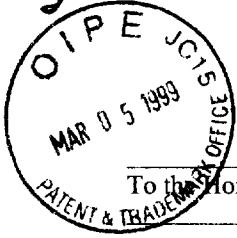


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To the Honorable Commissioner of Patents and Trademarks:

Please record the attached original documents or copy thereof.

1. Name of conveying party:

Hines Nurseries, Inc., a California corporation (as successor by merger to Hines Nurseries Inc., a California corporation)

2. Name and address of receiving party:

BT Commercial Corporation
300 South Grand Avenue
41st Floor
Los Angeles, California 90071

3. Nature of conveyance:

Company Trademark Collateral Security Agreement and Conditional Assignment

Execution Date: August 4, 1995

4. Application numbers and trademark numbers:

A. Trademark Application Nos. B. Trademark Registration Nos.

A. <u>Trademark Application Nos.</u>	B. <u>Trademark Registration Nos.</u>
None.	1,743,423
	1,668,727
	1,389,329
	1,758,614
	1,203,261
	1,578,433
	1,474,383

5. Name and address of party to whom correspondence concerning document should be mailed:

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6. Total number of applications and registrations involved: 7

7. Total fee:

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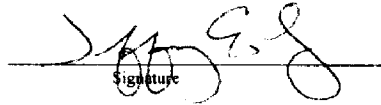
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9. Statement and Signature

To the best of my knowledge and belief, the foregoing information is true and correct and any attached copy is a true copy of the original document.

Jeffrey S. Eisenberg

Name of Person Signing


Signature

March 2, 1999
Date

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**SCHEDULE A
TO
COMPANY TRADEMARK COLLATERAL
SECURITY AGREEMENT AND CONDITIONAL ASSIGNMENT
(Hines Nurseries Inc.)**

UNITED STATES TRADEMARK REGISTRATIONS

<u>Registered Owner</u>	<u>Trademark Description</u>	<u>Registration Number</u>
Hines Nurseries, Inc.	Cameo	1,865,914
Hines Nurseries, Inc.	Bay Breeze	1,800,226
Hines Nurseries, Inc.	Winter Pride	1,615,964
Hines Nurseries, Inc.	Gulf Green	1,705,287
Hines Nurseries, Inc.	Little Nicky	1,764,767
Hines Nurseries, Inc.	Pink Lemonade	1,775,403
Hines Nurseries, Inc.	Hines Gold	1,551,517
Hines Nurseries, Inc.	H (and Design)	1,714,001
Hines Nurseries, Inc.	Hines H (and Design)	1,601,244
Hines Nurseries, Inc.	Oregon Garden Products name	1,743,423
Hines Nurseries, Inc.	Oregon Garden Products logo	1,668,727
Hines Nurseries, Inc.	Flynn Rainbow Nurseries, Inc. logo, registered for live plants, flowers, shrubs and trees	1,389,329
Hines Nurseries, Inc.	"GROWING FOR AMERICA"	1,758,614
Hines Nurseries, Inc.	"AMERICAN GARDEN"	1,203,261
Hines Nurseries, Inc.	Flynn Rainbow Nurseries, Inc. logo registered for fertilizers, soil amendments and potting soils	1,578,433
Hines Nurseries, Inc.	"SELECT"	1,474,383

UNITED STATES TRADEMARK APPLICATIONS

<u>Registered Owner</u>	<u>Trademark Description</u>	<u>Serial Number</u>	<u>File Date</u>
Hines Nurseries Inc.	Dawn Creeper	74/618,672	1/6/95
Hines Nurseries Inc.	Ivory Carpet	74/618,501	1/6/95
Hines Nurseries Inc.	Scarlet Spreader	74/618,648	1/6/95
Hines Nurseries Inc.	Mellow Yellow	74/593,031	10/31/94
Hines Nurseries Inc.	Plum Delight	74/612,385	12/19/94
Hines Nurseries Inc.	Festival Pot	74/610,488	12/13/94

¹ Section 8 and 15 declarations were not filed due to lack of use of mark.

² Id. California Trademark Registrations No. 79304 for "SELECT" expired in 1995.

**COMPANY TRADEMARK COLLATERAL SECURITY AGREEMENT
AND CONDITIONAL ASSIGNMENT**

This **COMPANY TRADEMARK COLLATERAL SECURITY AGREEMENT AND CONDITIONAL ASSIGNMENT** (this "Agreement") is dated as of August 4, 1995 and entered into by and between **HINES NURSERIES INC.**, a California corporation ("**Grantor**"), and **BT COMMERCIAL CORPORATION**, as agent for and representative of (in such capacity herein called "**Secured Party**") the financial institutions ("**Lenders**") party to the Credit Agreement (as hereinafter defined).

PRELIMINARY STATEMENTS

A. Secured Party and Lenders have entered into a Credit Agreement dated as of August 4, 1995 (said Credit Agreement, as it may hereafter be amended, supplemented or otherwise modified from time to time, being the "**Credit Agreement**", the terms defined therein and not otherwise defined herein being used herein as therein defined) with Grantor, Sun Gro Horticulture Inc., a Nevada corporation and wholly-owned subsidiary of Grantor ("**Sun Gro USA**"), and Sun Gro Horticulture Canada Ltd., a Canadian corporation and wholly-owned subsidiary of Grantor ("**Sun Gro Canada**"; together with Sun Gro USA, the "**Subsidiary Borrowers**"), pursuant to which Lenders have made certain commitments, subject to the terms and conditions set forth in the Credit Agreement, to extend certain credit facilities to Grantor and Subsidiary Borrowers.

B. Grantor owns and uses in its business, and will in the future adopt and so use, various intangible assets, including trademarks, service marks, designs, logos, indicia, tradenames, corporate names, company names, business names, fictitious business names, trade styles and/or other source and/or business identifiers and applications pertaining thereto (collectively, the "**Trademarks**").

