UNITED STATES SECURITIES AND EXCHANGE COMMISSION

WASHINGTON, D.C. 20549

FORM 8-K/A (AMENDMENT NO. 1)

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

Date of Report (Date of earliest event reported): June 15, 2023

Casa Systems, Inc.

(Exact Name of Registrant as Specified in Its Charter)

Delaware (State or Other Jurisdiction of Incorporation) 001-38324 (Commission File Number) 75-3108867 (IRS Employer Identification No.)

100 Old River Road Andover, Massachusetts (Address of Principal Executive Offices)

01810 (Zip Code)

Registrant's Telephone Number, Including Area Code: (978) 688-6706

(Former Name or Former Address, if Changed Since Last Report) Check the appropriate box below if the Form 8-K filing is intended to simultaneously satisfy the filing obligation of the registrant under any of the following provisions (see General Instruction A.2. below): Written communications pursuant to Rule 425 under the Securities Act (17 CFR 230.425) Soliciting material pursuant to Rule 14a-12 under the Exchange Act (17 CFR 240.14a-12) Pre-commencement communications pursuant to Rule 14d-2(b) under the Exchange Act (17 CFR 240.14d-2(b)) Pre-commencement communications pursuant to Rule 13e-4(c) under the Exchange Act (17 CFR 240.13e-4(c)) Securities registered pursuant to Section 12(b) of the Act: Trading Name of each exchange Title of each class Symbol on which registered Common Stock, \$0.001 par value per share CASA The Nasdag Stock Market LLC Indicate by check mark whether the registrant is an emerging growth company as defined in Rule 405 of the Securities Act of 1933 (§230.405 of this chapter) or Rule 12b-2 of the Securities Exchange Act of 1934 (§240.12b-2 of this chapter). Emerging growth company \square If an emerging growth company, indicate by check mark if the registrant has elected not to use the extended transition period for complying with any new or revised financial accounting standards provided pursuant to Section 13(a) of the Exchange Act. \Box

EXPLANATORY NOTE

On June 16, 2023, Casa Systems, Inc. (the "Company") filed a Current Report on Form 8-K (the "Initial Form 8-K") to report the closing of a series of transactions related to restructuring of the Company's credit facility. The Company is filing this Amendment No. 1 to the Current Report on Form 8-K (this "Amendment No. 1") only to include certain exhibits that were omitted from Item 9.01 of the Initial Form 8-K, which as disclosed in the Initial Form 8-K, were to be filed with this Amendment No. 1. Except as set forth herein, this Amendment No. 1 does not amend, modify or update the disclosure contained in the Initial Form 8-K. This Amendment No. 1 should be read in conjunction with the Initial Form 8-K.

Item 9.01 Financial Statements and Exhibits. (d) Exhibits.

Number Number	<u>Description</u>
10.1†	Exchange Agreement, dated June 15, 2023, by and among Casa Systems, Inc. and the lenders party thereto.
10.2	First Amendment to Existing Credit Agreement, dated June 15, 2023, by and among Casa Systems, Inc. and JPMorgan Chase Bank, N.A., as administrative and collateral agent.
10.3†+	Superpriority Credit Agreement, dated June 15, 2023, by and among Casa Systems, Inc., JPMorgan Chase Bank, N.A., as administrative agent, Delaware Trust Company, as collateral agent, and the lenders party thereto.
10.4	Warrant Agreement, dated June 15, 2023, by and between Casa Systems, Inc. and American Stock Transfer & Trust Company, LLC.
10.5†	Registration Rights Agreement, dated June 15, 2023, by and among Casa Systems, Inc. and the lenders party thereto.
99.1*	Press release dated June 15, 2023.
104	Cover Page Interactive Data File (embedded within the Inline XBRL document)

- † Certain identified information has been omitted from this exhibit because it is both not material and is the type that the registrant treats as private or confidential, in compliance with Regulation S-K Item 601(b)(10).
- + Certain schedules and exhibits to this exhibit have been omitted pursuant to Regulation S-K Item 601(a)(5). The Company agrees to furnish supplementally a copy of any omitted schedule or exhibit to the Securities and Exchange Commission upon request.
- * Previously furnished as Exhibit 99.1 to the Initial Form 8-K.

SIGNATURES

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.

Casa Systems, Inc.

Date: June 21, 2023

By: /s/ Edward Durkin

Edward Durkin

Interim Chief Executive Officer and Chief Financial Officer

Certain identified information (indicated by "[***]") has been excluded from this exhibit because it is both not material and would likely cause competitive harm to the registrant if publicly disclosed.

EXCHANGE AGREEMENT

by and among

CASA SYSTEMS, INC.,

THE LENDERS

LISTED ON THE SIGNATURE PAGES HERETO,

AND THE OTHER PARTIES HERETO

Dated as of June 15, 2023

EXCHANGE AGREEMENT

This EXCHANGE AGREEMENT (this "Exchange Agreement") is dated as of June 15, 2023 (the "Effective Date"), by and among (i) Casa Systems, Inc., a Delaware corporation (the "Borrower"), (ii) the undersigned Lenders (as defined below) who are signatories hereto as of the execution of this Exchange Agreement (collectively, the "Participating Lenders"), and (iii) solely with respect to the sections specified below, JPMorgan Chase Bank, N.A., as administrative agent (in such capacity, together with its successors and assigns in such capacity, the "Agent") under each of the Existing Credit Agreement (as defined below) and the Superpriority Credit Agreement (as defined below). The Borrower and each Participating Lender are collectively referred to as the "Parties" and individually as a "Party". Notwithstanding anything herein to the contrary, the Agent is party to this Exchange Agreement for the limited purposes of Sections 2.1(b), 2.1(e), 2.1(f), 2.2, 2.3(b) and Articles IV, V and VI (other than Section 6.13), and the Agent shall be a "Party" for the limited purposes of Sections 2.1(b), 2.1(e), 2.1(f), 2.2, 2.3(b) and Articles IV, V and VI (other than Section 6.13). This Exchange Agreement, and each of the transactions hereunder, is being entered into in connection with the TSA (as defined below), the Superpriority Credit Agreement, each of the Loan Documents (as defined in the Credit Agreements), the Amendment (as defined below), and each transaction described in each Loan Document, as applicable.

WITNESSETH

WHEREAS, the Borrower is party to that certain Credit Agreement, dated as of December 20, 2016 (as amended, restated, amended and restated, supplemented or otherwise modified from time to time prior to the date hereof, the "Existing Credit Agreement"), by and among the Borrower, the lenders from time to time party thereto (the "Lenders") and the Agent;

WHEREAS, the Borrower and certain of the Lenders are party to that certain Transaction Support Agreement dated as of May 8, 2023 (the "<u>TSA</u>") pursuant to which they agreed, subject to the terms and conditions thereunder, to support and enter into the transactions contemplated by this Exchange Agreement and the Amendment (as defined below);

WHEREAS, the Borrower, the Agent, as administrative agent, Delaware Trust Company, as collateral agent and the lenders party thereto are entering into that certain Superpriority Credit Agreement, to be dated as of the Effective Date (the "Superpriority Credit Agreement"), in the form attached hereto as Exhibit A, as the same may be amended, waived or otherwise modified in accordance with the TSA and, in any event, acceptable to each of the parties to the TSA in their sole discretion, pursuant to which Exchanged Superpriority Term Loans (as defined below) will be provided to the Borrower;

WHEREAS, the Borrower, the Agent and the Participating Lenders are entering into that certain First Amendment to the Existing Credit Agreement, to be dated as of the Effective Date (the "Amendment"), in the form attached hereto as Exhibit B, which will amend the Existing Credit Agreement (the Existing Credit Agreement as amended by the Amendment, the "Amended Credit Agreement") to, inter alia, (i) permit the transactions contemplated by the TSA and this Exchange Agreement, (ii) remove all affirmative and negative covenants and mandatory prepayments and certain Events of Default (as defined in the Existing Credit Agreement) under the Existing Credit Agreement, and (iii) make certain other changes to the terms and conditions of the Existing Credit Agreement;

WHEREAS, in accordance with the terms of Section 10.07(m) of the Existing Credit Agreement, the Borrower has offered to purchase and assume 100% of each Lender's Existing Loans;

WHEREAS, in accordance with the terms of Section 10.07(m) of the Existing Credit Agreement, each Participating Lender desires to sell and assign to Borrower 100% of its Existing Loans (the "Purchased Loans") on the Effective Date; and

WHEREAS, on the Effective Date, among other things: (a) the Purchased Loans purchased by, transferred to and assigned to the Borrower shall immediately be deemed cancelled and extinguished pursuant to Section 10.07(m) of the Existing Credit Agreement and for all purposes of the Amended Credit Agreement; and (b) subject to the terms and conditions herein, each Participating Lender shall receive as consideration for its sale and assignment of its Purchased Loans from the Borrower (i) Exchanged Superpriority Term Loans in an aggregate principal amount equal to 100% of the aggregate principal amount of its Purchased Loans, <u>plus</u> an original issue discount pursuant to the terms of Section 2.09(a) of the Superpriority Credit Agreement (the "3.0% <u>OID</u>") and (ii) the right to receive its *pro rata* share of the Warrants, subject to the terms thereof and as set forth herein.

NOW, THEREFORE, in consideration of the mutual terms, conditions, and other covenants and agreements set forth herein, the Parties hereby agree as follows:

ARTICLE I DEFINITIONS

1.1. <u>Definitions</u>. In addition to the other words and terms defined elsewhere in this Exchange Agreement, as used in this Exchange Agreement, the following words and terms have the meanings specified or referred to below:

"Affiliates" means, with respect to any Person, any other Person directly or indirectly controlling, controlled by, or under direct or indirect common control with such Person. A Person shall be deemed to control another Person if such Person possesses, directly or indirectly, the power to direct or cause the direction of the management and policies of such other Person, whether through the ownership of voting securities, by contract or otherwise.

"Credit Agreements" means the Superpriority Credit Agreement and the Amended Credit Agreement, collectively.

"Exchanged Superpriority Term Loans" means those Initial Term Loans (as defined in the Superpriority Credit Agreement) to be issued by Borrower to the Participating Lenders under the Superpriority Credit Agreement in exchange for Purchased Loans.

"Existing Loans" means the term loans issued and outstanding under the Existing Credit Agreement held by each Participating Lender in the principal amount as set forth on such Participating Lender's signature page hereto.

"Governmental Entity" means the government of the United States or any other nation, or of any political subdivision thereof, whether state or local, and any agency, authority, instrumentality, regulatory body, court, administrative tribunal, central bank or other entity exercising executive, legislative, judicial, taxing, regulatory or administrative powers or functions of or pertaining to government (including any supra-national bodies such as the European Union or the European Central Bank).

"<u>Law</u>" means, collectively, all applicable international, foreign, federal, state and local statutes, treaties, rules, guidelines, regulations, ordinances, codes and administrative or judicial precedents or authorities and executive orders, including the interpretation or administration thereof by any Governmental Entity charged with the enforcement, interpretation or administration thereof, and all applicable administrative orders, directed duties, requests, licenses, authorizations and permits of, and agreements with, any Governmental Authority.

"Liens" means any mortgage, pledge, hypothecation, collateral assignment, deposit arrangement, encumbrance, lien (statutory or other), charge, or preference, priority or other security interest or preferential arrangement in the nature of a security interest of any kind or nature whatsoever (including any conditional sale or other title retention agreement, any easement, right of way or other encumbrance on title to real property, and any capitalized lease having substantially the same economic effect as any of the foregoing); provided that in no event shall an operating lease in and of itself be deemed a Lien.

"Person" means and includes natural persons, corporations, limited partnerships, general partnerships, limited liability partnerships, joint stock companies, joint ventures, associations, companies, trusts, banks, trust companies, land trusts, business trusts or other organizations or entities, whether or not legal entities, and Governmental Entities.

"Related Persons" means, with respect to any Person, each Affiliate of such Person, and each of the successors, partners, managers, directors, officers, members, principals, employees, agents, trustees, representatives, attorneys, accountants and each insurance, environmental, legal, investment, financial and other advisors and other consultants, agents and sub-advisors of or to such Person and of or to such Person's Affiliates.

"Released Parties" means the Participating Lenders, the Agents (as defined in the Existing Credit Agreement) and any of their respective Related Persons.

"Warrants" mean warrants to be issued and delivered in favor of each of the Participating Lenders holding Exchanged Superpriority Term Loans on the Effective Date (or as may otherwise be issued and delivered in accordance with Section 3.1) or an Affiliate or other assignee or transferee of such Participating Lenders, on the terms and subject to the conditions set forth herein and in the Warrant Agreement to be entered into between the Borrower and American Stock Transfer & Trust Company, LLC ("Warrant Agent") and attached hereto as Exhibit C (the "Warrant Agreement") pursuant to which the Participating Lenders or their respective Affiliates or other assignees or transferees, as applicable, shall be entitled to purchase common stock of the Borrower, par value \$0.001 (the "Warrant Shares"), as set forth therein.

1.2. <u>Interpretation</u>. Unless the context of this Exchange Agreement otherwise requires, (i) words of any gender include each other gender, (ii) words using the singular or plural number also include the plural or singular number, respectively, (iii) the terms "hereof," "herein," "hereby" and derivative or similar words refer to this entire Exchange Agreement, (iv) the terms "Article", "Section", or "Exhibit" refer to the specified Article or Section of or Exhibit attached to this Exchange Agreement, (v) the words "include," "includes" and "including" shall be deemed to be followed by the phrase "without limitation" and (vi) the word "will" shall be construed to have the same meaning and effect as the word "shall."

ARTICLE II OPEN MARKET PURCHASE AND SALE, RELEASE AND EXTINGUISHMENT

2.1. Existing Debt Purchase and Sale and Other Transactions. Subject to the terms and conditions hereof:

- (a) On the Effective Date, immediately following the effectiveness of the Amendment, pursuant to Section 10.07(m) of the Existing Credit Agreement, each of the Participating Lenders shall sell and assign to Borrower, and Borrower shall purchase and assume, such Participating Lender's Purchased Loans (the "Existing Debt Purchase"). In consideration of the Existing Debt Purchase, each Participating Lender shall receive from Borrower (i) an aggregate principal amount of Exchanged Superpriority Term Loans equal to 100% of the principal amount of the Purchased Loans of such Participating Lender plus the 3.0% OID and (ii) the right to receive its *pro rata* share of the Warrants, subject to the terms of the Superpriority Credit Agreement and as set forth herein.
- (b) On the Effective Date, pursuant to the Amended Credit Agreement (including Section 10.07(m)), all Purchased Loans held by Borrower, as assignee and holder of all of the Purchased Loans, shall be deemed to be cancelled and extinguished, and Borrower, as assignee and holder of all of the Purchased Loans, hereby directs the Agent to record in the Register (as defined in the Amended Credit Agreement) the cancellation and extinguishment of the Purchased Loans pursuant to the Amended Credit Agreement immediately following the Existing Debt Purchase.
- (c) On the Effective Date, pursuant to Section 2.03(a) of the Superpriority Credit Agreement, the Borrower shall issue to the Participating Lenders or reserve for issuance (as further described in Section 3.1 and as set forth in the terms of the Warrant Agreement) the Warrants. Subject to Section 3.1, the Warrants shall be issued in book entry form in an account maintained by the Warrant Agent (as such term is defined in the Warrant Agreement). The Borrower shall, and shall instruct the Warrant Agent to, maintain the records related to the holders of the Warrants, including with respect to allocations of Warrants and whether and to the extent any Participating Lender has provided written notice to the Borrower (or any of its representatives) of its determination to delay its receipt of Warrants at the Effective Date.
- (d) On the Effective Date, pursuant to Section 2.05(c) of the Superpriority Credit Agreement, the Borrower shall prepay the Exchanged Superpriority Term Loans in an aggregate principal amount equal to \$40,000,000.

(e) Each of the Participating Lenders hereby irrevocably authorizes and directs the Agent to take any and all actions as the Agent reasonably determines are necessary, or are reasonably requested by the Participating Lenders, in carrying out, effectuating or otherwise in furtherance of the transactions set forth in Section 2.1(b) hereof.

(f) In acting pursuant to this Exchange Agreement, the Agent shall be entitled to the same protections, indemnities, benefits, reliances and immunities afforded to it under the Existing Credit Agreement, as amended pursuant to the Amendment, as if fully set forth herein, *mutatis mutandis*. The Agent and each of its Related Persons shall have no liability to any Participating Lender, any Loan Party (as defined in the Superpriority Credit Agreements) or any Related Persons of any of the foregoing for any losses, claims, costs, damages or liabilities incurred, directly or indirectly, as a result of the Agent or any of its Related Persons, or their counsel or other representatives, taking or not taking any action in connection with the terms of this Exchange Agreement or the consents, requests and/or instructions of the Participating Lenders other than its failure to update the Register as expressly provided herein. The Borrower hereby reconfirms its obligations pursuant to Section 10.04 of the Existing Credit Agreement to pay and reimburse the Agent for all reasonable out-of-pocket costs and expenses (including, without limitation, reasonable fees of counsel) incurred in connection with the negotiation, preparation, execution and delivery of this Exchange Agreement and all other documents and instruments delivered in connection herewith.

2.2. Release.

(a) As of the Effective Date, the Borrower, on behalf of itself and each other Loan Party (as defined in the Existing Credit Agreement), hereby unconditionally and forever releases, waives and discharges any and all claims, actions, causes of action, choses in action, suits, debts, damages, dues, sums of money, accounts, reckonings, bonds, bills, specialties, covenants, contracts, controversies, agreements, promises, variances, trespasses, judgments, remedies, rights of set-off, third-party claims, subrogation claims, contribution claims, reimbursement claims, indemnity claims, counterclaims, cross-claims, whether known or unknown, liquidated or unliquidated, fixed or contingent, matured or unmatured, disputed or undisputed, whether direct, indirect, derivative, or otherwise, and whether arising in Law, equity or otherwise ("Causes of Action") (other than (x) any Cause of Action in connection with the TSA, the Superpriority Credit Agreement, the Amendment and the transactions contemplated thereby following the effectiveness thereof, (y) any Cause of Action arising under this Exchange Agreement with respect to obligations hereunder on or after the Effective Date and (z) with respect to any Released Party any Cause of Action to the extent resulting from the gross negligence, bad faith or willful misconduct of such Released Party or any of its Affiliates, in each case as determined by a court of competent jurisdiction in a final and non-appealable judgment or order (the "Excluded Causes of Action")) that could have been or may be, asserted by or on behalf of the Borrower (or any other Loan Party) against the Released Parties that are based, in whole or in part, on any act, omission, transaction, event, occurrence or facts or circumstances taking place, being omitted, existing or otherwise arising prior to the Effective Date in any way relating to the Existing Credit Agreement and the Loan Documents (as defined in the Existing Credit Agreement) and the loans made pursuant to the terms of the Existing Credit Agreement or any transaction, contract, instrument, release, or other agreement or document created or entered into in connection therewith, including any breach, default or failure to comply with any such agreement or document or any allegation of the same, in each case to the fullest extent provided by applicable Law (collectively, the "Released Causes of Action").

(b) Without limiting the generality of the foregoing, each Party expressly waives and relinquishes any and all rights such Party may have under any federal, state or local statute, rule, regulation, or principle of common Law or equity (including, without limitation, any such statute, rule, regulation or principle that is equivalent or comparable to California Civil Code § 1542) which provides that a release does not extend to claims which the claimant does not know or suspect to exist in its favor at the time of providing the release or which may in any way limit the effect or scope of the release with respect to Released Causes of Action which such Party did not know or suspect to exist in such Party's favor at the time of providing the release, which in each case if known by it may have materially affected its settlement with any Released Party. Each of the Parties expressly acknowledges that the releases contained in this Exchange Agreement are effective regardless of whether those Released Causes of Action (which, for the avoidance of doubt, does not include any Excluded Causes of Action) are presently known or unknown, suspected or unsuspected or foreseen or unforeseen.

2.3. Covenants.

- (a) Each of the Parties hereby acknowledges and agrees that the forms of the Superpriority Credit Agreement, the Amendment and the Warrant Agreement attached as exhibits hereto are satisfactory to such Party. Each Participating Lender party hereto agrees to deliver its executed signature pages to each of the Amendment and the Superpriority Credit Agreement at the Effective Date and to enter into each of the foregoing on the Effective Date in the forms attached as exhibits hereto.
- (b) Each of the Participating Lenders hereby: (i) directs and authorizes the Agent to execute the Amendment (and the other documents referenced therein) and this Exchange Agreement solely with respect to Sections 2.1(b), 2.1(e), 2.1(f), 2.2, 2.3(b), 3.1(b) and Articles IV, V and VI (other than Section 6.13) and (ii) agrees that its obligations under Section 9.07 under the Existing Credit Agreement immediately before the Effective Date shall continue to apply after the Effective Date with respect to the execution by the Agent of the Amendment (and the other documents referenced therein), and this Exchange Agreement and the performance of the Agent of any actions contemplated herein or therein or in respect of the transactions contemplated hereby.

ARTICLE III BORROWER COVENANTS AND OBLIGATIONS

3.1. Warrants.

(a) In connection with each Participating Lender's right to receive the Warrants as consideration for the Existing Debt Purchase pursuant to Section 2.1(a), each Participating Lender shall have the right to determine pursuant to the Superpriority Credit Agreement that the Borrower issue the Warrants in accordance with the terms set forth therein (including and subject to, for the avoidance of doubt, any vesting terms set forth in the Warrant Agreement), at such time on or after the Effective Date as it determines in its sole and absolute discretion.

(b) With regard to any Participating Lender (or its applicable Affiliate or designee) that has determined (together with their respective Affiliates or transferees or assignees, the "Springing Warrant Lenders") that the Borrower issue and deliver following the Effective Date the Warrants to which the Springing Warrant Lender is entitled pursuant to this Agreement (such Warrants, the "Springing Warrants"), the Borrower shall maintain books and records regarding (i) the right of any Springing Warrant Lender to receive any Springing Warrant and (ii) any transfers of the Springing Warrants by any such Springing Warrant Lender. Within three (3) Business Days of the Effective Date, the Borrower shall distribute to each Springing Warrant Lender documentation (in substantially the form attached hereto as <u>Appendix A</u>) setting forth the number of Springing Warrants reserved for issuance to the account of each such Springing Warrant Lender, including information with respect to the vesting of such Springing Warrants upon issuance and the number of Warrant Shares to be credited to the account of each such Springing Warrant Lender upon issuance, as well as a form of assignment of the right of the Springing Warrant (substantially in the form set forth in Appendix B hereto) that the Springing Warrant Lender shall use to effect any transfers or assignments of its rights to the Springing Warrants prior to issuance. Thereafter, within three (3) Business Days of any request by a Springing Warrant Lender for documentation, which shall be updated from time to time to reflect any changes in the number of Springing Warrants or Warrant Shares (and the rights thereto) or any transfers or assignments thereof, the Borrower shall distribute any such documentation to the Springing Warrant Lender requesting such documentation. Ownership of beneficial interests in rights to the Springing Warrants shall be shown on, and the transfer of such ownership shall be effected through, book-entry settlement maintained by the Borrower. Upon written notice of any Springing Warrant Lender to the Borrower (or any of its representatives) of any determination that the Borrower issue Springing Warrants pursuant to the rights of such Springing Warrant Lender to receive such Springing Warrants under this Agreement, the Borrower shall cause the Warrant Agent to issue the Springing Warrants in accordance with Section 3(b) of the Warrant Agreement.

3.2. Ongoing Disclosures.

- (a) The Parties acknowledge that the Participating Lenders, in their capacities as lenders under the Superpriority Credit Agreement, may from time to time receive information that may contain material non-public information relating to the Borrower. The Borrower shall post any such material non-public information, including any 13-week cash flow (as the same is updated by the Borrower from time to time), to the "private" side of a data room that is accessible only to lenders and prospective lenders under the Superpriority Credit Agreement that so elect (the "Data Room"), and the Borrower shall post to such Data Room notice of when each trading window for directors and executive officers opens and closes (including, if applicable, any supplemental "black-out" periods) with respect to the Borrower's equity securities. The Participating Lenders shall be entitled to rely on such disclosure in all respects.
- (b) The Borrower shall post all non-restricting information that does not contain material non-public information to the "public" side of the Data Room.
- **3.3.** <u>Registration Rights Agreement</u>. Concurrently with the execution and delivery of this Exchange Agreement, the Borrower and the Participating Lenders will enter into a Registration Rights Agreement (the "<u>Registration Rights Agreement</u>") substantially in the form attached hereto as <u>Exhibit D</u>, whereby the Participating Lenders will be entitled to certain registration rights with respect to the resale of the applicable Warrant Shares to be issued upon exercise of the Warrants.

- **3.4.** Fees and Expenses. In accordance with the timing set forth in Section 10.04 of the Superpriority Credit Agreement, the Borrower shall pay, promptly following receipt of an invoice (which invoice shall not be required to include narratives), all Attorney Costs (as defined in the Superpriority Credit Agreement) incurred by the Participating Lenders following the Effective Date, in an aggregate amount not to exceed \$100,000, of one counsel to the Participating Lenders taken as a whole (which counsel shall be designated from time to time by Participating Lenders holding a majority of the aggregate outstanding principal amount of the Exchanged Superpriority Term Loans and shall initially be Akin Gump Strauss Hauer & Feld LLP) in connection with the negotiation, delivery, administration (including conversion and vesting) and issuance of the Warrants, and compliance with all terms and obligations of the Board Observation Letter (as defined in the Superpriority Credit Agreement); provided, that the Borrower shall not be required to pay Attorney Costs incurred following the Effective Date in connection with providing tax advice and tax planning for any Participating Lender. For the avoidance of doubt, the obligations set forth in this Section 3.4 shall not affect or be construed to limit the Borrower's obligations set forth in (i) the TSA for the period on or prior to the Effective Date and (ii) the Superpriority Credit Agreement or the Registration Rights Agreement, in each case, with respect to the payment of fees and out-of-pocket expenses incurred by the Participating Lenders.
- **3.5.** <u>Survival</u>. The terms set forth in this <u>Article III</u> shall survive the consummation of the transactions contemplated hereby and shall remain in full force and effect for so long as the Superpriority Credit Agreement is in effect.
- **3.6.** Cleansing. No later than August 9, 2023, the Borrower shall make public its Form 10-Q for the second quarter ended June 30, 2023 (the "2Q Release"). As of the time of the publication of the 2Q Release or, to the extent the Borrower fails to file its 2Q Release, as of 5:30 p.m. (Eastern Time) on August 9, 2023, the Borrower shall be deemed to represent to the Participating Lenders that as of the time of the publication of the 2Q Release or as of 5:30 p.m. (Eastern Time) on August 9, 2023, there is no material, non-public information that the Borrower has provided to the Participating Lenders or their Affiliates prior to the Effective Date that has not been publicly disclosed. The Participating Lenders shall be entitled to rely on this representation in all respects.

ARTICLE IV REPRESENTATIONS AND WARRANTIES OF THE BORROWER

The Borrower hereby represents and certifies to each of the Participating Lenders and the Agent as of the Effective Date as follows:

4.1. <u>Power and Authority</u>. It has all requisite corporate, partnership or limited liability company power and authority to enter into this Exchange Agreement and to carry out the transactions contemplated by, and perform its respective obligations under this Exchange Agreement, and the execution and delivery of this Exchange Agreement by it and the performance of its obligations hereunder have been duly authorized by all necessary action on its part.

4.2. Enforceability. This Exchange Agreement is the legally valid and binding obligation of it, enforceable in accordance with its terms, except as enforcement may be limited by bankruptcy, insolvency, reorganization, moratorium or other similar Laws relating to or limiting creditors' rights generally or by equitable principles relating to enforceability, regardless of whether considered in a proceeding in equity or at Law.

4.3. Common Stock.

- (a) As of the Effective Date, but immediately prior to the Existing Debt Purchase and the consummation of the transactions contemplated hereby, the authorized common stock, par value \$0.001 (the "Common Stock") of the Borrower consists of 500,000,000 shares, of which 100,512,024 are issued, 96,914,629 are outstanding, and 19,373,234 shares are reserved for issuance upon exercise of the Warrants (subject to reduction, solely if required based on evidence reasonably satisfactory to the Required Lenders (including a statement from the Borrower's transfer agent) delivered to the Lenders and attached to a duly executed officer's certificate of the Borrower demonstrating the discrepancy between the Borrower's disclosure to the Lenders as of the Effective Date as to the number of shares of Common Stock outstanding and the actual number of such shares outstanding, and such reduction shall be limited such that the Lenders shall still receive the largest number of shares possible without triggering a stockholder vote by the Borrower under Nasdaq Rule 5635).
- (b) Except for the Warrants, as of the Effective Date there are no agreements, warrants, puts, calls, rights (including preemptive rights), options or other commitments of any character to which the Borrower is party or by which they are bound that obligate the Borrower to issue, deliver or sell any additional equity interests in the Borrower, except as disclosed in the SEC Documents (as defined below). Other than with respect to the Warrant Shares and as disclosed in the SEC Documents, the Borrower (i) has not agreed to register any securities under the Securities Act of 1933, as amended (the "Securities Act") or under any state securities Laws or granted any registration rights to any Person, and (ii) is not party to any voting trust, proxy or other agreement or understanding with respect to the voting of any of the equity interests of the Borrower. Notwithstanding the foregoing, the Parties acknowledge that (i) the Borrower's stock plan contains an annual "evergreen" provision that could result in the authorization and issuance of additional shares under that plan and (ii) the Borrower may increase the authorized shares under its stock plan or adopt a new stock plan at a future date. The Borrower shall register any such additional shares.
- (c) On the Effective Date, assuming the accuracy of the representations and warranties of the Participating Lenders as set forth in Article V hereof, all of the Warrant Shares to be issued upon exercise of the Warrants have been duly authorized and, when delivered by the Borrower in accordance with the terms thereof (including the payment of the exercise price or upon a cashless exercise), will be validly issued and fully paid and non-assessable, and will be free and clear of all Liens (other than the Borrower Organizational Documents (as defined herein) and restrictions on transfer arising under federal and state securities laws), and the issuance thereof will not be subject to any preemptive rights of any Person, will not result in the anti-dilution provisions of any security of the Borrower becoming applicable, and will be issued in compliance with all applicable state and federal Laws regulating the offer, sale or issuance of securities.

- **4.4.** Warrants. The Warrant Shares issuable upon exercise of the Warrants, and subject to the satisfaction of any vesting terms set forth therein, shall collectively represent 19.99% of the outstanding shares of Common Stock as of the Effective Date.
- **4.5.** <u>Private Offering.</u> No form of general solicitation or general advertising was used by the Borrower or any their respective representatives in connection with the offer or sale of the Warrants or the Warrant Shares. No registration of the Warrants or the Warrant Shares, pursuant to any provision of the Securities Act or any state securities or "blue sky" Laws, will be required by the offer, sale or issuance of the Warrants or the Warrant Shares.
- **4.6.** Governmental Consents; No Conflicts. The execution, delivery, and performance by it of this Exchange Agreement (a) does not and shall not require any registration or filing with, consent or approval of, or notice to, or other action to, with, or by, any Governmental Entity, except (i) such filings as may be necessary and/or required for disclosure by the Securities and Exchange Commission (the "SEC") and applicable state securities or "blue sky" Laws, (ii) as have been obtained or made and are in full force and effect or those that will be made in connection with the Registration Rights Agreement and (iii) consents, approvals, registrations, filings, notices or other actions the failure to obtain or perform which would not reasonably be expected to have, individually or in the aggregate, a Material Adverse Effect (as defined in the Superpriority Credit Agreement), and (b) will not violate any (i) organizational documents of the Borrower, (ii) Law applicable to the Borrower, or (iii) any indenture, mortgage, deed of trust, loan agreement, lease, license or other agreement or instrument to which any Borrower is a party or by which the Borrower is bound or to which any of the property or assets of the Borrower is subject which violation, in the case of clause (b)(ii) and (b)(iii), could reasonably be expected to have a Material Adverse Effect (as defined in the Superpriority Credit Agreement).
- **4.7. Full Disclosure.** No written information or written data furnished or concerning the Borrower that has been made available to any Participating Lender by or on behalf of the Borrower in connection with the transactions contemplated hereby and the negotiation of this Exchange Agreement or delivered hereunder (as modified or supplemented by other information so furnished), taken as a whole, contains any untrue statement of a material fact or omit to state a material fact necessary in order to make the statements contained therein not materially misleading in light of the circumstances under which such statements were made (after giving effect to all supplements and updates thereto); provided, that (a) with respect to financial estimates, projected financial information, forecasts and other forward-looking information, the Borrower represents and warrants only that such information, when taken as a whole, was prepared in good faith based upon assumptions believed by the Borrower to be reasonable at the time of preparation and at the time such financial estimates, projected financial information, forecasts and other forward looking information are made available to any Participating Lender; it being understood that (i) such projections are not to be viewed as facts, (ii) such projections are subject to significant uncertainties and contingencies, many of which are beyond the Borrower's control, (iii) no assurance can be given that any particular projections will be realized and (iv) actual results during the period or periods covered by any such projections may differ significantly from the projected results and such differences may be material and (b) no representation or warranty is made with respect to information of a general economic or general industry nature.

4.8. SEC Documents, Financial Statements.

- (a) The Borrower has timely filed all reports, schedules, forms, statements and other documents required to be filed by it with the SEC since January 1, 2022, pursuant to the reporting requirements of the Securities Exchange Act of 1934, as amended (the "Exchange Act") (all of the foregoing filed prior to the date hereof and all exhibits included therein and financial statements and schedules thereto and documents (other than exhibits) incorporated by reference therein, being hereinafter referred to herein as the "SEC Documents"). The Borrower is eligible to register its Common Stock for resale using Form S-3 promulgated under the Securities Act. As of their respective dates, the SEC Documents complied in all material respects with the requirements of the Exchange Act or the Securities Act, as the case may be, and the rules and regulations of the SEC promulgated thereunder applicable to the SEC Documents. The Annual Financial Statements (as defined in the Superpriority Credit Agreement) and the Quarterly Financial Statements (as defined in the Superpriority Credit Agreement) fairly present in all material respects the financial position of the Borrower and its Subsidiaries as of the dates thereof and their results of operations for the period covered thereby in accordance with generally accepted accounting principles in the United States of America, as in effect from time to time, consistently applied throughout the periods covered thereby, except as otherwise expressly noted therein (subject, in the case of the Quarterly Financial Statements to changes resulting from normal year-end adjustments and the absence of footnotes).
- (b) The Borrower's Restated Certificate of Incorporation, as in effect on the date hereof and the Borrower's Amended and Restated Bylaws as in effect on the date hereof (the "Borrower Organizational Documents"), are each filed as exhibits to the SEC Documents.
- **4.9.** Exchange Act; Registration. The issued and outstanding shares of Common Stock are registered pursuant to Section 12(b) of the Exchange Act, and are listed for trading on the Nasdaq Stock Market LLC ("Nasdaq") under the symbol "CASA". There is no suit, action, proceeding or investigation pending or, to the knowledge of the Borrower, threatened in writing against the Borrower by Nasdaq or the SEC with respect to any intention by such entity to deregister the Common Stock or prohibit or terminate the listing of the Common Stock on Nasdaq. The Borrower has taken no action that is designated to terminate the registration of the Common Stock under the Exchange Act.

ARTICLE V REPRESENTATIONS AND WARRANTIES OF THE PARTICIPATING LENDERS

Each of the Participating Lenders, severally and not jointly and severally, hereby represents, and certifies to the Borrower and the Agent, as of the Effective Date, as follows:

5.1. <u>Power and Authority</u>. Such Participating Lender has and shall maintain all requisite corporate, partnership or limited liability company power and authority to enter into this Exchange Agreement and to carry out the transactions contemplated by, and perform its respective obligations under this Exchange Agreement, and the execution and delivery of this Exchange Agreement by it, and the performance of its obligations hereunder have been duly authorized by all necessary action on its part.

- **5.2.** Enforceability. This Exchange Agreement is the legally valid and binding obligation of it, enforceable in accordance with its terms, except as enforcement may be limited by bankruptcy, insolvency, reorganization or other similar Laws and equitable principles limiting creditors' rights generally.
- **5.3.** <u>Governmental Consents; Compliance with Laws</u>. The execution, delivery, and performance by it of this Exchange Agreement does not and shall not require any material registration or material filing with, material consent or material approval of, or material notice to, or other action to, with, or by, any federal, state, or other Governmental Entity.

5.4. Warrants and Warrant Shares for Investment.

- (a) The Warrants (and, upon exercise and subject to the satisfaction of any vesting terms set forth therein, the Warrant Shares received thereunder) will be acquired by such Participating Lender, as the case may be, for its own account for the purpose of investment and not with a view to the resale or distribution of all or any part of the Warrants or the Warrant Shares in a manner that violates registration requirements of the Securities Act. Such Participating Lender represents and warrants that it is an "accredited investor" as such term is defined in Rule 501 of Regulation D under the Securities Act.
- (b) Such Participating Lender understands that the Warrants and the Warrant Shares have not been registered under the Securities Act in reliance on an exemption therefrom under Section 4(a)(2) of the Securities Act.
- (c) Neither such Participating Lender nor any of its Affiliates, nor any Person acting on its or its Affiliates' behalf has engaged, or will engage, in any form of "general solicitation or general advertising" (within the meaning of Regulation D under the Securities Act) in connection with any offer or sale of the Warrants or the Warrant Shares.
- (d) Such Participating Lender understands and acknowledges that (i) no public market exists for any of the Warrants or the Warrant Shares and that it is unlikely that a public market will ever exist for the Warrants or the Warrant Shares and (ii) it has had the opportunity to ask questions of, and receive answers and request additional information from, the Borrower and is aware that it may be required to bear the economic risk of an investment in the Warrants or the Warrant Shares. Such Participating Lender is familiar with Rule 144 under the Securities Act, as presently in effect, and understands the resale limitations imposed thereby and by the Securities Act.
- 5.5. <u>Sophistication</u>. It has independently and without reliance upon any Agent-Related Person (as defined in the Credit Agreements), the Lead Arranger (as defined in the Superpriority Credit Agreement) or any other Participating Lender, and based on such information as it has deemed appropriate, made its own analysis and decision to enter into this Exchange Agreement, and in entering into this Exchange Agreement and the transactions contemplated hereby it has relied upon the Borrower's express representations, warranties, covenants and agreements in this Exchange Agreement and the Loan Documents (as defined in each of the Credit Agreements). Such Participating Lender has sufficient knowledge and experience in financial or business matters that such Participating Lender is capable of evaluating the merits and risks of the transactions contemplated hereby.

5.6. Others. It is the beneficial owner of the Purchased Loans set forth on such Participating Lender's signature page hereto in the principal amount indicated thereon and such Purchased Loans are being sold, transferred and assigned free and clear of any Lien or other adverse claim. Such Participating Lender acknowledges that the Loan Parties will rely upon the truth and accuracy of the above acknowledgments, representations and agreements and hereby consents to such reliance. It agrees that if any of the acknowledgments, representations or agreements it is deemed to have made by it is no longer accurate, it will promptly notify the Borrower.

ARTICLE VI MISCELLANEOUS PROVISIONS

- **6.1.** Tax Matters. The Borrower shall bear any transfer taxes, stamp taxes or duties, or other similar taxes in connection with, or arising by reason of, the transactions contemplated by this Exchange Agreement.
- **6.2.** <u>Notices</u>. All notices and other communications given or made pursuant to this Exchange Agreement shall be in writing sent by email or other electronic means and shall be deemed to have been given upon transmission with confirmed delivery at the following addresses (or at such other addresses as shall be specified by the Parties by like notice):

If to the Borrower, to:

Borrower

Casa Systems, Inc.

100 Old River Road, #100

Andover, MA 01810

Attention: Edward Durkin, Interim CEO and CFO, and

Timothy Rodenberger, General Counsel

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with a copy (not constituting notice) to:

Sidley Austin LLP 2021 McKinney Avenue Suite 2000 Dallas, TX 75201 Attention: Kelly M. Dybala [***] If to any Participating Lender, the address set forth on its signature page, with a copy to:

Akin Gump Strauss Hauer & Feld LLP One Bryant Park New York, NY 10036 Attention: Daniel I. Fisher and Jaisohn Im [***]

If to the Agent, to:

JPMorgan Chase Bank, N.A. 500 Stanton Christiana Rd. NCC5 / 1st Floor Newark, DE 19713 Attention: Loan & Agency Services Group [***]

with a copy to:

Simpson Thacher & Bartlett LLP 425 Lexington Avenue New York, NY 10017 Attention: Patrick A. Ryan [***]

- **6.3.** <u>Partial Invalidity</u>. To the extent permitted by applicable Law, any provision of this Exchange Agreement held to be invalid, illegal or unenforceable in any jurisdiction shall, as to such jurisdiction, be ineffective to the extent of such invalidity, illegality or unenforceability without affecting the validity, legality and enforceability of the remaining provisions thereof; and the invalidity of a particular provision in a particular jurisdiction shall not invalidate such provision in any other jurisdiction.
- **6.4.** Execution in Counterparts. This Exchange Agreement may be executed in one or more counterparts, each of which shall be considered an original instrument, but all of which shall be considered one and the same agreement, and shall become binding when one or more counterparts have been signed by each of the Parties and delivered to the Borrower. Any signature to this Exchange Agreement may be delivered by facsimile, electronic mail (including PDF) or any electronic signature complying with the U.S. federal ESIGN Act of 2000 or the New York Electronic Signature and Records Act or other transmission method and any counterpart so delivered shall be deemed to have been duly and validly delivered and be valid and effective for all purposes to the fullest extent permitted by applicable Law.
 - 6.5. Governing Law; Jurisdiction; Waiver of Jury Trial.

(a) THIS AGREEMENT SHALL BE GOVERNED BY, AND CONSTRUED IN ACCORDANCE WITH, THE LAW OF THE STATE OF NEW YORK.

(b) THE BORROWER AND EACH PARTICIPATING LENDER IRREVOCABLY AND UNCONDITIONALLY SUBMITS, FOR ITSELF AND ITS PROPERTY, TO THE EXCLUSIVE JURISDICTION OF THE COURTS OF THE STATE OF NEW YORK SITTING IN NEW YORK CITY IN THE BOROUGH OF MANHATTAN AND OF THE UNITED STATES DISTRICT COURT OF THE SOUTHERN DISTRICT OF NEW YORK, AND ANY APPELLATE COURT FROM ANY THEREOF, IN ANY ACTION OR PROCEEDING ARISING OUT OF OR RELATING TO THIS AGREEMENT, OR FOR RECOGNITION OR ENFORCEMENT OF ANY JUDGMENT, AND EACH OF THE PARTIES HERETO IRREVOCABLY AND UNCONDITIONALLY AGREES THAT ALL CLAIMS IN RESPECT OF ANY SUCH ACTION OR PROCEEDING MAY BE HEARD AND DETERMINED IN SUCH NEW YORK STATE COURT OR, TO THE FULLEST EXTENT PERMITTED BY APPLICABLE LAW, IN SUCH FEDERAL COURT. EACH OF THE PARTIES HERETO AGREES THAT A FINAL JUDGMENT IN ANY SUCH ACTION OR PROCEEDING SHALL BE CONCLUSIVE AND MAY BE ENFORCED IN OTHER JURISDICTIONS BY SUIT ON THE JUDGMENT OR IN ANY OTHER MANNER PROVIDED BY LAW. EACH PARTY HERETO AGREES THAT THE PARTICIPATING LENDERS RETAIN THE RIGHT TO SERVE PROCESS IN ANY OTHER MANNER PERMITTED BY LAW OR TO BRING PROCEEDINGS AGAINST THE BORROWER IN THE COURTS OF ANY OTHER JURISDICTION IN CONNECTION WITH THE ENFORCEMENT OF ANY JUDGMENT.

(c) THE BORROWER AND EACH PARTICIPATING LENDER IRREVOCABLY AND UNCONDITIONALLY WAIVES, TO THE FULLEST EXTENT PERMITTED BY APPLICABLE LAW, ANY OBJECTION THAT IT MAY NOW OR HEREAFTER HAVE TO THE LAYING OF VENUE OF ANY ACTION OR PROCEEDING ARISING OUT OF OR RELATING TO THIS AGREEMENT IN ANY COURT REFERRED TO IN <u>CLAUSE (b)</u> OF THIS SECTION. EACH OF THE PARTIES HERETO HEREBY IRREVOCABLY WAIVES, TO THE FULLEST EXTENT PERMITTED BY APPLICABLE LAW, THE DEFENSE OF AN INCONVENIENT FORUM TO THE MAINTENANCE OF SUCH ACTION OR PROCEEDING IN ANY SUCH COURT.

(d) EACH PARTY HERETO HEREBY IRREVOCABLY WAIVES, TO THE FULLEST EXTENT PERMITTED BY APPLICABLE LAW, ANY RIGHT IT MAY HAVE TO A TRIAL BY JURY IN ANY LEGAL PROCEEDING DIRECTLY OR INDIRECTLY ARISING OUT OF OR RELATING TO THIS AGREEMENT OR THE TRANSACTIONS CONTEMPLATED HEREBY OR THEREBY (WHETHER BASED ON CONTRACT, TORT OR ANY OTHER THEORY). EACH PARTY HERETO (A) CERTIFIES THAT NO REPRESENTATIVE, AGENT OR ATTORNEY OF ANY OTHER PERSON HAS REPRESENTED, EXPRESSLY OR OTHERWISE, THAT SUCH OTHER PERSON WOULD NOT, IN THE EVENT OF LITIGATION, SEEK TO ENFORCE THE FOREGOING WAIVER AND (B) ACKNOWLEDGES THAT IT AND THE OTHER PARTIES HERETO HAVE BEEN INDUCED TO ENTER INTO THIS AGREEMENT AND THE OTHER LOAN DOCUMENTS BY, AMONG OTHER THINGS, THE MUTUAL WAIVERS AND CERTIFICATIONS IN THIS SECTION.

6.6. <u>Assignment; Successors and Assigns</u>. Neither this Exchange Agreement nor any of the rights, interests or obligations hereunder shall be assigned by any of the Parties without the prior written consent of (i) the Borrower in the case of an assignment by the Participating Lenders or the Agent, or (ii) the Participating Lenders in the case of an assignment by the Borrower. Subject to the foregoing, this Exchange Agreement shall be binding upon and inure to the benefit of the Parties hereto and their respective successors or assigns, heirs, legatees, distributees,

executors, administrators and guardians. Except pursuant to <u>Section 2.2</u> (in respect of which each of the Released Parties shall be considered a third-party beneficiary) or to the extent otherwise expressly stated herein, nothing in this Exchange Agreement, expressed or implied, is intended to confer upon any Person (other than the Parties hereto and the successors and assigns permitted by this <u>Section 6.6</u>) any right, remedy or claim under or by reason of this Exchange Agreement.

- **6.7.** <u>Titles and Headings</u>. Titles and headings to sections herein are inserted for convenience of reference only and are not intended to be a part of or to affect the meaning or interpretation of this Exchange Agreement.
- **6.8.** Entire Agreement; Amendments. This Exchange Agreement, including the exhibits and schedules, and the agreements referenced herein contains the entire understanding of the Parties hereto with regard to the subject matter contained herein. This Exchange Agreement may be amended, modified or supplemented by mutual agreement of the Borrower and the Participating Lenders holding a majority of the aggregate outstanding principal amount of the Exchanged Superpriority Term Loans excluding any Exchanged Superpriority Term Loans held by any of the Borrower, its directors, officers or any of its or their Affiliates (including, for the avoidance of doubt, any of the Borrower's controlling persons); provided that this Exchange Agreement may not be amended, modified or supplemented without the agreement of (i) the Agent to the extent such amendment, modification or supplement affects the respective rights or obligations of the Agent hereunder and (ii) in addition, the consent of a Participating Lender shall be required to the extent any such amendment, modification or supplement adversely and disproportionately impacts the rights and obligations of such Participating Lender (as compared to other Participating Lenders and without giving effect to such Participating Lender's specific holdings, specific tax or economic position or any other matters personal to such Participating Creditor). Any such agreement shall be effective and binding for purposes of this Exchange Agreement if it is signed by each of the Borrower and the applicable Participating Lenders and, as applicable, the Agent. Any purported amendment that does not comply with the foregoing shall be null and void.
- **6.9.** <u>Waivers</u>. Any term or provision of this Exchange Agreement may be waived, or the time for its performance may be extended, by the Party or Parties entitled to the benefit thereof. The failure of any Party hereto to enforce at any time any provision of this Exchange Agreement shall not be construed to be a waiver of such provision, nor in any way to affect the validity of this Exchange Agreement or any part hereof or the right of any Party thereafter to enforce each and every such provision. No waiver of any breach of this Exchange Agreement shall be held to constitute a waiver of any other or subsequent breach.
- **6.10.** Representation by Counsel. Each of the Parties acknowledges that it has had the opportunity to be represented by counsel in connection with this Exchange Agreement and the transactions contemplated by this Exchange Agreement. Accordingly, any rule of Law or any legal decision that would provide any Party with a defense to the enforcement of the terms of this Exchange Agreement against such Party based upon lack of legal counsel, shall have no application and is expressly waived. The provisions of this Exchange Agreement shall be interpreted in a reasonable manner to effect the intent of the Parties. None of the Parties shall have any term or provision construed against such Party solely by reason of such Party having drafted the same.

- **6.11.** <u>Several Obligations</u>. Each of the representations, warranties, covenants and agreements contained in this Exchange Agreement made by the Participating Lenders are made severally and not jointly and severally.
- **6.12.** Remedies. The Parties agree that money damages may not be a sufficient remedy for any breach of this Exchange Agreement, and that, in addition to all other remedies, the non-breaching Party shall be entitled to seek specific performance and injunctive or other equitable relief as a remedy for any such breach (without the posting of any bond and without proof of actual damages). The breaching Party agrees not to raise as a defense or objection to the request or granting of such relief that any breach of this Exchange Agreement is or would be compensable by an award of money damages.
- **6.13.** <u>Legal Fees.</u> Other than with respect to Agent, if any of the Parties brings any Cause of Action against any of the other Parties to enforce its rights under this Exchange Agreement, the prevailing party shall be entitled to recover its costs and expenses, including without limitation reasonable legal fees, incurred in connection with such Cause of Action, including any appeal of such Cause of Action.
- **6.14.** No Recourse. All claims and/or Causes of Action (whether in contract or in tort or otherwise) that may be based upon, arise out of or relate to this Exchange Agreement, or the negotiation, execution or performance of this Exchange Agreement (including any representation or warranty made in or in connection with this Exchange Agreement or as an inducement to enter into this Exchange Agreement), may be made only against the Persons that are expressly identified as Parties. No Person who is not a named Party to this Exchange Agreement, including any past, present or future direct or indirect director, officer, employee, incorporator, member, manager, partner, equity holder, Affiliate, agent, attorney, advisor or representative of any named Party to this Exchange Agreement ("Non-Party Affiliates"), shall have any liability (whether in contract or in tort or otherwise, or based upon any theory that seeks to impose liability of an entity Party against its owners or Affiliates) for any obligations or liabilities arising under, in connection with or related to this Exchange Agreement or for any claim and/or Causes of Action based on, in respect of, or by reason of this Exchange Agreement or its negotiation or execution, and each Party waives and releases all such liabilities, claims and/or Causes of Action and obligations against any such Non-Party Affiliates. Non-Party Affiliates are expressly intended as third-party beneficiaries of this provision of this Exchange Agreement.
- **6.15.** <u>Disclosure</u>. If the Borrower determines that it is required to attach a copy of this Exchange Agreement to any filing or similar document relating to the transactions contemplated hereby, the Borrower hereby agrees that no information relating to the names or identities of any Participating Lenders, or their individual holdings of Purchased Loans, shall be included in such filing or similar document (but the aggregate of such holdings may be disclosed).
- **6.16.** Relationship of Parties. Notwithstanding anything herein to the contrary, (a) the representations, agreements, duties and obligations of the Parties in all respects under this Exchange Agreement shall be several, and not joint and several, (b) no prior history, pattern or practice of sharing confidences among or between the Parties shall in any way affect or negate this Exchange Agreement, (c) the Parties hereto acknowledge that this Exchange Agreement does not constitute an agreement, arrangement or understanding with respect to acting together for the

purpose of acquiring, holding, voting or disposing of any equity securities of the Borrower and the Parties do not constitute a "group" within the meaning of Rule 13d-5 under the Exchange Act, (d) none of the Participating Lenders shall have any fiduciary duty, any duty of trust or confidence (other than under Section 10.08 of the Existing Credit Agreement, which shall apply to this Exchange Agreement) in any form, or other duties or responsibilities of any kind or form to each other, the Borrower or any of their respective Related Persons, including as a result of this Exchange Agreement or the transactions contemplated herein, and (e) no action taken by any Party pursuant to this Exchange Agreement shall be deemed to constitute or to create a presumption by any of the Parties that the Parties are in any way acting in concert or as such a "group". All rights under this Exchange Agreement are separately granted to each Participating Lender by the Borrower and vice versa, and the use of a single document is for the convenience of the Borrower. It is understood and agreed that any Participating Lender may trade in any debt or equity securities of the Borrower without the consent of the Borrower or any other Participating Lender, subject to applicable securities Laws and the terms of this Exchange Agreement and, if applicable, to the terms of the Existing Credit Agreement. For the avoidance of doubt, (i) each Participating Lender is entering into this Exchange Agreement directly with the Borrower and not with any other Participating Lender, and (ii) no Participating Lender shall have any right to bring any action against any other Participating Lender with respect to this Exchange Agreement (or any breach thereof).

[Signatures on next pages]

IN WITNESS WHEREOF, the Parties hereto have caused this Exchange Agreement to be executed as of the day and year first above written.

CASA SYSTEMS, INC.,

By: /s/ Edward Durkin

Name: Edward Durkin

Title: Chief Financial Officer and Interim Chief

Executive Officer

[Signature Page to Casa Systems Exchange Agreement]

(solely with respect to Sections 2.1(b), 2.1(e), 2.1(f), 2.2, 2.3(b), 3.1(b) and Articles IV, V and VI (other than Section 6.13))

JPMORGAN CHASE BANK, N.A., as Agent

By: /s/ Vidita J. Shah

Name: Vidita J. Shah Title: Vice President

[Signature Page to Casa Systems Exchange Agreement]

PARTICIPATING LENDERS

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Existing Loans: \$[***]

[Signature Pages on File with the Company]

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EXHIBIT A

Form of Superpriority Credit Agreement

EXHIBIT B

Form of Amendment to the Existing Credit Agreement

EXHIBIT C

Form of Warrant Agreement

EXHIBIT D

Form of Registration Rights Agreement

APPENDIX A

Rights to 10% Springing Warrants			
☐ Vested ☐ Unvested (check one)			
Number of Unissued, but Reserved Springing 10% Warrants:			
Number of Reserved, Unissued Underlying Shares of Springing 10% Warrants:			
Rights to 5% Springing Warrants			
☐ Vested ☐ Unvested (check one)			
Number of Unissued, but Reserved Springing 5% Warrants:			
Number of Reserved, Unissued Underlying Shares of Springing 5% Warrants:			
Rights to 4.99% Springing Warrants			
☐ Vested ☐ Unvested (check one)			
Number of Unissued, but Reserved Springing 4.99% Warrants:			
Number of Reserved, Unissued Underlying Shares of Springing 4.99% Warrants:			

APPENDIX B

FORM OF ASSIGNMENT OF RIGHT TO SPRINGING WARRANTS OF CASA SYSTEMS, INC.

(TO BE EXECUTED BY THE REGISTERED HOLDER IF SUCH REGISTERED HOLDER DESIRES TO TRANSFER A WARRANT)

FOR VALUE RECEIVED, the undersigned registered holder hereby sells, assigns and transfers unto

Name of Assignee

Address of Assignee

Adures	s of Assignee
	rrants (check one)) to purchase shares of Common Stock held by the evocably constitute and appoint attorney, to transfer such on.
Dated	
Name of Registered Holder	
Signature	
Social Security or Other Taxpayer Identification Number of Assignee	

FIRST AMENDMENT

FIRST AMENDMENT, dated as of June 15, 2023 (this "<u>Amendment</u>"), among Casa Systems, Inc. (the "<u>Borrower</u>"), the guarantors listed on the signature pages hereto, the Lenders (as defined below) party hereto and JPMorgan Chase Bank, N.A., as administrative agent (in such capacity, the "<u>Administrative Agent</u>") and as collateral agent (in such capacity, the "<u>Collateral Agent</u>"). Capitalized terms used but not defined in this Amendment shall have the meanings assigned thereto in the Amended Credit Agreement (as defined below).

WITNESSETH

WHEREAS, the Borrower, the lenders from time to time party thereto (the "<u>Lenders</u>"), the Administrative Agent and the Collateral Agent are party to that certain Credit Agreement, dated as of December 20, 2016 (as amended, restated, supplemented or otherwise modified from time to time prior to the date hereof, the "<u>Credit Agreement</u>"; the Credit Agreement as amended by this Amendment, the "<u>Amended Credit Agreement</u>");

WHEREAS, the Borrower and each Lender party hereto (each, a "<u>Consenting Lender</u>" and, collectively, the "<u>Consenting Lenders</u>") (which collectively constitute the Required Lenders) have agreed to amend certain provisions of the Credit Agreement as provided herein in accordance with Section 10.01 of the Credit Agreement (collectively, the "<u>Exit Consent</u>");

WHEREAS, immediately after giving effect to the Exit Consent, the Borrower has offered to purchase and assume, and each Consenting Lender desires to sell and assign to the Borrower, 100% of such Consenting Lender's Initial Term Loans (the "<u>Purchased Loans</u>") outstanding immediately following the First Amendment Effective Date (as defined below) in accordance with the terms of Section 10.07(m) of the Amended Credit Agreement; and

WHEREAS, immediately after giving effect to the Exit Consent, (a) the Purchased Loans shall be purchased by, transferred to and assigned to the Borrower and immediately be deemed cancelled and extinguished pursuant to Section 10.07(m) of the Amended Credit Agreement and (b) subject to the terms and conditions of the Exchange Agreement (as defined below), each Consenting Lender shall receive Exchanged Superpriority Term Loans (as defined in the Exchange Agreement) as consideration for its sale and assignment of its Purchased Loans to the Borrower, in each case, pursuant to that certain Exchange Agreement, dated as of the date hereof (the "Exchange Agreement"), among the Borrower, the Consenting Lenders and the Administrative Agent (collectively, the "Exchange").

NOW, THEREFORE, in consideration of the premises and the mutual covenants herein set forth, the parties hereto agree as follows:

SECTION 1. Amendments. Effective as of the First Amendment Effective Date, immediately prior to giving effect to the Exchange:

(a) Section 1.01 of the Credit Agreement is hereby amended by adding the following new defined terms in their proper alphabetical order:

"First Amendment" means the First Amendment, dated as of First Amendment Effective Date, among the Borrower, the other Loan Parties party thereto, the Lenders party thereto, the Administrative Agent and the Collateral Agent.

"First Amendment Effective Date" has the meaning assigned to such term in the First Amendment.

"New Intercreditor Agreement" means that certain Intercreditor Agreement, dated as of the First Amendment Effective Date, by and among, *inter alios*, Delaware Trust Company, as First Lien Collateral Agent and First-Priority Representative, and JPMorgan Chase Bank, N.A., as Second Lien Collateral Agent and Second-Priority Representative and each additional agent from time to time party thereto, and acknowledged by the grantors from time to time party thereto, as may be amended, restated, supplemented or replaced, in whole or in part, from time to time.

(b) The text of the definition of "Borrower Materials" in Section 1.01 of the Credit Agreement is hereby amended and restated in its entirety to read:

"Borrower Materials" has the meaning specified in Section 10.02(g).

(c) The text of the definition of "Collateral Documents" in Section 1.01 of the Credit Agreement is hereby amended and restated in its entirety to read:

"Collateral Documents" means, collectively, the Security Agreement, the Intellectual Property Security Agreements, Security Agreement Supplements, the Mortgages, each of the mortgages, debentures, charges, collateral assignments, security agreements, pledge agreements or other similar agreements delivered to the Agents and the Lenders pursuant to this Agreement, the Guaranty, the New Intercreditor Agreement, the First Lien Intercreditor Agreement (if any), the Second Lien Intercreditor Agreement (if any) and any other intercreditor agreement entered into in connection herewith and each of the other agreements, instruments or documents executed by a Loan Party that creates or purports to create a Lien or Guarantee in favor of the Administrative Agent or the Collateral Agent for the benefit of the Secured Parties.

(d) The text of the definition of "Intercreditor Agreements" in Section 1.01 of the Credit Agreement is hereby amended and restated in its entirety to read:

"Intercreditor Agreements" means the New Intercreditor Agreement, the First Lien Intercreditor Agreement, the Second Lien Intercreditor Agreement and other customary intercreditor agreements or arrangements reasonably acceptable to the Borrower and the Administrative Agent, collectively, in each case to the extent then in effect.

- (e) The text of clause (c) in the definition of "Interest Period" in Section 1.01 of the Credit Agreement is hereby amended and restated in its entirety to read "[Reserved]".
 - (f) The text of the definition of "Platform" in Section 1.01 of the Credit Agreement is hereby amended and restated in its entirety to read: "Platform" has the meaning specified in Section 10.02(g).
 - (g) The text of the definition of "Public Lender" in Section 1.01 of the Credit Agreement is hereby amended and restated in its entirety to read: "Public Lender" has the meaning specified in Section 10.02(g).
- (h) The text of Sections 1.07 and 1.15 is hereby amended and restated in its entirety to read "[Reserved]" and each reference to such section in the Credit Agreement is hereby deleted.

- (i) The text of Sections 2.05(b)(i), 2.05(b)(ii), 2.05(b)(iii), 2.05(b)(iv), 2.05(b)(vi), 2.05(b)(vii) and 2.14 of the Credit Agreement is hereby amended and restated in its entirety to read "[Reserved]" and each reference to any such section in the Credit Agreement is hereby deleted.
- (j) The text of Sections 6.01, 6.02, 6.03, 6.04, 6.05, 6.06, 6.07, 6.08, 6.09, 6.10, 6.11, 6.12, 6.13, 6.14, 6.15, 6.16, and 6.18 of the Credit Agreement is hereby amended and restated in its entirety to read "[Reserved]" and each reference to any such section in the Credit Agreement is hereby deleted
- (k) The text of Sections 7.01, 7.02, 7.03, 7.04, 7.05, 7.06, 7.07, 7.08, 7.09, 7.12, 7.13 and 7.14 of the Credit Agreement is hereby amended and restated in its entirety to read "[Reserved]" and each reference to any such section in the Credit Agreement is hereby deleted.
- (l) (i) The text of Sections 8.01(e), 8.01(g), 8.01(h) and 8.01(k) of the Credit Agreement is hereby amended and restated in its entirety to read "[Reserved]" and each reference to any such section in the Credit Agreement is hereby deleted and (ii) the text of Section 8.01(b)(i) is hereby amended and restated in its entirety to read "Section 6.17".
 - (m) Section 10.02 of the Credit Agreement is hereby amended by adding the following new clause (g):
 - (g) The Borrower hereby acknowledges that (a) the Administrative Agent and/or the Lead Arrangers will make available to the Lenders and the L/C Issuers materials and/or information provided by or on behalf of the Borrower hereunder (collectively, "Borrower Materials") by posting the Borrower Materials on Intralinks®, Syndtrak® or another similar electronic system (the "Platform") and (b) certain of the Lenders (each, a "Public Lender") may have personnel who do not wish to receive material non-public information (within the meaning of the United States federal securities laws) with respect to the Borrower or its Affiliates, or the respective securities of any of the foregoing, and who may be engaged in investment and other market-related activities with respect to such Persons' securities. The Borrower hereby agrees that it will identify that portion of the Borrower Materials that may be distributed to the Public Lenders and that (w) all such Borrower Materials that are to be made available to Public Lenders shall be clearly and conspicuously marked "PUBLIC," which, at a minimum, shall mean that the word "PUBLIC" shall appear prominently on the first page thereof, (x) by marking Borrower Materials "PUBLIC," the Borrower Materials as either information that is publicly available (or could be derived from publicly available information) or not material information (although it may be confidential, sensitive and proprietary) with respect to such Person or its securities for purposes of United States federal securities laws (provided, however, that to the extent such Borrower Materials constitute Information, they shall be treated as set forth in Section 10.08); and (y) all Borrower Materials specifically marked "PUBLIC" are permitted to be made available through a portion of the Platform designated "Public Lender". Notwithstanding the foregoing, the Borrower shall be under no obligation to mark any Borrower Materials "PUBLIC."
- (n) The text of Article IX of the Credit Agreement is hereby amended to delete the stricken text (indicated textually in the same manner as the following example: stricken text) and to add the double-underlined text (indicated textually in the same manner as the following example: double-underlined text) as set forth on Annex II hereto.
- (o) With respect to any Initial Term Loans that remain outstanding under the Amended Credit Agreement immediately after giving effect to the Exchange, such Initial Term Loans shall be converted to a new Borrowing of Eurocurrency Rate Loans with an initial Interest Period of 6 months commencing on the First Amendment Effective Date, with the Borrower deemed to have submitted any conversion notices required to effect the forgoing in satisfaction of any such requirements under the Credit Agreement and/or the Amended Credit Agreement.

(p) After giving effect to the Exchange, the outstanding principal amount of Initial Term Loans under the Amended Credit Agreement (including for purposes of Section 2.07(a) of the Amended Credit Agreement) shall be reduced by the aggregate principal amount of the Initial Term Loans that are exchanged pursuant to the Exchange.

SECTION 2. Representations and Warranties. Each Loan Party hereby represents and warrants to the other parties hereto that:

- (a) The Borrower and each other Loan Party have all corporate or other organizational power and authority to execute, deliver and perform its obligations under this Amendment. The execution, delivery and performance of this Amendment have been duly authorized by all necessary corporate or other organizational action. This Amendment has been duly executed and delivered by each Loan Party party hereto and this Amendment and the Amended Credit Agreement constitute the legal, valid and binding obligations of the Borrower and each other Loan Party party hereto, enforceable against the Borrower and each such Loan Party in accordance with their terms, except as such enforceability may be limited by Debtor Relief Laws or other Laws affecting creditors' rights generally and by general principles of equity and principles of good faith and fair dealing.
- (b) The representations and warranties of the Borrower and each other Loan Party contained in Article V of the Amended Credit Agreement or any other Loan Document are true and correct in all material respects on and as of the date hereof; provided that, to the extent that such representations and warranties specifically refer to an earlier date, they are true and correct in all material respects as of such earlier date; provided, further, that, any representation and warranty that is qualified as to "materiality," "Material Adverse Effect" or similar language is true and correct in all respects on such respective dates.
 - (c) At the time of and immediately after giving effect to this Amendment, no Default or Event of Default has occurred and is continuing.
- SECTION 3. <u>Effectiveness</u>. The effectiveness of this Amendment is subject to the satisfaction (or waiver in accordance with Section 10.01 of the Credit Agreement) of each of the following conditions (the date such conditions are satisfied, the "<u>First Amendment Effective Date</u>"):
- (a) The Administrative Agent (or its counsel) shall have received from (x) the Borrower, each other Loan Party, the Administrative Agent and the Collateral Agent, a counterpart of this Amendment signed on behalf of such party and (y) each Consenting Lender (which shall collectively constitute the Required Lenders), an executed Lender Consent in the form attached hereto as <u>Annex I</u>.
- (b) The Administrative Agent (or its counsel) shall have received a certificate, dated the First Amendment Effective Date, and signed by an authorized officer of the Borrower, certifying on behalf of the Borrower the accuracy of the representations and warranties set forth in clauses (b) and (c) of Section 2 hereof.
- (c) The Borrower shall have paid to (i) the Administrative Agent and/or each applicable Lender, all fees, premiums, expenses (including reasonable fees, charges and disbursements of Simpson Thacher & Bartlett LLP and Akin Gump Strauss Hauer and Feld LLP) and other transaction costs incurred in connection with this Amendment, in each case, to the extent invoiced in reasonable detail at least two (2) Business Days before the date hereof (except as otherwise reasonably agreed to by the Borrower) to the extent then due and (ii) the Administrative Agent, for the ratable benefit of each Lender immediately prior to the First Amendment Effective Date, all accrued and unpaid interest on account of the Initial Term Loans up to, but not including, the First Amendment Effective Date.

- (d) Substantially concurrently with the effectiveness of this Amendment (but after giving effect to the Exit Consent), the Exchange shall have been consummated.
- (e) The representations and warranties of the Borrower and each other Loan Party contained in Article V of the Amended Credit Agreement or any other Loan Document shall be true and correct in all material respects on and as of the date hereof; provided that, to the extent that such representations and warranties specifically refer to an earlier date, they shall be true and correct in all material respects as of such earlier date; provided, further, that, any representation and warranty that is qualified as to "materiality," "Material Adverse Effect" or similar language shall be true and correct in all respects on such respective dates.
 - (f) At the time of and immediately after giving effect to this Amendment, no Default or Event of Default shall have occurred and be continuing.

SECTION 4. Effect of this Amendment.

- (a) Except as expressly amended hereby, the Borrower and each other Loan Party hereto agrees that the Amended Credit Agreement and the other Loan Documents are ratified and confirmed and shall remain in full force and effect in accordance with their terms and that they are not aware of any set off, counterclaim, defense or other claim or dispute with respect to any of the foregoing. Except as expressly set forth herein, the execution, delivery and effectiveness of this Amendment shall not operate as a waiver of any right, power or remedy of any Lender, the Administrative Agent or the Collateral Agent under any of the Loan Documents, nor constitute a waiver of any provision of any of the Loan Documents. Nothing herein shall be deemed to entitle the Borrower or any other Loan Party to any future consent to, or waiver, amendment, modification or other change of, any of the terms, conditions, obligations, covenants or agreements contained in the Amended Credit Agreement or any other Loan Document in similar or different circumstances. This Amendment shall not constitute a novation of any Obligations.
- (b) On and after the First Amendment Effective Date, each reference in the Credit Agreement to "this Agreement", "hereunder", "hereof", "herein" or words of like import, and each reference to the Credit Agreement in any other Loan Document, shall be deemed a reference to the Amended Credit Agreement. This Amendment shall constitute a Loan Document for all purposes of the Amended Credit Agreement and the other Loan Documents.
- (c) By its execution hereof, each of the Borrower and the other Loan Parties party hereto hereby expressly agrees, with respect to each Loan Document to which it is a party (i) all of its obligations, liabilities and indebtedness (as reduced by the aggregate principal amount of the Initial Term Loans that are exchanged pursuant to the Exchange) under such Loan Document shall remain in full force and effect on a continuous basis regardless of the effectiveness of this Amendment, (ii) nothing contained in this Amendment shall be construed as a substitution or novation of its obligations, liabilities and indebtedness under such Loan Document and (iii) all of the liens and security interests created by and arising under such Loan Document remain in full force and effect on a continuous basis, regardless of the effectiveness of this Amendment, as collateral security for its obligations, liabilities and indebtedness under the Amended Credit Agreement and related Guarantees.

SECTION 5. General.

- (a) Intercreditor Matters. The Consenting Lenders confirm that the Administrative Agent and the Collateral Agent, as applicable, are authorized to enter into the New Intercreditor Agreement in the form attached as Annex III hereto (and any amendments, amendments and restatements, restatements or waivers of or supplements to or other modifications to, such agreements in connection with the incurrence by any Loan Party of any Indebtedness (or any Permitted Refinancing of the foregoing) in order to permit such Indebtedness to be secured by a valid and enforceable lien (with such priority as may be designated by the Borrower or relevant Subsidiary, to the extent such priority is permitted by the Loan Documents)). Each Consenting Lender hereby expressly and irrevocably authorizes and instructs the Administrative Agent and the Collateral Agent, as applicable, to enter into the New Intercreditor Agreement in the form attached as Annex III hereto on the date hereof (and any amendments, amendments and restatements, restatements or waivers of or supplements to or other modifications to, such agreements in connection with the incurrence by any Loan Party of any Indebtedness (or any Permitted Refinancing of the foregoing) in order to permit such Indebtedness to be secured by a valid and enforceable lien (with such priority as may be designated by the Borrower or relevant Subsidiary, to the extent such priority is permitted by the Loan Documents)), and to subject the Liens on the Collateral securing the Obligations to the provisions thereof.
- (b) Execution in Counterparts; Electronic Signatures. This Amendment may be executed by one or more of the parties to this Amendment on any number of separate counterparts, and all of said counterparts taken together shall be deemed to constitute one and the same instrument. The words "execution," "signed," "signature," "delivery," and words of like import in or relating to this Amendment and/or any document to be signed in connection with this Amendment and the transactions contemplated hereby shall be deemed to include electronic signatures or the keeping of records in electronic form, each of which shall be of the same legal effect, validity or enforceability as a manually executed signature or the use of a paper-based recordkeeping system, as the case may be, to the extent and as provided for in any applicable Laws, including the Federal Electronic Signatures in Global and National Commerce Act, the New York State Electronic Signatures and Records Act, or any other similar state laws based on the Uniform Electronic Transactions Act.

(c) <u>Governing Law</u>. THIS AMENDMENT SHALL BE GOVERNED BY AND CONSTRUED IN ACCORDANCE WITH, THE LAW OF THE STATE OF NEW YORK.

- (d) <u>Successors and Assigns</u>. This Amendment shall be binding on and inure to the benefit of the parties and their respective heirs, beneficiaries, successors and permitted assigns.
- (e) <u>Severability</u>. Any provision of this Amendment held to be invalid, illegal or unenforceable in any jurisdiction shall, as to such jurisdiction, be ineffective to the extent of such invalidity, illegality or unenforceability without affecting the validity, legality and enforceability of the remaining provisions hereof; and the invalidity of a particular provision in a particular jurisdiction shall not invalidate such provision in any other jurisdiction.
- (f) <u>Incorporation by Reference</u>. The provisions of Sections 10.15(b), 10.15(c) and 10.16 of the Credit Agreement are hereby incorporated by reference, *mutatis mutandis*.
- (g) <u>Costs and Expenses</u>. The Borrower agrees to pay or reimburse (i) the Administrative Agent for all its reasonable out-of-pocket costs and expenses incurred in connection with this Amendment, including the reasonable fees and disbursements of Simpson Thacher & Bartlett LLP, primary counsel for the Administrative Agent and (ii) each applicable Lender for all its reasonable out-of-pocket costs and expenses incurred in connection with this Amendment, including the reasonable fees and disbursements of Akin Gump Strauss Hauer & Feld LLP, in each case subject to the terms of Section 10.04 of the Credit Agreement.

[Signature Pages Follow]

IN WITNESS WHEREOF, the parties hereto have caused this Amendment to be duly executed and delivered by their proper and duly authorized officers as of the day and year first above written.

CASA SYSTEMS, INC., as the Borrower

By: /s/ Edward Durkin

Name: Edward Durkin Title: Chief Financial Officer and Interim Chief

Executive Officer

[Signature Page to First Amendment]

JPMORGAN CHASE BANK, N.A., as the Administrative Agent and the Collateral Agent

By: /s/ Vidita J. Shah

Name: Vidita J. Shah
Title: Vice President

[Signature Page to First Amendment]

ANNEX I

Lender Consent

[See attached]

LENDER CONSENT

Reference is made to the proposed First Amendment (the "<u>Amendment</u>"), by and among Casa Systems, Inc. (the "<u>Borrower</u>"), the Guarantors listed on the signature pages thereto, the Lenders (as defined below) party thereto and JPMorgan Chase Bank, N.A., as administrative agent (in such capacity, the "<u>Administrative Agent</u>") and as collateral agent (in such capacity, the "<u>Collateral Agent</u>"), to that certain Credit Agreement, dated as of December 20, 2016, among the Borrower, the lenders from time to time party thereto (the "<u>Lenders</u>"), the Administrative Agent and the Collateral Agent. Unless otherwise defined herein, terms defined in the Amendment and used herein shall have the meanings given to them in the Amendment.

The undersigned Lender, by delivering an executed signature page hereto, hereby:

- (i) elects to consent and agree to the Amendment as a Consenting Lender;
- (ii) confirms that it has elected to participate in the Exchange and receive Exchanged Superpriority Term Loans (as defined in the Exchange Agreement) as consideration for its sale and assignment of its Purchased Loans (as defined in the Exchange Agreement) to the Borrower; and
- (iii) confirms that the Administrative Agent and the Collateral Agent, as applicable, are authorized to enter into the Intercreditor Agreement substantially in the form attached as Annex III to the Amendment (the "New Intercreditor Agreement") and expressly and irrevocably authorizes and instructs the Administrative Agent and the Collateral Agent, as applicable, to enter into the New Intercreditor Agreement on the date hereof.

The undersigned Lender hereby agrees that its executed signature page hereto will be appended to the Amendment and serve as its signature thereto for purposes of Section 10.01 of the Credit Agreement.

Notwithstanding anything to the contrary in Section 2.08 or Section 2.10 of the Credit Agreement, all accrued and unpaid interest on account of the Initial Term Loans up to, but not including, the First Amendment Effective Date shall be paid in full in cash on the First Amendment Effective Date. In addition, each Consenting Lender hereby waives its rights to compensation for any amounts owing pursuant to Section 3.05 of the Credit Agreement.

THIS LENDER CONSENT SHALL BE GOVERNED BY, AND CONSTRUED AND INTERPRETED IN ACCORDANCE WITH, THE LAWS OF THE STATE OF NEW YORK.

The provisions of Sections 10.15(b), 10.15(c) and 10.16 of the Credit Agreement are hereby incorporated by reference, *mutatis mutandis*.

The words "execution," "signed," "signature," "delivery," and words of like import in or relating to this Amendment and/or any document to be signed in connection with this Amendment and the transactions contemplated hereby shall be deemed to include electronic signatures or the keeping of records in electronic form, each of which shall be of the same legal effect, validity or enforceability as a manually executed signature or the use of a paper-based recordkeeping system, as the case may be, to the extent and as provided for in any applicable Laws, including the Federal Electronic Signatures in Global and National Commerce Act, the New York State Electronic Signatures and Records Act, or any other similar state laws based on the Uniform Electronic Transactions Act.

[Signature Page Follows]

By:
Name: Title:

[Lender Consent – Casa Systems First Amendment]

[NAME OF CONSENTING LENDER]

ANNEX II

Article IX

[See attached]

ARTICLE IX

Administrative Agent and Other Agents

Section 9.01 Appointment and Authority of the Administrative Agent.

- (a) Each Lender and L/C Issuer hereby irrevocably appoints JPMorgan Chase Bank, N.A. to act on its behalf as the Administrative Agent hereunder and under the other Loan Documents and authorizes the Administrative Agent to take such actions on its behalf and to exercise such powers as are delegated to the Administrative Agent by the terms hereof or thereof, together with such actions and powers as are reasonably incidental thereto. The provisions of this Article IX, other than in respect of Section 9.09, Section 9.11 and Section 9.14, are solely for the benefit of the Administrative Agent and the Lenders and each L/C Issuer, and the Loan Parties shall not have rights as a third party beneficiary of any such provision. In performing its functions and duties hereunder, the Administrative Agent shall act solely as agent of the Lenders and does not assume and shall not be deemed to have assumed any obligation towards or relationship of agency or trust with or for the Borrower or any of its Subsidiaries, except as expressly set forth herein or in the other Loan Documents.
- (b) Each L/C Issuer shall act on behalf of the Lenders with respect to any Letters of Credit issued by it and the documents associated therewith, and each such L/C Issuer shall have all of the benefits and immunities (i) provided to the Agents in this Article IX with respect to any acts taken or omissions suffered by such L/C Issuer in connection with Letters of Credit issued by it or proposed to be issued by it and the applications and agreements for letters of credit pertaining to such Letters of Credit as fully as if the term "Agent" as used in this Article IX and Article X and in the definition of "Agent-Related Person" included such L/C Issuer with respect to such acts or omissions, and (ii) as additionally provided herein with respect to such L/C Issuer.
- (c) The Administrative Agent shall also act as the "collateral agent" under the Loan Documents, and each of the Lenders (including in its capacities as a Lender, L/C Issuer (if applicable) and a potential Hedge Bank and/or Cash Management Bank) hereby irrevocably appoints and authorizes the Administrative Agent to act as the agent of (and to hold any security interest created by the Collateral Documents for and on behalf of or in trust for) the Secured Parties for purposes of acquiring, holding and enforcing any and all Liens on Collateral granted by any of the Loan Parties to secure any of the Obligations, together with such powers and discretion as are reasonably incidental thereto. In this connection, the Administrative Agent, as "collateral agent" (and any co-agents, sub-agents and attorneys-in-fact appointed by the Administrative Agent pursuant to Section 9.05 for purposes of holding or enforcing any Lien on the Collateral (or any portion thereof) granted under the Collateral Documents, or for exercising any rights and remedies thereunder at the direction of the Administrative Agent), shall be entitled to the benefits of all provisions of this Article IX (including Section 9.07, as though such co-agents, sub-agents and attorneys-in-fact were the "collateral agent" under the Loan Documents) as if set forth in full herein with respect thereto. Without limiting the generality of the foregoing, each of the Lenders (including in its capacities as a Lender, L/C Issuer (if applicable) and a potential Hedge Bank and/or Cash Management Bank) hereby expressly authorizes the Administrative Agent to (i) execute any and all documents (including releases) with respect to the Collateral and the rights of the Secured Parties with respect thereto (including any First Lien Intercreditor Agreement, any Second Lien Intercreditor Agreement and/or any other intercreditor agreements entered into in connection herewith, and security trust documents), as contemplated by, in accordance with or otherwise in connection with the provisions of this Agreement and the Collateral Documents and acknowledge and agree that any such action by any Agent shall bind the Lenders and (ii) negotiate, enforce or settle any claim, action or proceeding affecting the Lenders in their capacity as such, at the direction of the Required Lenders, which negotiation, enforcement or settlement will be binding upon each Lender.

(d) Any corporation or association into which any Agent may be converted or merged, or with which it may be consolidated, or to which it may sell or transfer all or substantially all of its corporate trust business and assets as a whole or substantially as a whole, or any corporation or association resulting from any such conversion, sale, merger, consolidation or transfer to which such Agent is a party, will be and become the successor Administrative Agent and/or Collateral Agent, as applicable, under this Agreement and will have and succeed to the rights, powers, duties, immunities and privileges as its predecessor, without the execution or filing of any instrument or paper or the performance of any further act.

Section 9.02 Rights as a Lender. Any Person serving as an Agent (including as Administrative Agent) or L/C Issuer hereunder shall have the same rights and powers in its capacity as a Lender as any other Lender and may exercise the same as though it were not an Agent or L/C Issuer, and the agency created hereby shall in no way impose any duties or obligations upon any Agent or L/C Issuer in its individual capacity as a Lender hereunder. The term "Lender" or "Lenders" shall, unless otherwise expressly indicated or unless the context otherwise requires, include each Person serving as an Agent or L/C Issuer hereunder in its individual capacity. Such Person and its Affiliates may accept deposits from, lend money to, own securities of, act as the financial advisor or in any other advisory capacity for and generally engage in any kind of business with the Borrower or any Subsidiary or other Affiliate thereof as if such Person were not an Agent or L/C Issuer hereunder and without any duty to provide notice or account therefor to the Lenders. The Lenders acknowledge that, pursuant to such activities, any Agent or L/C Issuer or its Affiliates may receive information regarding any Loan Party or any of its Affiliates (including information that may be subject to confidentiality obligations in favor of such Loan Party or such Affiliate) and acknowledge that no Agent or L/C Issuer shall be under any obligation to provide such information to them.

Section 9.03 Exculpatory Provisions. Neither the Administrative Agent nor any other Agent shall have any duties or obligations except those expressly set forth herein and in the other Loan Documents. Without limiting the generality of the foregoing, an Agent (including the Administrative Agent):

- (a) shall not be subject to any fiduciary or other implied (or express) duties, regardless of whether a Default has occurred and is continuing and without limiting the generality of the foregoing, the use of the term "agent" herein and in the other Loan Documents with reference to any Agent is not intended to connote any fiduciary or other implied (or express) obligations arising under any agency doctrine of any applicable Laws and instead, such term is used merely as a matter of market custom, and is intended to create or reflect only an administrative relationship between independent contracting parties;
- (b) shall not have any duty to take any discretionary action or exercise any discretionary powers, except discretionary rights and powers expressly contemplated hereby or by the other Loan Documents that such Agent is required to exercise as directed in writing by the Required Lenders (or such other number or percentage of the Lenders as shall be expressly provided for herein or in the other Loan Documents); *provided* that no Agent shall be required to take any action (or where so instructed, refrain from exercising) that, in its opinion or the opinion of its counsel, may expose such Agent to liability or that is contrary to any Loan Document or applicable Laws;
- (c) shall not, except as expressly set forth herein and in the other Loan Documents, have any duty to disclose, and shall not be liable for the failure to disclose, any information relating to the Borrower or any of its Affiliates that is communicated to or obtained by any Person serving as an Agent or any of its Affiliates in any capacity; and

(d) shall not have any liability arising from confirmations of the amount of outstanding Loans or L/C Obligations or the component amounts thereof;; and

(e) shall not be responsible or liable for any failure or delay in the performance of its obligations under this Agreement arising out of or caused, directly or indirectly, by circumstances beyond its control, including without limitation, any act or provision of any present or future law or regulation or governmental authority; acts of God; earthquakes; fires; floods; wars; terrorism; civil or military disturbances; sabotage; epidemics; riots; interruptions, loss or malfunctions of utilities, computer (hardware or software) or communications service; accidents; labor disputes; acts of civil or military authority or governmental actions; or the unavailability of the Federal Reserve Bank wire or telex or other wire or communications facility; it being understood that each applicable Agent shall use its best efforts to resume performance as soon as practicable under the circumstances.

The Administrative Agent shall not be liable for any action taken or not taken by it (i) with the consent or at the request of the Required Lenders (or such other number or percentage of the Lenders as shall be necessary, or as the Administrative Agent shall believe in good faith shall be necessary, under the circumstances as provided in Section 8.02 and Section 10.01) or (ii) in the absence of its own gross negligence or willful misconduct as determined by the final, non-appealable judgment of a court of competent jurisdiction, in connection with its duties expressly set forth herein. The Administrative Agent shall be deemed not to have knowledge of any Default unless and until notice describing such Default is given to the Administrative Agent by the Borrower or a Lender. In the event that the Agents receive such a notice of the occurrence of a Default, the Agents shall take such action with respect to such Default or Event of Default as shall reasonably be directed by the Required Lenders; provided that, unless and until the Agents shall have received such directions, the Agents may (but shall not be obligated to) take such action, or refrain from taking such action, with respect to such Default as it shall deem advisable in the best interest of the Lenders.

No Agent-Related Person shall be responsible for or have any duty to ascertain or inquire into (i) any recital, statement, warranty or representation made in or in connection with this Agreement or any other Loan Document, (ii) the contents of any certificate, report or other document delivered hereunder or thereunder or in connection herewith or therewith, (iii) the performance or observance of any of the covenants, agreements or other terms or conditions set forth herein or therein or the occurrence of any Default (including compliance with the terms and conditions of Section 10.07(h)(iii)), (iv) the validity, enforceability, effectiveness or genuineness of this Agreement, any other Loan Document or any other agreement, instrument or document, or the creation, perfection or priority of any Lien purported to be created by the Collateral Documents, (v) the value or the sufficiency of any Collateral, (vi) the satisfaction of any condition set forth in Article IV or elsewhere herein, other than to confirm receipt of items expressly required to be delivered to the Administrative Agent, or (vii) to inspect the properties, books or records of any Loan Party or any Affiliate thereof.

Section 9.04 Reliance by the Administrative Agent. The Administrative Agent shall be entitled to rely upon, and shall not incur any liability for relying upon, any notice, request, certificate, consent, statement, instrument, document or other writing (including any electronic message, Internet or intranet website posting or other distribution) believed by it to be genuine and to have been signed, sent or otherwise authenticated by the proper Person, including, for the avoidance of doubt, in connection with the Administrative Agent's reliance on any Electronic Signature transmitted by telecopy, emailed pdf, or any other electronic means that reproduces an image of an actual executed signature page. The Administrative Agent also may rely upon any statement made to it orally or by telephone and believed by

it to have been made by the proper Person, and shall not incur any liability for relying thereon. In determining compliance with any condition hereunder to the making of a Loan that by its terms must be fulfilled to the satisfaction of a Lender, the Administrative Agent may presume that such condition is satisfactory to such Lender unless the Administrative Agent shall have received notice to the contrary from such Lender prior to the making of such Loan. The Administrative Agent may consult with legal counsel (who may be counsel for the Borrower), independent accountants and other experts selected by it, and shall not be liable for any action taken or not taken by it in accordance with the advice of any such counsel, accountants or experts.

The Administrative Agent may at any time request instructions from the Lenders with respect to any actions or approvals which by the terms of this Agreement or of any of the Loan Documents the Administrative Agent is permitted or desires to take or to grant, and the Administrative Agent shall be fully justified in failing or refusing to take any action under any Loan Document unless it shall first receive such advice or concurrence of the Required Lenders as it deems appropriate and, if it so requests, it shall first be indemnified to its satisfaction by the Lenders against any and all liability and expense which may be incurred by it by reason of taking or continuing to take any such action. No Lender shall have any right of action whatsoever against the Administrative Agent as a result of the Administrative Agent acting or refraining from acting under this Agreement or any of the other Loan Documents in accordance with the instructions of the Required Lenders. The Administrative Agent shall in all cases be fully protected in acting, or in refraining from acting, under this Agreement or any other Loan Document in accordance with a request or consent of the Required Lenders (or such greater number of Lenders as may be expressly required hereby in any instance) and such request and any action taken or failure to act pursuant thereto shall be binding upon all the Lenders; *provided* that the Administrative Agent shall not be required to take any action that, in its opinion or in the opinion of its counsel, may expose the Administrative Agent to liability or that is contrary to any Loan Document or applicable Laws.

Section 9.05 <u>Delegation of Duties</u>. The Administrative Agent may perform any and all of its duties and exercise its rights and powers hereunder or under any other Loan Documents by or through any one or more sub agents appointed by the Administrative Agent. The Administrative Agent and any such sub agent may perform any and all of its duties and exercise its rights and powers by or through their respective Agent-Related Persons. The exculpatory and indemnification provisions of this <u>Article IX</u> shall apply to any such sub agent and to the Agent-Related Persons of the Administrative Agent and any such sub agent, and shall apply to their respective activities in connection with the syndication of the credit facilities provided for herein as well as activities as Administrative Agent. Notwithstanding anything herein to the contrary, with respect to each sub agent appointed by Administrative Agent, (i) such sub agent shall be a third party beneficiary under this Agreement with respect to all such rights, benefits and privileges (including exculpatory rights and rights to indemnification) and shall have all of the rights and benefits of a third party beneficiary, including an independent right of action to enforce such rights, benefits and privileges (including exculpatory rights and rights to indemnification) directly, without the consent or joinder of any other Person, against any or all of Loan Parties and the Lenders, (ii) such rights, benefits and privileges (including exculpatory rights and rights to indemnification) shall not be modified or amended without the consent of such sub agent, and (iii) such sub agent shall only have obligations to the Administrative Agent and not to any Loan Party, Lender or any other Person and no Loan Party, Lender or any other Person shall have any rights, directly or indirectly, as a third party beneficiary or otherwise, against such sub agent; *provided* that the appointment of any sub agent shall not relieve the Administrative Agent of its obligations hereunder or under a

Section 9.06 Non-Reliance on Administrative Agent and Other Lenders; Disclosure of Information by Agents. Each Lender acknowledges that no Agent-Related Person has made any representation or warranty to it, and that no act by any Agent hereafter taken, including any consent to and acceptance of any assignment or review of the affairs of any Loan Party or any Affiliate thereof,

shall be deemed to constitute any representation or warranty by any Agent-Related Person to any Lender as to any matter, including whether Agent-Related Persons have disclosed material information in their possession. Each Lender represents to each Agent that it has, independently and without reliance upon any Agent-Related Person and based on such documents and information as it has deemed appropriate, made its own appraisal of an investigation into the business, prospects, operations, property, financial and other condition and creditworthiness of the Loan Parties and their respective Subsidiaries, and all applicable bank or other regulatory Laws relating to the transactions contemplated hereby, and made its own decision to enter into this Agreement and to extend credit to the Borrower and the other Loan Parties hereunder. Each Lender also represents that it will, independently and without reliance upon any Agent-Related Person and based on such documents and information as it shall deem appropriate at the time, continue to make its own credit analysis, appraisals and decisions in taking or not taking action under this Agreement and the other Loan Documents, and to make such investigations as it deems necessary to inform itself as to the business, prospects, operations, property, financial and other condition and creditworthiness of the Borrower and the other Loan Parties. Except for notices, reports and other documents expressly required to be furnished to the Lenders by any Agent herein, such Agent shall not have any duty or responsibility to provide any Lender with any credit or other information concerning the business, prospects, operations, property, financial and other condition or creditworthiness of any of the Loan Parties or any of their respective Affiliates which may come into the possession of any Agent-Related Person.

Section 9.07 Indemnification of Agents. Whether or not the transactions contemplated hereby are consummated, the Lenders shall indemnify upon demand the Administrative Agent and each other Agent-Related Person (solely to the extent any such Agent-Related Person was performing services on behalf of the Administrative Agent) (to the extent not reimbursed by or on behalf of any Loan Party and without limiting the obligation of any Loan Party to do so), pro rata, and hold harmless the Administrative Agent and each other Agent-Related Person (solely to the extent any such Agent-Related Person was performing services on behalf of the Administrative Agent) from and against any and all Indemnified Liabilities incurred by it; provided that no Lender shall be liable for the payment to any Agent-Related Person of any portion of such Indemnified Liabilities resulting from such Agent-Related Person's own gross negligence or willful misconduct, as determined by the final, non-appealable judgment of a court of competent jurisdiction; provided that no action taken in accordance with the directions of the Required Lenders (or such other number or percentage of the Lenders as shall be required by the Loan Documents) shall be deemed to constitute gross negligence or willful misconduct for purposes of this Section 9.07. In the case of any investigation, litigation or proceeding giving rise to any Indemnified Liabilities, this Section 9.07 applies whether any such investigation, litigation or proceeding is brought by any Lender or any other Person. Without limitation of the foregoing, each Lender shall reimburse the Administrative Agent upon demand for its ratable share of any costs or out-of-pocket expenses (including Attorney Costs) incurred by the Administrative Agent in connection with the preparation, syndication, execution, delivery, administration, modification, amendment or enforcement (whether through negotiations, legal proceedings or otherwise) of, or legal advice in respect of rights or responsibilities under, this Agreement, any other Loan Document, or any document contemplated by or referred to herein, to the extent that the Administrative Agent is not reimbursed for such expenses by or on behalf of the Borrower; provided that such reimbursement by the Lenders shall not affect the Borrower's continuing reimbursement obligations with respect thereto; provided, further, that the failure of any Lender to indemnify or reimburse the Administrative Agent shall not relieve any other Lender of its obligation in respect thereof.

If any indemnity furnished to the Administrative Agent for any purpose shall, in the opinion of the Administrative Agent, be insufficient or become impaired, the Administrative Agent may call for additional indemnity from the Lenders and cease, or not commence, to do the acts indemnified against until such additional indemnity is furnished; *provided*, in no event shall this sentence require any Lender

to indemnify the Administrative Agent against any liability, obligation, loss, damage, penalty, action, judgment, suit, cost, expense or disbursement in excess of such Lender's pro rata share thereof; and *provided*, *further*, this sentence shall not be deemed to require any Lender to indemnify the Administrative Agent against any Indemnified Liabilities resulting from the Administrative Agent's own gross negligence or willful misconduct, as determined by the final, non-appealable judgment of a court of competent jurisdiction. The undertaking in this <u>Section 9.07</u> shall survive termination of the Aggregate Commitments, the payment and satisfaction of all other Obligations and the resignation of the Administrative Agent.

Section 9.08 No Other Duties; Other Agents, Lead Arrangers, Managers, Etc. Each Agent hereby agrees to act in its capacity as such upon the express conditions contained herein and the other Loan Documents, as applicable. Anything herein to the contrary notwithstanding, none of the Bookrunners, Lead Arrangers, Syndication Agent or other Agents listed on the cover page hereof shall have any powers, duties or responsibilities under this Agreement or any of the other Loan Documents, except in its capacity, as applicable, as the Administrative Agent or a Lender hereunder and such Persons shall have the benefit of this Article IX. Without limiting the foregoing, none of the Lenders or other Persons so identified shall have or be deemed to have any agency or fiduciary or trust relationship with any Lender, the Borrower or any of their respective Subsidiaries. Each Lender acknowledges that it has not relied, and will not rely, on any of the Lenders or other Persons so identified in deciding to enter into this Agreement or in taking or not taking action hereunder.

Section 9.09 Resignation of Administrative Agent or Collateral Agent. The Administrative Agent or Collateral Agent may at any time resign by giving thirty (30) days' prior written notice of its resignation to the Lenders, the L/C Issuers and the Borrower. If an Agent-Related Distress Event has occurred, either the Required Lenders or the Borrower (other than during the existence of an Event of Default pursuant to Section 8.01(a) or Section 8.01(f) (solely with respect to the Borrower)) may, upon ten (10) days' notice, remove the Administrative Agent or Collateral Agent. Upon receipt of any such notice of resignation or removal, the Required Lenders shall have the right, with the consent of the Borrower (which consent of the Borrower shall not be unreasonably withheld, conditioned or delayed in the case of a successor that is a commercial bank with a combined capital and surplus of at least \$5,000,000,000,000, but may otherwise be withheld in the Borrower's sole discretion) at all times other than during the existence of an Event of Default pursuant to Section 8.01(a) or 8.01(f) (solely with respect to the Borrower), to appoint a successor, which shall be a Lender or a bank with an office in the United States, or an Affiliate of any such Lender or bank with an office in the United States (in each case, other than a Disqualified Institution); provided that, notwitstanding the foregoing, it is understood and agreed that upon the effectiveness of the resignation of JPMorgan Chase Bank, N.A. following the First Amendment Effective Date, the Required Lenders hereby appoint, and the Borrower hereby consents to the appointment of, Delaware Trust Company as the Administrative Agent and the Collateral Agent. If no such successor shall have been so appointed by the Required Lenders and shall have accepted such appointment within thirty (30) days after the receipt of such removal notice or the retiring Administrative Agent or Collateral Agent, as applicable, gives notice of its resignation, then the Administrative Agent or the Collateral Agent shall notify the Borrower and the Lenders that no qualifying Person has accepted such appointment and then (i) in the case of the retiring Administrative Agent or Collateral Agent, the retiring Administrative Agent or Collateral Agent, as applicable, may on behalf of the Lenders and the L/C Issuers, appoint a successor Administrative Agent or Collateral Agent, as applicable, meeting the qualifications set forth above with the consent of the Borrower (such consent not to be unreasonably withheld, conditioned or delayed); provided that no consent of the Borrower shall be required if an Event of Default under Section 8.01(a) or 8.01(f) (solely with respect to the Borrower) has occurred and is continuing or (ii) in the case of a removal, the Borrower may, after consulting with the Required Lenders, appoint a successor Administrative Agent or Collateral Agent, as applicable, meeting the qualifications set forth above; provided that if no qualifying Person has accepted such appointment, then such

resignation or removal shall nonetheless become effective (in the case of clause (i) above, in accordance with such notice from the Administrative Agent or the Collateral Agent, as applicable, to that effect) and (A) the retiring or removed Administrative Agent or Collateral Agent, as applicable, shall be discharged from its duties and obligations hereunder and under the other Loan Documents (except that (x) in the case of any Collateral security held by the Administrative Agent or Collateral Agent on behalf of the Lenders or L/C Issuers under any of the Loan Documents, the retiring or removed Administrative Agent or Collateral Agent, as applicable, shall continue to hold such Collateral security (including any Collateral security subsequently delivered to the Administrative Agent or Collateral Agent, as applicable) as bailee, trustee or other applicable capacity until such time as a successor of such Agent is appointed, (y) the Administrative Agent or Collateral Agent, as applicable, shall continue to act as collateral agent for the purposes of identifying a "security agent" (or similar title) in any filing or recording financing statements, amendments thereto or other applicable filings or recordings with any Governmental Authority necessary for the perfection of the liens on Collateral securing the Obligations to the extent required by the Loan Documents and (z) it shall continue to be subject to Section 10.08 until the date that is two (2) years after the termination of this Agreement) and (B) all payments, communications and determinations provided to be made by, to or through the Administrative Agent shall instead be made by or to each Lender and the L/C Issuer directly (and each Lender and L/C Issuer will cooperate with the Borrower to enable the Borrower to take such actions), until such time as the Required Lenders or the Borrower, as applicable, appoint a successor Administrative Agent or Collateral Agent, as applicable, as provided for above in this Section 9.09. Upon the acceptance of a successor's appointment as Administrative Agent or Collateral Agent, as applicable, hereunder and upon the execution and filing or recording of such financing statements, or amendments thereto, and such amendments or supplements to the Mortgages, and such other instruments or notices, as may be necessary or desirable, or as the Required Lenders may request, in order to (i) continue the perfection of the Liens granted or purported to be granted by the Collateral Documents or (ii) otherwise ensure that the requirements of Section 6.11 and the Collateral and Guarantee Requirement are satisfied, such successor shall succeed to and become vested with all of the rights, powers, privileges and duties of the retiring (or retired) or removed Administrative Agent or Collateral Agent, as applicable, and the retiring (or retired) or removed Administrative Agent or Collateral Agent, as applicable, shall be discharged from all of its duties and obligations hereunder or under the other Loan Documents (if not already discharged therefrom as provided above in this Section 9.09) other than its obligations under Section 10.08. The fees payable by the Borrower to a successor Administrative Agent or Collateral Agent, as applicable, shall be the same as those payable to its predecessor unless otherwise agreed between the Borrower and such successor. After the retiring or removed Administrative Agent's or Collateral Agent's resignation or removal hereunder and under the other Loan Documents, (x) the provisions of this <u>Article IX</u> and <u>Section 10.04</u> and <u>Section 10.05</u> shall continue in effect for the benefit of such retiring or removed Administrative Agent or Collateral Agent, as applicable, its sub-agents and their respective Agent-Related Persons in respect of any actions taken or omitted to be taken by any of them solely in respect of the Loan Documents or Obligations, as applicable, while the retiring Agent was acting as Administrative Agent or Collateral Agent, as applicable and (y) Section 10.08 shall continue to be binding upon the Administrative Agent, the Collateral Agent and such other Persons until the date that is two (2) years after the termination of this Agreement.

Any resignation by JPMorgan Chase Bank, N.A., as Administrative Agent pursuant to this <u>Section 9.10</u> shall also constitute its resignation as L/C Issuer. Upon the acceptance of a successor's appointment as Administrative Agent hereunder, (i) such successor shall succeed to and become vested with all of the rights, powers, privileges and duties of the retiring L/C Issuer and (ii) the retiring L/C Issuer shall be discharged from all of their respective duties and obligations hereunder or under the other Loan Documents.

Section 9.10 <u>Administrative Agent May File Proofs of Claim</u>. In case of the pendency of any proceeding under any Debtor Relief Law or any other judicial proceeding relative to any Loan Party, the Administrative Agent (irrespective of whether the principal of any Loan or L/C Obligation shall then be due and payable as herein expressed or by declaration or otherwise and irrespective of whether the Administrative Agent shall have made any demand on the Borrower) shall be entitled and empowered, by intervention in such proceeding or otherwise:

- (i) to file a verified statement pursuant to rule 2019 of the Federal Rules of Bankruptcy Procedure that, in its sole opinion, complies with such rule's disclosure requirements for entities representing more than one creditor;
- (ii) to file and prove a claim for the whole amount of the principal and interest owing and unpaid in respect of the Loans, L/C Obligations and all other Obligations that are owing and unpaid and to file such other documents as may be necessary or advisable in order to have the claims of the Lenders, the L/C Issuers and the Administrative Agent (including any claim for the reasonable compensation, expenses, disbursements and advances of the Lenders, the L/C Issuers and the Administrative Agent and their respective agents and counsel and all other amounts due the Lenders, the L/C Issuers and the Administrative Agent under Sections 2.03(h) and (i), Section 2.09 and Section 10.04) allowed in such judicial proceeding; and
- (iii) to collect and receive any monies or other property payable or deliverable on any such claims and to distribute the same, and any custodian, receiver, assignee, trustee, liquidator, sequestrator or other similar official in any such judicial proceeding is hereby authorized by each Lender to make such payments to the Administrative Agent and, in the event that the Administrative Agent shall consent to the making of such payments directly to the Lenders, to pay to the Administrative Agent any amount due for the reasonable compensation, expenses, disbursements and advances of the Agents and their respective agents and counsel, and any other amounts due the Administrative Agent under Section 2.09 and Section 10.04. To the extent that the payment of any such compensation, expenses, disbursements and advances of Administrative Agent, its agents and counsel, and any other amounts due Administrative Agent under Section 2.09 and Section 10.04 out of the estate in any such proceeding, shall be denied for any reason, payment of the same shall be secured by a Lien on, and shall be paid out of, any and all distributions, dividends, money, securities and other properties that the Lenders may be entitled to receive in such proceeding whether in liquidation or under any plan of reorganization or arrangement or otherwise.

Nothing contained herein shall be deemed to authorize the Administrative Agent to authorize or consent to or accept or adopt on behalf of any Lender any plan of reorganization, arrangement, adjustment or composition affecting the Obligations or the rights of any Lender or to authorize the Administrative Agent to vote in respect of the claim of any Lender in any such proceeding.

Section 9.11 <u>Collateral and Guaranty Matters</u>. Each of the Lenders (including in its capacities as a potential Cash Management Bank and a potential Hedge Bank) irrevocably agree (and authorizes the Administrative Agent and/or the Collateral Agent, as the case may be, to take any advisable action to effectuate any of the following):

(a) to enter into and sign for and on behalf of the Lenders as Secured Parties the Collateral Documents for the benefit of the Lenders and the Secured Parties;

(b) that any Lien on any property granted to or held by the Administrative Agent or the Collateral Agent under any Loan Document shall be automatically released (i) upon expiration or termination of the Aggregate Commitments and payment in full of all Obligations (other than (w) outstanding Letters of Credit that have been Cash Collateralized, (x) Obligations under Secured Hedge Agreements, (y) Obligations under Secured Cash Management Agreements and (z) contingent indemnification or expense reimbursement obligations not yet accrued and payable) (the "Termination Date"), (ii) at the time the property subject to such Lien is transferred or to be transferred as part of or in connection with any transfer permitted hereunder or under any other Loan Document to any Person other than a Loan Party (whether as a Disposition or an Investment), (iii) subject to Section 10.01, if the release of such Lien is approved, authorized or ratified in writing by the Required Lenders (or such other number or percentage of the Lenders as shall be expressly provided for herein or in the other Loan Documents), (iv) if the property subject to such Lien is owned by a Guarantor, upon release of such Guarantor from its obligations under its Guaranty pursuant to clause (d) below or (v) if and to the extent such property constitutes an Excluded Asset;

(c) to release or subordinate any Lien on any property granted to or held by the Administrative Agent or the Collateral Agent under any Loan Document to, and to the extent required by, the holder of any Lien on such property that is permitted by <u>Section 7.01(i)</u>, <u>Section 7.01(n)</u>, <u>Section 7.01(p)</u>, or, to the extent related to the foregoing, <u>Section 7.01(ff)</u>;

(d) that any Guarantor shall be automatically released from its obligations under the Guaranty if such Person ceases to be a wholly owned Restricted Subsidiary that is a Domestic Subsidiary and not an Excluded Subsidiary as a result of a transaction or designation permitted hereunder (including as a result of a Guarantor being redesignated as an Unrestricted Subsidiary); *provided* that no such release shall occur if such Guarantor continues (after giving effect to the consummation of such transaction or designation) to be a guarantor in respect of any Indebtedness of the Borrower or any Guarantor;

(e) [reserved]; and

(f) to act collectively through the Administrative Agent and, without limiting the delegation of authority to the Administrative Agent set forth herein, the Required Lenders shall direct the Administrative Agent with respect to the exercise of rights and remedies hereunder (including with respect to alleging the existence or occurrence of, and exercising rights and remedies as a result of, any Default or Event of Default in each case that could be waived with the consent of the Required Lenders), and such rights and remedies shall not be exercised other than through the Administrative Agent; provided that the foregoing shall not preclude any Lender from exercising any right of set-off in accordance with the provisions of Section 10.09 or enforcing compliance with the provisions set forth in the first proviso of Section 10.01 or from exercising rights and remedies (other than the enforcement of Collateral) with respect to any payment default after the occurrence of the Maturity Date with respect to any Loans made by it.

In connection with any request to the Administrative Agent by the Borrower to take any of the foregoing actions, the Borrower shall deliver a certificate signed by a Responsible Officer that certifies that the proposed transaction complies with the terms of the Credit Agreement.

Upon request by the Administrative Agent at any time, the Required Lenders (or such other number or percentage of the Lenders as shall be expressly provided for herein or in the other Loan Documents) will confirm in writing the Administrative Agent's or Collateral Agent's authority to release or subordinate its interest in particular types or items of property, or to release any Guarantor from its obligations under the Guaranty pursuant to this Section 9.11. In each case as specified in this Section 9.11, the applicable Agent will (and each Lender irrevocably authorizes the applicable Agent to), at the Borrower's expense, execute and deliver to the applicable Loan Party such documents as such Loan Party

may reasonably request to evidence the release or subordination of such item of Collateral from the assignment and security interest granted under the Collateral Documents, or to evidence the release of such Guarantor from its obligations under the Guaranty, in each case in accordance with the terms of the Loan Documents and this Section 9.11; provided, that the Borrower has delivered a certificate, executed by a Responsible Officer of the Borrower on or prior to the date any such action is requested to be taken by the Administrative Agent, certifying that the applicable transaction is permitted under the Loan Documents (and the Lenders hereby authorize the Administrative Agent to rely upon such certificate in performing its obligations under this Section 9.11).

Section 9.12 Intercreditor Agreements. The Administrative Agent and the Collateral Agent are authorized to enter into any First Lien Intercreditor Agreement, any Second Lien Intercreditor Agreement and/or any other intercreditor arrangements entered into in connection herewith (and any amendments, amendments and restatements, restatements or waivers of or supplements to or other modifications to, such agreements in connection with the incurrence by any Loan Party of any Indebtedness (or any Permitted Refinancing of the foregoing) in order to permit such Indebtedness to be secured by a valid and enforceable lien (with such priority as may be designated by the Borrower or relevant Subsidiary, to the extent such priority is permitted by the Loan Documents)), and the parties hereto acknowledge that any First Lien Intercreditor Agreement (if entered into), any Second Lien Intercreditor Agreement (if entered into) and/or any other intercreditor arrangements entered into in connection herewith, will be binding upon them. Each Lender (a) hereby agrees that it will be bound by and will take no actions contrary to the provisions of any First Lien Intercreditor Agreement (if entered into) and/or any other intercreditor arrangements entered into in connection herewith and (b) hereby authorizes and instructs the Administrative Agent and Collateral Agent to enter into, if applicable, any First Lien Intercreditor Agreement, any Second Lien Intercreditor Agreement and/or any other intercreditor arrangements entered into in connection herewith (and any amendments, amendments and restatements, restatements or waivers of or supplements to or other modifications to, such agreements in connection with the incurrence by any Loan Party of any Indebtedness (or any Permitted Refinancing of the foregoing) in order to permit such Indebtedness to be secured by a valid and enforceable lien (with such priority as may be designated by the Borrower or relevant Subsidiary, to the extent such priority is permitted by the Loan Documents)), and t

Section 9.13 Secured Cash Management Agreements and Secured Hedge Agreements. Except as otherwise expressly set forth herein or in any Guaranty or any Collateral Document, no Cash Management Bank or Hedge Bank that obtains the benefits of Section 8.03, any Guaranty or any Collateral by virtue of the provisions hereof or of any Guaranty or any Collateral Document shall have any right to notice of any action or to consent to, direct or object to any action hereunder or under any other Loan Document or otherwise in respect of the Collateral (including the release or impairment of any Collateral) other than in its capacity as a Lender and, in such case, only to the extent expressly provided in the Loan Documents. Notwithstanding any other provision of this Article IX to the contrary, the Administrative Agent shall not be required to verify the payment of, or that other satisfactory arrangements have been made with respect to, Obligations under Secured Cash Management Agreements or Obligations arising under Secured Hedge Agreements (provided that written notice of a Master Agreement shall constitute written notice of all Obligations arising under every Secured Hedge Agreement entered into pursuant to such Master Agreement), together with such supporting documentation as the Administrative Agent may request, from the applicable Cash Management Bank or Hedge Bank, as the case may be.

Section 9.14 Certain Rights of the Agents. If the Administrative Agent or Collateral Agent shall request instructions from the Required Lenders with respect to any action or actions (including the failure to act) in connection with this Agreement or the other Loan Documents, such Administrative Agent or Collateral Agent, as applicable, shall be entitled to refrain from such act or taking such act unless and until it shall have received instructions from such Lenders, and such Administrative Agent or Collateral Agent, as applicable, shall not incur liability to any Person by reason of so refraining. Without limiting the foregoing, no Lender shall have any right of action whatsoever against the Administrative Agent or Collateral Agent acting or refraining from acting hereunder in accordance with the instructions of the Required Lenders where required by the terms of this Agreement or the other Loan Documents.

Section 9.15 Agent Actions. With respect to any term or provision of this Agreement or any other Loan Document that requires the consent, approval, satisfaction, discretion, determination, decision, action or inaction or any similar concept of or by any Agent, or that allows, permits, requires, empowers or otherwise provides that any matter, action, decision or similar may be taken, made or determined by any Agent (including any provision that refers to any document or other matter being satisfactory or acceptable to an Agent) without expressly referring to the requirement to obtain consent or input from any Lenders, or to otherwise notify any Lender, or without providing that such matter is required to be satisfactory or acceptable to the Required Lenders, such term or provision shall be interpreted to refer to such Agent exercising its discretion, it being understood and agreed that each Agent shall be entitled to confirm that any matter is satisfactory or acceptable to the Required Lenders to the extent that it deems such confirmation necessary or desirable.

Section 9.16 Erroneous Payments.

(a) If the Administrative Agent notifies a Lender or Secured Party, or any Person who has received funds on behalf of a Lender or Secured Party (any such Lender, Secured Party or other recipient, a "Payment Recipient") that the Administrative Agent has determined in its reasonable discretion (whether or not after receipt of any notice under immediately succeeding clause (b)) that any funds received by such Payment Recipient from the Administrative Agent or any of its Affiliates were erroneously transmitted to, or otherwise erroneously or mistakenly received by, such Payment Recipient (whether or not known to such Lender, Secured Party or other Payment Recipient on its behalf) (any such funds, whether received as a payment, prepayment or repayment of principal, interest, fees, distribution or otherwise, individually and collectively, an "Erroneous Payment") and demands the return of such Erroneous Payment (or a portion thereof), such Erroneous Payment shall at all times remain the property of the Administrative Agent and shall be segregated by the Payment Recipient and held in trust for the benefit of the Administrative Agent, and such Lender or Secured Party shall (or, with respect to any Payment Recipient who received such funds on its behalf, shall cause such Payment Recipient to) promptly, but in no event later than ten (10) Business Days thereafter, return to the Administrative Agent the amount of any such Erroneous Payment (or portion thereof) as to which such a demand was made, in same day funds (in the currency so received), together with interest thereon in respect of each day from and including the date such Erroneous Payment (or portion thereof) was received by such Payment Recipient to the date such amount is repaid to the Administrative Agent in same day funds at the greater of the Federal Funds Rate and a rate determined by the Administrative Agent in accordance with banking industry rules on interbank compensation from time to time in effect. A notice of the Administrative Agent to any Payment Recipient under this clause (a) shall be conclusive, absent manifest error; provided that the Administrative Agent's rights and remedies under this Section 9.16 is subject to the Administrative Agent providing notice to a Payment Recipient of an Erroneous Payment within ninety (90) days after such **Payment Recipient receives such Erroneous Payment.**

(b) Without limiting immediately preceding clause (a), each Lender or Secured Party, or any Person who has received funds on behalf of a Lender or Secured Party hereby further agrees that if it receives a payment, prepayment or repayment (whether received as a payment, prepayment or repayment of principal, interest, fees, distribution or otherwise) from the Administrative Agent (or any of its Affiliates) (x) that is in a different amount than, or on a different date from, that specified in a notice of payment, prepayment or repayment sent by the Administrative Agent (or any of its Affiliates) with respect to such payment, prepayment or repayment, (y) that was not preceded or accompanied by a notice of payment, prepayment or repayment sent by the Administrative Agent (or any of its Affiliates), or (z) that such Lender, Secured Party, or other such recipient, otherwise becomes aware was transmitted, or received, in error or by mistake (in whole or in part) in each case:

- (i) (A) in the case of immediately preceding clauses (x) or (y), an error shall be presumed to have been made (absent written confirmation from the Administrative Agent to the contrary) or (B) an error has been made (in the case of immediately preceding clause (z)), in each case, with respect to such payment, prepayment or repayment; and
- (ii) to the extent it becomes aware of such error, such Lender or Secured Party shall (and shall cause any other recipient that receives funds on its respective behalf to) promptly (and, in all events, within one Business Day of its knowledge of such error) notify the Administrative Agent of its receipt of such payment, prepayment or repayment, the details thereof (in reasonable detail) and that it is so notifying the Administrative Agent pursuant to this Section 9.16(b).
- (c) Each Lender or Secured Party hereby authorizes the Administrative Agent to set off, net and apply any and all amounts at any time owing to such Lender or Secured Party under any Loan Document, or otherwise payable or distributable by the Administrative Agent to such Lender or Secured Party from any source pursuant to the Loan Documents, against any amount due to the Administrative Agent under immediately preceding clause (a) or under the indemnification provisions of this Agreement.
- (d) In the event that an Erroneous Payment (or portion thereof) is not recovered by the Administrative Agent for any reason, after demand therefor by the Administrative Agent in accordance with immediately preceding clause (a), from any Lender that has received such Erroneous Payment (or portion thereof) (and/or from any Payment Recipient who received such Erroneous Payment (or portion thereof) on its respective behalf) (such unrecovered amount, an "Erroneous Payment Return Deficiency"), upon the Administrative Agent's notice to such Lender or Issuing Lender at any time, (i) such Lender shall be deemed to have assigned its Loans (but not its Commitments) with respect to which such Erroneous Payment was made (the "Erroneous Payment Impacted Class") in an amount equal to the Erroneous Payment Return Deficiency (or such lesser amount as the Administrative Agent may specify) (such assignment of the Loans (but not Commitments) of the Erroneous Payment Impacted Class, the "Erroneous Payment Deficiency Assignment") at par plus any accrued and unpaid interest (with the assignment fee to be waived by the Administrative Agent in such instance), and is hereby (together with the Borrowers) deemed to execute and deliver an Assignment Agreement (or, to the extent applicable, an agreement incorporating an Assignment Agreement by reference pursuant to an approved Platform as to which the Administrative Agent and such parties are participants) with respect to such Erroneous Payment Deficiency Assignment, and such Lender shall deliver any Notes evidencing such Loans to the Borrowers or the Administrative Agent, (ii) the Administrative Agent as the assignee Lender shall be deemed to acquire the Erroneous Payment Deficiency Assignment, (iii) upon such deemed acquisition, the Administrative Agent as the assignee Lender shall become a Lender hereunder with respect to such Erroneous Payment Deficiency Assignment and the assigning Lender shall cease to be a Lender hereunder with respect to such Erroneous Payment Deficiency Assignment, excluding, for the avoidance of doubt, its obligations under the indemnification provisions of this Agreement and its applicable Commitments which shall survive as to such assigning Lender and (iv) the Administrative

Agent may reflect in the Register its ownership interest in the Loans subject to the Erroneous Payment Deficiency Assignment. The Administrative Agent may, in its discretion, sell any Loans acquired pursuant to an Erroneous Payment Deficiency Assignment and upon receipt of the proceeds of such sale, the Erroneous Payment Return Deficiency owing by the applicable Lender shall be reduced by the net proceeds of the sale of such Loan (or portion thereof), and the Administrative Agent shall retain all other rights, remedies and claims against such Lender (and/or against any recipient that receives funds on its respective behalf). For the avoidance of doubt, no Erroneous Payment Deficiency Assignment will reduce the Commitments of any Lender and such Commitments shall remain available in accordance with the terms of this Agreement. In addition, each party hereto agrees that, except to the extent that the Administrative Agent has sold a Loan (or portion thereof) acquired pursuant to an Erroneous Payment Deficiency Assignment, and irrespective of whether the Administrative Agent may be equitably subrogated, the Administrative Agent shall be contractually subrogated to all the rights and interests of the applicable Lender or Secured Party under the Loan Documents with respect to each Erroneous Payment Return Deficiency (the "Erroneous Payment Subrogation Rights").

(e) The parties hereto agree that an Erroneous Payment shall not pay, prepay, repay, discharge or otherwise satisfy any Obligations owed by the Borrowers or any other Loan Party, except, in each case, to the extent such Erroneous Payment is, and solely with respect to the amount of such Erroneous Payment is, and solely with respect to the amount of such Erroneous Payment that is, comprised of funds received by the Administrative Agent from, or on behalf of (including through the exercise of remedies under any Loan Document), the Borrower for the purpose of making a payment on the Obligations.

(f) To the extent permitted by applicable law, no Payment Recipient shall assert any right or claim to an Erroneous Payment, and hereby waives, and is deemed to waive, any claim, counterclaim, defense or right of set-off or recoupment with respect to any demand, claim or counterclaim by the Administrative Agent for the return of any Erroneous Payment received, including without limitation waiver of any defense based on "discharge for value" or any similar doctrine.

(g) For purposes of this Section 9.16:

- "Erroneous Payment" has the meaning specified in Section 9.16(a).
- "Erroneous Payment Deficiency Assignment" has the meaning specified in Section 9.16(d).
- "Erroneous Payment Impacted Class" has the meaning specified in Section 9.16(d).
- "Erroneous Payment Return Deficiency" has the meaning specified in Section 9.16(d).
- "Erroneous Payment Subrogation Rights" has the meaning specified in Section 9.16(d).

