UNITED STATES SECURITIES AND EXCHANGE COMMISSION

Washington, D.C. 20549

FORM 8-K

CURRENT REPORT

Pursuant to Section 13 or 15(d) of the Securities Exchange Act of 1934

Date of Report (Date of earliest event reported): March 21, 2011

CCA Industries, Inc.

(Exact name of registrant as specified in the charter)

DELAWARE

1-31643 (Commission File Number) **04-2795439** (IRS Employer I.D. No.)

(State or other jurisdiction of incorporation)

200 MURRAY HILL PARKWAY, EAST RUTHERFORD, NEW JERSEY (Address of Principal Executive Offices)

07073 (Zip Code)

Registrant's telephone number, including area code: (201) 330-1400

Not Applicable

(Former name or former address, if changed since last report)

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□ Pre-commencement communications pursuant to Rule 13e-4(c) under the Exchange Act (17 CFR 240.23e-4(c)

Item 1.02 Termination of a Material Definitive Agreement.

As a result of the execution of the Employment Agreement referred to in Item 5.02 of this Current Report on Form 8-K (this "Report"), by and between CCA Industries, Inc. (the "Company") and Dunnan Edell, the Company's President and Chief Executive Officer, the Amended and Restated Employment Agreement, by and between Mr. Dunnan Edell and the Company, effective as of December 1, 2002 and amended on February 10, 2007 and May 17, 2007, has been terminated. Similarly, as a result of the execution of the Employment Agreement referred to in Item 5.02 of this Report, by and between the Company and Drew Edell, the Company's Executive Vice President, Product Development and Production, the Amended and Restated Employment Agreement, by and between Mr. Drew Edell and the Company, effective as of December 1, 2002 and amended on February 10, 2007, has also been terminated.

Item 5.02 Departure of Directors or Certain Officers; Election of Directors; Appointment of Certain Officers; Compensatory Arrangements of Certain Officers.

On March 21, 2011, the Company entered into an Employment Agreement (each, an "Employment Agreement") with each of Dunnan Edell, Stephen A. Heit, and Drew Edell (each, an "Executive"). Pursuant their respective Employment Agreements, Mr. Dunnan Edell has been engaged to continue to serve as the Company's President and Chief Executive Officer, Mr. Heit has been engaged to continue to serve as the Company's President and Chief Financial Officer, and Mr. Drew Edell has been engaged to continue to serve as the Company's President and Chief Financial Officer, and Mr. Drew Edell has been engaged to continue to serve as the Company's President, Product Development and Production.

Mr. Dunnan Edell and Mr. Drew Edell are brothers and are the sons of David Edell, who is a member of the Board of Directors of the Company and serves as a consultant to the Company.

Except as set forth below and with reference to the Employment Agreements attached as Exhibits 10.1, 10.2, and 10.3 to this

Report, the Employment Agreements contain substantially similar terms to each other. The term of employment under each of the Employment Agreements runs from March 21, 2011 through December 31, 2013, and will continue thereafter for successive one-year periods unless the Company or the Executive chooses not to renew the respective Employment Agreement.

Under the respective Employment Agreements, the base salaries of Mr. Dunnan Edell, Mr. Heit, and Mr. Drew Edell are \$350,000, \$250,000, and \$275,000 per annum, respectively, and may be increased each year at the discretion of the Company's Compensation Committee. The Executives are eligible to receive an annual performance-based bonus under their respective Employment Agreement, and are entitled to participate in Company equity compensation plans. In addition, each of the Executives will receive an automobile allowance, health insurance and certain other benefits.

In the event of termination of the respective Employment Agreement as a result of the disability or death of the Executive, the Executive (or his estate or beneficiaries) shall be entitled to receive all base salary and other benefits earned and accrued until such termination as well as

a single-sum payment equal to the Executive's base salary and a single-sum payment equal to the value of the highest bonus earned by the Executive in the one-year period preceding the date of termination pro-rated for the number of days served in that fiscal year.

If the Company terminates the Executive for Cause (as defined in the respective Employment Agreement), or the Executive terminates his employment in a manner not considered to be for Good Reason, the Executive shall be entitled to receive all base salary and other benefits earned and accrued prior to the date of termination. If the Company terminates the Executive in a manner that is not for Cause or due to the Executive's death or disability, the Executive terminates his employment for Good Reason, or the Company does not renew the Employment Agreement after December 31, 2013, the Executive shall be entitled to receive a single-sum payment equal to his unpaid base salary and other benefits earned and accrued prior to the date of termination and a single-sum payment of an amount equal to three times (a) the average of the base salary amounts paid to Executive over the three calendar years prior to the date of termination, (b) if less than three years have elapsed between March 21, 2011 and the date of termination, the highest base salary paid to the Executive in any calendar year prior to the date of termination, or (c) if less than twelve months have elapsed between March 21, 2011 and the date of termination, the highest base salary paid to certain benefits in connection with a Change of Control (as defined in the respective Employment Agreement).

Under the Employment Agreements, each Executive has agreed to non-competition restrictions for a period of six months following the end of the term of his Employment Agreement, during which period the Executive will be paid an amount equal to his base salary for a period of six months, and an amount equal to the pro rata share of any bonus attributable to the portion of the year completed prior to the date of termination. The Executives have also agreed to confidentiality and non-solicitation restrictions under the Employment Agreements.

The foregoing summary of the Employment Agreements are qualified in their entirety by the full text of the Employment Agreements, copies of which are attached as Exhibits 10.1, 10.2, and 10.3 to this Report and are incorporated herein by reference.

Item 8.01 Other Events.

In addition to the Employment Agreements discussed above in Item 5.02 of this Report, on March 21, 2011, the Company entered into an Employment Agreement with another Company executive, who is not a "named executive officer" within the meaning of Form 8-K pursuant to the Securities Exchange Act of 1934, as amended, and related regulations. The additional Employment Agreement referred to in the preceding sentence contains substantially similar terms as the Employment Agreements discussed in Item 5.02 of this Report, except that the employee's base salary is \$135,000 per annum.

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Item 9.01. Financial Statements and Exhibits.

(d) Exhibits

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10.3	Employment Agreement, dated March 21, 2011, by and between CCA Industries, Inc. and Drew Edell.		

SIGNATURE

Pursuant to the requirements of the Securities Exchange Act of 1934, the registrant has duly caused this report to be signed on its behalf by the undersigned hereunto duly authorized.

CCA INDUSTRIES, INC.

Date: March 21, 2011

/s/ Stephen A. Heit Stephen A. Heit Executive Vice President & Chief Financial Officer

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EMPLOYMENT AGREEMENT

THIS EMPLOYMENT AGREEMENT (this "<u>Agreement</u>") is dated as of March 21, 2011, by and among **CCA Industries, Inc.** (the "<u>Company</u>"), which has its principal place of business at 200 Murray Hill Parkway, East Rutherford, NJ 07073, and **Dunnan D.** Edell (the "<u>Executive</u>").

WHEREAS, the Company wishes to continue to employ the Executive as its President and Chief Executive Officer, and the Executive wishes to accept such continuation of employment, on the terms set forth below, effective as of the date of this Agreement (the "Effective Date");

NOW THEREFORE, the parties hereto agree as follows:

1. <u>**Term**</u>. The Company hereby employs the Executive, and the Executive hereby accepts such employment, for an initial term commencing as of the Effective Date and continuing through December 31, 2013, unless sooner terminated in accordance with the provisions of Section 4 or Section 5, with such employment to continue for successive one-year periods in accordance with the terms of this Agreement (subject to termination as aforesaid) unless either party notifies the other party of non-renewal in writing prior to three months before the expiration of the initial term and each annual renewal, as applicable. (The period during which the Executive is employed hereunder being hereinafter referred to as the "<u>Term</u>").

2. **Duties**. During the Term, the Executive shall be employed by the Company as its President and Chief Executive Officer, reporting directly to the Company's board of directors (the "<u>Board</u>"). The Executive shall faithfully perform for the Company the duties of said offices and shall perform such other duties of an executive, managerial or administrative nature as shall be reasonably specified and designated from time to time by the Board. During the Term, the Executive shall devote his full time and attention to the business and affairs of the Company and shall not become employed by any other company or business enterprise.

3. <u>Compensation</u>.

3.1 <u>Base Salary</u>. The Company shall pay the Executive during the Term a salary at a minimum rate of \$350,000 per annum for the period beginning on the Effective Date through December 31, 2011 (the "<u>Base Salary</u>"), in accordance with the customary payroll practices of the Company applicable to senior executives. For each year thereafter, the Compensation Committee of the Board shall review the Executive's Base Salary and may provide for such increases therein as it may, in its discretion, deem appropriate. (Any such increased salary shall constitute the "<u>Base Salary</u>" as of the effective time of the increase.)

3.2 **Performance Bonus**. During the Term, in addition to the Base Salary, for each fiscal year of the Company ending during the Term, the Executive shall have the opportunity to receive an annual bonus in an amount and on such terms to be determined by the Compensation Committee of the Board ("Performance Bonus"). The Compensation Committee of the Board shall further have the discretion to grant to the Executive annual bonuses in such

amounts and on such terms as it shall determine in its sole discretion. Nothing contained in the foregoing shall limit the Executive's eligibility to receive any other bonus under any other bonus plan, stock option or other equity-based plan or award, or other policy or program of the Company.

3.3 **Long-term Incentive Compensation**. The Executive shall be entitled to participate in any long-term compensation plan of the Company in which he is eligible to participate, and may, without limitation, be granted in accordance with any such plan options to purchase shares of the Company's common stock (the "<u>Common Stock</u>"), shares of restricted stock, other equity awards and long-term cash awards in the discretion of the Compensation Committee of the Board.

3.4 **Benefits-In General**. The Executive shall be permitted during the Term to participate in any group life, hospitalization or disability insurance plans, health programs, retirement plans, fringe benefit programs and other benefits that may be available to other senior executives of the Company generally, in each case to the extent that the Executive is eligible under the terms of such plans or programs. In addition, Executive shall receive an automobile allowance of \$1,000 per month for a lease payment.

3.5 <u>Vacation</u>. The Executive shall be entitled to vacation of no less than 20 business days per year, to be credited in accordance with ordinary Company policies, as well as five additional personal days in accordance with Company policy.

3.6 **Expenses-In General**. The Company shall pay or reimburse the Executive for all ordinary and reasonable out-of-pocket expenses actually incurred (and, in the case of reimbursement, paid) by the Executive during the Term in the performance of the Executive's services under this Agreement, in accordance with the Company's policies regarding such reimbursements and paid in a reasonable time period. Executive shall also have a Company paid American Express and Platinum card for business purposes.

