**COMMERCIAL CREDIT APPLICATION**

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| **APPLICANT INFORMATION** |
| Full legal NAME ofbusiness: |  | D/B/A: |  |
| Full legal ADDRESS of business: |  | Shipping Address: |  |
| Billing Address if different from Legal Address |  | Invoice by: Email Fax | Email Address or Fax # for Invoice Transmittal: |
| AP Contact: |  | Phone: |  | Purchasing Contact: |  | Phone: |  |
| Email address: |  | Fax: |  | Email address: |  | Fax: |  |
| Payment method: |  1. Auto Pay (ACH) |  2. Business Check |  |  3. Other *(If ACH, a Norlen Credit Representative will contact you for set-up)* |
| **GENERAL COMPANY INFORMATION** |
| Federal Tax ID #: |  | Principal Officer: |  | Title: |  |
| Taxable (*If “****No****”, enclose sales tax exemption certificate)*: |  Yes |  |  No ***Please enclose current financial statement*** |
| Dunn & Bradstreet #: |  | In business since: |  | SIC/NAICS code: |  |
| Legal structure (check all that apply): |  Corporation |  |  Partnership  LLC  LLP  Sole Proprietor  Non-Profit |
| List owners, partners, officers and ownership percentage:*(Attach additional sheets if necessary)* | Name: |  | Title: |  | %: |
| Name: |  | Title: |  | %: |
| Number of employees: |  | Annual Sales/Revenue: | $ | Estimated monthly purchases from Norlen: | $ |
| **TRADE REFERENCES***(Must include metal suppliers. Attach additional sheets if necessary)* |
| C OMPANY | C ONTACT | P HONE # | F AX # | C ITY | S TATE |
| 1. |  |  |  |  |  |  |
| 2. |  |  |  |  |  |  |
| 3. |  |  |  |  |  |  |
| **BANK REFERENCE** |
| B ANK NAME | A CCOUNT # | C ONTACT | P HONE # | F AX # | C ITY/STATE |
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| **SIGNATURE & AUTHORIZATION** |
| The Customer certifies that the information contained herein is true and correct and further agrees that this Credit Application “Agreement” is submitted to **NORLEN**, as well as its successors and assigns (collectively, “Company” or “Norlen”). Customer grants permission to Company to obtain independent credit reports and other information from Customer’s trade references and banks and authorizes credit references and banks to release information that may be used to determine creditworthiness, both now and in the future. Customer agrees that if credit is extended, all credit and sales made shall be subject to the following: 1. Customer shall pay the full amount of the invoice(s) when due, which is defined to be thirty (30) days from the invoice date, unless an alternate time frame has been agreed to by both Company and Customer in writing. 2. If payment in full is not received by the due date, Customer shall owe, in addition to the invoice amount, a late fee of the lesser of 1.5% per month or the maximum allowed by law on all unpaid balances. In the event Company refers any unpaid past due balance to an outside collection agency and/or attorney for collection, Customer agrees to pay Company’s reasonable attorneys’ fees and all other costs of collection. 3. For collection purposes only, the Customer hereby agrees to venue in Minnesota. 4. Customer acknowledges receipt of and agrees hereafter to Ryerson’s Conditions and Terms of Sale and other terms as may also be set forth on invoices submitted by Company. 5. Customer further certifies that it is solvent as defined by Article 1 of the Uniform Commercial Code, and that Customer will immediately, in writing, notify Company if it becomes insolvent. 6. This Agreement shall be continuing unless mutually terminated by both parties in writing. This Agreement shall be governed by Illinois law. 7. I further certify that I am an officer, knowledgeable of the financial conditions, of Customer, and that I am empowered and authorized to enter into the aforesaid Agreement on Customer’s behalf. |
| **AUTHORIZED SIGNATURE (SOLE PROPRIETOR, PARTNERSHIP)** |
| X  | / / | X / /  |
|  | Applicant’s Signature | Date |  | Joint Applicant’s Signature Date |
| **AUTHORIZED SIGNATURE (CORPORATION, LLP, LLC)** |
| X X / / Print Name and Title Signature Date |
| The federal Equal Credit Opportunity Act prohibits creditors from discriminating against credit applicants on the basis of race, color, religion, national origin, sex, marital status, age; (provided Customer has the capacity to enter into a binding contract); because all or part of Customer’s income derives from any public assistance program; or because Customer has in good faith exercised any right under the Consumer Credit Protection Act. The federal agency that administers compliance with this law concerning this creditor is Federal Trade Commission; Equal Credit Opportunity, Washington, D.C. 20580.If your application for business credit is denied, you have the right to a written statement of the specific reasons for denial. To obtain the statement, please mail your written request to: **Joseph T. Ryerson & Son, Inc., Attn: Jim Fischer, 455 85th Avenue NW, Minneapolis, MN 55433** within 60 days from the date you are notified of our decision. We will send you a written statement of reasons for the denial within 30 days of receiving your request. |
| **PERSONAL GUARANTEE** |
| I/We, \_ , in consideration for Company extending credit at Customer’s request, do hereby personally guarantee to Company the full payment, without prior notice to me or legal action against Customer, of any obligation of Customer to Company. I/We hereby agree to be bound to pay Company on demand any sum which may become due to Company by Customer if Customer fails to pay the same pursuant to the Norlen’s Conditions and Terms of Sale. It is understood that this guarantee shall be a continuing, non-transferable, and irrevocable guarantee and indemnity for Customer’s indebtedness. This obligation shall cover the renewal of any claims guaranteed by this instrument or extension of time for payment thereof. I/We further agree that this guaranty shall be governed by Illinois law. I/We shall pay any attorneys’ fees and costs incurred by Company in enforcing this guarantee. The undersigned hereby authorizes Company to procure his/her individual consumer credit report relative to the business credit Customer’s investigation and indebtedness as set forth by the Fair Credit Reporting Act.X X / / Print Name Signature SS# Date |
| X X / / Print Name Signature SS# Date |
| ***\*\*\*See reverse side for Company Conditions and Terms of Sale\*\*\**** |
| This is the first page of a two-page agreement, with the signatures on page one (1) binding the applicant(s) to conditions on each page. |

