### IN THE UNITED STATES BANKRUPTCY COURT FOR THE DISTRICT OF DELAWARE

	Related Docket No. 4
Debtors.	Case No. 25-10603 (TMH) (Jointly Administered)
CTN Holdings, Inc., <i>et al.</i> , <sup>1</sup>	Chapter 11
In re:	

# CERTIFICATION OF COUNSEL REGARDING DEBTORS' APPLICATION FOR APPOINTMENT OF KURTZMAN CARSON CONSULTANTS, LLC DBA VERITA GLOBAL AS CLAIMS AND NOTICING AGENT EFFECTIVE AS OF THE PETITION DATE

The undersigned hereby certifies as follows:

- 1. On March 31, 2025, the above-captioned debtors and debtors in possession (the "Debtors") filed the *Debtors' Application for Appointment of Kurtzman Carson Consultants*, *LLC dba Verita Global as Claims and Noticing Agent Effective as of the Petition Date* [Docket No. 4] (the "Motion"), with the United States Bankruptcy Court for the District of Delaware (the "Court"). Attached thereto as Exhibit A was a proposed form order granting the relief requested in the Motion on a final basis (the "Proposed Final Order").
- 2. Prior to the First Day hearing, the Debtors received informal comments to the Motion and the Proposed Final Order from the Office of the United States Trustee ("Trustee").
- 3. Attached as **Exhibit A** hereto is the proposed amended Final Order (the "<u>Proposed</u> Amended Order") that addresses the comments made by the Trustee.

<sup>&</sup>lt;sup>1</sup> The Debtors in these chapter 11 cases, along with the last four digits of each Debtor's federal tax identification number, are CTN Holdings, Inc. (9122); CTN SPV Holdings, LLC (8689); Catona Climate Solutions, LLC (3375); Make Earth Green Again, LLC (4441); Aspiration QFZ, LLC (1532); Zero Carbon Holdings, LLC (1679); Aspiration Fund Adviser, LLC (4214). The Debtors' mailing address is 548 Market Street, PMB 72015, San Francisco, CA 94101-5401.

4. For the convenience of the Court and all parties in interest, a redline of the Proposed Amended Order marked against the Final Order is attached hereto as **Exhibit B**.

**WHEREFORE**, the Debtors respectfully request that the Proposed Amended Final Order, substantially in the form attached hereto as **Exhibit A**, be entered at the earliest convenience of the Court.

Dated: April 3, 2025 Wilmington, Delaware Respectfully submitted,

/s/ William F. Taylor, Jr.

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### **EXHIBIT A**

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#### ORDER AUTHORIZING RETENTION AND APPOINTMENT OF KURTZMAN CARSON CONSULTANTS, LLC DBA VERITA GLOBAL AS CLAIMS AND NOTICING AGENT

Upon the application (the "Application")<sup>2</sup> of the above-captioned debtors and debtors in possession (collectively, the "Debtors") for entry of an order (this "Order"), authorizing the Debtors to retain and appoint Kurtzman Carson Consultants, LLC d/b/a Verita Global ("Verita") as claims and noticing agent (the "Claims and Noticing Agent") pursuant to 28 U.S.C. § 156(c), section 105(a) of the Bankruptcy Code, and Local Rule 2002-1(f) to, among other things, (a) distribute required notices to parties in interest, (b) receive, maintain, docket, and otherwise administer the proofs of claim filed in the Debtors' chapter 11 cases and (c) provide such other administrative services, all as more fully set forth in the Application; and upon the First Day Declaration; and this Court having jurisdiction over this matter pursuant to 28 U.S.C. §§ 157 and 1334 and the *Amended Standing Order of Reference* from the United States District Court for the

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<sup>&</sup>lt;sup>2</sup> Capitalized terms used but not otherwise defined herein shall have the meaning ascribed to them in the Application.

District of Delaware, dated February 29, 2012, and this Court having found that this is a core proceeding pursuant to 28 U.S.C. § 157(b)(2), and this Court having authority to enter a final order consistent with Article III of the United States Constitution; and this Court having found that venue of this proceeding and the Application in this district is proper pursuant to 28 U.S.C. §§ 1408 and 1409; and this Court having found that the relief requested in the Application is in the best interests of the Debtors' estates, their creditors, and other parties in interest; and this Court having found that the Debtors' notice of the Application and opportunity for a hearing on the Application were appropriate under the circumstances and no other notice need be provided; and this Court having reviewed the Application and having heard the statements in support of the relief requested therein at a hearing before this Court (the "Hearing"); and this Court having determined that the legal and factual bases set forth in the Application and at the Hearing establish just cause for the relief granted herein; and upon all of the proceedings had before this Court; and after due deliberation and sufficient cause appearing therefor,