4. <u>**Termination upon Death or Disability.**</u> If the Executive dies during the Term, the Term shall terminate as of the date of death, and the obligations of the Company to or with respect to the Executive shall terminate in their entirety upon such date except as otherwise provided under this Section 4. If the Executive is unable to perform substantially and continuously the duties assigned to him due to a disability as defined for purposes of the Company's long-term disability plan then in effect, or, if no such plan is in effect, by virtue of ill health or other disability for more than 180 consecutive days or 270 non-consecutive days out of any consecutive 12-month period, the Company shall have the right, to the extent permitted by law, to terminate the employment of the Executive upon notice in writing to the Executive. Upon termination of employment due to death or disability, (i) the Executive (or the Executive's estate or

beneficiaries in the case of the death of the Executive) shall be entitled to receive any Base Salary and other benefits earned and accrued under this Agreement prior to the date of termination (and reimbursement under this Agreement for expenses incurred prior to the date of termination); (ii) the Executive (or the Executive's estate or beneficiaries in the case of the death of the Executive) shall be entitled to receive a single-sum payment equal to his Base Salary; (iii) without duplication of any amounts due under clauses (i) and (ii), the Executive (or the Executive's estate or beneficiaries in the case of the death of the Executive) shall receive a

single-sum payment equal to the value of the highest bonus earned by the Executive in the one-year period preceding the date of termination, multiplied by a fraction (x) the numerator of which is the number of days in the fiscal year preceding the termination and (y) the denominator of which is 365; (iv) health insurance benefits shall continue for the Executive (and/or his covered dependents, if applicable) for a period of six months; thereafter, Executive or his dependents shall be permitted to elect COBRA continuation coverage consistent with the applicable law; (v) all outstanding unvested equity-based awards held by the Executive shall fully vest and become immediately exercisable, as applicable, subject to the terms of such awards; (vi) the treatment of any performance-based long-term incentives shall be determined in the reasonable and good faith discretion of the Compensation Committee of the Board; and (vii) the Executive (or the Executive's estate or beneficiaries in the case of the death of the Executive) shall have no further rights to any other compensation or benefits hereunder, or any other rights hereunder (but, for the avoidance of doubt, shall receive such disability and death benefits as may be provided under the Company's plans and arrangements in accordance with their terms). Unless the payment is required to be delayed pursuant to Section 7.13(b) below, the cash amounts payable pursuant to clauses (i), (ii) and (iii) above shall be paid to the Executive (or the Executive's estate or beneficiaries in the case of the death of the Executive) within 60 days following the date of his termination of employment on account of death or disability.

5. <u>Certain Terminations of Employment; Certain Benefits</u>.

5.1 <u>Termination by the Company for Cause; Termination by the Executive without Good Reason</u>.

(a) For purposes of this Agreement, "<u>Cause</u>" shall mean the Executive's:

(i) commission of, and indictment for or formal admission to a felony, or any crime of moral turpitude, dishonesty, breach of trust or unethical business conduct, or any crime involving the Company;

- (ii) engagement in fraud, misappropriation or embezzlement;
- (iii) material failure or neglect by the Executive to perform the duties of his positions with the

Company;

(iv) continued failure to materially adhere to the reasonable directions of the Board or the Company's written policies and practices; or

(v) material breach of any of the provisions of Section 6;

provided, that the Company shall not be permitted to terminate the Executive for Cause except on written notice given to the Executive at any time not more than 30 days following the occurrence of any of the events described in clause (ii) through (iv) above (or, if later, the Company's knowledge thereof). No termination for Cause under clauses (ii) through (iv) shall be effective unless the Board makes a determination that Cause exists after notice to the Executive, and the Executive has been provided with an opportunity (with counsel of his choice) to contest the determination at a meeting of the Board. In the event that it is determined that the

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termination for cause was improper, the Executive shall be reinstated immediately and Company shall pay or provide to Executive all compensation and benefits which would have been paid or provided during the period of such termination and reimbursement for all attorney's fees incurred for the purpose of contesting such termination.

(b) The Company may terminate this Agreement and the Executive's employment hereunder for Cause, and the Executive may terminate his employment on at least 30 days' written notice given to the Company. If the Company terminates the Executive for Cause, or the Executive terminates his employment and the termination by the Executive is not for Good Reason in accordance with Section 5.2, (i) the Executive shall receive Base Salary and other benefits (including any bonus for a fiscal year completed before termination and awarded but not yet paid) earned and accrued under this Agreement prior to the termination of employment (and reimbursement under this Agreement for expenses incurred prior to the termination of employment); and (ii) the Executive shall have no further rights to any other compensation or benefits under this Agreement on or after the termination of employment. Unless the payment is required to be delayed pursuant to Section 7.13(b) below, the cash amounts payable to the Executive under this Section 5.1(b) shall be paid to the Executive in a single-sum payment within 30 days following the date of his termination of employment with the Company pursuant to this Section 5.1(b).

5.2 <u>Termination by the Company without Cause; Termination by the Executive for Good Reason</u>.

(i) the material reduction of the Executive's title, authority, duties and responsibilities or the assignment to the Executive of duties materially inconsistent with the Executive's position or positions with the Company;

- (ii) a material reduction in Base Salary of the Executive;
- (iii) the Company's material breach of this Agreement; or

(iv) Executive is required to relocate his office more than 30 miles away from the Company's offices located in East Rutherford, New Jersey.

Notwithstanding the foregoing, (i) Good Reason shall not be deemed to exist unless notice of termination on account thereof (specifying a termination date no later than 30 days from the date of such notice) is given no later than 30 days after the time at which the event or condition purportedly giving rise to Good Reason first occurs or arises and (ii) if there exists (without regard to this clause (ii)) an event or condition that constitutes Good Reason, the Company shall have 15 days from the date notice of such a termination is given to cure such event or condition and, if the Company does so, such event or condition shall not constitute Good Reason hereunder.

(b) The Company may terminate the Executive's employment and the Executive may terminate the Executive's employment with the Company at any time for any

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reason or no reason. If the Company terminates the Executive's employment (and/or the termination is not covered by Section 4 or 5.1), the Executive terminates his employment for Good Reason or the Company does not renew this Agreement as described in Section 1:

(i) the Executive shall receive a single-sum payment equal to accrued but unpaid Base Salary and other benefits (including any bonus for a calendar year completed before termination) earned and accrued under this Agreement prior to the termination of employment (and reimbursement under this Agreement for expenses incurred prior to the termination of employment);

(ii) the Executive shall receive a single-sum payment of an amount equal to 3.0 times (a) the average of the Base Salary amounts paid to Executive over the three calendar years prior to the date of Termination, (b) if less than three years have elapsed between the date of this Agreement and the date of termination, the highest Base Salary paid to Executive in any calendar year prior to the date of Termination, or (c) if less than 12 months have elapsed from the date of this Agreement to the date of termination, the highest Base Salary received in any month times 12; and

(iii) all outstanding unvested equity-based awards (including without limitation stock options and restricted stock) held by the Executive shall be treated in the manner determined in the reasonable and good faith discretion of the Compensation Committee of the Board.

Unless the payment is required to be delayed pursuant to Section 7.13(b) below, the cash amounts payable to the Executive under this Section 5.2(b) shall be paid to the Executive within 30 days following the date of his termination of employment with the Company pursuant to this Section 5.2(b).

5.3 <u>Change of Control</u>. After a "Change of Control" (as defined below), there will be a transition period (the "<u>Transition Period</u>") which will begin on date of the Change of Control and end on the first anniversary of such Change of Control. If the Executive terminates his employment with the Company within the one year period following the Transition Period, such termination shall be deemed a termination by the Executive for Good Reason covered by Section 5.2. Without duplication of the foregoing, if the Company terminates the Executive's employment (and/or the termination is not covered by Section 4 or 5.1), the Executive terminates his employment for Good Reason or the Company does not renew this Agreement as described in Section 1 during the Transition Period, or the Executive is deemed to have terminated his employment for Good Reason within the one-year period following the Transition Period pursuant to the immediately preceding sentence, all outstanding unvested equity-based awards shall fully vest and shall become immediately exercisable, as applicable. For purposes of this Agreement, "<u>Change of Control</u>" shall mean the occurrence of any of the following:

(i) any "person," including a "group" (as such terms are used in Sections 13(d) and 14(d) of the Securities Exchange Act of 1934, as amended (the "Exchange Act"), but excluding any "group" (as such term is used in Section 13(d)
(3) of the Exchange Act) of which the Executive is a member) is or becomes the "beneficial owner" (as defined in Rule

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13(d)(3) under the Exchange Act), directly or indirectly, of securities of the Company representing 20% or more of either (A) the combined voting power of the Company's then outstanding securities or (B) the then outstanding Common Stock of the Company (in either such case other than as a result of an acquisition of securities directly from the Company); *provided, however*, that, in no event shall a Change of Control be deemed to have occurred upon a public offering of the Common Stock registered under the Securities Act of 1933, as amended; or

immediately prior to the consolidation or merger, would not, immediately after the consolidation or merger, beneficially own (as such term is defined in Rule 13d-3 under the Exchange Act), directly or indirectly, shares representing in the aggregate 50% or more of the combined voting power of the securities of the entity issuing cash or securities in the consolidation or merger (or of its ultimate parent entity, if any) (excluding from shares beneficially owned by stockholders of the Company for such computation all shares of Common Stock beneficially owned by any person that is the beneficial owner of 5.0% or more of the outstanding shares of any constituent in such consolidation or merger other than the Company);

(iii) there shall occur (A) any sale, lease, exchange or other transfer (in one transaction or a series of transactions contemplated or arranged by any party as a single plan) of all or substantially all of the assets of the Company, other than a sale or disposition by the Company of all or substantially all of the Company's assets to an entity, at least 50% of the combined voting power of the voting securities of which are owned by "persons" (as defined above) in substantially the same proportion as their ownership of the Company, as applicable, immediately prior to such sale or (B) the approval by stockholders of the Company of any plan or proposal for the liquidation or dissolution of the Company, as applicable;

(iv) the members of the Board at the beginning of any consecutive 24-calendar-month period (the "<u>Incumbent Directors</u>") cease for any reason other than due to death to constitute at least a majority of the members of the Board; provided that any director whose election, or nomination for election by the Company's stockholders, was approved by a vote of at least a majority of the members of the Board then still in office who were members of the Board at the beginning of such 24-calendar-month period, shall be deemed to be an Incumbent Director; or

majority of the Board.

(v)

the holders of the Company's Class A common stock do not have the right to elect a

5.4 **Parachutes**. If any amount payable to or other benefit receivable by the Executive pursuant to this Agreement, or any other plan, arrangement or agreement with the Company (collectively, the "<u>Payments</u>") would be deemed to constitute a Parachute Payment (as defined below), alone or when added to any other amount payable or paid to or other benefit receivable or received by the Executive which is deemed to constitute a Parachute Payment (whether or not under an existing plan, arrangement or other agreement), and would (in the absence of this Section 5.4) result in the imposition on the Executive of an excise tax (the "<u>Excise</u> <u>Tax</u>") under Section 4999 of the Internal Revenue Code of 1986, as amended (the "<u>Code</u>"), then the Payments shall be reduced (but not below zero) to the Reduced Amount (as

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defined below), if reducing the Payments will provide the Executive with a greater net after-tax amount than would be the case if no reduction was made. Any such reduction shall be made by first reducing severance benefits (if any) and other payments that are payable in cash and then by reducing non-cash payments. The "<u>Reduced Amount</u>" shall be an amount expressed in "<u>present value</u>" (determined in accordance with Section 280G(d)(4) of the Code) which maximizes the aggregate present value of Payments without causing any Payment under this Agreement to be subject to the Excise Tax. The fact that the Executive's right to payments or benefits may be reduced by reason of the limitations contained in this Section 5.4, shall not of itself limit or otherwise affect any other rights of the Executive other than pursuant to this Agreement. "<u>Parachute Payment</u>" shall mean a "parachute payment" as defined in Section 280G of the Code. The calculation under this Section 5.4 shall be as determined by the Company's independent registered public accounting firm in effect immediately prior to the occurrence of the Change of Control (the "<u>Accounting Firm</u>").

