dining and messrooms, galley, pantries, storerooms, linen room,

all departmental equipment, and cleaning of refrigerating spaces.

- **15.02** With respect to the cleaning and maintaining of washroom and toilet facilities of the licensed personnel, the work day shall be so scheduled by the Chief Steward that members of the Steward's Department will perform this work during periods when they are not actively engaged in the preparation of food.
- **15.03** It is understood that neither the Chief Cook nor the Assistant Cook will be required to clean toilets.
- **15.04** It is understood that if any member of the Steward's Department has completed his regular eight (8) hours of work in any one day and is required by the Master or Chief Engineer or Officer in charge to **work** extra time, he will be paid at the overtime rate.
- **15.05** The Company shall supply aprons to all members of the Steward's Department and also, if uniforms are required aboard any vessel,theCompany shall supply them, and these shall be laundered at the Company's expense.
- **15.06** A Chief Cook or Assistant Cook will be supplied with two sets of whites which shall be laundered at the Company's expense. When replacements are required they shall be supplied by the Company or an allowance paid in lieu thereof at the end of the season. Such allowance shall be:

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BEREAVEMENT, SICKNESS AND COMPASSIONATE LEAVE

16.01 (a) Full Season Employees:

After the completion of sixty (60) days of employment with the company, an employee will be granted bereavement leave when death occurs to a member of his/her immediate family. In the case of death of a spouse, child and parent, the employee will be paid his/her basic rate of pay for five (5) days. In the case of death of a brother, sister, parent-in-law and grandparents, the employee will be paid his/her basic rate of pay for three (3) days.

(b) Summer Season Employees:

After the completion of sixty (60) days of employment with the company, an employee will be granted bereavement leave when death occurs to a member of his/her immediate family, that is his/her spouse, child, parent, brother, sister, parent-in-law and grandparents. The employee will be paid his/her basic rate of pay for three (3)days.

(c) In the case of a spouse or child, the above mentioned leave period shall be increased by one day for each one thousand (1,000) kilometres from the port of disembarkation to the place where the funeral is held up to a maximum of five additional days.

- (d) In the application of this article when an employee is on bereavement leave with pay, it is not mandatory for the company to fill a vacancy created by such leave.
- **16.02** An unlicensed crew member shall be entitled to receive from the Company a reasonable leave of absence from his employment without pay in the event of either illness or injury to himself or a member of his immediate family, that is, his wife, brother, sister, children, parents, parents-in-law and grandparents.
- 16.03 An employee may request paternity leave without pay at least six weeks prior to the expected date of the birth of his child and shall be granted paternity leave for a maximum period of 30 days without pay.
- **16.04** All claims under this Article must be supported by proper medical or bereavement evidence upon returning to the vessel, otherwise the employee forfeits his right to employment with the Company.

CREW ACCOMMODATIONS

17.01 (a) When available, crew members may utilize on board accommodation at no cost to the Company. Crew members living outside a 150 kilometre radius from Tobermory, will be given first preference for on board accommodations.

- (b) The following items shall be supplied to employees who elect to live aboard the Company vessel:
- One washing machine and electric dryer shall be supplied on each vessel. Also, an iron and ironing board shall be placed in the laundry room.
- 2. Equipment for the purpose of making coffee shall be made available in the engine room.
- 3. The Company shall supply at least one colour T.V. (with antenna) and V.C.R. on each vessel.

The Company will pay the cost of maintenance of these appliances necessitated by normal wear and tear. Any employee wilfully damaging or destroying mattresses, and/or any of the above equipment, shall be held accountable for same.

- **17.02** It is the policy of the Company to maintain the comfort of the crew by providing **as** good equipment as possible under given circumstances, but it must be recognized that this policy is dependent on the full co-operation of the Union and each employee.
- 17.03 When, as a result of operating conditions, the vessel is required to lay-over at other than its home port, (presently Tobermory during sailing season and Owen Sound during remainder of year) meals and sleeping accommodation, either on board or ashore will be provided by the Company. When not provided, an employee shall receive allowances for each meal and for room per night as follows:

Effective	Meals	Room
Jan. 1, 1991	\$10.00	\$60.00
Jan. 1, 1992	10.75	65.00

Employees will be required to present acceptable receipts in order to be reimbursed these amounts.