C. Secured Party desires to become a secured creditor with respect to and, under the circumstances described herein, an assignee of all of the existing and future Trademarks, all registrations that have been or may hereafter be issued or applied for thereon in the United States and any state thereof and in foreign countries (the "**Registrations**"), all common law and other rights in and to the Trademarks in the United States and any state thereof and in foreign countries (the "**Trademark Rights**"), all goodwill of Grantor's business symbolized by the Trademarks and associated therewith, including without limitation the documents and things described in Section 1(b) (the "**Associated Goodwill**"), and all proceeds of the Trademarks, the Registrations, the Trademark Rights and the Associated Goodwill, and Grantor agrees to create a secured and protected interest in the Trademarks, the

Registrations, the Trademark Rights, the Associated Goodwill and all the proceeds thereof as provided herein.

D. Grantor has executed and delivered (i) the Company Guaranty dated as of August 4, 1995 (said Company Guaranty, as it may hereafter be amended, supplemented or otherwise modified from time to time, being the "Guaranty") in favor of Secured Party for the benefit of Lenders, pursuant to which Grantor has guaranteed the prompt payment and performance when due of all Obligations of each Subsidiary Borrower under the Credit Agreement and (ii) the Company Security Agreement dated as of August 4, 1995 (the "Company Security Agreement") between Grantor and Secured Party for the benefit of Lenders, pursuant to which Grantor has granted Security Party and security interest in all of its personal property, including, without limitation, the Collateral, as defined below, which Company Security Agreement is to be supplemented by this Agreement.

E. Pursuant to the Company Security Agreement, Grantor has granted to Secured Party a lien on and security interest in, among other assets, the equipment, production techniques, quality control procedures and product specifications relating to the products and services sold or delivered under or in connection with the Trademarks such that, upon the occurrence and during the continuation of an Event of Default, Secured Party would be able to exercise its remedies consistent with the Security Agreement, this Agreement and applicable law to foreclose upon Grantor's business and use the Trademarks, the Registrations and the Trademark Rights in conjunction with the continued operation of such business, maintaining substantially the same product and service specifications and quality as maintained by Grantor, and benefit from the Associated Goodwill.

F. Upon the occurrence and during the continuation of an Event of Default, and to permit Secured Party to operate Grantor's business without interruption and to use the Trademarks, Registrations, Trademark Rights and Associated Goodwill in conjunction therewith, Grantor is willing to grant to Secured Party the conditional assignment of Grantor's entire right, title and interest in and to the Collateral (as hereinafter defined) and to appoint Secured Party as Grantor's attorney-in-law and attorney-in-fact to execute documents and take actions to confirm said assignments.

G. It is a condition precedent to the initial extensions of credit by Lenders under the Credit Agreement that Grantor shall have granted the security interests and made the conditional assignment and undertaken the obligations contemplated by this Agreement.

NOW, THEREFORE, in consideration of the premises and in order to induce Lenders to make Loans and other extensions of credit under the Credit Agreement and for other good and valuable consideration, the receipt and adequacy

of which are hereby acknowledged, Grantor hereby agrees with Secured Party as follows:

SECTION 1. Grant of Security. Grantor hereby grants to Secured Party a security interest in all of Grantor's right, title and interest in and to the following, in each case whether now or hereafter existing or in which Grantor now has or hereafter acquires an interest and wherever the same may be located (the "Collateral"):

(a) each of the Trademarks and rights and interests in Trademarks which are presently, or in the future may be, owned, held (whether pursuant to a license or otherwise) or used by Grantor, in whole or in part (including, without limitation, the Trademarks specifically identified in Schedule A annexed hereto, as the same may be amended pursuant hereto from time to time), and including all Trademark Rights with respect thereto and all federal, state and foreign Registrations therefor heretofore or hereafter granted or applied for, the right (but not the obligation) to register claims under any state or federal trademark law or regulation or any trademark law or regulation of any foreign country and to apply for, renew and extend the Trademarks, Registrations and Trademark Rights, the right (but not the obligation) to sue or bring opposition or cancellation proceedings in the name of Grantor or in the name of Secured Party or otherwise for past, present and future infringements of the Trademarks, Registrations or Trademark Rights and all rights (but not obligations) corresponding thereto in the United States and any foreign country, and the Associated Goodwill; it being understood that the rights and interests included herein shall include, without limitation, all rights and interests pursuant to licensing or other contracts in favor of Grantor pertaining to the Trademarks, Registrations or Trademark Rights presently or in the future owned or used by third parties but, in the case of third parties which are not Affiliates of Grantor, only to the extent permitted by such licensing or other contracts and, if not so permitted, only with the consent of such third parties;

(b) the following documents and things in Grantor's possession, or subject to Grantor's right to possession, related to (Y) the production, sale and delivery by Grantor, or by any Affiliate, licensee or subcontractor of Grantor, of products or services sold or delivered by or under the authority of Grantor in connection with the Trademarks, Registrations or Trademark Rights (which products and services shall, for purposes of this Agreement, be deemed to include, without limitation, products and services sold or delivered pursuant to merchandising operations utilizing any Trademarks, Registrations or Trademark Rights); or (Z) any retail or other merchandising operations conducted under the name of or in connection with the Trademarks, Registrations or Trademark Rights by Grantor or any Affiliate, licensee or subcontractor of Grantor:

(i) all lists and ancillary documents that identify and describe any of Grantor's customers, or those of its Affiliates, licensees or subcon-

tractors, for products sold and services delivered under or in connection with the Trademarks or Trademark Rights, including without limitation any lists and ancillary documents that contain a customer's name and address, the name and address of any of its warehouses, branches or other places of business, the identity of the Person or Persons having the principal responsibility on a customer's behalf for ordering products or services of the kind supplied by Grantor, or the credit, payment, discount, delivery or other sale terms applicable to such customer, together with information setting forth the total purchases, by brand, product, service, style, size or other criteria, and the patterns of such purchases;

(ii) all product and service specification documents and production and quality control manuals used in the manufacture or delivery of products and services sold or delivered under or in connection with the Trademarks or Trademark Rights;