Unless the payment is required to be delayed pursuant to Section 7.13(b) below, any additional payment payable to the Executive pursuant to this Section shall be paid by the Company to the Executive within five days of receipt of the Accounting Firm's determination, which such determination shall be made to the Company within 30 days of any event requiring payment to the Executive hereunder.

5.5 **Execution of Release.** The Executive acknowledges that, if required by the Company prior to making the severance payments and benefits set forth in Section 5.2(b) (other than accrued but unpaid Base Salary and other benefits), all such severance payments and benefits are subject to his execution of a general release from liability of the Company and its officers (including his successor), directors and employees, and such release becoming irrevocable by its terms. If Executive fails to execute such release, or such release does not become irrevocable, all such payments and benefits set forth in Section 5(b) shall be forfeited.

6. <u>Covenants of the Executive</u>.

6.1 <u>Confidentiality</u>. The Executive acknowledges that (i) the primary businesses of the Company are its health and beauty aids business (the "<u>Business</u>"); (ii) the Company is one of the limited number of persons who have such a business; (iii) the Company's Business is, in part, national and international in scope; (iv) the Executive's work for the Company has given and will continue to give him access to the confidential affairs and proprietary information of the Company; (v) the covenants and agreements of the Executive contained in this Section 6 are essential to the business and goodwill of the Company; and (vi) the Company would not have entered into this Agreement but for the covenants and agreements set forth in this Section 6. Accordingly, the Executive covenants and agrees during and after the period of the Executive's employment with the Company and its affiliates, the Executive (x) shall keep secret and retain in strictest confidence all confidential matters relating to the Company's Business and the business of any of its affiliates, learned by the Executive heretofore or hereafter directly or indirectly from the Company or any of its affiliates (the "<u>Confidential Company Information</u>"), and (y) shall not disclose such Confidential Company Information to anyone outside of the Company except with the Company's express written consent and except for Confidential Company Information which is at the time of receipt or thereafter becomes publicly known through no wrongful act of the

Executive or is received from a third party not under an obligation to keep such information confidential and without breach of this Agreement.

6.2 **Noncompetition; Nonsolicitation**.

(a) For a period of six months following the end of the Term (the "<u>Non-Compete Period</u>"), Executive shall not, directly or indirectly, engage or participate in, or become employed by, or affiliated with, or render advisory or any other services to, any person or business entity or organization, of whatever form, that competes with the Company. Executive specifically acknowledges that the temporal limitations hereof, in view of the nature of the Company's Businesses, are reasonable and necessary to protect the Company's legitimate business interests. During such Non-Competition Period, the Executive shall be paid an amount equal to (i) his Base Pay for a period of six months and (ii) an amount equal to the pro rata share of any bonus attributable to portion of calendar year completed prior to termination.

(b) During the Term and the Non-Compete Period, the Executive hereby agrees that he will not, either directly or through others, hire or attempt to hire, any current or former employee of the Company, or solicit or attempt to solicit any current or former employee, consultant or independent contractor of the Company to change or terminate his, her or its relationship with the Company or otherwise to become an employee for or of any other person or business entity, unless more than 12 months shall have elapsed between the last day of such person's employment or service with the Company and the first date of such solicitation or hiring or attempt to solicit or hire.

6.3 **<u>Rights and Remedies upon Breach</u>**. The Executive acknowledges and agrees that any breach by him of any of the provisions of Sections 6.1 and 6.2 (the "<u>Restrictive Covenants</u>") would result in irreparable injury and damage for which money damages would not provide an adequate remedy. Therefore, if the Executive breaches, or threatens to commit a breach of, any of the provisions of Sections 6.1 or 6.2, the Company and its affiliates, in addition to, and not in lieu of, any other rights and remedies available to the Company and its affiliates under law or in equity (including, without limitation, the recovery of damages), shall have the right and remedy to have the Restrictive Covenants specifically enforced by any court having equity jurisdiction, including, without limitation, the right to an entry against the Executive of restraining orders and injunctions (preliminary, mandatory, temporary and permanent) against violations, threatened or actual, and whether or not then continuing, of such covenants.

7. <u>Other Provisions</u>.

7.1 <u>Severability</u>. The Executive acknowledges and agrees that (i) he has had an opportunity to seek advice of counsel in connection with this Agreement and (ii) the Restrictive Covenants are reasonable in geographical and temporal scope and in all other respects. If it is determined that any of the provisions of this Agreement, including, without limitation, any of the Restrictive Covenants, or any part thereof, is invalid or unenforceable, the remainder of the provisions of this Agreement shall not thereby be affected and shall be given full effect, without regard to the invalid portions.

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7.2 **Enforceability: Jurisdiction: Arbitration**. Any controversy or claim arising out of or relating to this Agreement or the breach of this Agreement (other than a controversy or claim arising under Section 6, to the extent necessary for the Company (or its affiliates, where applicable) to avail itself of the rights and remedies referred to in Section 6.3) that is not resolved by the Executive and the Company (or its affiliates, where applicable) shall be submitted to arbitration in Newark, New Jersey in accordance with the law of the State of New Jersey and the procedures of the American Arbitration Association. The determination of the arbitrator(s) shall be conclusive and binding on the Company (or its affiliates, where applicable) and the Executive and judgment may be entered on the arbitrator(s)' award in any court having jurisdiction.

7.3 **Notices.** Any notice or other communication required or permitted hereunder shall be in writing and shall be delivered personally, telegraphed, telexed, sent by facsimile transmission or sent by certified, registered or express mail, postage prepaid. Any such notice shall be deemed given when so delivered personally, telegraphed, telexed or sent by facsimile transmission or, if mailed, five days after the date of deposit in the United States mails as follows:

(i) If to the Company, to:

CCA Industries, Inc. 200 Murray Hill Parkway East Rutherford, NJ 07073 Attention: General Counsel

(ii) If to the Executive, to:

Any such person may by notice given in accordance with this Section 7.4 to the other parties hereto designate another address or person for receipt by such person of notices hereunder.

7.4 **Entire Agreement**. This Agreement contains the entire agreement between the parties with respect to the subject matter hereof and supersedes all prior agreements, written or oral, with respect thereto.

7.5 <u>Waivers and Amendments</u>. This Agreement may be amended, superseded, canceled, renewed or extended, and the terms hereof may be waived, only by a written instrument signed by the parties or, in the case of a waiver, by the party waiving compliance. No delay on the part of any party in exercising any right, power or privilege hereunder shall operate as a waiver thereof, nor shall any waiver on the part of any party of any such right, power or privilege nor any single or partial exercise of any such right, power or privilege, preclude any other or further exercise thereof or the exercise of any other such right, power or privilege.

7.6 **GOVERNING LAW**. THIS AGREEMENT SHALL BE GOVERNED BY AND CONSTRUED IN ACCORDANCE WITH THE LAWS OF THE STATE OF NEW JERSEY WITHOUT REGARD TO ANY PRINCIPLES OF CONFLICTS OF LAW WHICH COULD CAUSE THE APPLICATION OF THE LAWS OF ANY JURISDICTION OTHER THAN THE STATE OF NEW JERSEY.

7.7 <u>Assignment</u>. This Agreement shall be binding upon and inure to the benefit of the Parties and their respective successors, heirs (in the case of the Executive) and assigns. No rights or obligations of the Company under this Agreement may be assigned or transferred by the Company except that such rights or obligations may be assigned or transferred, subject to Section 5.3, pursuant to a merger or consolidation in which the Company is not the continuing entity, or the sale or liquidation of all or substantially all of the assets of the Company; *provided, however*, that the assignee or transferee is the successor to all or substantially all of the assets of the Company and such assignee or transferee assumes the liabilities, obligations and duties of the Company, as contained in this Agreement, either contractually or as a matter of law.

7.8 <u>Withholding</u>. The Company shall be entitled to withhold from any payments or deemed payments any amount of tax withholding it determines to be required by law.

7.9 <u>Binding Effect</u>. This Agreement shall be binding upon and inure to the benefit of the parties and their respective successors, permitted assigns, heirs, executors and legal representatives.

7.10 <u>Counterparts</u>. This Agreement may be executed by the parties hereto in separate counterparts, each of which when so executed and delivered shall be an original but all such counterparts together shall constitute one and the same instrument. Each counterpart may consist of two copies hereof each signed by one of the parties hereto.

7.11 <u>Survival</u>. Anything contained in this Agreement to the contrary notwithstanding, the provisions of Sections 5 and 6 and any other provisions of this Agreement expressly imposing obligations that survive termination of Executive's employment hereunder, and the other provisions of this Section 7 to the extent necessary to effectuate the survival of such provisions, shall survive termination of this Agreement and any termination of the Executive's employment hereunder.

7.12 **Existing Agreements.** The Executive represents to the Company that he is not subject or a party to any employment or consulting agreement, non-competition covenant or other agreement, covenant or understanding which might prohibit him from executing this Agreement or limit his ability to fulfill his responsibilities hereunder.

7.13 Section 409A.

(a) <u>Interpretation</u>. Notwithstanding the other provisions hereof, this Agreement is intended to comply with the requirements of section 409A of the Code, to the extent applicable, and this Agreement shall be interpreted to avoid any penalty sanctions under section 409A of the Code. Accordingly, all provisions herein, or incorporated by reference, shall

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be construed and interpreted to comply with section 409A. If any payment or benefit cannot be provided or made at the time specified herein without incurring sanctions under section 409A of the Code, then such benefit or payment shall be provided in full at the earliest time thereafter when such sanctions will not be imposed. For purposes of section 409A of the Code, each payment made under this Agreement shall be treated as a separate payment. In no event may the Executive, directly or indirectly, designate the calendar year of payment.

(b) **Payment Delay**. Notwithstanding any provision to the contrary in this Agreement, if on the date of the Executive's termination of employment, the Executive is a "specified employee" (as such term is defined in section 409A(a)(2)(B) (i) of the Code and its corresponding regulations) as determined by the Board (or its delegate) in its sole discretion in accordance with its "specified employee" determination policy, then all cash severance payments payable to the Executive under this Agreement that are deemed as deferred compensation subject to the requirements of section 409A of the Code shall be postponed for a period of six months following the Executive's "separation from service" with the Company (or any successor thereto). The postponed amounts shall be paid to the Executive in a lump sum within 30 days after the date that is 6 months following the Executive's "separation from service" with the Company (or any successor thereto). If the Executive dies during such six-month period and prior to payment of the postponed cash amounts hereunder, the amounts delayed on account of section 409A of the Code shall be paid to the personal representative of the Executive's estate within 60 days after Executive's death. If any of the cash payments payable pursuant to this Agreement are delayed due to the requirements of section 409A of such payments interest during the deferral period at an annualized rate of interest equal to 5%.