ANNEX III

New Intercreditor Agreement

[See attached]

INTERCREDITOR AGREEMENT

dated as of

June 15, 2023

among

DELAWARE TRUST COMPANY, as First Lien Collateral Agent and First-Priority Representative

and

JPMORGAN CHASE BANK, N.A., as Second Lien Collateral Agent and Second-Priority Representative

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Exhibit C Form of Acknowledgement (New Grantors)

INTERCREDITOR AGREEMENT

INTERCREDITOR AGREEMENT dated as of June 15, 2023, among DELAWARE TRUST COMPANY ("**Delaware Trust**"), in its capacity as First Lien Collateral Agent and First-Priority Representative with respect to the Superpriority Credit Agreement (as defined below) and related First Lien Documents, and JPMORGAN CHASE BANK, N.A. ("**JPM**"), in its capacity as Second Lien Collateral Agent and Second-Priority Representative with respect to the Junior Credit Agreement (as defined below) and related Second Lien Documents.

- A. Casa Systems, Inc. (the "Borrower" or "Company"), the lenders from time to time party thereto, JPM, as administrative agent, and Delaware Trust, as collateral agent, are party to that certain Superpriority Credit Agreement dated as of the date hereof (as amended, restated, amended and restated, supplemented or modified from time to time in accordance with the terms of this Agreement, the "Superpriority Credit Agreement" and the "Initial First Lien Credit Agreement"). The Obligations of the Borrower under the Superpriority Credit Agreement and the other First Lien Documents constitute First Lien Obligations hereunder.
- B. The Company, the lenders from time to time party thereto and JPM, as administrative agent and collateral agent, are party to that certain Credit Agreement, dated as of December 20, 2016, as amended by the First Amendment to Credit Agreement, dated as of the date hereof (as further amended, restated, amended and restated, supplemented or modified from time to time in accordance with the terms of this Agreement, the "Junior Credit Agreement" and "Initial Second Lien Credit Agreement"). The Obligations of the Company under the Junior Credit Agreement and the other Second-Priority Documents constitute Second Lien Obligations hereunder.

Accordingly, in consideration of the foregoing, the mutual covenants and obligations herein set forth and for other good and valuable consideration, the sufficiency and receipt of which are hereby acknowledged, the parties hereto, intending to be legally bound, hereby agree as follows:

ARTICLE 1 DEFINITIONS.

Section 1.01. *Defined Terms*. As used in this Agreement (including the preamble and recitals hereto), the following terms have the meanings specified below:

"Agreement" shall mean this Intercreditor Agreement, as amended, restated, amended and restated, renewed, extended, supplemented or otherwise modified from time to time in accordance with the terms hereof.

"Bankruptcy Code" shall mean Title 11 of the United States Code, as amended.

"Bankruptcy Law" shall mean the Bankruptcy Code and any other liquidation, conservatorship, bankruptcy, assignment for the benefit of creditors, moratorium, administration, rearrangement, judicial management, receivership, insolvency, reorganization (by way of voluntary arrangement, scheme of arrangement or otherwise), or similar federal, state, or foreign debtor relief laws (including under any applicable corporate statute) of the United States or other applicable jurisdictions from time to time in effect.

"Bank Product Obligations" means all obligations and liabilities (whether direct or indirect, absolute or contingent, due or to become due or now existing or hereafter incurred) of the Company or any Subsidiary of the Company, whether absolute or contingent and howsoever and whensoever created,

arising, evidenced or acquired (including all renewals, extensions and modifications thereof and substitutions therefor) in connection with any of the following bank products and services: (a) credit cards for commercial customers (including, without limitation, "commercial credit cards" and purchasing cards), (b) store value cards, and (c) depository, cash management and treasury management services to any Person permitted to be a secured party in respect of such obligations under the applicable First-Priority Documents or Second-Priority Documents.

"Business Day" shall mean any day other than a Saturday, a Sunday or a day that is a legal holiday under the laws of the State of New York or on which banking institutions in the State of New York are required or authorized by law or other governmental action to close.

"Common Collateral" shall mean any and all of the assets of any Grantor, whether real, personal or mixed, constituting both First-Priority Collateral and Second-Priority Collateral, whether now owned or hereafter acquired.

"Company" shall have the meaning set forth in the recitals.

"Comparable Second-Priority Collateral Document" shall mean, in relation to any Common Collateral subject to any Lien created under any First-Priority Collateral Document, those Second-Priority Collateral Documents that create a Lien on the same Common Collateral, granted by the same Grantor.

"Delaware Trust" shall have the meaning set forth in the recitals.

"Deposit Account" shall have the meaning set forth in the Uniform Commercial Code.

"Deposit Account Collateral" shall mean that part of the Common Collateral (if any) comprised of or contained in Deposit Accounts or Securities Accounts.

"Designated First-Priority Representative" means (i) the First Lien Collateral Agent, so long as there is no Other First-Priority Representative under this Agreement and (ii) at any time when clause (i) does not apply, the "Applicable Authorized Representative" (or comparable term, as defined in the applicable pari passu intercreditor agreement) at such time. The Designated Second-Priority Representative may treat the First Lien Collateral Agent as the Designated First-Priority Representative until such time as it receives written notice from the First Lien Collateral Agent that it was replaced as Designated-First Priority Representative.

"Designated Second-Priority Representative" means (i) the Second Lien Collateral Agent, so long as there is no Other Second-Priority Representative under this Agreement and (ii) at any time when clause (i) does not apply, the "Applicable Authorized Representative" (or comparable term, as defined in the applicable pari passu intercreditor agreement) at such time. The Designated First-Priority Representative may treat the Second Lien Collateral Agent as the Designated Second-Priority Representative until such time as it receives written notice from the Second Lien Collateral Agent that it was replaced as Designated Second-Priority Representative.

"**DIP Financing**" shall have the meaning set forth in Section 6.01.

"Discharge of First-Priority Obligations" shall mean, except to the extent otherwise provided in Section 5.07, (a) payment in full in cash of the principal of, interest (including interest accruing after the commencement of any Insolvency or Liquidation Proceeding, regardless of whether allowed or allowable in such proceeding) and premium (if any) on all First-Priority Obligations and Other First-Priority Obligations then due and payable (other than (i) contingent obligations or indemnification obligations, in

each case for which no claim has been asserted in writing and (ii) Specified Hedging Agreement Obligations and Bank Product Obligations), and (b) (i) any other First-Priority Obligations and any Other First-Priority Obligations that are due and payable or otherwise accrued and owing at or prior to the time such principal and interest are paid (other than (x) contingent obligations or indemnification obligations, in each case for which no claim has been asserted and (y) Specified Hedging Agreement Obligations and Bank Product Obligations) or (ii) any defeasance of the First Lien Credit Agreement or any other First-Priority Obligations as provided for in the First Lien Credit Agreement or a discharge of the First Lien Credit Agreement as provided for in the First Lien Credit Agreement and each other First-Priority Obligation and each Other First-Priority Obligation in accordance with the express terms thereof; provided that the Discharge of First-Priority Obligations shall not be deemed to have occurred if such payments are made with the proceeds of other First Lien Obligations or Other First-Priority Obligations that constitute an exchange or replacement for or a Refinancing of such First Lien Obligations or Other First-Priority Obligations.

"Financing Documents" shall mean the First Lien Documents, the Other First-Priority Documents, the Second Lien Documents and the Other Second-Priority Documents.

"**First Lien Administrative Agent**" shall mean JPM, as administrative agent for the lenders under the Superpriority Credit Agreement, together with its successors or co-agents in substantially the same capacity as may, from time to time, be appointed pursuant to the Superpriority Credit Agreement.

"**First Lien Collateral**" shall mean all of the assets of any Grantor, whether real, personal or mixed, with respect to which a Lien is granted or purported or required to be granted as security for any First Lien Obligations, whether now owned or hereafter acquired.

"First Lien Collateral Agent" shall mean Delaware Trust, in its capacity as collateral agent under the Superpriority Credit Agreement, together with its successors or co-agents in substantially the same capacity as may, from time to time, be appointed pursuant to the Superpriority Credit Agreement.

"First Lien Collateral Agreements" shall mean (a) the Superpriority Collateral Agreement and (b) any other collateral agreement entered into from time to time in respect of any First Lien Credit Agreement as amended, restated, amended and restated, supplemented or other modified from time to time.

"First Lien Collateral Documents" shall mean the First Lien Collateral Agreements and any other documents now existing or entered into after the date hereof that create or purport to create Liens on any assets or properties of any Grantor to secure any First Lien Obligations or grant rights or remedies with respect to such Liens, in each case, as Refinanced from time to time in accordance with the terms thereof and subject to the terms hereof.

"First Lien Credit Agreement" shall mean the Superpriority Credit Agreement, as amended, restated, amended and restated, supplemented, replaced (whether or not upon termination, and whether with the original lenders or otherwise), restructured, refinanced, extended or otherwise modified from time to time, including any agreement extending the maturity thereof, refinancing, replacing or otherwise restructuring all or any portion of the indebtedness under such agreement or agreements or any successor or replacement agreement or agreements or indenture or indentures or increasing the amount loaned or issued thereunder or altering the maturity thereof (including in this definition any refinancing, replacement, restructuring or new debt facility designated by the Company as a "First Lien Credit Agreement" pursuant to Section 8.03).

"First Lien Documents" shall mean (a) the First Lien Credit Agreement and the First Lien Collateral Documents and (b) any other related document or instrument executed and delivered pursuant to any First Lien Document described in clause (a) above securing, providing for, evidencing or governing any obligations thereunder, in each case, as Refinanced from time to time in accordance with the terms thereof and subject to the terms hereof.

"First Lien Obligations" shall mean all Superpriority Obligations of the Company and the other obligors in respect thereof.

"First Lien Secured Parties" shall mean the holders of any First Lien Obligations, in such capacity, and any First Lien Administrative Agent and any First Lien Collateral Agent.

"First-Priority Collateral" shall mean the First Lien Collateral and all of the assets of any Grantor, whether real, personal or mixed, with respect to which a Lien is granted as security for any Other First-Priority Obligations, whether now owned or hereafter acquired.

"First-Priority Collateral Documents" shall mean (a) the First Lien Collateral Documents and (b) any documents now existing or entered into after the date hereof that create or purport to create Liens on any assets or properties of any Grantor to secure any Other First-Priority Obligations or grant rights or remedies with respect to such Liens, in each case, as Refinanced from time to time in accordance with the terms thereof and subject to the terms hereof.

"**First-Priority Documents**" shall mean (a) the First Lien Documents and (b) any Other First-Priority Documents, in each case, as Refinanced from time to time in accordance with the terms thereof and subject to the terms hereof.

"First-Priority Obligations" shall mean (a) the First Lien Obligations, (b) the Other First-Priority Obligations and (c) all other Obligations in respect of, or arising under, the First-Priority Documents, including all fees and expenses of the collateral agent for any Other First-Priority Obligations and shall include all interest and fees, which but for the filing of a petition in bankruptcy with respect to the Company or any Grantor, would have accrued on such obligations, whether or not a claim for such interest or fees is allowed in such proceeding.

"First-Priority Representatives" shall mean (a) in the case of the Superpriority Obligations, the First Lien Collateral Agent and (b) in the case of any Series of other First-Priority Obligations, the Other First-Priority Representative with respect thereto. For purposes of this definition, no Discharge of First-Priority Obligations under the First Lien Credit Agreement and the First Lien Documents relating thereto shall be deemed to have occurred if any of the Company or any other Grantor enters into any Refinancing of the First Lien Credit Agreement (and the requirements of Section 8.03 have been complied with), and, in the case of any such Refinancing, the First Lien Collateral Agent under such First Lien Credit Agreement shall continue as the First-Priority Representative for all purposes hereof.

"First-Priority Secured Parties" shall mean (a) the First Lien Secured Parties and (b) the Other First-Priority Secured Parties, including the First-Priority Representatives.

"Grantors" shall mean Company and each of the Subsidiaries of Company that has executed and delivered a First-Priority Collateral Document or a Second-Priority Collateral Document.

"Hedge Agreement" means mean (a) any and all rate swap transactions, basis swaps, credit derivative transactions, forward rate transactions, commodity swaps, commodity options, forward commodity contracts, equity or equity index swaps or options, bond or bond price or bond index swaps or options or forward bond or forward bond price or forward bond index transactions, interest rate options, forward foreign exchange transactions, currency swap transactions, cross-currency rate swap transactions,

currency options, cap transactions, floor transactions, collar transactions, spot contracts, or any other similar transactions or any combination of any of the foregoing (including any options or warrants to enter into any of the foregoing), whether or not any such transaction is governed by, or otherwise subject to, any master agreement or any netting agreement, and (b) any and all transactions or arrangements of any kind, and the related confirmations, which are subject to the terms and conditions of, or governed by, any form of master agreement (or similar documentation) published from time to time by the International Swaps and Derivatives Association, Inc., any International Foreign Exchange Master Agreement, or any other master agreement (any such agreement or documentation, together with any related schedules, a "Master Agreement"), including any such obligations or liabilities under any Master Agreement.

"Initial First Lien Credit Agreement" shall have the meaning set forth in the recitals.

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"Insolvency or Liquidation Proceeding" shall mean (a) any voluntary or involuntary case or proceeding under any Bankruptcy Law with respect to any Grantor, (b) any other voluntary or involuntary insolvency, reorganization or bankruptcy case or proceeding, or any receivership, liquidation, reorganization or other similar case or proceeding with respect to any Grantor or with respect to any of its assets, (c) any liquidation, dissolution, reorganization or winding up of any Grantor whether voluntary or involuntary and whether or not involving insolvency or bankruptcy (except for any voluntary liquidation, dissolution or other winding up to the extent expressly permitted by the applicable First-Priority Documents and Second-Priority Documents) or (d) any general assignment for the benefit of creditors or any other marshalling of assets and liabilities of any Grantor.

"Junior Credit Agreement" shall have the meaning set forth in the recitals.

"Lien" shall mean, with respect to any asset, (a) any mortgage, deed of trust, lien, hypothecation, pledge, charge, security interest or similar monetary encumbrance in, on or on such asset and (b) the interest of a vendor or a lessor under any conditional sale agreement, capital lease or title retention agreement (or any financing lease having substantially the same economic effect as any of the foregoing) relating to such asset; *provided*, that in no event shall an operating lease or an agreement to sell be deemed to constitute a Lien.

"Obligations" shall mean any principal, interest (including any interest, fees, expenses and other amounts accruing after the commencement of any Insolvency or Liquidation Proceeding, regardless of whether allowed or allowable in such proceeding), penalties, fees, indemnifications, reimbursements (including reimbursement obligations with respect to letters of credit and bankers' acceptances), damages and other liabilities payable under the documentation governing any indebtedness.

"Other First Lien Collateral Agent" shall mean, with respect to any Series of Other First-Priority Obligations, any Other First-Priority Representative that acts in the capacity of a collateral agent with respect thereto.

"Other First-Priority Documents" shall mean each of the agreements, documents and instruments providing for, evidencing, securing or governing any Other First-Priority Obligations and any other related document or instrument executed or delivered pursuant to any Other First-Priority Document at any time or otherwise providing for, evidencing, securing or governing any indebtedness arising under any Other First-Priority Document, in each case, as Refinanced from time to time in accordance with the terms thereof and subject to the terms hereof.

"Other First-Priority Obligations" shall mean any indebtedness or Obligations (other than First Lien Obligations) of the Grantors that are to be secured with a Lien on the Common Collateral senior to the Liens securing the Second Lien Obligations and are designated by the Company as Other First-Priority Obligations hereunder; *provided*, *however*, the requirements set forth in Section 8.21 shall have been satisfied.

"Other First-Priority Representative" shall mean, with respect to any Series of Other First-Priority Obligations, the Person elected, designated or appointed as the administrative agent, trustee or other representative of such Series or facility by or on behalf of the holders of such Series or facility, and its respective successors in substantially the same capacity as may from time to time be appointed.

"Other First-Priority Secured Parties" shall mean the Persons holding Other First-Priority Obligations, in such capacity, and the Other First-Priority Representatives and Other First Lien Collateral Agents.

"Other Second-Priority Collateral Agent" shall mean, with respect to any Series of Other Second-Priority Obligations, any Other Second-Priority Representative that acts in the capacity of a collateral agent with respect thereto.

"Other Second-Priority Documents" shall mean each of the agreements, documents and instruments providing for, evidencing, securing or governing any Other Second-Priority Obligations and any other related document or instrument executed or delivered pursuant to any Other Second-Priority Document at any time or otherwise providing for, evidencing, securing or governing any indebtedness arising under any Second-Priority Obligations, in each case, as Refinanced from time to time in accordance with the terms thereof and subject to the terms hereof.

"Other Second-Priority Obligations" shall mean any indebtedness or Obligations (other than the Second Lien Obligations) of the Grantors that are to be secured on a junior basis to the First Lien Obligations and are designated by the Company as Other Second-Priority Obligations hereunder; provided, however, the requirements set forth in Section 8.21 shall have been satisfied.

"Other Second-Priority Representative" shall mean, with respect to any Series of Other Second-Priority Obligations or any separate facility within such Series, the Person elected, designated or appointed as the administrative agent, trustee or other representative of such Series or facility by or on behalf of the holders of such Series or facility, and its respective successors in substantially the same capacity as may from time to time be appointed.

"Other Second-Priority Secured Parties" shall mean the Persons holding Other Second-Priority Obligations, in such capacity, and the Other Second-Priority Representatives and Other Second-Priority Collateral Agents.

"**Person**" shall mean any natural person, corporation, business trust, joint venture, association, company, partnership, limited liability company or government, individual or family trusts, or any agency or political subdivision thereof.

"**Plan of Reorganization**" shall mean any plan of reorganization, plan of liquidation, agreement for composition, or other type of plan of arrangement proposed in or in connection with any Insolvency or Liquidation Proceeding.

"**Pledged Collateral**" shall mean the Common Collateral, to the extent that possession or control thereof perfects a Lien thereon under the Uniform Commercial Code.

"Recovery" shall have the meaning set forth in Section 6.04.

"Refinance" means, in respect of any indebtedness and any agreement governing any such indebtedness, to refinance, extend, increase, renew, defease, amend, restate, amend and restate, modify, supplement, restructure, replace, refund or repay, or to issue other indebtedness, in exchange or replacement for or refinancing of, such indebtedness in whole or in part, including by adding or replacing lenders, creditors, agents, obligors and/or guarantors, and including, in each case, but not limited to, after the original instrument giving rise to such indebtedness has been terminated. "Refinanced" and "Refinancing" shall have correlative meanings.

"Second Lien Administrative Agent" shall mean JPM, as administrative agent for the lenders under the Junior Credit Agreement, together with its successors or co-agents in substantially the same capacity as may from time to time be appointed pursuant to the Junior Credit Agreement.

"Second Lien Claimholders" shall mean the holders of any Second Lien Obligations, in such capacity, and the Second Lien Administrative Agent and the Second Lien Collateral Agent.

"Second Lien Collateral" shall mean all of the assets of any Grantor, whether real, personal or mixed, with respect to which a Lien is granted or purported or required to be granted as security for any Second Lien Obligations, whether now owned or hereafter acquired.

"Second Lien Collateral Agent" shall mean JPM, in its capacity as collateral agent under the Junior Credit Agreement, together with its successors or co-agents in substantially the same capacity as may from time to time be appointed pursuant to the Junior Credit Agreement.

"Second Lien Collateral Agreement" shall mean (a) the Security Agreement dated as of December 20, 2016, among the Borrower and Second Lien Collateral Agent, as amended, restated, amended and restated, supplemented or otherwise modified from time to time and (b) any other collateral agreement entered into from time to time in respect of any Second Lien Credit Agreement as amended, restated, amended and restated, supplemented or other modified from time to time.

"Second Lien Collateral Documents" shall mean the Second Lien Collateral Agreements and any documents now existing or entered into after the date hereof that create Liens on any assets or properties of any Grantor to secure any Second Lien Obligations or grant rights or remedies with respect to such Liens, in each case, as Refinanced from time to time in accordance with the terms thereof and subject to the terms hereof.

"Second Lien Credit Agreement" shall mean the Initial Second Lien Credit Agreement, as amended, restated, amended and restated, supplemented, replaced (whether or not upon termination, and whether with the original lenders or otherwise), restructured, refinanced, extended or otherwise modified from time to time, including any agreement extending the maturity thereof, refinancing, replacing or otherwise restructuring all or any portion of the indebtedness under such agreement or agreements or any successor or replacement agreement or agreements or indenture or indentures or increasing the amount loaned or issued thereunder or altering the maturity thereof, (including in this definition any refinancing, replacement, restructuring or new debt facility designated by the Company as a "Second Lien Credit Agreement" pursuant to Section 8.03).

"Second Lien Documents" shall mean (a) the Second Lien Credit Agreement and the Second Lien Collateral Documents and (b) any other related document or instrument executed and delivered pursuant to any Second Lien Document described in clause (a) above securing, providing for, evidencing or governing any Obligations thereunder, in each case, as Refinanced from time to time in accordance with the terms thereof and subject to the terms hereof.

"Second Lien Obligations" shall mean all "Obligations" of the Company and other obligors under (and as defined in) any Second Lien Credit Agreement or any of the other Second-Priority Documents, and all other obligations to pay principal, premium, if any, and interest (including any interest accruing after the commencement of any Insolvency or Liquidation Proceeding, regardless of whether allowed or allowable in such proceeding) when due and payable, and all other amounts due or to become due under or in connection with the Second Lien Documents and the payment and performance of all other Obligations of the obligors thereunder to the Second Lien Secured Parties under the Second Lien Documents, according to the respective terms thereof.

"Second Lien Secured Parties" shall mean the holders of any Second Lien Obligations, in such capacity, and the Second Lien Administrative Agent and the Second Lien Collateral Agent.

"Second-Priority Collateral" shall mean the Second Lien Collateral and all of the assets of any Grantor, whether real, personal or mixed, with respect to which a Lien is granted or purported or required to be granted as security for any Other Second-Priority Obligations, whether now owned or hereafter acquired.

"Second-Priority Collateral Agent" shall mean JPM, as collateral agent for the Junior Credit Agreement, together with its successors or co-agents in substantially the same capacity as may, from time to time, be appointed pursuant to the Junior Credit Agreement.

"Second-Priority Collateral Documents" shall mean (a) the Second Lien Collateral Documents and (b) any documents now existing or entered into after the date hereof that create or purport to create Liens on any assets or properties of any Grantor to secure any Other Second-Priority Obligations or grant rights or remedies with respect to such Liens, in each case, as Refinanced from time to time in accordance with the terms thereof and subject to the terms hereof.

"Second-Priority Documents" shall mean (a) the Second Lien Documents and (b) the Other Second-Priority Documents.

"Second-Priority Lien" shall mean any Lien on any assets of the Company or any other Grantor securing any Second-Priority Obligations.

"Second-Priority Obligations" shall mean (a) the Second Lien Obligations, (b) the Other Second-Priority Obligations and (c) all other Obligations in respect of, or arising under, the Second-Priority Documents, including all fees and expenses of the collateral agent for any Other Second-Priority Obligations and shall include all interest and fees, which but for the filing of a petition in bankruptcy with respect to the Company or any Grantor, would have accrued on such obligations, whether or not a claim for such interest or fees is allowed in such proceeding.

"Second-Priority Representatives" shall mean (a) in the case of the Second Lien Obligations, the Second Lien Collateral Agent and (b) in the case of any Series of Other Second-Priority Obligations, the Other Second-Priority Representative with respect thereto. The term "Second-Priority Representatives" shall include the Second-Priority Collateral Agent as the context requires.

"Second-Priority Secured Parties" shall mean (a) the Second Lien Secured Parties and (b) the Other Second-Priority Secured Parties, including the Second-Priority Representatives.

"Secured Parties" shall mean the First-Priority Secured Parties and the Second-Priority Secured Parties.

"Securities Account" shall have the meaning set forth in the Uniform Commercial Code.

"Series" shall mean (a) the First Lien Obligations and each series of Other First-Priority Obligations, each of which shall constitute a separate Series of First-Priority Obligations, except that to the extent that the First Lien Obligations and/or any one or more series of such Other First-Priority Obligations (i) are secured by identical collateral held by a common collateral agent and (ii) have their security interests documented by a single set of security documents, such First Lien Obligations and/or each such series of Other First-Priority Obligations shall collectively constitute a single Series, and (b) the Second Lien Obligations with respect to each Initial Second Lien Credit Agreement and each series of Other Second-Priority Obligations, each of which shall constitute a separate Series of Second-Priority Obligations, except that to the extent that any Second Lien Obligations and/or any one or more series of such Other Second-Priority Obligations (i) are secured by identical collateral held by a common collateral agent and (ii) have their security interests documented by a single set of security documents, such Second Lien Obligations and/or each such series of Other Second-Priority Obligations shall collectively constitute a single Series.

"Specified Hedging Agreement" means any Hedge Agreement entered into by the Company or a Subsidiary with a counterparty as permitted under the First-Priority Documents or the Second-Priority Documents, as the case may be and that is a "Secured Hedge Agreement" under the First-Priority Documents or the Second-Priority Documents, as the case may be.

"Specified Hedging Agreement Obligation" of any Person means any obligation of such Person pursuant to any Specified Hedge Agreement.

"Subsidiary" shall mean, with respect to any person (herein referred to as the "parent"), any corporation, partnership, association or other business entity (a) of which securities or other ownership interests representing more than 50% of the equity or more than 50% of the ordinary voting power or more than 50% of the general partnership interests are, at the time any determination is being made, directly or indirectly, owned, controlled or held, or (b) that is, at the time any determination is made, otherwise controlled, by the parent or one or more subsidiaries of the parent or by the parent and one or more subsidiaries of the parent.

"Superpriority Collateral Agreement" shall mean the Security Agreement, dated as of the date hereof, among Company, certain of its Subsidiaries party thereto and the First Lien Collateral Agent, as amended, restated, amended and restated, supplemented or otherwise modified from time to time.

"Superpriority Credit Agreement" shall have the meaning set forth in the recitals.

"Superpriority Documents" shall mean (a) the Superpriority Credit Agreement and the Superpriority Collateral Agreement and (b) any other related document or instrument executed and delivered pursuant to any Superpriority Document described in clause (a) above securing, providing for, evidencing or governing any obligations thereunder, in each case, as Refinanced from time to time in accordance with the terms thereof and subject to the terms hereof.

"Superpriority Obligations" shall mean all "Obligations" of the Borrower and other obligors under (and as defined in) the Superpriority Credit Agreement or any of the other Superpriority Documents, and all other obligations to pay principal, premium, if any, and interest (including any interest accruing after the commencement of any Insolvency or Liquidation Proceeding, regardless of whether allowed or allowable in such proceeding) when due and payable, and all other amounts due or to become due under or

in connection with the Superpriority Documents and the payment and performance of all other Obligations of the obligors thereunder to the secured parties under the "Loan Documents" (as defined in the Superpriority Credit Agreement), according to the respective terms thereof.

"Uniform Commercial Code" or "UCC" shall mean the Uniform Commercial Code as from time to time in effect in the State of New York.

Section 1.02. *Terms Generally.* The definitions of terms herein shall apply equally to the singular and plural forms of the terms defined. Whenever the context may require, any pronoun shall include the corresponding masculine, feminine and neuter forms. The words "include," "includes" and "including" shall be deemed to be followed by the phrase "without limitation". The word "will" shall be construed to have the same meaning and effect as the word "shall". Unless the context requires otherwise (a) any definition of or reference to any agreement, instrument or other document herein shall be construed as referring to such agreement, instrument or other document as from time to time amended, restated, amended and restated, supplemented, otherwise modified or permitted to be Refinanced or replaced in accordance with the terms hereof, in each case to the extent so Refinanced or replaced, in accordance with this Agreement, (b) any reference herein to any Person shall be construed to include such Person's successors and assigns, (c) the words "herein," "hereof" and "hereunder," and words of similar import, shall be construed to refer to this Agreement in its entirety and not to any particular provision hereof, (d) all references herein to Sections shall be construed to refer to Sections of this Agreement and (e) the words "asset" and "property" shall be construed to have the same meaning and effect and to refer to any and all tangible and intangible assets and properties, including cash, securities, accounts and contract rights.

ARTICLE 2 LIEN PRIORITIES.

Section 2.01. Subordination of Liens. Notwithstanding the date, time, manner or order of filing or recordation of any document or instrument or grant, attachment or perfection of any Liens granted to the Second-Priority Secured Parties on the Common Collateral or of any Liens granted to the First-Priority Secured Parties on the Common Collateral (or any actual or alleged defect in any of the foregoing), and notwithstanding any provision of the UCC, or any applicable law or the Second-Priority Documents or the First-Priority Documents or any other circumstance whatsoever (including any non-perfection of any Lien purporting to secure the First-Priority Obligations and/or the Second-Priority Obligations), each Second-Priority Representative, on behalf of itself and each applicable Second-Priority Secured Party, hereby agrees that: (a) any Lien on the Common Collateral securing or purporting to secure any First-Priority Obligations now or hereafter held by or on behalf of the any First-Priority Secured Parties or any agent or trustee therefor regardless of how acquired, whether by grant, possession, statute, operation of law, subrogation or otherwise, shall have priority over and be senior in all respects and prior to any Lien on the Common Collateral securing or purporting to secure any Second-Priority Obligations and (b) any Lien on the Common Collateral securing or purporting to secure any Second-Priority Obligations now or hereafter held by or on behalf of any Second-Priority Secured Parties or any agent or trustee therefor regardless of how acquired, whether by grant, possession, statute, operation of law, subrogation or otherwise, shall be junior and subordinate in all respects to all Liens on the Common Collateral securing or purporting to secure any First-Priority Obligations. All Liens on the Common Collateral securing or purporting to secure any First-Priority Obligations shall be and remain senior in all respects and prior to all Liens on the Common Collateral securing or purporting to secure any Second-Priority Obligations for all purposes, whether or not such Liens securing or purporting to secure any First-Priority Obligations are subordinated to any Lien securing any other obligation of the Company, any other Grantor or any other Person or otherwise subordinated, voided, avoided, invalidated or lapsed.

Section 2.02. *Prohibition on Contesting Liens*. Each Second-Priority Representative, for itself and on behalf of each applicable Second-Priority Secured Party, agrees that it shall not (and hereby waives any right to) contest or support any other Person in contesting, in any proceeding (including any Insolvency or Liquidation Proceeding), the validity, extent, perfection, priority, validity or enforceability of a Lien securing any First-Priority Obligations held (or purported to be held) by or on behalf of any of the First-Priority Secured Parties or any agent or trustee therefor in any First-Priority Collateral or the allowability of any claims asserted with respect to any First-Priority Obligations in any proceeding (including any Insolvency or Liquidation Proceeding); *provided*, *however*, that nothing in this Agreement shall be construed to prevent or impair the rights of any First-Priority Secured Party or any agent or trustee therefor to enforce this Agreement (including the priority of the Liens securing the First-Priority Obligations as provided in Section 2.01) or any of the First-Priority Documents.

Section 2.03. No New Liens. So long as the Discharge of First-Priority Obligations has not occurred, the parties hereto agree that (a) none of the Grantors shall grant any additional Liens on any asset or property of any Grantor to secure any Second-Priority Obligation unless it has also granted, or concurrently therewith also grants, a Lien on such asset or property of such Grantor to secure the First-Priority Obligations and (b) if any Second-Priority Representative shall hold any Lien on any assets of the Company or any other Grantor securing any Second-Priority Obligations that are not also subject to the senior and prior Lien in respect of the First-Priority Obligations under the First-Priority Documents, such Second-Priority Representative shall notify the Designated First-Priority Representative promptly upon becoming aware thereof and, upon demand by the Designated First-Priority Representative or the Company, will either (i) release such Lien or (ii) assign such Lien to the Designated First-Priority Representative (and/or its designee) as security for the applicable First-Priority Obligations (and, in the case of an assignment, each Second-Priority Representative may retain a junior lien on such assets subject to the terms hereof), pending the granting of a Lien thereon in favor of the applicable First-Priority Representatives, hold such Lien for the benefit of the applicable First-Priority Representatives (and/or their designees) as security for the applicable First-Priority Obligations (and each Second-Priority Representative and you such assets subject to the terms hereof). To the extent that the foregoing provisions are not complied with for any reason, without limiting any other rights and remedies available to any First-Priority Representative and/or any First-Priority Secured Party, each Second-Priority Representative, on behalf of each Second-Priority Secured Party represented by it, agrees that any amounts received by or distributed to any of them pursuant to or as a result of Liens granted in

Section 2.04. *Perfection of Liens*. Subject to Section 5.05, none of the First-Priority Secured Parties shall be responsible for perfecting and maintaining the perfection of Liens with respect to the Common Collateral for the benefit of the Second-Priority Secured Parties. The provisions of this Agreement are intended solely to govern the respective Lien priorities as between the First-Priority Secured Parties and the Second-Priority Secured Parties and shall not impose on the First-Priority Secured Parties or the Second-Priority Secured Parties or any agent or trustee therefor any obligations in respect of the disposition of proceeds of any Common Collateral which would conflict with prior perfected claims therein in favor of any other Person or any order or decree of any court or governmental authority or any applicable law.

Section 2.05. *Nature of Obligations*. The priorities of the Liens provided in Section 2.01 shall not be altered or otherwise affected by (a) any Refinancing of the First-Priority Obligations or the Second-Priority Obligations or (b) any action or inaction which any of the First-Priority Secured Parties or the Second-Priority Secured Parties may take or fail to take in respect of the Common Collateral. Each Second-Priority Representative, for itself and on behalf of its Secured Parties, agrees and acknowledges that (i) a portion of the First-Priority Obligations may be revolving in nature and that the amount thereof that may be outstanding at any time or from time to time may be increased or reduced and subsequently reborrowed, (ii) the terms of the First-Priority Collateral Documents and the First-Priority Obligations may be amended,

restated, amended and restated, supplemented or otherwise modified, and the First-Priority Obligations, or a portion thereof, may be Refinanced from time to time and (iii) the aggregate amount of the First-Priority Obligations may be increased, in each case, without notice to or consent by the Second-Priority Representatives or the Second-Priority Secured Parties and without affecting the provisions hereof, except as otherwise expressly set forth herein. As between the Company and the Grantors, the foregoing provisions will not limit or otherwise affect the obligations of the Company and the Grantors contained in any Second-Priority Document with respect to the incurrence of additional First-Priority Obligations.

ARTICLE 3 ENFORCEMENT

Section 3.01. Exercise of Remedies.

(a) So long as the Discharge of First-Priority Obligations has not occurred, whether or not any Insolvency or Liquidation Proceeding has been commenced by or against the Company or any other Grantor, (i) no Second-Priority Representative or any Second-Priority Secured Party will (x) exercise or seek to exercise any rights or remedies (including setoff) with respect to any Common Collateral in respect of any applicable Second-Priority Obligations, institute any action or proceeding with respect to such rights or remedies (including any action of foreclosure), (y) contest, protest or object to any foreclosure proceeding or action brought with respect to the Common Collateral by any First-Priority Representative or any First-Priority Secured Party in respect of the First-Priority Obligations, the exercise of any right by any First-Priority Representative or any First-Priority Secured Party (or any agent or sub-agent on their behalf) in respect of the First-Priority Obligations under any lockbox agreement, control agreement, landlord waiver or bailee's letter or similar agreement or arrangement to which any Second-Priority Representative or any Second-Priority Secured Party either is a party or may have rights as a third party beneficiary, or any other exercise by any such party, of any rights and remedies relating to the Common Collateral under the First-Priority Documents or otherwise in respect of First-Priority Obligations, or (z) object to the forbearance by the First-Priority Secured Parties from bringing or pursuing any foreclosure proceeding or action or any other exercise of any rights or remedies relating to the Common Collateral in respect of First-Priority Obligations; provided that any proceeds received by any First-Priority Representative in excess of those necessary to achieve a Discharge of First Lien Obligations shall be distributed in accordance with Section 4.01 and applicable law; and (ii) except as otherwise provided herein, the First-Priority Representatives and the First-Priority Secured Parties shall have the exclusive right to enforce rights, exercise remedies (including setoff, recoupment and the right to credit bid their debt) and make determinations regarding the release, disposition or restrictions with respect to the Common Collateral without any consultation with or the consent of any Second-Priority Representative or any Second-Priority Secured Party; provided, however, that (A) in any Insolvency or Liquidation Proceeding commenced by or against the Company or any other Grantor, each Second-Priority Representative may file a claim or statement of interest with respect to the applicable Second-Priority Obligations in a manner that is consistent with the provisions hereof and (B) each Second-Priority Representative may take any action (not adverse to the prior Liens on the Common Collateral securing the First-Priority Obligations, or the rights of the First-Priority Representatives or the First-Priority Secured Parties to exercise remedies in respect thereof) in order to create, prove, perfect, preserve or protect (but not enforce) its rights in, and perfection and priority of its Lien on, the Common Collateral. In exercising rights and remedies with respect to the First-Priority Collateral, the First-Priority Representatives and the First-Priority Secured Parties may enforce the provisions of the First-Priority Documents and exercise remedies thereunder, all in such order and in such manner as they may determine in the exercise of their sole discretion. Such exercise and enforcement shall include the rights of an agent appointed by them to sell or otherwise dispose of Common Collateral upon foreclosure, to incur expenses in connection with such sale or disposition, and to exercise all the rights and remedies of a secured lender under the Uniform Commercial Code or any other applicable law of any applicable jurisdiction and of a secured creditor under Bankruptcy Laws of any applicable jurisdiction.

- (b) So long as the Discharge of First-Priority Obligations has not occurred, each Second-Priority Representative, on behalf of itself and each applicable Second-Priority Secured Party, agrees that it will not, take or receive any Common Collateral or any proceeds of Common Collateral in connection with the exercise of any right or remedy (including setoff or recoupment) with respect to any Common Collateral in respect of the applicable Second-Priority Obligations. Without limiting the generality of the foregoing, unless and until the Discharge of First-Priority Obligations has occurred, except as expressly provided in the proviso in clause (ii) of Section 3.01(a), the sole right of the Second-Priority Representatives and the Second-Priority Secured Parties with respect to the Common Collateral is to hold a Lien on the Common Collateral in respect of the applicable Second-Priority Obligations pursuant to the Second-Priority Documents, as applicable, for the period and to the extent granted therein and to receive a share of the proceeds thereof, if any, after the Discharge of First-Priority Obligations has occurred.
- (c) Subject to the proviso in clause (ii) of Section 3.01(a), (i) each Second-Priority Representative, for itself and on behalf of each applicable Second-Priority Secured Party, agrees that no Second-Priority Representative or Second-Priority Secured Party will take any action that would hinder, delay or interfere any exercise of remedies undertaken by the First-Priority Representatives or the First-Priority Secured Parties with respect to the Common Collateral under the First-Priority Documents, including any sale, lease, exchange, transfer or other disposition of the Common Collateral, whether by foreclosure or otherwise, and (ii) each Second-Priority Representative, for itself and on behalf of each applicable Second-Priority Secured Party, hereby waives any and all rights it or any Second-Priority Secured Party may have as a junior lien creditor or otherwise to object to the manner in which the First-Priority Representatives or the First-Priority Secured Parties seek to enforce or collect the First-Priority Obligations or the Liens granted in any of the First-Priority Collateral, regardless of whether any action or failure to act by or on behalf of the First-Priority Representatives or First-Priority Secured Parties is adverse to the interests of the Second-Priority Secured Parties.
- (d) Each Second-Priority Representative hereby acknowledges and agrees that no covenant, agreement or restriction contained in any applicable Second-Priority Document shall be deemed to restrict in any way the rights and remedies of the First-Priority Representatives or the First-Priority Secured Parties with respect to the First-Priority Collateral as set forth in this Agreement and the First-Priority Documents.
- (e) Subject to the proviso appearing in the first sentence of Section 3.01(a), until the Discharge of First-Priority Obligations, the Designated First-Priority Representative shall have the exclusive right to exercise any right or remedy with respect to the Common Collateral and shall have the exclusive right to determine and direct the time, method and place for exercising such right or remedy or conducting any proceeding with respect thereto or of exercising or directing the exercise of any trust or power conferred on the First-Priority Representatives, or for the taking of any other action authorized by the First Lien Collateral Documents without any consultation with or the consent of any Second-Priority Representative or Second-Priority Secured Party. Following the Discharge of First-Priority Obligations, the Designated Second-Priority Representative shall have the exclusive right to exercise any right or remedy with respect to the Common Collateral and shall have the exclusive right to determine and direct the time, method and place for exercising such right or remedy or conducting any proceeding with respect thereto or of exercising or directing the exercise of any trust or power conferred on the Second-Priority Representatives, or for the taking of any other action authorized by the Second Lien Collateral Documents.

Section 3.02. *Cooperation*. Subject to the proviso in clause (ii) of Section 3.01(a), each Second-Priority Representative, on behalf of itself and each applicable Second-Priority Secured Party, agrees that, unless and until the Discharge of First-Priority Obligations has occurred, it will not commence, or join with

any Person (other than the First-Priority Secured Parties and the First-Priority Representatives upon the request of the Designated First-Priority Representative) in commencing, any enforcement, collection, execution, levy or foreclosure action or proceeding with respect to any Lien held by it in the Common Collateral under any of the applicable Second-Priority Documents or otherwise in respect of the applicable Second-Priority Obligations.

Section 3.03. Second-Priority Representatives and Second-Priority Secured Parties Waiver. The Second-Priority Representatives and the Second-Priority Secured Parties hereby waive any claim they may now or hereafter have against the First-Priority Representatives or any First-Priority Secured Parties arising out of (i) any actions which any First-Priority Representative (or any of its representatives) takes or omits to take (including actions with respect to the creation, perfection or continuation of Liens on any Common Collateral, actions with respect to the foreclosure upon, disposition, release or depreciation of, or failure to realize upon, any of the Common Collateral and actions with respect to the collection of any claim for all or any part of the First-Priority Obligations from any account debtor, guarantor or any other party) in accordance with any relevant First-Priority Collateral Documents or any other agreement related thereto, or to the collection of the Obligations or the valuation, use, protection or release of any security for the Obligations, (ii) any election by any First-Priority Representative (or any of its agents), in any proceeding instituted under Bankruptcy Law, of the application of Section 1111(b) of the Bankruptcy Code, or (iii) subject to Article 6, any borrowing by, or grant of a security interest or administrative expense priority under Section 364 of the Bankruptcy Code by, the Company or any of its Subsidiaries, as debtor-in-possession.

Section 3.04. *Actions upon Breach.* Should any Second-Priority Representative or any Second-Priority Secured Party, contrary to this Agreement, in any way, take, attempt to take or threaten to take any action with respect to the Common Collateral (including any attempt to realize upon or enforce any remedy with respect to this Agreement) or fail to take any action required by this Agreement, any First-Priority Representative or any other First-Priority Secured Party (in its or their own name or in the name of the Company or any other Grantor) may obtain relief against such Second-Priority Representative or such Second-Priority Secured Party by injunction, specific performance or other appropriate equitable relief. Each Second-Priority Representative, for itself and on behalf of each applicable Second-Priority Secured Party, hereby (i) agrees that the First-Priority Secured Parties' damages from the actions of the Second-Priority Representatives or any Second-Priority Secured Party may at that time be difficult to ascertain and may be irreparable and waives any defense that the First-Priority Secured Parties cannot demonstrate damage or be made whole by the awarding of damages and (ii) irrevocably waives any defense based on the adequacy of a remedy at law and any other defense that might be asserted to bar the remedy of specific performance in any action that may be brought by any First-Priority Representative or any other First-Priority Secured Party.

ARTICLE 4 PAYMENTS

Section 4.01. *Application of Proceeds*. So long as the Discharge of First-Priority Obligations has not occurred and regardless of whether an Insolvency or Liquidation Proceeding has be commenced, the Common Collateral or proceeds thereof received (x) in connection with the sale or other disposition of, or collection on, such Common Collateral upon the exercise of remedies or (y) at any time after an Insolvency or Liquidation Proceeding has been commenced, shall be applied by the Designated First-Priority Representative to the First-Priority Obligations in such order as specified in the relevant First-Priority Documents until the Discharge of First-Priority Obligations has occurred. Upon the Discharge of First-Priority Obligations, each applicable First-Priority Representative shall deliver promptly to the Designated Second-Priority Representative any Common Collateral or proceeds thereof held by it in the same form as received, with any necessary endorsements or as a court of competent jurisdiction may otherwise direct to

be applied by the Designated Second-Priority Representative ratably to the Second-Priority Obligations and, with respect to each class of Second-Priority Obligations, in such order as specified in the relevant Second-Priority Documents.

Section 4.02. *Payments Over*. Any Common Collateral or proceeds thereof received by any Second-Priority Representative or any Second-Priority Secured Party in connection with the exercise of any right or remedy (including setoff or recoupment) relating to the Common Collateral (or any distribution in respect of the Common Collateral, whether or not expressly characterized as such) or otherwise in contravention of this Agreement prior to the Discharge of First-Priority Obligations shall be segregated and held in trust for the benefit of and forthwith paid over to the Designated First-Priority Representative (and/or its designees) for the benefit of the applicable First-Priority Secured Parties in the same form as received, with any necessary endorsements or as a court of competent jurisdiction may otherwise direct. The Designated First-Priority Representative is hereby authorized to make any such endorsements as agent for any Second-Priority Representative or any such Second-Priority Secured Party. This authorization is coupled with an interest and is irrevocable.

ARTICLE 5 OTHER AGREEMENTS

- Section 5.01. *Releases*. If, at any time any Grantor, the Designated First-Priority Representative or the holder of any First-Priority Obligation delivers notice to each Second-Priority Representative that any specified Common Collateral (including all or substantially all of the equity interests of a Grantor or any of its Subsidiaries) is sold, transferred or otherwise disposed of (x) by the owner of such Common Collateral in a transaction not prohibited by any First-Priority Document or any Second-Priority Document or (y) during the existence of any Event of Default under (and as defined in) the First Lien Credit Agreement or any other First-Priority Document to the extent the Designated First-Priority Representative is exercising rights or remedies with respect thereto or has otherwise consented to such sale, transfer or disposition:
- (a) then (whether or not any Insolvency or Liquidation Proceeding is pending at the time) the Liens in favor of the Second-Priority Secured Parties upon such Common Collateral will automatically be released and discharged as and when, but only to the extent, such Liens on such Common Collateral securing First-Priority Obligations are released and discharged. Upon (i) delivery to each Second-Priority Representative of a notice from the Designated First-Priority Representative or the Company stating that any release of Liens securing or supporting the First-Priority Obligations has become effective (or shall become effective upon each First-Priority Representative's release), and (ii) in the case of the Second-Priority Representatives, delivery of such certificates and other documents required to be delivered under the Second-Priority Documents (provided that failure by the relevant Grantor to deliver any such certificate following an Event of Default shall not be a condition to the Second-Priority Representatives' release hereunder), whether in connection with a sale of such assets by the relevant owner pursuant to the preceding clauses or otherwise, each Second-Priority Representative will promptly execute and deliver, without recourse, representation or warranty, such instruments, releases, termination statements or other documents confirming such release on customary terms, in each case, at the Company's sole expense. In the case of the sale of all or substantially all of the equity interests of a Grantor or any of its Subsidiaries, the guarantee in favor of the Second-Priority Secured Parties, if any, made by such Grantor or Subsidiary will automatically be released and discharged as and when, but only to the extent, the guarantee by such Grantor or Subsidiary of First-Priority Obligations is released and discharged.
- (b) Each Second-Priority Representative, for itself and on behalf of each applicable Second-Priority Secured Party, hereby irrevocably constitutes and appoints the Designated First-Priority Representative and any officer or agent of the Designated First-Priority Representative, with full power of substitution, as its true and lawful attorney-in-fact with full irrevocable power and authority in the place

and stead of each Second-Priority Representative or such Second-Priority Secured Party or in the Designated First-Priority Representative's own name, from time to time in the Designated First-Priority Representative's discretion, for the purpose of carrying out the terms of this Section 5.01, to take any and all appropriate action and to execute any and all documents and instruments that may be necessary or desirable to accomplish the purposes of this Section 5.01, including any termination statements, endorsements or other instruments of transfer or release.

(c) Unless and until the Discharge of First-Priority Obligations has occurred, each Second-Priority Representative, for itself and on behalf of each applicable Second-Priority Secured Party, hereby consents to the application, whether prior to or after a default, of proceeds of Common Collateral to the repayment of First-Priority Obligations pursuant to the First-Priority Documents; *provided* that nothing in this Section 5.01(c) shall be construed to prevent or impair the rights of the Second-Priority Representatives or the Second-Priority Secured Parties to receive proceeds in connection with the Second-Priority Obligations not otherwise in contravention of this Agreement.

Section 5.02. *Insurance*. Unless and until the Discharge of First-Priority Obligations has occurred, the Designated First-Priority Representative and the First-Priority Secured Parties shall have the sole and exclusive right, subject to the rights of the Grantors under the First-Priority Documents, to adjust settlement for any insurance policy covering the Common Collateral in the event of any loss thereunder and to approve any award granted in any condemnation or similar proceeding affecting the Common Collateral. Unless and until the Discharge of First-Priority Obligations has occurred, all proceeds of any such policy and any such award if in respect of the Common Collateral shall be paid, subject to the rights of the Grantors under the First-Priority Documents, (a) first, prior to the occurrence of the Discharge of First-Priority Obligations, to the Designated First-Priority Representative for the benefit of First-Priority Secured Parties pursuant to the terms of the applicable Second-Priority Documents and (c) third, if no Second-Priority Obligations are outstanding, to the owner of the subject property, such other person as may be entitled thereto or as a court of competent jurisdiction may otherwise direct. If any Second-Priority Representative or any Second-Priority Secured Party shall, at any time, receive any proceeds of any such insurance policy or any such award in contravention of this Agreement, it shall pay such proceeds over to the Designated First-Priority Representative in accordance with the terms of Section 4.02.

Section 5.03. Amendments to First-Priority Documents and Second-Priority Documents.

(a) Until the Discharge of First-Priority Obligations occurs, the Second-Priority Documents may be amended, restated, amended and restated, supplemented or otherwise modified in accordance with their terms and any Second-Priority Obligations may be replaced or Refinanced in each case, without the consent of any First-Priority Representative or the First-Priority Secured Parties; <u>provided, however</u>, that the holders of such Refinancing debt shall bind themselves in writing to the terms of this Agreement and any such amendment, restatement, amendment and restatement, supplement, modification or Refinancing shall not: (i) modify any covenant to include a financial maintenance covenant (other than after the maturity date of the then existing First-Priority Documents); (ii) modify a mandatory prepayment provision in a manner that imposes more restrictive or additional mandatory prepayment obligations (other than after the maturity date of the then existing First-Priority Documents); (iii) accelerate the scheduled final maturity date or otherwise shorten the weighted average life to maturity; (iv) modify any covenant or event of default that directly restricts one or more Grantors from making payments under the First-Priority Documents; (v) modify any the level of cash interest payments, unless such modification applies only after the maturity date of the First-Priority Documents; or (vi) otherwise be materially adverse to the interests of the First-Priority Document shall be materially adverse to the interests of the First-Priority Document Shall be materially adverse to the interests of the First-Priority Secured Parties).

- (b) The Company agrees to deliver to the Designated First-Priority Representative copies of (i) any amendments, supplements or other modifications to the Second-Priority Collateral Documents and (ii) any new Second-Priority Collateral Documents, in each case, promptly after effectiveness thereof. Unless otherwise agreed to by the Designated First-Priority Representative, each Grantor agrees that each applicable Second-Priority Collateral Document entered into on or after the date hereof shall include language substantially the same as the following paragraph (or language to similar effect approved by the Designated First-Priority Representative, such approval not to be unreasonably withheld):
 - "Notwithstanding anything herein to the contrary, (i) the liens and security interests granted to Agent for the benefit of the Secured Parties pursuant to this Agreement are expressly subject and subordinate to the liens and security interests granted to (a) Delaware Trust Company, as collateral agent (and its permitted successors), pursuant to the Security Agreement dated as of June 15, 2023 (as amended, restated, amended and restated, supplemented or otherwise modified from time to time), by and among Casa Systems, Inc. certain of its Subsidiaries and Delaware Trust Company, as collateral agent or (b) any agent or trustee for any Other First-Priority Secured Parties and (ii) the exercise of any right or remedy by Agent hereunder or the application of proceeds (including insurance proceeds and condemnation proceeds) of any Common Collateral is subject to the limitations and provisions of the Intercreditor Agreement dated as of June 15, 2023 (as amended, restated, amended and restated, supplemented or otherwise modified from time to time, the "Intercreditor Agreement"), by and among Delaware Trust Company, in its capacity as a First Lien Collateral Agent and First-Priority Representative, and JPMorgan Chase Bank, N.A., in its capacity as the Second Lien Collateral Agent and Second-Priority Representative. In the event of any conflict between the terms of the Intercreditor Agreement shall govern."
- (c) In the event that the applicable First-Priority Representatives and/or the First-Priority Secured Parties enter into any amendment, waiver, Refinancing or consent in respect of or replace any of the First-Priority Collateral Documents for the purpose of adding to, or deleting from, or Refinancing, or waiving or consenting to any departures from any provisions of, any First-Priority Collateral Document or changing in any manner the rights of the First-Priority Representatives, the First-Priority Secured Parties, the Company or any other Grantor thereunder (including the release of any Liens in First-Priority Collateral), then such amendment, waiver, Refinancing or consent shall apply automatically to any comparable provision of each Comparable Second-Priority Collateral Document without the consent of any Second-Priority Representative or any Second-Priority Secured Party and without any action by any Second-Priority Representative, Second-Priority Secured Party, the Company or any other Grantor; *provided*, *however*, that (x) no such amendment, waiver or consent shall have the effect of removing assets subject to the Lien of any Second-Priority Collateral Document, except to the extent that a release of such Lien is provided for in Section 5.01 hereof and provided there is a concurrent release of the corresponding Lien securing any First-Priority Obligations and (y) written notice of such amendment, waiver or consent shall have been given to each Second-Priority Representative within 10 Business Days after the effectiveness of such amendment, waiver or consent (although the failure to give any such notice shall in no way affect the effectiveness of such amendment, waiver or consent).

Section 5.04. *Rights As Unsecured Creditors*. The Second-Priority Representatives and the Second-Priority Secured Parties may exercise rights and remedies as an unsecured creditor against the Company or any Subsidiary of the Company that has guaranteed the Second-Priority Obligations in accordance with the terms of the applicable Second-Priority Documents and applicable law, so long as such rights and remedies do not violate (or are otherwise not inconsistent with) an express provision of this Agreement. Nothing in this Agreement shall prohibit the receipt by any Second-Priority Representative or any Second-Priority Secured Party of the required payments of interest, principal, fees, expenses, indemnities or other amounts payable under any Second-Priority Document so long as such receipt is not the direct or indirect result of the exercise by any Second-Priority Representative or any Second-Priority Secured Party of rights or remedies as a secured creditor in respect of Common Collateral or enforcement in contravention of this Agreement of any Lien in respect of Second-Priority Obligations held by any of them. In the event any Second-Priority Representative or any Second-Priority Secured Party becomes a judgment lien creditor in respect of Common Collateral as a result of its enforcement of its rights as an unsecured creditor in respect of Second-Priority Obligations, such judgment lien shall be subordinated to the Liens securing First-Priority Obligations on the same basis as the other Liens securing the Second-Priority Obligations are so subordinated to such Liens securing First-Priority Obligations under this Agreement. Nothing in this Agreement impairs or otherwise adversely affects any rights or remedies the First-Priority Representatives or the First-Priority Secured Parties may have with respect to the First-Priority Collateral.

Section 5.05. Gratuitous Bailee/Agent for Perfection.

- (a) Each First-Priority Representative agrees that if it shall at any time hold any Pledged Collateral that is part of the Common Collateral in its possession or control (or in the possession or control of its agents or bailees), the applicable First-Priority Representative shall also hold such Pledged Collateral as gratuitous bailee and/or gratuitous agent for the benefit of each Second-Priority Representative and any assignee solely for the purpose of perfecting the security interest granted in such Pledged Collateral pursuant to the Second-Priority Collateral Documents, subject to the terms and conditions of this Section 5.05.
- (b) Each First-Priority Representative agrees that if it shall at any time hold any Deposit Account Collateral that is part of the Common Collateral, the applicable First-Priority Representative shall also hold such Deposit Account Collateral as gratuitous agent for the benefit of each Second-Priority Representative and any assignee solely for the purpose of perfecting the security interest granted in such Deposit Account Collateral pursuant to the Second-Priority Collateral Documents, subject to the terms and conditions of this Section 5.05.
- (c) In the event that any First-Priority Representative (or its agent or bailees) has Lien filings against Intellectual Property (as defined in the First Lien Collateral Agreement) that is part of the Common Collateral that are necessary for the perfection of Liens in such Common Collateral, such First-Priority Representative agrees to hold such Liens as gratuitous bailee and/or gratuitous agent for the benefit of each Second-Priority Representative and any assignee solely for the purpose of perfecting the security interest granted in such Liens pursuant to the Second-Priority Collateral Documents, subject to the terms and conditions of this Section 5.05.
- (d) Except as otherwise specifically provided herein (including Sections 3.01 and 4.01), until the Discharge of First-Priority Obligations has occurred, the First-Priority Representatives and the First-Priority Secured Parties shall be entitled to deal with the Pledged Collateral and the Deposit Account Collateral in accordance with the terms of the First-Priority Documents as if the Liens under the Second-Priority Collateral Documents did not exist. The rights of the Second-Priority Representatives and the Second-Priority Secured Parties with respect to such Pledged Collateral and the Deposit Account Collateral shall at all times be subject to the terms of this Agreement.

- (e) No First-Priority Representative shall have any obligation whatsoever to any Second-Priority Representative or any Second-Priority Secured Party to assure that the Pledged Collateral or the Deposit Account Collateral is genuine or owned by the Grantors or to protect or preserve rights or benefits of any Person or any rights pertaining to the Common Collateral except as expressly set forth in this Section 5.05. The duties or responsibilities of the First-Priority Representatives under this Section 5.05 shall be limited solely to holding the Pledged Collateral and the Deposit Account Collateral as gratuitous bailee and/or gratuitous agent for the benefit of each Second-Priority Representative for purposes of perfecting the Lien held by the Second-Priority Secured Parties.
- (f) No First-Priority Representative shall have by reason of the Second-Priority Collateral Documents or this Agreement or any other document a fiduciary relationship in respect of any Second-Priority Representative or any Second-Priority Secured Party and the Second-Priority Representatives and the Second-Priority Secured Parties hereby waive and release the First-Priority Representatives from all claims and liabilities arising pursuant to such First-Priority Representative's role under this Section 5.05, as gratuitous bailee and/or gratuitous agent with respect to the Common Collateral. It is understood and agreed that the interests of the First-Priority Representatives and the other First-Priority Secured Parties, on the one hand, and the Second-Priority Representatives and the other First-Priority Secured Parties shall be fully entitled to act in their own interest without taking into account the interests of the Second-Priority Representatives and the other Second-Priority Secured Parties.
- (g) Upon the Discharge of First-Priority Obligations, each applicable First-Priority Representative shall deliver to the Designated Second-Priority Representative, at the Company's expense, to the extent that it is legally permitted to do so, the Pledged Collateral (if any) and the Deposit Account Collateral (if any) that is part of the Common Collateral together with any necessary endorsements (or otherwise allow the Second-Priority Collateral Agent to obtain control of such Pledged Collateral and Deposit Account Collateral) without recourse, representation or warranty or as a court of competent jurisdiction may otherwise direct. The Company shall take such further action as is required to effectuate the transfer contemplated hereby (or, in the case of the Deposit Account Collateral, use commercially reasonable efforts to effectuate the transfer contemplated hereby). No First-Priority Representative has any obligation to follow instructions from any Second-Priority Representative in contravention of this Agreement.
- (h) Each Second-Priority Representative, for itself and on behalf of each applicable Second-Priority Secured Party, acknowledges that neither the First-Priority Representatives nor the First-Priority Secured Parties shall be required to marshal any present or future collateral security for the Company's or its Subsidiaries' obligations to the First-Priority Representatives or the First-Priority Secured Parties under the First-Priority Documents or the First-Priority Collateral Documents or any assurance of payment in respect thereof or to resort to such collateral security or other assurances of payment in any particular order, and all of their rights in respect of such collateral security or any assurance of payment in respect thereof shall be cumulative and in addition to all other rights, however existing or arising.
- (i) The agreement of the First-Priority Representatives to act as gratuitous bailee and/or gratuitous agent pursuant to this Section 5.05 is intended, among other things, to satisfy the requirements of Sections 8-106(d)(3), 8-301(a)(2), 9-104(a)(2) and 9-313(c) of the UCC.

Section 5.06. [Reserved].

Section 5.07. When Discharge of First-Priority Obligations Deemed to Not Have Occurred. If, at any time after the Discharge of First-Priority Obligations has occurred, the Company incurs and designates any Other First-Priority Obligations, the Company or any Grantor enters into any Refinancing of any First-Priority Document evidencing a First-Priority Obligation, which Refinancing is permitted hereby and by the terms of the Second-Priority Documents, then such Discharge of First-Priority Obligations shall automatically be deemed not to have occurred for all purposes of this Agreement (other than with respect to any actions taken prior to the date of such designation as a result of the occurrence of such first Discharge of First-Priority Obligations), and the obligations under such Refinancing of the First-Priority Document shall automatically be treated as First-Priority Obligations for all purposes of this Agreement, and the applicable agreement governing such Other First-Priority Obligations shall automatically be treated as a First-Priority Document (and, upon designation by the Company thereof, the "First Lien Credit Agreement" hereunder) for all purposes of this Agreement, including for purposes of the Lien priorities and rights in respect of Common Collateral set forth herein and the agent, representative or trustee for the holders of such First-Priority Obligations shall be the First-Priority Representative for all purposes of this Agreement. Upon receipt of notice of such designation or Refinancing (including the identity of the new First-Priority Representative), each Second-Priority Representative shall promptly (i) enter into such documents and agreements (at the expense of the Company), including amendments or supplements to this Agreement, as the Company or such new First-Priority Representative shall reasonably request in writing in order to provide the new First-Priority Representative the rights of a First-Priority Representative contemplated hereby and (ii) to the extent then held by any Second-Priority Representative, deliver to such First-Priority Representative the Pledged Collateral that is Common Collateral together with any necessary endorsements (or otherwise allow such First-Priority Representative to obtain possession or control of such Pledged Collateral).

Section 5.08. *No Release Upon Discharge of First-Priority Obligations*. Notwithstanding any other provisions contained in this Agreement, if a Discharge of First-Priority Obligations occurs, the Second-Priority Liens on the Second-Priority Collateral securing the Second-Priority Obligations will not be released, except to the extent such Second-Priority Collateral or any portion thereof was disposed of in order to repay or otherwise satisfy the First-Priority Obligations secured by such Second-Priority Collateral (including as contemplated under Section 6.09 below) or otherwise as permitted under the First-Priority Documents and the Second-Priority Documents, as applicable.

ARTICLE 6 INSOLVENCY OR LIQUIDATION PROCEEDINGS.

Section 6.01. Financing Issues.

(a) Until the Discharge of First-Priority Obligations has occurred, if the Company or any other Grantor or any of its assets shall be subject to any Insolvency or Liquidation Proceeding and any First-Priority Representative shall desire to permit (or not object to) the sale, use or lease of cash or other collateral or to permit (or not object to) the Company or any other Grantor to obtain financing under Section 363 or Section 364 of Title 11 of the United States Code or any similar provision in any Bankruptcy Law ("**DIP Financing**"), then each Second-Priority Representative, on behalf of itself and each applicable Second-Priority Secured Party, agrees that it will raise no (i) objection to (and will not otherwise contest or join with or support any third party opposing, objecting to or contesting) such sale, use or lease of cash or other collateral or DIP Financing and will not request adequate protection or any other relief in connection therewith (except to the extent permitted by Section 6.03) and, to the extent the Liens securing the First-Priority Obligations under the First-Priority Documents are subordinated or pari passu with such DIP Financing, will subordinate (and will be deemed hereunder to have subordinated) its Liens in the Common Collateral to (1) such DIP Financing (and all Obligations relating thereto) on the same basis as the Liens securing the Second-Priority Obligations, (2) all adequate protection liens granted to the First-Priority

Secured Parties and (3) any "carve-out" for professional and United States Trustee fees or similar amounts agreed to by the Designated First-Priority Representative, in each case, on the same basis as the other Liens securing the Second-Priority Obligations are so subordinated to Liens securing First-Priority Obligations under this Agreement, subject to clause (b) of this Section 6.01, (ii) objection to (and will not otherwise contest or join with or support any third party opposing, objecting to or contesting) any motion for relief from the automatic stay or any other stat in any Insolvency or Liquidation Proceeding or from any injunction against foreclosure or enforcement in respect of First-Priority Obligations made by any First-Priority Representative or any holder of First-Priority Obligations, (iii) objection to (and will not otherwise contest or join with or support any third party opposing, objecting to or contesting) any lawful exercise by any holder of First-Priority Obligations of the right to credit bid First-Priority Obligations at any foreclosure or other sale of First-Priority Collateral, including pursuant to Section 363(k) of the Bankruptcy Code or any similar provision of any other Bankruptcy Law or other applicable law, (iv) objection to (and will not otherwise contest or join with or support any third party opposing, objecting to or contesting) any other request for judicial relief made in any court by any holder of First-Priority Obligations relating to the lawful enforcement of any Lien on First-Priority Collateral, (v) objection to (and will not otherwise contest or join with or support any third party opposing, objecting to or contesting) any election made by any First-Priority Representative or any other First-Priority Secured Party of the application of Section 1111(b) of the Bankruptcy Code or any similar provision of any other Bankruptcy Law with respect to any of the Common Collateral or (vi) objection to (and will not otherwise contest or join with or support any third party opposing, objecting to or contesting) any order relating to a sale (including pursuant to Section 363 of the Bankruptcy Code or any similar provision of any other Bankruptcy Law) of assets of any Grantor for or to which any First-Priority Representative has consented or not objected that provides, to the extent the sale is to be free and clear of Liens, that the Liens securing the First-Priority Obligations and the Second-Priority Obligations will attach to the proceeds of the sale on the same basis of priority as the Liens securing the First-Priority Collateral rank to the Liens securing the Second-Priority Collateral in accordance with this Agreement.

(b) Until the Discharge of First-Priority Obligations has occurred, each Second-Priority Representative, for itself and on behalf of each Second-Priority Secured Party, agrees that it no event shall any Second-Priority Representative or Second-Priority Secured Party offer to provide or propose (including through any affiliate) any DIP Financing to any Grantor or subsidiary thereof, unless (i) the First-Priority Secured Parties have not proposed a DIP Financing to the Company within thirty (30) days after the commencement of any Insolvency or Liquidation Proceeding and (ii) any such DIP Financing (1) ranks junior in right of priority with the First-Priority Obligations and (2) is not be secured by any assets or property of the Company or its Subsidiaries that are not First-Priority Collateral.

Section 6.02. *Relief from the Automatic Stay*. Until the Discharge of First-Priority Obligations has occurred, each Second-Priority Representative, on behalf of itself and each applicable Second-Priority Secured Party, agrees that none of them shall seek relief from the automatic stay or any other stay in any Insolvency or Liquidation Proceeding or take any action in derogation thereof, in each case in respect of the Common Collateral, without the prior written consent of the Designated First-Priority Representative.

Section 6.03. *Adequate Protection*. Each Second-Priority Representative, on behalf of itself and each applicable Second-Priority Secured Party, agrees that none of them shall object to or contest (or support any other Person objecting to or contesting) (a) any request by any First-Priority Representative or the First-Priority Secured Parties for adequate protection, (b) any objection by the First-Priority Representatives or the First-Priority Secured Parties' claiming a lack of adequate protection or (c) the allowance and/or payment of pre- and/or post-petition interest, fees, expenses or other amounts of any First-Priority Representative or any other First-Priority Secured Party under Section 506(b) or 506(c) of Title 11 of the United States Code or any similar provisions of any other Bankruptcy Law (as

adequate protection or otherwise). Notwithstanding the foregoing, in any Insolvency or Liquidation Proceeding, (i) if the First-Priority Secured Parties (or any subset thereof) are granted adequate protection in the form of additional or replacement collateral and/or a superpriority claim in connection with any DIP Financing or use of cash collateral under Section 363 or Section 364 of Title 11 of the United States Code or any similar Bankruptcy Law, then each Second-Priority Representative, on behalf of itself and any applicable Second-Priority Secured Party, may seek or request adequate protection in the form of a Lien on such additional or replacement collateral and/or a superpriority claim (as applicable), which Lien and/or superpriority claim (as applicable) is subordinated to the Liens securing, and claims with respect to, the First-Priority Obligations and such DIP Financing (and all Obligations relating thereto) on the same basis as the other Liens securing, and claims with respect to, the Second-Priority Obligations are so subordinated to the Liens securing, and claims with respect to, First-Priority Obligations under this Agreement and (ii) in the event any Second-Priority Representative, on behalf of itself or any applicable Second-Priority Secured Party, seeks or requests adequate protection and such adequate protection is granted (in each instance, to the extent such grant is otherwise permissible under the terms of this Agreement) in the form of additional or replacement collateral and/or a superpriority claim, then such Second-Priority Representative, on behalf of itself or each such Second-Priority Secured Party, agrees that the First-Priority Representatives shall also be granted a senior Lien on such additional or replacement collateral as security for the applicable First-Priority Obligations and any such DIP Financing and/or a superpriority claim and that any Lien on such additional or replacement collateral securing the Second-Priority Obligations and/or superpriority claim (as applicable) shall be subordinated to the Liens on such collateral securing, and claims with respect to, the First-Priority Obligations and any such DIP Financing (and all Obligations relating thereto) and any other Liens or claims granted to the First-Priority Secured Parties as adequate protection on the same basis as the other Liens securing, and claims with respect to, the Second-Priority Obligations are so subordinated to such Liens securing, and claims with respect to, First-Priority Obligations under this Agreement. Each Second-Priority Representative, on behalf of itself and each applicable Second-Priority Secured Party, agrees that (a) any adequate protection provided to the Second-Priority Secured Parties may be paid under any Plan of Reorganization in any combination of cash, indebtedness, equity or other property and (b) the Second-Priority Secured Parties shall not seek adequate protection in the form of payments for current post-petition fees and expenses and/or any other cash payments.

Section 6.04. *Preference Issues*. If any First-Priority Secured Party is required in any Insolvency or Liquidation Proceeding or otherwise to disgorge, turn over or otherwise pay any amount to the estate of the Company or any other Grantor (or any trustee, receiver or similar person therefor), because the payment of such amount was avoided as or otherwise declared to be fraudulent, preferential or avoidable in any respect or for any other reason, any amount (a "**Recovery**"), whether received as proceeds of security, enforcement of any right of setoff, recoupment or otherwise, then the First-Priority Obligations shall be reinstated to the extent of such Recovery and deemed to be outstanding as if such payment had not occurred and the First-Priority Secured Parties shall remain entitled to the benefits of this Agreement until a Discharge of First-Priority Obligations with respect to all such recovered amounts and shall have all rights hereunder until such time. If this Agreement shall have been terminated prior to such Recovery, this Agreement shall be reinstated in full force and effect, and such prior termination shall not diminish, release, discharge, impair or otherwise affect the obligations of the parties hereto. Each Second-Priority Representative, for itself and on behalf of each applicable Second-Priority Secured Party, hereby agrees that none of them shall be entitled to benefit from any avoidance action affecting or otherwise relating to any distribution or allocation made in accordance with this Agreement, whether by preference or otherwise, it being understood and agreed that the benefit of such avoidance action otherwise allocable to them shall instead be allocated and turned over for application in accordance with the priorities set forth in this Agreement.

Section 6.05. *Application*. This Agreement, which the parties hereto expressly acknowledge is a "subordination agreement" under Section 510(a) of the Bankruptcy Code or any similar provision of any other Bankruptcy Law, shall be effective prior to, during and after the commencement of any Insolvency or Liquidation Proceeding. All references herein to any Grantor shall apply to any receiver or trustee for such Person and such Person as debtor in possession. The relative rights as to the Common Collateral and proceeds thereof shall continue after the filing thereof on the same basis as prior to the date of the petition, subject to any court order approving the financing of, or use of cash collateral by, any Grantor. No Second-Priority Representative or Second-Priority Secured Party may propose, support or vote in favor of any Plan of Reorganization or similar dispositive restructuring plan that is inconsistent with the terms of this Agreement or otherwise violates the priorities or other provisions of this Agreement. Without limiting the generality of the foregoing, until the Discharge of First-Priority Obligations has occurred, other than with the written consent of the First-Priority Representative, no Second-Priority Secured Party (whether in the capacity of a secured creditor or an unsecured creditor) shall vote in favor of any plan unless such plan (i) satisfies the First-Priority Obligations in full in cash or (ii) is proposed or supported by the number of First-Priority Secured Parties required under Section 1126(c) of the Bankruptcy Code or any similar provision of any other Bankruptcy Law.

Section 6.06. 506(c) Claims. Until the Discharge of First-Priority Obligations has occurred, each Second-Priority Representative, on behalf of itself and each applicable Second-Priority Secured Party, will not assert or enforce any claim under Section 506(c) of the Bankruptcy Code or any similar provision of any other Bankruptcy Law senior to or on a parity with the Liens securing the First-Priority Obligations for costs or expenses of preserving or disposing of any Common Collateral.

Section 6.07. Separate Grants of Security and Separate Classifications. Each Second-Priority Representative, for itself and on behalf of each applicable Second-Priority Secured Party, acknowledges and agrees that (a) the grants of Liens pursuant to the First-Priority Collateral Documents and the Second-Priority Collateral Documents constitute two separate and distinct grants of Liens, (b) the claims of the Second-Priority Secured Parties against the Grantors constitute junior claims separate and apart (and of a different class) from the senior claims of the First-Priority Secured Parties against the Grantors, and (c) because of, among other things, their differing rights in the Common Collateral, the Second-Priority Obligations are fundamentally different from the First-Priority Obligations and must be separately classified in any Plan of Reorganization proposed or adopted in an Insolvency or Liquidation Proceeding. To further effectuate the intent of the parties as provided in the immediately preceding sentence, if it is held that the claims of the First-Priority Secured Parties and the Second-Priority Secured Parties in respect of the Common Collateral constitute a single class of claims (rather than separate classes of senior and junior secured claims), then each Second-Priority Representative, for itself and on behalf of each applicable Second-Priority Secured Party, hereby acknowledges and agrees that all distributions shall be made as if there were separate classes of senior and junior secured claims against the Grantors in respect of the Common Collateral (with the effect being that, to the extent that the aggregate value of the Common Collateral is sufficient (for this purpose ignoring all claims held by the Second-Priority Secured Parties), the First-Priority Secured Parties shall be entitled to receive, in addition to amounts distributed to them in respect of principal, pre-petition interest, fees and expenses, and other claims, all amounts owing in respect of post-petition interest, fees and expenses (whether or not allowed or allowable under Section 506(b) of the Bankruptcy Code (or any similar provision of any other Bankruptcy Law) or otherwise in such Insolvency or Liquidation Proceeding) before any distribution is made in respect of the Second-Priority Obligations), with each Second-Priority Representative, for itself and on behalf of each applicable Second-Priority Secured Party, hereby acknowledging and agreeing to turn over to the Designated First-Priority Representative amounts otherwise received or receivable by them to the extent necessary to effectuate the intent of this sentence, even if such turnover has the effect of reducing the claim or recovery of the Second-Priority Secured Parties.

Section 6.08. *Section 1111(b)(2) Waiver*. Each Second-Priority Representative, for itself and on behalf of the other Second-Priority Secured Parties, waives any claim it may hereafter have against any First-Priority Secured Party arising out of the election by any First-Priority Secured Party of the application to the claims of any First-Priority Secured Party of Section 1111(b)(2) of the Bankruptcy Code, and/or out of any sale, use or lease, cash collateral or DIP Financing arrangement or out of any grant of a security interest in connection with the Common Collateral in any Insolvency or Liquidation Proceeding.

Section 6.09. Asset Sales. Each Second-Priority Representative agrees, for and on behalf of itself and the applicable Second-Priority Secured Parties represented thereby, that it will not oppose any sale consented to by any First-Priority Representative of any Common Collateral pursuant to Section 363(f) of the Bankruptcy Code (or any similar provision under the law applicable to any Insolvency or Liquidation Proceeding), so long as the Second-Priority Representative, for the benefit of the Second-Priority Secured Parties, shall retain a Lien on the proceeds of such sale (to the extent such proceeds of such sale are not applied in accordance with this Agreement).

Section 6.10. Reorganization Securities. If, in any Insolvency or Liquidation Proceeding, debt obligations of the reorganized debtor secured by Liens upon any property of the reorganized debtor are distributed, pursuant to a Plan of Reorganization or similar dispositive restructuring plan, on account of both the First-Priority Obligations and the Second-Priority Obligations, then, to the extent the debt obligations distributed on account of the First-Priority Obligations and on account of the Second-Priority Obligations are secured by Liens upon the same assets or property, the provisions of this Agreement will survive the distribution of such debt obligations pursuant to such plan and will apply with like effect to the Liens securing such debt obligations. Any such reorganization debt obligations distributed on account of the Second-Priority Obligations must provide (i) for the payment of interest thereon in kind until such time as the reorganization debt obligations distributed on account of the First-Priority Obligations are paid in full and discharged in accordance with the terms thereof and (ii) for a maturity date and weighted average life to maturity that is later than the maturity date, or longer than the weighted average life to maturity, as the case may be, of the reorganization debt obligations distributed on account of the First-Priority Obligations.

Section 6.11. *Post-Petition Interest*. None of any Second-Priority Representative or any other Second-Priority Secured Party shall oppose or seek to challenge any claim by any First-Priority Representative or any First-Priority Secured Party for allowance in any Insolvency or Liquidation Proceeding of First-Priority Obligations consisting of claims for post-petition interest, fees or expenses under Section 506(b) of the Bankruptcy Code or any similar provision of any other Bankruptcy Law or otherwise, to the extent of the value of the Lien of the First-Priority Representatives on behalf of the First-Priority Secured Parties on the Common Collateral, without regard to the existence of the Liens of the Second-Priority Representatives or the other Second Lien Claimholders on the Common Collateral.

Section 6.12. *No Waivers of Rights of First-Priority Secured Parties*. Nothing contained herein shall except as expressly provided herein, prohibit or in any way limit any First-Priority Representative or any other First-Priority Secured Party from objecting in any Insolvency or Liquidation Proceeding or otherwise to any action taken by any Second-Priority Secured Party, including the seeking by any Second-Priority Secured Party of adequate protection or the asserting by any Second-Priority Secured Party of any of its rights and remedies under the Second-Priority Documents or otherwise.

Section 6.13. *Other Matters*. To the extent that any Second-Priority Representative or any Second-Priority Secured Party has or acquires rights under Section 363 or Section 364 of the Bankruptcy Code or any similar provision of any other Bankruptcy Law with respect to any of the Shared Collateral, such Second-Priority Representative, on behalf of itself and each Second-Priority Secured Party, agrees not to assert any such rights without the prior written consent of each First-Priority Representative, provided that if requested by any First-Priority Representative, such Second-Priority Representative shall timely exercise such rights in the manner requested by the First-Priority Representatives (acting unanimously), including any rights to payments in respect of such rights

ARTICLE 7 RELIANCE; WAIVERS; ETC.

Section 7.01. *Reliance*. Other than any reliance on the terms of this Agreement, each First-Priority Representative, on behalf of itself and each applicable First-Priority Secured Party (other than the First Lien Administrative Agent and the First Lien Collateral Agent), acknowledges that it and the applicable First-Priority Secured Parties (other than the First Lien Administrative Agent and the First Lien Collateral Agent) have, independently and without reliance on any Second-Priority Representative or any other Second-Priority Secured Party, and based on documents and information deemed by them appropriate, made their own credit analysis and decision to enter into the applicable First-Priority Documents, this Agreement and the transactions contemplated hereby and thereby and they will continue to make their own credit decision in taking or not taking any action under the applicable First-Priority Documents or this Agreement. Each Second-Priority Representative, on behalf of itself and each applicable Second-Priority Secured Party (other than the Second Lien Administrative Agent and the Second Lien Collateral Agent), acknowledges that it and the applicable Second-Priority Secured Parties (other than the Second Lien Administrative Agent and the Second Lien Collateral Agent) have, independently and without reliance on any First-Priority Representative or any other First-Priority Secured Party, and based on documents and information deemed by them appropriate, made their own credit analysis and decision to enter into the applicable Second-Priority Documents, this Agreement and the transactions contemplated hereby and thereby and they will continue to make their own credit decision in taking or not taking any action under the applicable Second-Priority Documents or this Agreement.

Section 7.02. *No Warranties or Liability*. Each Second-Priority Representative, on behalf of itself and each applicable Second-Priority Secured Party, acknowledges and agrees that neither the First-Priority Representatives nor any First-Priority Secured Party has made any express or implied representation or warranty, including with respect to the execution, validity, legality, completeness, collectibility or enforceability of any of the First-Priority Documents, the ownership of any Common Collateral or the perfection or priority of any Liens thereon. Neither the First-Priority Representatives nor any First-Priority Secured Party shall have any duty to any Second-Priority Representative or any Second-Priority Secured Party to act or refrain from acting in a manner that allows, or results in, the occurrence or continuance of an event of default or default under any agreements with the Company or any Subsidiary thereof (including the Second-Priority Documents), regardless of any knowledge thereof that they may have or be charged with. Except as expressly set forth in this Agreement, the First-Priority Representatives, the First-Priority Secured Parties, the Second-Priority Representatives and the Second-Priority Secured Parties have not otherwise made to each other, nor do they hereby make to each other, any warranties, express or implied, nor do they assume any liability to each other with respect to (a) the enforceability, validity, value or collectibility of any of the Second-Priority Obligations, the First-Priority Obligations or any guarantee or security which may have been granted to any of them in connection therewith, (b) the Company's or any other Grantor's title to or right to transfer any of the Common Collateral or (c) any other matter except as expressly set forth in this Agreement.

Section 7.03. *Obligations Unconditional*. All rights, interests, agreements and obligations of the First-Priority Representatives and the First-Priority Secured Parties, and the Second-Priority Representatives and the Second-Priority Secured Parties, respectively, hereunder shall remain in full force and effect irrespective of:

(a) any lack of validity or enforceability of any First-Priority Documents or any Second-Priority Documents;

- (b) any change in the time, manner or place of payment of, or in any other terms of, all or any of the First-Priority Obligations or Second-Priority Obligations, or any amendment or waiver or other modification, including any increase in the amount thereof, whether by course of conduct or otherwise, of the terms of the First Lien Credit Agreement or any other First-Priority Document or of the terms of the Second Lien Credit Agreement or any other Second-Priority Document;
- (c) any exchange of any security interest in any Common Collateral or any other collateral, or any amendment, waiver or other modification, whether in writing or by course of conduct or otherwise, of all or any of the First-Priority Obligations or Second-Priority Obligations or any guarantee thereof;
 - (d) the commencement of any Insolvency or Liquidation Proceeding in respect of the Company or any other Grantor; or
- (e) any other circumstances that otherwise might constitute a defense available to, or a discharge of, the Company or any other Grantor in respect of the First-Priority Obligations, or of any Second-Priority Representative or any Second-Priority Secured Party in respect of this Agreement.

ARTICLE 8 MISCELLANEOUS

Section 8.01. *Conflicts*. Subject to Section 8.19, in the event of any conflict between the terms of this Agreement and the terms of any First-Priority Document or any Second-Priority Document, the terms of this Agreement shall govern.

Section 8.02. *Continuing Nature of this Agreement; Severability*. Subject to Section 5.07 and Section 6.04, this Agreement shall continue to be effective until the Discharge of First-Priority Obligations shall have occurred. This is a continuing agreement of lien subordination and the First-Priority Secured Parties may continue, at any time and without notice to each Second-Priority Representative or any Second-Priority Secured Party, to extend credit and other financial accommodations and lend monies to or for the benefit of the Company or any other Grantor constituting First-Priority Obligations in reliance hereon. The terms of this Agreement shall survive, and shall continue in full force and effect, in any Insolvency or Liquidation Proceeding, any provision of this Agreement that is prohibited or unenforceable in any jurisdiction shall not invalidate the remaining provisions hereof, and any such prohibition or unenforceability in any jurisdiction shall not invalidate or render unenforceable such provision in any other jurisdiction.

Section 8.03. *Amendments; Waivers*. No amendment, modification or waiver of any of the provisions of this Agreement shall be deemed to be made unless the same shall be in writing signed on behalf of each Second-Priority Representative (or its authorized agent), each First-Priority Representative (or its authorized agent) and the Company and each waiver, if any, shall be a waiver only with respect to the specific instance involved and shall in no way impair the rights of the parties making such waiver or the obligations of the other parties to such party in any other respect or at any other time. Notwithstanding anything in this Section 8.03 to the contrary, this Agreement may be amended from time to time at the request of the Company, at the Company's expense, and without the consent of any First-Priority Representative, any Second-Priority Representative, any First-Priority Secured Party or any Second-Priority Secured Party or any other Person then party thereto to (i) add other parties holding Other First-Priority Obligations (or any agent or trustee therefor) in each case to the extent such Obligations are not prohibited by any First-Priority Document or any Second-Priority Document and so long as the requirements of Section 8.21 are complied with and (ii) give effect to any Refinancing of any Obligations in accordance with the terms hereof. In furtherance thereof, the Company may designate hereunder in writing obligations as a First Lien Credit

Agreement (and any Person operating in such capacity thereunder as a First Lien Administrative Agent or First Lien Collateral Agent), a Second Lien Credit Agreement (and any Person operating in such capacity thereunder as a Second Lien Administrative Agent or Second Lien Collateral Agent), Other First-Priority Obligations (and any Person operating in such capacity thereunder as an Other First-Priority Representative) or Other Second-Priority Obligations (and any Person operating in such capacity thereunder as an Other Second-Priority Representative), and may specify that any such obligations constitute a Refinancing of any existing series of Obligations, if the incurrence of such obligations and related Liens (including the priority thereof) is not prohibited under each of the Financing Documents and this Agreement. Any such additional party and each First-Priority Representative or Second-Priority Representative shall be entitled to rely on the determination of an officer of the Company that such modifications are not prohibited by any First-Priority Document or any Second-Priority Document if such determination is set forth in an officer's certificate delivered to such party, the First Lien Collateral Agent and the Second-Priority Collateral Agent. At the request (and sole expense) of the Company, without the consent of any First-Priority Secured Party or Second-Priority Secured Party, each of the First Lien Collateral Agent, the Second-Priority Collateral Agent and each other First-Priority Representative and Second-Priority Representative shall execute and deliver an acknowledgment and confirmation of such permitted modifications and/or enter into an amendment, a restatement or a supplement of this Agreement to facilitate such permitted modifications (it being understood that such actions shall not be required for the effectiveness of any such modifications).

Section 8.04. *Information Concerning Financial Condition of the Company and the Subsidiaries*. The First-Priority Representatives, the First-Priority Secured Parties, each Second-Priority Representative and the Second-Priority Secured Parties shall each be responsible for keeping themselves informed of (a) the financial condition of the Company and the Subsidiaries of the Company and all endorsers and/or guarantors of the Second-Priority Obligations or the First-Priority Obligations and (b) all other circumstances bearing upon the risk of nonpayment of the Second-Priority Obligations or the First-Priority Obligations. Each First-Priority Representative, the First-Priority Secured Parties, each Second-Priority Representative and the Second-Priority Secured Parties shall have no duty to advise any other party hereunder of information known to it or them regarding such condition or any such circumstances or otherwise. In the event that any First-Priority Representative, any First-Priority Secured Party, any Second-Priority Representative or any Second-Priority Secured Party, in its or their sole discretion, undertakes at any time or from time to time to provide any such information to any other party, it or they shall be under no obligation (w) to make, and the First-Priority Representatives, the First-Priority Secured Parties, the Second-Priority Representatives and the Second-Priority Secured Parties shall not make, any express or implied representation or warranty, including with respect to the accuracy, completeness, truthfulness or validity of any such information so provided, (x) to provide any additional information or to provide any such information on any subsequent occasion, (y) to undertake any investigation or (z) to disclose any information that, pursuant to accepted or reasonable commercial finance practices, such party wishes to maintain confidential or is otherwise required to maintain confidential.

Section 8.05. *Subrogation*. Each Second-Priority Representative, on behalf of itself and each applicable Second-Priority Secured Party, hereby waives any rights of subrogation it may acquire as a result of any payment hereunder until the Discharge of First-Priority Obligations has occurred.

Section 8.06. *Application of Payments*. Except as otherwise provided herein, all payments received by the First-Priority Secured Parties may be applied, reversed and reapplied, in whole or in part, to such part of the First-Priority Obligations as the First-Priority Secured Parties, in their sole discretion, deem appropriate, consistent with the terms of the First-Priority Documents. Except as otherwise provided herein, each Second-Priority Representative, on behalf of itself and each applicable Second-Priority Secured Party, assents to any such extension or postponement of the time of payment of the First-Priority Obligations or any part thereof and to any other indulgence with respect thereto, to any substitution, exchange or release of any security that may at any time secure any part of the First-Priority Obligations and to the addition or release of any other Person primarily or secondarily liable therefor.

Section 8.07. *Consent to Jurisdiction; Waivers*. The parties hereto irrevocably and unconditionally agree that any action, litigation or proceeding of any kind or description, whether in law or equity, whether in contract or in tort or otherwise, against any party hereto, or any affiliate of thereof, in any way relating to this Agreement or the transactions relating hereto, shall be tried and litigated only in the courts of the State of New York sitting in Borough of Manhattan, and in the United States District Court of the Southern District of New York, and any appellate court from any thereof. The parties hereto irrevocably and unconditionally submit to the exclusive jurisdiction of any state or federal court located in the Borough of Manhattan, New York, in any action or proceeding arising out of or relating to this Agreement, or for recognition or enforcement of any judgment, and consent that all service of process may be made by registered mail directed to such party as provided in Section 8.08 for such party. Service so made shall be deemed to be completed three days after the same shall be posted as aforesaid. The parties hereto waive any objection to any action instituted hereunder in any such court based on forum non conveniens, and any objection to the venue of any action instituted hereunder in any such court. EACH OF THE PARTIES HERETO WAIVES ANY RIGHT IT MAY HAVE TO TRIAL BY JURY IN RESPECT OF ANY LITIGATION BASED ON, OR ARISING OUT OF, UNDER OR IN CONNECTION WITH THIS AGREEMENT, OR ANY COURSE OF CONDUCT, COURSE OF DEALING, VERBAL OR WRITTEN STATEMENT OR ACTION OF ANY PARTY HERETO IN CONNECTION WITH THE SUBJECT MATTER HEREOF.

Section 8.08. *Notices*. All notices to the First-Priority Secured Parties and the Second-Priority Secured Parties permitted or required under this Agreement may be sent to the First Lien Collateral Agent, the Second-Priority Collateral Agent, or any other First-Priority Representative or Second-Priority Representative as provided in the First Lien Credit Agreement, the Second Lien Credit Agreement, the relevant First-Priority Document or the relevant Second-Priority Document, as applicable. Unless otherwise specifically provided herein, any notice or other communication herein required or permitted to be given shall be in writing and may be personally served, telecopied, electronically mailed or sent by courier service or U.S. mail and shall be deemed to have been given when delivered in person or by courier service, upon receipt of a telecopy or electronic mail or upon receipt via U.S. mail (registered or certified, with postage prepaid and properly addressed). For the purposes hereof, the addresses of the parties hereto shall be as set forth below each party's name on the signature pages hereto, or, as to each party, at such other address as may be designated by such party in a written notice to all of the other parties. Each First-Priority Representative hereby agrees to promptly notify each Second-Priority Representative upon payment in full in cash of all Obligations under the applicable First-Priority Documents (except for (i) contingent indemnities and cost and reimbursement obligations to the extent no claim therefor has been made in writing and (ii) Specified Hedging Agreement Obligations and Bank Product Obligations).

Section 8.09. *Further Assurances*. Each of the Second-Priority Representatives, on behalf of itself and each applicable Second-Priority Secured Party, and each of the First-Priority Representatives, on behalf of itself and each applicable First-Priority Secured Party, agrees that each of them shall take such further action and shall execute and deliver to the First-Priority Representatives and the First-Priority Secured Parties such additional documents and instruments (in recordable form, if requested) as the First-Priority Representatives or the First-Priority Secured Parties may reasonably request to effectuate the terms of and the lien priorities contemplated by this Agreement.

Section 8.10. Governing Law. THIS AGREEMENT AND ANY CLAIMS, CONTROVERSY, DISPUTE OR CAUSES OF ACTION (WHETHER IN CONTRACT OR TORT OR OTHERWISE) BASED UPON, ARISING OUT OF OR RELATING TO THIS AGREEMENT SHALL BE CONSTRUED IN ACCORDANCE WITH AND GOVERNED BY THE LAWS OF THE STATE OF NEW YORK, WITHOUT REGARD TO ANY PRINCIPLE OF CONFLICTS OF LAW THAT COULD REQUIRE THE APPLICATION OF ANY OTHER LAW.

- Section 8.11. *Binding on Successors and Assigns*. This Agreement shall be binding upon the First-Priority Representatives, the First-Priority Secured Parties, the Second-Priority Representatives, the Second-Priority Secured Parties, the Company, the Company's Subsidiaries party hereto and their respective permitted successors and assigns.
- Section 8.12. *Specific Performance*. The Designated First-Priority Representative may demand specific performance of this Agreement. Each Second-Priority Representative, on behalf of itself and each applicable Second-Priority Secured Party, hereby irrevocably waives any defense based on the adequacy of a remedy at law and any other defense that might be asserted to bar the remedy of specific performance in any action that may be brought by the Designated First-Priority Representative.
- Section 8.13. *Section Titles*. The section titles contained in this Agreement are and shall be without substantive meaning or content of any kind whatsoever and are not a part of this Agreement.
- Section 8.14. *Counterparts; Electronic Execution.* This Agreement may be executed in one or more counterparts, including by means of facsimile or in portable document format (pdf), each of which shall be an original and all of which shall together constitute one and the same document. The words "execution," "execute", "signed," "signature," and words of like import in or related to any document to be signed in connection with this Agreement and the transactions contemplated hereby shall be deemed to include electronic signatures, the electronic matching of assignment terms and contract formations on electronic platforms approved by the Designated First-Priority Representative (or after the Discharge of First-Priority Obligations, the Designated Second-Priority Representative) or the keeping of records in electronic form, each of which shall be of the same legal effect, validity or enforceability as a manually executed signature or the use of a paper-based recordkeeping system, as the case may be, to the extent and as provided for in any applicable law, including the Federal Electronic Signatures in Global and National Commerce Act, the New York State Electronic Signatures and Records Act, or any other similar state laws based on the Uniform Electronic Transactions Act.
- Section 8.15. *Authorization*. By its signature, each Person executing this Agreement on behalf of a party hereto represents and warrants to the other parties hereto that it is duly authorized to execute this Agreement. Each First-Priority Representative represents and warrants that this Agreement is binding upon the applicable First-Priority Secured Parties for which such First-Priority Representative is acting. Each Second-Priority Representative represents and warrants that this Agreement is binding upon the applicable Second-Priority Secured Parties for which such Second-Priority Representative is acting.
- Section 8.16. *No Third Party Beneficiaries; Successors and Assigns*. This Agreement and the rights and benefits hereof shall inure to the benefit of, and be binding upon, each of the parties hereto and their respective successors and assigns and shall inure to the benefit of each of, and be binding upon, the holders of First-Priority Obligations and Second-Priority Obligations. No other Person (other than the Company with respect to Article 5 and Sections 6.01, 6.02, 6.03, 8.03, 8.19 and 8.21 and this Section 8.16) shall have or be entitled to assert rights or benefits hereunder.
- Section 8.17. *Effectiveness*. This Agreement shall become effective when executed and delivered by the parties hereto. This Agreement shall be effective both before and after the commencement of any Insolvency or Liquidation Proceeding. All references to the Company or any other Grantor shall include the Company or any other Grantor as debtor and debtor-in-possession and any receiver or trustee for the Company or any other Grantor (as the case may be) in any Insolvency or Liquidation Proceeding.

Section 8.18. *First-Priority Representatives and Second-Priority Representatives*. It is understood and agreed that (a) Delaware Trust is entering into this Agreement in its capacity as First Lien Collateral Agent under the Superpriority Credit Agreement, and all rights, protections, indemnities and benefits applicable to the Administrative Agent or Collateral Agent (in each case, as defined in the Superpriority Credit Agreement) thereunder shall also apply to it as a First-Priority Representative hereunder, (b) JPM is entering into this Agreement in its capacity as Second Lien Collateral Agent under the Junior Credit Agreement, and all rights, protections, indemnities and benefits applicable to the Administrative Agent or Collateral Agent (in each case, as defined in the Junior Credit Agreement) thereunder shall also apply to it as a Second-Priority Representative hereunder and (c) each other Representative party hereto is entering into this Agreement in its capacity as trustee or agent for the secured parties referenced in the applicable First-Priority Document or Second-Priority Document (as applicable) and the corresponding rights, protections, indemnities and benefits of such agreement applicable to such Representative thereunder shall also apply to such Representative hereunder.

Section 8.19. *Relative Rights*. Notwithstanding anything in this Agreement to the contrary (except to the extent contemplated by Sections 5.01 and 5.03(b)), nothing in this Agreement is intended to or will (a) amend, waive or otherwise modify the provisions of the First Lien Credit Agreement, the Second Lien Credit Agreement or any other First-Priority Document or Second-Priority Document or permit the Company or any Subsidiary of the Company to take any action, or fail to take any action, to the extent such action or failure would otherwise constitute a breach of, or default under, the First Lien Credit Agreement, the Second Lien Credit Agreement or any other First-Priority Document or Second-Priority Document entered into in connection with the First Lien Credit Agreement, the Second Lien Credit Agreement or any other First-Priority Document or Second-Priority Document, (b) change the relative priorities of the First-Priority Obligations or the Liens granted under the First-Priority Documents on the Common Collateral (or any other assets) as among the First-Priority Secured Parties or (c) otherwise change the relative rights of the First-Priority Secured Parties in respect of the Common Collateral as among such First-Priority Secured Parties or (d) obligate the Company or any Subsidiary of the Company to take any action, or fail to take any action, that would otherwise constitute a breach of, or default under, the First Lien Credit Agreement, the Second Lien Credit Agreement or any other First-Priority Document or Second-Priority Document.

Section 8.20. *Additional Grantors*. The Company agrees that, if any Subsidiary of the Company shall become a Grantor after the date hereof, it will promptly cause such Subsidiary to execute and deliver an acknowledgement of this Agreement substantially in the form of Exhibit C.

Section 8.21. *Joinder Requirements*. The Company may designate additional obligations as Other First-Priority Obligations or Other Second-Priority Obligations pursuant to this Section 8.21 if (x) the incurrence of such obligations is not prohibited by any First-Priority Document or Second-Priority Document then in effect and (y) the Company shall have delivered an officer's certificate to each First-Priority Representative and each Second-Priority Representative certifying the same. If not so prohibited, the Company shall (i) notify each First-Priority Representative and Second-Priority Representative in writing of such designation and (ii) cause the applicable new First-Priority Representative or Second-Priority Representative to execute and deliver to each other First-Priority Representative and Second-Priority Representative, a Joinder Agreement substantially in the form of Exhibit A or Exhibit B, as applicable, hereto.

Section 8.22. *Intercreditor Agreements*. Each party hereto agrees that the First-Priority Secured Parties (as among themselves) and the Second-Priority Secured Parties (as among themselves) may each enter into intercreditor agreements (or similar arrangements) with the applicable First-Priority Representatives or Second-Priority Representatives, as the case may be, governing the rights, benefits and privileges as among the First-Priority Secured Parties or as among the Second-Priority Secured Parties, as the case may be, in respect of any or all of the Common Collateral, this Agreement and the other First-Priority Collateral Documents or the other Second-Priority Collateral Documents, as the case may be, including as to application of proceeds of any Common Collateral, voting rights, control of any Common Collateral and waivers with respect to any Common Collateral, in each case so long as the terms thereof do not violate or conflict with the provisions of this Agreement or the other First-Priority Collateral Documents or Second-Priority Collateral Documents, as the case may be. In any event, if a respective intercreditor agreement (or similar arrangement) exists, the provisions thereof shall not be (or be construed to be) an amendment, modification or other change to this Agreement or any other First-Priority Collateral Document or Second-Priority Collateral Document, and the provisions of this Agreement and the other First-Priority Collateral Documents and Second-Priority Collateral Documents shall remain in full force and effect in accordance with the terms hereof and thereof (as such provisions may be amended, modified or otherwise supplemented from time to time in accordance with the terms thereof, including to give effect to any intercreditor agreement (or similar arrangement)).

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IN WITNESS WHEREOF, the parties hereto have executed this Agreement as of the date first written above.

DELAWARE TRUST COMPANY, as First Lien Collateral Agent and First-Priority Representative with respect to the Superpriority Credit Agreement and related Superpriority Documents

Name:
Title:

JPMORGAN CHASE BANK, N.A., as Second Lien Collateral Agent and Second-Priority Representative with respect to the Junior Credit Agreement and related Second

Lien Documents

By: Name: Title:

[Signature Page to Intercreditor Agreement]

ACKNOWLEDGMENT

The Grantors each hereby acknowledge that they have received a copy of the foregoing Intercreditor Agreement and consent thereto, agree to recognize all rights granted thereby to the First Lien Collateral Agent, and the other First Lien Secured Parties, and the Second Lien Collateral Agent, and the other Second-Priority Secured Parties, and waive the provisions of Section 9-615(a) of the UCC in connection with the application of proceeds of collateral in accordance with the provisions of the Intercreditor Agreement; *provided*, *however*, that the foregoing shall not, without the consent of Company, impair the rights of any Grantor under the First Lien Documents or the Second Lien Documents. The Grantors each further acknowledge and agree that they are not an intended beneficiary or third party beneficiary under the foregoing Intercreditor Agreement (other than with respect to Article 5 and Sections 6.01, 6.02, 6.03, 8.03, 8.16, 8.19 and 8.21 of the Intercreditor Agreement), as amended, restated, amended and restated, supplemented or otherwise modified from time to time.

[Signatures on following pages]

Acknowledged as of the date first written above:		
Grantors:		
CASA SYSTEMS, INC.		
Ву:		
Name: Title:		
CASA SYSTEMS SECURITIES CORPORATION		
Ву:		
Name: Title:		
CASA PROPERTIES LLC		
Ву:		
Name: Title:		
NETCOMM WIRELESS INC.		
Ву:		
Name: Title:		

 $Signature\ Page\ to\ Intercreditor\ Agreement\ Acknowledgement$

	COMMUNICATIONS LIMITED any incorporated under the laws of Ireland
By: Name: Title:	
	Signature Page to Intercreditor Agreement Acknowledgement

JOINDER AGREEMENT (Other First-Priority Obligations)

JOINDER AGREEMENT (this "Agreement")) dated as of [], [], among [] (the "New Representative"), as an
Other First-Priority Representative, [[] (the "New Collatera	ıl Agent")]	¹ , as an Other First Lie	n Collateral Agent.

This Agreement is supplemental to that certain Intercreditor Agreement, dated as of [], 2023 (as the same may be amended, restated, amended and restated, supplemented or otherwise modified from time to time, the "Intercreditor Agreement"), by and among Delaware Trust Company, as a First Lien Collateral Agent and First-Priority Representative and JPMorgan Chase Bank, N.A., as Second Lien Collateral Agent and Second-Priority Representative. This Agreement has been entered into to record the accession of the New Representative[s] as Other First-Priority Representative[s] under the Intercreditor Agreement [and to record the accession of the New Collateral Agent as an Other First Lien Collateral Agent under the Intercreditor Agreement].

ARTICLE I **Definitions**

SECTION 1.01 Capitalized terms used but not defined herein shall have the meanings assigned thereto in the Intercreditor Agreement.

ARTICLE II **Accession**

SECTION 2.01 [The][/Each] New Representative agrees to become, with immediate effect, a party to and agrees to be bound by the terms of, the Intercreditor Agreement as an Other First-Priority Representative as if it had originally been party to the Intercreditor Agreement as an Other First-Priority Representative.

SECTION 2.02 [The New Collateral Agent agrees to become, with immediate effect, a party to and agrees to be bound by the terms of, the Intercreditor Agreement as an Other First Lien Collateral Agent as if it had originally been party to the Intercreditor Agreement as an Other First Lien Collateral Agent.]

SECTION 2.03 The New Representative[s] and the New Collateral Agent confirm[s] that their address details for notices pursuant to the Intercreditor Agreement [is][/are] as follows: [].

SECTION 2.04 Each party to this Agreement (other than the New Representative[s] and the New Collateral Agent) confirms the acceptance of the New Representative[s] and New Collateral Agent as an Other First-Priority Representative and Other First Lien Collateral Agent, respectively, for purposes of the Intercreditor Agreement.

To be included if applicable.

SECTION 2.05 [] [is][/are] acting in the capacities of Other First-Priority Representative[s] and [] is acting in as Other First Lien Collateral Agent solely for the Secured Parties under [].

] is acting in its capacity

ARTICLE III Miscellaneous

SECTION 3.01 This Agreement shall be governed by, and construed in accordance with, the law of the State of New York.

SECTION 3.02 This Agreement may be executed in counterparts, each of which shall constitute an original but all of which when taken together shall constitute a single contract. Delivery of an executed signature page to this Agreement by facsimile transmission shall be as effective as delivery of a manually signed counterpart of this Agreement.

IN WITNESS WHEREOF, the parties hereto have caused this Agreement to be duly executed by their respective authorized officers as of the day and year first above written.

[INSERT SIGNATURE BLOCKS, INCLUDING ACKNOWLEDGEMENT BY GRANTORS]

JOINDER AGREEMENT (Other Second-Priority Obligations)

JOINDER AGREEMENT (this "Agreement")	lated as of [], [], among [] (the "New Representative"), as an
Other Second-Priority Representative, [] (the " New C	ollateral Agent	') ² , as an Othe	r Second-Priority Collateral Agent.

This Agreement is supplemental to that certain Intercreditor Agreement, dated as of [], 2023 (as the same may be amended, restated, amended and restated, supplemented or otherwise modified from time to time, the "Intercreditor Agreement"), by and among Delaware Trust Company, as a First Lien Collateral Agent and First-Priority Representative and JPMorgan Chase Bank, N.A., as Second Lien Collateral Agent and Second-Priority Representative. This Agreement has been entered into to record the accession of the New Representative[s] as Other Second-Priority Representative[s] under the Intercreditor Agreement [and to record the accession of the New Collateral Agent as an Other Second-Priority Collateral Agent under the Intercreditor Agreement].

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SECTION 2.02 [The New Collateral Agent agrees to become, with immediate effect, a party to and agrees to be bound by the terms of, the Intercreditor Agreement as an Other Second-Priority Collateral Agent as if it had originally been party to the Intercreditor Agreement as an Other Second-Priority Collateral Agent.]

SECTION 2.03 The New Representative[s] and the New Collateral Agent confirm[s] that their address details for notices pursuant to the Intercreditor Agreement [is][/are] as follows: [].

SECTION 2.04 Each party to this Agreement (other than the New Representative[s] and the New Collateral Agent) confirms the acceptance of the New Representative[s] and the New Collateral Agent as an Other Second-Priority Representative and an Other Second-Priority Collateral Agent, respectively, for purposes of the Intercreditor Agreement.

² To be included if applicable.

SECTION 2.05 [] [is][/are] acting in the capacities of Other Second-Priority Representative[s] and [] is acting in its capacity
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IN WITNESS WHEREOF, the parties hereto have caused this Agreement to be duly executed by their respective authorized officers as of the day and year first above written.

[INSERT SIGNATURE BLOCKS, INCLUDING ACKNOWLEDGEMENT BY GRANTORS]

ACKNOWLEDGMENT

Reference is made to that certain Intercreditor Agreement, dated as of [], 2023 (as the same may be amended, restated, amended and restated, supplemented or otherwise modified from time to time, the "Intercreditor Agreement"), by and among Delaware Trust Company, as a First Lien Collateral Agent and First-Priority Representative and JPMorgan Chase Bank, N.A., as Second Lien Collateral Agent and Second-Priority Representative. Capitalized terms used but not defined herein shall have the meanings assigned thereto in the Intercreditor Agreement.

Pursuant to Section 8.20 of the Intercreditor Agreement, if a Subsidiary of the Company becomes a Grantor, such Subsidiary shall acknowledge the Intercreditor Agreement by execution and delivery of an instrument in the form of this Acknowledgement.

The undersigned (the "New Grantor") hereby acknowledges that it has received a copy of the Intercreditor Agreement and consents thereto, agrees to recognize all rights granted thereby to the First Lien Collateral Agent, and the other First Lien Secured Parties, and the Second Lien Collateral Agent, and the other Second-Priority Secured Parties, and waives the provisions of Section 9-615(a) of the UCC in connection with the application of proceeds of collateral in accordance with the provisions of the Intercreditor Agreement; *provided*, *however*, that the foregoing shall not, without the consent of Company, impair the rights of the New Grantor under the First Lien Documents or the Second Lien Documents. The New Grantor further acknowledges and agrees that they are not an intended beneficiary or third party beneficiary under the Intercreditor Agreement (other than with respect to Article 5 and Sections 6.01, 6.02, 6.03, 8.03, 8.16, 8.19 and 8.21 of the Intercreditor Agreement), as amended, restated, amended and restated, supplemented or otherwise modified from time to time.

[SIGNATURE PAGE FOLLOWS]

Acknowledged as of the date first written above:		
New Granto	<u>or</u> :	
[]	
By: Name: Title:		

Certain identified information (indicated by "[***]") has been excluded from this exhibit because it is both not material and would likely cause competitive harm to the registrant if publicly disclosed.

SUPERPRIORITY CREDIT AGREEMENT

Dated as of June 15, 2023

among

CASA SYSTEMS, INC., as the Borrower,

JPMORGAN CHASE BANK, N.A., as Administrative Agent,

and

DELAWARE TRUST COMPANY, as Collateral Agent

JPMORGAN CHASE BANK, N.A.,

as Lead Arranger and as Bookrunner,

and

THE LENDERS PARTY HERETO

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SUPERPRIORITY CREDIT AGREEMENT

This SUPERPRIORITY CREDIT AGREEMENT ("Agreement") is entered into as of June 15, 2023 among Casa Systems, Inc., a Delaware corporation (the "Borrower"), JPMorgan Chase Bank, N.A., as administrative agent (in such capacity including any successor thereto, the "Administrative Agent") under the Loan Documents, Delaware Trust Company, as collateral agent (in such capacity, including any successor thereto, the "Collateral Agent") under the Loan Documents, and each lender from time to time party hereto (collectively, the "Lenders" and individually, a "Lender").

PRELIMINARY STATEMENTS

The Borrower is party to that certain Credit Agreement, dated as of December 20, 2016 (the "Existing Credit Agreement"), among the Borrower, the Lenders (as defined therein) and JPMorgan Chase Bank, N.A., as administrative agent and collateral agent (in such capacity, the "Existing Agent").

The Borrower has requested that the Term Lenders (as defined herein), each of whom is a lender of term loans under the Existing Credit Agreement (the "Existing Term Loans") exchange 100% (but not less than 100%) of the Existing Term Loans held by such Term Lenders with Initial Term Loans hereunder in an initial principal amount equal to the principal amount of such Existing Term Loans (collectively, the "Exchange").

The Lenders have indicated their willingness to exchange their Existing Term Loans for Initial Term Loans on the terms and subject to the conditions set forth herein.

In consideration of the mutual covenants and agreements herein contained, the parties hereto covenant and agree as follows:

ARTICLE I

Definitions and Accounting Terms

Section 1.01 <u>Defined Terms</u>. As used in this Agreement, the following terms shall have the meanings set forth below:

- "Acceptable Discount" has the meaning specified in Section 2.05(a)(iv)(D)(2).
- "Acceptable Prepayment Amount" has the meaning specified in Section 2.05(a)(iv)(D)(3).
- "Acceptance and Prepayment Notice" means a notice of the Borrower's acceptance of the Acceptable Discount in substantially the form of Exhibit P.
 - "Acceptance Date" has the meaning specified in <a href="Section 2.05(a)(iv)(D)(2).
 - "Additional Asset Jurisdiction" means, collectively, Australia and Ireland.
- "Additional Cash" means an amount equal to (x) the cumulative amount of "net cash (used in) provided by operating activities" (or any term utilized by the Borrower and its Subsidiaries in their financial reporting with a similar meaning) minus (y) the cumulative amount of "net cash (used in) provided by investing activities" (expressed as a positive amount) (or any term utilized by the Borrower and its Subsidiaries in their financial reporting with a similar meaning), in each case of clauses (x) and (y), of the Borrower and its Subsidiaries as reported in the consolidated statement of cash flows in the financial

statements delivered pursuant to <u>Sections 6.01(a)</u>, (b) and (d) (or, at the option of the Borrower, delivered in connection with any Compliance Date) in accordance with GAAP, <u>minus</u> (z) the cumulative amount of any prepayments made pursuant to <u>Section 2.05(b)(i)</u>, in each case of clauses (x), (y) and (z), calculated, as one single period (the "**Additional Cash Cumulative Period**"), from the Closing Date until the end of the most recent reporting period for which financial statements have been delivered pursuant to <u>Sections 6.01(a)</u>, (b) or (d) (or, at the option of the Borrower, delivered in connection with any Compliance Date) on or prior to the date of the applicable voluntary prepayment being made; *provided* that in no event shall Additional Cash during any Additional Cash Cumulative Period equal an amount less than zero.

- "Additional Cash Cumulative Period" has the meaning specified in the definition of "Additional Cash".
- "Additional Lender" means, at any time, any bank, other financial institution or institutional investor that, in any case, is not an existing Lender and that agrees to provide any portion of any (a) New Term Commitment, New Term Loan, New Revolving Credit Commitments or New Revolving Credit Loan in accordance with Section 2.14, (b) Refinancing Term Loans or Refinancing Term Commitments in accordance with Section 2.15 or (c) Replacement Term Loans pursuant to Section 10.01; provided that each Additional Lender shall be subject to the approval of the Administrative Agent (such approval not to be unreasonably withheld or delayed), in each case to the extent any such consent would be required from the Administrative Agent under Section 10.07(b)(iii)(B) for an assignment of Loans to such Additional Lender, and the consent of the Borrower, to the extent required under Section 10.07(b)(iii)(A); provided further that no Additional Lender shall be a Disqualified Institution.
- "Adjusted Daily Simple SOFR" means an interest rate per annum equal to (a) the Daily Simple SOFR, plus (b) 0.11448% per annum; provided that, if the Adjusted Daily Simple SOFR as so determined would be less than the Floor, such rate shall be deemed to be equal to the Floor for the purposes of this Agreement.
 - "Adjusted December Liquidity Metric" has the meaning specified in Section 7.11(c).
- "Adjusted Term SOFR Rate" means, for purposes of any calculation, the rate per annum equal to (a) Term SOFR for such Interest Period <u>plus</u> (b) the Term SOFR Adjustment; *provided* that if Adjusted Term SOFR Rate as so determined shall ever be less than the Floor, then Adjusted Term SOFR Rate shall be deemed to be the Floor.
- "Administrative Agent" has the meaning specified in the introductory paragraph to this Agreement. Unless the context otherwise requires, the term "Administrative Agent" as used herein and in the other Loan Documents shall include the Collateral Agent.
- "Administrative Agent's Office" means, with respect to any currency, the Administrative Agent's address and, as appropriate, account as set forth on Schedule 10.02 with respect to such currency, or such other address or account with respect to such currency as the Administrative Agent may from time to time notify the Borrower and the Lenders.
 - "Administrative Questionnaire" means an Administrative Questionnaire in a form supplied by the Administrative Agent.
 - "Affected Financial Institution" means (a) any EEA Financial Institution or (b) any UK Financial Institution.

- "Affiliate" means, with respect to any Person, another Person that directly, or indirectly through one or more intermediaries, Controls or is Controlled by or is under common Control with the Person specified. "Control" means the possession, directly or indirectly, of the power to direct or cause the direction of the management or policies of a Person, whether through the ability to exercise voting power, by contract or otherwise. "Controls" and "Controlled" have meanings correlative thereto. For the avoidance of doubt, none of the Lead Arranger, the Agents or their respective lending Affiliates shall be deemed to be an Affiliate of the Borrower or any of its Subsidiaries.
- "Affiliated Lender" means, at any time, any Lender that is a Permitted Holder (other than the Borrower or any of its Subsidiaries) at such time.
 - "Affiliated Lender Cap" has the meaning specified in Section 10.07(h)(iii).
 - "Agent Parties" has the meaning specified in Section 10.02(d).
- "Agent-Related Distress Event" means with respect to the Administrative Agent or the Collateral Agent or any person that directly or indirectly controls the Administrative Agent or the Collateral Agent, as the case may be, (each, a "Distressed Agent-Related Person"), a voluntary or involuntary case with respect to such Distressed Agent-Related Person under any Debtor Relief Law, or a custodian, conservator, receiver or similar official is appointed for such Distressed Agent-Related Person or any substantial part of such Distressed Agent-Related Person's assets, or such Distressed Agent-Related Person makes a general assignment for the benefit of creditors or is otherwise adjudicated as, or determined by any Governmental Authority (having regulatory authority over such Distressed Agent-Related Person) to be, insolvent or bankrupt; provided that an Agent-Related Distress Event shall not be deemed to have occurred solely by virtue of the ownership or acquisition of any equity interests in the Administrative Agent or the Collateral Agent, as the case may be, by a Governmental Authority.
- "Agent-Related Persons" means the Agents, together with their respective Affiliates, and the officers, directors, employees, agents, attorney-in-fact, partners, trustees and advisors of such Persons and of such Persons' Affiliates.
 - "Agents" means, collectively, the Administrative Agent and the Collateral Agent.
 - "Aggregate Commitments" means the Commitments of all the Lenders.
 - "Agreement" means has the meaning specified in the introductory paragraph to this Agreement.
 - "Agreement Currency" has the meaning specified in Section 10.18.
- "AHYDO Catch-Up Payment" means any payment, including subordinated debt obligations, in each case to avoid the application of Section 163(e)(5) of the Code.
 - "Akin" means Akin Gump Strauss Hauer & Feld LLP.
- "All-In Yield" means, as to any Indebtedness, the effective yield thereof consistent with generally accepted financial practices, whether in the form of interest rate, margin, OID, upfront fees, a SOFR floor or Base Rate floor or otherwise; provided that OID and upfront fees shall be equated to interest rate assuming a 4-year average life to maturity (or, if less, the stated life to maturity at the time of incurrence of the applicable Indebtedness); and provided, further, that "All-In Yield" shall not include (x) in the case

of any (i) syndicated Indebtedness, (ii) Indebtedness in which there are two or more unaffiliated lenders holding such Indebtedness or (iii) Indebtedness in which the Borrower is required by this Agreement to first offer each Lender of Initial Term Loans the right to provide its pro rata portion of such Indebtedness on the same terms as offered to any other prospective lender and a Lender has declined, arrangement fees, commitment fees, structuring fees or underwriting or similar fees paid to arrangers or their affiliates for such Indebtedness (regardless of whether paid in whole or in part to any or all lenders under the applicable Indebtedness) or other fees that are not paid generally to all lenders of such Indebtedness, (y) bona fide ticking fees or unused line fees, it being understood, in each case, that whether such fee is bona fide is determined at the time the amount of such fee is agreed and (z) customary consent fees paid generally to consenting Lenders; *provided*, *further*, that any amendments to the margin on any Indebtedness that became effective subsequent to the date of the incurrence of such Indebtedness but on or prior to the time such All-In Yield is being calculated shall be included in such calculation.

"Annual Financial Statements" means the audited consolidated balance sheets of the Borrower and its Subsidiaries as of December 31, 2022 and the related consolidated statements of operations, stockholders' equity and cash flows for the Borrower and its Subsidiaries for the fiscal year then ended.

"Anti-Corruption Laws" has the meaning specified in Section 5.20(b).

"Anti-Money Laundering Laws" means the PATRIOT Act, Money Laundering Control Act of 1986 (18 U.S.C. §§ 1956-1957), the Bank Secrecy Act (31 U.S.C. §§5311-5332), the UK Proceeds of Crime Act 2002, and the UK Terrorism Act 2000 and all other U.S., UK and other applicable Laws concerning or relating to terrorist financing or money laundering, including know-your-customer (KYC) and financial recordkeeping and reporting requirements.

"Applicable Discount" has the meaning specified in Section 2.05(a)(iv)(C)(2).

"Applicable Indebtedness" has the meaning specified in the definition of "Weighted Average Life to Maturity".

"Applicable Rate" means a percentage per annum equal to:

(a) any time on or prior to June 30, 2025, with respect to Initial Term Loans, initially, (x) in the case of SOFR Rate Loans, 6.50% per annum or (y) in the case of Base Rate Loans, 5.50% per annum, *provided* that, the foregoing interest rate margin in respect of both SOFR Rate Loans and Base Rate Loans shall be increased (i) by 0.50% per annum on July 1, 2024 and (ii) by 1.00% per annum on and after January 1, 2025 (for a total increase of 1.50% per annum), if, in each case, the Outstanding Amount of Initial Term Loans on such date is in excess of \$125,000,000 (with continuing effect from such date regardless of the Outstanding Amount of Initial Term Loans at any time after such date of determination); and

(b) any time after June 30, 2025, with respect to Initial Term Loans (x) in the case of SOFR Rate Loans, 13.00% per annum or (y) in the case of Base Rate Loans, 12.00% per annum.

Notwithstanding the foregoing, the Applicable Rate in respect of Extended Term Loans of any Term Loan Extension Series, Refinancing Term Loans, New Term Commitments, New Term Loans, New Revolving Credit Commitments, New Revolving Credit Loans or Replacement Term Loans shall be the applicable percentages per annum provided pursuant to the applicable Extension Amendment, Refinancing Amendment, Incremental Amendment or amendment to this Agreement in respect of Replacement Term Loans, as the case may be. The Applicable Rate in respect of Extended Term Loans of

any Term Loan Extension Series, Refinancing Term Loans, New Term Commitments, New Term Loans, New Revolving Credit Commitments, New Revolving Credit Loans or Replacement Term Loans may be further adjusted as may be agreed by the relevant Lenders and the Borrower in connection with any Extension Amendment, Refinancing Amendment, Incremental Amendment or amendment to this Agreement in respect of Replacement Term Loans, as the case may be.

