SECURITIES AND EXCHANGE COMMISSION Washington, D.C. 20549

FORM 10-Q

[X] QUARTERLY REPORT PURSUANT TO SECTION 13 OR 15(d) OF THE SECURITIES EXCHANGE ACT OF 1934								
For the quarterly period ended September 29, 1996								
OR								
[_] TRANSITION REPORT PURSUANT TO SECTION 13 OR 15(d) OF THE SECURITIES EXCHANGE ACT OF 1934								
For the transition period fromto								
Commission file number 1-5560								
Alpha Industries, Inc. (Exact name of registrant as specified in its charter)								
Delaware 04-2302115 (State or other jurisdiction of incorporation or organization) Identification No.)								
20 Sylvan Road, Woburn, Massachusetts (Address of principal executive offices) (Zip Code)								
Registrant's telephone number, including area code: (617) 935-5150								
Indicate by check mark whether the Registrant (1) has filed all reports required to be filed by Section 13 or 15(d) of the Securities Exchange Act of 1934 during the preceding 12 months (or for such shorter period that the Registrant was required to file such reports), and (2) has been subject to such filing requirements for the past 90 days.								
Yes X No								
Indicate the number of shares outstanding of each of the issuer's classes of common stock, as of the latest practicable date.								

Outstanding at October 27, 1996 9,887,288

Class Common Stock, par value \$.25 per share

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STATEMENT OF FAIR PRESENTATION

The financial information included herein is unaudited. In addition, the financial information does not include all disclosures required under generally accepted accounting principles because certain note information included in the Company's annual report to shareholders has been omitted and such information should be read in conjunction with the prior year's annual report. However, the financial information reflects all adjustments (consisting solely of normal recurring adjustments) which are, in the opinion of management, necessary to a fair statement of the results for the interim periods. The Company considers the disclosures adequate to make the information presented not misleading.

CONSOLIDATED BALANCE SHEETS (In thousands except share and per share amounts)

	Sept. 29, 1996 (unaudited)	March 31, 1996 (audited)
Assets		
Current assets Cash and cash equivalents at cost Short-term investments (approximates market) Accounts receivable Inventories (Note 1) Prepayments and other current assets	\$ 7,118 3,039 15,410 13,094 1,079	\$ 11,326 4,143 17,688 12,015 1,379
Total current assets	39,740	46,551
Property, plant and equipment, less accumulated depreciation and amortization of \$52,632 and \$49,908	29,269 716 \$ 69,725	28,136 736 \$ 75,423
Liabilities And Stockholders' Equity	=====	=====
Current liabilities		
Current maturities of long-term debt	\$ 1,975 385 4,771 5,264 1,138	\$ 332 443 7,075 4,898 1,156
Total current liabilities	13,533	13,904
Long-term debt	4,583	2,565
Long-term capital lease obligations	410	565
Other long-term liabilities	941	856
Commitments and contingencies (Note 3)		
Stockholders' equity Common stock par value \$.25 per share: authorized 30,000,000 shares; issued 10,090,075 and		
9,938,587 shares	2,523 54,217 (6,096)	2,484 53,468 2,056
at cost Unearned compensation-restricted stock	262 124	321 154
Total stockholders' equity	50,258	57,533
	\$ 69,725 =====	\$ 75,423 =====

The accompanying notes are an integral part of these financial statements.

ALPHA INDUSTRIES, INC. AND SUBSIDIARIES

CONSOLIDATED STATEMENTS OF INCOME (Unaudited)
(In thousands except per share data)

	Second Quarter Ended		Six Mon	ths Ended
	Sept. 29,	0ct. 1,	Sept. 29,	0ct. 1,
	1996	1995	1996	1995
Net sales Cost of sales Research and development expenses Selling and administrative expenses Repositioning credit	\$ 20,137 17,318 2,470 4,451	\$ 23,733 15,836 2,128 4,308	\$ 40,203 33,592 4,958 9,838	\$ 46,167 30,888 3,915 8,737 (320)
Operating income (loss)	(4,102)	1,461	(8,185)	2,947
	(130)	(232)	(247)	(441)
	108	44	280	77
Income (loss) before income taxes Provision for income taxes	(4,124) 604	1,273 192	(8, 152)	2,583 388
Net income (loss)	\$ (4,728)	\$ 1,081 	\$ (8,152) ======	\$ 2,195
Net income (loss) per share	\$ (0.48)	\$ 0.13	\$ (0.83)	\$ 0.27
	======	======	======	======
Weighted average common shares and common share equivalents (Note 2)	9,820	8,208	9,764	8,196
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The accompanying notes are an integral part of these financial statements.

CONSOLIDATED STATEMENTS OF CASH FLOWS (Unaudited) (In thousands)

	Six Mont Sept. 29, 1996	chs Ended Oct. 1, 1995
Cash flows from operating activities:		
Net income (loss) Adjustments to reconcile net income (loss) to net cash provided from (used for) operations:	\$ (8,152)	\$ 2,195
Depreciation and amortization of property, plant and equipment Contribution of treasury shares to Savings and Retirement Plan Amortization of unearned compensation - restricted stock, net Repositioning credit	2,724 410 27	2,561 220 30 (320)
Increase in other liabilities and long-term benefits Decrease (increase) in other assets	85 11	92 (305)
Accounts receivable. Inventories Other current assets Accounts payable. Other accrued liabilities and expenses. Repositioning reserve.	2,278 (1,079) 300 (2,304) 348	(2,604) (1,377) 191 (372) 455 (366)
Net cash provided from (used for) operations	(5,352)	400
Cash flows from investing activities: Proceeds from sale of building	(2,475) 3,579 (3,857)	2,465 - - (3,595)
Net cash used in investing activities	(2,753)	(1,130)
Cash flows from financing activities: Proceeds from notes payable Payments on long-term debt Deferred charges related to long-term debt Payments on capital lease obligations Proceeds from sale of stock Exercise of stock options	3,952 (291) 9 (213) 39 401	3,033 (3,657) 4 (237) 64 117
Net cash (used in) provided from financing activities	3,897	(676)
Net decrease in cash and cash equivalents	(4,208) 11,326	(1,406) 3,510
Cash and cash equivalents, end of period	\$ 7,118 =====	\$ 2,104 =====

${\tt Supplemental\ Disclosures:}$

Capital lease obligations of \$305 thousand were incurred during the six months ended October 1, 1995 when the Company entered into leases for new equipment.

The accompanying notes are an integral part of these financial statements.

ALPHA INDUSTRIES, INC. AND SUBSIDIARIES

NOTES TO CONSOLIDATED FINANCIAL STATEMENTS

(unaudited)

NOTE 1 INVENTORIES

Inventories consist of the following (in thousands):		Sept. 29, 1996		March 31, 1996
Raw materials	\$	6,403 4,001 2,690	\$	4,878 5,830 1,307
	\$	13,094	\$	12,015
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NOTE 2 EARNINGS PER SHARE

Earnings (loss) per common share for the six months ended September 29, 1996 and October 1, 1995 were computed using the weighted average number of outstanding common shares plus common stock equivalents, if applicable, of 9,764,148 and 8,195,853 shares, respectively.

NOTE 3 COMMITMENTS AND CONTINGENCIES

The Company is party to suits and claims arising in the normal course of business. Management believes these are adequately provided for or will result in no significant additional liability to the Company.

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MANAGEMENT'S DISCUSSION AND ANALYSIS OF FINANCIAL CONDITION AND RESULTS OF OPERATIONS

RESULTS OF OPERATIONS

Sales for the first six months of fiscal 1997 totaled \$40.2 million compared with sales of \$46.2 million for the same period last year. Sales for the second quarter of fiscal 1997 totaled \$20.1 million, compared with \$23.7 million for the comparable period last year. New orders received for the first half of fiscal 1997 were \$35.8 million compared with \$52.5 million for the same period last year. New orders received in the second quarter totaled \$20.5 million, compared with \$26.2 million for the same period last year. The decrease in sales and orders for the quarter was due to the slower than expected receipt of new orders for ceramic products and millimeter wave digital radio components. Year-to-date sales and orders were impacted by the above as well as a softening in the wireless telecommunications industry, the delayed rollout of the Personal Communication System (PCS) and by the decision to exit certain non-strategic activities.

