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#### INTRODUCTION1

The LFM Debtors, the KSMP Debtors, and the Committee jointly hereby propose the Plan, which provides for the resolution of the outstanding Claims asserted against and Equity Interests asserted in the Debtors. Provided herewith as a separate enclosure is a brief summary of the Plan, which all Investors are encouraged to read in its entirety in conjunction with the Plan and other documents referenced herein.<sup>2</sup>

This Plan, together with the Investor Settlement Amount Procedures Order, represents a global settlement (the "Global Settlement") of the complex issues in these Chapter 11 Cases, including (a) substantive consolidation of the Debtors, (b) the Ponzi determination, and (c) the allowance and treatment of Investor Claims. The Global Settlement, which was negotiated by the LFM Debtors, the KSMP Debtors, and the Committee, provides for a "single pot," such that all assets and liabilities of all Debtors are pooled and consolidated for distribution purposes, through substantive consolidation under this Plan. Pursuant to applicable law, all Investors are treated the same, as holders of tort claims, regardless of the type of documentation or instrument held. Pursuant to the Global Settlement, each Investor will receive a claim for money (or value of property) it invested in the Debtors over time less any distributions the Investor received over the seven years prior to the Petition Date. This claim will receive a pro rata distribution of available assets and, only after such claim is paid in full, will there be any recovery on claims for expected profits, pursuant to the principles of "netting" in Ponzi scheme cases. However, as part of the Global Settlement, rather than netting from the suspected Ponzi scheme start date, the proposed Investor Settlement Amount Procedures Order will provide that only payments made to Investors seven years prior to September 17, 2024, will be offset/netted in calculating Investor Claims. Further reference is made to the Disclosure Statement for (i) a discussion of the Debtors' history, businesses, assets, results of operations, and other financial information; (ii) a summary and analysis of the Plan; and (iii) certain related matters, including risk factors relating to the consummation of the Plan and Distributions to be made under the Plan.

The Debtors and the Committee are the proponents of the Plan within the meaning of section 1129 of the Bankruptcy Code. Subject to certain restrictions and requirements set forth in section 1127 of the Bankruptcy Code, Bankruptcy Rule 3019, and Section 4.6, Section 4.8, and Section 12.5 of the Plan, the Plan Proponents reserve the right to alter, amend, modify, revoke, or withdraw the Plan prior to its substantial consummation.

No solicitation materials, other than the Disclosure Statement and related materials transmitted therewith, have been approved for use in soliciting acceptances of the Plan. Nothing in the Plan should be construed as constituting a solicitation of acceptances of the Plan unless and until the Disclosure Statement has been approved and distributed to Holders of Claims and Equity Interests to the extent required by section 1125 of the Bankruptcy Code.

ALL HOLDERS OF CLAIMS ENTITLED TO VOTE ON THE PLAN ARE ENCOURAGED TO CAREFULLY READ THE PLAN AND THE DISCLOSURE STATEMENT (INCLUDING ALL EXHIBITS AND SCHEDULES THERETO), EACH IN ITS ENTIRETY, BEFORE VOTING TO ACCEPT OR REJECT THE PLAN.

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A capitalized term used but not defined in this Introduction shall have the meaning ascribed to it in Article I and Exhibit A.

In the event of any inconsistencies between the terms of the Plan and the information and descriptions in the above-referenced Plan summary, the terms of the Plan shall control.

# ARTICLE I. <u>DEFINED TERMS AND RULES OF INTERPRETATION</u>

For purposes of the Plan, except as expressly provided or unless the context otherwise requires: (i) capitalized terms used herein shall have the meanings ascribed to them on Exhibit A annexed hereto; (ii) any capitalized term used in this Plan that is not defined herein, but is defined in the Bankruptcy Code or the Bankruptcy Rules, shall have the meaning ascribed to that term in the Bankruptcy Code or the Bankruptcy Rules, as applicable; (iii) whenever the context requires, each term stated in either the singular or the plural shall include the singular and the plural, and pronouns stated in the masculine, feminine, or neuter gender shall include the masculine, feminine, and the neuter; (iv) any reference in the Plan to a contract, instrument, release, indenture, or other agreement or document being in a particular form or on particular terms and conditions means that such document shall be substantially in such form or substantially on such terms and conditions; (v) any reference in the Plan to an existing document or exhibit means such document or exhibit as it may be amended, modified, or supplemented from time to time; (vi) unless otherwise specified, all references in the Plan to sections, articles, schedules, and exhibits are references to sections, articles, schedules, and exhibits of or to the Plan; (vii) the words "herein," "hereof," "hereto," "hereunder," and other words of similar import refer to the Plan in its entirety rather than to any particular paragraph, subparagraph, or clause contained in the Plan; (viii) captions and headings to articles and sections are inserted for convenience of reference only and shall not limit or otherwise affect the provisions hereof or the interpretation of the Plan; and (ix) the rules of construction set forth in section 102 of the Bankruptcy Code and in the Bankruptcy Rules shall apply.

# ARTICLE II. CLASSIFICATION OF CLAIMS AND EQUITY INTERESTS

#### 2.1 Summary and Classification of Claims and Equity Interests.

This Section classifies Claims – except for Administrative Expense Claims, DIP Facility Claims, Professional Fee Claims, Involuntary Gap Claims, and Priority Tax Claims, which are not classified – for all purposes, including confirmation, Distributions, and voting. A Claim is classified in a particular Class only to the extent that the Claim falls within the Class description. To the extent that part of a Claim falls within a different Class description, that part of the Claim is classified in that different Class. The following table summarizes the Classes of Claims and Equity Interests under the Plan.

CLASS DESCRIPTION		IMPAIRED STATUS	VOTING STATUS
Class 1	Priority Claims	Unimpaired	Not Entitled to Vote (deemed to accept)
Class 2 Other Secured Claims		Unimpaired	Not Entitled to Vote (deemed to accept)
Class 3 Sold Property Secured Lender Claims <sup>3</sup>		Impaired	Entitled to Vote
Class 4 Retained Property Secured Lender Claims <sup>4</sup>		Impaired	Entitled to Vote

For voting purposes and to comply with section 1122(a) of the Bankruptcy Code, each Allowed Sold Property Secured Lender Claim shall be deemed to be in its own subclass.

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<sup>&</sup>lt;sup>4</sup> For voting purposes and to comply with section 1122(a) of the Bankruptcy Code, each Allowed Retained Property Secured Lender Claim shall be deemed to be in its own subclass.

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**IMPAIRED CLASS** DESCRIPTION VOTING STATUS **STATUS** Class 5 Trade Claims Impaired Entitled to Vote Class 6 **Investor Claims** Impaired Entitled to Vote Not Entitled to Vote Class 7 **Intercompany Claims Impaired** (deemed to reject) Not Entitled to Vote Class 8 **Equitably Subordinated Claims Impaired** (deemed to reject) Not Entitled to Vote Class 9 **Equitably Subordinated Interests Impaired** (deemed to reject)

NOTWITHSTANDING ANY OTHER TERM OR PROVISION OF THE PLAN, NO DISTRIBUTIONS WILL BE MADE ON ACCOUNT OF ANY CLAIM THAT IS NOT AN ALLOWED CLAIM, AND NO RIGHTS WILL BE RETAINED ON ACCOUNT OF ANY CLAIM THAT IS A DISALLOWED CLAIM. IN ADDITION, THE PROPOSED CLASSIFICATION AND TREATMENT OF ANY CLAIMS AND EQUITY INTERESTS SET FORTH HEREIN, INCLUDING, WITHOUT LIMITATION, THE DESIGNATION OF ANY CLASS AS IMPAIRED OR UNIMPAIRED, SHALL NOT BE DEEMED A WAIVER OR RELEASE OF ANY CAUSE OF ACTION OR AVOIDANCE ACTION AGAINST ANY HOLDER OF A CLAIM OR ANY OTHER PARTY, INCLUDING, WITHOUT LIMITATION, THE DEBTORS' OR THE PLAN RECOVERY TRUSTEE'S RIGHT TO SEEK SUBORDINATION OF ANY CLAIM AND RECLASSIFY SUCH CLAIM INTO CLASS 9, AND ALL SUCH CAUSES OF ACTION AND AVOIDANCE ACTIONS ARE HEREBY PRESERVED UNDER THE PLAN.

# ARTICLE III. TREATMENT OF CLAIMS AND EQUITY INTERESTS

#### 3.1 Comprehensive Settlement of Claims and Controversies.

Pursuant to sections 1123(a)(5), 1123(b)(3), and 1123(b)(6) of the Bankruptcy Code, as well as Bankruptcy Rule 9019, and in consideration for the Distributions and other benefits provided under the Plan, the provisions of the Plan will constitute a good-faith compromise and settlement of all claims and controversies relating to the rights that a Holder of a Claim or an Equity Interest may have against any Debtor with respect to any Claim, any Equity Interest, or any Distribution on account thereof, as well as of all potential Intercompany Claims, Intercompany Liens, and Causes of Action against any Debtor. The entry of the Confirmation Order will constitute the Bankruptcy Court's approval, as of the Effective Date, of the compromise and settlement of all such claims or controversies and the Bankruptcy Court's finding that all such compromises and settlements are (i) in the best interest of the Debtors, the Estates, and their respective stakeholders; and (ii) fair, equitable, and reasonable. This comprehensive compromise and settlement is a critical component of the Plan and is designed to provide a resolution of myriad disputed Claims, Liens, and Causes of Action that otherwise could take years to resolve, which would both delay and reduce the Distributions ultimately available for Creditors.

As discussed above, the Global Settlement embodied in this Plan resolves the complex issues in these Chapter 11 Cases, including (a) substantive consolidation of the Debtors, (b) the Ponzi determination, and (c) the allowance and treatment of Investor Claims. The Global Settlement, which was negotiated by the LFM Debtors, the KSMP Debtors, and the Committee,

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1 provides for a "single pot," such that all assets and liabilities of all Debtors are pooled and consolidated for distribution purposes, through substantive consolidation under this Plan. Pursuant to applicable law, all Investors are treated the same, as holders of tort claims, regardless of the type of documentation or instrument held. Pursuant to the Global Settlement, each Investor will receive 3 a claim for money (or value of property) it invested in the Debtors over time less any distributions the Investor received over the seven years prior to the Petition Date. This claim will receive a pro 4 rata distribution of available assets and, only after such claim is paid in full, will there be any recovery on claims for expected profits, pursuant to the principles of "netting" in Ponzi scheme 5 cases. However, as part of the Global Settlement, rather than netting from the suspected Ponzi scheme start date, the proposed Investor Settlement Amount Procedures Order will provide that only payments made to Investors seven years prior to September 17, 2024, will be offset/netted in calculating Investor Claims. Further reference is made to the Disclosure Statement for (i) a discussion of the Debtors' history, businesses, assets, results of operations, and other financial information; (ii) a summary and analysis of the Plan; and (iii) certain related matters, including

## 3.2 Special Provisions Relating to Investor-Specific Claims.

Nothing in the Plan will impair the right of an Investor to independently pursue claims against third parties for which it has independent legal standing that are unique to such Investor ("Investor-Specific Claims"). By way of example, and not limitation, such unique claims include claims based on loss of lien or loss of lien priority, claims against an Investor's own professional advisors, claims against retirement servicers, and similar claims that may be asserted based on such Investor's particular circumstances. The Investor-Specific Claims do not include (i) Claims common to all Investors, (ii) Claims to recover commissions or referral fees paid by the Debtors to third parties in connection with an Investor's investment with the Debtors, or (iii) Contributed Claims.

risk factors relating to the consummation of the Plan and Distributions to be made under the Plan.

#### 3.3 Unclassified Claims

#### 3.3.1 Administrative Expense Claims

Except as otherwise provided for herein, and subject to the requirements of the Plan, on or as soon as reasonably practicable after the later of (a) the Effective Date, (b) thirty (30) calendar days following the date on which an Administrative Expense Claim becomes an Allowed Administrative Expense Claim, (c) the date on which such Allowed Administrative Expense Claim is otherwise due and payable, or (d) such other date as may be mutually agreed to by the Plan Recovery Trustee and the Holder of such Allowed Administrative Expense Claim, the Holder of such Allowed Administrative Expense Claim, and release of and in exchange for such Allowed Administrative Expense Claim, (a) Cash equal to the unpaid portion of such Allowed Administrative Expense Claim or (b) such other less favorable treatment as to which such Holder and the Plan Recovery Trustee shall have agreed upon in writing.

All requests for payment of an Administrative Expense Claim must be Filed with the Bankruptcy Court no later than the Administrative Expense Claims Bar Date. In the event of an objection to Allowance of an Administrative Expense Claim, the Bankruptcy Court shall determine the Allowed amount of such Administrative Expense Claim. Notwithstanding anything to the contrary contained herein, postpetition statutory tax claims shall not be subject to any Administrative Claims Bar Date.

THE FAILURE TO FILE A MOTION REQUESTING ALLOWANCE OF AN ADMINISTRATIVE EXPENSE CLAIM ON OR BEFORE THE ADMINISTRATIVE EXPENSE CLAIMS BAR DATE, OR THE FAILURE TO SERVE SUCH MOTION TIMELY AND PROPERLY, SHALL RESULT IN THE ADMINISTRATIVE EXPENSE

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## CLAIM BEING FOREVER BARRED AND DISALLOWED WITHOUT FURTHER ORDER OF THE BANKRUPTCY COURT.

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#### 3.3.2 DIP Facility Claims

The DIP Facility Claims shall be deemed to be Allowed Claims in the full amount outstanding under the DIP Credit Agreements as of the Effective Date (including any unpaid accrued interest and unpaid fees, expenses, and other obligations under the DIP Credit Agreements as of the Effective Date). On the Effective Date, in full and complete satisfaction of the DIP Facility Claims, the DIP Lender will receive Cash equal to the unpaid portion of the DIP Facility Claims

#### 3.3.3 Professional Fee Claims

All final requests for payment of Professional Fee Claims pursuant to sections 327, 328, 330, 331, 363, 503(b), or 1103 of the Bankruptcy Code must be made by application Filed with the Bankruptcy Court no later than forty-five (45) calendar days after the Effective Date. Objections to such applications must be Filed and served on counsel to the Plan Recovery Trustee, counsel to the U.S. Trustee, and the requesting Professional in accordance with the Local Rules. All Professional Fee Claims shall be promptly paid from the Plan Recovery Trust to the extent approved by Final Order of the Bankruptcy Court. On the Effective Date, the Plan Recovery Trust shall establish the Professional Fee Reserve. The Professional Fee Reserve shall vest in the Plan Recovery Trust and shall be maintained by the Plan Recovery Trustee in accordance with the Plan. The Plan Recovery Trust shall fully fund the Professional Fee Reserve on the Effective Date in an amount that is determined by the Plan Proponents prior to the Confirmation Hearing and that approximates the total projected amount of unpaid Professional Fee Claims on the Effective Date. All Professional Fee Claims that have not previously been paid, otherwise satisfied, or withdrawn shall be paid first from the Professional Fee Reserve; provided, however, that the Professional Fee Reserve is an estimate and shall not be construed as a cap on the rights of a Holder of an Allowed Professional Fee Claim to receive payment in full on account of such Claim from the Plan Recovery Trust. Any excess funds in the Professional Fee Reserve shall be released to the Plan Recovery Trust to be used for other purposes consistent with the Plan.

#### 3.3.4 Involuntary Gap Claims

To be eligible to receive Distributions under the Plan on account of an Involuntary Gap Claim, a proof of claim must be Filed or deemed Filed with the Bankruptcy Court so as to be received on or before the applicable Claims Bar Date. Any Holder of an Involuntary Gap Claim that does not properly assert such Claim shall have its Claim deemed Disallowed under the Plan and be forever barred from asserting such Claim against Debtor KSMP, any of the other Debtors, or any of their respective Estates, assets, or property. Any such Claim shall be Disallowed, and the Holder thereof shall be enjoined from commencing or continuing any action, employment of process or act to collect, offset, recoup, or recover such Claim. Except as otherwise provided for herein, and subject to the requirements of the Plan, on or as soon as reasonably practicable after the later of (i) the Effective Date and (ii) thirty (30) calendar days following the date on which an Involuntary Gap Claim becomes Allowed, the Holder of such Allowed Involuntary Gap Claim shall receive, in full satisfaction, settlement, and release of and in exchange for such Allowed Involuntary Gap Claim or (b) such other less favorable treatment as to which such Holder and the Plan Recovery Trust shall have agreed upon in writing.