(iii) all documents which reveal the name and address of any source of supply, and any terms of purchase and delivery, for any and all materials, components and services used in the production of products and services sold or delivered under or in connection with the Trademarks or Trademark Rights; and

(iv) all documents constituting or concerning the then current or proposed advertising and promotion by Grantor or its Affiliates, licensees or subcontractors of products and services sold or delivered under or in connection with the Trademarks or Trademark Rights including, without limitation, all documents which reveal the media used or to be used and the cost for all such advertising conducted within the described period or planned for such products and services;

(c) all general intangibles relating to the Collateral;

(d) all books, records, ledger cards, files, correspondence, computer programs, tapes, disks and related data processing software that at any time evidence or contain information relating to any of the Collateral or are otherwise necessary or helpful in the collection thereof or realization thereupon; and

(e) all proceeds, products, rents and profits (including without limitation license royalties and proceeds of infringement suits) of or from any and all of the foregoing Collateral and, to the extent not otherwise included, all payments under insurance (whether or not Secured Party is the loss payee thereof), or any indemnity, warranty or guaranty, payable by reason of loss or damage to or otherwise with respect to any of the foregoing Collateral. For purposes of this Agreement, the term "proceeds" includes whatever is receivable or received when Collateral or

proceeds are sold, exchanged, collected or otherwise disposed of, whether such disposition is voluntary or involuntary.

Notwithstanding the foregoing, Collateral shall exclude any intellectual property rights, contracts and agreements to the extent, and only to the extent, that such intellectual property right, contract or agreement contains a provision enforceable at law and in equity that would be breached by the grant of the security interest created herein pursuant to the terms of this Agreement; provided, however, that if and when any prohibition on the assignment, pledge or grant of a security interest in such intellectual property right, contract or agreement is removed, the Secured Party will be deemed to have been granted a security interest in such intellectual property right, contract or agreement as of the date hereof, and the Collateral will be deemed to include such intellectual property right, contract or agreement.

SECTION 2. Conditional Assignment. In addition to, and not by way of limitation of, the granting of a security interest in the Collateral pursuant to Section 1, Grantor hereby, effective only upon the occurrence and during the continuance of an Event of Default and upon written notice from Secured Party and subject to the terms of this Agreement, grants, sells, conveys, transfers, assigns and sets over to Secured Party, for its benefit and the ratable benefit of Lenders, all of Grantor's right, title and interest in and to the Collateral, including without limitation Grantor's right, title and interest in and to the Trademarks identified in Schedule A annexed hereto, the goodwill of the business symbolized by said Trademarks and all Registrations relating to said Trademarks.

SECTION 3. Security for Obligations. This Agreement secures, and the Collateral is collateral security for, the prompt payment or performance in full when due, whether at stated maturity, by required prepayment, declaration, acceleration, demand or otherwise (including the payment of amounts that would become due but for the operation of the automatic stay under Section 362(a) of the Bankruptcy Code, 11 U.S.C. §362(a), or under the Bankruptcy and Insolvency Act (Canada) R.S. 1985, c.B-3, as amended, or any analogous provision of the laws of Canada or any of its Provinces), of all obligations and liabilities of every nature of Grantor now or hereafter existing under or arising out of or in connection with the Credit Agreement, the Guaranty and the other Loan Documents and all extensions or renewals thereof, whether for principal, interest (including without limitation interest that, but for the filing of a petition in bankruptcy with respect to Grantor, would accrue on such obligations), reimbursement of amounts drawn under Letters of Credit, fees, expenses, indemnities or otherwise, whether voluntary or involuntary, direct or indirect, absolute or contingent, liquidated or unliquidated, whether or not jointly owed with others, and whether or not from time to time decreased or extinguished and later increased, created or incurred, and all or any portion of such obligations or liabilities that are paid, to the extent all or any part of such payment is avoided or recovered directly or indirectly from Secured Party or any Lender as a

preference, fraudulent transfer or otherwise (all such obligations and liabilities being the "Underlying Debt"), and all obligations of every nature of Grantor now or hereafter existing under this Agreement (all such obligations of Grantor, together with the Underlying Debt, being the "Secured Obligations").

SECTION 4. Grantor Remains Liable. Anything contained herein to the contrary notwithstanding, (a) Grantor shall remain liable under any contracts and agreements included in the Collateral, to the extent set forth therein, to perform all of its duties and obligations thereunder to the same extent as if this Agreement had not been executed, (b) the exercise by Secured Party of any of its rights hereunder shall not release Grantor from any of its duties or obligations under the contracts and agreements included in the Collateral, and (c) Secured Party shall not have any obligation or liability under any contracts and agreements included in the Collateral by reason of this Agreement, nor shall Secured Party be obligated to perform any of the obligations or duties of Grantor thereunder or to take any action to collect or enforce any claim for payment assigned hereunder.

SECTION 5. Representations and Warranties. Grantor represents and warrants as follows:

(a) **Description of Collateral.** A true and complete list of all Trademarks, Registrations and Trademark Rights owned, held (whether pursuant to a license or otherwise) or used by Grantor, in whole or in part, as of the date of this Agreement is set forth in Schedule A annexed hereto.

(b) **Validity and Enforceability of Collateral.** Each of the Trademarks, Registrations and Trademark Rights that is material to Grantor's business is valid, subsisting and enforceable and Grantor is not aware of any pending or, to Grantor's knowledge, threatened claim by any third party that any such material Trademark, Registration or Trademark Right is invalid or unenforceable or that the use such of any material Trademark, Registration or Trademark Right violates the rights of any third person or of any basis for any such claim.

(c) **Ownership of Collateral.** Except for any interests disclosed in Schedule B annexed hereto, if any, and the security interest and conditional assignment created by this Agreement and permitted encumbrances, Grantor owns the Collateral free and clear of any Lien. Except with respect to any interests disclosed in Schedule B annexed hereto and such as may have been filed in favor of Secured Party relating to this Agreement, (i) no effective financing statement or other instrument similar in effect covering all or any part of the Collateral is on file in any filing or recording office and (ii) no effective filing covering all or any part of the Collateral is on file in the United States Patent and Trademark Office, in each case as of the date hereof.

