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The undersigned agrees that the attorneys-in-fact act as legal counsel to and/or officers of Wolverine in connection with the securities matters addressed herein, and do not represent the undersigned in his or her personal capacity in connection with such matters. The undersigned agrees that the attorneys-in-fact may rely entirely on information furnished orally or in writing by the undersigned or his or her authorized representative(s) to such attorneys-in-fact. The undersigned also agrees to indemnify and hold harmless Wolverine and the attorneys-in-fact against any losses, claims, damages or liabilities (or actions in respect thereof) that arise out of or are based upon any untrue statement or omission of necessary fact in the information provided by the undersigned or his or her authorized representative(s) to the attorneys-in-fact for purposes of executing, acknowledging, delivering or filing any such forms, or any amendments or any successor forms thereto, or any form or forms adopted by the Securities and Exchange Commission in lieu thereof or in addition thereto. The undersigned agrees to reimburse Wolverine and the attorneys-in-fact for any legal or other expenses reasonably incurred in connection with investigating or defending against any such loss, claim, damage, liability or action.

This authorization shall supersede all prior authorizations to act for the undersigned with respect to securities of Wolverine in these matters, which prior authorizations are hereby revoked, and shall survive the termination of the undersigned's status as a director and/or officer of Wolverine and remain in effect thereafter for so long as the undersigned (in his or her individual capacity or in a fiduciary or other capacity) is subject to Rule 144 with respect to securities of Wolverine or has any obligation under Section 16 of the Exchange Act with respect to securities of Wolverine.

Date: August 29, 2002

/s/ Phillip D. Matthews

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(Signature)

Phillip D. Matthews

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(Print Name)