#### 3.3.5 Priority Tax Claims

In full satisfaction, settlement, and release of and in exchange for such Claims, Allowed Priority Tax Claims shall be paid, at the Plan Recovery Trustee's option, as follows: (a) Cash equal

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to the unpaid portion of such Allowed Priority Tax Claim on the later of the Effective Date and thirty (30) calendar days following the date on which such Priority Tax Claim becomes an Allowed Priority Tax Claim; (b) in regular installment payments in Cash over a period not exceeding five (5) years after the Petition Date, plus interest on the unpaid portion thereof at the rate determined under applicable non-bankruptcy law as of the calendar month in which the Effective Date occurs (provided that such election shall be without prejudice to the right to prepay any such Allowed Priority Tax Claim in full or in part without penalty); or (c) such other treatment as to which the Holder of an Allowed Priority Tax Claim and the Plan Recovery Trust shall have agreed upon in writing.

#### 3.4 Class 1: Priority Claims

<u>Classification</u>. Class 1 consists of all Priority Claims.

Treatment. On, or as soon as reasonably practicable after, the later of (i) the Effective Date and (ii) the date on which a Priority Claim becomes payable pursuant to and as specified by an order of the Bankruptcy Court, the Holder of such Allowed Class 1 Claim shall receive, in full satisfaction, settlement, and release of and in exchange for such Allowed Class 1 Claim, either (a) Cash from the Plan Recovery Trust equal to the unpaid portion of such Allowed Class 1 Claim or (b) such other less favorable treatment from the Plan Recovery Trust to which such Holder and the Plan Recovery Trust shall have agreed upon in writing.

Impairment and Voting. Class 1 is Unimpaired. Holders of Class 1 Claims (Priority Claims) are conclusively presumed to have accepted the Plan pursuant to section 1126(f) of the Bankruptcy Code and are not entitled to vote to accept or reject the Plan.

#### 3.5 Class 2: Other Secured Claims

<u>Classification</u>. Class 2 consists of all Other Secured Claims.

Treatment. In full and final satisfaction, settlement, release, and discharge of any Allowed Class 2 Claim, except to the extent that the Plan Recovery Trustee and a holder of an Allowed Class 2 Claim agree to a less favorable treatment of such Claim, each holder of an Allowed Class 2 Claim shall, at the option of the Plan Recovery Trustee, (i) retain its Class 2 Claim and the Collateral securing such Claim; (ii) receive Cash in an amount equal to such Allowed Class 2 Claim, including the payment of any interest due and payable under section 506(b) of the Bankruptcy Code, on the Effective Date or as soon as reasonably practicable thereafter, but in no event later than thirty (30) days after the later to occur of (A) the Effective Date and (B) the date such Claim becomes an Allowed Claim; or (iii) receive treatment of such Allowed Class 2 Claim in any other manner that is necessary to satisfy the requirements of section 1124 of the Bankruptcy Code. In the event a Class 2 Claim is treated under clause (ii) of this Section 3.5, the Liens securing such Class 2 Claim shall be deemed released immediately upon payment.

Impairment and Voting. Class 2 is Unimpaired. Holders of Class 2 Claims (Other Secured Claims) are conclusively presumed to have accepted the Plan pursuant to section 1126(f) of the Bankruptcy Code and are not entitled to vote to accept or reject the Plan.

#### 3.6 Class 3: Sold Property Secured Lender Claims

Classification. Class 3 consists of all Sold Property Secured Lender Claims.

<u>Treatment</u>. In full and final satisfaction, settlement, release, and discharge of any Allowed Class 3 Claim, except to the extent that the Plan Recovery Trustee and a holder of an Allowed Class 3 Claim agree to a less favorable treatment of such Claim, each holder of an Allowed Class

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3 Claim shall receive Cash in an amount equal to such Allowed Class 3 Claim on the Effective Date or as soon as reasonably practicable thereafter.

<u>Impairment and Voting</u>. Class 3 is Impaired and entitled to vote to accept or reject the Plan.

#### 3.7 Class 4: Retained Property Secured Lender Claims

<u>Classification</u>. Class 4 consists of all Retained Property Secured Lender Claims.

<u>Treatment</u>. On the Effective Date, or as soon as practicable thereafter, each Holder of an Allowed Class 4 Claim shall receive, subject to the terms of this Plan, in full satisfaction, settlement, release, and discharge of, and in exchange for, such Claim, a Replacement Secured Note with a present value equal to the Allowed amount of such Holder's Allowed Class 4 Claim.

Impairment and Voting. Class 4 is Impaired under the Plan and entitled to vote to accept or reject the Plan, and the votes of such Holders will be solicited with respect to such Allowed Class 4 Claims; *provided that* the Plan Proponents reserve the right to assert that the treatment provided to the Holders of Class 4 Claims pursuant to this Plan renders such Claims unimpaired.

#### 3.8 Class 5: Trade Claims

<u>Classification</u>. Class 5 consists of all Trade Claims.

<u>Treatment</u>. On the Effective Date, or as soon as practicable thereafter, each Holder of an Allowed Class 5 Claim will receive from the Plan Recovery Trust on account of its Allowed Class 5 Claim (without postpetition or post-Confirmation interest), its Pro Rata distribution of the Class A Plan Recovery Trust Units. The issuance of the Class A Plan Recovery Trust Units is in full and complete satisfaction of Allowed Class 5 Claims.

Impairment and Voting. Class 5 is Impaired under the Plan and entitled to vote to accept or reject the Plan.

#### 3.9 Class 6: Investor Claims

<u>Classification</u>. Class 6 consists of all Investor Claims.

Treatment. On the Effective Date, or as soon as practicable thereafter, in full satisfaction, settlement, and release of and in exchange for such Investor Claims, each Holder of an Allowed Class 6 Claim will receive its (i) Pro Rata distribution of Class B Plan Recovery Trust Units on account of its Allowed Investor Tranche 1 Claim and (ii) Pro Rata distribution of Class C Plan Recovery Trust Units on account of its Allowed Investor Tranche 2 Claim.

Contributed Claim Election. Each Holder of an Investor Claim that accepts the Plan and does not opt-out of the Contributed Claim Election shall (i) be deemed to contribute its Contributed Claims to the Plan Recovery Trust and (ii) on the Effective Date, or as soon as practicable thereafter, receive a Pro Rata Distribution of Class D Plan Recovery Trust Units. The Pro Rata Distribution of Class D Plan Recovery Trust Units shall be the ratio of (a) such Holder's Allowed Investor Claims of all Holders that make the Contributed Claims Election. By accepting the Plan, the Holder of an Investor Claim agrees that, subject to the occurrence of the Effective Date and the formation of the Plan Recovery Trust, it will be deemed, without further action, (i) to have irrevocably contributed its Contributed Claims to the Plan Recovery Trust and (ii) to have agreed to execute any documents reasonably requested to memorialize such contribution.

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<u>Impairment and Voting</u>. Class 6 is Impaired under the Plan and entitled to vote to accept or reject the Plan.

#### 3.10 Class 7: Intercompany Claims

<u>Classification</u>. Class 7 consists of all Intercompany Claims.

Treatment. As of the Effective Date, all Intercompany Claims shall be deemed void, cancelled, and of no further force and effect. On and after the Effective Date, the Holders of Class 7 Claims shall not be entitled to, and shall not receive or retain, any property or interest in property under the Plan on account of such Allowed Class 7 Claims.

<u>Impairment and Voting</u>. Class 7 is Impaired under the Plan, deemed to reject the Plan, and not entitled to vote to accept or reject the Plan.

#### 3.11 Class 8: Equitably Subordinated Claims.

<u>Classification</u>. Class 8 consists of all Equitably Subordinated Claims.

<u>Treatment</u>. The Holders of Allowed Class 8 Claims will retain a residual right to receive Available Cash that remains in the Plan Recovery Trust after the final administration of all Plan Recovery Trust Assets and the complete satisfaction of all senior payment rights within the Plan Recovery Trust Waterfall, including satisfaction of all Investor Claims. Any such recovery will be shared Pro Rata with Holders of Allowed Equitably Subordinated Interests.

<u>Impairment and Voting</u>. Class 8 is Impaired under the Plan, estimated to receive zero recovery under the Plan and therefore deemed to reject the Plan, and not entitled to vote to accept or reject the Plan.

#### 3.12 Class 9: Equitably Subordinated Interests

Classification. Class 9 consists of all Equitably Subordinated Interests in the Debtors.

<u>Treatment</u>. The Holders of Allowed Class 9 Interests will retain a residual right to receive Available Cash that remains in the Plan Recovery Trust after the final administration of all Plan Recovery Trust Assets and the complete satisfaction of all senior payment rights within the Plan Recovery Trust Waterfall, including satisfaction of all Investor Claims. Any such recovery will be shared Pro Rata with Holders of Allowed Equitably Subordinated Claims.

<u>Impairment and Voting</u>. Class 9 is Impaired under the Plan, estimated to receive zero recovery under the Plan and therefore deemed to reject the Plan, and not entitled to vote to accept or reject the Plan.

## ARTICLE IV. ACCEPTANCE OR REJECTION OF THE PLAN

#### 4.1 Impaired Classes Entitled to Vote.

Only the votes of Holders of Allowed Claims in Class 3, Class 4, Class 5, and Class 6 shall be solicited with respect to the Plan.

#### 4.2 Acceptance by an Impaired Class of Claims.

In accordance with section 1126(c) of the Bankruptcy Code, and except as provided in section 1126(e) of the Bankruptcy Code, the Holders of Claims in any Class of Claims (including

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any subclass) entitled to vote on the Plan shall have accepted the Plan if the Plan is accepted by the Holders of at least two-thirds ( $\frac{2}{3}$ ) in dollar amount and more than one-half ( $\frac{1}{2}$ ) in number of the Allowed Claims in such Class (or subclass) that have timely and properly voted to accept or reject the Plan.

#### 4.3 Presumed Acceptances by Unimpaired Classes.

Class 1 and Class 2 are Unimpaired under the Plan. Under section 1126(f) of the Bankruptcy Code, the Holders of Claims in such Unimpaired Classes are conclusively presumed to have accepted the Plan, and, therefore, the votes of such Holders shall not be solicited.

#### 4.4 Impaired Classes Deemed to Reject Plan.

Holders of Claims in Class 7 (Intercompany Claims) are not entitled to receive or retain any property or interests in property under the Plan. Under section 1126(g) of the Bankruptcy Code, such Holders are deemed to have rejected the Plan, and, therefore, the votes of such Holders shall not be solicited.

Holders of Claims in Class 8 and Equitably Subordinated Interests in Class 9 are estimated to receive zero recovery under the Plan, deemed to have rejected the Plan, and the votes of such Holders shall not be solicited.

#### 4.5 Modifications of Votes.

Following the Voting Deadline, no Holders of Claims entitled to vote on the Plan will be able to change their votes cast on the Plan or any attendant elections or preferences without the written consent of the Plan Proponents, which consent may be given or withheld in the Plan Proponents' reasonable discretion.

#### 4.6 Confirmation Pursuant to Section 1129(b) of the Bankruptcy Code.

Because at least one Impaired Class is deemed to have rejected the Plan, the Plan Proponents will and hereby do request confirmation of the Plan under section 1129(b) of the Bankruptcy Code. The Plan Proponents reserve the right to alter, amend, modify, revoke, or withdraw the Plan, the Plan Supplement, or any schedule or exhibit, including to amend or modify it to satisfy the requirements of section 1129(b) of the Bankruptcy Code, if necessary.

#### 4.7 Elimination of Vacant Classes.

Any Class of Claims that does not contain, as of the date of the commencement of the Confirmation Hearing, a Holder of an Allowed Claim, or a Holder of a Claim temporarily allowed under Bankruptcy Rule 3018, shall be deemed deleted from the Plan for purposes of determining acceptance of the Plan by such Class under section 1129(a)(8) of the Bankruptcy Code.

#### 4.8 Severability of Joint Plan.

The Plan represents a joint plan composed of individual plans for each of the Debtors. As further discussed in Section 12.5 of the Plan, the Plan Proponents may alter, amend, or modify the Plan at or before the Confirmation Hearing, including to remove one or more Debtors from the Plan, in the Plan Proponents' reasonable discretion.

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# ARTICLE V. IMPLEMENTATION OF THE PLAN

#### 5.1 Implementation of the Plan.

The Plan will be implemented by various acts and transactions as set forth in the Plan, including, among other things, the establishment of the Plan Recovery Trust, the Oversight Committee, and the Plan Recovery Trustee, and the making of Distributions by the Plan Recovery Trustee in accordance with the Plan.

#### 5.2 Streamlining of the Debtors' Corporate Affairs.

#### 5.2.1 <u>Debtors' Existing Directors, Officers, and Managers.</u>

On the Effective Date, each of the Debtors' existing directors, officers, and managers shall be terminated automatically without the need for any Corporate Action and without the need for any corporate, limited liability company, or limited partnership filings, and shall have no ongoing rights against or obligations to the Debtors or the Estates, including under any applicable prepetition agreements (all of which will be deemed terminated). On the Effective Date, the Plan Recovery Trustee shall succeed to all such powers as would have been applicable to the Debtors' officers and managers with respect to all Plan Recovery Trust Assets; *provided, however*, that the Plan Recovery Trustee may continue to consult with or employ the Debtors' former directors, officers, employees, and managers to the extent required to comply with applicable law or to implement the Plan or the Plan Recovery Trust.

#### 5.2.2 <u>Dissolution of the Debtors.</u>

On the Effective Date, each of the Debtors will be dissolved automatically without the need for any Corporate Action, without the need for any corporate, limited liability company, or limited partnership filings, and without the need for any other or further actions to be taken by or on behalf of such dissolving Debtor or any other Person or any payments to be made in connection therewith; provided, however, that the Plan Recovery Trustee may in its discretion file any certificates of cancellation or other documents as may be appropriate in connection with dissolution of the Debtors. On and as of the earlier of the Closing Date and the date on which the Plan Recovery Trustee Files with the Bankruptcy Court a notice of dissolution as to a Debtor, such Debtor will be dissolved automatically without the need for any Corporate Action, without the need for any corporate, limited liability company, or limited partnership filings, and without the need for any other or further actions to be taken by or on behalf of such dissolving Debtor or any other Person or any payments to be made in connection therewith; provided, however, that the Plan Recovery Trustee may in its discretion file any certificates of cancellation or dissolution as may be appropriate in connection with dissolution of any Debtors.

#### 5.2.3 Corporate Documents and Corporate Authority.

On the Effective Date, the certificates of incorporation, bylaws, operating agreements, partnership agreements, and articles of organization, as applicable, of all the Debtors shall be deemed amended to the extent necessary to carry out the provisions of the Plan. The entry of the Confirmation Order shall constitute authorization for the Debtors and the Plan Recovery Trustee, as applicable, to take or cause to be taken all actions (including, if applicable, Corporate Actions) necessary or appropriate to implement all provisions of, and to consummate, the Plan prior to, on, and after the Effective Date, and all such actions taken or caused to be taken shall be deemed to have been authorized and approved by the Bankruptcy Court without further approval, act, or action under any applicable law, order, rule, or regulation.

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#### 5.3 Plan Recovery Trust.

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#### 5.3.1 Appointment of Plan Recovery Trustee and Oversight Committee.

On and after the Effective Date, the Plan Recovery Trustee shall become and serve as the trustee of the Plan Recovery Trust. The Plan Recovery Trustee's compensation and other related information will be more specifically set forth in the Plan Recovery Trust Agreement. The Plan Recovery Trustee may resign at any time upon thirty (30) days' written notice filed with the Bankruptcy Court, provided that such resignation shall only become effective upon the appointment of a permanent or interim successor Plan Recovery Trustee. The Bankruptcy Court may remove the Plan Recovery Trustee solely for cause, upon motion and after notice and a hearing. In the event of the resignation or removal, death or incapacity of the Plan Recovery Trustee, the Bankruptcy Court shall designate another person to serve as Plan Recovery Trustee and thereupon the successor Plan Recovery Trustee shall become fully vested with all of the rights, powers, duties and obligations of its predecessor.

On and after the Effective Date, the initial Oversight Committee shall begin to serve without further action, consistent with the Plan and the Plan Recovery Trust Agreement, and shall oversee the Plan Recovery Trustee's performance of its duties and otherwise serve the functions described in the Plan and the Plan Recovery Trust Agreement. The Oversight Committee members shall serve on a voluntary basis without compensation, but they shall be reimbursed from the Plan Recovery Trust for any reasonable expenses in accordance with the Plan Recovery Trust Agreement.