#### IT IS HEREBY ORDERED THAT:

- 1. Notwithstanding the terms of the Engagement Agreement attached to the Application, the Application is approved solely as set forth in this Order.
- 2. The Debtors are authorized to retain the Claims and Noticing Agent effective as of the Petition Date under the terms of the Engagement Agreement, and the Claims and Noticing Agent is authorized and directed to perform noticing services and to receive, maintain, record and otherwise administer the proofs of claim filed in these cases, and all related tasks, all as described in the Application (the "Claims and Noticing Services").
- 3. The Claims and Noticing Agent shall serve as the custodian of court records and shall be designated as the authorized repository for all proofs of claim filed in these cases and is

authorized and directed to maintain official claims registers for each of the Debtors, to provide public access to every proof of claim unless otherwise ordered by the Court and to provide the Clerk with a certified duplicate thereof upon the request of the Clerk.

- 4. The Claims and Noticing Agent is authorized and directed to provide an electronic interface for filing proofs of claim and to obtain a post office box or address for the receipt of proofs of claim.
- 5. The Claims and Noticing Agent is authorized to take such other action to comply with all duties set forth in the Application.
- 6. The Debtors are authorized to compensate Claims and Noticing Agent in accordance with the terms of the Engagement Agreement upon the receipt of reasonably detailed invoices setting forth the services provided by Claims and Noticing Agent and the rates charged for each, and to reimburse Claims and Noticing Agent for all reasonable and necessary expenses it may incur, upon the presentation of appropriate documentation, without the need for Claims and Noticing Agent to file fee applications or otherwise seek Court approval for the compensation of its services and reimbursement of its expenses.
- 7. The Claims and Noticing Agent shall maintain records of all services showing dates, categories of services, fees charged and expenses incurred, and shall serve monthly invoices on the Debtors, the office of the United States Trustee, counsel for the Debtors, counsel for any official committee, if any, monitoring the expenses of the Debtors and any party-in-interest who specifically requests service of the monthly invoices.
- 8. The parties shall meet and confer in an attempt to resolve any dispute which may arise relating to the Engagement Agreement or monthly invoices, and that the parties may seek resolution of the matter from the Court if resolution is not achieved.

- 9. Pursuant to section 503(b)(1)(A) of the Bankruptcy Code, the fees and expenses of the Claims and Noticing Agent under this Order shall be an administrative expense of the Debtors' estates.
- 10. The Claims and Noticing Agent may apply its retainer to all pre-petition invoices, which retainer shall be replenished to the original retainer amount, and thereafter, the Claims and Noticing Agent may hold its retainer under the Engagement Agreement during the chapter 11 cases as security for the payment of fees and expenses incurred under the Engagement Agreement.
- 11. The Debtors shall indemnify the Claims and Noticing Agent under the terms of the Engagement Agreement.
- 12. The Claims and Noticing Agent shall not be entitled to indemnification, contribution or reimbursement pursuant to the Engagement Agreement for services other than the services provided under the Engagement Agreement, unless such services and the indemnification, contribution or reimbursement therefore are approved by the Court.
- 13. Notwithstanding anything to the contrary in the Engagement Agreement, the Debtors shall have no obligation to indemnify the Claims and Noticing Agent, or provide contribution or reimbursement to the Claims and Noticing Agent, for any claim or expense that is either: (i) judicially determined (the determination having become final and no longer subject to appeal) to have arisen from the Claims and Noticing Agent's gross negligence, willful misconduct, or fraud; (ii) for a contractual dispute in which the Debtors allege the breach of the Claims and Noticing Agent's contractual obligations if the Court determines that indemnification, contribution or reimbursement would not be permissible pursuant to applicable law, or (iii) settled prior to a judicial determination under (i) or (ii), but determined by this Court,

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- 15. Any limitation of liability provision in the Engagement Letter is of no force and effect with respect to the services approved under this Order.
- 16. In the event the Claims and Noticing Agent is unable to provide the services set out in this Order, the Claims and Noticing Agent will immediately notify the Clerk and Debtors' attorney and cause to have all original proofs of claim and computer information turned over to

another claims and noticing agent with the advice and consent of the Clerk and Debtors' attorney.

- 17. The Debtors may submit a separate retention application, pursuant to 11 U.S.C. § 327 and/or any applicable law, for work that is to be performed by the Claims and Noticing Agent but is not specifically authorized by this Order.
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