**CONDITIONS AND TERMS OF SALE**

The following terms of sale shall be applicable to all sales made by NORLEN INCORPORATED, (“Norlen”) except where it is otherwise expressly agreed in writing. Acceptance of delivery of any or all goods ordered by a buyer (“Buyer”) shall constitute assent by the Buyer to these terms of sale collectively.

1. **PRICES.** The prices quoted may be changed by Norlen without notice to reflect Norlen's prices at time of shipment, and any increase in transportation, labor or other costs. If a delivered price has been quoted, any charges at destination for spotting, switching, handling, storage and other accessorial services and demurrage shall be borne by Buyer, and any increase or decrease in transportation charges shall be added to or subtracted from the quoted price. Norlen reserves the right to correct any errors in specifications or prices.
2. **SURCHARGES AND TAXES.** Any and all surcharges imposed by Norlen's suppliers at the time of shipment shall be paid by Buyer. All prices quoted by Norlen are exclusive of all taxes. In addition to the purchase price, Buyer shall pay or reimburse Norlen the amount of all sales, use and ad valorem taxes, excises, duties, tariffs, and/or other governmental charges, under any existing or future law, that Norlen may be required to pay with respect to the sale, purchase, delivery, storage, processing, use, consumption or transportation of any of the goods or services covered. The foregoing shall not apply to any taxes the payment or collection of which by Norlen is excused by reason of delivery to Norlen of valid tax exemption certificates.
3. **QUANTITIES.** If an item is to be shipped from a producing mill, the producing mill may reserve the privilege of shipping over or under the ordered quantity in accordance with established percentages (as shown in their price books), which will constitute acceptable and complete shipment of the material specified.
4. **SALE ON CREDIT; TERMS OF PAYMENT.** Norlen reserves the right in its sole discretion to approve, conditionally approve or disapprove any request by Buyer for credit. The amount of credit Norlen extends to Buyer will be determined by Norlen in its discretion and may vary from time to time. Upon Norlen's request from time to time, Buyer will provide Norlen with current financial information. Buyer grants permission to Norlen to obtain independent credit reports and other information from Buyer's trade references and banks and authorizes credit references and banks to release information that may be used to determine creditworthiness, both now and in the future. Buyer represents and warrants that any financial information provided to Norlen will be true and correct in all material respects and shall fairly and accurately present the financial condition of Buyer as of the date of such financial statements. Buyer shall notify Norlen, in writing, of any error in any invoice within ten (10) days after the Buyer's receipt of such invoice, and, if no such notice from Buyer is received by Norlen, the invoice shall be deemed to be correct and payable as delivered to Buyer. Unless otherwise expressly provided by Norlen in writing, Norlen's terms will be net thirty (30) days from the date of invoice. All sums past due and owing to Norlen shall bear interest at the rate of the lesser of one and one-half percent (1.5%) per month or the maximum rate permitted by applicable law from the invoice date until paid in full. In the event Norlen refers any unpaid past due balance to an outside collection agency and/or attorney for collection, Buyer agrees to pay Norlen's reasonable attorneys' fees and all other costs of collection. For collection purposes only, the Buyer hereby agrees to exclusive venue in either Minnesota or Arkansas. All payments made by Buyer to Norlen shall be applied in the following priority: (a) first to the amounts, if any, due to Norlen for attorneys' fees and court costs, (b) second to the amounts, if any, due to Norlen in the event of Buyer's default, (c) third to the amount, if any, of interest due to Norlen as a result of Buyer's late payment and (d) finally to the balance of the purchase price due to Norlen for the goods. To secure Buyer's full and prompt payment of the purchase price for the goods, Buyer hereby grants to Norlen a first priority, purchase money security interest in and to the goods and all products and proceeds therefrom. Buyer authorizes Norlen to file a UCC financing statement to perfect this security interest at any time.
5. **DELIVERIES.** Any shipping schedule is approximate. Norlen shall not be liable for any delay in delivery or failure to deliver caused for any reason in whole or in part beyond our reasonable control. Should shortages in Norlen's supply occur for any reason, Norlen may allocate the material in such manner and amount as Norlen may determine. Acceptance by Buyer of any goods shall constitute a waiver by Buyer of any claim for damages on account of any delay in delivery of such goods.
6. SHIPMENTS. Unless otherwise expressly stated, shipment may be by carrier or other means selected by Norlen. Buyer assumes all risk of loss in transit.
7. **NUCLEAR APPLICATION EXCLUSION.** Buyer represents and warrants that Buyer will not use, cause to be used or make available for use the goods described herein in any nuclear application including, but not limited to, use in connection with any nuclear reactor, any nuclear power generating system or any nuclear waste (or spent fuel) disposal project. Any subsequent nuclear application of the goods is wholly unauthorized and shall be deemed to be unknown to, unforeseeable to and unintended by Norlen.
8. **SUSPENSION OF PERFORMANCE.** If in Norlen's judgment reasonable doubt exists as to Buyer's financial responsibility, or if Buyer is past due in payment of any amount owing to Norlen, Norlen reserves the right, without liability and without prejudice to any other remedies, to suspend performance, decline to ship or to stop any material in transit, until Norlen receives payment of all amounts owing to Norlen, whether or not due, or adequate assurance of such payment.