#### 5.3.2 <u>Creation and Governance of the Plan Recovery Trust.</u>

On the Effective Date, the Plan Recovery Trustee shall execute the Plan Recovery Trust Agreement and shall take any other action necessary to establish the Plan Recovery Trust in accordance with the Plan and the beneficial interests therein. For federal income tax purposes, the transfer of the assets to the Plan Recovery Trust will be treated as a sale or other disposition of assets (except for the assets transferred to the Disputed Ownership Fund as provided in Section 7.7 of the Plan) to the Plan Recovery Trust Beneficiaries in exchange for their claims and interests in the Chapter 11 Cases. Any income or loss from the transfer of assets to the Plan Recovery Trust shall flow through to the ultimate taxpaying member of each Debtor who will be responsible to pay the tax liability, if any. For federal income tax purposes, the Plan Recovery Trust Beneficiaries shall be treated as the grantors of the Plan Recovery Trust and deemed to be the owners of the assets of the Plan Recovery Trust. The transfer of the Plan Recovery Trust Assets to the Plan Recovery Trust shall be deemed a transfer to the Plan Recovery Trust Beneficiaries by the Debtors, followed by a deemed transfer by such Plan Recovery Trust Beneficiaries to the Plan Recovery Trust. The Debtors, the Plan Recovery Trust Beneficiaries, and the Plan Recovery Trust will consistently report the valuation of the assets transferred to the Plan Recovery Trust. Such consistent valuations and revised reporting will be used for all federal income tax purposes. Income deductions, gain, or loss from the Plan Recovery Trust shall be reported to the Plan Recovery Trust Beneficiaries in conjunction with the filing of the Plan Recovery Trust's income tax returns. Each Plan Recovery Trust Beneficiary shall report income, deductions, gain, or loss on such Plan Recovery Trust Beneficiary's income tax returns. The Plan Recovery Trust shall be governed by the Plan Recovery Trust Agreement and administered by the Plan Recovery Trustee. The powers, rights, and responsibilities of the Plan Recovery Trustee shall be specified in the Plan Recovery Trust Agreement. After an objection to a Disputed Claim is resolved or a Contingent Claim or Unliquidated Claim has been determined in whole or in part by a Final Order or by agreement, the Plan Recovery Trust Units or Cash held in the Disputed Ownership Fund shall be transferred as described in the Plan Recovery Trust Agreement.

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#### 5.3.3 Vesting of Plan Recovery Trust Assets.

On the Effective Date, the Plan Recovery Trust shall be automatically vested with all of the Debtors' and the Estates' respective rights, title, and interest in and to all Plan Recovery Trust Assets. Except as specifically provided in the Plan or the Confirmation Order, in accordance with section 1141 of the Bankruptcy Code, the Plan Recovery Trust Assets shall automatically vest in the Plan Recovery Trust free and clear of all Claims, Liens, or interests, subject only to the Plan Recovery Trust Units, the Plan Recovery Trust Expenses, and the Replacement Secured Notes, as provided for in the Plan Recovery Trust Agreement, and such vesting shall be exempt from any stamp, real estate transfer, other transfer, mortgage reporting, sales, use, or other similar tax. The Plan Recovery Trustee shall be the exclusive trustee of the Plan Recovery Trust Assets for purposes of 31 U.S.C. § 3713(b) and 26 U.S.C. § 6012(b)(3), as well as the representative of the Estates appointed pursuant to section 1123(b)(3) of the Bankruptcy Code regarding all Plan Recovery Trust Assets. The Plan Recovery Trust shall hold and distribute the Plan Recovery Trust Assets in accordance with the provisions of the Plan and the Plan Recovery Trust Agreement.

Notwithstanding the foregoing or any other provision in the Plan, in the event that the Plan Recovery Trust receives any monies from the United States or any other governmental unit (as defined in section 101(27) of the Bankruptcy Code), obtained as forfeited assets (or otherwise) by the governmental unit for the benefit of the investor victims of the Debtors' prepetition Ponzi scheme, all such monies shall not constitute Estate Assets or Plan Recovery Trust Assets, and the Plan Recovery Trustee is authorized to and shall distribute all such monies only to Investors who are Holders of Class B Plan Recovery Trust Units or Class C Plan Recovery Trust Units on account thereof, subject to the Plan and the Plan Recovery Trust Agreement; provided that the Plan Recovery Trustee and its agents will be reimbursed from such monies for reasonable costs and expenses incurred by said parties related to the Plan Recovery Trustee's collection, administration, and distribution of such monies to the applicable Investors.

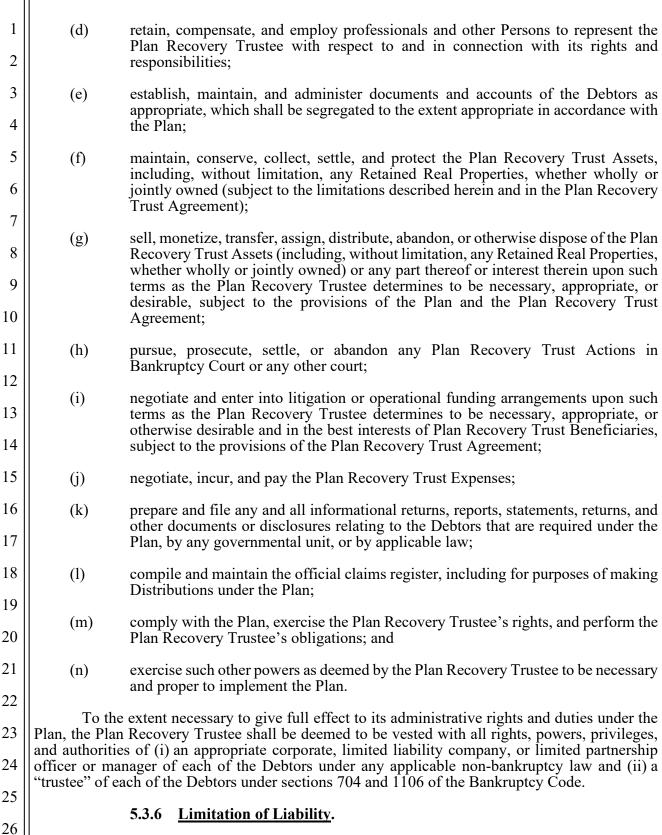
#### 5.3.4 <u>Purpose of the Plan Recovery Trust.</u>

The Plan Recovery Trust shall be established for the purpose of pursuing, collecting, or monetizing the Plan Recovery Trust Assets and making Distributions from the proceeds of such assets to the Plan Recovery Trust Beneficiaries in accordance with Treasury Regulation section 301.7701-4(d), with no objective to continue or engage in the conduct of a trade or business.

#### 5.3.5 **Authority.**

Subject to the authority and supervision of the Oversight Committee as set forth in the Plan Recovery Trust Agreement, the Plan Recovery Trustee shall have the authority and right on behalf of the Plan Recovery Trust, without the need for Bankruptcy Court approval (in each case, unless otherwise provided in the Plan and the Plan Recovery Trust Agreement), to carry out and implement all applicable provisions of the Plan, including to:

- (a) appear on behalf of the Plan Recovery Trust in the Chapter 11 Cases and any proceedings related thereto;
- (b) review, reconcile, compromise, settle, or object to Claims and Equity Interests and resolve such objections as set forth in the Plan, free of any restrictions of the Bankruptcy Code or the Bankruptcy Rules;
- (c) calculate and make Distributions and calculate and establish reserves under and in accordance with the Plan;



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The Plan Recovery Trustee and the Oversight Committee shall enjoy all of the rights, powers, immunities, and privileges applicable to a Bankruptcy Code chapter 7 trustee with respect to limitations of liability, subject to the Plan Recovery Trust Agreement. The Plan Recovery Trustee and the Oversight Committee may, in connection with the performance of their respective

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functions, each in their sole and absolute discretion, consult with their attorneys, accountants, advisors, and agents, and shall not be liable for any act taken, or omitted to be taken, or suggested to be done in accordance with advice or opinions rendered by such Persons, regardless of whether such advice or opinions were in writing. Notwithstanding such authority, neither the Plan Recovery Trustee nor the Oversight Committee shall be under an obligation to consult with any such attorneys, accountants, advisors, or agents, and their determination not to do so shall not result in the imposition of liability on the Plan Recovery Trustee or the Oversight Committee, as applicable, unless such determination is based on willful misconduct, gross negligence, or intentional fraud. Persons dealing with the Plan Recovery Trustee and the Oversight Committee shall look only to the Plan Recovery Trust Assets to satisfy any liability incurred by the Plan Recovery Trustee or the Oversight Committee to such Person in carrying out the terms of the Plan or the Plan Recovery Trust Agreement, and the Plan Recovery Trustee and the Oversight Committee shall have no personal obligation to satisfy such liability.

#### 5.3.7 <u>Indemnification</u>.

The Plan Recovery Trust shall indemnify any Plan Recovery Trust Indemnified Party for, and shall defend and hold it harmless against, any loss, liability, damage, judgment, fine, penalty, claim, demand, settlement, cost, or expense (including the reasonable fees and expenses of the professionals of such Plan Recovery Trust Indemnified Party) incurred without gross negligence, willful misconduct, or intentional fraud on the part of such Plan Recovery Trust Indemnified Party (which gross negligence, willful misconduct, or intentional fraud if any, must be determined by a final, non-appealable order of a court of competent jurisdiction) for any action taken, suffered, or omitted to be taken by such Plan Recovery Trust Indemnified Party in connection with the acceptance, administration, exercise, and performance of its duties under the Plan or the Plan Recovery Trust Agreement, as applicable. An act or omission taken with the approval of the Bankruptcy Court, and not inconsistent therewith, will be conclusively presumed not to constitute gross negligence, willful misconduct, or intentional fraud. In addition, the Plan Recovery Trust shall, to the fullest extent permitted by law, indemnify, defend, and hold harmless the Plan Recovery Trust Indemnified Parties, from and against and with respect to any and all liabilities, losses, damages, claims, costs, and expenses, including attorneys' fees arising out of or due to their actions or omissions, or consequences of such actions or omissions, with respect to the Plan Recovery Trust or the implementation or administration of the Plan if the Plan Recovery Trust Indemnified Party acted in good faith and in a manner reasonably believed to be in, or not opposed to, the best interest of the Plan Recovery Trust. To the extent the Plan Recovery Trust indemnifies, defends, and holds harmless any Plan Recovery Trust Indemnified Party as provided above, the legal fees and related costs incurred by counsel to the Plan Recovery Trustee in monitoring or participating in the defense of such claims giving rise to the right of indemnification shall be paid as Plan Recovery Trust Expenses. The costs and expenses incurred in enforcing the right of indemnification in this Section shall be paid from the Plan Recovery Trust.

#### 5.3.8 <u>Insurance</u>.

The Plan Recovery Trustee shall be authorized, but not required, to obtain any insurance coverage that it deems necessary, at the Plan Recovery Trust's sole expense, for itself and its agents, and the Oversight Committee, including coverage with respect to the liabilities, duties, and obligations of the Plan Recovery Trustee and the Oversight Committee, which insurance coverage may, at the sole discretion of the Plan Recovery Trustee, be extended for a reasonable period after the termination of the Plan Recovery Trust.

#### 5.3.9 Tax Reporting.

(a) The Plan Recovery Trustee shall timely file tax returns for the Plan Recovery Trust treating the Plan Recovery Trust as a grantor trust pursuant to Treasury Regulation section 1.671-4(a).

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Trust Beneficiaries based on the amount of Available Cash as of such date and, based on such calculation, promptly thereafter may make Distributions, if any, of the amount so determined.

#### 5.3.11 Cash Investments.

Except as may be otherwise provided in the Plan Recovery Trust Agreement, the Plan Recovery Trustee may invest Cash of the Plan Recovery Trust, including any earnings thereon or proceeds therefrom and any Cash realized from the monetization of the Plan Recovery Trust Assets, which investments will not be required to comply with section 345(b) of the Bankruptcy Code; *provided*, *however*, that such investments must be investments that are permitted to be made by a "liquidating trust" within the meaning of Treasury Regulation section 301.7701-4(d), as reflected therein, or under applicable guidelines, rulings, or other controlling authorities, except as may be otherwise provided in the Plan Recovery Trust Agreement.

#### 5.3.12 Registration and Transfer of the Plan Recovery Trust Units.

- (a) The record holders of the Plan Recovery Trust Units shall be recorded and set forth in a registry maintained by, or at the direction of, the Plan Recovery Trustee expressly for such purpose.
- (b) Upon their issuance as of the Effective Date, and thereafter, the Plan Recovery Trust Units will be subject to restrictions on transfer under the Plan Recovery Trust Agreement, which restrictions shall prohibit the Plan Recovery Trust Units from being certificated or transferable except by operation of law or by will or the laws of descent and distribution, in each case following written notice to the Plan Recovery Trustee.

#### 5.3.13 Exemption.

To the extent the Plan Recovery Trust Units are deemed to be "securities," the issuance of such interests under the Plan are exempt, pursuant to section 1145 of the Bankruptcy Code, from registration under the Securities Act and any applicable state and local laws requiring registration of securities.

#### 5.3.14 Contribution of Contributed Claims.

On the Effective Date, all Contributed Claims will be irrevocably contributed to the Plan Recovery Trust. No Person may rely on the absence of a specific reference in the Plan, the Confirmation Order, the Plan Recovery Trust Agreement, or the Disclosure Statement to any Contributed Claims against such Person as any indication that the Plan Recovery Trust will not pursue any and all available Contributed Claims against such Person. The objection to the Allowance of any Claims will not in any way limit the ability or the right of the Plan Recovery Trust to assert, commence, or prosecute any Contributed Claims. Nothing contained in the Plan, the Confirmation Order, the Plan Recovery Trust Agreement, or the Disclosure Statement will be deemed to be a waiver, release, or relinquishment of any Contributed Claims that the Contributing Claimants had immediately prior to the Effective Date. The Plan Recovery Trust shall have, retain, reserve, and be entitled to assert all Contributed Claims fully as if the Contributed Claims had not been contributed to the Plan Recovery Trust in accordance with the Plan and the Plan Recovery Trust Agreement. Contributed Claims shall not include the rights of a Contributing Claimant to receive the Distributions, if any, to which it is entitled under the Plan. In the exercise of its reasonable discretion and in accordance with the Plan Recovery Trust Agreement, the Plan Recovery Trustee shall not be obligated to pursue any Contributed Claim.

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5.3.15 Pursuit and Resolution of Plan Recovery Trust Actions.

The Plan Recovery Trust, as a successor in interest to the Debtors, the Estates, and the Contributing Claimants, may and will have the exclusive right, power, and interest on behalf of itself, the Debtors, the Estates, and the Contributing Claimants, subject to the Plan Recovery Trust Agreement, to institute, commence, file, pursue, prosecute, enforce, abandon, settle, compromise, release, waive, dismiss, or withdraw, as appropriate, any and all Plan Recovery Trust Actions without any further order of the Bankruptcy Court, except as otherwise provided in the Plan Recovery Trust Agreement. From and after the Effective Date, the Plan Recovery Trust, in accordance with section 1123(b)(3) of the Bankruptcy Code, shall serve as a representative of the Estates with respect to any and all Plan Recovery Trust Actions that were Estate Assets and shall retain and possess the right to institute, commence, file, pursue, prosecute, enforce, abandon, settle, compromise, release, waive, dismiss, or withdraw, as appropriate, any and all Plan Recovery Trust Actions in any court or other tribunal.

#### 5.3.16 Termination of the Plan Recovery Trust.

The Plan Recovery Trustee and the Plan Recovery Trust shall be discharged or terminated, as the case may be, at such time as: (a) the Plan Recovery Trustee determines that the pursuit of additional Plan Recovery Trust Actions is not likely to yield sufficient additional proceeds to justify further pursuit of such Plan Recovery Trust Actions; and (b) all Distributions required to be made from the Plan Recovery Trust to the Holders of Allowed Claims and to the Plan Recovery Trust Beneficiaries under the Plan and the Plan Recovery Trust Agreement have been made, but in no event shall the Plan Recovery Trust be terminated later than five (5) years from the Effective Date unless the Bankruptcy Court, upon motion made within the six-month period before such fifth anniversary (and, in the event of further extension, by order of the Bankruptcy Court, upon motion made within the six-month period before the end of the preceding extension), determines that a fixed-period extension (subject to the terms of the Plan Recovery Trust Agreement) is necessary to facilitate or complete the recovery on, and monetization of, the Plan Recovery Trust Assets. Notwithstanding the foregoing, and without further order of the Bankruptcy Court, upon the fifth anniversary of the Plan Recovery Trust, and continuing each year thereafter, the termination date of the Plan Recovery Trust shall automatically extend by 1-year if any Plan Recovery Trust Actions are pending as of such anniversary date. Upon termination of the Plan Recovery Trust, any remaining Plan Recovery Trust Assets that exceed the amounts required to be paid under the Plan may be transferred by the Plan Recovery Trustee to a non-profit organization of its choosing.