- "Appropriate Lender" means, at any time, with respect to Loans of any Class, the Lenders of such Class.
- "Approved Fund" means, with respect to any Lender, any Fund that is administered, advised or managed by (a) such Lender, (b) an Affiliate of such Lender or (c) an entity or an Affiliate of an entity that administers, advises or manages such Lender.
- "Assignee Group" means two or more Eligible Assignees that are Affiliates of one another or two or more Approved Funds managed by the same investment advisor.
- "Assignment and Assumption" means an Assignment and Assumption substantially in the form of <u>Exhibit E-1</u> or any other form approved by the Administrative Agent and the Borrower.
- "Attorney Costs" means all reasonable and documented in reasonable detail fees, expenses and disbursements of any law firm or other external legal counsel.
- "Attributable Indebtedness" means, on any date, in respect of any Capitalized Lease of any Person, the capitalized amount thereof that would appear on a balance sheet of such Person prepared as of such date in accordance with GAAP.
- "Auction Agent" means (a) the Administrative Agent or (b) any other financial institution or advisor employed by the Borrower (whether or not an Affiliate of the Administrative Agent) to act as an arranger in connection with any Discounted Loan Prepayment pursuant to Section 2.05(a) (iv); provided that the Borrower shall not designate the Administrative Agent as the Auction Agent without the prior written consent of the Administrative Agent (it being understood that the Administrative Agent shall be under no obligation to agree to act as the Auction Agent); provided, further, that neither the Borrower nor any of its Affiliates may act as the Auction Agent.
 - "Australia" means the Commonwealth of Australia.
 - "Australian Corporations Act" means the Corporations Act 2001 (Cth) of Australia.
- "Australian General Security Deed" means the General Security Deed, in form and substance reasonably satisfactory to the Collateral Agent, between the Collateral Agent and the Australian Loan Parties, as amended, restated amended and restated, supplemented or otherwise modified from the time to time.
 - "Australian Loan Party" means any Loan Party that is incorporated under the laws of Australia.
 - "Australian PPSA" means the Personal Property Securities Act 2009 (Cth) of Australia.
- "Australian PPSA Law" means (a) the Australian PPSA; (b) regulations made under the Australian PPSA; or (c) any amendments made at any time to any other legislation as a consequence of an Australian PPSA Law referred to in paragraphs (a) and (b) of this definition, including amendments to the Australian Corporations Act.

- "Australian Security Agreements" means the Australian General Security Deed, the Australian Specific Security Deed, the Australian Security Trust Deed, any other security agreement governed by the laws of Australia entered into after the date of this Agreement by any other Australian Loan Party as required by this Agreement or any other Loan Document or any other Person for the benefit of the Secured Parties.
- "Australian Security Trust Deed" means the Security Trust Deed, in form and substance reasonably satisfactory to the Collateral Agent, between the Borrower, each Australian Loan Party, the Administrative Agent and the Collateral Agent, as amended, restated amended and restated, supplemented or otherwise modified from the time to time.
- "Australian Specific Security Deed" means the Specific Security Deed, in form and substance reasonably satisfactory to the Collateral Agent, between the Borrower and the Collateral Agent, as amended, restated amended and restated, supplemented or otherwise modified from the time to time.
- "Available Debt Repayment Amount" means, solely after the Outstanding Amount of the Initial Term Loans is reduced to no greater than \$125,000,000, an amount equal to the sum of (i) 50% of the Net Cash Proceeds of the sale of Qualified Equity Interests of the Borrower or any Permitted Parent down-streamed as common equity (other than (1) issuances pursuant to employee stock plans, dividend reinvestment plans, other benefit or employee incentive arrangements, or issued as compensation to officers and/or non-employee directors or upon conversion or exercise of outstanding options or other equity awards and (2) issuances of directors' qualifying shares and/or other nominal amounts required to be held by persons other than the Borrower or its Subsidiaries under applicable Law) plus (ii) 100% of the Net Cash Proceeds of any Incremental Equivalent Debt (it being understood that any Net Cash Proceeds so received under clauses (i) and (ii) which are not used to repay Existing Term Loans under the Existing Credit Agreement shall be used to prepay the Initial Term Loans in accordance with Section 2.05(b)(iii)).
 - "Available Incremental Amount" means an aggregate principal amount not to exceed \$25,000,000.
- "Available Incremental Equivalent Debt Amount" means an aggregate principal amount of up to, (a) if such Incremental Equivalent Debt will (i) rank junior in right of security with the Term Loans, an unlimited amount of Incremental Equivalent Debt so long as at the time of incurrence of such amounts, the Total Net Senior Secured Leverage Ratio is less than or equal to 1.50:1.00 after giving Pro Forma Effect to any such incurrence, or (ii) be unsecured, an unlimited amount of Incremental Equivalent Debt so long as at the time of incurrence of such amounts, the Total Net Leverage Ratio is less than or equal to 2.25:1.00 after giving Pro Forma Effect to any such incurrence; provided that in the case of any single transaction that provides for the incurrence of Incremental Equivalent Debt under this clause (a) and clause (b) below, compliance with the Total Net Senior Secured Leverage Ratio or Total Net Leverage Ratio, as applicable, shall be determined for purposes of this clause (a) by giving the single transaction Pro Forma Effect but excluding in such determination of the Total Net Senior Secured Leverage Ratio or Total Net Leverage Ratio, as applicable, the aggregate amount of Indebtedness (and deemed Indebtedness) incurred in reliance on clause (b) below, plus (b)(i) the amount of any optional prepayment of any Term Loan in accordance with Section 2.05(a), (ii) the amount of any permanent reduction of any New Revolving Credit Commitments and (iii) the amount of any optional prepayment, redemption or repurchase of any Permitted Pari Passu Secured Refinancing Debt; provided further that for each of clauses (i), (ii) and (iii), the relevant prepayment, redemption, repurchase, assignment, reduction and/or purchase was not funded with the proceeds of any long-term Indebtedness (other than (except if revolving Indebtedness) is used to replace revolving Indebtedness) revolving Indebtedness).

"Available Tenor" means, as of any date of determination and with respect to the then-current Benchmark, as applicable, any tenor for such Benchmark (or component thereof) or payment period for interest calculated with reference to such Benchmark (or component thereof), as applicable, that is or may be used for determining the length of an interest period for any term rate or otherwise, for determining any frequency of making payments of interest calculated pursuant to this Agreement as of such date and not including, for the avoidance of doubt, any tenor for such Benchmark that is then-removed from the definition of "Interest Period" pursuant to Section 2.20(d).

"Bail-In Action" means the exercise of any Write-Down and Conversion Powers by the applicable Resolution Authority in respect of any liability of an Affected Financial Institution.

"Bail-In Legislation" means (a) with respect to any EEA Member Country implementing Article 55 of Directive 2014/59/EU of the European Parliament and of the Council of the European Union, the implementing law, regulation, rule or requirement for such EEA Member Country from time to time that is described in the EU Bail-In Legislation Schedule and (b) with respect to the United Kingdom, Part I of the United Kingdom Banking Act 2009 (as amended from time to time) and any other law, regulation or rule applicable in the United Kingdom relating to the resolution of unsound or failing banks, investment firms or other financial institutions or their affiliates (other than through liquidation, administration or other insolvency proceedings).

"Base Rate" means the highest of (a) the rate of interest last quoted by The Wall Street Journal in the U.S. as the prime rate in effect or, if The Wall Street Journal ceases to quote such rate, the highest per annum interest rate published by the FRB in Federal Reserve Statistical Release H.15 (519) (Selected Interest Rates) as the "bank prime loan" rate or, if such rate is no longer quoted therein, any similar rate quoted therein (as determined by the Administrative Agent) or any similar release by the FRB (as determined by the Administrative Agent) (the "Prime Rate"), (b) the NYFRB Rate in effect on such date plus 0.50% and (c) the Adjusted Term SOFR Rate applicable for an interest period of one month as published two U.S. Government Securities Business Days prior to such day (or if such day is not a U.S. Government Securities Business Day, the immediately preceding U.S. Government Securities Business Day) plus 1.00%; provided that, for the purpose of this definition, the Adjusted Term SOFR Rate for any day shall be based on the Term SOFR Reference Rate at approximately 5:00 a.m. Chicago time on such day (or any amended publication time for the Term SOFR Reference Rate, as specified by the CME Term SOFR Administrator in the Term SOFR Reference Rate methodology). Any change in the Base Rate due to a change in the Prime Rate, the NYFRB Rate or the Adjusted Term SOFR Rate shall be effective from and including the effective date of such change in the Prime Rate, the NYFRB Rate or the Adjusted Term SOFR Rate, respectively. If the Base Rate is being used as an alternate rate of interest pursuant to Section 2.20 (for the avoidance of doubt, only until the Benchmark Replacement has been determined pursuant to Section 2.20(a)), then the Base Rate shall be the greater of clauses (a) and (b) above and shall be determined without reference to clause (c) above. For the avoidance of doubt, if the Base Rate as so determined shall ever be less than the 3.0% per annum, then Base Rate shall be deemed to be 3.0% per annum.

"Base Rate Loan" means a Loan that bears interest based on the Base Rate.

"Benchmark" means, initially, the Adjusted Term SOFR Rate; *provided* that if a Benchmark Transition Event and the related Benchmark Replacement Date has occurred with respect to the Adjusted Term SOFR Rate or the then-current Benchmark, then "Benchmark" means the applicable Benchmark Replacement to the extent that such Benchmark Replacement has replaced such prior benchmark rate pursuant to <u>Section 2.20(a)</u>.

"Benchmark Replacement" means, with respect to any Benchmark Transition Event, the first alternative set forth in the order below that can be determined by the Administrative Agent for the applicable Benchmark Replacement Date:

- (1) the Adjusted Daily Simple SOFR; or
- (2) the sum of: (a) the alternate benchmark rate that has been selected by the Administrative Agent and the Borrower for the then-current Benchmark for the applicable Corresponding Tenor giving due consideration to (i) any selection or recommendation of a replacement benchmark rate or the mechanism for determining such a rate by the Relevant Governmental Body or (ii) any evolving or then-prevailing market convention for determining a benchmark rate as a replacement to the then-current Benchmark for Dollar-denominated syndicated credit facilities in the United States at such time and (b) the related Benchmark Replacement Adjustment;

provided that, if such Benchmark Replacement as so determined would be less than the Floor, such Benchmark Replacement will be deemed to be the Floor for the purposes of this Agreement and the other Loan Documents.

"Benchmark Replacement Adjustment" means, with respect to any replacement of the then-current Benchmark with an Unadjusted Benchmark Replacement for any applicable Interest Period and Available Tenor for any setting of such Unadjusted Benchmark Replacement, the spread adjustment, or method for calculating or determining such spread adjustment, (which may be a positive or negative value or zero) that has been selected by the Administrative Agent and the Borrower for the applicable Corresponding Tenor giving due consideration to (a) any selection or recommendation of a spread adjustment, or method for calculating or determining such spread adjustment, for the replacement of such Benchmark with the applicable Unadjusted Benchmark Replacement Date and/or (b) any evolving or then-prevailing market convention for determining a spread adjustment, or method for calculating or determining such spread adjustment, for the replacement of such Benchmark with the applicable Unadjusted Benchmark Replacement for Dollar-denominated syndicated credit facilities in the United States at such time.

"Benchmark Replacement Date" means a date and time determined by the Administrative Agent, which date shall be no later than the earliest to occur of the following events with respect to the then-current Benchmark:

- (a) in the case of clause (a) or (b) of the definition of "Benchmark Transition Event," the later of (i) the date of the public statement or publication of information referenced therein and (ii) the date on which the administrator of such Benchmark (or the published component used in the calculation thereof) permanently or indefinitely ceases to provide such Benchmark (or such component thereof) or, if such Benchmark is a term rate, all Available Tenors of such Benchmark (or such component thereof); or
- (b) in the case of clause (c) of the definition of "Benchmark Transition Event," the first date on which such Benchmark (or the published component used in the calculation thereof) has been or, if such Benchmark is a term rate, all Available Tenors of such Benchmark (or such component thereof) have been determined and announced by the regulatory supervisor for the administrator of such Benchmark (or such component thereof) to be non-representative; *provided* that such non-representativeness will be determined by reference to the most recent statement or publication referenced in such clause (c) and even if such Benchmark (or such component thereof) or, if such Benchmark is a term rate, any Available Tenor of such Benchmark (or such component thereof) continues to be provided on such date.

For the avoidance of doubt, (i) if the event giving rise to the Benchmark Replacement Date occurs on the same day as, but earlier than, the reference time in respect of any determination, the Benchmark Replacement Date will be deemed to have occurred prior to the reference time for such determination and (ii) if such Benchmark is a term rate, the "Benchmark Replacement Date" will be deemed to have occurred in the case of clause (a) or (b) with respect to any Benchmark upon the occurrence of the applicable event or events set forth therein with respect to all then-current Available Tenors of such Benchmark (or the published component used in the calculation thereof).

"Benchmark Transition Event" means the occurrence of one or more of the following events with respect to the then-current Benchmark:

- (a) a public statement or publication of information by or on behalf of the administrator of such Benchmark (or the published component used in the calculation thereof) announcing that such administrator has ceased or will cease to provide such Benchmark (or such component thereof) or, if such Benchmark is a term rate, all Available Tenors of such Benchmark (or such component thereof), permanently or indefinitely; *provided* that, at the time of such statement or publication, there is no successor administrator that will continue to provide such Benchmark (or such component thereof) or, if such Benchmark is a term rate, any Available Tenor of such Benchmark (or such component thereof);
- (b) a public statement or publication of information by the regulatory supervisor for the administrator of such Benchmark (or the published component used in the calculation thereof), the FRB, the NYFRB, the CME Term SOFR Administrator, an insolvency official with jurisdiction over the administrator for such Benchmark (or such component), a resolution authority with jurisdiction over the administrator for such Benchmark (or such component) or a court or an entity with similar insolvency or resolution authority over the administrator for such Benchmark (or such component), which states that the administrator of such Benchmark (or such component) has ceased or will cease to provide such Benchmark (or such component thereof) or, if such Benchmark is a term rate, all Available Tenors of such Benchmark (or such component thereof) permanently or indefinitely; provided that, at the time of such statement or publication, there is no successor administrator that will continue to provide such Benchmark (or such component thereof) or, if such Benchmark is a term rate, any Available Tenor of such Benchmark (or such component thereof); or
- (c) a public statement or publication of information by the regulatory supervisor for the administrator of such Benchmark (or the published component used in the calculation thereof) announcing that such Benchmark (or such component thereof) or, if such Benchmark is a term rate, all Available Tenors of such Benchmark (or such component thereof) are not, or as of a specified future date will not be, representative.

For the avoidance of doubt, if such Benchmark is a term rate, a "Benchmark Transition Event" will be deemed to have occurred with respect to any Benchmark if a public statement or publication of information set forth above has occurred with respect to each then-current Available Tenor of such Benchmark (or the published component used in the calculation thereof).

"Benchmark Unavailability Period" means, with respect to any Benchmark, the period (if any) (a) beginning at the time that a Benchmark Replacement Date has occurred if, at such time, no Benchmark Replacement has replaced the then-current Benchmark for all purposes hereunder and under any Loan Document in accordance with Section 2.20 and (b) ending at the time that a Benchmark Replacement has replaced the then-current Benchmark for all purposes hereunder and under any Loan Document in accordance with Section 2.20.

"Beneficial Ownership Certification" means a certification regarding beneficial ownership or control as required by the Beneficial Ownership Regulation.

"Beneficial Ownership Regulation" means 31 C.F.R. § 1010.230.

"Benefit Plan" means any of (a) an "employee benefit plan" (as defined in Section 3(3) of ERISA) that is subject to Title I of ERISA, (b) a "plan" as defined in Section 4975 of the Code to which Section 4975 of the Code applies, and (c) any Person whose assets include (for purposes of the Plan Asset Regulations or otherwise for purposes of Title I of ERISA or Section 4975 of the Code) the assets of any such "employee benefit plan" or "plan".

"BHC Act Affiliate" of a party means an "affiliate" (as such term is defined under, and interpreted in accordance with, 12 U.S.C. 1841(k)) of such party.

"Board Observation Rights Letter" means that certain lender observation rights letter delivered by the Borrower to the Administrative Agent on the Closing Date, in form and substance reasonably satisfactory to the Required Lenders.

"Bookrunner" means JPMorgan Chase Bank, N.A. in its capacity as bookrunner under this Agreement.

"Borrower" has the meaning specified in the introductory paragraph to this Agreement.

"Borrower Materials" has the meaning specified in the last paragraph of Section 6.02.

"Borrower Offer of Specified Discount Prepayment" means the offer by the Borrower to make a voluntary prepayment of Term Loans at a specified discount to par pursuant to Section 2.05(a)(iv)(B).

"Borrower Parties" means the collective reference to the Borrower and its Subsidiaries, and "Borrower Party" means any one of them.

"Borrower Solicitation of Discount Range Prepayment Offers" means the solicitation by the Borrower of offers for, and the corresponding acceptance by a Lender of, a voluntary prepayment of Term Loans at a specified range of discounts to par pursuant to Section 2.05(a)(iv) (C).

"Borrower Solicitation of Discounted Prepayment Offers" means the solicitation by the Borrower of offers for, and the subsequent acceptance, if any, by a Lender of, a voluntary prepayment of Term Loans at a discount to par pursuant to Section 2.05(a)(iv)(D).

"Borrowing" means (a) a borrowing consisting of simultaneous Term Loans of the same Type and currency and, in the case of SOFR Rate Loans, having the same Interest Period made by each of the Term Lenders pursuant to Section 2.01, (b) the making of a New Term Loan or New Revolving Credit Loans by a Lender or an Additional Lender to the Borrower pursuant to Section 2.14 and the applicable Incremental Amendment, (c) the making of a Refinancing Term Loan by a Lender or an Additional Lender to the Borrower pursuant to Section 2.15 and the applicable Refinancing Amendment, (d) the making of an Extended Term Loan of a given Term Loan Extension Series by a Lender to the Borrower pursuant to Section 2.17 and the applicable Corrective Term Loan Extension Amendment and (e) the making of a Replacement Term Loan by a Lender or an Additional Lender to the Borrower pursuant to Section 10.01(B)(c) and the applicable amendment to this Agreement in respect of such Replacement Term Loan.

"Business Day" means any day (other than a Saturday or Sunday) on which banks are open in, New York, New York; provided that, in addition to the foregoing, a Business Day shall be any such day that is a U.S. Government Securities Business Day in relation to Loans referencing the Adjusted Term SOFR Rate (or the Adjusted Daily Simple SOFR) and any interest rate settings, fundings, disbursements, settlements or payments of any such Loans referencing the Adjusted Term SOFR Rate (or the Adjusted Daily Simple SOFR) or any other dealings of such Loans referencing the Adjusted Term SOFR Rate (or the Adjusted Daily Simple SOFR).

"Capital Expenditures" means, for any period, the aggregate of all expenditures (whether paid in cash or accrued as liabilities and including in all events all amounts expended or capitalized under Capitalized Leases) by the Borrower and the Subsidiaries during such period that, in conformity with GAAP, are or are required to be included as capital expenditures on the consolidated statement of cash flows of the Borrower and the Subsidiaries.

"Capitalized Lease Obligation" means, at the time any determination thereof is to be made, the amount of the liability in respect of a Capitalized Lease that would at such time be required to be capitalized and reflected as a liability on a balance sheet (excluding the footnotes thereto) prepared in accordance with GAAP.

"Capitalized Leases" means all leases that have been or are required to be, in accordance with GAAP, recorded as capitalized leases; provided that for all purposes hereunder the amount of obligations under any Capitalized Lease shall be the amount thereof accounted for as a liability in accordance with GAAP; provided further that any lease that would be characterized as an operating lease in accordance with GAAP on December 31, 2015 (whether or not such operating lease was in effect on such date) shall continue to be accounted for as an operating lease (and not as a Capitalized Lease) for purposes of this Agreement regardless of any change in GAAP following such date that would otherwise require such lease to be recharacterized (on a prospective or retroactive basis or otherwise) as a Capitalized Lease.

"Capitalized Software Expenditures" means, for any period, the aggregate of all expenditures (whether paid in cash or accrued as liabilities) by the Borrower and the Subsidiaries during such period in respect of purchased software or internally developed software and software enhancements that, in conformity with GAAP, are or are required to be reflected as capitalized costs on the consolidated balance sheet (excluding the footnotes thereto) of the Borrower and the Subsidiaries.

"Captive Insurance Subsidiary" means any Subsidiary of the Borrower that is subject to regulation as an insurance company (or any Subsidiary thereof).

"Cash Collateral Account" means an account of the Borrower held at, and subject to the sole dominion and control of, the Collateral Agent.

"Cash Equivalents" means any of the following types of Investments, to the extent owned by the Borrower or any Subsidiary:

- (a) Dollars;
- (b) (i) Euros or (ii) any other foreign currency held by the Borrower or any of the Subsidiaries in the ordinary course of business;
- (c) readily marketable direct obligations issued or directly and fully guaranteed or insured by the United States government or any agency or instrumentality thereof the securities of which are unconditionally guaranteed as a full faith and credit obligation of such government with maturities of 24 months or less from the date of acquisition;

- (d) certificates of deposit, time deposits and eurodollar time deposits with maturities of one year or less from the date of acquisition, demand deposits, bankers' acceptances with maturities not exceeding one year and overnight bank deposits, in each case with any domestic or foreign commercial bank having capital and surplus of not less than \$500,000,000 for U.S. banks (or the Dollar equivalent as of the date of determination in the case of any non-U.S. banks) in the case of non-U.S. banks;
- (e) repurchase obligations for underlying securities of the types described in <u>clauses (c)</u> and <u>(d)</u> above or <u>clause (g)</u> below entered into with any financial institution meeting the qualifications specified in <u>clause (d)</u> above;
- (f) commercial paper rated at least P-2 by Moody's or at least A-2 by S&P (or, if at any time neither Moody's nor S&P shall be rating such obligations, an equivalent rating from another nationally recognized statistical rating agency) and in each case maturing within 12 months after the date of creation thereof;
- (g) marketable short-term money market and similar highly liquid funds having a rating of at least P-2 or A-2 from either Moody's or S&P, respectively (or, if at any time neither Moody's nor S&P shall be rating such obligations, an equivalent rating from another nationally recognized statistical rating agency);
- (h) readily marketable direct obligations issued or directly and fully guaranteed or insured by any state, commonwealth or territory of the United States or any political subdivision or taxing authority thereof having an Investment Grade Rating from either Moody's or S&P (or, if at any time neither Moody's nor S&P shall be rating such obligations, an equivalent rating from another nationally recognized statistical rating agency) with maturities of 24 months or less from the date of acquisition;
- (i) Investments with average maturities of 12 months or less from the date of acquisition in money market funds rated AAA- (or the equivalent thereof) or better by S&P or Aaa3 (or the equivalent thereof) or better by Moody's (or, if at any time neither Moody's nor S&P shall be rating such obligations, an equivalent rating from another nationally recognized statistical rating agency);
 - (j) investment funds investing substantially all of their assets in securities of the types described in clauses (a) through (i) above; and
- (k) solely with respect to any Captive Insurance Subsidiary, any investment that a Captive Insurance Subsidiary is not prohibited to make in accordance with applicable Laws.

In the case of Investments by the Borrower or any Subsidiary that is a Subsidiary or Investments made in a country outside the United States, Cash Equivalents shall also include (i) investments of the type and maturity described in <u>clauses (a)</u> through (j) above of obligors, which Investments or obligors, if required under such clauses, have the ratings described in such clauses or equivalent ratings from comparable foreign rating agencies and (ii) other short-term investments utilized by the Borrower or Subsidiaries that are Subsidiaries in accordance with normal investment practices for cash management in investments analogous to the foregoing investments described in <u>clauses (a)</u> through (j) and in this paragraph.

"Cash Management Bank" means any Person that is an Agent, a Lender, the Lead Arranger or an Affiliate of any of the foregoing at the time it initially provides any Cash Management Services pursuant to a Secured Cash Management Agreement (or, in the case of Secured Cash Management Agreements existing on the Closing Date, on the Closing Date), whether or not such Person subsequently ceases to be an Agent, a Lender, the Lead Arranger or an Affiliate of any of the foregoing.

"Cash Management Obligations" means obligations owed by the Borrower or any Subsidiary in respect of or in connection with any Cash Management Services.

"Cash Management Services" means any agreement or arrangement to provide cash management services, including treasury, depository, overdraft, credit card processing, credit or debit card, purchase card, electronic funds transfer, ACH transactions and other cash management arrangements.

"Casualty Event" means any event that gives rise to the receipt by the Borrower or any Subsidiary of any insurance proceeds or condemnation awards in respect of any equipment, fixed assets or real property (including any improvements thereon) to replace or repair such equipment, fixed assets or real property.

"Change in Law" means the occurrence, after the date of this Agreement, of any of the following: (a) the adoption or taking effect of any law, rule, regulation or treaty, (b) any change in any law, rule, regulation or treaty or in the administration, interpretation or application thereof by any Governmental Authority or (c) the making or issuance of any request, guideline or directive (whether or not having the force of law) by any Governmental Authority; provided, that notwithstanding anything herein to the contrary, (x) the Dodd-Frank Wall Street Reform and Consumer Protection Act (Pub.L. 111-203, H.R. 4173) and all requests, rules, guidelines, regulations, requirements, interpretations or directives thereunder or issued in connection therewith or in implementation thereof and (y) all requests, rules, guidelines, regulations, requirements, interpretations or directives promulgated by the Bank for International Settlements, the Basel Committee on Banking Supervision (or any successor or similar authority) or the United States or foreign regulatory authorities, in each case pursuant to Basel III, shall in each case be deemed to be a "Change in Law," regardless of the date enacted, adopted, issued or implemented.

"Change of Control" means (a) at any time after the Closing Date (1) any Person (other than a Permitted Holder) or (2) Persons (other than one or more Permitted Holders) constituting a "group" (as such term is used in Section 13(d) and Section 14(d) of the Exchange Act, but excluding any employee benefit plan of such Person and its Subsidiaries, and any Person or entity acting in its capacity as trustee, agent or other fiduciary or administrator of any such plan), becomes the "beneficial owner" (as defined in Rules 13(d)-3 and 13(d)-5 under the Exchange Act), directly or indirectly, of Equity Interests representing more than forty percent (40%) of the aggregate ordinary voting power represented by the issued and outstanding Equity Interests of the Borrower (or, in case a Permitted Parent is formed, of the Permitted Parent in lieu of the Borrower) and the percentage of aggregate ordinary voting power represented by the issued and outstanding Equity Interests of the Borrower (or, in case a Permitted Parent is formed, of the Permitted Parent in lieu of the Borrower) beneficially owned, directly or indirectly, in the aggregate by the Permitted Holders, unless the Permitted Holders have, at such time, the right or the ability by voting power, contract or otherwise to elect or designate for election directors entitled to cast the majority of votes on the board of directors of the Borrower (or, in case a Permitted Parent in lieu of the Borrower); or

(b) in the case a Permitted Parent is formed, if the Borrower ceases to be a direct or indirect wholly owned subsidiary of such Permitted Parent;

provided that, notwithstanding anything contained herein to the contrary, the acquisition by a Permitted Parent of 100% of the issued and outstanding Equity Interests of the Borrower shall not constitute a "Change of Control."

"Claims" has the meaning specified in the definition of "Environmental Claim."

"Class" when used in reference to (a) any Loan or Borrowing, refers to whether such Loan, or the Loans comprising such Borrowing, are Initial Term Loans, New Term Loans, New Revolving Credit Loans, Refinancing Term Loans, Extended Term Loans, or Replacement Term Loans, (b) any Commitment, refers to whether such Commitment is a Commitment in respect of Initial Term Commitments or a Commitment in respect of a Class of Loans to be made pursuant to an Incremental Amendment, a Refinancing Amendment, an Extension Amendment, Corrective Term Loan Extension Amendment or an amendment to this Agreement in respect of Replacement Term Loans and (c) any Lender, refers to whether such Lender has a Loan or Commitment with respect to a particular Class of Loans or Commitments and includes Term Lenders with Initial Term Loans, Refinancing Term Lenders with Refinancing Term Commitments or Refinancing Term Loans, Extending Term Lenders for a given Term Loan Extension Series of Extended Term Commitments or Extended Term Loans, New Term Lenders with New Term Commitments or New Revolving Credit Lenders with New Revolving Credit Commitments or New Revolving Credit Loans, Refinancing Term Loans, New Term Loans, New Term Loans, New Revolving Credit Commitments, New Revolving Credit Loans, Extended Term Commitments, Extended Term Loans, commitments in respect of Replacement Term Loans and Replacement Term Loans that have different terms and conditions shall be construed to be in different Classes.

"Closing Date" means the first date on which all the conditions precedent in <u>Section 4.01</u> are satisfied or waived in accordance with Section 10.01.

"Closing Date Prepayment" has the meaning specified in the last paragraph of Section 2.05(c).

"CME Term SOFR Administrator" means CME Group Benchmark Administration Limited as administrator of the forward-looking term Secured Overnight Financing Rate (SOFR) (or a successor administrator).

"Code" means the U.S. Internal Revenue Code of 1986, as amended.

"Collateral" means all the "Collateral" (or equivalent term) as defined in any Collateral Document.

"Collateral Agent" has the meaning specified in the introductory paragraph to this Agreement.

"Collateral and Guarantee Requirement" means, at any time, the requirement that:

- (a) the Collateral Agent shall have received each Collateral Document required to be delivered (i) on the Closing Date pursuant to Section 4.01(a)(vi) or (ii) on such other dates as required pursuant to the Collateral Documents, Section 6.11 or Section 6.13, subject, in each case, to the limitations and exceptions of this Agreement and the Collateral Documents duly executed by each Loan Party party thereto;
- (b) all Obligations (other than, with respect to any Guarantor, any Excluded Swap Obligations of such Guarantor) shall have been unconditionally guaranteed by each Subsidiary of the Borrower that is not an Excluded Subsidiary (each, a "Guarantor");

(c) the Obligations of each Loan Party shall have been secured by a first-priority security interest (subject to non-consensual Liens permitted by Section 7.01 and other Liens permitted pursuant to Section 7.01(i)(ii), (m)(ii), (m)(ii), (n), (o), (p), (z), (bb), (cc) (which shall be pari passu Liens to the extent secured by the Collateral), (ff) (but solely in the case of Liens permitted by clause (i)(ii), (n), (p), (oo) or (pp) of Section 7.01), (gg), (jj), (oo) and (pp)) in all Equity Interests of each Loan Party directly owned by any other Loan Party and each Subsidiary of a Loan Party that is a wholly-owned Subsidiary (other than a Subsidiary that is a not-for-profit organization, a Captive Insurance Subsidiary or a special purpose entity for a securitization transaction or a similar special purpose);

(d) except to the extent otherwise provided hereunder or under any Collateral Document, including subject to Liens permitted by Section 7.01 or under any Collateral Document, the Obligations shall have been secured by a valid and perfected security interest in substantially all tangible and intangible assets of each Loan Party (including accounts receivable, inventory, equipment, investment property, contract rights, intellectual property, other general intangibles, mortgages on Material Real Property and proceeds of the foregoing), in each case, with the priority required by the Collateral Documents (to the extent such security interests may be perfected by delivering certificated securities and Material Debt Instruments, filing financing statements under the Uniform Commercial Code or Australian PPSA, making any necessary filings with the United States Patent and Trademark Office or United States Copyright Office or by taking any other action required by the terms of any Collateral Document); and

(e) the Collateral Agent shall have received counterparts of a Mortgage and other documentation required to be delivered, with respect to each Material Real Property, if any, pursuant to <u>Sections 6.11</u> and <u>6.13</u>,

The foregoing definition shall not require, and the Loan Documents shall not contain any requirements as to, the creation or perfection of pledges of or security interests in, Mortgages on, or the obtaining of title insurance, surveys, abstracts or appraisals or taking other actions with respect to, any Excluded Assets. The Collateral Agent may, in its sole discretion, grant extensions of time for the perfection of security interests in or the delivery of the Mortgages and the obtaining of title insurance, surveys, abstracts and appraisals with respect to particular assets and the delivery of assets (including extensions beyond the Closing Date for the perfection of security interests in the assets of the Loan Parties on such date) where it reasonably determines, in consultation with the Borrower, that perfection cannot be accomplished without undue effort or expense by the time or times at which it would otherwise be required by this Agreement or the Collateral Documents.

Notwithstanding anything to the contrary, there shall be no requirement for (and no Default under the Loan Documents shall arise out of the lack of) (A) actions in, or required by the Laws of, any non-U.S. jurisdiction (other than an Additional Asset Jurisdiction) in order to create, perfect or maintain any security interests in any assets (including any intellectual property registered in any non-U.S. jurisdiction and all real property located outside the United States) (it being understood that there shall be no security agreements, pledge agreements or similar security documents governed by the Laws of any non-U.S. jurisdiction (other than an Additional Asset Jurisdiction)) and (B) actions required to be taken to perfect by "control" with respect to any Collateral (other than delivery of (x) certificated securities required to be pledged in accordance with <u>clause (c)</u> of this definition, (y) Material Debt Instruments and (z) subject to <u>Section 6.16</u>, control agreements or similar agreements in respect of any deposit accounts, securities accounts, commodities accounts or other bank accounts (other than any Excluded Account)).

The Collateral and Guarantee Requirement embodies recognition by all parties that there may be certain legal and practical difficulties in obtaining legally valid, binding and enforceable guarantees and security interests from the Loan Parties and their Subsidiaries. In determining whether any guarantee shall be given or security shall be created and/or perfected, the following matters will be taken into account (it being understood and agreed that the following matters shall not restrict Subsidiaries, existing on the Closing Date, that are incorporated under the laws of Australia from entering into, or acceding to, the Guaranty (or any supplement thereto) and such other documents listed on <u>Schedule 1.01B</u> and <u>Schedule 6.16</u>, or contemplated thereby, that such Subsidiaries are required to enter into, or accede to, following the Closing Date):

(i) general statutory limitations, financial assistance, fiduciary duties, corporate benefit, fraudulent preference, "thin capitalization" rules, "earnings stripping", "controlled foreign corporation" rules, capital maintenance rules and analogous principles may require that any guarantee be limited to a certain amount; provided that (a) reasonable endeavors to overcome such obstacle or restriction shall be used by any such affected Loan Party and (b) to the extent that general statutory limitations, financial assistance, fiduciary duties, corporate benefit, fraudulent preference, "thin capitalization" rules, "earnings stripping", "controlled foreign corporation" rules, capital maintenance rules and analogous principles referred to above require that the guarantee or security interest be limited by an amount or otherwise in order to make such guarantee or security interest legal, valid, binding or enforceable or to avoid a Loan Party or its Subsidiaries from breaching any applicable law or otherwise in order to avoid personal liability of the officers of any such Person, the limit shall be no more than the limit required by those rules or principles;

(ii) registration of any security interest created under any Collateral Document and other legal formalities and perfection steps, if required under applicable law or regulation or where customary or consistent with market practice (and where requirements in respect of legal formalities and perfection steps for particular classes of assets are specified in these Collateral and Guarantee Requirements, such requirements shall be considered to be customary or consistent with market practice), will be completed by each Loan Party as soon as reasonably practicable in line with applicable market practice after that security interest is granted and, in any event, within the time periods specified in that Collateral Document or within the time periods specified by applicable law or regulation (to the extent that if registration is made after the time period specified by applicable law or regulation, the security interest will not be perfected or enforceable), in order to ensure due perfection and enforceability of the Guarantees and/or the security interest created (or purported) to be created by the relevant Collateral Document.

The Collateral Agent in its sole discretion may grant extensions of time for the provision or perfection of security interests in, or the obtaining of Mortgages (or any associated deliverables) with respect to, particular assets (including extensions beyond the Closing Date or the timeframe otherwise required by this Agreement for the perfection of security interests in the assets of the Loan Parties on such date) where it reasonably determines, in consultation with Borrower, that provision or perfection cannot be accomplished without undue effort or expense by the time or times at which it would otherwise be required by this Agreement or the Collateral Documents.

"Collateral Documents" means, collectively, the Superpriority Intercreditor Agreement, Pari Passu Intercreditor Agreement (if any), any other intercreditor agreement entered into in connection herewith, the Security Agreement, the Intellectual Property Security Agreements, Security Agreements, the Mortgages, any Control Agreement, the Australian Security Agreements, the Irish Debenture, each of the mortgages, debentures, charges, collateral assignments, security agreements, pledge agreements or other similar agreements delivered to the Agents and the Lenders pursuant to this Agreement and each of the other agreements, instruments or documents executed by a Loan Party that creates or purports to create a Lien or Guarantee in favor of the Collateral Agent for the benefit of the Secured Parties.

"Commitment" means, as to each Lender, its obligation to make a Loan to the Borrower, expressed as an amount representing the maximum principal amount of the Loan to be made by such Lender under this Agreement, as such commitment may be (a) reduced from time to time pursuant to Section 2.06 and (b) reduced or increased from time to time pursuant to (i) assignments by or to such Lender pursuant to an Assignment and Assumption, (ii) an Incremental Amendment, (iii) a Refinancing Amendment, (iv) an Extension Amendment, (v) an amendment to this Agreement in respect of Replacement Term Loans, or

(vi) and/or any Class of New Revolving Credit Commitment effected pursuant to Section 2.14, as the context may require. The amount of each Lender's Initial Term Commitment is set forth on Schedule 2.01 under the caption "Initial Term Commitment;" and the amount of each Lender's other Commitments shall be as set forth in the Assignment and Assumption, Incremental Amendment, Refinancing Amendment or amendment to this Agreement in respect of Replacement Term Loans pursuant to which such Lender shall have assumed its Commitment, as the case may be, as such amounts may be adjusted from time to time in accordance with this Agreement.

"Compensation Period" has the meaning specified in Section 2.12(c)(ii).

"Compliance Certificate" means a certificate substantially in the form of Exhibit C and which certificate shall in any event be a certificate of a Responsible Officer of the Borrower (a) certifying as to whether a Default has occurred and is continuing and, if applicable, specifying the details thereof and any action taken or proposed to be taken with respect thereto, (b) setting forth reasonably detailed calculations, in the case of financial statements delivered under Section 6.01(a), beginning with the financial statements for the fiscal year of the Borrower ending December 31, 2023, of Excess Cash Flow for such fiscal year and (c) in the case of financial statements delivered under Section 6.01(a), setting forth a reasonably detailed calculation of the Net Cash Proceeds received during the applicable period by or on behalf of, the Borrower or any of its Subsidiaries in respect of any Disposition subject to prepayment pursuant to Section 2.05(b)(ii)(A) and the portion of such Net Cash Proceeds that has been invested or is intended to be reinvested in accordance with Section 2.05(b)(ii)(B).

"Compliance Date" means each of the Monthly Compliance Date, November 15, 2023 and December 10, 2023.

"Conforming Changes" means, with respect to either the use or administration of Term SOFR or the use, administration, adoption or implementation of any Benchmark Replacement, any technical, administrative or operational changes (including changes to the definition of "Base Rate," the definition of "Business Day," the definition of "U.S. Government Securities Business Day," the definition of "Interest Period" or any similar or analogous definition (or the addition of a concept of "interest period"), timing and frequency of determining rates and making payments of interest, timing of borrowing requests or prepayment, conversion or continuation notices, the applicability and length of lookback periods, the applicability of Section 3.05 and other technical, administrative or operational matters) that the Administrative Agent, in consultation with the Borrower, decides may be appropriate to reflect the adoption and implementation of any such rate or to permit the use and administration thereof by the Administrative Agent in a manner substantially consistent with market practice (or, if the Administrative Agent decides that adoption of any portion of such market practice is not administratively feasible or if the Administrative Agent, in consultation with the Borrower, determines that no market practice for the administration of any such rate exists, in such other manner of administration as the Administrative Agent decides is reasonably necessary in connection with the administration of this Agreement and the other Loan Documents).

"Consolidated Current Assets" means, as of any date of determination, the total assets of the Borrower and the Subsidiaries on a consolidated basis that may properly be classified as current assets in conformity with GAAP, excluding cash and Cash Equivalents, amounts related to current or deferred taxes based on income or profits, assets held for sale, loans (permitted) to third parties, pension assets, deferred bank fees and derivative financial instruments.

"Consolidated Current Liabilities" means, as of any date of determination, the total liabilities of the Borrower and the Subsidiaries on a consolidated basis that may properly be classified as current liabilities in conformity with GAAP, but excluding (A) the current portion of any Funded Debt, (B) the current portion of interest, (C) accruals for current or deferred taxes based on income or profits, (D)

accruals of any costs or expenses related to restructuring reserves, (E) revolving loans, swing line loans and letter of credit obligations under any revolving credit facility, (F) the current portion of any Capitalized Lease Obligation, (G) deferred revenue, (H) liabilities in respect of unpaid earn-outs, (I) the current portion of any other long-term liabilities, and, furthermore, excluding the effects of adjustments pursuant to GAAP resulting from the application of recapitalization accounting or purchase accounting, as the case may be, in relation to any consummated acquisition and (J) Non-Cash Compensation Liabilities.

"Consolidated Depreciation and Amortization Expense" means, with respect to any Person for any period, the total amount of depreciation and amortization expense, including amortization or write-off of intangibles and non-cash organization costs and of deferred financing fees or costs and Capitalized Software Expenditures, of such Person, including the amortization of deferred financing fees or costs for such period on a consolidated basis and otherwise determined in accordance with GAAP and the amortization of OID resulting from the issuance of Indebtedness at less than par, and any write down of assets or asset value carried on the balance sheet.

"Consolidated EBITDA" means, with respect to any Person for any period, the Consolidated Net Income of such Person for such period:

- (a) increased by (without duplication, and as determined in accordance with GAAP to the extent applicable):
- (i) (A) provision for taxes based on income or profits or capital, plus state, provincial, franchise, property or similar taxes and foreign withholding taxes and foreign unreimbursed value added taxes, of such Person for such period (including, in each case, penalties and interest related to such taxes or arising from tax examinations) deducted in computing Consolidated Net Income and (B) amounts paid to a Permitted Parent in respect of taxes in accordance with Section 7.06(g), solely to the extent such amounts were deducted in computing Consolidated Net Income; plus
- (ii) (A) total interest expense of such Person and, to the extent not reflected in such total interest expense, any losses on hedging obligations or other derivative instruments entered into for the purpose of hedging interest rate risk, and (B) letters of credit, bank fees and costs owed with respect to bankers acceptances and surety bonds, in each case under this <u>clause (B)</u>, in connection with financing activities and, in each case under <u>clauses (A)</u> and <u>(B)</u>, to the extent the same were deducted in computing Consolidated Net Income; <u>plus</u>
- (iii) Consolidated Depreciation and Amortization Expense of such Person for such period to the extent such depreciation and amortization expenses were deducted in computing Consolidated Net Income; <u>plus</u>
- (iv) any (A) Transaction Expenses and (B) fees, costs, expenses or charges incurred (I) in connection with (x) any issuance or offering of Equity Interests, Investment, acquisition (including any one-time costs incurred in connection with any Investment permitted hereunder after the Closing Date), Disposition, recapitalization or the issuance, incurrence, redemption or repayment of Indebtedness (including, with respect to Indebtedness, a refinancing thereof), (y) any amendment, waiver, consent or modification to any documentation governing the terms of any transaction described in the immediately preceding subclause(x) or (z) any amendment, waiver, consent or modification to any Loan Document, in each case under subclauses(x), (y) and (z), whether or not such transaction or amendment, waiver, consent or modification is successful, and solely to the extent such transaction or amendment, waiver, consent or modification is permitted to be incurred, made or entered into in accordance with this Agreement or (II) to the extent reimbursable by third parties, pursuant to indemnification provisions, in each case, deducted in computing Consolidated Net Income; plus

(v) any charges, losses or expenses related to signing, retention, relocation, recruiting or completion bonuses or recruiting costs, severance costs, transition costs, curtailments or modifications to pension and post-retirement employee benefit plans (including any settlement of pension liabilities), pre-opening, opening, closing and consolidation costs and expenses with respect to any facilities, facility start-up costs, costs and expenses relating to implementation of operational and reporting systems and technology initiatives, costs and expenses relating to any registration statement, or registered exchange offer in respect of any Indebtedness permitted hereunder, costs incurred in connection with product and intellectual property development and new systems design, project start-up costs, integration and systems establishment costs, costs of strategic initiatives, business optimization expenses or costs (including costs and expenses relating to intellectual property restructurings) and cash restructuring charges or reserves; plus

(vi) equity related expenses recorded in accordance with GAAP, solely to the extent such amounts were deducted in computing Consolidated Net Income; <u>plus</u>

(vii) any other non-cash charges, expenses, losses or items, including any write offs or write downs, reducing such Consolidated Net Income for such period (*provided* that if any such non-cash charges represent an accrual or reserve for potential cash items in any future period, (1) the Borrower may determine not to add back such non-cash charge in the current period and (2) to the extent the Borrower does decide to add back such non-cash charge, the cash payment in respect thereof in such future period shall be subtracted from Consolidated EBITDA to such extent, and excluding amortization of a prepaid cash item that was paid in a prior period); <u>plus</u>

(viii) the amount of any minority interest expense or non-controlling interest consisting of Subsidiary income attributable to minority equity interests of third parties in any non-wholly owned Subsidiary deducted in calculating Consolidated Net Income; plus

(ix) reserved; plus

(x) reserved; plus

(xi) the amount of "run rate" cost savings, operating expense reductions, restructuring charges and expenses and cost synergies related to any Specified Transaction, restructurings, cost savings initiatives and other initiatives, whether prior to or after the Closing Date (without duplication of any amounts added back pursuant to Section 1.08(c) in connection with a Specified Transaction) and projected by the Borrower in good faith to result from actions taken, committed to be taken or expected to be taken no later than twelve (12) months after the end of such period (which "run rate" cost savings, operating expense reductions, restructuring charges and cost synergies shall be calculated on a pro forma basis as though such "run rate" cost savings, operating expense reductions, restructuring charges and expenses and cost synergies had been realized on the first day of the period for which Consolidated EBITDA is being determined), net of the amount of actual benefits realized during such period from such actions; provided that such "run rate" cost savings, operating expense reductions, restructuring charges and expenses and cost synergies are reasonably identifiable and factually supportable (in the good faith determination of the Borrower); plus

(xii) any costs or expenses incurred by the Borrower or a Subsidiary pursuant to any management equity plan or stock option plan or any other management or employee benefit plan or agreement or any stock subscription or stockholders agreement, to the extent that such costs or expenses are funded with cash proceeds contributed to the capital of the Borrower or net cash proceeds of issuance of Equity Interests of the Borrower (other than Disqualified Equity Interests); plus

(xiii) Specified Legal Expenses; <u>plus</u>

(xiv) accruals and reserves that are established or adjusted (x) within 12 months after the Closing Date and that are so required to be established or adjusted in accordance with GAAP or (y) after the closing of any acquisition that are so required as a result of such acquisition in accordance with GAAP, or changes as a result of the adoption or modification of accounting policies, whether effected through a cumulative effect adjustment, restatement or a retroactive application; and

(b) decreased by (without duplication, and as determined in accordance with GAAP to the extent applicable) any non-cash gains increasing Consolidated Net Income of such Person for such period, excluding any gains that represent the reversal of any accrual of, or cash reserve for, anticipated cash charges in any prior period (other than such cash charges that have been added back to Consolidated Net Income in calculating Consolidated EBITDA in accordance with this definition).

Notwithstanding the foregoing, amounts calculated pursuant to clause (a)(v) and clause (a)(xi) above for such period shall be limited to an aggregate amount not to exceed 10% of Consolidated EBITDA for such period (calculated before giving effect to such add-backs), *provided* that such limitation shall not apply to (and shall be calculated exclusive of) the run-rate of cost-savings implemented and identified to the Required Lenders, in each case, prior to the Closing Date in an amount not to exceed \$17,000,000. For the avoidance of doubt, Consolidated EBITDA shall be calculated, including pro forma adjustments, in accordance with Section 1.08.

"Consolidated First Lien Net Debt" means, as of any date of determination, (a) Consolidated Total Debt of the Borrower and the Subsidiaries that is secured by a first priority Lien on any asset or property of the Borrower or any Guarantor minus (b) solely for the purpose of determining the Springing Maturity Date, the aggregate amount of cash and Cash Equivalents of the Borrower and the Subsidiaries as of such date that is not Restricted in an amount not to exceed \$50,000,000; provided that to the extent proceeds of any New Term Loans, New Revolving Credit Commitments or Incremental Equivalent Debt are to be used to substantially concurrently repay Indebtedness (including, to the extent irrevocable, by defeasance, discharge, escrow or similar arrangements), the Borrower shall be permitted to give Pro Forma Effect to such repayment of Indebtedness.

"Consolidated Group" means a consolidated group or MEC group, each as defined in section 995-1 of the Income Tax Assessment Act (1936) (Cth) or the Income Tax Assessment Act 1997 (Cth), as the context requires.

"Consolidated Net Debt" means, as of any date of determination, (a) Consolidated Total Debt of the Borrower and the Subsidiaries minus
(b) solely for the purpose of determining the Springing Maturity Date, the aggregate amount of cash and Cash Equivalents of the Borrower and the Subsidiaries as of such date that is not Restricted in an amount not to exceed \$50,000,000; provided that, for the avoidance of doubt, in calculating the Total Net Leverage Ratio for the purposes of determining the Available Incremental Equivalent Debt Amount on any date of determination in respect of any Incremental Equivalent Debt, the reduction set forth in clause (b) shall not apply; provided further that to the extent proceeds of any such Indebtedness are to be used to substantially concurrently repay Indebtedness (including, to the extent irrevocable, by defeasance, discharge, escrow or similar arrangements), the Borrower shall be permitted to give Pro Forma Effect to such repayment of Indebtedness.

"Consolidated Net Income" means, with respect to any Person for any period, the aggregate of the Net Income of such Person and its Subsidiaries for such period on a consolidated basis and otherwise determined in accordance with GAAP; *provided*, *however*, that, without duplication:

(a) any net after-tax extraordinary, non-recurring or unusual gains or losses, charges or expenses shall be excluded;

- (b) the Net Income for such period shall not include the cumulative effect of a change in accounting principles during such period, whether effected through a cumulative effect adjustment or a retroactive application, in each case in accordance with GAAP;
- (c) effects of adjustments (including the effects of such adjustments pushed down to the Borrower and its Subsidiaries) in such Person's consolidated financial statements pursuant to GAAP (including in the property and equipment, software, goodwill, intangible assets, deferred revenue and debt line items thereof) resulting from the application of recapitalization accounting or purchase accounting, as the case may be, in relation to any consummated acquisition or the amortization or write-off of any amounts thereof (including any write-off of in process research and development), net of taxes, shall be excluded;
- (d) any net after-tax income (loss) from disposed, abandoned, transferred, closed or discontinued operations (excluding held for sale discontinued operations until actually disposed of) and any net after-tax gains or losses on disposal of disposed, abandoned, transferred, closed or discontinued operations shall be excluded;
- (e) any net after-tax gains or losses (less all fees, expenses and charges relating thereto) attributable to asset dispositions or the sale or other disposition of any Equity Interests of any Person other than in the ordinary course of business, as determined in good faith by the Borrower, shall be excluded;
- (f) the Net Income for such period of any Person that is not a Subsidiary, or that is accounted for by the equity method of accounting, shall be excluded; *provided* that the Borrower's or any Subsidiary's equity in the Net Income of such Person or Subsidiary shall be included in the Consolidated Net Income of the Borrower or such Subsidiary up to the aggregate amount of dividends or distributions or other payments that are actually paid in cash (or to the extent converted into cash) by such Person or Subsidiary to the Borrower or a Subsidiary in respect of such period (subject in the case of dividends, distributions or other payments made to a Subsidiary to the limitations contained in <u>clause (g)</u> below);

(g) reserved;

- (h) (i) any net unrealized gain or loss (after any offset) resulting in such period from obligations in respect of Swap Contracts and the application of Accounting Standards Codification 815 (Derivatives and Hedging) or any ineffectiveness recognized in earnings related to qualifying hedge transactions or the fair value of changes therein recognized in earnings for derivatives that do not qualify as hedge transactions, in each case, in respect of Swap Contracts, (ii) any net gain or loss resulting in such period from currency translation gains or losses related to currency re-measurements of Indebtedness (including the net loss or gain (A) resulting from Swap Contracts for currency exchange risk and (B) resulting from intercompany Indebtedness) and all other foreign currency translation gains or losses, and (iii) any net after-tax income (loss) for such period attributable to the early extinguishment or conversion of (A) Indebtedness, (B) obligations under any Swap Contracts or (C) other derivative instruments and all deferred financing costs written off or amortized and premiums paid or other expenses incurred directly in connection therewith, shall be excluded;
- (i) any impairment charge or asset write-off or write-down, including impairment charges or asset write-offs or write-downs related to goodwill, intangible assets, long-lived assets, investments in debt and equity securities or as a result of a change in law or regulation, in each case pursuant to GAAP, the amortization of intangibles arising pursuant to GAAP and the amortization of Capitalized Software Expenditures, shall be excluded;

- (j) any expenses, charges or losses that are covered by indemnification or other reimbursement provisions in connection with any Investment, acquisitions completed prior to the Closing Date or any sale, conveyance, transfer or other disposition of assets, in each case, permitted under this Agreement or that are consummated prior to the Closing Date, to the extent actually reimbursed, or, so long as the Borrower has made a determination that a reasonable basis exists for indemnification or reimbursement and only to the extent that such amount is in fact indemnified or reimbursed within 365 days of such determination (with a deduction in the applicable future period for any amount so added back to the extent not so indemnified or reimbursed within such 365 days), shall be excluded;
- (k) to the extent covered by insurance and actually reimbursed, or, so long as the Borrower has made a determination that a reasonable basis exists that such amount will in fact be reimbursed by the insurer within 365 days of the insurable event (with a deduction for any amount so added back to the extent not so reimbursed within such 365 days), expenses, charges or losses with respect to liability or casualty events or business interruption shall be excluded; *provided*, that any proceeds of such reimbursement when received shall be excluded to the extent the expense reimbursed was previously excluded pursuant to this <u>clause (k)</u>;
- (l) any non-cash (for such period and all other periods) compensation charge or expense, including any such charge or expense arising from the grants of stock appreciation or similar rights, stock options, restricted stock or other rights or equity incentive programs shall be excluded;
- (m) any income (loss) attributable to deferred compensation plans or trusts and any non-cash deemed finance charges in respect of any pension liabilities or other provisions or on the revaluation of any benefit plan obligation shall be excluded;
- (n) proceeds from any business interruption insurance to the extent not already included in Consolidated Net Income and to the extent the related loss was deducted in the determination of Net Income, shall be included;
- (o) the amount of any expense to the extent a corresponding amount is received in cash by the Borrower and the Subsidiaries from a Person other than the Borrower or any Subsidiaries; *provided* such amount received has not been included in determining Consolidated Net Income, shall be excluded (it being understood that if the amounts received in cash under any such agreement in any period exceed the amount of expense in respect of such period, such excess amounts received may be carried forward and applied against expense in future periods);
- (p) any adjustments resulting from the application of Accounting Standards Codification Topic No. 460 (*Guarantees*), or any comparable regulation, shall be excluded;
- (q) earn-out and contingent consideration obligations (including adjustments thereof and purchase price adjustments) incurred in connection with any Investment permitted hereunder and any acquisitions completed prior to the Closing Date shall be excluded; and
- (r) any expenses of any Permitted Parent paid with the proceeds of any Restricted Payment from the Borrower pursuant to Section 7.06(g) (i), Section 7.06(g)(v) or Section 7.06(g)(vi) shall be deducted in the calculation of Consolidated Net Income (to the extent the proceeds of such Restricted Payment pay expenses of the Permitted Parent which if paid by the Borrower directly would reduce Consolidated Net Income or Consolidated EBITDA of the Borrower).

"Consolidated Senior Secured Net Debt" means, as of any date of determination, Consolidated Total Debt of the Borrower and the Subsidiaries that is secured by a Lien on any asset or property of the Borrower or any Guarantor; *provided* that to the extent proceeds of any such Indebtedness are to be used to substantially concurrently repay Indebtedness (including, if irrevocable, by defeasance, discharge, escrow or similar arrangements), the Borrower shall be permitted to give Pro Forma Effect to such repayment of Indebtedness.

"Consolidated Total Debt" means, as of any date of determination, the aggregate principal amount of Indebtedness of the Borrower and the Subsidiaries outstanding on such date, determined on a consolidated basis in accordance with GAAP (but excluding the effects of any discounting of Indebtedness resulting from the application of recapitalization accounting or purchase accounting in connection with any Investment permitted hereunder, acquisitions completed prior to the Closing Date or for any other purpose), consisting of Indebtedness for borrowed money, Capitalized Lease Obligations or obligations in respect of other purchase money indebtedness, unreimbursed obligations in respect of drawn letters of credit (subject to the proviso below), debt obligations evidenced by promissory notes or similar instruments and (without duplication) guarantees of the foregoing; provided that Consolidated Total Debt shall not include Indebtedness in respect of (i) unreimbursed obligations in respect of drawn letters of credit until two (2) Business Days after such amount is drawn (it being understood that any borrowing, whether automatic or otherwise, to fund such reimbursement shall be counted) and (ii) obligations under Swap Contracts.

"Consolidated Working Capital" means, as of any date of determination, the excess of Consolidated Current Assets over Consolidated Current Liabilities; *provided* that Consolidated Working Capital shall be calculated without giving effect to (w) recapitalization or purchase accounting, (x) any assets or liabilities acquired, assumed, sold or transferred in any acquisition or any Disposition pursuant to Section 7.05, (y) changes as a result of the reclassification of items from short-term to long-term and vice versa or (z) changes to Consolidated Working Capital resulting from non-cash charges and credits to Consolidated Current Assets and Consolidated Current Liabilities (including derivatives and deferred income tax).

"Contract Consideration" has the meaning specified in the definition of "Excess Cash Flow."

"Contractual Obligation" means, as to any Person, any provision of any security issued by such Person or of any agreement, instrument or other undertaking to which such Person is a party or by which it or any of its property is bound, including the Organization Documents of such Person.

"Control" has the meaning specified in the definition of "Affiliate".

"Control Agreement" means, with respect to any deposit account, any securities account, or commodity account, an agreement, in form and substance reasonably satisfactory to the Collateral Agent and the Borrower, among the Collateral Agent, the financial institution or other Person at which such account is maintained, effective to grant "control" (as defined under the applicable Uniform Commercial Code or equivalent applicable law) to the Collateral Agent or otherwise to perfect security over such account in favor of the Collateral Agent, for the benefit of the Secured Parties (including obtaining an acknowledgement of such notice in respect of accounts subject to the Collateral Agent's Liens where consistent with market practice in such jurisdiction in order to grant "control" over an account), it being understood that unless otherwise agreed between the Loan Party and the Collateral Agent, any reference to a Control Agreement in the Loan Documents shall mean a Control Agreement subject to springing dominion pursuant to which the applicable Loan Party shall maintain control unless and until a notice of sole control has been given by the Collateral Agent to the financial institution or other person at which such account is maintain or with which such entitlement or contract is carried.

"Corrective Term Loan Extension Amendment" has the meaning specified in Section 2.17(f).

"Corresponding Tenor" with respect to any Available Tenor means, as applicable, either a tenor (including overnight) or an interest payment period having approximately the same length (disregarding business day adjustment) as such Available Tenor.

"Covered Entity" means any of the following: (i) a "covered entity" as that term is defined in, and interpreted in accordance with, 12 C.F.R. § 252.82(b); (ii) a "covered bank" as that term is defined in, and interpreted in accordance with, 12 C.F.R. § 47.3(b); or (iii) a "covered FSI" as that term is defined in, and interpreted in accordance with, 12 C.F.R. § 382.2(b).

"Covered Party" has the meaning assigned to it in Section 10.26.

"Credit Extension" means a Borrowing.

"Daily Simple SOFR" means, for any day (a "SOFR Rate Day"), a rate per annum equal SOFR for the day (such day "SOFR Determination Date") that is five (5) U.S. Government Securities Business Days prior to (i) if such SOFR Rate Day is a U.S. Government Securities Business Day, such SOFR Rate Day or (ii) if such SOFR Rate Day is not a U.S. Government Securities Business Day, the U.S. Government Securities Business Day immediately preceding such SOFR Rate Day, in each case, as such SOFR is published by the SOFR Administrator on the SOFR Administrator's Website. Any change in Daily Simple SOFR due to a change in SOFR shall be effective from and including the effective date of such change in SOFR without notice to the Borrower. If by 5:00 p.m. (New York City time) on the second (2nd) U.S. Government Securities Business Day immediately following any SOFR Determination Date, SOFR in respect of such SOFR Determination Date has not been published on the SOFR Administrator's Website and a Benchmark Replacement Date with respect to the Daily Simple SOFR has not occurred, then SOFR for such SOFR Determination Date will be SOFR as published in respect of the first preceding U.S. Government Securities Business Day for which such SOFR was published on the SOFR Administrator's Website.

"Debtor Relief Laws" means the Bankruptcy Code of the United States and all other liquidation, examinership, conservatorship, bankruptcy, assignment for the benefit of creditors, moratorium, rearrangement, receivership, insolvency, reorganization, rescue process or similar debtor relief Laws of the United States or other applicable jurisdictions from time to time in effect and, in each case, affecting the rights of creditors generally.

"December Liquidity Metric" has the meaning specified in Section 7.11(c).

"**Default**" means any event or condition that constitutes an Event of Default or that, with the giving of any notice, the passage of time, or both, would be an Event of Default.

"**Default Rate**" means an interest rate equal to (a) the Base Rate plus (b) the Applicable Rate applicable to Base Rate Loans plus (c) 2.0% per annum; *provided* that with respect to a SOFR Rate Loan, the Default Rate shall be an interest rate equal to the interest rate (including any Applicable Rate) otherwise applicable to such Loan (giving effect to Section 2.02(c)) plus 2.0% per annum, to the fullest extent permitted by applicable law.

"**Default Right**" has the meaning assigned to that term in, and shall be interpreted in accordance with, 12 C.F.R. §§ 252.81, 47.2 or 382.1, as applicable.

"Defaulting Lender" means any Lender that (a) has failed to fund any portion of the Term Loans or any reimbursement amount required pursuant to clause (ii) of the third sentence of Section 2.02(b) required to be funded by it hereunder within two (2) Business Days of the date required to be funded by it hereunder, (b) has otherwise failed to pay over to the Administrative Agent or any other Lender any other amount required to be paid by it hereunder within two (2) Business Days of the date when due, (c) has notified the Borrower, the Administrative Agent or any other Lender in writing that it does not intend to comply with its funding obligations hereunder, or generally under other agreements in which it commits to extend credit, or has made a public statement to that effect, (d) has failed, within three (3) Business Days after written request by the Administrative Agent or the Borrower, to confirm in writing to the Administrative Agent or the Borrower, in a manner reasonably satisfactory to the Administrative Agent or the Borrower, as applicable, that it will comply with its prospective funding obligations hereunder (provided that such Lender shall cease to be a Defaulting Lender pursuant to this <u>clause (d)</u> upon receipt of such written confirmation by the Administrative Agent and the Borrower) or (e) has, or has a direct or indirect parent company that has, (i) become the subject of a proceeding under any Debtor Relief Law, (ii) had appointed for it a receiver, custodian, conservator, trustee, administrator, assignee for the benefit of creditors or similar Person charged with reorganization or liquidation of its business or assets, including the Federal Deposit Insurance Corporation or any other state or federal regulatory authority acting in such a capacity or (iii) become the subject of a Bail-In Action; *provided* that a Lender shall not be a Defaulting Lender solely by virtue of (x) an Undisclosed Administration or (y) the ownership or acquisition of any equity interest in that Lender or any direct or indirect parent company thereof by a Governmental Authority so long as such ownership interest does not result in or provide such Lender with immunity from the jurisdiction of courts within the United States or from the enforcement of judgments or writs of attachment on its assets or permit such Lender (or such Governmental Authority) to reject, repudiate, disavow or disaffirm any contracts or agreements made with such Lender.

- "Discount Prepayment Accepting Lender" has the meaning specified in Section 2.05(a)(iv)(B)(2).
- "Discount Range" has the meaning specified in Section 2.05(a)(iv)(C)(1).
- "Discount Range Prepayment Amount" has the meaning specified in Section 2.05(a)(iv)(C)(1).
- "**Discount Range Prepayment Notice**" means a written notice of a Borrower Solicitation of Discount Range Prepayment Offers made pursuant to <u>Section 2.05(a)(iv)(C)</u> substantially in the form of <u>Exhibit J</u> or any other form approved by the Administrative Agent and the Borrower.
- "Discount Range Prepayment Offer" means the irrevocable written offer by a Lender, substantially in the form of Exhibit K or any other form approved by the Administrative Agent and the Borrower, submitted in response to an invitation to submit offers following the Auction Agent's receipt of a Discount Range Prepayment Notice.
 - "Discount Range Prepayment Response Date" has the meaning specified in Section 2.05(a)(iv)(C)(1).
 - "Discount Range Proration" has the meaning specified in Section 2.05(a)(iv)(C)(3).
 - "Discounted Loan Prepayment" has the meaning specified in Section 2.05(a)(iv)(A).
 - "Discounted Prepayment Determination Date" has the meaning specified in Section 2.05(a)(iv)(D)(3).

"Discounted Prepayment Effective Date" means in the case of a Borrower Offer of Specified Discount Prepayment, Borrower Solicitation of Discount Range Prepayment Offer or Borrower Solicitation of Discounted Prepayment Offer, six (6) Business Days following the Specified Discount Prepayment Response Date, the Discount Range Prepayment Response Date or the Solicited Discounted Prepayment Response Date, as applicable, in accordance with Section 2.05(a)(iv)(B), Section 2.05(a)(iv)(D), respectively, unless a shorter period is agreed to between the Borrower and the Auction Agent.

"Disposition" or "Dispose" means the sale, transfer, license tantamount to a sale, lease tantamount to a sale or other disposition (including any sale leaseback transaction and any sale or issuance of Equity Interests in a Subsidiary) of any property by any Person, including any sale, assignment, transfer or other disposal, with or without recourse, of any notes or accounts receivable or any rights and claims associated therewith; provided that "Disposition" and "Dispose" shall not include any issuance by the Borrower of any of its Equity Interests to another Person.

"Disqualified Equity Interests" means any Equity Interest that, by its terms (or by the terms of any security or other Equity Interests into which it is convertible or for which it is puttable or exchangeable), or upon the happening of any event or condition (a) matures or is mandatorily redeemable (other than solely for Qualified Equity Interests), pursuant to a sinking fund obligation or otherwise (except as a result of a change of control, initial public offering or asset sale so long as any rights of the holders thereof upon the occurrence of a change of control, initial public offering or asset sale event shall be subject to the prior repayment in full of the Loans and all other Obligations that are accrued and payable (other than (i) contingent obligations that by their terms survive and (ii) Obligations under Secured Hedge Agreements and Secured Cash Management Agreements) and the termination of the Commitments), (b) is redeemable at the option of the holder thereof (other than solely for Qualified Equity Interests and other than as a result of a change of control, initial public offering or asset sale so long as any rights of the holders thereof upon the occurrence of a change of control, initial public offering or asset sale event shall be subject to the prior repayment in full of the Loans and all other Obligations that are accrued and payable (other than (i) contingent obligations that by their terms survive and (ii) Obligations under Secured Hedge Agreements and Secured Cash Management Agreements) and the termination of the Commitments), in whole or in part or (c) is or becomes automatically or at the option of the holder convertible into or exchangeable for Indebtedness or any other Equity Interests that would constitute Disqualified Equity Interests, in the case of each of clauses (a), (b) and (c), prior to the date that is ninety-one (91) days after the Latest Maturity Date of the Loans at the time of issuance; provided that if such Equity Interests are issued to any employees, other service providers, directors, officers or members of management or pursuant to a plan for the benefit of employees, other service providers, directors, officers or members of management of the Borrower or the Subsidiaries or by any such plan to such employees, other service providers, directors, officers or members of management, such Equity Interests shall not constitute Disqualified Equity Interests solely because they may be required to be repurchased by the Borrower or the Subsidiaries in order to satisfy applicable statutory or regulatory obligations or as a result of such employees', other service providers', directors', officers' or management members' termination, death or disability.

"Disqualified Institution" means (a) Persons that have been specified in writing by the Borrower to the Lead Arranger prior to the Closing Date and Affiliates of the foregoing to the extent such Affiliates are reasonably identifiable on the basis of such Affiliates' names or designated in writing by the Borrower from time to time to the Administrative Agent, (b) competitors of the Borrower and its Subsidiaries that are in the same or a similar line of business as the Borrower and its Subsidiaries that have been specified in writing by the Borrower (i) to the Lead Arranger prior to the Closing Date, or (ii) to the Administrative Agent from time to time after the Closing Date(all such Persons under this clause (b), "Competitors"), and (c) Affiliates of Competitors (other than bona fide debt funds or investment vehicles

(other than a Person that is separately identified on a list delivered pursuant to this definition) that are engaged in making, purchasing, holding or otherwise investing in commercial loans and similar extensions of credit in the ordinary course of business and which are not managed, sponsored or advised by any Person controlling, controlled by or under common control with a Competitor and for which no personnel involved with the investment by such Affiliate (i) makes (or has the right to make or participate with others in making) any investment decisions for a Competitor or (ii) has access to any information (other than information that is publicly available) relating to the Borrower or any entity that forms a part of the Borrower's business (including Subsidiaries of the Borrower)) to the extent such Affiliates are reasonably identifiable on the basis of such Affiliates' names or designated in writing by the Borrower from time to time to the Administrative Agent; *provided* that no designation of any Person as a Disqualified Institution made pursuant to the foregoing shall (i) be effective until three (3) Business Days following receipt thereof by the Administrative Agent, (ii) have any retroactive effect to the extent any such party has previously entered into a trade for an assignment or participation interest in the Facilities or is already a Lender hereunder at the time of such designation or (iii) shall be effective unless sent to the Administrative Agent at the email address: JPMDQ_Contact@jpmorgan.com.

- "Disqualified Person" has the meaning specified in Section 10.07(l)(ii).
- "Distressed Agent-Related Person" has the meaning specified in the definition of "Agent-Related Distress Event".
- "Dollar" and "\$" mean lawful money of the United States.
- "**Domestic Subsidiary**" means any Subsidiary that is organized under the Laws of the United States, any state thereof or the District of Columbia.
 - "ECF Payment Amount" has the meaning specified in Section 2.05(b)(i).
- "EEA Financial Institution" means (a) any credit institution or investment firm established in any EEA Member Country that is subject to the supervision of an EEA Resolution Authority, (b) any entity established in an EEA Member Country that is a parent of an institution described in clause (a) of this definition, or (c) any financial institution established in an EEA Member Country that is a subsidiary of an institution described in clauses (a) or (b) of this definition and is subject to consolidated supervision with its parent.
 - "EEA Member Country" means any of the member states of the European Union, Iceland, Liechtenstein, and Norway.
- "EEA Resolution Authority" means any public administrative authority or any person entrusted with public administrative authority of any EEA Member Country (including any delegee) having responsibility for the resolution of any EEA Financial Institution.
- "**Electronic Signature**" means an electronic sound, symbol, or process attached to, or associated with, a contract or other record and adopted by a Person with the intent to sign, authenticate or accept such contract or record.
- "Eligible Assignee" means any Person that meets the requirements to be an assignee under Sections 10.07(b)(iii) and (v) (subject to such consents, if any, as may be required under Section 10.07(b)(iii)); provided that, in any event, Eligible Assignees shall not include (x) any natural person, (y) any Disqualified Institution unless consented to in writing by the Borrower in its sole discretion (which consent shall be required regardless of whether a Default or Event of Default shall be continuing), or (z) any Defaulting Lender or any Subsidiary thereof.

"EMU Legislation" means the legislative measures of the European Council for the introduction of, changeover to or operation of a single or unified European currency.

"Environmental Claim" means any administrative, regulatory or judicial action, suits, demand letter, claim, lien, notice of noncompliance or violation, investigation (other than internal reports prepared by any Loan Party or any of its Subsidiaries (a) in the ordinary course of such Person's business or (b) as required in connection with a financing transaction or an acquisition or disposition of real estate) or proceeding with respect to any Environmental Liability (hereinafter "Claims"), including (i) any and all Claims by governmental or regulatory authorities for enforcement, cleanup, removal, response, remedial or other actions or damages pursuant to any Environmental Law and (ii) any and all Claims by any third party seeking damages, contribution, indemnification, cost recovery, compensation or injunctive relief pursuant to any Environmental Law.

"Environmental Laws" means Laws relating to the protection of the environment.

"Environmental Liability" means any liability, contingent or otherwise (including any liability for damages, costs of environmental remediation, fines, penalties or indemnities) of any Loan Party or any of its Subsidiaries directly or indirectly resulting from or based upon (a) violation of any Environmental Law, (b) the generation, use, handling, transportation, storage, treatment or disposal of any Hazardous Materials, (c) exposure to any Hazardous Materials, (d) the release or threatened release of any Hazardous Materials into the environment or (e) any contract or other written agreement pursuant to which liability is assumed or imposed with respect to any of the foregoing.

"Environmental Permit" means any permit, approval, identification number, license or other authorization required under any Environmental Law.

"Equity Interests" means, with respect to any Person, all of the shares, interests, rights, participations, units or other equivalents (however designated) of capital stock of (or other ownership or profit interests or units in, including any limited or general partnership interest and any limited liability company membership interest) such Person and all of the warrants, options or other rights for the purchase, acquisition or exchange from such Person of any of the foregoing (including through convertible securities, but excluding debt securities).

"ERISA" means the Employee Retirement Income Security Act of 1974, as amended from time to time, and the rules and regulations promulgated thereunder.

"ERISA Affiliate" means any trade or business (whether or not incorporated) that together with the Borrower is treated as a single employer within the meaning of Section 414 of the Code or that is treated as under common control within the meaning of Section 4001 of ERISA.

"ERISA Event" means (a) a Reportable Event with respect to a Pension Plan; (b) a withdrawal by the Borrower or any of its ERISA Affiliates from a Pension Plan subject to Section 4063 of ERISA during a plan year in which it was a substantial employer (as defined in Section 4001(a)(2) of ERISA) or a cessation of operations that is treated as a termination under Section 4062(e) of ERISA; (c) the incurrence by the Borrower or any of its ERISA Affiliates of any liability under Title IV of ERISA with respect to a complete or partial withdrawal by the Borrower or any of its ERISA Affiliates from a Multiemployer Plan, written notification of the Borrower or any of its ERISA Affiliates concerning the imposition of Withdrawal Liability or written notification that a Multiemployer Plan is insolvent or is in

reorganization within the meaning of Title IV of ERISA or in "endangered" or "critical" status (within the meaning of Section 432 of the Code or Section 305 of ERISA); (d) the filing under Section 4041(c) of ERISA of a notice of intent to terminate a Pension Plan, the treatment of a Pension Plan or Multiemployer Plan amendment as a termination under Section 4041 or Section 4041A of ERISA, or the receipt by the Borrower or any of its ERISA Affiliates from the PBGC of any notice relating to the intention to terminate a Pension Plan or Multiemployer Plan; (e) the imposition of any liability under Title IV of ERISA with respect to the termination of any Pension Plan or Multiemployer Plan, other than for the payment of plan contributions or PBGC premiums due but not delinquent under Section 4007 of ERISA, upon the Borrower or any of its ERISA Affiliates; (f) the application for a minimum funding waiver under Section 302(c) of ERISA with respect to a Pension Plan; (g) the imposition of a lien under Section 303(k) of ERISA with respect to any Pension Plan or (h) the occurrence of a non-exempt prohibited transaction (within the meaning of Section 406 of ERISA or Section 4975 of the Code) which could result in liability to the Borrower or any of its ERISA Affiliates.

"Euros" means the lawful currency of the Participating Member States introduced in accordance with the EMU Legislation.

"Event of Default" has the meaning specified in Section 8.01.

- "Excess Cash Flow" means, for any period, an amount equal to the excess of:
- (a) the sum, without duplication, of:
- (i) Consolidated Net Income of the Borrower for such period; plus
- (ii) an amount equal to the amount of all non-cash charges (including depreciation and amortization) to the extent deducted in arriving at such Consolidated Net Income, but excluding any such non-cash charges representing an accrual or reserve for potential cash items in any future period and excluding amortization of a prepaid cash item that was paid in a prior period; <u>plus</u>
- (iii) decreases in Consolidated Working Capital for such period (other than any such decreases arising from acquisitions or Dispositions by the Borrower and the Subsidiaries completed during such period or the application of purchase accounting); <u>plus</u>
- (iv) an amount equal to the aggregate net non-cash loss on Dispositions by the Borrower and the Subsidiaries during such period (other than Dispositions in the ordinary course of business) to the extent deducted in arriving at such Consolidated Net Income (other than to the extent such Disposition is subject to Section 2.05(b)(ii)); plus
- (v) the amount deducted as tax expense in determining Consolidated Net Income to the extent in excess of cash taxes paid or payable in respect of such periods; <u>plus</u>
- (vi) cash receipts in respect of Swap Contracts during such fiscal year to the extent not otherwise included in arriving at such Consolidated Net Income; minus
 - (b) the sum, without duplication; of:
- (i) an amount equal to the amount of all non-cash gains or credits included in arriving at such Consolidated Net Income (but excluding any non-cash gains or credit to the extent representing the reversal of an accrual or reserve described in <u>clause (a)(ii)</u> above) and cash charges, losses or expenses excluded by virtue of <u>clauses (a)</u> through <u>(q)</u> of the definition of "Consolidated Net Income"; <u>plus</u>

- (ii) without duplication of amounts deducted pursuant to <u>clause (xi)</u> below in prior fiscal years, the amount of Capital Expenditures, Capitalized Software Expenditures or acquisitions of intellectual property accrued or made in cash during such period by the Borrower or the Subsidiaries to the extent not financed with long-term Indebtedness (other than revolving Indebtedness); <u>plus</u>
- (iii) the aggregate amount of all principal payments of Indebtedness of the Borrower and the Subsidiaries (including (A) the principal component of payments in respect of Capitalized Leases, (B) the amount of any repayment of Loans pursuant to Section 2.07, and (C) the amount of any mandatory prepayment of Loans pursuant to Section 2.05(b)(ii) to the extent required due to a Disposition or Casualty Event that resulted in an increase to such Consolidated Net Income and not in excess of the amount of such increase, but excluding (X) all other prepayments of Term Loans (other than those specified in preceding clauses (B) and (C)) and all voluntary prepayments of Refinancing Equivalent Debt and Incremental Equivalent Debt, and (Y) payments of Indebtedness constituting Indebtedness expressly subordinated to the Obligations, except in each case to the extent permitted to be paid pursuant to Section 7.13(a)) made during such period, in each case to the extent not financed with long-term Indebtedness (other than revolving Indebtedness); plus
- (iv) an amount equal to the aggregate net non-cash gain on Dispositions by the Borrower and the Subsidiaries during such period (other than Dispositions in the ordinary course of business) to the extent included in arriving at such Consolidated Net Income; <u>plus</u>
- (v) increases in Consolidated Working Capital for such period (other than any such increases arising from acquisitions or Dispositions by the Borrower and the Subsidiaries completed during such period or the application of purchase accounting); <u>plus</u>
- (vi) cash payments by the Borrower and the Subsidiaries during such period in respect of long-term liabilities of the Borrower and the Subsidiaries (other than Indebtedness) to the extent such payments are not expensed during such period or are not deducted in calculating Consolidated Net Income; <u>plus</u>
- (vii) without duplication of amounts deducted pursuant to $\underline{\text{clauses (viii)}}$ and $\underline{\text{(xi)}}$ below in prior fiscal years, the amount of Investments made in cash (in each case, other than Investments in Subsidiaries) pursuant to $\underline{\text{Sections 7.02(b)}}$, $\underline{\text{(f)}}$, $\underline{\text{(i)}}$, $\underline{\text{(j)}}$, $\underline{\text{(m)}}$, $\underline{\text{(v)}}$, $\underline{\text{(bb)}}$, $\underline{\text{(dd)}}$, $\underline{\text{(ff)}}$ and $\underline{\text{(gg)}}$, and the amount of acquisitions made during such period to the extent that such Investments and acquisitions were not financed with long-term Indebtedness (other than revolving Indebtedness); $\underline{\text{plus}}$

(viii) reserved; plus

- (ix) the aggregate amount of expenditures, fees and expenses actually made or paid by the Borrower and the Subsidiaries with long-term Indebtedness (other than revolving Indebtedness) during such period (including expenditures for the payment of financing fees) to the extent that such expenditures are not expensed (or exceed the amount that is expensed) during such period or are not deducted in calculating Consolidated Net Income; plus
- (x) the aggregate amount of any premium, make-whole or penalty payments actually paid in cash by the Borrower and the Subsidiaries during such period that are made in connection with any prepayment of Indebtedness not prohibited hereunder to the extent such payments are not expensed during such period or are not deducted in calculating Consolidated Net Income and such prepayments reduced Excess Cash Flow pursuant to clause (b)(iii) above or reduced the mandatory prepayment required by Section 2.05(b)(i); plus

- (xi) without duplication of amounts deducted from Excess Cash Flow in prior periods, at the option of the Borrower, the aggregate consideration required to be paid in cash by the Borrower or any of the Subsidiaries pursuant to binding contracts (the "Contract Consideration") entered into prior to or during such period or otherwise budgeted to be paid in cash, in either case, relating to tax expenses, interest payments, Investments, Restricted Payments, Capital Expenditures, Capitalized Software Expenditures or acquisitions of intellectual property expected to be consummated or made during the period of four consecutive fiscal quarters of the Borrower following the end of such period; *provided* that, to the extent the aggregate amount of cash actually utilized to finance such tax expenses, interest payments, Investments, Restricted Payments, Capital Expenditures, Capitalized Software Expenditures or acquisitions of intellectual property during such period of four consecutive fiscal quarters is less than the Contract Consideration or amount otherwise budgeted for, the amount of such shortfall shall be added to the calculation of Excess Cash Flow at the end of such period of four consecutive fiscal quarters; <u>plus</u>
- (xii) the amount of cash taxes paid or tax reserves set aside or payable (without duplication) in such period, to the extent they exceed the amount of tax expense deducted in determining Consolidated Net Income for such period; plus
- (xiii) cash expenditures in respect of Swap Contracts during such fiscal year to the extent not deducted in arriving at such Consolidated Net Income.
 - "Exchange" has the meaning specified in the preliminary statements to this Agreement.
 - "Exchange Act" means the Securities Exchange Act of 1934, as amended.
- **"Exchange Agreement"** means that certain Exchange Agreement, dated as of the date hereof, by and among the Borrower, the lenders party thereto and the Existing Agent.
- "Excluded Accounts" means (a) any deposit account or securities account specifically and exclusively used for payroll, payroll taxes and other employee wage and benefit payments and accrued and unpaid employee compensation (including salaries, wages, benefits and expense reimbursements) to or for the benefit of any Loan Party's or any of its Subsidiaries' employees, (b) any deposit account or securities account specifically and exclusively used for paying employer's payroll, sales and other applicable taxes to be paid to the IRS or other applicable government agencies, (c) any deposit account or securities account which is specifically and exclusively used as a zero balance account, (d) any deposit account or securities account constituting (and the balance of which consists solely of funds set aside to be used in connection with) a custodian, trust, fiduciary or other escrow account established solely for the benefit of third parties, (e) any deposit account or securities account constituting a cash collateral account subject to Liens permitted by Section 7.01, and (f) any deposit accounts or securities accounts at any time with an aggregate amount not in excess of \$100,000 for any one account and \$250,000 in the aggregate for all such accounts.

"Excluded Assets" means any of the following:

(a) any lease, license, franchise, charter, authorization, contract or agreement to which any Loan Party is a party, and any of its rights or interest thereunder, or any property subject to a purchase money security interest, capital lease obligation or other arrangement, or any other asset, if and to the extent that the pledge thereof or the grant of a security interest, (i) (A) is prohibited by or in violation of any Laws (including financial assistance laws, corporate benefit laws or otherwise), rule or regulation applicable to any Loan Party, except to the extent such prohibition is rendered ineffective under the Uniform Commercial Code, (B) would be prohibited by the enforceable anti-assignment provisions of any contract or Laws, rule or regulation applicable to any Loan Party or with respect to any assets, to the extent such a grant or security interest would violate the terms of any contract with respect to such assets or would trigger termination of

such contract (including any purchase money security interest, capital lease obligation or other arrangement) or any such material rights therein pursuant to any "change of control" or other provision or applicable Laws (in each case, after giving effect to the applicable anti-assignment provisions of the Uniform Commercial Code or other applicable Law), or (C) requires any governmental or third party consent, license or authorization (unless such consent, license or authorization has been obtained), or (ii) is prohibited by or in violation of a term, provision or condition of any such lease, license, franchise, charter, authorization, contract or agreement; *provided*, *however*, that the Collateral shall include (and such security interest shall attach) at such time as the contractual or legal prohibition shall no longer be applicable and to the extent severable, shall attach to any portion of such lease, license, franchise, charter, authorization, contract, agreement or other asset not subject to the prohibitions specified in (i) or (ii) above (in each case, after giving effect to the applicable anti-assignment provisions of the Uniform Commercial Code or other applicable Laws in any relevant jurisdiction); *provided*, *further*, that the exclusions referred to in this <u>clause (a)</u> shall not include any proceeds of any such lease, license, franchise, charter, authorization, contract or agreement (unless such proceeds would independently constitute Excluded Assets);

- (b) (i) Equity Interests in any Person other than the Equity Interests in any Loan Party directly owned by any other Loan Party and each of their respective Subsidiaries (other than wholly owned Subsidiaries that are Captive Insurance Subsidiaries, not-for-profit organizations, or special purpose entities used for a securitization transaction or similar special purpose), and (ii) Margin Stock;
- (c) any "intent-to-use" application for registration of a trademark filed pursuant to Section 1(b) of the Lanham Act, 15 U.S.C. § 1051, prior to the filing of a "Statement of Use" pursuant to Section 1(d), or an "Amendment to Allege Use" pursuant to Section 1(c), of the Lanham Act, to the extent that, and during the period, if any, in which, the grant of a security interest therein would impair the validity or enforceability of any registration that issues from such intent-to-use application under applicable federal Laws;
- (d) (i) any leasehold interest (including any ground lease interest) in real property (it being agreed that no Loan Party shall be required to deliver landlord lien waivers, estoppels or collateral access letters), (ii) any fee interest in owned real property that is not Material Real Property and (iii) any fixtures affixed to any real property to the extent a security interest in such fixtures may not be perfected by a UCC-1 financing statement in the jurisdiction of organization of the applicable Loan Party, or, solely in the case of fixtures affixed to any Material Real Property, to the extent a security interest in such fixtures may not be perfected by the recording of a Mortgage in the jurisdiction where such Material Real Property is located;
- (e) assets subject to certificates of title or ownership, except to the extent a security interest therein can be perfected by the filing of a Uniform Commercial Code financing statement or a financing statement under Australian PPSA Law;
- (f) letters of credit and letter of credit rights except to the extent constituting a supporting obligation for other Collateral as to which perfection of the security interest in such other Collateral may be accomplished by the filing of a Uniform Commercial Code financing statement or a financing statement under Australian PPSA Law;
- (g) assets, if and to the extent that a security interest in such asset (i) is prohibited by or in violation of any Law, rule or regulation applicable to any Loan Party or (ii) requires a consent of any Governmental Authority or any third party that has not been obtained, except, in the case of clauses (i) and (ii), to the extent such prohibition or consent is rendered ineffective under the Uniform Commercial Code;

- (h) commercial tort claims that, in the reasonable determination of the Borrower, are not expected to result in a judgment in excess of \$1,000,000;
- (i) assets, receivables, accounts or other property located or held in Russia, or that would otherwise result in a violation of Sanctions by any Person (including any Agent, Lender, Lead Arranger, advisor or other individual or entity participating in the Borrowings);
- (j) assets for which the grant would result in material adverse tax or regulatory costs or consequences as reasonably determined by the Borrower and the Administrative Agent; and
- (k) particular assets if and for so long as, in the reasonable judgment of the Administrative Agent and the Borrower, the cost, difficulty, burden or consequences of obtaining, perfecting or maintaining a security interest in such assets exceeds the practical benefits to the Lenders afforded thereby.

"Excluded Subsidiary" means (a) any Subsidiary that is prohibited or restricted by Law, regulation or Contractual Obligation (so long as, in respect to any such Contractual Obligation, such prohibition existed on the Closing Date or, if later, on the date the applicable Subsidiary is acquired and is not incurred in contemplation of such acquisition) from providing a Guaranty or that would require a governmental (including regulatory) consent, approval, license or authorization in order to provide a Guaranty (including, in each case, under any financial assistance, corporate benefit or thin capitalization rule), in each case, for so long as such prohibition or circumstance exists, (b) any Subsidiary to the extent it is not within the legal capacity of such Person to provide a guarantee, or would conflict with the fiduciary duties of such Person's directors or result in, or could reasonably be expected to result in, a material risk of personal or criminal liability for any officer or director of such Person, (c) any Subsidiary that is not a wholly owned Subsidiary of the Borrower or any Guarantor and was formed for, or has, a bona fide business purpose, (d) any Foreign Subsidiary not incorporated in or otherwise organized under the laws of an Additional Asset Jurisdiction, (e) any Subsidiary that is a not-for-profit organization, (f) Captive Insurance Subsidiaries, (g) any Subsidiary that is a special purpose entity for a securitization transaction or a similar special purpose, (h) any Subsidiary with respect to which providing a Guaranty would result in material adverse tax consequences to the Borrower and its Subsidiaries (taken as a whole) as reasonably determined by the Borrower (in consultation with the Administrative Agent) and (i) any other Subsidiary with respect to which, as reasonably determined by the Administrative Agent and the Borrower, the burden or cost of providing a Guaranty outweighs the benefits afforded to the Lenders thereby.

"Excluded Swap Obligation" means, with respect to any Guarantor, any Swap Obligation if, and to the extent that, all or a portion of the Guarantee of such Guarantor of, or the grant by such Guarantor of a security interest to secure, such Swap Obligation (or any Guarantee thereof) is or becomes illegal under the Commodity Exchange Act or any rule, regulation or order of the U.S. Commodity Futures Trading Commission (or the application or official interpretation of any thereof) by virtue of such Guarantor's failure for any reason to constitute an "eligible contract participant" as defined in the Commodity Exchange Act and the regulations thereunder at the time the Guarantee of such Guarantor or the grant of such security interest becomes effective with respect to such Swap Obligation. If a Swap Obligation arises under a Master Agreement governing more than one swap, such exclusion shall apply only to the portion of such Swap Obligation that is attributable to swaps for which such Guarantee or security interest is or becomes illegal under the Commodity Exchange Act or any rule, regulation or order of the Commodity Futures Trading Commission (or the application or official interpretation of any thereof).

"Existing Credit Agreement" has the meaning specified in the preliminary statements to this Agreement.

"Existing Term Loan Facility" has the meaning specified in Section 2.17(a).

"Exit Fee" means an exit fee in cash equal to (a) the principal amount of Initial Term Loans (including any fees or interest paid-in-kind and added to the principal balance thereof) being prepaid, repaid or accelerated, *multiplied by* (b)(i) prior to or on December 31, 2023, 0.00%, (ii) after December 31, 2023 but prior to or on March 31, 2024, 3.00%, (iii) after March 31, 2024 but prior to or on June 30, 2024, 5.00%, (iv) after June 30, 2024 but prior to or on December 31, 2024, 10.00%, (vi) after December 31, 2024 but prior to or on March 31, 2025, 15.00%, (vii) after March 31, 2025 but prior to or on June 30, 2025, 17.50%, (viii) after June 30, 2025, 20.00%; *provided* that the maximum percentage provided in clause (b) shall apply if the Exit Fee is due and payable pursuant to any Prepayment Event (other than clause (a) of the definition thereof) regardless of when such Prepayment Event shall have occurred.

"Ex-Im Laws" means (a) the U.S. Export Administration Regulations administered by the U.S. Department of Commerce, the International Traffic in Arms Regulations administered by the U.S. Department of State, the export control laws administered by the European Union and its Member States, and any other Laws related to export controls administered or enforced by an applicable Governmental Authority; and (b) Section 307 of the Tariff Act of 1930 (19 U.S.C. 1307) and the Withhold Release Orders (WROs) issued thereunder, Uyghur Forced Labor Prevention Act and all other import controls and customs Laws administered by U.S. Customs and Border Protection, the European Union and its Member States, and any other applicable Governmental Authority.

"Extended Term Commitment" means one or more commitments hereunder to convert Term Loans under an Existing Term Loan Facility to Extended Term Loans of a given Term Loan Extension Series pursuant to an Extension Amendment.

"Extended Term Loans" has the meaning specified in Section 2.17(a).

"Extending Term Lender" has the meaning specified in Section 2.17(b).

"Extension" means the establishment of a Term Loan Extension Series by amending a Loan or a Commitment pursuant to <u>Section 2.17</u> and the applicable Extension Amendment.

"Extension Amendment" means an amendment to this Agreement in form and substance reasonably satisfactory to the Administrative Agent and the Borrower executed by each of (a) the Borrower, (b) the Administrative Agent and (c) each Lender that agrees to provide any Extended Term Commitments or Extended Term Loans being incurred pursuant thereto, in accordance with <u>Section 2.17</u>.

"Extension Minimum Condition" means a condition to consummating any Extension Amendment that a minimum amount (to be determined and specified in the relevant Extension Request, in the Borrower's sole discretion) of any or all applicable Classes be submitted for Extension.

"Extension Request" means a notice to the Administrative Agent setting forth the proposed terms of Extended Term Loans in accordance with Section 2.17(a).

"Facility" means the Initial Term Loans, any Refinancing Term Loans, any Extended Term Loans, any New Term Loans, any New Revolving Credit Loans or any Replacement Term Loans, as the context may require.

"FATCA" means Section 1471 through Section 1474 of the Code as in effect on the date hereof or any amended or successor provision that is substantively comparable and not materially more onerous to comply with (and, in each case, any current or future regulations promulgated thereunder or official interpretations thereof, any agreements entered into pursuant to Section 1471(b)(1) of the Code and any intergovernmental agreements with respect thereto between the United States and another jurisdiction).

"Federal Funds Rate" means, for any day, the rate calculated by the NYFRB based on such day's federal funds transactions by depositary institutions, as determined in such manner as the NYFRB shall set forth on the NYFRB's Website from time to time, and published on the next succeeding Business Day by the NYFRB as the federal funds effective rate; provided that, if the Federal Funds Rate shall be less than zero, such rate shall be deemed to zero for the purposes of calculating such rate.

"Fee Letters" means the (i) Second Amended and Restated Fee Letter, dated June 6, 2023, between JPMorgan Chase Bank, N.A. and the Borrower and (ii) Letter Agreement, dated as of the Closing Date, between Delaware Trust Company and the Borrower.

"FIRREA" means the Financial Institutions Reform, Recovery and Enforcement Act of 1989, as amended from time to time.

"**First Amendment to Existing Credit Agreement**" means that certain First Amendment dated on or about the date hereof, amending the Existing Credit Agreement.

"Flood Insurance Laws" means, collectively, (i) the National Flood Insurance Reform Act of 1994 (which comprehensively revised the National Flood Insurance Act of 1968 and the Flood Disaster Protection Act of 1973) as now or hereafter in effect or any successor statute thereto and (ii) the Flood Insurance Reform Act of 2004 as now or hereafter in effect or any successor statute thereto.

"Floor" means the benchmark rate floor, if any, provided in this Agreement initially (as of the execution of the Agreement, the modification, amendment or renewal of this Agreement or otherwise) with respect to the Adjusted Term SOFR Rate or the Adjusted Daily Simple SOFR, as applicable. For the avoidance of doubt the initial Floor for each of the Adjusted Term SOFR Rate and the Adjusted Daily Simple SOFR shall be 2.00% per annum.

"Foreign Lender" has the meaning specified in Section 3.01(c)(i).

"Foreign Plan" means any retirement benefit or pension plan maintained or contributed to by, or entered into with, the Borrower or any Subsidiary with respect to any employees employed outside the United States which under applicable Laws is required to be funded through a trust or other funding vehicle other than a trust or funding vehicle maintained exclusively by a Governmental Authority.

"Foreign Subsidiary" means any direct or indirect Subsidiary of the Borrower that is not a Domestic Subsidiary.

"FRB" means the Board of Governors of the Federal Reserve System of the United States.

"FTI" means FTI Consulting, Inc.

"FTI Engagement Letter" means the Engagement Letter dated April 15, 2023, by and among Akin Gump Strauss Hauer & Feld LLP and FTI (and acknowledged and agreed to as to certain provisions thereof by the Borrower).

"**Fund**" means any Person (other than a natural person) that is engaged in making, purchasing, holding or otherwise investing in commercial loans and similar extensions of credit in the ordinary course.

"Funded Debt" means, in respect of any Person, all third-party Indebtedness of such Person for borrowed money that matures more than one year from the date of its creation or matures within one year from such date that is renewable or extendable, at the option of such Person, to a date more than one year from such date or arises under a revolving credit or similar agreement that obligates the lender or lenders to extend credit during a period of more than one year from such date, including Indebtedness in respect of the Loans.

"Further Adjusted Liquidity Metric" has the meaning specified in Section 7.11(a).

"GAAP" means generally accepted accounting principles in the United States of America, as in effect from time to time; provided, however, that if the Borrower notifies the Administrative Agent that the Borrower requests an amendment to any provision hereof to eliminate the effect of any change occurring after the Closing Date in GAAP or in the application thereof (including through conforming changes made consistent with International Financial Reporting Standards) on the operation of such provision (or if the Administrative Agent notifies the Borrower that the Required Lenders request an amendment to any provision hereof for such purpose), regardless of whether any such notice is given before or after such change in GAAP or in the application thereof (including through conforming changes made consistent with International Financial Reporting Standards), then such provision shall be interpreted on the basis of GAAP as in effect and applied immediately before such change shall have become effective until such notice shall have been withdrawn or such provision amended pursuant to good faith negotiations between the Borrower and the Administrative Agent to accomplish any such required change.

"Governmental Authority" means the government of the United States, Australia, or any other nation, or of any political subdivision thereof, whether state or local, and any agency, authority, instrumentality, regulatory body, court, administrative tribunal, central bank or other entity exercising executive, legislative, judicial, taxing, regulatory or administrative powers or functions of or pertaining to government (including any supranational bodies such as the European Union or the European Central Bank).

"Granting Lender" has the meaning specified in Section 10.07(g).

"Guarantee" means, as to any Person, without duplication, any obligation, contingent or otherwise, of such Person guaranteeing or having the economic effect of guaranteeing any Indebtedness or other monetary obligation payable or performable by another Person (the "primary obligor") in any manner, whether directly or indirectly, and including any obligation of such Person, direct or indirect, (a) to purchase or pay (or advance or supply funds for the purchase or payment of) such Indebtedness or other monetary obligation, (b) to purchase or lease property, securities or services for the purpose of assuring the obligee in respect of such Indebtedness or other monetary obligation of the payment or performance of such Indebtedness or other monetary obligation, (c) to maintain working capital, equity capital or any other financial statement condition or liquidity or level of income or cash flow of the primary obligor so as to enable the primary obligor to pay such Indebtedness or other monetary obligation, or (d) entered into for the purpose of assuring in any other manner the obligee in respect of such Indebtedness or other monetary obligation of the payment or performance thereof or to protect such obligee against loss in respect thereof (in whole or in part); provided that the term "Guarantee" shall not include endorsements for collection or deposit, in either case in the ordinary course of business, or customary and reasonable indemnity obligations in effect on the Closing Date or entered into in connection with any acquisition or Disposition of assets permitted under this Agreement (other than such obligations with respect to Indebtedness). The amount of

any Guarantee shall be deemed to be an amount equal to the stated or determinable amount of the related primary obligation, or portion thereof, in respect of which such Guarantee is made or, if not stated or determinable, the maximum reasonably anticipated liability in respect thereof as determined by the guaranteeing Person in good faith. The term "Guarantee" as a verb has a corresponding meaning.

"Guarantors" has the meaning specified in the definition of "Collateral and Guarantee Requirement" and shall include each Subsidiary that shall have become a Guarantor pursuant to Section 6.11. For avoidance of doubt, the Borrower may cause any Subsidiary that is not a Guarantor to Guarantee the Obligations by causing such Subsidiary to execute a Guaranty, and any such Subsidiary shall be a Guarantor and Loan Party hereunder for all purposes. On the Closing Date, the Guarantors are each of the entities listed on Schedule 1.01B.

"**Guaranty**" means (a) the guaranty of the Obligations made by the Guarantors in favor of the Administrative Agent on behalf of the Secured Parties pursuant to <u>clause (b)</u> of the definition of "Collateral and Guarantee Requirement," substantially in the form of <u>Exhibit F</u> and (b) each other guaranty and guaranty supplement delivered pursuant to this Agreement or any other Loan Document.

"Hazardous Materials" means any substance, material or waste that is regulated, classified, or otherwise characterized as "hazardous," "toxic," a "pollutant," a "contaminant," "radioactive" or "explosive" pursuant to any Environmental Law.

"Hedge Bank" means any Person that is an Agent, a Lender, the Lead Arranger or an Affiliate of any of the foregoing at the time it enters into a Secured Hedge Agreement, in its capacity as a party to a Secured Hedge Agreement (or, in the case of Secured Hedge Agreements existing on the Closing Date, on the Closing Date), whether or not such Person subsequently ceases to be an Agent, a Lender, the Lead Arranger or an Affiliate of any of the foregoing.

"Identified Participating Lenders" has the meaning specified in Section 2.05(a)(iv)(C)(3).

"Identified Qualifying Lender" has the meaning specified in Section 2.05(a)(iv)(D)(3).

"Incremental Amendment" has the meaning specified in Section 2.14(c).

"Incremental Amount Date" has the meaning specified in Section 2.14(c).

"Incremental Equivalent Debt" means one or more series of senior unsecured notes or loans, secured junior lien notes or loans, subordinated notes or loans, or secured (junior lien) or unsecured mezzanine Indebtedness, in the case of securities, whether issued in a public offering, Rule 144A or other private placement in lieu of the foregoing or otherwise, secured by the Collateral (if at all) on a junior basis with the Obligations pursuant to an indenture, loan agreement, credit agreement, note purchase agreement or otherwise; *provided* that:

- (i) the aggregate principal amount of all Incremental Equivalent Debt issued pursuant to this Agreement shall not exceed the Available Incremental Equivalent Debt Amount,
 - (ii) such Incremental Equivalent Debt shall not be subject to any Guarantee by any Person other than a Loan Party,

- (iii) subject to clause (iv) below, the interest rate (including margin and floors) applicable to any such Incremental Equivalent Debt will be determined by the Borrower and the Persons providing such Incremental Equivalent Debt,
- (iv) the All-In Yield applicable to any such Incremental Equivalent Debt that is paid in cash (as opposed to accruing until maturity or payable in kind as additional Indebtedness) shall not exceed Adjusted Term SOFR Rate plus 11.00% per annum,
- (v) in the case of Incremental Equivalent Debt that is secured, (A) the obligations in respect thereof shall not be secured by any Lien on any asset of the Borrower or any Subsidiary other than any asset constituting Collateral, (B) the security agreements relating to such Incremental Equivalent Debt shall be substantially the same as the Collateral Documents (with such differences as are appropriate to reflect the nature of such Incremental Equivalent Debt and are otherwise reasonably satisfactory to the Administrative Agent) and (C) such Incremental Equivalent Debt shall be subject to the Superpriority Intercreditor Agreement or to other customary intercreditor agreements or arrangements reasonably acceptable to the Borrower and the Administrative Agent (acting at the direction of the Required Lenders), both immediately before and immediately after the incurrence of such Indebtedness (or, in the case of a permitted Investment, on the date of the execution of (x) the definitive agreement in connection therewith and (y) any commitment in respect of such Incremental Equivalent Debt), no Event of Default under Section 8.01(a) or Section 8.01(f) shall exist,
- (vi) no Lender of Initial Term Loans will be required to participate in any such Incremental Equivalent Debt but no Incremental Equivalent Debt may be incurred without first offering each Lender of Initial Term Loans the right to provide its pro rata portion of such Incremental Equivalent Debt on the same terms as offered to any other prospective lender; *provided* that, to the extent that any such Lender elects not to provide its pro rata portion of any such Incremental Equivalent Debt (and if such Lender has not accepted or declined such offer within ten (10) days following receipt of written notice of such offer, such Lender will be deemed to have declined such offer), the other such Lenders shall have the right to provide such Lender's pro rata portion of the Incremental Equivalent Debt (and if such other Lender does not accept or decline such offer within three (3) Business Days following receipt of written notice of such offer from the Borrower, such other Lender will be deemed to have declined such offer),
- (vii) the covenants and events of default applicable to such Incremental Equivalent Debt shall be either substantially similar to, and not more favorable to the lenders thereunder than the Term Loans, or, if more favorable, may be materially different from those of the Term Loans, to the extent such differences are reasonably acceptable to the Administrative Agent (acting at the direction of the Required Lenders) (it being understood that (x) terms applicable only after the Latest Maturity Date are acceptable in any event) unless such covenants and events of default for such Incremental Equivalent Debt are reflective of market terms and conditions for the type of Indebtedness incurred or issued at the time of issuance or incurrence thereof (in each case, as determined by the Borrower in good faith); *provided* that a certificate of the Borrower delivered to the Administrative Agent at least five (5) Business Days prior to the incurrence of such Indebtedness, together with a reasonably detailed description of the material covenants of such Indebtedness or drafts of the documentation relating thereto, stating that the Borrower has reasonably determined in good faith that such covenants and defaults satisfy the foregoing requirement unless the Administrative Agent notifies the Borrower within such five (5) Business Day period that it disagrees with such determination (including a reasonably detailed description of the basis upon which it disagrees),

(viii) such Incremental Equivalent Debt shall not mature earlier than the Original Term Loan Maturity Date (prior to any extension thereto), and

- (ix) such Incremental Equivalent Debt shall have a Weighted Average Life to Maturity of no less than the Weighted Average Life to Maturity as then in effect for the Initial Term Loans (prior to any extension thereto).
- "**Indebtedness**" means, as to any Person at a particular time, without duplication, all of the following, whether or not included as indebtedness or liabilities in accordance with GAAP:
- (a) all obligations of such Person for borrowed money and all obligations of such Person evidenced by bonds, debentures, notes, loan agreements or other similar instruments;
- (b) the maximum amount (after giving effect to any prior drawings or reductions that may have been reimbursed) of all outstanding letters of credit (including standby and commercial), bankers' acceptances, bank guaranties, surety bonds, performance bonds and similar instruments issued or created by or for the account of such Person;
 - (c) net obligations of such Person under any Swap Contract;
- (d) all obligations of such Person to pay the deferred purchase price of property or services (other than (i) trade accounts payable and accrued expenses payable in the ordinary course of business, (ii) any earn-out obligation until such obligation is not paid after becoming due and payable and (iii) accruals for payroll and other liabilities accrued in the ordinary course of business);
- (e) indebtedness (excluding prepaid interest thereon) secured by a Lien on property owned or being purchased by such Person (including indebtedness arising under conditional sales or other title retention agreements and mortgage, industrial revenue bond, industrial development bond and similar financings), whether or not such indebtedness shall have been assumed by such Person or is limited in recourse;
 - (f) all Attributable Indebtedness;
 - (g) all obligations of such Person in respect of Disqualified Equity Interests; and
 - (h) all Guarantees of such Person in respect of any of the foregoing.

For all purposes hereof, the Indebtedness of any Person shall (A) include the Indebtedness of any partnership or joint venture (other than a joint venture that is itself a corporation or limited liability company) in which such Person is a general partner or a joint venturer, except to the extent such Person's liability for such Indebtedness is otherwise limited and only to the extent such Indebtedness would be included in the calculation of Consolidated Total Debt, (B) in the case of Non-Loan Parties, exclude loans and advances made by Loan Parties having a term not exceeding 364 days (inclusive of any roll over or extensions of terms) and made in the ordinary course of business and (C) exclude amounts otherwise constituting Indebtedness to the extent that cash has been irrevocably deposited to defease or otherwise prepay or discharge such amounts in full. The amount of any net obligation under any Swap Contract on any date shall be deemed to be the Swap Termination Value thereof as of such date. The amount of Indebtedness of any Person for purposes of clause (e) shall be deemed to be equal to the lesser of (i) the aggregate unpaid amount of such Indebtedness and (ii) the fair market value (as determined by such Person in good faith) of the property encumbered thereby as determined by such Person in good faith.

"Indemnified Liabilities" has the meaning specified in Section 10.05.

"Indemnitees" has the meaning specified in Section 10.05.

"**Independent Financial Advisor**" means an accounting, appraisal, investment banking firm or consultant of nationally recognized standing that is, in the good faith judgment of the Borrower, qualified to perform the task for which it has been engaged and that is independent of the Borrower and its Affiliates.

"**Information**" has the meaning specified in Section 10.08.

"Initial Liquidity Metric" has the meaning specified in Section 7.11(a).

"Initial Term Commitment" means, as to each Term Lender, its obligation to make (or deem to make pursuant to the Exchange) an Initial Term Loan to the Borrower pursuant to Section 2.01 in an aggregate amount not to exceed the amount set forth opposite such Lender's name on Schedule 2.01 (as in effect on the Closing Date) under the caption "Initial Term Commitment," as such amount may be adjusted from time to time in accordance with this Agreement. The initial aggregate amount of the Initial Term Commitments is \$218,848,371.05; it being understood and agreed, for the avoidance of doubt, that the "Initial Term Commitment" does not take into account the Closing Date Prepayment or any fees contemplated by Sections 2.09(a) or 2.09(b).

"Initial Term Loan" and "Initial Term Loans" have the meanings specified in Section 2.01.

"Intellectual Property" has the meaning specified in the Security Agreement.

"Intellectual Property Security Agreements" has the meaning specified in the Security Agreement.

"Intercompany Note" means any intercompany note substantially in the form of Exhibit I.

"**Intercreditor Agreements**" means the Pari Passu Intercreditor Agreement, the Superpriority Intercreditor Agreement and other customary intercreditor agreements or arrangements reasonably acceptable to the Borrower and the Administrative Agent (acting at the direction of the Required Lenders), collectively, in each case to the extent then in effect.

"Interest Payment Date" means, (a) as to any SOFR Rate Loan of any Class, the last day of each Interest Period applicable to such Loan, and the Maturity Date of the Facility under which such Loan was made; provided that if any Interest Period for a SOFR Rate Loan exceeds three months, the respective dates that fall every three months after the beginning of such Interest Period shall also be Interest Payment Dates; (b) as to any Base Rate Loan of any Class, fifteen (15) days after the last Business Day of each March, June, September and December (commencing with the last Business Day of September 2023), and the Maturity Date of the Facility under which such Loan was made and (c) as to any RFR Loan of any Class (solely to the extent applicable following a Benchmark Replacement or otherwise pursuant to Section 3.03), each date that is on the numerically corresponding day in each calendar month that is one month after the Borrowing of such Loan (or, if there is no such numerically corresponding day in such month) and the Maturity Date of the Facility under which such Loan was made.

"**Interest Period**" means, as to any Borrowing of SOFR Rate Loans, the period commencing on the date of such Loan or Borrowing and ending on the numerically corresponding day in the calendar month that is one, three or six months thereafter (in each case, subject to the availability thereof), as specified in the applicable Loan Notice; *provided* that (i) if any Interest Period would end on a day other than a Business Day, such Interest Period shall be extended to the next succeeding Business Day

unless such next succeeding Business Day would fall in the next calendar month, in which case such Interest Period shall end on the next preceding Business Day, (ii) any Interest Period that commences on the last Business Day of a calendar month (or on a day for which there is no numerically corresponding day in the last calendar month of such Interest Period) shall end on the last Business Day of the last calendar month of such Interest Period, (iii) no Interest Period shall extend beyond the Maturity Date and (iv) no tenor that has been removed from this definition pursuant to Section 2.20(d) shall be available for specification in such Loan Notice. For purposes hereof, the date of a Loan or Borrowing initially shall be the date on which such Loan or Borrowing is made and thereafter shall be the effective date of the most recent conversion or continuation of such Loan or Borrowing.

"Investment" means, as to any Person, the acquisition or investment by such Person, by means of (a) the purchase or other acquisition (including by merger or otherwise) of Equity Interests of another Person, (b) a loan, advance or capital contribution to, Guarantee or assumption of debt of, or purchase or other acquisition of any other debt or equity participation or interest in, another Person, including any partnership or joint venture interest in such other Person (excluding, in the case of the Borrower and the Subsidiaries, intercompany loans, advances, or Indebtedness having a term not exceeding 364 days (inclusive of any roll-over or extensions of terms) and made in the ordinary course of business) or (c) the purchase or other acquisition (in one transaction or a series of transactions, including by merger or otherwise) of all or substantially all of the property and assets of another Person or assets constituting a business unit, line of business or division of such Person; provided that, in the event that any Investment is made by the Borrower or any Subsidiary in any Person through substantially concurrent interim transfers of any amount through the Borrower or any Subsidiaries, then such other substantially concurrent interim transfers shall be disregarded for purposes of Section 7.02. For purposes of covenant compliance, the amount of any Investment at any time shall be the amount actually invested (measured at the time made (which, in the case of any Investment constituting the contribution of an asset or property, shall be based on the Borrower's good faith estimate of the fair market value of such asset or property at the time such Investment is made)), without adjustment for subsequent changes in the value of such Investment, net of any Returns with respect to such Investment.

"**Investment Grade Rating**" means a rating equal to or higher than Baa3 (or the equivalent) by Moody's and BBB- (or the equivalent) by S&P, or an equivalent rating by any other nationally recognized statistical rating agency selected by the Borrower.

"IP Rights" has the meaning specified in Section 5.15.

"Ireland" means Ireland excluding, for the avoidance of doubt, Northern Ireland.

"Irish Companies Act" means the Companies Act 2014 of Ireland, as amended from time to time.

"**Irish Debenture**" means the Irish law governed mortgage debenture executed by the Irish Guarantor, substantially in the form of <u>Exhibit</u> <u>G-2</u>, as amended, restated amended and restated, supplemented or otherwise modified from the time to time.

"**Irish Guarantor**" means Casa Communications Limited, a company incorporated under the laws of Ireland with registered number 580601 and its registered address at Unit 1 Kilmurry Business Centre, National Technology Centre, Castletroy, Co. Limerick, Ireland.

"IRS" means the Internal Revenue Service of the United States.

- "**Joint Venture**" means (a) any Person which would constitute an "equity method investee" of the Borrower or any of the Subsidiaries and (b) any Person in whom the Borrower or any of the Subsidiaries beneficially owns any Equity Interest that is not a Subsidiary.
- "JPM Engagement Letter" means the Amended and Restated Engagement Letter, dated March 14, 2023, between JPMorgan Chase Bank, N.A. and the Borrower.
 - "Judgment Currency" has the meaning specified in Section 10.18.
 - "Junior Financing" has the meaning specified in Section 7.13(a).
 - "Junior Financing Documentation" means any documentation governing any Junior Financing.
- "Latest Maturity Date" means, at any date of determination and, with respect to the specified Loans or Commitments (or in the absence of any such specification, all outstanding Loans and Commitments hereunder), the latest Maturity Date applicable to any such Loans or Commitments hereunder at such time, including the latest maturity or expiration date of any Initial Term Loan, any New Revolving Credit Commitment, any New Term Loan, any New Revolving Credit Loan, any Refinancing Term Loan, any Refinancing Term Commitments, any Extended Term Loan or any Replacement Term Loan, in each case as extended in accordance with this Agreement from time to time.
- "Laws" means, collectively, all applicable international, foreign, federal, state and local statutes, treaties, rules, guidelines, regulations, ordinances, codes and administrative or judicial precedents or authorities and executive orders, including the interpretation or administration thereof by any Governmental Authority charged with the enforcement, interpretation or administration thereof, and all applicable administrative orders, directed duties, requests, licenses, authorizations and permits of, and agreements with, any Governmental Authority.
 - "Lead Arranger" means JPMorgan Chase Bank, N.A. in its capacity as lead arranger under this Agreement.
- "Lender" has the meaning specified in the introductory paragraph to this Agreement and, as the context requires, its respective successors and assigns as permitted hereunder, each of which is referred to herein as a "Lender." Each Additional Lender shall be a Lender to the extent any such Person has executed and delivered a Refinancing Amendment, an Incremental Amendment or an amendment to this Agreement in respect of Replacement Term Loans, as the case may be, and to the extent such Refinancing Amendment, Incremental Amendment or amendment to this Agreement in respect of Replacement Term Loans shall have become effective in accordance with the terms hereof and thereof, and Extending Term Lender shall continue to be a Lender. As of the Closing Date, Schedule 2.01 sets forth the name of each Lender.
 - "Lender-Related Person" has the meaning specified in Section 10.05(a).
- "Lending Office" means, as to any Lender, the office or offices of such Lender described as such in such Lender's Administrative Questionnaire, or such other office or offices as a Lender may from time to time notify the Borrower and the Administrative Agent by not less than five (5) Business Days' written notice.

"Lien" means any mortgage, pledge, hypothecation, collateral assignment, deposit arrangement, encumbrance, lien (statutory or other), charge, or preference, priority or other security interest (including, without limitation, any "security interest" as defined in Section 12(1) and 12(2) of the Australian PPSA) or preferential arrangement in the nature of a security interest of any kind or nature whatsoever (including any conditional sale or other title retention agreement, any easement, right of way or other encumbrance on title to real property, and any Capitalized Lease having substantially the same economic effect as any of the foregoing); *provided* that in no event shall an operating lease in and of itself be deemed a Lien.

"Limited Conditionality Transaction" means (i) any permitted Investment by the Borrower or any of its Subsidiaries the consummation of which is not conditioned on the availability of, or on obtaining, third party financing and (ii) any redemption, repurchase, defeasance, satisfaction and discharge or repayment of Indebtedness requiring irrevocable notice in advance of such redemption, repurchase, defeasance, satisfaction and discharge or repayment.

"Liquidity" means the sum of all cash and Cash Equivalents of the Loan Parties held in any deposit account or securities account in which the Collateral Agent has a perfected security interest for the benefit of the Secured Parties, excluding any cash and Cash Equivalents listed as Restricted (or any like caption) on the balance sheet of any such Person. Notwithstanding anything to the contrary set forth herein, solely for the period from the Closing Date until the earlier of (x) the date required by Section 6.11(c) and (y) the date on which Section 6.11(c) is satisfied by the Loan Parties, "Liquidity" shall include all cash and Cash Equivalents of the Loan Parties that is held in a deposit account or securities account which does not constitute an Excluded Account, excluding any cash and Cash Equivalents listed as Restricted (or any like caption) on the balance sheet of any such Person.

"Loan" means an extension of credit by a Lender to the Borrower under Article II hereof.

"Loan Documents" means, collectively, (a) this Agreement, (b) the Notes, (c) any Refinancing Amendment, Incremental Amendment, Extension Amendment or amendment to this Agreement in respect of Replacement Term Loans, (d) the Collateral Documents, (e) the Guaranty, (f) the Intercompany Note and (g) the Board Observation Rights Letter.

"**Loan Notice**" means a notice of (a) a Borrowing, (b) a conversion of Loans from one Type to the other, or (c) a continuation of SOFR Rate Loans, pursuant to <u>Section 2.02(a)</u>, which, if in writing, shall be substantially in the form of <u>Exhibit A</u>.

"Loan Parties" means, collectively, (a) the Borrower and (b) each Guarantor.

"Management Stockholders" means any of (i) any current or former director, officer, employee or member of management of the Borrower, any of its Subsidiaries or any direct or indirect parent thereof who, at any time, is an investor in the Borrower or any direct or indirect parent thereof, (ii) any trust, partnership, limited liability company, corporate body or other entity established by any such director, officer, employee or member of management of the Borrower or any of its Subsidiaries (or by any Person described in the succeeding clauses (iii) and (iv), as applicable) to hold an investment in the Borrower or any direct or indirect parent thereof in connection with such Person's estate or tax planning, (iii) any spouse, parents or grandparents of any such director, officer, employee or member of management of the Borrower or any of its Subsidiaries and any and all descendants of the foregoing, together with any spouse of any of the foregoing Persons, who are transferred an investment in the Borrower or any direct or indirect parent thereof by any such director, officer, employee or member of management of the Borrower or any of its Subsidiaries in connection with such Person's estate or tax planning and (iv) any Person who acquires an investment in the Borrower or any direct or indirect parent thereof by will or by the Laws of intestate succession as a result of the death of an employee of the Borrower or any of its Subsidiaries.

- "Margin Stock" has the meaning set forth in Regulation U of the FRB, or any successor thereto.
- "Master Agreement" has the meaning specified in the definition of "Swap Contract".
- "Material Adverse Effect" means (a) a material adverse effect on the business, assets, financial condition or results of operations of the Borrower and its Subsidiaries taken as a whole, and (b) a material adverse effect on the rights and remedies of the Lenders, the Administrative Agent and the Collateral Agent, taken as a whole, under any Loan Document.
 - "Material Debt Instrument" means any physical instrument evidencing obligations in excess of \$1,000,000.
- "Material Real Property" means any fee-owned real property located in the United States that is owned by a Loan Party and which has a fair market value (estimated in good faith by the Borrower) in excess of \$1,000,000 as of the time such property is acquired (or, if such property is owned by a Person at the time it becomes a Loan Party pursuant to Section 6.11, as of such date); provided however that the Borrower's real property located in Andover, Massachusetts (the "HQ Property") shall not be deemed to be Material Real Property prior to the date of September 20, 2023 (the "SLB Deadline") so long as the Borrower is actively pursuing a sale-leaseback transaction in respect to such HQ Property; further provided, that from the date of the SLB Deadline (unless otherwise agreed by the Collateral Agent (at the direction of the Required Lenders) to extend the SLB Deadline), the HQ Property shall be deemed to be Material Real Property and the Borrower shall then comply with the requirements of Section 6.13(b).
- "Maturity Date" means (i) with respect to the Initial Term Loans that have not been extended pursuant to Section 2.17, December 20, 2027 (the "Original Term Loan Maturity Date"); provided that such maturity date shall instead be December 20, 2025 (the "Springing Maturity Date") if, unless otherwise waived by the Lenders holding at least 75% of the Outstanding Amount of the Initial Term Loans on the date of determination, (x)(1) the Total Net First Lien Leverage Ratio is greater than 1.00:1.00, or (2) the Total Net Leverage Ratio is greater than 1.50:1.00, in each case, as of September 30, 2025 or (y) a Default or Event of Default has occurred and is continuing hereunder as of December 20, 2025, (ii) with respect to any Extended Term Loans of a given Term Loan Extension Series, the final maturity date as specified in the applicable Extension Amendment accepted by the respective Lender or Lenders, (iii) with respect to any Refinancing Term Loans, the final maturity date as specified in the applicable Refinancing Amendment, (iv) with respect to any New Term Loan, New Revolving Credit Commitments or New Revolving Credit Loans, the final maturity date as specified in the applicable Incremental Amendment and (v) with respect to Replacement Term Loans, the final maturity date as specified in the applicable Amendment to this Agreement in respect of such Replacement Term Loans; provided, in each case, that if such day is not a Business Day, the applicable Maturity Date shall be the Business Day immediately preceding such day.
 - "Maximum Rate" has the meaning specified in Section 10.10.
 - "Monthly Compliance Date" means the last day of any calendar month ending after the Closing Date.
 - "Moody's" means Moody's Investors Service, Inc. and any successor thereto.
 - "Mortgage Policies" has the meaning specified in Section 6.13(b)(ii).

