

#### FRANCHISE DISCLOSURE DOCUMENT

CLEANTECH SERVICES, INC. 243 NARRAGANSETT PARK DRIVE EAST PROVIDENCE, RI 02916 (401) 434-4650

EFFECTIVE DATE IN THE STATE OF RHODE ISLAND: October 31, 2017

## INFORMATION FOR PROSPECTIVE FRANCHISEES

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TO PROTECT YOU, WE DISCLOSE THIS INFORMATION TO YOU ABOUT A CLEANTECH SERVICES<sup>TM</sup> FRANCHISE TO HELP YOU MAKE UP YOUR MIND. STUDY IT CAREFULLY. WHILE IT INCLUDES SOME INFORMATION ABOUT YOUR FRANCHISE AGREEMENT, DO NOT RELY UPON IT ALONE TO UNDERSTAND YOUR FRANCHISE AGREEMENT. CAREFULLY READ ALL OF THIS FRANCHISE DISCLOSURE DOCUMENT AND ITS EXHIBITS, THE FRANCHISE AGREEMENT AND ITS EXHIBITS, AND ALL OTHER DOCUMENTS FOR YOUR PURCHASE OF A FRANCHISE BEFORE YOU AGREE TO SIGN THEM. BUYING A FRANCHISE IS A COMPLICATED INVESTMENT. TAKE YOUR TIME TO DECIDE. YOU SHOULD SHOW THIS INFORMATION AND THESE AGREEMENTS TO AN ATTORNEY, ACCOUNTANT, AND/OR OTHER ADVISOR. IF YOU FIND ANYTHING YOU THINK MAY BE WRONG OR ANYTHING IMPORTANT THAT HAS BEEN LEFT OUT, PLEASE LET US KNOW ABOUT IT BY CALLING US AT (401) 434-4650.



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The franchisor is CLEANTECH SERVICES, INC., which is a Rhode Island corporation.

The franchises the franchisor offers for sale are franchises that provide janitorial and maintenance services to commercial buildings under the name "CLEANTECH SERVICESTM".

The estimated total initial investment required to begin operation of a CLEANTECH SERVICES<sup>TM</sup> franchise is set forth in Item 8 of this Franchise Disclosure Document. That amount includes an initial franchise fee that must be paid to CLEANTECH SERVICES, INC. which is set forth in Item 5 of this Franchise Disclosure Document.

In order to operate a CLEANTECH SERVICES<sup>TM</sup> franchise, you will be required to enter into a Franchise Agreement with CLEANTECH SERVICES, INC. A copy of the Franchise Agreement is attached to this Franchise Disclosure Document as Exhibit B.

This Franchise Disclosure Document summarizes certain provisions of the Franchise Agreement and other information in plain language. Read this Franchise Disclosure Document, the Franchise Agreement, and all of the other exhibits to this Franchise Disclosure Document and to the Franchise Agreement carefully. The terms of the Franchise Agreement will govern your franchise relationship with CLEANTECH SERVICES, INC. The Franchise Agreement is a contract. Don't sign the Franchise Agreement unless you understand it. Don't rely on this Franchise Disclosure Document alone to understand your Franchise Agreement. You should show this Franchise Disclosure Document, your Franchise Agreement, and all of the Exhibits to those documents, to an attorney, accountant, or other advisor before you sign the Franchise Agreement.

# NOTE: NO GOVERNMENT AGENCY HAS VERIFIED THE INFORMATION CONTAINED IN THIS FRANCHISE DISCLOSURE DOCUMENT.

Buying a franchise is a complex investment. The information in this Franchise Disclosure Document can help you to make up your mind whether to buy a franchise. More information on franchising which can help you understand how to use this Franchise Disclosure Document is available from the Federal Trade Commission ("FTC"), such as "A Consumer's Guide to Buying a Franchise". You can contact the FTC at 1-877-FTC-HELP or by writing to the FTC at 600 Pennsylvania Avenue, NW, Washington, DC 20580. You can also visit the FTC's website home page at www.ftc.gov for additional information. You can also contact the Franchise Department of the Rhode Island Department of Business Regulation - Securities Division for more information on franchise laws in Rhode Island. That state agency's address and telephone number are listed in Exhibit A to this Franchise Disclosure Document. You could also visit your public library for other sources of information on franchising.



We only have this Franchise Disclosure Document, the Franchise Agreement, and the exhibits to those documents in this paper format at this time.

You must receive this Franchise Disclosure Document at least 14 calendar days before you sign a Franchise Agreement with CLEANTECH SERVICES, INC., or make any payment to CLEANTECH in connection with your purchase of a CLEANTECH SERVICES<sup>TM</sup> franchise. You will be required to sign the first Receipt n Exhibit J to this Franchise Disclosure Document when you receive this Franchise Disclosure Document.

### Risk Factors:

- 1. THE FRANCHISE AGREEMENT SPECIFIES THAT ALL DISPUTES AGAINST CLEANTECH SERVICES, INC. ARE TO BE DECIDED BY ARBITRATION IN RHODE ISLAND AND NOT IN THE COURTS. ARBITRATION IN RHODE ISLAND MAY FORCE YOU TO ACCEPT A LESS FAVORABLE SETTLEMENT FOR YOUR DISPUTES. IF YOU ARE LOCATED OUTSIDE RHODE ISLAND, IT MAY ALSO COST MORE TO ARBITRATE IN RHODE ISLAND THAN IN YOUR STATE.
- 2. RHODE ISLAND LAW GOVERNS THE FRANCHISE AGREEMENT. IF YOU ARE LOCATED OUTSIDE OF RHODE ISLAND, YOU MAY WANT TO COMPARE YOUR STATE LAW WITH RHODE ISLAND LAW, AS RHODE ISLAND LAW MAY NOT PROVIDE THE SAME PROTECTIONS AND BENEFITS AS THE LAW OF YOUR STATE.
- 3. THERE MAY BE OTHER RISKS CONCERNING THIS FRANCHISE AS WELL.

Registration of CLEANTECH SERVICES, INC. as a franchisor with the State of Rhode Island does not mean that the State recommends it or has verified the information in this Franchise Disclosure Document. If you find that anything in this Franchise Disclosure Document is untrue, then please let us know as soon as possible by calling us at (401) 434-4650 so we can address that; and/or contact the FTC (its contact information is provided on the first page of this Franchise Disclosure Document) and/or contact the Franchise Department of the Rhode Island Department of Business Regulation- Securities Division at the address and phone number listed in Exhibit A.

The effective date of this Franchise Disclosure Document is October 31, 2017 (hereinafter, "Effective Date").

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