#### 5.3.17 Control Provision.

To the extent there is any inconsistency between the Plan as it relates to the Plan Recovery Trust and the Plan Recovery Trust Agreement, the specific provisions in the Plan Recovery Trust Agreement shall control.

#### 5.4 Preservation of Privileges and Defenses.

The actions taken by the Debtors, the Plan Recovery Trust, or any of their respective Related Parties in connection with the Plan shall not be (or be deemed to be) a waiver of any privilege or defense of the Debtors or the Plan Recovery Trust, as applicable, including any attorney-client privilege or work-product doctrine. Notwithstanding any Debtors providing any privileged information related to any Plan Recovery Trust Actions to the Plan Recovery Trustee, the Plan Recovery Trust, or any Person associated with any of the foregoing, such privileged information shall be without waiver in recognition of the joint, common, or successor interest in prosecuting the Plan Recovery Trust Actions and shall remain privileged. The Plan Recovery Trust shall retain the right to waive its own privileges. Only the Plan Recovery Trustee shall have the

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Except as otherwise provided in the Plan, and except with respect to any executory contracts and unexpired leases that are assumed and assigned pursuant to a Final Order, any agreement, bond, certificate, contract, indenture, lease, note, security, warrant, or other instrument or document evidencing or creating any indebtedness or obligation of the Debtors shall be deemed cancelled on the Effective Date, and all Liens, mortgages, pledges, grants, trusts, and other interests relating thereto shall be automatically cancelled, and all obligations of the Debtors thereunder or in any way related thereto shall be discharged.

#### 5.5.1 <u>Maintenance of Avoidance Actions and Causes of Action.</u>

right to waive the attorney-client privilege, work-product doctrine, or other protections as to the

Except as otherwise provided in the Plan or the Confirmation Order, from and after the Effective Date, the Plan Recovery Trust will retain all rights to institute, commence, file, pursue, prosecute, enforce, abandon, settle, compromise, release, waive, dismiss, or withdraw, as appropriate, any and all of the Debtors' or Estates' Causes of Action and Causes of Action that are Contributed Claims (whether existing as of the Petition Date or thereafter arising), and all Avoidance Actions, all as Plan Recovery Trust Actions, in each case in any court or other tribunal, including in an adversary proceeding Filed in the Chapter 11 Cases, subject to the requirements set forth in the Plan and the Plan Recovery Trust Agreement. The Plan Recovery Trust shall have the exclusive right, power, and interest on behalf of itself, the Debtors, the Estates, and the Contributing Claimants to enforce, sue on, settle, compromise, transfer, or assign (or decline to do any of the foregoing) any or all of the Plan Recovery Trust Actions without notice to or approval from the Bankruptcy Court, subject to the Plan Recovery Trust Agreement. In accordance with the Plan, and pursuant to section 363 of the Bankruptcy Code and Bankruptcy Rule 9019, without any further notice to or action, order, or approval of the Bankruptcy Court, from and after the Effective Date, the Plan Recovery Trust may compromise and settle Plan Recovery Trust Actions, subject to the Plan Recovery Trust Agreement.

# 5.5.2 Preservation of All Plan Recovery Trust Actions Not Expressly Settled

The failure to specifically identify in the Disclosure Statement (including the exhibits and schedules thereto) or the Plan any potential or existing Avoidance Action or Cause of Action as a Plan Recovery Trust Action is not intended to and shall not limit the rights of the Plan Recovery Trust to pursue any such Avoidance Action or Cause of Action. Unless a Plan Recovery Trust Action is expressly waived, relinquished, released, compromised, or settled in the Plan or any Final Order (including the Confirmation Order), the Debtors expressly reserve such Plan Recovery Trust Action for later resolution by the Plan Recovery Trustee (including any Avoidance Action or Cause of Action not specifically identified or of which the Debtors may presently be unaware or that may arise or exist by reason of additional facts or circumstances unknown to the Debtors at this time or facts or circumstances that may change or be different from those the Debtors now believe to exist). As such, no preclusion doctrine, including the doctrines of res judicata, collateral estoppel, issue preclusion, claim preclusion, waiver, estoppel (judicial, equitable, or otherwise), or laches will apply to any such Avoidance Action or Cause of Action upon or after Confirmation of the Plan based on the Disclosure Statement, the Plan, or the Confirmation Order, except when such Avoidance Action or Cause of Action has been expressly released. In addition, the right to pursue or adopt any claims alleged in any lawsuit in which any Debtor or the Plan Recovery Trust is a plaintiff, defendant, or interested party is fully reserved as against any Person or Entity, including the plaintiffs or co-defendants in such lawsuits.

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#### 5.7 Substantive Consolidation.

- (a) On the Effective Date, all Debtors (collectively, the "Consolidated Estates") shall be substantively consolidated pursuant to sections 105(a), 541, 1123, and 1129 of the Bankruptcy Code into debtor LeFever Mattson, a California corporation. As a result of the substantive consolidation, on the Effective Date, all property, rights, and claims of the Consolidated Estates and all Claims against the Consolidated Estates shall be deemed to be pooled for purposes of distributions under the Plan. Further, as a result of this substantive consolidation, all claims between and among the Consolidated Estates shall be cancelled. Holders of Allowed Claims shall be entitled to only one satisfaction on account of such Claims, and any contingent or otherwise duplicative Claims against one or more of the Consolidated Estates based upon claims for which one or more of the Consolidated Estates are also liable shall be disallowed.
- (b) Entry of the Confirmation Order shall constitute the approval, pursuant to sections 105(a), 541, 1123, and 1129 of the Bankruptcy Code, of the substantive consolidation of all of the Debtors and in the manner set forth in this Section; provided, however, that (i) while all Debtors shall be substantively consolidated for purposes of Distribution to creditors, such that all Investors shall have claims against a single pool of the Debtors' consolidated assets, the actual substantive consolidation of entities, particularly for tax purposes, shall be at the option of the Debtors or the Plan Recovery Trustee and (ii) any and all TIC Interests in the Real Properties that are held by any Debtor shall not be substantively consolidated. Notwithstanding the substantive consolidation to be implemented under the Plan, fees payable pursuant to 28 U.S.C. § 1930 shall be due and payable by each individual Debtor through the Effective Date.
- (c) The substantive consolidation effected pursuant to the Plan shall not affect, without limitation, (i) the Debtors' or the Plan Recovery Trust's defenses to any Claim, Avoidance Action, or other Cause of Action, including the ability to assert any counterclaim; (ii) the Debtors' or the Plan Recovery Trust's setoff or recoupment rights; (iii) requirements for any third party to establish mutuality prior to substantive consolidation in order to assert a right of setoff against the Debtors or the Plan Recovery Trust; or (iv) distributions to the Debtors, the Estates, or the Plan Recovery Trust out of any insurance policies or proceeds of such policies.
- (d) Notwithstanding anything to the contrary contained herein, the substantive consolidation of the Debtors shall not: (i) affect the separate legal existence of the Debtors for purposes other than implementation of the Plan pursuant to its terms, including the ability of the Plan Recovery Trustee to bring any Plan Recovery Trust Action in the name of an individual Debtor; (ii) impair, prejudice, or otherwise affect any individual Debtor's Causes of Action, including Avoidance Actions, against any Person that vest in the Plan Recovery Trust; (iii) constitute or give rise to any defense, counterclaim, or right of netting or setoff with respect to any Cause of Action vesting in the Plan Recovery Trust that could not have been asserted against the consolidated Debtors; or (iii) give rise to any right under any executory contract, insurance contract, or other contract to which a consolidated Debtor is party, except to the extent required by section 365 of the Bankruptcy Code in connection with the assumption of such contract by the applicable Debtors.
- (e) The Disclosure Statement and the Plan shall be deemed to be a motion requesting that the Bankruptcy Court approve the substantive consolidation contemplated by the Plan. Unless an objection to the proposed substantive consolidation is made in writing by any Creditor purportedly affected by such substantive consolidation on

5.7 Substantive Consolidation.

or before the deadline to object to Confirmation of the Plan, or such other date as may be fixed by the Bankruptcy Court, the substantive consolidation contemplated by the Plan may be approved by the Bankruptcy Court at the Confirmation Hearing.

# ARTICLE VI. EXECUTORY CONTRACTS AND UNEXPIRED LEASES

#### 6.1 Assumption of Certain Executory Contracts and Unexpired Leases.

#### 6.1.1 Assumption of Agreements.

On the Effective Date, the Debtors shall assume all executory contracts and unexpired leases that are listed on the Schedule of Assumed Agreements and shall assign such contracts and leases to the Plan Recovery Trust or its designee. The Confirmation Order will constitute a Bankruptcy Court order approving the assumption and assignment or rejection, as applicable, of executory contracts and unexpired leases consistent with the foregoing.

The Plan Proponents reserve the right to amend the Schedule of Assumed Agreements at any time prior to the Effective Date (i) to delete any executory contract or unexpired lease and provide for its rejection under the Plan or otherwise, or (ii) to add any executory contract or unexpired lease and provide for its assumption and assignment under the Plan. The Plan Proponents will provide notice of any amendment to the Schedule of Assumed Agreements to the party or parties to those agreements affected by such amendment.

Unless otherwise specified on the Schedule of Assumed Agreements, each executory contract and unexpired lease listed or to be listed therein shall include any and all modifications, amendments, supplements, restatements, or other agreements made directly or indirectly by any agreement, instrument, or other document that in any manner affects such executory contract or unexpired lease, without regard to whether such agreement, instrument, or other document is also listed on the Schedule of Assumed Agreements.

#### 6.1.2 <u>Cure Payments</u>.

Any amount that must be paid under section 365(b)(1) of the Bankruptcy Code to cure a default under and compensate the non-debtor party to an executory contract or unexpired lease to be assumed under the Plan is identified as the "Cure Payment" on the Schedule of Assumed Agreements. Unless the parties mutually agree to a different date, such payment shall be made in Cash within thirty (30) days following the later of: (i) the Effective Date and (ii) entry of a Final Order resolving any disputes regarding (A) the amount of any Cure Payment, (B) the ability of the Debtors or the Plan Recovery Trustee to provide "adequate assurance of future performance" within the meaning of section 365 of the Bankruptcy Code with respect to a contract or lease to be assumed, to the extent required, or (C) any other matter pertaining to assumption and assignment.

Pending the Bankruptcy Court's ruling on any such dispute, the executory contract or unexpired lease at issue shall be deemed assumed by the Debtors, unless otherwise agreed by the parties or ordered by the Bankruptcy Court.

#### 6.1.3 Objections to Assumption or Cure Payments.

Any party to an executory contract or unexpired lease that is proposed to be assumed, or assumed and assigned, under the Plan that objects to such assumption, or assumption and assignment (including the proposed Cure Payment), must File with the Bankruptcy Court and serve on parties entitled to notice a written objection with any factual contentions therein supported by declarations or references to the record. Such objection must be Filed and served on or before the deadline established by the Solicitation Procedures Order. Any Person that fails to timely File and

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serve such objection shall be deemed to waive any and all objections to the proposed assumption, or assumption and assignment (including the proposed Cure Payment), of its contract or lease.

In the absence of a timely objection by a party to an executory contract or unexpired lease, the Confirmation Order shall constitute a conclusive determination regarding the amount of any Cure Payment and compensation due under the applicable executory contract or unexpired lease, as well as a conclusive finding that adequate assurance of future performance with respect to such executory contract or unexpired lease has been demonstrated, to the extent required.

# 6.1.4 <u>Resolution of Claims Relating to Assumed Executory Contracts and Unexpired Leases.</u>

Payment of the Cure Payment established under the Plan, by the Confirmation Order, or by any other order of the Bankruptcy Court, with respect to an assumed, or assumed and assigned, executory contract or unexpired lease, shall be deemed to satisfy, in full, any prepetition or postpetition arrearage or other Claim (including any Claim asserted in a Filed proof of claim or listed on the Schedules) with respect to such contract or lease (irrespective of whether the Cure Payment is less than the amount set forth in such proof of claim or the Schedules). Upon the tendering of the Cure Payment, any such Filed or Scheduled Claim shall be disallowed with prejudice, without further order of the Bankruptcy Court or action by any Person.

#### 6.2 Rejection of Executory Contracts and Unexpired Leases.

#### 6.2.1 Rejected Agreements.

On the Effective Date, all executory contracts and unexpired leases of the Debtors shall be rejected except for (i) executory contracts and unexpired leases that have been previously assumed or rejected by the Debtors, (ii) all executory contracts and unexpired leases specified as to be assumed in Section 6.1.1 above (including all contracts and leases set forth in the Schedule of Assumed Agreements, as may be amended), and (iii) any agreement, obligation, security interest, transaction, or similar undertaking that the Debtors believe is not executory or a lease, but that is later determined by the Bankruptcy Court to be an executory contract or unexpired lease that is subject to assumption or rejection under section 365 of the Bankruptcy Code. Executory contracts and unexpired leases that have been previously assumed, or assumed and assigned, pursuant to an order of the Bankruptcy Court shall not be affected by the Plan. The Confirmation Order will constitute a Bankruptcy Court order approving the rejection, on the Effective Date, of the executory contracts and unexpired leases to be rejected under the Plan.

#### 6.2.2 Rejection Claims Bar Date.

Any Rejection Claim or other Claim for damages arising from the rejection under the Plan of an executory contract or unexpired lease must be Filed and served no later than the Rejection Claims Bar Date. Any such Rejection Claim that is not timely Filed and served will be forever disallowed, barred, and unenforceable, and the Holder of such Claim will not receive and be barred from receiving any Distributions on account of such untimely Claim. The Plan Recovery Trustee may object to any Rejection Claim by the Claim Objection Deadline. The Rejection Claims Bar Date established by the Plan does not alter any rejection claims bar date established by an order of the Bankruptcy Court with respect to any executory contract or unexpired lease that was previously rejected in the Chapter 11 Cases.

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# ARTICLE VII. PROVISIONS GOVERNING DISTRIBUTIONS

#### 7.1 Timing of Distributions for Allowed Claims.

Except as otherwise provided herein or as ordered by the Bankruptcy Court, all Distributions to Holders of Allowed Claims and Plan Recovery Trust Units as of the applicable Distribution Date shall be made on or as soon as practicable after the applicable Distribution Date; provided, however, that the Plan Recovery Trustee, in its discretion, may defer Distributions to a Holder of Plan Recovery Trust Units (other than the final Distribution) if the amount available for Distribution to such Holder is not at least \$100. Notwithstanding anything else to the contrary in the Plan, and as provided in section 502(d) of the Bankruptcy Code, the Plan Recovery Trustee is not required to make any Distributions on account of Allowed Claims or Equity Interests, and no such Claims or Equity Interests shall be deemed Allowed, unless and until such Holder has paid the Net Prepetition Investor Recovery, or such portion thereof as agreed to as a compromise and settlement, to the Plan Recovery Trust or until any Plan Recovery Trust Action seeking recovery of the Net Prepetition Investor Recovery is disallowed in its entirety by a Final Order. Distributions on account of Claims or Equity Interests that first become Allowed Claims or Equity Interests after the applicable Distribution Date shall be made pursuant to Section 7.3 of the Plan and on the day selected by the Plan Recovery Trustee. Distributions made as soon as reasonably practicable after the Effective Date or such other date set forth herein shall be deemed to have been made on such date.

#### 7.2 Calculating Distributions and Related Matters.

The Plan Recovery Trust shall hold back from Distributions reasonable reserves when calculating Distributions (and amounts to hold in Distribution Reserves).

#### 7.3 Interest and Other Amounts Regarding Claims.

Except to the extent provided (i) in section 506(b) of the Bankruptcy Code and Allowed by a Final Order or otherwise agreed, (ii) in the Plan, or (iii) in the Confirmation Order, postpetition interest shall not accrue or be paid on any Claims, and no Holder of an Allowed Claim shall be entitled to interest, penalties, including, without limitation, prepayment penalties, fees, or late charges accruing or chargeable on any Claim from and after the Petition Date.

#### 7.4 Means of Cash Payment.

Cash payments under the Plan shall be made, in the sole discretion of the Plan Recovery Trustee, by check, wire transfer, electronic funds transfer, or ACH from a domestic bank. Cash payments to foreign Holders of Allowed Claims or Plan Recovery Trust Units may be made, in the sole discretion of the Plan Recovery Trustee, by such means as are necessary or customary in a particular foreign jurisdiction. Cash payments made pursuant to the Plan in the form of checks shall be null and void if not cashed within 180 calendar days of the date of issuance. Requests for reissuance of any check within 180 calendar days of the date of issuance shall be made in writing to the Plan Recovery Trustee.