SECTION 6. New Trademarks, Registrations and Trademark Rights.

(a) Grantor hereby authorizes Secured Party to modify this Agreement without obtaining Grantor's approval of or signature to such modification by amending Schedule A annexed hereto to include reference to any right, title or interest in any existing Trademark, Registration or Trademark Right or any Trademark, Registration or Trademark Right acquired or developed by Grantor after the execution hereof or to delete any reference to any right, title or interest in any Trademark, Registration or Trademark Right in which Grantor no longer has or claims any right, title or interest.

(b) If Grantor shall obtain rights to any new Trademarks, Registrations or Trademark Rights, the provisions of this Agreement shall automatically apply thereto. Grantor shall promptly notify Secured Party in writing of any Registrations issued or applications for Registration made after the date hereof. Concurrently with the filing of an application for Registration for any Trademark, Grantor shall execute, deliver and record in all places where this Agreement is recorded an appropriate Trademark Collateral Security Agreement and Conditional Assignment, substantially in the form hereof, with appropriate insertions, or an amendment to this Agreement, in form and substance satisfactory to Secured Party, pursuant to which Grantor shall grant a security interest and conditional assignment to the extent of its interest in such Registration as provided herein to Secured Party unless so doing would, in the reasonable judgment of Grantor, after due inquiry, result in the grant of a Registration in the name of Secured Party, in which event Grantor shall give written notice to Secured Party as soon as reasonably practicable and the filing shall instead be undertaken as soon as practicable but in no case later than immediately following the grant of the Registration.

SECTION 7. Certain Covenants of Grantor. Grantor shall:

(a) diligently keep reasonable records respecting the Collateral and at all times keep at least one complete set of its records concerning substantially all of the Trademarks and Registrations at its chief executive office or principal place of business;

(b) use its best efforts not to permit the inclusion in any contract to which it becomes a party after the date hereof of any provision that could or might in any way impair or prevent the creation of a security interest in, or the assignment of, Grantor's rights and interests in any property included within the definitions of any Trademarks, Registrations, Trademark Rights and Associated Goodwill acquired under such contracts;

(c) take all steps reasonably necessary to protect the secrecy of all trade secrets relating to the products and services sold or delivered under or in connection with the Trademarks and Trademark Rights;

(d) use proper statutory notice in connection with its use of each of the Trademarks, Registrations and Trademark Rights; and

(e) use consistent standards of high quality (which may be consistent with Grantor's past practices) in the manufacture, sale and delivery of products and services sold or delivered under or in connection with the Trademarks, Registrations and Trademark Rights, including, to the extent applicable, in the operation and maintenance of its retail stores and other merchandising operations.

SECTION 8. Certain Inspection Rights. Grantor hereby grants to Secured Party and its employees, representatives and agents the right to visit, during Grantor's normal business hours, Grantor's plants, facilities and other places of business that are utilized in connection with the manufacture, production, inspection, storage or sale of products and services sold or delivered under any of the Trademarks, Registrations or Trademark Rights (or which were so utilized during the prior six month period), and to inspect the quality control and all other records relating thereto upon reasonable notice to Grantor and as often as may be reasonably requested (but in no event more than six (6) times in any calendar year).

SECTION 9. Amounts Payable in Respect of the Collateral. Except as otherwise provided in this Section 9, Grantor shall continue to collect, at its own expense, all amounts due or to become due to Grantor in respect of the Collateral or any portion thereof. In connection with such collections, Grantor may take (and, at Secured Party's direction, shall take) such action as Grantor or Secured Party may deem necessary or advisable to enforce collection of such amounts; **provided, however,** that Secured Party shall have the right at any time, upon the occurrence and during the continuation of an Event of Default and upon written notice to Grantor of its intention to do so, to notify the obligors with respect to any such amounts of the existence of the security interest created, and the conditional assignment effected hereby, and to direct such obligors to make payment of all such amounts directly to Secured Party, and, upon such notification and at the expense of Grantor, to enforce collection of any such amounts and to adjust, settle or compromise the amount or payment thereof, in the same manner and to the same extent as Grantor might have done. After receipt by Grantor of the notice from Secured Party referred to in the **proviso** to the preceding sentence, (i) all amounts and proceeds (including checks and other instruments) received by Grantor in respect of amounts due to Grantor in respect of the Collateral or any portion thereof shall be received in trust for the benefit of Secured Party hereunder, shall be segregated from other funds of Grantor and shall be forthwith paid over or delivered to Secured Party in the same form as so received (with any necessary endorsement) to be held as cash Collateral and applied as provided by Section 17, and (ii) Grantor shall not adjust, settle or compromise the amount or payment of any such amount or release wholly or partly any obligor with respect thereto or allow any credit or discount thereon.

SECTION 10. Trademark Applications and Litigation.

(a) Grantor shall have the duty diligently (subject to Grantor's reasonable business judgment), through counsel reasonably acceptable to Secured Party, to prosecute any trademark application relating to any of the Trademarks specifically identified in Schedule A annexed hereto that is pending as of the date of this Agreement, to make federal application on any existing or future registerable but unregistered Trademarks, and to file and prosecute opposition and cancellation proceedings, renew Registrations and do any and all acts which are necessary or desirable to preserve and maintain all rights in all Trademarks, Registrations and Trademark Rights. Any expenses incurred in connection therewith shall be borne solely by Grantor. Subject to Grantor's reasonable business judgment, Grantor shall not abandon any Trademark, Registration or Trademark Right.

(b) Except as provided in Section 10(d) and notwithstanding Section 2, Grantor shall have the right to commence and prosecute in its own name, as real party in interest, for its own benefit and at its own expense, such suits, proceedings or other actions for infringement, unfair competition, dilution or other damage as are in its reasonable business judgment necessary to protect the Collateral. Secured Party shall provide, at Grantor's expense, all reasonable and necessary cooperation in connection with any such suit, proceeding or action including, without limitation, joining as a necessary party.