"Mortgages" means collectively, the deeds of trust, trust deeds, hypothecs and mortgages made by the Loan Parties in favor or for the benefit of the Collateral Agent on behalf of the Secured Parties in form and substance reasonably satisfactory to the Collateral Agent, executed and delivered pursuant to Section 6.11 and Section 6.13.

"Multiemployer Plan" means any multiemployer plan as defined in Section 4001(a)(3) of ERISA and subject to Title IV of ERISA, to which the Borrower or any of its ERISA Affiliates makes or is obligated to make contributions, or during the preceding five plan years, has made or been obligated to make contributions.

"Net Cash Proceeds" means:

- (a) with respect to the Disposition of any asset by the Borrower or any of the Subsidiaries or any Casualty Event, the excess, if any, of (i) the sum of cash and Cash Equivalents received in connection with such Disposition or Casualty Event (including any cash and Cash Equivalents received by way of deferred payment pursuant to, or by monetization of, a note receivable or otherwise, but only as and when so received and, with respect to any Casualty Event, any insurance proceeds or condemnation awards in respect of such Casualty Event actually received by or paid to or for the account of the Borrower or any of the Subsidiaries) over (ii) the sum of (A) the principal amount, premium or penalty, if any, interest and other amounts on any Indebtedness that is secured by a Lien on the asset subject to such Disposition or Casualty Event and required to be repaid in connection with such Disposition or Casualty Event (other than Indebtedness under the Loan Documents and Refinancing Equivalent Debt), (B) the out-of-pocket fees and expenses (including attorneys' fees, investment banking fees, survey costs, title insurance premiums, and related search and recording charges, transfer taxes, deed or mortgage recording taxes, other customary expenses and brokerage, consultant and other customary fees) actually incurred by the Borrower or such Subsidiary in connection with such Disposition or Casualty Event and restoration costs following a Casualty Event, (C) taxes (including Restricted Payments in respect thereof pursuant to Section 7.06) paid or reasonably estimated to be payable in connection therewith (including taxes imposed on the distribution or repatriation of any such Net Cash Proceeds), (D) in the case of any Disposition or Casualty Event by a non-wholly owned Subsidiary, the pro-rata portion of the Net Cash Proceeds thereof (calculated without regard to this clause (D)) attributable to minority interests and not available for distribution to or for the account of the Borrower or a wholly owned Subsidiary as a result thereof, and (E) any reserve for adjustment in respect of (x) the sale price of such asset or assets established in accordance with GAAP and (y) any liabilities associated with such asset or assets and retained by the Borrower or any Subsidiary after such sale or other disposition thereof, including pension and other postemployment benefit liabilities and liabilities related to environmental matters or against any indemnification obligations associated with such transaction, it being understood that "Net Cash Proceeds" shall include the amount of any reversal (without the satisfaction of any applicable liabilities in cash in a corresponding amount) of any reserve described in this <u>clause (E)</u>;
- (b) with respect to the incurrence, issuance or sale of any Indebtedness by the Borrower or any Subsidiary or any Permitted Equity Issuance by the Borrower or any Permitted Parent, the excess, if any, of (A) the sum of the cash and Cash Equivalents received in connection with such incurrence or issuance over (B) the investment banking fees, underwriting discounts, commissions, costs and other out-of-pocket expenses and other customary expenses, incurred by the Borrower or any Subsidiary in connection with such incurrence or issuance; and
- (c) with respect to any Permitted Equity Issuance by any Permitted Parent, the amount of cash from such Permitted Equity Issuance contributed to the capital of the Borrower.

For purposes of calculating the amount of Net Cash Proceeds, fees, commissions and other costs and expenses payable to the Borrower or any Subsidiary shall be disregarded.

- "Net Income" means, with respect to any Person, the net income (loss) of such Person, determined in accordance with GAAP.
- "New Refinancing Term Commitments" has the meaning specified in Section 2.15(a).
- "New Revolving Credit Commitments" has the meaning specified in Section 2.14(a).
- "New Revolving Credit Lender" means each existing Lender or Additional Lender that provides New Revolving Credit Commitments.
- "New Revolving Credit Loans" means any revolving credit loan made by New Revolving Credit Lenders pursuant to New Revolving Credit Commitments.
 - "New Term Commitments" has the meaning specified in Section 2.14(a).
 - "New Term Lender" means each existing Lender or Additional Lender that provides New Term Loans.
 - "New Term Loans" has the meaning specified in Section 2.14(a).
 - "Non-Bank Certificate" has the meaning specified in Section 3.01(c)(i).
- "Non-Cash Compensation Liabilities" means any liabilities recorded in connection with stock-based awards, partnership interest-based awards, awards of profits interests, deferred compensation awards and similar incentive based compensation awards or arrangements.
 - "Non-Consenting Lender" has the meaning specified in the penultimate paragraph of Section 3.07.
 - "Non-Defaulting Lender" means and includes each Lender other than a Defaulting Lender.
 - "Non-Loan Party" means any Subsidiary that is not a Loan Party.
- "**Note**" means a promissory note of the Borrower payable to any Lender or its registered assigns, in substantially the form of <u>Exhibit D</u> hereto, evidencing the aggregate Indebtedness of the Borrower to such Lender resulting from the Loans made by such Lender.
 - "NYFRB" means the Federal Reserve Bank of New York.
- "NYFRB Rate" means, for any day, the greater of (a) the Federal Funds Rate in effect on such day and (b) the Overnight Bank Funding Rate in effect on such day; *provided* that, if none of such rates are published for any day that is a Business Day, the term "NYFRB Rate" means the rate for a federal funds transaction quoted at 11:00 a.m., New York City time, on such day received by the Administrative Agent from a federal funds broker of recognized standing selected by it; *provided*, *further*, if any of the aforesaid rates shall be less than zero, such rate shall be deemed to zero for the purposes of calculating such rate.

"NYFRB's Website" means the website of the NYFRB at http://www.newyorkfed.org, or any successor source.

"Obligations" means all (a) advances to, and debts, liabilities, obligations, covenants and duties of, any Loan Party arising under any Loan Document or otherwise with respect to any Loan, whether direct or indirect (including those acquired by assumption), absolute or contingent, due or to become due, now existing or hereafter arising and including interest, fees (including, without limitation, the Exit Fee) and expenses that accrue after the commencement by or against any Loan Party of any proceeding under any Debtor Relief Laws naming such Person as the debtor in such proceeding, regardless of whether such interest, fees and expenses are allowed claims in such proceeding, (b) for purposes of the Collateral Documents and Section 8.03 only, obligations of any Loan Party arising under any Secured Hedge Agreement and (c) for purposes of the Collateral Documents and Section 8.03 only, obligations under Secured Cash Management Agreements; provided that in the case of clauses (b) and (c), only to the extent that, and for so long as, the other Obligations are so secured or guaranteed, and any release of Collateral or Guarantees effected in a manner permitted by this Agreement shall not require the consent of holders of obligations under Secured Hedge Agreements or obligations under Secured Cash Management Agreements; provided further that the Obligations shall exclude all Excluded Swap Obligations. Without limiting the generality of the foregoing, the Obligations of the Loan Parties under the Loan Documents include the obligation (including guarantee obligations) to pay principal, interest, commissions, reimbursement obligations, charges, expenses, fees, Attorney Costs, indemnities and other amounts payable by any Loan Party under any Loan Document.

"**Observer**" has the meaning specified in the Board Observation Rights Letter.

"Offered Amount" has the meaning specified in Section 2.05(a)(iv)(D)(1).

"Offered Discount" has the meaning specified in Section 2.05(a)(iv)(D)(1).

"OID" means original issue discount.

"Organization Documents" means (a) with respect to any corporation, the certificate or articles of incorporation and the bylaws (or equivalent or comparable constitutive documents with respect to any non-U.S. jurisdiction); (b) with respect to any limited liability company, the certificate or articles of formation or organization and operating agreement (or equivalent or comparable constitutive documents with respect to any non-U.S. jurisdiction); and (c) with respect to any partnership, joint venture, trust or other form of business entity, the partnership, joint venture or other applicable agreement of formation or organization and any agreement, instrument, filing or notice with respect thereto filed in connection with its formation or organization with the applicable Governmental Authority in the jurisdiction of its formation or organization and, if applicable, any certificate or articles of formation or organization of such entity (or equivalent or comparable constitutive documents with respect to any non-U.S. jurisdiction).

"Original Term Loan Maturity Date" has the meaning specified in the definition of "Maturity Date."

"Other Taxes" has the meaning specified in Section 3.01(e).

"Outstanding Amount" means, with respect to the Term Loans of any Class, the principal thereof (including any fees or interest paid-in-kind and added to the principal balance thereof) after giving effect to any borrowings and prepayments or repayments of Term Loans of any Class, as the case may be, occurring on such date.

"Overnight Bank Funding Rate" means, for any day, the rate comprised of both overnight federal funds and overnight eurodollar transactions denominated in Dollars by U.S.-managed banking offices of depository institutions, as such composite rate shall be determined by the NYFRB as set forth on its public website from time to time, and published on the next succeeding Business Day by the NYFRB as an overnight bank funding rate (from and after such date as the NYFRB shall commence to publish such composite rate).

"Pari Passu Intercreditor Agreement" means any pari passu intercreditor agreement entered into after the date hereof, in form and substance reasonably acceptable to the Borrower and the Administrative Agent (acting at the direction of the Required Lenders).

- "Participant" has the meaning specified in Section 10.07(d).
- "Participant Register" has the meaning specified in Section 10.07(e).
- "Participating Lender" has the meaning specified in Section 2.05(a)(iv)(C)(2).
- "Participating Member State" means each state so described in any EMU Legislation.
- "PATRIOT Act" means the USA PATRIOT Act (Title III of Pub. L. 107-56 (signed into law October 26, 2001)).
- "Payment" has the meaning assigned to such term in Section 10.27(a).
- "Payment Notice" has the meaning assigned to such term in Section 10.27(b).
- "PBGC" means the Pension Benefit Guaranty Corporation.
- "Pension Plan" means any "employee pension benefit plan" (as such term is defined in Section 3(2) of ERISA), other than a Multiemployer Plan, that is subject to Title IV of ERISA and is sponsored or maintained by the Borrower or any of its ERISA Affiliates or to which the Borrower or any of its ERISA Affiliates contributes or has an obligation to contribute, or in the case of a multiple employer or other plan described in Section 4064(a) of ERISA, has made contributions at any time in the preceding five plan years.
- "**Perfection Certificate**" means a certificate in the form of Exhibit V-1 to the Security Agreement or any other form reasonably approved by the Administrative Agent, as the same shall be supplemented from time to time.
- "**Permitted Equity Issuance**" means any sale or issuance of any Qualified Equity Interests of the Borrower or any Permitted Parent, in each case to the extent not prohibited hereunder.
- "Permitted Holder" means any of (i) Summit Partners, (ii) the Management Stockholders, (iii) Liberty Global Inc. or any of its Affiliates and (iv) any "group" (within the meaning of Section 13(d) or Section 14(d) of the Exchange Act) of which any of the foregoing are members; provided that in the case of such "group" and without giving effect to the existence of such "group" or any other "group," such Persons specified in clauses (i), (ii), and/or (iii) above, collectively, have beneficial ownership, directly or indirectly, of more than 50% of the aggregate ordinary voting power for election of directors represented by the issued and outstanding Equity Interests of the Borrower held, directly or indirectly, by such "group".

"Permitted Junior Secured Refinancing Debt" has the meaning specified in Section 2.15(i).

"Permitted Parent" means any Person organized or existing under the Laws of the United States or any state thereof formed for the sole purpose of owning 100% of the issued and outstanding Equity Interests of the Borrower so long as, immediately after the acquisition by such Person of 100% of the issued and outstanding Equity Interests of the Borrower, the issued and outstanding Equity Interests in such Person are owned by the equity holders of the Borrower immediately prior to such acquisition in substantially the same proportions as their ownership of Equity Interests in the Borrower at such time.

"Permitted Pari Passu Secured Refinancing Debt" has the meaning specified in Section 2.15(i).

"Permitted Refinancing" means, with respect to any Person, any modification, refinancing, refunding, replacement, renewal or extension of any Indebtedness of such Person; provided that (a) the principal amount (or accreted value, if applicable) thereof does not exceed the principal amount (or accreted value, if applicable) of the Indebtedness so modified, refinanced, refunded, replaced, renewed or extended except by an amount equal to unpaid accrued interest, fees, premium (including call and tender premiums) thereon, defeasance costs, and fees and expenses incurred (including OID, upfront fees and similar items), in connection with such modification, refinancing, refunding, replacement, renewal or extension and by an amount equal to any existing commitments unutilized thereunder, (b) other than with respect to a Permitted Refinancing in respect of Indebtedness permitted pursuant to Section 7.03(b) and Section 7.03(e), such modification, refinancing, refunding, replacement, renewal or extension has a final maturity date equal to or later than the final maturity date of, and has a Weighted Average Life to Maturity equal to or greater than the Weighted Average Life to Maturity of, the Indebtedness being modified, refinanced, refunded, replaced, renewed or extended, and (c) if such Indebtedness being modified, refinanced, refunded, replaced, renewed, or extended is Junior Financing, (i) to the extent such Indebtedness being modified, refinanced, refunded, replaced, renewed, or extended is contractually subordinated in right of payment to the Obligations, such modification, refinancing, refunding, replacement, renewal, or extension is contractually subordinated in right of payment to the Obligations on terms, taken as a whole, at least as favorable to the Lenders, in all material respects, as those contained in the documentation governing the Indebtedness being modified, refinanced, refunded, replaced, renewed or extended, (ii) to the extent such Indebtedness being modified, refinanced, refunded, replaced, renewed, or extended is secured by Liens, (x) such modification, refinancing, refunding, replacement, renewal or extension is unsecured or is secured by Liens otherwise permitted under Section 7.01 to the extent the Indebtedness being modified, refinanced, refunded, replaced or extended would have been permitted to be secured by such Lien and (y) to the extent that such Liens are contractually subordinated to the Liens securing the Obligations, such modification, refinancing, refunding, replacement, renewal or extension is either unsecured or secured by Liens that are contractually subordinated to the Liens securing the Obligations on terms, taken as a whole, at least as favorable to the Lenders, in all material respects, as those contained in the documentation (including any intercreditor or similar agreements) governing the Indebtedness being modified, refinanced, refunded, replaced, renewed or extended, (iii) to the extent such Indebtedness being modified, refinanced, refunded, replaced, renewed, or extended is unsecured, such Indebtedness must be unsecured except to the extent permitted under Section 7.01(gg), Section 7.01(jj), Section 7.01(oo) or Section 7.01(pp), (iv) the covenants and defaults of any such modified, refinanced, refunded, replaced, renewed or extended Indebtedness with an original principal amount outstanding in excess of the Threshold Amount (taken as a whole) are (x) not materially more restrictive with respect to the Borrower and the Subsidiaries, as reasonably determined by the Borrower in good faith, than the covenants and defaults of the Indebtedness being modified, refinanced, refunded, replaced, renewed or extended or (y) reflective of market terms and conditions for the type of Indebtedness incurred or issued at the time of issuance or incurrence thereof (as determined by the Borrower in good faith); provided that a certificate of the Borrower delivered to the

Administrative Agent at least three (3) Business Days prior to the incurrence of such Indebtedness, together with a reasonably detailed description of the material covenants of such Indebtedness or drafts of the documentation relating thereto, stating that the Borrower has reasonably determined in good faith that such covenants and defaults satisfy the foregoing requirement shall be conclusive evidence that such covenants and defaults satisfy the foregoing requirement unless the Administrative Agent (acting at the direction of the Required Lenders) notifies the Borrower within such three (3) Business Day period that it disagrees with such determination (including a reasonably detailed description of the basis upon which it disagrees) and (v) such modification, refinancing, refunding, replacement, renewal or extension is incurred by the Person who is the obligor of the Indebtedness being modified, refinanced, refunded, replaced, renewed or extended and no additional obligors become liable for such Indebtedness except to the extent such Person guaranteed the Indebtedness being modified, refinanced, refunded, replaced, renewed or extended (or such guarantee would have otherwise been permitted under Section 7.03). Any reference to a Permitted Refinancing in this Agreement or any other Loan Document shall be interpreted to mean (a) a Permitted Refinancing of the subject Indebtedness and (b) any further refinancings constituting a Permitted Refinancing of the Indebtedness resulting from a prior Permitted Refinancing.

"Permitted Unsecured Refinancing Debt" has the meaning specified in Section 2.15(i).

"**Person**" means any natural person, corporation, limited liability company, trust, joint venture, association, company, partnership (including any exempted limited partnership), Governmental Authority or other entity.

"Plan Asset Regulations" means 29 CFR § 2510.3-101 et seq., as modified by Section 3(42) of ERISA, as amended from time to time.

"Platform" has the meaning specified in the last paragraph of Section 6.02.

"Pledged Debt" has the meaning specified in the Security Agreement.

"Pledged Equity" has the meaning specified in the Security Agreement.

"Prepayment Event" means the occurrence of any of the following events prior to the Initial Term Loan's Maturity Date: (a) any of the principal balance of the Initial Term Loans is refinanced, repaid, prepaid or replaced or modified by operation of Law or reduced for any reason, (b) any Initial Term Loans are satisfied as a result of a foreclosure sale, deed in lieu or by any other means, (c) the Obligations are accelerated in accordance with Section 8.02 or by operation of Law, (d) an Event of Default has occurred and is continuing under Section 8.01(f), (e) there is a foreclosure or enforcement of any Lien on the Collateral pursuant to the Loan Documents or any other exercise of remedies with respect to the Collateral, (f) there is a sale of the Collateral in any proceeding under Debtor Relief Laws or (g) there is a restructure, reorganization, or compromise of the Obligations by the confirmation of a plan of reorganization or any other plan of compromise, restructure or arrangement in any proceeding under Debtor Relief Laws.

"Prime Rate" has the meaning specified in the definition of "Base Rate".

"**Pro Forma Basis**" and "**Pro Forma Effect**" mean, with respect to compliance with any test or covenant or calculation of any ratio hereunder, or the calculation of Consolidated EBITDA hereunder, the determination or calculation of such test, covenant, ratio or Consolidated EBITDA (including in connection with Specified Transactions) in accordance with <u>Section 1.08</u>.

"Pro Rata Share" means, with respect to each Lender at any time, a fraction (expressed as a percentage, carried out to the ninth decimal place), the numerator of which is the amount of the Commitments and, if applicable and without duplication, Term Loans of such Lender under the applicable Facility or Facilities at such time and the denominator of which is the amount of the Aggregate Commitments of all Lenders under the applicable Facility or Facilities and, if applicable and without duplication, Term Loans of all Lenders at such time.

"PTE" means a prohibited transaction class exemption issued by the U.S. Department of Labor, as any such exemption may be amended from time to time.

"Public Lender" has the meaning specified in the last paragraph of Section 6.02.

"QFC" has the meaning assigned to the term "qualified financial contract" in, and shall be interpreted in accordance with, 12 U.S.C. 5390(c)(8)(D).

"QFC Credit Support" has the meaning assigned to it in Section 10.26.

"Qualified Equity Interests" means any Equity Interests that are not Disqualified Equity Interests.

"Qualifying Lender" has the meaning specified in Section 2.05(a)(iv)(D)(3).

"Quarterly Financial Statements" means the unaudited consolidated balance sheets and related statements of operations and cash flows of the Borrower and its Subsidiaries for the fiscal quarter ended March 31, 2023.

"Refinanced Debt" has the meaning specified in Section 2.15(a).

"Refinanced Loans" has the meaning specified in Section 2.15(i).

"Refinancing Amendment" has the meaning specified in Section 2.15(f).

"Refinancing Equivalent Debt" has the meaning specified in $\underline{\text{Section 2.15}(\underline{i})}$.

"Refinancing Facility Closing Date" has the meaning specified in Section 2.15(d).

"Refinancing Loan Request" has the meaning specified in Section 2.15(a).

"Refinancing Term Commitments" has the meaning specified in Section 2.15(a).

"Refinancing Term Lender" has the meaning specified in Section 2.15(c).

"Refinancing Term Loan" has the meaning specified in Section 2.15(b).

"Refunding Capital Stock" has the meaning specified in Section 7.06(n)(i).

"Register" has the meaning specified in Section 10.07(c).

"**Registration Rights Agreement**" means that certain Registration Rights Agreement, dated as of the date hereof, by and between the Borrower and the Lenders party hereto on the Closing Date.

"Related Person" of any Person means (a) any controlling Person or controlled affiliate of such Person, (b) the respective directors, officers, members, or employees of such Person or any of its controlling Persons or controlled affiliates and (c) the respective agents or representatives of such Person or any of its controlling Persons or controlled affiliates, in the case of this <u>clause (c)</u>, acting at the instructions of such Person, controlling Person or such controlled affiliate; *provided* that each reference to a controlled affiliate, director, officer or employee or controlling Person in this definition shall pertain to a controlled affiliate, director, officer or employee or controlling Person involved in the negotiation or syndication of this Agreement and the Facilities.

"Relevant Governmental Body" means the FRB or the NYFRB, or a committee officially endorsed or convened by the FRB or the NYFRB, or any successor thereto.

"Relevant Rate" means (i) with respect to any Term SOFR, the Adjusted Term SOFR Rate or (ii) with respect to any RFR Loan, the Adjusted Daily Simple SOFR, as applicable.

"Replaced Term Loans" has the meaning specified in Section 10.01(B)(c).

"Replacement Term Loans" has the meaning specified in Section 10.01(B)(c).

"Reportable Event" means, with respect to any Pension Plan, any of the events set forth in Section 4043(c) of ERISA or the regulations issued thereunder, other than events for which the thirty (30) day notice period has been waived.

"Representative" means, with respect to any series of Indebtedness and any Permitted Refinancing of the foregoing, the trustee, administrative agent, collateral agent, security agent or similar agent under the indenture or agreement pursuant to which such Indebtedness is issued, incurred or otherwise obtained, as the case may be, and each of their successors in such capacities.

"Request for Credit Extension" means, with respect to a Borrowing, conversion or continuation of Term Loans, a Loan Notice.

"Required Lenders" means, as of any date of determination, Lenders having more than 50% of the sum of the (a) Total Outstandings; provided that the unused Commitment, and the portion of the Total Outstandings held or deemed held by, any Defaulting Lender shall be excluded for purposes of making a determination of Required Lenders; provided, further, that the Loans of any Affiliated Lender shall in each case be excluded for purposes of making a determination of Required Lenders to the extent set forth in Section 10.07(i).

"Resolution Authority" means an EEA Resolution Authority or, with respect to any UK Financial Institution, a UK Resolution Authority.

"Responsible Officer" means the chief executive officer, president, chief financial officer, chief operating officer, chief administrative officer or treasurer or other similar officer or Person performing similar functions of a Loan Party (or, in the case of any such Person that is a Foreign Subsidiary, a director or managing partner or similar official or in the case of any such Person that is an Australian Loan Party, a director). With respect to any document delivered by a Loan Party on the Closing Date, Responsible Officer shall include any secretary or assistant secretary of such Loan Party. Any document delivered hereunder that is signed by a Responsible Officer of a Loan Party shall be conclusively presumed to have been authorized by all necessary corporate, partnership and/or other action on the part of such Loan Party and such Responsible Officer shall be conclusively presumed to have acted on behalf of such Loan Party. Unless otherwise specified, all references herein to a "Responsible Officer" shall refer to a Responsible Officer of the Borrower.

"Restricted" means, when referring to cash or Cash Equivalents of the Borrower or any of its Subsidiaries, that such cash or Cash Equivalents (i) appear (or would be required to appear) as "restricted" on a consolidated balance sheet of the Borrower or such Subsidiary (unless such appearance is related to the Loan Documents (or the Liens created thereunder) or other Indebtedness permitted under Section 7.03 which is permitted to be secured by a Lien on the Collateral) or (ii) are subject to any Lien (other than non-consensual Liens permitted by Section 7.01 and Liens permitted by Sections 7.01(a), (e), (f), (k), (l), (m), (o), (s), (u), (cc) (which shall be pari passu Liens to the extent secured by the Collateral), (ff) (solely with respect to Liens originally permitted by Section 7.01(pp) that are pari passu with or junior to the Liens securing the Obligations), (gg), (jj), (mm) and (pp) (in the case of Liens permitted by Section 7.01(pp), to the extent such Liens are pari passu with or junior to the Liens securing the Obligations); so long as, in the case of any of the foregoing Liens permitted by Sections 7.01(ff) and (pp) that are secured pari passu with or junior to the Liens securing the Obligations, either (x) neither of such Liens on such cash or Cash Equivalents are perfected or (y) the Liens on such cash or Cash Equivalents securing the Obligations are perfected).

"Restricted Payment" means any dividend or other distribution (whether in cash, securities or other property) with respect to any Equity Interest of the Borrower or any of the Subsidiaries, or any payment (whether in cash, securities or other property), including any sinking fund or similar deposit, on account of the purchase, redemption, retirement, defeasance, acquisition, cancellation or termination of any such Equity Interest, or on account of any return of capital to the Borrower's or any Subsidiary's equity holders, partners or members (or the equivalent Persons thereof), other than the payment of compensation in the ordinary course of business to holders of any such Equity Interests who are employees of the Borrower or any Subsidiary and other than payments of intercompany indebtedness permitted under this Agreement.

"Retained Cash Amount" has the meaning specified in the last paragraph of Section 2.05.

"Retired Capital Stock" has the meaning specified in Section 7.06(n)(i).

"Return" means, with respect to any Investment, any dividend, distribution, interest, fee, premium, return of capital, repayment of principal, income, profit (from a disposition or otherwise) and any other amount received or realized in respect thereof.

"RFR Loan" means a Loan that bears interest at a rate based on the Adjusted Daily Simple SOFR.

"S&P" means Standard & Poor's Financial Services LLC or any successor thereto.

"Same Day Funds" means disbursements and payments in immediately available funds.

"Sanctioned Country" means, at any time, a country, region or territory which is itself the subject or target of comprehensive Sanctions (including, at the time of this Agreement, Crimea, the so-called Luhansk People's Republic, the so-called Donetsk People's Republic and such other regions of Ukraine over which any Sanctions authority imposes comprehensive Sanctions, Cuba, Iran, North Korea and Syria), any country, region or territory whose government is the subject or target of Sanctions (including Venezuela) or any country, region or territory that is otherwise the subject or target of broad Sanctions restrictions (including Afghanistan, Russia and Belarus).

"Sanctioned Person" means, at any time, (a) any Person who is the subject or target of Sanctions, including any Person listed in any Sanctions-related list of designated Persons maintained by the U.S. government, including the Office of Foreign Assets Control of the U.S. Department of the Treasury, the U.S. Department of State or the U.S. Department of Commerce, by the United Nations Security Council, the European Union, any European Union member state, United Kingdom (including His Majesty's Treasury of the United Kingdom), Canada, the federal government of Australia or New Zealand, (b) any Person operating, organized or resident in a Sanctioned Country or (c) any Person owned or controlled by any such Person or Persons described in the foregoing clauses (a) or (b) (including, without limitation for purposes of defining a Sanctioned Person, as ownership and control may be defined and/or established in and/or by any relevant Sanctions).

"Sanctions" has the meaning specified in Section 5.20(c).

"SEC" means the U.S. Securities and Exchange Commission, or any Governmental Authority succeeding to any of its principal functions.

"Secured Cash Management Agreement" means any Cash Management Obligation that is entered into by and between any Loan Party and any Cash Management Bank and designated by the Borrower and the Cash Management Bank in writing to the Administrative Agent as a "Secured Cash Management Agreement." The designation of any Secured Cash Management Agreement shall not create in favor of such Cash Management Bank any rights in connection with the management or release of Collateral or of the obligations of any Loan Party under the Loan Documents (other than any such rights of such Cash Management Bank in its capacity as a Lender hereunder, if applicable).

"Secured Hedge Agreement" means any Swap Contract that is entered into by and between any Loan Party and any Hedge Bank and designated by the Borrower and the Hedge Bank in writing to the Administrative Agent as a "Secured Hedge Agreement." The designation of any Secured Hedge Agreement shall not create in favor of such Hedge Bank any rights in connection with the management or release of Collateral or of the obligations of any Loan Party under the Loan Documents (other than any such rights of such Hedge Bank in its capacity as a Lender hereunder, if applicable).

"**Secured Parties**" means, collectively, the Administrative Agent, the Collateral Agent, the Lenders, each Hedge Bank, each Cash Management Bank and each co-agent or sub-agent appointed by the Administrative Agent from time to time pursuant to <u>Section 9.05</u>.

"Securities Act" means the Securities Act of 1933, as amended.

"Security Agreement" means, collectively, the Security Agreement executed by the Loan Parties, substantially in the form of <u>Exhibit G-1</u>, together with any Security Agreement Supplement executed and delivered pursuant to <u>Section 6.11</u>, as amended, restated amended and restated, supplemented or otherwise modified from the time to time.

"Security Agreement Supplement" has the meaning specified in the Security Agreement.

"SOFR" means a rate equal to the secured overnight financing rate as administered by the SOFR Administrator.

"SOFR Administrator" means the NYFRB (or a successor administrator of the secured overnight financing rate).

"SOFR Administrator's Website" means the NYFRB's website, currently at http://www.newyorkfed.org, or any successor source for the secured overnight financing rate identified as such by the SOFR Administrator from time to time.

- "SOFR Determination Date" has the meaning specified in the definition of "Daily Simple SOFR."
- "SOFR Rate Day" has the meaning specified in the definition of "Daily Simple SOFR."
- "SOFR Rate Loan" means a Loan that bears interest based on the Adjusted Term SOFR Rate other than pursuant to clause (c) of the definition of "Base Rate".
 - "Solicited Discount Proration" has the meaning specified in Section 2.05(a)(iv)(D)(3).
 - "Solicited Discounted Prepayment Amount" has the meaning specified in Section 2.05(a)(iv)(D)(1).
- "Solicited Discounted Prepayment Notice" means a written notice of the Borrower of Solicited Discounted Prepayment Offers made pursuant to $\underline{Section 2.05(a)(iv)(D)}$ substantially in the form of $\underline{Exhibit L}$.
- "Solicited Discounted Prepayment Offer" means the irrevocable written offer by each Lender, substantially in the form of Exhibit M, submitted following the Auction Agent's receipt of a Solicited Discounted Prepayment Notice.
 - "Solicited Discounted Prepayment Response Date" has the meaning specified in Section 2.05(a)(iv)(D)(1).
- "Solvent" and "Solvency" mean, with respect to any Person on any date of determination, that on such date (a) the fair value of the assets of such Person and its Subsidiaries, on a consolidated basis, exceeds, on a consolidated basis, their debts and liabilities, subordinated, contingent or otherwise, (b) the present fair saleable value of the property of such Person and its Subsidiaries, on a consolidated basis, is greater than the amount that will be required to pay the probable liability, on a consolidated basis, of their debts and other liabilities, subordinated, contingent or otherwise, as such debts and other liabilities become absolute and matured, (c) such Person and its Subsidiaries, on a consolidated basis, are able to pay their debts and liabilities, subordinated, contingent or otherwise, as such liabilities become absolute and matured and (d) such Person and its Subsidiaries, on a consolidated basis, are not engaged in, and are not about to engage in, business for which they have unreasonably small capital. The amount of any contingent liability at any time shall be computed as the amount that would reasonably be expected to become an actual and matured liability.
 - "SPC" has the meaning specified in Section 10.07(g).
 - "Specified Discount" has the meaning specified in Section 2.05(a)(iv)(B)(1).
 - "Specified Discount Prepayment Amount" has the meaning specified in Section 2.05(a)(iv)(B)(1).
- "Specified Discount Prepayment Notice" means a written notice of the Borrower of an offer of Specified Discount prepayment made pursuant to $\underline{Section \ 2.05(\underline{a})(\underline{i}\underline{v})(\underline{B})}$ substantially in the form of $\underline{Exhibit \ N}$.
- "**Specified Discount Prepayment Response**" means the irrevocable written response by each Lender, substantially in the form of <u>Exhibit</u> <u>Q</u>, to a Specified Discount Prepayment Notice.

"Specified Discount Prepayment Response Date" has the meaning specified in Section 2.05(a)(iv)(B)(1).

"Specified Discount Proration" has the meaning specified in Section 2.05(a)(iv)(B)(3).

"Specified Legal Expenses" means, to the extent not constituting an extraordinary, non-recurring or unusual loss, charge or expense, all attorneys' and experts' fees and expenses and all other costs, liabilities (including all damages, penalties, fines and indemnification and settlement payments) and expenses paid or payable in connection with any threatened, pending, completed or future claim, demand, action, suit, proceeding, inquiry or investigation (whether civil, criminal, administrative, governmental or investigative) arising from, or related to, facts and circumstances existing on or prior to the Closing Date.

"Specified Representations" means those representations and warranties made by and solely in respect of the Borrower in <u>Section 5.01(a)</u> (with respect to organizational existence only), <u>Section 5.02(a)</u>, <u>Section 5.04</u>, <u>Section 5.13</u>, <u>Section 5.16</u>, <u>Section 5.19</u> and <u>Section 5.20</u>.

"Specified Transaction" means any Investment that results in a Person becoming a Subsidiary, any Disposition that results in a Subsidiary ceasing to be a Subsidiary of the Borrower, any Investment constituting an acquisition of assets constituting a business unit, line of business or division of another Person or any Disposition of a business unit, line of business or division of the Borrower or a Subsidiary, in each case whether by merger, consolidation, amalgamation or otherwise, or any incurrence or repayment of Indebtedness, Restricted Payment, Subsidiary designation, New Term Loan, New Revolving Credit Commitments, New Revolving Credit Loans or other event that by the terms of this Agreement requires Consolidated EBITDA or a financial ratio or test to be calculated on a "Pro Forma Basis" or after giving "Pro Forma Effect."

"Subject Transaction" has the meaning specified in Section 1.09(a).

"Submitted Amount" has the meaning specified in Section 2.05(a)(iv)(C)(1).

"Submitted Discount" has the meaning specified in Section 2.05(a)(iv)(C)(1).

"Subsidiary" of a Person means a corporation, partnership, joint venture, limited liability company or other business entity (excluding, for the avoidance of doubt, charitable foundations) of which a majority of the shares of securities or other interests having ordinary voting power for the election of directors or other governing body (other than securities or interests having such power only by reason of the happening of a contingency) are at the time beneficially owned by such Person, or the management of which is otherwise controlled, directly, or indirectly through one or more intermediaries, or both, by such Person. Unless otherwise specified, all references herein to a "Subsidiary" or to "Subsidiaries" shall refer to a Subsidiary or Subsidiaries of the Borrower.

"Summit Investors" means any of Summit Partners Private Equity Fund VII-A, L.P., Summit Partners Private Equity Fund VII-B, L.P., Summit Investors I, LLC, Summit Investors I (UK), L.P. and any of their respective Affiliates.

"Summit Partners" means any of Summit Partners, L.P., any of its Affiliates and any funds, investment vehicles or partnerships managed, advised or sub-advised by any of them or any of their respective Affiliates but not including, however, any operating portfolio company of any of the foregoing.

"Superpriority Intercreditor Agreement" means the Intercreditor Agreement, substantially in the form of Exhibit Q hereto, dated as of the date hereof, among the Collateral Agent, as first lien collateral agent and first-priority representative, and the Existing Agent, as second lien collateral agent and second-priority representative, and acknowledged by the Borrower and the Guarantors from time to time party thereto.

"Supported QFC" has the meaning assigned to it in Section 10.26.

"Swap Contract" means (a) any and all rate swap transactions, basis swaps, credit derivative transactions, forward rate transactions, commodity swaps, commodity options, forward commodity contracts, equity or equity index swaps or options, bond or bond price or bond index swaps or options or forward bond or forward bond price or forward bond index transactions, interest rate options, forward foreign exchange transactions, cap transactions, floor transactions, collar transactions, currency swap transactions, cross-currency rate swap transactions, currency options, spot contracts, or any other similar transactions or any combination of any of the foregoing (including any options to enter into any of the foregoing), whether or not any such transaction is governed by or subject to any master agreement, and (b) any and all transactions of any kind, and the related confirmations, which are subject to the terms and conditions of, or governed by, any form of master agreement published by the International Swaps and Derivatives Association, Inc., any International Foreign Exchange Master Agreement, or any other master agreement (any such master agreement, together with any related schedules, a "Master Agreement"), including any such obligations or liabilities under any Master Agreement.

"**Swap Obligation**" means, with respect to any Guarantor, any obligation to pay or perform under any agreement, contract or transaction that constitutes a "swap" within the meaning of Section 1a(47) of the Commodity Exchange Act.

"Swap Termination Value" means, in respect of any one or more Swap Contracts, after taking into account the effect of any legally enforceable netting agreement relating to such Swap Contracts, (a) for any date on or after the date such Swap Contracts have been closed out and termination value(s) determined in accordance therewith, such termination value(s), and (b) for any date prior to the date referenced in clause (a), the amount(s) determined as the mark-to-market value(s) for such Swap Contracts, as determined based upon one or more mid-market or other readily available quotations provided by any recognized dealer in such Swap Contracts (which may include a Lender or any Affiliate of a Lender).

"Taxes" has the meaning specified in Section 3.01(a).

"Tax Consolidated Group" means the Consolidated Group of which the relevant Australian Loan Parties are members.

"Term Lender" means, at any time, any Lender that has a Commitment for a Term Loan or a Term Loan at such time.

"**Term Loan**" means (i) the Initial Term Loans and (ii) any New Term Loan, Refinancing Term Loan, Extended Term Loan or Replacement Term Loan effected pursuant to <u>Section 2.14</u>, <u>Section 2.15</u>, <u>Section 2.17</u> or <u>Section 10.01(B)(c)</u> as applicable, and the related Incremental Amendment, Refinancing Amendment, Extension Amendment or amendment to this Agreement in respect of Replacement Term Loans.

"Term Loan Extension" means any establishment of Extended Term Commitments and Extended Term Loans pursuant to <u>Section 2.17</u> and the applicable Extension Amendment.

"Term Loan Extension Election" has the meaning specified in Section 2.17(b).

"Term Loan Extension Series" has the meaning specified in Section 2.17(a).

"**Term Loan Increase**" has the meaning specified in <u>Section 2.14(a)</u>.

"**Term SOFR**" means, with respect to any SOFR Rate Loan and for any tenor comparable to the applicable Interest Period, the Term SOFR Reference Rate at approximately 5:00 a.m., Chicago time, two U.S. Government Securities Business Days prior to the commencement of such tenor comparable to the applicable Interest Period, as such rate is published by the CME Term SOFR Administrator.

"**Term SOFR Adjustment**" means a percentage equal to (i) in the case of an interest period of one month, 0.11448% per annum, (ii) in the case of an interest period of three months, 0.26161% per annum and (iii) in the case of an interest period of six months, 0.42826% per annum.

"Term SOFR Determination Day" has the meaning assigned to it under the definition of "Term SOFR Reference Rate."

"Term SOFR Reference Rate" means, for any day and time (such day, the "Term SOFR Determination Day"), with respect to any SOFR Rate Loan and for any tenor comparable to the applicable Interest Period, the rate per annum published by the CME Term SOFR Administrator and identified by the Administrative Agent as the forward-looking term rate based on SOFR. If by 5:00 pm (New York City time) on such Term SOFR Determination Day, the "Term SOFR Reference Rate" for the applicable tenor has not been published by the CME Term SOFR Administrator and a Benchmark Replacement Date with respect to the Term SOFR has not occurred, then, so long as such day is otherwise a U.S. Government Securities Business Day, the Term SOFR Reference Rate for such Term SOFR Determination Day will be the Term SOFR Reference Rate as published in respect of the first preceding U.S. Government Securities Business Day for which such Term SOFR Reference Rate was published by the CME Term SOFR Administrator, so long as such first preceding U.S. Government Securities Business Day is not more than five (5) U.S. Government Securities Business Days prior to such Term SOFR Determination Day.

"Termination Date" has the meaning specified in Section 9.11(b).

"**Test Period**" in effect at any time means the most recent period of (a) four consecutive fiscal quarters of the Borrower ended on or prior to such time (taken as one accounting period) in respect of which financial statements for each quarter or fiscal year in such period have been or are required to be delivered pursuant to Section 6.01(a) or (b), as applicable; provided that, prior to the first date that financial statements have been or are required to be delivered pursuant to Section 6.01(a) or (b), the Test Period in effect shall be the period of four consecutive fiscal quarters of the Borrower ended March 31, 2023, or (b) in the case of determining Liquidity, the five (5) consecutive Business Days ending on the last day of such calendar month then ended.

"Threshold Amount" means \$5,000,000.

"Total Net First Lien Leverage Ratio" means, with respect to any Test Period, the ratio of (a) Consolidated First Lien Net Debt as of the last day of such Test Period to (b) Consolidated EBITDA of the Borrower and the Subsidiaries for such Test Period.

"**Total Net Leverage Ratio**" means, with respect to any Test Period, the ratio of (a) Consolidated Net Debt as of the last day of such Test Period to (b) Consolidated EBITDA of the Borrower and the Subsidiaries for such Test Period.

"**Total Net Senior Secured Leverage Ratio**" means, with respect to any Test Period, the ratio of (a) Consolidated Senior Secured Net Debt as of the last day of such Test Period to (b) Consolidated EBITDA of the Borrower and the Subsidiaries for such Test Period.

"Total Outstandings" means the aggregate Outstanding Amount of all Loans.

"**Transaction**" means, collectively (a) the execution and delivery by the Loan Parties of the Loan Documents to which they will be a party on the Closing Date, (b) the incurrence by the Borrower of the Initial Term Loans, (c) the execution and delivery of the First Amendment to Existing Credit Agreement and the exchange of Existing Term Loans pursuant to the Exchange Agreement, (d) the issuance of the Warrants, and (e) the payment of the fees and expenses incurred in connection with any of the foregoing.

"**Transaction Expenses**" means any fees, premiums, expenses and other transaction costs incurred or paid by the Borrower or any of its Subsidiaries in connection with the Transaction (including to fund any OID and upfront fees), this Agreement and the other Loan Documents and the transactions contemplated hereby and thereby.

"Type" means, with respect to a Loan, its character as a Base Rate Loan or a SOFR Rate Loan.

"UK Financial Institution" means any BRRD Undertaking (as such term is defined under the PRA Rulebook (as amended from time to time) promulgated by the United Kingdom Prudential Regulation Authority) or any person falling within IFPRU 11.6 of the FCA Handbook (as amended from time to time) promulgated by the United Kingdom Financial Conduct Authority, which includes certain credit institutions and investment firms, and certain affiliates of such credit institutions or investment firms.

"UK Resolution Authority" means the Bank of England or any other public administrative authority having responsibility for the resolution of any UK Financial Institution.

"Undisclosed Administration" means, in relation to a Lender or its direct or indirect parent company, the appointment of an administrator, provisional liquidator, conservator, receiver, trustee, custodian, or other similar official by a supervisory authority or regulator under or based on the law in the country where such Lender or such parent company is subject to home jurisdiction, if applicable law requires that such appointment not be disclosed.

"**Uniform Commercial Code**" means the Uniform Commercial Code or any successor provision thereof as the same may from time to time be in effect in the State of New York or the Uniform Commercial Code or any successor provision thereof (or similar code or statute) of another jurisdiction, to the extent it may be required to apply to any item or items of Collateral.

"United States" and "U.S." mean the United States of America.

"U.S. Government Securities Business Day" means any day except for (a) a Saturday, (b) a Sunday or (c) a day on which the Securities Industry and Financial Markets Association recommends that the fixed income departments of its members be closed for the entire day for purposes of trading in United States government securities.

"U.S. Lender" has the meaning specified in Section 3.01(c)(iii).

- "U.S. Person" means any Person that is a "United States Person" as defined in Section 7701(a)(30) of the Code.
- "U.S. Special Resolution Regimes" has the meaning assigned to it in <u>Section 10.26</u>.
- "Warrant Agent" has the meaning assigned to it in the definition of "Warrant Agreement".
- "Warrant Agreement" means that certain Warrant Agreement substantially in the form attached as <u>Exhibit B</u>, by and between Borrower and American Stock Transfer & Trust Company, LLC, a New York limited liability company, as warrant agent (the "Warrant Agent").
- "Warrants" means the warrants issued from time to time pursuant to, and subject to the terms and conditions of, the Warrant Agreement in favor of each of the Lenders holding Initial Term Loans on the Closing Date or an Affiliate of such Lenders or other assignee, transferee or designee, pursuant to which the Lenders or their respective Affiliates or other assignee, transferee or designee, as applicable, shall be entitled to purchase common stock of the Borrower, par value \$0.001, as set forth therein.
- "Weighted Average Life to Maturity" means, when applied to any Indebtedness at any date, the number of years obtained by dividing:

 (a) the sum of the products obtained by multiplying (i) the amount of each then remaining scheduled installment, sinking fund, serial maturity or other required scheduled payments of principal, including payment at final scheduled maturity, in respect thereof, by (ii) the number of years (calculated to the nearest one-twelfth) that will elapse between such date and the making of such payment by (b) the then outstanding principal amount of such Indebtedness; provided that for purposes of determining the Weighted Average Life to Maturity of any Indebtedness that is being modified, refinanced, refunded, renewed, replaced or extended (the "Applicable Indebtedness"), the effects of any prepayments or amortization made on such Applicable Indebtedness prior to the date of the applicable modification, refinancing, refunding, renewal, replacement or extension shall be disregarded.
- "wholly owned" means, with respect to a Subsidiary of a Person, a Subsidiary of such Person all of the outstanding Equity Interests of which (other than (x) director's qualifying shares and (y) nominal shares issued to foreign nationals to the extent required by applicable Laws) are owned by such Person and/or by one or more wholly owned Subsidiaries of such Person.
- **"Withdrawal Liability"** means the liability to a Multiemployer Plan as a result of a complete or partial withdrawal from such Multiemployer Plan, as such term is defined in Part I of Subtitle E of Title IV of ERISA.
- "Write-Down and Conversion Powers" means, (a) with respect to any EEA Resolution Authority, the write-down and conversion powers of such EEA Resolution Authority from time to time under the Bail-In Legislation for the applicable EEA Member Country, which write-down and conversion powers are described in the EU Bail-In Legislation Schedule, and (b) with respect to the United Kingdom, any powers of the applicable Resolution Authority under the Bail-In Legislation to cancel, reduce, modify or change the form of a liability of any UK Financial Institution or any contract or instrument under which that liability arises, to convert all or part of that liability into shares, securities or obligations of that person or any other person, to provide that any such contract or instrument is to have effect as if a right had been exercised under it or to suspend any obligation in respect of that liability or any of the powers under that Bail-In Legislation that are related to or ancillary to any of those powers.

Section 1.02 Other Interpretive Provisions. With reference to this Agreement and each other Loan Document, unless otherwise specified herein or in such other Loan Document:

- (a) The meanings of defined terms are equally applicable to the singular and plural forms of the defined terms. Whenever the context may require, any pronoun shall include the corresponding masculine, feminine and neuter forms.
- (b) (i) The words "herein," "hereof" and "hereunder" and words of similar import when used in any Loan Document shall refer to such Loan Document as a whole and not to any particular provision thereof.
- (ii) References in this Agreement and any other Loan Document to the introductory paragraph, preliminary statements, an Exhibit, Schedule, Article, Section, clause or sub-clause refer (A) to the appropriate introductory paragraph, preliminary statements, Exhibit or Schedule to, or Article, Section, clause or sub-clause in, this Agreement or (B) to the extent such references are not present in this Agreement, to the Loan Document in which such reference appears.
 - (iii) The terms "include," "includes" and "including" are by way of example and not limitation.
- (iv) The term "documents" includes any and all instruments, documents, agreements, certificates, notices, reports, financial statements and other writings, however evidenced, whether in physical or electronic form.
 - (v) The words "assets" and "property" shall be construed to have the same meaning and effect.
 - (vi) The word "or" is not exclusive.
- (c) In the computation of periods of time from a specified date to a later specified date, the word "from" means "from and including"; the words "to" and "until" each mean "to but excluding"; and the word "through" means "to and including."
- (d) Section headings herein and in the other Loan Documents are included for convenience of reference only and shall not affect the interpretation of this Agreement or any other Loan Document.
- **Section 1.03** <u>Accounting Terms</u>. All accounting terms not specifically or completely defined herein shall be construed in conformity with, and all financial data (including financial ratios and other financial calculations) required to be submitted pursuant to this Agreement shall be prepared in conformity with, GAAP, except as otherwise specifically prescribed herein.
- **Section 1.04** Rounding. Any financial ratios required to be maintained by the Borrower pursuant to this Agreement (or required to be satisfied in order for a specific action to be permitted under this Agreement) shall be calculated by dividing the appropriate component by the other component, carrying the result to one place more than the number of places by which such ratio is expressed herein and rounding the result up or down to the nearest number (with a rounding-up if there is no nearest number).
- Section 1.05 References to Agreements, Laws, Etc. Unless otherwise expressly provided herein, (a) references to Organization Documents, documents (including the Loan Documents) and other contractual instruments shall be deemed to include all subsequent amendments, restatements, amendments and restatements, extensions, supplements, refinancings and other modifications thereto, but only to the extent that such amendments, restatements, amendments and restatements, extensions, supplements, replacements, refinancings, and other modifications are not prohibited by any Loan Document; (b) references to any Law shall include all statutory and regulatory provisions consolidating, amending, replacing, supplementing or interpreting such Law and (c) references to any Person shall include such Person's successors and permitted assigns.

Section 1.06 <u>Times of Day.</u> Unless otherwise specified, all references herein to times of day shall be references to New York City time (daylight or standard, as applicable).

Section 1.07 Reserved.

Section 1.08 Pro Forma Calculations. (a) Notwithstanding anything to the contrary herein, Consolidated EBITDA and any financial ratios or tests, including the amount of outstanding Indebtedness, the Total Net Leverage Ratio, the Total Net First Lien Leverage Ratio and the Total Net Senior Secured Leverage Ratio, shall be calculated in the manner prescribed by this Section 1.08.

- (b) For purposes of calculating Consolidated EBITDA and any financial ratios or tests, including the amount of outstanding Indebtedness, the Total Net Leverage Ratio, the Total Net Senior Secured Leverage Ratio and the Total Net First Lien Leverage Ratio, Specified Transactions (and the incurrence or repayment of any Indebtedness in connection therewith, subject to clause (d) of this Section 1.08) that have been made (i) during the applicable Test Period or (ii) subsequent to such Test Period and prior to or simultaneously with the event for which the calculation of Consolidated EBITDA or any such ratio or test is made shall be calculated on a *pro forma* basis assuming that all such Specified Transactions (and any increase or decrease in Consolidated EBITDA and the component financial definitions used therein attributable to any Specified Transaction) had occurred on the first day of the applicable Test Period.
- (c) Whenever pro forma effect is to be given to a Specified Transaction, the pro forma calculations shall be made in good faith by a Responsible Officer of the Borrower and may include, for the avoidance of doubt, the amount of "run rate" cost savings, operating expense reductions, restructuring charges and expenses and cost synergies projected by the Borrower in good faith to be realized as a result of specified actions taken, committed to be taken or expected to be taken (calculated on a pro forma basis as though such cost savings, operating expense reductions, restructuring charges and expenses and cost synergies had been realized on the first day of such period and as if such cost savings, operating expense reductions, restructuring charges and expenses and synergies were realized during the entirety of such period) relating to such Specified Transaction, and "run rate" means the full recurring benefit for a period that is associated with any action taken, committed to be taken or expected to be taken (including any savings expected to result from the elimination of a public target's compliance costs with public company requirements), net of the amount of actual benefits realized during such period from such actions, and any such adjustments shall be included in the initial pro forma calculations of such financial ratios or tests (and in respect of any subsequent pro forma calculations in which such Specified Transaction is given pro forma effect) and during any applicable subsequent Test Period in which the effects thereof are expected to be taken or realized) relating to such specified action; provided that (A) such amounts are reasonably identifiable and factually supportable (in the good faith determination of the Borrower), (B) such actions are taken, committed to be taken or expected to be taken no later than twelve (12) months after the date of such Specified Transaction, (C) no amounts shall be added pursuant to this clause (C) to the extent duplicative of any amounts that are otherwise added back in computing Consolidated EBITDA, whether through a pro forma adjustment or otherwise, with respect to such period (and no amount shall be added back in respect of this clause (C), as it relates to adjustments of the type permitted under clauses (a)(v) and (a)(xi) of the definition of Consolidated EBITDA, in excess of (and shall be aggregated with) the cap on such amounts set forth in the definition of Consolidated EBITDA) and (D) it is understood and agreed that, subject to compliance with the other provisions of this <u>Section 1.08(c)</u>, amounts to be included in pro forma calculations pursuant to this <u>Section 1.08(c)</u> may be included in Test Periods in which the Specified Transaction to which such amounts relate to is no longer being given pro forma effect pursuant to Section 1.08(b).

(d) In the event that the Borrower or any Subsidiary incurs (including by assumption or guarantees) or repays (including by repurchase, redemption, repayment, retirement or extinguishment) any Indebtedness included in the calculations of the Total Net Leverage Ratio, the Total Net Senior Secured Leverage Ratio and the Total Net First Lien Leverage Ratio, as the case may be, (i) during the applicable Test Period or (ii) subsequent to the end of the applicable Test Period and prior to or simultaneously with the event for which the calculation of any such ratio is made, then the Total Net Leverage Ratio, the Total Net Senior Secured Leverage Ratio and the Total Net First Lien Leverage Ratio shall be calculated giving *pro forma* effect to such incurrence or repayment of Indebtedness, to the extent required, as if the same had occurred on the last day of the applicable Test Period. If any Indebtedness bears a floating rate of interest and is being given pro forma effect, the interest on such Indebtedness shall be calculated as if the rate in effect on the date such calculation is being made had been the applicable rate for the entire period (taking into account any Swap Contract applicable to such Indebtedness). Interest on a Capitalized Lease shall be deemed to accrue at an interest rate reasonably determined by a Responsible Officer of the Borrower to be the rate of interest implicit in such Capitalized Lease in accordance with GAAP. Interest on Indebtedness that may optionally be determined at an interest rate based upon a factor of a prime or similar rate, SOFR, or other rate, shall be deemed to have been based upon the rate actually chosen, or, if none, then based upon such optional rate chosen as the Borrower may designate.

(e) Notwithstanding anything to the contrary herein (including in connection with any calculation made on a Pro Forma Basis), to the extent that the terms of this Agreement require (i) compliance with any financial ratio or test (including, any Total Net First Lien Leverage Ratio test, any Total Net Leverage Ratio test, any Total Net Senior Secured Leverage Ratio test) and/or any cap expressed as a percentage of Consolidated EBITDA or (ii) the absence of a Default or Event of Default (or any type of Default or Event of Default) as a condition to the consummation of any Limited Conditionality Transaction (and any transaction relating thereto, including the incurrence or repayment of Indebtedness and the making of Restricted Payments), the determination of whether the relevant condition is satisfied may be made, at the election of the Borrower, at the time of (or on the basis of the financial statements for the most recently ended Test Period at the time of) either (x) the execution of the definitive agreement with respect to such Limited Conditionality Transaction or (y) the consummation of such Limited Conditionality Transaction, in each case, after giving effect to the relevant Limited Conditionality Transaction (and any transaction relating thereto) on a Pro Forma Basis; provided that such pro forma effect shall be deemed to continue at all times thereafter for purposes of determining ratio-based conditions and baskets (including baskets that are determined on the basis of Consolidated EBITDA of the Borrower and the Subsidiaries) until such Limited Conditionality Transaction is consummated or such definitive agreement is terminated.

Section 1.09 <u>Currency Equivalents Generally.</u> (a) Any amount specified in this Agreement (other than in <u>Articles II, IX</u> and <u>X</u> or as set forth in <u>clause (b)</u> of this Section) or any of the other Loan Documents to be in Dollars shall also include the equivalent of such amount in any currency other than Dollars, such equivalent amount to be determined at the rate of exchange quoted by the Reuters World Currency Page for such currency at 11:00 a.m. (London time) on such day (or, in the event such rate does not appear on any Reuters World Currency Page, by reference to such other publicly available service for displaying exchange rates as may be agreed upon by the Administrative Agent and the Borrower). Notwithstanding the foregoing, for purposes of determining compliance with <u>Section 7.01</u>, <u>Section 7.02</u>, <u>Section 7.03</u>, <u>Section 7.05</u>, <u>Section 7.06</u>, <u>Section 7.08</u> and <u>Section 7.13</u> with respect to the amount of any Lien, Investment, Indebtedness, Disposition, Restricted Payment, Affiliate transaction or prepayment, redemption, purchase, defeasance or other satisfaction of Indebtedness (a "**Subject Transaction**") in a currency other than Dollars, (i) the Dollar-equivalent amount of a Subject Transaction in a currency other than Dollars shall be calculated based on the relevant currency exchange rate in effect on the date of such

Subject Transaction and, in the case of the incurrence of Indebtedness, on the date incurred, in the case of term debt, or first committed, in the case of revolving credit debt; *provided* that if such Indebtedness is incurred to extend, replace, refund, refinance, renew or defease other Indebtedness denominated in a currency other than Dollars, and such extension, refunding, replacement, refinancing, renewal or defeasance would cause the applicable Dollar-denominated restriction to be exceeded if calculated at the relevant currency exchange rate in effect on the date of such extension, replacement, refunding, refinancing, renewal or defeasance, such Dollar-denominated restriction shall be deemed not to have been exceeded so long as the principal amount of such refinancing Indebtedness does not exceed the principal amount of such Indebtedness being extended, refunded, refinanced, renewed or defeased, plus the aggregate amount of unpaid and accrued interest, premium (including tender and call premiums) thereon, defeasance costs and fees and expenses incurred (including OID, upfront fees and similar interest), in connection with such extension, replacement, refunding, refinancing, renewal or defeasance and (ii) for the avoidance of doubt, it is agreed no Default or Event of Default shall be deemed to have occurred solely as a result of changes in rates of currency exchange occurring after the time of such Subject Transaction (so long as such Subject Transaction, at the time incurred, made, acquired, committed or entered into (or declared in the case of a Restricted Payment) was permitted hereunder).

- (b) For purposes of determining Liquidity, the Total Net Leverage Ratio, the Total Net Senior Secured Leverage Ratio and the Total Net First Lien Leverage Ratio, amounts denominated in a currency other than Dollars will be converted to Dollars at the currency exchange rates used in preparing the Borrower's financial statements corresponding to the Test Period with respect to the applicable date of determination and will, in the case of Indebtedness, reflect the currency translation effects, determined in accordance with GAAP, of Swap Contracts permitted hereunder for currency exchange risks with respect to the applicable currency in effect on the date of determination of the Dollar equivalent of such Indebtedness.
- **Section 1.10** Certifications. All certificates and other statements required to be made by any director, officer, employee or member of management of a Loan Party pursuant to any Loan Document are and will be made on the behalf of such Loan Party and not in such officer's, director's, employee's or member of management's individual capacity.
- **Section 1.11** <u>Payment or Performance</u>. When the payment of any obligation or the performance of any action, covenant, duty or obligation under any Loan Document is stated to be due or performance required on a day which is not a Business Day (other than as described in the definition of "Interest Period"), the date of such payment or performance shall extend to the immediately succeeding Business Day and such extension of time shall be reflected in computing interest or fees, as the case may be.
- **Section 1.12** <u>Cashless Settlement</u>. Notwithstanding anything to the contrary contained in this Agreement, any Lender may exchange, continue or rollover all or a portion of its Loans in connection with any refinancing, extension, loan modification or similar transaction permitted by the terms of this Agreement, pursuant to a cashless settlement mechanism approved by the Borrower, the Administrative Agent and such Lender.
- **Section 1.13** <u>Interest Rates; Benchmark Notification</u>. The interest rate on a Loan may be derived from an interest rate benchmark that may be discontinued or is, or may in the future become, the subject of regulatory reform. Upon the occurrence of a Benchmark Transition Event, <u>Section 2.20(a)</u> provides a mechanism for determining an alternative rate of interest. The Administrative Agent does not warrant or accept any responsibility for, and shall not have any liability with respect to, the administration, submission, performance or any other matter related to any interest rate used in this Agreement, or with respect to any alternative or successor rate thereto, or replacement rate thereof, including without limitation,

whether the composition or characteristics of any such alternative, successor or replacement reference rate will be similar to, or produce the same value or economic equivalence of, the existing interest rate being replaced or have the same volume or liquidity as did any existing interest rate prior to its discontinuance or unavailability. The Administrative Agent and its affiliates and/or other related entities may engage in transactions that affect the calculation of any interest rate used in this Agreement or any alternative, successor or alternative rate (including any Benchmark Replacement) and/or any relevant adjustments thereto, in each case, in a manner adverse to the Borrower. The Administrative Agent may select information sources or services in its reasonable discretion to ascertain any interest rate used in this Agreement, any component thereof, or rates referenced in the definition thereof, in each case pursuant to the terms of this Agreement, and shall have no liability to the Borrower, any Lender or any other person or entity for damages of any kind, including direct or indirect, special, punitive, incidental or consequential damages, costs, losses or expenses (whether in tort, contract or otherwise and whether at law or in equity), for any error or calculation of any such rate (or component thereof) provided by any such information source or service.

Section 1.14 <u>Australian Banking Code of Practice</u>. The parties acknowledge and agree that the Australian Banking Code of Practice (published by the Australian Banking Association, as amended, revised or amended and restated from time to time) does not apply to the Loan Documents or the transactions contemplated therein.

ARTICLE II

The Commitments and Borrowings

Section 2.01 The Loans. The Borrowings. Subject to the terms and conditions set forth herein, each Term Lender with an Initial Term Commitment shall receive term loans issued hereunder (each such term loan, an "**Initial Term Loan**" and, collectively, the "**Initial Term Loans**") as consideration for the sale and assignment of its Existing Term Loans through the purchase and assumption by the Borrower pursuant to and in accordance with the Exchange Agreement. Amounts borrowed under this <u>Section 2.01</u> and repaid or prepaid may not be reborrowed. Initial Term Loans may be Base Rate Loans, SOFR Rate Loans or, solely to the extent applicable following a Benchmark Replacement or otherwise pursuant to <u>Section 3.03</u>, RFR Loans, as further provided herein.

Section 2.02 Borrowings, Conversions and Continuations of Loans. (a) Each Borrowing, each conversion of Loans of a given Class from one Type to the other, and each continuation of SOFR Rate Loans shall be made upon the Borrower's irrevocable notice to the Administrative Agent (provided that the notice in respect of the initial Borrowings on the Closing Date, or in connection with any acquisition permitted under this Agreement, or in connection with any Borrowing or Credit Extension, as applicable, under an Incremental Amendment, Refinancing Amendment, amendment in respect of Replacement Term Loans or Extension Offer, may be conditioned on, with respect to the funding of the initial Borrowing under this Agreement, the closing of the Transaction or, with respect to any future Borrowing under this Agreement, such acquisition or any such Borrowing or Extension under an Incremental Amendment, Refinancing Amendment, amendment in respect of Replacement Term Loans or Extension Offer, as applicable), which may be given by telephone. Each such notice must be received by the Administrative Agent (i) not later than 12:00 p.m. (New York City time) three (3) U.S. Government Securities Business Days prior to the requested date of any Borrowing or continuation of SOFR Rate Loans denominated in Dollars or any conversion of Base Rate Loans to SOFR Rate Loans, (ii) not later than 12:00 p.m. (New York City time) on the requested date of any Borrowing of Base Rate Loans or conversion of any SOFR Rate Loans (or RFR Loans) to Base Rate Loans, (iii) solely to the extent applicable following a Benchmark Replacement or otherwise pursuant to Section 3.03, not later than 12:00 p.m. (New York City time) five (5) U.S. Government Securities Business Days prior to the requested date of any Borrowing of

RFR Loans or any conversion of Base Rate Loans to RFR Loans and (iv) one (1) Business Day prior to the Closing Date with respect to any Loans incurred on the Closing Date. Each telephonic notice by the Borrower pursuant to this Section 2.02(a) must be confirmed promptly by delivery to the Administrative Agent of a written Loan Notice, appropriately completed and signed by a Responsible Officer of the Borrower. Except as provided in Sections 2.14 and 2.15 and except for the Initial Term Loans made on the Closing Date, each Borrowing of, conversion to or continuation of SOFR Rate Loans (or RFR Loans) shall be in a principal amount of \$100,000 or a whole multiple of \$100,000 in excess thereof (or, if applicable, the entire then outstanding amount of the Loans). Except as provided in Sections 2.14 and 2.15, each Borrowing of or conversion to Base Rate Loans shall be in a principal amount of \$100,000 or a whole multiple of \$100,000 in excess thereof (or, if applicable, the entire then outstanding amount of the Loans). Each Loan Notice (whether telephonic or written) shall specify (i) the Class of the Borrowing requested and whether the Borrower is requesting the making of new Loans of the respective Class, a conversion of Term Loans (of a given Class) from one Type to the other, or a continuation of SOFR Rate Loans, (ii) the requested date of the Borrowing, conversion or continuation, as the case may be (which shall be a Business Day), (iii) the principal amount of Loans to be borrowed, converted or continued, (iv) the Type of Loans to be borrowed or to which existing Term Loans are to be converted and (v) if applicable, the duration of the Interest Period with respect thereto. If the Borrower fails to specify a Type of Loan in a Loan Notice or fails to give a timely notice requesting a conversion or continuation, then the applicable Term Loans shall be made as, or converted to, Base Rate Loans (unless the Loan being continued is a SOFR Rate Loan, in which case it shall be continued as a SOFR Rate Loan with an Interest Period of one (1) month). If the Borrower requests a Borrowing of, conversion to, or continuation of SOFR Rate Loans in any such Loan Notice, but fails to specify an Interest Period, it will be deemed to have specified an Interest Period of one (1) month.

- (b) Following receipt of a Loan Notice, the Administrative Agent shall promptly notify each Lender of the amount of its Pro Rata Share or other applicable share provided for under this Agreement of the applicable Class of Loans, and if no timely notice of a conversion or continuation is provided by the Borrower, the Administrative Agent shall notify each Lender of the details of any automatic continuation of Loans described in Section 2.02(a). In the case of each Borrowing (other than the borrowing of the Initial Term Loans), each Appropriate Lender shall make the amount of its Loan available to the Administrative Agent in Same Day Funds at the Administrative Agent's Office not later than 1:00 p.m. (New York City time) on the Business Day specified in the applicable Loan Notice. Upon satisfaction of the applicable conditions set forth in Section 4.02 (or, if such Borrowing is the initial Credit Extension, Section 4.01), the Administrative Agent shall make all funds so received available to the Borrower in like funds as received by the Administrative Agent either by (i) crediting the account of the Borrower on the books of the Administrative Agent with the amount of such funds or (ii) wire transfer of such funds, in each case in accordance with instructions provided to (and reasonably acceptable to) the Administrative Agent by the Borrower.
- (c) Except as otherwise provided herein, a SOFR Rate Loan may be continued or converted only on the last day of an Interest Period for such SOFR Rate Loan unless the Borrower pays the amount due, if any, under Section 3.05 in connection therewith. Upon the occurrence and during the continuation of an Event of Default, the Required Lenders may require that no Loans may be converted to or continued as SOFR Rate Loans.
- (d) The Administrative Agent shall promptly notify the Borrower and the Lenders of the interest rate applicable to any Interest Period for SOFR Rate Loans upon determination of such interest rate. The determination of the Adjusted Term SOFR Rate, Term SOFR, the Adjusted Daily Simple SOFR, Daily Simple SOFR or the Base Rate by the Administrative Agent shall be conclusive in the absence of manifest error. At any time when Base Rate Loans are outstanding, the Administrative Agent shall notify the Borrower and the Lenders of any change in the "prime rate" used in determining the Base Rate promptly following the public announcement of such change.

- (e) After giving effect to all Borrowings, all conversions of Term Loans of a given Class from one Type to the other, and all continuations of Term Loans of a given Class as the same Type, there shall not be more than ten (10) Interest Periods in effect unless otherwise agreed between the Borrower and the Administrative Agent; *provided* that after the establishment of any new Class of Loans pursuant to an Incremental Amendment, a Refinancing Amendment, an Extension Amendment or an amendment to this Agreement in respect of Replacement Term Loans, the number of Interest Periods otherwise permitted by this Section 2.02(e) shall increase by three (3) Interest Periods for each applicable Class so established.
- (f) The failure of any Lender to make the Loan to be made by it as part of any Borrowing shall not relieve any other Lender of its obligation, if any, hereunder to make its Loan on the date of such Borrowing, but no Lender shall be responsible for the failure of any other Lender to make the Loan to be made by such other Lender on the date of any Borrowing.
- (g) Unless the Administrative Agent shall have received notice from a Lender prior to the date of any Borrowing that such Lender will not make available to the Administrative Agent such Lender's Pro Rata Share or other applicable share provided for under this Agreement of such Borrowing, the Administrative Agent may assume that such Lender has made such Pro Rata Share or other applicable share provided for under this Agreement available to the Administrative Agent on the date of such Borrowing in accordance with <u>clause (b)</u> above, and the Administrative Agent may, in reliance upon such assumption, make available to the Borrower on such date a corresponding amount. If the Administrative Agent shall have so made funds available, then, to the extent that such Lender shall not have made such portion available to the Administrative Agent, each of such Lender and the Borrower severally agrees to repay to the Administrative Agent forthwith on demand such corresponding amount together with interest thereon, for each day from the date such amount is made available to the Borrower until the date such amount is repaid to the Administrative Agent at (i) in the case of the Borrower, the interest rate applicable at the time to the Loans comprising such Borrowing and (ii) in the case of such Lender, the Federal Funds Rate plus any administrative, processing, or similar fees customarily charged by the Administrative Agent in accordance with the foregoing. A certificate of the Administrative Agent submitted to any Lender with respect to any amounts owing under this Section 2.02(g) shall be conclusive in the absence of manifest error. If the Borrower and such Lender shall pay such interest to the Administrative Agent for the same or an overlapping period, the Administrative Agent shall promptly remit to the Borrower the amount of such interest paid by the Borrower for such period. If such Lender pays its share of the applicable Borrowing to the Administrative Agent, then the amount so paid shall constitute such Lender's Loan included in such Borrowing. Any payment by the Borrower shall be without prejudice to any claim the Borrower may have against a Lender that shall have failed to make such payment to the Administrative Agent.

Section 2.03 Warrants; Tax Treatment.

(a) Warrant to Purchase Shares. In connection with the advance of the Initial Term Loans, the Borrower has authorized the issuance and sale of common stock of the Borrower, par value \$0.001, pursuant to the terms and conditions set forth in the Warrant Agreement. At the written election of each Lender (or its Affiliate or other assignee, transferee or designee) holding Initial Term Loans on the Closing Date, the Borrower shall issue the Warrants to which such Lender is entitled to receive to such Lender (or its Affiliate or other assignee, transferee or designee) (and shall cause the Warrant Agent to take such actions as are required pursuant to the Warrant Agreement in connection with such issuance), to the extent elected to be received (x) on the Closing Date, on the Closing Date or (y) after the Closing Date, within three (3) Business Days following the Borrower's receipt of such written election, in each case, subject to the terms and conditions (including, for the avoidance of doubt, the vesting schedule) set forth in the Warrant Agreement.

(b) Allocation; Tax Treatment. The Lenders and Borrower acknowledge that the Warrants and the Initial Term Loans are intended to be part of an "investment unit" within the meaning of Section 1273(c)(2) of the Code. The Loan Parties and Lenders further agree that (i) (A) the fair market values of the Warrants determined for purposes of Section 1273(c)(2)(B) of the Code and Treasury Regulations Section 1.1273-2(h) and (B) the "issue price" and "original issue discount" of the Initial Term Loans will be determined in good faith by the parties after the Closing Date, (ii) the calculation by Borrower of the (x) fair market values of the Warrants and (y) amount of original issue discount for any accrual period of the Loans shall be subject to the review and approval of FTI, in each case in its reasonable discretion, (iii) the Loans are not treated as "contingent payment debt instruments" within the meaning of Treasury Regulation Section 1.1275-4, and (iv) the Loans do not bear any "contingent interest" within the meaning of Section 871(h)(4) of the Code. The Loan Parties and Lenders shall file or cause to be filed all federal, state and local tax returns consistent with the tax treatment provided in this Section 2.03(b) unless otherwise required by applicable Law. The inclusion of this Section 2.03(b) is not an admission by any Lender that it is subject to United States taxation.

Section 2.04 Reserved.

Section 2.05 Prepayments.

(a) Optional.

(i) The Borrower may, upon notice to the Administrative Agent, at any time or from time to time voluntarily prepay Term Loans in whole or in part without premium or penalty (except as provided in Section 2.23, if applicable); provided that (1) such notice must be received by the Administrative Agent not later than 12:00 p.m. (New York City time) (I) three (3) U.S. Government Securities Business Days prior to any date of prepayment of SOFR Rate Loans, (II) on the day of prepayment of Base Rate Loans and (III) solely to the extent applicable following a Benchmark Replacement or otherwise pursuant to Section 3.03, five (5) U.S. Government Securities Business Days prior to any date of prepayment of RFR Loans; (2) any partial prepayment of SOFR Rate Loans shall be in a principal amount of \$100,000 or a whole multiple of \$100,000 in excess thereof or, if less, the entire principal amount thereof then outstanding; and (3) any prepayment of Base Rate Loans shall be in a principal amount of \$100,000 or a whole multiple of \$100,000 in excess thereof or, if less, the entire principal amount thereof then outstanding. Each such notice shall specify the date and amount of such prepayment and the Class(es) and Type(s) of Loans to be prepaid and the manner in which such prepayment shall be applied to repayments thereof required pursuant to Section 2.07; provided that in the event such notice fails to specify the manner in which the respective prepayment of Term Loans shall be applied to repayments thereof required pursuant to Section 2.07, such prepayment of Term Loans shall be applied in direct order of maturity to repayments thereof required pursuant to Section 2.07. The Administrative Agent will promptly notify each Appropriate Lender of its receipt of each such notice, and of the amount of such Lender's Pro Rata Share or other applicable share provided for under this Agreement of such prepayment. Any prepayment of a SOFR Rate Loan shall be accompanied by all accrued interest thereon, together with any additional amounts required pursuant to Section 3.05. Each prepayment of the Loans of a given Class pursuant to this Section 2.05(a) shall be paid to the Appropriate Lenders in accordance with their respective Pro Rata Shares.

(ii) Notwithstanding anything to the contrary contained in this Agreement, the Borrower may rescind, or extend the date for prepayment specified in, any notice of prepayment under <u>Section 2.05(a)(i)</u>, if such prepayment would have resulted from a refinancing of all or any portion of any Facility or Facilities which refinancing shall not be consummated or shall otherwise be delayed.

(iii) Voluntary prepayments shall be applied to the remaining scheduled installments of principal thereof pursuant to Section 2.07 to reduce the scheduled installments of principal in direct order of maturity on a pro rata basis among each Class of Term Loans then outstanding or, if so agreed by the Lenders of any Class of Term Loans, on a less than pro rata basis to such Class of Term Loans, and as to the Term Loans in any Class being so prepaid, on a pro rata basis.

(iv) Notwithstanding anything in any Loan Document to the contrary, so long as no Event of Default has occurred and is continuing, the Borrower may prepay the outstanding Term Loans (which shall, for the avoidance of doubt, be automatically and permanently canceled immediately upon acquisition by the Borrower) (or any of its Subsidiaries may purchase such outstanding Term Loans and immediately cancel them) on the following basis:

(A) Any Borrower Party shall have the right to make a voluntary prepayment of Term Loans at a discount to par pursuant to a Borrower Offer of Specified Discount Prepayment, Borrower Solicitation of Discounted Prepayment Offers or Borrower Solicitation of Discounted Prepayment Offers (any such prepayment, the "Discounted Loan Prepayment"), in each case made in accordance with this Section 2.05(a)(iv); provided that no Borrower Party shall initiate any action under this Section 2.05(a)(iv) in order to make a Discounted Loan Prepayment (other than with respect to actions under this Section 2.05(a)(iv) in order to make the first Discounted Loan Prepayment hereunder) unless (I) at least ten (10) Business Days shall have passed since the consummation of the most recent Discounted Loan Prepayment as a result of a prepayment made by a Borrower Party on the applicable Discounted Prepayment Effective Date; or (II) at least three (3) Business Days shall have passed since the date the Borrower Party was notified that no Lender was willing to accept any prepayment of any Term Loan at the Specified Discount, within the Discount Range or at any discount to par value, as applicable, or in the case of Borrower Solicitation of Discounted Prepayment Offers, the date of any Borrower Party's election not to accept any Solicited Discounted Prepayment Offers.

(B) (1) Subject to the proviso to <u>clause (A)</u> above, any Borrower Party may from time to time offer to make a Discounted Loan Prepayment by providing the Auction Agent with five (5) Business Days' notice in the form of a Specified Discount Prepayment Notice; *provided* that (I) any such offer shall be made available, at the sole discretion of the Borrower Party, to (x) each Term Lender and/or (y) each Lender with respect to any Class of Term Loans on an individual tranche basis, (II) any such offer shall specify the aggregate principal amount offered to be prepaid (the "Specified Discount Prepayment Amount") with respect to each applicable tranche, the tranche or tranches of Term Loans subject to such offer and the specific percentage discount to par (the "Specified Discount") of such Term Loans to be prepaid (it being understood that different Specified Discounts and/or Specified Discount Prepayment Amounts may be offered with respect to different tranches of Term Loans and, in such event, each such offer will be treated as a separate offer pursuant to the terms of this clause), (III) the Specified Discount Prepayment Amount shall be in an aggregate amount not less than \$5,000,000 and whole increments of \$1,000,000 in excess thereof and (IV) each such offer shall remain outstanding through the Specified Discount Prepayment Response Date. The Auction Agent will promptly provide each Appropriate Lender with a copy of such Specified Discount Prepayment Notice and a form of the Specified Discount Prepayment Response to be completed and returned by each such Lender to the Auction Agent (or its delegate) by no later than 5:00 p.m., New York City time, on the third Business Day after the date of delivery of such notice to such Lenders (which date may be extended for a period not exceeding three (3) Business Days upon notice by the Borrower Party to, and with the consent of, the Auction Agent) (the "Specified Discount Prepayment Response Date").

(2) Each Lender receiving such offer shall notify the Auction Agent (or its delegate) by the Specified Discount Prepayment Response Date whether or not it agrees to accept a prepayment of any of its applicable then outstanding Term Loans at the Specified Discount and, if so (such accepting Lender, a "Discount Prepayment Accepting Lender"), the amount and the tranches of such Lender's Term Loans to be prepaid at such offered discount. Each acceptance of a Discounted Loan Prepayment by a Discount Prepayment Accepting Lender shall be irrevocable. Any Lender whose Specified Discount Prepayment Response is not received by the Auction Agent by the Specified Discount Prepayment Response Date shall be deemed to have declined to accept the applicable Borrower Offer of Specified Discount Prepayment.

(3) If there is at least one Discount Prepayment Accepting Lender, the relevant Borrower Party will make a prepayment of outstanding Term Loans pursuant to this clause (B) to each Discount Prepayment Accepting Lender on the Discounted Prepayment Effective Date in accordance with the respective outstanding amount and tranches of Term Loans specified in such Lender's Specified Discount Prepayment Response given pursuant to <u>clause (2)</u> above; provided that, if the aggregate principal amount of Term Loans accepted for prepayment by all Discount Prepayment Accepting Lenders exceeds the Specified Discount Prepayment Amount, such prepayment shall be made pro rata among the Discount Prepayment Accepting Lenders in accordance with the respective principal amounts accepted to be prepaid by each such Discount Prepayment Accepting Lender and the Auction Agent (in consultation with such Borrower Party and subject to rounding requirements of the Auction Agent made in its reasonable discretion) will calculate such proration (the "Specified Discount Proration"). The Auction Agent shall promptly, and in any case within four (4) Business Days following the Specified Discount Prepayment Response Date, notify (I) the relevant Borrower Party of the respective Lenders' responses to such offer, the Discounted Prepayment Effective Date and the aggregate principal amount of the Discounted Loan Prepayment and the tranches to be prepaid, (II) each Lender of the Discounted Prepayment Effective Date, and the aggregate principal amount and the tranches of Term Loans to be prepaid at the Specified Discount on such date and (III) each Discount Prepayment Accepting Lender of the Specified Discount Proration, if any, and confirmation of the principal amount, tranche and Type of Term Loans of such Lender to be prepaid at the Specified Discount on such date. Each determination by the Auction Agent of the amounts stated in the foregoing notices to the Borrower Party and such Lenders shall be conclusive and binding for all purposes absent manifest error. The payment amount specified in such notice to the Borrower Party shall be due and payable by such Borrower Party on the Discounted Prepayment Effective Date in accordance with <u>clause (F)</u> below (subject to <u>clause (J)</u> below).

(C) (1) Subject to the proviso to <u>subclause (A)</u> above, any Borrower Party may from time to time solicit Discount Range Prepayment Offers by providing the Auction Agent with five (5) Business Days' notice in the form of a Discount Range Prepayment Notice; provided that (I) any such solicitation shall be extended, at the sole discretion of such Borrower Party, to (x) each Lender and/or (y) each Lender with respect to any Class of Term Loans on an individual tranche basis, (II) any such notice shall specify the maximum aggregate principal amount of the relevant Loans (the "**Discount Range Prepayment Amount**"), the tranche or tranches of Term Loans subject to such offer and the maximum and minimum percentage discounts to par (the "**Discount Range**") of the principal amount of such Term Loans with respect to each relevant tranche of Term Loans willing to be prepaid by such Borrower Party (it being understood that different Discount Ranges and/or Discount Range Prepayment Amounts may be offered with respect to different tranches of Term Loans and, in such event, each such offer will be treated as

separate offer pursuant to the terms of this clause), (III) the Discount Range Prepayment Amount shall be in an aggregate amount not less than \$5,000,000 and whole increments of \$1,000,000 in excess thereof and (IV) each such solicitation by the Borrower shall remain outstanding through the Discount Range Prepayment Response Date. The Auction Agent will promptly provide each Appropriate Lender with a copy of such Discount Range Prepayment Notice and a form of the Discount Range Prepayment Offer to be submitted by a responding Lender to the Auction Agent (or its delegate) by no later than 5:00 p.m., New York City time, on the third Business Day after the date of delivery of such notice to such Lenders (which date may be extended for a period not exceeding three (3) Business Days upon notice by the Borrower Party to, and with the consent of, the Auction Agent) (the "Discount Range Prepayment Response Date"). Each Lender's Discount Range Prepayment Offer shall be irrevocable and shall specify a discount to par within the Discount Range (the "Submitted Discount") at which such Lender is willing to allow prepayment of any or all of its then outstanding Term Loans of the applicable tranche or tranches and the maximum aggregate principal amount and tranches of such Lender's Term Loans (the "Submitted Amount") such Lender is willing to have prepaid at the Submitted Discount. Any Lender whose Discount Range Prepayment Offer is not received by the Auction Agent by the Discount Range Prepayment Response Date shall be deemed to have declined to accept a Discounted Loan Prepayment of any of its Term Loans at any discount to their par value within the Discount Range.

(2) The Auction Agent shall review all Discount Range Prepayment Offers received on or before the applicable Discount Range Prepayment Response Date and shall determine (in consultation with such Borrower Party and subject to rounding requirements of the Auction Agent made in its sole reasonable discretion) the Applicable Discount and Term Loans to be prepaid at such Applicable Discount in accordance with this <u>subclause (C)</u>. The relevant Borrower Party agrees to accept on the Discount Range Prepayment Response Date all Discount Range Prepayment Offers received by Auction Agent within the Discount Range by the Discount Range Prepayment Response Date, in the order from the Submitted Discount that is the largest discount to par to the Submitted Discount that is the smallest discount to par within the Discount Range (such Submitted Discount that is the smallest discount to par within the Discount Range being referred to as the "**Applicable Discount**") which yields a Discounted Loan Prepayment in an aggregate principal amount equal to the lower of (I) the Discount Range Prepayment Amount and (II) the sum of all Submitted Amounts. Each Lender that has submitted a Discount Range Prepayment Offer to accept prepayment at a discount to par that is larger than or equal to the Applicable Discount shall be deemed to have irrevocably consented to prepayment of Term Loans equal to its Submitted Amount (subject to any required proration pursuant to the following subclause (3)) at the Applicable Discount (each such Lender, a "**Participating Lender**").

(3) If there is at least one Participating Lender, the relevant Borrower Party will prepay the respective outstanding Term Loans of each Participating Lender on the Discounted Prepayment Effective Date in the aggregate principal amount and of the tranches specified in such Lender's Discount Range Prepayment Offer at the Applicable Discount; *provided* that if the Submitted Amount by all Participating Lenders offered at a discount to par greater than the Applicable Discount exceeds the Discount Range Prepayment Amount, prepayment of the principal amount of the relevant Term Loans for those Participating Lenders whose Submitted Discount is a discount to par greater than or equal to the Applicable Discount (the "Identified Participating Lenders") shall be made pro rata among the Identified Participating Lenders in accordance with the Submitted Amount of each such Identified Participating Lender and the Auction Agent (in consultation with such Borrower Party and subject to rounding requirements of the Auction Agent made in its sole reasonable discretion) will calculate such proration (the

"Discount Range Proration"). The Auction Agent shall promptly, and in any case within six (6) Business Days following the Discount Range Prepayment Response Date, notify (I) the relevant Borrower Party of the respective Lenders' responses to such solicitation, the Discounted Prepayment Effective Date, the Applicable Discount, and the aggregate principal amount of the Discounted Loan Prepayment and the tranches to be prepaid, (II) each Lender of the Discounted Prepayment Effective Date, the Applicable Discount, and the aggregate principal amount and tranches of Term Loans to be prepaid at the Applicable Discount on such date, (III) each Participating Lender of the aggregate principal amount and tranches of such Lender to be prepaid at the Applicable Discount on such date, and (IV) if applicable, each Identified Participating Lender of the Discount Range Proration. Each determination by the Auction Agent of the amounts stated in the foregoing notices to the relevant Borrower Party and Lenders shall be conclusive and binding for all purposes absent manifest error. The payment amount specified in such notice to the Borrower Party shall be due and payable by such Borrower Party on the Discounted Prepayment Effective Date in accordance with <u>subclause (F)</u> below (subject to <u>subclause (J)</u> below).

(D) (1) Subject to the proviso to subclause (A) above, any Borrower Party may from time to time solicit Solicited Discounted Prepayment Offers by providing the Auction Agent with five (5) Business Days' notice in the form of a Solicited Discounted Prepayment Notice; provided that (I) any such solicitation shall be extended, at the sole discretion of such Borrower Party, to (x) each Lender and/or (y) each Lender with respect to any Class of Term Loans on an individual tranche basis, (II) any such notice shall specify the maximum aggregate amount of the Term Loans (the "Solicited Discounted Prepayment Amount") and the tranche or tranches of Term Loans the Borrower is willing to prepay at a discount (it being understood that different Solicited Discounted Prepayment Amounts may be offered with respect to different tranches of Term Loans and, in such event, each such offer will be treated as separate offer pursuant to the terms of this clause), (III) the Solicited Discounted Prepayment Amount shall be in an aggregate amount not less than \$5,000,000 and whole increments of \$1,000,000 in excess thereof and (IV) each such solicitation by the Borrower shall remain outstanding through the Solicited Discounted Prepayment Response Date. The Auction Agent will promptly provide each Appropriate Lender with a copy of such Solicited Discounted Prepayment Notice and a form of the Solicited Discounted Prepayment Offer to be submitted by a responding Lender to the Auction Agent (or its delegate) by no later than 5:00 p.m., New York City time on the third Business Day after the date of delivery of such notice to such Lenders (which date may be extended for a period not exceeding three (3) Business Days upon notice by the Borrower Party to, and with the consent of, the Auction Agent) (the "Solicited Discounted Prepayment **Response Date**"). Each Lender's Solicited Discounted Prepayment Offer shall (x) be irrevocable, (y) remain outstanding until the Acceptance Date, and (z) specify both a discount to par (for example, an offer of 99% of the outstanding principal amount would equate to a 1% discount to par) (the "Offered Discount") at which such Lender is willing to allow prepayment of its then outstanding Term Loans and the maximum aggregate principal amount and tranches of such Term Loans (the "Offered Amount") such Lender is willing to have prepaid at the Offered Discount. Any Lender whose Solicited Discounted Prepayment Offer is not received by the Auction Agent by the Solicited Discounted Prepayment Response Date shall be deemed to have declined prepayment of any of its Term Loans at any discount.

(2) The Auction Agent shall promptly provide the relevant Borrower Party with a copy of all Solicited Discounted Prepayment Offers received on or before the Solicited Discounted Prepayment Response Date. Such Borrower Party shall review all such Solicited Discounted Prepayment Offers and select the smallest of the Offered Discounts specified by the relevant responding Lenders in the Solicited Discounted Prepayment Offers that is acceptable to the Borrower Party in its sole discretion (the "Acceptable Discount"), if any. If the Borrower

Party elects in its sole discretion to accept any Offered Discount as the Acceptable Discount, then as soon as practicable after the determination of the Acceptable Discount, but in no event later than by the third Business Day after the date of receipt by such Borrower Party from the Auction Agent of a copy of all Solicited Discounted Prepayment Offers pursuant to the first sentence of this <u>clause (2)</u> (the "Acceptance Date"), the Borrower Party shall submit an Acceptance and Prepayment Notice to the Auction Agent setting forth the Acceptable Discount. If the Auction Agent shall fail to receive an Acceptance and Prepayment Notice from the Borrower Party by the Acceptance Date, such Borrower Party shall be deemed to have rejected all Solicited Discounted Prepayment Offers.

(3) Based upon the Acceptable Discount and the Solicited Discounted Prepayment Offers received by Auction Agent by the Solicited Discounted Prepayment Response Date, within four (4) Business Days after receipt of an Acceptance and Prepayment Notice (the "Discounted Prepayment Determination Date"), the Auction Agent will determine (in consultation with such Borrower Party and subject to rounding requirements of the Auction Agent made in its sole reasonable discretion) the aggregate principal amount and the tranches of Term Loans (the "Acceptable Prepayment Amount") to be prepaid by the relevant Borrower Party at the Acceptable Discount in accordance with this Section 2.05(a)(iv)(D). If the Borrower Party elects to accept any Acceptable Discount, then the Borrower Party agrees to accept all Solicited Discounted Prepayment Offers received by Auction Agent by the Solicited Discounted Prepayment Response Date, in the order from largest Offered Discount to smallest Offered Discount, up to and including the Acceptable Discount. Each Lender that has submitted a Solicited Discounted Prepayment Offer with an Offered Discount that is greater than or equal to the Acceptable Discount shall be deemed to have irrevocably consented to prepayment of Term Loans equal to its Offered Amount (subject to any required pro-rata reduction pursuant to the following sentence) at the Acceptable Discount (each such Lender, a "Qualifying Lender"). The Borrower Party will prepay outstanding Term Loans pursuant to this subclause (D) to each Qualifying Lender in the aggregate principal amount and of the tranches specified in such Lender's Solicited Discounted Prepayment Offer at the Acceptable Discount; provided that if the aggregate Offered Amount by all Qualifying Lenders whose Offered Discount is greater than or equal to the Acceptable Discount exceeds the Solicited Discounted Prepayment Amount, prepayment of the principal amount of the Term Loans for those Qualifying Lenders whose Offered Discount is greater than or equal to the Acceptable Discount (the "Identified Qualifying Lenders") shall be made pro rata among the Identified Qualifying Lenders in accordance with the Offered Amount of each such Identified Qualifying Lender and the Auction Agent (in consultation with such Borrower Party and subject to rounding requirements of the Auction Agent made in its sole reasonable discretion) will calculate such proration (the "Solicited Discount Proration"). On or prior to the Discounted Prepayment Determination Date, the Auction Agent shall promptly notify (I) the relevant Borrower Party of the Discounted Prepayment Effective Date and Acceptable Prepayment Amount comprising the Discounted Loan Prepayment and the tranches to be prepaid, (II) each Lender of the Discounted Prepayment Effective Date, the Acceptable Discount, and the Acceptable Prepayment Amount of all Term Loans and the tranches to be prepaid at the Applicable Discount on such date, (III) each Qualifying Lender of the aggregate principal amount and the tranches of such Lender to be prepaid at the Acceptable Discount on such date, and (IV) if applicable, each Identified Qualifying Lender of the Solicited Discount Proration. Each determination by the Auction Agent of the amounts stated in the foregoing notices to such Borrower Party and Lenders shall be conclusive and binding for all purposes absent manifest error. The payment amount specified in such notice to such Borrower Party shall be due and payable by such Borrower Party on the Discounted Prepayment Effective Date in accordance with <u>subclause (F)</u> below (subject to subclause (J) below).

(E) In connection with any Discounted Loan Prepayment, the Borrower and the Lenders acknowledge and agree that the Auction Agent may require as a condition to any Discounted Loan Prepayment the payment of customary, reasonable and documented fees and out-of-pocket expenses from a Borrower Party in connection therewith.

(F) If any Term Loan is prepaid in accordance with <u>clauses (B)</u> through <u>(D)</u> above, a Borrower Party shall prepay such Term Loans on the Discounted Prepayment Effective Date without premium or penalty. The relevant Borrower Party shall make such prepayment to the Administrative Agent, for the account of the Discount Prepayment Accepting Lenders, Participating Lenders, or Qualifying Lenders, as applicable, at the Administrative Agent's Office in immediately available funds not later than 2:00 p.m. (New York City time) on the Discounted Prepayment Effective Date and all such prepayments shall be applied to the remaining principal installments of the relevant tranche of Term Loans pursuant to Section 2.07(a) in an amount equal to the principal amount of the applicable Term Loans in accordance with Section 2.05(a)(iii); provided that to the extent prepayments are applied to scheduled installments of principal other than in forward order of maturity, the applicable Borrower Party shall so specify in the applicable offer. The Term Loans so prepaid shall be accompanied by all accrued and unpaid interest on the par principal amount so prepaid up to, but not including, the Discounted Prepayment Effective Date. Each prepayment of the outstanding Term Loans pursuant to this Section 2.05(a)(iv) shall be paid to the Discount Prepayment Accepting Lenders, Participating Lenders, or Qualifying Lenders, as applicable, and shall be applied to the relevant Term Loans of such Lenders in accordance with their respective Pro Rata Share or other applicable share provided for under this Agreement. The aggregate principal amount of the tranches and installments of the relevant Loans outstanding shall be deemed reduced by the full par value of the aggregate principal amount of the tranches of Term Loans prepaid on the Discounted Prepayment Effective Date in any Discounted Loan Prepayment. In connection with each prepayment pursuant to this Section 2.05(a)(iv), the relevant Borrower Party shall (a) either (I) make a representation to the Lenders that it does not possess material non-public information with respect to the Borrower and its Subsidiaries or the securities of any of them that has not been disclosed to the Lenders generally (other than Lenders who elect not to receive such information) or (II) disclose that it cannot make such representation and (b) waive any right with to bring any action against the Administrative Agent, in its capacity as such, in connection with any such Discounted Loan Prepayment (other than in connection with any breach of its obligations under this Agreement).

(G) To the extent not expressly provided for herein, each Discounted Loan Prepayment shall be consummated pursuant to procedures consistent with the provisions in this <u>Section 2.05(a)(iv)</u>, established by the Auction Agent acting in its reasonable discretion and as reasonably agreed by the applicable Borrower Party.

(H) Reserved.

- (I) Notwithstanding anything in any Loan Document to the contrary, for purposes of this <u>Section 2.05(a)(iv)</u>, each notice or other communication required to be delivered or otherwise provided to the Auction Agent (or its delegate) shall be deemed to have been given upon the Auction Agent's (or its delegate's) actual receipt during normal business hours of such notice or communication; *provided* that any notice or communication actually received outside of normal business hours shall be deemed to have been given as of the opening of business on the next Business Day.
- (J) The Borrower and the Lenders acknowledge and agree that the Auction Agent may perform any and all of its duties under this Section 2.05(a)(iv) by itself or through any Affiliate of the Auction Agent and expressly consents to any such delegation of duties by the Auction Agent to such Affiliate and the performance of such delegated duties by such Affiliate. The exculpatory provisions pursuant to this Agreement shall apply to each Affiliate of the Auction Agent and its respective activities in connection with any Discounted Loan Prepayment provided for in this Section 2.05(a)(iv) as well as activities of the Auction Agent.

(K) Each Borrower Party shall have the right, by written notice to the Auction Agent, to revoke in full (but not in part) its offer to make a Discounted Loan Prepayment and rescind the applicable Specified Discount Prepayment Notice, Discount Range Prepayment Notice or Solicited Discounted Prepayment Notice therefor at its discretion at any time on or prior to the applicable Specified Discount Prepayment Response Date, Discount Range Prepayment Response Date or Solicited Discounted Prepayment Response Date (and if such offer is revoked pursuant to the preceding clauses, any failure by such Borrower Party to make any prepayment to a Lender, as applicable, pursuant to this Section 2.05(a)(iv) shall not constitute a Default under Section 8.01 or otherwise).

(b) Mandatory.

(i) Within five (5) Business Days after financial statements have been delivered pursuant to Section 6.01(a) and the related Compliance Certificate has been delivered pursuant to Section 6.02(a)(i), the Borrower shall, subject to clause (b)(vi) of this Section 2.05, prepay an aggregate principal amount of Term Loans in an amount (the "ECF Payment Amount") equal to (A) 75.0% of Excess Cash Flow, if any, for the fiscal year covered by such financial statements (but limited in the case of the fiscal year ending December 31, 2023, solely to the period commencing on the Closing Date and ending on December 31, 2023) minus (B) the sum of all voluntary prepayments of Term Loans, Refinancing Equivalent Debt and Incremental Equivalent Debt during such fiscal year (to the extent not deducted pursuant to this clause (B) in respect of the prior year) or after such fiscal year end and prior to the time the payment pursuant to this Section 2.05(b) is due (including the amount of any voluntary prepayments or cancellation of Term Loans, Refinancing Equivalent Debt and Incremental Equivalent Debt made at a discount to par (in an amount equal to the discounted amount actually paid in respect of the principal amount of such Indebtedness)); provided that a prepayment of the aggregate principal amount of Term Loans pursuant to this Section 2.05(b)(i) in respect of any fiscal year shall only be required in the amount by which the ECF Payment Amount for such fiscal year exceeds \$2,000,000 (and only in such amount by which the ECF Payment Amount for such fiscal year exceeds \$2,000,000).

(ii) (A) If (x) the Borrower or any of its Subsidiaries Disposes of any property or assets pursuant to Section 7.05(f) or (j) (or in a Disposition not permitted by this Agreement) or (y) any Casualty Event occurs, which results in the realization or receipt by the Borrower or such Subsidiary of Net Cash Proceeds, the Borrower shall prepay on or prior to the date which is ten (10) Business Days after the date of the realization or receipt of such Net Cash Proceeds, subject to clause (b)(vi) of this Section 2.05, an aggregate principal amount of Term Loans equal to 100% of all Net Cash Proceeds realized or received.

(B) With respect to any Net Cash Proceeds realized or received with respect to any Casualty Event, at the option of the Borrower, the Borrower may reinvest all or any portion of such Net Cash Proceeds in assets useful for its or any of its Subsidiary's business within (x) eighteen (18) months following receipt of such Net Cash Proceeds or (y) if the Borrower or a Subsidiary enters into a legally binding commitment to reinvest such Net Cash Proceeds within eighteen (18) months following receipt thereof, within the later of (1) eighteen (18) months following receipt thereof and (2) one hundred and eighty (180) days after the expiration of such eighteen (18) month period; provided, that if any Net Cash Proceeds are no longer intended to be or cannot be so reinvested at any time after delivery of a notice of reinvestment election, and subject to clauses (iv) and (vi) of this Section 2.05(b), an amount equal to any such Net Cash Proceeds shall be applied within five (5) Business Days after the Borrower reasonably determines that such Net Cash Proceeds are no longer intended to be or cannot be so reinvested to the prepayment of the Loans as set forth in this Section 2.05(b)(ii).

(iii) (A) If the Borrower or any Subsidiary incurs or issues any Indebtedness not expressly permitted to be incurred or issued pursuant to Section 7.03, the Borrower shall cause to be prepaid an aggregate principal amount of Term Loans equal to 100% of all Net Cash Proceeds received therefrom on or prior to the date which is five (5) Business Days after the receipt of such Net Cash Proceeds and (B) if the Borrower incurs or issues any (x) Equity Interests (other than (1) issuances pursuant to employee stock plans, dividend reinvestment plans, other benefit or employee incentive arrangements, or issued as compensation to officers and/or non-employee directors or upon conversion or exercise of outstanding options or other equity awards, (2) issuances of directors' qualifying shares and/or other nominal amounts required to be held by persons other than the Borrower or its subsidiaries under applicable Law and (3) Equity Interests issued upon any exercise of the Warrants), (y) Incremental Equivalent Debt or (z) Refinancing Term Loans or Refinancing Equivalent Debt to refinance any Class (or Classes) of Loans resulting in Net Cash Proceeds (as opposed to such Refinancing Term Loans or Refinancing Equivalent Debt arising out of an exchange of existing Term Loans for such Refinancing Term Loans or Refinancing Equivalent Debt), the Borrower shall cause to be prepaid an aggregate principal amount of such Class (or Classes) of Loans in an amount equal to 100% of the Net Cash Proceeds received therefrom on or prior to the date which is five (5) Business Days after the receipt by the Borrower of such Net Cash Proceeds; provided, in the case of clauses (B)(x) and (y), such percentage shall be reduced to 75% if the Outstanding Amount of the Initial Term Loans is less than or equal to \$100,000,000 as of the date such prepayment is due.

(iv) Except as may otherwise be set forth in any Refinancing Amendment, any Extension Amendment, any Incremental Amendment or any amendment in respect of Replacement Term Loans, (A) each prepayment of Term Loans pursuant to this Section 2.05(b) shall be applied ratably to each Class of Term Loans (provided that (i) any prepayment of Term Loans with the Net Cash Proceeds of, or in exchange for, Refinancing Term Loans, Refinancing Equivalent Debt or Replacement Term Loans shall be applied solely to each applicable Class or Classes of Term Loans being refinanced as selected by the Borrower, and (ii) any Class of Extended Term Loans, Refinancing Term Loans, New Term Loans and Replacement Term Loans may specify that one or more other Classes of Term Loans may be prepaid prior to such Class of Extended Term Loans, Refinancing Term Loans, New Term Loans or Replacement Term Loans), (B) with respect to each Class of Term Loans, each prepayment pursuant to clauses (i) through (iii) of this Section 2.05(b) shall be applied first, to accrued interest and fees due on the amount of such prepayment of such Class of Term Loans and second, to the remaining scheduled installments of principal of such Class of Term Loans in a manner determined at the sole discretion of the Borrower (although in all cases on a pro rata basis to the respective Term Lenders of such Class) and specified in the notice of prepayment; provided that, if the Borrower does not specify the order in which to apply prepayments to reduce scheduled installments of principal, the Borrower shall be deemed to have elected that such prepayment be applied to reduce the scheduled installments of principal in direct order of maturity; and (C) each such prepayment shall be paid to the Appropriate Lenders in accordance with their respective Pro Rata Shares of such prepayment, subject to clauses (vi) and (vii) of this Section 2.05(b).

(v) Reserved.

(vi) Notwithstanding any other provisions of this <u>Section 2.05(b)</u>, (A) to the extent that any or all of the Net Cash Proceeds of any Disposition by a Subsidiary giving rise to a prepayment event pursuant to <u>Section 2.05(b)(ii)</u> (a "**Foreign Disposition**"), the Net Cash Proceeds of any Casualty Event from a Subsidiary (a "**Foreign Casualty Event**") or Excess Cash Flow attributable

to Subsidiaries are prohibited or delayed by (I) applicable local Law or (II) with respect to non-wholly owned Subsidiaries only, the material constituent documents of (or other material agreements binding on) such non-wholly owned Subsidiary, in any case, from being repatriated to the Borrower, an amount equal to the portion of such Net Cash Proceeds or Excess Cash Flow so affected will not be required to be applied to repay Term Loans at the times provided in this Section 2.05(b) but may be retained by the applicable Subsidiary so long, but only so long, as (x) the applicable local Law will not permit repatriation to the Borrower (the Borrower hereby agreeing to use commercially reasonable efforts to cause the applicable Subsidiary to promptly take all actions reasonably required by the applicable local law to permit such repatriation) or (y) the material constituent documents of the applicable non-wholly owned Subsidiary or any other material agreements binding upon the applicable non-wholly owned Subsidiary will not permit repatriation to the Borrower, and once such repatriation of any of such affected Net Cash Proceeds or Excess Cash Flow is permitted under the applicable local Law or applicable material constituent documents or other material agreement, such repatriation will be immediately effected and an amount equal to such repatriated Net Cash Proceeds or Excess Cash Flow will be promptly (and in any event not later than two (2) Business Days after such repatriation) applied (net of additional taxes payable or reserved against as a result thereof) to the repayment of the Term Loans pursuant to this Section 2.05(b) to the extent provided herein and (B) to the extent that the Borrower has determined in good faith that repatriation of any of or all the Net Cash Proceeds of any Foreign Disposition, any Foreign Casualty Event or Excess Cash Flow attributable to Foreign Subsidiaries would have a material adverse tax consequence (taking into account any foreign tax credit or benefit actually realized in connection with such repatriation) (as determined in good faith by the Borrower) with respect to such Net Cash Proceeds or Excess Cash Flow, the Net Cash Proceeds or Excess Cash Flow so affected will not be required to be applied to repay Term Loans at the times provided in this Section 2.05(b) but may be retained by the applicable Foreign Subsidiary until such time as it may repatriate such amount without incurring such material adverse tax consequences (at which time such amount shall be repatriated to the Borrower and applied to repay the Term Loans to the extent provided herein).

(vii) The Borrower shall give notice to the Administrative Agent of any mandatory prepayment of the Term Loans pursuant to Section 2.05(b)(i), (ii) or (iii), three (3) Business Days prior to the date on which such payment is due; provided that the Borrower may rescind, or extend the date for prepayment specified in, any notice of prepayment under Section 2.05(b)(iii) if such prepayment would have resulted from a refinancing of all or any portion of any Facility or Facilities, which refinancing shall not be consummated or shall otherwise be delayed. Such notice shall specify the date of such prepayment and provide a reasonably detailed calculation of the amount of such prepayment. Upon receipt by the Administrative Agent of such notice, the Administrative Agent shall immediately give notice to each Appropriate Lender of the contents of the Borrower's prepayment notice and of such Appropriate Lender's Pro Rata Share or other applicable share provided for under this Agreement of the prepayment.

(c) <u>Closing Date Prepayment</u>. On the Closing Date, the Borrower shall prepay the Initial Term Loans in an aggregate principal amount equal to \$40,000,000 (the "**Closing Date Prepayment**").

(d) <u>Interest, Funding Losses, Etc.</u> All prepayments under this <u>Section 2.05</u> shall be accompanied by all accrued interest thereon, together with, in the case of any such prepayment of a SOFR Rate Loan on a date prior to the last day of an Interest Period therefor, any amounts owing in respect of such SOFR Rate Loan pursuant to <u>Section 3.05</u>.

Notwithstanding any of the other provisions of this Section 2.05, so long as no Event of Default shall have occurred and be continuing, if any prepayment of SOFR Rate Loans is required to be made under this Section 2.05 prior to the last day of the Interest Period therefor, in lieu of making any payment pursuant to this Section 2.05 in respect of any such SOFR Rate Loan prior to the last day of the Interest Period therefor, the Borrower may, in its sole discretion, deposit an amount sufficient to make any such prepayment otherwise required to be made hereunder together with accrued interest to the last day of such Interest Period, at which time the Administrative Agent shall be authorized (without any further action by or notice to or from the Borrower or any other Loan Party) to apply such amount to the prepayment of such Loans in accordance with this Section 2.05. Upon the occurrence and during the continuance of any Event of Default, the Administrative Agent shall also be authorized (without any further action by or notice to or from the Borrower or any other Loan Party) to apply such amount to the prepayment of the outstanding Loans in accordance with the relevant provisions of this Section 2.05.

Further notwithstanding the foregoing, after the Borrower has prepaid the Initial Term Loans in an aggregate principal amount equal to or greater than \$20,000,000 (in addition to the Closing Date Prepayment), the Borrower shall be permitted (but not required) to retain Net Cash Proceeds (other than those derived pursuant to clause (a) of the definition thereof) during the term of this Agreement (and accordingly no mandatory prepayment shall be due and payable pursuant to Section 2.05(b) in respect of such retained Net Cash Proceeds) in an aggregate amount equal to the sum of (i) \$25,000,000, plus (ii) the lesser of (x) the Available Debt Repayment Amount and (y) the outstanding principal amount of the Existing Term Loans after giving effect to the Exchange (collectively, such amount being the "Retained Cash Amount"); provided that, any amounts retained pursuant to clause (ii) shall be used solely to repay the Existing Term Loans required to be repaid at the scheduled maturity date thereof.

Section 2.06 Termination or Reduction of Commitments.

- (a) <u>Optional</u>. The Borrower may, upon written notice to the Administrative Agent, terminate the unused Commitments of any Class, or from time to time permanently reduce the unused Commitments of any Class, in each case without premium or penalty; *provided* that (i) any such notice shall be received by the Administrative Agent one (1) Business Day prior to the date of termination or reduction and (ii) any such partial reduction shall be in an aggregate amount of \$1,000,000 or any whole multiple of \$100,000 in excess thereof or, if less, the entire amount thereof. Notwithstanding the foregoing, the Borrower may rescind or postpone any notice of termination of the Commitments if such termination would have resulted from a refinancing of all or any portion of any Facility or Facilities, which refinancing shall not be consummated or otherwise shall be delayed.
- (b) <u>Mandatory</u>. The Initial Term Commitment of each Term Lender shall be automatically and permanently reduced to \$0 upon the making (or deemed making pursuant to the Exchange) of such Term Lender's Initial Term Loans pursuant to <u>Section 2.01</u>.
- (c) <u>Application of Commitment Reductions; Payment of Fees</u>. The Administrative Agent will promptly notify all Lenders of the termination or reduction of unused Commitments of any Class under this <u>Section 2.06</u>. Upon any reduction of unused Commitments of any Class, the Commitment of each Lender of such Class shall be reduced by such Lender's Pro Rata Share of the amount by which such Commitments are reduced (other than the termination of the Commitment of any Lender as provided in <u>Section 3.07</u>).

Section 2.07 Repayment of Loans.

(a) <u>Term Loans</u>. The Borrower shall repay to the Administrative Agent for the ratable account of the Appropriate Lenders (i) on the last Business Day of each March, June, September and December, commencing with the last Business Day of September 2023, an aggregate amount equal to 0.25% of the aggregate principal amount of all Initial Term Loans (including any fees or interest paid-in-

kind and added to the principal balance thereof) outstanding on the Closing Date after giving effect to the Closing Date Prepayment (as such repayment amount shall be reduced as a result of the application of prepayments in accordance with the order of priority determined under Section 2.05); provided that at the time of any effectiveness of any Extension Amendment, the scheduled amortization with respect to the Initial Term Loans set forth above shall be reduced ratably to reflect the percentage of Initial Term Loans converted to Extended Term Loans (but will not affect the amount of amortization received by a given lender with outstanding Initial Term Loans), (ii) the amortization for any new Class of Term Loans established pursuant to an Incremental Amendment, a Refinancing Amendment, an Extension Amendment or an amendment to this Agreement in respect of Replacement Term Loans shall be as agreed in accordance with the terms and conditions hereof and specified in such Incremental Amendment, Refinancing Amendment, Extension Amendment or amendment to this Agreement in respect of Replacement Term Loans, as applicable, and (iii) on the Maturity Date for each Class of Term Loans, the aggregate principal amount of all such Term Loans outstanding on such date; provided that the repayments under this clause may be adjusted to account for the addition of any New Term Loans, including any increase to payments to the extent, and as required pursuant to, the terms of any applicable Incremental Amendment involving a Term Loan Increase to the Initial Term Loans.

- (b) Any repayment of Loans pursuant to this Section 2.07 shall be subject to the payment of the Exit Fee in accordance with Section 2.23.
- (c) All Loans shall be repaid, whether pursuant to this Section 2.07 or otherwise, in the currency in which they were made.

Section 2.08 Interest. (a) Subject to the provisions of Section 2.08(b), (i) each SOFR Rate Loan shall bear interest on the outstanding principal amount thereof for each Interest Period at a rate per annum equal to the Adjusted Term SOFR Rate for such Interest Period plus the Applicable Rate and (ii) each Base Rate Loan shall bear interest on the outstanding principal amount thereof from the applicable Borrowing date at a rate per annum equal to the Base Rate plus the Applicable Rate.

- (b) The Borrower shall pay interest on past due amounts hereunder owing at a fluctuating interest rate per annum at all times equal to the Default Rate to the fullest extent permitted by applicable Laws (*provided*, for the avoidance of doubt, that no interest at the Default Rate shall accrue or be payable to a Defaulting Lender so long as such Lender shall be a Defaulting Lender). Accrued and unpaid interest on past due amounts (including interest on past due interest) shall be due and payable upon demand.
- (c) Interest on each Loan shall be due and payable in arrears on each Interest Payment Date applicable thereto and at such other times as may be specified herein. Interest hereunder shall be due and payable in accordance with the terms hereof before and after judgment, and before and after the commencement of any proceeding under any Debtor Relief Law.
 - (d) Reserved.
 - (e) All computations of interest hereunder shall be made in accordance with Section 2.10.

Section 2.09 Fees.

(a) <u>Original Issue Discount</u>. The parties hereby agree that a fee equal to 3.00% of the aggregate principal amount of the Initial Term Loans (after giving effect to the Closing Date Prepayment) shall be paid pro rata to the Lenders of Initial Term Loans (in accordance with their share of the Initial Term Loans at such time). It being understood that such fee shall be paid-in-kind on the Closing Date (after giving effect to the Closing Date Prepayment) by adding such amount to the principal amount of such Initial Term Loans and shall be treated as original issue discount.

(b) Other Fees. The Borrower shall pay to the Agents, the Lead Arranger and certain of the Lenders such fees as shall have been separately agreed upon in writing (including pursuant to the Fee Letters) in the amounts and at the times so specified. Such fees shall be fully earned when paid and shall not be refundable for any reason whatsoever (except as expressly agreed between the Borrower and the applicable Agent, Lead Arranger or the relevant Lenders, as the case may be).

Section 2.10 Computation of Interest and Fees. All computations of interest for Base Rate Loans when the Base Rate is based on the Prime Rate shall be made on the basis of a year of three hundred and sixty-five (365) days or three hundred and sixty-six (366) days, as the case may be, and actual days elapsed. All other computations of fees and interest shall be made on the basis of a three hundred and sixty (360) day year and actual days elapsed (which results in more fees or interest, as applicable, being paid than if computed on the basis of a 365-day year). Interest shall accrue on each Loan for the day on which the Loan is made, and shall not accrue on a Loan, or any portion thereof, for the day on which the Loan or such portion is paid; *provided* that any Loan that is repaid on the same day on which it is made shall, subject to Section 2.12(a), bear interest for one day. In computing interest on any Loan, the day such Loan is made or converted to a Loan of a different Type shall be included for purposes of calculating interest on a Loan of such different Type and the date such Loan is repaid or converted to a Loan of a different Type, as the case may be, shall be excluded. Each determination by the Administrative Agent of an interest rate or fee hereunder shall be conclusive and binding for all purposes, absent manifest error.

Section 2.11 Evidence of Indebtedness. (a) Subject to Section 10.07(c), the Credit Extensions made by each Lender shall be evidenced by one or more accounts or records maintained by such Lender and evidenced by one or more entries in the Register maintained by the Administrative Agent, acting solely for purposes of Treasury Regulation Section 5f.103-1(c), as a non-fiduciary agent for the Borrower, in each case in the ordinary course of business. The accounts or records maintained by the Administrative Agent and each Lender shall be prima facie evidence absent manifest error of the amount of the Credit Extensions made by the Lenders to the Borrower and the interest and payments thereon. Any failure to so record or any error in doing so shall not, however, limit or otherwise affect the obligation of the Borrower hereunder to pay any amount owing with respect to the Obligations. In the event of any conflict between the accounts and records maintained by any Lender and the accounts and records of the Administrative Agent in respect of such matters, the accounts and records of the Administrative Agent shall control in the absence of manifest error. Upon the request of any Lender made through the Administrative Agent, the Borrower shall execute and deliver to such Lender (through the Administrative Agent) a Note or Notes payable to such Lender, which shall evidence such Lender's Loans of the applicable Class or Classes in addition to such accounts or records. Each Lender may attach schedules to its Note and endorse thereon the date, Type (if applicable), amount and maturity of its Loans and payments with respect thereto.

(b) Reserved.

(c) Entries made in good faith by the Administrative Agent in the Register pursuant to Section 2.11(a), and by each Lender in its account or accounts pursuant to Section 2.11(a), shall be prima facie evidence of the amount of principal and interest due and payable or to become due and payable from the Borrower to, in the case of the Register, each Lender and, in the case of such account or accounts, such Lender, under this Agreement and the other Loan Documents, absent manifest error; provided that the failure of the Administrative Agent or such Lender to make an entry, or any finding that an entry is incorrect, in the Register or such account or accounts shall not limit or otherwise affect the obligations of the Borrower under this Agreement and the other Loan Documents.

(d) Notwithstanding anything to the contrary contained above in this Section 2.11 or elsewhere in this Agreement, Notes shall only be delivered to Lenders which at any time specifically request the delivery of such Notes. No failure of any Lender to request, maintain, obtain or produce a Note evidencing its Loans to the Borrower shall affect or in any manner impair the obligations of the Borrower to pay the Loans (and all related Obligations) incurred by the Borrower which would otherwise be evidenced thereby in accordance with the requirements of this Agreement, and shall not in any way affect the security or guaranties therefor provided pursuant to the various Loan Documents.

Section 2.12 Payments Generally. (a) All payments to be made by the Borrower shall be made without condition or deduction for any counterclaim, defense, recoupment or setoff. Except as otherwise expressly set forth herein or in any Fee Letters, all payments by the Borrower hereunder shall be made to the Administrative Agent, for the account of the respective Lenders to which such payment is owed, at the applicable Administrative Agent's Office for payment in Dollars and in Same Day Funds not later than 2:00 p.m. (New York City time) on the date specified herein. The Administrative Agent will promptly distribute to each Appropriate Lender its Pro Rata Share (or other applicable share as provided herein) of such payment in like funds as received by wire transfer to such Lender's Lending Office. All payments received by the Administrative Agent after 2:00 p.m. (New York City time) shall be deemed received on the next succeeding Business Day and any applicable interest or fee shall continue to accrue.

- (b) If any payment to be made by the Borrower shall come due on a day other than a Business Day, payment shall be made on the next following Business Day, and such extension of time shall be reflected in computing interest or fees, as the case may be; *provided* that, if such extension would cause payment of interest on or principal of SOFR Rate Loans to be made in the next succeeding calendar month, such payment shall be made on the immediately preceding Business Day.
- (c) Unless the Borrower or any Lender has notified the Administrative Agent, prior to the date any payment is required to be made by it to the Administrative Agent hereunder, that the Borrower or such Lender, as the case may be, will not make such payment, the Administrative Agent may assume that the Borrower or such Lender, as the case may be, has timely made such payment and may (but shall not be so required to), in reliance thereon, make available a corresponding amount to the Person entitled thereto. If and to the extent that such payment was not in fact made to the Administrative Agent in Same Day Funds, then:
- (i) If the Borrower failed to make such payment, such Lender shall forthwith on demand repay to the Administrative Agent the portion of such assumed payment that was made available to such Lender in Same Day Funds, together with interest thereon in respect of each day from and including the date such amount was made available by the Administrative Agent to such Lender to the date such amount is repaid to the Administrative Agent in Same Day Funds at the applicable Federal Funds Rate from time to time in effect; and
- (ii) If any Lender failed to make such payment, such Lender shall forthwith on demand pay to the Administrative Agent the amount thereof in Same Day Funds, together with interest thereon for the period from the date such amount was made available by the Administrative Agent to the Borrower to the date such amount is recovered by the Administrative Agent (the "Compensation Period") at a rate per annum equal to the applicable Federal Funds Rate from time to time in effect. When such Lender makes payment to the Administrative Agent (together with all accrued interest thereon), then such payment amount (excluding the amount of any interest which may have accrued and been paid in respect of such late payment) shall constitute such Lender's Loan included in the applicable Borrowing. If such Lender does not pay such amount forthwith upon the Administrative Agent's demand therefor, the Administrative Agent may make a demand therefor upon the Borrower, and the Borrower shall pay such amount to the Administrative Agent, together with interest thereon for the Compensation Period at a rate per annum equal to the rate of interest applicable to the applicable Borrowing. Nothing herein shall be deemed to relieve any Lender from its obligation to fulfill its Commitment or to prejudice any rights which the Administrative Agent or the Borrower may have against any Lender as a result of any default by such Lender hereunder.