9. **WARRANTY.** Norlen warrants only that the goods will conform to their description as stated in the invoice, subject to tolerances and variations described in the following paragraph. NORLEN MAKES NO OTHER WARRANTY, EXPRESS OR IMPLIED, STATUTORY OR OTHER, AND SPECIFICALLY DISCLAIMS AND EXCLUDES ANY AND ALL WARRANTIES OF MERCHANTABILITY AND FITNESS FOR A PARTICULAR PURPOSE AND ANY WARRANTIES ARISING FROM COURSE OF DEALING, USAGE OR TRADE PRACTICE. WITHOUT LIMITING THE FOREGOING, NORLEN MAKES NO WARRANTY OF ANY KIND THAT THE GOODS WILL MEET BUYER'S OR ANY OTHER PERSON'S REQUIREMENTS. Any material test reports, mill test reports or mill or material certifications with respect to the goods are provided by the mills.
10. **TOLERANCES AND VARIATIONS.** All goods shall be subject to tolerances and variations consistent with usual trade practices regarding dimensions, straightness, section, composition and mechanical properties and normal variations in surface and internal conditions and quality and shall also be subject to deviations from tolerances and variations consistent with practical testing and inspection methods.
11. **INSPECTION.** Materials must be examined by Buyer immediately upon receipt to determine correctness of shipment as to quantity, size, length, and condition. Buyer must not cut, fabricate or otherwise use material without such examination.
12. **CLAIMS.** If, upon inspection by Buyer as provided above, any goods received by Buyer are nonconforming, damaged, visibly defective or if the quantities received by Buyer do not agree with the quantities indicated on the shipping documents, Buyer must notate that on the delivery receipt. If goods are found to be nonconforming or damaged when unpacking and if Buyer intends to assert any claim against Norlen on this account, Buyer shall, within 30 days after receipt of such goods, furnish Norlen detailed written information of such damage, nonconformance, defect or shortage. Buyer's failure to so inform Norlen or Buyer's use of the material shall be Buyer's acknowledgment that Norlen has satisfactorily performed. Norlen will not honor any claims for damages caused by Buyer's improper storage of the goods.
13. **LIMITATION OF LIABILITY.** Buyer's exclusive remedy, and Norlen only liability arising out of this contract, shall be replacement or repair of the goods, or credit of the purchase price paid by Buyer, whichever such remedy Norlen shall select. If Norlen elects to repay the purchase price, Buyer must return the goods to Norlen immediately. Except for nonpayment by Buyer, any action arising out of this contract must be commenced within one year from the date of delivery. In no event will Norlen be liable for incidental or consequential damages, indirect damages, punitive damages, or **damages for loss of revenue or profit, business interruption, or business opportunity.**
14. **TOOLS, DIES AND FIXTURES.** Unless otherwise expressly provided, any tools, dies or fixtures which may be developed for use in the production of the goods covered shall be owned by Norlen or any producing mill, as Norlen may elect, even though Buyer is charged in whole or in part for the cost of such tools, dies and fixtures.
15. **FORCE MAJEURE.** Norlen shall be excused for any failure or delay in the performance of any of its obligations to Buyer if such failure or delay is due to a strike, work stoppage, labor dispute, material shortage, utility outage, delay in transportation, fire, flood, earthquake, severe weather, act of God, pandemic, accident, trade sanction, embargo, act of war, act of terror, condition caused by national emergency, new or changed law, production schedules of the producing mill, unavailability of materials, causes which abnormally increase the cost of performance, or any act or cause beyond the reasonable control of Norlen, and whether affecting Norlen or its agents, subcontractors, dealers or suppliers, for as long as such circumstances prevail. In such event, Norlen will as soon as practicable notify the Buyer of any actual or anticipated failure or delay.
16. PATENT INFRINGEMENT. If any of the goods are to be furnished to Buyer's specifications, Buyer agrees to indemnify Norlen and its successors and assigns, against all liabilities and expenses resulting from any claim of infringement of any patent or other propriety right in connection with the production of such goods.
17. **GOVERNMENT CONTRACTS.** Unless otherwise expressly notified in writing, Buyer's order has not been placed under a prime contract with the U.S. Government or a subcontract thereunder and none of the clauses contained in the government procurement regulations are incorporated herein.
18. **COMPLIANCE WITH LAWS.** Norlen agrees that its sale of the goods will comply with all applicable federal, state and local laws and regulations.
19. **CANCELLATION.** A contract may be cancelled or modified only by written agreement between the parties. Buyer's insistence upon cancelling or suspending fabrication or shipment, or Buyer's failure to furnish specifications when required, may be treated by Norlen as a breach of contract by Buyer, and Norlen may cancel any unshipped balance without prejudice to any other remedies Norlen may have.
20. **SET-OFF.** Buyer authorizes Norlen to apply toward payment of any monies that become due Norlen hereunder any sums which may now or hereafter be owed to Buyer by Norlen or by any subsidiary or affiliated company of Norlen.
21. **GOVERNING LAW.** This contract and all other agreements with respect to any and all sales by Norlen shall be governed by Illinois law, and the state or federal courts located in Cook County, Illinois, shall have exclusive jurisdiction with respect to any disputes related hereto or thereto, which jurisdiction may be waived at Norlen's sole discretion.
22. **ENTIRE AGREEMENT.** The terms set forth herein constitute the sole terms and conditions upon which Norlen offers goods for sale. No other terms, conditions, or understandings, whether oral or written shall be binding upon Norlen, unless hereafter made in writing and signed by an authorized representative of Norlen. Norlen hereby specifically objects to any different or additional terms that may be contained in Buyer's purchase order.

