

ARTICLE 8. Conflict With Laws

In the event that any provisions of this Agreement relating to the amounts and payment of wages or other financial benefits are affected by any legislation, decision of a court of competent jurisdiction or governmental regulation in such manner so that such wages or other financial benefits would be increased over, or decreased under, the amount intended to be paid by the parties hereto at the time of the execution of this Agreement, then each of the parties hereto agrees that upon written notice from the other party setting forth the provisions to be negotiated, they will renegotiate for modification of such provisions so that such provisions will conform to such legislation, decision of a court of competent jurisdiction or governmental regulation, as the case may be, and will provide, as nearly as possible, for payment of wages or other financial benefits in the amount intended to be paid by the parties hereto at the time of the execution hereof.

If the parties are unable to arrive at an agreement within thirty (30) days after delivery of such notice, then such provisions in question shall

be immediately submitted to an Arbitration Committee composed of one member designated by the Producer, one member by the Union and an Impartial Chairman, to be selected by such other two (2) members within ten (10) days following such thirty-day period provided above. This Arbitration Committee shall promptly proceed to hear and settle such matter. The authority of this Arbitration Committee to decide shall be limited solely to determining the appropriate modifications of such provisions so that such provisions will conform to such legislation, decision of a court of competent jurisdiction or governmental regulation, as the case may be, and will provide, as nearly as possible, for the payment of wages and other financial benefits in the amount intended to be paid by the parties at the time of execution of this Agreement.

The terms and conditions of such appropriate modifications, if any, by the said Arbitration Committee, shall be effective and operative as of the date on which the provisions, so modified accordingly, were so affected by any such legislation, decision of a court of competent jurisdiction or governmental regulation, as the case may be, in such manner and to the extent as above described and provided. The amounts and payments of wages or other financial benefits contained in such appropriate modifications, if any, made by such Arbitration Committee, shall be computed and paid thereunder retroactive to the effective date of such modifications. In the event that no such modifications can be made, as above provided, because of any legislation, decision of a court of competent jurisdiction or governmental regulation, Producer shall not be liable for any retroactive back pay adjustments, or any other penalty, if any such modification is thereafter permissible. The decision of the said Arbitration Committee shall be final and shall not be subject to the Grievance and Arbitration Procedure in Article 7 above, but its authority to decide shall be limited to the issue and remedy herein provided. The above procedure and conditions shall be the exclusive remedy for determining any dispute arising under this Article 8.

Upon written notice by such Arbitration Committee to the respective parties hereto, the modification of such provisions as determined by said Committee, as above provided, shall automatically become a part of this Agreement. Fees and expenses of the Impartial Chairman shall be borne equally by the Union and the Producer.