A notice of the Administrative Agent to any Lender or the Borrower with respect to any amount owing under this <u>Section 2.12(c)</u> shall be conclusive, absent manifest error.

- (d) If any Lender makes available to the Administrative Agent funds for any Loan to be made by such Lender as provided in the foregoing provisions of this <u>Article II</u>, and such funds are not made available to the Borrower by the Administrative Agent because the conditions to the applicable Credit Extension set forth in <u>Article IV</u> are not satisfied or waived in accordance with the terms hereof, the Administrative Agent shall return such funds (in like funds as received from such Lender) to such Lender, without interest.
- (e) The obligations of the Lenders hereunder to make Loans are several and not joint. The failure of any Lender to make any Loan or to fund any such participation on any date required hereunder shall not relieve any other Lender of its corresponding obligation to do so on such date, and no Lender shall be responsible for the failure of any other Lender to so make its Loan or purchase its participation.
- (f) Nothing herein shall be deemed to obligate any Lender to obtain the funds for any Loan in any particular place or manner or to constitute a representation by any Lender that it has obtained or will obtain the funds for any Loan in any particular place or manner.
- (g) Whenever any payment received by the Administrative Agent under this Agreement or any of the other Loan Documents is insufficient to pay in full all amounts due and payable to the Administrative Agent and the Lenders under or in respect of this Agreement and the other Loan Documents on any date, such payment shall be distributed by the Administrative Agent and applied by the Administrative Agent and the Lenders in the order of priority set forth in Section 8.03. If the Administrative Agent receives funds for application to the Obligations of the Loan Parties under or in respect of the Loan Documents under circumstances for which the Loan Documents do not specify the manner in which such funds are to be applied, the Administrative Agent may, but shall not be obligated to, elect to distribute such funds to each of the Lenders in accordance with such Lender's Pro Rata Share.

Section 2.13 Sharing of Payments, Etc. If, other than as expressly provided elsewhere herein, any Lender shall obtain on account of the Loans made by it, any payment (whether voluntary, involuntary, through the exercise of any right of setoff, or otherwise) in excess of its ratable share (or other share contemplated hereunder) thereof, such Lender shall immediately (a) notify the Administrative Agent of such fact, and (b) purchase from the other Lenders such participations in the Loans made by them as shall be necessary to cause such purchasing Lender to share the excess payment in respect of such Loans or such participations, as the case may be, pro rata with each of them; *provided* that if all or any portion of such excess payment is thereafter recovered from the purchasing Lender under any of the circumstances described in Section 10.06 (including pursuant to any settlement entered into by the purchasing Lender in its discretion), such purchase shall to that extent be rescinded and each other Lender shall repay to the purchasing Lender the purchase price paid therefor, together with an amount equal to such paying Lender's ratable share (according to the proportion of (i) the amount of such paying Lender's required repayment to (ii) the total amount so recovered from the purchasing Lender) of any interest or other amount paid or payable by the purchasing Lender in respect of the total amount so recovered, without further interest thereon. The provisions of this clause shall not be construed to apply to (A) any payment made by the Borrower pursuant to and in accordance with the express terms of this Agreement as in effect from time to time or (B) any payment obtained by a Lender as consideration for the assignment of or sale of a

participation in any of its Loans to any assignee or participant permitted hereunder. The Borrower agrees that any Lender so purchasing a participation from another Lender may, to the fullest extent permitted by applicable Laws, exercise all its rights of payment (including the right of setoff, but subject to Section 10.09) with respect to such participation as fully as if such Lender were the direct creditor of the Borrower in the amount of such participation. The Administrative Agent will keep records (which shall be conclusive and binding in the absence of manifest error) of participations purchased under this Section 2.13 and will in each case notify the Lenders following any such purchases or repayments. Each Lender that purchases a participation pursuant to this Section 2.13 shall from and after such purchase have the right to give all notices, requests, demands, directions and other communications under this Agreement with respect to the portion of the Obligations purchased to the same extent as though the purchasing Lender were the original owner of the Obligations purchased.

Section 2.14 Incremental Credit Extensions. (a) The Borrower may at any time or from time to time after the Closing Date, by notice to the Administrative Agent (whereupon the Administrative Agent shall promptly deliver a copy to each of the Lenders), request (i) one or more additional tranches of term loans (the "New Term Loans"), which may be of the same facility as any existing Term Loans (a "Term Loan Increase") or a separate class of Term Loans (collectively with any Term Loan Increase, the "New Term Commitments") or (ii) the establishment of one or more new revolving credit facilities or one or more increases to the commitments under such revolving credit facilities (each such new commitment, a "New Revolving Credit Commitments"); provided that both immediately before and immediately after the effectiveness of any Incremental Amendment referred to below (or, in the case of a permitted Investment, on the date of the execution of (x) the definitive agreement in connection therewith and (y) any Commitment in respect of New Term Loans or New Revolving Credit Commitments therefor), no Default shall exist and all Specified Representations (conformed as reasonably necessary for such Investment to reflect at the option of the Borrower customary "SunGard" representations) shall be true and correct in all material respects (provided that, any such Specified Representation that is qualified as to "materiality," "Material Adverse Effect" or similar language shall be true and correct in all respects); provided that, notwithstanding the above, with respect to any incurrence of Loans pursuant to an Incremental Amendment the purpose of which is to finance a permitted Investment, for purposes of funding any such Loans, this condition may be waived in full or in part (subject to compliance with Section 10.01(A)(i) hereof) by Lenders holding more than 50% of the applicable aggregate Commitments in respect of Loans to be incurred pursuant to such Incremental Amendment (other than with respect to any (I) Event of Default under Section 8.01(a) or 8.01(f) and (II) Specified Representations (conformed as reasonably necessary for such Investment to reflect at the option of the Borrower customary "SunGard" representations) which may only be waived with the consent of the Required Lenders). Each tranche of New Term Loans shall be in an aggregate principal amount that is not less than \$10,000,000 (provided that such amount may be less than \$10,000,000 if such lesser amount is approved by the Administrative Agent or such amount represents all remaining availability under the limit set forth in the next sentence) and each New Revolving Credit Commitments shall be in an aggregate principal amount that is not less than \$5,000,000 (provided that such amount may be less than \$5,000,000 if such lesser amount is approved by the Administrative Agent or such amount represents all remaining availability under the limit set forth in the next sentence). Notwithstanding anything to the contrary herein, the aggregate amount of the New Term Loans, when added to the aggregate amount of New Revolving Credit Commitments incurred prior to or substantially simultaneously with the incurrence of such New Term Loans and/or New Revolving Credit Commitments, as applicable, shall not exceed the Available Incremental Amount.

(b) The terms and provisions of New Term Commitments or New Revolving Credit Commitments (and the Loans in respect of the foregoing), as the case may be, of any Class shall be as agreed between the Borrower and the lenders providing such New Term Commitments or New Revolving Credit Commitments; *provided*, that:

- (i) such New Term Commitments and New Revolving Credit Commitments shall (x) rank *pari passu* in right of payment and of security with the Initial Term Loans made on the Closing Date and (y) may not be (I) secured by any assets other than Collateral or (II) guaranteed by any Person other than a Guarantor,
 - (ii) New Term Loans shall not mature earlier than the Original Term Loan Maturity Date (prior to any extension thereto),
- (iii) New Term Loans shall have a Weighted Average Life to Maturity of no less than the Weighted Average Life to Maturity as then in effect for the Initial Term Loans (prior to any extension thereto),
- (iv) the currency, discounts, premiums, fees, optional prepayment and redemptions terms and, subject to <u>clauses (ii)</u> and <u>(iii)</u> above, the amortization schedule applicable to any New Term Loans and New Revolving Credit Commitments shall be determined by the Borrower and the Lenders thereunder,
- (v) the interest rate (including margin and floors) applicable to any New Term Loans will be determined by the Borrower and the Lenders providing such New Term Loans; *provided* that, if the All-In Yield applicable to such New Term Loans exceeds the All-In Yield of the Initial Term Loans made on the Closing Date at such time by more than 50 basis points, then the interest rate margins for the Initial Term Loans shall be increased to the extent necessary so that the All-In Yield of the Initial Term Loans is equal to the All-In Yield of such New Term Loans minus 50 basis points; *provided* that any increase in All-In Yield to any Initial Term Loan due to the application or imposition of a SOFR or Base Rate floor on any New Term Loan shall be effected, at the Borrower's option, (x) through an increase in (or implementation of, as applicable) any SOFR or Base Rate floor applicable to such Initial Term Loan, (y) through an increase in the Applicable Rate for such Initial Term Loan or (z) any combination of (x) and (y) above, and in each case, solely to the extent that the application or imposition of such floor would cause an increase in the interest rate then in effect under the Initial Term Loans,
- (vi) the New Term Loans may provide for the ability to participate on a pro rata basis or less than pro rata basis (but not greater than a pro rata basis) in any voluntary repayments or prepayments of principal of Initial Term Loans hereunder and on a pro rata basis or less than a pro rata basis (but not greater than a pro rata basis except in the case of a prepayment under Section 2.05(b)(iii)(B)) in any mandatory repayments or prepayments of principal of Initial Term Loans hereunder,
- (vii) except as set forth above, the material terms of any such New Term Commitments (and the Loans in respect thereof) shall be (taken as a whole) no more favorable (as reasonably determined by the Borrower in good faith) to the New Term Lenders than those applicable to the Term Loans, (except for (1) covenants or other provisions applicable only to periods after the Latest Maturity Date of the Term Loans and (2) pricing, fees, rate floors, premiums, optional prepayment or redemption terms); *provided* that (A) except as provided in preceding <u>clauses</u> (i) through (vi), the terms and conditions applicable to such New Term Commitments, New Term Loans shall be either substantially similar to, and not more favorable to the lenders thereunder than the Term Loans or, if more favorable, may be materially different from those of the Term Loans to the extent such differences are reasonably acceptable to the Administrative Agent (acting at the direction of the Required Lenders) (it being understood that (x) terms applicable only after the Latest Maturity Date of the existing Term Loans and (y) the modification of the terms of the then-existing Term Loans to receive the benefit of such more favorable terms, in each case, are acceptable in any event) and (B) in the case of a Term Loan Increase, the terms, provisions and documentation of such Term Loan Increase shall be identical (other than with respect to upfront fees and OID and underwriting, commitment, amendment, arrangement, structuring or similar fees payable in connection therewith) to the applicable Term Loans being increased, in each case, as existing on the Incremental Facility Closing Date; and

(viii) no Lender of Initial Term Loans will be required to participate in any such New Term Commitments or New Revolving Credit Commitment (and the Loans in respect thereof) but no New Term Commitments or New Revolving Credit Commitment (and the Loans in respect thereof) may be incurred without first offering each Lender of Initial Term Loans the right to provide their pro rata portion of such New Term Commitments or New Revolving Credit Commitment (and the Loans in respect thereof) on the same terms as offered to any other prospective lender; *provided* that, to the extent that any such Lender elects not to provide its pro rata portion of any such New Term Commitments or New Revolving Credit Commitment (and the Loans in respect thereof) (and if such Lender has not accepted or declined such offer within ten (10) days following receipt of written notice of such offer, such Lender will be deemed to have declined such offer), the other such Lenders shall have the right to provide such Lender's pro rata portion of the New Term Commitments or New Revolving Credit Commitment (and the Loans in respect thereof) (and if such other Lender does not accept or decline such offer within three (3) Business Days following receipt of written notice of such offer from the Borrower, such other Lender will be deemed to have declined such offer).

(c) Each notice from the Borrower pursuant to this Section shall set forth the requested amount and proposed terms of the relevant New Term Loans or New Revolving Credit Commitments and the date on which the Borrower proposes that the same shall be effective (each, an "Incremental Amount Date"). New Term Loans may be made, and New Revolving Credit Commitments may be provided, by any existing Lender (but each existing Term Lender shall not have an obligation to make a portion of any New Term Loan or New Revolving Credit Commitments on terms permitted in this Section 2.14) or, subject to <u>clause (b)(viii)</u> of this <u>Section 2.14</u>, by any Additional Lender; provided that the Administrative Agent shall have consented (not to be unreasonably conditioned, withheld or delayed) to such Lender's or Additional Lender's making such New Term Loans or providing such New Revolving Credit Commitments if such consent would be required under Section 10.07(b) for an assignment of Loans to such Lender or Additional Lender. Commitments in respect of New Term Loans and New Revolving Credit Commitments shall become Commitments under this Agreement pursuant to an amendment (an "Incremental Amendment") to this Agreement and, as appropriate, the other Loan Documents, executed by the Borrower, each existing Lender agreeing to provide such Commitment, if any, each Additional Lender agreeing to provide such Commitment, if any, and the Administrative Agent. The Incremental Amendment may, without the consent of any other Lenders, effect such amendments to this Agreement and the other Loan Documents as may be necessary or appropriate, in the reasonable opinion of the Administrative Agent and the Borrower, to effect the provisions of this Section 2.14 (including, if any New Revolving Credit Commitments are established, to provide for customary revolving loan mechanics and provisions and to modify Sections 2.15 and 2.17 of this Agreement to provide for customary refinancing and extension mechanics applicable to revolving facilities). The effectiveness of (and, in the case of any Incremental Amendment for New Term Loans or New Revolving Credit Commitments, any Credit Extension under) any Incremental Amendment shall be subject to the satisfaction on the date thereof (each, an "Incremental Facility Closing Date") of each of the conditions as the Borrower and the Lenders providing such Commitment shall agree, including, to the extent reasonably requested by the Administrative Agent, receipt by the Administrative Agent of (a)(i) customary officer's certificates and board resolutions and (ii) customary opinions of counsel to the Loan Parties, in each case, consistent with those delivered on the Closing Date (other than changes to legal opinions resulting from a change in law, change in fact or change to counsel's form of opinion reasonably satisfactory to the Administrative Agent) and (b) supplemental or reaffirmation agreements and/or such amendments to the Collateral Documents and/or the Guaranty as may be reasonably requested by the Administrative Agent (including Mortgage amendments) in order to ensure that any New Term Commitment or New Revolving Credit Commitments are provided with the benefit of the applicable Loan Documents. The Borrower shall use the proceeds (if any) of the New Term Loans or New Revolving Credit Commitments for any purpose not prohibited by this Agreement. No Lender shall be obligated to provide any New Term Loans or New Revolving Credit Commitments unless it so agrees.

(d) Reserved.

(e) Any New Term Commitment may be designated a separate Class of Term Loans for all purposes of this Agreement. This <u>Section 2.14</u> shall supersede any provisions in <u>Section 2.05</u>, <u>Section 2.12</u>, <u>Section 2.13</u>, <u>Section 8.03</u> or <u>Section 10.01</u> to the contrary.

Section 2.15 Refinancing Amendments. (a) The Borrower may, at any time or from time to time after the Closing Date, by notice to the Administrative Agent (a "Refinancing Loan Request"), request (A) the establishment of one or more new Classes of term loans under this Agreement (any such new Class, "New Refinancing Term Commitments") or (B) increases to one or more existing Classes of term loans under this Agreement (provided that the loans under such new commitments shall be fungible for U.S. federal income tax purposes with the existing Class of Term Loans proposed to be increased on the Refinancing Facility Closing Date for such increase) (any such increase to an existing Class, collectively with New Refinancing Term Commitments"), in each case, established in exchange for, or to extend, renew, replace, repurchase, retire or refinance, in whole or in part, as selected by the Borrower, any one or more then existing Class or Classes of Loans or Commitments (with respect to a particular Refinancing Term Commitments or Refinancing Term Loan, such existing Loans or Commitments, "Refinanced Debt"), whereupon the Administrative Agent shall promptly deliver a copy of each such notice to each of the Lenders.

- (b) Any Refinancing Term Loans made pursuant to New Refinancing Term Commitments made on a Refinancing Facility Closing Date shall be designated a separate Class of Refinancing Term Loans for all purposes of this Agreement. On any Refinancing Facility Closing Date on which any Refinancing Term Commitments of any Class are effected, subject to the satisfaction of the terms and conditions in this Section 2.15, (i) each Refinancing Term Lender of such Class shall make a Term Loan to the Borrower (a "Refinancing Term Loan") in an amount equal to its Refinancing Term Commitment of such Class and (ii) each Refinancing Term Lender of such Class shall become a Lender hereunder with respect to the Refinancing Term Commitment of such Class and the Refinancing Term Loans of such Class made pursuant thereto.
- (c) Each Refinancing Loan Request from the Borrower pursuant to this <u>Section 2.15</u> shall set forth the requested amount and proposed terms of the relevant Refinancing Term Loans and identify the Refinanced Debt with respect thereto. Refinancing Term Loans may be made by any existing Lender (but each existing Term Lender shall not have an obligation to make a portion of any Refinancing Term Loan on terms permitted in this <u>Section 2.15</u>) or by any Additional Lender; *provided* that the Administrative Agent shall have consented (not to be unreasonably conditioned, withheld or delayed) to such Lender's or Additional Lender's making such Refinancing Term Loans if such consent would be required under <u>Section 10.07(b)</u> for an assignment of Loans to such Lender or Additional Lender (each such existing Lender or Additional Lender providing such Commitment or Loan, a "Refinancing Term Lender").
- (d) The effectiveness of any Refinancing Amendment, and the Refinancing Term Commitments thereunder, shall be subject to the satisfaction on the date thereof (a "**Refinancing Facility Closing Date**") of each of the following conditions, together with any other conditions set forth in the Refinancing Amendment:

- (i) after giving effect to such Refinancing Term Commitments, the conditions of <u>Sections 4.02(a)</u> and <u>(b)</u> shall be satisfied (it being understood that all references to "the date of such Credit Extension" or similar language in such <u>Section 4.02</u> shall be deemed to refer to the applicable Refinancing Facility Closing Date),
- (ii) each Refinancing Term Commitments shall be in an aggregate principal amount that is not less than \$10,000,000 and shall be in an increment of \$1,000,000 (*provided* that such amount may be less than \$10,000,000 and not in an increment of \$1,000,000 if such amount is equal to the entire outstanding principal amount of Refinanced Debt),
- (iii) to the extent reasonably requested by the Administrative Agent, the receipt by the Administrative Agent (A) (I) customary officer's certificates and board resolutions and (II) customary opinions of counsel to the Loan Parties, in each case, consistent with those delivered on the Closing Date (conformed as appropriate) other than changes to such legal opinions resulting from a change in law, change in fact or change to counsel's form of opinion reasonably satisfactory to the Administrative Agent) and (B) supplemental or reaffirmation agreements and/or such amendments to the Collateral Documents as may be reasonably requested by the Administrative Agent (including Mortgage amendments, if applicable) in order to ensure that any Refinancing Term Commitment is provided with the benefit of the applicable Loan Documents, and
- (iv) the Refinancing Term Loans made pursuant to any increase in any existing Class of Term Loans shall be added to (and form part of) each Borrowing of outstanding Term Loans under the respective Class so incurred on a pro rata basis (based on the principal amount of each Borrowing) so that each Lender under such Class will participate proportionately in each then outstanding Borrowing of Term Loans under such Class.
- (e) The terms and provisions of the Refinancing Term Commitments (and the Loans in respect of the foregoing), of any Class shall be as agreed between the Borrower and the lenders providing such Refinancing Term Commitments; *provided*, that:
 - (i) such Refinancing Term Commitments shall (x) rank *pari passu* in right of payment and of security with the Term Loans made on the Closing Date and (y) may not be (I) secured by any assets other than Collateral or (II) guaranteed by any Person other than a Guarantor,
 - (ii) except with respect to customary bridge loans, Refinancing Term Loans shall not mature earlier than the Maturity Date of the applicable Refinanced Debt (prior to any extension thereto),
 - (iii) except with respect to customary bridge loans, Refinancing Term Loans shall have a Weighted Average Life to Maturity of no less than the Weighted Average Life to Maturity as then in effect for the applicable Refinanced Debt (prior to any extension thereto),
 - (iv) the currency, discounts, premiums, fees, optional prepayment and redemptions terms and, subject to <u>clauses (ii)</u> and <u>(iii)</u> above, the amortization schedule applicable to any Refinancing Term Loans shall be determined by the Borrower and the Lenders thereunder,
 - (v) the interest rate (including margin and floors) applicable to any Refinancing Term Loans will be determined by the Borrower and the Lenders providing such Refinancing Term Loans,

(vi) the Refinancing Term Loans may provide for the ability to participate on a pro rata basis or less than pro rata basis (but not greater than a pro rata basis) in any voluntary repayments or prepayments of principal of Term Loans hereunder and on a pro rata basis or less than a pro rata basis (but not greater than a pro rata basis except in the case of a prepayment under Section 2.05(b)(iii)(B)) in any mandatory repayments or prepayments of principal of Term Loans hereunder,

(vii) Refinancing Term Loans shall not have a greater principal amount than the principal amount of the applicable Refinanced Debt plus any accrued but unpaid interest and fees on such Refinanced Debt plus existing commitments unutilized under such Refinanced Debt to the extent permanently terminated at the time of incurrence of such new Indebtedness plus the amount of any tender premium or penalty or premium required to be paid under the terms of the instrument or documents governing such Refinanced Debt and any defeasance costs and any reasonable fees and expenses (including OID, upfront fees or similar fees) incurred in connection with the issuance of such Refinancing Term Loans,

(viii) except as set forth above, the material terms and conditions of any such Refinancing Term Commitments (and the Loans in respect thereof) shall be (taken as a whole) no more favorable (as reasonably determined by the Borrower in good faith) to the Refinancing Term Lender providing such Refinancing Term Commitments than those applicable to the applicable Refinanced Debt (except for (1) covenants or other provisions applicable only to periods after the Maturity Date of the applicable Refinanced Debt and (2) pricing, fees, rate floors, premiums, optional prepayment or redemption terms); provided that except as provided in preceding clauses (i) through (vii) above, the terms and conditions applicable to such Refinancing Term Commitments and Refinancing Term Loans may be materially different from those of the applicable Refinanced Debt to the extent such differences are reflective of market terms and conditions at the time of incurrence or issuance thereof, in each case, as determined by the Borrower; provided, that no financial maintenance covenant applicable to the Borrower may be added to such Refinancing Term Commitments (and the Loans in respect thereof) pursuant to this proviso without also being included in the Term Loans (which may be achieved by an amendment solely among the Borrower and the Administrative Agent).

(f) Commitments in respect of Refinancing Term Loans shall become Commitments under this Agreement pursuant to an amendment (a "Refinancing Amendment") to this Agreement and, as appropriate, the other Loan Documents, executed by the Borrower, each existing Lender agreeing to provide such Commitment, if any, and the Administrative Agent. The Refinancing Amendment may, without the consent of any other Lenders, effect such amendments to this Agreement and the other Loan Documents as may be necessary or appropriate, in the reasonable opinion of the Administrative Agent and the Borrower, to effect the provisions of this Section 2.15. The Borrower will, on or prior to the date which is five (5) Business Days after the receipt of such proceeds, use the proceeds, if any, of the Refinancing Term Loans in exchange for, or to extend, renew, replace, repurchase, retire or refinance, and shall permanently terminate applicable commitments under, the applicable Refinanced Debt.

- (g) Reserved.
- (h) Any Refinancing Term Commitment may be designated a separate Class of Term Loans for all purposes of this Agreement.
- (i) In lieu of incurring any Refinancing Term Loans, the Borrower may, upon notice to the Administrative Agent, at any time or from time to time after the Closing Date issue, incur or otherwise obtain (A) secured Indebtedness in the form of one or more series of senior secured notes that are secured on a *pari passu* basis with the Obligations (but without regard to the control of remedies) (such notes,

"Permitted Pari Passu Secured Refinancing Debt"), (B) secured Indebtedness in the form of one or more series of second lien (or other junior lien) secured notes or second lien (or other junior lien) secured loans (such notes or loans, "Permitted Junior Secured Refinancing Debt") and (C) unsecured or subordinated Indebtedness in the form of one or more series of unsecured or subordinated notes or loans (such notes or loans, "Permitted Unsecured Refinancing Debt" and together with Permitted Pari Passu Secured Refinancing Debt and Permitted Junior Secured Refinancing Debt, "Refinancing Equivalent Debt"), in each case, in exchange for, or to extend, renew, replace, repurchase, retire or refinance, in whole or in part, any existing Class or Classes of Loans (such Loans, "Refinanced Loans").

(i) Any Refinancing Equivalent Debt:

(A) (1) except with respect to customary bridge loans, shall not have a final scheduled maturity date earlier than the Maturity Date of the Refinanced Loans, (2) except with respect to customary bridge loans, shall not have a Weighted Average Life to Maturity shorter than the remaining Weighted Average Life to Maturity of the Refinanced Loans (prior to any extension thereto), (3) shall not be guaranteed by Persons other than Guarantors, (4) if in the form of subordinated Permitted Unsecured Refinancing Debt, shall be subject to a subordination agreement or provisions as reasonably agreed by the Administrative Agent, (5) shall not have a greater principal amount than the principal amount of the Refinanced Loans plus any accrued but unpaid interest and fees on such Refinanced Loans plus existing commitments unutilized under such Refinanced Loans to the extent permanently terminated at the time of incurrence of such new Indebtedness plus the amount of any tender premium or penalty or premium required to be paid under the terms of the instrument or documents governing such Refinanced Loans and any defeasance costs and any reasonable fees and expenses (including OID, upfront fees or similar fees) incurred in connection with the issuance of such Refinancing Equivalent Debt, and (6) the covenants and events of default applicable to such Refinancing Equivalent Debt shall not be, when taken as a whole, materially more favorable, to the holders of such Indebtedness than those applicable to the Refinanced Loans unless such terms and conditions for such Refinancing Equivalent Debt are reflective of market terms and conditions for the type of Indebtedness incurred or issued at the time of incurrence or issuance thereof, in each case, as determined by the Borrower in good faith (it being understood that terms applicable only after the Maturity Date of the applicable Refinanced Debt are acceptable in any event); provided, that no financial maintenance covenant applicable to the Borrower may be added to such Refinancing Equivalent Debt pursuant to this proviso without also being included in the Term Loans (which may be achieved by an amendment solely among the Borrower and the Administrative Agent); provided, further, that a certificate of the Borrower delivered to the Administrative Agent at least three (3) Business Days prior to the incurrence of such Indebtedness, together with a reasonably detailed description of the material covenants of such Indebtedness or drafts of the documentation relating thereto, stating that the Borrower has reasonably determined in good faith that such covenants and defaults satisfy the foregoing requirement shall be conclusive evidence that such covenants and defaults satisfy the foregoing requirement unless the Administrative Agent (acting at the direction of the Required Lenders) notifies the Borrower within such three (3) Business Day period that it disagrees with such determination (including a reasonably detailed description of the basis upon which it disagrees).

(B) (1) if either Permitted Pari Passu Secured Refinancing Debt or Permitted Junior Secured Refinancing Debt, shall be subject to security agreements substantially the same as the Collateral Documents (with such differences as are appropriate to reflect the nature of such Refinancing Equivalent Debt and are otherwise reasonably satisfactory to the Administrative Agent), (2) if Permitted Pari Passu Secured Refinancing Debt, (x) shall be secured by the Collateral on a *pari passu* basis (but without regard to control of remedies) with the

Obligations and shall not be secured by any property or assets of the Borrower or any Subsidiary other than the Collateral, and (y) shall be subject to a Pari Passu Intercreditor Agreement or to other customary intercreditor agreements or arrangements reasonably acceptable to the Borrower and the Administrative Agent (acting at the direction of the Required Lenders), and (3) if Permitted Junior Secured Refinancing Debt, (x) shall be secured by the Collateral on a second priority (or other junior priority) basis to the Liens securing the Obligations and shall not be secured by any property or assets of the Borrower or any Subsidiary other than the Collateral, and (y) shall be subject to the Superpriority Intercreditor Agreement or to other customary intercreditor agreements or arrangements reasonably acceptable to the Borrower and the Administrative Agent (acting at the direction of the Required Lenders).

(C) shall be incurred, and the proceeds thereof used, solely to repay, repurchase, retire or refinance the Refinanced Loans and terminate all commitments thereunder within five (5) Business Days after the receipt by the Borrower of such proceeds.

(j) This <u>Section 2.15</u> shall supersede any provisions in <u>Section 2.05</u>, <u>Section 2.12</u>, <u>Section 2.13</u>, <u>Section 8.03</u> or <u>Section 10.01</u> to the contrary.

Section 2.16 Reserved.

Section 2.17 Extended Term Loans. (a) The Borrower may at any time and from time to time request that all or a portion of the Term Loans of a given Class (each, an "Existing Term Loan Facility") be converted to extend the scheduled maturity date(s) of any payment of principal with respect to all or a portion of any principal amount of such Loans (any such Term Loans which have been so converted, "Extended Term Loans") and to provide for other terms consistent with this Section 2.17. In order to establish any Extended Term Loans, the Borrower shall provide an Extension Request to the Administrative Agent (who shall provide a copy of such notice to each of the Lenders under the applicable Existing Term Loan Facility) setting forth the proposed terms of the Extended Term Loans to be established, which shall (x) be identical as offered to each Lender under such applicable Existing Term Loan Facility (including as to the proposed interest rates and fees payable, but excluding any arrangement, structuring or other fees payable in connection therewith that are not generally shared with the relevant Lenders) and offered pro rata to each Lender under such Existing Term Loan Facility and (y) be identical to the Term Loans under the Existing Term Loan Facility from which such Extended Term Loans are to be converted, except that: (i) the scheduled amortization payments of principal, if any, and/or scheduled final maturity date of the Extended Term Loans shall be as set forth in the applicable Extension Amendment, subject to the provisos below, (ii) the All-In Yield with respect to the Extended Term Loans (whether in the form of interest rate margin, upfront fees, funding discounts, OID, prepayment premiums or otherwise) may be different than the All-In Yield for the Term Loans of such Existing Term Loan Facility, in each case, to the extent provided in the applicable Extension Amendment, (iii) the applicable Extension Amendment may provide for other covenants and terms that apply solely to any period after the Latest Maturity Date that is in effect on the effective date of the Extension Amendment (immediately prior to the establishment of such Extended Term Loans), and (iv) Extended Term Loans may have optional prepayment terms (including call protection and prepayment premiums) and mandatory repayment terms (other than as to scheduled amortization and final maturity date) as may be agreed by the Borrower and the Lenders thereof; provided that no Extended Term Loans may be optionally prepaid or mandatorily repaid (other than scheduled amortization and in the case of a prepayment under Section 2.05(b)(iii)(B)) prior to the date on which all Term Loans with an earlier final stated maturity (including Term Loans under the Existing Term Loan Facility from which they were converted) are repaid in full, unless such prepayment or repayment is in accordance with the theretofore existing provisions of this Agreement or is accompanied by at least a pro rata prepayment or repayment of such other Term Loans, as applicable; provided, further, that (A) in no event shall the final maturity date of any Extended Term Loans of a given Term Loan Extension Series at

the time of establishment thereof be earlier than the final maturity of the Existing Term Loan Facility being extended and (B) scheduled amortization applicable to such Extended Term Loans shall not exceed (or occur on different dates than) the scheduled amortization (exclusive of payments required at maturity) which previously applied to the Term Loans that are being extended (which regular amortization in the same amounts may continue after the date referenced in clause(x) below) at any time prior to the final maturity of the Existing Term Loan Facility being extended. Any Class of Extended Term Loans converted pursuant to any Extension Request shall be designated a series (each, a "Term Loan Extension Series") of Extended Term Loans for all purposes of this Agreement; provided that any Extended Term Loans converted from an Existing Term Loan Facility may, to the extent provided in the applicable Extension Amendment, be designated as an increase in any previously established Term Loan Extension Series with respect to such Existing Term Loan Facility (in which case scheduled amortization with respect thereto shall be proportionally increased). Each Term Loan Extension Series of Extended Term Loans incurred under this Section 2.17 shall be in an aggregate principal amount that is not less than \$10,000,000 (or, in the case of any Class of Term Loans with an entire outstanding principal amount of less than \$10,000,000 that is to be extended in full, such outstanding principal amount) (unless such extension is made pursuant to clause(e) below) and the Borrower may impose an Extension Minimum Condition with respect to any Extension Request for Extended Term Loans, which may be waived by the Borrower in its sole discretion.

(b) The Borrower shall provide the applicable Extension Request (which may be in the form of a term sheet posted to a website for the benefit of the Lenders) at least five (5) Business Days prior to the date on which Lenders under the Existing Term Loan Facility are requested to respond (although any changes to terms previously announced shall only require two (2) Business Days' notice), and shall agree to such procedures, if any, as may be reasonably requested by, or acceptable to, the Administrative Agent, in each case acting reasonably to accomplish the purposes of this Section 2.17. No Lender shall have any obligation to agree to have any of its Term Loans of any Existing Term Loan Facility converted into Extended Term Loans pursuant to any Extension Request or offer made pursuant to clause (e) below. Any Lender (each, an "Extending Term Lender") wishing to have all or a portion of its Term Loans under the Existing Term Loan Facility subject to such Extension Request converted into Extended Term Loans shall notify the Administrative Agent (each, a "Term Loan Extension Election") on or prior to the date specified in such Extension Request of the amount of its Term Loans under the Existing Term Loan Facility which it has elected to request be converted into Extended Term Loans (subject to any customary minimum denomination requirements imposed by the Administrative Agent). In the event that the aggregate principal amount of Term Loans under the Existing Term Loan Facility in respect of which applicable Term Lenders shall have accepted the relevant Extension Request exceeds the amount of Extended Term Loans requested to be extended pursuant to the Extension Request, Term Loans subject to Term Loan Extension Elections shall be converted to Extended Term Loans included in each such Term Loan Extension Election.

(c) Extended Term Loans shall be established pursuant to an Extension Amendment amending the terms of this Agreement among the Borrower, the Administrative Agent and each Extending Term Lender providing an Extended Term Loan thereunder, which shall be consistent with the provisions set forth in Section 2.17(a) above and reasonably satisfactory to the Administrative Agent. Each such Extension Amendment shall include representations (x) as to the accuracy of representations and warranties set forth in Article V of this Agreement and in the other Loan Documents in all material respects immediately before and after giving effect to such Extension Amendment and the transactions contemplated thereby and (y) that no Default shall have occurred and be continuing as of the effective date of such Extension Amendment, after giving effect to such Extension Amendment and the transactions contemplated thereby. The effectiveness of any Extension Amendment shall be subject to any Extension Minimum Condition (unless waived by the Borrower) and, to the extent reasonably requested by the Administrative Agent, be subject to receipt by the Administrative Agent of (i) board resolutions and officers' certificates

consistent with those delivered on the Closing Date, (ii) customary opinions of counsel to the Loan Parties reasonably acceptable to the Administrative Agent and (iii) supplemental or reaffirmation agreements and/or such amendments to the Collateral Documents and/or the Guaranty as may be reasonably requested by the Administrative Agent in order to ensure that the Extended Term Loans are provided with the benefit of the applicable Loan Documents. The Administrative Agent shall promptly notify each Lender as to the effectiveness of each such Extension Amendment. Each of the parties hereto hereby (A) agrees that, notwithstanding anything to the contrary set forth in Section 10.01, this Agreement and the other Loan Documents may be amended pursuant to an Extension Amendment, without the consent of any other Lenders, to the extent reasonably required to (i) reflect the existence and terms of the Extended Term Loans incurred pursuant thereto (including changes and additional terms as agreed by the relevant Lenders and permitted pursuant to Section 2.17(a)) and (ii) effect such other amendments to this Agreement and the other Loan Documents as may be necessary or appropriate, in the reasonable opinion of the Administrative Agent and the Borrower, to effect the provisions of this Section, and the Lenders hereby expressly and irrevocably, for the benefit of all parties hereto, authorize the Administrative Agent to enter into such Extension Amendment and (B) consents to the transactions contemplated by this Section 2.17 (including payment of interest, fees or premiums in respect of any Extended Term Loans on such terms as may be set forth in the relevant Extension Amendment).

- (d) No conversion of Loans pursuant to any Term Loan Extension in accordance with this <u>Section 2.17</u> shall constitute a voluntary or mandatory payment or prepayment for purposes of this Agreement.
- (e) Notwithstanding anything to the contrary contained above, at any time following the establishment of a Term Loan Extension Series (and so long as the last sentence of Section 2.17(b) was not applicable thereto), the Borrower may offer any Lender of the relevant Existing Term Loan Facility (without being required to make the same offer to any or all other Lenders) who failed to make a Term Loan Extension Election in respect of all or a portion of its Term Loans on or prior to the date specified in the Extension Request relating to such Term Loan Extension Series the right to convert all or any portion of its Term Loans under the respective Existing Term Loan Facility into Extended Term Loans under such Term Loan Extension Series; provided that (A) such offer and any related acceptance (x) shall be in accordance with such procedures, if any, as may be reasonably requested by, or acceptable to, the Administrative Agent, (y) shall be on identical terms (including as to the proposed interest rates and fees payable, but excluding any arrangement, structuring or other fees payable in connection therewith that are not generally shared with the relevant Lenders) to those offered to the Lenders who agreed to convert their Term Loans under the Existing Term Loan Facility into Extended Term Loans pursuant to the respective Extension Request and (z) shall result in proportionate increases to the scheduled amortization payments, if any, otherwise owing with respect to the Term Loan Extension Series, (B) any Lender which agrees to an extension pursuant to this clause (e) shall enter into a joinder agreement to the respective Extension Amendment in form and substance reasonably satisfactory to the Administrative Agent and the Borrower and executed by such Lender, the Administrative Agent, the Borrower (and the Required Lenders hereby irrevocably authorize the Administrative Agent to enter into any such joinder agreement) and (C) the Term Loans of any such Lender that are converted pursuant to this clause (e) shall be in an aggregate principal amount that is not less than \$1,000,000 (or, if such Lender's outstanding Term Loans amount is less than \$1,000,000, such lesser amount), unless each of the Borrower and the Administrative Agent otherwise consents.
- (f) In the event that the Administrative Agent determines in its sole discretion that the allocation of Extended Term Loans of a given Term Loan Extension Series to a given Lender was incorrectly determined as a result of manifest administrative error in the receipt and processing of a Term Loan Extension Election timely submitted by such Lender in accordance with the procedures set forth in the applicable Extension Amendment, then the Administrative Agent, the Borrower and such affected

Lender may (and hereby are authorized to), in their sole discretion and without the consent of any other Lender, notwithstanding anything to the contrary set forth in Section 10.01, enter into an amendment to this Agreement and the other Loan Documents (each, a "Corrective Term Loan Extension Amendment") within 15 days following the effective date of such Extension Amendment, which Corrective Term Loan Extension Amendment shall (i) provide for the conversion and extension of Term Loans under the applicable Existing Term Loan Facility in such amount as is required to cause such Lender to hold Extended Term Loans of the applicable Term Loan Extension Series into which such other Term Loans were initially converted, in the amount such Lender would have held had such administrative error not occurred and had such Lender received the minimum allocation of the applicable Loans or Commitments to which it was entitled under the terms of such Extension Amendment in the absence of such error, (ii) be subject to the satisfaction of such conditions as the Administrative Agent, the Borrower and such Lender may agree (including conditions of the type required to be satisfied for the effectiveness of an Extension Amendment described in Section 2.17(c)), and (iii) effect such other amendments of the type (with appropriate reference and nomenclature changes) described in the last sentence of Section 2.17(c).

(g) This <u>Section 2.17</u> shall supersede any provisions in <u>Section 2.05</u>, <u>Section 2.12</u>, <u>Section 2.13</u>, <u>Section 8.03</u> or <u>Section 10.01</u> to the contrary.

Section 2.18 Reserved.

- **Section 2.19** <u>Defaulting Lenders</u>. Notwithstanding any provision of this Agreement to the contrary, if any Lender becomes a Defaulting Lender, then the following provisions shall apply for so long as such Lender of a given Class is a Defaulting Lender:
- (a) <u>Waivers and Amendments.</u> That Defaulting Lender's right to approve or disapprove any amendment, modification, waiver or consent with respect to this Agreement shall be restricted as set forth in the definition of Required Lenders;
- (b) Reallocation of Payments. Any payment of principal, interest, fees or other amounts received by the Administrative Agent for the account of that Defaulting Lender (whether voluntary or mandatory, at maturity, pursuant to Article VIII or otherwise), shall not be paid or distributed to that Defaulting Lender, but will instead be retained by the Administrative Agent in a segregated non-interest bearing account until the Termination Date and shall be applied at such time or times as may be reasonably determined by the Administrative Agent and the Borrower as follows: first, to the payment of any amounts owing by that Defaulting Lender to the Administrative Agent hereunder; second, as the Borrower may request (so long as no Default exists), to the funding of any Loan in respect of which that Defaulting Lender has failed to fund its portion thereof as required by this Agreement; third, if so determined by the Administrative Agent and the Borrower, to be held in a non-interest bearing deposit account and released in order to satisfy obligations of that Defaulting Lender to fund Loans under this Agreement; fourth, to the payment of any amounts owing to the Lenders as a result of any judgment of a court of competent jurisdiction obtained by any Lender against that Defaulting Lender as a result of that Defaulting Lender's breach of its obligations under this Agreement; fifth, to the payment of any amounts owing to the Borrower as a result of any judgment of a court of competent jurisdiction obtained by the Borrower against that Defaulting Lender as a result of that Defaulting Lender's breach of its obligations under this Agreement; and sixth, after the Termination Date, to that Defaulting Lender or as otherwise directed by a court of competent jurisdiction; provided that if (x) such payment is a payment of the principal amount of any Loans in respect of which that Defaulting Lender has not fully funded its appropriate share and (y) such Loans were made at a time when the conditions set forth in Section 4.02 were satisfied or waived, such payment shall be applied solely to pay the Loans of all Non-Defaulting Lenders on a pro rata basis prior to being applied to the payment of any Loans of that Defaulting Lender. Any payments, prepayments or other amounts paid or payable to a Defaulting Lender that are applied (or held) to pay amounts owed by a Defaulting Lender pursuant to this Section 2.19(b) shall be deemed paid to and redirected by that Defaulting Lender, and each Lender irrevocably consents hereto; and

(c) <u>Certain Fees.</u> That Defaulting Lender shall not be entitled to receive any fee pursuant to <u>Section 2.09</u> for any period during which that Lender is a Defaulting Lender (and the Borrower shall not be required to pay any such fee that otherwise would have been required to have been paid to that Defaulting Lender).

Section 2.20 Benchmark Replacement Setting.

- (a) Benchmark Replacement. Notwithstanding anything to the contrary herein or in any other Loan Document (and any Swap Contract shall be deemed not to be a "Loan Document" for purposes of this Section 2.20), if a Benchmark Transition Event and its related Benchmark Replacement Date have occurred prior to the reference time in respect of any setting of the then-current Benchmark, then (x) if a Benchmark Replacement is determined in accordance with clause (1) of the definition of "Benchmark Replacement" for such Benchmark Replacement Date, such Benchmark Replacement will replace such Benchmark for all purposes hereunder and under any Loan Document in respect of such Benchmark setting and subsequent Benchmark settings without any amendment to, or further action or consent of any other party to, this Agreement or any other Loan Document and (y) if a Benchmark Replacement is determined in accordance with clause (2) of the definition of "Benchmark Replacement" for such Benchmark Replacement Date, such Benchmark Replacement will replace such Benchmark for all purposes hereunder and under any Loan Document in respect of any Benchmark setting at or after 5:00 p.m. (New York City time) on the fifth (5th) Business Day after the date notice of such Benchmark Replacement is provided to the Lenders without any amendment to, or further action or consent of any other party to, this Agreement or any other Loan Document so long as the Administrative Agent has not received, by such time, written notice of objection to such Benchmark Replacement from Lenders comprising the Required Lenders.
- (b) <u>Benchmark Replacement Conforming Changes</u>. In connection with the use, administration, adoption or implementation of a Benchmark Replacement, the Administrative Agent will have the right to make Conforming Changes in consultation with the Borrower from time to time and, notwithstanding anything to the contrary herein or in any other Loan Document, any amendments implementing such Conforming Changes will become effective without any further action or consent of any other party to this Agreement or any other Loan Document.
- (c) Notices; Standards for Decisions and Determinations. The Administrative Agent will promptly notify the Borrower and the Lenders of (i) any occurrence of a Benchmark Transition Event, (ii) the implementation of any Benchmark Replacement, (iii) the effectiveness of any Conforming Changes, (iv) the removal or reinstatement of any tenor of a Benchmark pursuant to Section 2.20(d) and (v) the commencement of any Benchmark Unavailability Period. Any determination, decision or election that may be made by the Administrative Agent or, if applicable, any Lender (or group of Lenders) pursuant to this Section 2.20, including any determination with respect to a tenor, rate or adjustment or of the occurrence or non-occurrence of an event, circumstance or date and any decision to take or refrain from taking any action or any selection, will be conclusive and binding absent manifest error and may be made in its or their sole discretion and without consent from any other party to this Agreement or any other Loan Document, except, in each case, as expressly required pursuant to this Section 2.20.

(d) <u>Unavailability of Tenor of Benchmark</u>. Notwithstanding anything to the contrary herein or in any other Loan Document, at any time (including in connection with the implementation of a Benchmark Replacement), (i) if the then-current Benchmark is a term rate (including the Adjusted Term SOFR Rate) and either (A) any tenor for such Benchmark is not displayed on a screen or other information service that publishes such rate from time to time as selected by the Administrative Agent in its reasonable discretion or (B) the regulatory supervisor for the administrator of such Benchmark has provided a public statement or publication of information announcing that any tenor for such Benchmark is not or will not be representative, then the Administrative Agent may modify the definition of "Interest Period" (or any similar or analogous definition) for any Benchmark settings at or after such time to remove such unavailable or non-representative tenor and (ii) if a tenor that was removed pursuant to clause (i) above either (A) is subsequently displayed on a screen or information service for a Benchmark (including a Benchmark Replacement) or (B) is not, or is no longer, subject to an announcement that it is not or will not be representative for a Benchmark (including a Benchmark Replacement), then the Administrative Agent may modify the definition of "Interest Period" (or any similar or analogous definition) for all Benchmark settings at or after such time to reinstate such previously removed tenor.

(e) Benchmark Unavailability Period. Upon the Borrower's receipt of notice of the commencement of a Benchmark Unavailability Period, the Borrower may revoke any pending request for (i) a Borrowing of SOFR Rate Loans or conversion to or continuation of SOFR Rate Loans to be made, converted or continued or (ii) solely if applicable following a Benchmark Replacement or otherwise pursuant to this Section 2.20, a Borrowing of RFR Loans or conversion to RFR Loans, during any Benchmark Unavailability Period and, failing that, the Borrower will be deemed to have converted any such request for a Borrowing of SOFR Rate Loans into a request for a Borrowing of or conversion to (A) an RFR Loan so long as the Adjusted Daily Simple SOFR is not the subject of a Benchmark Transition Event or (B) a Borrowing of Base Rate Loans if the Adjusted Daily Simple SOFR is the subject of a Benchmark Transition Event. During a Benchmark Unavailability Period or at any time that a tenor for the then-current Benchmark is not an Available Tenor, the component of Base Rate based upon the then-current Benchmark or such tenor for such Benchmark, as applicable, will not be used in any determination of Base Rate. Furthermore, if any SOFR Rate Loan (or, solely if applicable pursuant to this Section 2.20, RFR Loan) is outstanding on the date of the Borrower's receipt of notice of the commencement of a Benchmark Unavailability Period with respect to a Relevant Rate applicable to such SOFR Rate Loan (or RFR Loan), then until such time as a Benchmark Replacement is implemented pursuant to this Section 2.20, (1) any SOFR Rate Loan shall on the last day of the Interest Period applicable to such Loan, be converted by the Administrative Agent to, and shall constitute, (x) an RFR Loan so long as the Adjusted Daily Simple SOFR is not the subject of a Benchmark Transition Event or (y) a Base Rate Loan if the Adjusted Daily Simple SOFR is the subject of a Benchmark Transition Event, on such day and (2) solely if applicable following a Benchmark Replacement or otherwise pursuant to this Section 2.20, any RFR Loan shall on and from such day be converted by the Administrative Agent to, and shall constitute a Base Rate Loan.

Section 2.21 Reserved.

Section 2.22 Reserved.

Section 2.23 Exit Fee. Borrower agrees to pay the Exit Fee in cash to the Administrative Agent (for further distribution to the Lenders in accordance with their pro rata share of the Initial Term Loans) upon any prepayment or repayment of any portion or all of the Initial Term Loans, whether at maturity, as a prepayment (including any prepayment under Sections 2.05(a) and 2.05(b)), repayment, acceleration or termination of the Initial Term Loans (including, but not limited to, any prepayment or repayment after the occurrence of an Event of Default or after acceleration of the Initial Term Loans, including in connection with the commencement of any insolvency proceeding or other proceeding pursuant to any Debtor Relief Laws) (the occurrence of any such events, an "Exit Fee Event"). The Exit Fee shall be fully earned, due and payable on the date such Exit Fee Event occurs and non-refundable when made. The parties acknowledge and agree that the Lenders forwent receiving additional compensation, fees and pricing on the Closing Date in return for the parties agreeing to the Exit Fee. The parties further acknowledge and agree that the Agents and the Lenders would not

have entered into this Agreement and the Lenders would not have provided the Initial Term Loans without the Loan Parties agreeing to pay the Exit Fee in the aforementioned instances. The parties also acknowledge and agree that the Exit Fee set forth in this <u>Section 2.23</u> is not intended to act as a penalty or to punish the Borrower or any other Loan Party for any such payment, repayment, redemption, prepayment or termination.

ARTICLE III

Taxes, Increased Costs Protection and Illegality

Section 3.01 Taxes. (a) Except as required by law, any and all payments by the Borrower or any Guarantor to or for the account of any Agent or any Lender under any Loan Document shall be made free and clear of and without deduction for any and all present or future taxes, duties, levies, imposts, deductions, assessments, fees, withholdings or similar charges imposed by any Governmental Authority, and all liabilities (including additions to tax, penalties and interest) with respect thereto ("Taxes"), excluding, in the case of each Agent and each Lender, (i) Taxes imposed on or measured by net income (however denominated), franchise Taxes or branch profits Taxes, in each case imposed by the jurisdiction (or any political subdivision thereof) under the laws of which it is organized or in which its principal office is located or, in the case of any Lender, in which its applicable Lending Office is located, (ii) Taxes (other than those described in clause (i)) imposed by reason of any connection between such Agent or Lender and any taxing jurisdiction other than a connection arising solely by having executed or entered into any Loan Document, having received payments thereunder or having been a party to, having performed its obligations under, having received or perfected a security interest under, having entered into any other transaction pursuant to and/or having enforced, any Loan Documents, (iii) with respect to any Lender, any withholding Tax that is or would be required to be withheld pursuant to Laws in effect at the time such Lender becomes a party hereto (or changes its applicable Lending Office), except to the extent that such Lender's assignor (if any), immediately prior to the assignment to such Lender, or such Lender, immediately prior to such Lender's change in Lending Office, was entitled to additional amounts in respect of such withholding Tax pursuant to this Section 3.01(a), (iv) any withholding Taxes imposed as a result of the failure of any Agent or Lender to comply with the provisions of Section 3.01(b), Section 3.01(c)(i) and Section 3.01(c)(ii) (in the case of any Foreign Lender, as defined below) or the provisions of Section 3.01(c)(iii) (in the case of any U.S. Lender, as defined below), (v) any withholding Taxes imposed pursuant to FATCA, (vi) any U.S. backup withholding taxes, and (vii) additions to tax, penalties and interest on the foregoing amounts in clauses (i) through (vi) (all such non-excluded taxes, duties, levies, imposts, deductions, assessments, fees, withholdings or similar charges and liabilities being hereinafter referred to as "Indemnified Taxes"). If the Borrower, a Guarantor or any other applicable withholding agent is required to deduct any Indemnified Taxes or Other Taxes (as defined below) from or in respect of any sum payable by the Borrower or applicable Guarantor under any Loan Document to any Agent or any Lender, (i) the sum payable shall be increased as necessary so that after all required deductions have been made (including deductions applicable to additional sums payable under this Section 3.01(a)), each of such Agent or such Lender receives an amount equal to the sum it would have received had no such deductions been made, (ii) the applicable withholding agent shall make such deductions, (iii) the applicable withholding agent shall pay the full amount deducted to the relevant taxing authority, and (iv) within thirty (30) days after the date of any such payment by the Borrower or any Guarantor (or, if receipts or evidence are not available within thirty (30) days, as soon as practicable thereafter), the Borrower or Guarantor shall furnish to such Agent or Lender (as the case may be) the original or a facsimile copy of a receipt evidencing payment thereof to the extent such a receipt has been made available to the Borrower or Guarantor (or other evidence of payment reasonably satisfactory to the Administrative Agent). If the Borrower or any Guarantor fails to pay any Indemnified Taxes or Other Taxes when due to the appropriate taxing authority or fails to remit to any Agent or any Lender the required receipts or other required documentary evidence that has been made available to the Borrower or Guarantor, the Borrower or Guarantor shall indemnify such Agent and such Lender for any incremental Taxes that may become payable by such Agent or such Lender arising out of such failure.

(b) Any Agent or Lender that is entitled to an exemption from or reduction of withholding Tax with respect to payments made under any Loan Document shall deliver to the Borrower and the Administrative Agent, at the time or times reasonably requested by the Borrower or the Administrative Agent, such properly completed and executed documentation reasonably requested by the Borrower or the Administrative Agent as will permit such payments to be made without withholding or at a reduced rate of withholding. In addition, any Agent or Lender, if reasonably requested by Borrower or the Administrative Agent, shall deliver such other documentation prescribed by applicable Laws or reasonably requested by the Borrower or the Administrative Agent as will enable the Borrower or the Administrative Agent to determine whether or not such Agent or Lender is subject to backup withholding or information reporting requirements. Notwithstanding anything to the contrary in the preceding two sentences, the completion, execution and submission of such documentation (other than such documentation set forth in Section 3.01(c) below) shall not be required if in the Lender's reasonable judgment such completion, execution or submission would subject such Lender to any material unreimbursed cost or expense or would materially prejudice the legal or commercial position of such Lender.

(c) Without limiting the generality of the foregoing:

(i) To the extent it is legally eligible to do so, each Agent or Lender that is not a U.S. Person (each a "Foreign Lender") agrees to complete and deliver to the Borrower and the Administrative Agent on or prior to the date on which the Foreign Lender becomes a party hereto, two (2) accurate and complete signed copies of whichever of the following is applicable: (i) IRS Form W-8BEN or IRS Form W-8BEN-E (as applicable) or successor form certifying that it is entitled to benefits under an income tax treaty to which the United States is a party; (ii) IRS Form W-8ECI or successor form certifying that the income receivable pursuant to any Loan Document is effectively connected with the conduct of a trade or business in the United States; (iii) if the Foreign Lender is not (A) a bank described in Section 881(c)(3)(A) of the Code, (B) a 10-percent shareholder described in Section 871(h)(3)(B) of the Code, or (C) a controlled foreign corporation related to the Borrower within the meaning of Section 881(c)(3)(C)) of the Code, a certificate to that effect in substantially the form attached hereto as Exhibit H (a "Non-Bank Certificate") and an IRS Form W-8BEN or IRS Form W-8BEN-E(as applicable) or successor form, certifying that the Foreign Lender is not a United States person; (iv) to the extent a Foreign Lender is not the beneficial owner for U.S. federal income tax purposes, IRS Form W-8IMY (or any successor forms) of the Foreign Lender, accompanied by, as and to the extent applicable, a Form W-8BEN or IRS Form W-8BEN-E (as applicable), Form W-8ECI, Non-Bank Certificate (provided, that if the Foreign Lender is a partnership (and not a Participating Lender), the Foreign Lender may provide a Non-Bank Certificate on behalf of its beneficial owners), IRS Form W-9, Form W-8IMY (or other successor forms) and any other required supporting information from each beneficial owner (it being understood that a Foreign Lender need not provide certificates or supporting documentation from beneficial owners if (x) the Foreign Lender is a "qualified intermediary" or "withholding foreign partnership" for U.S. federal income tax purposes and (y) such Foreign Lender is as a result able to establish, and does establish, that payments to such Foreign Lender are, to the extent applicable, entitled to an exemption from or, if an exemption is not available, a reduction in the rate of, U.S. federal withholding taxes without providing such certificates or supporting documentation); or (v) any other form prescribed by applicable requirements of U.S. federal income tax law as a basis for claiming exemption from or a reduction in U.S. federal withholding tax duly completed together with such supplementary documentation as may be prescribed by applicable requirements of law to permit the Borrower and the Administrative Agent to determine the withholding or deduction required to be made.

(ii) (1) In addition, each such Foreign Lender shall, to the extent it is legally eligible to do so, (i) promptly submit to the Borrower and the Administrative Agent two (2) accurate and complete signed copies of such other or additional forms or certificates (or such successor forms or certificates as shall be adopted from time to time by the relevant taxing authorities) as may then be applicable or available to secure an exemption from or reduction in the rate of U.S. federal withholding tax (A) on or before the date that such Foreign Lender's most recently delivered form, certificate or other evidence expires or becomes obsolete or inaccurate in any material respect, (B) after the occurrence of a change in the Foreign Lender's circumstances requiring a change in the most recent form, certificate or evidence previously delivered by it to the Borrower and the Administrative Agent, and (C) from time to time thereafter if reasonably requested by the Borrower or the Administrative Agent, and (ii) promptly notify the Borrower and the Administrative Agent, in writing, of any change in the Foreign Lender's circumstances which would modify or render invalid any claimed exemption or reduction.

(2) If a payment made to a Lender or any Agent under any Loan Document would be subject to U.S. federal withholding tax imposed by FATCA if such Lender or such Agent were to fail to comply with the applicable reporting requirements of FATCA (including those contained in Section 1471(b) or 1472(b) of the Code, as applicable), such Lender or such Agent shall deliver to the Borrower and the Administrative Agent at the time or times prescribed by law and at such time or times reasonably requested by the Borrower or the Administrative Agent such documentation prescribed by applicable Laws (including as prescribed by Section 1471(b)(3) (C)(i) of the Code) and such additional documentation reasonably requested by the Borrower or the Administrative Agent as may be necessary for the Borrower and the Administrative Agent to comply with their obligations under FATCA, to determine whether such Lender or such Agent has complied with such Lender's or such Agent's obligations under FATCA or to determine the amount, if any, to deduct and withhold from such payment. Solely for purposes of this clause (2), "FATCA" shall include any amendments made to FATCA after the date of this Agreement.

(iii) Each Agent or Lender that is a U.S. Person (each a "U.S. Lender") agrees to complete and deliver to the Borrower and the Administrative Agent two (2) copies of accurate and complete signed IRS Form W-9 or successor form certifying that such U.S. Lender is not subject to United States federal backup withholding tax (i) on or prior to the Closing Date (or on or prior to the date it becomes a party to this Agreement), (ii) on or before the date that such form expires or becomes obsolete or inaccurate in any material respect, (iii) after the occurrence of a change in the U.S. Lender's circumstances requiring a change in the most recent form previously delivered by it to the Borrower and the Administrative Agent, and (iv) from time to time thereafter if reasonably requested by the Borrower or the Administrative Agent; provided, however, that if such Agent or Lender is a disregarded entity for U.S. federal income tax purposes, it shall provide the appropriate withholding form of its owner (together with appropriate supporting documentation).

(d) Reserved.

(e) The Borrower agrees to pay any and all present or future stamp, court or documentary taxes and any other excise (in the nature of a documentary or similar tax), property, intangible, filing or mortgage recording taxes or charges or similar levies imposed by any Governmental Authority which arise from the execution, delivery, performance, enforcement or registration of, or otherwise with respect to, any Loan Document (including additions to tax, penalties and interest related thereto) excluding, in each case, such amounts imposed in connection with an Assignment and Assumption, grant of a participation, transfer or assignment to or designation of a new applicable Lending Office or other office for receiving payments under any Loan Document, except to the extent that any such Assignment and Assumption, grant of a participation, transfer or assignment to or designation of a new applicable Lending Office or other office for receiving payments under any Loan Document was made at the request of the Borrower pursuant to Section 3.07 (all such non-excluded taxes described in this Section 3.01(e) being hereinafter referred to as "Other Taxes").

- (f) If any Indemnified Taxes with respect to any payment received by any Agent or Lender in respect of any Loan Document, or any Other Taxes, are directly asserted against any Agent or Lender, such Agent or Lender may pay such Indemnified Taxes or Other Taxes and the Loan Parties will jointly and severally indemnify and hold harmless such Agent or Lender for the full amount of such Indemnified Taxes and Other Taxes (and any Indemnified Taxes and Other Taxes imposed on amounts payable under this Section 3.01), and any reasonable out-of-pocket expenses arising therefrom or with respect thereto, whether or not such Taxes or Other Taxes were correctly or legally imposed or asserted. Payments under this Section 3.01(f) shall be made within ten (10) days after the date the Borrower receives written demand for payment from such Agent or Lender. A certificate as to the amount of such payment or liability delivered to the Borrower by an Agent or a Lender (with a copy to the Administrative Agent) shall be conclusive absent manifest error.
- (g) Each Lender shall severally indemnify the Administrative Agent, within 10 days after demand therefor, for (i) any Taxes attributable to such Lender (but only to the extent that any Loan Party has not already indemnified the Administrative Agent for such Taxes and without limiting the obligation of the Loan Parties to do so) and (ii) any Taxes attributable to such Lender's failure to comply with the provisions of Section 10.07(e) relating to the maintenance of a Participant Register, in either case, that are payable or paid by the Administrative Agent in connection with any Loan Document, and any reasonable expenses arising therefrom or with respect thereto, whether or not such Taxes were correctly or legally imposed or asserted by the relevant Governmental Authority. A certificate as to the amount of such payment or liability delivered to any Lender by the Administrative Agent shall be conclusive absent manifest error. Each Lender hereby authorizes the Administrative Agent to set off and apply any and all amounts at any time owing to such Lender under any Loan Document or otherwise payable by the Administrative Agent to the Lender from any other source against any amount due to the Administrative Agent under this paragraph (g).
- (h) If the Borrower determines in good faith that a reasonable basis exists for contesting any Taxes for which indemnification has been demanded or additional amounts have been payable hereunder, the relevant Lender or the relevant Agent, as applicable, shall cooperate with the Borrower in a reasonable challenge of such Taxes if so requested by the Borrower; *provided* that (i) such Lender or Agent determines in its reasonable discretion that it would not be prejudiced by cooperating in such challenge, (ii) the Borrower pays all related expenses of such Agent or Lender, (iii) the Borrower indemnifies such Lender or Agent for any liabilities or other costs incurred by such party in connection with such challenge and (iv) Borrower indemnifies Lender or the relevant Agent, as applicable, for any Indemnified Taxes or Other Taxes before any such contest.
- (i) If any Agent or any Lender determines, in its sole discretion exercised in good faith, that it has received a refund in respect of any Indemnified Taxes or Other Taxes as to which it has been indemnified by the Borrower or any Guarantor, as the case may be, or with respect to which the Borrower or any Guarantor, as the case may be, has paid additional amounts pursuant to this Section 3.01, it shall promptly remit such refund to the Borrower (but only to the extent of indemnity payments made, or additional amounts paid, by the Borrower or any Guarantor, as the case may be, under this Section 3.01 with respect to the Indemnified Taxes or Other Taxes giving rise to such refund), net of all reasonable out-of-pocket expenses (including any Taxes) incurred by such Agent or such Lender and without interest (other than any interest paid by the relevant Governmental Authority with respect to such refund); provided that the Borrower, upon the request of such Agent or such Lender, agrees to repay the amount paid over to the Borrower (plus any penalties, interest or other charges imposed by the relevant Governmental Authority)

to such Agent or such Lender in the event such Agent or such Lender is required to repay such refund to such Governmental Authority. Such Agent or such Lender, as the case may be, shall provide the Borrower with a copy of any notice of assessment or other evidence reasonably available of the requirement to repay such refund received from the relevant Governmental Authority (*provided* that such Lender or such Agent may delete any information therein that such Lender or such Agent deems confidential or not relevant to such refund in its reasonable discretion).

- (j) Each Lender agrees that, upon the occurrence of any event giving rise to the operation of Sections 3.01(a) with respect to such Lender, it will, if requested by the Borrower in writing, use commercially reasonable efforts (subject to legal and regulatory restrictions) to mitigate the effect of any such event, including by designating another Lending Office for any Loan affected by such event and by completing and delivering or filing any Tax-related forms which such Lender is legally eligible to deliver and which would reduce or eliminate any amount of Indemnified Taxes or Other Taxes required to be deducted or withheld or paid by the Borrower; provided that such efforts are made at the Borrower's expense and on terms that, in the reasonable judgment of such Lender, do not cause such Lender and its Lending Office(s) to suffer any economic, legal or regulatory disadvantage; and provided, further that nothing in this Section 3.01(j) shall affect or postpone any of the Obligations of the Borrower or the rights of such Lender pursuant to Sections 3.01(a) or (f). Notwithstanding any other provision of this Agreement, the Borrower and the Administrative Agent may deduct and withhold any taxes required by any Laws to be deducted and withheld from any payment under any of the Loan Documents, subject to the provisions of this Section 3.01.
- (k) Subject to <u>clause (l)</u>, each party's obligations under this <u>Section 3.01</u> shall survive the resignation or replacement of the Administrative Agent or any assignment of rights by, or the replacement of, a Lender, the termination of the Commitments and the repayment, satisfaction or discharge of all obligations under the Loan Documents.
- (l) With respect to any Lender's claim for compensation under this <u>Section 3.01</u>, the Borrower shall not be required to compensate such Lender for any amount incurred unless such Lender notifies the Borrower of the event that gives rise to such claim within 180 days after such Lender obtains knowledge of such event.

(m) Reserved.

(n) Without limiting the provisions of Sections 3.01(a) or (f) above, each Lender shall indemnify the Borrower, and shall make payment in respect thereof within ten (10) days after demand therefor, against any and all taxes excluded from the definition of Taxes under clauses (iii), (iv) or (vi) of the first sentence of Section 3.01(a) (and any related additions to tax, penalties and interest under clause (vii) thereof) imposed in respect of such Lender, and any reasonable expenses arising therefrom or with respect thereto, that are incurred by or asserted against the Borrower by any Governmental Authority as a result of the failure by such Lender to deliver, or as a result of the inaccuracy, inadequacy or deficiency of, any documentation required to be delivered by such Lender to the Borrower pursuant to Sections 3.01(b), (c)(ii), (c)(iii) or (c)(iii).

Section 3.02 <u>Illegality</u>. If any Lender determines that any Law has made it unlawful, or that any Governmental Authority has asserted that it is unlawful, for any Lender or its applicable lending office to make, maintain or fund Loans whose interest is determined by reference to SOFR, the Term SOFR Reference Rate, Adjusted Term SOFR Rate or Term SOFR, or to determine or charge interest based upon SOFR, the Term SOFR Reference Rate, Adjusted Term SOFR Rate or Term SOFR, then, upon notice thereof by such Lender to the Borrower (through the Administrative Agent) (an "Illegality Notice"), (a) any obligation of the Lenders to make SOFR Rate Loans, and any right of the Borrower to continue SOFR

Rate Loans or to convert Base Rate Loans to SOFR Rate Loans, shall be suspended, and (b) the interest rate on which Base Rate Loans shall, if necessary to avoid such illegality, be determined by the Administrative Agent without reference to clause (c) of the definition of "Base Rate", in each case until each affected Lender notifies the Administrative Agent and the Borrower that the circumstances giving rise to such determination no longer exist. Upon receipt of an Illegality Notice, the Borrower shall, if necessary to avoid such illegality, upon demand from any Lender (with a copy to the Administrative Agent), prepay or, if applicable, convert all SOFR Rate Loans to Base Rate Loans (the interest rate on which Base Rate Loans shall, if necessary to avoid such illegality, be determined by the Administrative Agent without reference to clause (c) of the definition of "Base Rate"), on the last day of the Interest Period therefor, if all affected Lenders may lawfully continue to maintain such SOFR Rate Loans to such day, or immediately, if any Lender may not lawfully continue to maintain such SOFR Rate Loans to such day. Upon any such prepayment or conversion, the Borrower shall also pay accrued interest on the amount so prepaid or converted and all amounts due, if any, in connection with such prepayment or conversion under Section 3.05. Each Lender agrees to designate a different Lending Office if such designation will avoid the need for such notice and will not, in the good faith judgment of such Lender, otherwise be materially disadvantageous to such Lender.

Section 3.03 Inability to Determine Rates. Subject to Section 2.20, if:

(a) the Administrative Agent determines (which determination shall be conclusive and binding absent manifest error) (A) prior to the commencement of any Interest Period for any SOFR Rate Loan, that adequate and reasonable means do not exist for ascertaining the Adjusted Term SOFR Rate (including because the Term SOFR Reference Rate is not available or published on a current basis), for such Interest Period or (B) at any time (solely if applicable following a Benchmark Replacement or otherwise pursuant to this Section 3.03), that adequate and reasonable means do not exist for ascertaining the Adjusted Daily Simple SOFR, or

(b) the Administrative Agent is advised by the Required Lenders that (A) prior to the commencement of any Interest Period for any SOFR Rate Loan, the Adjusted Term SOFR Rate for such Interest Period will not adequately and fairly reflect the cost to such Lenders (or Lender) of making or maintaining their Loans (or its Loan) included in such Borrowing for such Interest Period or (B) at any time (solely if applicable following a Benchmark Replacement or otherwise pursuant to this Section 3.03), the Adjusted Daily Simple SOFR will not adequately and fairly reflect the cost to such Lenders (or Lender) of making or maintaining their Loans (or its Loan) included in such Borrowing,

then, in each case, the Administrative Agent will promptly so notify the Borrower and each Lender by telephone, telecopy or electronic mail and, until the Administrative Agent notifies the Borrower and the Lenders that the circumstances giving rise to such notice no longer exist with respect to the relevant Benchmark and (y) the Borrower delivers a new Loan Notice in accordance with the terms of Section 2.02, (1) any Loan Notice that requests the conversion of any Borrowing to, or continuation of any Borrowing as, a SOFR Rate Loan and any Loan Notice that requests a SOFR Rate Loan shall instead be deemed to be a Loan Notice for (x) an RFR Loan so long as the Adjusted Daily Simple SOFR is not also the subject of Section 3.03(a) or (b) above or (y) a Base Rate Loan if the Adjusted Daily Simple SOFR also is the subject of Section 3.03(a) or (b) above and (2) solely if applicable following a Benchmark Replacement or otherwise pursuant to this Section 3.03, any Loan Notice that requests an RFR Loan shall instead be deemed to be a Loan Notice for a Base Rate Loan; provided that, if the circumstances giving rise to such notice affect only one Type of Borrowings, then all other Types of Borrowings shall be permitted. Furthermore, if any SOFR Rate Loan (or, solely if applicable following a Benchmark Replacement or otherwise pursuant to this Section 3.03, RFR Loan) is outstanding on the date of the Borrower's receipt of the notice from the Administrative Agent referred to in this Section 3.03 with respect to the Relevant Rate applicable to such SOFR Rate Loan (or RFR Loan), then until (x) the Administrative Agent notifies the Borrower and the

Lenders that the circumstances giving rise to such notice no longer exist with respect to such Relevant Rate and (y) the Borrower delivers a new Loan Notice in accordance with the terms of Section 2.02, (1) any SOFR Rate Loan shall on the last day of the Interest Period applicable to such Loan, be converted by the Administrative Agent to, and shall constitute, (x) an RFR Loan so long as the Adjusted Daily Simple SOFR is not also the subject of Section 3.03(a) or (b) above or (y) a Base Rate Loan if the Adjusted Daily Simple SOFR also is the subject of Section 3.03(a) or (b) above, on such day, and (2) solely if applicable following a Benchmark Replacement or otherwise pursuant to this Section 3.03, any RFR Loan shall on and from such day be converted by the Administrative Agent to, and shall constitute a Base Rate Loan.

Section 3.04 Increased Cost and Reduced Return; Capital Adequacy, etc.

- (a) Increased Costs Generally. If any Change in Law shall:
- (i) impose, modify or deem applicable any reserve, special deposit, compulsory loan, insurance charge or similar requirement against assets of, deposits with or for the account of, or credit extended or participated in by, any Lender;
- (ii) subject any Lender to any tax of any kind whatsoever with respect to this Agreement or any SOFR Rate Loan made by it, or change the basis of taxation of payments to such Lender in respect thereof (except, in each case, for Indemnified Taxes, amounts excluded from the definition of Indemnified Taxes pursuant to clauses (i) through (vi) of the first sentence of Section 3.01(a) (and any additions to tax, penalties and interest on the foregoing amounts in said clauses (i) through (vi)) that are imposed with respect to payments for or on account of any Agent or any Lender under any Loan Document and any Other Taxes and amounts excluded from the definition of Other Taxes pursuant to Section 3.01(e)); or
- (iii) impose on any Lender any increase in the cost to such Lender of agreeing to make or making, funding or maintaining SOFR Rate Loans;

and the result of any of the foregoing shall be to increase the cost to such Lender of making, converting to, continuing or maintaining any Loan or of maintaining its obligation to make any such Loan, or to increase the cost to such Lender, or to reduce the amount of any sum received or receivable by such Lender (whether of principal, interest or any other amount) then, from time to time within fifteen (15) days after demand by such Lender setting forth in reasonable detail such increased costs or such reduction in amount (with a copy of such demand to the Administrative Agent), the Borrower will pay to such Lender such additional amount or amounts as will compensate such Lender for such additional costs incurred or reduction suffered. At any time that any SOFR Rate Loan is affected by the circumstances described in this Section 3.04(a), the Borrower may, subject to Section 3.05, either (i) if the affected SOFR Rate Loan is then being made pursuant to a Borrowing, cancel such Borrowing by giving the Administrative Agent telephonic notice (confirmed promptly in writing) thereof on the same date that the Borrower receives any such demand from such Lender or (ii) if the affected SOFR Rate Loan is then outstanding, upon at least three Business Days' notice to the Administrative Agent, require the affected Lender to convert such SOFR Rate Loan into a Base Rate Loan, if applicable.

(b) <u>Capital Requirements</u>. If any Lender reasonably determines that the introduction of any Change in Law regarding capital adequacy or liquidity requirements, or any change therein or the interpretation thereof, in each case after the date hereof, or compliance by such Lender (or its Lending Office) therewith, has the effect of reducing the rate of return on the capital of such Lender, or any corporation or holding company controlling such Lender as a consequence of such Lender's obligations hereunder (taking into consideration its policies and the policies of such Lender's holding company with respect to capital adequacy and liquidity), then from time to time upon demand of such Lender setting forth in reasonable detail the charge and the calculation of such reduced rate of return (with a copy of such demand to the Administrative Agent), the Borrower will pay to such Lender, as the case may be, such additional amount or amounts as will compensate such Lender or such Lender's holding company for any such reduction suffered.

(c) <u>Certificates for Reimbursement</u>. A certificate of a Lender setting forth the amount or amounts necessary to compensate such Lender or its holding company, as the case may be, as specified in <u>subclause (a)</u> or <u>(b)</u> of this <u>Section 3.04</u> and delivered to the Borrower shall be conclusive absent manifest error. Unless otherwise provided, the Borrower shall pay such Lender, as the case may be, the amount shown as due on any such certificate within ten (10) days after receipt thereof.

(d) Reserved.

- (e) <u>Delay in Requests</u>. Failure or delay on the part of any Lender to demand compensation pursuant to the foregoing provisions of this <u>Section 3.04</u> shall not constitute a waiver of such Lender's right to demand such compensation; *provided* that the Borrower shall not be required to compensate a Lender pursuant to the foregoing provisions of this <u>Section 3.04</u> for any increased costs incurred or reductions suffered more than one hundred and eighty (180) days prior to the date that such Lender notifies the Borrower of the Change in Law giving rise to such increased costs or reductions and of such Lender's intention to claim compensation therefor (except that, if the Change in Law giving rise to such increased costs or reductions is retroactive, then the 180-day period referred to above shall be extended to include the period of retroactive effect thereof). No Lender shall demand compensation pursuant to this <u>Section 3.04</u> unless such Lender is generally making corresponding demands on similar types of borrowers for similar amounts pursuant to similar provisions in other loan documents to which such Lender is a party.
- (f) <u>Mitigation</u>. If any Lender requests compensation under this <u>Section 3.04</u>, then such Lender will, if requested by the Borrower, use commercially reasonable efforts to designate another Lending Office for any Loan affected by such event; *provided* that such efforts are made at the Borrower's expense and on terms that, in the reasonable judgment of such Lender, cause such Lender and its Lending Office(s) to suffer no economic, legal or regulatory disadvantage; and *provided*, *further*, that nothing in this <u>Section 3.04(f)</u> shall affect or postpone any of the Obligations of the Borrower or the rights of such Lender pursuant to <u>Sections 3.04(a)</u>, (b), (c), or (e).
- **Section 3.05** Compensation for Losses. In the event of (a) the payment of any principal of any SOFR Rate Loan other than on the last day of the Interest Period applicable thereto (including as a result of an Event of Default), (b) the conversion of any SOFR Rate Loan other than on the last day of the Interest Period applicable thereto (including as a result of an Event of Default), (c) the failure to borrow, convert, continue or prepay any SOFR Rate Loan on the date specified in any notice delivered pursuant hereto, or (d) the assignment of any SOFR Rate Loan other than on the last day of the Interest Period applicable thereto as a result of a request by the Borrower pursuant to Section 3.07, then, in any such event, the Borrower shall compensate each Lender for any loss, cost and expense attributable to such event, including any loss or expense (excluding loss of anticipated profits or margin) actually incurred by reason of the liquidation or reemployment of funds obtained by it to maintain such Loan.

Section 3.06 Matters Applicable to All Requests for Compensation.

(a) <u>Designation of a Different Lending Office</u>. If any Lender requests compensation under <u>Section 3.04</u>, or the Borrower is required to pay any additional amount to any Lender or any Governmental Authority for the account of any Lender pursuant to <u>Section 3.01</u>, or if any Lender gives a notice pursuant to <u>Section 3.02</u>, then such Lender shall use reasonable efforts to designate a different Lending Office for funding or booking its Loans hereunder or to assign its rights and obligations hereunder

to another of its offices, branches or affiliates, if, in the judgment of such Lender such designation or assignment (i) would eliminate or reduce amounts payable pursuant to Section 3.01 or Section 3.04, as the case may be, in the future, or eliminate the need for the notice pursuant to Section 3.02, as applicable, and (ii) in each case, would not subject such Lender or to any unreimbursed cost or expense and would not otherwise be disadvantageous to such Lender in any material economic, legal or regulatory respect.

- (b) <u>Suspension of Lender Obligations</u>. If any Lender requests compensation by the Borrower under <u>Section 3.04</u>, the Borrower may, by notice to such Lender (with a copy to the Administrative Agent), suspend the obligation of such Lender to make or continue SOFR Rate Loans from one Interest Period to another Interest Period, or to convert Base Rate Loans into SOFR Rate Loans, until the event or condition giving rise to such request ceases to be in effect (in which case the provisions of <u>Section 3.06(c)</u> shall be applicable); *provided* that such suspension shall not affect the right of such Lender to receive the compensation so requested.
- (c) If the obligation of any Lender to make or continue from one Interest Period to another Interest Period any SOFR Rate Loan, or to convert Base Rate Loans into SOFR Rate Loans shall be suspended pursuant to Section 3.06(b) hereof, such Lender's SOFR Rate Loans shall be automatically converted into Base Rate Loans on the last day(s) of the then current Interest Period(s) for such SOFR Rate Loans (or, in the case of an immediate conversion required by Section 3.02, on such earlier date as required by Law) and, unless and until such Lender gives notice as provided below that the circumstances specified in Section 3.01, Section 3.02, Section 3.03 or Section 3.04 hereof that gave rise to such conversion no longer exist:
 - (i) to the extent that such Lender's SOFR Rate Loans have been so converted, all payments and prepayments of principal that would otherwise be applied to such Lender's SOFR Rate Loans shall be applied instead to its Base Rate Loans; and
 - (ii) all Loans that would otherwise be made or continued from one Interest Period to another Interest Period by such Lender as SOFR Rate Loans shall be made or continued instead as Base Rate Loans, and all Base Rate Loans of such Lender that would otherwise be converted into SOFR Rate Loans shall remain as Base Rate Loans.
- (d) <u>Conversion of SOFR Rate Loans</u>. If any Lender gives notice to the Borrower (with a copy to the Administrative Agent) that the circumstances specified in <u>Section 3.02</u>, <u>3.03</u> or <u>3.04</u> hereof that gave rise to the conversion of such Lender's SOFR Rate Loans no longer exist (which such Lender agrees to do promptly upon such circumstances ceasing to exist) at a time when SOFR Rate Loans made by other Lenders are outstanding, such Lender's Base Rate Loans shall be automatically converted, on the first day(s) of the next succeeding Interest Period(s) for such outstanding SOFR Rate Loans, to the extent necessary so that, after giving effect thereto, all Loans of a given Class held by the Lenders of such Class holding SOFR Rate Loans and by such Lenders are held pro rata (as to principal amounts, interest rate basis, and Interest Periods) in accordance with their respective Pro Rata Shares.
- (e) Notwithstanding anything contained herein to the contrary, a Lender shall not be entitled to any compensation pursuant to <u>Section 3.04</u> to the extent such Lender is not imposing such charges or requesting such compensation from borrowers (similarly situated to the Borrower hereunder) under comparable syndicated credit facilities.

Section 3.07 <u>Replacement of Lenders under Certain Circumstances</u>. If (i) any Lender becomes a Defaulting Lender, (ii) any Lender requests compensation under <u>Section 3.04</u> or ceases to make SOFR Rate Loans as a result of any condition described in <u>Section 3.02</u> or <u>Section 3.04</u>, (iii) the Borrower is required to pay any Taxes or additional amounts to any Lender or any Governmental Authority for the

account of any Lender pursuant to Section 3.01, (iv) any Lender is a Non-Consenting Lender or (v) any other circumstance exists hereunder that gives the Borrower the right to replace a Lender as a party hereto, then the Borrower may, at its sole expense and effort, upon notice to such Lender and the Administrative Agent, require such Lender to assign and delegate, without recourse (in accordance with and subject to the restrictions contained in, and consents required by, Section 10.07), all of its interests, rights and obligations under this Agreement and the related Loan Documents to one or more Eligible Assignees (none of whom shall be a Defaulting Lender) that shall assume such obligations (any of which assignee may be another Lender, if a Lender accepts such assignment); provided that:

- (a) the Borrower shall have paid to the Administrative Agent the assignment fee specified in Section 10.07(b)(iv);
- (b) such Lender shall have received payment of an amount equal to the outstanding principal of its Loans, accrued interest thereon, accrued fees (including the Exit Fee, if any) and all other amounts payable to it hereunder and under the other Loan Documents (including any amounts payable under Section 3.05) from the assignee (to the extent of such outstanding principal and accrued interest and fees) or the Borrower (in the case of all other amounts);
- (c) such Lender being replaced pursuant to this <u>Section 3.07</u> shall (i) execute and deliver an Assignment and Assumption with respect to such Lender's Commitment and outstanding Loans, and (ii) deliver any Notes evidencing such Loans to the Borrower or Administrative Agent (or a lost or destroyed note indemnity in lieu thereof); *provided* that the failure of any such Lender to deliver such Notes shall not render such sale and purchase (and the corresponding assignment) invalid and such assignment shall be recorded in the Register and the Notes shall be deemed to be canceled upon such failure;
- (d) pursuant to any Assignment and Assumption executed pursuant to <u>Section 3.07(c)</u>, (A) the assignee Lender shall acquire all or a portion, as the case may be, of the assigning Lender's Commitment, (B) all obligations of the Borrower owing to the assigning Lender relating to the Loans and participations so assigned shall be paid in full by the assignee Lender to such assigning Lender concurrently with such assignment and assumption and (C) upon such payment and, if so requested by the assignee Lender, delivery to the assignee Lender of the appropriate Note or Notes executed by the Borrower, the assignee Lender shall become a Lender hereunder and the assigning Lender shall cease to constitute a Lender hereunder with respect to such assigned Loans, Commitments and participations, except with respect to indemnification provisions under this Agreement, which shall survive as to such assigning Lender;
- (e) in the case of any such assignment resulting from a claim for compensation under <u>Section 3.04</u> or payments required to be made pursuant to <u>Section 3.01</u>, such assignment will result in a reduction in such compensation or payments thereafter; and
 - (f) such assignment does not conflict with applicable Laws.
- (g) In connection with any such replacement, if any such Lender being replaced pursuant to this Section 3.07 does not execute and deliver to the Administrative Agent a duly executed Assignment and Assumption reflecting such replacement within five (5) Business Days of the date on which the assignee Lender executes and delivers such Assignment and Assumption to such Lender being replaced pursuant to this Section 3.07, then such Lender being replaced pursuant to this Section 3.07 shall be deemed to have executed and delivered such Assignment and Assumption without any action on the part of such Lender.

In the event that (i) the Borrower or the Administrative Agent has requested that the Lenders consent to a departure or waiver of any provisions of the Loan Documents or agree to any amendment or modification thereto, (ii) the consent, waiver or amendment or modification in question requires the agreement of each Lender, all affected Lenders or all the Lenders in accordance with the terms of Section 10.01 with respect to a certain Class or Classes of the Loans and (iii) the Required Lenders have agreed to such consent, waiver or amendment or modification, then any Lender who does not agree to such consent, waiver or amendment or modification shall be deemed a "Non-Consenting Lender." If any applicable Lender shall be deemed a Non-Consenting Lender and is required to assign all or any portion of its Initial Term Loans pursuant to this Section 3.07, in connection with any such waiver, amendment or modification, the Borrower shall pay to such Non-Consenting Lender the fee set forth in Section 2.23 to the extent applicable.

A Lender shall not be required to make any such assignment or delegation if, prior thereto, as a result of a waiver by such Lender or otherwise, the circumstances entitling the Borrower to require such assignment and delegation cease to apply.

Section 3.08 Survival. All of the Borrower's obligations under this Article III shall survive termination of the Aggregate Commitments, repayment of all other Obligations hereunder and resignation of the Administrative Agent or the Collateral Agent.

ARTICLE IV

Conditions Precedent to Credit Extensions

Section 4.01 Conditions to Initial Credit Extension. The obligation of each Lender to make its initial Credit Extension hereunder on the Closing Date is subject to satisfaction (or due waiver in accordance with Section 10.01 hereof) of each of the following conditions precedent:

- (a) The Administrative Agent's receipt of the following, each of which shall be originals, facsimiles or electronic copies in ".pdf" or ".tif" format by electronic mail (followed promptly by originals) unless otherwise specified, each properly executed by a Responsible Officer of the signing Loan Party (if applicable):
 - (i) a Loan Notice relating to the initial Credit Extension and which shall be delivered on the Closing Date;
 - (ii) a Note executed by the Borrower in favor of each Lender that has requested a Note at least two (2) Business Days in advance of the Closing Date;
 - (iii) executed counterparts of this Agreement duly executed by the Borrower;
 - (iv) the fully executed Exchange Agreement;
 - (v) the fully executed Superpriority Intercreditor Agreement;
 - (vi) each Guaranty and other Collateral Document set forth on <u>Schedule 1.01B</u> required to be executed on the Closing Date as indicated on such schedule, duly executed by each Loan Party party thereto as of the Closing Date, together with:
 - (A) certificates, if any, representing the Pledged Equity referred to therein (except as otherwise set forth on <u>Schedule 1.01B</u>) accompanied by undated stock powers executed in blank and instruments evidencing the Pledged Debt indorsed in blank (except as otherwise set forth on <u>Schedule 1.01B</u>); and

(B) evidence that all other actions, recordings and filings (except as otherwise set forth in <u>Schedule 1.01B</u>) that the Administrative Agent may deem reasonably necessary to satisfy the Collateral and Guarantee Requirement shall have been taken, completed or otherwise provided for in a manner reasonably satisfactory to the Administrative Agent;

(vii) such documents and certification (including Organization Documents) as the Administrative Agent may reasonably require to evidence that the Borrower and each Guarantor is duly incorporated, organized or formed, such certificates of good standing or status (to the extent that such concepts exist) from the applicable secretary of state (or equivalent authority) of the jurisdiction of organization of each Loan Party (in each case, to the extent applicable), certificates of customary resolutions (or, in the case of an Australian Loan Party, extracts thereof) or other customary action, incumbency certificates and/or other customary certificates of Responsible Officers of each Loan Party evidencing the identity, authority and capacity of each Responsible Officer thereof authorized to act as a Responsible Officer in connection with this Agreement and the other Loan Documents to which such Loan Party is a party or is to be a party on the Closing Date;

(viii) a customary opinion from Sidley Austin LLP, counsel to the Loan Parties and Matheson LLP, Ireland counsel to the Loan Parties;

- (ix) evidence that all insurance (other than title insurance) required to be maintained pursuant to the Loan Documents has been obtained and is in effect;
- (x) copies of recent Uniform Commercial Code, tax and intellectual property Lien searches, searches of the Australian PPS Register and copies of judgment searches, in each case, in each jurisdiction reasonably requested by the Administrative Agent in respect of the Loan Parties;
 - (xi) the fully executed Perfection Certificate;
 - (xii) the fully executed Intercompany Note;
 - (xiii) the fully executed Registration Rights Agreement; and
- (xiv) a certificate attesting to the Solvency of the Borrower and its Subsidiaries, on a consolidated basis, on the Closing Date after giving effect to the Transaction, from the chief financial officer of the Borrower.
- (b) All fees, premiums, expenses (including Attorney Costs of Akin and local counsel in each Additional Asset Jurisdiction, title premiums, survey charges and recording taxes and fees) and other transaction costs incurred in connection with the Transaction (including to fund any OID and upfront fees) and fees and expenses required to be paid under the FTI Engagement Letter, JPM Engagement Letter and the Fee Letters on the Closing Date to the Agents (including Attorney Costs of Paul Hastings LLP as counsel to Delaware Trust Company), the Lead Arranger and the Lenders to the extent invoiced in reasonable detail at least two (2) Business Days before the Closing Date (except as otherwise reasonably agreed to by the Borrower) shall have been paid in full to the extent then due.
- (c) Prior to, or substantially concurrently with, the initial Credit Extensions, the Borrower shall have amended the Existing Credit Agreement pursuant to the First Amendment to Existing Credit Agreement.

- (d) The Administrative Agent and Lenders shall have received at least three (3) days prior to the Closing Date (x) all documentation and other information about the Borrower and each Guarantor reasonably requested in writing by them at least ten (10) Business Days prior to the Closing Date in order to comply with Anti-Money Laundering Laws and (y) if the Borrower or any Guarantor qualifies as a "legal entity customer" under the Beneficial Ownership Regulation, the Borrower or any Guarantor shall have delivered to the Administrative Agent and each Lender that so requests a Beneficial Ownership Certification in relation to the Borrower or such Guarantor.
- (e) Since May 8, 2023, there not having occurred any event, change, condition, occurrence or circumstance which, either individually or in the aggregate, has had, or would reasonably be expected to have, individually or in the aggregate, a Material Adverse Effect.
- (f) The Borrower shall have delivered a business plan acceptable to each Lender of Initial Term Loans, which shall include a 13-week cash flow forecast in form and substance acceptable to the Lenders.
- (g) The Borrower shall have paid in cash all accrued and unpaid interest on the Existing Term Loans that are exchanged pursuant to the Exchange.
- (h) To the extent any Lender has elected to receive Warrants on the Closing Date, such Warrants (if any) shall have been issued by the Borrower to each such Lender.
- (i) No Default (as defined in the Existing Credit Agreement) shall have occurred and be continuing under the Existing Credit Agreement as of the date hereof.

Without limiting the generality of the provisions of the last paragraph of <u>Section 9.03</u>, for purposes of determining compliance with the conditions specified in this <u>Section 4.01</u>, each Lender that has signed this Agreement shall be deemed to have consented to, approved or accepted or to be satisfied with, each document or other matter required thereunder to be consented to or approved by or acceptable or satisfactory to a Lender.

- **Section 4.02** <u>Conditions to All Credit Extensions</u>. The obligation of each Lender to honor any Request for Credit Extension (other than a Loan Notice requesting only a conversion of Loans to the other Type, a continuation of SOFR Rate Loans or a Borrowing pursuant to any Incremental Amendment) is subject to the following conditions precedent:
- (a) The representations and warranties of the Borrower and each other Loan Party contained in <u>Article V</u> or any other Loan Document shall be true and correct in all material respects on and as of the date of such Credit Extension; *provided* that, to the extent that such representations and warranties specifically refer to an earlier date, they shall be true and correct in all material respects as of such earlier date; *provided*, *further*, that, any representation and warranty that is qualified as to "materiality," "Material Adverse Effect" or similar language shall be true and correct in all respects on such respective dates.
- (b) At the time of and immediately after giving effect to any Borrowing, no Default or Event of Default shall have occurred and be continuing.
 - (c) The Administrative Agent shall have received a Request for Credit Extension in accordance with the requirements hereof.

Each Request for Credit Extension (other than a Loan Notice requesting only a conversion of Loans to the other Type or a continuation of SOFR Rate Loans or a Borrowing in connection with any Incremental Amendment) submitted by the Borrower shall be deemed to be a representation and warranty that the conditions specified in <u>Sections 4.02(a)</u> and (b) have been satisfied on and as of the date of the applicable Credit Extension.

ARTICLE V

Representations and Warranties

On the Closing Date and to the extent required pursuant to <u>Section 4.02</u> hereof, the Borrower represents and warrants to the Administrative Agent, the Collateral Agent, and the Lenders that:

Section 5.01 Existence, Qualification and Power. Each Loan Party and each of its respective Subsidiaries (a) is a Person duly organized, incorporated or formed, validly existing and in good standing under the Laws of the jurisdiction of its incorporation or organization (to the extent such concept exists in such jurisdiction), (b) has all corporate or other organizational power and authority to (i) own or lease its assets and carry on its business as currently conducted and (ii) in the case of the Loan Parties, execute, deliver and perform its obligations under the Loan Documents to which it is a party, (c) is duly qualified and in good standing (to the extent such concept exists in such jurisdiction) under the Laws of each jurisdiction where its ownership, lease or operation of properties or the conduct of its business requires such qualification, and (d) has all requisite governmental licenses, authorizations, consents and approvals to operate its business as currently conducted; except in each case referred to in clauses (a) (other than with respect to the due organization, formation, incorporation or existence of the Loan Parties), (b)(i), (c) or (d), to the extent that failure to do so would not reasonably be expected to have, individually or in the aggregate, a Material Adverse Effect.

Section 5.02 <u>Authorization; No Contravention</u>. (a) The execution, delivery and performance by each Loan Party of each Loan Document to which it is a party and the consummation of the Transaction have been duly authorized by all necessary corporate or other organizational action.

(b) The execution, delivery and performance by each Loan Party of each Loan Document to which such Loan Party is a party and the consummation of the Transaction do not and will not (A) materially contravene the terms of any of its Organization Documents; (B) conflict with or result in any breach or contravention of, or the creation of any material Lien upon any of the property or assets of such Loan Party or any of the Subsidiaries (other than as permitted by Section 7.01) under (I) any Contractual Obligation to which such Loan Party is a party or affecting such Loan Party or the properties of such Loan Party or any of its Subsidiaries or (II) any order, injunction, writ or decree of any Governmental Authority or any arbitral award to which such Loan Party or its property is subject; or (C) violate any applicable Laws; except with respect to any conflict, breach, contravention or violation (but not creation of Liens) referred to in clauses (B) and (C), to the extent that such conflict, breach, contravention or violation would not reasonably be expected to have, individually or in the aggregate, a Material Adverse Effect.

Section 5.03 Governmental Authorization; Other Consents. No material approval, consent, exemption, authorization, or other action by, or notice to, or filing with, any Governmental Authority or any other Person is necessary or required in connection with the execution, delivery or performance by any Loan Party of this Agreement or any other Loan Document, except for (i) filings or other actions necessary to perfect the Liens on the Collateral granted by the Loan Parties in favor of the Secured Parties, (ii) the approvals, consents, exemptions, authorizations, actions, notices and filings that have been duly obtained, taken, given or made and are in full force and effect (except to the extent not required to be obtained, taken, given or made or in full force and effect pursuant to the Collateral and Guarantee Requirement), (iii) those approvals, consents, exemptions, authorizations or other actions, notices or filings described in the Collateral Documents, and (iv) those approvals, consents, exemptions, authorizations or other actions, notices or filings, the failure of which to obtain or make would not reasonably be expected to have, individually or in the aggregate, a Material Adverse Effect.

Section 5.04 <u>Binding Effect</u>. This Agreement and each other Loan Document has been duly executed and delivered by each Loan Party that is a party thereto. This Agreement and each other Loan Document constitutes a legal, valid and binding obligation of each Loan Party, enforceable against each Loan Party that is party hereto and thereto in accordance with its respective terms, except as such enforceability may be limited by Debtor Relief Laws or other Laws affecting creditors' rights generally and by general principles of equity and principles of good faith and fair dealing.

Section 5.05 Financial Statements; No Material Adverse Effect. (a) The Annual Financial Statements and the Quarterly Financial Statements fairly present in all material respects the financial position of the Borrower and its Subsidiaries as of the dates thereof and their results of operations for the period covered thereby in accordance with GAAP consistently applied throughout the periods covered thereby, except as otherwise expressly noted therein (subject, in the case of the Quarterly Financial Statements to changes resulting from normal year-end adjustments and the absence of footnotes).

(b) Since May 8, 2023, there has been no event or circumstance, either individually or in the aggregate, that has had or would reasonably be expected to have a Material Adverse Effect.

Section 5.06 <u>Litigation</u>. There are no actions, suits, proceedings, claims, investigations or disputes pending or, to the knowledge of the Borrower, threatened in writing, at law, in equity, in arbitration or before any Governmental Authority, by or against the Borrower or any of the Subsidiaries or against any of their properties that would reasonably be expected to have, individually or in the aggregate, a Material Adverse Effect.

Section 5.07 <u>Labor Matters</u>. Except as would not reasonably be expected to have, individually or in the aggregate, a Material Adverse Effect, there are no strikes, lockouts or slowdowns against the Borrower or any Subsidiary pending or, to the knowledge of the Borrower, threatened.

Section 5.08 Ownership of Property; Liens. Each of the Borrower and the Subsidiaries has good record and indefeasible title in fee simple to, or valid leasehold interests in, or easements or other limited property interests in, all real property necessary in the ordinary conduct of its business, free and clear of all Liens except for Liens permitted by Section 7.01 and except where the failure to have such title or other property interests described above would not reasonably be expected to have, individually or in the aggregate, a Material Adverse Effect.

Section 5.09 Environmental Matters. (a) Except as would not reasonably be expected to have, individually or in the aggregate, a Material Adverse Effect, (i) the Borrower and the Subsidiaries are in compliance with all Environmental Laws in all jurisdictions in which the Borrower and each of the Subsidiaries, as the case may be, is currently doing business (including having obtained all Environmental Permits required for the operation of the business) and (ii) neither the Borrower nor any of the Subsidiaries is subject to any pending, or to the knowledge of the Borrower, threatened Environmental Claim or other Environmental Liability.

(b) Neither the Borrower nor any of the Subsidiaries has treated, stored, transported or disposed of Hazardous Materials at or from any of its current or former real estate or facilities in a manner that would reasonably be expected to have, individually or in the aggregate, a Material Adverse Effect.

Section 5.10 Taxes. Except as would not, either individually or in the aggregate, reasonably be expected to result in a Material Adverse Effect, the Borrower and the Subsidiaries have timely filed all federal and state and other Tax returns and reports required to be filed, and have timely paid all federal and state and other Taxes, assessments, fees and other governmental charges (including satisfying its withholding Tax obligations) levied or imposed on their properties, income or assets or otherwise due and payable, except those which are being contested in good faith by appropriate actions and for which adequate reserves have been provided in accordance with GAAP.

Section 5.11 ERISA Compliance. (a) (i) No ERISA Event has occurred or is reasonably expected to occur; (ii) no Pension Plan has failed to satisfy the minimum funding standards (within the meaning of Section 412 of the Code or Section 302 of ERISA) applicable to such Pension Plan; (iii) neither the Borrower nor any of its ERISA Affiliates has incurred, or reasonably expects to incur, any liability (and no event has occurred which, with the giving of notice under Section 4219 of ERISA, would result in such liability) under Section 4201 et seq. of ERISA with respect to a Multiemployer Plan; and (iv) neither the Borrower nor any of its ERISA Affiliates has engaged in a transaction that is subject to Section 4069 or Section 4212(c) of ERISA, except, with respect to each of the foregoing clauses of this Section 5.11(a), as would not reasonably be expected to have, individually or in the aggregate, a Material Adverse Effect.

(b) Except where noncompliance or the incurrence of a material obligation would not reasonably be expected to have, individually or in the aggregate, a Material Adverse Effect, each Foreign Plan has been maintained in substantial compliance with its terms and with the requirements of any and all applicable Laws, and neither the Borrower nor any Subsidiary has incurred any material obligation in connection with the termination of or withdrawal from any Foreign Plan.

Section 5.12 Subsidiaries. As of the Closing Date, (a) neither the Borrower nor any other Loan Party has any Subsidiaries other than those specifically disclosed on Schedule 5.12, (b) all of the outstanding Equity Interests in the Subsidiaries have been validly issued and are fully paid and (if applicable) nonassessable, and (c) all outstanding Equity Interests owned by the Borrower or any other Loan Party in any of their respective Subsidiaries are owned free and clear of all Liens of any Person except (x) to the extent permitted by the Collateral and Guarantee Requirement, (y) those created under the Collateral Documents and (z) any nonconsensual Lien that is permitted under Section 7.01. As of the Closing Date, Schedule 5.12 and Schedule 4 to the Perfection Certificate (a) sets forth the name and jurisdiction of each Subsidiary, (b) sets forth the ownership interest of the Borrower in each of its Subsidiaries, including the percentage of such ownership and (c) identifies each Subsidiary that is a Subsidiary the Equity Interests of which are required to be pledged on the Closing Date pursuant to the Collateral and Guarantee Requirement.

Section 5.13 Margin Regulations; Investment Company Act; Affected Financial Institutions. (a) As of the Closing Date, not more than 25% of the value of the Collateral of the Borrower and its Subsidiaries, on a consolidated basis, is Margin Stock. No Loan Party is engaged nor will it engage, principally or as one of its important activities, in the business of purchasing or carrying margin stock (within the meaning of Regulation U issued by the FRB), or extending credit for the purpose of purchasing or carrying margin stock, in each case, in a manner that would violate Regulation U, and no proceeds of any Borrowings will be used, directly or, to the knowledge of the Borrower and the Subsidiaries, indirectly for any purpose that violates Regulation U.

- (b) No Loan Party is an "investment company" as defined in the Investment Company Act of 1940.
- (c) No Loan Party is an Affected Financial Institution.

Section 5.14 <u>Disclosure</u>. No written information or written data furnished or concerning the Loan Parties that has been made available to any Agent or any Lender by or on behalf of any Loan Party in connection with the transactions contemplated hereby and the negotiation of this Agreement or delivered hereunder or under any other Loan Document (as modified or supplemented by other information so furnished), when taken as a whole, contains any untrue statement of a material fact or omit to state a material fact necessary in order to make the statements contained therein not materially misleading in light of the circumstances under which such statements were made (after giving effect to all supplements and updates thereto); provided, that (a) with respect to financial estimates, projected financial information, forecasts and other forward-looking information, the Borrower represents and warrants only that such information, when taken as a whole, was prepared in good faith based upon assumptions believed by the Borrower to be reasonable at the time of preparation and at the time such financial estimates, projected financial information, forecasts and other forward looking information are made available to any Agent or Lender; it being understood that (i) such projections are not to be viewed as facts, (ii) such projections are subject to significant uncertainties and contingencies, many of which are beyond the Borrower's control, (iii) no assurance can be given that any particular projections will be realized and (iv) actual results during the period or periods covered by any such projections may differ significantly from the projected results and such differences may be material and (b) no representation or warranty is made with respect to information of a general economic or general industry nature. As of the Closing Date, the information included in the Beneficial Ownership Certification, if applicable, is, to the knowledge of the Borrower, true and correct in all respects.

Section 5.15 Intellectual Property; Licenses, Etc. The Borrower and the Subsidiaries have good and marketable title to, or a valid license or right to use, all patents, patent rights, trademarks, service marks, trade names, copyrights, technology, software, know-how database rights, rights of privacy and publicity, licenses and other intellectual property rights (collectively, "IP Rights") that are necessary for the operation of their respective businesses as currently conducted, except where the failure to have any such rights, either individually or in the aggregate, would not reasonably be expected to have a Material Adverse Effect. The operation of the respective businesses of the Borrower or any of its Subsidiaries as currently conducted does not infringe upon, misuse, misappropriate or violate any rights held by any Person except for such infringements, misuses, misappropriations or violations that, either individually or in the aggregate, would not reasonably be expected to have a Material Adverse Effect (except that, with respect to patents, the foregoing representation is made to the knowledge of the Borrower). No claim or litigation regarding any IP Rights is pending or threatened in writing against the Borrower or any of its Subsidiaries, which, either individually or in the aggregate, could reasonably be expected to have a Material Adverse Effect.

Section 5.16 Solvency. On the Closing Date, after giving effect to the Transaction, the Borrower and its Subsidiaries, on a consolidated basis, are Solvent.

Section 5.17 <u>Use of Proceeds</u>. All proceeds of the Facilities shall be used as provided in <u>Section 6.17</u>.

Section 5.18 Compliance with Laws. Each Loan Party and each Subsidiary is in compliance with the requirements of all applicable Laws and all orders, writs, injunctions and decrees applicable to it or to its properties, except in such instances in which (i) such requirement of Law or order, writ, injunction or decree is being contested in good faith by appropriate actions diligently conducted or (ii) the failure to comply therewith could not reasonably be expected to have a Material Adverse Effect.

Section 5.19 Collateral Documents. Subject to the terms of Section 4.01 and except as otherwise contemplated hereby or under any other Loan Documents, the provisions of the Collateral Documents, together with such filings and other actions required to be taken hereby or by the applicable Collateral Documents (including the delivery to the Administrative Agent of any Pledged Debt and any Pledged Equity required to be delivered pursuant to the applicable Collateral Documents), are effective to create in favor of the Collateral Agent for the benefit of the Secured Parties a legal, valid, enforceable and, to the extent applicable under applicable Laws, perfected Lien on the Collateral with the ranking or priority required by the relevant Collateral Documents (subject to Liens permitted by Section 7.01) on all right, title and interest of the Borrower and the other applicable Loan Parties, respectively, in the Collateral described therein (other than such Collateral in which a security interest cannot be perfected under the Uniform Commercial Code or by possession or control).

Notwithstanding anything herein (including this Section 5.19) or in any other Loan Document to the contrary, neither the Borrower nor any other Loan Party makes any representation or warranty as to (A) the effects of perfection or non-perfection, the priority or the enforceability of any pledge of or security interest in any Equity Interests of any Subsidiary that is not a Loan Party, or as to the rights and remedies of the Agents or any Lender with respect thereto, under foreign Law, (B) the pledge or creation of any security interest, or the effects of perfection or non-perfection, the priority or the enforceability of any pledge of or security interest to the extent such pledge, security interest, perfection or priority is not required pursuant to the Collateral and Guarantee Requirement or (C) on the Closing Date and until required pursuant to Section 6.11, 6.13 or 4.01(a)(vi), the pledge or creation of any security interest, or the effects of perfection or non-perfection, the priority or enforceability of any pledge or security interest to the extent not required on the Closing Date pursuant to Section 4.01(a)(vi).

Section 5.20 Anti-Money Laundering Laws; Anti-Corruption Laws; Ex-Im Laws; Sanctions.

- (a) Each of the Borrower and the Subsidiaries and, to the knowledge of the Borrower, each director, officer, agent, employee and controlled Affiliate of the Borrower and the Subsidiaries has been for the past five years in compliance in all material respects, and is in compliance, with Anti-Money Laundering Laws.
- (b) Each of the Borrower and the Subsidiaries and, to the knowledge of the Borrower, each director, officer, agent, employee and controlled Affiliate of the Borrower and the Subsidiaries has been for the past five years in compliance in all material respects, and is in compliance, with the U.S. Foreign Corrupt Practices Act of 1977, as amended, and the rules and regulations thereunder; the U.K. Bribery Act 2010, and the rules and regulations thereunder; and all other Laws of any jurisdiction applicable to the Borrower or any of its Subsidiaries from time to time concerning or relating to bribery or corruption (collectively, "Anti-Corruption Laws").
- (c) None of the Borrower or any of the Subsidiaries nor any director, officer, employee or controlled Affiliate, nor, to the knowledge of Borrower, any agent, of the Borrower or any of the Subsidiaries, is currently the subject of any economic or financial sanctions or trade embargoes or similar restrictions imposed, administered or enforced from time to time by (a) the U.S. government, including those administered by the Office of Foreign Assets Control of the U.S. Department of the Treasury, the U.S. Department of State or the U.S. Department of Commerce, or (b) the United Nations Security Council, the European Union, any European Union member state, United Kingdom (including His Majesty's Treasury of the United Kingdom), Canada, the federal government of Australia or New Zealand (collectively, "Sanctions") or is a Sanctioned Person. Each of the Borrower and the Subsidiaries and each director, officer, agent, employee and controlled Affiliate of the Borrower and the Subsidiaries, has been for the past five years in compliance in all material respects, and is in compliance, with all Sanctions and Ex-Im Laws. Neither the Borrower nor any of its Subsidiaries or Controlled Affiliates (a) has assets located in, or otherwise directly or indirectly derives revenues from or engages in, investments, dealings, activities, or transactions with, any Sanctioned Country; or (b) directly or indirectly derives revenues from or engages in investments, dealings, activities, or

(d) There has not been during the past five years, and there is no, pending or threatened action, suit, proceeding or investigation before any court or other Governmental Authority against the Borrower or any of its Subsidiaries, or any of their respective directors, officers, agents, employees and controlled Affiliates, or any informal or formal investigation by Borrower or any of its Subsidiaries or any of their Controlled Affiliates, or their respective legal or other representatives or a Governmental Authority involving the foregoing, that relates to a potential or actual violation of Anti-Corruption Laws, Anti-Money Laundering Laws, Ex-Im Laws or Sanctions; nor does a basis for any such claim exist; *provided* that, the foregoing representation is limited to Borrower's knowledge with respect to any agents of the Borrower and its Subsidiaries.

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So long as any Lender shall have any Commitment hereunder or any Loan or other Obligation hereunder (other than (i) contingent indemnification obligations as to which no claim has been asserted and (ii) Obligations under Secured Hedge Agreements and Obligations under Secured Cash Management Agreements) shall remain unpaid or unsatisfied, the Borrower shall, and shall (except in the case of the covenants set forth in Section 6.01, Section 6.02, Section 6.03 and Section 6.15) cause each of the Subsidiaries to:

Section 6.01 Financial Statements. Deliver to the Administrative Agent for prompt further distribution, subject to Section 10.07(1), to each Lender each of the following and shall take the following actions:

(a) within one hundred twenty (120) days after the end of each fiscal year of the Borrower (commencing with the fiscal year of the Borrower ending December 31, 2023), a consolidated balance sheet of the Borrower and its Subsidiaries as of the end of such fiscal year, and the related consolidated statements of income or operations, stockholders' equity and cash flows for such fiscal year together with related notes thereto, setting forth in each case in comparative form the figures for the previous fiscal year, all in reasonable detail and prepared in accordance with GAAP, audited and accompanied by an opinion of an independent registered public accounting firm of nationally recognized standing, which opinion shall be prepared in accordance with generally accepted auditing standards and shall not be subject to any "going concern" or like qualification or exception or any qualification or exception as to the scope of such audit (other than as may be required as a result of (x) a prospective default or event of default with respect to any financial covenant, (y) an actual Default with respect to the financial covenant set forth in Section 7.11 or (z) the impending maturity of the Loans, any Incremental Equivalent Debt and Refinancing Equivalent Debt);

(b) within forty-five (45) days after the end of each of the first three (3) fiscal quarters of each fiscal year of the Borrower (commencing with the fiscal quarter ending June 30, 2023), a consolidated balance sheet of the Borrower and its Subsidiaries as of the end of such fiscal quarter, and the related (i) consolidated statements of income or operations for such fiscal quarter and for the portion of the fiscal year then ended and (ii) consolidated statements of cash flows for the portion of the fiscal year then ended, setting forth in each case in comparative form the figures for the corresponding fiscal quarter of the previous fiscal year (in the case of consolidated statements of income or operations) and the corresponding portion of the previous fiscal year, all in reasonable detail and certified by a Responsible Officer of the Borrower as fairly presenting in all material respects the financial position, results of operations and cash flows of the Borrower and its Subsidiaries in accordance with GAAP, subject only to normal year-end audit adjustments and the absence of footnotes;

(c) within one hundred twenty (120) days after the end of each fiscal year (beginning with the fiscal year of the Borrower ending December 31, 2023), a consolidated budget for the then-current fiscal year as customarily prepared by management of the Borrower and setting forth the material underlying assumptions based on which such consolidated budget was prepared (including projected consolidated balance sheet of the Borrower and its Subsidiaries as of the end of each calendar month in the then-current fiscal year and the related consolidated statements of projected operations or income and projected cash flow, which projected financial statements shall be prepared in good faith on the basis of assumptions believed to be reasonable at the time of preparation of such projected financial statements, it being understood that actual results may vary from such projections and that such variations may be material); and

(d) within 30 days after the end of each of the first two (2) calendar months of each fiscal quarter (commencing with the month ending July 31, 2023), a consolidated balance sheet of the Borrower and its Subsidiaries as of the end of such month, and the related (i) consolidated statements of income or operations for such month and for the portion of the fiscal year then ended and (ii) consolidated statements of cash flows for such month and for the portion of the fiscal year then ended, setting forth in each case in comparative form the figures for the corresponding fiscal quarter of the previous fiscal year (in the case of consolidated statements of income or operations), all in reasonable detail and certified by a Responsible Officer of the Borrower as fairly presenting in all material respects the financial position, results of operations and cash flows of the Borrower and its Subsidiaries in accordance with GAAP, subject only to normal year-end audit adjustments and the absence of footnotes; *provided* the Borrower shall be permitted to deliver such monthly consolidated financial statements for each month ending January 31st simultaneously with the delivery of monthly consolidated financial statements for each month ending February 28th (or 29th, as applicable); and

(e) within ten (10) Business Days after the calendar month in which Liquidity on any Compliance Date was less than \$45,000,000, a 13-week cash flow forecast of Borrower and its Subsidiaries in form and substance reasonably satisfactory to the Administrative Agent (it being understood that form delivered to the Lenders on or prior to the Closing Date is satisfactory).

Notwithstanding the foregoing, the obligations in <u>clauses (a)</u> and <u>(b)</u> of this <u>Section 6.01</u> may be satisfied with respect to financial information of the Borrower and its Subsidiaries by furnishing (A) the applicable financial statements of any Permitted Parent or (B) the Borrower's or such entity's Form 10-K or 10-Q, as applicable, filed with the SEC; *provided* that, with respect to each of <u>clauses (A)</u> and <u>(B)</u>, (i) to the extent such information relates to a parent of the Borrower, such information is accompanied by an internally prepared management summary of consolidating information that explains in reasonable detail the differences between the information relating to such parent and its Subsidiaries on a consolidated basis, on the one hand, and the information relating to the Borrower and the Subsidiaries on a consolidated basis, on the other hand and (ii) to the extent such information is in lieu of information required to be provided under <u>Section 6.01(a)</u>, such materials are accompanied by an opinion of an independent registered public accounting firm of nationally recognized standing, which opinion shall be prepared in accordance with generally accepted auditing standards and shall not be subject to any "going concern" or like qualification or exception or any qualification or exception as to the scope of such audit (other than as may be required as a result of (x) a prospective default or event of default with respect to any financial covenant, (y) an actual Default with respect to the financial covenant set forth in <u>Section 7.11</u> or (z) the impending maturity of the Loans, any Incremental Equivalent Debt, Refinancing Equivalent Debt and any other Indebtedness having an aggregate principal amount in excess of the Threshold Amount).

Any financial statements required to be delivered pursuant to <u>Sections 6.01(a)</u> or <u>(b)</u> shall not be required to contain purchase accounting adjustments relating to any acquisition to the extent it is not practicable to include any such adjustments in such financial statements.

Section 6.02 Certificates; Other Information. Deliver to the Administrative Agent for prompt further distribution to each Lender:

- (a) no later than (i) five (5) days after the delivery of the financial statements referred to in Sections 6.01(a), (b) and (d), a duly completed Compliance Certificate and (ii) (x) five (5) Business Days after the applicable Monthly Compliance Date, (y) five (5) Business Days after November 15, 2023 and (z) two (2) Business Days after December 10, 2023, in each case, (A) for purposes of measuring Liquidity, a cash report as of the Compliance Date setting forth the amount of Liquidity and identifying the institutions at which such Liquidity is held and the amount held at each institution, and (B) for any applicable period in which a voluntary prepayment of the Loans using Additional Cash was made pursuant to Section 2.05(a), a calculation of Additional Cash, as certified by a Responsible Officer of the Borrower;
- (b) promptly after the same are publicly available, copies of all annual, regular, periodic and special reports, proxy statements and registration statements which the Borrower or any Subsidiary files with the SEC or with any similar Governmental Authority that may be substituted therefor or with any national securities exchange, as the case may be (other than amendments to any registration statement (to the extent such registration statement, in the form it became effective, is delivered to the Administrative Agent), exhibits to any registration statement and, if applicable, any registration statement on Form S-8), and in any case not otherwise required to be delivered to the Administrative Agent pursuant to any other provision of this Article VI;
- (c) promptly after the furnishing thereof, copies of any material statements or material reports furnished to any holder of any class or series of debt securities of any Loan Party having an aggregate outstanding principal amount greater than the Threshold Amount, so long as the aggregate outstanding principal amount thereunder is greater than the Threshold Amount and not otherwise required to be furnished to the Administrative Agent pursuant to any other provision of this Article VI;
- (d) together with the delivery of a Compliance Certificate with respect to the financial statements referred to in $\underline{Section 6.01(a)}$, (i) a report setting forth the information required by Section 3.03(c) of the Security Agreement (or confirming that there has been no change in such information since the Closing Date or the date of the last such report) and (ii) a list of each Subsidiary of the Borrower as of the date of delivery of such Compliance Certificate or a confirmation that there is no change in such information since the later of the Closing Date and the date of the last such list; and
- (e) promptly such additional financial information regarding any Loan Party or any Subsidiary as the Administrative Agent may from time to time on its own behalf or on behalf of any Lender reasonably request; *provided* that such financial information is otherwise prepared by such Loan Party in the ordinary course of business and is of a type customarily provided to lenders in similar syndicated credit facilities; *provided further*, that none of the Borrower or any of the Subsidiaries will be required to disclose, permit the inspection, examination or making copies or abstracts of, or discussion of, any document, information or other matter that (i) constitutes non-financial trade secrets, (ii) in respect of which disclosure to the Administrative Agent or any Lender (or their respective representatives or contractors) is prohibited by Law or any binding agreement with any third party or (iii) is subject to attorney-client or similar privilege or constitutes attorney work product; *provided* that, to the extent legally permissible, the Borrower shall notify the Administrative Agent that any such document, information or other matter is being withheld pursuant to <u>clauses (e)(i)</u>, (e)(ii) or (e)(iii) or this <u>Section 6.02</u> and shall use commercially reasonable efforts to communicate, to the extent permitted, the applicable information in a way that would not violate such restrictions and to eliminate such restrictions.

Documents certificates, other information and notices required to be delivered pursuant to Section 6.01 and 6.02(b) and (c) may be delivered electronically and if so delivered, shall be deemed to have been delivered on the date (i) on which the Borrower (or any Permitted Parent) posts such documents, or provides a link thereto on its website on the Internet at the website address listed on Schedule 10.02; or (ii) on which such documents are delivered by the Borrower (or any Permitted Parent) (including by facsimile or electronic mail) to the Administrative Agent or its designee for posting) on the Borrower's behalf on Intralinks®, Syndtrak® or another relevant website, if any, to which each Lender and the Administrative Agent have access (whether a commercial, third-party website or whether sponsored by the Administrative Agent); or (iii) with respect to the items required to be delivered pursuant to Section 6.02(b) above in respect of information filed by the Borrower or any Subsidiary with any securities exchange or the SEC or any governmental or private regulatory authority (other than Form 10-K and 10-Q reports satisfying the requirements in Sections 6.01(a) and (b) respectively), such items have been made available on the website of such exchange authority or the SEC; provided that: (A) upon written request by the Administrative Agent, the Borrower shall deliver paper (which may be electronic copies delivered via electronic mail) copies of such documents to the Administrative Agent for further distribution to each Lender until a written request to cease delivering paper copies is given by the Administrative Agent on behalf of such Lender and (B) other than with respect to items required to be delivered pursuant to Section 6.02(b) above, the Borrower (or any Permitted Parent) shall notify (which may be by facsimile or electronic mail) the Administrative Agent of the posting of any such documents and provide to the Administrative Agent by electronic mail electronic versions (i.e., soft copies) of such documents. Each Lender shall be solely responsible for timely accessing posted documents or requesting delivery of paper copies of such documents from the Administrative Agent and maintaining its copies of such documents.