ARTICLE 18

MEALS, COFFEE TIME AND LUNCHES

18.01 Meal hours, when practicable, shall be as follows, unless otherwise directed by the Master, but in no case shall the indicated hours be altered more than one-half hour in either direction, except in an emergency.

Breakfast	from 07:30 a.m. to 08:30 a.m.
Dinner	from 11:30 a.m. to 12:30 p.m.
Supper	from 17:00 p.m. to 18:00 p.m.

18.02 A fifteen (15) minute coffee break shall be allowed each member of the crew on each watch, and for crew members on day work each morning and afternoon. Such coffee breaks for day workers shall be taken at the hours of 10:00 a.m. to 15:00 p.m. when the nature of the work permits, otherwise as near as possible to those hours. For watchkeepers such coffee breaks shall be taken as near as possible to the middle of the watch, and coffee must be available.

18.03 Where overtime **is** worked for periods of four **(4)** hours or over, coffee breaks must be allowed on the above scale. These coffee breaks shall **be** given

in such a way that operations shall not be unnecessarily interrupted.

- **18.04** (a) Effective immediately, employees working on the vessel will receive a daily meal allowance of ten dollars (\$10.00) for each day worked.
- (b) Effective January 1, 2002, employees living outside the 150 km radius will be given the option to elect, at the commencement of each season one of the following:
 - a) A meal allowance of ten dollars (\$10.00) per day worked; or
 - b) When food services is available on ship, the employee will be required to purchase meals on board and will submit weekly expense accounts for 100% reimbursement.

NOTE: When food services is not available on board, these employees will be eligible for the ten dollars (\$10.00 per day worked.

ARTICLE 19

MARINE DISASTER

19.01 An employee covered by this agreement while employed by the Company, who suffers loss of clothing or personal effects because of a marine disaster shall be compensated by the Company, for such loss, up to a maximum of \$3,500.

19.02 An employee or his estate making a claim under this article shall submit reasonable proof to the Company of the actual value of the **loss** suffered. Such proof shall be a signed affidavit listing the individual items and values claimed.

ARTICLE 20 TRANSPORTATION COSTS

20.01 All employees rejoining a ship at fit-out shall be paid reasonable transportation costs, upon rendering receipts, on the first payday after thirty days of service. The Company agrees to pay reasonable transportation costs to an unlicensed employee to and from his home. These costs are to include first class surface passage plus meals and berth or economy air fare plus the cost of a taxi or limousine in direct connection with the said travel, or two way car allowance. Effective January 1, 2002, the car allowance will be 34 cents per kilometer, where no public transportation is available.

20.02 All employees who have served the Company continuously aboard ship from the time of joining ship until the completion of lay-up, except only periods of justifiable absence, shall be paid transportation costs by the company from the vessel to their home on the basis prescribed in Article 20.01 above.

20.03 All employees required to go on leave due to the provisions of Article 26.01, shall be paid transportation costs from the ship to their home and vice versa on the basis prescribed in Article 20.01 above.

20.04 All permanent employees who act as relief employees for those taking leave in accordance with the provisions of Article 26.01 shall be paid transportation costs from the ship to their home and vice versa on the basis prescribed in Article 20.01 above.

20.05 If a ship lays up during the navigation season, all employees shall be paid transportation costs by the Company from the vessel to their home on the basis prescribed in Article 20.01 above. All employees recalled to join such ship shall be paid transportation costs by the Company from their home to the vessel on the basis prescribed in Article 20.01 above.

20.06 In case of discharge for cause or leaving the ship for personal reasons, transportation costs shall be borne by the employee.

20.07 An employee when transported by the Company during the course of his employment, shall be provided with transportation by air, bus or rail, including berths where available when travelling by night, plus the cost of a taxi or limousine in direct connection with the said travel, and with subsistence at the rate of \$13.00 effective January 1, 2002, per meal in addition to his regular wages. For the purpose hereof, regular wages shall be determined on the basis of a maximum of 8 hours per day at the basic wage rate.

