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UNITED STATES BANKRUPTCY COURT FOR THE DISTRICT OF NEW JERSEY

In re:

CCA Construction, Inc.,¹

(Hon. Christine M. Gravelle)

Chapter 11

Case

Debtor.

Case No. 24-22548 (CMG)

MOTION OF BML PROPERTIES, LTD. TO FILE UNDER SEAL (I) BML PROPERTIES, LTD.'S SUPPLEMENTAL BRIEF IN SUPPORT OF THE APPOINTMENT OF EXAMINER AND (II) DECLARATION OF BRETT S. THEISEN, ESQ. IN SUPPORT OF BML PROPERTIES, LTD.'S SUPPLEMENTAL BRIEF IN SUPPORT OF THE APPOINTMENT OF EXAMINER

BML Properties, Ltd. ("BMLP"), by and through its undersigned counsel, hereby files this

motion (the "Motion") for entry of an order, substantially in the form attached hereto as Exhibit

A (the "Proposed Order"), pursuant to sections 105(a) and 107(b)(1) of title 11 of the United States

Code (the "Bankruptcy Code"), Rule 9037 of the Federal Rules of Bankruptcy Procedure (the

"Bankruptcy Rules"), and Rule 9018-1 of the Local Rules of the United States Bankruptcy Court

for the District of New Jersey (the "Local Rules"), for authority to redact and file under seal: (i)

¹ The last four digits of CCA's federal tax identification number are 4862. CCA's service address for the purposes of this chapter 11 case is 445 South Street, Suite 310, Morristown, NJ 07960.



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BML Properties, Ltd.'s Supplemental Brief in Support of the Appointment of Examiner [Dkt. 309] and (ii) the *Declaration of Brett S. Theisen, Esq. in Support of BML Properties, Ltd.'s Supplemental Brief in Support of the Appointment of Examiner* [Dkt. 310] (together, the "<u>Brief</u>"). In support of the Motion, BMLP respectfully states as follows:

JURISDICTION AND VENUE

1. This Court has jurisdiction over this matter pursuant to 28 U.S.C. §§ 157 and 1334(b), and the *Standing Order of Reference* from the United States District Court for the District of New Jersey, entered July 23, 1984, and amended on September 18, 2012 (Simandle, C.J.). This is a core proceeding pursuant to 28 U.S.C. § 157(b)(2). BMLP consents to entry of a final judgment by the Court in connection with this Motion to the extent it is later determined that the Court, absent consent of the parties, cannot enter final orders or judgments in connection herewith consistent with Article III of the United States Constitution.

2. Venue is proper before this Court pursuant to 28 U.S.C. §§ 1408 and 1409.

3. The statutory and legal predicates for the relief requested herein are sections 105(a) and 107(b)(1) of the bankruptcy Code, Bankruptcy Rule 9018, and Local Rule 9018-1.

FACTUAL BACKGROUND

4. On December 22, 2024 (the "<u>Petition Date</u>"), CCA Construction, Inc. (the "<u>Debtor</u>" or "<u>CCA</u>") filed a voluntary petition for relief under chapter 11 of the Bankruptcy Code. The Debtor is operating its business and managing its properties as a debtor in possession pursuant to sections 1107(a) and 1108 of the Bankruptcy Code. An examiner has been appointed in this chapter 11 case [Dkt. 296].

5. On January 22, 2025, the Court entered the *Confidentiality Stipulation and Protective Order* [Dkt. 86] (the "<u>Protective Order</u>"), which governs the production and exchange of all documents, deposition testimony, deposition exhibits, interrogatories, and other information

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produced, given, or exchanged by and between the Debtor, CSCEC Holding Company, Inc. (the "<u>DIP Lender</u>") and BMLP, among other parties (each a "<u>Party</u>," and collectively, the "<u>Parties</u>").

6. The Protective Order, among other things, requires a Party filing pleadings, documents or other papers containing Confidential Information or Highly Confidential (each as defined in the Protective Order) with the Court to take certain precautions to protect Confidential Information and Highly Confidential Information, including redacting and filing under seal such information.

7. BMLP files the Motion solely to comply with the Protective Order. This Chapter 11 case demands transparency and raises issues of public importance such that, absent the Protected Order, the information in the Brief would not otherwise satisfy the standard for sealing.