STEEL, ALUMINUM, NICKEL, BRASS AND COPPER

THE ABOVE PRODUCTS, IN THEIR NATURAL STATE, DO NOT PRESENT AN INHALATION, INGESTION OR CONTACT HEALTH HAZARD; HOWEVER, PROCESSING OPERATIONS (INVOLVING THESE MATERIALS) SUCH AS WELDING, BURNING, SAWING, BRAZING, GRINDING AND MACHINING MAY PRESENT A RESPIRATORY, SKIN OR EYE HAZARD. SEE MATERIAL SAFETY DATA SHEETS FOR FURTHER INFORMATION. Rev. 9/2023

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**CREDITOR AUTHORIZATION RELEASE FORM**

# DUE TO THE TIGHTENING OF REGULATIONS IN THE DIVULGING OF CREDIT INFORMATION, CREDITORS ARE NOW REQUIRING WRITTEN AUTHORIZATION FROM THEIR CUSTOMERS FOR RELEASE OF ANY INFORMATION REGARDING THEIR ACCOUNT. WHEN YOU RETURN YOUR COMPLETED CREDIT APPLICATION, SIGN AND RETURN THIS AUTHORIZATION. PLEASE COMPLETE THE BELOW REQUESTED INFORMATION IN FULL. AREAS LEFT INCOMPLETE MAY CAUSE UNDUE DELAY.

I GIVE MY PERMISSION FOR THE RELEASE OF INFORMATION ABOUT MY ACCOUNT AS REQUESTED ON THE ATTACHED CREDIT LETTER.

# COMPANY NAME PRINT NAME SIGNATURE TITLE\_ DATE

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