20.08 (a) Company agrees to pay reasonable transportation costs for summer employees to and from their home or Thorold Union Hall, whichever is

- closer. Such employees must complete the summer operating season.
- (b) Employees hired in a relief capacity for sickness, unscheduled time *off*, etc. will be reimbursed, on the completion of their relief assignment, reasonable transportation costs to their home or Thorold Union Hall, whichever is closer.

SAFETY AND EQUIPMENT

- **21.01** (a) The Company shall make every effort to furnish and maintain safe working gear and equipment for the protection of its employees and shall continue to make reasonable provisions and rules for their safety.
- (b) Watertight **doors** will be adequately secured when the vessel **is** on the run.
- (c) When a vessel is canalling, berthing or letting go, the Company agrees to use a signalman in addition to the winchman. The only exception to this is when mooring winches are side controlled.
- (d) Two (2) men shall be used for handling mooring lines at all times, one forward and one aft. When pulling long bow and stern lines, two (2) men per line shall be used.
- (e) Any vessel tied up at any wharf, dock or landing place where crew members may go ashore or come aboard, unless canalling, shall have a suitable gangway properly secured to the ship for the safe

and convenient transit of crew members and such gangway shall be properly lighted.

- 21.02 When a crew member falls sick or is injured, it will be the duty of the Captain to see that this person gets first-aid or medical treatment as quickly as possible. The Company shall reimburse the employee all transportation expenses from his place of work to the nearest hospital or clinic. On the doctor's recommendation, if the disability is for a period of less than ten days, he shall be assigned light duties aboard the vessel. If the disability is for longer than ten days, the Company shall reimburse transportation expenses from the hospital or clinic to his residence, providing he qualifies for U.I.C. sick benefits and/or Seafarers' **Medical** plan sick leave benefits or Workers' Compensation.
- **21.03** When working over the ship's side in port or dry dock, there shall be supplied a proper staging, with a flooring of 1-1/2" materials by **18**" wide and 10' long, with proper crossbars of **1**" diameter lines, with a safety line attached to each crew member working on the staging and someone to stand by while overside work **is** in progress.
- **21.04** Members of the engine room shall not be required to work on staging or Bosun's chair while the ship is underway. Crew members shall not be required to work on staging overside while the vessel is underway.
- **21.05** Only water from an approved source shall be used for drinking or sanitary use.

- **21.06** The engine room shall be supplied with life-jackets sufficient for the watch below, along with asbestos blankets and stretchers plus a medical kit. Diesel fuel or pre-heated bunker "C" shall be used for flashing up on oil burning ships.
- **21.07** The Company agrees to supply and maintain the following safety equipment for the use of unlicensed personnel covered by this contract in accordance with M.O.T. regulations such as fog nozzles, breathing apparatus, life rings and cost on lights, stretchers, hand lights and first-aid kits in approved locations.
- **21.08** (a) Goggles shall be supplied as required for men engaged in chipping or scaling.
- (b) Hard hats shall be supplied to crew members working in areas where overhead work is being performed.
- (c) The Company will supply proper face respirators when crew members are required to do spray painting in confined areas such as tanks, tunnels, closed bow visors, etc.
- (d) The Company undertakes to make available coveralls and/or oilskins to employees who perform unusually dirty work, and also make available protective ear muffs or ear plugs for all engine room personnel on diesel vessels.
- (e) Goggles, hard hats and respirators will be signed for, and if not returned at termination of employment, the employee will pay for the cost of replacement.

- (9 Non-conductor foot pads shall be supplied in front of the main electrical switchboard.
- (g) The Company policy with respect to safety footwear will apply to employees covered by this agreement.
- **21.09** The Company will endeavour to have the Bell Telephone Company install a pay telephone in a convenient location, if another telephone is not available, when the vessel is laid up.
- **21.10** During the hours of darkness, outside painting must not be performed.
- **21.11** First aid kits, life preservers, life jackets, portable life rafts, etc., shall not be stored away while on the run immediately prior to winter lay-up, nor shall the life boats be emptied of their equipment, permanently covered or securely lashed in preparation for such lay-up.
- **21.12** The Union agrees to co-operate with the Company in promoting safe practices and conditions aboard ship by reporting hazardous situations to the Master or Chief Engineer who shall endeavour, whenever practicable and with the least possible delay, to have the situation rectified.
- **21.13** It is agreed that any safety regulations that the Company may now have in force for the safety of the vessel and crew and any further safety regulations which the Company shall put into effect and bring to the attention of the crew, shall be strictly adhered to by all crew members. Violation of any such regulations will warrant disciplinary action.