(c) Grantor shall promptly, following its becoming aware thereof, notify Secured Party of the institution of, or of any adverse determination in, any proceeding (whether in the United States Patent and Trademark Office or any federal, state, local or foreign court) described in Section 10(a) or 10(b) or regarding Grantor's claim of ownership in or right to use any material Trademarks, Registrations or Trademark Rights, its right to register the same, or its right to keep and maintain such Registration. Grantor shall provide to Secured Party any information with respect thereto reasonably requested by Secured Party.

(d) Anything contained herein to the contrary notwithstanding, upon the occurrence and during the continuation of an Event of Default, Secured Party shall have the right (but not the obligation) to bring suit, in the name of Grantor, Secured Party or otherwise, to enforce any Trademark, Registration, Trademark Right, Associated Goodwill and any license thereunder, in which event Grantor shall, at the request of Secured Party, do any and all lawful acts and execute any and all documents required by Secured Party in aid of such enforcement and Grantor shall promptly, upon demand, reimburse and indemnify Secured Party as provided in Section 18 in connection with the exercise of its rights under this Section 10. To the extent that Secured Party elects not to bring suit to enforce any Trademark, Registration, Trademark Right, Associated Goodwill or any license thereunder as provided in this Section 10(d), Grantor agrees to use all reasonable measures, whether by action, suit, proceeding or otherwise, to prevent the infringement of any of

the Trademarks, Registrations, Trademark Rights or Associated Goodwill by others and for that purpose agrees to diligently maintain any action, suit or proceeding against any Person so infringing necessary to prevent such infringement.

SECTION 11. Non-Disturbance Agreements, etc. If and to the extent that Grantor is permitted to license the Collateral, Secured Party shall enter into a non-disturbance agreement or other similar arrangement, at Grantor's request and expense, with Grantor and any licensee of any Collateral permitted hereunder in form and substance satisfactory to Secured Party pursuant to which (a) Secured Party shall agree not to disturb or interfere with such licensee's rights under its license agreement with Grantor so long as such licensee is not in default thereunder and (b) such licensee shall acknowledge and agree that the Collateral licensed to it is subject to the security interest and conditional assignment created in favor of Secured Party and the other terms of this Agreement.

SECTION 12. Reassignment of Collateral. If (a) an Event of Default shall have occurred and, by reason of cure, waiver, modification, amendment or otherwise, no longer be continuing, (b) no other Event of Default shall have occurred and be continuing, (c) an assignment to Secured Party of any rights, title and interests in and to the Collateral shall have been previously made and shall have become absolute and effective pursuant to Section 2, Section 13(f) or Section 16(b), and (d) the Secured Obligations shall not have become immediately due and payable, upon the written request of Grantor and the written consent of Secured Party; then Secured Party shall promptly execute and deliver to Grantor such assignments as may be necessary to reassign to Grantor any such rights, title and interests as may have been assigned to Secured Party as aforesaid, subject to any disposition thereof that may have been made by Secured Party pursuant hereto; provided that, after giving effect to such reassignment, Secured Party's security interest and conditional assignment granted pursuant to Section 1 and Section 2, as well as all other rights and remedies of Secured Party granted hereunder, shall continue to be in full force and effect; and provided, further that the rights, title and interests so reassigned shall be free and clear of all Liens other than Liens (if any) encumbering such rights, title and interest at the time of their assignment to Secured Party and Permitted Liens.

SECTION 13. Secured Party Appointed Attorney-in-Fact. Grantor hereby irrevocably appoints Secured Party as Grantor's attorney-in-fact, with full authority in the place and stead of Grantor and in the name of Grantor, Secured Party or otherwise, from time to time in Secured Party's discretion to take any action and to execute any instrument that Secured Party may deem necessary or advisable, consistent with the terms of this Agreement, to accomplish the purposes of this Agreement, including without limitation:

(a) to endorse Grantor's name on all applications, documents, papers and instruments necessary for Secured Party in the use or maintenance of the Collateral;

(b) during the continuation of an Event of Default, to ask for, demand, collect, sue for, recover, compound, receive and give acquittance and receipts for moneys due and to become due under or in respect of any of the Collateral;

(c) to receive, endorse and collect any drafts or other instruments, documents and chattel paper in connection with clause (b) above;

(d) during the continuation of an Event of Default, to file any claims or take any action or institute any proceedings that Secured Party may deem necessary or desirable for the collection of any of the Collateral or otherwise to enforce the rights of Secured Party with respect to any of the Collateral;

(e) to pay or discharge taxes or Liens (other than Liens permitted under this Agreement or the Credit Agreement) levied or placed upon or threatened against the Collateral, the legality or validity thereof and the amounts necessary to discharge the same to be determined by Secured Party in its sole discretion, any such payments made by Secured Party to become obligations of Grantor to Secured Party, due and payable immediately without demand; and

(f) upon the occurrence and during the continuation of an Event of Default, (i) to execute and deliver any of the assignments or documents requested by Secured Party pursuant to Section 16(b), (ii) to grant or issue an exclusive or non-exclusive license to the Collateral or any portion thereof to any Person, and (iii) otherwise generally to sell, transfer, pledge, make any agreement with respect to or otherwise deal with any of the Collateral as fully and completely as though Secured Party were the absolute owner thereof for all purposes, and to do, at Secured Party's option and Grantor's expense, at any time or from time to time, all acts and things that Secured Party deems necessary to protect, preserve or realize upon the Collateral and Secured Party's security interest therein in order to effect the intent of this Agreement, all as fully and effectively as Grantor might do.

SECTION 14. Secured Party May Perform. If Grantor fails to perform any agreement contained herein, Secured Party may itself perform, or cause performance of, such agreement, and the expenses of Secured Party incurred in connection therewith shall be payable by Grantor under Section 18.

