CONWAY RANCH GRAZING LEASE

This CONWAY RANCH GRAZING LEASE (hereinafter "Lease") is made and entered into by and between the County of Mono, a political subdivision of the State of California (hereinafter referred to as "Lessor") and F.I.M. Corporation, a Nevada corporation (hereinafter referred to as "Lessee").

RECITALS

- A. The Mono County property subject to this Lease is known as "The Conway Ranch," which is more particularly described in the legal description attached hereto as Exhibit "A" (hereinafter referred to as the "Property").
- B. Lessee desires to hire from Lessor and Lessor desires to lease to Lessee the Property to be used for the pasturing and grazing of Lessee's sheep subject to all of the terms, covenants and provisions of this Lease.

Now, therefore, the parties hereto agree as follows:

- 1. Grant of Leasehold Interest: Lessor does hereby lease to Lessee and Lessee does hereby hire from Lessor the Property to be used for sheep grazing and related purposes subject to all of the terms, covenants and provisions hereunder.
- 2. <u>Term</u>: The term of this Lease shall commence on November 15, 2012 and shall cease and terminate on November 15, 2017.
- 3. Rent: As rental for the use of the Property, Lessee hereby promises and agrees to pay the Lessor the sum of Seventeen Thousand Dollars (\$17,000.00) for the first year of this Lease. A first installment of \$8,500 will be due on, May 15 2013, and then the second installment of \$8,500 will be due by November 15, 2013. Rent shall be paid by check or money order payable to Mono County care of Dan Lyster (or any later acting Mono County Economic Development Director), Economic Development Director.

For each successive year under this lease, the amount of rent will increase at an annual rate of three percent (3%). A schedule of the rent due and payable for each successive year is attached hereto as Attachment One, and incorporated herein by reference.

4. <u>Land Use Policies and Restrictions</u>: During the entire lease term, lessee and its agents or employees shall be responsible for carrying out and abiding by the following land use policies and restrictions:

a. Weed Issues:

- i. Confer with the Conway Ranch Caretaker (who will be designated by Mono County and may change from time to time) to understand the locations of weed outcroppings on Conway Ranch;
- ii. Avoid driving through weed infested areas;
- iii. Remove weeds from vehicles by washing thoroughly on a paved area or in a car wash;
- iv. Avoid disturbing native vegetation or creating seedbeds (open areas) when possible. This especially applies to sheep bedding areas where weed control will be necessary to reduce the likelihood that invasion occurs into adjacent stands of native vegetation.
- v. Avoid grazing in areas where weed seed is ripe.
- vi. Remove and dispose of weed seeds from stock portion of the plant if grazing accidentally occurs in a weed infested area.
- vii. Carefully check livestock for weed seed and remove it before the animals are transported onto the Conway Ranch property.

b. Property Management:

- i. Salt or supplements for sheep should not be placed close to water, riparian zones, or known habitats of sensitive plants or wildlife species;
- ii. No fencing shall be constructed without the express written consent of the Conway Ranch Caretaker;
- iii. Sheep will be herded. Sheep should be moved on the Property in a manner that will leave a minimum of four inches of key forage plant species on the Property. Rotation of use areas will be achieved whenever practicable;
- iv. Sheep bedding grounds will not be within 250 feet from any historical structure, spring source, natural wetlands, or the creek;

v. Lessee shall comply with any directive given to it by Lessor made in response to an action taken or designation made by an agency of the United States. In that event, Lessee may request Lessor to reduce the rent to be paid by the Lessee for its use of the Property.

c. Water Quality:

- i. Spring sources, natural wetlands and creeks should be avoided. Sheep should be kept at least ten feet away from these areas.
- ii. Sheep and herds shall not disturb the fish raceways or other fish rearing facilities and shall not come within one hundred (100) feet of raceway areas.
- iii. All irrigation and movement of water will be managed by the Conway Ranch Caretaker who will be designated by the County. The sheep grazer(s) shall use their best efforts to assist the Caretaker with irrigation issues when the Caretaker requests such assistance.
- 5. <u>Liability Insurance</u>: Lessee shall obtain and, at all times during the term of this Lease, shall carry and maintain in full force and effect at Lessee's own expense, a policy of liability insurance in the amount of not less than THREE HUNDRED THOUSAND DOLLARS (\$300,000.00) combined single-limit policy for personal injury and for property damage. Such policy shall be written by a company or companies having a Best Financial Size Category of not less than Class IX and a Best Policyholder's Rating of not less than "A" and shall name the Lessor and the County of Mono as the insured or as additional insured with Lessee and shall insure Lessor, its officers, agents, and employees against liability for Lessee's use or occupancy of the Property. This policy shall be in a form satisfactory to Lessor and shall not be subject to cancellation, reduction in coverage, or insured except after written notice to Lessor at the address provided in Paragraph 18 of this Lease, by certified mail, return receipt requested, not less than twenty (20) days prior to the effective date thereof. Lessee shall deliver a copy of the policy showing that the insurance is in full force and effect to Lessor upon execution of this Lease. Lessee's failure to carry and maintain in full force and effect such insurance policies shall be a default of this Lease pursuant to the terms of Paragraph 14 below.
- 6. <u>Timber Rights</u>: Lessee shall not cut or carry off any wood or burn any substance growing on the Property without the prior written consent of Lessor. All timber rights of any kind and character on the Property are reserved to Lessor, who has the right to cut and remove any timber, or otherwise exercise all timber rights at all times during the term of this Lease, provided that no damage shall otherwise be done by Lessor or those claiming under it to any of Lessee's sheep or other property rights of Lessee under this Lease.