(c) <u>Reimbursements</u>. All reimbursements provided under this Agreement shall be made or provided in accordance with the requirements of section 409A, including, where applicable, the requirement that (i) any reimbursement is for expenses incurred during the Executive's lifetime (or during a short period of time specified in this Agreement), (ii) the amount of expenses eligible for reimbursement during a calendar year may not affect the expenses eligible for reimbursement in any other calendar year, (iii) the reimbursement of all eligible expense will be made on or before the last day of the taxable year following the year in which the expense is incurred, and (iv) the right to reimbursement is not subject to the liquidation or exchange for another benefit. Any tax gross up payments to be made hereunder shall be made not later than the end of the Executive's taxable year next following the Executive's taxable year in which the related taxes are remitted to the taxing authority.

7.14 **Headings**. The headings in this Agreement are for reference only and shall not affect the interpretation of this Agreement.

[Signatures appear on following page]

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IN WITNESS WHEREOF, the parties hereto have signed their names as of the day and year first above written.

CCA INDUSTRIES, INC.

/s/ Ira Berman

Name: Ira Berman Title: Director Chairman, Board of Directors

/s/ Robert Lage Name: Robert Lage Title: Director Chairman, Compensation Committee

EXECUTIVE

/s/ Dunnan D. Edell Dunnan D. Edell

[Signature Page to Dunnan D. Edell Employment Agreement]

EMPLOYMENT AGREEMENT

THIS EMPLOYMENT AGREEMENT (this "<u>Agreement</u>") is dated as of March 21, 2011, by and among **CCA Industries, Inc.** (the "<u>Company</u>"), which has its principal place of business at 200 Murray Hill Parkway, East Rutherford, NJ 07073, and **Stephen A. Heit** (the "<u>Executive</u>").

WHEREAS, the Company wishes to continue to employ the Executive as its Executive Vice President and Chief Financial Officer, and the Executive wishes to accept such continuation of employment, on the terms set forth below, effective as of the date of this Agreement (the "Effective Date");

NOW THEREFORE, the parties hereto agree as follows:

1. <u>**Term**</u>. The Company hereby employs the Executive, and the Executive hereby accepts such employment, for an initial term commencing as of the Effective Date and continuing through December 31, 2013, unless sooner terminated in accordance with the provisions of Section 4 or Section 5, with such employment to continue for successive one-year periods in accordance with the terms of this Agreement (subject to termination as aforesaid) unless either party notifies the other party of non-renewal in writing prior to three months before the expiration of the initial term and each annual renewal, as applicable. (The period during which the Executive is employed hereunder being hereinafter referred to as the "<u>Term</u>").

2. **Duties**. During the Term, the Executive shall be employed by the Company as its Executive Vice President and Chief Financial Officer, reporting directly to the Company's Chief Executive Officer. The Executive shall faithfully perform for the Company the duties of said offices and shall perform such other duties of an executive, managerial or administrative nature as shall be reasonably specified and designated from time to time by the Chief Executive Officer. During the Term, the Executive shall devote his full time and attention to the business and affairs of the Company and shall not become employed by any other company or business enterprise.

3. <u>Compensation</u>.

3.1 <u>Base Salary</u>. The Company shall pay the Executive during the Term a salary at a minimum rate of \$250,000 per annum for the period beginning on the Effective Date through December 31, 2011 (the "<u>Base Salary</u>"), in accordance with the customary payroll practices of the Company applicable to senior executives. For each year thereafter, the Compensation Committee of the Board shall review the Executive's Base Salary and may provide for such increases therein as it may, in its discretion, deem appropriate. (Any such increased salary shall constitute the "<u>Base Salary</u>" as of the effective time of the increase.)

3.2 **Performance Bonus**. During the Term, in addition to the Base Salary, for each fiscal year of the Company ending during the Term, the Executive shall have the opportunity to receive an annual bonus in an amount and on such terms to be determined by the Compensation Committee of the Board ("Performance Bonus"). The Compensation Committee of the Board shall further have the discretion to grant to the Executive annual bonuses in such

amounts and on such terms as it shall determine in its sole discretion. Nothing contained in the foregoing shall limit the Executive's eligibility to receive any other bonus under any other bonus plan, stock option or other equity-based plan or award, or other policy or program of the Company.

3.3 **Long-term Incentive Compensation**. The Executive shall be entitled to participate in any long-term compensation plan of the Company in which he is eligible to participate, and may, without limitation, be granted in accordance with any such plan options to purchase shares of the Company's common stock (the "<u>Common Stock</u>"), shares of restricted stock, other equity awards and long-term cash awards in the discretion of the Compensation Committee of the Board.

3.4 <u>Benefits-In General</u>. The Executive shall be permitted during the Term to participate in any group life, hospitalization or disability insurance plans, health programs, retirement plans, fringe benefit programs and other benefits that may be available to other senior executives of the Company generally, in each case to the extent that the Executive is eligible under the terms of such plans or programs. In addition, Executive shall receive an automobile allowance of \$850 per month for a lease payment.

3.5 <u>Vacation</u>. The Executive shall be entitled to vacation of no less than 20 business days per year, to be credited in accordance with ordinary Company policies, as well as five additional personal days in accordance with Company policy.

3.6 **Expenses-In General**. The Company shall pay or reimburse the Executive for all ordinary and reasonable out-of-pocket expenses actually incurred (and, in the case of reimbursement, paid) by the Executive during the Term in the performance of the Executive's services under this Agreement, in accordance with the Company's policies regarding such reimbursements and paid in a reasonable time period. Executive shall also have a Company paid American Express and Platinum card for business purposes.

4. <u>**Termination upon Death or Disability.**</u> If the Executive dies during the Term, the Term shall terminate as of the date of death, and the obligations of the Company to or with respect to the Executive shall terminate in their entirety upon such date except as otherwise provided under this Section 4. If the Executive is unable to perform substantially and continuously the duties assigned to him due to a disability as defined for purposes of the Company's long-term disability plan then in effect, or, if no such plan is in effect, by virtue of ill health or other disability for more than 180 consecutive days or 270 non-consecutive days out of any consecutive 12-month period, the Company shall have the right, to the extent permitted by law, to terminate the employment of the Executive upon notice in writing to the Executive. Upon termination of employment due to death or disability, (i) the Executive (or the Executive's estate or

beneficiaries in the case of the death of the Executive) shall be entitled to receive any Base Salary and other benefits earned and accrued under this Agreement prior to the date of termination (and reimbursement under this Agreement for expenses incurred prior to the date of termination); (ii) the Executive (or the Executive's estate or beneficiaries in the case of the death of the Executive) shall be entitled to receive a single-sum payment equal to his Base Salary; (iii) without duplication of any amounts due under clauses (i) and (ii), the Executive (or the Executive's estate or beneficiaries in the case of the death of the Executive) shall receive a

single-sum payment equal to the value of the highest bonus earned by the Executive in the one-year period preceding the date of termination, multiplied by a fraction (x) the numerator of which is the number of days in the fiscal year preceding the termination and (y) the denominator of which is 365; (iv) health insurance benefits shall continue for the Executive (and/or his covered dependents, if applicable) for a period of six months; thereafter, Executive or his dependents shall be permitted to elect COBRA continuation coverage consistent with the applicable law; (v) all outstanding unvested equity-based awards held by the Executive shall fully vest and become immediately exercisable, as applicable, subject to the terms of such awards; (vi) the treatment of any performance-based long-term incentives shall be determined in the reasonable and good faith discretion of the Compensation Committee of the Board; and (vii) the Executive (or the Executive's estate or beneficiaries in the case of the death of the Executive) shall have no further rights to any other compensation or benefits hereunder, or any other rights hereunder (but, for the avoidance of doubt, shall receive such disability and death benefits as may be provided under the Company's plans and arrangements in accordance with their terms). Unless the payment is required to be delayed pursuant to Section 7.13(b) below, the cash amounts payable pursuant to clauses (i), (ii) and (iii) above shall be paid to the Executive (or the Executive's estate or beneficiaries in the case of the death of the Executive) within 60 days following the date of his termination of employment on account of death or disability.

5. <u>Certain Terminations of Employment; Certain Benefits</u>.

5.1 <u>Termination by the Company for Cause; Termination by the Executive without Good Reason</u>.

(a) For purposes of this Agreement, "<u>Cause</u>" shall mean the Executive's:

(i) commission of, and indictment for or formal admission to a felony, or any crime of moral turpitude, dishonesty, breach of trust or unethical business conduct, or any crime involving the Company;

- (ii) engagement in fraud, misappropriation or embezzlement;
- (iii) material failure or neglect by the Executive to perform the duties of his positions with the

Company;

(iv) continued failure to materially adhere to the reasonable directions of the Chief Executive Officer or the Company's written policies and practices; or

(v) material breach of any of the provisions of Section 6;

provided, that the Company shall not be permitted to terminate the Executive for Cause except on written notice given to the Executive at any time not more than 30 days following the occurrence of any of the events described in clause (ii) through (iv) above (or, if later, the Company's knowledge thereof). No termination for Cause under clauses (ii) through (iv) shall be effective unless the Chief Executive Officer makes a determination that Cause exists after notice to the Executive, and the Executive has been provided with an opportunity (with counsel of his choice) to contest the determination . In the event that it is determined that the termination

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for cause was improper, the Executive shall be reinstated immediately and Company shall pay or provide to Executive all compensation and benefits which would have been paid or provided during the period of such termination and reimbursement for all attorney's fees incurred for the purpose of contesting such termination.

(b) The Company may terminate this Agreement and the Executive's employment hereunder for Cause, and the Executive may terminate his employment on at least 30 days' written notice given to the Company. If the Company terminates the Executive for Cause, or the Executive terminates his employment and the termination by the Executive is not for Good Reason in accordance with Section 5.2, (i) the Executive shall receive Base Salary and other benefits (including any bonus for a fiscal year completed before termination and awarded but not yet paid) earned and accrued under this Agreement prior to the termination of employment (and reimbursement under this Agreement for expenses incurred prior to the termination of employment); and (ii) the Executive shall have no further rights to any other compensation or benefits under this Agreement on or after the termination of employment. Unless the payment is required to be delayed pursuant to Section 7.13(b) below, the cash amounts payable to the Executive under this Section 5.1(b) shall be paid to the Executive in a single-sum payment within 30 days following the date of his termination of employment with the Company pursuant to this Section 5.1(b).

5.2 <u>Termination by the Company without Cause; Termination by the Executive for Good Reason</u>.