Gross profit for the first half of fiscal 1997 totaled \$6.6 million compared with \$15.3 million for the comparable period last year. Gross profit for the second quarter was \$2.8 million compared with \$7.9 million for the same period last year. Lower margins are the result of lower sales volumes, rising costs due to manufacturing capacity added during fiscal 1996, reserves for excess inventory and a loss on a filter order. The inventory write-down of \$1.5 million resulted from shifts in demand away from certain ceramic products at Trans-Tech, Inc., the Company's subsidiary. A loss on a filter order of \$500 thousand occurred when a customer redesigned the end product, requiring the Company to scrap certain finished parts and materials and to issue credits for returned product that was no longer required by the customer. In anticipation of the demand for wireless communication products increasing over the second half of fiscal 1997, the Company has decided to maintain or increase its current levels of manufacturing capacity for MMICs, discrete semiconductors and ceramic products in its U.S. facilities. In particular, the Company is expanding its GaAs MMIC capacity to handle four inch wafers and is in the process of adding a third shift to the GaAs fab.

Research and development expenses increased 27% for the first six months of fiscal 1997 to \$5.0 million, or 12% of sales, as compared with \$3.9 million or 9% of sales for the same period last year. For the second quarter ended September 29, 1996 research and development increased 16% to \$2.5 million, or 12% of sales as compared to \$2.1 million or 9% of sales. The increase in research and development reflects the continued investment by the Company in the GaAs MMIC and ceramic product lines.

Selling and administrative expenses increased 13% to \$9.8 million or 25% of sales for the first half of fiscal 1997, as compared with the same period last year of \$8.7 million or 19% of sales. For the second quarter ended September 29, 1996, selling and administrative expenses increased 3% to \$4.5 million, or 22% of sales, as compared to \$4.3 million or 18% of sales. The year-to-date increase in selling and administrative expenses is primarily the result of recognizing severance costs related to various corporate executives. The increase in selling and administrative expenses for the second quarter reflects an increase in sales and marketing activities directed toward expanded customer service and market penetration.

Interest expense for the first six months and quarter ended September 29, 1996 decreased \$194 thousand and \$102 thousand, respectively, over the comparable periods last year. Interest income for the first six months and quarter ended September 29,1996 increased \$246 thousand and \$89 thousand, respectively, over the same periods last year. Funds received from the secondary stock offering that was completed during the third quarter of fiscal 1996, were used to reduce debt and increase short-term investments thereby resulting in decreased interest expense and increased interest income.

The Company reversed the income tax benefit of \$604 thousand recorded in the first quarter of fiscal 1997 because the Company no longer anticipates that fiscal 1997 operations will be profitable.

For the first half of fiscal 1997, the Company reported a net loss of \$8.2 million or \$0.83 per share compared with a net income of \$2.2 million or \$0.27 per share for the comparable period last year. For the second quarter ended, the Company reported a net loss of \$4.7 million or \$0.48 per share, compared with net income of \$1.1 million or \$0.13 per share for the comparable period last year.

The Company announced on November 4, 1996 that it intends to divest its European ceramics manufacturing operation, Trans Tech Europe, and its digital radio subsystem product line. The Trans Tech Europe manufacturing operation has provided ceramic manufacturing capacity at a higher cost than our U.S. operation, which, coupled with improved efficiencies in Maryland, have made the European operation unnecessary. Similarly, the divestiture of the digital radio subsystem product line will remove the disproportionate risk and cost associated with the manufacture of these highly complex and low-volume, low-margin subsystems, which have led to some past unpredictability in the Company's operating results. The Company expects to take any associated charges related to these divestitures in the third quarter of fiscal 1997. The Company is working to achieve favorable terms for the divestitures, but these charges are not expected to exceed \$2.6 million or \$0.26 per share for the least favorable outcome.

FINANCIAL CONDITION

At September 29, 1996, working capital totaled \$26.2 million and included \$10.2 million in cash, cash equivalents, and short-term investments, compared with \$32.6 million of working capital at the end of fiscal 1996. Cash decreased \$4.2 million during the first half of fiscal 1997 as a result of an \$8.2 million loss, further investments in inventories and capital expenditures, as well as, decreasing accounts payable. Capital expenditures were primarily for continued automation of the semiconductor wafer fab operations and the MMIC and discrete semiconductor assembly and test areas, as well as, for the improved manufacturing capabilities of the ceramic manufacturing facilities. The Company remains committed to adding the required capacity needed to service the wireless markets as demand begins to return and therefore is expanding its GaAs Fab to handle four inch wafer capability. During the quarter, the Company funded its capital expenditures by drawing down \$4 million against its equipment line of credit. The equipment line of credit was converted to a three year term loan and at September 29, 1996, the total outstanding balance was \$4.8 million.

With cash, cash equivalents and short-term investments of \$10.2 million and a \$7.5 million line of credit available, the Company believes it has adequate funds to support its current operating needs. The Company will continue to evaluate other available financing such as low interest financing for the capital expansion of its ceramic manufacturing business and any other sources that may become available.

Safe Harbor Statement - Except for the historical information contained herein, this Form 10-Q contains forward-looking statements that are inherently subject to risks and uncertainties. The Company's results could differ materially based on various factors, including without limitation: cancellation or deferral of customer orders, difficulties in the timely development and market acceptance of new products, market developments that vary from the current public expectations concerning the growth of wireless communications (including PCS), difficulty in divesting the above-mentioned business operations (including the possibility that the Company may be unable to structure acceptable transactions), difficulties in manufacturing new or existing products in sufficient quantity or quality, increased competitive pressures, or changes in economic conditions. Further information on factors that could affect the Company's financial results is included in the Company's periodic reports filed with the S.E.C., including the most recent Form 10-K and subsequent Form 10-Qs.

PART II - OTHER INFORMATION

ITEM 1 LEGAL PROCEEDINGS

The Company does not have any material pending legal proceedings other than routine litigation incidental to its business.

The Company has been notified by federal and state environmental agencies of its potential liability with respect to the following two sites: the Spectron, Inc. Superfund site in Elkton, Maryland; and the Seaboard Chemical Corporation site in Jamestown, North Carolina. In each case several hundred other companies have also been notified about their potential liability regarding these sites. The Company continues to deny that it has any responsibility with respect to these sites other than as a de minimis party. Management is of the opinion that the outcome of the aforementioned environmental matters will not have a material effect on the Company's operations or financial position.

ITEM 4 SUBMISSION OF MATTERS TO A VOTE OF SECURITY HOLDERS

- (a) On September 9, 1996, Alpha Industries, Inc. held its Annual Meeting of Stockholders.
- (b) At the Meeting, the Stockholders elected Martin J. Reid and Sidney Topol as Class 1 Directors each to hold office for a three-year term until the 1999 Annual Meeting of Stockholders and until their successors have been duly elected and qualified. Votes were cast as follows: Mr. Reid 6,552,813 for and 1,793,058 withheld, Mr. Topol 8,191,903 for and 153,968 withheld.
- (c) At the Meeting, the Stockholders voted to approve the 1996 Long-Term Incentive Plan. A total of 5,375,684 shares were voted in favor of approving the 1996 Long-Term Incentive Plan 639,756 shares were voted against, 68,634 shares abstained from voting and 3,670,365 shares did not vote.

ITEM 6 EXHIBITS AND REPORTS ON FORM 8-K

- (a) Exhibits
 - (3) Certificate of Incorporation and By-laws.
 - (a) Restated Certificate of Incorporation (Filed as Exhibit 3 (a) to Registration Statement on Form S-3 (Registration No. 33-63857))*.
 - (b) Amended and restated By-laws of the Corporation dated April 30, 1992 (Filed as Exhibit 3(b) to the Annual Report on Form 10-K for the year ended March 29, 1992)*.
 - (4) Instruments defining rights of security holders, including indentures.
 - (a) Specimen Certificate of Common Stock (Filed as Exhibit 4(a) to Registration Statement on Form S-3 (Registration No. 33-63857))*.
 - (b) Frederick County Industrial Development Revenue Bond, Deed of Trust, Loan Agreement and Guaranty and Indemnification Agreement dated June 17, 1982 (Filed as Exhibit 4(g) to the Registration Statement on Form S-8 filed July 29, 1982)*. Bond and Loan Document Modification Agreement dated December 9, 1993 (Filed as Exhibit 4(c) to the Quarterly Report on Form 10-Q for the quarter ended December 26, 1993)*.
 - (c) Amended and Restated Rights Agreement dated as of November 24, 1986, as amended and restated July 3, 1990 and as further amended September 9, 1990 and September 24, 1990,

between Registrant and The First National Bank of Boston, as Rights Agent (The July 3, 1990 restatement and the September 9, 1990 and September 24, 1990 amendments were filed as Exhibit 4 to the Current Report on Form 8-K dated July 3, 1990 and Exhibits 4(a) and 4(b) to the Current Report on Form 8-K dated September 18, 1990, respectively)*.