- 7. <u>Hunting and Fishing Right</u>: Lessee hereby agrees not to hunt or fish on the Property without the prior written consent of Lessor. All hunting and fishing rights and privileges on the Property are particularly reserved to Lessor, provided that no damage shall be done by Lessor or those claiming under him to any of Lessee's sheep or other property rights of Lessee under this Lease.
- 8. <u>Right to Enter</u>: The Property is on pubic property open to access by the public. Mono County employees, agents and contractors can enter the Property at any time.
- 9. <u>Liens and Encumbrances</u>: Lessee shall pay and discharge when due, all and every obligation incurred by it in connection with the use of the Property, and shall permit no mechanic's lien, materialmen's lien, or other lien of any nature or demand to be placed or filed against the Property.
- 10. <u>Destruction of Improvements</u>: In the event of the destruction of any or all of the improvements located on the Property by fire or other Acts of God, neither of the parties hereto shall be obligated to rebuild said improvements.
- 11. <u>Waiver</u>: A waiver by Lessor of any breach of this Lease by Lessee shall not be deemed to be continuing, and shall not operate as a waiver of any further breach of the conditions or agreements contained herein.
- 12. <u>Waste</u>: During the term of this Lease Lessee will not commit or suffer to be committed any waste upon the Property.
- 13. <u>Surrender of Property</u>: At the expiration of the term of this Lease, or sooner termination thereof, the Lessee covenants, promises and agrees to peaceably and quietly quit and surrender the Property to Lessor or its agent or designee in as good order, condition, and state of repairs received by him, reasonable wear and damage by the elements excepted.

14. Termination:

- a. <u>Default</u>: It is mutually understood and agreed that time is of the essence hereof, and should Lessee fail to keep any of the covenants and agreements herein above specified on its part to be performed and kept, or should it at any time fail to make any of the above-mentioned payments, at the time and in the manner provided, the Lessor may, at its option, determine this Lease to be void and terminated, and may enter in and upon the Property, take possession thereof, and remove all parties and personal property from the Property during the time of occupancy by Lessee.
- b. <u>Insolvency and Bankruptcy</u>: If the Lessee becomes insolvent or makes any assignment for the benefit of creditors or is adjudged bankrupt, either voluntarily or involuntarily, this Lease shall immediately terminate and shall not be



assignable by any operation or process of law, and shall not be treated in any way whatsoever as an asset of the Lessee after such event. Lessor shall be entitled to retain any rents theretofore received without reduction, abatement or proration.

- c. <u>Monitoring</u>: The Lessee understands and agrees that the Caretaker of the Property will from time to time monitor and report on the grazing practices occurring on the Property. If any violations of this agreement occur, the County reserves the right to terminate this Lease and have Lessor remove the sheep from the Property within 72 hours.
- d. <u>Cancellation</u>: This Lease may be cancelled by either party to this Lease without cause, and at will, for any reason whatsoever, by giving sixty (60) days written notice of such intent to cancel. Lessor may cancel this Lease in the event of threatened or initiated litigation against Lessor related to this Lease by giving Lessee thirty (30) days written notice to Lessee of such intent to cancel.
- 15. <u>Indemnification</u>: Lessee agrees to hold Lessor harmless from any and all damage to the Property done by fire or other causes, which result from Lessee's use or operation of the Property. Lessee further agrees to defend, indemnify and hold Lessor harmless from all liability and/or claim for damages arising from any injury, from any cause to any person, including Lessee, or to any property, including Lessee's, which arise or arose from Lessee's operation or occupancy of the Property. Furthermore, Lessee shall at all times during the term of this Lease hold harmless, defend, and indemnify Lessor against any claim, loss, or liability whatsoever arising directly or indirectly out of Lessee's tenancy and/or the use of the Property by Lessee.
- 16. <u>Attorney's Fees</u>: It is understood and agreed that in the event suit should be brought for unlawful detainer of the Property, for the recovery of the rent due under the provisions of this Lease, or because of the breach of any other covenant, promise or condition herein contained, the prevailing party shall be entitled to recover from the other reasonable attorney's fees to be fixed by the court as part of the costs of suit.
- 17. <u>Subordination</u>: This Lease is and shall be subordinate to any mortgages or deeds of trust that are or may be placed on the Property. Lessee agrees to promptly execute any documents to effectuate a subordination of this Lease to any said mortgages or deeds of trust upon written request by the Lessor.
- 18. <u>Notice</u>: Any notice, communication, amendments, additions, or deletions to this Lease, including change of address of any party during the term of this Lease, shall be made in writing. Any such writing may be personally served, but shall otherwise be sent by prepaid first class mail as follows:

<u>To Lessor</u>: Dan Lyster, Economic Development Director County of Mono



P.O. Box 2415 Mammoth Lakes, CA 93546

To Lessee:

F.I.M. Corporation

P.O. Box 12

Smith, NV 89430

- 19. <u>Assignment</u>: Lessee shall not voluntarily, or by operation of law, assign, transfer, mortgage, sublet, or otherwise transfer or encumber all or any part of Lessee's interest in this Lease or in the Property without the prior written consent of the Lessor.
- 20. <u>Inurement</u>: Subject to the restrictions against assignment, this Lease shall be binding upon and shall inure to the benefit of the Parties hereto and their respective heirs, successors and assigns.
- 21. <u>Amendment</u>: This Lease sets forth the entire agreement between the parties and may be modified or amended only if so agreed upon in writing by all the parties hereto.
- 22. <u>Headings</u>: Paragraph and subparagraph headings used in this Lease are for reference and convenience purposes only and shall not affect the meaning or interpretation of this Lease.
- 23. <u>Governing Law</u>: This Lease is made and shall be construed in accordance with the laws of the State of California.
- 24. <u>Severability</u>: If any provision of this Lease shall be held invalid, such invalidity shall not affect the other provisions hereof, and to this extent, the provisions of this Lease are intended to be and shall be deemed severable.
- 25. Taxes and Assessments: Lessee agrees to pay all taxes and assessments (if any) lawfully imposed on Lessee by any governmental agency with respect to Lessee's activities under this Lease, including but not limited to taxes or assessments imposed against Lessee's property, inventory, activities, and employee wages. Pursuant to Revenue and Taxation Code § 107.6, notice is hereby given that in the event that this Lease creates a possessory interest that may be subject to property taxation, the party in whom the possessory interest is vested may be subject to the payment of property taxes levied o the interest.
- 26. Representation by Counsel: The parties acknowledge that this Lease is executed voluntarily by them, without duress or undue influence on the part of or on behalf of any other party. The parties further acknowledge that they have participated in the negotiation and preparation of this Lease and have had the opportunity to be represented by counsel with respect to such negotiation and preparation or do hereby knowingly waive their right(s) to do so, and that they are fully aware of the contents of this Lease and of its legal effect. Thus, any ambiguities in

this Lease shall not be resolved in favor of or against either party. The parties specifically acknowledge that the Mono County Counsel has only represented the County with respect to the negotiation and preparation of this Lease and that the parties have consented to such representation and have knowingly and voluntarily waived any actual or potential conflict with such representation.

27. <u>Authorization to Execute Lease</u>: Lessee shall have this Lease executed by an authorized agent or officer of Lessee's corporation as provided in Lessee's corporate articles and bylaws. Lessee shall immediately notify Lessor if there is any change in the corporate status of Lessee's corporation.

Date: 9/5/11

Lessee's corporation.

Lessee / F.I.M. Corporation

Marianne J. Lenassar

Printed Name:

Marianne F. Lemassar

Title:

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Lessor / Mono County

Printed Name:

James M. Arkens

Title:

APPROVED AS TO FORM

County Counsel

ATTACHMENT ONE

SCHEDULE OF RENT

Year	Rent Due for Year	Rental Due Dates
2012	\$17,000	05/15/2013 & 11/15/2013
2013	\$17,510.00	05/15/2014 & 11/15/2014
2014	\$18,035.30	05/15/2015 & 11/15/2015
2015	\$18,576.36	05/15/2016 & 11/15/2016
2016	\$19,133.65	05/15/2017 & 11/15/2017
2017	\$19,707.66	05/15/2018 & 11/15/2018