SECTION 15. Standard of Care. The powers conferred on Secured Party hereunder are solely to protect its interest in the Collateral and shall not impose any duty upon it to exercise any such powers. Except for the exercise of reasonable care in the custody of any Collateral in its possession and the accounting for moneys actually received by it hereunder, Secured Party shall have no duty as to any Collateral or as to the taking of any necessary steps to preserve rights against prior parties or any other rights pertaining to any Collateral. Secured Party shall be deemed to have exercised reasonable care in the custody and preservation of

Collateral in its possession if such Collateral is accorded treatment substantially equal to that which Secured Party accords its own property.

SECTION 16. Remedies. If any Event of Default shall have occurred and be continuing:

(a) Secured Party may exercise in respect of the Collateral, in addition to all other rights and remedies provided for herein or otherwise available to it, all the rights and remedies of a secured party on default under the Uniform Commercial Code as in effect in any relevant jurisdiction (the "Code") (whether or not the Code applies to the affected Collateral), and also may (i) require Grantor to, and Grantor hereby agrees that it will at its expense and upon request of Secured Party forthwith, assemble all or part of the Collateral as directed by Secured Party and make it available to Secured Party at a place to be designated by Secured Party that is reasonably convenient to both parties, (ii) enter onto the property where any Collateral is located and take possession thereof with or without judicial process, (iii) prior to the disposition of the Collateral, store the Collateral or otherwise prepare the Collateral for disposition in any manner to the extent Secured Party deems appropriate, (iv) take possession of Grantor's premises or place custodians in exclusive control thereof, remain on such premises and use the same for the purpose of taking any actions described in the preceding clause (iii) and collecting any Secured Obligation, (v) exercise any and all rights and remedies of Grantor under or in connection with the contracts related to the Collateral or otherwise in respect of the Collateral, including without limitation any and all rights of Grantor to demand or otherwise require payment of any amount under, or performance of any provision of, such contracts, and (vi) without notice except as specified below, sell the Collateral or any part thereof in one or more parcels at public or private sale, at any of Secured Party's offices or elsewhere, for cash, on credit or for future delivery, at such time or times and at such price or prices and upon such other terms as Secured Party may deem commercially reasonable. Secured Party or any Lender may be the purchaser of any or all of the Collateral at any such sale and Secured Party, as agent for and representative of Lenders (but not any Lender or Lenders in its or their respective individual capacities unless Requisite Lenders shall otherwise agree in writing), shall be entitled, for the purpose of bidding and making settlement or payment of the purchase price for all or any portion of the Collateral sold at any such public sale, to use and apply any of the Secured Obligations as a credit on account of the purchase price for any Collateral payable by Secured Party at such sale. Each purchaser at any such sale shall hold the property sold absolutely free from any claim or right on the part of Grantor, and Grantor hereby waives (to the extent permitted by applicable law) all rights of redemption, stay and/or appraisal which it now has or may at any time in the future have under any rule of law or statute now existing or hereafter enacted. Grantor agrees that, to the extent notice of sale shall be required by law, at least ten days' notice to Grantor of the time and place of any public sale or the time after which any private sale is to be made shall constitute reasonable notification. Secured Party shall not be obligated to make any sale of Collateral regardless of

notice of sale having been given. Secured Party may adjourn any public or private sale from time to time by announcement at the time and place fixed therefor, and such sale may, without further notice, be made at the time and place to which it was so adjourned. Grantor hereby waives any claims against Secured Party arising by reason of the fact that the price at which any Collateral may have been sold at such a private sale was less than the price which might have been obtained at a public sale, even if Secured Party accepts the first offer received and does not offer such Collateral to more than one offeree. If the proceeds of any sale or other disposition of the Collateral are insufficient to pay all the Secured Obligations, Grantor shall be liable for the deficiency and the fees of any attorneys employed by Secured Party to collect such deficiency.

(b) Upon written demand from Secured Party, Grantor shall execute and deliver to Secured Party an assignment or assignments of the Trademarks, Registrations, Trademark Rights and the Associated Goodwill and such other documents as are necessary or appropriate to carry out the intent and purposes of this Agreement; provided that the failure of Grantor to comply with such demand will not impair or affect the validity of the conditional assignment effected by Section 2 or its effectiveness upon notice by Secured Party as specified in Section 2. Grantor agrees that such an assignment (including without limitation the conditional assignment effected by Section 2) and/or recording shall be applied to reduce the Secured Obligations outstanding only to the extent that Secured Party (or any Lender) receives cash proceeds in respect of the sale of, or other realization upon, the Collateral.

SECTION 17. Application of Proceeds. Except as expressly provided elsewhere in this Agreement, all proceeds received by Secured Party in respect of any sale of, collection from, or other realization upon all or any part of the Collateral may, in the discretion of Secured Party, be held by Secured Party as Collateral for, and/or then, or at any other time thereafter, applied in full or in part by Secured Party against, the Secured Obligations in the following order of priority:

FIRST: To the payment of all costs and expenses of such sale, collection or other realization, including reasonable compensation to Secured Party and its agents and counsel, and all other expenses, liabilities and advances made or incurred by Secured Party in connection therewith, and all amounts for which Secured Party is entitled to indemnification hereunder and all advances made by Secured Party hereunder for the account of Grantor, and to the payment of all costs and expenses paid or incurred by Secured Party in connection with the exercise of any right or remedy hereunder, all in accordance with Section 18;

SECOND: To the payment of all other Secured Obligations in such order as Secured Party shall elect; and

THIRD: To the payment to or upon the order of Grantor, or to whosoever may be lawfully entitled to receive the same or as a court of competent jurisdiction may direct, of any surplus then remaining from such proceeds.

SECTION 18. Indemnity and Expenses.

(a) Grantor agrees to indemnify Secured Party and each Lender from and against any and all claims, losses and liabilities in any way relating to, growing out of or resulting from this Agreement and the transactions contemplated hereby (including, without limitation, enforcement of this Agreement), except to the extent such claims, losses or liabilities result solely from Secured Party's or such Lender's gross negligence or willful misconduct as finally determined by a court of competent jurisdiction.