(i) the material reduction of the Executive's title, authority, duties and responsibilities or the assignment to the Executive of duties materially inconsistent with the Executive's position or positions with the Company;

- (ii) a material reduction in Base Salary of the Executive;
- (iii) the Company's material breach of this Agreement; or

(iv) Executive is required to relocate his office more than 30 miles away from the Company's offices located in East Rutherford, New Jersey.

Notwithstanding the foregoing, (i) Good Reason shall not be deemed to exist unless notice of termination on account thereof (specifying a termination date no later than 30 days from the date of such notice) is given no later than 30 days after the time at which the event or condition purportedly giving rise to Good Reason first occurs or arises and (ii) if there exists (without regard to this clause (ii)) an event or condition that constitutes Good Reason, the Company shall have 15 days from the date notice of such a termination is given to cure such event or condition and, if the Company does so, such event or condition shall not constitute Good Reason hereunder.

(b) The Company may terminate the Executive's employment and the Executive may terminate the Executive's employment with the Company at any time for any

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reason or no reason. If the Company terminates the Executive's employment (and/or the termination is not covered by Section 4 or 5.1), the Executive terminates his employment for Good Reason or the Company does not renew this Agreement as described in Section 1:

(i) the Executive shall receive a single-sum payment equal to accrued but unpaid Base Salary and other benefits (including any bonus for a calendar year completed before termination) earned and accrued under this Agreement prior to the termination of employment (and reimbursement under this Agreement for expenses incurred prior to the termination of employment);

(ii) the Executive shall receive a single-sum payment of an amount equal to 3.0 times (a) the average of the Base Salary amounts paid to Executive over the three calendar years prior to the date of Termination, (b) if less than three years have elapsed between the date of this Agreement and the date of termination, the highest Base Salary paid to Executive in any calendar year prior to the date of Termination, or (c) if less than 12 months have elapsed from the date of this Agreement to the date of termination, the highest Base Salary received in any month times 12; and

(iii) all outstanding unvested equity-based awards (including without limitation stock options and restricted stock) held by the Executive shall be treated in the manner determined in the reasonable and good faith discretion of the Compensation Committee of the Board.

Unless the payment is required to be delayed pursuant to Section 7.13(b) below, the cash amounts payable to the Executive under this Section 5.2(b) shall be paid to the Executive within 30 days following the date of his termination of employment with the Company pursuant to this Section 5.2(b).

5.3 <u>Change of Control</u>. After a "Change of Control" (as defined below), there will be a transition period (the "<u>Transition Period</u>") which will begin on date of the Change of Control and end on the first anniversary of such Change of Control. If the Executive terminates his employment with the Company within the one year period following the Transition Period, such termination shall be deemed a termination by the Executive for Good Reason covered by Section 5.2. Without duplication of the foregoing, if the Company terminates the Executive's employment (and/or the termination is not covered by Section 4 or 5.1), the Executive terminates his employment for Good Reason or the Company does not renew this Agreement as described in Section 1 during the Transition Period, or the Executive is deemed to have terminated his employment for Good Reason within the one-year period following the Transition Period pursuant to the immediately preceding sentence, all outstanding unvested equity-based awards shall fully vest and shall become immediately exercisable, as applicable. For purposes of this Agreement, "<u>Change of Control</u>" shall mean the occurrence of any of the following:

(i) any "person," including a "group" (as such terms are used in Sections 13(d) and 14(d) of the Securities Exchange Act of 1934, as amended (the "Exchange Act"), but excluding any "group" (as such term is used in Section 13(d)(3) of the Exchange Act) of which the Executive is a member) is or becomes the "beneficial owner" (as defined in Rule

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13(d)(3) under the Exchange Act), directly or indirectly, of securities of the Company representing 20% or more of either (A) the combined voting power of the Company's then outstanding securities or (B) the then outstanding Common Stock of the Company (in either such case other than as a result of an acquisition of securities directly from the Company); *provided, however*, that, in no event shall a Change of Control be deemed to have occurred upon a public offering of the Common Stock registered under the Securities Act of 1933, as amended; or

immediately prior to the consolidation or merger, would not, immediately after the consolidation or merger, beneficially own (as such term is defined in Rule 13d-3 under the Exchange Act), directly or indirectly, shares representing in the aggregate 50% or more of the combined voting power of the securities of the entity issuing cash or securities in the consolidation or merger (or of its ultimate parent entity, if any) (excluding from shares beneficially owned by stockholders of the Company for such computation all shares of Common Stock beneficially owned by any person that is the beneficial owner of 5.0% or more of the outstanding shares of any constituent in such consolidation or merger other than the Company);

(iii) there shall occur (A) any sale, lease, exchange or other transfer (in one transaction or a series of transactions contemplated or arranged by any party as a single plan) of all or substantially all of the assets of the Company, other than a sale or disposition by the Company of all or substantially all of the Company's assets to an entity, at least 50% of the combined voting power of the voting securities of which are owned by "persons" (as defined above) in substantially the same proportion as their ownership of the Company, as applicable, immediately prior to such sale or (B) the approval by stockholders of the Company of any plan or proposal for the liquidation or dissolution of the Company, as applicable;

(iv) the members of the Board at the beginning of any consecutive 24-calendar-month period (the "<u>Incumbent Directors</u>") cease for any reason other than due to death to constitute at least a majority of the members of the Board; provided that any director whose election, or nomination for election by the Company's stockholders, was approved by a vote of at least a majority of the members of the Board then still in office who were members of the Board at the beginning of such 24-calendar-month period, shall be deemed to be an Incumbent Director; or

majority of the Board.

(v)

the holders of the Company's Class A common stock do not have the right to elect a

5.4 **Parachutes**. If any amount payable to or other benefit receivable by the Executive pursuant to this Agreement, or any other plan, arrangement or agreement with the Company (collectively, the "<u>Payments</u>") would be deemed to constitute a Parachute Payment (as defined below), alone or when added to any other amount payable or paid to or other benefit receivable or received by the Executive which is deemed to constitute a Parachute Payment (whether or not under an existing plan, arrangement or other agreement), and would (in the absence of this Section 5.4) result in the imposition on the Executive of an excise tax (the "<u>Excise</u> <u>Tax</u>") under Section 4999 of the Internal Revenue Code of 1986, as amended (the "<u>Code</u>"), then the Payments shall be reduced (but not below zero) to the Reduced Amount (as

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defined below), if reducing the Payments will provide the Executive with a greater net after-tax amount than would be the case if no reduction was made. Any such reduction shall be made by first reducing severance benefits (if any) and other payments that are payable in cash and then by reducing non-cash payments. The "<u>Reduced Amount</u>" shall be an amount expressed in present value which maximizes the aggregate present value of Payments without causing any Payment under this Agreement to be subject to the Excise Tax, determined in accordance with Section 280G(d)(4) of the Code. The fact that the Executive's right to payments or benefits may be reduced by reason of the limitations contained in this Section 5.4, shall not of itself limit or otherwise affect any other rights of the Executive other than pursuant to this Agreement. "<u>Parachute Payment</u>" shall mean a "parachute payment" as defined in Section 280G of the Code. The calculation under this Section 5.4 shall be as determined by the Company's independent registered public accounting firm in effect immediately prior to the occurrence of the Change of Control (the "<u>Accounting Firm</u>").

Unless the payment is required to be delayed pursuant to Section 7.13(b) below, any additional payment payable to the Executive pursuant to this Section shall be paid by the Company to the Executive within five days of receipt of the Accounting Firm's determination, which such determination shall be made to the Company within 30 days of any event requiring payment to the Executive hereunder.

5.5 **Execution of Release.** The Executive acknowledges that, if required by the Company prior to making the severance payments and benefits set forth in Section 5.2(b) (other than accrued but unpaid Base Salary and other benefits), all such severance payments and benefits are subject to his execution of a general release from liability of the Company and its officers (including his successor), directors and employees, and such release becoming irrevocable by its terms. If Executive fails to execute such release, or such release does not become irrevocable, all such payments and benefits set forth in Section 5(b) shall be forfeited.

6. <u>Covenants of the Executive</u>.

6.1 <u>Confidentiality</u>. The Executive acknowledges that (i) the primary businesses of the Company are its health and beauty aids business (the "<u>Business</u>"); (ii) the Company is one of the limited number of persons who have such a business; (iii) the Company's Business is, in part, national and international in scope; (iv) the Executive's work for the Company has given and will continue to give him access to the confidential affairs and proprietary information of the Company; (v) the covenants and agreements of the Executive contained in this Section 6 are essential to the business and goodwill of the Company; and (vi) the Company would not have entered into this Agreement but for the covenants and agreements set forth in this Section 6. Accordingly, the Executive covenants and agrees during and after the period of the Executive's employment with the Company and its affiliates, the Executive (x) shall keep secret and retain in strictest confidence all confidential matters relating to the Company's Business and the business of any of its affiliates, learned by the Executive heretofore or hereafter directly or indirectly from the Company or any of its affiliates (the "<u>Confidential Company Information</u>"), and (y) shall not disclose such Confidential Company Information to anyone outside of the Company except with the Company's express written consent and except for Confidential Company Information which is at the time of receipt or thereafter becomes publicly known through no wrongful act of the

Executive or is received from a third party not under an obligation to keep such information confidential and without breach of this Agreement.

6.2 **Noncompetition; Nonsolicitation**.

(a) For a period of six months following the end of the Term (the "<u>Non-Compete Period</u>"), Executive shall not, directly or indirectly, engage or participate in, or become employed by, or affiliated with, or render advisory or any other services to, any person or business entity or organization, of whatever form, that competes with the Company. Executive specifically acknowledges that the temporal limitations hereof, in view of the nature of the Company's Businesses, are reasonable and necessary to protect the Company's legitimate business interests. During such Non-Competition Period, the Executive shall be paid an amount equal to (i) his Base Pay for a period of six months and (ii) an amount equal to the pro rata share of any bonus attributable to portion of calendar year completed prior to termination.

(b) During the Term and the Non-Compete Period, the Executive hereby agrees that he will not, either directly or through others, hire or attempt to hire, any current or former employee of the Company, or solicit or attempt to solicit any current or former employee, consultant or independent contractor of the Company to change or terminate his, her or its relationship with the Company or otherwise to become an employee for or of any other person or business entity, unless more than 12 months shall have elapsed between the last day of such person's employment or service with the Company and the first date of such solicitation or hiring or attempt to solicit or hire.

6.3 **<u>Rights and Remedies upon Breach</u>**. The Executive acknowledges and agrees that any breach by him of any of the provisions of Sections 6.1 and 6.2 (the "<u>Restrictive Covenants</u>") would result in irreparable injury and damage for which money damages would not provide an adequate remedy. Therefore, if the Executive breaches, or threatens to commit a breach of, any of the provisions of Sections 6.1 or 6.2, the Company and its affiliates, in addition to, and not in lieu of, any other rights and remedies available to the Company and its affiliates under law or in equity (including, without limitation, the recovery of damages), shall have the right and remedy to have the Restrictive Covenants specifically enforced by any court having equity jurisdiction, including, without limitation, the right to an entry against the Executive of restraining orders and injunctions (preliminary, mandatory, temporary and permanent) against violations, threatened or actual, and whether or not then continuing, of such covenants.