- (d) Loan and Security Agreement dated December 15, 1993 between Trans-Tech, Inc., and County Commissioners of Frederick County (Filed as Exhibit 4(h) to the Quarterly Report on Form 10-Q for the quarter ended July 3, 1994)*.
- (e) Stock Purchase Warrant for 50,000 shares of the Registrant's Common Stock issued to Silicon Valley Bank as of April 1, 1994 (Filed as Exhibit 4(i) to the Quarterly Report on Form 10-Q for the quarter ended July 3, 1994)*.
- (f) Credit Agreement dated September 29, 1995 between Alpha Industries, Inc., and Trans-Tech Inc. and Fleet Bank of Massachusetts, N.A. and Silicon Valley Bank. (Filed as Exhibit 4(j) to the Quarterly Report on Form 10-Q for the quarter ended October 1, 1995)* and amended and restated promissory notes dated as of October 31, 1995 (Filed as Exhibit 4(f) to the Quarterly Report on Form 10-Q for the quarter ended December 31, 1995)*.

(10) Material Contracts.

- (a) Alpha Industries, Inc., 1986 Long-Term Incentive Plan as amended (Filed as Exhibit 10(a) to the Quarterly Report on Form 10-Q for the quarter ended October 2, 1994)*. (1)
- (b) Alpha Industries, Inc., Employee Stock Purchase Plan as amended October 22, 1992 (Filed as Exhibit 10(b) to the Annual Report on Form 10-K for the fiscal year ended March 28, 1993)* and amended August 22, 1995 (Filed as Exhibit 10(b) to the Annual Report on Form 10-K for the fiscal year ended March 31, 1996)*. (1)
- (c) SERP Trust Agreement between the Registrant and the First National Bank of Boston as Trustee dated April 8, 1991 (Filed as Exhibit 10(c) to the Annual Report on Form 10-K for the fiscal year ended March 31, 1991)*. (1)
- (d) Digital Business Agreement between Digital Equipment Corporation and Registrant dated April 2, 1990. Master Lease Addendum (Ref. No. 6260) to Digital Business Agreement No. 3511900 between Digital Equipment Corporation and Registrant dated April 2, 1990 (Filed as Exhibit 10(g) to the Annual Report on Form 10-K for the fiscal year ended March 29, 1992)*.
- (e) Alpha Industries, Inc., Long-Term Compensation Plan dated September 24, 1990 (Filed as Exhibit 10(i) to the Annual Report on Form 10-K for the fiscal year ended March 29, 1992)*; amended March 28, 1991 (Filed as Exhibit 10 (a) to the Quarterly Report on Form 10-Q for the quarter ended June 27, 1993)* and as further amended October 27, 1994 (Filed as Exhibit 10(f) to the Annual Report on Form 10-K for the fiscal year ended April 2, 1995)*. (1)
- (f) Master Equipment Lease Agreement between AT&T Commercial Finance Corporation and the Registrant dated June 19, 1992 (Filed as Exhibit 10(j) to the Annual Report on Form 10-K for the fiscal year ended March 28, 1993)*.
- (g) Employment Agreement dated October 1, 1990 between the Registrant and Martin J. Reid, as amended March 26, 1992 and amended January 19, 1993 (Filed as Exhibit 10(k) to the Annual Report on Form 10-K for the fiscal year ended March 28, 1993)* and amended August 10, 1993 (Filed as Exhibit 10(j) to the Quarterly Report on Form 10-Q for the quarter ended July 3, 1994)*. (1)
- (h) Employment Agreement dated October 1, 1990 between the Registrant and George S. Kariotis, as amended May 15, 1991 and amended January 22, 1993 (Filed as Exhibit 10(1) to the

Annual Report on Form 10-K for the fiscal year ended March 28, 1993)* and amended August 10, 1993 (Filed as Exhibit 10(k) to the Quarterly Report on Form 10-0 for the quarter ended July 3, 1994)*. (1)

- (i) Employment Agreement dated October 1, 1990 between the Registrant and Patrick Daniel Gallagher, as amended March 24, 1992 and amended by Second Amendment dated September 29, 1992 and Third Amendment dated January 20, 1993 (Filed as Exhibit 10(m) to the Annual Report on Form 10-K for the fiscal year ended March 28, 1993)* and Fourth Amendment dated August 3, 1994 (Filed as Exhibit 10(1) to the Quarterly Report on Form 10-Q for the quarter ended October 2, 1994)*. (1)
- (j) Employment Agreement dated April 28, 1994 between the Registrant and Joseph J. Alberici. (Filed as Exhibit 10(o) to the Annual Report on Form 10-K for the fiscal year ended April 3, 1994)*; and further amended August 3, 1994 (Filed as Exhibit 10(n) to the Quarterly Report on Form 10-Q for the quarter ended October 2, 1994)*. (1)
- (k) Consulting Agreement dated August 13, 1992 between the Registrant and Sidney Topol. (Filed as Exhibit 10(p) to the Annual Report on Form 10-K for the fiscal year ended April 3, 1994)*. (1)
- (1) Employment Agreement dated August 3, 1994 between the Registrant and Thomas C. Leonard (Filed as Exhibit 10(p) to the Quarterly Report on Form 10-Q for the quarter ended October 2, 1994)*. (1)
- (m) Master Lease Agreement between Comdisco, Inc. and the Registrant dated September 16, 1994 (Filed as Exhibit 10(q) to the Quarterly Report on Form 10-Q for the quarter ended October 2, 1994)*.
- (n) Alpha Industries, Inc., 1994 Non-Qualified Stock Option Plan for Non-Employee Directors (Filed as Exhibit 10(r) to the Quarterly Report on Form 10-Q for the quarter ended October 2, 1994)*. (1)
- (o) Alpha Industries Executive Compensation Plan dated January 1, 1995 and Trust for the Alpha Industries Executive Compensation Plan dated January 3, 1995 (Filed as Exhibit 10(p) to the Annual Report on Form 10-K for the fiscal year ended April 2, 1995)*. (1)
- (p) Letter of Employment dated January 24, 1995 between the Registrant and David J. Aldrich (Filed as Exhibit 10(q) to the Annual Report on Form 10-K for the fiscal year ended April 2, 1995)*. (1)
- (q) Alpha Industries, Inc. Savings and Retirement Plan dated March 31, 1995 (Filed as Exhibit 10(r) to the Annual Report on Form 10-K for the fiscal year ended April 2, 1995)*. (1)
- (r) Lease Agreement between MIE Properties, Inc. and Trans-Tech, Inc.
- (11) Statement re computation of per share earnings**.
- (27) Financial Data Schedule.
 - (b) Reports on Form 8-K

No reports on Form 8-K were filed with the Securities and Exchange Commission during the fiscal quarter ended September 29, 1996.

(1) Management Contracts.

^{*}Not filed herewith. In accordance with Rule 12b-32 promulgated pursuant to the Securities Exchange Act of 1934, as amended, reference is hereby made to documents previously filed with the Commission, which are incorporated by reference herein.

^{**}Reference is made to Note 2 of the notes to Consolidated Financial Statements on Page 6 of this Quarterly Report on Form 10-Q, which Note 2 is hereby incorporated by reference herein.

SIGNATURES

Pursuant to the requirements of the Securities Exchange Act of 1934, the Registrant has duly caused this report to be signed on its behalf by the undersigned thereunto duly authorized.

Date: November 6, 1996

Alpha Industries, Inc. and Subsidiaries
----Registrant

/s/ Thomas C. Leonard

Thomas C. Leonard Chief Executive Officer and Director President

/s/ David J. Aldrich

David J. Aldrich Chief Financial Officer Principal Financial Officer

/s/ Paul E. Vincent

Paul E. Vincent Corporate Controller Principal Accounting Officer

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THIS LEASE, Made this 2d day of July, 1996, by and between MIE Properties, Inc.

(as agent for owner) herein called "Landlord", and Transtech, Inc., (a Maryland Corporation), herein called "Tenant".