(b) Grantor shall pay to Secured Party upon demand the amount of any and all costs and expenses, including the reasonable fees and expenses of its counsel and of any experts and agents, that Secured Party may incur in connection with (i) the administration of this Agreement, (ii) the custody, preservation, use or operation of, or the sale of, collection from, or other realization upon, any of the Collateral, (iii) the exercise or enforcement of any of the rights of Secured Party hereunder, or (iv) the failure by Grantor to perform or observe any of the provisions hereof.

SECTION 19. Continuing Security Interest and Conditional Assignment; Transfer of Loans. This Agreement shall create a continuing security interest in, and conditional assignment of, the Collateral and shall (a) remain in full force and effect until the payment in full of the Secured Obligations, the cancellation or termination of the Commitments and the cancellation or expiration of all outstanding Letters of Credit, (b) be binding upon Grantor, its successors and assigns, and (c) inure, together with the rights and remedies of Secured Party hereunder, to the benefit of Secured Party and its successors, transferees and assigns. Without limiting the generality of the foregoing clause (c), but subject to the provisions of subsection 10.1 of the Credit Agreement, any Lender may assign or otherwise transfer any Loans held by it to any other Person, and such other Person shall thereupon become vested with all the benefits in respect thereof granted to Secured Party herein or otherwise. Upon the payment in full of all Secured Obligations, the cancellation or termination of the Commitments and the cancellation or expiration of all outstanding Letters of Credit, the security interest and conditional assignment granted hereby shall terminate and all rights to the Collateral shall revert to Grantor. Upon any such termination Secured Party will, at Grantor's expense, execute and deliver to Grantor such documents as Grantor shall reasonably request to evidence such termination.

SECTION 20. Secured Party as Agent.

(a) Secured Party has been appointed to act as Secured Party hereunder by Lenders. Secured Party shall be obligated, and shall have the right hereunder, to make demands, to give notices, to exercise or refrain from exercising any rights, and to take or refrain from taking any action (including, without limitation, the release or substitution of Collateral), solely in accordance with this Agreement and the Credit Agreement.

(b) Secured Party shall at all times be the same Person that is Agent under the Credit Agreement. Written notice of resignation by Agent pursuant to subsection 9.5 of the Credit Agreement shall also constitute notice of resignation as Secured Party under this Agreement; removal of Agent pursuant to subsection 9.5 of the Credit Agreement shall also constitute removal as Secured Party under this Agreement; and appointment of a successor Agent pursuant to subsection 9.5 of the Credit Agreement shall also constitute appointment of a successor Secured Party under this Agreement. Upon the acceptance of any appointment as Agent under subsection 9.5 of the Credit Agreement by a successor Agent, that successor Agent shall thereupon succeed to and become vested with all the rights, powers, privileges and duties of the retiring or removed Secured Party under this Agreement, and the retiring or removed Secured Party under this Agreement shall promptly (i) transfer to such successor Secured Party all sums, securities and other items of Collateral held hereunder, together with all records and other documents necessary or appropriate in connection with the performance of the duties of the successor Secured Party under this Agreement, and (ii) execute and deliver to such successor Secured Party such amendments to financing statements, and take such other actions, as may be necessary or appropriate in connection with the assignment to such successor Secured Party of the security interests created hereunder, whereupon such retiring or removed Secured Party shall be discharged from its duties and obligations under this Agreement. After any retiring or removed Agent's resignation or removal hereunder as Secured Party, the provisions of this Agreement shall inure to its benefit as to any actions taken or omitted to be taken by it under this Agreement while it was Secured Party hereunder.

SECTION 21. Amendments; Etc. No amendment, modification, termination or waiver of any provision of this Agreement, and no consent to any departure by Grantor therefrom, shall in any event be effective unless the same shall be in writing and signed by Secured Party and, in the case of any such amendment or modification, by Grantor. Any such waiver or consent shall be effective only in the specific instance and for the specific purpose for which it was given.

SECTION 22. Notices. Any notice or other communication herein required or permitted to be given shall be in writing and may be personally served, telexed or sent by telefacsimile or United States mail or courier service and shall be deemed to have been given when delivered in person or by courier service, upon receipt of telefacsimile or telex, or four Business Days after depositing it in the

United States mail with postage prepaid and properly addressed. For the purposes hereof, the address of each party hereto shall be as set forth under such party's name on the signature pages hereof or, as to either party, such other address as shall be designated by such party in a written notice delivered to the other party hereto.

SECTION 23. Failure or Indulgence Not Waiver; Remedies Cumulative.

No failure or delay on the part of Secured Party in the exercise of any power, right or privilege hereunder shall impair such power, right or privilege or be construed to be a waiver of any default or acquiescence therein, nor shall any single or partial exercise of any such power, right or privilege preclude any other or further exercise thereof or of any other power, right or privilege. All rights and remedies existing under this Agreement are cumulative to, and not exclusive of, any rights or remedies otherwise available.

SECTION 24. Severability. In case any provision in or obligation under this Agreement shall be invalid, illegal or unenforceable in any jurisdiction, the validity, legality and enforceability of the remaining provisions or obligations, or of such provision or obligation in any other jurisdiction, shall not in any way be affected or impaired thereby.

SECTION 25. Headings. Section and subsection headings in this Agreement are included herein for convenience of reference only and shall not constitute a part of this Agreement for any other purpose or be given any substantive effect.