#### 7.5 Form of Currency for Distributions.

All Distributions under the Plan shall be made in U.S. Dollars. Where a Claim has been denominated in foreign currency on a proof of claim, the Allowed amount of such Claim shall be calculated in U.S. Dollars based upon the currency conversion rate in place as of the Petition Date and in accordance with section 502(b) of the Bankruptcy Code.

#### 7.6 **Fractional Distributions.**

Notwithstanding anything in the Plan to the contrary, no payment of fractional cents shall be made pursuant to the Plan. Whenever any payment of a fraction of a cent under the Plan would otherwise be required, the actual Distribution made shall reflect a rounding of such fraction to the nearest whole penny (up or down), with half cents or more being rounded up and fractions less than half of a cent being rounded down.

#### 7.7 No Distributions With Respect to Certain Claims.

Notwithstanding anything in the Plan to the contrary, no Distribution or other consideration of any kind shall be made on account of any Contingent Claim, Unliquidated Claim, Disputed Claim, or Disputed Equity Interest unless and until such Claim or Equity Interest becomes an Allowed Claim or Allowed Equity Interest, and then only to the extent that such Claim or Equity Interest becomes an Allowed Claim or Allowed Equity Interest and as provided under the Plan for such Allowed Claim or Allowed Equity Interest. Nonetheless, in undertaking the calculations concerning Allowed Claims or Allowed Equity Interests under the Plan, including the determination of Distributions due to the Holders of Allowed Claims or Allowed Equity Interests, each Contingent Claim, Unliquidated Claim, Disputed Claim, or Disputed Equity Interest shall be treated as if it were an Allowed Claim or Allowed Equity Interest (which, for Unliquidated Claims, shall mean that they shall be treated as if Allowed in such amounts as determined in the reasonable discretion of the Plan Recovery Trustee), except that if the Bankruptcy Court estimates the likely portion of such a Claim or Equity Interest to be Allowed or authorized or the Holder of such Claim or Equity Interest and the Plan Recovery Trustee otherwise determine the amount that would constitute a sufficient reserve for such a Claim or Equity Interest, such amount as determined by the Bankruptcy Court or by agreement of the Holder of such Claim or Equity Interest and the Plan Recovery Trustee shall be used with respect to such Claim or Equity Interest. A Distribution due on account of a Contingent Claim, Unliquidated Claim, Disputed Claim, or Disputed Equity Interest shall be held in reserve by the Plan Recovery Trustee in one or more Distribution Reserves. The Plan Recovery Trust will elect to treat any Distribution Reserve as a "Disputed Ownership Fund," pursuant to Treasury Regulation section 1.468B-9(c)(2)(ii). As outlined in this Section, Holders of such Claims or Equity Interests are not treated as transferors of the money or property transferred to the "Disputed Ownership Fund." For federal income tax purposes, a "Disputed Ownership Fund" is treated as the owner of all assets that it holds. A "Disputed Ownership Fund" is treated as a C corporation for purposes of the Internal Revenue Code. A "Disputed Ownership Fund" must file all required income and information tax returns and make all tax payments.

#### 7.8 **Delivery of Distributions.**

Distributions on account of Plan Recovery Trust Units shall be made to Holders of Plan Recovery Trust Units as of the record date set for such Distribution. Distributions to a Holder of Plan Recovery Trust Units or an Allowed Claim that has not been converted to Plan Recovery Trust Units shall be made (a) at the address for distributions set forth in the proof of claim Filed by such Holder, (b) at the address stated in the Schedules if no proof of claim has been Filed, or (c) at the address set forth in the most recent written notice of address change delivered to the Claims Agent or the Plan Recovery Trustee. If any Distribution to a Holder of Plan Recovery Trust Units or an Allowed Claim is returned as undeliverable, no further Distribution to such Holder shall be made unless and until the Plan Recovery Trustee is notified of such Holder's then-current address. The responsibility to provide the Claims Agent or the Plan Recovery Trustee with a current address of a Holder of a Plan Recovery Trust Unit or Claim shall always be the responsibility of such Holder. Amounts on account of undeliverable Distributions shall be held in trust by the Plan Recovery Trustee on behalf of the Holder of the Plan Recovery Trust Unit or Claim to which they are payable until the earlier of (i) the date that such undeliverable Distributions are claimed by such Holder and (ii) 180 calendar days after the date that the undeliverable Distributions were made.

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#### 7.9 Application of Distribution Record Date and Other Transfer Restrictions.

At the close of business on the Distribution Record Date, the claims registers for all Claims and Equity Interests shall be closed, and there shall be no further changes in the record holders of any Claims or Equity Interests. Except as provided herein, the Plan Recovery Trust shall have no obligation to recognize any putative transfer of a Claim or Equity Interest or portion thereof occurring after the Distribution Record Date and shall be entitled instead to recognize and deal for all purposes hereunder with only those record holders stated on the claims registers as of the close of business on the Distribution Record Date irrespective of the number of Distributions to be made under the Plan to such Persons or the date of such Distributions.

#### 7.10 Withholding, Payment, and Reporting Requirements Regarding Distributions.

All Distributions under the Plan shall, to the extent applicable, comply with all tax withholding, payment, and reporting requirements imposed by any federal, state, provincial, local, or foreign taxing authority, and all Distributions shall be subject to any such withholding, payment, and reporting requirements. The Plan Recovery Trust shall be authorized to take any and all actions that may be necessary or appropriate to comply with such tax withholding, payment, and reporting requirements, including, to the extent such information is not already available to the Plan Recovery Trust, requiring each Holder of a Plan Recovery Trust Unit or Claim to provide an executed current Form W-9, Form W-8, or similar tax form as a prerequisite to receiving a Distribution. Notwithstanding any other provision of the Plan, (a) each Holder of a Plan Recovery Trust Unit or an Allowed Claim that is to receive a Distribution pursuant to the Plan shall have sole and exclusive responsibility for the satisfaction and payment of any tax obligations imposed by any governmental unit, including income, withholding, and other tax obligations, on account of such Distribution, and including, in the case of any Holder of a Disputed Claim that has become an Allowed Claim, any tax obligation that would be imposed on the Plan Recovery Trust in connection with such Distribution; and (b) no Distribution shall be made to or on behalf of such Holder pursuant to the Plan unless and until such Holder has made arrangements reasonably satisfactory to the Plan Recovery Trust for the payment and satisfaction of such withholding tax obligations or such tax obligation that would be imposed in connection with such Distribution.

#### 7.11 Defenses and Setoffs.

On and after the Effective Date, the Plan Recovery Trust shall have all of the Debtors' and the Estates' rights and defenses under section 558 of the Bankruptcy Code. Nothing under the Plan shall affect the rights and defenses of the Debtors, the Estates, or the Plan Recovery Trust on account of any Claim or Equity Interest, including all rights with respect to legal and equitable objections, defenses, setoffs, or recoupment against such Claims and Equity Interests. Accordingly, the Plan Recovery Trust may, but shall not be required to, set off against any Claim or Equity Interest or any Allowed Claim or Equity Interest, and the payments or other Distributions to be made pursuant to the Plan on account of such Claim or Equity Interest, claims, rights, or defenses of any nature whatsoever that the Debtors, the Estates, or the Plan Recovery Trust, as applicable, may have against the Holder of such Claim or Equity Interest; *provided, however*, that neither the failure to do so nor the allowance of any Claim or Equity Interest hereunder shall constitute a waiver or release of any such claims, rights, or defenses that may exist against such Holder.

#### 7.12 Allocation of Distributions.

A Distribution received under the Plan by a Holder of a Claim or Plan Recovery Trust Units shall be deemed to be allocated first to the principal amount of such Claim, or the Claim to which the applicable Plan Recovery Trust Unit relates, as determined for United States federal income tax purposes, and then to accrued interest, if any, with respect to such Claim.

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#### 7.13 Joint Distributions.

The Plan Recovery Trustee may, in its sole discretion, make Distributions jointly to a Holder of a Claim or Plan Recovery Trust Unit and any other Person or Entity that the Plan Recovery Trustee has determined to have an interest in such Claim or Plan Recovery Trust Unit.

#### 7.14 Forfeiture of Distributions.

If the Holder of a Claim or Plan Recovery Trust Unit fails to cash a check payable to it within the time period set forth in Section 7.4, fails to claim an undeliverable Distribution within the time limit set forth in Section 7.8, or fails to complete and return to the Plan Recovery Trustee the appropriate Form W-8 or Form W-9 within 180 calendar days after a request for the completion and return of the appropriate form pursuant to Section 7.10 (or such later time as approved by a Bankruptcy Court order), then such Holder shall be deemed to have forfeited its right to any reserved and future Distributions under the Plan. Any such forfeited Distributions shall be deemed Available Cash for all purposes, notwithstanding any federal or state escheat laws to the contrary.

#### ARTICLE VIII. PROCEDURES FOR RESOLVING DISPUTED, CONTINGENT, AND UNLIQUIDATED CLAIMS AND EQUITY INTERESTS AND DISTRIBUTIONS WITH RESPECT THERETO

#### 8.1 Objections to and Resolution of Disputed Claims and Equity Interests, Including Any Claims or Equity Interests of Excluded Parties or Disputing Investors.

From and after the Effective Date, the Plan Recovery Trustee shall have the exclusive authority to compromise, resolve, and Allow any Disputed Claim or Disputed Equity Interest without the need to obtain approval from the Bankruptcy Court, except as otherwise provided in the Plan Recovery Trust Agreement, and an agreement entered into by the Plan Recovery Trustee with respect to the Allowance of a Claim or Equity Interest shall be conclusive evidence and a final determination of the Allowance of such Claim or Equity Interest; provided, however, that, under the Plan, a Claim or Equity Interest asserted by an Excluded Party or Disputing Investor is a Disputed Claim or Disputed Equity Interest, as applicable, in its entirety and will have no right to receive a Distribution under the Plan unless and until such Claim or Equity Interest is affirmatively Allowed by a Final Order.

#### 8.2 Claim and Equity Interest Objections.

Except as otherwise provided in the Investor Settlement Amount Procedures Order, all objections to Claims or Equity Interests (other than Professional Fee Claims, which shall be governed by Section 3.3.3 of the Plan) shall be Filed by the Plan Recovery Trustee on or before the Claim Objection Deadline, which date may be extended on presentment of an order to the Bankruptcy Court by the Plan Recovery Trustee prior to the expiration of such period and without need for notice or hearing. If a timely objection has not been Filed to a proof of claim or proof of interest or the Schedules have not been amended with respect to a Claim or Equity Interest that was Scheduled by the Debtors but was not Scheduled as contingent, unliquidated, or disputed, then the Claim to which the proof of claim or Scheduled Claim relates will be treated as an Allowed Claim and the Equity Interest to which the proof of interest or Scheduled Equity Interest will be treated as an Allowed Equity Interest, as applicable.

#### 8.3 **Estimation of Certain Claims.**

The Plan Recovery Trustee may, at any time, move for a Bankruptcy Court order estimating any Contingent Claim, Disputed Claim, or Unliquidated Claim pursuant to section 502(c) of the Bankruptcy Code, regardless of whether the Debtors have previously objected to

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such Claim or whether the Bankruptcy Court has ruled on any such objection, and the Bankruptcy Court shall retain jurisdiction and power to estimate any Claim at any time during litigation concerning any objection to any Claim, including during the pendency of any appeal relating to any such objection.

#### 8.4 Distributions Following Allowance.

Once a Contingent Claim, Unliquidated Claim, or a Disputed Claim or Equity Interest becomes an Allowed Claim or Equity Interest, in whole or in part, including pursuant to the Plan, the Plan Recovery Trust shall distribute from the applicable Distribution Reserves to the Holder of such Allowed Claim or Equity Interest the Distributions, if any, to which such Holder is then entitled to under the Plan. Such Distributions, if any, shall be made on the next Distribution Date after the date on which the order or judgment allowing any such Claim or Equity Interest becomes a Final Order or on which the Claim or Equity Interest otherwise becomes an Allowed Claim or Equity Interest, or, if there is no applicable Distribution Date, then within ninety (90) calendar days after the date on which the Claim becomes an Allowed Claim or Equity Interest. Unless otherwise specifically provided in the Plan or allowed by a Final Order, no interest shall be paid on Contingent Claims Unliquidated Claims, or Disputed Claims or Equity Interests that later become Allowed Claims or Equity Interests.

#### 8.5 Disposition of Assets in Reserves After Disallowance.

After an objection to a Disputed Claim or Equity Interest is sustained or a Contingent or Unliquidated Claim has been determined in whole or in part by a Final Order or by agreement, such that the Contingent Claim, Unliquidated Claim, or Disputed Claim or Equity Interest is a Disallowed Claim or Equity Interest in whole or in part, any Cash held in an applicable Distribution Reserve on account of the particular Claim or Equity Interest in excess of the Distributions due on account of any resulting Allowed Claim or Equity Interest shall be used or distributed in a manner consistent with the Plan and any reserved Plan Recovery Trust Units shall be cancelled.

# ARTICLE IX. CONDITIONS PRECEDENT TO THE EFFECTIVE DATE

#### 9.1 Conditions to the Effective Date.

The Effective Date shall not occur and the Plan shall not be consummated unless and until each of the following conditions has been satisfied or duly waived pursuant to Section 9.2 of the Plan:

- (a) the Bankruptcy Court shall have entered the Confirmation Order in a form reasonably acceptable to the Plan Proponents;
- (b) the Confirmation Order shall not be subject to any stay;
- (c) the Confirmation Order shall contain a finding in a form reasonably acceptable to the Plan Proponents that the Debtors were operated as a Ponzi scheme;
- (d) all governmental and material third-party approvals and consents necessary in connection with the transactions contemplated by the Plan, if any, shall have been obtained and be in full force and effect;
- (e) all actions and all agreements, instruments, or other documents necessary to implement the terms and provisions of the Plan shall have been effected or executed and delivered, as applicable;

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(f) the Professional Fee Reserve shall have been funded pursuant to Section 3.3.3 of the Plan; and

(g) the Committee shall have chosen the members of the Oversight Committee.

#### 9.2 Waiver of Conditions to the Effective Date.

The conditions to the Effective Date set forth in Section 9.1 of the Plan may be waived in writing by agreement of each of the Plan Proponents in their reasonable discretion, at any time without further order.

#### 9.3 Effect of Non-Occurrence of Conditions to the Effective Date.

If any condition to the Effective Date is not satisfied or duly waived in accordance with Section 9.1 and Section 9.2 of the Plan, upon notification Filed by the Debtors with the Bankruptcy Court, (i) the Confirmation Order shall be vacated; (ii) no Distributions shall be made; (iii) the Debtors, the Estates, the Committee and all Creditors shall be restored to the *status quo* as of the day immediately preceding the Confirmation Hearing as though the Confirmation Order was not entered; and (iv) all of the Debtors' and the Estates' obligations with respect to Claims or Equity Interests shall remain unchanged and nothing contained in the Plan shall constitute a waiver or release of any Causes of Action by or against the Debtors, the Estates, or any other Person or prejudice in any manner the rights, claims, or defenses of the Debtors, the Estates, or any other Person.

#### 9.4 Notice of the Effective Date.

Promptly after the occurrence of the Effective Date, the Plan Recovery Trustee or its agents shall mail or cause to be mailed to all Creditors a notice that informs such Creditors of (i) entry of the Confirmation Order and the resulting confirmation of the Plan; (ii) the occurrence of the Effective Date; (iii) the assumption, assignment, and rejection of executory contracts and unexpired leases pursuant to the Plan, as well as the deadline for the filing of resulting Rejection Claims; (iv) the deadline established under the Plan for the filing of Administrative Expense Claims; and (v) such other matters as the Plan Recovery Trustee finds appropriate.