7. <u>Other Provisions</u>.

7.1 <u>Severability</u>. The Executive acknowledges and agrees that (i) he has had an opportunity to seek advice of counsel in connection with this Agreement and (ii) the Restrictive Covenants are reasonable in geographical and temporal scope and in all other respects. If it is determined that any of the provisions of this Agreement, including, without limitation, any of the Restrictive Covenants, or any part thereof, is invalid or unenforceable, the remainder of the provisions of this Agreement shall not thereby be affected and shall be given full effect, without regard to the invalid portions.

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7.2 **Enforceability: Jurisdiction: Arbitration**. Any controversy or claim arising out of or relating to this Agreement or the breach of this Agreement (other than a controversy or claim arising under Section 6, to the extent necessary for the Company (or its affiliates, where applicable) to avail itself of the rights and remedies referred to in Section 6.3) that is not resolved by the Executive and the Company (or its affiliates, where applicable) shall be submitted to arbitration in Newark, New Jersey in accordance with the law of the State of New Jersey and the procedures of the American Arbitration Association. The determination of the arbitrator(s) shall be conclusive and binding on the Company (or its affiliates, where applicable) and the Executive and judgment may be entered on the arbitrator(s)' award in any court having jurisdiction.

7.3 **Notices.** Any notice or other communication required or permitted hereunder shall be in writing and shall be delivered personally, telegraphed, telexed, sent by facsimile transmission or sent by certified, registered or express mail, postage prepaid. Any such notice shall be deemed given when so delivered personally, telegraphed, telexed or sent by facsimile transmission or, if mailed, five days after the date of deposit in the United States mails as follows:

(i) If to the Company, to:

CCA Industries, Inc. 200 Murray Hill Parkway East Rutherford, NJ 07073 Attention: General Counsel

(ii) If to the Executive, to:

Any such person may by notice given in accordance with this Section 7.4 to the other parties hereto designate another address or person for receipt by such person of notices hereunder.

subject matter hereof and supersedes all prior agreements, written or oral, with respect thereto.

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7.7 <u>Assignment</u>. This Agreement shall be binding upon and inure to the benefit of the Parties and their respective successors, heirs (in the case of the Executive) and assigns. No rights or obligations of the Company under this Agreement may be assigned or transferred by the Company except that such rights or obligations may be assigned or transferred, subject to Section 5.3, pursuant to a merger or consolidation in which the Company is not the continuing entity, or the sale or liquidation of all or substantially all of the assets of the Company; *provided, however*, that the assignee or transferee is the successor to all or substantially all of the assets of the Company and such assignee or transferee assumes the liabilities, obligations and duties of the Company, as contained in this Agreement, either contractually or as a matter of law.

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7.9 <u>**Binding Effect.</u>** This Agreement shall be binding upon and inure to the benefit of the parties and their respective successors, permitted assigns, heirs, executors and legal representatives.</u>

7.10 <u>Counterparts</u>. This Agreement may be executed by the parties hereto in separate counterparts, each of which when so executed and delivered shall be an original but all such counterparts together shall constitute one and the same instrument. Each counterpart may consist of two copies hereof each signed by one of the parties hereto.

7.11 <u>Survival</u>. Anything contained in this Agreement to the contrary notwithstanding, the provisions of Sections 5 and 6 and any other provisions of this Agreement expressly imposing obligations that survive termination of Executive's employment hereunder, and the other provisions of this Section 7 to the extent necessary to effectuate the survival of such provisions, shall survive termination of this Agreement and any termination of the Executive's employment hereunder.

7.12 **Existing Agreements.** The Executive represents to the Company that he is not subject or a party to any employment or consulting agreement, non-competition covenant or other agreement, covenant or understanding which might prohibit him from executing this Agreement or limit his ability to fulfill his responsibilities hereunder.

7.13 Section 409A.

(a) **Interpretation**. Notwithstanding the other provisions hereof, this Agreement is intended to comply with the requirements of section 409A of the Code, to the extent applicable, and this Agreement shall be interpreted to avoid any penalty sanctions under section 409A of the Code. Accordingly, all provisions herein, or incorporated by reference, shall

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be construed and interpreted to comply with section 409A. If any payment or benefit cannot be provided or made at the time specified herein without incurring sanctions under section 409A of the Code, then such benefit or payment shall be provided in full at the earliest time thereafter when such sanctions will not be imposed. For purposes of section 409A of the Code, each payment made under this Agreement shall be treated as a separate payment. In no event may the Executive, directly or indirectly, designate the calendar year of payment.

(b) **Payment Delay**. Notwithstanding any provision to the contrary in this Agreement, if on the date of the Executive's termination of employment, the Executive is a "specified employee" (as such term is defined in section 409A(a)(2)(B) (i) of the Code and its corresponding regulations) as determined by the Board (or its delegate) in its sole discretion in accordance with its "specified employee" determination policy, then all cash severance payments payable to the Executive under this Agreement that are deemed as deferred compensation subject to the requirements of section 409A of the Code shall be postponed for a period of six months following the Executive's "separation from service" with the Company (or any successor thereto). The postponed amounts shall be paid to the Executive in a lump sum within 30 days after the date that is 6 months following the Executive's "separation from service" with the Company (or any successor thereto). If the Executive dies during such six-month period and prior to payment of the postponed cash amounts hereunder, the amounts delayed on account of section 409A of the Code shall be paid to the personal representative of the Executive's estate within 60 days after Executive's death. If any of the cash payments payable pursuant to this Agreement are delayed due to the requirements of section 409A of such cash payments interest during the deferral period at an annualized rate of interest equal to 5%.

(c) <u>Reimbursements</u>. All reimbursements provided under this Agreement shall be made or provided in accordance with the requirements of section 409A, including, where applicable, the requirement that (i) any reimbursement is for expenses incurred during the Executive's lifetime (or during a short period of time specified in this Agreement), (ii) the amount of expenses eligible for reimbursement during a calendar year may not affect the expenses eligible for reimbursement in any other calendar year, (iii) the reimbursement of all eligible expense will be made on or before the last day of the taxable year following the year in which the expense is incurred, and (iv) the right to reimbursement is not subject to the liquidation or exchange for another benefit. Any tax gross up payments to be made hereunder shall be made not later than the end of the Executive's taxable year next following the Executive's taxable year in which the related taxes are remitted to the taxing authority.

7.14 **Headings**. The headings in this Agreement are for reference only and shall not affect the interpretation of this Agreement.

[Signatures appear on following page]

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IN WITNESS WHEREOF, the parties hereto have signed their names as of the day and year first above written.

CCA INDUSTRIES, INC.

/s/ Ira Berman

Name: Ira Berman Title: Director Chairman, Board of Directors

/s/ Robert Lage

Name: Robert Lage Title: Director Chairman, Compensation Committee

EXECUTIVE

/s/ Stephen A. Heit Stephen A. Heit

[Signature Page to Stephen A. Heit Employment Agreement]

EMPLOYMENT AGREEMENT

THIS EMPLOYMENT AGREEMENT (this "<u>Agreement</u>") is dated as of March 21, 2011, by and among **CCA Industries, Inc.** (the "<u>Company</u>"), which has its principal place of business at 200 Murray Hill Parkway, East Rutherford, NJ 07073, and **Drew Edell** (the "<u>Executive</u>").

WHEREAS, the Company wishes to continue to employ the Executive as its Executive Vice President, Product Development and Production, and the Executive wishes to accept such continuation of employment, on the terms set forth below, effective as of the date of this Agreement (the "Effective Date");

NOW THEREFORE, the parties hereto agree as follows:

1. <u>**Term**</u>. The Company hereby employs the Executive, and the Executive hereby accepts such employment, for an initial term commencing as of the Effective Date and continuing through December 31, 2013, unless sooner terminated in accordance with the provisions of Section 4 or Section 5, with such employment to continue for successive one-year periods in accordance with the terms of this Agreement (subject to termination as aforesaid) unless either party notifies the other party of non-renewal in writing prior to three months before the expiration of the initial term and each annual renewal, as applicable. (The period during which the Executive is employed hereunder being hereinafter referred to as the "<u>Term</u>").

2. **Duties**. During the Term, the Executive shall be employed by the Company as its Executive Vice President, Product Development and Production, reporting directly to the Company's Chief Executive Officer. The Executive shall faithfully perform for the Company the duties of said offices and shall perform such other duties of an executive, managerial or administrative nature as shall be reasonably specified and designated from time to time by the Chief Executive Officer. During the Term, the Executive shall devote his full time and attention to the business and affairs of the Company and shall not become employed by any other company or business enterprise.

3. <u>Compensation</u>.

3.1 **Base Salary**. The Company shall pay the Executive during the Term a salary at a minimum rate of \$275,000 per annum for the period beginning on the Effective Date through December 31, 2011 (the "<u>Base Salary</u>"), in accordance with the customary payroll practices of the Company applicable to senior executives. For each year thereafter, the Compensation Committee of the Board shall review the Executive's Base Salary and may provide for such increases therein as it may, in its discretion, deem appropriate. (Any such increased salary shall constitute the "<u>Base Salary</u>" as of the effective time of the increase.)

3.2 <u>Performance Bonus</u>. During the Term, in addition to the Base Salary, for each fiscal year of the Company ending during the Term, the Executive shall have the opportunity to receive an annual bonus in an amount and on such terms to be determined by the Compensation Committee of the Board (<u>"Performance Bonus</u>"). The Compensation Committee

of the Board shall further have the discretion to grant to the Executive annual bonuses in such amounts and on such terms as it shall determine in its sole discretion. Nothing contained in the foregoing shall limit the Executive's eligibility to receive any other bonus under any other bonus plan, stock option or other equity-based plan or award, or other policy or program of the Company.

3.3 **Long-term Incentive Compensation**. The Executive shall be entitled to participate in any long-term compensation plan of the Company in which he is eligible to participate, and may, without limitation, be granted in accordance with any such plan options to purchase shares of the Company's common stock (the "<u>Common Stock</u>"), shares of restricted stock, other equity awards and long-term cash awards in the discretion of the Compensation Committee of the Board.

3.4 <u>Benefits-In General</u>. The Executive shall be permitted during the Term to participate in any group life, hospitalization or disability insurance plans, health programs, retirement plans, fringe benefit programs and other benefits that may be available to other senior executives of the Company generally, in each case to the extent that the Executive is eligible under the terms of such plans or programs. In addition, Executive shall receive an automobile allowance of \$850 per month for a lease payment.

3.5 <u>Vacation</u>. The Executive shall be entitled to vacation of no less than 20 business days per year, to be credited in accordance with ordinary Company policies, as well as five additional personal days in accordance with Company policy.

3.6 **Expenses-In General**. The Company shall pay or reimburse the Executive for all ordinary and reasonable out-of-pocket expenses actually incurred (and, in the case of reimbursement, paid) by the Executive during the Term in the performance of the Executive's services under this Agreement, in accordance with the Company's policies regarding such reimbursements and paid in a reasonable time period. Executive shall also have a Company paid American Express and Platinum card for business purposes.