- **21.14** The Company agrees to supply on each vessel one stool for the use of the wheelsman. Such stool shall be available for use under circumstances satisfactory to the Master or the Officer of the Watch.
- **21.15** The Company agrees to provide suitable protective clothing when crew members are required to work near hazardous chemicals, which will include recognized and acceptable respiratory face masks.
- **21.16** The Company agrees to post a notice advising all crew members that it is their duty to ensure that all flammable materials are stored when not in use in the designated storage lockers, which are properly identified on the ship and equipped with a fire-smothering system.
- **21.17** The Company agrees to post diagrams in French and English or pictographs, clearly showing all escape routes, the location of fire fighting equipment and station bills.
- **21.18** If painting, chipping or soogeeing is to be undertaken above arm's reach, this will only be done with a secure ladder and/or proper safe staging and a safety line attached to ensure safety, all in accordance with generally accepted practices of good seamanship.
- **21.19** The Company agrees that no crew shall be required to work under unsafe conditions, due regard being given to Article 24.02.
- **21.20** The Company agrees to provide immersion suits that conform with the standards prescribed by

D.O.T. to unlicensed crew members on our vessel. It is understood that each unlicensed crew member will be fully responsible and accountable for the suit at all times. The procurement of these suits will be accomplished in the most expeditious manner.

21.21 No pets are to be carried on board ship by any of the personnel.

ARTICLE 22

UNION OFFICERS BOARDING VESSELS

22.01 The Company agrees to issue passes to the Union's representatives for the purpose of consulting with its members aboard vessels of the Company covered by this Agreement. Representatives of the Union shall be allowed on board vessels at principal loading and unloading ports. Such representatives shall have the right to engage in negotiation with the Master or Officers in charge of the ship in respect of any dispute or grievance, but shall not have the right to interfere in any way with the operations of the vessel.

22.02 The Union shall submit to the Company the name and relevant particulars of the bona fide Union members authorized by the Union to act as its representatives provided that the Company, upon receiving from any representative a waiver, in form satisfactory to the Company, of any claim for any

damage resulting from any accident or injury in or about Company property, shall thereupon issue a Pass to each such representative, enabling him to board the Company's ships at port for the purpose herein provided. In the event that such privilege is withdrawn from the designated Union representative the Union will undertake to notify the Company to revoke such pass.

22.03 The Union representative shall not violate any provision of this Agreement or interfere with the Officers aboard the ship or retard the work of the vessels, subject to penalty of revocation of the Pass granted herein. Any such revocation shall be subject to the Grievance Procedure.

22.04 The Company assumes **no** responsibility for securing passes to or through property owned or controlled by others, but the Company agrees to co-operate with the Union in endeavouring to secure such passes.

ARTICLE 23

OFFICER CADETS

- **23.01** Where in co-operation with Government training schemes, officer cadets are articled on any vessel, it is agreed that a maximum of two (2) cadets shall be carried on any one vessel.
- **23.02** Officer cadets shall be confined to either regular watches, or to one watch per day and four (4) hour's labour between 08:00 a.m. and 17:00 p.m. daily. Where a cadet is assigned to a watch, he shall be in addition to the regular unlicensed watchkeeper

and in no event shall he be considered a substitute or replacement, or perform any unlicensed work in the engine room or on deck if there is no unlicensed person on watch.

- **23.03** On no account shall officer cadets replace unlicensed personnel in performing overtime work, and in the event cadets perform such work, the overtime payment applicable shall be paid to the unlicensed personnel who would otherwise have performed the work.
- **23.04** While articled on any vessel, cadets shall pay the monthly union dues required of union members.
- **23.05** It is agreed that this Collective Agreement will hold no jurisdiction over the approved ,teaching curriculum of officer cadets.

