

EXHIBIT "A"

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AGREEMENT OF MERGER

MURGING

ALCO HEALTH SERVICES GROUP, INC.
BROTHERSTON HOSPITAL SUPPLY COMPANY
56th AND LANCASTER AVENUE CORP.
WM. T. STOVER CO., INC.

INTO

ALCO STANDARD CORPORATION

FIRST: ALCO HEALTH SERVICES GROUP, INC. ("AHSO"), a Delaware corporation; BROTHERSTON HOSPITAL SUPPLY COMPANY ("Brotherston"), a Pennsylvania corporation; 56th AND LANCASTER AVENUE CORP. ("56th and Lancaster"), a Pennsylvania corporation; and WM. T. STOVER CO., INC. ("Stover"), an Arkansas corporation (the corporations listed above may also be collectively referred to as the "Subsidiaries") shall be merged into ALCO STANDARD CORPORATION ("Alco"), an Ohio corporation. Alco shall survive the merger and assume the liabilities of each of the Subsidiaries. The separate corporate existence of the Subsidiaries shall cease forthwith upon the effective date of the merger as to each of them.

SECOND: Alco owns 100% of the outstanding shares of stock of each of the Subsidiaries and is therefore the parent corporation of the Subsidiaries. The designation and number of the outstanding shares of each class of stock of the Subsidiaries and the number of shares of each class owned by Alco are as follows:

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