4. <u>**Termination upon Death or Disability.**</u> If the Executive dies during the Term, the Term shall terminate as of the date of death, and the obligations of the Company to or with respect to the Executive shall terminate in their entirety upon such date except as otherwise provided under this Section 4. If the Executive is unable to perform substantially and continuously the duties assigned to him due to a disability as defined for purposes of the Company's long-term disability plan then in effect, or, if no such plan is in effect, by virtue of ill health or other disability for more than 180 consecutive days or 270 non-consecutive days out of any consecutive 12-month period, the Company shall have the right, to the extent permitted by law, to terminate the employment of the Executive upon notice in writing to the Executive. Upon termination of employment due to death or disability, (i) the Executive (or the Executive's estate or

beneficiaries in the case of the death of the Executive) shall be entitled to receive any Base Salary and other benefits earned and accrued under this Agreement prior to the date of termination (and reimbursement under this Agreement for expenses incurred prior to the date of termination); (ii) the Executive (or the Executive's estate or beneficiaries in the case of the death of the Executive) shall be entitled to receive a single-sum payment equal to his Base Salary; (iii) without duplication of any amounts due under clauses (i) and (ii), the Executive (or the

Executive's estate or beneficiaries in the case of the death of the Executive) shall receive a single-sum payment equal to the value of the highest bonus earned by the Executive in the one-year period preceding the date of termination, multiplied by a fraction (x) the numerator of which is the number of days in the fiscal year preceding the termination and (y) the denominator of which is 365; (iv) health insurance benefits shall continue for the Executive (and/or his covered dependents, if applicable) for a period of six months; thereafter, Executive or his dependents shall be permitted to elect COBRA continuation coverage consistent with the applicable law; (v) all outstanding unvested equity-based awards held by the Executive shall fully vest and become immediately exercisable, as applicable, subject to the terms of such awards; (vi) the treatment of any performance-based long-term incentives shall be determined in the reasonable and good faith discretion of the Compensation Committee of the Board; and (vii) the Executive (or the Executive's estate or beneficiaries in the case of the death of the Executive) shall have no further rights to any other compensation or benefits hereunder, or any other rights hereunder (but, for the avoidance of doubt, shall receive such disability and death benefits as may be provided under the Company's plans and arrangements in accordance with their terms). Unless the payment is required to be delayed pursuant to Section 7.13(b) below, the cash amounts payable pursuant to clauses (i), (ii) and (iii) above shall be paid to the Executive (or the Executive's estate or beneficiaries in the case of the death of the Executive) within 60 days following the date of his termination of employment on account of death or disability.

5. <u>Certain Terminations of Employment; Certain Benefits</u>.

5.1 <u>Termination by the Company for Cause; Termination by the Executive without Good Reason</u>.

(a) For purposes of this Agreement, "<u>Cause</u>" shall mean the Executive's:

(i) commission of, and indictment for or formal admission to a felony, or any crime of moral turpitude, dishonesty, breach of trust or unethical business conduct, or any crime involving the Company;

- (ii) engagement in fraud, misappropriation or embezzlement;
- (iii) material failure or neglect by the Executive to perform the duties of his positions with the

Company;

(iv) continued failure to materially adhere to the reasonable directions of the Chief Executive Officer or the Company's written policies and practices; or

(v) material breach of any of the provisions of Section 6;

provided, that the Company shall not be permitted to terminate the Executive for Cause except on written notice given to the Executive at any time not more than 30 days following the occurrence of any of the events described in clause (ii) through (iv) above (or, if later, the Company's knowledge thereof). No termination for Cause under clauses (ii) through (iv) shall be effective unless the Chief Executive Officer makes a determination that Cause exists after notice to the Executive, and the Executive has been provided with an opportunity (with counsel

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of his choice) to contest the determination. In the event that it is determined that the termination for cause was improper, the Executive shall be reinstated immediately and Company shall pay or provide to Executive all compensation and benefits which would have been paid or provided during the period of such termination and reimbursement for all attorney's fees incurred for the purpose of contesting such termination.

(b) The Company may terminate this Agreement and the Executive's employment hereunder for Cause, and the Executive may terminate his employment on at least 30 days' written notice given to the Company. If the Company terminates the Executive for Cause, or the Executive terminates his employment and the termination by the Executive is not for Good Reason in accordance with Section 5.2, (i) the Executive shall receive Base Salary and other benefits (including any bonus for a fiscal year completed before termination and awarded but not yet paid) earned and accrued under this Agreement prior to the termination of employment (and reimbursement under this Agreement for expenses incurred prior to the termination of employment); and (ii) the Executive shall have no further rights to any other compensation or benefits under this Agreement on or after the termination of employment. Unless the payment is required to be delayed pursuant to Section 7.13(b) below, the cash amounts payable to the Executive under this Section 5.1(b) shall be paid to the Executive in a single-sum payment within 30 days following the date of his termination of employment with the Company pursuant to this Section 5.1(b).

5.2 <u>Termination by the Company without Cause; Termination by the Executive for Good Reason</u>.

(i) the material reduction of the Executive's title, authority, duties and responsibilities or the assignment to the Executive of duties materially inconsistent with the Executive's position or positions with the Company;

- (ii) a material reduction in Base Salary of the Executive;
- (iii) the Company's material breach of this Agreement; or
- (iv) Executive is required to relocate his office more than 30 miles away from the Company's offices located in East Rutherford, New Jersey.

Notwithstanding the foregoing, (i) Good Reason shall not be deemed to exist unless notice of termination on account thereof (specifying a termination date no later than 30 days from the date of such notice) is given no later than 30 days after the time at which the event or condition purportedly giving rise to Good Reason first occurs or arises and (ii) if there exists (without regard to this clause (ii)) an event or condition that constitutes Good Reason, the Company shall have 15 days from the date notice of such a termination is given to cure such event or condition and, if the Company does so, such event or condition shall not constitute Good Reason hereunder.

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(b) The Company may terminate the Executive's employment and the Executive may terminate the Executive's employment with the Company at any time for any reason or no reason. If the Company terminates the Executive's employment (and/or the termination is not covered by Section 4 or 5.1), the Executive terminates his employment for Good Reason or the Company does not renew this Agreement as described in Section 1:

(i) the Executive shall receive a single-sum payment equal to accrued but unpaid Base Salary and other benefits (including any bonus for a calendar year completed before termination) earned and accrued under this Agreement prior to the termination of employment (and reimbursement under this Agreement for expenses incurred prior to the termination of employment);

(ii) the Executive shall receive a single-sum payment of an amount equal to 3.0 times (a) the average of the Base Salary amounts paid to Executive over the three calendar years prior to the date of Termination, (b) if less than three years have elapsed between the date of this Agreement and the date of termination, the highest Base Salary paid to Executive in any calendar year prior to the date of Termination, or (c) if less than 12 months have elapsed from the date of this Agreement to the date of termination, the highest Base Salary received in any month times 12; and

(iii) all outstanding unvested equity-based awards (including without limitation stock options and restricted stock) held by the Executive shall be treated in the manner determined in the reasonable and good faith discretion of the Compensation Committee of the Board.

Unless the payment is required to be delayed pursuant to Section 7.13(b) below, the cash amounts payable to the Executive under this Section 5.2(b) shall be paid to the Executive within 30 days following the date of his termination of employment with the Company pursuant to this Section 5.2(b).

5.3 <u>Change of Control</u>. After a "Change of Control" (as defined below), there will be a transition period (the "<u>Transition Period</u>") which will begin on date of the Change of Control and end on the first anniversary of such Change of Control. If the Executive terminates his employment with the Company within the one year period following the Transition Period, such termination shall be deemed a termination by the Executive for Good Reason covered by Section 5.2. Without duplication of the foregoing, if the Company terminates the Executive's employment (and/or the termination is not covered by Section 4 or 5.1), the Executive terminates his employment for Good Reason or the Company does not renew this Agreement as described in Section 1 during the Transition Period, or the Executive is deemed to have terminated his employment for Good Reason within the one-year period following the Transition Period pursuant to the immediately preceding sentence, all outstanding unvested equity-based awards shall fully vest and shall become immediately exercisable, as applicable. For purposes of this Agreement, "<u>Change of Control</u>" shall mean the occurrence of any of the following:

(i) any "person," including a "group" (as such terms are used in Sections 13(d) and 14(d) of the Securities Exchange Act of 1934, as amended (the "Exchange

Act"), but excluding any "group" (as such term is used in Section 13(d)(3) of the Exchange Act) of which the Executive is a member) is or becomes the "<u>beneficial owner</u>" (as defined in Rule 13(d)(3) under the Exchange Act), directly or indirectly, of securities of the Company representing 20% or more of either (A) the combined voting power of the Company's then outstanding securities or (B) the then outstanding Common Stock of the Company (in either such case other than as a result of an acquisition of securities directly from the Company); *provided, however*, that, in no event shall a Change of Control be deemed to have occurred upon a public offering of the Common Stock registered under the Securities Act of 1933, as amended; or

immediately prior to the consolidation or merger, would not, immediately after the consolidation or merger, beneficially own (as such term is defined in Rule 13d-3 under the Exchange Act), directly or indirectly, shares representing in the aggregate 50% or more of the combined voting power of the securities of the entity issuing cash or securities in the consolidation or merger (or of its ultimate parent entity, if any) (excluding from shares beneficially owned by stockholders of the Company for such computation all shares of Common Stock beneficially owned by any person that is the beneficial owner of 5.0% or more of the outstanding shares of any constituent in such consolidation or merger other than the Company);

(iii) there shall occur (A) any sale, lease, exchange or other transfer (in one transaction or a series of transactions contemplated or arranged by any party as a single plan) of all or substantially all of the assets of the Company, other than a sale or disposition by the Company of all or substantially all of the Company's assets to an entity, at least 50% of the combined voting power of the voting securities of which are owned by "persons" (as defined above) in substantially the same proportion as their ownership of the Company, as applicable, immediately prior to such sale or (B) the approval by stockholders of the Company of any plan or proposal for the liquidation or dissolution of the Company, as applicable;

(iv) the members of the Board at the beginning of any consecutive 24-calendar-month period (the "<u>Incumbent Directors</u>") cease for any reason other than due to death to constitute at least a majority of the members of the Board; provided that any director whose election, or nomination for election by the Company's stockholders, was approved by a vote of at least a majority of the members of the Board then still in office who were members of the Board at the beginning of such 24-calendar-month period, shall be deemed to be an Incumbent Director; or

majority of the Board.