The Borrower hereby acknowledges that (a) the Administrative Agent and/or the Lead Arranger will make available to the Lenders materials and/or information provided by or on behalf of the Borrower hereunder (collectively, "Borrower Materials") by posting the Borrower Materials on Intralinks®, Syndtrak® or another similar electronic system (the "Platform") and (b) certain of the Lenders (each, a "Public Lender") may have personnel who do not wish to receive material non-public information (within the meaning of the United States federal securities laws) with respect to the Borrower or its Affiliates, or the respective securities of any of the foregoing, and who may be engaged in investment and other market-related activities with respect to such Persons' securities. The Borrower hereby agrees that it will identify that portion of the Borrower Materials that may be distributed to the Public Lenders and that (w) all such Borrower Materials that are to be made available to Public Lenders shall be clearly and conspicuously marked "PUBLIC," which, at a minimum, shall mean that the word "PUBLIC" shall appear prominently on the first page thereof, (x) by marking Borrower Materials "PUBLIC," the Borrower shall be deemed to have authorized the Administrative Agent, the Lead Arranger and the Lenders to treat such Borrower Materials as either information that is publicly available (or could be derived from publicly available information) or not material information (although it may be confidential, sensitive and proprietary) with respect to such Person or its securities for purposes of United States federal securities laws (provided, however, that to the extent such Borrower Materials constitute Information, they shall be treated as set forth in Section 10.08); and (y) all Borrower Materials specifically marked "PUBLIC" are permitted to be made available through a portion of the Platform designated "Public Lender". Notwithstanding the foregoing, the Borrower shall be under no obligation to mark any Borrower Materials "PUBL

Section 6.03 Notices. Promptly after a Responsible Officer obtains actual knowledge thereof, notify the Administrative Agent:

(a) of the occurrence of any Event of Default; and

(b) of (i) any dispute, litigation, investigation or proceeding between the Borrower or any Subsidiary and any arbitrator or Governmental Authority, (ii) the filing or commencement of, or any material development in, any litigation or proceeding affecting the Borrower or any Subsidiary or any Subsidiary, including pursuant to any applicable Environmental Laws or in respect of IP Rights, the occurrence of any non-compliance by the Borrower or any Subsidiary or any of its Subsidiaries with, or liability under, any Environmental Law or Environmental Permit, or (iii) the occurrence of any ERISA Event or with respect to a Foreign Plan, a termination, withdrawal or noncompliance with applicable Laws or plan terms that, in any such case referred to in clauses (i), (ii) or (iii), has resulted or would reasonably be expected to result in a Material Adverse Effect.

Each notice pursuant to this Section 6.03 shall be accompanied by a written statement of a Responsible Officer of the Borrower (x) that such notice is being delivered pursuant to Sections 6.03(a) or (b) (as applicable) and (y) setting forth details of the occurrence referred to therein and stating what action the Borrower has taken and proposes to take with respect thereto.

Section 6.04 <u>Payment of Obligations</u>. Timely pay, discharge or otherwise satisfy, as the same shall become due and payable, all of its obligations and liabilities in respect of Taxes imposed upon it or upon its income or profits or in respect of its property, except, in each case, to the extent (i) any such Tax is being contested in good faith and by appropriate actions for which appropriate reserves have been established in accordance with GAAP or (ii) the failure to pay or discharge the same would not reasonably be expected, individually or in the aggregate, to have a Material Adverse Effect.

Section 6.05 Preservation of Existence, Etc.. (a) Preserve, renew and maintain in full force and effect its legal existence under the Laws of the jurisdiction of its organization or incorporation and (b) take all reasonable action to obtain, preserve, renew and keep in full force and effect those of its rights (including its good standing where applicable in the relevant jurisdiction and IP Rights), licenses, permits, privileges, and franchises, which are material to the conduct of its business, except in the case of <u>clause (a)</u> or <u>(b)</u> to the extent (x) (other than with respect to the preservation of the existence of the Borrower) that failure to do so would not reasonably be expected to have, individually or in the aggregate, a Material Adverse Effect or (y) pursuant to any merger, amalgamation, consolidation, liquidation, dissolution or Disposition permitted by <u>Article VII</u>.

Section 6.06 <u>Maintenance of Properties</u>. Except if the failure to do so would not reasonably be expected to have, individually or in the aggregate, a Material Adverse Effect, maintain, preserve and protect all of its material properties and equipment necessary in the operation of its business in good working order, repair and condition, ordinary wear and tear excepted and casualty or condemnation excepted.

Section 6.07 Maintenance of Insurance.

(a) Maintain with insurance companies that the Borrower believes (in the good faith judgment of its management) are financially sound and reputable at the time the relevant coverage is placed or renewed or with a Captive Insurance Subsidiary, insurance with respect to its properties and business against loss or damage, of such types and in such amounts as reasonably determined in good faith by the management of the Borrower as appropriate for the business of the Borrower and its Subsidiaries (after giving effect to any self-insurance reasonable and customary for similarly situated Persons as reasonably determined in good faith by the management of the Borrower as appropriate for the business of the Borrower and its Subsidiaries), and will furnish to the Lenders, upon reasonable written request from the Administrative Agent, information presented in reasonable detail as to the insurance so carried. The

Borrower shall use commercially reasonable efforts to ensure that each such policy of insurance (other than business interruption insurance (if any), director and officer insurance and worker's compensation insurance) shall, unless otherwise agreed by the Administrative Agent, as appropriate, (i) name the Collateral Agent, on behalf of the Secured Parties, as an additional insured thereunder as its interests may appear and/or (ii) in the case of each casualty insurance policy, contain a loss payable clause or endorsement that names the Collateral Agent, on behalf of the Secured Parties, as the loss payee thereunder (in the case of property insurance with respect to the Collateral).

(b) If any portion of any Material Real Property that is subject to a Mortgage is at any time located in an area identified by the Federal Emergency Management Agency (or any successor agency) as a special flood hazard area with respect to which flood insurance has been made available under the Flood Insurance Laws, then the Borrower shall, or shall cause the applicable Loan Party to, (i) maintain, or cause to be maintained, with a financially sound and reputable insurer, flood insurance in an amount and otherwise sufficient to comply with all applicable rules and regulations promulgated pursuant to the Flood Insurance Laws and (ii) deliver to the Administrative Agent evidence of such compliance in form and substance reasonably acceptable to the Administrative Agent.

Section 6.08 Compliance with Laws. Comply in all material respects with its Organization Documents and the requirements of all Laws (including without limitation the Laws referred to in Section 5.20) and all orders, writs, injunctions and decrees of any Governmental Authority applicable to it or to its business or property, and have appropriate controls and safeguards in place designed to prevent any proceeds of any Loans from being used contrary to the representations and undertakings set forth herein, except, in each case, in instances in which (i) such requirement of Law, order, writ, injunction or decree is being contested in good faith by appropriate actions diligently conducted or (ii) the failure to comply therewith (or the failure to maintain such policies or procedures or have such appropriate controls) would not reasonably be expected individually or in the aggregate to have a Material Adverse Effect.

Section 6.09 Books and Records. Maintain proper books of record and account, in which entries that are full, true and correct in all material respects and are in conformity with GAAP in all material respects shall be made of all material financial transactions and matters involving the assets and business of the Loan Parties, as the case may be in a manner that permits preparation of the financial statements in accordance with GAAP (it being understood and agreed that certain Foreign Subsidiaries may maintain additional individual books and records in a manner that permits preparation of its financial statements in accordance with the generally accepted accounting principles that are applicable in their respective jurisdictions of organization and that such maintenance shall not constitute a breach of the representations, warranties or covenants hereunder).

Section 6.10 Inspection Rights. Permit representatives and independent contractors of the Administrative Agent to visit and inspect any of its properties, to examine its corporate, financial and operating records, and make copies thereof or abstracts therefrom (other than the records of the Board of Directors of such Loan Party or such Subsidiary), and to discuss its affairs, finances and accounts with its directors, officers, and independent public accountants (subject to such accountants' customary policies and procedures), all at the reasonable expense of the Borrower and at such reasonable times during normal business hours and as often as may be reasonably desired, upon reasonable advance notice to the Borrower; *provided* that, only the Administrative Agent on behalf of the Lenders may exercise rights of the Administrative Agent and the Lenders under this Section 6.10 and the Administrative Agent shall not exercise such rights more often than one (1) time during any calendar year absent the existence of an Event of Default and such one (1) time shall be at the Borrower's expense (it being understood that unless an Event of Default has occurred and is continuing, the Administrative Agent shall only visit locations where books and records and/or senior officers are located); *provided*, *further*, that when an Event of Default exists, the Administrative Agent (or any of its respective representatives or independent contractors) on

behalf of the Lenders may do any of the foregoing at the expense of the Borrower at any time during normal business hours and upon reasonable advance notice. The Administrative Agent shall give the Borrower the opportunity to participate in any discussions with the Borrower's independent public accountants. Notwithstanding anything to the contrary in this Section 6.10, none of the Borrower or any of the Subsidiaries will be required to disclose, permit the inspection, examination or making copies or abstracts of, or discussion of, any document, information or other matter that (a) constitutes non-financial trade secrets, (b) in respect of which disclosure to the Administrative Agent or any Lender (or their respective representatives or contractors) is prohibited by Law or any binding agreement with any third party or (c) is subject to attorney-client or similar privilege or constitutes attorney work product; *provided* that, to the extent legally permissible, the Borrower shall notify the Administrative Agent that any such document, information or other matter is being withheld pursuant to clauses (a), (b) or (c) of this Section 6.10 and shall use commercially reasonable efforts to communicate, to the extent permitted, the applicable information in a way that would not violate such restrictions and to eliminate such restrictions.

Section 6.11 Covenant to Guarantee Obligations and Give Security. From and after the Closing Date, at the Borrower's expense, in accordance with and subject to the terms, conditions, and limitations of Collateral and Guarantee Requirement and any applicable limitation in any Collateral Document, take all action necessary or reasonably requested by the Administrative Agent or the Collateral Agent to ensure that the Collateral and Guarantee Requirement continues to be satisfied, including:

- (a) upon the formation, incorporation or acquisition of any new direct or indirect wholly owned Subsidiary (in each case, other than an Excluded Subsidiary) by any Loan Party or upon any wholly owned Subsidiary ceasing to be an Excluded Subsidiary:
 - (i) within the later of forty-five (45) days (or ninety (90) days in the case of any item or deliverable with respect to Material Real Property and subject to the limitations set forth in Section 6.13(b)) or the date of delivery of the Compliance Certificate for any fiscal quarter in which such formation, incorporation, acquisition or designation occurred (or, in each case, such longer period as the Administrative Agent may agree to in its reasonable discretion (provided that any extension beyond thirty (30) days from the initial due date shall be at the direction of the Required Lenders)) after such formation, incorporation, acquisition or designation:
 - (1) cause each such Subsidiary that is required to become a Guarantor under the Collateral and Guarantee Requirement to furnish to the Collateral Agent a description of the Material Real Properties owned by such Subsidiary in detail reasonably satisfactory to the Collateral Agent;
 - (2) cause each such Subsidiary that is required to become a Guarantor pursuant to the Collateral and Guarantee Requirement to duly execute and deliver to the Collateral Agent Mortgages with respect to any Material Real Property, joinders to the Guaranty, Security Agreement Supplements, Intellectual Property Security Agreements and other security agreements and documents (including, with respect to Mortgages, the documents listed in Section 6.13(b) and subject to the limitation set forth therein) required by the Collateral Documents or, as reasonably requested by and in form and substance reasonably satisfactory to the Collateral Agent (consistent with the Security Agreement, Intellectual Property Security Agreements and other Collateral Documents in effect on the Closing Date), in each case granting Liens required by the Collateral and Guarantee Requirement;

(3) cause each such Subsidiary that is required to become a Guarantor pursuant to the Collateral and Guarantee Requirement to deliver any and all certificates representing Equity Interests, Certificated Marketable Security (as defined in the Australian General Security Deed) or Secured Property (as defined in the Australian General Security Deed) (to the extent certificated and required to be delivered pursuant to the Collateral Document under which a security interest has been granted over such Equity Interests, including the Australian Security Agreements) that are required to be pledged pursuant to the Collateral and Guarantee Requirement, accompanied by undated stock powers, blank transfer forms or other appropriate instruments of transfer executed in blank and instruments evidencing the intercompany Indebtedness held by such Subsidiary and required to be pledged pursuant to the Collateral Documents, indorsed in blank to the Collateral Agent;

(4) take and cause the applicable Subsidiary and each direct or indirect parent of such applicable Subsidiary that is required to become a Guarantor pursuant to the Collateral and Guarantee Requirement to take whatever action (including the recording of Mortgages, the filing of financing statements under the Uniform Commercial Code, Australian PPSA Law or other applicable Laws and other applicable registration forms and filing statements, and delivery of stock and membership interest certificates to the extent certificated) as may be necessary in the reasonable opinion of the Administrative Agent to vest in the Collateral Agent (or in any representative of the Collateral Agent designated by it) valid, enforceable and, to the extent applicable under applicable Laws, perfected (to the extent required by the Collateral and Guarantee Requirement and the Collateral Documents) Liens required by the Collateral and Guarantee Requirement, enforceable against all third parties in accordance with their terms, except as such enforceability may be limited by Debtor Relief Laws and by general principles of equity (regardless of whether enforcement is sought in equity or at law);

(ii) within (45) days (or ninety (90) days in the case of any opinion with respect to Material Real Property and subject to the limitations set forth in Section 6.13(b)) (or, in each case, such longer period as the Administrative Agent may agree to in its reasonable discretion (provided that any extension beyond thirty (30) days from the initial due date shall be at the direction of the Required Lenders) and, in any event, not prior to the date of delivery of the Compliance Certificate for any fiscal quarter in which such formation, incorporation, acquisition or designation occurred) after the reasonable request, if any, therefor by the Administrative Agent, deliver to the Administrative Agent as signed copy of an opinion, addressed to the Administrative Agent and the other Secured Parties, of counsel for the Loan Parties reasonably acceptable to the Administrative Agent as to such matters set forth in this Section 6.11(a) as the Administrative Agent may reasonably request;

(b) (i) to the extent not executed and delivered on the Closing Date, execute and deliver or cause to be executed and delivered the Collateral Documents, Guarantees and such other documents which the Collateral Agent may reasonably require to carry out the terms and conditions of this Agreement and the other Loan Documents and to ensure perfection and priority of the Liens created or intended to be created by the Collateral Documents, including, but not limited to, the documents set forth on Schedule 1.01B on or prior to the dates corresponding to such Collateral Documents, Guarantees and other documents set forth on Schedule 1.01B or such longer period as the Administrative Agent may agree to in its reasonable discretion (provided that any extension beyond thirty (30) days from the initial due date shall be at the direction of the Required Lenders); and

(ii) after the Closing Date, promptly after the acquisition of any Material Real Property by any Loan Party, and to the extent such Material Real Property shall not already be subject to a valid, enforceable and, to the extent applicable under applicable Law, perfected Lien pursuant to the Collateral and Guarantee Requirement, the Borrower shall give notice thereof to the Collateral Agent and will take, or cause the relevant Loan Party to take the actions referred to in <u>Section 6.13(b)</u>.

- (c) Within sixty (60) days after the Closing Date (or such longer period as agreed to in writing by the Collateral Agent (provided that any extension beyond thirty (30) days from the initial due date shall be at the direction of the Required Lenders)), the Loan Parties shall, (i) with respect to each deposit account or securities account (other than Excluded Accounts) located in a state of the United States or the District of Columbia, deliver to the Collateral Agent a Control Agreement with respect to such deposit account or securities account and (ii) for the Loan Parties which are Foreign Subsidiaries incorporated or otherwise organized under the laws of an Additional Asset Jurisdiction, take steps as required by the Collateral Documents or that are otherwise necessary or desirable in accordance with applicable local law requirements or customary market practice in the relevant jurisdiction where the account is located to make such accounts of the Loan Parties subject to a Control Agreement but only to the extent such Control Agreement is required in such jurisdiction to achieve perfection over such deposit account or securities account; provided that, to the extent a Control Agreement is not required in such jurisdiction to achieve perfection over such deposit or securities account, the applicable Loan Party shall use commercially reasonable efforts to cause the financial institution or other Person at which such account is maintained to acknowledge that the Collateral Agent has a perfected security interest in such account and shall take direction from the Collateral Agent with respect to such account upon notice from the Collateral Agent that an Event of Default has occurred.
- (d) Within sixty (60) days after the Closing Date or such longer period as the Administrative Agent may agree to in its reasonable discretion (provided that any extension beyond thirty (30) days from the initial due date shall be at the direction of the Required Lenders), the Borrower shall take all necessary actions to (and shall procure that each Australian Loan Party will) complete a "whitewash" process in accordance with section 260B of the Australian Corporations Act in respect of the Loan Documents to which the Borrower and/or the Australian Loan Parties will be a party to and the transactions contemplated thereunder.
- **Section 6.12** Compliance with Environmental Laws. Except, in each case, to the extent that the failure to do so would not reasonably be expected to have, individually or in the aggregate, a Material Adverse Effect, comply, and take all reasonable actions to cause any lessees and other Persons operating or occupying its properties to comply with all applicable Environmental Laws and Environmental Permits.
- **Section 6.13** <u>Further Assurances</u>. Subject to the provisions and limitations of the Collateral and Guarantee Requirement and any applicable limitations in any Collateral Document and in each case at the expense of the Borrower:
- (a) Promptly upon reasonable request by the Administrative Agent or the Collateral Agent or as may be required by applicable Laws (i) correct any material defect or error that may be discovered in the execution, acknowledgment, filing or recordation of any Collateral Document or other document or instrument relating to any Collateral and (ii) do, execute, acknowledge, deliver, record, re-record, file, re-file, register and re-register any and all such further acts, deeds, certificates, assurances and other instruments as the Administrative Agent or Collateral Agent may reasonably request from time to time in order to carry out more effectively the purposes of the Collateral Documents.
- (b) In the case of any Material Real Property acquired after the Closing Date by any Loan Party, provide the Collateral Agent with a Mortgage in respect of such Material Real Property within ninety (90) days (or such longer period as the Administrative Agent may agree in its sole discretion (provided that any extension beyond thirty (30) days from the initial due date shall be at the direction of the Required Lenders)) of the acquisition of such Material Real Property in each case together with:

- (i) evidence that counterparts of the Mortgages have been duly executed, acknowledged and delivered and are in form suitable for filing or recording in all filing or recording offices that the Collateral Agent may deem reasonably necessary or desirable in order to create a valid, enforceable and, to the extent applicable under applicable Laws, perfected Lien on such Material Real Property in favor of the Collateral Agent for the benefit of the Secured Parties and that all filing and recording taxes and fees have been paid or otherwise provided for in a manner reasonably satisfactory to the Collateral Agent;
- (ii) fully paid American Land Title Association Lender's Extended Coverage title insurance policies or the equivalent or other form available in each applicable jurisdiction (the "Mortgage Policies") in form and substance, with endorsements available in the applicable jurisdiction and in amount, reasonably acceptable to the Collateral Agent (not to exceed the value of the real properties covered thereby), issued, coinsured and reinsured by title insurers reasonably acceptable to the Collateral Agent, insuring the Mortgages to be valid subsisting Liens on the real property described therein in the ranking or the priority of which it is expressed to have within the Mortgage Policies, subject only to Liens permitted by Section 7.01, and providing for such other affirmative insurance (including endorsements for future advances under the Loan Documents) and such coinsurance and direct access reinsurance as the Collateral Agent may reasonably request and is available in the applicable jurisdiction;
- (iii) to the extent reasonably requested by the Administrative Agent, opinions of local counsel for the Loan Parties in states in which such Material Real Property is located, with respect to the due execution and authority, enforceability and perfection of the Mortgages and any related fixture filings in form and substance reasonably satisfactory to the Administrative Agent;
- (iv) a completed "Life-of-Loan" Federal Emergency Management Agency flood hazard determination with respect to each Material Real Property (together with a notice about special flood hazard area status and flood disaster assistance duly executed by the Borrower and the applicable Loan Party relating thereto) and, if such Material Real Property is located in a special flood hazard area, evidence of flood insurance in accordance with Section 6.07(b);
- (v) as promptly as practicable after the reasonable request therefor by the Administrative Agent or the Collateral Agent, surveys and Phase I type environmental assessment reports and appraisals (if required under FIRREA), flood certifications under Regulation H of the FRB (together with evidence of federal flood insurance for any such property located in a flood hazard area); *provided* that the Administrative Agent may in its reasonable discretion accept any such existing report or survey to the extent prepared as of a date reasonably satisfactory to the Administrative Agent; provided, however, that there shall be no obligation to deliver to the Administrative Agent any environmental site assessment report whose disclosure to the Administrative Agent would require the consent of a Person other than the Borrower or one of its Subsidiaries, where, despite the commercially reasonable efforts of the Borrower to obtain such consent, such consent cannot be obtained; and
- (vi) such other evidence that all other actions that the Administrative Agent or Collateral Agent may reasonably deem necessary or desirable in order to create valid and subsisting Liens on the real property described in the Mortgages has been taken.
- (c) Upon the formation or incorporation of a Permitted Parent, cause such Permitted Parent to, subject to <u>clause (ii)</u> below, within forty-five (45) days (or ninety (90) days in the case of any item or deliverable with respect to Material Real Property and subject to the limitations set forth in <u>Section 6.13(b)</u>) after such formation or incorporation:

(i) duly execute and deliver to the Collateral Agent Mortgages with respect to any Material Real Property, joinders to the Guaranty, Security Agreement Supplements, Intellectual Property Security Agreements and other security agreements and documents (including, with respect to Mortgages, the documents listed in Section 6.13(b) and subject to the limitation set forth therein) required by the Collateral Documents or, as reasonably requested by and in form and substance reasonably satisfactory to the Collateral Agent (consistent with the Security Agreement, Intellectual Property Security Agreements and other Collateral Documents in effect on the Closing Date), in each case granting Liens required by the Collateral and Guarantee Requirement;

(ii) notwithstanding the foregoing, within fifteen (15) days after such formation or incorporation, pledge to the Collateral Agent, for the benefit of the Secured Parties, 100% of the Equity Interests of the Borrower and deliver any and all certificates representing such Equity Interests, accompanied by undated stock powers or other appropriate instruments of transfer executed in blank; and

(iii) take whatever action (including the recording of Mortgages, the filing of financing statements under the Uniform Commercial Code, Australian PPSA Law or other applicable Laws and other applicable registration forms and filing statements, and delivery of stock and membership interest certificates to the extent certificated) as may be necessary in the reasonable opinion of the Administrative Agent to vest in the Collateral Agent (or in any representative of the Collateral Agent designated by it) valid, enforceable and, to the extent applicable under applicable Laws, perfected (to the extent required by the Collateral and Guarantee Requirement and the Collateral Documents) Liens required by the Collateral and Guarantee Requirement, enforceable against all third parties in accordance with their terms, except as such enforceability may be limited by Debtor Relief Laws and by general principles of equity (regardless of whether enforcement is sought in equity or at law).

Section 6.14 Deposit Accounts and Securities Accounts. Subject to Section 6.11(c), the Borrower and each Guarantor shall not establish or maintain a deposit account or securities account (other than Excluded Accounts) without executing and delivering to the Collateral Agent, within sixty (60) days of such account being established (or such longer period as agreed to in writing by the Collateral Agent (provided that any extension beyond thirty (30) days from the initial due date shall be at the direction of the Required Lenders)) for deposit accounts or securities accounts opened after the Closing Date, a Control Agreement (but only to the extent such Control Agreement is required in such jurisdiction to achieve perfection over such deposit account or securities account; provided that, to the extent a Control Agreement is not required in such jurisdiction to achieve perfection over such deposit or securities account, the applicable Loan Party shall use commercially reasonable efforts to cause the financial institution or other Person at which such account is maintained to acknowledge that the Collateral Agent has a perfected security interest in such account and it shall take direction from the Collateral Agent with respect to such account upon notice from the Collateral Agent that an Event of Default has occurred) covering the applicable deposit account or securities account in form and substance reasonably satisfactory to the Collateral Agent.

Section 6.15 <u>Maintenance of Ratings</u>. Use commercially reasonable efforts to maintain (i) a public corporate credit rating (but not a specific rating) from S&P and a public corporate family rating (but not a specific rating) from Moody's, in each case in respect of the Borrower, and (ii) a public rating (but not a specific rating) in respect of the Initial Term Loans from each of S&P and Moody's.

Section 6.16 <u>Post-Closing Actions</u>. Take each action set forth on <u>Schedule 6.16</u> within the period set forth on such <u>Schedule 6.16</u> for such action; *provided* that, in each case, the Administrative Agent may, in its sole reasonable discretion, grant extensions of the time periods set forth on such <u>Schedule 6.16</u> (provided that any extension beyond thirty (30) days from the initial due date shall be at the direction

of the Required Lenders) and, each representation or warranty which would be true, each covenant or agreement which would be complied with, and each condition which would be satisfied, in each case as set forth in any Loan Document, but for an action set forth on <u>Schedule 6.16</u> not having been completed, will be deemed true, complied with, or satisfied, as the case may be, unless such action is not completed within the period set forth in <u>Schedule 6.16</u> for such action (as such period may be extended by the Administrative Agent).

Section 6.17 <u>Use of Proceeds</u>. Use the proceeds of the Initial Term Loans and of any Borrowing after the Closing Date, for any purpose not otherwise prohibited under this Agreement, including for general corporate purposes, working capital needs, Capital Expenditures, permitted Investments, Restricted Payments, refinancing of indebtedness and any other transaction not prohibited by this Agreement.

Section 6.18 Quarterly Conference Calls; Board Observation Rights.

- (a) Quarterly, at a time mutually agreed with the Administrative Agent that is promptly after the delivery of the financial statements referred to in Section 6.01(a) and Section 6.01(b), and with reasonable advance notice to Lenders, commencing with the delivery of information with respect to the fiscal quarter ending June 30, 2023, participate in a conference call for Lenders to discuss the financial position and results of operations of Borrower and its Subsidiaries for the most recently-ended period for which financial statements have been delivered.
 - (b) The Loan Parties shall comply with the terms of the Board Observation Rights Letter.

Section 6.19 Warrants.

- (a) The Borrower shall issue the Warrants in accordance with <u>Section 2.03(a)</u>, subject to the terms and conditions (including, for the avoidance of doubt, the vesting schedule) set forth in the Warrants and the Warrant Agreement.
- (b) The Borrower shall, and shall cause the Warrant Agent, to maintain records related to the holders of the Warrants as required under the Warrant Agreement
- (c) The Borrower shall maintain records relating to the rights of any Lender (or its Affiliates or other assignees, transferees or designees) to receive Warrants after the Closing Date in accordance with <u>Section 2.03(a)</u>, as required under the Exchange Agreement and the Warrant Agreement.

Section 6.20 <u>Anti-Money Laundering Laws; Anti-Corruption Laws; Ex-Im Laws; Sanctions.</u>

- (a) The Borrower shall implement within sixty (60) days and thereafter maintain policies and procedures reasonably designed to promote and achieve compliance by the Borrower and its Subsidiaries, and their respective directors, officers, agents, employees and controlled Affiliates with Anti-Corruption Laws, Anti-Money Laundering Laws, Ex-Im Laws and Sanctions.
- (b) Each of the Borrower and its Subsidiaries and each director, officer, agent, employee and controlled Affiliate of the Borrower and its Subsidiaries shall remain in compliance (x) in all material respects with Ex-Im Laws, Anti-Corruption Laws and Anti-Money Laundering Laws and (y) in all respects with Sanctions.

ARTICLE VII

Negative Covenants

So long as any Lender shall have any Commitment hereunder or any Loan or other Obligation hereunder (other than (i) contingent indemnification obligations as to which no claim has been asserted and (ii) Obligations under Secured Hedge Agreements and Obligations under Secured Cash Management Agreements) shall remain unpaid or unsatisfied, the Borrower shall not, nor shall the Borrower permit any Subsidiary to:

Section 7.01 <u>Liens</u>. Create, incur, assume or suffer to exist any Lien upon any of its property, assets or revenues, whether now owned or hereafter acquired, other than the following:

- (a) Liens created pursuant to any Loan Document;
- (b) Liens existing on the date hereof and set forth on Schedule 7.01(b);
- (c) Liens for Taxes that are not overdue for a period of more than thirty (30) days or if more than thirty (30) days overdue, that are being contested in good faith and by appropriate actions for which appropriate reserves have been established in accordance with GAAP or with respect to which the failure to make payment could not reasonably be expected to have a Material Adverse Effect;
- (d) statutory or common law Liens of landlords, sublandlords, carriers, warehousemen, mechanics, materialmen, repairmen, construction contractors or other like Liens, or other customary Liens in favor of landlords, so long as, in each case, such Liens secure amounts not overdue for a period of more than sixty (60) days or, if more than sixty (60) days overdue (i) no other action has been taken to enforce such Lien, (ii) such Lien is being contested in good faith and by appropriate actions for which appropriate reserves have been established in accordance with GAAP or (iii) with respect to which the failure to make payment could not reasonably be expected to have a Material Adverse Effect;
- (e) pledges or deposits (i) in the ordinary course of business in connection with workers' compensation, unemployment insurance and other social security laws or similar legislation, health, disability or other employee benefits, (ii) in the ordinary course of business securing liability for reimbursement or indemnification obligations of insurance carriers providing property, casualty or liability insurance to the Borrower or any Subsidiaries or any other insurance or self-insurance arrangements and (iii) in respect of letters of credit or bank guarantees that have been posted by the Borrower or any Subsidiaries to support the payments of the items set forth in clauses (i) and (ii) of this Section 7.01(e);
- (f) pledges or deposits (i) to secure the performance of bids, tenders, trade contracts, governmental contracts and leases (other than Indebtedness for borrowed money), statutory obligations, surety, stay, customs, bid and appeal bonds, performance and return of money bonds, performance and completion guarantees, agreements with utilities and other obligations of a like nature (including those to secure health, safety and environmental obligations) incurred in the ordinary course of business or consistent with industry practice and (ii) in respect of letters of credit or bank guarantees that have been posted to support payment of the items set forth in clause (i) of this Section 7.01(f);

- (g) easements, servitudes, rights-of-way, restrictions (including zoning, building and similar restrictions), encroachments, protrusions, covenants, variations in area of measurement, declarations on or with respect to the use of property, matters of record affecting title, liens restricting or prohibiting access to or from lands abutting on controlled access highways or covenants affecting the use to which lands may be put, and other similar encumbrances and title defects affecting real property that, in the aggregate, do not in any case materially interfere with the ordinary conduct of the business of the Borrower and its Subsidiaries taken as a whole, or the use of the property for its intended purpose, and any other exceptions to title on the Mortgage Policies accepted by the Collateral Agent in accordance with this Agreement;
- (h) Liens arising from judgments or orders for the payment of money (or appeal or other surety bonds relating thereto) not constituting an Event of Default under Section 8.01(g);
- (i) (i) Liens securing obligations in respect of Indebtedness permitted under Section 7.03(e); provided that (A) such Liens are created within 360 days of the acquisition, construction, repair, lease or improvement of the property subject to such Liens, (B) such Liens do not at any time encumber any property other than the property financed by such Indebtedness, replacements thereof and additions and accessions to such property and the proceeds and the products thereof and customary security deposits and (C) such Liens do not at any time extend to or cover any assets (except for additions and accessions to such assets, the proceeds and products thereof and customary security deposits) other than the assets subject to, or acquired, constructed, repaired or improved with the proceeds of such Indebtedness; provided that, in the case of each of subclauses (B) and (C), individual financings provided by one lender may be cross collateralized to other financings provided by such lender or its Affiliates and (ii) Liens on assets of Non-Loan Parties securing Indebtedness of such Subsidiaries permitted pursuant to Section 7.03 or other obligations of any Non-Loan Party not constituting Indebtedness;
- (j) (i) leases, licenses, subleases or sublicenses (including with respect IP Rights) granted to others in the ordinary course of business (or other agreements under which the Borrower or any Subsidiary has granted rights to end users to access and use the Borrower's or any Subsidiary's products, technologies or services in the ordinary course of business) which do not (A) interfere in any material respect with the business of the Borrower and the Subsidiaries, taken as a whole, or (B) secure any Indebtedness for borrowed money and (ii) the rights reserved or vested in any Person by the terms of any lease, license, sublicense, franchise, grant or permit held by the Borrower or any other Subsidiaries or by a statutory provision, to terminate any such lease, license, sublease, sublicense, franchise, grant or permit, or to require annual or periodic payments as a condition to the continuance thereof;
- (k) Liens (i) in favor of customs and revenue authorities arising as a matter of law to secure payment of customs duties in connection with the importation of goods in the ordinary course of business, (ii) attaching to commodity trading accounts or other commodities brokerage accounts incurred in the ordinary course of business and (iii) on specific items of inventory or other goods and proceeds thereof of any Person securing such Person's obligations in respect of bankers' acceptances, letters of credit or customs bonds (or similar obligations) issued or created for the account of such Person to facilitate the purchase, shipment or storage of such inventory or such other goods in the ordinary course of business;
- (l) Liens (i) of a collection bank arising under Section 4-208 of the Uniform Commercial Code or other similar provisions of applicable Laws on the items in the course of collection and (ii) in favor of a banking or other financial institution arising as a matter of common or statutory Law or under customary general terms and conditions encumbering deposits or other funds maintained with a financial institution (including the right of setoff) and that are within the general parameters customary in the banking industry or arising pursuant to such banking institution's general terms and conditions;
- (m) Liens (i) on advances of cash or Cash Equivalents in favor of the seller of any property to be acquired in an Investment permitted pursuant to Section 7.02(f), Section 7.02(j), Section 7.02(j), Section 7.02(g), Section 7.02

- (n) Liens on property of (and Equity Interests in) any Subsidiary securing Indebtedness of such Subsidiary incurred pursuant to Section 7.03(b);
- (o) Liens in favor of the Borrower or a Subsidiary securing Indebtedness permitted under <u>Section 7.03</u>; *provided* that no Loan Party shall grant a Lien in favor of any Non-Loan Party;
- (p) Liens existing on property at the time of its acquisition or existing on the property of any Person at the time such Person becomes a Subsidiary, in each case after the date hereof, which at the election of the Borrower, shall be subject to a Pari Passu Intercreditor Agreement, the Superpriority Intercreditor Agreement or other lien subordination and intercreditor agreement reasonably satisfactory to the Borrower and the Administrative Agent (acting at the direction of the Required Lenders); *provided* that (i) such Lien was not created in contemplation of such acquisition or such Person becoming a Subsidiary, (ii) such Lien does not extend to or cover any other property of the Borrower or any Subsidiary other than the Person(s) acquired and/or formed to make such acquisitions and Subsidiaries of such Person(s) (other than the proceeds or products thereof and other than after-acquired property of and Equity Interests in such acquired Subsidiary (it being understood and agreed that individual financings by any lender may be cross-collateralized to other financings provided by such lender or its Affiliates)) and (iii) the Indebtedness secured thereby is permitted under Section 7.03(e), (n) or (u);
- (q) any interest or title (and any encumbrances on such interest or title) of a lessor, sublessor, licensor or sublicensor or secured by a lessor's, sublessor's, licensor's or sublicensor's interest under leases or subleases (other than Capitalized Leases) or licenses or sublicenses entered into by the Borrower or any of the Subsidiaries in the ordinary course of business;
- (r) (i) Liens arising out of conditional sale, title retention, consignment or similar arrangements for sale of goods entered into by the Borrower or any of the Subsidiaries in the ordinary course of business and (ii) Liens or other similar provisions of applicable Laws under Article 2 of the Uniform Commercial Code or similar provisions of applicable Laws in favor of a seller or buyer of goods;
- (s) Liens deemed to exist in connection with Investments in repurchase agreements under <u>Section 7.02</u> and reasonable customary initial deposits and margin deposits and similar Liens attaching to commodity trading accounts or other brokerage accounts maintained in the ordinary course of business and not for speculative purposes;
 - (t) to the extent constituting Liens, Dispositions expressly permitted under Section 7.05;
- (u) Liens that are customary contractual rights of setoff or banker's liens (i) relating to the establishment of depository relations with banks or other deposit-taking financial institutions in the ordinary course and not given in connection with the issuance of Indebtedness, (ii) relating to pooled deposit, automatic clearinghouse accounts or sweep accounts of the Borrower or any of the Subsidiaries to permit satisfaction of overdraft or similar obligations incurred in the ordinary course of business of the Borrower or any of the Subsidiaries or (iii) relating to purchase orders and other agreements entered into with customers of the Borrower or any of the Subsidiaries in the ordinary course of business;
- (v) Liens solely on any cash money deposits made by the Borrower or any of the Subsidiaries in connection with any letter of intent or purchase agreement permitted hereunder;

- (w) ground leases or subleases in respect of real property on which facilities or equipment owned or leased by the Borrower or any of its Subsidiaries are located;
- (x) Liens evidenced by the filing of Uniform Commercial Code financing statements or similar public filings, registrations or agreements in foreign jurisdictions, in each case, relating to leases permitted under this Agreement, and other precautionary statements, filings or agreements;
 - (y) Liens on insurance policies and the proceeds thereof securing the financing of the premiums with respect thereto;
- (z) customary rights of first refusal and tag, drag and similar rights in joint venture agreements entered into in the ordinary course of business;
- (aa) customary Liens of an indenture trustee on money or property held or collected by it to secure fees, expenses and indemnities owing to it by any obligor under an indenture;
- (bb) any encumbrance or restriction (including put and call arrangements) with respect to Equity Interests of any Joint Venture, Subsidiary that is not wholly owned or similar arrangement pursuant to any Joint Venture, non-wholly owned Subsidiary or similar agreement and not for Indebtedness for borrowed money, other than Indebtedness (to the extent otherwise permitted or not prohibited hereunder) of such Joint Venture or non-wholly owned Subsidiary;
- (cc) Liens securing obligations in respect of any Secured Hedge Agreement and any Secured Cash Management Agreement permitted under <u>Section 7.03(s)</u> (or any Permitted Refinancing in respect thereof);
- (dd) Liens existing on the date hereof securing Indebtedness permitted under <u>Section 7.03(u)</u>; provided that such Liens shall be subject at all times to the Superpriority Intercreditor Agreement;
- (ee) any zoning, building or similar law or right reserved to or vested in any Governmental Authority to control or regulate the use of any real property that does not materially interfere with the ordinary conduct of the business of the Borrower and the Subsidiaries, taken as a whole;
- (ff) the modification, replacement, renewal, refinancing or extension of any Lien permitted by <u>clauses (b)</u>, (i), (n), (p), (oo) and (pp) of this <u>Section 7.01</u>; provided that (i) the Lien does not extend to any additional property other than (A) after-acquired property that is affixed or incorporated into the property covered by such Lien or financed or refinanced by Indebtedness permitted under <u>Section 7.03</u>, or after-acquired property of the applicable Subsidiary to the extent the security agreements in place at the time of the acquisition of such Subsidiary required the grant of such Lien in after-acquired property, and (B) proceeds and products thereof (it being understood and agreed that individual financings by any lender may be cross-collateralized to other financings provided by such lender or its Affiliates), and (ii) the replacement, renewal, extension or refinancing of the obligations secured or benefited by such Liens is, if constituting Indebtedness, permitted by <u>Section 7.03</u>;
- (gg) Liens on the Collateral securing Refinancing Equivalent Debt and related obligations and any Permitted Refinancing of any of the foregoing; *provided* that (x) any such Liens securing such Indebtedness that is secured by the Collateral on a *pari passu* basis (but without regard to control of remedies) with the Obligations shall be subject to a Pari Passu Intercreditor Agreement or to other customary intercreditor agreements or arrangements reasonably acceptable to the Borrower and the Administrative Agent (acting at the direction of the Required Lenders) and (y) any such Liens securing such Indebtedness that is secured by the Collateral on a junior basis to the Liens securing the Obligations shall be subject to the Superpriority Intercreditor Agreement or to other customary intercreditor agreements or arrangements reasonably acceptable to the Borrower and the Administrative Agent (acting at the direction of the Required Lenders);

- (hh) (i) deposits of cash with the owner or lessor of premises leased or operated by the Borrower or any of the Subsidiaries and (ii) cash collateral on deposit with banks or other financial institutions issuing letters of credit (or backstopping such letters of credit) or other equivalent bank guarantees issued naming as beneficiaries the owners or lessors of premises leased or operated by the Borrower or any of the Subsidiaries, in each case in the ordinary course of business of the Borrower and such Subsidiaries to secure the performance of the Borrower's or such Subsidiary's obligations under the terms of the lease for such premises;
- (ii) Liens on cash or Cash Equivalents used to defease or to satisfy and discharge Indebtedness; *provided* that such defeasance or satisfaction and discharge is not prohibited hereunder;
- (jj) Liens securing obligations in respect of Indebtedness permitted under Section 7.03(r) and related obligations (and, in each case, any Permitted Refinancings thereof); provided that (x) any such Liens securing such Indebtedness that is secured by the Collateral on a pari passu basis (but without regard to control of remedies) with the Obligations shall be subject to a Pari Passu Intercreditor Agreement or to other customary intercreditor agreements or arrangements reasonably acceptable to the Borrower and the Administrative Agent (acting at the direction of the Required Lenders) and (y) any such Liens securing such Indebtedness that is secured by the Collateral on a junior basis to the Liens securing the Obligations shall be subject to the Superpriority Intercreditor Agreement or to other customary intercreditor agreements or arrangements reasonably acceptable to the Borrower and the Administrative Agent (acting at the direction of the Required Lenders);
 - (kk) Reserved;
 - (ll) Reserved;
- (mm) Liens securing obligations in respect of letters of credit, bank guarantees, bankers acceptance, warehouse receipts or similar obligations permitted to be incurred pursuant to <u>Sections 7.03(p)</u> and <u>(q)</u> and covering (i) the property (or the documents of title in respect of such property) financed by such letters of credit, bank guarantees, bankers acceptance, warehouse receipts or similar obligations and the proceeds and products thereof or (ii) cash collateral provided to support such obligations;
- (nn) Liens on goods or inventory the purchase, shipment or storage price of which is financed by a documentary letters of credit, bank guarantee or bankers' acceptance issued or created for the account of the Borrower or any Subsidiary in the ordinary course of business; *provided* that such Lien secures only the obligations of the Borrower or its Subsidiaries in respect of such letters of credit, bank guarantee or banker's acceptance to the extent permitted to be incurred pursuant to Section 7.03;
- (oo) other Liens securing Indebtedness or other obligations in an aggregate principal amount at the time of incurrence of such Indebtedness not exceeding \$10,000,000;
- (pp) Liens securing obligations in respect of any Indebtedness of a Loan Party permitted by Section 7.03(n); provided that such Liens may not be secured on a pari passu basis with the Initial Term Loans; provided further, with respect to any such Liens securing Indebtedness or other obligations that are secured by the Collateral on a junior basis to the Liens securing the Obligations (x) the Borrower shall be in compliance with a Total Net Senior Secured Leverage Ratio of equal to or less than 1.50:1.00 (calculated on a Pro Forma Basis) as of the last day of the most recently ended Test Period on or prior to the date of determination and (y) such Liens (other than with respect to purchase money and similar obligations) shall be subject to the Superpriority Intercreditor Agreement or to other customary intercreditor agreements or arrangements reasonably acceptable to the Borrower and the Administrative Agent (acting at the direction of the Required Lenders);

- (qq) Liens of bailees in the ordinary course of business;
- (rr) Liens securing obligations (other than obligations representing Indebtedness for borrowed money) under operating, reciprocal easement or similar agreements entered into in the ordinary course of business of the Borrower and its Subsidiaries;
 - (ss) utility and similar deposits in the ordinary course of business; and
- (tt) any Liens arising under Section 12(3) of the Australian PPSA or any Lien under a PPS Lease (as defined in the Australian PPSA) under which a Loan Party is the lessee or bailee and which does not secure payment or performance of an obligation.

The expansion of Liens by virtue of accrual of interest, the accretion of accreted value, the payment of interest or dividends in the form of additional Indebtedness, amortization of OID and increases in the amount of Indebtedness outstanding solely as a result of fluctuations in the exchange rate of currencies will not be deemed to be an incurrence of Liens for purposes of this <u>Section 7.01</u>.

For purposes of determining compliance with this Section 7.01, (x) a Lien need not be incurred solely by reference to one category of Liens described in clauses (a) through (ss) above but may be incurred under any combination of such categories (including in part under one such category and in part under any other such category) and (y) in the event that a Lien (or any portion thereof) meets the criteria of one or more of such categories of Liens described in clauses (a) through (ss) above, the Borrower shall, in its sole discretion, classify (but may not subsequently reclassify) such Lien (or any portion thereof) in any manner that complies with this covenant.

Section 7.02 <u>Investments</u>. Make or hold any Investments, except:

- (a) Investments in assets that are Cash Equivalents or were Cash Equivalents when such Investment was made;
- (b) loans, promissory notes or advances to future, present or former officers, directors, members of management, employees and consultants of the Borrower (or any Permitted Parent) or any of the Subsidiaries (i) for reasonable and customary business-related travel, entertainment, relocation, housing and analogous ordinary business purposes or consistent with past practices, (ii) in connection with such Person's purchase of Equity Interests of the Borrower (or any Permitted Parent thereof); *provided* that, to the extent such loans or advances are made in cash, the amount of such loans and advances used to acquire such Equity Interests shall be contributed or paid to the Borrower in cash and (iii) for any other purpose in an aggregate principal amount outstanding not to exceed \$5,000,000 at any time;
- (c) Investments (i) by the Borrower or any Subsidiary that is a Loan Party in the Borrower or any Subsidiary that is a Loan Party, (ii) by any Non-Loan Party in any other Non-Loan Party, (iii) by any Non-Loan Party in the Borrower or any Subsidiary that is a Loan Party and (iv) by any Loan Party in any Non-Loan Party; *provided* that (A) any such Investments made by a Loan Party pursuant to this <u>clause (iv)</u> in the form of intercompany loans shall (1) have been pledged to the Collateral Agent for the benefit of the Secured Parties to the extent required by the Collateral Documents and the Collateral and Guarantee Requirement and (2) be unsecured and subordinated to the Obligations pursuant to the Intercompany Note and (B) the aggregate amount of Investments of the Loan Parties made in Non-Loan Parties pursuant to this <u>clause (iv)</u> shall not exceed \$5,000,000;

- (d) Investments consisting of extensions of credit in the nature of accounts receivable or notes receivable arising from the grant of trade credit in the ordinary course of business, and Investments received in satisfaction or partial satisfaction thereof and other credits to suppliers, in each case, in the ordinary course of business;
- (e) Investments consisting of Liens, Indebtedness, fundamental changes, Dispositions, Restricted Payments and prepayments of Indebtedness permitted under <u>Section 7.01</u>, <u>Section 7.03</u> (other than <u>Section 7.03(c)(ii)</u> or <u>(d)</u>), <u>Section 7.04</u> (other than <u>Section 7.04(c)(ii)</u> or <u>(f)</u>), <u>Section 7.05</u> (other than <u>Section 7.05(d)(ii)</u>), <u>Section 7.06</u> (other than <u>Section 7.06(d)</u> or <u>(g)(iii)</u>) and <u>Section 7.13</u>, respectively;
- (f) Investments existing on the date hereof or made pursuant to legally binding commitments in existence or otherwise contemplated on the date hereof (i) set forth on Schedule 7.02(f), (ii) consisting of intercompany Investments outstanding on the date hereof, and (iii) any modification, replacement, renewal, reinvestment or extension of any of the foregoing; provided that (x) the amount of any Investment permitted pursuant to this Section 7.02(f) is not increased from the amount of such Investment on the Closing Date except pursuant to the terms of such Investment as of the Closing Date or as otherwise permitted by another clause of this Section 7.02 and (y) any Investment in the form of Indebtedness of any Loan Party owed to any Non-Loan Party shall be unsecured and subordinated to the Obligations pursuant to an Intercompany Note;
 - (g) Investments in Swap Contracts of the type permitted under Section 7.03;
- (h) promissory notes and other non-cash consideration that is permitted to be received in connection with Dispositions permitted by Section 7.05;
 - (i) Reserved;
 - (j) Reserved;
- (k) Investments in the ordinary course of business consisting of Uniform Commercial Code Article 3 endorsements for collection or deposit (or similar provisions of Law) and Article 4 customary trade arrangements with customers consistent with past practices (or similar provisions of Law);
- (l) Investments (including debt obligations and Equity Interests) received (i) in connection with the bankruptcy workout, recapitalization or reorganization of suppliers and customers or in settlement of delinquent obligations of, or other disputes with or judgments against, customers and suppliers arising in the ordinary course of business, (ii) upon the foreclosure with respect to any secured Investment, (iii) as a result of the settlement, compromise or resolution of litigation, arbitration or other disputes or (iv) in settlement of debts created in the ordinary course of business;
- (m) loans and advances to any Permitted Parent in lieu of, and not in excess of the amount of (after giving effect to any other loans, advances or Restricted Payments in respect thereof), Restricted Payments to the extent permitted to be made to such Permitted Parent in accordance with Section 7.06;
 - (n) other Investments that do not exceed in the aggregate \$10,000,000;

- (o) advances of payroll payments to directors, officers, employees, members of management and consultants in the ordinary course of business;
- (p) Investments to the extent that payment for such Investments is made solely with Qualified Equity Interests of the Borrower (or any Permitted Parent);
- (q) Investments held by a Subsidiary acquired after the Closing Date or of a Person merged into, amalgamated with or consolidated into the Borrower or a Subsidiary in accordance with Section 7.04 after the Closing Date to the extent that such Investments were not made in contemplation of or in connection with such acquisition, merger, amalgamation or consolidation and were in existence on the date of such acquisition, merger, amalgamation or consolidation;
- (r) Guarantees by the Borrower or any of the Subsidiaries (i) of leases (other than Capitalized Leases) or of other obligations that do not constitute Indebtedness, in each case entered into in the ordinary course of business and (ii) of Indebtedness to the extent permitted under <u>Section 7.03</u>.
- (s) Investments made by (i) any Non-Loan Party to the extent such Investments are financed with the proceeds received by such Subsidiary from an Investment in such Subsidiary made pursuant to <u>Section 7.02(c)(iv)</u>, <u>Section 7.02(n)</u>, and <u>Section 7.02(p)</u>, and (ii) any Loan Party in any Non-Loan Party consisting of contributions or other Dispositions of Equity Interests of Persons that are Non-Loan Parties;
 - (t) Reserved;
 - (u) Reserved;
 - (v) Reserved;
- (w) defined contribution pension scheme, unfunded pension fund and other employee benefit plan obligations and liabilities to the extent that they are permitted to remain unfunded under applicable Laws;
 - (x) Reserved;
- (y) Investments in any Subsidiary in connection with reorganizations and related activities related to tax planning; *provided* that, after giving effect to any such reorganization and related activities, the security interest of the Collateral Agent in the Collateral, taken as a whole, is not materially impaired or after giving effect to such Investment, the Borrower shall otherwise be in compliance with <u>Section 6.11</u>;
- (z) Investments consisting of the licensing or contribution of IP Rights pursuant to joint marketing, joint manufacturing, supply and profitsharing arrangements with other Persons in the ordinary course of business;
- (aa) Investments consisting of, or to finance purchases and acquisitions of, inventory, supplies, materials, services or equipment or purchases of contract rights or licenses or leases of IP Rights in the ordinary course of business;
- (bb) Investments in any Subsidiary or any Joint Venture in connection with intercompany cash management arrangements or related activities arising in the ordinary course of business;

and similar deposits entered into as a result of the operations of the business in the ordinary course of business;	
	(dd) Reserved;
	(ee) Reserved;
	(ff) Reserved;
	(gg) Reserved;
	(hh) Reserved; and

(cc) Investments in prepaid expenses, negotiable instruments held for collection and lease, utility and workers compensation, performance

(ii) Guarantee obligations of the Borrower or any Subsidiary in respect of letters of support, guarantees or similar obligations issued, made or incurred for the benefit of any Subsidiary of the Borrower to the extent required by law or in connection with any statutory filing or the delivery of audit opinions performed in jurisdictions.

Any Investment that exceeds the limits of any particular clause set forth above may be allocated (but not reallocated) amongst more than one of such clauses to permit the incurrence or holding of such Investment to the extent such excess is permitted as an Investment under such other clauses.

Notwithstanding the foregoing, nothing in this Section 7.02 shall permit any Investment, if the effect of such transaction is the sale, lease, conveyance, assignment, transfer or other disposition (including pursuant to an exclusive license) of (x) any legal right in any material Intellectual Property or (y) the 5G core and cable segments, in each case, from any Loan Party to any Affiliate of the Borrower that is not a Loan Party (other than (1) non-exclusive licenses granted in the ordinary course of business to a Subsidiary of the Borrower, (2) in connection with a sale, lease, conveyance, assignment, transfer or other disposition that otherwise complies with the requirements of Section 7.05(j), Section 7.08(b), and either (x) an independent committee (in which the Observer can participate) to evaluate proposals is created and the transaction has been approved by a majority of disinterested directors or (y) it is consented to by the Required Lenders).

Section 7.03 Indebtedness. Create, incur or assume any Indebtedness or issue any Disqualified Equity Interest, other than:

- (a) Indebtedness under the Loan Documents;
- (b) (i) Indebtedness existing on the date hereof set forth on <u>Schedule 7.03(b)</u> and any Permitted Refinancing thereof and (ii) intercompany Indebtedness outstanding on the date hereof and any Permitted Refinancing thereof; *provided* that all such Indebtedness of any Loan Party owed to any Non-Loan Party shall be unsecured and subordinated to the Obligations pursuant to an Intercompany Note upon the completion of the requirements set forth on <u>Schedule 6.16</u>;
- (c) (i) Guarantees by the Borrower and the Subsidiaries in respect of Indebtedness or other obligations of the Borrower or any of the Subsidiaries otherwise permitted hereunder; *provided* that (A) no Guarantee by any Subsidiary of any Junior Financing shall be permitted unless such Subsidiary shall have also provided a Guarantee of the Obligations substantially on the terms set forth in the Guaranty and (B) if the Indebtedness being guaranteed is by its express terms subordinated to the Obligations, such Guarantee shall be subordinated to the Guaranty on terms, taken as a whole, at least as favorable to the Lenders, in all material respects, as those contained in the subordination of such Indebtedness and (ii) any Guarantee permitted as an Investment under Section 7.02;

- (d) Indebtedness of the Borrower or any of the Subsidiaries owing to the Borrower or any Subsidiary to the extent constituting an Investment permitted by <u>Section 7.02</u>; *provided* that all such Indebtedness of any Loan Party owed to any Non-Loan Party shall be unsecured and subordinated to the Obligations pursuant to an Intercompany Note upon the completion of the requirements set forth on <u>Schedule 6.16</u>;
- (e) (i) (x) Attributable Indebtedness relating to any transaction, (y) other Indebtedness (including Capitalized Leases) of the Borrower and the Subsidiaries financing the acquisition, lease, construction, repair, replacement or improvement of property (real or personal), equipment or other fixed or capital assets, so long as such Indebtedness is incurred substantially concurrently with, or no later than two hundred and seventy (270) days after, the applicable acquisition, lease, construction, repair, replacement or improvement and (z) Attributable Indebtedness arising out of any sale-leaseback transactions; *provided* that the aggregate principal amount of such Indebtedness pursuant to this <u>clause (e)</u> shall not exceed \$5,000,000, and (ii) any Permitted Refinancing of any Indebtedness incurred under <u>Section 7.03(e)(i)</u>;
- (f) Indebtedness in respect of Swap Contracts; *provided* that such obligations are (or were) entered into by such Person in the ordinary course of business for the purpose of (i) limiting interest rate risk with respect to any Indebtedness permitted to be incurred hereunder, (ii) fixing or hedging currency exchange rate risk, or (iii) fixing or hedging commodity price risk with respect to any commodity purchases or sales, and, in each case, not for purposes of speculation;
- (g) Attributable Indebtedness in respect of Capitalized Leases in an amount not to exceed \$30,000,000 in the aggregate incurred in connection with a sale-leaseback transaction of the HQ Property otherwise permitted hereunder;
 - (h) (i) Refinancing Equivalent Debt and (ii) any Permitted Refinancing of the foregoing;
- (i) Indebtedness representing deferred compensation or similar arrangements to current, future or former officers, directors, employees, members of management or consultants of the Borrower (or any Permitted Parent) and the Subsidiaries;
- (j) Indebtedness to future, present or former officers, directors, employees, members of management and consultants, their respective estates, executors, administrators, heirs, family members, legatees, distributees, spouses, former spouses, domestic partners and former domestic partners of the Borrower (or any Permitted Parent) or any Subsidiary to finance the purchase or redemption of Equity Interests of the Borrower (or any Permitted Parent) permitted by Section 7.06;
- (k) Indebtedness incurred by the Borrower or any of the Subsidiaries in any acquisition consummated prior to the Closing Date any other Investment expressly permitted hereunder or not prohibited hereunder or any Disposition, in each case to the extent constituting obligations under noncompete agreements, consulting agreements, indemnification obligations or obligations in respect of purchase price (including earn-outs) or other similar deferred purchase price or arrangements or adjustments;

- (l) Indebtedness consisting of obligations of the Borrower and the Subsidiaries under incentive, non-compete, consulting, deferred compensation or other similar arrangements with current, future or former officers, directors, employees, members of management and consultants incurred by such Person in connection with acquisitions consummated prior to the Closing Date or any other Investment expressly permitted hereunder or not prohibited hereunder or Disposition of any business, assets or Subsidiary permitted hereunder;
- (m) Indebtedness (i) arising from the honoring by a bank or other financial institution of a check, draft or similar instrument drawn against insufficient funds in the ordinary course of business; *provided* that such Indebtedness is extinguished within five (5) Business Days of its incurrence and (ii) Cash Management Obligations and other Indebtedness in respect of cash pooling arrangements, netting services, automatic clearinghouse arrangements, overdraft protections, employee credit card programs and other cash management and similar arrangements in the ordinary course of business and any Guarantees thereof;
- (n) Indebtedness of the Borrower and the Subsidiaries in an aggregate principal amount not to exceed \$10,000,000 and, in the case of any Indebtedness incurred under this Section 7.03(n), any Permitted Refinancing in respect thereof; provided that in respect of Indebtedness for borrowed money (i) the interest rate applicable to any such Indebtedness that is paid in cash (as opposed to accruing until maturity or payable in kind as additional Indebtedness) shall not exceed Adjusted Term SOFR Rate plus 11.00% per annum and (ii) no Lender of Initial Term Loans will be required to participate in any such Indebtedness but no Indebtedness may be incurred pursuant to this clause (n) without first offering each Lender of Initial Term Loans the right to provide their pro rata portion of such Indebtedness on the same terms as offered to any other prospective lender; provided that, to the extent that any such Lender elects not to provide its pro rata portion of any such Indebtedness (and if such Lender has not accepted or declined such offer within ten (10) days following receipt of written notice of such offer, such Lender will be deemed to have declined such offer), the other such Lenders shall have the right to provide such Lender's pro rata portion of such Indebtedness (and if such other Lender does not accept or decline such offer within three (3) Business Days following receipt of written notice of such offer from the Borrower, such other Lender will be deemed to have declined such offer);
- (o) Indebtedness consisting of (i) the financing of insurance premiums or (ii) take-or-pay obligations contained in supply arrangements, in each case, in the ordinary course of business;
- (p) Indebtedness incurred by the Borrower or any of the Subsidiaries in respect of letters of credit, bank guarantees, bankers' acceptances, warehouse receipts or similar instruments issued or created in the ordinary course of business or consistent with past practice, including in respect of workers compensation, unemployment insurance and other social security legislation, health, disability or other employee benefits or property, casualty or liability insurance or other insurance or other Indebtedness with respect to reimbursement-type obligations regarding workers compensation claims or supporting the type of obligations described in Section 7.01(e), (f), or (hh) (whether or not such obligations are secured by a Lien);
- (q) obligations (including in respect of letters of credit, bank guarantees, bankers' acceptances, warehouse receipts or similar instruments issued or created in the ordinary course of business or consistent with past practice) in respect of bids, tenders, trade contracts, governmental contracts and leases, statutory obligations, surety, stay, customs, bid, and appeal bonds, performance and return of money bonds, performance and completion guarantees, agreements with utilities and other obligations of a like nature (including those to secure health, safety and environmental obligations), in each case in the ordinary course of business or consistent with past practice;
 - (r) (i) Incremental Equivalent Debt and (ii) any Permitted Refinancing thereof;

- (s) Indebtedness in an aggregate outstanding principal amount not exceeding the amount of obligations in respect of any Secured Hedge Agreement or any Secured Cash Management Agreement and not incurred in violation of Section 7.03(f) or Section 7.03(m), respectively;
- (t) any guarantee (i) entered into by any Subsidiary of the Borrower pursuant to Part 2M.6 of the Australian Corporations Act where the only members of that class order guarantee are Subsidiaries of the Borrower or (ii) arising in connection with the Tax Consolidated Group (including any tax sharing or tax funding agreement for that group);
- (u) Indebtedness pursuant to the Existing Credit Agreement and any Permitted Refinancing thereof in an aggregate principal amount, immediately after giving effect to the Exchange, not to exceed \$5,035,511.40;
 - (v) Reserved:
 - (w) Indebtedness of any Subsidiary supported by a letters of credit;
- (x) unsecured Indebtedness in respect of obligations of the Borrower or any Subsidiary to pay the deferred purchase price of goods or services or progress payments in connection with such goods and services; *provided* that such obligations are incurred in connection with open accounts extended by suppliers on customary trade terms in the ordinary course of business and not in connection with the borrowing of money;
- (y) Indebtedness in respect of letters of credit, bank guarantees or similar instruments issued for general corporate purposes and in an aggregate principal amount not to exceed \$5,000,000 outstanding at any time;
- (z) Indebtedness in respect of any bankers' acceptance supporting trade payables, warehouse receipts or similar facilities entered into in the ordinary course of business;
- (aa) all premiums (if any), interest (including post-petition interest), fees, expenses, charges and additional or contingent interest on obligations described in <u>clauses (a)</u> through (<u>z</u>) above; and
- (bb) to the extent constituting Indebtedness, Guarantees in the ordinary course of business of the obligations of suppliers, customers, franchisees and licensees of the Borrower and its Subsidiaries.

The Borrower will be entitled to divide and classify (but not re-classify) an item of Indebtedness in more than one of the types of Indebtedness described in <u>Sections 7.03(a)</u> through (bb).

The accrual of interest, the accretion of accreted value, the payment of interest in the form of additional Indebtedness, the payment of dividends on Disqualified Equity Interests in the form of additional shares of Disqualified Equity Interests, accretion or amortization of OID or liquidation preference and increases in the amount of Indebtedness outstanding solely as a result of fluctuations in the exchange rate of currencies will not be deemed to be an incurrence of Indebtedness for purposes of this Section 7.03. The principal amount of any non-interest bearing Indebtedness or other discount security constituting Indebtedness at any date shall be the principal amount thereof that would be shown on a consolidated balance sheet of the Borrower dated such date prepared in accordance with GAAP.

Notwithstanding the above, if any Indebtedness is incurred as a Permitted Refinancing originally incurred pursuant to this Section 7.03, and such Indebtedness would cause any applicable Dollar-denominated, Consolidated EBITDA or financial ratio restriction contained in this Section 7.03 to be exceeded if calculated on the date of such Permitted Refinancing, such Dollar-denominated, Consolidated EBITDA or financial ratio restriction, as applicable, shall be deemed not to have been exceeded so long as the principal amount of such Indebtedness is permitted to be incurred pursuant to the definition of "Permitted Refinancing".

Section 7.04 <u>Fundamental Changes</u>. Merge, dissolve, liquidate, consolidate with or into another Person, or Dispose of (whether in one transaction or in a series of transactions) all or substantially all of its assets (whether now owned or hereafter acquired) to or in favor of any Person, except that:

- (a) any Subsidiary may merge or consolidate with (i) the Borrower (including a merger, the purpose of which is to reorganize the Borrower into a new jurisdiction); *provided* that (x) the Borrower shall be the continuing or surviving Person or the continuing or surviving Person shall expressly assume the obligations of the Borrower under the Loan Documents in a manner reasonably acceptable to the Administrative Agent and (y) such merger or consolidation does not result in the Borrower ceasing to be organized under the Laws of the United States, any state thereof or the District of Columbia or (ii) any one or more other Subsidiaries; *provided* that when any Non-Loan Party is merging with another Subsidiary that is a Loan Party, a Loan Party shall be the continuing or surviving Person or, to the extent constituting and Investment, such Investment must be permitted by Section 7.02;
- (b) (i) any Non-Loan Party may merge or consolidate with or into any other Subsidiary of the Borrower that is not a Loan Party, (ii) any Subsidiary may merge or consolidate with or into any other Subsidiary of the Borrower that is a Loan Party, (iii) any merger the sole purpose of which is to reincorporate or reorganize any Non-Loan Party in another jurisdiction, subject to compliance with the requirements of Section 6.11, (iv) any Subsidiary may liquidate or dissolve or change its legal form if the Borrower determines in good faith that such action is in the best interests of the Borrower and the Subsidiaries and is not materially disadvantageous to the Lenders, (v) any Subsidiary may merge or consolidate with any other Person in order to effect an Investment permitted by Section 7.02, provided that the surviving entity shall be subject to the requirements of Section 6.11 (to the extent applicable) and (vi) any Loan Party may merge or consolidate with or into any other Subsidiary of the Borrower that is not a Loan Party to the extent constituting an Investment permitted by Section 7.02;
- (c) any Subsidiary may Dispose of all or substantially all of its assets (upon voluntary liquidation or otherwise) to the Borrower or a Subsidiary; *provided* that if the transferor in such a transaction is a Loan Party, then (i) the transferee must be a Loan Party or (ii) such Investment must be a permitted Investment in accordance with Section 7.02 (other than Section 7.02(e)) or a Disposition permitted by Section 7.05;
- (d) so long as no Event of Default exists or would result therefrom, the Borrower may (i) merge, amalgamate or consolidate with any other Person; *provided* that (x) the Borrower shall be the continuing or surviving corporation or the continuing or surviving Person shall expressly assume the obligations of the Borrower under the Loan Documents in a manner reasonably acceptable to the Administrative Agent (including with respect to the to the continued perfection of Liens and in order to comply with Anti-Money Laundering Laws), and (y) such merger, amalgamation or consolidation does not result in the Borrower ceasing to be organized or existing under the laws of the United States, any state thereof, the District of Columbia or any territory thereof, or (ii) change its legal form if the Borrower determines that such action is in its best interests and makes such change in a manner reasonably acceptable to the Administrative Agent (including with respect to the continued perfection of Liens and in order to comply with Anti-Money Laundering Laws);

(e) Reserved;

- (f) any Subsidiary may merge, amalgamate or consolidate with any other Person in order to effect an Investment permitted pursuant to Section 7.02 (other than Section 7.02(e)); and
- (g) any Subsidiary may engage in a merger, dissolution, liquidation, consolidation or Disposition, the purpose of which is to effect a Disposition permitted pursuant to <u>Section 7.05</u> (other than <u>Section 7.05(e)</u>).

Section 7.05 Dispositions. Make any Disposition, except:

- (a) Dispositions of obsolete, damaged, worn out, used or surplus property, whether now owned or hereafter acquired, in the ordinary course of business and Dispositions of property no longer used or useful in the conduct of the business of the Borrower and the Subsidiaries;
- (b) Dispositions of (i) inventory, (ii) equipment and goods held for sale in the ordinary course of business and (iii) immaterial assets (considered in the aggregate) in the ordinary course of business not in excess of \$1,000,000 in any fiscal year;
- (c) (i) any exchange or swap of assets, or lease, assignment or sublease of any real property or personal property for like property for use in a business not in contravention with <u>Section 7.07</u> and (ii) Dispositions of property to the extent that (x) such property is exchanged for credit against the purchase price of similar replacement property or (y) the proceeds of such Disposition are promptly applied to the purchase price of such replacement property;
- (d) Dispositions of property among the Borrower and the Subsidiaries; provided that if the transferor of such property is a Loan Party (i) the transferee thereof must be a Loan Party, (ii) to the extent constituting an Investment, such Investment must be a permitted Investment in accordance with Section 7.02 (other than Section 7.02(e)) or (iii) the consideration paid in connection therewith shall be cash or Cash Equivalents paid contemporaneous with the consummation of the transaction and shall be in an amount not less than the lesser of the fair market value of the property disposed of or the minimum transfer pricing requirements determined pursuant to a transfer pricing study performed by an independent registered public accounting firm of nationally recognized standing applicable thereto;
- (e) Dispositions permitted by <u>Section 7.02</u> (other than <u>Section 7.02(e)</u>), <u>Section 7.04</u> (other than <u>Section 7.04(g)</u>), <u>Section 7.06(d)</u>) and <u>Section 7.13</u> and Liens permitted by <u>Section 7.01</u> (other than <u>Section 7.01(m)(ii)</u>);
- (f) Dispositions with respect to property of the Borrower or any Subsidiary pursuant to sale-leaseback transactions; *provided* that, the Net Cash Proceeds thereof are applied in accordance with Section 2.05(b)(ii);
- (g) Dispositions of (i) Cash Equivalents and (ii) other current assets that were Cash Equivalents when the original Investment in such assets was made and which thereafter fail to satisfy the definition of Cash Equivalents;
- (h) leases, subleases, licenses or sublicenses (including the provision of software under an open source license), in each case in the ordinary course of business and which do not materially interfere with the business of the Borrower and the Subsidiaries, taken as a whole;
 - (i) transfers of property subject to Casualty Events;

- (j) Dispositions of property not otherwise permitted under this <u>Section 7.05</u>; *provided* that (i) at the time of such Disposition (other than any such Disposition made pursuant to a commitment entered into at a time when no Event of Default exists), no Event of Default shall exist or would result from such Disposition and (ii) except as set forth on <u>Schedule 7.05(w)</u>, the Borrower or any of the Subsidiaries shall receive not less than 75% of such consideration in the form of cash or Cash Equivalents (in each case, free and clear of all Liens, other than Liens permitted by <u>Section 7.01</u>);
- (k) Dispositions of Investments in Joint Ventures or any Subsidiary that is not wholly owned to the extent required by, or made pursuant to customary buy/sell arrangements between, the joint venture or similar parties set forth in joint venture arrangements and/or similar binding arrangements;
- (l) Dispositions of accounts receivable in connection with the collection, compromise or settlement thereof or in bankruptcy or similar proceedings;

(m) Reserved;

- (n) to the extent allowable under Section 1031 of the Code (or comparable provision of Law of any foreign jurisdiction and, in each case, any successor provision), any exchange of like property for use in any business conducted by the Borrower or any of the Subsidiaries that is not in contravention of Section 7.07;
 - (o) the unwinding of any Cash Management Obligations or Swap Contract;
- (p) sales or other dispositions by the Borrower or any Subsidiary of assets in connection with the closing or sale of an office in the ordinary course of business of the Borrower and the Subsidiaries, which consist of leasehold interests in the premises of such office, the equipment and fixtures located at such premises and the books and records relating exclusively and directly to the operations of such office; *provided* that as to each and all such sales and closings, (A) no Event of Default shall result therefrom and (B) such sale shall be on commercially reasonable prices and term in a *bona fide* arm's length transaction;
- (q) the lapse, abandonment or sale in the ordinary course of business of any registrations or applications for registration of any immaterial IP Rights or other IP Rights that in reasonable good faith judgment of the Borrower are no longer economically practicable or commercially desirable to maintain or used or useful in the business of the Borrower and the Subsidiaries (taken as a whole);
- (r) any Disposition by reason of the exercise of termination rights under any lease, sublease, license, sublicense, concession or other agreement;
- (s) any surrender or waiver of contractual rights or the settlement, release, recovery on or surrender of contractual rights or other claims of any kind;
- (t) the discount of inventory, accounts receivable or notes receivable in the ordinary course of business or the conversion of accounts receivable to notes receivable or Investments permitted hereunder;

(u) Reserved;

(v) any grant in the ordinary course of business of any license of patents, trademarks, know-how or any other IP Rights, including, but not limited to, grants of franchises or licenses, franchise or license master agreements and/or area development agreements;

- (w) Dispositions contemplated on the Closing Date and set forth on Schedule 7.05(w);
- (x) Dispositions required to be made to comply with the order of any Governmental Authority or applicable Laws;
- (y) the sale of motor vehicles and information technology equipment purchased at the end of an operating lease and resold thereafter;
- (z) Dispositions of real property and related assets in the ordinary course of business in connection with relocation activities for directors, officers, members of management, employees or consultants;
- (aa) the sale, transfer, license, lease or other disposition of Equity Interest in, or property of, any Subsidiary that is not a Loan Party or any Joint Venture; *provided* that the consideration for such sale, transfers, licenses, leases or other Dispositions shall not exceed, with respect to any individual disposition, \$3,000,000;
- (bb) licenses and sublicenses (including with respect to IP Rights) granted to others (x) that are non-exclusive and in the ordinary course of business or (y) in connection with a Disposition otherwise permitted under this <u>Section 7.05</u> or Joint Ventures permitted hereunder;
 - (cc) samples, including time limited evaluation software, provided to customers or prospective customers;
 - (dd) de minimis amounts of equipment provided to employees; and
- (ee) the Borrower and any Subsidiary may (i) convert any intercompany Indebtedness to Equity Interests; (ii) settle, discount, write off, forgive or cancel any intercompany Indebtedness or other obligation owing by the Borrower or any Subsidiary; and (iii) settle, discount, write off, forgive or cancel any Indebtedness owing by any present or former consultants, directors, officers or employees of the Borrower or any Subsidiary or any of their successors or assigns, to the extent made in the ordinary course of business;

provided that any Disposition of any property pursuant to Sections 7.05(b)(i), (c), (f), (g), (j), or (bb) shall be for no less than the fair market value of such property at the time of such Disposition as determined by the Borrower in good faith. To the extent any Collateral is Disposed of as expressly permitted by this Section 7.05 to any Person other than a Loan Party, such Collateral shall be sold free and clear of the Liens created by the Loan Documents, and the Administrative Agent and the Collateral Agent, as applicable, shall be authorized to take any actions deemed appropriate in order to effect the foregoing.

Notwithstanding the foregoing, nothing in this Section 7.05 shall permit the sale, lease, conveyance, assignment, transfer or other disposition (including pursuant to an exclusive license) of (x) any legal right in any material Intellectual Property or (y) the 5G core and cable segments, in each case, from any Loan Party to any affiliate of the Borrower that is not a Loan Party (other than (1) non-exclusive licenses granted in the ordinary course of business to a Subsidiary of the Borrower, (2) in connection with a sale, lease, conveyance, assignment, transfer or other disposition that otherwise complies with the requirements of Section 7.05(j), Section 7.08(b), and either (x) an independent committee (in which the Observer can participate) to evaluate proposals is created and the transaction has been approved by a majority of disinterested directors or (y) it is consented to by the Required Lenders).

Section 7.06 Restricted Payments. Declare or make, directly or indirectly, any Restricted Payment, except:

- (a) each Subsidiary may make Restricted Payments to the Borrower and to the other Subsidiaries (and, in the case of a Restricted Payment by a non-wholly owned Subsidiary, to the Borrower and any other Subsidiaries and to each other owner of Equity Interests of such Subsidiary based on their relative ownership interests of the relevant class of Equity Interests);
- (b) the Borrower and each of the Subsidiaries may declare and make dividend payments or other distributions payable solely in the Equity Interests (other than Disqualified Equity Interests not otherwise permitted by <u>Section 7.03</u>) of such Person;
 - (c) Reserved;
- (d) to the extent constituting Restricted Payments, the Borrower and the Subsidiaries may enter into and consummate transactions (and the Subsidiaries may make Restricted Payments to the Borrower to permit it to consummate transactions of the type) expressly permitted by any provision of Section 7.02 (other than Section 7.02(e)), Section 7.03, Section 7.04, Section 7.05 or Section 7.08 (other than Section 7.08(k));
- (e) redemptions, repurchases, retirements or other acquisitions of Equity Interests in the Borrower or any of the Subsidiaries deemed to occur upon exercise of stock options or warrants or similar rights if such Equity Interests represent a portion of the exercise price of such options or warrants or similar rights;
- (f) the Borrower and the Subsidiaries may pay (or make Restricted Payments to allow any Permitted Parent to pay, so long as in the case of any payment in respect of Equity Interests of any Permitted Parent, the amount of such Restricted Payment is directly attributable to the Equity Interests of the Borrower owned by such Permitted Parent) for the repurchase, retirement or other acquisition or retirement for value of Equity Interests of the Borrower (or any Permitted Parent) held by any future, present or former officers, directors, employees, members of management and consultants (or their respective estates, executors, administrators, heirs, family members, legatees, distributes, spouses, former spouses, domestic partners and former domestic partners) of the Borrower (or any Permitted Parent) or any of its Subsidiaries in connection with the death, disability, retirement or termination of employment or service of any such Person (or a breach of any non-compete or other restrictive covenant or confidentiality obligations of any such Person at any time after such Person's disability, retirement or termination of employment or service) in an aggregate amount after the Closing Date not to exceed \$2,500,000 in the aggregate in any calendar year (it being understood that any unused amounts in any calendar year may be carried over to the succeeding calendar year and shall increase the preceding amount during such succeeding calendar year); provided that such amount in any calendar year may be increased by an amount not to exceed (y) the cash proceeds received by the Borrower or any of the Subsidiaries from the sale of Equity Interests (other than Disqualified Equity Interests) of the Borrower or any Permitted Parent (to the extent contributed to the Borrower) to any future, present or former employee, officer, director, member of management or consultant (or the estates, executors, administrators, heirs, family members, legatees, distributees, spouse, former spouse, domestic partner or former domestic partner of any of the foregoing) of the Borrower and its Subsidiaries or any Permitted Parent that occurs after the Closing Date, plus (z) the cash proceeds of key man life insurance policies received by the Borrower or the Subsidiaries after the Closing Date; provided, further, that (1) the Borrower may elect to apply all or any portion of the aggregate increase contemplated by clauses (y) and (z) above in any calendar year and (2) cancellation of Indebtedness owing to the Borrower or any Subsidiary from any future, present or former employee, officer, director, member of management or consultant (or the estates, executors, administrators, heirs, family members, legatees, distributes, spouse, former spouse, domestic partner or former domestic partner of any of the foregoing) of the Borrower or any Permitted Parent or any Subsidiary in connection with a repurchase of Equity Interests of the Borrower (or any Permitted Parent) will not be deemed to constitute a Restricted Payment for purposes of this <u>Section 7.06</u> or any other provision of this Agreement;

- (g) the Borrower and the Subsidiaries may make Restricted Payments to any Permitted Parent:
- (i) the proceeds of which shall be used to pay (or make Restricted Payments to allow any Permitted Parent to pay)) operating costs and expenses of such Persons incurred in the ordinary course of business and other corporate overhead costs and expenses (including administrative, legal, accounting and similar expenses provided by third parties), which are reasonable and customary and incurred in the ordinary course of business, attributable to the ownership or operations of the Borrower or its Subsidiaries;
- (ii) the proceeds of which shall be used to pay (or make Restricted Payments to allow any Permitted Parent to pay) franchise taxes and other fees, taxes and expenses required to maintain its (or any of such Permitted Parent's) corporate or legal existence;
- (iii) to finance any Investment permitted to be made pursuant to Section 7.02; provided that (A) such Restricted Payment shall be made substantially concurrently with the closing of such Investment and (B) such Persons shall, promptly following the closing thereof, cause (1) all property acquired (whether assets or Equity Interests) to be contributed to the Borrower or a Subsidiary or (2) the merger amalgamation, consolidation or sale of all or substantially all assets (to the extent permitted in Section 7.04) of the Person formed or acquired into the Borrower or a Subsidiary in order to consummate such Investment, in each case, in accordance with the requirements of Section 6.11 and Section 7.02;
- (iv) the proceeds of which shall be used to pay (or make Restricted Payments to allow any Permitted Parent to pay) costs, fees and expenses related to any equity or debt offering permitted by this Agreement (whether or not successful);
- (v) the proceeds of which (A) shall be used to pay customary salary, bonus, severance and other benefits payable to, and indemnities provided on behalf of, directors, officers, employees, members of management and consultants of such Persons and any payroll, social security or similar taxes in connection therewith to the extent such salaries, bonuses and other benefits are attributable to the ownership or operation of the Borrower and its Subsidiaries or (B) shall be used to make payments permitted under <u>Sections 7.08(g), (i), (j), (k), (l), (m), (q), (t), (v)</u> and <u>(aa)</u> (but only to the extent such payments have not been and are not expected to be made by the Borrower or a Subsidiary);
- (vi) the proceeds of which will be used to make payments due or expected to be due to cover social security, medicare, withholding and other taxes payable in connection with any management equity plan or stock option plan or any other management or employee benefit plan or agreement of such Persons or to make any other payment that would, if made by the Borrower or any Subsidiary, be permitted;
- (vii) the proceeds of which shall be used to pay cash, in lieu of issuing fractional shares, in connection with the exercise of warrants, options or other securities convertible into or exchangeable for Equity Interests of such Persons; and

(viii) the proceeds of which are necessary to permit such Persons to pay present or future consolidated or combined income taxes (calculated at the highest combined federal, state and local corporate and individual income tax rates applicable to the item of income in question) that are attributable to the ownership or operations of, but not payable directly by, the Borrower or any Subsidiary;

(h) the Borrower or any of the Subsidiaries may pay cash in lieu of fractional Equity Interests in connection with any dividend, split or combination thereof or any exercise of warrants, options or other securities convertible into or exchangeable for Equity Interests;

(i) Reserved:

(j) redemptions, repurchases, retirements or other acquisitions of Equity Interests (i) deemed to occur on the exercise of options by the delivery of Equity Interests in satisfaction of the exercise price of such options or (ii) in consideration of withholding or similar taxes payable by any future, present or former officer, employee, director, member of management or consultant (or their respective estates, executors, administrators, heirs, family members, legatees, distributees, spouses, former spouses, domestic partners and former domestic partners), including deemed repurchases in connection with the exercise of stock options;

(k) Reserved;

(l) the Borrower and any Subsidiary may pay compensation in the ordinary course of business and pursuant to arm's length arrangements to future, present or former officers, directors, members of management or consultants and employees for services rendered to or for the Borrower or any Subsidiary (to the extent that such payments would not otherwise fail to be treated as a Restricted Payment, in which event they must also be permitted under another exception under this <u>Section 7.06</u>);

(m) Reserved;

(n) (i) the redemption, repurchase, retirement or other acquisition of any Equity Interests ("**Retired Capital Stock**") of the Borrower or any Permitted Parent in exchange for, or out of the proceeds of, the substantially concurrent sale of, Equity Interests of the Borrower or any Permitted Parent or contributions to the equity capital of the Borrower (other than any Disqualified Equity Interests or any Equity Interests sold to a Subsidiary of Borrower) (collectively, including any such contributions, "**Refunding Capital Stock**") and (ii) the declaration and payment of dividends on the Retired Capital Stock out of the proceeds of the substantially concurrent sale (other than to a Subsidiary of the Borrower) of Refunding Capital Stock;

(o) Reserved;

- (p) the making of any Restricted Payments for purposes of making AHYDO Catch-Up Payments relating to Indebtedness of the Borrower and its Subsidiaries; and
- (q) the making of any Restricted Payment within 60 days after the date of declaration thereof, if at the date of such declaration such Restricted Payment would have complied with another provision of this <u>Section 7.06</u>; *provided* that the making of such Restricted Payment will reduce capacity for Restricted Payments pursuant to such other provision when so made.

Notwithstanding the foregoing, nothing in this Section 7.06 shall permit any Restricted Payment, if the effect of such transaction is the sale, lease, conveyance, assignment, transfer or other disposition (including pursuant to an exclusive license) of (x) any legal right in any material Intellectual Property or (y) the 5G core and cable segments, in each case, from any Loan Party to any affiliate of the Borrower that is not a Loan Party (other than (1) non-exclusive licenses granted in the ordinary course of business to a Subsidiary of the Borrower, (2) in connection with a sale, lease, conveyance, assignment, transfer or other disposition that otherwise complies with the requirements of Section 7.05(j), Section 7.08(b), and either (x) an independent committee (in which the Observer can participate) to evaluate proposals is created and the transaction has been approved by a majority of disinterested directors or (y) it is consented to by the Required Lenders).

Section 7.07 Change in Nature of Business. Engage in any material line of business substantially different from those lines of business conducted by the Borrower or any of the Subsidiaries on the Closing Date or any business or any other activities that are reasonably similar, ancillary, incidental, complementary or related to, or a reasonable extension, development or expansion of, the businesses conducted or proposed to be conducted by the Borrower or any of the Subsidiaries on the Closing Date.

Section 7.08 <u>Transactions with Affiliates</u>. Enter into any transaction of any kind with any Affiliate of the Borrower, whether or not in the ordinary course of business, involving aggregate consideration in excess of \$1,000,000 for any individual transaction or series of related transactions, other than:

- (a) transactions between or among the Borrower and/or one or more of the Subsidiaries or any entity that becomes a Subsidiary as a result of such transaction;
- (b) transactions on terms substantially as favorable to the Borrower or such Subsidiary as would be obtainable by the Borrower or such Subsidiary at the time in a comparable arm's-length transaction with a Person other than an Affiliate;
- (c) the existence of, or the performance by the Borrower or any Subsidiary of its obligations under the terms of, any stockholders agreement (including any registration rights agreement or purchase agreement related thereto) to which it is a party as of the Closing Date, and any transaction, agreement or arrangement described in this Agreement and, in each case, any amendment thereto or similar transactions, agreements or arrangements which it may enter into thereafter; *provided*, however, that the existence of, or the performance by Borrower or any Subsidiary of its obligations under, any future amendment to any such existing transaction, agreement or arrangement or under any similar transaction, agreement or arrangement entered into after the Closing Date shall only be permitted by this <u>clause (c)</u> to the extent that the terms of any such existing transaction, agreement or arrangement, taken as a whole, or new transaction, agreement or arrangement are not otherwise more disadvantageous to the Lenders in any material respect than the original transaction, agreement or arrangement as in effect on the Closing Date;
 - (d) Reserved;
- (e) the issuance or transfer of Equity Interests of the Borrower (or any Permitted Parent) to any Person (including any officer, director, employee, member of management or consultant of the Borrower or any of its Subsidiaries or any Permitted Parent);
 - (f) Reserved;
- (g) employment and severance arrangements between the Borrower and the Subsidiaries and their respective directors, officers, employees, members of management or consultants in the ordinary course of business and transactions pursuant to stock option plans and employee benefit plans and arrangements;

- (k) Restricted Payments permitted under Section 7.06;
- (l) customary payments by the Borrower and any of the Subsidiaries made for any financial advisory, financing, underwriting or placement services or in respect of other investment banking activities (including in connection with acquisitions or divestitures), which payments are approved by a majority of the disinterested members of the board of directors of the Borrower in good faith (which, for the avoidance of doubt, may include payments to Affiliates of Permitted Holders);
- (m) transactions in which the Borrower or any of the Subsidiaries, as the case may be, delivers to the Administrative Agent a letter from an Independent Financial Advisor stating that such transaction is fair to the Borrower or such Subsidiary from a financial point of view or meets the requirements of <u>clause (b)</u> of this <u>Section 7.08</u> and an independent committee (in which the Observer can participate) to evaluate proposals is created and the transaction has been approved by a majority of disinterested directors;
 - (n) Reserved;
 - (o) Reserved;
 - (p) Reserved;
- (q) payments to or from, and transactions with, Joint Ventures (to the extent any such Joint Venture is only an Affiliate as a result of Investments by the Borrower and the Subsidiaries in such Joint Venture), non-wholly owned Subsidiaries in the ordinary course of business to the extent otherwise permitted under Section 7.02;
- (r) the payment of customary and reasonable out-of-pocket costs and expenses relating to registration rights and indemnities provided to equity holders of the Borrower or any Permitted Parent;
 - (s) Reserved;

- (t) payments or loans (or cancellation of loans) or advances to employees, officers, directors, members of management or consultants (or the estates, executors, administrators, heirs, family members, legatees, distributes, spouse, former spouse, domestic partner or former domestic partner or any of the foregoing) of the Borrower, any Permitted Parent or any of its Subsidiaries and employment agreements, consulting arrangements, severance arrangements, stock option plans and other similar arrangements (and, in each case, to the extent otherwise constituting a Restricted Payment, permitted by Section 7.06) with such employees, officers, directors, members of management or consultants (or the estates, executors, administrators, heirs, family members, legatees, distributes, spouse, former spouse, domestic partner or former domestic partner of any of the foregoing);
- (u) transactions with customers, clients, suppliers or purchasers or sellers of goods or services, or transactions otherwise relating to the purchase or sale of goods or services, in each case in the ordinary course of business and otherwise in compliance with the terms of this Agreement, which are fair to the Borrower and its Subsidiaries, in the reasonable determination of the board of directors or the senior management of the Borrower, or are on terms at least as favorable as might reasonably have been obtained at such time from an unaffiliated party;
- (v) the entering into of any tax sharing agreement or arrangement to the extent payments under such agreement or arrangement would otherwise be permitted under <u>Section 7.06</u>;
 - (w) any contribution to the capital of the Borrower or any of its Subsidiaries;
- (x) transactions permitted under <u>Section 7.04</u> and/or <u>Section 7.05</u> solely for the purpose of (a) forming a holding company, or (b) reincorporating the Borrower in a new jurisdiction;
 - (y) Reserved;
- (z) the formation and maintenance of any consolidated group or subgroup for tax, accounting or cash pooling or management purposes in the ordinary course of business;
- (aa) the issuance of securities or other payments, awards or grants in cash, securities or otherwise pursuant to, or the funding of, employment arrangements, stock option and stock ownership plans or similar employee benefit plans approved by the board of directors of the Borrower in good faith;
- (bb) investments by the Permitted Holders in debt securities of the Borrower or any of its Subsidiaries (and payment of reasonable out-of-pocket expenses incurred by the Permitted Holders in connection therewith) so long as, when such debt securities were initially issued, non-Affiliates were generally being offered the opportunity to invest in such debt securities on terms no less favorable than the terms offered to the Permitted Holders; and
- (cc) transactions undertaken in good faith (as certified by a Responsible Officer of the Borrower) for the purpose of improving the consolidated tax efficiency of the Borrower and its Subsidiaries and not for the purpose of circumventing any covenant set forth in this Agreement.
- **Section 7.09** <u>Burdensome Agreements</u>. Enter into or permit to exist any Contractual Obligation (other than this Agreement or any other Loan Document) that limits the ability of (a) any Non-Loan Party to make Restricted Payments to (directly or indirectly) or to make or repay loans or advances to any Loan Party or (b) any Loan Party to create, incur, assume or suffer to exist Liens on property of such Person for the benefit of the Lenders with respect to any Facility and the Obligations under the Loan Documents; *provided* that the foregoing <u>clauses (a)</u> and <u>(b)</u> shall not apply to Contractual Obligations that:
- (a) (x) exist on the date hereof and (y) to the extent set forth in an agreement evidencing Indebtedness, are set forth in any agreement evidencing any permitted modification, replacement, renewal, extension or refinancing of such Indebtedness so long as such modification, replacement, renewal, extension or refinancing does not expand the scope of such Contractual Obligation in a material respect;

- (b) are binding on a Subsidiary at the time such Subsidiary first becomes a Subsidiary, so long as such Contractual Obligations were not entered into in contemplation of such Person becoming a Subsidiary;
 - (c) represent Indebtedness of a Non-Loan Party that is permitted by Section 7.03;
 - (d) are required by or pursuant to, applicable Laws;
- (e) are customary restrictions that arise in connection with (x) any Lien permitted by Sections 7.01(a), (i), (l), (m), (n), (g), (y), (y), (aa), (cc), (ff), (gg), (hh), (ii), (jj), (oo) and/or (pp) or any document in connection therewith provided that such restriction relates only to the property subject to such Lien or (y) any Disposition permitted by Section 7.05 applicable pending such Disposition solely to the assets subject to such Disposition;
- (f) are customary provisions in joint venture agreements and other similar agreements applicable to Joint Ventures and non-wholly owned Subsidiaries permitted under Section 7.02 and applicable solely to such Person entered into in the ordinary course of business;
- (g) are negative pledges and restrictions on Liens in favor of any holder of Indebtedness permitted under <u>Section 7.03</u> but solely to the extent any negative pledge relates to the property financed by or the subject of such Indebtedness and the proceeds and products thereof;
- (h) are customary restrictions on leases, subleases, licenses, sublicenses, Equity Interests, or asset sale agreements and other similar agreements otherwise permitted hereby so long as such restrictions relate to the assets subject thereto;
- (i) comprise restrictions imposed by any agreement relating to secured Indebtedness permitted pursuant to Sections 7.03(b), (e), (g), (h), (n), (o)(i), (r), (s), (u) or (z) to the extent that such restrictions apply only to the property or assets securing such Indebtedness;
 - (j) are customary provisions restricting subletting or assignment of any lease governing a leasehold interest of any Subsidiary;
 - (k) are customary provisions restricting assignment of any agreement entered into in the ordinary course of business;
 - (l) are restrictions on cash or other deposits imposed by customers under contracts entered into in the ordinary course of business;
- (m) are customary restrictions in any Incremental Equivalent Debt or any Refinancing Equivalent Debt (so long as such restrictions shall not conflict with this Agreement);
 - (n) arise in connection with cash or other deposits permitted under Section 7.01;
- (o) comprise restrictions imposed by any agreement governing Indebtedness entered into after the Closing Date and permitted under Section 7.03 that are, at the time such agreement in entered into, taken as a whole, in the good faith judgment of the Borrower, not materially more restrictive with respect to the Borrower or any Subsidiary than (x) customary market terms for Indebtedness of such type, (y) the restrictions contained in this Agreement or (z) restrictions in effect on the Closing Date (pursuant to documents in effect on the Closing Date), so long as the Borrower shall have determined in good faith that such restrictions will not affect its obligation or ability to make any payments required hereunder;

- (p) apply by reason of any applicable Laws, rule, regulation or order or are required by any Governmental Authority having jurisdiction over the Borrower's or Subsidiary's status (or the status of any Subsidiary of such Subsidiary) as a Captive Insurance Subsidiary;
- (q) are contracts or agreements for the sale or Disposition of assets, including any restriction with respect to a Subsidiary imposed pursuant to an agreement entered into for the sale or Disposition of the Equity Interests or assets of such Subsidiary;
- (r) comprise restrictions on cash or other deposits or net worth imposed by customers under contracts entered into in the ordinary course of business;
 - (s) Reserved; or
- (t) any encumbrances or restrictions imposed by any amendments, modifications, restatements, renewals, increases, supplements, refundings, replacements or refinancings of the contracts, instruments or obligations referred to in <u>clauses (a)</u> through <u>(r)</u> above; *provided* that such amendments, modifications, restatements, renewals, increases, supplements, refundings, replacements or refinancings are, in the good faith judgment of the Borrower, no more restrictive in any material respect with respect to such restrictions than those contained in such contracts, instruments or obligations prior to such amendment, modification, restatement, renewal, increase, supplement, refunding, replacement or refinancing.

Section 7.10 Sale-Leaseback of Assets. Enter into any sale-leaseback transaction of any kind, other than a sale-leaseback of assets (other than material Intellectual Property or any owned real property (excluding the HQ Property)) for no less than the fair market value of such property at the time of such sale-leaseback as determined in good faith (x) by management of the Borrower and (y) for sale-leasebacks with an aggregate consideration in excess of \$2,500,000 for any individual transaction or series of related transactions, by the board of directors (or any committee thereof) of the Borrower:

provided, no sale-leaseback may be entered into with an Affiliate of the Borrower or its Subsidiaries (including Summit Partners) unless (i) an independent committee of the board of directors of the Borrower has evaluated such proposal and such sale-leaseback transaction has been approved by a majority of disinterested directors or (ii) it is consented to by the Required Lenders.

Section 7.11 Financial Covenant.

(a) On any Monthly Compliance Date (other than as set forth in clauses (b) and (c) below), permit the average daily Liquidity for the Test Period ending on such Monthly Compliance Date to be less than an amount equal to (i) the amount listed on Schedule 7.11(a) attached hereto for such Monthly Compliance Date, minus (ii) any repayment of Existing Term Loans at the scheduled maturity date minus (iii) the cumulative amount of any prepayments made pursuant to Section 2.05(b)(i) (clause (i) minus clause (ii) minus clause (iii), the "Initial Liquidity Metric"), minus (iv) the cumulative amount of any voluntary prepayments of the Loans made pursuant to Section 2.05(a) but solely to the extent made with Additional Cash, in each case under this clause (iv), solely to the extent after giving effect to this clause (iv), the Initial Liquidity Metric minus the amount available to be deducted under this clause (iv) (such result, the "Further Adjusted Liquidity Metric") equals or exceeds \$[***] (such that the amounts that may be deducted from the Initial Liquidity Metric under this clause (iv) shall be reduced or eliminated entirely, as applicable, so that the Further Adjusted Liquidity Metric is not less than \$[***]).

(b) On November 15, 2023, permit the average daily Liquidity for the immediately preceding five (5) Business Days to be less than (i) an amount equal to (x) the amount listed on <u>Schedule 7.11(a)</u> attached hereto for the month ending October 31, 2023, <u>plus</u> (y) \$[***] or (ii) (x) \$[***] <u>plus</u> (y) the amount of obligations in respect of the Existing Term Loans required to be paid at the scheduled maturity date.

(c) On December 10, 2023, permit the average daily Liquidity for the immediately preceding five (5) Business Days to be less than (i) an amount equal to (x) the amount listed on Schedule 7.11(a) attached hereto for the month ending November 30, 2023, plus (y) \$[***] (the "December Liquidity Metric"), minus (z) the cumulative amount of any voluntary prepayments of the Loans made pursuant to Section 2.05(a) but solely to the extent made with Additional Cash, in each case under this clause (i)(z), solely to the extent after giving effect to this clause (i)(z), the December Liquidity Metric minus the amount available to be deducted under this clause (i)(z) (such result, the "Adjusted December Liquidity Metric") equals or exceeds \$[***] (such that the amounts that may be deducted from the December Liquidity Metric under this clause (i)(z) shall be reduced or eliminated entirely, as applicable, so that the Adjusted December Liquidity Metric is not less than \$[***]) or (ii) (x) \$[***] plus (y) the amount of obligations in respect of the Existing Term Loans required to be paid at the scheduled maturity date.

Section 7.12 <u>Accounting Changes</u>. Make any change in fiscal year; *provided, however*, that the Borrower may, upon written notice to the Administrative Agent, change its fiscal year to any other fiscal year reasonably acceptable to the Administrative Agent, in which case, the Borrower and the Administrative Agent will, and are hereby authorized by the Lenders to, make any adjustments to this Agreement that are necessary to reflect such change in fiscal year.

Section 7.13 Prepayments, Etc. of Indebtedness; Certain Amendments. (a) Prepay, redeem, purchase, defease or otherwise satisfy prior to the scheduled maturity thereof in any manner (it being understood that payments of regularly scheduled principal, interest, mandatory prepayments, mandatory offers to purchase, fees, expenses and indemnification obligations and any AHYDO Catch-Up Payment shall be permitted) any Indebtedness for borrowed money of a Loan Party that is (x) contractually subordinated in right of payment to the Obligations, (y) secured by Liens that are contractually subordinated to the Liens securing the Obligations, in each case, expressly by its terms or (z) unsecured and in excess of the Threshold Amount (in each case of clauses (x), (y) and (z), other than Indebtedness among the Borrower and its Subsidiaries) (collectively, "Junior Financing"), except (i) the refinancing thereof with the Net Cash Proceeds of, or in exchange for, any Permitted Refinancing, (ii) the prepayment, redemption, repurchase, defeasance, exchange, acquisition or retirement or other acquisition of any Junior Financing in exchange for, or out of the proceeds of, the substantially concurrent sale of, Equity Interests of the Borrower (or any Permitted Parent or any Subsidiary) or contributions to the equity capital of the Borrower or any Subsidiary (other than any Disqualified Equity Interests), (iii) the prepayment of Indebtedness of the Borrower or any Subsidiary owed to Borrower or a Subsidiary or the prepayment of any other Junior Financing with the proceeds of any other Junior Financing otherwise permitted by Section 7.03, (iv) reserved, (vi) reserved, (vii) reserved and/or (viii) the prepayment, redemption, repurchase, defeasance, exchange, acquisition or retirement or other acquisition of Junior Financing within 60 days of the date of a redemption notice if, at the date of any prepayment, redemption, repurchase, defeasance, exchange, acquisition or retirement or other acquisition notice in respect thereof, such prepayment, redemption, repurchase, defeasance, exchange, acquisition or retirement or other acquisition would have complied with another provision of this Section 7.13; provided that such prepayment, redemption, repurchase, defeasance, exchange, acquisition or retirement or other acquisition under this Section 7.13(a) (viii) shall reduce capacity under such other provision; provided further that no prepayment, repayment, redemption, purchase, defeasance, exchange, retirement or other acquisition of the Existing Term Loans shall be permitted pursuant to this Section 7.13(a).

- (b) Prepay, repay, redeem, purchase, defease, exchange, retire or otherwise acquire the Existing Term Loans (i) prior to the scheduled maturity date thereof (including any extension thereof) (other than regularly scheduled amortization, interest, fees, and the payment of expenses and indemnification obligations thereunder) or (ii) on the scheduled maturity date thereof (including any extension thereof) other than, in the case of this clause (ii), (A) any repayment that is made with cash on hand at the Borrower and its Subsidiaries (other than the proceeds of Indebtedness (other than Incremental Equivalent Debt)) or (B) an exchange for, or refinancing with, other Indebtedness that is secured on a pari passu basis with, or junior basis to, the remaining Existing Term Loans exchanged or refinanced or is unsecured (any such Indebtedness, "Subordinated Replacement Debt"); provided that, (I) the final maturity date and the Weighted Average Life to Maturity of any such Subordinated Replacement Debt shall not be earlier than, or shorter than, as the case may be, the Original Term Loan Maturity Date or Weighted Average Life to Maturity, as applicable, of the Initial Term Loans, (II) the All-In Yield that is paid in cash (as opposed to accruing until maturity or payable-in-kind as additional Indebtedness) applicable to any such Subordinated Replacement Debt shall not exceed Adjusted Term SOFR Rate plus 11.0% per annum, (III) the Subordinated Replacement Debt shall not be secured by collateral or guaranteed by guarantors, in each case, that are not Collateral or Guarantors hereunder, (IV) unless the Subordinated Replacement Debt is unsecured, it shall rank junior in right of security with the Initial Term Loans and be subject to the Superpriority Intercreditor Agreement or an intercreditor agreement reasonably satisfactory to the Administrative Agent (acting at the direction of the Required Lenders) and (V) subject to the preceding clauses (I)-(IV), all terms and documentation with respect to any Subordinated Replacement Debt which differ materially from those with respect to the Initial Term Loans shall be either substantially similar to, and not more favorable to the lenders thereunder than, the terms of the Initial Term Loans or shall be reasonably satisfactory to the Administrative Agent (acting at the direction of the Required Lenders).
- (c) Make any payment in violation of any subordination terms of any Junior Financing that is subordinated in right of payment to the Obligations expressly by its terms.
- (d) Amend, modify or change in any manner that would be materially adverse to the interests of the Lenders, any term or condition of any Junior Financing Documentation in respect of any Junior Financing that is subordinated in right of payment to the Obligations expressly by its terms (other than as a result of a Permitted Refinancing thereof) without the consent of the Administrative Agent (which consent shall not be unreasonably withheld or delayed).
- (e) Amend, modify or change its certificate or articles of incorporation (including by the filing or modification of any certificate or articles of designation), certificate of formation, limited liability company agreement or by-laws (or the equivalent organizational documents), as applicable, in each case, in any manner materially adverse to the interests of the Lenders.

Section 7.14 Permitted Parent. In the case of any Permitted Parent, conduct, transact or otherwise engage in any material business or operations other than the following (and activities incidental thereto): (i) its ownership of the Equity Interests of the Borrower and its Subsidiaries, (ii) the maintenance of its legal existence (including the ability to incur fees, costs and expenses relating to such maintenance), (iii) the performance of its obligations with respect to or under the Loan Documents, Incremental Equivalent Debt, Refinancing Equivalent Debt, (iv) making dividends and distributions; *provided* that any such dividends and distributions made with any amounts received pursuant to transactions permitted under Section 7.06 shall be used solely for the purposes contemplated by Section 7.06, (v) making Investments in its Subsidiaries, (vi) participating in tax, accounting and other administrative matters as a member of the consolidated, combined, unitary or similar group that included any Permitted Parent and the Borrower, (vii) holding any cash, Cash Equivalents or other property (but not operate any property), (viii) providing indemnification and contribution, directors, officers, employees, members of management and consultants, (ix) making Investments in assets that are Cash Equivalents at the time such Investment is made, (x) any

offering of its common stock or any other issuance of Equity Interests, (xi) making contributions to the capital of the Borrower and guaranteeing obligations of its Subsidiaries and (xii) activities incidental to a permitted Investment if all assets acquired through such Investment is contributed to the Borrower or a Subsidiary in connection with the consummation of such Investment.

Section 7.15 Amendment to Existing Credit Agreement. Amend the Existing Credit Agreement (after giving effect to the First Amendment to Existing Credit Agreement) in any manner materially adverse to the interests of the Lenders, including, but not limited to, (i) the inclusion of a financial maintenance covenant, (ii) the imposition of additional mandatory prepayment obligations, (iii) amendments that shorten the scheduled final maturity or shorten the weighted average life to maturity, (iv) restrictions on the ability of the Borrower or any Guarantor to make payments under this Agreement or (v) amendments to the level of cash interest payments.

Section 7.16 <u>Anti-Money Laundering Laws; Anti-Corruption Laws; Ex-Im Laws; Sanctions.</u>

- (a) None of the Borrower or any of its Subsidiaries will directly or, to the knowledge of the Borrower and the Subsidiaries, indirectly use the proceeds of the Loans or otherwise make available such proceeds to any Person (i) to fund any investments, activities or transactions involving any Sanctioned Country or Sanctioned Person, in each case, in violation of Sanctions; or (ii) in any manner in violation of Anti-Corruption Laws, Anti-Money Laundering Laws, Ex-Im Laws or Sanctions by the Borrower or any Subsidiary or any such Person.
- (b) None of the Borrower or any of its Subsidiaries, nor any director, officer, agent, employee or controlled Affiliate of the Borrower or any of its Subsidiaries, shall become a Sanctioned Person.
- (c) Neither the Borrower nor any of its Subsidiaries or Controlled Affiliates (a) shall have assets located in, or otherwise directly or indirectly derive revenues from, or engage in, investments, dealings, activities, or transactions in or with, any Sanctioned Country; or (b) shall directly or indirectly derive revenues from, or engage in investments, dealings, activities, or transactions with, any Sanctioned Person, in each case, in violation of Sanctions.
- (d) Borrower shall not, and shall not permit any of its Subsidiaries or Controlled Affiliates to, directly or indirectly, fund all or part of any repayment of the Loans or other payments under this Agreement out of proceeds derived from criminal activity or activity or transactions in violation of any Anti-Corruption Laws, Anti-Money Laundering Laws, Ex-Im Laws or Sanctions, or that would otherwise cause any Person (including any Agent, Lender, arranger, advisor or other individual or entity participating in the transactions hereunder) to be in violation of any Anti-Corruption Laws, Anti-Money Laundering Laws, Ex-Im Laws or Sanctions.

ARTICLE VIII

Events of Default and Remedies

Section 8.01 Events of Default. Each of the events referred to in <u>clauses (a)</u> through <u>(k)</u> of this <u>Section 8.01</u> shall constitute an "**Event of Default**":

(a) <u>Non-Payment</u>. The Borrower fails to pay (i) when and as required to be paid herein, any amount of principal of any Loan, or (ii) within five (5) Business Days after the same becomes due, any interest on any Loan or any regularly scheduled fees or other amounts payable hereunder; or

- (b) <u>Specific Covenants</u>. The Borrower or any Subsidiary fails to perform or observe any term, covenant or agreement contained in any of (i) <u>Section 6.01(e)</u> and such failure continues for five (5) Business Days, (ii) <u>Section 6.02(a)(ii)(x)</u> and such failure continues for two (2) Business Days or (iii) <u>Section 6.02(a)(ii)(y)</u> and (z), <u>Section 6.03(a)</u> (*provided*, that the delivery of a notice of an Event of Default, as applicable, at any time will cure any Event of Default resulting from a breach of <u>Section 6.03(a)</u> arising solely from the failure to timely deliver such notice), <u>Section 6.05(a)</u> (solely with respect to the Borrower), <u>Section 6.13(c)</u>, <u>Section 6.17</u>, <u>Section 6.19(a)</u> or <u>Article VII</u>; or
- (c) Other Defaults. Any Loan Party fails to perform or observe any other covenant or agreement (not specified in Section 8.01(a) or (b) above) contained in any Loan Document on its part to be performed or observed and such failure continues for thirty (30) days after the receipt by the Borrower of written notice thereof from the Administrative Agent; or
- (d) <u>Representations and Warranties</u>. Any representation, warranty, certification or statement of fact made or deemed made by the Borrower or any Guarantor herein, in any other Loan Document, or in any document required to be delivered in connection herewith or therewith shall be incorrect in any material respect when made or deemed made; or
- (e) <u>Cross-Default</u>. Any Loan Party or any Subsidiary (A) fails to make any payment beyond the applicable grace period, if any, whether by scheduled maturity, required prepayment, acceleration, demand, or otherwise, in respect of any Indebtedness (other than Indebtedness hereunder but including Indebtedness under the Existing Credit Agreement) having an aggregate outstanding principal amount (individually or in the aggregate with all other Indebtedness as to which such a failure shall exist) of not less than the Threshold Amount or (B) fails to observe or perform any other agreement or condition relating to any such Indebtedness, or any other event occurs (other than, with respect to Indebtedness consisting of Swap Contracts, termination events or equivalent events pursuant to the terms of such Swap Contracts and not as a result of any default thereunder by any Loan Party), the effect of which default or other event is to cause, or to permit the holder or holders of such Indebtedness (or a trustee or agent on behalf of such holder or holders or beneficiary or beneficiaries) to cause, with the giving of notice if required, such Indebtedness to become due or to be repurchased, prepaid, defeased or redeemed (automatically or otherwise), or an offer to repurchase, prepay, defease or redeem such Indebtedness to be made, prior to its stated maturity; *provided* that this <u>clause (e)(B)</u> shall not apply to secured Indebtedness that becomes due as a result of the voluntary sale or transfer of the property or assets securing such Indebtedness, if such sale or transfer is permitted hereunder; *provided*, *further*, that such failure is unremedied or is not waived by the holders of such Indebtedness prior to any termination of the Commitments or acceleration of the Loans pursuant to <u>Section 8.02</u>; or
- (f) <u>Insolvency Proceedings</u>, <u>Etc</u>. The Borrower or any Subsidiary institutes or consents to the institution of any proceeding under any Debtor Relief Law, or makes an assignment for the benefit of creditors; or applies for or consents to the appointment of any receiver, receiver or manager, trustee, custodian, conservator, liquidator, rehabilitator, administrator, administrative receiver, examiner or similar officer for it or for all or any material part of its property; or any receiver, receiver or manager, trustee, custodian, conservator, liquidator, rehabilitator, administrator, administrative receiver, examiner or similar officer is appointed without the application or consent of such Person and the appointment continues undischarged or unstayed for sixty (60) calendar days; or any proceeding under any Debtor Relief Law relating to any such Person or to all or any material part of its property is instituted without the consent of such Person and continues undismissed or unstayed for sixty (60) calendar days, or an order for relief is entered in any such proceeding, in each case, other than voluntary actions of the Borrower or its Subsidiaries to merge, dissolve, liquidate or consolidate a Subsidiary of the Borrower to the extent not otherwise prohibited by the terms of this Agreement; or

- (g) <u>Judgments</u>. There is entered against the Borrower or any Subsidiary a final judgment or order for the payment of money in an aggregate amount exceeding the Threshold Amount (to the extent not covered by self-insurance (if applicable), independent third-party insurance as to which the insurer has been notified of such judgment or order and has not denied coverage thereof or indemnification) and such judgment or order shall not have been satisfied, vacated, discharged or stayed or bonded pending an appeal for a period of sixty (60) consecutive days; or
- (h) ERISA. (i) An ERISA Event occurs with respect to a Pension Plan or Multiemployer Plan which has resulted or would reasonably be expected to result in liability of the Borrower or any of its ERISA Affiliates under Title IV of ERISA in an aggregate amount which would reasonably be expected to result in a Material Adverse Effect or (ii) with respect to a Foreign Plan, a termination, withdrawal or noncompliance with applicable Laws or plan terms that would reasonably be expected to result in a Material Adverse Effect; or
- (i) <u>Invalidity of Loan Documents</u>. Any material provision of the Loan Documents, taken as a whole, at any time after its execution and delivery and for any reason other than as expressly permitted hereunder or thereunder (including as a result of a transaction permitted under <u>Section 7.04</u> or <u>7.05</u>) or as a result of acts or omissions by the Administrative Agent, the Collateral Agent or any Lender or the satisfaction in full of all the Obligations, ceases to be in full force and effect; or the Borrower contests in writing the validity or enforceability of the Loan Documents, taken as a whole; or any Loan Party denies in writing that it has any or further liability or obligation under the Loan Documents, taken as a whole (other than as a result of repayment in full of the Obligations and termination of the Aggregate Commitments), or purports in writing to revoke or rescind the Loan Documents, taken as a whole; or
- (j) Collateral Documents. Any Collateral Document with respect to a material portion of the Collateral after delivery thereof pursuant to Section 4.01, 6.11 or 6.13, shall for any reason (other than pursuant to the terms hereof or thereof including as a result of a transaction permitted under Section 7.04 or 7.05) cease to create, or any Lien with respect to a material portion of the Collateral purported to be created by such Collateral Document shall be asserted in writing by the Borrower or any other Loan Party not to be, a valid, enforceable and, to the extent applicable under applicable Laws, perfected Lien, with the priority required by the Collateral Documents (or other security purported to be created on the applicable Collateral), on and security interest in any material portion of the Collateral purported to be covered thereby, subject to Liens permitted under Section 7.01, except to the extent that (i) any such perfection or priority is not required pursuant to the Collateral and Guarantee Requirement, (ii) any such loss of perfection or priority results from the failure of the Administrative Agent or the Collateral Agent to take any action within their control, including the failure to maintain possession of certificates actually delivered to it representing securities pledged under the Collateral Documents or to file Uniform Commercial Code continuation statements, (iii) as to Collateral consisting of real property, such losses are covered by a lender's title insurance policy and such insurer has not denied coverage; or (iv) such loss of enforceable or perfected, as applicable, security interest may be remedied by the filing of appropriate documentation without the loss of priority; or
 - (k) Change of Control. There occurs any Change of Control.
- **Section 8.02** Remedies upon Event of Default. If any Event of Default occurs and is continuing, the Administrative Agent may with the consent of, and shall at the request of, the Required Lenders take any or all of the following actions:
- (a) declare the commitment of each Lender to make Loans to be terminated, whereupon such commitments and obligations shall be terminated;

(b) declare the unpaid principal amount of all outstanding Loans, all interest accrued and unpaid thereon, and all other amounts (including the Exit Fee) owing or payable hereunder or under any other Loan Document to be immediately due and payable, without presentment, demand, protest or other notice of any kind, all of which are hereby expressly waived by the Borrower;

- (c) Reserved; and
- (d) exercise on behalf of itself and the Lenders all rights and remedies available to it and the Lenders under the Loan Documents or applicable Laws,

provided that upon the occurrence of an actual or deemed entry of an order for relief with respect to the Borrower under the Bankruptcy Code of the United States, the obligation of each Lender to make Loans shall automatically terminate and the unpaid principal amount of all outstanding Loans and all interest and other amounts as aforesaid shall automatically become due and payable.

It is understood and agreed that if the Loans are accelerated or otherwise become due prior to the Maturity Date, including without limitation as a result of any Event of Default set forth in Section 8.01(f) (including the acceleration of claims by operation of law), the Exit Fee will also automatically be due and payable and shall constitute part of the Obligations with respect to the Loans, in view of the impracticability and extreme difficulty of ascertaining actual damages and by mutual agreement of the parties as to a reasonable calculation of each Lender's lost profits as a result thereof. Any such Exit Fee payable shall be presumed to be the liquidated damages sustained by each Lender as the result of the early prepayment and each of the Loan Parties agrees that it is reasonable under the circumstances currently existing. Each of the Loan Parties expressly waives (to the fullest extent it may lawfully do so) the provisions of any present or future statute or law that prohibits or may prohibit the collection of the foregoing amounts in connection with any such acceleration, any rescission of such acceleration or the commencement of any proceeding under the Debtor Relief Laws. Each of the Loan Parties expressly agrees (to the fullest extent it may lawfully do so) that: (A) the Exit Fee is reasonable and is the product of an arm's length transaction between sophisticated business people, ably represented by counsel; (B) the Exit Fee shall be payable notwithstanding the then prevailing market rates at the time payment is made; (C) there has been a course of conduct between Lenders and the Loan Parties giving specific consideration in this transaction for such agreement to pay the Exit Fee; and (D) the Loan Parties shall be estopped hereafter from claiming differently than as agreed to in this paragraph.

Section 8.03 <u>Application of Funds</u>. After the exercise of remedies provided for in <u>Section 8.02</u> (or after the Loans have automatically become immediately due and payable), subject to any Intercreditor Agreement, any amounts received on account of the Obligations shall be applied by the Administrative Agent in the following order:

First, to payment of that portion of the Obligations constituting fees, indemnities, expenses and other amounts (other than principal and interest, but including Attorney Costs payable under <u>Section 10.04</u> and amounts payable under <u>Article III</u>) payable to the Administrative Agent and the Collateral Agent, in each case, in its capacity as such;

Second, to payment of that portion of the Obligations constituting fees (including, but not limited to, the Exit Fee), indemnities and other amounts (other than principal and interest) payable to the Lenders (including Attorney Costs payable under <u>Section 10.04</u> and amounts payable under <u>Article III)</u>, ratably among them in proportion to the amounts described in this <u>clause Second</u> payable to them;

Third, to payment of that portion of the Obligations constituting accrued and unpaid interest on the Loans, ratably among the Lenders in proportion to the respective amounts described in this <u>clause *Third*</u> payable to them;

Fourth, to payment of that portion of the Obligations constituting unpaid principal of the Loans, the Obligations under Secured Hedge Agreements and Obligations under Secured Cash Management Agreements, ratably among the Secured Parties in proportion to the respective amounts described in this clause *Fourth* held by them;

Fifth, to the payment of all other Obligations of the Loan Parties that are due and payable to the Administrative Agent and the other Secured Parties on such date, ratably based upon the respective aggregate amounts of all such Obligations owing to the Administrative Agent and the other Secured Parties on such date; and

Sixth, the balance, if any, after all of the Obligations have been paid in full, to the Borrower or as otherwise required by Law.

Notwithstanding the foregoing, amounts received from any Guarantor that is not an "eligible contract participant" (as defined in the Commodity Exchange Act) shall not be applied to its Obligations that are Excluded Swap Obligations, but appropriate adjustments shall be made with respect to payments from other Loan Parties to preserve the allocation of amounts paid to Obligations otherwise set forth in <u>clause Fourth</u> of this <u>Section 8.03</u>.

Section 8.04 Reserved.

ARTICLE IX

Administrative Agent and Other Agents

Section 9.01 Appointment and Authority of the Administrative Agent.

- (a) Each Lender hereby irrevocably appoints JPMorgan Chase Bank, N.A. to act on its behalf as the Administrative Agent hereunder and under the other Loan Documents and authorizes the Administrative Agent to take such actions on its behalf and to exercise such powers as are delegated to the Administrative Agent by the terms hereof or thereof, together with such actions and powers as are reasonably incidental thereto. The provisions of this <u>Article IX</u>, other than in respect of <u>Section 9.09</u>, <u>Section 9.11</u> and <u>Section 9.12</u>, are solely for the benefit of the Administrative Agent and the Lenders, and the Loan Parties shall not have rights as a third party beneficiary of any such provision. In performing its functions and duties hereunder, the Administrative Agent shall act solely as agent of the Lenders and does not assume and shall not be deemed to have assumed any obligation towards or relationship of agency or trust with or for the Borrower or any of its Subsidiaries, except as expressly set forth herein or in the other Loan Documents.
 - (b) Reserved.
- (c) Delaware Trust Company shall act as the "Collateral Agent" under the Loan Documents, and each of the Lenders (including in its capacities as a Lender and a potential Hedge Bank and/or Cash Management Bank) hereby irrevocably appoints and authorizes the Collateral Agent to act as the agent of (and to hold any security interest created by the Collateral Documents for and on behalf of or in trust for) the Secured Parties for purposes of acquiring, holding and enforcing any and all Liens on Collateral granted by any of the Loan Parties to secure any of the Obligations, together with such powers

and discretion as are reasonably incidental thereto. In this connection, the Collateral Agent (and any co-agents, sub-agents and attorneys-in-fact appointed by the Collateral Agent pursuant to Section 9.05 for purposes of holding or enforcing any Lien on the Collateral (or any portion thereof) granted under the Collateral Documents, or for exercising any rights and remedies thereunder at the direction of the Collateral Agent), shall be entitled to the benefits of all provisions of this Article IX (including Section 9.07, as though such co-agents, sub-agents and attorneys-in-fact were the "collateral agent" under the Loan Documents) as if set forth in full herein with respect thereto. Without limiting the generality of the foregoing, each of the Lenders (including in its capacities as a Lender and a potential Hedge Bank and/or Cash Management Bank) hereby expressly authorizes the Collateral Agent to (i) execute any and all documents (including releases) with respect to the Collateral and the rights of the Secured Parties with respect thereto (including any Pari Passu Intercreditor Agreement, and/or any other intercreditor agreements entered into in connection herewith, and security trust documents), as contemplated by, in accordance with or otherwise in connection with the provisions of this Agreement and the Collateral Documents and acknowledge and agree that any such action by any Agent shall bind the Lenders and (ii) negotiate, enforce or settle any claim, action or proceeding affecting the Lenders in their capacity as such, at the direction of the Required Lenders, which negotiation, enforcement or settlement will be binding upon each Lender.

(d) Any corporation or association into which any Agent may be converted or merged, or with which it may be consolidated, or to which it may sell or transfer all or substantially all of its corporate trust business and assets as a whole or substantially as a whole, or any corporation or association resulting from any such conversion, sale, merger, consolidation or transfer to which such Agent is a party, will be and become the successor Administrative Agent and/or Collateral Agent, as applicable, under this Agreement and will have and succeed to the rights, powers, duties, immunities and privileges as its predecessor, without the execution or filing of any instrument or paper or the performance of any further act.

Section 9.02 Rights as a Lender. Any Person serving as an Agent (including as Administrative Agent) hereunder shall have the same rights and powers in its capacity as a Lender as any other Lender and may exercise the same as though it were not an Agent, and the agency created hereby shall in no way impose any duties or obligations upon any Agent in its individual capacity as a Lender hereunder. The term "Lender" or "Lenders" shall, unless otherwise expressly indicated or unless the context otherwise requires, include each Person serving as an Agent hereunder in its individual capacity. Such Person and its Affiliates may accept deposits from, lend money to, own securities of, act as the financial advisor or in any other advisory capacity for and generally engage in any kind of business with the Borrower or any Subsidiary or other Affiliate thereof as if such Person were not an Agent hereunder and without any duty to provide notice or account therefor to the Lenders. The Lenders acknowledge that, pursuant to such activities, any Agent or its Affiliates may receive information regarding any Loan Party or any of its Affiliates (including information that may be subject to confidentiality obligations in favor of such Loan Party or such Affiliate) and acknowledge that no Agent shall be under any obligation to provide such information to them.

