

## FRANCHISE DISCLOSURE DOCUMENT



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UA Holdings, Inc., an Oklahoma corporation, does business as United Axle and is offering franchises for the operation of spindle replacement businesses. UA Holdings, Inc. offers two types of franchises: franchises that operate as stand-alone businesses and franchises that provide United Axle products and services through an existing business. Both types of franchises offer the same United Axle products and services, including proprietary replacement spindles and installation, and both utilize the UNITED AXLE trademark.

The total investment necessary to begin operation of a single United Axle franchise is from \$89,000 to \$130,000 at a minimum, or higher depending on the size and location of the territory. This includes an initial franchise fee of at least \$48,500 for your first United Axle business and the purchase of an equipment package ranging from \$10,000 to \$80,000, which must both be paid to the franchisor. Pre-opening inventories of proprietary products you purchase from the franchisor or designated third parties would result in approximately \$12,500 in payments to the franchisor or to affiliates of the franchisor. You will additionally be required to contribute \$550 each month as a continuing royalty fee and \$1,200 annually to a National Advertising and MarketingFund.

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, the franchisor or an affiliate in connection with the proposed franchise sale. Note, however, that no governmental agency has verified the information contained in this document.

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 contracts carefully. Show your contract and this disclosure document to an advisor, such as 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, N.W., Washington, D.C. 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 THE 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 <u>Exhibit H</u> 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.

THE FRANCHISE AGREEMENT REQUIRES YOU TO RESOLVE DISPUTES WITH US BY ARBITRATION ONLY IN OKLAHOMA. OUT-OF-STATE ARBITRATION MAY FORCE YOU TO ACCEPT A LESS FAVORABLE SETTLEMENT FOR DISPUTES. IT MAY ALSO COST YOU MORE TO ARBITRATE WITH US IN OKLAHOMA THAN IN YOUR OWN STATE.

THE FRANCHISE AGREEMENT STATES THAT OKLAHOMA 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.

THERE MAY BE OTHER RISKS CONCERNING THIS FRANCHISE.

We may use the services of one or more FRANCHISE BROKERS or referral sources to assist us in selling our franchise. A franchise broker or referral source represents us, not you. We will 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.

Effective Date: See the next page for state effective dates.



## **STATE EFFECTIVE DATES**

The following states require that this disclosure document be registered or filed with the state, or be exempt from registration: California, Hawaii, Illinois, Indiana, Maryland, Michigan, Minnesota, New York, North Dakota, Rhode Island, South Dakota, Virginia, Washington, and Wisconsin.

This disclosure document is registered, on file, or exempt from registration in the following states having franchise registration and disclosure laws, with the following effective dates:

California	
Hawaii	
Illinois	
Indiana	
Maryland	
Michigan	
Minnesota	
New York	
North Dakota	
Rhode Island	
South Dakota	
Virginia	
Washington	
Wisconsin	

If no effective date is listed for a particular state, then this disclosure document is not yet registered, on file, or exempt from registration in that state and thus is not yet effective in that state.

In all other states, the effective date of this disclosure document is the issuance date of February 4, 2019.

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