(v)

the holders of the Company's Class A common stock do not have the right to elect a

5.4 **Parachutes**. If any amount payable to or other benefit receivable by the Executive pursuant to this Agreement, or any other plan, arrangement or agreement with the Company (collectively, the "<u>Payments</u>") would be deemed to constitute a Parachute Payment (as defined below), alone or when added to any other amount payable or paid to or other benefit receivable or received by the Executive which is deemed to constitute a Parachute Payment (whether or not under an existing plan, arrangement or other agreement), and would (in the absence of this Section 5.4) result in the imposition on the Executive of an excise tax (the

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"Excise Tax") under Section 4999 of the Internal Revenue Code of 1986, as amended (the "<u>Code</u>"), then the Payments shall be reduced (but not below zero) to the Reduced Amount (as defined below), if reducing the Payments will provide the Executive with a greater net after-tax amount than would be the case if no reduction was made. Any such reduction shall be made by first reducing severance benefits (if any) and other payments that are payable in cash and then by reducing non-cash payments. The "<u>Reduced Amount</u>" shall be an amount expressed in present value which maximizes the aggregate present value of Payments without causing any Payment under this Agreement to be subject to the Excise Tax, determined in accordance with Section 280G(d)(4) of the Code. The fact that the Executive's right to payments or benefits may be reduced by reason of the limitations contained in this Section 5.4, shall not of itself limit or otherwise affect any other rights of the Executive other than pursuant to this Agreement. "<u>Parachute Payment</u>" shall mean a "parachute payment" as defined in Section 280G of the Code. The calculation under this Section 5.4 shall be as determined by the Company's independent registered public accounting firm in effect immediately prior to the occurrence of the Change of Control (the "<u>Accounting Firm</u>").

Unless the payment is required to be delayed pursuant to Section 7.13(b) below, any additional payment payable to the Executive pursuant to this Section shall be paid by the Company to the Executive within five days of receipt of the Accounting Firm's determination, which such determination shall be made to the Company within 30 days of any event requiring payment to the Executive hereunder.

5.5 **Execution of Release**. The Executive acknowledges that, if required by the Company prior to making the severance payments and benefits set forth in Section 5.2(b) (other than accrued but unpaid Base Salary and other benefits), all such severance payments and benefits are subject to his execution of a general release from liability of the Company and its officers (including his successor), directors and employees, and such release becoming irrevocable by its terms. If Executive fails to execute such release, or such release does not become irrevocable, all such payments and benefits set forth in Section 5(b) shall be forfeited.

6. **Covenants of the Executive**.

6.1 <u>Confidentiality</u>. The Executive acknowledges that (i) the primary businesses of the Company are its health and beauty aids business (the "<u>Business</u>"); (ii) the Company is one of the limited number of persons who have such a business; (iii) the Company's Business is, in part, national and international in scope; (iv) the Executive's work for the Company has given and will continue to give him access to the confidential affairs and proprietary information of the Company; (v) the covenants and agreements of the Executive contained in this Section 6 are essential to the business and goodwill of the Company; and (vi) the Company would not have entered into this Agreement but for the covenants and agreements set forth in this Section 6. Accordingly, the Executive covenants and agrees during and after the period of the Executive's employment with the Company and its affiliates, the Executive (x) shall keep secret and retain in strictest confidence all confidential matters relating to the Company's Business and the business of any of its affiliates, learned by the Executive heretofore or hereafter directly or indirectly from the Company or any of its affiliates (the "<u>Confidential Company Information</u>"), and (y) shall not disclose such Confidential Company Information to anyone outside of the Company except with

the Company's express written consent and except for Confidential Company Information which is at the time of receipt or thereafter becomes publicly known through no wrongful act of the Executive or is received from a third party not under an obligation to keep such information confidential and without breach of this Agreement.

6.2 Noncompetition; Nonsolicitation.

(a) For a period of six months following the end of the Term (the "<u>Non-Compete Period</u>"), Executive shall not, directly or indirectly, engage or participate in, or become employed by, or affiliated with, or render advisory or any other services to, any person or business entity or organization, of whatever form, that competes with the Company. Executive specifically acknowledges that the temporal limitations hereof, in view of the nature of the Company's Businesses, are reasonable and necessary to protect the Company's legitimate business interests. During such Non-Competition Period, the Executive shall be paid an amount equal to (i) his Base Pay for a period of six months and (ii) an amount equal to the pro rata share of any bonus attributable to portion of calendar year completed prior to termination.

(b) During the Term and the Non-Compete Period, the Executive hereby agrees that he will not, either directly or through others, hire or attempt to hire, any current or former employee of the Company, or solicit or attempt to solicit any current or former employee, consultant or independent contractor of the Company to change or terminate his, her or its relationship with the Company or otherwise to become an employee for or of any other person or business entity, unless more than 12 months shall have elapsed between the last day of such person's employment or service with the Company and the first date of such solicitation or hiring or attempt to solicit or hire.

6.3 **<u>Rights and Remedies upon Breach</u>**. The Executive acknowledges and agrees that any breach by him of any of the provisions of Sections 6.1 and 6.2 (the "<u>Restrictive Covenants</u>") would result in irreparable injury and damage for which money damages would not provide an adequate remedy. Therefore, if the Executive breaches, or threatens to commit a breach of, any of the provisions of Sections 6.1 or 6.2, the Company and its affiliates, in addition to, and not in lieu of, any other rights and remedies available to the Company and its affiliates under law or in equity (including, without limitation, the recovery of damages), shall have the right and remedy to have the Restrictive Covenants specifically enforced by any court having equity jurisdiction, including, without limitation, the right to an entry against the Executive of restraining orders and injunctions (preliminary, mandatory, temporary and permanent) against violations, threatened or actual, and whether or not then continuing, of such covenants.

7. <u>Other Provisions</u>.

7.1 <u>Severability</u>. The Executive acknowledges and agrees that (i) he has had an opportunity to seek advice of counsel in connection with this Agreement and (ii) the Restrictive Covenants are reasonable in geographical and temporal scope and in all other respects. If it is determined that any of the provisions of this Agreement, including, without limitation, any of the Restrictive Covenants, or any part thereof, is invalid or unenforceable, the remainder of the provisions of this Agreement shall not thereby be affected and shall be given full effect, without regard to the invalid portions.

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7.2 **Enforceability: Jurisdiction: Arbitration.** Any controversy or claim arising out of or relating to this Agreement or the breach of this Agreement (other than a controversy or claim arising under Section 6, to the extent necessary for the Company (or its affiliates, where applicable) to avail itself of the rights and remedies referred to in Section 6.3) that is not resolved by the Executive and the Company (or its affiliates, where applicable) shall be submitted to arbitration in Newark, New Jersey in accordance with the law of the State of New Jersey and the procedures of the American Arbitration Association. The determination of the arbitrator(s) shall be conclusive and binding on the Company (or its affiliates, where applicable) and the Executive and judgment may be entered on the arbitrator(s)' award in any court having jurisdiction.

7.3 <u>Notices</u>. Any notice or other communication required or permitted hereunder shall be in writing and shall be delivered personally, telegraphed, telexed, sent by facsimile transmission or sent by certified, registered or express mail, postage prepaid. Any such notice shall be deemed given when so delivered personally, telegraphed, telexed or sent by facsimile transmission or, if mailed, five days after the date of deposit in the United States mails as follows:

(i) If to the Company, to:

CCA Industries, Inc. 200 Murray Hill Parkway East Rutherford, NJ 07073 Attention: General Counsel

(ii) If to the Executive, to:

Any such person may by notice given in accordance with this Section 7.4 to the other parties hereto designate another address or person for receipt by such person of notices hereunder.

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7.6 **GOVERNING LAW**. THIS AGREEMENT SHALL BE GOVERNED BY AND CONSTRUED IN ACCORDANCE WITH THE LAWS OF THE STATE OF NEW JERSEY WITHOUT REGARD TO ANY PRINCIPLES OF CONFLICTS OF LAW WHICH COULD CAUSE THE APPLICATION OF THE LAWS OF ANY JURISDICTION OTHER THAN THE STATE OF NEW JERSEY.

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7.12 **Existing Agreements.** The Executive represents to the Company that he is not subject or a party to any employment or consulting agreement, non-competition covenant or other agreement, covenant or understanding which might prohibit him from executing this Agreement or limit his ability to fulfill his responsibilities hereunder.

7.13 Section 409A.

(a) <u>Interpretation</u>. Notwithstanding the other provisions hereof, this Agreement is intended to comply with the requirements of section 409A of the Code, to the extent applicable, and this Agreement shall be interpreted to avoid any penalty sanctions under section 409A of the Code. Accordingly, all provisions herein, or incorporated by reference, shall

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be construed and interpreted to comply with section 409A. If any payment or benefit cannot be provided or made at the time specified herein without incurring sanctions under section 409A of the Code, then such benefit or payment shall be provided in full at the earliest time thereafter when such sanctions will not be imposed. For purposes of section 409A of the Code, each payment made under this Agreement shall be treated as a separate payment. In no event may the Executive, directly or indirectly, designate the calendar year of payment.

(b) **Payment Delay**. Notwithstanding any provision to the contrary in this Agreement, if on the date of the Executive's termination of employment, the Executive is a "specified employee" (as such term is defined in section 409A(a)(2)(B) (i) of the Code and its corresponding regulations) as determined by the Board (or its delegate) in its sole discretion in accordance with its "specified employee" determination policy, then all cash severance payments payable to the Executive under this Agreement that are deemed as deferred compensation subject to the requirements of section 409A of the Code shall be postponed for a period of six months following the Executive's "separation from service" with the Company (or any successor thereto). The postponed amounts shall be paid to the Executive in a lump sum within 30 days after the date that is 6 months following the Executive's "separation from service" with the Company (or any successor thereto). If the Executive dies during such six-month period and prior to payment of the postponed cash amounts hereunder, the amounts delayed on account of section 409A of the Code shall be paid to the personal representative of the Executive's estate within 60 days after Executive's death. If any of the cash payments payable pursuant to this Agreement are delayed due to the requirements of section 409A of the Code, there shall be added to such payments interest during the deferral period at an annualized rate of interest equal to 5%.

(c) <u>Reimbursements</u>. All reimbursements provided under this Agreement shall be made or provided in

accordance with the requirements of section 409A, including, where applicable, the requirement that (i) any reimbursement is for expenses incurred during the Executive's lifetime (or during a short period of time specified in this Agreement), (ii) the amount of expenses eligible for reimbursement during a calendar year may not affect the expenses eligible for reimbursement in any other calendar year, (iii) the reimbursement of all eligible expense will be made on or before the last day of the taxable year following the year in which the expense is incurred, and (iv) the right to reimbursement is not subject to the liquidation or exchange for another benefit. Any tax gross up payments to be made hereunder shall be made not later than the end of the Executive's taxable year next following the Executive's taxable year in which the related taxes are remitted to the taxing authority.

7.14 **Headings**. The headings in this Agreement are for reference only and shall not affect the interpretation of this Agreement.

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IN WITNESS WHEREOF, the parties hereto have signed their names as of the day and year first above written.

CCA INDUSTRIES, INC.

/s/ Ira Berman Name: Ira Berman Title: Director Chairman, Board of Directors

/s/ Robert Lage

Name: Robert Lage Title: Director Chairman, Compensation Committee

EXECUTIVE

/s/ Drew Edell

Drew Edell

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