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SCHEDULE A

Country	Application Number	Date Filed	Patent Number	Date Issued	Title
US	789,749	11/08/1991	5,277,695	01/11/1994	Adjustable ankle compress
US	794,856	11/21/1991	5,125,400	06/30/1992	Ankle brace having multiple inflatable aircells
US	08/077,006	06/15/1993	5,389,065	02/14/1995	Ankle brace with ATF compression
US	665,604	03/06/1991	5,113,877	05/19/1992	Ankle Sprain management system
US	08/219,988	03/30/1994	5,413,142	05/09/1995	Automatic fluid circulating system and method
US	08/180,706	01/13/1994	5,441,533	08/15/1995	Automatic fluid circulating system and method
US	08/109,382	8/19/1993	5,466,250	11/14/1995	Automatic fluid circulating system and method
US	08/131,030	10/04/1993	5,492,133	02/20/1996	Improved flexible fastening strap
US	694,700	01/25/1985	4,628,945	12/16/1986	Inflatable Ankle Brace with Porous Compressible Filler
US	09/472,292	12/27/1999	6,592,534	07/15/2003	Inflatable medical appliance for prevention of DVT
US	51,360	05/19/1987	4,872,448	10/10/1989	Knee Brace Having Adjustable Inflatable U/shaped Air Cell
US	08/148,937	11/08/1993	5,387,185	02/07/1995	Knee immobilizer splint
US	29/198,571	01/30/2004			Low Profile Pneumatic Walking Brace
US	09/876,345	06/07/2001	6,551,317	04/22/2003	Method and apparatus for facilitating the healing of bone fractures
US	08/421,040	4/12/1995	5,588,955	12/31/1996	Method and apparatus for providing therapeutic intermittent compression for reducing risk of DVT
US	09/592,229	06/12/2000	6,463,934	10/15/2002	Method for providing enhanced blood circulation (micro cir and venous return)
US	10/357,990	02/04/2003			Multi/Functional Joint Brace
US	09/490,479	01/24/2000	6,406,450	06/18/2002	Orthopedic ankle brace
US	10/726,343	12/02/2003			Orthopedic Appliance with Moisture Management System
US	10/863,639	06/07/2004			Pad with Aircell for an Orthopedic Brace
US	10/074,960	02/13/2002	6,755,798	06/29/2004	Pneumatic Achilles Sleeve
US	10/880,026	06/28/2004			Pneumatic Achilles Sleeve
US	08/745,276	11/08/1996	6,322,530	11/27/2001	Pneumatic Achilles wrap
US	821,401	01/14/1992	5,213,564	05/25/1993	Prophylactic ankle brace
US	29/188,980	08/27/2003	D495,420	08/31/2004	Shell For An Ankle Brace
US	60/575,038	05/27/2004	-	-	Soft Ankle Brace
US	09/174,498	10/16/1998	6,368,357	04/09/2002	Therapeutic device for amputees
US	08/505,520	07/25/1995	5,496,262	03/05/1996	Therapeutic intermittent compression system with inflatable compartments of differing pressure from a single source
US	737,402	07/29/1991	5,230,335	07/27/1993	Thermal Compress System
US	644,835	01/23/1991	5,314,455	05/24/1994	Thermal Compress System
US	08/383,469	02/03/1995	5,577,998	11/26/1996	Walking brace
US	09/040,839	03/18/1998	6,027,468	02/22/2000	Walking brace with enhanced shock absorbency
US	60/607,704	09/07/2004	-	-	Wrist Fracture Brace



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RE: Payoff Letter

Dear Mr. Johnson:

The payoff figures for the below referenced loans as of December 7, 2004 (the "Payoff Date") are as follows:

The above payoff figures assume that there are no outstanding debits or other activity in the account and that no change in the rate of interest occurs between the date hereof and the date the payoff is tendered and that the payments are received before 4:00 p.m. Eastern Standard Time on December 7, 2004.

The total payoff amount for all loans as of the Payoff Date is: (the "Payoff").

All payoff amounts set forth herein are subject to final audit and reconciliation by Merrill Lynch Business Financial Services Inc ("MLBFS"). Upon the complete payment of Aircast Incorporated's (the "Borrower") Obligations under all loans referenced above (the "Loans"): (i) MLBFS will terminate and release all security interests and other liens or encumbrances that it may have with respect to property of Borrower, (ii) MLBFS will remit appropriate evidence of such termination and release upon request, (iii) Borrower shall have no further right to, and will not, directly or indirectly borrow funds under the WCMA lines of credit associated with the Loans (each a "WCMA Line of Credit" and both the "WCMA Lines of Credit"), by check, wire transfer, Visa charge, FTS or otherwise, and (iv) the WCMA Lines of Credit shall be in all respects terminated.

Notwithstanding the foregoing paragraph, upon execution of this payoff letter by Borrower (whether or not the Payoff and Payoff Date are completed and/or current), Borrower authorizes: 1) the termination and cancellation of each of the WCMA Lines of Credit; 2) MLBFS and Merrill Lynch Pierce Fenner & Smith Incorporated from and after December 3, 2004 to reject any direct or indirect requests by Borrower to borrow funds under the WCMA Lines of Credit, by check, wire transfer, Vias charge, FTS or otherwise (which could result in the decline of checks already written and not yet processed). Upon receipt of the payoffs in the amounts set forth above for the Loans and this letter executed by Borrower consenting to the terms of this paragraph, then, MLBFS agrees as follows:

i) all liabilities, obligations and indebtedness owing by the Borrower to MBLFS under the Loans shall be satisfied in full (ii) MLBFS shall release all of the liens and security interests held by MBLFS in any and all of the property of Borrower pursuant to the Loans and (iii) MLBFS authorizes Borrower, at its own cost and expense, to submit for filing the UCC-3 amendments attached to this payoff letter as Exhibit A.

The payoffs may be tendered via federal funds wires. Wire transfer instructions for each of the two existing WCMA accounts are as follows:

Please contact me at (312) 269-6433 if you have any questions regarding this matter.

Yours truly,



Patrick Lucas
Vice President

AIRCAST INCORPORATED