WITNESSETH, That in consideration of the rental hereinafter agreed upon and the performance of all the conditions and covenants hereinafter set forth on the part of the Tenant to be performed, the Landlord does hereby lease unto the said Tenant, and the latter does lease from the former approximately 60,000 square

feet (the exact number to be set forth in a lease amendment) at the following premises: Lot 25 McKinney Industrial Park as shown on Exhibit A attached

hereto for the term of eight (8) years beginning on the 1st day of

August , 1997 , at and for the annual rental of (See Schedule, Page 1A),

payable in advance on the first day of each and every month during the term of this lease in equal monthly installments. Said rental shall be paid to MIE

Properties, Inc., 5720 Executive Drive, Baltimore, Maryland 21228-1789 or at such other place or to such appointee of the Landlord, as the Landlord may from time to time designate in writing.

THE TENANT COVENANTS AND AGREES WITH THE LANDLORD AS FOLLOWS:

. To pay said rent and each installment thereof as and when due.

PREPAID RENT

2. Commencing October 1, 1996, Tenant will pay \$16,250 per month in prepaid rent through July 31, 1997 and provided this Lease is not in default at anytime, Tenant shall be entitled to a rent credit of \$32,500 per year for the first five years of the Lease to reimburse Tenant for prepaid rent.

EARLY COMMENCEMENT

2a. If Tenant elects to occupy premises prior to August 1, 1997, the annual rental shall be \$4.50 per square foot until July 31, 1997.

Less Annual Net Annual Net Monthly

RENT SCHEDULE

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		Annual	Rent Credit	Rent	Rent
Year	1	\$313,800	\$32,500	\$281,300	\$23,441.67
Year	2	326,352	32,500	293,852	24,487.67
Year	3	339,406	32,500	306,906	25,575.50
Year	4	352,982	32,500	320,482	26,706.83
Year	5	367,101	32,500	334,601	27,883.42
Year	6	341,634	- 0 -	341,634	28,469.50
Year	7	355,302	- 0 -	355,302	29,608.50
Year	8	369,514	- 0 -	369,514	30,792.83

3. To use and occupy the leased premises solely for the following purposes

Manufacture of ceramic components.

Tenant shall have, as appurtenant to the Premises, rights to use in common, subject to reasonable rules of general applicability to all tenants of the Building from time to time made by Landlord and applied without

discrimination of which Tenant is given notice: common walkways and driveways, and common parking areas serving the Building. The Landlord shall diligently pursue the construction of the building shell and use its best efforts to complete such shell and Landlord supplied tenant improvements by July 31, 1996. Landlord will cooperate with Tenant to allow Tenant early access to Premises for its own improvements provided such early access does not delay Landlord work or result in additional costs.

UTILITIES

4. Tenant shall apply for and pay all costs of electricity, gas, telephone and other utilities used or consumed on the premises, together with all taxes, levies or other charges on such utilities. Tenant agrees to pay as additional rent Tenant's prorata share of the water and sewer service charges, or when applicable, the cost of maintaining and operating the well water and/or septic system chargeable to the total building in which the premises are located, based upon the number of tenants occupying the same. However, if in Landlord's sole judgment, the water and sewer charges for the premises are substantially higher than normal due to Tenant's water usage, then Tenant agrees that it will, upon written notice from Landlord, install a water meter at Tenant's expense and thereafter pay all water charges for the premises based on such meter readings.

MUNICIPAL REGULATING

5. Landlord and Tenant agree to observe, comply with and execute at its expense, all laws, orders, rules, requirements, and regulations of the United States, State, City or County of the said State, in which the leased premises are located, and of any and all governmental authorities or agencies and of any board of the fire underwriters or other similar organization, respecting the premises hereby leased and the manner in which said premises are or should be used by the Tenant.

ASSIGNMENT AND SUBLET

6. Except for an assignment or sublease to the subsidiary, affiliate, parent or successor by merger or consolidation of the within Tenant, not to assign this lease, in whole or in part, or sublet the leased premises, or any part or portion thereof, without the prior written consent of the Landlord. If such assignment or subletting is permitted, Tenant shall not be relieved from any liability whatsoever under this lease. The Landlord shall be entitled to any additional considerations over and above those stated in this lease, which are obtained in or for the sublease and/or assignment. No option rights can be assigned or transferred by the Tenant to an assignee or subtenant without the prior written consent of the Landlord.

INSURANCE

7. That the Tenant will not do anything in or about said premises that will contravene or affect any policy of insurance against loss by fire or other hazards, including, but not limited to, public liability now existing or which the Landlord may hereafter place thereon, or that will prevent Landlord from procuring such policies in companies acceptable to Landlord. Tenant will cooperate consistent with the conduct of Tenant's business to obtain the greatest possible reduction in the insurance rates on the premises hereby leased, or for the building of which the premises hereby leased are a part. The Tenant further agrees to pay, as part of and in addition to the next due monthly rental:

- a. its prorata share (approximately 33% exact percentage to be set forth in amendment) of the premium of any insurance on the premises hereby leased or for the building of which the premises hereby leased are apart;
- b. any increase in premium on the amount of such insurance that may be carried by Landlord on all or any part of the premises or the property resulting from the activities carried on by Tenant in or at the Premises, regardless of whether Landlord has consented to the same.

ALTERATIONS

- 8. (a) That the Tenant will not make any alterations costing more than \$50,000 in any one instance (in addition to original improvements) to said premises without the prior written consent of the Landlord. If the Tenant shall desire to make any such alterations, plans for the same shall first be submitted to and approved by the Landlord, such approval not to be unreasonably withheld and the same shall be done by the Tenant at its own expense, and the Tenant agrees that all such work shall be done in a good and workmanlike manner, that the structural integrity of the building shall not be impaired, and that no liens shall attach to the premises by reason thereof. In all cases, regardless of cost, Tenant will notify Landlord fourteen (14) days prior to commencement of improvements and provide as built drawings.
- (b) The Tenant agrees to obtain at the Tenant's expense all permits pertaining to the alterations. The Tenant also agrees to obtain, prior to beginning to make such alterations, and to keep in full force and effect at all times while such alterations are being made, all at the Tenant's sole cost and expense, such policies of insurance pertaining to such alterations and/or to the making thereof as the Landlord reasonably may request or require the Tenant to obtain, including, but not limited to, public liability and property damage insurance, and to furnish the Landlord evidence satisfactory to the Landlord of the existence of such insurance prior to the Tenant's beginning to make such alterations.
- (c) Any such alterations shall become the property of the Landlord as soon as they are affixed to the premises and all rights, title and interest therein of the Tenant shall immediately cease, unless otherwise agreed to in writing. The Landlord shall have the sole right to collect any insurance proceeds from any policy carried by Landlord for any damage of any kind to any of the improvements placed upon the said premises by the Tenant. If the making of any such alterations, or the obtaining of permits or franchise therefore shall directly or indirectly result in a franchise, minor privilege or any other or any tax or increase in tax, assessment or increase in assessment, such tax or assessment shall be paid, immediately upon its levy and subsequent levy, by the Tenant.
- (d) Unless the Landlord shall elect that all or part of any alterations installed by Tenant shall remain, the premises shall be restored to their original condition by the Tenant, at its own expense, before the expiration of its tenancy. Such restoration shall not be required except to the extent reasonably necessary to allow the premises to be used as shell warehouse space.

MAINTENANCE

9. The Tenant will, during the term of this lease, keep said demised premises and appurtenances (including interior and exterior windows, interior and exterior doors, interior plumbing, all heating and air conditioning, and interior electrical works thereof) in good order and condition and will make all necessary repairs including painting thereto at its own expense. Tenant will be responsible for all exterminating services, except termites, required in said demised premise. The Landlord does, however, give a 90 day warranty on all of the above mentioned items. If the Tenant does not commence necessary repairs 30 days after receiving written notice from the Landlord of the need to make a repair, the Landlord will proceed to make said repair and the cost of said repair will become part of and in addition to the next due monthly rental. The Landlord will make all necessary structural repairs to the exterior masonry walls, structural columns and roof of the demised premises, after being notified of the need for such repairs. The Tenant will, at the expiration of the term or at the sooner termination thereof by forfeiture or otherwise, deliver up the

demised premises in the same good order and condition as they were at the beginning of the tenancy, reasonable wear and tear excepted. Tenant agrees to furnish to Landlord at Tenant's expense within 30 days of occupancy a copy of an executed maintenance contract on all heating & air conditioning equipment with a reputable company and said contract will be kept in effect during the term of this Lease.