Section 9.03 Exculpatory Provisions. Neither the Administrative Agent nor any other Agent shall have any duties or obligations except those expressly set forth herein and in the other Loan Documents. Without limiting the generality of the foregoing, an Agent (including the Administrative Agent):

(a) shall not be subject to any fiduciary or other implied (or express) duties, regardless of whether a Default has occurred and is continuing and without limiting the generality of the foregoing, the use of the term "agent" herein and in the other Loan Documents with reference to any Agent is not intended to connote any fiduciary or other implied (or express) obligations arising under any agency doctrine of any applicable Laws and instead, such term is used merely as a matter of market custom, and is intended to create or reflect only an administrative relationship between independent contracting parties;

- (b) shall not have any duty to take any discretionary action or exercise any discretionary powers, except discretionary rights and powers expressly contemplated hereby or by the other Loan Documents that such Agent is required to exercise as directed in writing by the Required Lenders (or such other number or percentage of the Lenders as shall be expressly provided for herein or in the other Loan Documents); *provided* that no Agent shall be required to take any action (or where so instructed, refrain from exercising) that, in its opinion or the opinion of its counsel, may expose such Agent to liability or that is contrary to any Loan Document or applicable Laws;
- (c) shall not, except as expressly set forth herein and in the other Loan Documents, have any duty to disclose, and shall not be liable for the failure to disclose, any information relating to the Borrower or any of its Affiliates that is communicated to or obtained by any Person serving as an Agent or any of its Affiliates in any capacity;
 - (d) shall not have any liability arising from confirmations of the amount of outstanding Loans or the component amounts thereof; and
- (e) shall not be responsible or liable for any failure or delay in the performance of its obligations under this Agreement arising out of or caused, directly or indirectly, by circumstances beyond its control, including without limitation, any act or provision of any present or future law or regulation or governmental authority; acts of God; earthquakes; fires; floods; wars; terrorism; civil or military disturbances; sabotage; epidemics; riots; interruptions, loss or malfunctions of utilities, computer (hardware or software) or communications service; accidents; labor disputes; acts of civil or military authority or governmental actions; or the unavailability of the Federal Reserve Bank wire or telex or other wire or communications facility; it being understood that each applicable Agent shall use its best efforts to resume performance as soon as practicable under the circumstances.

The Agents shall not be liable for any action taken or not taken by it (i) with the consent or at the request of the Required Lenders (or such other number or percentage of the Lenders as shall be necessary, or as the Agents shall believe in good faith shall be necessary, under the circumstances as provided in Section 8.02 and Section 10.01) or (ii) in the absence of its own gross negligence or willful misconduct as determined by the final, non-appealable judgment of a court of competent jurisdiction, in connection with its duties expressly set forth herein. The Agents shall be deemed not to have knowledge of any Default unless and until notice describing such Default is given to the Administrative Agent and the Collateral Agent by the Borrower or a Lender. In the event that the Agents receive such a notice of the occurrence of a Default, the Agents shall take such action with respect to such Default or Event of Default as shall reasonably be directed by the Required Lenders; provided that, unless and until the Agents shall have received such directions, the Agents may (but shall not be obligated to) take such action, or refrain from taking such action, with respect to such Default as it shall deem advisable in the best interest of the Lenders.

No Agent-Related Person shall be responsible for or have any duty to ascertain or inquire into (i) any recital, statement, warranty or representation made in or in connection with this Agreement or any other Loan Document, (ii) the contents of any certificate, report or other document delivered hereunder or thereunder or in connection herewith or therewith, (iii) the performance or observance of any of the covenants, agreements or other terms or conditions set forth herein or therein or the occurrence of any Default (including compliance with the terms and conditions of Section 10.07(h)(iii)), (iv) the validity, enforceability, effectiveness or genuineness of this Agreement, any other Loan Document or any other agreement, instrument or document, or the creation, perfection or priority of any Lien purported to be created by the Collateral Documents, (v) the value or the sufficiency of any Collateral, (vi) the satisfaction of any condition set forth in Article IV or elsewhere herein, other than to confirm receipt of items expressly required to be delivered to the Administrative Agent, or (vii) to inspect the properties, books or records of any Loan Party or any Affiliate thereof.

Section 9.04 Reliance by the Administrative Agent. Any Agent shall be entitled to rely upon, and shall not incur any liability for relying upon, any notice, request, certificate, consent, statement, instrument, document or other writing (including any electronic message, Internet or intranet website posting or other distribution) believed by it to be genuine and to have been signed, sent or otherwise authenticated by the proper Person, including, for the avoidance of doubt, in connection with such Agent's reliance on any Electronic Signature transmitted by telecopy, emailed pdf, or any other electronic means that reproduces an image of an actual executed signature page. Any Agent also may rely upon any statement made to it orally or by telephone and believed by it to have been made by the proper Person, and shall not incur any liability for relying thereon. In determining compliance with any condition hereunder to the making of a Loan that by its terms must be fulfilled to the satisfaction of a Lender, the Agents may presume that such condition is satisfactory to such Lender unless such Agent shall have received notice to the contrary from such Lender prior to the making of such Loan. The Agents may consult with legal counsel (who may be counsel for the Borrower), independent accountants and other experts selected by it, and shall not be liable for any action taken or not taken by it in accordance with the advice of any such counsel, accountants or experts.

The Agents may at any time request instructions from the Lenders with respect to any actions or approvals which by the terms of this Agreement or of any of the Loan Documents such Agent is permitted or desires to take or to grant, and the Agents shall be fully justified in failing or refusing to take any action under any Loan Document unless it shall first receive such advice or concurrence of the Required Lenders as it deems appropriate and, if it so requests, it shall first be indemnified to its satisfaction by the Lenders against any and all liability and expense which may be incurred by it by reason of taking or continuing to take any such action. No Lender shall have any right of action whatsoever against the Agents as a result of such Agent acting or refraining from acting under this Agreement or any of the other Loan Documents in accordance with the instructions of the Required Lenders. The Agents shall in all cases be fully protected in acting, or in refraining from acting, under this Agreement or any other Loan Document in accordance with a request or consent of the Required Lenders (or such greater number of Lenders as may be expressly required hereby in any instance) and such request and any action taken or failure to act pursuant thereto shall be binding upon all the Lenders; *provided* that the Agents shall not be required to take any action that, in its opinion or in the opinion of its counsel, may expose such Agent to liability or that is contrary to any Loan Document or applicable Laws.

Section 9.05 <u>Delegation of Duties</u>. Any Agent may perform any and all of its duties and exercise its rights and powers hereunder or under any other Loan Documents by or through any one or more sub agents appointed by such Agent. Any Agent and any such sub agent may perform any and all of its duties and exercise its rights and powers by or through their respective Agent-Related Persons. The exculpatory and indemnification provisions of this <u>Article IX</u> shall apply to any such sub agent and to the Agent-Related Persons of each Agent and any such sub agent, and shall apply to their respective activities in connection with the syndication of the credit facilities provided for herein as well as activities as Administrative Agent or Collateral Agent, as applicable. Notwithstanding anything herein to the contrary, with respect to each sub agent appointed by any Agent, (i) such sub agent shall be a third party beneficiary under this Agreement with respect to all such rights, benefits and privileges (including exculpatory rights and rights to indemnification) and shall have all of the rights and benefits of a third party beneficiary, including an independent right of action to enforce such rights, benefits and privileges (including exculpatory rights and rights to indemnification) directly, without the consent or joinder of any other Person, against any or all of Loan Parties and the Lenders, (ii) such rights, benefits and privileges (including

exculpatory rights and rights to indemnification) shall not be modified or amended without the consent of such sub agent, and (iii) such sub agent shall only have obligations to the Administrative Agent or Collateral Agent, as applicable and not to any Loan Party, Lender or any other Person and no Loan Party, Lender or any other Person shall have any rights, directly or indirectly, as a third party beneficiary or otherwise, against such sub agent; *provided* that the appointment of any sub agent shall not relieve the Administrative Agent or Collateral Agent, as applicable, of its obligations hereunder or under any other Loan Documents.

Section 9.06 Non-Reliance on Administrative Agent and Other Lenders; Disclosure of Information by Agents. Each Lender acknowledges that no Agent-Related Person has made any representation or warranty to it, and that no act by any Agent hereafter taken, including any consent to and acceptance of any assignment or review of the affairs of any Loan Party or any Affiliate thereof, shall be deemed to constitute any representation or warranty by any Agent-Related Person to any Lender as to any matter, including whether Agent-Related Persons have disclosed material information in their possession. Each Lender represents to each Agent that it has, independently and without reliance upon any Agent-Related Person and based on such documents and information as it has deemed appropriate, made its own appraisal of an investigation into the business, prospects, operations, property, financial and other condition and creditworthiness of the Loan Parties and their respective Subsidiaries, and all applicable bank or other regulatory Laws relating to the transactions contemplated hereby, and made its own decision to enter into this Agreement and to extend credit to the Borrower and the other Loan Parties hereunder. Each Lender also represents that it will, independently and without reliance upon any Agent-Related Person and based on such documents and information as it shall deem appropriate at the time, continue to make its own credit analysis, appraisals and decisions in taking or not taking action under this Agreement and the other Loan Documents, and to make such investigations as it deems necessary to inform itself as to the business, prospects, operations, property, financial and other condition and creditworthiness of the Borrower and the other Loan Parties. Except for notices, reports and other documents expressly required to be furnished to the Lenders by any Agent herein, such Agent shall not have any duty or responsibility to provide any Lender with any credit or other information concerning the business, prospects, operations, property, financial and other condition or creditworthiness of any of the Loan Parties or any of their respective Affiliates which may come into the possession of any Agent-Related Person.

Section 9.07 Indemnification of Agents. Whether or not the transactions contemplated hereby are consummated, the Lenders shall indemnify upon demand the Administrative Agent, the Collateral Agent and each other Agent-Related Person (solely to the extent any such Agent-Related Person was performing services on behalf of the Administrative Agent or Collateral Agent) (to the extent not reimbursed by or on behalf of any Loan Party and without limiting the obligation of any Loan Party to do so), pro rata, and hold harmless the Administrative Agent, Collateral Agent and each other Agent-Related Person (solely to the extent any such Agent-Related Person was performing services on behalf of the Administrative Agent or Collateral Agent) from and against any and all Indemnified Liabilities incurred by it; provided that no Lender shall be liable for the payment to any Agent-Related Person of any portion of such Indemnified Liabilities resulting from such Agent-Related Person's own gross negligence or willful misconduct, as determined by the final, non-appealable judgment of a court of competent jurisdiction; provided that no action taken in accordance with the directions of the Required Lenders (or such other number or percentage of the Lenders as shall be required by the Loan Documents) shall be deemed to constitute gross negligence or willful misconduct for purposes of this Section 9.07. In the case of any investigation, litigation or proceeding giving rise to any Indemnified Liabilities, this Section 9.07 applies whether any such investigation, litigation or proceeding is brought by any Lender or any other Person. Without limitation of the foregoing, each Lender shall reimburse the Administrative Agent and Collateral Agent upon demand for its ratable share of any costs or out-of-pocket expenses (including Attorney Costs) incurred by the Administrative Agent or Collateral Agent in connection with the preparation, syndication, execution, delivery, administration, modification, amendment or enforcement (whether through ne

this Agreement, any other Loan Document, or any document contemplated by or referred to herein, to the extent that the Administrative Agent or Collateral Agent is not reimbursed for such expenses by or on behalf of the Borrower; *provided* that such reimbursement by the Lenders shall not affect the Borrower's continuing reimbursement obligations with respect thereto; *provided*, *further*, that the failure of any Lender to indemnify or reimburse the Administrative Agent or Collateral Agent shall not relieve any other Lender of its obligation in respect thereof.

If any indemnity furnished to the Administrative Agent or Collateral Agent for any purpose shall, in the opinion of the Administrative Agent or Collateral Agent, be insufficient or become impaired, the Administrative Agent or Collateral Agent, as applicable, may call for additional indemnity from the Lenders and cease, or not commence, to do the acts indemnified against until such additional indemnity is furnished; *provided*, in no event shall this sentence require any Lender to indemnify the Administrative Agent or Collateral Agent against any liability, obligation, loss, damage, penalty, action, judgment, suit, cost, expense or disbursement in excess of such Lender's pro rata share thereof; and *provided*, *further*, this sentence shall not be deemed to require any Lender to indemnify the Administrative Agent or Collateral Agent against any Indemnified Liabilities resulting from the Administrative Agent's or Collateral Agent's own gross negligence or willful misconduct, as determined by the final, non-appealable judgment of a court of competent jurisdiction. The undertaking in this Section 9.07 shall survive termination of the Aggregate Commitments, the payment and satisfaction of all other Obligations and the resignation of the Administrative Agent or Collateral Agent.

Section 9.08 No Other Duties; Other Agents, Lead Arranger, Managers, Etc.. Each Agent hereby agrees to act in its capacity as such upon the express conditions contained herein and the other Loan Documents, as applicable. Anything herein to the contrary notwithstanding, none of the Bookrunner, Lead Arranger or other Agents listed on the cover page hereof shall have any powers, duties or responsibilities under this Agreement or any of the other Loan Documents, except in its capacity, as applicable, as the Administrative Agent or Collateral Agent or a Lender hereunder and such Persons shall have the benefit of this Article IX. Without limiting the foregoing, none of the Lenders or other Persons so identified shall have or be deemed to have any agency or fiduciary or trust relationship with any Lender, the Borrower or any of their respective Subsidiaries. Each Lender acknowledges that it has not relied, and will not rely, on any of the Lenders or other Persons so identified in deciding to enter into this Agreement or in taking or not taking action hereunder.

Section 9.09 Resignation or Removal of Administrative Agent or Collateral Agent. The Administrative Agent or Collateral Agent may at any time resign by giving thirty (30) days' prior written notice of its resignation to the Lenders and the Borrower. Furthermore, the Administrative Agent or the Collateral Agent may be removed at the reasonable request of the Required Lenders upon ten (10) days' prior written notice. If an Agent-Related Distress Event has occurred, either the Required Lenders or the Borrower (other than during the existence of an Event of Default pursuant to Section 8.01(a) or Section 8.01(f) (solely with respect to the Borrower)) may, upon ten (10) days' prior written notice, remove the Administrative Agent or Collateral Agent. Upon receipt of any such notice of resignation or removal, the Required Lenders shall have the right, with the consent of the Borrower (which consent of the Borrower shall not be unreasonably withheld, conditioned or delayed in the case of a successor that is a commercial bank with a combined capital and surplus of at least \$5,000,000,000, but may otherwise be withheld in the Borrower's sole discretion) at all times other than during the existence of an Event of Default pursuant to Section 8.01(a) or 8.01(f) (solely with respect to the Borrower), to appoint a successor, which shall be a Lender or a bank with an office in the United States, or an Affiliate of any such Lender or bank with an office in the United States (in each case, other than a Disqualified Institution). If no such successor shall have been so appointed by the Required Lenders and shall have accepted such appointment within thirty (30) days after the receipt of such removal notice or the retiring Administrative Agent or Collateral Agent, as applicable, gives notice of its resignation, then the Administrative Agent or the Collateral Agent shall

notify the Borrower and the Lenders that no qualifying Person has accepted such appointment and then (i) in the case of the retiring Administrative Agent or Collateral Agent, the retiring Administrative Agent or Collateral Agent, as applicable, may on behalf of the Lenders, appoint a successor Administrative Agent or Collateral Agent, as applicable, meeting the qualifications set forth above with the consent of the Borrower (such consent not to be unreasonably withheld, conditioned or delayed); provided that no consent of the Borrower shall be required if an Event of Default under Sections 8.01(a) or 8.01(f) (solely with respect to the Borrower) has occurred and is continuing or (ii) in the case of a removal, the Borrower may, after consulting with the Required Lenders, appoint a successor Administrative Agent or Collateral Agent, as applicable, meeting the qualifications set forth above; provided that if no qualifying Person has accepted such appointment, then such resignation or removal shall nonetheless become effective (in the case of clause (i) above, in accordance with such notice from the Administrative Agent or the Collateral Agent, as applicable, to that effect) and (A) the retiring or removed Administrative Agent or Collateral Agent, as applicable, shall be discharged from its duties and obligations hereunder and under the other Loan Documents (except that (x) in the case of any Collateral security held by the Administrative Agent or Collateral Agent on behalf of the Lenders under any of the Loan Documents, the retiring or removed Administrative Agent or Collateral Agent, as applicable, shall continue to hold such Collateral security (including any Collateral security subsequently delivered to the Administrative Agent or Collateral Agent, as applicable) as bailee, trustee or other applicable capacity until such time as a successor of such Agent is appointed, (v) the Administrative Agent or Collateral Agent, as applicable, shall continue to act as collateral agent for the purposes of identifying a "security agent" (or similar title) in any filing or recording financing statements, amendments thereto or other applicable filings or recordings with any Governmental Authority necessary for the perfection of the liens on Collateral securing the Obligations to the extent required by the Loan Documents and (z) it shall continue to be subject to Section 10.08 until the date that is two (2) years after the termination of this Agreement) and (B) all payments, communications and determinations provided to be made by, to or through the Administrative Agent or Collateral Agent shall instead be made by or to each Lender directly (and each Lender will cooperate with the Borrower to enable the Borrower to take such actions), until such time as the Required Lenders or the Borrower, as applicable, appoint a successor Administrative Agent or Collateral Agent, as applicable, as provided for above in this Section 9.09. Upon the acceptance of a successor's appointment as Administrative Agent or Collateral Agent, as applicable, hereunder and upon the execution and filing or recording of such financing statements, or amendments thereto, and such amendments or supplements to the Mortgages, and such other instruments or notices, as may be necessary or desirable, or as the Required Lenders may request, in order to (i) continue the perfection of the Liens granted or purported to be granted by the Collateral Documents or (ii) otherwise ensure that the requirements of Section 6.11 and the Collateral and Guarantee Requirement are satisfied, such successor shall succeed to and become vested with all of the rights, powers, privileges and duties of the retiring (or retired) or removed Administrative Agent or Collateral Agent, as applicable, and the retiring (or retired) or removed Administrative Agent or Collateral Agent, as applicable, shall be discharged from all of its duties and obligations hereunder or under the other Loan Documents (if not already discharged therefrom as provided above in this Section 9.09) other than its obligations under Section 10.08. The fees payable by the Borrower to a successor Administrative Agent or Collateral Agent, as applicable, shall be the same as those payable to its predecessor unless otherwise agreed between the Borrower and such successor. After the retiring or removed Administrative Agent's or Collateral Agent's resignation or removal hereunder and under the other Loan Documents, (x) the provisions of this Article IX and Section 10.04 and Section 10.05 shall continue in effect for the benefit of such retiring or removed Administrative Agent or Collateral Agent, as applicable, its sub-agents and their respective Agent-Related Persons in respect of any actions taken or omitted to be taken by any of them solely in respect of the Loan Documents or Obligations, as applicable, while the retiring Agent was acting as Administrative Agent or Collateral Agent, as applicable and (y) Section 10.08 shall continue to be binding upon the Administrative Agent, the Collateral Agent and such other Persons until the date that is two (2) years after the termination of this Agreement.

Section 9.10 <u>Agents May File Proofs of Claim.</u> In case of the pendency of any proceeding under any Debtor Relief Law or any other judicial proceeding relative to any Loan Party, any Agent (irrespective of whether the principal of any Loan shall then be due and payable as herein expressed or by declaration or otherwise and irrespective of whether any Agent shall have made any demand on the Borrower) shall be entitled and empowered, by intervention in such proceeding or otherwise:

- (i) to file a verified statement pursuant to rule 2019 of the Federal Rules of Bankruptcy Procedure that, in its sole opinion, complies with such rule's disclosure requirements for entities representing more than one creditor;
- (ii) to file and prove a claim for the whole amount of the principal and interest owing and unpaid in respect of the Loans and all other Obligations that are owing and unpaid and to file such other documents as may be necessary or advisable in order to have the claims of the Lenders and any Agent (including any claim for the reasonable compensation, expenses, disbursements and advances of the Lenders and any Agent and their respective agents and counsel and all other amounts due the Lenders and any Agent under Section 2.09 and Section 10.04) allowed in such judicial proceeding; and
- (iii) to collect and receive any monies or other property payable or deliverable on any such claims and to distribute the same, and any custodian, receiver, assignee, trustee, liquidator, sequestrator or other similar official in any such judicial proceeding is hereby authorized by each Lender to make such payments to any Agent and, in the event that any Agent shall consent to the making of such payments directly to the Lenders, to pay to any such Agent any amount due for the reasonable compensation, expenses, disbursements and advances of the Agents and their respective agents and counsel, and any other amounts due such Agent under Section 2.09 and Section 10.04. To the extent that the payment of any such compensation, expenses, disbursements and advances of any Agent, its agents and counsel, and any other amounts due such Agent under Section 2.09 and Section 10.04 out of the estate in any such proceeding, shall be denied for any reason, payment of the same shall be secured by a Lien on, and shall be paid out of, any and all distributions, dividends, money, securities and other properties that the Lenders may be entitled to receive in such proceeding whether in liquidation or under any plan of reorganization or arrangement or otherwise.

Nothing contained herein shall be deemed to authorize the Administrative Agent or Collateral Agent to authorize or consent to or accept or adopt on behalf of any Lender any plan of reorganization, arrangement, adjustment or composition affecting the Obligations or the rights of any Lender or to authorize the Administrative Agent or Collateral Agent to vote in respect of the claim of any Lender in any such proceeding.

- **Section 9.11** <u>Collateral and Guaranty Matters</u>. Each of the Lenders (including in its capacities as a potential Cash Management Bank and a potential Hedge Bank) irrevocably agree (and authorizes the Administrative Agent and/or the Collateral Agent, as the case may be, to take any advisable action to effectuate any of the following):
- (a) to enter into and sign for and on behalf of the Lenders as Secured Parties the Collateral Documents for the benefit of the Lenders and the Secured Parties;
- (b) that any Lien on any property granted to or held by the Administrative Agent or the Collateral Agent under any Loan Document shall be automatically released (i) upon expiration or termination of the Aggregate Commitments and payment in full of all Obligations (other than (x) Obligations under Secured Hedge Agreements, (y) Obligations under Secured Cash Management Agreements and (z) contingent indemnification or expense reimbursement obligations not yet accrued and

payable) (the "**Termination Date**"), (ii) at the time the property subject to such Lien is transferred or to be transferred as part of or in connection with any transfer permitted hereunder or under any other Loan Document to any Person other than a Loan Party (whether as a Disposition or an Investment), (iii) subject to <u>Section 10.01</u>, if the release of such Lien is approved, authorized or ratified in writing by the Required Lenders (or such other number or percentage of the Lenders as shall be expressly provided for herein or in the other Loan Documents), (iv) if the property subject to such Lien is owned by a Guarantor, upon release of such Guarantor from its obligations under its Guaranty pursuant to <u>clause (d)</u> below or (v) if and to the extent such property constitutes an Excluded Asset;

- (c) to release or subordinate any Lien on any property granted to or held by the Administrative Agent or the Collateral Agent under any Loan Document to, and to the extent required by, the holder of any Lien on such property that is permitted by Section 7.01(i), Section 7.01(n), Section 7.01(p), or, to the extent related to the foregoing, Section 7.01(ff);
- (d) that any Guarantor shall be automatically released from its obligations under the Guaranty if such Person ceases to be a wholly owned Subsidiary that is not an Excluded Subsidiary as a result of a transaction or designation permitted hereunder; *provided* that (i) no such release shall occur if such Guarantor continues (after giving effect to the consummation of such transaction or designation) to be a guarantor in respect of any Indebtedness of the Borrower or any Guarantor and (ii) if any Guarantor becomes an Excluded Subsidiary because it is no longer a wholly owned Subsidiary, such Guarantor shall not be released except pursuant to a transaction (1) where such Subsidiary becomes a joint venture with (x) a non-Affiliate or (y) to the extent consented to by the Required Lenders, an Affiliate, in each case, for bona fide business purposes (other than financing), (2) for fair market value (estimated in good faith by the Borrower) and (3) the purpose of which was not to evade the Collateral and Guarantee Requirement;

(e) Reserved; and

(f) to act collectively through the Administrative Agent or Collateral Agent and, without limiting the delegation of authority to the Administrative Agent or Collateral Agent set forth herein, the Required Lenders shall direct the Administrative Agent or Collateral Agent with respect to the exercise of rights and remedies hereunder (including with respect to alleging the existence or occurrence of, and exercising rights and remedies as a result of, any Default or Event of Default in each case that could be waived with the consent of the Required Lenders), and such rights and remedies shall not be exercised other than through the Administrative Agent or Collateral Agent; *provided* that the foregoing shall not preclude any Lender from exercising any right of set-off in accordance with the provisions of Section 10.09 or enforcing compliance with the provisions set forth in the first proviso of Section 10.01 or from exercising rights and remedies (other than the enforcement of Collateral) with respect to any payment default after the occurrence of the Maturity Date with respect to any Loans made by it.

In connection with any request to the Administrative Agent or Collateral Agent by the Borrower to take any of the foregoing actions, the Borrower shall deliver a certificate signed by a Responsible Officer that certifies that the proposed transaction complies with the terms of the Credit Agreement.

Upon request by the Administrative Agent or Collateral Agent at any time, the Required Lenders (or such other number or percentage of the Lenders as shall be expressly provided for herein or in the other Loan Documents) will confirm in writing the Administrative Agent's or Collateral Agent's authority to release or subordinate its interest in particular types or items of property, or to release any Guarantor from its obligations under the Guaranty pursuant to this <u>Section 9.11</u>. In each case as specified in this <u>Section 9.11</u>, the applicable Agent will (and each Lender irrevocably authorizes the applicable Agent to), at the Borrower's expense, execute and deliver to the applicable Loan Party such documents as such

Loan Party may reasonably request to evidence the release or subordination of such item of Collateral from the assignment and security interest granted under the Collateral Documents, or to evidence the release of such Guarantor from its obligations under the Guaranty, in each case in accordance with the terms of the Loan Documents and this <u>Section 9.11</u>; *provided*, that the Borrower has delivered a certificate, executed by a Responsible Officer of the Borrower on or prior to the date any such action is requested to be taken by the Administrative Agent or Collateral Agent, certifying that the applicable transaction is permitted under the Loan Documents (and the Lenders hereby authorize the Administrative Agent or Collateral Agent to rely upon such certificate in performing its obligations under this Section 9.11).

Section 9.12 Intercreditor Agreements. The Administrative Agent and the Collateral Agent are authorized to enter into the Superpriority Intercreditor Agreement, any Pari Passu Intercreditor Agreement and/or any other intercreditor arrangements entered into in connection herewith (and, in each case, any amendments, amendments and restatements, restatements or waivers of or supplements to or other modifications to, such agreements in connection with the incurrence by any Loan Party of any Indebtedness (or any Permitted Refinancing of the foregoing) in order to permit such Indebtedness to be secured by a valid and enforceable lien (with such priority as may be designated by the Borrower or relevant Subsidiary, to the extent such priority is permitted by the Loan Documents)), and the parties hereto acknowledge that the Superpriority Intercreditor Agreement, any Pari Passu Intercreditor Agreement (if entered into) and/or any other intercreditor arrangements entered into in connection herewith, will be binding upon them. Each Lender (a) hereby agrees that it will be bound by and will take no actions contrary to the provisions of the Superpriority Intercreditor Agreement, any Pari Passu Intercreditor Agreement (if entered into) and/or any other intercreditor arrangements entered into in connection herewith and (b) hereby expressly and irrevocably authorizes and instructs the Administrative Agent and Collateral Agent to enter into the Superpriority Intercreditor Agreement on the date hereof and, if applicable, any Pari Passu Intercreditor Agreement and/or any other intercreditor arrangements entered into in connection herewith (and, in each case, any amendments, amendments and restatements, restatements or waivers of or supplements to or other modifications to, such agreements in connection with the incurrence by any Loan Party of any Indebtedness (or any Permitted Refinancing of the foregoing) in order to permit such Indebtedness to be secured by a valid and enforceable lien (with such priority as may be designated by the Borrower or relevant Subsidiary, to the extent such priority is permitted by the Loan Documents)), and to subject the Liens on the Collateral securing the Obligations to the provisions thereof.

Section 9.13 Secured Cash Management Agreements and Secured Hedge Agreements. Except as otherwise expressly set forth herein or in any Guaranty or any Collateral Document, no Cash Management Bank or Hedge Bank that obtains the benefits of Section 8.03, any Guaranty or any Collateral by virtue of the provisions hereof or of any Guaranty or any Collateral Document shall have any right to notice of any action or to consent to, direct or object to any action hereunder or under any other Loan Document or otherwise in respect of the Collateral (including the release or impairment of any Collateral) other than in its capacity as a Lender and, in such case, only to the extent expressly provided in the Loan Documents. Notwithstanding any other provision of this Article IX to the contrary, the Administrative Agent shall not be required to verify the payment of, or that other satisfactory arrangements have been made with respect to, Obligations under Secured Cash Management Agreements or Obligations arising under Secured Hedge Agreements (provided that written notice of a Master Agreement shall constitute written notice of all Obligations arising under every Secured Hedge Agreement entered into pursuant to such Master Agreement), together with such supporting documentation as the Administrative Agent may request, from the applicable Cash Management Bank or Hedge Bank, as the case may be.

Section 9.14 Certain ERISA Matters.

- (a) Each Lender (x) represents and warrants, as of the date such Person became a Lender party hereto, and (y) covenants, from the date such Person became a Lender party hereto, to the date such Person ceases being a Lender party hereto, for the benefit of, the Administrative Agent, and the Lead Arranger and their respective Affiliates, and not, for the avoidance of doubt, to or for the benefit of the Borrower or any other Loan Party, that at least one of the following is and will be true:
 - (1) such Lender is not using "plan assets" (within the meaning of the Plan Asset Regulations) of one or more Benefit Plans in connection with the Loans or the Commitments,
 - (2) the transaction exemption set forth in one or more PTEs, such as PTE 84-14 (a class exemption for certain transactions determined by independent qualified professional asset managers), PTE 95-60 (a class exemption for certain transactions involving insurance company general accounts), PTE 90-1 (a class exemption for certain transactions involving insurance company pooled separate accounts), PTE 91-38 (a class exemption for certain transactions involving bank collective investment funds) or PTE 96-23 (a class exemption for certain transactions determined by in-house asset managers), is applicable with respect to such Lender's entrance into, participation in, administration of and performance of the Loans, the Commitments and this Agreement,
 - (3) (A) such Lender is an investment fund managed by a "Qualified Professional Asset Manager" (within the meaning of Part VI of PTE 84-14), (B) such Qualified Professional Asset Manager made the investment decision on behalf of such Lender to enter into, participate in, administer and perform the Loans, the Commitments and this Agreement, (C) the entrance into, participation in, administration of and performance of the Loans, the Commitments and this Agreement satisfies the requirements of sub-sections (b) through (g) of Part I of PTE 84-14 and (D) to the best knowledge of such Lender, the requirements of subsection (a) of Part I of PTE 84-14 are satisfied with respect to such Lender's entrance into, participation in, administration of and performance of the Loans, the Commitments and this Agreement, or
 - (4) such other representation, warranty and covenant as may be agreed in writing between the Administrative Agent, in its sole discretion, and such Lender.
- (b) In addition, unless sub-clause (i) in the immediately preceding clause (a) is true with respect to a Lender or such Lender has provided another representation, warranty and covenant as provided in sub-clause (iv) in the immediately preceding clause (a), such Lender further (x) represents and warrants, as of the date such Person became a Lender party hereto, to, and (y) covenants, from the date such Person became a Lender party hereto to the date such Person ceases being a Lender party hereto, for the benefit of, the Administrative Agent, and the Lead Arranger, the Bookrunner or any of their respective Affiliates, and not, for the avoidance of doubt, to or for the benefit of the Borrower or any other Loan Party, that none of the Administrative Agent, or the Lead Arranger, the Bookrunner or any of their respective Affiliates is a fiduciary with respect to the Collateral or the assets of such Lender (including in connection with the reservation or exercise of any rights by the Administrative Agent under this Agreement, any Loan Document or any documents related hereto or thereto).
- (c) The Administrative Agent, Lead Arranger and Bookrunner hereby inform the Lenders that each such Person is not undertaking to provide investment advice, or to give advice in a fiduciary capacity, in connection with the transactions contemplated hereby, and that such Person has a financial interest in the transactions contemplated hereby in that such Person or an Affiliate thereof (i) may receive interest or other payments with respect to the Loans, the Commitments, this Agreement and any

other Loan Documents, (ii) may recognize a gain if it extended the Loans or the Commitments for an amount less than the amount being paid for an interest in the Loans or the Commitments by such Lender or (iii) may receive fees or other payments in connection with the transactions contemplated hereby, the Loan Documents or otherwise, including structuring fees, commitment fees, arrangement fees, facility fees, upfront fees, underwriting fees, ticking fees, agency fees, administrative agent fees or collateral agent fees, utilization fees, minimum usage fees, letter of credit fees, fronting fees, deal-away or alternate transaction fees, amendment fees, processing fees, term out premiums, banker's acceptance fees, breakage or other early termination fees or fees similar to the foregoing.

Section 9.15 <u>Security Trustee Resignation</u>. The Collateral Agent may resign from its capacity as security trustee at any time in accordance with the terms of the Australian Security Trust Deed.

- **Section 9.16** <u>Australian Security Trust Deed</u>. Each Secured Party (including each Agent and each Lender in such capacities and as a potential Hedge Bank and/or Cash Management Bank) hereby acknowledges the following:
 - (a) they are aware of, and consent to, the terms of the Australian Security Trust Deed;
- (b) it has received a copy of the Australian Security Trust Deed together with the other information which it has required in connection with the Australian Security Trust Deed and this Agreement;
- (c) agrees to comply with and be bound by the terms of the Australian Security Trust Deed as a Beneficiary (as defined in the Australian Security Trust Deed);
- (d) without limiting the general application of paragraph (a) above, acknowledges and agrees to give the releases, agreements, authorizations, indemnities and acknowledgements made by a Beneficiary, as set out in the Australian Security Trust Deed (including, clause 2.1 (Declaration of trust) of the Australian Security Trust Deed) and provides the indemnities as specified in clause 3.16 (Beneficiaries' indemnity to the Security Trustee) of the Australian Security Trust Deed; and
- (e) without limiting the general application of paragraph (a) above, for consideration received, irrevocably appoints as its attorney each person who under the terms of the Australian Security Trust Deed is appointed as attorney of a Beneficiary (as defined in the Australian Security Trust Deed) on the same terms and for the same purposes as contained in the Australian Security Trust Deed.

This <u>Section 9.16</u> is executed as a deed poll in favor of the Collateral Agent and each Beneficiary (as defined in the Australian Security Trust Deed) from time to time.

Section 9.17 Certain Rights of the Agents. If the Administrative Agent or Collateral Agent shall request instructions from the Required Lenders with respect to any action or actions (including the failure to act) in connection with this Agreement or the other Loan Documents, such Administrative Agent or Collateral Agent, as applicable, shall be entitled to refrain from such act or taking such act unless and until it shall have received instructions from such Lenders, and such Administrative Agent or Collateral Agent, as applicable, shall not incur liability to any Person by reason of so refraining. Without limiting the foregoing, no Lender shall have any right of action whatsoever against the Administrative Agent or Collateral Agent as a result of the Administrative Agent or Collateral Agent acting or refraining from acting hereunder in accordance with the instructions of the Required Lenders where required by the terms of this Agreement or the other Loan Documents.

Section 9.18 Agent Actions. With respect to any term or provision of this Agreement or any other Loan Document that requires the consent, approval, satisfaction, discretion, determination, decision, action or inaction or any similar concept of or by any Agent, or that allows, permits, requires, empowers or otherwise provides that any matter, action, decision or similar may be taken, made or determined by any Agent (including any provision that refers to any document or other matter being satisfactory or acceptable to an Agent) without expressly referring to the requirement to obtain consent or input from any Lenders, or to otherwise notify any Lender, or without providing that such matter is required to be satisfactory or acceptable to the Required Lenders, such term or provision shall be interpreted to refer to such Agent exercising its discretion, it being understood and agreed that each Agent shall be entitled to confirm that any matter is satisfactory or acceptable to the Required Lenders to the extent that it deems such confirmation necessary or desirable.

ARTICLE X

Miscellaneous

Section 10.01 Amendments, Etc. (A) Except as otherwise set forth in this Agreement, no amendment, modification, supplement or waiver of any provision of this Agreement or any other Loan Document, and no consent to any departure by the Borrower or any other Loan Party therefrom, shall be effective unless in writing signed by the Required Lenders (other than (x) with respect to any amendment, modification, supplement or waiver contemplated in clause (i) or clause (l) below, which shall only require the consent of the Required Lenders under the applicable Class, as applicable, and (y) with respect to any amendment, modification or waiver contemplated in clauses (a), (b), (c), (d), (e), (f)(i), (j) or (k) below, which shall only require the consent of the Lenders expressly set forth therein and not the Required Lenders) (or by the Administrative Agent with the consent of the Required Lenders or the applicable Lenders, as the case may be) and the Borrower or the applicable Loan Party, as the case may be, and each such waiver, amendment, modification, supplement or consent shall be effective only in the specific instance and for the specific purpose for which given; provided that, no such amendment, modification, supplement, waiver or consent shall:

(a) extend or increase the Commitment of any Lender without the written consent of each Lender directly and adversely affected thereby (it being understood that a waiver of (or amendment to the terms of) any condition precedent set forth in Section 4.01 or Section 4.02 or the waiver of any Default, mandatory prepayment or mandatory reduction of the Commitments shall not constitute an extension or increase of any Commitment of any Lender);

(b) postpone any date scheduled (including any applicable grace period beyond sixty (60) days) for, or reduce the amount of, any payment of principal or interest under Section 2.07 or Section 2.08 (it being understood that changing a cash payment to a payment in kind shall be deemed a reduction, postponement and an extension of the scheduled date) without the written consent of each Lender directly and adversely affected thereby, it being understood that the waiver of (or amendment to the terms of) any mandatory prepayment of the Loans shall not constitute a postponement of any date scheduled for the payment of principal or interest and it further being understood that any change to the definition of Total Net First Lien Leverage Ratio, Total Net Senior Secured Leverage Ratio, Total Net Leverage Ratio, or any other ratio used as a basis to calculate the amount of any principal or interest payment or in the component definitions thereof shall not constitute a reduction in any amount of interest or fee;

- (c) reduce the principal of, or the rate of interest specified herein on, any Loan or (subject to <u>clauses (i)</u>, (<u>ii)</u> and (<u>iii)</u> of the second proviso to this <u>Section 10.01</u>) any fees (including fees set forth in <u>Section 2.23</u>) or other amounts payable hereunder or under any other Loan Document without the written consent of each Lender directly and adversely affected thereby, it being understood that any change to the definitions of the Total Net Leverage Ratio, the Total Net First Lien Leverage Ratio, the Total Net Senior Secured Leverage Ratio or, in each case, in the component definitions thereof shall not constitute a reduction in the rate of interest; *provided* that only the consent of the Required Lenders shall be necessary to amend the definition of "Default Rate" or to waive any obligation of the Borrower to pay interest at the Default Rate;
- (d) with respect to any change to any pro rata sharing provision (including the definition of "Pro Rata Share"), the consent of all Lenders directly and adversely affected thereby shall be required;
- (e) except in a transaction permitted by <u>Section 7.04</u>, permit assignment of rights and obligations of the Borrower hereunder, without the written consent of each Lender directly and adversely affected thereby;
- (f) (i) change any provision of this <u>Section 10.01</u> or the definition of "Required Lenders" without the written consent of each Lender directly and adversely affected thereby or (ii) reduce any of the voting percentages set forth in the definition of "Required Lenders" without the written consent of each Lender;
- (g) other than in connection with a transaction permitted under <u>Section 7.04</u> or <u>Section 7.05</u>, release all or substantially all of the Collateral in any transaction or series of related transactions, without the written consent of each Lender;
- (h) other than in connection with a transaction permitted under <u>Section 7.04</u> or <u>Section 7.05</u>, release all or substantially all of the aggregate value of the Guaranty or all or substantially all of the Guarantors, without the written consent of each Lender;
- (i) amend, waive or otherwise modify any term or provision (including the availability and conditions to funding under Section 2.14 with respect to New Term Loans and New Revolving Credit Commitments) which directly affects Lenders of one or more New Term Loans and does not directly adversely affect Lenders under any other Class, in each case, without the written consent of the Required Lenders under such applicable New Term Loans or New Revolving Credit Commitments (and in the case of multiple Classes which are affected, such Required Lenders shall consent together as one Class); provided that no such amendment shall affect any Lender's right with respect to the protection afforded to it by the "Specified Representations" or with respect to any Event of Default under Section 8.01(a) or Section 8.01(f), in each case, in connection with the funding of any such New Term Loan or New Revolving Credit Commitment;
- (j) change the currency in which any Loan is denominated or issued, as the case may be, without the written consent of the Lender holding such Loans;
- (k) amend, waive or otherwise modify any provision of <u>Section 8.03</u> or Article 4 (and any related definitions except for amendments of definitions that are not prejudicial to the rights of the Lenders) of the Superpriority Intercreditor Agreement without the written consent of each Lender directly and adversely affected thereby;
- (l) amend, waive or otherwise modify $\underline{\text{Section } 10.07(\underline{b})}$ and $\underline{\text{(d)}}$, without the written consent of each Lender directly and adversely affected thereby;

- (m) amend, waive or otherwise modify any provision this Agreement in a manner that would permit (i) any Subsidiary to be designated as "unrestricted", (ii) the Borrower or any Subsidiary to transfer to, or hold assets in, an "unrestricted subsidiary" or (iii) the release of any Guaranty of the Obligations and any Lien on the Collateral to secure any such Guaranty as a result of the designation of any Person as an "unrestricted subsidiary", in each case, without the prior written consent of each Lender directly and adversely affected thereby;
- (n) amend, waive or otherwise modify clause (ii) of the proviso in $\underline{\text{Section 9.11(d)}}$ without the written consent of each Lender directly and adversely affected thereby;
- (o) amend, waive or otherwise modify the right of each Lender to be offered to participate in any (x) New Term Loans, Term Loan Increase, New Term Commitments or New Revolving Credit Commitments, (y) Incremental Equivalent Debt or (z) Indebtedness incurred pursuant to Section 7.03(n), in each case, on a pro rata basis, without the written consent of each Lender directly and adversely affected thereby;
- (p) amend, waive or otherwise modify any term hereof requiring Dutch auctions, open market purchases or other offers required to be offered to all Term Lenders on a pro rata basis without the written consent of each Lender directly and adversely affected thereby; or
- (q) subordinate (x) the Liens securing the Initial Term Loans or (y) the Initial Term Loans in right of payment, in each case, to the obligations under any other Indebtedness without the written consent of each Lender directly and adversely affected thereby, unless each Lender directly and adversely affected thereby is offered a bona fide opportunity to ratably participate in such transaction on the same terms (other than bona fide arrangement, structuring, underwriting or other similar fees that are not paid generally to all lenders of such Indebtedness) as the other lenders participating in such transaction.

and *provided*, *further*, that (i) no amendment, waiver or consent shall, unless in writing and signed by the Administrative Agent in addition to the Lenders required above, adversely affect the rights or duties of, or any fees or other amounts payable to, the Administrative Agent under this Agreement or any other Loan Document and (ii) <u>Section 10.07(g)</u> may not be amended, waived or otherwise modified without the consent of each Granting Lender all or any part of whose Loans are being funded by an SPC at the time of such amendment, waiver or other modification. Any such waiver and any such amendment, modification or supplement in accordance with the terms of this <u>Section 10.01</u> shall apply equally to each of the Lenders and shall be binding on the Loan Parties, the Lenders, the Agents and all future holders of the Loans and Commitments. Notwithstanding anything to the contrary herein, no Defaulting Lender shall have any right to approve or disapprove any amendment, waiver, or consent hereunder, except that the Commitment of such Lender may not be increased or extended without the consent of such Lender (it being understood that any Commitments or Loans held or deemed held by any Defaulting Lender shall be excluded for a vote of the Lenders hereunder requiring any consent of the Lenders).

- (B) Notwithstanding anything to the contrary herein:
- (a) amendments and waivers of Section 7.11 (or any definition related thereto (but solely for the limited purposes of how any such defined term is used with respect to determining compliance with any such sections)) or any Default resulting from a failure to perform or observe Section 7.11 will require only the approval of the Required Lenders;
- (b) no Lender consent is required to effect any amendment, modification or supplement to any Pari Passu Intercreditor Agreement, the Superpriority Intercreditor Agreement and/or any other intercreditor arrangements entered into in connection herewith (i) that is for the purpose of adding the holders of Indebtedness (or any Permitted Refinancing of the foregoing) (or a Representative with respect thereto) as parties thereto, as expressly contemplated by the terms of such Pari Passu Intercreditor

Agreement, such Superpriority Intercreditor Agreement or such other intercreditor arrangement, as applicable (it being understood that any such amendment, modification or supplement may make such other changes to the applicable intercreditor agreement as, in the good faith determination of the Administrative Agent, are required to effectuate the foregoing, (ii) that is expressly contemplated by any Pari Passu Intercreditor Agreement, the Superpriority Intercreditor Agreement and/or any other intercreditor arrangements entered into in connection herewith or (iii) that effects changes that are not material to the interests of the Lenders; *provided* that no such agreement shall directly and adversely amend, modify or otherwise affect the rights or duties of the Administrative Agent or the Collateral Agent hereunder or under any other Loan Document without the prior written consent of the Administrative Agent or the Collateral Agent, as applicable;

(c) this Agreement may be amended (or amended and restated) with the written consent of the Administrative Agent, the Borrower and the Lenders providing the relevant Replacement Term Loans (as such term is defined below) to permit the refinancing of all or any portion of any Class of Term Loans outstanding (the "Replaced Term Loans") with one or more tranches of term loans hereunder (the "Replacement Term Loans"); provided that (i) the aggregate principal amount of such Replacement Term Loans shall not exceed the aggregate principal amount of such Replaced Term Loans plus an amount equal to unpaid accrued interest, fees, premium (including call and tender premiums) thereon, defeasance costs, and fees and expenses incurred (including OID, upfront fees and similar items), in connection with such refinancing, (ii) the weighted average life and final maturity of such Replacement Term Loans shall not be shorter or earlier, as the case may be, than the weighted average life of such Replaced Term Loans at the time of such refinancing and (iii) all other terms (other than maturity and pricing) applicable to such Replacement Term Loans shall be substantially the same as, and no more favorable to the Lenders providing such Replacement Term Loans than, the terms applicable to such Replaced Term Loans, except to the extent necessary to provide for covenants and other terms applicable to any period after the maturity date in respect of the Replaced Term Loans in effect immediately prior to such refinancing or such other terms applicable to such Replacement Term Loans that are reflective of market terms and conditions for such Replacement Term Loans at the time of the issuance thereof (as determined by the Borrower in good faith). Each amendment to this Agreement providing for Replacement Term Loans may, without the consent of any other Lenders, effect such amendments to this Agreement and the other Loan Documents as may be necessary or appropriate, in the opinion of the Administrative Agent and the Borrower, to effect the p

(d) this Agreement may be amended (or amended and restated) with the written consent of the Required Lenders, the Administrative Agent and the Borrower (i) to add one or more additional credit facilities to this Agreement and to permit the extensions of credit from time to time outstanding thereunder and the accrued interest and fees in respect thereof to share ratably in the benefits of this Agreement and the other Loan Documents with the Term Loans and the accrued interest and fees in respect thereof and (ii) to include appropriately the Lenders holding such credit facilities in any determination of the Required Lenders.

Notwithstanding anything to the contrary contained in this Section 10.01, the Guaranty, the Collateral Documents and related documents executed by the Loan Parties or the Subsidiaries in connection with this Agreement and the other Loan Documents may be in a form reasonably determined by the Administrative Agent and may be, together with this Agreement, amended, modified and waived with the consent of the Administrative Agent at the request of the Borrower without the need to obtain the consent of any other Lender if such amendment, modification or waiver is delivered in order (i) to comply with local Law or advice of local counsel, or (ii) to cause such Guaranty, Collateral Document or other document to be consistent with this Agreement and the other Loan Documents.

Notwithstanding anything to the contrary contained in this Section 10.01, if at any time after the Closing Date, the Administrative Agent and the Borrower shall have jointly identified an obvious error (including, but not limited to, an incorrect cross-reference) or any error or omission of a technical or immaterial nature, in each case, in any provision of this Agreement or any other Loan Document (including, for the avoidance of doubt, any exhibit, schedule or other attachment to any Loan Document), then the Administrative Agent (acting in its sole discretion) and the Borrower or any other relevant Loan Party shall be permitted to amend such provision. The Administrative Agent shall notify the Lenders of such amendment and such amendment shall become effective five (5) Business Days after such notification unless the Required Lenders object to such amendment in writing delivered to the Administrative Agent prior to such time.

Section 10.02 Notices and Other Communications; Facsimile Copies.

- (a) <u>General</u>. Except in the case of notices and other communications expressly permitted to be given by telephone (and except as provided in <u>subclause (b)</u> below), all notices and other communications provided for herein shall be in writing and shall be delivered by hand or overnight courier service, mailed by certified or registered mail or sent by facsimile as follows, and all notices and other communications expressly permitted hereunder to be given by telephone shall be made to the applicable telephone number, as follows:
- (i) if to the Borrower, any other Loan Party, the Administrative Agent or the Collateral Agent, to the address, facsimile number, electronic mail address or telephone number specified for such Person on <u>Schedule 10.02</u> or to such other address, facsimile number, electronic mail address or telephone number as shall be designated by such party in a written notice to the other parties; and
- (ii) if to any other Lender, to the address, facsimile number, electronic mail address or telephone number specified in its Administrative Questionnaire or to such other address, facsimile number, electronic mail address or telephone number as shall be designated by such party in a written notice to the Borrower and the Administrative Agent.

All such notices and other communications shall be deemed to be given or made upon the earlier to occur of (i) actual receipt by the relevant party hereto and (ii) (A) if delivered by hand or by courier, when signed for by or on behalf of the relevant party hereto; (B) if delivered by mail, four (4) Business Days after deposit in the mails, postage prepaid; (C) if delivered by facsimile, when sent and receipt has been confirmed by telephone; and (D) if delivered by electronic mail (which form of delivery is subject to the provisions of Section 10.02(c)), when delivered; provided that notices and other communications to the Administrative Agent pursuant to Article II shall not be effective until actually received by such Person. In no event shall a voice mail message be effective as a notice, communication or confirmation hereunder.

(b) <u>Electronic Communication</u>. Notices and other communications to the Lenders hereunder may be delivered or furnished by electronic communication (including e-mail and Internet or intranet websites) pursuant to procedures approved by the Administrative Agent; *provided* that the foregoing shall not apply to notices to any Lender pursuant to <u>Article II</u> if such Lender, as applicable, has notified the Administrative Agent that it is incapable of receiving notices under such Article by electronic communication. The Administrative Agent or a Loan Party may, in its discretion, agree to accept notices and other communications to it hereunder by electronic communications pursuant to procedures approved by it; *provided* that approval of such procedures may be limited to particular notices or communications.

- (c) Unless the Administrative Agent otherwise prescribes, (i) notices and other communications sent to an e-mail address shall be deemed received upon the sender's receipt of an acknowledgement from the intended recipient (such as by the "return receipt requested" function, as available, return e-mail or other written acknowledgement), *provided* that if such notice or other communication is not sent during the normal business hours of the recipient, such notice or communication shall be deemed to have been sent at the opening of business on the next Business Day for the recipient, and (ii) notices or communications posted to an Internet or intranet website shall be deemed received upon the deemed receipt by the intended recipient at its e-mail address as described in the foregoing <u>clause (i)</u> of notification that such notice or communication is available and identifying the website address therefor.
- (d) The Platform. THE PLATFORM IS PROVIDED "AS IS" AND "AS AVAILABLE." THE AGENT PARTIES (AS DEFINED BELOW) DO NOT WARRANT THE ACCURACY OR COMPLETENESS OF THE BORROWER MATERIALS OR THE ADEQUACY OF THE PLATFORM, AND EXPRESSLY DISCLAIM LIABILITY FOR ERRORS IN OR OMISSIONS FROM THE BORROWER MATERIALS. NO WARRANTY OF ANY KIND, EXPRESS, IMPLIED OR STATUTORY, INCLUDING ANY WARRANTY OF MERCHANTABILITY, FITNESS FOR A PARTICULAR PURPOSE, NON-INFRINGEMENT OF THIRD PARTY RIGHTS OR FREEDOM FROM VIRUSES OR OTHER CODE DEFECTS, IS MADE BY ANY AGENT PARTY IN CONNECTION WITH THE BORROWER MATERIALS OR THE PLATFORM. In no event shall the Administrative Agent or any of its Agent-Related Persons or the Lead Arranger (collectively, the "Agent Parties") have any liability to the Borrower, any Lender, or any other Person for losses, claims, damages, liabilities or expenses of any kind (whether in tort, contract or otherwise) arising out of the Borrower's or the Administrative Agent's transmission of Borrower Materials through the Internet, except to the extent that such losses, claims, damages, liabilities or expenses are determined by a court of competent jurisdiction by a final and non-appealable judgment to have resulted from the gross negligence, bad faith or willful misconduct of such Agent Party; provided, however, that in no event shall any Agent Party have any liability to the Borrower, any Lender or any other Person for indirect, special, incidental, consequential or punitive damages (as opposed to direct or actual damages).
- (e) Change of Address. Any Loan Party and the Administrative Agent may change its address, facsimile, electronic mail address or telephone number for notices and other communications hereunder by written notice to the other parties hereto. Each other Lender may change its address, facsimile, electronic mail address or telephone number for notices and other communications hereunder by written notice to the Borrower and the Administrative Agent. In addition, each Lender agrees to notify the Administrative Agent from time to time to ensure that the Administrative Agent has on record (i) an effective address, contact name, telephone number, facsimile number and electronic mail address to which notices and other communications may be sent and (ii) accurate wire instructions for such Lender. Furthermore, each Public Lender agrees to cause at least one individual at or on behalf of such Public Lender to at all times have selected the "Private Side Information" or similar designation on the content declaration screen of the Platform in order to enable such Public Lender or its delegate, in accordance with such Public Lender's compliance procedures and applicable Laws, including foreign, United States federal and state securities Laws, to make reference to Borrower Materials that are not made available through the "Public Side Information" portion of the Platform and that may contain material non-public information with respect to the Borrower or its securities for purposes of foreign, United States federal or state securities laws.
- (f) Reliance by the Administrative Agent. The Administrative Agent and the Lenders shall be entitled to rely and act upon any notices (including telephonic Loan Notices) purportedly given by or on behalf of the Borrower even if (i) such notices were not made in a manner specified herein, were incomplete or were not preceded or followed by any other form of notice specified herein, or (ii) the terms thereof, as understood by the recipient, varied from any confirmation thereof. All telephonic notices to and other telephonic communications with the Administrative Agent may be recorded by the Administrative Agent, and each of the parties hereto hereby consents to such recording.

Section 10.03 No Waiver; Cumulative Remedies. No failure by any Lender or the Administrative Agent to exercise, and no delay by any such Person in exercising, any right, remedy, power or privilege hereunder or under any other Loan Document shall operate as a waiver thereof; nor shall any single or partial exercise of any right, remedy, power or privilege hereunder preclude any other or further exercise thereof or the exercise of any other right, remedy, power or privilege. The rights, remedies, powers and privileges herein provided, and provided under each other Loan Document, are cumulative and not exclusive of any rights, remedies, powers and privileges provided by Law.

Anything contained in any of the Loan Documents to the contrary notwithstanding, the Borrower, the Administrative Agent, the Collateral Agent and each Secured Party hereby agree that (a) no Secured Party shall have any right individually to realize upon any of the Collateral or to enforce the Guarantee, it being understood and agreed that all powers, rights and remedies hereunder may be exercised solely by the Administrative Agent, on behalf of the Secured Parties in accordance with the terms hereof and all powers, rights and remedies under the Collateral Documents may be exercised solely by the Collateral Agent, and (b) in the event of a foreclosure by the Collateral Agent on any of the Collateral pursuant to a public or private sale or other disposition, the Collateral Agent or any Lender may be the purchaser or licensor of any or all of such Collateral at any such sale or other disposition and the Collateral Agent, as agent for and representative of the Secured Parties (but not any Lender or Lenders in its or their respective individual capacities unless the Required Lenders shall otherwise agree in writing) shall be entitled, for the purpose of bidding and making settlement or payment of the purchase price for all or any portion of the Collateral sold at any such public sale, to use and apply any of the Obligations as a credit on account of the purchase price for any collateral payable by the Collateral Agent at such sale or other disposition.

Section 10.04 Attorney Costs and Expenses. Subject to Section 10.07(1), the Borrower agrees (a) regardless of whether the Closing Date occurs, to pay or reimburse the Administrative Agent, the Collateral Agent, the Lenders and the Lead Arranger for all reasonable and documented in reasonable detail out-of-pocket costs, fees and expenses incurred on or after the Closing Date (provided that in the case of payment to be made on the Closing Date, such expenses are to be invoiced at least two (2) Business Days prior to the Closing Date and otherwise, within thirty (30) days following written demand therefor) in connection with the preparation, syndication, execution, delivery and administration of this Agreement and the other Loan Documents and any amendment, waiver, consent or other modification of the provisions hereof and thereof (whether or not the transactions contemplated thereby are consummated), limited, (x) in the case of financial advisor fees, to the reasonable and documented in reasonable detail out-of-pocket costs, fees and expenses of one financial advisor to the Lenders, taken as a whole, and (y) in the case of legal fees and expenses, to the Attorney Costs of (i) one counsel to the Administrative Agent and the Lead Arranger taken as a whole (and of a single local counsel to the Administrative Agent and the Lead Arranger taken as a whole in each appropriate jurisdiction (which may be a single local counsel acting in multiple material jurisdictions)) (in each case, except allocated costs of in-house counsel), (ii) one counsel to the Collateral Agent taken as a whole (and of a single local counsel to the Collateral Agent taken as a whole in each appropriate jurisdiction (which may be a single local counsel acting in multiple material jurisdictions)) (in each case, except allocated costs of in-house counsel) and (iii) one counsel for the Lenders, taken as a whole (and of a single local counsel to the Lenders, taken as a whole, in each appropriate jurisdiction (which may be a single local counsel acting in multiple material jurisdictions)), and solely in the event of an actual or perceived conflict of interest between Lenders, where the Lender or Lenders affected by such conflict of interest inform the Borrower in writing of such conflict of interest and thereafter retains its own counsel, one additional counsel in each appropriate jurisdiction to each group of affected Lenders similarly situated taken as a whole (in each case, except allocated costs of in-house counsel) and (b) after the Closing Date,

promptly following written demand therefor, to pay or reimburse the Administrative Agent, the Lead Arranger, the Collateral Agent and the Lenders for all reasonable and documented in reasonable detail out-of-pocket costs, fees and expenses incurred in connection with the enforcement of any rights or remedies under this Agreement or the other Loan Documents (including all such costs and expenses incurred during any legal proceeding, including any proceeding under any Debtor Relief Law), limited, in the case of out-of-pocket legal fees and expenses, to the Attorney Costs of (i) one counsel to the Administrative Agent (and of a single local counsel to the Administrative Agent and the Lead Arranger taken as a whole in each appropriate jurisdiction (which may be a single local counsel acting in multiple material jurisdictions)) and (ii) one counsel to the Collateral Agent (and of a single local counsel to the Collateral Agent taken as a whole in each appropriate jurisdiction (which may be a single local counsel acting in multiple material jurisdictions)) and (iii) one counsel for the Lenders, taken as a whole (and of a single local counsel to the Lenders, taken as a whole, in each appropriate jurisdiction (which may be a single local counsel acting in multiple material jurisdictions)), and solely in the event of an actual or perceived conflict of interest between Lenders, where the Lender or Lenders affected by such conflict of interest inform the Borrower in writing of such conflict of interest and thereafter retains its own counsel, one additional counsel in each appropriate jurisdiction to each group of affected Lenders similarly situated taken as a whole (in each case, except allocated costs of in-house counsel). The agreements in this Section 10.04 shall survive the termination of the Aggregate Commitments and repayment of all other Obligations.

Section 10.05 <u>Limitation of Liability; Indemnification by the Borrower.</u>

(a) None of the Administrative Agent, the Collateral Agent, each Lender, the Lead Arranger, the Bookrunner and their respective Affiliates, directors, officers, employees, partners, representatives, controlling persons, members, agents, advisors, equity holders and successors (each such Person being called a "Lender-Related Person") or any Loan Party or Affiliate thereof shall be liable for any damages arising from the use by others of any information or other materials obtained through Intralinks®, Syndtrak® or other similar information transmission systems in connection with this Agreement, except to the extent resulting from the willful misconduct, bad faith or gross negligence of such Lender-Related Person or any of its Related Persons, as determined by a final and non-appealable judgment of a court of competent jurisdiction), nor shall any Lender-Related Person or any Loan Party have any liability for any special, punitive, exemplary, indirect or consequential damages relating to this Agreement or any other Loan Document or arising out of its activities in connection herewith or therewith (whether before or after the Closing Date) (in each case, other than, in the case of any Loan Party, in respect of any such damages incurred or paid by an Indemnitee to a third party and otherwise required to be indemnified by a Loan Party under Section 10.05(b)).

(b) Subject to Section 10.07(1), the Borrower shall indemnify and hold harmless the Administrative Agent, the Collateral Agent, each Lender, the Lead Arranger, the Bookrunner and their respective Affiliates, directors, officers, employees, partners, representatives, controlling persons, members, agents, advisors, equity holders and successors (collectively the "Indemnitees") from and against any and all losses, claims, damages and liabilities that may be asserted or awarded against the Indemnitees and expenses of any third party that may be awarded against any Indemnitee and other reasonable and documented out-of-pocket expenses incurred in connection therewith asserted against any such Indemnitee relating to or arising out of or in connection with (but limited, in the case of out-of-pocket legal fees and expenses, to the Attorney Costs of (i) one counsel to each Agent and, if reasonably necessary, a single local counsel for each Agent in each appropriate jurisdiction (which may be a single local counsel for the Lenders, taken as a whole, and, if reasonably necessary, a single local counsel for the Lenders, taken as a whole, in each appropriate jurisdiction (which may be a single local counsel for the Lenders, taken as a whole, in each appropriate jurisdiction (which may be a single local counsel acting in multiple material jurisdictions) and one regulatory and/or specialty counsel for each relevant specialty area to the Lenders, taken as a whole, and solely in the case of an actual or perceived conflict of interest where the Lender affected by such conflict of interest informs the Borrower

in writing of such conflict of interest and thereafter retains its own counsel, one additional counsel in each appropriate jurisdiction to each group of affected Lenders similarly situated taken as a whole) (a) the execution, delivery, performance or administration of any Loan Document or any other agreement, letter or instrument delivered in connection with the transactions contemplated thereby or the consummation of the transactions contemplated thereby, including in connection with any action, litigation or other dispute or proceeding related to the Exchange Agreement and the transactions contemplated thereby and any of the other Transactions (including any action, litigation, or other dispute or proceeding related to any temporary restraining order, preliminary injunction or any similar request for relief), (b) any Commitment or Loan or the use or proposed use of the proceeds therefrom, or (c) any actual or alleged presence or release of Hazardous Materials on or from any real property currently or formerly owned or operated by the Borrower or any other Loan Party, or any Environmental Liability arising out of the activities or operations of the Borrower or any other Loan Party or (d) any actual or prospective claim, litigation, investigation or proceeding relating to any of the foregoing, whether based on contract, tort or any other theory (including any investigation of, preparation for, or defense of any pending or threatened claim, investigation, litigation or proceeding) and regardless of whether any Indemnitee is a party thereto and without regard to the exclusive or contributory negligence of any Indemnitees (all the foregoing, collectively, the "Indemnified Liabilities"); provided that such indemnity shall not, as to any Indemnitee, be available to the extent that such Indemnified Liabilities resulted from (w) the gross negligence, bad faith or willful misconduct of such Indemnitee or of any of its Related Persons as determined by a final, non-appealable judgment of a court of competent jurisdiction, (x) a material breach of any obligations under any Loan Document by such Indemnitee or of any of its Related Persons as determined by a final, non-appealable judgment of a court of competent jurisdiction, or (y) any dispute solely among Indemnitees or of any Related Person other than any claims against an Indemnitee in its capacity or in fulfilling its role as the Administrative Agent, the Collateral Agent, the Lead Arranger or the Bookrunner under the Facilities and other than any claims arising out of any act or omission of the Borrower or any of its Affiliates. Notwithstanding the foregoing, the Borrower shall not be liable for any settlement entered into by any Indemnitee or any Related Person, without the Borrower's prior written consent (such consent not to be unreasonably withheld or delayed), but, if such settlement occurs with Borrower's written consent or if there is a final judgment for the plaintiff not consented to by any Indemnitee or any Related Person in any action or claim with respect to any of the foregoing, the Borrower will be liable for such settlement or such final judgment and will indemnify and hold harmless each Indemnitee from and against any and all losses, claims, damages, liabilities and reasonable and documented out-of-pocket expenses by reason of such settlement or judgment in accordance with this Section 10.05. To the extent that the undertakings to indemnify and hold harmless set forth in this Section 10.05 may be unenforceable in whole or in part because they are violative of any applicable Laws or public policy, the Borrower shall contribute the maximum portion that it is permitted to pay and satisfy under applicable Laws to the payment and satisfaction of all Indemnified Liabilities incurred by the Indemnitees or any of them. Notwithstanding the foregoing, each Indemnitee shall be obligated to refund or return any and all amounts paid by the Borrower under this Section 10.05 to such Indemnitee for any losses, claims, damages, liabilities and expenses to the extent such Indemnitee is not entitled to payment of such amounts in accordance with the terms hereof. The Borrower shall not, without the prior written consent of any Indemnitee (which consent shall not be unreasonably withheld, delayed or conditioned), effect any settlement of any pending or threatened claim, litigation, investigation or proceeding in respect of which indemnity could have been sought hereunder by such Indemnitee unless such settlement (a) includes an unconditional release of such Indemnitee from all liability arising out of such claim, litigation, investigation or proceeding and (b) does not include any statement as to, or any admission of, fault, culpability, wrongdoing or a failure to act by or on behalf of such Indemnitee. Each Indemnitee shall give (subject to restrictions pursuant to attorney-client privilege, law, rule or regulation, or any obligation of confidentiality) such information and assistance to the Borrower as the Borrower may reasonably request in connection with any claim, litigation, investigation or proceeding in connection with any losses, claims, damages, liabilities and expenses, unless the Indemnitee reasonably determines there are conflicts of interest between the Borrower and the Indemnitee. In the case of an investigation, litigation or other

proceeding to which the indemnity in this Section 10.05 applies, such indemnity shall be effective whether or not such investigation, litigation or proceeding is brought by any Loan Party, its directors, equity holders or creditors or an Indemnitee or any other Person, whether or not any Indemnitee is otherwise a party thereto and whether or not any of the transactions contemplated hereunder or under any of the other Loan Documents are consummated. All amounts due under this Section 10.05 shall be paid within thirty (30) days after written demand therefor (together with backup documentation supporting such reimbursement request); provided, however, that such Indemnitee shall promptly refund such amount to the extent that there is a final non-appealable judicial determination by a court of competent jurisdiction that such Indemnitee was not entitled to indemnification rights with respect to such payment pursuant to the express terms of this Section 10.05. The agreements in this Section 10.05 shall survive the resignation of the Administrative Agent, the replacement of any Lender, the termination of the Aggregate Commitments and the repayment, satisfaction or discharge of all the other Obligations. Each Indemnitee shall promptly notify the Borrower upon receipt of written notice of any claim or threat to institute a claim; provided that any failure by any Indemnitee to give such notice shall not relieve the Borrower from the obligation to indemnify such Indemnitee in accordance with the terms of this Section 10.05 except to the extent that the Borrower is materially prejudiced by such failure. This Section 10.05 shall not apply to Taxes, Other Taxes or amounts excluded from the definition of Taxes pursuant to clauses (i) through (vi), of the first sentence of Section 3.01(a) (and any additions to tax, penalties and interest on the foregoing amounts in clauses (i) through (vi)), which shall be governed by Section 3.01, except to the extent such amounts represent losses, claims, damages, etc. arising from a non-tax

Section 10.06 Marshaling; Payments Set Aside. None of the Administrative Agent or any Lender shall be under any obligation to marshal any assets in favor of the Loan Parties or any other party or against or in payment of any or all of the Obligations. To the extent that any payment by or on behalf of the Borrower is made to any Agent or any Lender, or any Agent or any Lender exercises its right of setoff, and such payment or the proceeds of such setoff or any part thereof is subsequently invalidated, declared to be fraudulent or preferential, set aside or required (including pursuant to any settlement entered into by such Agent or such Lender in its discretion) to be repaid to a trustee, receiver or any other party, in connection with any proceeding under any Debtor Relief Law or otherwise, then (a) to the extent of such recovery, the obligation or part thereof originally intended to be satisfied shall be revived and continued in full force and effect as if such payment had not been made or such setoff had not occurred, and (b) each Lender severally agrees to pay to the Administrative Agent upon demand its applicable share of any amount so recovered from or repaid by any Agent, *plus* interest thereon from the date of such demand to the date such payment is made at a rate per annum equal to the applicable Federal Funds Rate from time to time in effect.

Section 10.07 Successors and Assigns.

(a) The provisions of this Agreement shall be binding upon and inure to the benefit of the parties hereto and their respective successors and assigns permitted hereby, except that the Borrower may not, except as permitted by Section 7.04, assign or otherwise transfer any of its rights or obligations hereunder without the prior written consent of the Administrative Agent and each Lender and no Lender may assign or otherwise transfer any of its rights or obligations hereunder except (i) to an assignee in accordance with the provisions of subclause (b) of this Section, (ii) by way of participation in accordance with the provisions of subclause (d) of this Section, (iii) by way of pledge or assignment of a security interest subject to the restrictions of subclause (f) of this Section, or (iv) to an SPC in accordance with the provisions of subclause (g) of this Section or (v) with respect to any assignment or transfer to or by any Disqualified Institution, in accordance with subclause (l) of this Section). Nothing in this Agreement, expressed or implied, shall be construed to confer upon any Person (other than the parties hereto, their respective successors and assigns permitted hereby, Participants to the extent provided in subclause (d) of this Section and, to the extent expressly contemplated hereby, the Agent-Related Persons of each of the Administrative Agent and the Lenders) any legal or equitable right, remedy or claim under or by reason of this Agreement.

(b) <u>Assignments by Lenders</u>. Any Lender may at any time assign to one or more assignees all or a portion of its rights and obligations under this Agreement (including all or a portion of its Commitment and the Loans); *provided* that any such assignment shall be subject to the following conditions:

(i) Minimum Amounts.

- (A) in the case of an assignment of the entire remaining amount of the assigning Lender's Commitment or Loans of any Class at the time owing to it or in the case of an assignment to a Lender, an Affiliate of a Lender or an Approved Fund, no minimum amount need be assigned; and
- (B) in any case not described in <u>subclause (b)(i)(A)</u> of this Section, the aggregate amount of the Commitment or, the principal outstanding balance of the Loans of the assigning Lender subject to each such assignment, determined as of the date the Assignment and Assumption with respect to such assignment is delivered to the Administrative Agent or, if "Trade Date" is specified in the Assignment and Assumption, as of the Trade Date, shall not be less than \$1,000,000 (unless each of the Administrative Agent and, so long as no Event of Default under <u>Section 8.01(a)</u> or, solely with respect to the Borrower, <u>Section 8.01(f)</u> has occurred and is continuing, the Borrower otherwise consents (each such consent not to be unreasonably withheld, conditioned or delayed); *provided*, *however*, that concurrent assignments to members of an Assignee Group and concurrent assignments from members of an Assignee Group to a single Eligible Assignee (or to an Eligible Assignee and members of its Assignee Group) will be treated as a single assignment for purposes of determining whether such minimum amount has been met.
- (ii) <u>Proportionate Amounts</u>. Each partial assignment shall be made as an assignment of a proportionate part of all the assigning Lender's rights and obligations under this Agreement with respect to the Loans or the Commitment assigned.
- (iii) Required Consents. No consent shall be required for any assignment except to the extent required by subclause (b)(i)(B) of this Section and, in addition:
 - (A) the consent of the Borrower (such consent not to be unreasonably withheld or delayed) shall be required unless (1) an Event of Default under Section 8.01(a) or, solely with respect to the Borrower, Section 8.01(f), has occurred and is continuing at the time of such assignment, or (2) such assignment is to a Term Lender, an Affiliate of a Term Lender or an Approved Fund of a Term Lender; provided, that, subject to clause (v) below, the Borrower shall be deemed to have consented to any such assignment of a Term Loan unless the Borrower shall object thereto by written notice to the Administrative Agent within ten (10) Business Days after having received such written notice thereof; and
 - (B) the consent of the Administrative Agent (such consent not to be unreasonably withheld or delayed) shall be required unless such assignment is to a Term Lender, an Affiliate of a Term Lender or an Approved Fund of a Term Lender or to a Person that is not a Lender, an Affiliate of such Lender or an Approved Fund with respect to such Lender; *provided*, *however*, that the consent of the Administrative Agent shall not be required for any assignment pursuant to <u>Section 10.07(m)</u> or to an Affiliated Lender or a Person that upon effectiveness of an assignment would be an Affiliated Lender, except for the separate consent rights of the Administrative Agent pursuant to <u>clause (h)(iv)</u> of this <u>Section 10.07</u>.

(iv) <u>Assignment and Assumption</u>. The parties to each assignment shall execute and deliver to the Administrative Agent an Assignment and Assumption, together with a processing and recordation fee of \$3,500 (other than in connection with any assignment effected pursuant to any primary syndication of the Facility); *provided* that the Administrative Agent may, in its sole discretion, elect to waive or reduce such processing and recordation fee in the case of any assignment. The Eligible Assignee, if it shall not be a Lender, shall deliver to the Administrative Agent an Administrative Questionnaire. All assignments shall be by novation unless otherwise agreed to, or required by, the Administrative Agent.

(v) No Assignments to Certain Persons. Notwithstanding anything to the contrary contained herein, no such assignment shall be made (A) to the Borrower or any of the Borrower's Subsidiaries except as permitted under Section 2.05(a)(iv) or Section 10.07(m), (B) subject to the immediately preceding clause (A) above and subclause (h) below, to any of the Borrower's Affiliates, (C) to a natural person, (D) to a Defaulting Lender or (E) to a Disqualified Institution.

This <u>clause (b)</u> shall not prohibit any Lender from assigning all or a portion of its rights and obligations among separate Facilities or Classes of Loans or Commitments on a non-pro rata basis.

In connection with any assignment of rights and obligations of any Defaulting Lender hereunder, no such assignment shall be effective unless and until, in addition to the other conditions thereto set forth herein, the parties to the assignment shall make such additional payments to the Administrative Agent in an aggregate amount sufficient, upon distribution thereof as appropriate (which may be outright payment, purchases by the assignee of participations or subparticipations, or other compensating actions, including funding, with the consent of the Borrower and the Administrative Agent, the applicable Pro Rata Share of Loans previously requested but not funded by the Defaulting Lender, to each of which the applicable assignee and assignor hereby irrevocably consent), to (x) pay and satisfy in full all payment liabilities then owed by such Defaulting Lender to the Administrative Agent or any Lender hereunder (and interest accrued thereon) and (y) acquire (and fund as appropriate) its full Pro Rata Share of all Loans in accordance with its Pro Rata Share. Notwithstanding the foregoing, in the event that any assignment of rights and obligations of any Defaulting Lender hereunder shall become effective under applicable Laws without compliance with the provisions of this paragraph, then the assignee of such interest shall be deemed to be a Defaulting Lender for all purposes of this Agreement until such compliance occurs.

Subject to acceptance and recording thereof by the Administrative Agent pursuant to clause(c) of this Section (and, in the case of an Affiliated Lender or a Person that, after giving effect to such assignment, would become an Affiliated Lender, subject to the requirements of clause(h) of this Section), from and after the effective date specified in each Assignment and Assumption, the assignee thereunder shall be a party to this Agreement and, to the extent of the interest assigned by such Assignment and Assumption, have the rights and obligations of a Lender under this Agreement, and the assigning Lender thereunder shall, to the extent of the interest assigned by such Assignment and Assumption, be released from its obligations under this Agreement (and, in the case of an Assignment and Assumption covering all of the assigning Lender's rights and obligations under this Agreement, such Lender shall cease to be a party hereto but shall continue to be entitled to the benefits of Section 3.04, Section 3.05, Section 10.05 with respect to facts and circumstances occurring prior to the effective date of such assignment and shall continue to be bound by Section 10.08). Upon request, and the surrender by the assigning Lender of rights or obligations under this Agreement that does not comply with this subsection shall be treated for purposes of this Agreement as a sale by such Lender of a participation in such rights and obligations in accordance with clause(d) of this Section.

- (c) The Administrative Agent, acting solely for this purpose as a non-fiduciary agent of the Borrower, shall maintain at the Administrative Agent's Office a copy of each Assignment and Assumption delivered to it and a register for the recordation of the names and addresses of the Lenders, and the Commitments of, and principal amounts (and related interest amounts) of the Loans, owing to each Lender, pursuant to the terms hereof from time to time (the "**Register**"). The entries in the Register shall, subject to <u>clause (h)</u> of this Section, be conclusive absent manifest error, and the Borrower, the Agents and the Lenders shall treat each Person whose name is recorded in the Register pursuant to the terms hereof as a Lender hereunder for all purposes of this Agreement, notwithstanding notice to the contrary. The Register shall be available for inspection by the Borrower, any Agent and any Lender, at any reasonable time and from time to time upon reasonable prior notice. This <u>Section 10.07(c)</u> and <u>Section 2.11</u> shall be construed so that all Loans are at all times maintained in "registered form" within the meaning of Section 163(f), Section 871(h)(2) and Section 881(c)(2) of the Code and any related U.S. Treasury regulations (or any other relevant or successor provisions of the Code or of such U.S. Treasury regulations).
- (d) Any Lender may at any time, without the consent of, or notice to, the Borrower or the Administrative Agent, sell participations to any Person (other than a natural person or the Borrower or any of the Borrower's Affiliates or Subsidiaries, Defaulting Lender or to a Disqualified Institution) (each, a "Participant") in all or a portion of such Lender's rights and/or obligations under this Agreement (including all or a portion of its Commitment and/or the Loans owing to it); provided that (i) such Lender's obligations under this Agreement shall remain unchanged, (ii) such Lender shall remain solely responsible to the other parties hereto for the performance of such obligations and (iii) the Borrower, the Agents and the other Lenders shall continue to deal solely and directly with such Lender in connection with such Lender's rights and obligations under this Agreement. Any agreement or instrument pursuant to which a Lender sells such a participation shall provide that such Lender shall retain the sole right to enforce this Agreement and the other Loan Documents and to approve any amendment, modification or waiver of any provision of this Agreement or any other Loan Document; provided that such agreement or instrument may provide that such Lender will not, without the consent of the Participant, agree to any amendment, waiver or other modification described in clauses (a), (b), (c), (g), and (h) of the first proviso to Section 10.01(A) that directly and adversely affects such Participant, in each case only to the extent that the affirmative vote of such Lender from which such Participant purchased the participation would be required under such Section. Subject to clause (e) of this Section, the Borrower agrees that each Participant shall be entitled to the benefits of Sections 3.01, 3.04 and 3.05 (subject to the limitations and requirements of such section, including Sections 3.01(c)(ii) and (c)(ii) or Section 3.01(c)(iii), as applicable and Section 3.06 and Section 3.07) (through the applicable Lender) to the same extent as if it were a Lender and had acquired its interest by assignment pursuant to subsection (b) of this Section. To the extent permitted by applicable Laws, each Participant also shall be entitled to the benefits of Section 10.09 as though it were a Lender; provided that such Participant agrees to be subject to Section 2.13 as though it were a Lender. The Borrower and the Lenders expressly acknowledge that the Administrative Agent (in its capacity as such or as an arranger, bookrunner or other agent hereunder) shall not have any obligation to monitor whether participations are made to Disqualified Institutions or natural persons and none of the Borrower or the Lenders will bring any claim to such effect.
- (e) <u>Limitations upon Participant Rights</u>. A Participant shall not be entitled to receive any greater payment under <u>Section 3.01</u>, <u>3.04</u> or <u>3.05</u> than the applicable Lender would have been entitled to receive with respect to the participation sold to such Participant, except to the extent that either (1) the sale of the participation to such Participant is made with the Borrower's prior written consent, which consent shall state that it is being given pursuant to <u>Section 10.07(e)</u> of this Agreement or (2) such entitlement to receive a greater payment results from an adoption of or any change in any Law or in the

interpretation or application thereof or compliance by any Lender with any request or directive (whether or not having the force of law) from any central bank or other Governmental Authority made subsequent to the date hereof that occurs after the Participant acquired the applicable participation. Each Lender that sells a participation pursuant to Section 10.07(d) shall, acting solely for U.S. federal income tax purposes as a non-fiduciary agent of the Borrower, maintain a register complying with the requirements of Section 163(f), Section 871(h) and Section 881(c)(2) of the Code and the U.S. Treasury regulations issued thereunder on which it records the name and address of each Participant and the principal amounts of each Participant's participation interest with respect to the Loans (each, a "Participant Register"); provided that no Lender shall have any obligation to disclose all or any portion of the Participant Register to any Person (including the identity of any Participant or any information relating to a Participant's interest in any Commitments, Loans or its other obligations under this Agreement) except to the extent that the relevant parties, acting reasonably and in good faith, determine that such disclosure is necessary to establish that such Commitment, Loan or other obligation is in registered form under Section 5f.103-1(c) of the United States Treasury Regulations. The entries in the Participant Register shall be conclusive absent manifest error, and such Lender shall treat each Person whose name is recorded in the Participant Register as the owner of such participation for all purposes of this Agreement notwithstanding any notice to the contrary. For the avoidance of doubt, the Administrative Agent (in its capacity as Administrative Agent) shall have no responsibility for maintaining a Participant Register.

(f) Any Lender may at any time pledge or assign a security interest in all or any portion of its rights under this Agreement (including under its Note, if any) to secure obligations of such Lender, including any pledge or assignment to secure obligations to a Federal Reserve Bank or to any central bank having jurisdiction over such Lender; *provided* that no such pledge or assignment shall release such Lender from any of its obligations hereunder or substitute any such pledgee or assignee for such Lender as a party hereto.

(g) Notwithstanding anything to the contrary contained herein, any Lender (a "Granting Lender") may grant to a special purpose funding vehicle identified as such in writing from time to time by the Granting Lender to the Administrative Agent and the Borrower (an "SPC") the option to provide all or any part of any Loan that such Granting Lender would otherwise be obligated to make pursuant to this Agreement; provided that (i) nothing herein shall constitute a commitment by any SPC to fund any Loan, (ii) if an SPC elects not to exercise such option or otherwise fails to make all or any part of such Loan, the Granting Lender shall be obligated to make such Loan pursuant to the terms hereof and (iii) such SPC and the applicable Loan or any applicable part thereof, shall be appropriately reflected in the Participant Register. Each party hereto hereby agrees that (i) neither the grant to any SPC nor the exercise by any SPC of such option shall increase the costs or expenses or otherwise increase or change the obligations of the Borrower under this Agreement (including its obligations under Section 3.01, 3.04 or 3.05), unless the grant to such SPC is made with the Borrower's prior written consent, which consent shall state that it is being given pursuant to Section 10.07(g) of this Agreement, (ii) no SPC shall be liable for any indemnity or similar payment obligation under this Agreement for which a Lender would be liable, and (iii) the Granting Lender shall for all purposes, including the approval of any amendment, waiver or other modification of any provision of any Loan Document, remain the lender of record hereunder. The making of a Loan by an SPC hereunder shall utilize the Commitment of the Granting Lender to the same extent, and as if, such Loan were made by such Granting Lender. In furtherance of the foregoing, each party hereto hereby agrees (which agreement shall survive the termination of this Agreement) that, prior to the date that is one year and one day after the payment in full of all outstanding commercial paper or other senior debt of any SPC, it will not institute against, or join any other Person in instituting against, such SPC any bankruptcy, reorganization, arrangement, insolvency, or liquidation proceeding under the laws of the United States or any state thereof. Notwithstanding anything to the contrary contained herein, any SPC may (i) with notice to, but without prior consent of the Borrower and the Administrative Agent and with the payment of a processing fee of \$3,500 (which processing fee may be waived by the Administrative

Agent in its sole discretion), assign all or any portion of its right to receive payment with respect to any Loan to the Granting Lender and (ii) disclose on a confidential basis any non-public information relating to its funding of Loans to any rating agency, commercial paper dealer or provider of any surety or Guarantee or credit or liquidity enhancement to such SPC. If a Granting Lender grants an option to an SPC as described herein and such grant is not reflected in the Register, the Granting Lender shall maintain a separate register on which it records the name and address of each SPC and the principal amount (and related interest) of each SPC's interest with respect to the Loans or other interests hereunder, which entries shall be conclusive absent manifest error.

- (h) Any Term Lender may, at any time, assign all or a portion of its rights and obligations solely with respect to Term Loans under this Agreement to a Person who is or will become, after such assignment, an Affiliated Lender through (x) Dutch auctions or other offers to purchase open to all Term Lenders on a pro rata basis consistent with the procedures of the type described in Section 2.05(a)(iv) or (y) open market purchase offered to all Term Lenders on a pro rata basis, in each case subject to the following limitations:
- (i) Affiliated Lenders will not receive information provided solely to Lenders by the Administrative Agent or any Lender and will not be permitted to attend or participate in meetings attended solely by the Lenders and the Administrative Agent, other than the right to receive notices of prepayments and other administrative notices in respect of its Term Loans required to be delivered to Lenders pursuant to Article II;
- (ii) each Affiliated Lender shall either (I) make a representation to the selling Lender that it does not possess material non-public information with respect to the Borrower and its Subsidiaries or the securities of any of them that has not been disclosed to the Lenders generally (other than Lenders who elect not to receive such information) or (II) disclose that it cannot make such representation;
- (iii) after giving effect to such assignment, the aggregate principal amount of Term Loans held by Affiliated Lenders shall not exceed 25% of the principal amount of all Term Loans at such time outstanding, in each case, after giving effect to any substantially simultaneous cancellation thereof (such percentage, the "Affiliated Lender Cap"); provided that each of the parties hereto agrees and acknowledges that the Administrative Agent shall not be liable for any losses, damages, penalties, claims, demands, actions, judgments, suits, costs, expenses and disbursements of any kind or nature whatsoever incurred or suffered by any Person in connection with any compliance or non-compliance with this clause (h)(iii) or any purported assignment exceeding the Affiliated Lender Cap; and
- (iv) as a condition to each assignment pursuant to this <u>clause (h)</u>, (A) the Administrative Agent shall have been provided a notice in the form of <u>Exhibit E-2</u> to this Agreement in connection with each assignment to an Affiliated Lender or a Person that upon effectiveness of such assignment would constitute an Affiliated Lender, and (without limitation of the provisions of <u>clause (iii)</u> above) shall be under no obligation to record such assignment in the Register until three (3) Business Days after receipt of such notice and (B) the Administrative Agent shall have consented to such assignment (which consent shall not be withheld unless the Administrative Agent reasonably believes that such assignment would violate <u>clause (h)(iii)</u> of this <u>Section 10.07</u>).

Notwithstanding anything to the contrary contained herein, any Affiliated Lender that has purchased Term Loans pursuant to this <u>clause</u> (h) may, in its sole discretion but subject to the consent of the Borrower, contribute, directly or indirectly, the principal amount of such Term Loans, plus all accrued and unpaid interest thereon, to the Borrower (through any Permitted Parent) for the purpose of cancelling and extinguishing such Term Loans and such contribution may be in exchange for equity securities of the

Borrower (or any Permitted Parent) otherwise permitted to be issued or incurred at such time. Upon the date of such contribution, assignment or transfer, (x) the aggregate outstanding principal amount of Term Loans shall reflect such cancellation and extinguishing of the Term Loans then held by the Borrower and (y) the Borrower shall promptly provide notice to the Administrative Agent of such contribution of such Term Loans, and the Administrative Agent, upon receipt of such notice, shall reflect the cancellation and extinguishing of the applicable Term Loans in the Register.

Each Lender participating in any assignment to Affiliated Lenders acknowledges and agrees that in connection with such assignment, (1) the Affiliated Lenders then may have, and later may come into possession of material non-public information, (2) such Lender has independently and, without reliance on the Affiliated Lenders or any of their Subsidiaries, the Borrower or any of its Subsidiaries, the Administrative Agent or any other Agent-Related Persons, made its own analysis and determination to participate in such assignment notwithstanding such Lender's lack of knowledge of the material non-public information, (3) none of the Affiliated Lenders or any of their Subsidiaries, the Borrower or any of its Subsidiaries shall be required to make any representation that it is not in possession of material non-public information, (4) none of the Affiliated Lenders or its Affiliates, the Borrower or any of its Subsidiaries or Affiliates, the Administrative Agent or any other Agent-Related Persons shall have any liability to such Lender, and such Lender hereby waives and releases, to the extent permitted by law, any claims such Lender may have against any Affiliated Lender or Affiliate thereof, the Borrower or any of its Subsidiaries or Affiliates, the Administrative Agent and any other Agent-Related Persons, under applicable Laws or otherwise, with respect to the nondisclosure of the material non-public information and (5) that the material non-public information may not be available to the Administrative Agent or the other Lenders. Each Affiliated Lender agrees to notify the Administrative Agent promptly (and in any event within ten (10) Business Days) if it becomes an Affiliated Lender. Such notice shall contain the type of information required and be delivered to the same addressee as set forth in Exhibit E-2.

- (i) Notwithstanding anything in <u>Section 10.01</u> or the definition of "Required Lenders" to the contrary:
- (i) for purposes of determining whether the Required Lenders have (A) consented (or not consented) to any amendment, modification, waiver, consent or other action with respect to any of the terms of any Loan Document or any departure by any Loan Party therefrom, or subject to Section 10.07(j), any plan of reorganization pursuant to the Bankruptcy Code of the United States, (B) otherwise acted on any matter related to any Loan Document, or (C) directed or required the Administrative Agent or any Lender to undertake any action (or refrain from taking any action) with respect to or under any Loan Document, no Affiliated Lender shall have any right to consent (or not consent), otherwise act or direct or require the Administrative Agent or any Lender to take (or refrain from taking) any such action and all Term Loans held by such Affiliated Lenders shall be deemed to have been voted in the same proportion as the allocation of voting by Term Lenders that are not Affiliated Lenders for all purposes of calculating whether the Required Lenders have taken any actions;
 - (ii) reserved;

(iii) notwithstanding the above, Affiliated Lenders shall have the right to vote on any amendment, modification, waiver, consent or other action described in the first proviso to <u>Section 10.01</u> or otherwise requiring the written consent of each Lender or of each Lender directly and adversely affected thereby; and

(iv) notwithstanding the above, no amendment, modification, waiver, consent or other action with respect to any of the terms of any Loan Document or any departure by any Loan Party therefrom may affect any Affiliated Lender in a manner that is disproportionate to the effect on any Lender of the same Class of that would deprive such Affiliated Lender of its pro rata share of any payments to which it is entitled.

(j) Notwithstanding anything in this Agreement or the other Loan Documents to the contrary, but subject to <u>clauses (i), (iii)</u> and <u>(iv)</u> above, each Affiliated Lender hereby agrees that, if a proceeding under any Debtor Relief Law shall be commenced by or against the Borrower or any other Loan Party at a time when such Lender is an Affiliated Lender, such Affiliated Lender irrevocably authorizes and empowers the Administrative Agent to vote on behalf of such Affiliated Lender with respect to the Term Loans held by such Affiliated Lender in any manner in the Administrative Agent's sole discretion, unless the Administrative Agent directs; provided that such Affiliated Lender shall be entitled to vote in accordance with respect to the Term Loans held by it as the Administrative Agent directs; provided that such Affiliated Lender shall be entitled to vote in accordance with its sole discretion (and not in accordance with the direction of the Administrative Agent) in connection with any plan of reorganization to the extent any such plan of reorganization proposes to treat any Obligations held by such Affiliated Lender in a manner that is less favorable in any material respect to such Affiliated Lender than the proposed treatment of similar Obligations held by Lenders that are not Affiliated Lenders. Each Affiliated Lender hereby irrevocably appoints the Administrative Agent (such appointment being coupled with an interest) as such Affiliated Lender's attorney-in-fact, with full authority in the place and stead of such Affiliated Lender and in the name of such Affiliated Lender (solely in respect of Term Loans and participations therein and not in respect of any other claim or status such Affiliated Lender may otherwise have), from time to time in the Administrative Agent's discretion to take any action and to execute any instrument that the Administrative Agent may deem reasonably necessary to carry out the provisions of this Section 10.07(j).

(k) Reserved.

(l) (i) In the case of any assignment or participation by a Lender without the Borrower's consent (A) to any Disqualified Institution or (B) to the extent the Borrower's consent is required under this Section 10.07 (and not deemed to have been given pursuant to Section 10.07(b)(iii)(A)), to any other Person, the Borrower shall be entitled to seek specific performance to unwind any such assignment or participation and/or specifically enforce this Section 10.07(1) in addition to injunctive relief (without posting a bond or presenting evidence of irreparable harm) or any other remedies available to the Borrower at law or in equity; it being understood and agreed that the Borrower and its Subsidiaries will suffer irreparable harm if any Lender breaches any obligation under this Section 10.07 as it relates to any assignment, participation or pledge of any Loan or Commitment to any Disqualified Institution or any other Person to whom the Borrower's consent is required but not obtained. Nothing in this Section 10.07(1) shall be deemed to prejudice any right or remedy that the Borrower may otherwise have at law or equity. Upon the request of any Lender, the Administrative Agent may and the Borrower will make the list of Disqualified Institutions (other than any Disqualified Institution that is a reasonably identifiable Affiliate of another Disqualified Institution on the basis of such Person's name) available to such Lender so long as such Lender agrees to keep the list of Disqualified Institutions confidential in accordance with the terms hereof and any such Lender may provide a copy of the list of Disqualified Institutions to any prospective lender or participant. It is understood and agreed that the Administrative Agent shall not be responsible or have any liability for, or have any duty to ascertain, inquire into monitor or enforce, compliance with the provisions relating to Disqualified Institutions. Without limiting the generality of the foregoing, the Administrative Agent shall not (x) be obligated to ascertain, monitor or inquire as to whether any Lender or participant or prospective Lender or participant is a Disqualified Institution or (y) have any liability with respect to or arising out of any assignment or participation of loans, or disclosure of confidential information, to, or the restriction on any exercise of rights or remedies of, any Disqualified Institution.

(ii) If any assignment or participation under this Section 10.07 is made to (1) any Affiliate of any Disqualified Institution without the Borrower's prior written consent (any such person together with any Disqualified Institution, a "Disqualified Person"), or (2) to the extent the Borrower's consent is required under this <u>Section 10.07</u> (and not deemed to have been given pursuant to <u>Section 10.07(b)(iii)(A)</u>), to any other Person, then, in each case, the Borrower may, at its sole expense and effort, upon notice to the applicable Person and the Administrative Agent, (A) terminate any Commitment of such Person and repay all obligations of the Borrower owing to such Person, (B) in the case of any outstanding Term Loans, held by such Person, purchase such Term Loans by paying the least of (x) par, (y) the amount that such Person paid to acquire such Term Loans and (z) if reasonably obtainable public sources are available, the most recently available market price for such Term Loan based on such sources, plus accrued interest thereon, accrued fees and all other amounts payable to it hereunder (other than any prepayment premium) and/or (C) require such Person to assign, without recourse (in accordance with and subject to the restrictions contained in this Section 10.07), all of its interests, rights and obligations under this Agreement to one or more Eligible Assignees; provided that (I) in the case of clauses (B) and (C), the applicable Person has received payment of an amount equal to the least of (1) par, (2) the amount that such Person paid for the applicable Loans and (3) if reasonably obtainable public sources are available, the most recently available market price for such Term Loan based on such sources, plus accrued interest thereon, accrued fees and all other amounts payable to it hereunder (other than any prepayment premium), (II) in the case of clauses (A) and (B), the Borrower shall not be liable to the relevant Person under Section 3.05 if any SOFR Rate Loan owing to such Person is repaid or purchased other than on the last day of the Interest Period relating thereto, (III) in the case of <u>clause (C)</u>, the relevant assignment shall otherwise comply with this <u>Section 10.07</u> (except that (x) no registration and processing fee required under this Section 10.07 shall be required with any assignment pursuant to this paragraph and (y) any Term Loan acquired by any Affiliated Lender pursuant to this paragraph will not be included in calculating compliance with the Affiliated Lender Cap for a period of 90 days following such transfer; provided that, to the extent the aggregate principal amount of Term Loans held by Affiliated Lenders exceeds the Affiliated Lender Cap on the 91st day following such transfer, then such excess amount shall either be (x) contributed to the Borrower or any of its subsidiaries and retired and cancelled immediately upon such contribution or (y) automatically cancelled)) and (IV) in no event shall such Disqualified Person be entitled to receive amounts set forth in Section 2.08(b) or Section 2.23. Further, any Disqualified Person identified by the Borrower to the Administrative Agent (A) shall not be permitted to (x) receive information or reporting provided by any Loan Party, the Administrative Agent or any Lender and/or (y) attend and/or participate in conference calls or meetings attended solely by the Lenders and the Administrative Agent, (B) (x) for purposes of determining whether the Required Lenders or the majority Lenders under any Class have (i) consented (or not consented) to any amendment, modification, waiver, consent or other action with respect to any of the terms of any Loan Document or any departure by any Loan Party therefrom, (ii) otherwise acted on any matter related to any Loan Document or (iii) directed or required the Administrative Agent or any Lender to undertake any action (or refrain from taking any action) with respect to or under any Loan Document, have a right to consent (or not consent), otherwise act or direct or require the Administrative Agent or any Lender to take (or refrain from taking) any such action or (y) for any other purpose for which any Lender is otherwise entitled to vote or consent, the Loans and Commitments of such Disqualified Person shall be deemed to vote in the same proportion as Lenders that are not Disqualified Persons (including in any proceeding under any Debtor Relief Law commenced by or against the Borrower or any other Loan Party) and (C) shall not be entitled to receive the benefits of Section 10.04 or Section 10.05. For the sake of clarity, the provisions in this Section 10.07(l) shall not apply to any Person that is an assignee of any Disqualified Person, if such assignee is not a Disqualified Person.

(m) Any Lender may, so long as no Event of Default has occurred and is continuing, at any time, assign all or a portion of its rights and obligations with respect to Term Loans under this Agreement to the Borrower or any of the Borrower's Subsidiaries through (x) Dutch auctions or other offers to purchase open to all Lenders on a pro rata basis consistent with the procedures set forth in Section 2.05(a)(iv) or (y) notwithstanding Sections 2.12 and 2.13 or any other provision in this Agreement, open market purchases offered to all Term Lenders on a pro rata basis; provided further that:

(i) (a) the principal amount of such Term Loans, along with all accrued and unpaid interest thereon, shall be deemed automatically cancelled and extinguished on the date of such contribution, assignment or transfer, (b) the aggregate outstanding principal amount of Term Loans of the remaining Lenders shall reflect such cancellation and extinguishment and (c) the Borrower or any of the Borrower's Subsidiaries, as applicable, shall promptly provide notice to the Administrative Agent of such contribution, assignment or transfer of such Term Loans, and the Administrative Agent, upon receipt of such notice, shall reflect the cancellation of the applicable Term Loans in the Register; and

(ii) the Borrower or any of the Borrower's Subsidiaries that purchases any Term Loans pursuant to this <u>clause (m)</u> shall either (I) make a representation to the selling Lender that it does not possess material non-public information with respect to the Borrower and its Subsidiaries or the securities of any of them that has not been disclosed to the Lenders generally (other than Lenders who elect not to receive such information) or (II) disclose that it cannot make such representation.

Each Lender participating in any assignment to the Borrower or any Subsidiary (including pursuant to Section 2.05(a)(iv)) acknowledges and agrees that in connection with such assignment, (1) the Borrower and its Subsidiaries then may have, and later may come into possession of material non-public information, (2) such Lender has independently and, without reliance on the Affiliated Lenders or any of their Subsidiaries, the Borrower or any of its Subsidiaries, the Administrative Agent or any other Agent-Related Persons, made its own analysis and determination to participate in such assignment notwithstanding such Lender's lack of knowledge of the material non-public information, (3) none of the Borrower or any of its Subsidiaries shall be required to make any representation that it is not in possession of material non-public information, (4) none of the Borrower any of the its Subsidiaries, the Administrative Agent or any other Agent-Related Persons shall have any liability to such Lender, and such Lender hereby waives and releases, to the extent permitted by law, any claims such Lender may have against the Borrower or any of its Subsidiaries, the Administrative Agent and any other Agent-Related Persons, under applicable Laws or otherwise, with respect to the nondisclosure of the material non-public information and (5) that the material non-public information may not be available to the Administrative Agent or the other Lenders.

(n) The aggregate outstanding principal amount of the Term Loans of the applicable Class shall be deemed reduced by the full par value of the aggregate principal amount of the Term Loans purchased by, or contributed to (in each case, and subsequently cancelled hereunder), the Borrower pursuant to Section 10.07(h) or (m) and the principal repayment installments with respect to the Term Loans of such Class pursuant to Section 2.07(a)(i) or (a)(ii), as applicable, shall be reduced pro rata by the par value of the aggregate principal amount of Term Loans so purchased or contributed (and subsequently cancelled), with such reduction being applied solely to the Term Loans of the Lenders which sold such Term Loans.

Section 10.08 Confidentiality. Each of the Administrative Agent, the Collateral Agent and the Lenders agrees to maintain the confidentiality of the Information in accordance with its customary procedures (as set forth below), except that Information may be disclosed (a) to its Affiliates and Approved Funds and to its and its Affiliates' and Approved Funds' respective directors, officers, employees, legal counsel, independent auditors and other experts or agents who need to know such information in connection with the Transaction, are informed of the confidential nature of such Information and instructed to keep such Information confidential, (b) to the extent requested by any regulatory authority purporting to have jurisdiction over it (including any self-regulatory authority, such as the National Association of Insurance Commissioners), in which case, the Administrative Agent, the Collateral Agent and the Lenders agree to, to the extent practicable, inform the Borrower promptly thereof prior to such disclosure, unless such Person

is prohibited by applicable Laws from so informing the Borrower, or except in connection with any request as part of any regulatory audit or examination conducted by bank accountants or any governmental or regulatory authority exercising examination or regulatory authority, (c) to the extent required by applicable Laws or by any subpoena or similar legal process; provided that the Administrative Agent or such Lender, as applicable, agrees that it will, to the extent practicable, notify the Borrower promptly thereof, unless such notification is prohibited by law, rule or regulation, or except in connection with any request as part of any regulatory audit or examination conducted by accountants or any governmental or regulatory authority exercising examination or regulatory authority, (d) to any other party hereto, (e) in connection with the exercise of any remedies hereunder or under any other Loan Document or any action or proceeding relating to this Agreement or any other Loan Document or the enforcement of rights hereunder or thereunder, (f) subject to an agreement containing provisions at least as restrictive as those of this Section 10.08, to (i) any assignee of or Participant in, or any prospective assignee of or Participant in, any of its rights or obligations under this Agreement or any Eligible Assignee invited to be an Additional Lender or (ii) any actual or prospective direct or indirect counterparty (or its advisors) to any swap or derivative transaction relating to the Borrower and its obligations, (g) with the consent of the Borrower, (h) to any rating agency when required by it (it being understood that, prior to any such disclosure, such rating agency shall undertake to preserve the confidentiality of any Information relating to the Loan Parties received by it from such Lender), (i) to the extent such Information (i) is at the time of such disclosure, or becomes, publicly available other than as a result of a breach of this Section by such Person or any Person identified in clause (a) above, (ii) is at the time of such disclosure, or becomes, available to the Administrative Agent, any Lender, or any of their respective Affiliates on a non-confidential basis from a source other than the Borrower or any of its Subsidiaries, and which source is not known by such Agent or Lender, after due inquiry, to be subject to a confidentiality restriction in respect thereof in favor of the Borrower or any Affiliate of the Borrower or (iii) is independently developed by such Person without reliance upon the Information, (j) to market data collectors, similar service providers to the lending industry, and service providers to the Administrative Agent, the Collateral Agent and the Lenders in connection with the administration and management of the Facilities; provided that such Information shall be limited to Information about the Facilities, (k) for the purposes of establishing a "due diligence" defense; provided, however, that no disclosure shall be made to any Disqualified Institution to the extent the applicable list of Disqualified Institutions has been provided to such disclosing party (and is permitted to be shared with prospective lenders or participants) or (l) as part of communications with a Governmental Authority in connection with Anti-Money Laundering Laws, Anti-Corruption Laws, Ex-Im Laws or Sanctions.

For purposes of this Section, "**Information**" means all information received from any Loan Party or any Subsidiary thereof (including, for the avoidance of doubt, their respective directors, officers, employees, members of managements, consultants, representatives, agents and advisors) or in connection with an inspection of the books, records or properties of any Loan Party or the Subsidiaries thereof, in each case, relating to any Loan Party or any Subsidiary thereof or their respective businesses; it being understood that all information received from any Loan Party or any Subsidiary thereof (including, for the avoidance of doubt, their respective directors, officers, employees, members of managements, consultants, representatives, agents and advisors) after the date hereof relating to any Loan Party or any Subsidiary thereof or their respective businesses shall be deemed confidential unless such information is clearly identified at the time of delivery as not being confidential. Any Person required to maintain the confidentiality of Information as provided in this Section shall be considered to have complied with its obligation to do so in accordance with its customary procedures if such Person has exercised the same degree of care to maintain the confidentiality of such Information as such Person would accord to its own confidential information. Nothing in this Agreement permits the Secured Parties to disclose any information under Section 275(4) of the Australian PPSA unless Section 275(7) of the Australian PPSA applies.

Each of the Administrative Agent and the Lenders acknowledges that (a) the Information may include material non-public information concerning the Borrower or a Subsidiary, as the case may be, (b) it has policies and procedures regarding the use of material non-public information and (c) it will handle such material non-public information in accordance with applicable Laws, including United States federal, state and foreign securities Laws, in accordance with its policies and procedures.

Section 10.09 Set-off. If an Event of Default shall have occurred and be continuing, each Lender and each of its Affiliates is hereby authorized at any time and from time to time, after obtaining the prior written consent of the Administrative Agent, to the fullest extent permitted by applicable Laws, to set off and apply any and all deposits (general or special, time or demand, provisional or final, in whatever currency) at any time held and other obligations (in whatever currency) at any time owing by such Lender or any such Affiliate, as the case may be, to or for the credit or the account of the Borrower or any other Loan Party against any and all of the Obligations (other than, with respect to any Guarantor, Excluded Swap Obligations of such Guarantor), irrespective of whether or not such Lender shall have made any demand under this Agreement or any other Loan Document and although such obligations of the Borrower or such Loan Party may be contingent or unmatured or denominated in a currency different from that of the applicable deposit or Indebtedness or are owed to a branch or office of such Lender different from the branch or office holding such deposit or obligated on such indebtedness; provided that in the event that any Defaulting Lender shall exercise any such right of setoff, (x) all amounts so set off shall be paid over immediately to the Administrative Agent for further application in accordance with the provisions of Section 2.19 and, pending such payment, shall be segregated by such Defaulting Lender from its other funds and deemed held in trust for the benefit of the Administrative Agent and the Lenders, and (y) the Defaulting Lender shall provide promptly to the Administrative Agent a statement describing in reasonable detail the Obligations owing to such Defaulting Lender as to which it exercised such right of setoff. The rights of each Lender and its Affiliates under this Section are in addition to other rights and remedies (including other rights of set-off) that such Lender or its Affiliates may have. Each Lender agrees to notify the Borrower and the Administrative Agent promptly after any such set-off and application made by such Lender; provided that the failure to give such notice shall not affect the validity of such set-off and application.

Section 10.10 Interest Rate Limitation. Notwithstanding anything to the contrary contained in any Loan Document, the interest paid or agreed to be paid under the Loan Documents shall not exceed the maximum rate of non-usurious interest permitted by applicable Laws (the "Maximum Rate"). If any Agent or any Lender shall receive interest in an amount that exceeds the Maximum Rate, the excess interest shall be applied to the principal of the Loans or, if it exceeds such unpaid principal, refunded to the Borrower. In determining whether the interest contracted for, charged, or received by an Agent or a Lender exceeds the Maximum Rate, such Person may, to the extent permitted by applicable Laws, (a) characterize any payment that is not principal as an expense, fee, or premium rather than interest, (b) exclude voluntary prepayments and the effects thereof, and (c) amortize, prorate, allocate, and spread in equal or unequal parts the total amount of interest throughout the contemplated term of the Obligations hereunder.

Section 10.11 Counterparts; Integration; Effectiveness. This Agreement may be executed in counterparts (and by different parties hereto in different counterparts), each of which shall constitute an original, but all of which when taken together shall constitute a single contract. This Agreement and the other Loan Documents constitute the entire contract among the parties relating to the subject matter hereof and supersede any and all previous agreements and understandings, oral or written, relating to the subject matter hereof. Except as provided in Section 4.01, this Agreement shall become effective when it shall have been executed by the Administrative Agent and when the Administrative Agent shall have received counterparts hereof that, when taken together, bear the signatures of each of the other parties hereto. Delivery of an executed counterpart of a signature page of (x) this Agreement, (y) any other Loan Document and/or (z) any document, amendment, approval, consent, information, notice (including, for the avoidance of doubt, any notice delivered pursuant to Section 10.02), certificate, request, statement,

disclosure or authorization related to this Agreement, any other Loan Document and/or the transactions contemplated hereby and/or thereby (each an "Ancillary Document") that is an Electronic Signature transmitted by telecopy, emailed pdf, or any other electronic means that reproduces an image of an actual executed signature page shall be effective as delivery of a manually executed counterpart of this Agreement, such other Loan Document or such Ancillary Document, as applicable.

Section 10.12 Electronic Execution of Assignments and Certain Other Documents. The words "execution," "signed," "signed," "signature," "delivery," and words of like import in or relating to this Agreement, any other Loan Document and/or any Ancillary Document shall be deemed to include Electronic Signatures, deliveries or the keeping of records in any electronic form (including deliveries by telecopy, emailed pdf, or any other electronic means that reproduces an image of an actual executed signature page), each of which shall be of the same legal effect, validity or enforceability as a manually executed signature, physical delivery thereof or the use of a paper-based recordkeeping system, as the case may be; provided that nothing herein shall require the Administrative Agent to accept Electronic Signatures in any form or format without its prior written consent and pursuant to procedures approved by it; provided, further, without limiting the foregoing, (i) to the extent the Administrative Agent has agreed to accept any Electronic Signature, the Administrative Agent and each of the Lenders shall be entitled to rely on such Electronic Signature purportedly given by or on behalf of the Borrower or any other Loan Party without further verification thereof and without any obligation to review the appearance or form of any such Electronic Signature and (ii) upon the request of the Administrative Agent, any Electronic Signature shall be promptly followed by a manually executed counterpart. Without limiting the generality of the foregoing, the Borrower and each other Loan Party hereby (i) agrees that, for all purposes, including without limitation, in connection with any workout, restructuring, enforcement of remedies, bankruptcy proceedings or litigation among the Administrative Agent, the Lenders, the Borrower and the other Loan Parties, Electronic Signatures transmitted by telecopy, emailed pdf, or any other electronic means that reproduces an image of an actual executed signature page and/or any electronic images of this Agreement, any other Loan Document and/or any Ancillary Document shall have the same legal effect, validity and enforceability as any paper original, (ii) agrees that the Administrative Agent and each of the Lenders may, at its option, create one or more copies of this Agreement, any other Loan Document and/or any Ancillary Document in the form of an imaged electronic record in any format, which shall be deemed created in the ordinary course of such Person's business, and destroy the original paper document (and all such electronic records shall be considered an original for all purposes and shall have the same legal effect, validity and enforceability as a paper record), (iii) waives any argument, defense or right to contest the legal effect, validity or enforceability of this Agreement, any other Loan Document and/or any Ancillary Document based solely on the lack of paper original copies of this Agreement, such other Loan Document and/or such Ancillary Document, respectively, including with respect to any signature pages thereto and (iv) waives any claim against any Lender-Related Person for any losses, claims, damages, liabilities and expenses arising solely from the Administrative Agent's and/or any Lender's reliance on or use of Electronic Signatures and/or transmissions by telecopy, emailed pdf, or any other electronic means that reproduces an image of an actual executed signature page, including any losses, claims, damages, liabilities and expenses arising as a result of the failure of the Borrower and/or any other Loan Party to use any available security measures in connection with the execution, delivery or transmission of any Electronic Signature.

Section 10.13 Survival of Representations and Warranties. All representations and warranties made hereunder and in any other Loan Document or other document delivered pursuant hereto or thereto or in connection herewith or therewith shall survive the execution and delivery hereof and thereof. Such representations and warranties have been or will be relied upon by the Administrative Agent and each Lender, regardless of any investigation made by the Administrative Agent or any Lender or on their behalf and notwithstanding that the Administrative Agent or any Lender may have had notice or knowledge of any Default at the time of any Credit Extension, and shall continue in full force and effect as long as any Loan or any other Obligation hereunder shall remain unpaid or unsatisfied (other than (i) contingent indemnification obligations as to which no claim has been asserted and (ii) Obligations under Secured Hedge Agreements and Obligations under Secured Cash Management Agreements).

Section 10.14 Severability. If any provision of this Agreement or the other Loan Documents is held to be illegal, invalid or unenforceable, (a) the legality, validity and enforceability of the remaining provisions of this Agreement and the other Loan Documents shall not be affected or impaired thereby and (b) the parties shall endeavor in good faith negotiations to replace the illegal, invalid or unenforceable provisions with valid provisions the economic effect of which comes as close as possible to that of the illegal, invalid or unenforceable provisions. The invalidity of a provision in a particular jurisdiction shall not invalidate or render unenforceable such provision in any other jurisdiction.

Section 10.15 GOVERNING LAW; JURISDICTION.

(a) THIS AGREEMENT AND EACH OTHER LOAN DOCUMENT SHALL, EXCEPT AS OTHERWISE PROVIDED IN CERTAIN OF THE GUARANTY AND COLLATERAL DOCUMENTS, BE GOVERNED BY, AND CONSTRUED IN ACCORDANCE WITH, THE LAW OF THE STATE OF NEW YORK.

(b) THE BORROWER, EACH AGENT AND EACH LENDER IRREVOCABLY AND UNCONDITIONALLY SUBMITS, FOR ITSELF AND ITS PROPERTY, TO THE EXCLUSIVE JURISDICTION OF THE COURTS OF THE STATE OF NEW YORK SITTING IN NEW YORK CITY IN THE BOROUGH OF MANHATTAN AND OF THE UNITED STATES DISTRICT COURT OF THE SOUTHERN DISTRICT OF NEW YORK, AND ANY APPELLATE COURT FROM ANY THEREOF, IN ANY ACTION OR PROCEEDING ARISING OUT OF OR RELATING TO THIS AGREEMENT OR ANY OTHER LOAN DOCUMENT (EXCEPT AS OTHERWISE EXPRESSLY PROVIDED IN CERTAIN GUARANTY AND COLLATERAL DOCUMENTS), OR FOR RECOGNITION OR ENFORCEMENT OF ANY JUDGMENT, AND EACH OF THE PARTIES HERETO IRREVOCABLY AND UNCONDITIONALLY AGREES THAT ALL CLAIMS IN RESPECT OF ANY SUCH ACTION OR PROCEEDING MAY BE HEARD AND DETERMINED IN SUCH NEW YORK STATE COURT OR, TO THE FULLEST EXTENT PERMITTED BY APPLICABLE LAW, IN SUCH FEDERAL COURT. EACH OF THE PARTIES HERETO AGREES THAT A FINAL JUDGMENT IN ANY SUCH ACTION OR PROCEEDING SHALL BE CONCLUSIVE AND MAY BE ENFORCED IN OTHER JURISDICTIONS BY SUIT ON THE JUDGMENT OR IN ANY OTHER MANNER PROVIDED BY LAW. EACH PARTY HERETO AGREES THAT THE AGENTS AND LENDERS RETAIN THE RIGHT TO SERVE PROCESS IN ANY OTHER MANNER PERMITTED BY LAW OR TO BRING PROCEEDINGS AGAINST ANY LOAN PARTY IN THE COURTS OF ANY OTHER JURISDICTION IN CONNECTION WITH THE EXERCISE OF ANY RIGHTS UNDER ANY COLLATERAL DOCUMENT OR THE ENFORCEMENT OF ANY JUDGMENT.

(c) THE BORROWER, EACH AGENT AND EACH LENDER IRREVOCABLY AND UNCONDITIONALLY WAIVES, TO THE FULLEST EXTENT PERMITTED BY APPLICABLE LAW, ANY OBJECTION THAT IT MAY NOW OR HEREAFTER HAVE TO THE LAYING OF VENUE OF ANY ACTION OR PROCEEDING ARISING OUT OF OR RELATING TO THIS AGREEMENT OR ANY OTHER LOAN DOCUMENT IN ANY COURT REFERRED TO IN <u>CLAUSE (b)</u> OF THIS SECTION. EACH OF THE PARTIES HERETO HEREBY IRREVOCABLY WAIVES, TO THE FULLEST EXTENT PERMITTED BY APPLICABLE LAW, THE DEFENSE OF AN INCONVENIENT FORUM TO THE MAINTENANCE OF SUCH ACTION OR PROCEEDING IN ANY SUCH COURT.

Section 10.16 WAIVER OF RIGHT TO TRIAL BY JURY. EACH PARTY HERETO HEREBY IRREVOCABLY WAIVES, TO THE FULLEST EXTENT PERMITTED BY APPLICABLE LAW, ANY RIGHT IT MAY HAVE TO A TRIAL BY JURY IN ANY LEGAL PROCEEDING DIRECTLY OR INDIRECTLY ARISING OUT OF OR RELATING TO THIS AGREEMENT OR ANY OTHER LOAN DOCUMENT OR THE TRANSACTIONS CONTEMPLATED HEREBY OR THEREBY (WHETHER BASED ON CONTRACT, TORT OR ANY OTHER THEORY). EACH PARTY HERETO (A) CERTIFIES THAT NO REPRESENTATIVE, AGENT OR ATTORNEY OF ANY OTHER PERSON HAS REPRESENTED, EXPRESSLY OR OTHERWISE, THAT SUCH OTHER PERSON WOULD NOT, IN THE EVENT OF LITIGATION, SEEK TO ENFORCE THE FOREGOING WAIVER AND (B) ACKNOWLEDGES THAT IT AND THE OTHER PARTIES HERETO HAVE BEEN INDUCED TO ENTER INTO THIS AGREEMENT AND THE OTHER LOAN DOCUMENTS BY, AMONG OTHER THINGS, THE MUTUAL WAIVERS AND CERTIFICATIONS IN THIS SECTION.

Section 10.17 Binding Effect. This Agreement shall become effective when it shall have been executed by the Borrower and the Administrative Agent and the Administrative Agent shall have been notified by each Lender that each such Lender has executed it and thereafter shall be binding upon and inure to the benefit of the Borrower, each Agent and each Lender and their respective successors and assigns.

Section 10.18 <u>Judgment Currency</u>. If, for the purposes of obtaining judgment in any court, it is necessary to convert a sum due hereunder or any other Loan Document in one currency into another currency, the rate of exchange used shall be that at which in accordance with normal banking procedures the Administrative Agent could purchase the first currency with such other currency on the Business Day preceding that on which final judgment is given. The obligation of the Borrower in respect of any such sum due from it to the Administrative Agent or the Lenders hereunder or under the other Loan Documents shall, notwithstanding any judgment in a currency (the "Judgment Currency") other than that in which such sum is denominated in accordance with the applicable provisions of this Agreement (the "Agreement Currency"), be discharged only to the extent that on the Business Day following receipt by the Administrative Agent of any sum adjudged to be so due in the Judgment Currency, the Administrative Agent may in accordance with normal banking procedures purchase the Agreement Currency with the Judgment Currency. If the amount of the Agreement Currency so purchased is less than the sum originally due to the Administrative Agent from the Borrower in the Agreement Currency, the Borrower agrees, as a separate obligation and notwithstanding any such judgment, to indemnify the Administrative Agent or the Person to whom such obligation was owing against such loss. If the amount of the Agreement Currency so purchased is greater than the sum originally due to the Administrative Agent in such currency, the Administrative Agent agrees to return the amount of any excess to the Borrower (or to any other Person who may be entitled thereto under applicable Law).

Section 10.19 Lender Action. Each Lender agrees that it shall not take or institute any actions or proceedings, judicial or otherwise, for any right or remedy against any Loan Party under any of the Loan Documents or the Secured Hedge Agreements (including the exercise of any right of set-off, rights on account of any banker's lien or similar claim or other rights of self-help), or institute any actions or proceedings, or otherwise commence any remedial procedures, with respect to any Collateral or any other property of any such Loan Party, without the prior written consent of the Administrative Agent (which shall not be withheld in contravention of Section 9.04). The provision of this Section 10.19 is for the sole benefit of the Lenders and shall not afford any right to, or constitute a defense available to, any Loan Party.

Section 10.20 <u>Use of Name, Logo, etc.</u> Subject to the Borrower having been afforded a reasonable opportunity to review and to the Borrower's prior consent (such consent not to be unreasonably withheld, delayed or conditioned), the Administrative Agent and the Lead Arranger may publish, in the ordinary course of its business, customary advertising material relating to the financing transactions contemplated by this Agreement using any Loan Party's name, product photographs, logo or trademark.