RELIEF REQUESTED

8. By way of this Motion, BMLP seeks entry of the Proposed Order (i) authorizing BMLP to redact and file under seal the Brief, and (ii) sealing the Brief until the expiration of the judiciary records retention period at which time the document will be permanently deleted.

BASIS FOR RELIEF

9. The Court may grant the relief requested pursuant to section 107(b)(1) of the Bankruptcy Code, Bankruptcy Rule 9018, and Local Rule 9018-1. Pursuant to section 107(b)(1), the Court may authorize the filing of certain documents under seal to "protect an entity with respect to a trade secret or confidential research, development, or commercial information." 11 U.S.C. § 107(b). Bankruptcy Rule 9018 sets forth the procedure by which a party may move to seal a document under section 107(b). In relevant part, "[o]n motion . . . the court may make any order which justice requires . . . to protect the estate or any entity in respect of a trade secret or other confidential research, development, or commercial information." Fed. R. Bankr. P. 9018; *see also*

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Local Rule 9018-1 (setting out the procedure for obtaining a sealing order by filing a motion to seal and the proposed form of order).

10. Protections under section 107(b) extend to commercial information that, if disclosed to the public, could be used by parties or competitors for an unfair advantage. *See In re OneJet, Inc.*, 613 B.R. 841, 848 (Bankr. W.D. Pa. 2020) (citing *Video Software Dealers Ass 'n v. Orion Pictures Corp. (In re Orion Pictures Corp.)*, 21 F.3d 24, 27–28 (2d Cir. 1994) (stating that section 107(b)(1) creates an exception to the general rule permitting open examination of court records by the public and that under this exception, an interested party must only show that the information it wishes to seal is "confidential commercial" in nature); *In re Alterra Healthcare Corp.*, 353 B.R. 66, 75 (Bankr. D. Del. 2006) (same).

11. Once it is established that information sought to be protected can be categorized as confidential commercial information, section 107(b) does not require a party seeking protection to demonstrate "good cause." *In re Orion Pictures Corp.*, 21 F.3d at 28. Instead, if the Court determines that the information sought to be protected from disclosure falls within one of the categories enumerated in section 107(b), "the court is *required* to protect a requesting interested party and has no discretion to deny the application." *Id.* at 27 (emphasis in original). In other words, a party in interest must only demonstrate that the information it wishes to seal is "confidential" and "commercial" in nature. *Id.* at 28.

12. The Debtor, the DIP Lender, and certain other parties that have produced documents in this Chapter 11 case have designated certain documents cited and/or discussed in the Brief as "Confidential Information" or "Highly Confidential Information." BMLP believes that many, if not all, of such documents do not actually contain Confidential Information or Highly Confidential Information and should be made available to the public at large because this Chapter

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11 case demands transparency and raises issues of public importance. However, BMLP is committed to adhering with the Protective Order and thus respectfully requests that the Court enter the Proposed Order (i) authorizing BMLP to redact and file under seal the Brief and (ii) sealing the Brief until the expiration of the judiciary records retention period at which time the document will be permanently deleted. BMLP reserves all rights to challenge the designation of any documents in the Brief designated as Confidential Information or Highly Confidential Information in accordance with the terms of the Protective Order

13. BMLP will provide unreacted copies of the Brief to the Court, counsel to the Debtor, counsel to CSCEC Holding, proposed counsel to the Examiner, and the Office of the United States Trustee for the District of New Jersey (the "<u>U.S. Trustee</u>") on a confidential basis, and contemporaneously herewith, is filing redacted versions of the Brief.

WAIVER OF MEMORANDUM OF LAW

14. BMLP represents that the facts and circumstances set forth herein do not present novel questions of law, and, as such, respectfully requests that this Court waive the requirement of filing a memorandum of law in accordance with Local Rule 9013-1(a)(3).

NOTICE

15. BMLP will provide notice of the Motion *via* electronic mail to (a) Debevoise & Plimpton, LLP and Cole Schotz PC, co-counsel to the Debtor; (b) Office of the United States Trustee for this Region, (c) McDermott, Will & Emery, proposed counsel to Todd Harrison, Esq., Examiner, and (d) Lowenstein Sandler LLP, counsel to CSCEC Holding. BMLP will also provide notice of the Motion to any party that has requested notice pursuant to Bankruptcy Rule 2002 *via* the Court's CM/ECF system. BMLP submits that, in light of the nature of the relief requested, no other or further notice need be given.