COMMON AREA EXPENSES

10. For each full or partial calendar year during the Lease Term, Tenant shall pay to Landlord as Additional Rent "Tenant's Proportionate Share" of the Common Area Expenses (Tenant's proportionate share will be approximately 33% - exact percentage to be set forth in amendment). For the purposes of this section, Common Area Expenses shall be defined as one hundred percent (100%) of the total cost and expense incurred by or on behalf of Landlord in each calendar year in operating, maintaining, and repairing (which includes replacements, additions, and alterations) of Common Areas of the building. These include, without limitation, a) the cost of maintaining, repairing, or replacing all service pipes, electric gas and waterlines and sewer mains leading to and from the Premises; b) all costs incurred in painting, resurfacing, and landscaping; c) all costs for repairs and improvements, line painting and striping, lighting, removal of snow, grass cutting, cleaning of parking areas; d) all costs incurred in maintaining, repairing and replacing the paving, parking areas, curbs, gutters, sidewalks, and steps; and e) management fees equal to 4% of rent.

Landlord shall also perform the following work at the Tenant's pro-rata expense:

Roof Maintenance & Repair
Exterior Glass Maintenance & Repair
Landscape Maintenance
Snow Removal
Exterior Lighting Maintenance & Repair
Parking Lot Maintenance & Repair items
Miscellaneous Maintenance & Repair items relative to the Building
Landlord will pay on behalf of Tenant and bill Tenant its pro-rata share of:
Real Estate Taxes

Real Estate Taxes Insurance Water & Sewer

Landlord reserves the right to estimate those expenses each fiscal year and invoice tenant on a monthly or quarterly basis for the fractional share due as a prepayment towards common area, maintenance costs, insurance and real estate taxes. After the end of each fiscal year, Landlord will tabulate the actual cost of Common Area Maintenance, Real Estate Taxes and Insurance and bill Tenant for the balance due or refund any overpayment. Tenant may audit such costs within 30 days of fiscal year end. If such costs are more than 10% in error, Landlord will pay the reasonable cost of such audit. Landlord will provide 240 parking spaces for the initial 60,000 square foot occupancy and an additional 150 parking spaces should Tenant exercise its option to expand to an additional 40,000 square feet.

TAXES

11. The premises covered by this lease form approximately 33% - (exact percentage to be set forth in amendment) of the total premises owned by the Landlord at this location. The Tenant shall pay, as additional rent, the Tenant's percentage of the Real Estate taxes as the same may be abated that may be levied or assessed by lawful taxing authorities against the land, buildings and improvements on the property. If this lease shall be in effect for less than a full fiscal year, the Tenant shall pay a pro-rata share of the increased taxes based upon the number of months that this lease is in effect. Said taxes shall include, but not by way of limitation, all paving taxes, and any and all benefits or assessments which may be levied on

the premises hereby leased but shall not include the United States Income Tax, or any State or other income tax upon the income or rent payable hereunder.

DEFAULT

- 12. If the Tenant shall fail to pay said rental or any other sum required by the terms, agreements, or addenda of this lease when the same shall be due, and within five (5) days after written notice (Landlord shall only be obligated to provide such written notice two times in any year), the Landlord shall have along with any and all other legal remedies the immediate right to make distress therefore, and upon such distress, in the Landlord's discretion, this tenancy shall terminate. In case the Tenant shall fail to comply with any of the other provisions, covenants, or conditions of this lease, on its part to be kept and performed, and such default shall continue for a period of thirty days after written notice thereof shall have been given to the Tenant by the Landlord, and/or if the Tenant shall fail to pay said rental or any other sum required by the terms of this lease to be paid by the Tenant when due and within five (5) days after written notice (Landlord shall only be obligated to provide such written notice two times in any year), then, upon the happening of any such event, and in addition to any and all other remedies that may thereby accrue to the Landlord, the Landlord may elect to either:
- 1. Landlord's Election to Retake possession without Termination of Lease.

 Landlord may retake possession of the leased premises and shall have the right, but not the obligation, without being deemed to have accepted a surrender thereof, and without terminating this Lease, to relet the same for the remainder of the lease term upon terms and conditions satisfactory to Landlord; and if the rent received from such reletting does not at least equal the rent payable by Tenant hereunder, Tenant shall pay and satisfy on a monthly basis and without acceleration the deficiency between the amount of rent so provided in this Lease and the rent received through reletting the leased premises; and, in addition, Tenant shall pay reasonable expenses in connection with any such reletting, including, but not limited to, leasing commissions paid to any real estate broker or agent, and reasonable attorney's fees incurred.
- 2. Landlord's Election to Terminate Lease. Landlord may terminate the
 Lease and forthwith repossess the leased premises and be entitled to recover as
 damages a sum of money equal to the net present value of the following amounts:
- a. any unpaid rent or any other outstanding monetary obligation of Tenant to Landlord under the Lease;
- b. the balance of the rent for the remainder of the lease term less the reasonable rental value of the leased premises;
 - c. damages for the wrongful withholding of the leased premises by Tenant;
- d. all legal expenses, including reasonable attorney's fees, expert and witness fees, court costs and other costs incurred in exercising its rights under the Lease;
- e. all costs incurred in recovering the leased premises, restoring the leased premises to good order and condition, and all commissions incurred by Landlord in reletting the leased premises.

DAMAGE

13. In the case of the total destruction of said leased premises by fire, other casualties, the elements or other cause, or of such damage thereto as shall render the same totally unfit for occupancy by the Tenant for more than 60 days, this lease, shall terminate and be at an end. If the leased premises are rendered partly untenantable by any cause mentioned in the preceding sentence, the Landlord shall, at its own expense, restore said leased premises with all reasonable diligence, and the rent shall be abated

proportionately for the period of said partial untenantability and until the leased premises shall have been fully restored by the Landlord.

BANKRUPTCY

14. In the event of the appointment of a receiver or trustee for the Tenant by any court, Federal and State, in any legal proceedings under any provisions of the Bankruptcy Act, if the appointment of such receiver or such trustee is not vacated within 60 days, or if said Tenant be adjudicated bankrupt or insolvent, or shall make an assignment for the benefit of its creditors, then and in any of said events, the Landlord may, at its option, terminate this tenancy by ten days written notice, and re-enter upon said premises.

POSSESSION

15. The Landlord covenants and agrees that possession of said premises shall be given to the Tenant as soon as said premises are ready for occupancy by the said Tenant. In case possession, in whole or in part, cannot be given to the Tenant on or before the beginning date of this lease, the Landlord agrees to abate the rent proportionately until possession is given to said Tenant, and the Tenant agrees to accept such pro rata abatement as liquidated damages for the failure to obtain possession.

SIGNS, ETC.

- 16. The Tenant covenants and agrees that:
- a. It will not place or permit any signs, lights, awnings or poles on or about said premises without the prior permission, in writing, of the Landlord and in the event such consent is given, the Tenant agrees to pay any minor privileges or other tax therefore;
- b. The Landlord is to immediately remove and dispose of any of the unauthorized aforementioned items at the expense of the Tenant and said cost shall become part of and in addition to the next due monthly rental. Tenant further covenants and agrees that it will not paint or make any changes in or on the outside of said premises without permission of the Landlord in writing. The Tenant agrees that it will not do anything on the outside of said premises to change the uniform architecture, paint or appearance of said building, without the consent of the Landlord in writing. Landlord hereby consents to location of cryogenic oxygen tank outside and immediately adjacent to premises.
- c. The Landlord shall have the right to place a "For Rent" sign on any portion of said premises for ninety (90) days prior to termination of this lease and to place a "For Sale" sign thereon at any time.

OUTSIDE

17. The Tenant further covenants and agrees not to put any items on the sidewalk or parking lot in the front, rear, or sides of said building or block said sidewalk, and not to do anything that directly or indirectly will take away any of the rights of ingress or egress or of light from any other tenant of the Landlord or do anything which will, in any way, change the uniform and general design of any property of the Landlord of which the premises hereby leased shall constitute a part of unit. Tenant will also keep steps free and clear of ice, snow and debris.

WATER DAMAGE

18. The Tenant covenants and agrees that the Landlord shall not be held responsible for and the Landlord is hereby released and relieved from any liability by reason of or resulting from damage or injury to person or property of the Tenant or of anyone else, directly or indirectly caused by (a) dampness or water

in any part of said premises or in any part of any other property of the Landlord or of others and/or (b) any leak or break in any part of said premises or in any part of any other property of the Landlord or of others or in the pipes of the plumbing or heating works thereof, no matter how caused, unless damage is due to Landlord's negligence.

