

## FRANCHISE DISCLOSURE DOCUMENT

KS La Crosse Investments, LLC A Wisconsin Limited Liability Company 301 4th Street South La Crosse, Wisconsin 54601 1-800-845-6779 <u>www.kitchensolvers.com</u>



The franchise offered is for the operation of a KITCHEN SOLVERS® business within a particular geographic territory. The business features kitchen and bathroom update, beautification and remodeling services for residential and commercial buildings. We also offer an Area Developer Franchise program which provides qualified individuals with the opportunity to develop and service KITCHEN SOLVERS® businesses located in a specified trade area on our behalf.

The total investment necessary to begin operation of a KITCHEN SOLVERS business is from \$52,535 to \$93,835. This includes \$39,685 to \$54,185 that must be paid to us or our affiliates. The total investment necessary to begin operation of an Area Developer Franchise is \$40,000 to \$62,000. This includes \$40,000 to 60,000 that must be paid to us or our affiliates.

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 this Disclosure Document at least 14 calendar days before you sign a binding agreement with, or make any payment to, us 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 Gerry Henley at 301 4<sup>th</sup> Street, La Crosse, WI 54601 1-800-845-6779.

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 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 <u>www.ftc.gov</u> for additional information on franchising. 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, about other franchisors, 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 PERMITS YOU TO MEDIATE OR ARBITRATE ONLY IN MINNEAPOLIS, MINNESOTA, OR AT SUCH OTHER PLACE AS MAY BE MUTUALLY AGREEABLE TO THE PARTIES. OUT OF STATE ARBITRATION MAY FORCE YOU TO ACCEPT A LESS FAVORABLE SETTLEMENT FOR DISPUTES. IT ALSO MAY COST MORE TO MEDIATE OR ARBITRATE WITH US IN MINNEAPOLIS, MINNESOTA THAN IN YOUR HOME STATE.

2. TO THE EXTENT NOT SUBJECT TO MEDIATION OR ARBITRATION, ANY CAUSE OF ACTION, CLAIM, SUIT OR DEMAND MUST BE BROUGHT IN THE FEDERAL DISTRICT COURT FOR THE DISTRICT OF WISCONSIN OR IN LA CROSSE COUNTY DISTRICT COURT, LA CROSSE, WISCONSIN, ALTHOUGH THE GOVERNING LAW MAY PROVIDE THAT ANY PROVISIONS OF THE FRANCHISE AGREEMENT DESIGNATING JURISDICTION OUTSIDE OF THE STATE ARE VOID. IT MAY COST MORE TO LITIGATE WITH US IN LA CROSSE, WISCONSIN THAN IN YOUR HOME STATE.

3. THE FRANCHISE AGREEMENT AND AREA DEVELOPER AGREEMENT STATE THAT WISCONSIN LAW APPLIES. WISCONSIN LAW MAY NOT PROVIDE YOU WITH AS MANY PROTECTIONS AS THE LAW OF YOUR HOME STATE.

4. THERE MAY BE OTHER RISKS CONCERNING THIS FRANCHISE.

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