ARTICLE 24

GENERAL AND EMERGENCY DUTIES

- **24.01** In addition to the duties specifically imposed by this document, all employees shall perform competently the ordinary duties pertaining to their positions on the vessel.
- **24.02** Any work necessary for the safety of the vessel, passengers, crew or cargo, or for the saving of or rendering assistance to other vessels, lives, property or cargoes, shall be performed at any time on immediate call by all employees and notwithstanding any provisions of this Agreement which might be construed to the contrary, in no event shall overtime be paid for the work performed in

connection with such emergency duties of which the Master shall be the sole judge.

24.03 The Master may, whenever he deems it advisable, require any employee to participate in life boat or other emergency drills. Such drills will take place at least once per calendar month, if possible. When employees are required to participate in such drills outside their regular working hours, they shall be paid overtime for the time spent by them in the drill.

24.04 Oilers and/or Mechanical Assistants are to assist with the taking and placing on board of engine room stores, in addition to their regular duties.

24.05 General and Emergency Duties

The Company undertakes to make available coveralls for each employee of the engine room and deck departments for use when performing unusually dirty work; this shall include painting.

24.06 The Company shall give due consideration **to** the unlicensed personnel for any winter work.

24.07 When an employee is required to work in a classification outside of his regular classification he shall be paid at the appropriate rate of pay of an employee working that classification or his own rate of pay, whichever **is** greater.

ARTICLE 25

SHORT PERIOD LAY-UPS

25.01 Should an employee be laid off for a period of less than ten (10) consecutive days, he shall not suffer any loss in basic pay because of such lay-off. This Article shall not apply to vessels laid up by reason of emergency.

ARTICLE 25A

EMPLOYEE'S FILE

- **25A.01** The employer agrees not to introduce as evidence in a hearing related to disciplinary action any documents from the file of an unlicensed employee, the existence of which the unlicensed employee was not aware at the time of filing or within a reasonable period thereafter.
- **25A.02** Upon written request of an unlicensed employee, the personal file of that employee shall be made available once per year for examination in the presence of an authorized representative of the employer. This also applies when an unlicensed employee is off ship on leaves of absence due to the following:
- (a) Accumulated leave
- (b) Sickness
- (c) Accident at work
- (d) While laid off by the Company if the Unicensed employee has been given notice of intent.
- (e) For any leave of absence authorized by the Company.

TIME OFF WITHOUT PAY

- **26.01** Employees holding full-season positions may elect to take time off without pay subject to the following conditions:
- (a) An employee must apply for time off during the first 30 days of the sailing season **so** that the schedule may be finalized before the 60th day of the season.
- (b) Time off will not be allowed for periods of less than seven (7)days.
- **26.02** Employees electing to take time **off** under Article 26.01 above will be entitled to an allowance as follows:
- (a) Permanent full-time employees of the Company hired prior to December 31, 1987 will be paid an allowance to defray all reasonable travel expenses between the vessel and their homes in Canada two ways when taking time off. These expenses are limited to one trip per year and are to include first class surface passage plus meals and berth or economy air fare plus the cost of a taxi or limousine in connection with the said travel or two way car allowance. Where no public transportation is available the car allowance will be:

Effective Jan. 1, 2002 - 34¢ per kilometre

- (b) Permanent full-time employees of the Company hired after January 1,1988, after having worked one full season (210 days) will be paid travelling expenses as outlined above to their home or the Union's Toronto Hiring Hall whichever is less.
- (c) All claims for allowances under this Article shall be supported by original receipts for the actual funds expended.

SUCCESSOR RIGHTS AND OBLIGATIONS

- **27.01** The Company and the Union agree that the provisions of the Ontario Labour Relations Act (Sections 62 and 63), pertaining to Successor Rights and Obligations shall apply to the present agreement.
- **27.02** In the event that the parent Company assumes direct control of the business it will honour this agreement in accordance with the above legislation and the service dates of the employees affected will be protected.