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19. Neither Landlord nor Tenant shall not be liable to the other for any loss or damage or to any other person or property of the Tenant or unless such loss or damage shall be caused by or result from a negligent act of omission or commission.

Tenant agrees to save Landlord harmless, and to exonerate and indemnify Landlord from and against any and all claims, liabilities or penalties asserted by or on behalf of any person, firm, corporation or public authority on account of injury, death, damage or loss to person or property in or upon the Premises and the Property arising out of the use or occupancy of the Premises by Tenant of by any person claiming by, through or under Tenant (including, without limitation, all patrons, employees and customers of Tenant), or arising out of any delivery to the Premises, or on account of or based upon anything whatsoever done on the Premises, except if the same was caused by the negligence, fault or misconduct of Landlord, its agents, servants or employees. In respect of all of the foregoing, Tenant shall indemnify Landlord from and against all costs, expenses (including reasonable attorneys' fees), and liabilities incurred in or in connection with any such claim, action or proceeding brought thereon; and, in case of any action or proceeding brought against Landlord by reason of any such claim, Tenant, upon notice from Landlord and at Tenant's expense, shall resist or defend such action or proceeding and employ counsel therefor reasonably satisfactory to Landlord.

Landlord agrees to save Tenant harmless, and to exonerate and indemnify Tenant from and against any and all claims, liabilities or penalties asserted by or on behalf of any person, firm, corporation or public authority on account of injury, death, damage or loss to person or property in or upon the Premises arising out of the willful negligence of Landlord, its agents, servants, employees or contractors, or in or upon the common areas of the Property arising out of the negligence or willful misconduct of Landlord, its agents, servants, employees or contractors. In respect of all of the foregoing, Landlord shall indemnify Tenant from and against all costs, expenses (including reasonable attorneys' fees), and liabilities incurred in or in connection with any such claim, action or proceeding brought thereon; and, in case of any action or proceeding brought against Tenant by reason of any such claim, Landlord, upon notice from Tenant and at Landlord's expenses, shall resist or defend such action or proceeding and employ counsel therefor reasonably satisfactory to Tenant.

Tenant shall also carry and pay for a general liability policy protecting Landlord with respect to the leased premises, with limits of \$1,000,000.00 bodily injury any one occurrence and \$1,000,000.00 property damage any one occurrence and will furnish Landlord with certificate of same showing a 10 day notice of cancellation clause. Landlord agrees to take out and maintain throughout the term all risk casualty insurance in an amount equal to the full replacement costs of the Building with, if Landlord so elects, a reasonable deductible, and, if Landlord so elects, rent continuation coverage.

REPAIRS

20. It is understood and agreed that the Landlord, and its agents, servants, and employees, including any builder or contractor employed by the Landlord, shall have, and the Tenant hereby gives them and each of them, the absolute, and unconditional right, license and permission, at any and all reasonable times, upon reasonable notice, and for any reasonable purpose whatsoever, to enter through, across or upon the premises hereby leased or any part thereof, and, at the option of the Landlord, to make such reasonable repairs to or changes in said premises as the Landlord may deem necessary or proper.

21. It is agreed that the term of this lease expires on $\,$ July 31, 2005

without the necessity of any notice by or to any of the parties hereto. If the Tenant shall occupy said premises after such expiration, it is understood that, in the absence of any written agreement to the contrary, said Tenant shall hold premises as a Tenant from month to month, subject to all the other terms and conditions of this lease, at double the highest monthly rental installments reserved in this lease; provided that the Landlord shall, upon such expiration, be entitled to the benefit of all public general or public local laws relating to the speedy recovery of the possession of lands and tenements held over by Tenant that may be now in force or may hereafter be enacted.

Prior to expiration, Tenant agrees to schedule an inspection with Landlord to confirm that the leased premises, will be in proper order at expiration, including but not limited to lighting, mechanical, electrical and plumbing systems, plus all alterations (subsequent to original buildout) unless otherwise approved by Landlord be returned to original condition at commencement of lease.

CONDEMNATION

22. It is agreed in the event that condemnation proceedings are instituted against all or any material portion of the demised premises (or all or any portion of the common area so as to hinder parking access or loading) and title taken by any Federal, State, Municipal or other body, then this lease shall become null and

void at the date of settlement of condemnation proceedings and the Tenant shall not be entitled to recover any part of the award which may be received by the Landlord.

SUBORDINATION

23. It is agreed that Landlord shall have the right to place a mortgage or any form of mortgages on the premises and (subject to this section) this lease shall be subordinate to any such mortgage or mortgages, whether presently existing or hereafter placed on the premises, and Tenant agrees to execute reasonable documents assisting the effectuating of said subordination. Furthermore, if any person or entity shall succeed to all or part of Landlord's interest in the leased premises, whether by purchase, foreclosure, deed in lieu of foreclosure, power of sale, termination of lease, or otherwise, Tenant shall (subject to this section) automatically attorn to such successor in interest, which attornment shall be self operative and effective upon the signing of this lease, and shall execute such other agreement in confirmation of such attornment as such successor in interest shall reasonably request.

The subordination of this lease to any future mortage and Tenant's attornment to any successor in interest to Landlord shall be subject to the requirement that the holder of such mortgage or such successor, as the case may be, unconditionally agrees to recognize and not disturb the possession of Tenant so long as Tenant is not in default hereunder past any applicable grace or cure periods.

Landlord agrees to use its best efforts to obtain from each holder of a present mortgage, if any, an agreement that the possession of Tenant will not be disturbed so long as Tenant is not in default past any applicable grace or cure periods.

NOTICES

24. Any notice required by this lease is to be sent to the Landlord at: 5720 Executive Drive
Baltimore, Maryland 21228-1789

Any notice required by this lease is to be sent to the Tenant at:
20 Sylvan Road
Woburn, MA 01801
with copy to General Manager at Premises

All notices required or permitted hereunder shall be in writing and addressed, if to the Tenant, at the Original Notice Address of Tenant or such other address as Tenant shall have last designated by notice in writing to Landlord and, if to Landlord at the Original Notice Address of Landlord or such other address as Landlord shall have last designated by notice in writing to Tenant. Any notice shall be deemed duly given when mailed to such address postage prepaid, by registered or certified mail, return receipt requested, or when delivered to such address by hand or by reputable overnight courier.

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25. Except as provided in Section 13 above, no remedy conferred upon Landlord shall be considered exclusive of any other remedy, but shall be in addition to every other remedy available to Landlord under this Lease or as a matter of law. Every remedy available to Landlord may be exercised concurrently or from time to time, as often as the occasion may arise. Tenant hereby waives any and all rights which it may have to request a jury trial in any proceeding at law or in equity in any court of competent jurisdiction.

PERFORMANCE

26. It is agreed that the failure of the Landlord to insist in any one or more instances upon a strict performance of any covenant of this lease or to exercise any right herein contained shall not be construed as a waiver or relinquishment for the future of such covenant or right, but the same shall remain in full force and effect, unless the contrary is expressed in writing by Landlord.

SECURITY DEPOSIT AND FINANCIAL STATEMENTS

27. A security deposit of \$22,500.00 has been previously paid. If this

lease is not approved by the Landlord within 30 days of its submission to the Landlord, the security deposit will be refunded in full. Landlord shall have the right to require annual financial statements on the Tenant and/or Guarantor of this Lease. Requested statements must be provided no later than 120 days after the closing of each fiscal year.

AGREEMENT CONTENTS

28. This lease contains the final and entire agreement between the parties hereto, and neither they nor their agents shall be bound by any terms, conditions or representations not herein written.

LEGAL EXPENSE

29. In the event, to enforce the terms of this lease, either party files legal action against the other, and is successful in said action, the losing party agrees to pay all reasonable expenses to the prevailing party, including the reasonable attorney's fee incident to said legal action. In the event that the Landlord is successful in any legal action filed against the Tenant, the Landlord's reasonable attorney fees incident to said legal action shall become part of and in addition to the then due monthly rent.

LAND

30. It is agreed that the demised premises is the building area occupied by the Tenant and only $\,$

the land under that area.