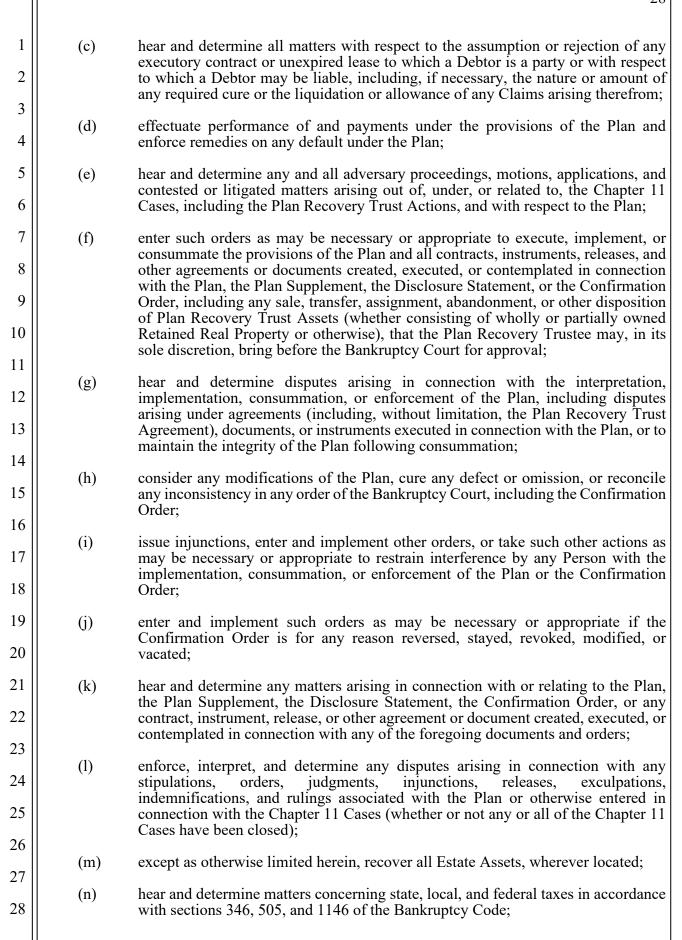
# ARTICLE X. RETENTION OF JURISDICTION AND POWER

#### 10.1 Scope of Retained Jurisdiction and Power.

Under sections 105(a) and 1142 of the Bankruptcy Code, and notwithstanding entry of the Confirmation Order and occurrence of the Effective Date, and except as otherwise ordered by the Bankruptcy Court, the Bankruptcy Court shall retain jurisdiction and power over all matters arising in, arising under, or related to the Chapter 11 Cases and the Plan to the fullest extent permitted by law, including jurisdiction and power to do the following:

- (a) except as otherwise Allowed pursuant to the Plan or in the Confirmation Order, Allow, classify, determine, disallow, establish the priority or secured or unsecured status of, estimate, limit, liquidate, or subordinate any Claim or Equity Interest, in whole or in part, including the resolution of any request for payment of any Administrative Claim and the resolution of any objections to the allowance or priority of Claims or Equity Interests;
- (b) hear and determine all applications for compensation and reimbursement of expenses of Professionals under the Plan or under sections 327, 328, 330, 331, 363, 503(b), 1103, and 1129(a)(4) of the Bankruptcy Code;

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(o) hear and determine such other matters as may be provided in the Confirmation Order or as may be authorized under, or not inconsistent with, the Bankruptcy Code and title 28 of the United States Code;

- (p) resolve any cases, controversies, suits, or disputes related to the Plan Recovery Trust, the Oversight Committee, or the Plan Recovery Trustee; and
- (q) enter a Final Decree closing the Chapter 11 Cases of the Debtors.

#### 10.2 Reserved Rights to Seek Bankruptcy Court Approval.

Even if the Plan allows an action to be taken without Bankruptcy Court approval, the Plan Recovery Trustee may seek explicit approval from the Bankruptcy Court for such an action, including the administration, distribution, or proposed sale of any of the Plan Recovery Trust Assets. The Bankruptcy Court shall retain jurisdiction and power for such purposes and shall approve or disapprove any such proposed action upon motion Filed by the Plan Recovery Trustee.

#### 10.3 Non-Exercise of Jurisdiction.

If the Bankruptcy Court abstains from exercising, or declines to exercise, jurisdiction or is otherwise without jurisdiction over any matter arising in, arising under, or related to the Chapter 11 Cases, including the matters set forth in Section 10.1 of the Plan, the provisions of this ARTICLE X shall have no effect on, and shall not control, limit, or prohibit the exercise of jurisdiction by any other court having competent jurisdiction with respect to, such matter.

# ARTICLE XI. RELEASES; INJUNCTION

#### 11.1 Non-Discharge of the Debtors.

In accordance with section 1141(d)(3)(A) of the Bankruptcy Code, the Plan does not discharge the Debtors. Section 1141(c) of the Bankruptcy Code nevertheless provides, among other things, that the property dealt with by the Plan, including, without limitation, the Retained Real Properties, is free and clear of all claims and interests of creditors, equity security holders, and of general partners in the Debtors. Accordingly, as of the Effective Date, all Entities are precluded and barred from asserting against any property to be distributed under the Plan any Claims, rights, Causes of Action, liabilities, Equity Interests, or other action or remedy based on any act, omission, transaction, or other activity that occurred before the Effective Date, except as expressly provided in the Plan or the Confirmation Order.

#### 11.2 Debtors' Releases.

(a) On the Effective Date, for good and valuable consideration, the adequacy of which is hereby confirmed, each of the Debtors shall be deemed to have forever released, waived, and discharged each of the other Debtors from any and all claims, obligations, suits, judgments, damages, demands, debts, rights, Causes of Action, and liabilities whatsoever, whether known or unknown, whether foreseen or unforeseen, whether liquidated or unliquidated, whether fixed or contingent, whether matured or unmatured, existing or hereafter arising, at law, in equity, or otherwise, that are based in whole or in part on any act, omission, transaction, event, or other occurrence taking place on or prior to the Effective Date in any way relating to the Debtors, the conduct of the Debtors' businesses, the Chapter 11 Cases, or the Plan.

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(b) Entry of the Confirmation Order shall constitute (i) the Bankruptcy Court's approval, pursuant to Bankruptcy Rule 9019, of the releases set forth in this Section 11.2; and (ii) the Bankruptcy Court's findings that such releases are (1) in exchange for good and valuable consideration provided by the Debtors (including performance of the terms of the Plan), and a good-faith settlement and compromise of the released claims, (2) in the best interests of the Debtors and their Estates, (3) fair, equitable, and reasonable, and (4) given and made after due notice and opportunity for hearing.

#### 11.3 Exculpation.

On the Effective Date, to the maximum extent permitted by law, no Exculpated Party shall have or incur, and each Exculpated Party is hereby exculpated from, any Claim, interest, obligation, suit, judgment, damage, demand, debt, right, Cause of Action, loss, remedy, or liability to any Person or Entity, including to any Holder of a Claim or Equity Interest, for any claim (including, but not limited to, any claim for breach of any fiduciary duty or any similar duty), for any act or omission in connection with, relating to, or arising out of the Chapter 11 Cases, including the formulation, negotiation, preparation, dissemination, solicitation of acceptances, implementation, confirmation, or consummation of the Plan, the Disclosure Statement, or any contract, instrument, release, or other agreement or document created, executed, or contemplated in connection with the Plan, or the administration of the Plan, or the administration of the Chapter 11 cases, or the operation of the Debtors' businesses during the Chapter 11 Cases, or the disposition of property and cash to be distributed during the Chapter 11 Cases or to be distributed under the Plan; provided, however, that the exculpation provisions of this Section 11.3 shall only apply, with respect to the Responsible Individual and its Professionals, to acts or omissions occurring after the Order for Relief Date; provided, further, that the exculpation provisions of this Section 11.3 shall not apply to acts or omissions constituting gross negligence, intentional fraud, or willful misconduct by such Exculpated Party as determined by a Final Order. For purposes of the foregoing, it is expressly understood that any act or omission effected with the approval of the Bankruptcy Court will be conclusively presumed not to constitute intentional fraud or willful misconduct unless the approval of the Bankruptcy Court was obtained by intentional fraud or intentional misrepresentation, and the Exculpated Parties shall be entitled in all respects to rely on the written advice of counsel with respect to their duties and responsibilities under, or in connection with, the Chapter 11 Cases, the Plan, and administration thereof. This exculpation shall be in addition to, and not in limitation of, all other releases, indemnities, exculpations, and any other applicable law or rules protecting such Exculpated Parties from liability.

#### 11.4 Injunctions Related to Releases and Exculpation.

All Persons and Entities are permanently enjoined from: commencing or prosecuting, whether directly, derivatively, or otherwise, any Claims, obligations, suits, judgments, damages, demands, debts, rights, Causes of Action, losses, or liabilities released or exculpated pursuant to this Plan. Prior to commencing an action against an Exculpated Party in any way related to or connected with the Chapter 11 Cases, any Person or Entity must first seek a determination that the claims asserted in such action are excluded from the exculpation provisions herein and permission from the Bankruptcy Court to prosecute such action. The Bankruptcy Court shall retain exclusive jurisdiction to determine the scope and effect of any release or exculpation provided herein.

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## ARTICLE XII. MISCELLANEOUS PROVISIONS

#### 12.1 Payment of Statutory Fees.

All fees payable pursuant to 28 U.S.C. § 1930, as determined by the Bankruptcy Court at the Confirmation Hearing, shall be paid by the Debtors on or before the Effective Date. All such fees that arise after the Effective Date shall be paid from the Plan Recovery Trust.

#### 12.2 SEC-Related Provisions.

Notwithstanding any provision herein to the contrary or an abstention from voting on the Plan, no provision of the Plan, or any order confirming the Plan: (i) releases any non-debtor Person or Entity from any claim or cause of action of the SEC; or (ii) enjoins, limits, impairs, or delays the SEC from commencing or continuing any claims, causes of action, proceedings, or investigations against any non-debtor person or entity in any forum.

#### 12.3 Post-Effective-Date Reporting.

- (a) Beginning the first quarter-end following the Effective Date and continuing on each quarter-end thereafter until the Closing Date, within thirty (30) calendar days after the end of such period, the Plan Recovery Trustee shall File quarterly reports with the Bankruptcy Court. Each quarterly report shall contain financial, Distributions, settlement, sale, and such other information as provided for in the Plan Recovery Trust Agreement.
- (b) The Plan Recovery Trustee shall, as soon as practicable after the end of each calendar year and upon termination of the Plan Recovery Trust, provide or make available a written report and account to the Plan Recovery Trust Beneficiaries which report and account sets forth (i) the assets and liabilities of the Plan Recovery Trust at the end of such calendar year or upon termination, (ii) the receipts and disbursements of the Plan Recovery Trust for such calendar year or period, and (iii) changes in the Plan Recovery Trust Assets and actions taken by the Plan Recovery Trustee in the performance of its duties under the Plan or the Plan Recovery Trust Agreement that the Plan Recovery Trustee determines in its discretion may be relevant to Plan Recovery Trust Beneficiaries, such as material changes or actions that, in the opinion of the Plan Recovery Trustee, may have a material effect on the Plan Recovery Trust Assets that were not previously reported. Such reports may be provided or made available to the Plan Recovery Trust Beneficiaries, in the discretion of the Plan Recovery Trustee, by any reasonable means, including U.S. mail, electronic transmission, or a virtual data room to which Plan Recovery Trust Beneficiaries shall have access, or publication to a publiclyavailable website or by press release distributed via a generally recognized business news service. The Plan Recovery Trustee may provide or make available to the Plan Recovery Trust Beneficiaries similar reports for such interim periods during the calendar year as the Plan Recovery Trustee deems advisable.

#### 12.4 Dissolution of the Committee.

The Committee shall be automatically dissolved on the Effective Date and, on the Effective Date, each member thereof and each Professional retained by the Committee shall be released and discharged from all rights, duties, responsibilities, and obligations arising from, or related to, the Debtors, their membership on the Committee, the Plan, or the Chapter 11 Cases, except with respect to the rights (if any) of former members of the Committee to select successor designees on the Oversight Committee in accordance with the terms of the Plan Recovery Trust Agreement.

#### 12.5 Modifications and Amendments.

- (a) In the Plan Proponents' reasonable discretion, the Plan Proponents may alter, amend, or modify the Plan under section 1127(a) of the Bankruptcy Code at any time at or prior to the conclusion of the Confirmation Hearing, provided that the Schedule of Assumed Contracts may be altered, amended, or modified up until the Effective Date or by further order of the Bankruptcy Court. All alterations, amendments, or modifications to the Plan must comply with section 1127 of the Bankruptcy Code. The Debtors shall provide parties in interest with notice of such alterations, amendments, or modifications as may be required by the Bankruptcy Rules or order of the Bankruptcy Court. A Creditor that has accepted the Plan shall be deemed to have accepted the Plan, as altered, amended, or modified, if the proposed alteration, amendment, or modification does not materially and adversely change the treatment of the Claim or Equity Interest of such Creditor.
- (b) After entry of the Confirmation Order and prior to substantial consummation of the Plan (as defined in section 1101(2) of the Bankruptcy Code), the Plan Proponents or the Plan Recovery Trust, as applicable, may, under section 1127(b) of the Bankruptcy Code, institute proceedings in the Bankruptcy Court to remedy any defect or omission or to reconcile any inconsistencies in the Plan, the Disclosure Statement approved with respect to the Plan, or the Confirmation Order, and such matters as may be necessary to carry out the purpose and effect of the Plan so long as such proceedings do not adversely affect the treatment of Holders of Claims or Equity Interests under the Plan. Such proceedings must comply with section 1127 of the Bankruptcy Code. To the extent required, notice of such proceedings shall be served in accordance with the Bankruptcy Rules or an order of the Bankruptcy Court. A Creditor that has accepted the Plan shall be deemed to have accepted the Plan, as altered, amended, or modified, if the proposed alteration, amendment, or modification does not materially and adversely change the treatment of the Claim or Equity Interests of such Creditor.

#### 12.6 Severability of Plan Provisions.

If, at or before the Confirmation Hearing, the Bankruptcy Court holds that any Plan term or provision is invalid, void, or unenforceable, the Bankruptcy Court may alter or interpret that term or provision so that it is valid and enforceable to the maximum extent possible consistent with the original purpose of that term or provision. That term or provision will then be applicable as altered or interpreted. Notwithstanding any such holding, alteration, or interpretation, the Plan's remaining terms and provisions will remain in full force and effect and will in no way be affected, impaired, or invalidated. The Confirmation Order will constitute a judicial determination providing that each Plan term and provision, as it may have been altered or interpreted in accordance with this Section, is valid and enforceable under its terms.

#### 12.7 Compromises and Settlements.

From and after the Effective Date, the Plan Recovery Trustee, subject to the terms of the Plan Recovery Trust Agreement, may compromise and settle disputes with respect to any Claim or Equity Interest or any Plan Recovery Trust Action without any further approval by the Bankruptcy Court. Until the Effective Date, the Debtors expressly reserve the right to compromise and settle, subject to the approval of the Bankruptcy Court, any Claim against them, any Equity Interest asserted in them, or any Avoidance Action or Cause of Action belonging to the Estates.

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#### 12.8 Binding Effect of Plan.

Upon the Effective Date, section 1141 of the Bankruptcy Code shall become applicable with respect to the Plan, and the Plan shall be binding on all Entities to the fullest extent permitted by section 1141(a) of the Bankruptcy Code. Confirmation of the Plan binds each Holder of a Claim or Equity Interest to all the terms and conditions of the Plan, whether or not such Holder's Claim or Equity Interest is Allowed, whether or not such Holder holds a Claim or Equity Interest that is in a Class that is Impaired under the Plan, and whether or not such Holder has accepted the Plan.

#### 12.9 Term of Injunctions or Stays.

Unless otherwise provided herein or in the Confirmation Order, all injunctions or stays in the Chapter 11 Cases under sections 105 or 362 of the Bankruptcy Code or otherwise, and extant as of the Confirmation Hearing (excluding any injunctions or stays contained in or arising from the Plan or the Confirmation Order), shall remain in full force and effect through the Effective Date.

#### 12.10 Revocation, Withdrawal, or Non-Consummation.

The Plan Proponents reserve the right to revoke or withdraw the Plan at any time prior to the Confirmation Hearing and to File subsequent plans. If the Plan Proponents revoke or withdraw the Plan prior to the Confirmation Hearing, or if the Effective Date does not occur, then (a) the Plan shall be null and void in all respects; and (b) nothing contained in the Plan, and no acts taken in preparation for consummation of the Plan, shall (i) constitute or be deemed to constitute a waiver or release of any Claims against, or any Equity Interests in, any Debtor, or any Causes of Action by or against any Debtor or any other Entity, (ii) prejudice in any manner the rights of any Debtor or any other Entity in any further proceedings involving a Debtor, or (iii) constitute an admission of any sort by any Debtor or any other Entity.

#### 12.11 Exemption from Transfer Taxes.

Pursuant to section 1146 of the Bankruptcy Code, the vesting of the Plan Recovery Trust Assets in the Plan Recovery Trust, the issuance, transfer, or exchange of notes or equity securities under the Plan, the creation of any mortgage, deed of trust, lien, pledge, or other security interest, or the making or assignment of any lease or sublease, or making or delivery of any deed or other instrument of transfer under, in furtherance of, or in connection with the Plan, shall not be subject to any stamp, real estate transfer, mortgage recording, or other similar tax.