ARTICLE 28 PAYMENT OF WAGES

28.01 It is agreed that the payment of wages shall be once monthly with an advance approximately equal to one-half month's basic wages, less taxes and other deductions, payable on the 16th of each month. The remainder of the basic month's salary, plus overtime

and other earned increments, shall be payable on the first of each month with overtime and increments calculated up to between the 20th and 25th of each month. Employees entering employment after the first day of the month shall receive such advances as herein provided on a daily pro-rata basis, except in cases of severance from employment.

28.02 When an employee **is** paid off a vessel, he shall receive in cash an amount up to four hundred (\$400.) or less depending on **his** accrued credits, if requested by the employee. Each employee on termination will be given a temporary U.I.C. separation certificate enabling the employee to immediately apply for his Unemployment benefits.

SCHEDULE OF WAGES

29.01 (a) Schedule of wages in effect from January 1, 2002:

1	Hourly Rate 2002	Hourly Rate 2003	Hourly Rate 2004
A/B	\$16.83	2002+2%+COLA	2003+2%+COLA
Ord. Seamar	n \$15.25	2002 + COLA	2003 + COLA
Electrician	\$20.86	2002 + COLA	2003 + COLA
M/A	\$17.55	2002 + COLA	2003 + COLA
QMED	\$17.55	2002 + COLA	2003 + COLA
Chief Cook	\$20.17	2002 + COLA	2003 + COLA
Asst Cook	\$15.37	2002 + COLA	2003 + COLA
Service Aide	\$14.21	2002 + COLA	2003 + COLA

- **29.02** (a) Effective January 1, 2002 new employees hired for the summer sailing season, will be paid ninety percent (90%) of the basic rate as defined in Article 29.01.
- (b) After completion of 66 days of cumulative service, he/she will be paid at ninety-five percent (95%) of the basic rate as defined in Article 29.01.
- (c) After completion of 132 days of cumulative service, he/she will be paid at one hundred percent (100%) of the basic rate as defined in Article 29.01.
- (d) Employees returning for the 2002 season as summer help or in relief capacity and having completed theri scheduled work duties in the 2001 sailing season will be paid in accordance to (29.01) above.

MANNING SCALE

30.01 The normal manning scale for the M.S. "Chi-Cheemaun" shall be as follows:

Spring and Fall Season Two Trip Schedule (A)

- 6 Able Bodied Seamen*
- 3 Ordinary Seamen
- 1 Electrician (Days)
- 3 Mechanical Assts.
- 1 Chief Cook
- 2 Assistant Cooks
- 6 Service Aides
- * Through attrition, the Bosun's position will be eliminated. Temporary Bosun's vacancies will not be filled. Bosun-in-Reliefs rate of pay will be paid until the Wheelsman rate of pay becomes equal to, or greater than the Bosun-in-Relief's rate. (red circled) (Letter of Understanding April 20, 1993).
- **30.02** Under no circumstances shall there be any reduction of these manning scales during the life of this agreement unless mutually agreed upon between the parties.

FRINGE BENEFITS

- **31.01** (a) **Medical and Dispatch Hall:** Effective January 1, 2002, the amounts payable shall be those defined under the agreed Memorandum of Understanding, page 65.
- (b) **Pension Plan:** Effective January 1, 2000 the monthly contributions to the Seafarers' Pension Plan shall be based on ten percent (10%) of the basic hourly wage rate of eight (8) hours per day worked to a maximum of two hundred and forty (240) hours per month. in addition the Company and union will enter into a letter of understanding which will identify that based on the Union's current intention to introduce an employee money purchase pension plan, that the issue of Company pension contributions levels will not be a negotiations issue for a period of 6 years.

DURATION OF AGREEMENT

This agreement **shall** become effective from January 1, 2002 and shall continue in full force and effect until December 31, 2004 inclusive, and thereafter from year to year unless or until either party serves written notice on the other party to the contrary at least 120 days prior to December 31, 2004 or 120 days prior to December 31 of any subsequent year.

Signed this 22nd day of

March

2002.