BENEFICIAL OCCUPANCY

31. Occupancy in any manner and in any part shall be deemed to be beneficial occupancy and rent shall be due on the part. Beneficial occupancy and rent thereby due shall not depend on official governmental approval of such occupancy, state of completion of building, availability or connection of utilities and services such as but not limited to sewer, water, gas, oil, or electric. No rent credit shall be given because of lack of utilities or services.

ENVIRONMENTAL REQUIREMENTS

32. Hazardous Wastes and Materials. Tenant covenants and agrees not to

dispose of any hazardous wastes, hazardous materials or oil on the Premises or the Property or into any of the plumbing, sewage, or drainage systems thereon, and to indemnify and save Landlord hamless from all claims, liability, loss or damage arising on account of the use or disposal by Tenant of hazardous wastes, hazardous materials or oil, including, without limitation, liability under any federal, state, or local law, requirements and regulations, or damage to any of the aforesaid systems. Tenant shall comply with all governmental reporting requirements with respect to Tenant's use or generation of hazardous wastes, hazardous materials and oil, and shall deliver to Landlord copies of all reports filed with governmental authorities.

Landlord shall indemnify and save Tenant harmless from all claims, liability, loss or damage arising on account of the Landlord's use or disposal of hazardous wastes, hazardous materials or oil on the Property, or arising on account of hazardous wastes, hazardous materials or oil present on the Property as of the Date of this Lease, including, without limitation, liability under any federal, state or local laws, requirements or regulations; provided, however, this indemnity shall not apply in the event Tenant uses or disposes on the Property the hazardous wastes, hazardous materials or oil which are the subject of such claim, liability, loss or damage.

SEVERABILITY

33. In case any one or more of the provisions contained in this Lease shall for any reason be held to be invalid, not legal or unenforceable in any respect, such invalidity, illegality or unenforceability shall not affect any other provisions of this Lease, but this Lease shall be construed as if such invalid, illegal or unenforceable provision had never been contained herein.

LATE CHARGE

34. If the Tenant shall fail to pay when due, the said rental or any other sum required by the terms of this lease to be paid by the Tenant, then, upon the happening of any such event, and in addition to any and all other remedies that may thereby accrue to the Landlord, the Tenant agrees to pay to the Landlord a late charge of 5% of the monthly account balance. The late charge on the base rent accrues after 10 days of the due date and said late charge shall become part of and in addition to the then due monthly rental.

QUIET ENJOYMENT

35. Tenant, upon paying the minimum rent, additional rent and other charges herein provided for and observing and keeping all of its covenants, agreements and conditions in this Lease, shall quietly have and enjoy the Premises during the Term of this Lease without hindrance or molestation by anyone.

IMPROVEMENTS

36. a) The leased premises shall contain only the following items at the expense of the Landlord.

Such work shall be done in a good and workmanlike manner.

Warehouse lighting of 15 footcandles (or credit). Restroom rough-ins as required. 1000 amp. electric service (or credit). Gas fired Modine heaters (or \$20,000 credit).

- b) PRE-COMMENCEMENT WORK BY TENANT. Tenant may enter the Premises for a period of up to 60 days prior to the Commencement Date or Early Commencement Date, for the purposes of moving in materials and equipment and performing work so as to ready the Premises for occupancy and to perform final assembly of its products. During the period of occupancy of the Premises by Tenant prior to the commencement of the term, no rent shall accrue or be payable but otherwise such occupancy shall be subject to all the terms, covenants and conditions contained in this Lease. Tenant agrees to employ for such work and moving one or more responsible contractors whose labor will work without substantial interference with other labor working on the Premises and to cause such contractors employed by Tenant to carry Worker's Compensation Insurance in accordance with statutory requirements and Comprehensive Public Liability Insurance covering such contractors on or about the Premises and to submit certificates evidencing such acceptable coverage to Landlord prior to the commencement of such work.
- c) ACCEPTANCE OF THE PREMISES. Tenant or its representatives may, at reasonable times, enter upon the Premises during the progress of the work to inspect the progress thereof and to determine if the Landlord's Work is being performed in a good and workmanlike manner. Tenant shall promptly give to Landlord notices of any failure by Landlord to comply with those requirements. Landlord's Work shall be deemed approved by Tenant when Tenant occupies the Premises for the conduct of its business, except for items of Landlord's Work which are uncompleted or do not conform to mutually agreed upon plans and specifications and to which Tenant shall, in either case, have given written notice to Landlord prior to such occupancy and except for latent defects in workmanship or materials that appear in any of Landlord's Work, and of which Landlord is given written notice during the first year of the term of this Lease. A certificate of completion by a licensed architect or registered engineer and a certificate of occupancy shall be conclusive evidence that Landlord's Work has been completed except for items stated in such certificate of completion to be incomplete or not in conformity with such plans and specifications.

WINDOW COVERINGS

37. The Tenant covenants and agrees not to install any window covering other than a one-inch horizontal mini-blind of an off-white color unless approved by the Landlord.

OPTIONS

- 38. Lessee may extend the term of this lease and all the provisions hereof, as amended from time to time, for three $\,$ (3) further successive
- period s $\,$ of five (5) year s $\,$ each, by notifying Lessor in writing of its $\,$

intention to do so at least two hundred seventy days (270) prior to the expiration of the then current term.

However, it is further understood and agreed that the first year's annual rental for the first renewal period shall be the lower of:

- a) market rental for comparable quality shell warehouse space in the Frederick, Maryland area but not less than \$6.15 per square foot;
- b) $\,$ \$6.25 per sq. ft. The succeeding years of the first renewal option shall be increased by 4%.

The first year rental of second and third renewal periods shall be the lower of market rental for comparable quality warehouse shell space in the Frederick area or the preceding years rental increased by

4% and thereafter increased 4% annually.

If the Tenant disagrees with Landlord's designation of the market rate, and the parties cannot agree upon the market rate, then the market rate shall be submitted to arbitration as follows: market rate shall be determined by impartial arbitrators, one to be chosen by the Landlord, one to be chosen by Tenant, and a third to be selected, if necessary, as below provided. The unanimous written decision of the two first chosen, without selection and participation of a third arbitrator, or otherwise, the written decision of a majority of three arbitrators chosen and selected as aforesaid, shall be conclusive and binding upon Landlord and Tenant. Landlord and Tenant shall each notify the other of its chosen arbitrator within ten (10) days following the call for arbitration, and unless such two arbitrators shall have reached a unanimous decision within thirty (30) days after their designation, they shall so notify the then President of the Maryland Association and request him to select an impartial third arbitrator, who shall be another office building owner, a real estate counselor or a broker dealing with like types of properties, to determine market rate as herein defined. Such third arbitrator and the first two chosen shall hear the parties and their evidence and render their decision within thirty (30) days following the conclusion of such hearing and notify Landlord and Tenant thereof. Landlord and Tenant shall share equally the expense of the third arbitrator (if any). If the dispute between the parties as to a market rate has not been resolved before the commencement of Tenant's obligation to pay Rent and Additional Rent based upon such market rate, then Tenant shall pay Rent and Addition Rent under the Lease based upon the then current rate until either the agreement of the parties as to the market rate, or the decision of the arbitrators, as the case may be, at which time Tenant shall pay any underpayment of Rent and Additional Rent to Landlord, or Landlord shall refund any overpayment of Fixed Rent and Additional Rent to Tenant.

- If the option to extend the term of this Lease is not timely exercised, the unexercised option to extend shall automatically become null and
- If Tenant shall default under the Lease, all unexercised rights to extend the term of the Lease shall automatically be extinguished and become null and void.

ADDENDUM

- 39. Landlord and Tenant agree to execute an Addendum to this Lease setting for:
 - The exact Commencement and Expiration date of this lease.
- The exact percentage of space occupied by Tenant for purposes of 2. allocation of Real Estate taxes, Insurance and Common Area Charges.

 3. The total annual rental.

CONTINGENCY

40. (Intentionally Deleted)

EXPANSION

41. Tenant may at any time on or before 8/1/98 give Landlord written notice of Tenant's intention to occupy the 40,000 square feet of space in the building immediately adjacent to the original 60,000 square feet of the original premises, as indicated on Exhibit A attached hereto. Landlord shall deliver possession of such additional 40,000 square feet to Tenant one year after the date of such notice, and thereafter, the leased premises shall for all purposes under this

lease be deemed to constitute the entire 100,000 square feet of space indicated on Exhibit A attached hereto. Beginning with the delivery of possession of such additional space, the annual rental rate for the entire 100,000 square feet shall be the same as for the original 60,000 square feet, and Tenant's Proportionate Share shall be determined from that time forward based on the entire 100,000 square feet occupied by Tenant.