#### **12.12** Computation of Time.

In computing any period of time prescribed or allowed by the Plan, the provisions of Bankruptcy Rule 9006(a) shall apply.

#### 12.13 Transactions on Business Days.

If the Effective Date or any other date on which a transaction may occur under the Plan shall occur on a date that is not a Business Day, any transactions or other actions contemplated by the Plan to occur on such date shall instead occur on the next Business Day.

#### 12.14 Good Faith.

Confirmation of the Plan shall constitute a conclusive determination that: (a) the Plan, and all the transactions and settlements contemplated thereby, have been proposed in good faith and in compliance with all applicable provisions of the Bankruptcy Code and the Bankruptcy Rules; and (b) the solicitation of acceptances or rejections of the Plan has been in good faith and in compliance

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with all applicable provisions of the Bankruptcy Code and the Bankruptcy Rules, and, in each case, that the Plan Proponents and their respective Related Parties have acted in good faith in connection therewith.

#### 12.15 Governing Law.

Unless a rule of law or procedure is supplied by federal law (including the Bankruptcy Code and Bankruptcy Rules), (a) the laws of the State of California shall govern the construction and implementation of the Plan and any agreements, documents, and instruments executed in connection with the Plan (except as may be provided otherwise in any such agreements, documents, or instruments) and (b) the laws of the state of incorporation or formation of each Debtor shall govern corporate, limited liability company, or limited partnership governance matters with respect to such Debtor; in each case without giving effect to the principles of conflicts of law thereof. Any applicable non-bankruptcy law that would prohibit, limit, or otherwise restrict implementation of the Plan based on (i) the commencement of the Chapter 11 Cases, (ii) the appointment of the Plan Recovery Trustee, (iii) the wind down of the Debtors, (iv) the monetization of some or all of the Plan Recovery Trust Assets, or (v) any other act or action to be done pursuant to or contemplated by the Plan is superseded and rendered inoperative by the Plan and federal bankruptcy law.

#### **12.16** Notices.

Following the Effective Date, all pleadings and notices Filed in the Chapter 11 Cases shall be served solely on (a) the Plan Recovery Trust and its counsel, (b) the U.S. Trustee, (c) any Person whose rights are affected by the applicable pleading or notice, and (d) any Person Filing a specific request for notices and papers on and after the Effective Date.

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12.17 Final Decree.

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Upon the Plan Recovery Trustee's determination that all Claims and Equity Interests have been Allowed, disallowed, expunged, or withdrawn and that all Plan Recovery Trust Assets have been monetized, abandoned, or otherwise administered, the Plan Recovery Trust shall move for the entry of the Final Decree. On entry of the Final Decree, the Plan Recovery Trustee and the Oversight Committee shall be deemed discharged and have no further duties or obligations to the Plan Recovery Trust or any other Entity.

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#### 12.18 Additional Documents.

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such agreements and other documents as may be necessary or appropriate to effectuate and further evidence the terms and conditions of the Plan. The Debtors and the Plan Recovery Trust, as applicable, and all Holders receiving Distributions pursuant to the Plan and all other parties in interest may, from time to time, prepare, execute, and deliver any agreements or documents and take any other acts as may be necessary or advisable to effectuate the provisions and intent of the Plan.

On or before the Effective Date, the Plan Proponents may File with the Bankruptcy Court

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#### 12.19 Conflicts with the Plan.

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In the event and to the extent that any provision of the Plan is inconsistent with the provisions of the Disclosure Statement, any other order entered in the Chapter 11 Cases, or any other agreement to be executed by any Person pursuant to the Plan, the provisions of the Plan shall control and take precedence; provided, however, that if there is any inconsistency between the Plan, the provisions of the Disclosure Statement, and any other order entered in the Chapter 11 Cases, on the one hand, and the Plan Recovery Trust Agreement regarding the protocols, authority and decision-making power of the Oversight Committee, on the other hand, the specific provisions

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1 in the Plan Recovery Trust Agreement regarding the Oversight Committee shall control; provided, further, that the Confirmation Order shall control and take precedence in the event of any 2 inconsistency between the Confirmation Order, any provision of the Plan, and any of the foregoing documents. 3 ARTICLE XIII. 4 REQUEST FOR CONFIRMATION AND RECOMMENDATION 5 13.1 **Request for Confirmation.** 6 The Plan Proponents request confirmation of the Plan in accordance with section 1129 of the Bankruptcy Code. 7 13.2 Recommendation. 8 The Plan Proponents believe that confirmation and implementation of the Plan are the best 9 alternative under the circumstances and urge all Holders of Claims and Equity Interests entitled to vote on the Plan to vote in favor of and support confirmation of the Plan. 10 11 Respectfully submitted, 12 LEFEVER MATTSON, A CALIFORNIA CORPORATION, ET AL. 13 14 By: /s/ Bradley D. Sharp 15 Name: Bradley D. Sharp Title: Chief Restructuring Officer 16 KS MATTSON PARTNERS, LP 17 18 /s/ Robbin Itkin By: 19 Name: Robbin Itkin Title: Responsible Individual 20 21 OFFICIAL COMMITTEE OF UNSECURED CREDITORS 22 OF LEFEVER MATTSON, A CALIFORNIA CORPORATION, ET AL. 23 24 /s/ Kevin Katari By: Name: Kevin Katari 25 Title: Chairperson 26 27 28

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### EXHIBIT A

#### **Defined Terms**

- 1. "Administrative Expense Claim" means a Claim, to the extent not previously paid, otherwise satisfied, or withdrawn, for costs and expenses of administration of the Chapter 11 Cases pursuant to sections 503(b), 507(a)(2), 507(b), or 1114(e)(2) of the Bankruptcy Code, including: (a) the actual and necessary costs and expenses incurred on or after the Petition Date or the Order for Relief Date, as applicable, until and including the Effective Date, of preserving the Estates and operating the Debtors' businesses; (b) all fees and charges assessed against the Estates under chapter 123 of Title 28 of the United States Code; and (c) all Section 503(b)(9) Claims.
- 2. "Administrative Expense Claims Bar Date" means the last date by which any Person must File a request for payment of an Administrative Expense Claim other than a Professional Fee Claim, which date shall be the first Business Day that is at least thirty (30) calendar days after the Effective Date. Post-petition statutory tax Claims shall not be subject to the Administrative Expense Claims Bar Date. In the case of the LFM Debtors, the Claims Bar Date for Section 503(b)(9) Claims is the LFM General Claims Bar Date. In the case of the KSMP Debtors, the Claims Bar Date for Section 503(b)(9) Claims is the Administrative Expense Claims Bar Date.
  - 3. "Allowed, Allowed Claim, or Allowed [] Claim" means:
  - (a) with respect to a Claim arising prior to the Petition Date (including, in the case of the LFM Debtors, a Section 503(b)(9) Claim):
    - (i) either (A) a proof of claim was timely Filed by the applicable Claims Bar Date, or (B) a proof of claim is deemed timely Filed either as a result of such Claim being Scheduled or by a Final Order; and
    - (ii) either (A) the Claim is not a Contingent Claim, a Disputed Claim, an Unliquidated Claim, or a Disallowed Claim; or (B) the Claim is expressly allowed by a Final Order or under the Plan;
  - (b) with respect to a Claim arising on or after the Petition Date (excluding, in the case of the LFM Debtors, a Section 503(b)(9) Claim), a Claim that has been allowed by a Final Order or under the Plan.

Unless otherwise specified in the Plan or by a Final Order, an "Allowed Administrative Expense Claim" or "Allowed Claim" shall not, for any purpose under the Plan, include interest, penalties, fees, or late charges on such Administrative Expense Claim or Claim from and after the Petition Date. Moreover, any portion of a Claim that is withdrawn, expunged, satisfied, released, or waived during the Chapter 11 Cases or following the Effective Date is not an Allowed Claim. Any and all Claims allowed solely for the purpose of voting to accept or reject the Plan pursuant to an order of the Bankruptcy Court shall not be considered "Allowed Claims" hereunder. Notwithstanding any of the foregoing, Investor Claims will be Allowed as set forth in Section 7.3 of the Plan and the LFM Bar Date Order.

- 4. "Allowed Equity Interest" means an Equity Interest that is not a Disputed Equity Interest or Disallowed Equity Interest.
- 5. "Available Cash" means all Cash held by the Debtors on the Effective Date or by the Plan Recovery Trust from the Effective Date; in each case, after payments, allocations, or reserves in accordance with the Plan and the Plan Recovery Trust Agreement.

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- 6. "Avoidance Actions" means any and all causes of action, claims, remedies, or rights that may be brought by or on behalf of the Debtors or the Estates under sections 506(c), 510, 542, 544, 545, 547, 548, 549, 550, 551, 552(b) or 553 of the Bankruptcy Code, or under related state or federal statutes, or pursuant to any theory or cause of action under common law, regardless whether such action has been commenced prior to the Effective Date.
- 7. "Ballot" means the ballot form distributed to each Holder of a Claim or Equity Interest entitled to vote to accept or reject the Plan.
- 8. "Bankruptcy Code" means Title 11 of the United States Code, 11 U.S.C. §§ 101–1532, as the same may be amended from time to time to the extent applicable to the Chapter 11 Cases.
- 9. "Bankruptcy Court" means the United States Bankruptcy Court for the Northern District of California, or in the event such court ceases to exercise jurisdiction over any Chapter 11 Case, such other court or adjunct thereof that exercises jurisdiction over such Chapter 11 Case in lieu of the United States Bankruptcy Court for the Northern District of California.
- 10. "Bankruptcy Rules" means the Federal Rules of Bankruptcy Procedure promulgated by the Supreme Court of the United States under 28 U.S.C. § 2075, as the same may be amended from time to time to the extent applicable to the Chapter 11 Cases.
- 11. "Business Day" means any day other than a Saturday, a Sunday, a "legal holiday" (as defined in Bankruptcy Rule 9006(a)), or any other day on which commercial banks in New York, New York are required or authorized to close by law or executive order.
- 12. "Cash" means cash and cash equivalents, including bank deposits, wire transfers, checks representing good funds, and legal tender of the United States of America or instrumentalities thereof.
- 13. "Causes of Action" means any and all claims, rights, actions, causes of action, liabilities, obligations, suits, debts, remedies, dues, sums of money, accounts, reckonings, bonds, bills, specialties, covenants, contracts, controversies, agreements, promises, variances, trespasses, rights of setoff, third-party claims, subordination claims, subrogation claims, contribution claims, reimbursement claims, indemnity claims, counterclaims, and cross claims, damages, or judgments whatsoever, whether known or unknown, reduced to judgment, liquidated or unliquidated, fixed or contingent, matured or unmatured, disputed or undisputed, foreseen or unforeseen, asserted or unasserted, existing or hereafter arising, in law, at equity, by statute, whether for tort, fraud, contract, or otherwise.
- 14. "Chapter 11 Cases" means the chapter 11 bankruptcy cases commenced by the Debtors, which are being jointly administered under the case caption *In re LeFever Mattson, et al.*, Case No. 24-10545 (Bankr. N.D. Cal.).
- 15. "Claim" means any "claim," as defined in section 101(5) of the Bankruptcy Code, against any of the Debtors or against property of any of the Debtors.
- 16. "Claim Objection Deadline" means subject to extension as set forth in Section 8.2 of the Plan, the date that is the first Business Day that is at least 180 calendar days after the Effective Date. The Claim Objection Deadline may be extended by order of the Bankruptcy Court.
- 17. "Claims Agent" means Kurtzman Carson Consultants, LLC dba Verita Global, the Debtors' court-appointed claims, noticing, and balloting agent.

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- 18. "Claims Bar Date" means, as applicable, the Administrative Expense Claims Bar Date, the Governmental Claims Bar Date, the KSMP Bar Date, the LFM General Claims Bar Date, or the Rejection Claims Bar Date.
- 19. "Class" means a category of Claims or Equity Interests designated pursuant to the Plan, or any subclass thereof.
- 20. "Class A Plan Recovery Trust Units" means the Plan Recovery Trust Units to be distributed to Holders of Trade Claims under the Plan and the Plan Recovery Trust Agreement on account of their Allowed Class 5 Claims.
- 21. "Class B Plan Recovery Trust Units" means the Plan Recovery Trust Units to be distributed to Investors under the Plan and the Plan Recovery Trust Agreement on account of their Investor Tranche 1 Claims.
- 22. "Class C Plan Recovery Trust Units" means the Plan Recovery Trust Units to be distributed to Investors under the Plan and the Plan Recovery Trust Agreement on account of their Investor Tranche 2 Claims.
- 23. "Class D Plan Recovery Trust Units" means the Plan Recovery Trust Units to be distributed to Investors under the Plan and the Plan Recovery Trust Agreement on account of their Contributed Claims.
- 24. "Closing Date" means the date on which all of the Chapter 11 Cases have been closed in accordance with Section 12.17 of the Plan.
- 25. "Collateral" means any Estate Asset that is subject to a Lien to secure the payment or performance of a Claim, which Lien is perfected and not subject to avoidance under the Bankruptcy Code or otherwise invalid or unenforceable under the Bankruptcy Code or applicable non-bankruptcy law.
- 26. "Committee" means the official committee of unsecured creditors, as provided for under section 1102 of the Bankruptcy Code, which was appointed in the Chapter 11 Cases, as it may be reconstituted from time to time.
  - 27. "Confirmation" means entry by the Bankruptcy Court of the Confirmation Order.
- 28. "Confirmation Hearing" means the hearing or hearings held by the Bankruptcy Court to consider Confirmation of the Plan as required by section 1128(a) of the Bankruptcy Code, as such hearing may be continued from time to time.
- 29. "Confirmation Order" means the order of the Bankruptcy Court confirming the Plan pursuant to section 1129 of the Bankruptcy Code in a form reasonably acceptable to the Plan Proponents.
  - 30. "Contingent Claim" means any Claim that is Scheduled or Filed as contingent.
- 31. "Contributed Claim Election" means an election by an Investor, as indicated on an Investor Ballot, to contribute its Contributed Claims to the Plan Recovery Trust pursuant to the terms of this Plan.
- 32. "Contributed Claims" means all Causes of Action of a Contributing Claimant that are legally assignable (including Causes of Action that are legally assignable solely because of the preemptive effect of the Plan) that an Investor has against any Person that is not a Debtor and that are related in any way to the Debtors, their predecessors, their respective affiliates, or any Excluded

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Parties, including (a) all Causes of Action based on, arising out of, or related to the marketing, sale, and issuance of any investments related to the Debtors; (b) all Causes of Action for unlawful dividend, fraudulent conveyance, fraudulent transfer, voidable transaction, or other avoidance claims under state or federal law; (c) all Causes of Action based on, arising out of, or related to the misrepresentation of any of the Debtors' financial information, business operations, or related internal controls; (d) all Causes of Action based on, arising out of, or related to any failure to disclose, or actual or attempted cover up or obfuscation of, any of the wrongful conduct described in the Disclosure Statement, including with respect to any alleged fraud related thereto; and (e) all Causes of Action based on aiding or abetting, entering into a conspiracy with, or otherwise supporting torts committed by the Debtors or their agents.

- 33. "Contributing Claimants" means any and all Investors that (i) affirmatively cast a Ballot on account of an Investor Claim to <u>accept</u> the Plan and (ii) <u>did not opt-out</u> of the Contributed Claim Election.
- 34. "Corporate Action" means any action, approval, authorization, decision, or other act of any kind that would be necessary on the part of any Person for any corporation, limited liability company, limited partnership, or other Person to in turn act.
  - 35. "Creditor" means any Holder of a Claim.
- 36. "Cure Payment" means the payment of Cash or the distribution of other property (as the parties may agree or the Bankruptcy Court may order) that is necessary to cure any and all defaults under an executory contract or unexpired lease so that such contract or lease may be assumed, or assumed and assigned, pursuant to section 1123(b)(2) of the Bankruptcy Code.
- 37. "**Debtor**" or "**Debtors**" means, individually and collectively, each of the LFM Debtors and KSMP Debtors.
- 38. **"Defined Term"** means any capitalized term that is defined in this <u>Exhibit A</u> of the Plan.
- 39. "DIP Credit Agreements" means, collectively, the definitive form of loan and security agreements entered into by the applicable Debtors in accordance with the DIP Orders.
- 40. "**DIP Facility Claims**" means a Claim arising under, relating to, derived from, based upon, or secured pursuant to the DIP Facilities, including, Claims for all principal amounts outstanding, interest, fees, expenses, costs, indemnification obligations, reimbursement obligations, and any other charges arising thereunder, in each case, with respect to the DIP Facilities.
- 41. "DIP Facilities" means the debtor-in-possession credit facilities provided to the Debtors on the terms and conditions set forth in the DIP Credit Agreements and the DIP Orders.
  - 42. "DIP Lender" means Serene Investment Management LLC.
- 43. "**DIP Orders**" means (a) the final order entered by the Bankruptcy Court on January 23, 2025 [Docket No. 643] and (b) the final ordered entered by the Bankruptcy Court on September [•], 2025 [Docket No. •].
- 44. "Disallowed Claim" means any Claim that (a) is not Scheduled, or is listed on the Schedules as contingent, unliquidated, disputed, or in an amount equal to zero, unknown, undetermined, or similar, and whose Holder failed to timely File a proof of claim by the applicable Claims Bar Date (unless the late filing was permitted by a Bankruptcy Court order), but excluding

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any Claim that is expressly Allowed by a Final Order or under the Plan; or (b) has been disallowed pursuant to an order of the Bankruptcy Court.