Section 10.21 PATRIOT Act Notice. Each Lender that is subject to the PATRIOT Act and the requirements of the Beneficial Ownership Regulation and the Administrative Agent (for itself and not on behalf of any Lender) hereby notifies the Borrower that pursuant to the requirements of the PATRIOT Act and the Beneficial Ownership Regulation, it is required to obtain, verify and record information that identifies each Loan Party, which information includes the name and address of each Loan Party and other information that will allow such Lender or the Administrative Agent, as applicable, to identify each Loan Party in accordance with the PATRIOT Act and the Beneficial Ownership Regulation. The Borrower shall, promptly following a request by the Administrative Agent or any Lender, provide all documentation and other information that the Administrative Agent or such Lender requests in order to comply with its ongoing obligations under applicable "know your customer" and anti-money laundering rules and regulations, including the PATRIOT Act and the Beneficial Ownership Regulation.

Section 10.22 <u>Service of Process</u>, EACH PARTY HERETO IRREVOCABLY CONSENTS TO SERVICE OF PROCESS IN THE MANNER PROVIDED FOR NOTICES IN <u>SECTION 10.02</u>, NOTHING IN THIS AGREEMENT WILL AFFECT THE RIGHT OF ANY PARTY HERETO TO SERVE PROCESS IN ANY OTHER MANNER PERMITTED BY APPLICABLE LAW.

Section 10.23 No Advisory or Fiduciary Responsibility. In connection with all aspects of each transaction contemplated hereby (including in connection with any amendment, waiver or other modification hereof or of any other Loan Document), the Borrower acknowledges and agrees, and acknowledges its Affiliates' understanding, that: (i) (A) the arranging and other services regarding this Agreement provided by the Agents, the Lead Arranger and the Bookrunner are arm's-length commercial transactions between the Borrower and its Affiliates, on the one hand, and the Administrative Agents, the Lead Arranger and the Bookrunner, on the other hand, (B) the Borrower has consulted its own legal, accounting, regulatory and tax advisors to the extent it has deemed appropriate, and (C) the Borrower is capable of evaluating, and understands and accepts, the terms, risks and conditions of the transactions contemplated hereby and by the other Loan Documents; (ii) (A) the Agents, the Lead Arranger and the Bookrunner are and have been, and each Lender is and has been, acting solely as a principal and, except as expressly agreed in writing by the relevant parties, have or has not been, are or is not, and will not be acting as an advisor, agent or fiduciary for the Borrower or any of its Affiliates, or any other Person and (B) none of the Agents, the Lead Arranger, the Bookrunner nor any Lender has any obligation to the Borrower or any of its Affiliates with respect to the transactions contemplated hereby except those obligations expressly set forth herein and in the other Loan Documents; and (iii) the Agents, the Lead Arranger, the Bookrunner, the Lenders and their respective Affiliates may be engaged in a broad range of transactions that involve interests that differ from those of the Borrower and its Affiliates, and none of the Agents, the Lead Arranger, the Bookrunner nor any Lender has any obligation to disclose any of such interests to the Borrower or any of its respective Affiliates. To the fullest extent permitted by law, the Borrower hereby waives and releases any claims that it may have against the Agents, the Lead Arranger, the Bookrunner or any Lender with respect to any breach or alleged breach of agency or fiduciary duty in connection with any aspect of any transaction contemplated hereby.

Section 10.24 Reserved.

Section 10.25 <u>Acknowledgement and Consent to Bail-In of Affected Financial Institutions</u>. Notwithstanding anything to the contrary in any Loan Document or in any other agreement, arrangement or understanding among any such parties, each party hereto acknowledges that any liability of any Affected Financial Institution arising under any Loan Document, to the extent such liability is unsecured, may be subject to the write-down and conversion powers of the applicable Resolution Authority and agrees and consents to, and acknowledges and agrees to be bound by:

- (a) the application of any Write-Down and Conversion Powers by the applicable Resolution Authority to any such liabilities arising hereunder that may be payable to it by any party hereto that is an Affected Financial Institution; and
 - (b) the effects of any Bail-In Action on any such liability, including, if applicable:
 - (i) a reduction in full or in part or cancellation of any such liability;
 - (ii) a conversion of all, or a portion of, such liability into shares or other instruments of ownership in such Affected Financial Institution, its parent undertaking, or a bridge institution that may be issued to it or otherwise conferred on it, and that such shares or other instruments of ownership will be accepted by it in lieu of any rights with respect to any such liability under this Agreement or any other Loan Document; or
 - (iii) the variation of the terms of such liability in connection with the exercise of the write-down and conversion powers of the applicable Resolution Authority.

Section 10.26 <u>Acknowledgement Regarding Any Supported QFCs</u>. To the extent that the Loan Documents provide support, through a guarantee or otherwise, for Swap Contracts or any other agreement or instrument that is a QFC (such support "QFC Credit Support" and each such QFC a "Supported QFC"), the parties acknowledge and agree as follows with respect to the resolution power of the Federal Deposit Insurance Corporation under the Federal Deposit Insurance Act and Title II of the Dodd Frank Wall Street Reform and Consumer Protection Act (together with the regulations promulgated thereunder, the "U.S. Special Resolution Regimes") in respect of such Supported QFC and QFC Credit Support (with the provisions below applicable notwithstanding that the Loan Documents and any Supported QFC may in fact be stated to be governed by the laws of the State of New York and/or of the United States or any other state of the United States):

In the event a Covered Entity that is party to a Supported QFC (each, a "Covered Party") becomes subject to a proceeding under a U.S. Special Resolution Regime, the transfer of such Supported QFC and the benefit of such QFC Credit Support (and any interest and obligation in or under such Supported QFC and such QFC Credit Support, and any rights in property securing such Supported QFC or such QFC Credit Support) from such Covered Party will be effective to the same extent as the transfer would be effective under the U.S. Special Resolution Regime if the Supported QFC and such QFC Credit Support (and any such interest, obligation and rights in property) were governed by the laws of the United States or a state of the United States. In the event a Covered Party or a BHC Act Affiliate of a Covered Party becomes subject to a proceeding under a U.S. Special Resolution Regime, Default Rights under the Loan Documents that might otherwise apply to such Supported QFC or any QFC Credit Support that may be exercised against such Covered Party are permitted to be exercised to no greater extent than such Default Rights could be exercised under the U.S. Special Resolution Regime if the Supported QFC and the Loan Documents were governed by the laws of the United States or a state of the United States. Without limitation of the foregoing, it is understood and agreed that rights and remedies of the parties with respect to a Defaulting Lender shall in no event affect the rights of any Covered Party with respect to a Supported QFC or any QFC Credit Support.

Section 10.27 Payments.

(a) Each Lender hereby agrees that (x) if the Administrative Agent notifies such Lender that the Administrative Agent has determined in its sole discretion that any funds received by such Lender from the Administrative Agent or any of its Affiliates (whether as a payment, prepayment or repayment of principal, interest, fees or otherwise; individually and collectively, a "**Payment**") were erroneously transmitted to such Lender (whether or not known to such Lender), and demands the return of

such Payment (or a portion thereof), such Lender shall promptly, but in no event later than two (2) Business Days thereafter, return to the Administrative Agent the amount of any such Payment (or portion thereof) as to which such a demand was made in same day funds, together with interest thereon in respect of each day from and including the date such Payment (or portion thereof) was received by such Lender to the date such amount is repaid to the Administrative Agent at the greater of the NYFRB Rate and a rate determined by the Administrative Agent in accordance with banking industry rules on interbank compensation from time to time in effect, and (y) to the extent permitted by applicable law, such Lender shall not assert, and hereby waives, as to the Administrative Agent, any claim, counterclaim, defense or right of set-off or recoupment with respect to any demand, claim or counterclaim by the Administrative Agent for the return of any Payments received, including without limitation any defense based on "discharge for value" or any similar doctrine. A notice of the Administrative Agent to any Lender under this Section 10.27 shall be conclusive, absent manifest error.

- (b) Each Lender hereby further agrees that if it receives a Payment from the Administrative Agent or any of its Affiliates (x) that is in a different amount than, or on a different date from, that specified in a notice of payment sent by the Administrative Agent (or any of its Affiliates) with respect to such Payment (a "Payment Notice") or (y) that was not preceded or accompanied by a Payment Notice, it shall be on notice, in each such case, that an error has been made with respect to such Payment. Each Lender agrees that, in each such case, or if it otherwise becomes aware a Payment (or portion thereof) may have been sent in error, such Lender shall promptly notify the Administrative Agent of such occurrence and, upon demand from the Administrative Agent, it shall promptly, but in no event later than two (2) Business Days thereafter, return to the Administrative Agent the amount of any such Payment (or portion thereof) as to which such a demand was made in same day funds, together with interest thereon in respect of each day from and including the date such Payment (or portion thereof) was received by such Lender to the date such amount is repaid to the Administrative Agent at the greater of the NYFRB Rate and a rate determined by the Administrative Agent in accordance with banking industry rules on interbank compensation from time to time in effect.
- (c) The Borrower and each other Loan Party hereby agrees that (x) in the event an erroneous Payment (or portion thereof) is not recovered from any Lender that has received such Payment (or portion thereof) for any reason, the Administrative Agent shall be subrogated to all the rights of such Lender with respect to such amount and (y) an erroneous Payment shall not pay, prepay, repay, discharge or otherwise satisfy any Obligations (or any other obligations) owed by the Borrower or any other Loan Party, except, in each case, to the extent any such erroneous Payment is, and solely with respect to the amount of such payment that is, comprised of funds received by the Administrative Agent from, or on behalf of (including through the exercise of remedies under any Loan Document), the Borrower or any other Loan Party for the purpose of satisfying an Obligation in accordance with the terms of this Agreement.
- (d) Each party's obligations under this <u>Section 10.27</u> shall survive the resignation or replacement of the Administrative Agent or any transfer of rights or obligations by, or the replacement of, a Lender, the termination of the Commitments or the occurrence of the Termination Date.

Section 10.28 Exclusions of the Australian PPSA

- (a) Where any Secured Party has a security interest (as defined in the Australian PPSA) under any Loan Document, to the extent the law permits:
 - (i) for the purposes of sections 115(1) and 115(7) of the Australian PPSA:
 - (A) each Secured Party with the benefit of the security interest need not comply with sections 95, 118, 121(4), 125, 130, 132(3) (d) or 132(4) of the Australian PPSA; and

- (B) sections 142 and 143 of the Australian PPSA are excluded;
- (b) for the purposes of section 115(7) of the Australian PPSA, each Secured Party with the benefit of the security interest need not comply with sections 132 and 137(3);
- (c) each party hereto waives its right to receive from any Secured Party any notice required under the Australian PPSA (including a notice of a verification statement);
- (d) if a Secured Party with the benefit of a security interest exercises a right, power or remedy in connection with such security interest, that exercise is taken not to be an exercise of a right, power or remedy under the Australian PPSA unless the Secured Party states otherwise at the time of exercise. However, this clause does not apply to a right, power or remedy which can only be exercised under the Australian PPSA; and
- (e) if the Australian PPSA is amended to permit the parties hereto to agree not to comply with or to exclude other provisions of the PPSA, the Administrative Agent may notify the Borrower and the Secured Parties that any of these provisions is excluded, or that the Secured Parties need not comply with any of these provisions.

This Section 10.28 does not affect any rights a Person has or would have other than by reason of the Australian PPSA and applies despite any other clause in any Loan Document.

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IN WITNESS WHEREOF, the parties hereto have caused this Agreement to be duly executed as of the date first above written.

CASA SYSTEMS, INC., as the Borrower

By: /s/ Edward Durkin

Name: Edward Durkin

Title: Chief Financial Officer and Interim Chief Executive

Officer

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JPMORGAN CHASE BANK, N.A.,

as Administrative Agent

By: /s/ Vidita J. Shah

Name: Vidita J. Shah
Title: Vice President

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DELAWARE TRUST COMPANY,

as Collateral Agent

By: /s/ Sean Foronjy

Name: Sean Foronjy
Title: Vice President

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LENDERS

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WARRANT AGREEMENT

CASA SYSTEMS, INC.

and

AMERICAN STOCK TRANSFER & TRUST COMPANY, LLC

Dated June 15, 2023

This WARRANT AGREEMENT (this "**Agreement**"), dated as of June 15, 2023, is by and between Casa Systems, Inc., a Delaware corporation (the "**Company**"), and American Stock Transfer & Trust Company, LLC, a New York limited liability company, as warrant agent (in such capacity, the "**Warrant Agent**").

WHEREAS, the Company is party to that certain Credit Agreement, dated as of December 20, 2016 (as amended, restated, amended and restated, supplemented or otherwise modified from time to time prior to the date hereof, the "**Existing Credit Agreement**"), by and among the Company, the lenders from time to time party thereto (the "**Lenders**") and JPMorgan Chase Bank, N.A., as administrative agent (in such capacity, together with its successors and assigns in such capacity, the "**Existing Agent**");

WHEREAS, the Company and certain of the Lenders are party to that certain Transaction Support Agreement dated as of May 8, 2023 (the "TSA") pursuant to which they agreed, subject to the terms and conditions thereunder, to support and enter into the transactions contemplated by that certain Exchange Agreement as attached hereto as <u>Exhibit A</u>, dated as of the date hereof (the "**Exchange Agreement**"), by and among the Company, the Participating Lenders and the other parties thereto, and the Amendment (as defined herein):

WHEREAS, the Company, JPMorgan Chase Bank, N.A., as administrative agent, Delaware Trust Company, as collateral agent and the lenders party thereto are entering into that certain Superpriority Credit Agreement, dated as of the date hereof (the "Superpriority Credit Agreement"), pursuant to which Exchanged Superpriority Term Loans will be provided to the Company;

WHEREAS, the Company, the Existing Agent and the Participating Lenders are entering into that certain First Amendment to the Existing Credit Agreement, dated as of the date hereof (the "**Amendment**"), which will amend the Existing Credit Agreement (the Existing Credit Agreement as amended by the Amendment, the "**Amended Credit Agreement**") to, *inter alia*, (i) permit the transactions contemplated by the TSA and the Exchange Agreement, (ii) remove all affirmative and negative covenants and mandatory prepayments and certain Events of Default (as defined in the Existing Credit Agreement) under the Existing Credit Agreement, and (iii) make certain other changes to the terms and conditions of the Existing Credit Agreement;

WHEREAS, in accordance with the terms of Section 10.07(m) of the Existing Credit Agreement, as contemplated by the TSA and to be consummated under the Exchange Agreement, the Company has offered to purchase and assume 100% of each Lender's term loans issued and outstanding under the Existing Credit Agreement held by each such Lender in the principal amount as set forth on the signature pages to the Exchange Agreement (the "Existing Loans");

WHEREAS, in accordance with the terms of Section 10.07(m) of the Existing Credit Agreement, each Participating Lender desires to sell and assign to the Company 100% of its Existing Loans (the "**Purchased Loans**") on the date hereof;

WHEREAS, on the date hereof, among other things: (a) the Purchased Loans purchased by, transferred to and assigned to the Company shall immediately be deemed cancelled and extinguished pursuant to Section 10.07(m) of the Existing Credit Agreement and for all purposes of the Amended Credit Agreement; and (b) subject to the terms and conditions in the Exchange Agreement, each Participating Lender shall receive as consideration for its sale and assignment of its Purchased Loans from the Company (i) Exchanged Superpriority Term Loans in an aggregate principal amount equal to 100% of the aggregate principal amount of its Purchased Loans, <u>plus</u> an original issue discount pursuant to the terms of Section 2.09(a) of the Superpriority Credit Agreement and (ii) the right to receive its Pro Rata Share (as defined herein) of the 10% Warrants, the 5% Warrants and the 4.99% Warrants (in each case, as defined on <u>Schedule I</u> and, collectively, the "Warrants"), subject to the terms hereof;

WHEREAS, the Company desires the Warrant Agent to act on behalf of the Company, and the Warrant Agent is willing to so act, in connection with the issuance, registration, transfer, exchange, redemption and exercise of the Warrants;

WHEREAS, the Company desires to provide for the form and provisions of the Warrants, the terms upon which they shall be issued and exercised, and the respective rights, limitation of rights, and immunities of the Company, the Warrant Agent and the Registered Holders (as defined herein) of the Warrants; and

WHEREAS, all acts and things have been done and performed which are necessary to make the Warrants the valid, binding and legal obligations of the Company, and to authorize the execution and delivery of this Agreement.

NOW THEREFORE, for good and valuable consideration, the receipt and sufficiency of which are hereby acknowledged, the parties hereto agree as follows:

Section 1. <u>Global Definitions</u>. Unless otherwise defined herein, capitalized terms have the meanings set forth in the Exchange Agreement (as in effect on the date hereof), however, the following terms when used herein have the following meanings:

"Aggregate Exercise Price" means, in connection with any exercise of the Warrants pursuant to Section 6 (whether in whole or in part), an amount equal to the product of (i) the number of Underlying Shares in respect of which the Warrants are then being exercised pursuant to such Section 6, multiplied by (ii) the Exercise Price.

"Board" means the Board of Directors of the Company.

"Exchange Property" means, with respect to any Fundamental Transaction in which the Underlying Shares are converted into or exchanged for, or become the right to receive, cash, securities or other property (or any combination thereof), the cash, securities or other property (or any combination thereof) that Underlying Shares are converted into, are exchanged for or become the right to receive, in each case, in such Fundamental Transaction.

"Fundamental Transaction" means any (i) one or more related transactions pursuant to which the Company, directly or indirectly, effects any merger, consolidation, amalgamation, statutory share exchange, business combination or other similar transaction or series of related transactions with or into another Person in which the Company is not the survivor, (ii) sale, lease, transfer, assignment, conveyance or other disposition of all or substantially all of the assets of the Company and its subsidiaries (by value) in one or a series of related transactions, including in connection with a liquidation or winding up of the Company, which, in each of the cases of (i) and (ii) is consummated with a third party who is unaffiliated with the Company at the time of such transaction, and which is effected in such a way that the Underlying Shares are converted into or exchanged for, or become the right to receive Exchange Property, (iii) one or more related transactions pursuant to which the Company, directly or indirectly, effects a reclassification, reorganization or recapitalization of the Common Stock or compulsory share exchange, pursuant to which the Common Stock is effectively converted into or exchanged for Exchange Property or (iv) one or more related transactions pursuant to which, directly or indirectly, (a) the Company consummates a stock or share purchase agreement or other business combination (including, without limitation, a reorganization, recapitalization, spin-off, merger or scheme of arrangement) with another Person or group of Persons whereby such other Person or group of Persons acquires more than 50% of the outstanding shares of Common Stock.

"Market Price" means, with respect to the Common Stock, on any given day (the "Valuation Date"): (i) if the Common Stock is then listed on a national stock exchange, the ten (10) day dollar volume-weighted average price ("VWAP") of the Common Stock on such exchange ending on the last Trading Day prior to the Valuation Date; (ii) if the Common Stock is not listed or admitted to trading on any national securities exchange, the ten (10) day VWAP of the Common Stock in the over-the-counter market as reported by Pink Sheets LLC or similar organization ending on the last Trading Day prior to the Valuation Date; or (iii) if the Common Stock is not listed and traded in a manner that the quotations referred to above are available for the period required hereunder, the Market Price per share of Common Stock shall be deemed to be the fair market value per share of Common Stock as determined in good faith by the independent members of the Board in reliance upon an opinion (dated within 180 days of such determination) of an accounting firm of nationally recognized standing retained by the Company for this purpose and reasonably acceptable to a majority in interest of the Registered Holders (as defined herein) (excluding any Registered Holder that is the Company, its directors, officers or any of its or their Affiliates). "Market Price" shall be determined without reference to after hours or extended hours trading.

"**Pro Rata Share**" means, with respect to each Participating Lender, a fraction (expressed as a percentage, carried out to the ninth decimal place), (x) the numerator of which is the amount of the Exchanged Superpriority Term Loans of such Participating Lender and (y) the denominator of which is the amount of the Exchanged Superpriority Term Loans of all Participating Lenders, in each case of clauses (x) and (y), calculated as of the date hereof.

"Springing Warrant Lender" means each Participating Lender (or its applicable Affiliate or other transferee or assignee) that has determined for the Company to issue and deliver such Participating Lender's (or its applicable Affiliate's or other transferee's or assignee's) Springing Warrants following the date hereof in accordance with the Superpriority Credit Agreement and the Exchange Agreement.

"Successor Entity" means, with respect to a Fundamental Transaction, the surviving entity, successor, parent company or issuer of Exchange Property, as applicable.

"**Trading Day**" means a day on which the Common Stock is traded on a Trading Market or, if the Common Stock is not traded on a Trading Market, then on the principal securities exchange or securities market on which the Common Stock is then traded.

"Trading Market" means any market or exchange of The Nasdag Stock Market LLC or the New York Stock Exchange.

"Underlying Shares" means shares of Common Stock issuable upon exercise of the Warrants, which is an aggregate of 19,373,234 shares of Common Stock.

"Unit of Exchange Property" means, with respect to a Fundamental Transaction in which the Underlying Shares are converted into or exchanged for, or become the right to receive Exchange Property, the type and amount of Exchange Property that the holder of one Underlying Share is entitled to receive in such Fundamental Transaction.

Section 2. <u>Appointment of Warrant Agent</u>. The Company hereby appoints the Warrant Agent to act as agent for the Company for the Warrants, and the Warrant Agent hereby accepts such appointment and agrees to perform the same in accordance with the terms and conditions set forth in this Agreement.

Section 3. Warrants.

- (a) Form of Warrant. Each Warrant shall be issued in registered form only.
- (b) Registration.

(i) <u>Warrant Register</u>. The Warrant Agent shall maintain books (the "**Warrant Register**"), for the registration of original issuance and the registration of transfer of the Warrants. Upon the initial issuance of the Warrants in book-entry form, the Warrant Agent shall issue and register the Warrants in the names of the respective holders thereof in such denominations and otherwise in accordance with instructions delivered to the Warrant Agent by the Company. Upon issuance of the Springing Warrants in book-entry form, the Warrant Agent shall register the Springing Warrants in the names of the respective holders thereof in such denominations and otherwise in accordance with instructions delivered to the Warrant Agent by the Company. Ownership of beneficial interests in the Warrants shall be shown on, and the transfer of such ownership shall be effected through, book-entry settlement. Within three (3) Business Days of the initial issuance of the Warrants, the Warrant Agent shall distribute to each Registered Holder documentation setting forth (A) the number of Warrants credited to the accounts of each such Registered Holder in book-entry form with the Warrant Agent, which three accounts shall be called

(x) the "10% Warrant Account (vest as of June 15, 2023)", (y) the "5% Warrants (vest as of January 1, 2024)" and (z) the "4.99% Warrants (vest as of January 1, 2025)" and (B) the form of election to purchase Common Stock (substantially in the form set forth in Appendix A hereto) and the form of assignment (substantially in the form set for in Appendix B hereto). Thereafter, within three (3) Business Days of any request by a Registered Holder for account documentation that has been updated from time to time to reflect any changes in the number of Warrants, the Warrant Agent shall distribute any such documentation to the Registered Holder requesting such documentation. In addition to the foregoing, the Warrant Agent shall use reasonable best efforts to provide a .pdf or other electronic document evidencing the issuance of the Warrants into the accounts of each Registered Holder as soon as possible from the time that the Warrants are issued. Within three (3) Business Days of the initial issuance of the Warrants, the Company shall distribute to each Registered Holder documentation (in substantially the form attached hereto as Schedule II) setting forth the number of Warrants credited to the accounts of each such Registered Holder in book-entry form with the Warrant Agent, including information with respect to the vesting of such Warrants and the number of Underlying Shares with respect to the Warrants credited to the account of each such Registered Holder. Thereafter, within three (3) Business Days of any request by a Registered Holder for documentation that has been updated from time to time to reflect any changes in the number of Warrants or Underlying Shares (or the vesting of any Warrants) or any transfers or assignments thereof, the Company shall, and shall cause the Warrant Agent to, distribute any such documentation, to the Registered Holder requesting such documentation.

(ii) Warrant Register for Springing Warrants. With regard to the Springing Warrants, the Company shall maintain books and records regarding the right of any Springing Warrant Lender to receive any Springing Warrant and any transfers of the Springing Warrants by any such Springing Warrant Lender (or any of transferee or assignee thereof). Within three (3) Business Days of the initial issuance of the Warrants (other than the Springing Warrants), the Company shall distribute to each Springing Warrant Lender documentation (in substantially the form attached hereto as Schedule III) setting forth the number of Springing Warrants reserved for issuance to the account of each such Springing Warrant Lenders, including information with respect to the vesting of such Springing Warrants upon issuance and the number of Underlying Shares with respect to the Springing Warrants to be credited to the account of each such Springing Warrant Lender upon issuance. Thereafter, within three (3) Business Days of any request by an Springing Warrant Lender for documentation that has been updated from time to time to reflect any changes in the number of Springing Warrants or Underlying Shares or any transfers or assignments thereof, the Company shall distribute any such documentation, to the Springing Warrant Lender requesting such documentation.

(iii) <u>Registered Holder</u>. Prior to due presentment for registration of transfer of any Warrant, the Company and the Warrant Agent may deem and treat the Person in whose name such Warrant is registered in the Warrant Register (the "**Registered Holder**") as the absolute owner of such Warrant and of each Warrant represented thereby, for the purpose of any exercise thereof, and for all other purposes, and neither the Company nor the Warrant Agent shall be affected by any notice to the contrary.

(iv) <u>Company Actions</u>. To the extent the Warrant Agent requires the Company to provide the Warrant Agent any instruction, confirmation or information prior to effecting any request of a Registered Holder pursuant to this Agreement, including, for the avoidance of doubt, in order to effect the issuance of any Warrant (including, for the avoidance of doubt, any Springing Warrant), effect the exercise of any Warrant or provide ownership or other information with respect to any Warrants (including, for the avoidance of doubt, any Springing Warrants), the Company shall promptly provide such instruction, confirmation or information to the Warrant Agent.

Section 4. Issuance of Warrants.

- (a) The Warrants issued by the Company to each Participating Lender (or its applicable Affiliate or designee) represent the right, with respect to each Participating Lender (or its applicable Affiliate or designee) (each such Person, an "**Original Warrant Party**"), to purchase from the Company, subject to the vesting schedule set forth on <u>Schedule I</u>, a number of fully paid and nonassessable shares of the Company's common stock having a par value of \$0.001 per share ("**Common Stock**") up to each such Original Warrant Party's (or if an Affiliate or designee of a Participating Lender, such Affiliate's or designee's) Pro Rata Share (as set forth in the books and records of the Company) of the portion of the Underlying Shares described on <u>Schedule I</u>, on the terms and subject to the conditions set forth herein.
- (b) Notwithstanding Section 4(a), with respect to each Springing Warrant Lender, the Warrants to which such Springing Warrant Lender would have been entitled as of the date hereof (collectively, the "Springing Warrants") shall not be issued on the date hereof and the Company shall issue any such Springing Warrants within three (3) Business Days following receipt by the Company (with a copy to the Warrant Agent) of written notice by such Springing Warrant Lender of its determination to receive its Springing Warrants and the Warrant Agent shall reflect such issuance on the Warrant Register; provided, however, at any time that (x) such Springing Warrants and the Underlying Shares with respect to such Springing Warrants are not eligible for resale without volume or manner-of-sale restrictions or current public information requirements pursuant to Rule 144 and (y) the rights to such Springing Warrants are held by an Original Warrant Party, such Springing Warrants shall be issued the later of (i) within three (3) Business Days and (ii) the date that any registration statement filed by the Company with respect to the offer and sale of the Underlying Shares of such Springing Warrants is declared effective by the U.S. Securities and Exchange Commission. If the issuance date of any Springing Warrants that are 5% Warrants or 4.99% Warrants is subsequent to the applicable vesting date identified on Schedule I, the applicable portion of such Springing Warrants shall be vested to the extent described on Schedule I. Notwithstanding anything to the contrary herein, in connection with the occurrence of any Termination Date (as defined in the Superpriority Credit Agreement) with respect to the Superpriority Credit Agreement, all Springing Warrants shall be deemed issued and vested as of such Termination Date according to the vesting schedule set forth on Schedule I as if the Springing Warrant had been issued prior to such Termination Date so that each Springing Warrant Lender shall be deemed as of the Termination Date to be the Registered Holder of any Springing Warrant issued upon its written notice even if such written notice is delivered after such Termination Date and such Springing Warrant Lender shall be considered vested on the same terms and schedule set forth on Schedule I as all other Registered Holders. Solely for U.S. federal and applicable state and local income tax purposes, the parties hereto agree to treat an Springing Warrant Lender as the "tax owner" of the Warrants underlying such Lender's Springing Warrants pursuant to the principles of Rev. Rul. 82-150, and not to take any contrary position with respect to any tax authority, except as otherwise required by applicable law.

Section 5. Exercise Price. The exercise price per share of Common Stock for which each Underlying Share may be purchased pursuant to the Warrants shall be \$0.01 (the "Exercise Price").

Section 6. Exercise of Warrants.

(a) <u>Generally</u>. Subject to and upon compliance with the terms and conditions set forth herein, including the vesting provisions described on <u>Schedule I</u>, a Registered Holder may exercise all or any portion of the Warrants held by such Registered Holder on any Business Day from and after the date hereof until 5:00 p.m. Eastern Time on the date that is the ten (10) year anniversary of the date hereof or if such date is not a Business Day, the next subsequent Business Day (such date, the "**Expiration Date**" and such period, the "**Exercise Period**"), for the Underlying Shares obtainable thereunder.

(b) Exercise.

- (i) The Warrants, to the extent effectively issued and vested in accordance with the terms hereof, may be exercised by each Registered Holder as to all or any portion of the Underlying Shares, upon delivery of (A) written notice to the Warrant Agent at its corporate trust department, which notice shall be substantially in the form set forth in <u>Appendix A</u> hereto ("Warrant Exercise Notice"), setting forth the Warrants to be exercised and an election to purchase any Underlying Shares pursuant to the exercise of the Warrants, properly completed and executed by such Registered Holder in accordance with the Warrant Agent's procedures, and (B) payment to the Company of the Aggregate Exercise Price. The Aggregate Exercise Price (if paid pursuant to this Section 6(b)(i)) shall be payable by delivery by the applicable Registered Holder of immediately available funds paid by wire transfer to the Warrant Agent pursuant to written instructions provided to such Registered Holder by the Warrant Agent.
- (ii) The Warrants may also, upon the written election of the Registered Holder to the Warrant Agent in a Warrant Exercise Notice, be exercised at any time by means of a "cashless exercise" (the date of an exercise as set forth in a Warrant Exercise Notice being an "Exercise Date") in which the Registered Holder shall be entitled to receive the number of Underlying Shares equal to the quotient obtained by dividing (A-B)*(X) by (A), where:
 - (A) = the Market Price on the Trading Day immediately preceding the date of such election;
 - (B) = the Exercise Price of the Warrants, as adjusted hereunder; and
 - (X) = the number of Underlying Shares issuable upon exercise of the Warrant in accordance with the terms of this Agreement by means of a cash exercise rather than a cashless exercise.

The Warrant Agent shall have no obligation under this Agreement to perform or verify such calculation of the number of Underlying Shares to be withheld pursuant to this **Section 6(b)(ii)** or otherwise determine whether such calculation is correct. Notwithstanding the foregoing, at any time that the rights to such Springing Warrants are held by an Original Warrant Party, the Springing Warrant shall by exercised by means of "cashless exercise" pursuant to this **Section 6(b)(ii)** and the holder of such Springing Warrant shall not exercise pursuant to **Section 6(b)(i)**.

- (c) <u>Issuance of Shares</u>. Upon the exercise of the Warrants by any Registered Holder, (i) the Company shall, within one (1) Business Day after any exercise and the clearance of the funds in payment of the Aggregate Exercise Price (to the extent that the exercise is pursuant to **Section 6(b)(i)** and not a "cashless exercise" pursuant to **Section 6(b)(ii)**), execute and deliver to such Registered Holder a statement confirming the total number of Underlying Shares for which the Warrants are being exercised, and (ii) the Warrant Agent shall within three (3) Business Days of any exercise, execute and deliver a written confirmation evidencing the book-entry registration of such Underlying Shares in such Registered Holder's name, and if the Warrants shall not have been exercised in full, a new book-entry position for the number of Underlying Shares as to which the Warrants shall not have been exercised.
- (d) <u>Valid Issuance</u>. All Underlying Shares issued upon any proper exercise of the Warrants in conformity with this Agreement shall be validly issued, fully paid and nonassessable and free from all Liens (other than the Borrower Organizational Documents and restrictions on transfer arising under federal and state securities laws).
- (e) <u>No Fractional Shares</u>. No fractional shares may be issued upon any exercise of the Warrants, and any fractions shall be rounded upwards to the nearest whole number of shares of Common Stock. If upon any exercise of the Warrants a fraction of a share results, the Company will pay to the applicable Registered Holder the cash value of any such fractional share, calculated on the basis of the Market Price (where the Valuation Date for purposes of calculating the Market Price is the Exercise Date).
- (f) <u>Payment of Taxes</u>. The Company shall pay any documentary stamp or other tax or governmental charge required to be paid in connection with the initial issuance of the Underlying Shares issuable upon any exercise of the Warrants; <u>provided</u>, <u>however</u>, that the Company shall not be required to pay any tax or taxes which may be payable in respect of any transfer involved in the issue of the Underlying Shares upon any exercise of Warrants; and in the event that any such transfer is involved, the Company shall not be required to issue or deliver any Underlying Shares, and the Warrant Agent shall not register any transfer or issue of Underlying Shares or deliver any Underlying Shares, until such tax or other charge shall have been paid or it has been established to the Company's reasonable satisfaction that no such tax or other charge is due. The Company and its paying agent shall be entitled to deduct and withhold taxes on all payments and distributions (or deemed distributions) on the Warrants and Underlying Shares to the extent required by applicable tax law. To the extent that any amounts are so deducted or withheld, such deducted or withheld amounts shall be treated for all purposes of the Warrants as having been paid to the Person in respect of which such deduction or withholding was made.
- (g) <u>Date of Issuance</u>. The Warrants shall be deemed to be exercised as of the applicable Exercise Date, and each Person in whose name any bookentry position for Underlying Shares is issued and who is registered in the register of stockholders of the Company shall for all purposes be deemed to have become the holder of record of such Underlying Shares on the date on which the book-entry position representing the Warrants was surrendered to the Warrant Agent pursuant to delivery of a Warrant Exercise Notice, and payment of the Aggregate Exercise Price was made

(to the extent that the exercise is pursuant to **Section 6(b)(i)** and not a "cashless exercise" pursuant to **Section 6(b)(ii)**), irrespective of the date of issuance of the Underlying Shares or the date that any such transfer or issue of the Underlying Shares was registered by the Warrant Agent or such evidence of such transfer or issue was delivered by the Warrant Agent or the Company, except that, if the date of such surrender and payment is a date when the register of stockholders of the Company or book-entry system of the Warrant Agent are closed, such Person shall be deemed to have become the holder of such shares at the close of business on the next succeeding date on which the register of stockholders of the Company or book-entry system are open.

- (h) <u>Expiration of Warrants</u>. The Warrants, to the extent not exercised prior thereto, shall automatically expire, terminate and become void as of 5:01 p.m. Eastern Time on the Expiration Date. No further action of any Person (including by, or on behalf of, any Registered Holder, the Company or the Warrant Agent) shall be required to effectuate the expiration of Warrants pursuant to this **Section 6(h)**.
- (i) Beneficial Ownership. Notwithstanding anything to the contrary contained herein, the Company shall not effect the exercise of any portion of the Warrants for Underlying Shares, and the Registered Holder shall not have the right to exercise any portion of the Warrants for Underlying Shares, pursuant to the terms and conditions of this Agreement to the extent that after giving effect or immediately prior to such exercise of any of the Warrants for Underlying Shares, the Registered Holder together with the other Attribution Parties (as defined herein) collectively would beneficially own in excess of 9.9% (the "Beneficial Ownership Limitation") of the number of shares of Common Stock issued and outstanding immediately after giving effect to such exercise of any of the Warrants for Underlying Shares. Any portion of an exercise that would result in the issuance of shares in excess of the Beneficial Ownership Limitation shall be treated as null and void *ab initio*. In any case in which the exercise of any of the Warrants for Underlying Shares would result in the Registered Holder together with the other Attribution Parties collectively beneficially owning shares of Common Stock in excess of the Beneficial Ownership Limitation, the Company shall issue to the Registered Holder the number of shares of Common Stock that would result in such Registered Holder beneficially owning shares of Common Stock as approximately equal to the Beneficial Ownership Limitation as possible without the Company issuing any fractional shares of Common Stock. For purposes of this Agreement, in determining the number of outstanding shares of Common Stock, the Registered Holder may rely on the number of outstanding shares of Common Stock as reflected in (x) the Company's most recent Form 10-Q or Form 10-K, as the case may be, filed with the U.S. Securities and Exchange Commission prior to the date hereof, (y) a more recent public announcement by the Company or (z) any other notice by the Company or its transfer agent setting forth the number of shares of Common Stock outstanding. Upon the written request of the Registered Holder, the Company shall within three (3) Trading Days confirm in writing or by electronic mail to the Registered Holder the number of shares of Common Stock then outstanding. In any case, the number of outstanding shares of Common Stock shall be determined after giving effect to the conversion or exercise of securities of the Company, including the Warrants, by the Registered Holder since the date as of which such number of outstanding shares of Common Stock was reported. Upon delivery of a written notice to the Company, the Registered Holder may from time to time terminate, increase or decrease the Beneficial Ownership Limitation to any other percentage as specified in such notice; provided, that any such increase or decrease will apply only to the Registered Holder and the other Attribution Parties and not to any other Registered Holder of Warrants that is not an Attribution

Party of the Registered Holder; provided, further, that any such increase will not be effective until the sixty-first (61st) day after such notice is delivered to the Company. For purposes of clarity, the shares of Common Stock issuable pursuant to the terms of this Agreement in excess of the Beneficial Ownership Limitation shall not be deemed to be beneficially owned by the Registered Holder for any purpose including for purposes of Section 13(d) or Rule 16a-1(a)(1) of the 1934 Act. For purposes of this Section 6(i), the aggregate number of shares of Common Stock beneficially owned by the Registered Holder and the Attribution Parties shall include the shares of Common Stock issuable upon the exercise of the Warrants with respect to which such determination is being made, but shall exclude the number of shares of Common Stock which would be issuable upon (x) exercise of the remaining unexercised and non-cancelled portion of the Warrants by the Registered Holder and (y) exercise or conversion of the unexercised, non-converted or non-cancelled portion of any other securities of the Company (including, without limitation, any securities of the Company which would entitle the holder thereof to acquire at any time Common Stock, including, without limitation, any debt, preferred stock, right, option, warrant or other instrument that is at any time convertible into or exercisable or exchangeable for, or otherwise entitles the holder thereof to receive, Common Stock), that is subject to a limitation on conversion or exercise analogous to the limitation contained herein and is beneficially owned by the Attribution Parties. For purposes of this Section 6(i), "Attribution Parties" means, collectively, the following Persons: (i) any investment vehicle, including, any funds, feeder funds or managed accounts, currently, or from time to time after the date hereof, directly or indirectly managed or advised by the Registered Holder's investment manager or any of its Affiliates or principals, (ii) any direct or indirect Affiliates of the Registered Holder or any of the foregoing, (iii) any Person acting or who could be deemed to be acting as a Section 13(d) group together with the Registered Holder or any of the foregoing and (iv) any other Persons whose beneficial ownership of the Company's Common Stock would be aggregated with the Registered Holder's and the other Attribution Parties for purposes of Section 13(d) of the 1934 Act. The provisions of this Section 6(i) shall be construed and implemented in a manner otherwise than in strict conformity with the terms of this section to the extent necessary or desirable to properly give effect to the Beneficial Ownership Limitation.

(j) Adjustments.

(i) If the Company shall, at any time or from time to time while any of the Warrants are outstanding, (A) pay a dividend or make a distribution on its Common Stock or any other capital stock of the Company payable in shares of Common Stock or in Options (as defined herein) or Convertible Securities (as defined herein), except with respect to securities or equity awards granted under any equity incentive plans adopted by the Board for the benefit of employees, directors, independent contractors or similar Persons, or (B) subdivide its outstanding shares of Common Stock into a greater number of shares, the number of Underlying Shares issuable upon exercise of the Warrants immediately prior to any such payment or subdivision shall be proportionately increased (taking into account any distribution to the Registered Holders pursuant to **Section 6(j)(iii)**). For purposes of this **Section 6(j)(i)**, "**Options**" means any warrants or other rights or options to subscribe for or purchase Common Stock or Convertible Securities, and "**Convertible Securities**" means any securities (directly or indirectly) convertible into or exchangeable for Common Stock, but excluding Options. Such adjustments shall be made successively whenever any event listed above shall occur.

- (ii) If the Company shall, at any time, or from time to time while this Agreement is outstanding, combine (including by reverse stock split) its outstanding shares of Common Stock into a smaller number of shares or issue by reclassification of its outstanding shares of Common Stock any shares of its capital stock (including any such reclassification in connection with a consolidation or merger in which the Company is the continuing corporation), then the number of Underlying Shares issuable upon exercise of the Warrants in effect immediately prior to the date upon which such change shall become effective, shall be proportionately decreased. Such adjustments shall be made successively whenever any event listed above shall occur.
- (iii) In the event that the Company shall fix a payment date for the making of a dividend or distribution to all holders of Common Stock, by way of return of capital or otherwise (including, without limitation, any distribution of cash, stock or other securities (other than Common Stock, Options or Convertible Securities), property or options by way of a dividend (including a cash dividend), spin off, reclassification, corporate rearrangement, scheme of arrangement or other similar transaction), at any time after the issuance of the Warrants, then, to the extent the Registered Holders are treated as receiving a deemed distribution under Section 305(c) of the United States Internal Revenue Code of 1986, as amended (the "Code") that is treated as a taxable distribution of property under Section 301 of the Code, the Company shall distribute to the Registered Holders an amount sufficient to allow the Registered Holders to satisfy their tax liability attributable to such deemed distribution.

Section 7. <u>Securities Laws</u>. The certificates representing the Underlying Shares or the book-entry account maintained by the transfer agent evidencing ownership of the Underlying Shares, as applicable, will bear the following or similar legend, unless the Company determines otherwise in compliance with applicable law:

"THE SHARES OF COMMON STOCK HAVE NOT BEEN REGISTERED UNDER THE SECURITIES ACT OF 1933, AS AMENDED (THE "SECURITIES ACT") AND MAY NOT BE OFFERED, SOLD, PLEDGED OR OTHERWISE TRANSFERRED EXCEPT (1) IN AN OFFSHORE TRANSACTION MEETING THE REQUIREMENTS OF RULE 903 OR RULE 904 OF REGULATION S UNDER THE SECURITIES ACT, (2) PURSUANT TO AN EFFECTIVE REGISTRATION STATEMENT UNDER THE SECURITIES ACT, OR (3) PURSUANT TO AN AVAILABLE EXEMPTION FROM THE REGISTRATION REQUIREMENTS OF THE SECURITIES ACT, IN EACH CASE IN ACCORDANCE WITH ALL APPLICABLE SECURITIES LAWS."

Section 8. Transfer and Exchange of Warrants.

(a) <u>Registration of Transfer</u>. The Warrant Agent shall register the transfer, from time to time, of any outstanding Warrant upon the Warrant Register, upon surrender of such Warrant for transfer in accordance with this **Section 8**. Upon any such transfer, new Warrants representing an equal aggregate number of Warrants shall be issued and the old Warrant shall be cancelled by the Warrant Agent. Such new Warrants shall be identical in all other respects to the old Warrant.

- (b) <u>Procedure for Surrender of Warrants</u>. Warrants may be surrendered to the Warrant Agent by a written request to the Warrant Agent for exchange or transfer, and thereupon the Warrant Agent shall issue in exchange therefor one or more new Warrants as requested by the applicable Registered Holder of the Warrants so surrendered, representing an equal aggregate number of Warrants and shall reflect such issuance on the Warrant Register; <u>provided, however</u>, that each Warrant may be transferred only in whole; <u>provided, further, however</u> that in the event that a Warrant surrendered for transfer bears a restrictive legend, the Warrant Agent shall not cancel such Warrant and issue new Warrants in exchange thereof until the Warrant Agent has received an opinion of counsel for the Company, which the Company shall cause to be provided as soon as reasonably possible upon receiving any requested customary letters of representation from the applicable Registered Holder (a form of which the Company shall cause to be provided as soon as reasonably possible to the Registered Holder upon being notified of a written request for exchange or transfer pursuant to this **Section 8(b)**), stating that such transfer may be made and indicating whether the new Warrants must also bear a restrictive legend.
- (c) <u>Fractional Warrants</u>. The Warrant Agent shall not be required to effect any registration of transfer or exchange which shall result in the issuance of a warrant certificate or book-entry position for a fraction of a warrant.
 - (d) Service Charges. No service charge shall be made for any exchange or registration of transfer of Warrants.
- (e) <u>Warrant Execution and Countersignature</u>. The Warrant Agent is hereby authorized to countersign and to deliver, in accordance with the terms of this Agreement, the Warrants required to be issued pursuant to the provisions of this **Section 8**, and the Company, whenever required by the Warrant Agent, shall supply the Warrant Agent with Warrants duly executed on behalf of the Company for such purpose.

(f) Transfer of Warrants.

(i) <u>Transferability</u>. Subject to compliance with applicable federal and state securities laws and this **Section 8(f)**, each Registered Holder may, from time to time, transfer the Warrants by giving the Warrant Agent a written notice of the portion of the Warrants being transferred, and a description of whether such Warrants are 10% Warrants, 5% Warrants or 4.99% Warrants, such notice to set forth the name, address and taxpayer identification number of the transferee, the anticipated date of such transfer, and surrendering the book-entry records representing the Warrants to the Company for reissuance to the transferee(s). Upon the Warrant Agent receiving a written notice from any Registered Holder pursuant to this **Section 8(f)**, the Warrant Agent shall, within three (3) Business Day of receipt of notice, use commercially reasonably efforts to effect such transfer as soon as possible. In connection with a proposed transfer of any of the Warrants by a Registered Holder, such Registered Holder shall execute and deliver a properly completed and executed assignment form in accordance with the Warrant Agent's procedures. Notwithstanding the foregoing, any such transfer and/or assignment shall be deemed to be effective as of the date specified in the written notice that the Registered Holder delivers to the Warrant Agent pursuant to this **Section 8(f)**, and such transferee and/or assignee shall have the rights and benefits of a Registered Holder under this Agreement regardless of when the Warrant Agent actually effects the transfer on its records.

(ii) New Warrants. The Warrants may be divided or combined with other Warrants by a written request to the Warrant Agent specifying the names and denominations in which new Warrants are to be issued, signed by the Registered Holder or its agent or attorney. Subject to compliance with this **Section 8** as to any transfer which may be involved in such division or combination, the Warrant Agent shall issue a new Warrant or Warrants in exchange for the Warrant or Warrants to be divided or combined in accordance with such notice. All Warrants issued on transfers or exchanges shall be dated as of the date hereof and shall be identical to the Warrants except as to the number of Underlying Shares issuable pursuant thereto.

(iii) Transfer Restrictions. If, at the time of the surrender of the Warrants in connection with any transfer thereof, the Warrants bear a restrictive legend, (1) the Company or legal counsel to the Company shall, if requested by the Warrant Agent, furnish to the Warrant Agent a written opinion of counsel (which opinion shall be in form, substance and scope customary for opinions of counsel in comparable transactions) to the effect that such transfer may be made without registration under the Securities Act and under applicable state securities or blue sky laws, (2) the Company may require, as a condition of allowing such transfer, that such Registered Holder execute and deliver to the Company an investment letter in form and substance acceptable to the Company and (3) the Company may require, as a condition of allowing such transfer, that the transferee be an "accredited investor" as defined in Rule 501(a)(1), (a)(2), (a)(3), (a)(7), or (a)(8) promulgated under the Securities Act or a qualified institutional buyer as defined in Rule 144A(a) under the Securities Act. Any transferee or subsequent Registered Holder will provide the Company with a duly executed and completed IRS Form W-9 or applicable IRS Form W-8, and any other form or certification or letter of representation reasonably requested by the Company in order for the Company to comply with its obligations to deliver a legal opinion and to otherwise comply with its obligations under applicable tax law. Any and all documentary, stamp and similar issue or transfer taxes due on any transfer pursuant to this Section 8, or on the issuance of Underlying Shares to any transferee, shall be borne by the transferor, and no such transfer or issue shall be made unless and until the Person requesting such transfer or issue has paid to the Company the amount of any such tax or has established to the satisfaction of the Company that such tax has been paid or is not payable. Any Warrants transferred as above provided shall be notated with the appropriate restrictive l

Section 9. Fundamental Transaction.

(a) In the case of any Fundamental Transaction, then, notwithstanding anything in this Agreement to the contrary, a Registered Holder's right to receive Underlying Shares upon exercise of the Warrants shall be converted into the right to exercise the Warrants, upon the basis and upon the terms and conditions herein specified, to acquire, with respect to each Underlying Share that would have otherwise been deliverable hereunder, one Unit of Exchange Property. Notwithstanding anything in this Agreement to the contrary, the Board shall be entitled to elect to cause the Warrants, upon the consummation of any Fundamental Transaction in which the Underlying Shares are converted into or exchanged for, or become the right to receive Exchange Property, to be automatically cancelled, converted into and exchanged for, without any action on the part of any Registered Holder, one Unit of Exchange Property for each Underlying Share that would have otherwise been deliverable upon an exercise of the Warrants immediately prior to the consummation of such Fundamental Transaction, in all cases subject to the deduction of the Exercise Price.

- (b) In the case of any Fundamental Transaction in which holders of Underlying Shares may make an election as between different types of Exchange Property, for purposes of **Section 9(a)**, a Unit of Exchange Property shall mean the types of consideration chosen by the applicable Registered Holder in respect of the Underlying Shares issuable upon exercise of the Warrants; <u>provided</u>, that (i) the Registered Holder must make any such election in accordance with the procedures and requirements of the definitive agreement pursuant to which such Fundamental Transaction is consummated, (ii) any such election is subject to proration on the same basis as is applicable to holders of Underlying Shares under the definitive agreement pursuant to which such Fundamental Transaction is consummated, and (iii) if a Registered Holder fails to make a valid election, a Unit of Exchange Property shall mean the weighted average of the types and amounts of Exchange Property issuable to holders of Underlying Shares who failed to make a valid election regarding the type or types of Exchange Property to be received.
- (c) The Company shall not consummate any Fundamental Transaction unless the Company first shall have made appropriate provision to ensure that the Successor Entity in a Fundamental Transaction shall deliver any Exchange Property deliverable upon the exercise of the Warrants to the Registered Holder, at the last address of the Registered Holder appearing on the books of the Company.
- (d) The provisions of this **Section 9** are subject, in all cases, to any applicable requirements under the Securities Act and the Exchange Act and the respective rules and regulations promulgated thereunder.
- (e) In the event the Company shall propose to take any action of the type described in **Section 9**, then, and in each such case, the Company shall cause to be filed with the Warrant Agent and shall cause the Warrant Agent to notify each Registered Holder of such proposed action. Such notice shall specify the date on which such Fundamental Transaction is expected to become effective. Such notice shall be given at least ten (10) Business Days prior to the expected effective date thereof. If at any time the Company shall cancel or abandon any of the proposed transactions for which notice has been given under this **Section 9(e)** prior to the consummation thereof, the Company shall cause the Warrant Agent to give each Registered Holder notice of such cancellation or abandonment as promptly as practicable.
- Section 10. No Rights or Liabilities as a Stockholder. A Warrant does not entitle the Registered Holder thereof to any of the rights (or subject such Registered Holder to any of the liabilities) of a stockholder of the Company prior to the exercise of such Warrant, including, without limitation, the right to receive dividends, or other distributions, exercise any preemptive rights to vote or to consent or to receive notice as stockholders in respect of the meetings of stockholders or the election of directors of the Company or any other matter.
- Section 11. **Reservation of Underlying Shares**. The Company shall at all times during the Exercise Period reserve and keep available out of its aggregate authorized but unissued or treasury shares of Common Stock, shares of Common Stock equal to the number of Underlying Shares deliverable upon the exercise of all outstanding Warrants, and the Company will instruct the transfer agent for the Company's Common Stock to reserve such number of authorized and unissued or treasury shares of Common Stock as shall be required for such purpose.

Section 12. <u>Successors</u>. All the covenants and provisions of this Agreement by or for the benefit of the parties hereto shall bind and inure to the benefit of their respective successors and permitted assigns.

Section 13. Concerning the Warrant Agent and Other Matters.

(a) Resignation, Consolidation, or Merger of Warrant Agent.

- (i) Appointment of Successor Warrant Agent. The Warrant Agent, or any successor to it hereafter appointed, may resign its duties and be discharged from all further duties and liabilities hereunder after giving sixty (60) days' notice in writing to the Company. If the office of the Warrant Agent becomes vacant by resignation or incapacity to act or otherwise, the Company shall appoint in writing a successor Warrant Agent in place of the Warrant Agent. If the Company shall fail to make such appointment within a period of thirty (30) days after it has been notified in writing of such resignation or incapacity by the Warrant Agent or by any holder of a Warrant (who shall, with such notice, submit his, her or its Warrant for inspection by the Company), then any holder of any Warrant may apply to the Supreme Court of the State of New York for the County of New York for the appointment of a successor Warrant Agent at the Company's cost and expense. Any successor Warrant Agent, whether appointed by the Company or by such court, shall be a corporation or other entity organized and existing under the laws of the State of New York, in good standing and having its principal office in the United States of America, and authorized under such laws to exercise corporate trust powers and subject to supervision or examination by federal or state authority. After appointment, any successor Warrant Agent shall be vested with all the authority, powers, rights, immunities, duties, and obligations of its predecessor Warrant Agent with like effect as if originally named as Warrant Agent hereunder, without any further act or deed; but if for any reason it becomes necessary or appropriate, the predecessor Warrant Agent shall execute and deliver, at the expense of the Company, an instrument transferring to such successor Warrant Agent all the authority, powers, and rights of such predecessor Warrant Agent hereunder; and upon request of any successor Warrant Agent the Company shall make, execute, acknowledge, and deliver any and all instruments in writing for more fully and effectually vesting in and confirming to such successor Warrant Agent all such authority, powers, rights, immunities, duties, and obligations.
- (ii) <u>Notice of Successor Warrant Agent</u>. In the event a successor Warrant Agent shall be appointed, the Company shall give notice thereof to the predecessor Warrant Agent not later than the effective date of any such appointment.
- (iii) Merger or Consolidation of Warrant Agent. Any entity into which the Warrant Agent may be merged or with which it may be consolidated or any entity resulting from any merger or consolidation to which the Warrant Agent shall be a party shall be the successor Warrant Agent under this Agreement without any further act.

(b) Fees and Expenses of Warrant Agent.

(i) <u>Remuneration</u>. The Company agrees to pay the Warrant Agent reasonable remuneration for its services as such Warrant Agent hereunder (in amounts that have been mutually agreed upon by the Company and the Warrant Agent) and shall, pursuant to its obligations under this Agreement, reimburse the Warrant Agent upon demand for all reasonable and documented third-party expenditures that the Warrant Agent may reasonably incur in the execution of its duties hereunder.

(ii) <u>Further Assurances</u>. The Company agrees to perform, execute, acknowledge, and deliver or cause to be performed, executed, acknowledged, and delivered all such further and other acts, instruments, and assurances as may reasonably be required by the Warrant Agent for the carrying out or performing of the provisions of this Agreement.

(c) Liability of Warrant Agent.

- (i) <u>Reliance on Company Statement</u>. Whenever in the performance of its duties under this Agreement, the Warrant Agent shall deem it necessary or desirable that any fact or matter be proved or established by the Company prior to taking or suffering any action hereunder, such fact or matter (unless other evidence in respect thereof be herein specifically prescribed) may be deemed to be conclusively proved and established by a statement signed by the Chief Executive Officer, the President, the Chief Financial Officer, Chief Operating Officer, the General Counsel, the Secretary or the Chairman of the Board of the Company and delivered to the Warrant Agent. The Warrant Agent may rely upon such statement for any action taken or suffered in good faith by it pursuant to the provisions of this Agreement.
- (ii) <u>Indemnity</u>. The Warrant Agent shall be liable hereunder only for its own gross negligence, willful misconduct, fraud or bad faith. The Company agrees to indemnify the Warrant Agent and save it harmless against any and all liabilities, including judgments, out-of-pocket costs and reasonable outside counsel fees, for anything done or omitted by the Warrant Agent in the execution of this Agreement, except as a result of the Warrant Agent's gross negligence, willful misconduct, fraud or bad faith.
- (iii) <u>Exclusions</u>. The Warrant Agent shall have no responsibility with respect to the validity of this Agreement or with respect to the validity or execution of any Warrant (except its countersignature thereof). The Warrant Agent shall not be responsible for any breach by the Company of any covenant or condition contained in this Agreement or in any Warrant. The Warrant Agent shall not by any act hereunder be deemed to make any representation or warranty as to the authorization or reservation of any Underlying Shares to be issued pursuant to this Agreement or any Warrant or as to whether any Underlying Shares shall, when issued, be valid and fully paid and nonassessable.
- (d) <u>Acceptance of Agency</u>. The Warrant Agent hereby accepts the agency established by this Agreement and agrees to perform the same upon the terms and conditions herein set forth and among other things, shall account promptly to the Company with respect to Warrants exercised and concurrently account for, and pay to the Company, all monies received by the Warrant Agent for the purchase of Underlying Shares through the exercise of the Warrants.

Section 14. <u>Article and Section Headings</u>. Numbered and titled article and section headings are for convenience only and shall not be construed as amplifying or limiting any of the provisions of this Agreement.

Section 15. Notice.

(a) Any notice, statement or demand authorized by this Agreement to be given or made by the Warrant Agent or by the Registered Holder to or on the Company shall be sufficiently given when so delivered if by hand, electronic mail or overnight delivery or if sent by certified mail or private courier service within five (5) days after deposit of such notice, postage prepaid, addressed (until another address is filed in writing by the Company with the Warrant Agent), as follows:

Casa Systems, Inc. 100 Old River Road, #100 Andover, MA 01810

Attention: Edward Durkin, CFO and Interim CEO and Timothy Rodenberger, General Counsel

Email: edward.durkin@casa-systems.com and timothy.rodenberger@casa-systems.com

Any notice, statement or demand authorized by this Agreement to be given or made by the Registered Holder or by the Company to or on the Warrant Agent shall be sufficiently given when so delivered if by hand, electronic mail or overnight delivery or if sent by certified mail or private courier service within five (5) days after deposit of such notice, postage prepaid, addressed (until another address is filed in writing by the Warrant Agent with the Company), as follows:

American Stock Transfer & Trust Company, LLC 6201 15th Ave Brooklyn, New York, New York 11219 Attention: Christine Pino

Email: Christine.pino@equiniti.com

with a copy in each case (which shall not constitute notice) to:

Sidley Austin LLP 2021 McKinney Avenue, Suite 2000 Dallas, Texas 75201

Attention: Kelly Dybala, Esq. and William D. Howell Email: kdybala@sidley.com and bhowell@sidley.com

(b) Upon the occurrence of any event requiring an adjustment pursuant to **Section 6(j)**, a Fundamental Transaction (or the announcement of a Fundamental Transaction) or that otherwise requires notice to the Registered Holders pursuant to this Agreement, the Company shall (or shall cause the Warrant Agent to) promptly (or within such shorter time period set forth herein) give written notice thereof to the Registered Holders at the address appearing in the records of the Company, that provides all material information relating to the adjustment, Fundamental Transaction or event otherwise requiring notice hereunder. In the event that the Company shall establish a record date or otherwise take a record of the holders of its Common Stock (or other capital stock or securities at the time issuable upon exercise of the Warrant) for the purposes of enabling them to receive any dividend or other distribution, then, and in each such case, the Company shall send or cause to be sent to the Registered Holder at least ten (10) Business Days

prior to the applicable record date for the event, a written notice specifying the record date for such dividend or distribution and a description of such dividend or distribution, and the Company shall make the information contained in such written notice publicly available in a manner that complies with Regulation FD (regardless of whether the Company is subject to Regulation FD at such time) no later than simultaneously with it being sent or caused to be sent to the Registered Holder.

Section 16. <u>Severability</u>. This Agreement shall be deemed severable, and the invalidity or unenforceability of any term or provision hereof shall not affect the validity or enforceability of this Agreement or of any other term or provision hereof. Furthermore, in lieu of any such invalid or unenforceable term or provision, the parties hereto intend that there shall be added as a part of this Agreement a provision as similar in terms to such invalid or unenforceable provision as may be possible and be valid and enforceable.

Section 17. **Entire Agreement**. This Agreement represents the entire agreement between the parties concerning the subject matter hereof, and all oral discussions and prior agreement are merged herein.

Section 18. Applicable Law and Exclusive Forum.

- (a) The validity, interpretation, and performance of this Agreement and of the Warrants shall be governed in all respects by the internal laws of the State of New York without reference to the choice of law provisions thereof. Subject to applicable law, the Company hereby agrees that any action, proceeding or claim against it arising out of or relating in any way to this Agreement shall be brought and enforced in the courts of the State of New York or the United States District Court for the Southern District of New York, in each case located in New York County, and irrevocably submits to such jurisdiction, which jurisdiction shall be exclusive forum for any such action, proceeding or claim. The Company hereby waives any objection to such exclusive jurisdiction and that such courts represent an inconvenient forum. Notwithstanding the foregoing, the provisions of this paragraph will not apply to suits brought to enforce any liability or duty created by the Exchange Act or any other claim for which the federal district courts of the United States of America are the sole and exclusive forum.
- (b) Any Person purchasing or otherwise acquiring any interest in the Warrants shall be deemed to have notice of and to have consented to the forum provisions in this **Section 18**. If any action, the subject matter of which is within the scope the forum provisions above, is filed in a court other than a court located within the State of New York or the United States District Court for the Southern District of New York in each case located in New York County (a "**foreign action**") in the name of any Registered Holder, such Registered Holder shall be deemed to have consented to: (x) the personal jurisdiction of the state and federal courts located within the State of New York or the United States District Court for the Southern District of New York in connection with any action brought in any such court to enforce the forum provisions (an "**enforcement action**"), and (y) having service of process made upon such Registered Holder in any such enforcement action by service upon such Registered Holder's counsel in the foreign action as agent for such Registered Holder.

Section 19. Amendment. All modifications or amendments shall require the vote or prior written consent of the Registered Holders of more than 50% of the then-outstanding Warrants, Springing Warrants and any rights thereto, including, for the avoidance of doubt, any unvested Warrants and Springing Warrants and any rights thereto, but excluding any Warrants held by the Company or any of its Affiliates; provided, however, that any amendment or supplement to this Agreement that would reasonably be expected to disproportionately and adversely affect any right of a Registered Holder relative to the other Registered Holders (without giving effect to such Registered Holder's amount of Warrants, specific tax or economic position or any other matters personal to such Registered Holder) shall require the written consent of each such Registered Holder. In addition, the consent of each Registered Holder shall be required for any amendment pursuant to which the Exercise Price would be increased or the number of Underlying Shares issuable upon exercise of Warrants would be decreased (other than pursuant to adjustments provided in this Agreement). In the event of any amendment, modification, supplement or waiver, the Company will give prompt notice thereof to all Registered Holders.

Section 20. <u>Counterparts</u>. This Agreement may be executed in any number of original or facsimile counterparts and each of such counterparts shall for all purposes be deemed to be an original, and all such counterparts shall together constitute but one and the same instrument.

Section 21. Waiver of Jury Trial. EACH PARTY HERETO HEREBY IRREVOCABLY WAIVES, TO THE FULLEST EXTENT PERMITTED BY APPLICABLE LAW, ANY AND ALL RIGHT TO TRIAL BY JURY IN ANY SUIT, ACTION OR PROCEEDING ARISING OUT OF OR RELATING TO THIS AGREEMENT OR THE TRANSACTIONS CONTEMPLATED HEREBY (WHETHER BASED ON CONTRACT, TORT OR ANY OTHER THEORY). EACH PARTY HERETO (A) CERTIFIES THAT NO REPRESENTATIVE, AGENT OR ATTORNEY OF ANY OTHER PERSON HAS REPRESENTED, EXPRESSLY OR OTHERWISE, THAT SUCH OTHER PERSON WOULD NOT, IN THE EVENT OF LITIGATION, SEEK TO ENFORCE THE FOREGOING WAIVER AND (B) ACKNOWLEDGES THAT IT AND THE OTHER PARTIES HERETO HAVE BEEN INDUCED TO ENTER INTO THIS AGREEMENT BY, AMONG OTHER THINGS, THE MUTUAL WAIVERS AND CERTIFICATIONS IN THIS SECTION 21.

Section 22. **Persons Having Rights under this Agreement**. Nothing in this Agreement shall be construed to confer upon, or give to, any Person other than the parties hereto and the Registered Holders of the Warrants any right, remedy, or claim under or by reason of this Agreement or of any covenant, condition, stipulation, promise, or agreement hereof. All covenants, conditions, stipulations, promises, and agreements contained in this Agreement shall be for the sole and exclusive benefit of the parties hereto and their successors and assigns and of the Registered Holders at the relevant time of the Warrants.

Section 23. **Examination of the Warrant Agreement**. A copy of this Agreement shall be available at all reasonable times at the office of the Warrant Agent in the United States of America, for inspection by the Registered Holder of any Warrant.

[Signature Page Follows]

IN WITNESS WHEREOF, the parties hereto have set their hands as of the date first above written.

COMPANY:

CASA SYSTEMS, INC.

By: /s/ Edward Durkin

Name: Edward Durkin

Title: Chief Executive Officer and Interim Chief

Financial Officer

WARRANT AGENT:

AMERICAN STOCK TRANSFER & TRUST COMPANY, LLC

By: /s/ Michael Legregin

Name: Michael Legregin

Title: Senior Vice President, Corporate Actions Relationship Management & Operations

[Signature Page to Warrant Agreement]

SCHEDULE I

Vesting Schedule

The Warrants shall only be exercisable according to the following vesting schedule:

- Warrants representing the right to purchase an aggregate of 9,691,463 Underlying Shares (the "10% Warrants") are vested as of the date hereof without any further action required by the Company or any Registered Holder;
- Warrants representing the right to purchase 4,845,727 Underlying Shares (the "5% Warrants") will vest on January 1, 2024, subject to the satisfaction of the Vesting Conditions (as described on this <u>Schedule I</u>) as of such date without any further action by the Company or any Registered Holder (or its transferee); and
- Warrants representing the right to purchase 4,836,044 Underlying Shares (the "**4.99% Warrants**") will vest on January 1, 2025, subject to the satisfaction of the Vesting Conditions (as described on this <u>Schedule I</u>) as of such date without any further action required by the Company or any Registered Holder (or its transferee).

Vesting Conditions

- The 5% Warrants shall vest in each such Registered Holder if the Termination Date (as defined in the Superpriority Credit Agreement) has not occurred prior to January 1, 2024.
- The 4.99% Warrants shall vest in each such Registered Holder if the Termination Date has not occurred prior to January 1, 2025.

SCHEDULE II

10% Warra	nts
\square Vested \square	Unvested (check one)
Number of I	ssued 10% Warrants:
•	Number of Reserved, Unissued Underlying Shares of Issued 10% Warrants:
•	Number of Issued Underlying Shares of Issued 10% Warrants:
5% Warran	ats
\square Vested \square	Unvested (check one)
Number of I	ssued 5% Warrants:
•	Number of Reserved, Unissued Underlying Shares of Issued 5% Warrants:
•	Number of Issued Underlying Shares of Issued 5% Warrants:
4.99% Warı	rants
\square Vested \square	Unvested (check one)
Number of I	ssued 4.99% Warrants:
•	Number of Reserved, Unissued Underlying Shares of Issued 4.99% Warrants:

Number of Issued Underlying Shares of Issued 4.99% Warrants: _____

10% Warrants \square Vested \square Unvested (check one) Number of Unissued, but Reserved Springing 10% Warrants: _____ Number of Reserved, Unissued Underlying Shares of Springing 10% Warrants: $__$ 5% Warrants \square Vested \square Unvested (check one) Number of Unissued, but Reserved Springing 5% Warrants: ___ Number of Reserved, Unissued Underlying Shares of Springing 5% Warrants: _____ 4.99% Warrants

SCHEDULE III

 \square Vested \square Unvested (check one)

Number of Unissued, but Reserved Springing 4.99% Warrants: ___

Number of Reserved, Unissued Underlying Shares of Springing 4.99% Warrants: _____

APPENDIX A CASA SYSTEMS, INC. WARRANT EXERCISE FORM

To American Stock Transfer & Trust Company, LLC:

The undersigned hereby irrevocably elects to exercise the right of purchase pursuant to the Warrants (as defined in that certain Warrant Agreement between Casa Systems, Inc. and American Stock Transfer & Trust Company, LLC, dated June 15, 2023 (the "Warrant Agreement")) for, and to purchase
thereunder by the payment of the Aggregate Exercise Price (as defined in the Warrant Agreement) and surrender of the applicable Warrants,
shares of Common Stock (as defined in the Warrant Agreement) (the "Underlying Shares"), in each case, subject to the vesting schedule set forth on Schedule I of the Warrant Agreement and as otherwise provided in the Warrant Agreement.
schedule set fortil on schedule i of the Warrant Agreement and as otherwise provided in the Warrant Agreement.
10% Warrants 5% Warrants 4.99% Warrants (check one)
The undersigned intends that payment of the Exercise Price shall be made as (check one):
"Cash Exercise" under Section 6(b)(i) of the Warrant Agreement
"Cashless Exercise" under Section 6(b)(ii) of the Warrant Agreement
and requests that the Underlying Shares be issued as follows:
Name
Address
Federal Tax ID or Social Security No.
and delivered by (certified mail to the above address), or
(other (specify):).
and, if the number of Underlying Shares shall not be all the Underlying Shares purchasable upon exercise of the Warrant, that a new Warrant for
the balance of the Underlying Shares purchasable upon exercise of this Warrant be registered in the name of the undersigned Registered Holder or the undersigned's assignee (as permitted by the terms of the Warrant Agreement) as below indicated and delivered to the address stated below.
Dated:,

Note: The signature must correspond with the name of the Registered Holder as written on alteration or enlargement or any change whatever, unless the Warrant has been assigned.	the first page of the Warrant in every particular, without
	Signature:
	Name (please print)
	Address
	Federal Identification or Social Security No.
	Assignee:

APPENDIX B

FORM OF ASSIGNMENT OF WARRANTS OF CASA SYSTEMS, INC.

(TO BE EXECUTED BY THE REGISTERED HOLDER IF SUCH REGISTERED HOLDER DESIRES TO TRANSFER A WARRANT)

FOR VALUE RECEIVED, the undersigned registered holder hereby sells, assigns and transfers unto

Name of Assignee

<u>Assignee</u>
nts (check one)) to purchase shares of Common Stock held by the cably constitute and appoint attorney, to transfer such
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All Signatures must be Medallion Signature Guarantee provided by an eligible Guarantor or Institution OR a Medallion Signature Guarantee Waiver may be obtained for transfers of \$10,000 or less.

EXHIBIT A

EXCHANGE AGREEMENT

Certain identified information (indicated by "[***]") has been excluded from this exhibit because it is both not material and would likely cause competitive harm to the registrant if publicly disclosed.

REGISTRATION RIGHTS AGREEMENT

This Registration Rights Agreement (the "Agreement") is made and entered into as of June 15, 2023 by and among Casa Systems, Inc., a Delaware corporation (the "Company"), and the lenders named in (i) that certain Exchange Agreement (the "Exchange Agreement"), dated June 15, 2023, among the Company, the lenders party thereto and JPMorgan Chase Bank, N.A., as administrative agent (in such capacities, together with its successors and assigns in such capacities, the "Agent") for the secured parties and (ii) that certain Superpriority Credit Agreement, dated June 15, 2023, among the Company, the Agent, Delaware Trust Company, as collateral agent, and the lenders party thereto (together with the Exchange Agreement, the "Issuance Agreements").

The parties hereby agree as follows:

1. Certain Definitions.

As used in this Agreement, the following terms shall have the following meanings:

"1933 Act" means the Securities Act of 1933, as amended, and the rules and regulations promulgated thereunder.

"1934 Act" means the Securities Exchange Act of 1934, as amended, and the rules and regulations promulgated thereunder.

"Adverse Disclosure" means public disclosure of material non-public information that, in the good faith judgment of the board of directors of the Company, after consultation with counsel to the Company, would be required to be made in any Registration Statement filed with the SEC by the Company so that such Registration Statement would not contain a material misstatement of fact or omit to state a material fact required to be stated therein or necessary to make the statements therein not misleading, would not be required to be publicly disclosed at such time but for the filing of such Registration Statement, and which information the Company has a bona fide business purpose for not disclosing publicly at such time.

"Affiliate" means, with respect to any person, any other person which directly or indirectly controls, is controlled by, or is under common control with, such person.

"Affiliated Fund" means, with respect to any Lender, (a) any Affiliates (including at the institutional level) of such Lender or any fund, account (including any separately managed accounts) or investment vehicle that is controlled, managed, advised or sub-advised by such Lender, an Affiliate of such Lender or by the same investment manager, advisor or subadvisor as such Lender or an Affiliate of such Lender or any fund, account or investment vehicle which is controlled, managed, advised or sub-advised by an Affiliate of a Lender's investment manager, advisor or sub-advisor, or (b) one or more special purpose vehicles that are, directly or indirectly, wholly-owned by such Lender and its Affiliates.

"Business Day" means a day, other than a Saturday or Sunday, on which banks in New York City are open for the general transaction of business.

"Common Stock" shall mean the Company's common stock, par value \$0.001 per share, and any securities into which such shares may hereinafter be reclassified.

"Effectiveness Deadline" means the date which is the earlier of (i) if the Registration Statement does not become subject to any review or comment process by the SEC, four (4) Business Days after the Company receives written notification from the Staff of the SEC (the "SEC Staff") that the Registration Statement will not become subject to any review or comment process by the SEC Staff and the Company fails to request to accelerate the effectiveness of the Registration Statement and (ii) if the Registration Statement becomes subject to any review or comment process by the SEC, the date that is as soon as practicable after the SEC Staff provides verbal or written indication that it has completed its review of such Registration Statement, it being understood that the Company shall use its reasonable best efforts to address any such comments as promptly as practicable in accordance with Section 3(a).

"Lenders" shall mean the lenders identified in the Issuance Agreements and any Affiliate, Affiliated Fund or other transferee, assignee or designee of any lender who is a subsequent holder of any Warrants, any Registrable Securities, or any rights thereto.

"*Prospectus*" shall mean the prospectus included in any Registration Statement, as amended or supplemented by any prospectus supplement, with respect to the terms of the offering of any portion of the Registrable Securities covered by such Registration Statement and by all other amendments and supplements to the prospectus, including post-effective amendments and all material incorporated by reference in such prospectus.

"*Register*," "*registered*" and "*registration*" refer to a registration made by preparing and filing a Registration Statement or similar document in compliance with the 1933 Act, and the declaration or ordering of effectiveness of such Registration Statement or document.

"Registrable Securities" shall mean the Warrant Shares and any other securities issued or issuable with respect to or in exchange for Registrable Securities; provided, that, a security shall cease to be a Registrable Security (a) upon sale of such security pursuant to a Registration Statement or Rule 144 under the 1933 Act, (b) such security having been otherwise transferred, a new certificate for such security not bearing a legend restricting further transfer having been delivered by the Company (or the book-entry record of such security not noting any such transfer restriction) and subsequent public distribution of such security not requiring registration under the 1933 Act; or (c) when such security may be sold without registration pursuant to Rule 144 promulgated under the 1933 Act (or any successor rule promulgated thereafter by the SEC) (but with no volume or other restrictions or limitations).

"Registration Statement" shall mean any registration statement of the Company filed under the 1933 Act that covers the resale of any of the Registrable Securities pursuant to the provisions of this Agreement, amendments and supplements to such Registration Statement, including any Prospectus, post-effective amendments, all exhibits and all material incorporated by reference in such Registration Statement.

"Required Lenders" means the Lenders representing a majority of the Registrable Securities (excluding, for purposes of this determination, any Lender that is the Company, its directors, officers or any of its or their Affiliates, but including any Lender who has the right to acquire any Registrable Securities pursuant to any Warrant or right thereto).

"SEC" means the U.S. Securities and Exchange Commission.

"Warrant Shares" means the shares of Common Stock issuable upon the exercise of the Warrants.

"Warrants" means, the warrants to purchase shares of Common Stock issued to the Lenders pursuant to the Issuance Agreements.

"Warrant Agreement" means that certain Warrant Agreement between the Company and American Stock Transfer & Trust Company, LLC, dated as of the date hereof (the "Warrant Agreement") pursuant to which the Warrants are issued by the Company.

2. Registration.

(a) Registration Statements.

(i) No later than the thirtieth (30th) day immediately following the date that any of the Warrants (other than the Springing Warrants (as defined in the Warrant Agreement)) are issued pursuant to the Issuance Agreements, including the date that any of the Warrants are initially issued pursuant to the Issuance Agreements and any date on which any of the Warrants are subsequently issued pursuant to the terms of the Warrant Agreement and the Issuance Agreements after such initial issuance date, the Company shall prepare and file with the SEC one Registration Statement on Form S-3 or its successor form or an amendment to an existing Registration Statement on Form S-3 or its successor form (or, if the Company is ineligible to use Form S-3, a Registration Statement on Form S-1 or an amendment to an existing Form S-1) for an offering to be made on a continuous basis pursuant to Rule 415 of the 1933 Act registering the resale from time to time pursuant to any method or combination of methods legally available to, and requested by, the Lenders of all of the Registrable Securities then held by such Lenders that are not covered by an effective Registration Statement. Such Registration Statement shall include the plan of distribution attached hereto as Exhibit A. Such Registration Statement also shall cover, to the extent allowable under the 1933 Act and the rules promulgated thereunder (including Rule 416), such indeterminate number of additional Registrable Securities resulting from stock splits, stock dividends or similar transactions with respect to the Registrable Securities. The Company has obtained a waiver from each person who has piggyback registration rights with respect to the registration of such Registrable Securities or any offering thereunder (which waiver has been provided to Counsel). The Registration Statement (and each amendment or supplement thereto, and each request for acceleration of effectiveness thereof) shall be provided in accordance with Section 3(d) to the Lenders and Counsel (as defined below) prior to its filing or other submission. Notwithstanding any other provision of this Section 2(a), if the SEC Staff does not permit all of the Registrable Securities to be registered on the Registration Statement filed pursuant to this Section 2(a)(i) or Section 2(a)(ii) or requires any Lender to be named as an "underwriter", then the Company shall use its reasonable best efforts to persuade the SEC Staff that the offering contemplated by the Registration Statement is a valid secondary offering and not an offering "by or on behalf of the issuer" as defined in Rule 415 and that none of the Lenders is an "underwriter"

or that the number of shares the Company is eligible to register on the Registration Statement should not be so limited. Notwithstanding the Lender's rights set forth in this Section 2(a)(i), in connection with the filing of any Registration Statement that registers any Registrable Securities to be issued with respect to the Springing Warrants to which any Original Warrant Party (as defined in the Warrant Agreement) has a right, (A) the Company shall not be obligated to file more than (x) three (3) such Registration Statements during any calendar year or (y) nine (9) such Registration Statements pursuant to this Section 2(a)(i), (B) such Registration Statement shall not include the registration of an aggregate number of less than 50,000 Registrable Securities (after giving effect to stock splits and other equitable adjustments from time to time) and (C) each Lender shall be limited to making one written demand for the filing of such a Registration Statement in any calendar year (for purposes of clarity, any written demand of one Lender shall count as a written demand for all Affiliated Funds of any such Lender; provided, however, that such Affiliated Funds are neither obligated to nor otherwise restricted from participating in such registration). In the event that the Company will be filing a Registration Statement that registers any Registrable Securities with respect to the Springing Warrants to which any Original Warrant Party has a right, the Company shall promptly furnish the other Lenders (including any other Original Warrant Party having rights to Springing Warrants or the Registrable Securities underlying such Springing Warrants) with not less than ten (10) days' written notice prior to the proposed date of the filing of such Registration Statement. If such other Lenders (including any other Original Warrant Party having rights to Springing Warrants or the Registrable Securities underlying such Springing Warrants) decide to include any Registrable Securities to which they have a right on such Registration Statement, such other Lenders (including any other Original Warrant Party having rights to Springing Warrants or the Registrable Securities underlying such Springing Warrants) shall give written notice to the Company within ten (10) days of the receipt of the Company's notice and the Company shall include such Registrable Securities for registration in such Registration Statement.

(ii) No later than the thirtieth (30th) day immediately following the written demand of any of the Lenders, the Company shall prepare and file with the SEC one or more Registration Statements on Form S-3 or amend the Registration Statement filed pursuant to clause (a)(i) above, if such Registration Statement has not previously been declared effective (or, if the Company is ineligible to use Form S-3, a Registration Statement on Form S-1) for an offering to be made on a continuous basis pursuant to Rule 415 of the 1933 Act registering the resale from time to time pursuant to any method or combination of methods legally available to, and requested by, the Lenders of all or a portion of the Registrable Securities then held by such Lenders or which such Lenders are entitled to pursuant to the Issuance Agreements and the Warrants that are not covered by an effective Registration Statement to effect a registration for resale of such additional Registrable Securities not covered by an effective resale registration statement, including any additional Registrable Securities that become issuable upon the exercise of the Warrants pursuant to the terms of the Warrants (the "Additional Registrable Securities"). Such Registration Statement also shall cover, to the extent allowable under the 1933 Act and the rules promulgated thereunder (including Rule 416), such indeterminate number of additional shares of Common Stock resulting from stock splits, stock dividends or similar transactions with respect to the Additional Registrable Securities a waiver of those rights with respect to such Registration Statement. The Registration Statement (and each amendment or supplement thereto, and each request for acceleration of effectiveness thereof) shall be provided in accordance with Section 3(d) to the Lenders and Counsel prior to its filing or other submission.

(b) Expenses. All fees and expenses incident to the Company's performance of or compliance with its obligations under this Agreement shall be borne by the Company, whether or not any Registrable Securities are sold pursuant to a Registration Statement. The fees and expenses referred to in the foregoing sentence shall include, without limitation, (i) all registration and filing fees (including, without limitation, fees and expenses (A) with respect to filings required to be made with any trading market on which the Common Stock is then listed for trading or quoted, if any, (B) with respect to compliance with applicable state securities or blue sky laws (including, without limitation, fees and disbursements of counsel for the Company in connection with blue sky qualifications or exemptions of the Registrable Securities and determination of the eligibility of the Registrable Securities for investment under the laws of such jurisdictions as requested by the Lenders) and (C) if not previously paid by the Company, with respect to any filing that may be required to be made by any broker through which a Lender intends to make sales of Registrable Securities with the Financial Industry Regulatory Authority ("FINRA") pursuant to FINRA Rule 5110 or any similar rule of FINRA, so long as the broker is receiving no more than a customary brokerage commission in connection with such sale), (ii) printing expenses (including, without limitation, expenses of printing certificates for Registrable Securities and of printing any Prospectuses if the printing of prospectuses is reasonably requested by the Lenders representing a majority of the Registrable Securities (excluding, for purposes of this determination, any Lender that is the Company, its directors, officers or any of its or their Affiliates) included in the Registration Statement), (iii) messenger, telephone and delivery expenses, (iv) fees and disbursements of counsel for the Company, (v) insurance with respect to liability for violations under the 1933 Act or the 1934 Act or any rules promulgated thereunder, if the Company so desires such insurance, and (vi) fees and expenses of all other persons retained by the Company in connection with the consummation of the transactions contemplated by this Agreement. In addition, the Company will pay the reasonable, documented fees and disbursements to one firm or counsel selected by the Required Lenders (which initially shall be Akin Gump Strauss Hauer & Feld LLP (such designated firm, "Counsel")), including, for the avoidance of doubt, any reasonable, documented expenses of counsel to the Lenders in connection with the filing or amendment of any Registration Statement, Prospectus or free writing prospectus hereunder; provided, that the amounts payable to Counsel by the Company in connection with the foregoing shall not be reduced or otherwise limited by the amounts payable by the Company under the Issuance Agreements.

(c) Effectiveness.

(i) The Company shall use its reasonable best efforts to have any Registration Statement declared effective as soon as practicable, but, in any event, no later than the Effectiveness Deadline. The Company shall notify the Lenders by e-mail as promptly as practicable, and in any event, within twenty-four (24) hours, after any Registration Statement is declared effective and, upon request from a Lender, shall provide such Lender with copies of any related Prospectus to be used in connection with the sale or other disposition of the securities covered thereby.

(ii) The Company may suspend the use of any Prospectus included in any Registration Statement contemplated by this Section 2(c) for not more than sixty (60) consecutive days, with a subsequent permitted trading window of at least forty-five (45) consecutive days, and not more than two (2) times in any twelve (12) month period, if the Company is engaged in a material merger, acquisition or sale or any other pending material development involving the Company and the board of directors of the Company determines in good faith that, as a result of such activity, it is in the best interests of the Company to suspend sales under such Registration Statement at such time because the continuation of such sales would require the inclusion of Adverse Disclosure relating to such activity in such Registration Statement (an "Allowed Delay"). The Company shall promptly (a) notify the Lenders in writing of the existence of (but in no event, without the prior written consent of a Lender, shall the Company disclose to such Lender any of the facts or circumstances regarding) an Allowed Delay, (b) advise the Lenders in writing to cease all sales under the Registration Statement until the end of the Allowed Delay and (c) use its reasonable best efforts to terminate an Allowed Delay as promptly as practicable.

(d) Piggy-back Rights.

(i) The Lenders shall have the right to include the Registrable Securities as part of any underwritten public offering of securities conducted by the Company (other than (A) in connection with a transaction contemplated by Rule 145(a) promulgated under the 1933 Act or (B) pursuant to Form S-8 or any equivalent form), whether for its own account or for the account of any other Person; provided, however, that if, the managing underwriter(s) of such public offering (including for the avoidance of doubt, any "bought deal," "registered direct offering" or "overnight transaction") advises the Company, any selling stockholders participating in such offering and the participating Lenders in writing that, in their opinion, the total amount of securities that the Company, such Lenders and any other holders entitled to participate in such offering propose to include in such offering is such as to materially adversely affect the price, timing or distribution of such offering, then the Company shall be obligated to include in such offering and the applicable registration statement only such limited portion of the Registrable Securities with respect to which the Lender requested inclusion hereunder as the underwriter shall reasonably permit after the inclusion of any securities by the Company or the holders of Common Stock that obtained registration rights from the Company pursuant to that certain Registration Rights Agreement, dated as of April 26, 2010, as applicable. Any exclusion of Registrable Securities shall be made *pro rata* among the Lenders seeking to include Registrable Securities in proportion to the number of Registrable Securities sought to be included by such Lenders. All Lenders proposing to distribute their Registrable Securities through an offering under this Section 2(d) shall enter into an underwriting agreement in customary form with the underwriters selected for such offering by the Company or such holder of Common Stock that have registration rights, as applicable.

(ii) In the event of such a proposed offering in which the Lenders have the right to participate in accordance with Section 2(d)(i), the Company shall promptly furnish the Lenders with not less than fifteen (15) Business Days' written notice prior to the proposed date of the offering. Such notice to the Lenders shall continue to be given for each offering until such time as all of the Registrable Securities have been sold by the Lenders. The holders of the Registrable Securities shall exercise the "piggy-back" rights provided for herein by giving written notice within ten (10) days of the receipt of the Company's notice. If a Lender decides not to

include all of its Registrable Securities in any Registration Statement thereafter filed by the Company, such Lender shall nevertheless continue to have the right to include any Registrable Securities in any subsequent Registration Statement or Registration Statements as may be filed by the Company with respect to offerings of its securities, all upon the terms and conditions set forth herein. There shall be no limit on the number of times the Lenders may request registration under this Section 2(d).

- (iii) Notwithstanding the foregoing, any Lender may deliver written notice (an "*Opt-Out Notice*") to the Company at any time, including by checking the appropriate box on the signature page hereto, requesting that such Lender not receive notice from the Company of any proposed registration or offering; provided, however, that such Lender may later revoke any such Opt-Out Notice in writing.
- 3. <u>Company Obligations</u>. The Company will use its reasonable best efforts to effect the registration of the Registrable Securities in accordance with the terms hereof, and pursuant thereto the Company will, as expeditiously as possible:
- (a) prepare and file with the SEC a Registration Statement with respect to such Registrable Securities, respond as promptly as practicable to any comments received from the SEC or the SEC Staff, and each of the Lenders shall have the opportunity to object to any information pertaining to itself that is contained therein and the Company will make the corrections reasonably requested by such Lender with respect to such information prior to filing any Registration Statement or amendment thereto or any Prospectus or any supplement thereto;
- (b) use reasonable best efforts to cause such Registration Statement to become effective and to remain continuously effective for a period that will terminate upon the date on which all Registrable Securities covered by such Registration Statement as amended from time to time, have been sold or otherwise cease to be Registrable Securities (the "*Effectiveness Period*") and advise the Lenders in writing when the Effectiveness Period has expired;
- (c) prepare and file with the SEC such amendments and post-effective amendments to the Registration Statement and the Prospectus as may be necessary to keep the Registration Statement effective for the period specified in Section 3(b) and to comply with the provisions of the 1933 Act and the 1934 Act with respect to the distribution of all of the Registrable Securities covered thereby;
- (d) provide copies to and permit Counsel to review each Registration Statement and all amendments and supplements thereto no less than five (5) Business Days prior to their filing with the SEC and in good faith consider incorporating into such Registration Statement, amendment or supplement any comments of such Counsel received by the Company within three (3) Business Days of furnishing such copy;
- (e) furnish to the Lenders and their Counsel (i) promptly after the same is prepared and publicly distributed, filed with the SEC, or received by the Company (but not later than two (2) Business Days after the filing date, receipt date or sending date, as the case may be) one (1) copy of any Registration Statement and any amendment thereto, each preliminary and final Prospectus and each amendment or supplement thereto, and each letter written by or on behalf of

the Company to the SEC or the SEC Staff, and each item of correspondence from the SEC or the SEC Staff, in each case relating to such Registration Statement (other than any portion of any thereof which contains information for which the Company has sought confidential treatment), and (ii) such number of copies of a Prospectus, including a preliminary Prospectus, and all amendments and supplements thereto and such other documents as each Lender may reasonably request in order to facilitate the disposition of the Registrable Securities owned by such Lender that are covered by the related Registration Statement;

- (f) use reasonable best efforts to (i) prevent the issuance of any stop order or other suspension of effectiveness (other than any Allowed Delay) and, (ii) if such order is issued, obtain the withdrawal of any such order at the earliest possible moment;
- (g) prior to any public offering of Registrable Securities, use reasonable best efforts to register or qualify or cooperate with the Lenders and Counsel in connection with the registration or qualification of such Registrable Securities for offer and sale under the securities or blue sky laws of such jurisdictions reasonably requested by the Lenders and do any and all other acts or things necessary or advisable to enable the distribution in such jurisdictions of the Registrable Securities covered by the Registration Statement; provided, however, that the Company shall not be required in connection therewith or as a condition thereto to (i) qualify to do business in any jurisdiction where it would not otherwise be required to qualify but for this Section 3(g), (ii) subject itself to general taxation in any jurisdiction where it would not otherwise be so subject but for this Section 3(g), or (iii) file a general consent to service of process in any such jurisdiction;
- (h) use reasonable best efforts to cause all Registrable Securities covered by a Registration Statement to be listed on each securities exchange, interdealer quotation system or other market on which similar securities issued by the Company are then listed;
- (i) immediately notify the Lenders, at any time when a Prospectus relating to Registrable Securities is required to be delivered under the 1933 Act, upon discovery that, or upon the happening of any event as a result of which, the Prospectus included in a Registration Statement, as then in effect, includes an untrue statement of a material fact or omits to state any material fact required to be stated therein or necessary to make the statements therein not misleading in light of the circumstances then existing, and promptly prepare, file with the SEC and furnish to such Lender a reasonable number of copies of a supplement to or an amendment of such Prospectus as may be necessary so that, as thereafter delivered to the purchasers of such Registrable Securities, such Prospectus shall not include an untrue statement of a material fact or omit to state a material fact required to be stated therein or necessary to make the statements therein not misleading in light of the circumstances then existing;
- (j) otherwise use reasonable best efforts to comply with all applicable rules and regulations of the SEC under the 1933 Act and the 1934 Act;

(k) if during the Effectiveness Period, the number of Registrable Securities at any time exceeds 100% of the number of shares of Common Stock or other securities, as applicable, then registered in the Registration Statement, the Company shall promptly file an additional Registration Statement covering the resale by the Lenders of not less than the number of such Registrable Securities; and

- (l) with a view to making available to the Lenders the benefits of Rule 144 promulgated under the 1933 Act ("*Rule 144*") (or its successor rule) and any other rule or regulation of the SEC that may at any time permit the Lenders to sell securities of the Company, including the Registrable Securities, to the public without registration, the Company covenants that it will (i) if it is subject to the reporting requirement of 13 or 15(d) of the 1934 Act, file in a timely manner all reports and other documents required, if any, to be filed by it under the 1933 Act and the 1934 Act and the rules and regulations adopted thereunder or (ii) if it is not subject to the reporting requirement of 13 or 15(d) of the 1934 Act, make available information necessary to comply with Section 4(a)(7) of the 1933 Act and Rule 144, if available, with respect to resales of the Registrable Securities under the 1933 Act within the limitation of the extent required from time to time to enable such Lender to sell Registrable Securities without registration under the 1933 Act within the limitation of the exemptions provided by (x) Section 4(a)(7) of the 1933 Act and Rule 144 promulgated under the 1933 Act (if available with respect to resales of the Registrable Securities), as such rules may be amended from time to time or (y) any other rules or regulations now existing or hereafter adopted by the SEC. Upon the reasonable request of any Lender of Registrable Securities, the Company will deliver to such Lender a written statement as to whether it has complied with such information requirements, and, if not, the specific reasons for non-compliance.
- 4. <u>Due Diligence Review; Information</u>. The Company shall make available, upon reasonable notice and during normal business hours, for inspection and review by the Lenders, advisors to and representatives of the Lenders (who may or may not be affiliated with the Lenders), all financial and other records, pertinent corporate documents and properties of the Company as may be reasonably necessary for the purpose of such review, and cause the Company's officers, directors and employees, within a reasonable time period, to supply all such information reasonably requested by the Lenders or any such representative, advisor or underwriter in connection with such Registration Statement (including, without limitation, in response to all reasonable questions and other inquiries made or submitted by any of them), prior to and from time to time after the filing and effectiveness of the Registration Statement, in each case, for the sole purpose of enabling the Lenders and such representatives, advisors and underwriters and their respective accountants and attorneys to conduct initial and ongoing due diligence with respect to the Company and the accuracy of such Registration Statement; provided, that, unless the disclosure of such records is necessary to avoid or correct a misstatement or omission in the Registration Statement or the release of such records is ordered pursuant to a subpoena or other order from a court of competent jurisdiction, the Company shall not be required to provide any information under this Section 4 if (a) the Company believes, after consultation with counsel for the Company, that to do so would cause the Company to forfeit an attorney-client privilege that was applicable to such information or (b) if either (i) the Company has requested and been granted from the SEC confidential treatment of such information contained in any filing with the SEC or documents provided supplementally or otherwise or (ii) the Company reasonably determines in good faith that such records are confidential and so notifies the Lenders, advisors to and representatives of the Lenders in writing, unless prior to furnishing any such information with respect to clause (b) such Lender requesting such information agrees to enter into a confidentiality agreement in customary form and subject to customary exceptions; and provided, further, that each Lender agrees that it shall, upon learning that disclosure of such records is sought in a court of competent jurisdiction, give notice to the Company and allow the Company, at its expense, to undertake appropriate action and to prevent disclosure of the records deemed confidential.

The Company shall not disclose material nonpublic information to the Lenders, or to advisors to or representatives of the Lenders, unless prior to disclosure of such information the Company identifies such information as being material nonpublic information and provides the Lenders, such advisors and representatives with the opportunity to accept or refuse to accept such material nonpublic information for review and any Lender wishing to obtain such information enters into an appropriate confidentiality agreement with the Company with respect thereto.

5. Obligations of the Lenders.

- (a) Each Lender shall furnish in writing to the Company such information regarding itself, the Registrable Securities held by it and the intended method of disposition of the Registrable Securities held by it, as shall be required to effect the registration of such Registrable Securities, shall execute such documents that are necessary in connection with such registration and shall have the objection rights set forth in Section 3(a) related thereto. At least ten (10) Business Days prior to the first anticipated filing date of any Registration Statement, the Company shall notify each Lender of the information from such Lender as is necessary if such Lender elects to have any of the Registrable Securities included in the Registration Statement. Each Lender shall provide such information to the Company at least five (5) Business Days prior to the first anticipated filing date of such Registration Statement if such Lender elects to have any of the Registrable Securities included in the Registration Statement.
- (b) Each Lender, by its acceptance of the Registrable Securities agrees, subject to its rights under <u>Section 3</u>, to cooperate with the Company as reasonably requested by the Company in connection with the preparation and filing of a Registration Statement hereunder, unless such Lender has notified the Company in writing of its election to exclude all of its Registrable Securities from such Registration Statement.

6. Indemnification.

(a) <u>Indemnification by the Company</u>. The Company will, notwithstanding any termination of this Agreement, indemnify, defend and hold harmless each Lender and its officers, directors, members, managers, partners, trustees, employees and agents, successors and assigns, each underwriter, broker or any other person acting on behalf of the Lenders and each other person, if any, who controls such Lender within the meaning of the 1933 Act, against any losses, claims, damages or liabilities, joint or several, to which they may become subject under the 1933 Act or otherwise, insofar as such losses, claims, damages or liabilities (or actions in respect thereof) arise out of or are based upon: (i) any failure by the Company to comply with the covenants and agreements contained in this Agreement; (ii) any untrue statement or alleged untrue statement of any material fact or omission or alleged omission contained in any Registration Statement, any preliminary prospectus or final prospectus contained therein, or any amendment or supplement thereof; (iii) any blue sky application or other document executed by the Company specifically for that purpose or based upon written information furnished by the Company filed in any state or other jurisdiction in order to qualify any or all of the Registrable Securities under the securities

laws thereof; (iv) any violation or alleged violation by the Company or its agents of any rule or regulation promulgated under the 1933 Act or 1934 Act or any state securities laws in connection with the performance of its obligations under this Agreement; or (v) any failure to register or qualify the Registrable Securities included in any such Registration Statement in any state where the Company or its agents has affirmatively undertaken or agreed in writing that the Company will undertake such registration or qualification on a Lender's behalf and will reimburse such Lender, and each such officer, director or member and each such controlling person for any legal or other expenses reasonably incurred by them in connection with investigating or defending any such loss, claim, damage, liability or action; provided, however, that the Company will not be liable in any such case if and to the extent that any such loss, claim, damage or liability arises out of or is based upon an untrue statement or alleged untrue statement or omission or alleged omission so made in conformity with information furnished by such Lender or any such controlling person in writing specifically for use in such Registration Statement or Prospectus. The indemnity provided in this Section 6(a) shall survive the transfer of the Registrable Securities by any Lender to any other person.

(b) <u>Indemnification by the Lenders</u>. Each Lender agrees, severally but not jointly, to indemnify and hold harmless, to the fullest extent permitted by law, the Company, its directors, officers, employees, stockholders and each person who controls the Company (within the meaning of the 1933 Act) against any losses, claims, damages, liabilities and expenses (including reasonable attorney fees) resulting from any untrue statement of a material fact or any omission of a material fact required to be stated in the Registration Statement or preliminary or final Prospectus or amendment or supplement thereto or necessary to make the statements therein not misleading, to the extent, but only to the extent that such untrue statement or omission is contained in any information furnished in writing by such Lender to the Company specifically for inclusion in such Registration Statement or Prospectus or amendment or supplement thereto. In no event shall the liability of any Lender be greater in amount than the dollar amount of the proceeds (net of all expenses paid by such Lender in connection with any claim relating to this <u>Section 6</u> and the amount of any damages such Lender has otherwise been required to pay by reason of such untrue statement or omission) received by such Lender upon the sale of the Registrable Securities included in the Registration Statement giving rise to such indemnification obligation.

(c) <u>Conduct of Indemnification Proceedings</u>. Any person entitled to indemnification hereunder shall (i) give prompt notice to the indemnifying party of any claim with respect to which it seeks indemnification and (ii) permit such indemnifying party to assume the defense of such claim with counsel reasonably satisfactory to the indemnified party; <u>provided</u> that any person entitled to indemnification hereunder shall have the right to employ separate counsel and to participate in the defense of such claim, but the fees and expenses of such counsel shall be at the expense of such person unless (a) the indemnifying party has agreed to pay such fees or expenses, (b) the indemnifying party shall have failed to assume the defense of such claim and employ counsel reasonably satisfactory to such person or (c) in the reasonable judgment of any such person, based upon written advice of its counsel, a conflict of interest exists between such person and the indemnifying party with respect to such claims (in which case, if the person notifies the indemnifying party in writing that such person elects to employ separate counsel at the expense of the indemnifying party, the indemnifying party shall not have the right to assume the defense of such claim on behalf of such person); and <u>provided</u>, <u>further</u>, that the failure of any indemnified

party to give notice as provided herein shall not relieve the indemnifying party of its obligations hereunder, except to the extent that such failure to give notice shall materially adversely affect the indemnifying party in the defense of any such claim or litigation. It is understood that the indemnifying party shall not, in connection with any proceeding in the same jurisdiction, be liable for fees or expenses of more than one separate firm of attorneys at any time for all such indemnified parties. No indemnifying party will, except with the consent of the indemnified party, consent to entry of any judgment or enter into any settlement that does not include as an unconditional term thereof the giving by the claimant or plaintiff to such indemnified party of a release from all liability in respect of such claim or litigation. An indemnifying party shall not be liable for any settlement of any claim referred to in this Section 6 effected without its written consent.

- (d) <u>Contribution</u>. If for any reason the indemnification provided for in the preceding paragraphs (a) and (b) is unavailable to an indemnified party or insufficient to hold it harmless, other than as expressly specified therein, then the indemnifying party shall contribute to the amount paid or payable by the indemnified party as a result of such loss, claim, damage or liability in such proportion as is appropriate to reflect the relative fault of the indemnified party and the indemnifying party, as well as any other relevant equitable considerations. No person guilty of fraudulent misrepresentation within the meaning of Section 11(f) of the 1933 Act shall be entitled to contribution from any person not guilty of such fraudulent misrepresentation. In no event shall the contribution obligation of a holder of Registrable Securities be greater in amount than the dollar amount of the proceeds (net of all expenses paid by such holder in connection with any claim relating to this <u>Section 6</u> and the amount of any damages such holder has otherwise been required to pay by reason of such untrue or alleged untrue statement or omission or alleged omission) received by it upon the sale of the Registrable Securities giving rise to such contribution obligation.
- 7. <u>Notices</u>. All notices and other communications given or made pursuant to this Agreement shall be in writing sent by email or other electronic means and shall be deemed to have been given upon transmission with confirmed delivery at the following addresses (or at such other addresses as shall be specified by the parties to the Agreement by like notice):

If to the Company, to:

Casa Systems, Inc.
100 Old River Road, #100
Andover, MA 01810
Attention: Edward Durkin, Interim CEO and CFO, and
Timothy Rodenberger, General Counsel
[***]

with a copy (not constituting notice) to:

Sidley Austin LLP 2021 McKinney Avenue Suite 2000 Dallas, TX 75201

Attention: Kelly M. Dybala and William D. Howell

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If to any Lender, the address set forth on its signature page, with a copy to:

Akin Gump Strauss Hauer & Feld LLP One Bryant Park New York, NY 10036 Attention: Daniel I. Fisher and Jaisohn Im [***]

8. Miscellaneous.

(a) Amendments and Waivers. This Agreement may be amended only by a written instrument signed by the Company and the Required Lenders. The Company may take any action herein prohibited, or omit to perform any act herein required to be performed by it, only if the Company shall have obtained the written consent to such amendment, action or omission to act, of the Required Lenders; provided, however, that no such amendment shall materially and adversely affect the rights of any Lender (as compared to other Lenders and without giving effect to such Lender's specific holdings, specific tax or economic position or any other matters personal to such Lender) hereunder without the consent of such Lender. Notwithstanding the foregoing, a waiver or consent to depart from the provisions hereof with respect to a matter that relates exclusively to the rights of Lenders whose Registrable Securities are being sold pursuant to a Registration Statement and that does not directly or indirectly affect the rights of other Lenders who hold Registrable Securities may be given by Lenders representing at least a majority of the Registrable Securities (excluding, for purposes of this determination, any Lender that is the Company, its directors, officers or any of its or their Affiliates) being sold by such Lenders pursuant to such Registration Statement.

(b) <u>Assignments and Transfers by Lenders</u>. The provisions of this Agreement shall be binding upon and inure to the benefit of the Lenders and their respective successors and permitted assigns. Any Lender may transfer or assign, in whole or from time to time in part, to one or more persons its rights hereunder in connection with the transfer of Registrable Securities, the Warrants or any rights to the foregoing by such Lender to such person(s) whereupon such person(s) will be treated as a Lender for all purposes of this Agreement, with the same rights, benefits and obligations hereunder as the transferring Lender with respect to the transferred Registrable Securities, Warrants or any rights to the foregoing (except that if the transferee was a Lender prior to such transfer, such transferee shall have the same rights, benefits and obligations with respect to such transferred Registrable Securities, Warrants or any rights to the foregoing as were applicable to Registrable Securities, Warrants or any rights to the foregoing held by such transferee prior to such transfer), provided that (i) the assignee agrees in writing to be bound by the terms and conditions of this Agreement and (ii) provides written notice of assignment to the Company promptly after such assignment is effected.

- (c) <u>Assignments and Transfers by the Company</u>. This Agreement may not be assigned by the Company (whether by operation of law or otherwise) without the prior written consent of the Required Lenders; <u>provided</u>, <u>however</u>, that the Company may assign its rights and delegate its duties hereunder to any surviving or successor entity in connection with a merger or consolidation of the Company with another entity, or a sale, transfer or other disposition of all or substantially all of the Company's assets to another entity, without the prior written consent of the Required Lenders, after notice duly given by the Company to each Lender.
- (d) <u>Benefits of the Agreement</u>. The terms and conditions of this Agreement shall inure to the benefit of and be binding upon the respective successors and permitted assigns of the parties. Nothing in this Agreement, express or implied, is intended to confer upon any party other than the parties hereto or their respective successors and assigns any rights, remedies, obligations, or liabilities under or by reason of this Agreement, except as expressly provided in this Agreement; <u>provided</u>, <u>however</u>, the parties hereto hereby acknowledge that the persons set forth in <u>Section 6</u> are express third-party beneficiaries of the obligations of the parties hereto set forth in <u>Section 6</u>.
- (e) No Inconsistent Agreements; Limitation on Subsequent Registration Rights. Except as disclosed in the SEC Documents (as defined in the Exchange Agreement), the Company has not entered, as of the date hereof, and the Company shall not enter, after the date of this Agreement, without the prior written consent of the Required Lenders of the Registrable Securities outstanding at such time, into any agreement that (i) is inconsistent with or grants registration rights that are more favorable than the rights granted to the Lenders in this Agreement or otherwise conflicts with the provisions hereof or (ii) limits the number of Registrable Shares that would otherwise be included pursuant to this Agreement (unless the number of Registrable Shares that would otherwise be so included are limited on a pro rata basis with the recipients of the applicable registration rights). From and after the date of this Agreement, the Company shall not, without the prior written consent of the Required Lenders file or have declared effective a registration statement for equity securities before the initial Registration Statement required pursuant to Section 2(a)(i) of this Agreement is declared effective. From and after the date of this Agreement, the Company shall not, without the prior written consent of the Required Lenders, enter into any agreement with any current or future holder of any securities of the Company that would allow such current or future holder to require the Company to include securities in the initial Registration Statement to be filed pursuant to Section 2(a)(i) of this Agreement or in any Registration Statement pursuant to Section 2(d) of this Agreement on a basis that is superior in any material respect to, the piggy-back registration rights granted to the Lenders pursuant to this Agreement.
- (f) <u>Counterparts</u>. This Agreement may be executed in one or more counterparts, each of which shall be considered an original instrument, but all of which shall be considered one and the same agreement, and shall become binding when one or more counterparts have been signed by each of the parties and delivered to the Company. Any signature to this Agreement may be delivered by electronic mail (including PDF) or any electronic signature complying with the U.S. federal ESIGN Act of 2000 or the New York Electronic Signature and Records Act or other transmission method and any counterpart so delivered shall be deemed to have been duly and validly delivered and be valid and effective for all purposes to the fullest extent permitted by applicable law.

- (g) <u>Titles and Subtitles</u>. The titles and subtitles used in this Agreement are used for convenience only and are not to be considered in construing or interpreting this Agreement.
- (h) <u>Severability</u>. Any provision of this Agreement that is prohibited or unenforceable in any jurisdiction shall, as to such jurisdiction, be ineffective to the extent of such prohibition or unenforceability without invalidating the remaining provisions hereof but shall be interpreted as if it were written so as to be enforceable to the maximum extent permitted by applicable law, and any such prohibition or unenforceability in any jurisdiction shall not invalidate or render unenforceable such provision in any other jurisdiction. To the extent permitted by applicable law, the parties hereby waive any provision of law which renders any provisions hereof prohibited or unenforceable in any respect.
- (i) <u>Further Assurances</u>. The parties shall execute and deliver all such further instruments and documents and take all such other actions as may reasonably be required to carry out the transactions contemplated hereby and to evidence the fulfillment of the agreements herein contained.
- (j) <u>Entire Agreement</u>. This Agreement is intended by the parties as a final expression of their agreement and intended to be a complete and exclusive statement of the agreement and understanding of the parties hereto in respect of the subject matter contained herein. This Agreement supersedes all prior agreements and understandings between the parties with respect to such subject matter.
- (k) Governing Law; Consent to Jurisdiction; Waiver of Jury Trial. This Agreement shall be governed by, and construed in accordance with, the internal laws of the State of New York without regard to the choice of law principles thereof. Each of the parties hereto irrevocably submits to the exclusive jurisdiction of the courts of the State of New York located in New York County and the United States federal courts in New York County (and the appellate courts thereof) for the purpose of any suit, action, proceeding or judgment relating to or arising out of this Agreement and the transactions contemplated hereby. Service of process in connection with any such suit, action or proceeding may be served on each party hereto anywhere in the world by the same methods as are specified for the giving of notices under this Agreement. Each of the parties hereto irrevocably consents to the jurisdiction of any such court in any such suit, action or proceeding and to the laying of venue in such court. Each party hereto irrevocably waives any objection to the laying of venue of any such suit, action or proceeding brought in such courts and irrevocably waives any claim that any such suit, action or proceeding brought in any such court has been brought in an inconvenient forum. EACH OF THE PARTIES HERETO WAIVES ANY RIGHT TO REQUEST A TRIAL BY JURY IN ANY LITIGATION WITH RESPECT TO OR ARISING OUT OF THIS AGREEMENT OR THE TRANSACTIONS CONTEMPLATED HEREBY.

IN WITNESS WHEREOF, the parties have executed this Agreement or caused their duly authorized officers to execute this Agreement as of the date first above written.

The Company:

CASA SYSTEMS, INC.

By: /s/ Edward Durkin

Name: Edward Durkin

Title: Chief Executive Officer and Interim Chief Financial

Officer

[Signature Page to Registration Rights Agreement]

The Lenders:		
	[***]	
	By:	
	Name:	
	Title:	
By checking this box, the Lender signing above hereby requests that such Lender does not receive notice from the Company of any proposed registration or offering, which request made hereby shall constitute an Opt-Out Notice for purposes of Section 2(d)(iii); provided, however, that the		

Lender may later revoke such Opt-Out Notice in writing at any time.

[Signature Pages on File with the Company]

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Plan of Distribution

The selling stockholders, which as used herein includes donees, pledgees, transferees or other successors-in-interest selling shares of common stock or interests in shares of common stock received after the date of this prospectus from a selling stockholder as a gift, pledge, partnership distribution or other transfer, may, from time to time, sell, transfer or otherwise dispose of any or all of their shares of common stock or interests in shares of common stock on any stock exchange, market or trading facility on which the shares are traded or in private transactions. These dispositions may be at fixed prices, at prevailing market prices at the time of sale, at prices related to the prevailing market price, at varying prices determined at the time of sale, or at negotiated prices.

The selling stockholders may use any one or more of the following methods when disposing of shares or interests therein:

- ordinary brokerage transactions and transactions in which the broker-dealer solicits purchasers;
- block trades in which the broker-dealer will attempt to sell the shares as agent, but may position and resell a portion of the block as
 principal to facilitate the transaction;
- one or more underwritten offerings;
- purchases by a broker-dealer as principal and resale by the broker-dealer for its account;
- an exchange distribution in accordance with the rules of the applicable exchange;
- privately negotiated transactions;
- short sales effected after the date the registration statement of which this prospectus is a part is declared effective by the SEC;
- through the writing or settlement of options or other hedging transactions, whether through an options exchange or otherwise;
- broker-dealers may agree with the selling stockholders to sell a specified number of such shares at a stipulated price per share;
- a combination of any such methods of sale; and
- any other method permitted pursuant to applicable law.

The selling stockholders may, from time to time, pledge or grant a security interest in some or all of the shares of common stock owned by them and, if they default in the performance of their secured obligations, the pledgees or secured parties may offer and sell the shares of common stock, from time to time, under this prospectus, or under an amendment to this prospectus under Rule 424(b)(3) or other applicable provision of the Securities Act of 1933, as amended (the "Securities Act") amending the list of selling stockholders to include the pledgee, transferee or other successors in interest as selling stockholders under this prospectus. The selling stockholders also may transfer the shares of common stock in other circumstances, in which case the transferees, pledgees or other successors in interest will be the selling beneficial owners for purposes of this prospectus.

In connection with the sale of our common stock or interests therein, the selling stockholders may enter into hedging transactions with broker-dealers or other financial institutions, which may in turn engage in short sales of the common stock in the course of hedging the positions they assume. The selling stockholders may also sell shares of our common stock short and deliver these securities to close out their short positions, or loan or pledge the common stock to broker-dealers that in turn may sell these securities. The selling stockholders may also enter into option or other transactions with broker-dealers or other financial institutions or the creation of one or more derivative securities which require the delivery to such broker-dealer or other financial institution of shares offered by this prospectus, which shares such broker-dealer or other financial institution may resell pursuant to this prospectus (as supplemented or amended to reflect such transaction).

The aggregate proceeds to the selling stockholders from the sale of the common stock offered by them will be the purchase price of the common stock less discounts or commissions, if any. Each of the selling stockholders reserves the right to accept and, together with their agents from time to time, to reject, in whole or in part, any proposed purchase of common stock to be made directly or through agents. We will not receive any of the proceeds from this offering.

The selling stockholders also may resell all or a portion of the shares in open market transactions in reliance upon Rule 144 under the Securities Act, <u>provided</u> that they meet the criteria and conform to the requirements of that rule.

The selling stockholders and any underwriters, broker-dealers or agents that participate in the sale of the common stock or interests therein may be "underwriters" within the meaning of Section 2(11) of the Securities Act. Any discounts, commissions, concessions or profit they earn on any resale of the shares may be underwriting discounts and commissions under the Securities Act. Selling stockholders who are "underwriters" within the meaning of Section 2(11) of the Securities Act will be subject to the prospectus delivery requirements of the Securities Act.

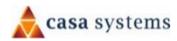
To the extent required, the shares of our common stock to be sold, the names of the selling stockholders, the respective purchase prices and public offering prices, the names of any agents, dealer or underwriter, any applicable commissions or discounts with respect to a particular offer will be set forth in an accompanying prospectus supplement or, if appropriate, a post-effective amendment to the registration statement that includes this prospectus.

In order to comply with the securities laws of some states, if applicable, the common stock may be sold in these jurisdictions only through registered or licensed brokers or dealers. In addition, in some states the common stock may not be sold unless it has been registered or qualified for sale or an exemption from registration or qualification requirements is available and is complied with.

We have advised the selling stockholders that the anti-manipulation rules of Regulation M under the Securities Exchange Act of 1934, as amended, may apply to sales of shares in the market and to the activities of the selling stockholders and their affiliates. In addition, we will make copies of this prospectus (as it may be supplemented or amended from time to time) available to the selling stockholders for the purpose of satisfying the prospectus delivery requirements of the Securities Act. The selling stockholders may indemnify any broker-dealer that participates in transactions involving the sale of the shares against certain liabilities, including liabilities arising under the Securities Act.

We have agreed to indemnify the selling stockholders against liabilities, including liabilities under the Securities Act and state securities laws, relating to the registration of the shares offered by this prospectus.

We have agreed with the selling stockholders to keep the registration statement of which this prospectus constitutes a part effective until such time as all of the shares covered by this prospectus have been disposed of pursuant to and in accordance with the registration statement.



FOR IMMEDIATE RELEASE

Casa Systems Announces Successful Completion of Previously Announced Refinancing and Extension Transaction for its Term Loan B Senior Secured Debt

- Extends Scheduled Maturity Date to December 2027
- Provides Financial Flexibility to Execute on Growth Strategy, Operational Enhancements, and Strategic Initiatives

ANDOVER, Mass., June 15, 2023 — Casa Systems, Inc. (NASDAQ: CASA) ("Casa Systems" or "the Company"), a leading provider of cloud-native software and physical broadband technology solutions for access, cable, and cloud, today announced the successful consummation of the transactions contemplated by the previously announced Transaction Support Agreement regarding the refinancing of the Company's existing Term Loan B senior secured debt (the "Refinancing Transaction"), including:

- Participation of 97.8% (\$218.8 million) of Lenders holding its existing Term Loan B debt in the new extended facility with scheduled maturity in December 2027 (the "2027 TLB Debt").
- Resulting 2027 TLB Debt of \$178.8 million includes \$40 million paydown at close.
- Remaining 2.2% (\$5.0 million) of the Company's existing Term Loan B expected to be paid at maturity in December 2023.

"We are delighted with the successful refinancing and formal closing of our Term Loan B debt facility that was originally scheduled to mature in December 2023," said Edward Durkin, Casa Systems' Chief Financial Officer and Interim Chief Executive Officer. "We believe the approximate 98% participation by Lenders is validation of our strong business fundamentals and future plans. With this important refinancing now behind us, we believe we now have the financial flexibility to execute on our strategic plan and achieve our goal of returning to top-line growth and positive net adjusted EBITDA while also enhancing shareholder value. Over the past nine months, we reduced debt by over \$90M, and we remain focused on continued deleveraging, while also achieving our growth and EBITDA profitability objectives for 2023 and beyond."

Additional information with respect to the 2027 TLB Debt regarding the economics, covenants, and conditions applicable thereto will be made available in a Current Report on Form 8-K that will be filed with the Securities and Exchange Commission.

Sidley Austin LLP and Goodwin Procter LLP are serving as legal counsel to the Company in connection with the Refinancing Transaction. JPMorgan Chase Bank, N.A. is serving as lead arranger for the Refinancing Transaction and is represented by Simpson Thacher & Bartlett LLP.

Safe Harbor Statement

This press release contains forward-looking statements within the meaning of The Private Securities Litigation Reform Act of 1995. All statements other than statements of historical fact contained in this press release, business strategy, and plans and objectives for future operations, are forward-looking statements. The words "anticipate," "believe," "continue," "could," "estimate," "expect," "intend," "may," "are optimistic," "plan," "potential," "predict," "project," "target," "should," "will," "would," and similar expressions are intended to identify forward-looking statements, although not all forward-looking statements contain these identifying words. We have based these forward-looking statements on our current expectations and projections about future events and financial trends that we believe may affect our financial condition, results of operations, business strategy, short-term and long-term business operations and objectives, and financial needs as of the date of this press release. A number of important risk factors could cause actual results to differ materially from the results described, implied or projected in these forward-looking statements. These factors include, without limitation: (1) our ability to comply with all covenants, agreements and conditions under our credit facility; (2) our ability to fulfill our customers' orders due to supply chain delays, access to key commodities or technologies or events that impact our manufacturers or their suppliers, including the lingering effects of the COVID-19 pandemic; (3) any failure by us to successfully anticipate technological shifts, market needs and opportunities, and develop new products and product enhancements that meet those technological shifts, needs and opportunities; (4) the concentration of a substantial portion of our revenue in certain customers; (5) fluctuations in our revenue due to timing of large orders and seasonality; (6) the length and lack of predictability of our sales cycle; (7) any difficulties we may face in expanding our platform into the wireless market; (8) any failure to maintain the synergies we have realized from our acquisition of NetComm Wireless Pty Ltd.; (9) increases or decreases in our expenses caused by fluctuations in foreign currency exchange rates and interest rates; (10) our ability to effectively transition our chief executive officer role; and (11) other factors discussed in the "Risk Factors" section of our public reports filed with the Securities and Exchange Commission (the "SEC"), including our most recent Quarterly Report on Form 10-Q and our most recent Annual Report on Form 10-K, which are on file with the SEC and available in the investor relations section of our website at http://investors.casa-systems.com and on the SEC's website at www.sec.gov. In addition, we operate in a very competitive and rapidly changing environment. New risks emerge from time to time. It is not possible for our management to predict all risks, nor can we assess the impact of all factors on our business or the extent to which any factor, or combination of factors, may cause actual results to differ materially from those contained in any forward-looking statements that we may make. In light of these risks, uncertainties and assumptions, the forward-looking events and circumstances discussed in this press release are inherently uncertain and may not occur, and actual results could differ materially and adversely from those anticipated or implied in the forward-looking statements. Accordingly, you should not rely upon forward-looking statements as predictions of future events. We disclaim any obligation to update publicly or revise any forward-looking statements for any reason after the date of this press release. Any reference to our website address in this press release is intended to be an inactive textual reference only and not an active hyperlink.

About Casa Systems, Inc.

Casa Systems, Inc. (Nasdaq: CASA) delivers the core-to-customer building blocks to speed 5G transformation with future-proof solutions and cutting-edge bandwidth for all access types. In today's increasingly personalized world, Casa Systems creates disruptive architectures built specifically to meet the needs of service provider networks. Our suite of open, cloud-native network solutions unlocks new ways for service providers to build networks without boundaries and maximize revenue-generating capabilities. Commercially deployed in more than 70 countries, Casa Systems serves over 475 Tier 1 and regional communications service providers worldwide. For more information, visit http://www.casa-systems.com.

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