SECTION 26. Governing Law; Terms. THIS AGREEMENT AND THE RIGHTS AND OBLIGATIONS OF THE PARTIES HEREUNDER SHALL BE GOVERNED BY, AND SHALL BE CONSTRUED AND ENFORCED IN ACCORDANCE WITH, THE INTERNAL LAWS OF THE STATE OF NEW YORK (INCLUDING WITHOUT LIMITATION SECTION 5-1401 OF THE GENERAL OBLIGATIONS LAW OF THE STATE OF NEW YORK), WITHOUT REGARD TO CONFLICTS OF LAWS PRINCIPLES, EXCEPT TO THE EXTENT THAT THE CODE PROVIDES THAT THE VALIDITY OR PERFECTION OF THE SECURITY INTEREST HEREUNDER, OR REMEDIES HEREUNDER, IN RESPECT OF ANY PARTICULAR COLLATERAL ARE GOVERNED BY THE LAWS OF A JURISDICTION OTHER THAN THE STATE OF NEW YORK. Unless otherwise defined herein or in the Credit Agreement, terms used in Articles 8 and 9 of the Uniform Commercial Code in the State of New York are used herein as therein defined.

SECTION 27. Consent to Jurisdiction and Service of Process. ALL JUDICIAL PROCEEDINGS BROUGHT AGAINST GRANTOR ARISING OUT OF OR RELATING TO THIS AGREEMENT MAY BE BROUGHT IN ANY STATE OR FEDERAL COURT OF COMPETENT JURISDICTION IN THE STATE OF NEW YORK, AND BY EXECUTION AND DELIVERY OF THIS AGREEMENT

GRANTOR ACCEPTS FOR ITSELF AND IN CONNECTION WITH ITS PROPERTIES, GENERALLY AND UNCONDITIONALLY, THE NONEXCLUSIVE JURISDICTION OF THE AFORESAID COURTS AND WAIVES ANY DEFENSE OF FORUM NON CONVENIENS AND IRREVOCABLY AGREES TO BE BOUND BY ANY JUDGMENT RENDERED THEREBY IN CONNECTION WITH THIS AGREEMENT. Grantor hereby agrees that service of all process in any such proceeding in any such court may be made by registered or certified mail, return receipt requested, to Grantor at its address provided in Section 22 such service being hereby acknowledged by Grantor to be sufficient for personal jurisdiction in any action against Grantor in any such court and to be otherwise effective and binding service in every respect. Nothing herein shall affect the right to serve process in any other manner permitted by law or shall limit the right of Secured Party to bring proceedings against Grantor in the courts of any other jurisdiction.

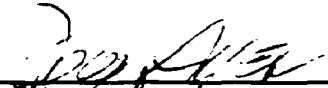
SECTION 28. Waiver of Jury Trial. TO THE EXTENT PERMITTED BY LAW, GRANTOR AND SECURED PARTY HEREBY AGREE TO WAIVE THEIR RESPECTIVE RIGHTS TO A JURY TRIAL OF ANY CLAIM OR CAUSE OF ACTION BASED UPON OR ARISING OUT OF THIS AGREEMENT. The scope of this waiver is intended to be all-encompassing of any and all disputes that may be filed in any court and that relate to the subject matter of this transaction, including without limitation contract claims, tort claims, breach of duty claims, and all other common law and statutory claims. Grantor and Secured Party each acknowledge that this waiver is a material inducement for Grantor and Secured Party to enter into a business relationship, that Grantor and Secured Party have already relied on this waiver in entering into this Agreement and that each will continue to rely on this waiver in their related future dealings. Grantor and Secured Party further warrant and represent that each has reviewed this waiver with its legal counsel, and that each knowingly and voluntarily waives its jury trial rights following consultation with legal counsel. **THIS WAIVER IS IRREVOCABLE, MEANING THAT IT MAY NOT BE MODIFIED EITHER ORALLY OR IN WRITING, AND THIS WAIVER SHALL APPLY TO ANY SUBSEQUENT AMENDMENTS, RENEWALS, SUPPLEMENTS OR MODIFICATIONS TO THIS AGREEMENT.** In the event of litigation, this Agreement may be filed as a written consent to a trial by the court.

SECTION 29. Counterparts. This Agreement may be executed in one or more counterparts and by different parties hereto in separate counterparts, each of which when so executed and delivered shall be deemed an original, but all such counterparts together shall constitute but one and the same instrument; signature pages may be detached from multiple separate counterparts and attached to a single counterpart so that all signature pages are physically attached to the same document.

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IN WITNESS WHEREOF, Grantor and Secured Party have caused this Agreement to be duly executed and delivered by their respective officers thereunto duly authorized as of the date first written above.

HINES NURSERIES INC.

By: 
Title: *President*

Notice Address:

Hines Nurseries Inc.
12621 Jeffrey Road
Irvine, California 92720
Attention: President

BT COMMERCIAL CORPORATION

By: 
Title: *Vice President*

Notice Address:

BT Commercial Corporation
300 South Grand Avenue, 41st Floor
Los Angeles, California 90071
Telecopy: (213) 620-8294
Attention: Patricia L. Chan

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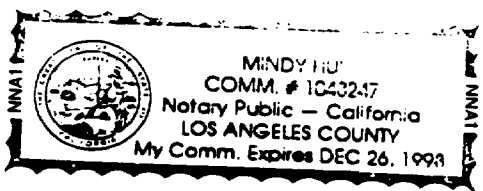
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Mindy Hui, Notary Public
Name and Title of Officer (e.g., "Jane Doe, Notary Public")

personally appeared Doug Allen

Name(s) of Signer(s)

personally known to me - OR - proved to me on the basis of satisfactory evidence to be the person(s) whose name(s) is/are subscribed to the within instrument and acknowledged to me that he/she/they executed the same in his/her/their authorized capacity(ies), and that by his/her/their signature(s) on the instrument the person(s), or the entity upon behalf of which the person(s) acted, executed the instrument.



WITNESS my hand and official seal.

Mindy Hui
Signature of Notary Public

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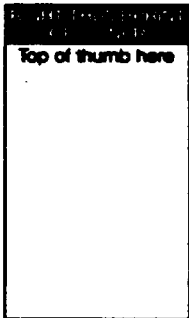
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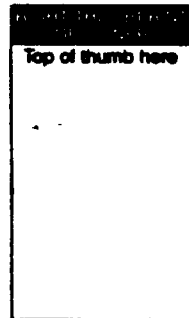
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