

ARTICLE IX

ASSIGNMENT, SUBLEASING, MORTGAGING AND SELLING;  
REDEMPTION; RENT PREPAYMENT AND ABATEMENT;  
INSTALLATION OF LESSEE'S OWN MACHINERY AND EQUIPMENT

SECTION 9.1. Assignment and Subleasing. This Agreement may be assigned, and the Project may be subleased as a whole or in part, by the Lessee without the necessity of obtaining the consent of either the County or the Trustee, subject, however, to each of the following conditions:

(a) No assignment (other than pursuant to Section 8.3 hereof) or subleasing shall relieve the Lessee from primary liability for any of its obligations hereunder, and in the event of any such assignment or subleasing, the Lessee shall continue to remain primarily liable for payment of the rents specified in Section 5.3 hereof and for the payment, performance and observance of the other obligations and agreements on its part herein provided to be performed and observed by it.

(b) The assignee or sublessee shall assume in writing the obligations of the Lessee hereunder to the extent of the interest assigned or subleased.

(c) The Lessee shall, within thirty days after the delivery thereof, furnish or cause to be furnished to the County and to the Trustee a true and complete copy of each such assignment or sublease, as the case may be.

SECTION 9.2. Mortgage of Property by County. The County will mortgage the Project by the Indenture, and assign its interest in and pledge the Lease Rentals pursuant to the Indenture, to the Trustee as security for payment of the principal of, premium, if any, and interest on the Bonds, but each such mortgage, assignment or pledge shall be subject and subordinate to this Agreement.

SECTION 9.3. Restrictions on Sale of Project by County. The County agrees that, except as set forth in Section 9.2 hereof or other provisions of this Agreement or the Indenture, it will not sell, convey, mortgage, encumber or otherwise dispose of any part of the Project or the Lease Rentals during the Lease Term.

SECTION 9.4. Redemption of Bonds. The County at the request at any time of the Lessee and, if the same are then subject to redemption, shall forthwith take all steps that may be necessary under the applicable redemption provisions of the Indenture to effect redemption of all or part of the then outstanding Bonds, as may be specified by the Lessee, on the earliest redemption date on which such redemption may be made under such applicable provisions.

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