THE OWEN SOUND TRANSPORTATION COMPANY, LTD.:

THE SEAFARERS'
INTERNATIONAL UNION
OF CANADA:

Susan Schreithof Owen Sound

Transportation Co.

Seafarers Intl. Union

February 8, 1985

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TO WHOM IT MAY CONCERN:

It is and will continue to be the policy of the Owen Sound Transportation Company to recognize the service accumulated by employees for vacation pay purposes, if they are promoted into another unit within the Company.

Andrew C. Boyle Seafarers' International Union of Canada

L. R. Davis OwenSoundTransportation Company January 1985

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TO WHOM IT MAY CONCERN:

Notwithstanding the provisions of Article 21.20 of the Collective Agreement, the parties have agreed that until such time as the provision of immersion suits is made a requirement on passenger vessels by the Canadian Coast Guard Authority, the Company will supply immersion suits as follows:

The above mentioned is as agreed between R. Gralewicz and Capt. Leath Davis during January 1983.

Andrew C. Boyle L. R. Davis
Seafarers' International Owen Sound
Transportation
Union of Canada Company Ltd.

North Bay, Ontario

March 18, 1991

Mr. Douglas McLaren, Executive Vice-president, Seafarers' International Union, 1333 rue St. Jacques, Montreal, Quebec H3C 4K2

Dear Mr. McLaren:

This has reference to discussions during current contract negotiations with respect to the Company's proposal regarding the desirability of undertaking special arrangements for an employee who becomes physically disabled during the course of his employment and is unable to perform the regular duties of his assigned position and is unable to exercise his seniority on a position which he is capable of performing.

This letter will confirm our understanding that, in such circumstances, the proper Company and Union officers will meet to see if arrangements can be made to provide employment to the employee concerned within the existing work force. The parties may, by mutual agreement, place a disabled employee on a position that his qualifications and abilities allow him to perform, notwithstanding that it may be necessary to displace an able-bodied employee **so** as to provide suitable employment. The permanently assigned employee **so** displaced will be allowed to exercise seniority onto a position that he **is** qualified for and has the ability to perform.

A disabled employee placed on a position shall not be displaced by an able-bodied employee so long as he remains on that position except when a senior employee is **otherwise** unable to hold a position within his seniority terminal.

Should the disabled employee subsequently recuperate, he shall be subject to displacement, in which case such employee will exercise seniority rights. When a senior able-bodied employee believes that the provisions of this letter will result in undue hardship, a Union Officer may discuss the circumstances with the Company.

The above understanding is to provide guidelines for assisting disabled employees to continue to be employed.

If you are in accord with the above, would you please do indicate below.

Yours truly,

P. A. Dyment, President.

I Concur:

Douglas McLaren
Executive Vice President
Seafarers' International Union.

January 18, 1993

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FAX 416-227-0130

Mr. Bill Ross, Vice President, Seafarers' International Union, 70 St. David Street E., Thorold, Ontario. L2V 3Y7

Dear Bill:

RE: S.I.U. Agreement - Unlicensed Personnel (O.S.T.C.)

With respect to our recent negotiations, this letter will confirm our mutual understanding that during the spring and fall sailing season, one (1) Q Med position will be used in a relief capacity. As for the summer season, two (2) positions will be utilized in this capacity.

Yours truly,

Jerry D. Knox, Director Human Resources.

JDK/tp

c.c. Mr. L. Davis, Owen Sound Transportation Co. Mr. Jerry Knox, Director Human Resources Ontario Northland 555 Oak St. E., North Bay, Ont P1B 8L3

Dear Jerry:

RE: Unlicensed Personnel

This latter is to confirm our agreement reached during our recent collective agreement negotiations that the company shall contribute to the Seafarers' Medical Plan and Seafarers' Pension Plan for the unlicensed crew members who are from time to time temporarily promoted to positions outside the bargaining unit.

Contributions shall **be** made for a maximum of ninety (90) days per calendar year.

Please acknowledge your concurrence in the appropriate area below.

Yours truly,

William F. Ross, Vice-President, Seafarers' International Union of Canada.

I Concur:
Jerry D. Knox,
Director Human Resources,
The Owen Sound Transportation Company.