LANDLORD'S REPRESENTATIONS

- 42. Landlord warrants and represents to Tenant that:
- a) to Landlord's knowledge, the Premises and the Property do not contain hazardous wastes, hazardous materials or oils, and there are no underground tanks on the Property;
 - b) Landlord is owner in fee of the Property;
- c) the Premises is located in a zoning district which permits the Premises to be used for the Permitted Uses;
- d) to Landlord's knowledge, there are no claims or other proceedings filed, pending or threatened against Landlord with respect to the Property; and
- e) to Landlord's knowledge, there is no threatened or anticipated condemnation, special assessment or change in zoning classification with respect to the Property.

ACTS OF GOD

43. In any case where either party hereto is required to do any act, delays caused by or resulting from Acts of God, war, civil commotion, fire, floor or other casualty, labor difficulties, shortages of labor, materials or equipment, government regulations, unusually severe weather, or other causes beyond such party's reasonable control shall not be counted in determining the time during which work shall be completed, whether such time be designated by a fixed date, a fixed time or a "reasonable time," and such time shall be deemed to be extended by the period of such delay.

AS WITNESS THE HANDS AND SEALS OF THE PARTIES HERETO THE DAY AND YEAR FIRST ABOVE WRITTEN:

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		By: /s/	Gerard W	it			(SEAL)
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SECURITY DEPOSIT AGREEMENT

This is NOT a rent receipt.

Date July 2, 1996

Received from Transtech, Inc. (a Maryland Corporation), the amount of \$22,500.00, as security deposit for premises Lot 25, McKinney Industrial Park.

Landlord agrees that, subject to the conditions listed below, this security deposit will be returned in full

within thirty (30) days of vacancy.

rent and that the full monthly rent will be paid on or before the first day of every month, including the last month of occupancy. Tenant further agrees that a mortgagee of the property demised by the lease to which this Security Deposit Agreement is appended and/or a mortgagee thereof in possession of said property and/or a purchaser of said property at a foreclosure sale shall not have any liability to the Tenant for this security deposit.

SECURITY	DEPOSIT	RELEASE	PREREQUISITES:
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- 1. Full term of lease has expired.
- 2. No damage to property beyond fair wear and tear.
- Entire leased premises clean and in order.
- 4. No unpaid late charges or delinquent rents.
- All keys returned.
 All debris and rubbish and discards placed in proper rubbish containers.
- 7. Forwarding address left with Landlord.

AS WITNESS THE ABOVE WRITTEN:	HANDS	AND	SEALS	0F	THE	PARTIES	HERETO	THE D	DAY .	AND	YEAR	FIRST	
			1	Ву:	/s/	James C	. Nemial	n, Cor	rp.	Cour	nsel (SEAL)	
(Witness)			-								(Ten	ant/Title	<u>.</u> د
			I	Ву:	/s/	Gerard N	Wit				(SEAL)	
(Witness)			-								(L	andlord)	

*SECURITY DEPOSIT SHALL DRAW INTEREST AT THE RATE OF 4% PER ANNUM SIMPLE INTEREST.

GUARANTY OF LEASE

This Guaranty of Lease made the 2d day of June, 1996 by and between MIE

PROPERTIES, INC. as Landlord and Trans-Tech, Inc., as Tenant and in consideration of Ten Dollars (\$10) and other good and valuable consideration paid, the receipt and sufficiency of which are hereby acknowledged, the undersigned, jointly and severally (if there be more than one party), hereby absolutely and unconditionally guarantee(s) to Landlord and its successors and assigns, (a) the full payment of the Fixed Annual Minimum Rent and all additional rent as provided for in the foregoing and annexed Lease Agreement (the "Lease"), and (b) the performance and observance of all agreements and conditions contained in the Lease on the part of Tenant to be performed or observed. The undersigned hereby agree(s) that it (or they) shall in no way be released from its (or their) obligations under this Guaranty by any assignment of the Lease or any subletting of the Premises, or any waiver of default or any extension of time or other favor or indulgence granted by Landlord to Tenant or by failure to receive notice of any of these actions. The undersigned hereby waive(s) presentment, demand for payment, or notice of non-payment for any other sum payable by Tenant under the other terms, covenants, or conditions contained in the Lease on Tenant's part to be performed or observed, Landlord may proceed directly against the undersigned, or any one of them, for the full amount due under this Guaranty without being required first to institute suit against Tenant. Guarantor agrees to pay to Landlord reasonable attorney's fees incurred by Landlord if any action or suit is brought under this Guaranty for enforcement of the provisions thereof.

GUARANTOR has caused this Guaranty to be executed under seal as of this 2d day of June , 1996. GUARANTORS: ALPHA INDUSTRIES, INC. WITNESS: James C. Nemiah /s/ M.J. Reid (SEAL) Print Name: M.J. Reid, President ACKNOWLEDGMENT STATE OF Massachusetts -----) SS: x) COUNTY OF Middlesex I, James C. Nemiah, a Notary Public in and for the county and state aforesaid, DO HEREBY CERTIFY that M.J. Reid, President (Title), of Alpha Industries, Inc., who is personally known to me to be the same person whose name is subscribed to the foregoing instrument as such President (Title) appeared before me this day in person and acknowledged that he signed, sealed and delivered the said instrument as his free and voluntary act as such President (Title) and

Given under my hand and notarial sea, this 20th day of June, 1996.

as the free and voluntary act of said corporation for the uses and purposes

/s/ James C. Nemiah My commission expires August 24, 2001
----Notary Public

LOT 25, MCKINNEY INDUSTRIAL PARK

- 1. The Common Facilities, and the sidewalks, driveways, and other public portion of the Property (herein "Public Areas") shall not be obstructed or encumbered by Tenant or used for any purpose other than ingress or egress to and from its premises, and Tenant shall not permit any of its employees, agents, licensees or invitees to congregate or loiter in any of the Public Areas. Tenant shall not invite to, or permit to visit its premises, persons in such numbers or under such conditions as may interfere with the use and enjoyment by others of the Public Areas. Landlord reserves the right to control and operate, and to restrict and regulate the use of, the Public Areas and the public facilities, as well as facilities furnished for the common use of the tenants, in such manner as it deems best for the benefit of the tenants generally.
- 2. No bicycles, animals (except seeing eye dogs) fish or birds of any kind shall be brought into, or kept in or about any premises within the Building.
- 3. No noise, including, but not limited to, music, the playing of musical instruments, recordings, radio or television, which, in the judgment of Landlord, might disturb other tenants in the Building, shall be made or permitted by any tenant.
- Tenant's premises shall not be used for lodging or sleeping or for any immoral or illegal purpose.
- 5. Tenant shall not cause or permit any odors of cooking or other processes, or any unusual or objectionable odors, to emanate from its premises which would annoy other tenants or create a public or private nuisance.
- 6. Plumbing facilities shall not be used for any purpose other than those for which they were constructed; and no sweepings, rubbish, ashes, newspapers or other substances of any kind shall be thrown into them.
- Tenant agrees to keep the Leased Premises in a neat, good and sanitary condition and to place garbage, trash, rubbish and all other disposables only where Landlord directs.
- 8. Landlord reserves the right to rescind, alter, waive or add, any Rule or Regulation at any time prescribed for the Building when, in the reasonable judgment of Landlord, Landlord deems it necessary or desirable for the reputation, safety, character, security, care, appearance or interests of the Building, or the preservation of good order therein, or the operation or maintenance of the Building, or the equipment thereof, or the comfort of tenants or others in the Building.
- 9. Non-compliance with any of the above rules and regulations may, in Landlord's sole judgment, result in a monetary fine not to exceed \$25 per day. Landlord will notify Tenant of such violations and Tenant will have five (5) days to rectify, after which, daily fine will be applied.
- 10. All Rules & Regulations shall be applied uniformly as to Tenant and all other Tenants.

THIS SCHEDULE CONTAINS SUMMARY FINANCIAL INFORMATION EXTRACTED FROM THE FINANCIAL STATEMENTS OF ALPHA INDUSTRIES, INC. AND SUBSIDIARIES AS OF AND FOR THE SIX MONTHS ENDED SEPTEMBER 29, 1996 AND IS QUALIFIED IN ITS ENTIRETY BY REFERENCE TO SUCH FINANCIAL STATEMENTS.

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