

FRANCHISE DISCLOSURE DOCUMENT

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**Clintar Landscape Management**

This franchise is for the operation of a business that will provide landscape management services, such as landscape maintenance and enhancement, roadway and parking lot maintenance, irrigation system maintenance, and, where applicable, snow removal and ice control services, for commercial, industrial, residential estates and institutional facilities, and other related services under the "Clintar" name and system ("Franchised Business")

The total investment necessary to begin operation of a Clintar franchise is \$285,500 to \$397,500. This includes \$40,000 that must be paid to the franchisor or its affiliate as an initial franchise fee, \$7,500 that must be paid to the franchisor or its affiliate as an initial training fee, and \$5,000 that must be paid to the franchisor or its affiliate as an initial marketing fee.

This disclosure document summarizes certain provisions of your franchise agreement and other information in plain English. Read this disclosure document and all accompanying agreements carefully. You must receive the disclosure document at least 14 calendar days before you sign a binding agreement with, or make any payment to the franchisor or an affiliate in connection with the proposed franchise sale. **Note, however, that no government agency has verified the information contained in this document.**

You may wish to receive your disclosure document in another format that is more convenient for you. To discuss the availability of disclosures in different formats, contact Todd Wilton at 70 Esna Park Drive, Unit 1, Markham, Ontario L3R 6E7, Canada, and (800) 361-3542.

The terms of your contract will govern your franchise relationship. Don't rely on the disclosure document alone to understand your contract. Read all of your contract carefully. Show your contract and this disclosure document to an advisor, like a lawyer or an accountant.

Buying a franchise is a complex investment. The information in this disclosure document can help you make up your mind. More information on franchising, such as "*A Consumer's Guide to Buying a Franchise*," which can help you understand how to use this disclosure document, is available from the Federal Trade Commission. 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 home page at www.ftc.gov for additional information. Call your state agency or visit your public library for other sources of information on franchising.

There may also be laws on franchising in your state. Ask your state agencies about them.

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STATE COVER PAGE

Your state may have a franchise law that requires a franchisor to register or file with a state franchise administrator before offering or selling in your state. **REGISTRATION OF A FRANCHISE BY A STATE DOES NOT MEAN THAT THE STATE RECOMMENDS THE FRANCHISE OR HAS VERIFIED THE INFORMATION IN THIS DISCLOSURE DOCUMENT**

Call the state franchise administrator listed in Exhibit A for information about the franchisor or about franchising in your state

MANY FRANCHISE AGREEMENTS DO NOT ALLOW YOU TO RENEW UNCONDITIONALLY AFTER THE INITIAL TERM EXPIRES. YOU MAY HAVE TO SIGN A NEW AGREEMENT WITH DIFFERENT TERMS AND CONDITIONS IN ORDER TO CONTINUE TO OPERATE YOUR BUSINESS. BEFORE YOU BUY, CONSIDER WHAT RIGHTS YOU HAVE TO RENEW YOUR FRANCHISE, IF ANY, AND WHAT TERMS YOU MIGHT HAVE TO ACCEPT IN ORDER TO RENEW

Please consider the following **RISK FACTORS** before you buy this franchise

- 1 **THE FRANCHISE AGREEMENT REQUIRES YOU TO RESOLVE DISPUTES WITH US BY ARBITRATION ONLY IN DELAWARE OR WASHINGTON, DC. OUT OF STATE ARBITRATION MAY FORCE YOU TO ACCEPT A LESS FAVORABLE SETTLEMENT FOR DISPUTES. IT MAY ALSO COST MORE TO ARBITRATE WITH US IN DELAWARE OR WASHINGTON, DC THAN IN YOUR OWN STATE**
- 2 **THE FRANCHISE AGREEMENT STATES THAT DELAWARE LAW GOVERNS THE AGREEMENT, AND THIS LAW MAY NOT PROVIDE THE SAME PROTECTIONS AND BENEFITS AS LOCAL LAW. YOU MAY WANT TO COMPARE THESE LAWS**
- 3 **THERE MAY BE OTHER RISKS CONCERNING THIS FRANCHISE**

We use the services of one or more **FRANCHISE BROKERS, AREA REPRESENTATIVES**, or other referral sources to assist us in selling our franchise. A franchise broker, area representative, or other referral source represents us, not you. We pay this person a fee for selling our franchise or referring you to us. You should be sure to do your own investigation of the franchise

State Effective Dates Please refer to the following page

STATE EFFECTIVE DATES

State	Effective Date
California	
Connecticut (exemption)	
Florida (exemption)	
Hawaii	
Illinois	
Indiana	
Kentucky (exemption)	
Maryland	
Michigan	
Minnesota	
Nebraska (exemption)	
New York	
North Dakota	
Rhode Island	
South Dakota	
Texas (exemption)	
Utah (exemption)	
Virginia	
Washington	
Wisconsin	

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