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NO PRIOR REQUEST

16. No prior request for the relief sought herein has been made to this Court or any other court.

CONCLUSION

WHEREFORE, for the reasons set forth herein, BMLP respectfully requests that the

Court enter the Proposed Order, granting the relief requested herein and granting such other relief as is just and proper.

May 15, 2025 Newark, New Jersey

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ORDER CONCERNING REQUEST TO SEAL DOCUMENTS

The relief set forth on the following page is **ORDERED**.

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Order: Order Concerning Request to Seal Documents

Upon the Motion of BML Properties, Ltd. to File Under Seal (i) BML Properties, Ltd.'s Supplemental Brief in Support of the Appointment of Examiner and (ii) Declaration of Brett S. Theisen, Esq. in Support of BML Properties, Ltd.'s Supplemental Brief in Support of the Appointment of Examiner (the "Motion"),¹ of BML Properties, Ltd. ("BMLP) for entry of an order (this "Order") authorizing BMLP to redact and file under seal: (i) BML Properties, Ltd.'s Supplemental Brief in Support of the Appointment of Examiner and (ii) the Declaration of Brett S. Theisen, Esq. in Support of BML Properties, Ltd.'s Supplemental Brief in Support of the Appointment of Examiner (together, the "Brief"); and the Court having jurisdiction to consider the Motion and the relief requested therein pursuant to 28 U.S.C. §§ 157 and 1334 and the Standing Order of Reference from the United States District Court for the District of New Jersey, entered July 23, 1984, and amended on September 18, 2012 (Simandle, C.J.); and the Court having found that venue of this proceeding and the Motion in this district is proper pursuant to 28 U.S.C. §§ 1408 and 1409; and the Court having found that notice of the Motion was appropriate under the circumstances and no other notice need be provided; and the Court having reviewed the Motion; and the Court having determined that the legal and factual bases set forth in the Motion establish cause for the relief set forth in the Motion; and upon all of the proceedings had before the Court and after due deliberation and sufficient cause appearing therefor, it is hereby

□ **ORDERED** that the request is **DENIED** and the Brief shall be deleted from the Court's electronic filing system.

 \Box **ORDERED** that the request is **GRANTED** and the Brief shall be sealed until the expiration of the judiciary records retention period at which time the Brief will be permanently deleted.

¹ Defined terms not otherwise defined herein shall have the meanings ascribed in the Motion.

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PLEASE TAKE NOTICE that BML Properties, Ltd. ("BMLP") filed the Motion of BML

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PLEASE TAKE FURTHER NOTICE that a hearing to consider the relief sought in the Motion will be held on <u>June 10, 2025 at 10:00 a.m. (ET)</u> before the Honorable Christine M. Gravelle, United States Bankruptcy Court for the District of New Jersey, at the Clarkson S. Fisher United States Courthouse, 402 East State Street, Second Floor, Courtroom No. 3, Trenton, New Jersey 08608.

PLEASE TAKE FURTHER NOTICE that responses or objections, if any, to the Motion shall: (i) be in writing; (ii) set forth the specific basis thereof; (iii) be filed with the Clerk of the Bankruptcy Court; and (iv) be served upon the BMLP's undersigned counsel, together with proof of service thereof, so as to be actually received no later than <u>June 3, 2025</u> (the "<u>Objection</u> <u>Deadline</u>").

PLEASE TAKE FURTHER NOTICE that unless a response or objection is timely filed and served in accordance with this notice, it may not be considered by the Bankruptcy Court. In the event no objections are filed and served by the Objection Deadline, the relief requested in the Motion may be granted without a hearing.

PLEASE TAKE FURTHER NOTICE that BMLP has submitted a proposed form of order herewith. Oral argument is requested in the event an objection is timely filed.

IF YOU FAIL TO RESPOND IN ACCORDANCE WITH THIS NOTICE, THE BANKRUPTCY COURT MAY GRANT THE MOTION WITHOUT FURTHER NOTICE OR HEARING.

Dated: May 15, 2025 Newark, New Jersey

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