MEMORANDUM OF UNDERSTANDING BETWEEN THE OWEN SOUND TRANSPORTATION COMPANY, LTD. AND SEAFARERS' INTERNATIONAL UNION OF CANADA

As contemplated in Article 31 of the agreement governing unlicensed employees payments will be made by the Company for fringe benefits as follows:

Seafarers' Medical Plan	Per Job Per Pavroll Day
Effective January 1, 2002	\$6.41
Effective January 1, 2003	2002 rate + COLA
Effective January 1, 2004	2003 rate + COLA

As required, in instances where recognized permanent full time employees do not reach the 180 days for benefit qualification, the Company agrees to make the additional payments which will bring the employee to the 180 day level.

Where a member becomes ill or is injured while at work with the Company and is entitled to draw benefits under the Seafarers' Medical Plan, the Company agrees to continue Seafarers' Medical Plan contributions during any period the employee is off work as a result of such compensable disability or illness up to a period of twenty-four months for the same compensable disability or illness.

- 1. At the end of each navigation season, the Company shall notify the Seafarer's Medical Plan as well as the Union which employees will be considered as "Designated Full Time Permanent Employee" for the following season.
- 2. The Company agrees to contribute the agreed upon amount to the Seafarer's Medical Plan for each Designated Full Time Permanent Employee.
- 3. Should a Designated Full Time Permanent Employee not perform services for 180 days, the Company will make additional contributions **so** that the total contributions for such employee is equal to 180 days.
- 4. The Company shall pay the amounts **as** set out under Article 31 on behalf of each Designated Full Time Permanent Employee in the manner set out below.
- 5. Prior to April 1st of the following season the Company shall forward to the Seafarer's Medical Plan, the full annual contribution for each employee.
- 6. Should a Designated Full Time Permanent Employee leave the employ of the Company and is replaced by another Designated Full Time Permanent Employee, the Seafarer's Medical Plan shall not be required to reimburse premiums paid. The employer shall then immediately advise the Seafarer's Medical Plan of the name of the terminated employee and the replacement. Should the Designated Full Time Permanent Employee not be replaced during the balance of the season. The Seafarer's Medical Plan

shall reimburse the Company premiums paid on a pro-rated basis.

7. Should a Non Permanent Full Time Employee be employed by another contributing Company and the days worked while employed with The Owen Sound Transportation Company Limited would enable the employee to become eligible for coverage, the Company (OSTC) will forward contributions per day worked to the Seafarer's Medical Plan.

Dispatch Hall

Per Job Per Payroll Day

Effective January 1, 2002 \$5.47

Effective January 1, 2003 2002 rate + COLA Effective January 1, 2004 2003 rate + COLA

Pension Plan

Effective January 1, 2000 the monthly contributions to the Seafarers' Pension Plan shall be based on ten percent (10%) of the basic hourly wage rate of eight (8) hours per day worked to a maximum of two hundred and forty (240) hours per month. In addition the Company and union will enter into a letter of understanding which will identify that based on the Union's current intention to introduce an employee money purchase pension plan, that the issue of Company pension contributions levels will not be a negotiations issue for a period of 6 years.

Signed this day of 1998.

For Owen Sound Transportation For Seafarers' International Union of Canada:

Jerry D. Knox Director Human Resources June 23, 1999

Mr. Bill Ross Vice President Seafarer's International Union of Canada

Dear Bilt:

Re: Pension Contributions

During recent negotiations concerning Unlicenced and Dock Personnel, the Union advised the Company that it was reviewing the administration of the Seafarer's Pension Plan and was planning to introduce a Money Purchase Pension Plan with a target date of January 1, 2001. This letter is to confirm that Owen Sound Transportation Company will submit pension contributions, defined within the collective agreements, as may be required under any new revisions to the Union's Pension Plan. During these negotiations the parties also agreed that the Company's contribution will be increased to ten (10) percent effective January 1, 2000. The parties also agreed that, given the implementation of the Money Purchase Plan, the level of Company contribution to the plan will not be discussed for a minimum period of six years.

Yours truly

Susan Schrempf Director Marine Services.