- 45. "**Disallowed Equity Interest**" means any Equity Interest that (a) is not listed on the *Omnibus List of Equity Security Holders* [Docket No. 353] and whose Holder failed to timely File a proof of interest by the applicable Claims Bar Date (unless the late filing was permitted by a Bankruptcy Court order), but excluding any Equity Interest that is expressly Allowed by a Final Order or under the Plan; or (b) has been disallowed pursuant to an order of the Bankruptcy Court.
- 46. "Disclosure Statement" means that certain disclosure statement relating to the Plan, including all exhibits and schedules thereto, as approved by the Bankruptcy Court pursuant to section 1125 of the Bankruptcy Code, as it subsequently may be amended, modified, or supplemented by the Plan Proponents.
- 47. "**Disputed**" means, as to a Claim or an Equity Interest, any Claim or Equity Interest (or portion thereof): (a) that is not Allowed; (b) that is not disallowed by the Plan, the Bankruptcy Code, or a Final Order, as applicable; and (c) with respect to which a party in interest has Filed a Proof of Claim or Proof of Interest or otherwise made a written request to a Debtor for payment, without any further notice to or action, order, or approval of the Bankruptcy Court.
- 48. "Disputing Investor" means an Investor (other than an Excluded Party) that disputes the amounts set forth for such Person in the Schedule of Allowed Investor Amounts in accordance with the deadlines and procedures established by the Investor Settlement Amount Procedures Order.
- 49. "**Distribution**" means any issuance, payment, or transfer of consideration made under the Plan or the Plan Recovery Trust Agreement.
- 50. "Distribution Agent" means (i) the Plan Recovery Trustee solely in its capacity as distribution agent under the Plan with respect to Distributions to Holders of Allowed Administrative Expense Claims (including Professional Fee Claims), Involuntary Gap Claims, Priority Tax Claims, and Claims in Class 1, Class 2, and Class 3 on account of such Allowed Claims, or (ii) any party designated by the Plan Recovery Trustee to serve in such capacity.
  - 51. "Distribution Date" means any date on which a Distribution is made.
- 52. "**Distribution Record Date**" means the record date for determining entitlement of Holders of Claims to receive Distributions under the Plan, which date shall be the Effective Date.
- 53. "**Distribution Reserve**" means one or more reserves established by the Plan Recovery Trustee on account of Contingent Claims, Disputed Claims, or Unliquidated Claims.
- 54. "Effective Date" means the date that is the first Business Day on which each condition set forth in ARTICLE IX of the Plan has been satisfied or waived as set forth therein.
  - 55. "Entity" means any "entity," as defined in section 101(15) of the Bankruptcy Code.
- 56. "Equitably Subordinated Claim" means any claim of any kind or nature whatsoever held by any Entity against any of the Debtors that the Bankruptcy Court has determined to be equitably subordinated pursuant to section 510(c) of the Bankruptcy Code.
- 57. "Equitably Subordinated Interest" means any interest of any kind or nature whatsoever held by any Entity in any of the Debtors that the Bankruptcy Court has determined to be equitably subordinated pursuant to section 510(c) of the Bankruptcy Code.

- 58. "Equity Interests" means all previously issued and outstanding stock, membership, partnership, or other ownership interests in any of the Debtors outstanding immediately prior to the Effective Date, including agreements of any character to convert, exchange, exercise for, or otherwise receive any such stock, membership, partnership, or other ownership interests.
- 59. "Estate Assets" means, collectively, (a) any and all right, title, and interest of the Debtors and the Estates in and to property of whatever type or nature, including books and records, the Real Properties, and all Avoidance Actions and Causes of Action as of the Effective Date; and (b) any assets contributed to or recovered by the Plan Recovery Trust on or after the Effective Date.
- 60. "**Estates**" means the chapter 11 estates of the Debtors created by section 541(a) of the Bankruptcy Code.
- 61. "Excluded Parties" means, collectively, the Persons and Entities identified on the Schedule of Excluded Parties.
- 62. "Exculpated Parties" means, collectively, and in each case in its capacity as such: (a) the Debtors; (b) the Committee, including its current and former members; (c) Professionals for (a) and (b); (d) the Responsible Individual; (e) all officers and directors of any of the Debtors serving in such capacity on or after the Petition Date and before the Effective Date; and (f) persons who acted as agents for (a) and (b) and, in doing so, assumed fiduciary obligations of the principal. The definition of Exculpated Parties excludes all Excluded Parties.
- 63. "File," "Filed," or "Filing" means duly and properly filed with the Bankruptcy Court and reflected on the docket of the Chapter 11 Cases, except with respect to proofs of claim that may be filed with the Claims Agent, in which case "File" or "Filed" means duly and properly filed with the Claims Agent or the Bankruptcy Court and reflected on the official claims register maintained by the Claims Agent.
- 64. "**Final Decree**" means an order entered pursuant to section 350 of the Bankruptcy Code, Bankruptcy Rule 3022, and Local Rule 3022-1 closing the Chapter 11 Cases.
- 65. "**Final Order**" means an order or judgment of the Bankruptcy Court entered on the docket of the Chapter 11 Cases:
  - (a) that has not been reversed, rescinded, stayed, modified, vacated, or amended;
  - (b) that is in full force and effect; and
  - (c) with respect to which (i) the time to appeal or to seek review, rehearing, remand, or a writ of certiorari has expired and as to which no timely filed appeal or petition for review, rehearing, remand, or writ of certiorari is pending; or (ii) any such appeal or petition has been dismissed or resolved by the highest court to which the order or judgment was appealed or from which review, rehearing, remand, or a writ of certiorari was sought.
- No order shall fail to be a Final Order solely because of the possibility that a motion pursuant to section 502(j) of the Bankruptcy Code, Rule 59 or Rule 60 of the Federal Rules of Civil Procedure, or Bankruptcy Rules 9023 or 9024 may be or has been filed with respect to such order.
- 66. "Governmental Claims Bar Date" means, with respect to each applicable Debtor, the date that is 180 days after the applicable Order for Relief Date, as calculated pursuant to Bankruptcy Rule 9006.

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- 67. "**Holder**" means the Person that is the owner of record of a Claim, Equity Interest, or Plan Recovery Trust Unit, as applicable.
- 68. "**Impaired**" means any Class of Claims or Equity Interests that is impaired within the meaning of section 1124 of the Bankruptcy Code.
- 69. "**Insider**" means any "insider," as defined in section 101(31) of the Bankruptcy Code, and with respect to a limited liability company or limited partnership, any director, officer, person in control or relative of any of the foregoing.
  - 70. "Intercompany Claim" means any Claim of one Debtor against another Debtor.
  - 71. "Intercompany Lien" means any Lien securing an Intercompany Claim.
- 72. "Investor" means a Person or Entity that purchased an investment product or made an investment offered by any Debtor, including, without limitation, any investments, interests, or other rights with respect to any Debtor that were styled, marketed, or sold as, among others, partnership interests in limited partnerships. "Investors" excludes Timothy J. LeFever, Kenneth W. Mattson, any Excluded Party, any of the Debtors, and any Holder of a TIC Interest solely on account of such TIC Interest.
- 73. "Investor Ballot" means the ballot form distributed to each Holder of an Investor Claim or Investor Interest, as applicable, entitled to vote to accept or reject the Plan.
- 74. "Investor Claims" means all (a) Equity Interests of an Investor in any Debtor and (b) Claims of an Investor against any Debtor.
- 75. "Investor Lookback Period" means the prepetition period commencing September 12, 2017.
- 76. "Investor Tranche 1 Claim" means the Investor Tranche 1 Claim Amount for each Investor as defined in, and as determined by, the Investor Settlement Amount Procedures Order.
- 77. "Investor Tranche 2 Claim" means the Investor Tranche 2 Claim Amount for each Investor as defined in, and as determined by, the Investor Settlement Amount Procedures Order.
- 78. "Investor Settlement Amount Procedures Order" means the [Investor Settlement Amount Procedures Order] entered by the Bankruptcy Court at Docket No. •.
  - 79. "Investor-Specific Claims" is as defined in Section 3.2 of the Plan.
- 80. "Involuntary Gap Claim" means a Claim specified in section 502(f) of the Bankruptcy Code and entitled to priority against Debtor KSMP and its Estate under section 507(a)(3) of the Bankruptcy Code.
  - 81. "KSMP" means KS Mattson Partners, LP.
  - 82. "KSMP Bar Date" means October 3, 2025.
- 83. "KSMP Debtor" or "KSMP Debtors" means, individually and collectively, each of KSMP and any of its subsidiaries or affiliates (other than Ken Mattson or the LFM Debtors) that becomes a debtor under chapter 11 of the Bankruptcy Code on or after the date hereof and whose chapter 11 case is jointly administered with these Chapter 11 Cases.

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- 84. "LFM Bar Date Order" means the order [Docket No. 459] of the Bankruptcy Court setting and establishing, among other things, the LFM General Claims Bar Date.
- 85. "LFM Debtor" or "LFM Debtors" means, individually and collectively, each of the entities listed on **Exhibit C** hereto, as the same may be amended from time to time.
  - 86. "LFM General Claims Bar Date" means February 14, 2025.
  - 87. "Lien" means any "lien," as defined in section 101(37) of the Bankruptcy Code.
- 88. "Local Rules" means the Bankruptcy Local Rules for the Northern District of California, as amended from time to time.
- 89. "Net Prepetition Investor Recovery" means, with respect to a specific Investor, (a) the total Cash value remitted to the Investor during the Investor Lookback Period (whether the payment was considered a return on the investment, a referral fee, or a repayment of principal) minus (b) the total Cash value invested prepetition as principal by the Investor, provided that the value of (a) is greater than the value of (b).
- 90. "Order for Relief Date" means June 9, 2025, when used in reference to KSMP. For any other Debtor, the Order for Relief Date is the same date as the Petition Date for such Debtor.
- 91. "Other Secured Claim" means any Secured Claim of an Entity that is not a Sold Property Secured Lender Claim or a Retained Property Secured Lender Claim.
- 92. "Oversight Committee" means a board for the Plan Recovery Trust, whose initial, volunteer members shall be chosen by the Committee and identified in the Plan Supplement.
- 93. "**Person**" means any "person," as defined in section 101(41) of the Bankruptcy Code.
- 94. "**Petition Date**" means (a) August 6, 2024, when used in reference to Windscape Apartments, LLC; (b) October 2, 2024, when used in reference to Pinewood Condominiums, LP and Ponderosa Pines, LP; (c) November 22, 2024, when used in reference to K S Mattson Partners, LP; and (d) September 12, 2024, when used in reference to all other Debtors.
- 95. "Plan" means this Plan and all exhibits thereto, including the Plan Supplement, as the same may be amended, modified, or supplemented in the Plan Proponents' reasonable discretion.
- 96. "Plan Proponents" means the Debtors and the Committee, as proponents of the Plan.
- 97. "Plan Recovery Trust" means a trust established on the Effective Date for the benefit of the Plan Recovery Trust Beneficiaries in accordance with the terms of the Plan and the Plan Recovery Trust Agreement.
- 98. "Plan Recovery Trust Actions" means, collectively, all Avoidance Actions and Causes of Action held by the Debtors or the Estates and any Causes of Action that are contributed to the Plan Recovery Trust as Contributed Claims, in each case as against any Entity that is not a Debtor.
- 99. "Plan Recovery Trust Agreement" means the agreement substantially in the form Filed with the Plan Supplement establishing and delineating the terms and conditions of the Plan

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- 100. "Plan Recovery Trust Assets" means, collectively, (a) the Plan Recovery Trust Actions, (b) Available Cash as of the Effective Date and Available Cash that is possessed by or turned over to the Plan Recovery Trust after the Effective Date, (c) the Retained Real Properties, and (d) other assets that may be transferred or otherwise provided, directly or indirectly, to or for the benefit of the Plan Recovery Trust (on or after the Effective Date) by any Person.
- "Plan Recovery Trust Beneficiary" means each Holder of a Plan Recovery Trust 101. Unit.
- 102. "Plan Recovery Trust Expenses" means any and all reasonable fees, costs, and expenses incurred by the Plan Recovery Trustee in managing and operating the Plan Recovery Trust not inconsistent with the Plan or the Plan Recovery Trust Agreement, including the maintenance or disposition of the Plan Recovery Trust Assets (including the Plan Recovery Trustee's fees, indemnity reserves, attorneys' fees, the fees of professionals and other Persons retained by the Plan Recovery Trustee, personnel-related expenses, and any taxes imposed on the Plan Recovery Trust with respect to the Plan Recovery Trust Assets), and any other expenses incurred or otherwise payable in accordance with the Plan Recovery Trust Agreement.
- "Plan Recovery Trust Indemnified Parties" means the Plan Recovery Trustee, the Oversight Committee members, and their respective Related Parties, each in their respective capacity as such.
- "Plan Recovery Trust Units" means (a) any Class A Plan Recovery Trust Units distributed to Holders of Allowed Trade Claims; (b) any Class B Plan Recovery Trust Units distributed to Holders of Allowed Investor Tranche 1 Claims; (c) any Class C Plan Recovery Trust Units distributed to Holders of Allowed Investor Tranche 2 Claims; and (d) any Class D Plan Recovery Trust Units distributed to Investors on account of Contributed Claims, in each case in accordance with the Plan and the Plan Recovery Trust Agreement.
  - 105. "Plan Recovery Trust Waterfall" is as defined in Section 5.3.10 of the Plan.
- "Plan Recovery Trustee" means the initial Plan Recovery Trustee, who was chosen by the Committee, and any successor thereto appointed pursuant to the Plan Recovery Trust Agreement, in each case acting in the capacity as trustee of the Plan Recovery Trust.
- "Plan Supplement" means the ancillary documents regarding the implementation 107. and effectuation of the Plan, which will be Filed on or before the date that is fourteen (14) calendar days prior to the Voting Deadline, as such documents may be amended and supplemented prior to the Confirmation Hearing in the Plan Proponents' reasonable discretion. The Plan Supplement includes, without limitation, the form of the Plan Recovery Trust Agreement, the Schedule of Assumed Agreements, and additional information relating to tax matters.
- "Priority Claim" means a Claim that is entitled to priority under section 507(a) of the Bankruptcy Code, other than Administrative Expense Claims, Professional Fee Claims, Involuntary Gap Claims, and Priority Tax Claims.
- 109. "Priority Tax Claim" means a Claim that is entitled to priority under section 507(a)(8) of the Bankruptcy Code.
- "Pro Rata" means proportionately, so that the ratio of (a) the amount of consideration distributed on account of a particular Allowed Claim or Plan Recovery Trust Unit to (b) the amount or number of that Allowed Claim or Plan Recovery Trust Unit, is the same as

the ratio of (x) the amount of consideration available for Distribution on account of, as applicable, all Allowed Claims in the Class in which the particular Allowed Claim is included or all applicable Plan Recovery Trust Units to (y), as applicable, the amount of all Allowed Claims of that Class or the number of applicable Plan Recovery Trust Units, as adjusted to take into account any applicable Distribution Reserves.

- 111. "**Professional**" means any professional employed in the Chapter 11 Cases pursuant to sections 327, 328, 363, 1103, or 1104 of the Bankruptcy Code.
- 112. "**Professional Fee Claim**" means a Claim of a Professional for compensation or reimbursement of costs and expenses (or of members of the Committees for reimbursement of expenses) relating to services provided during the period from the applicable Petition Date through and including the Effective Date.
- 113. "**Professional Fee Reserve**" means the reserve established and funded from the Plan Recovery Trust pursuant to Section 3.3.3 of the Plan to provide sufficient funds to satisfy in full all unpaid Allowed Professional Fee Claims.
- 114. "Real Properties" means any and all real property in which a Debtor holds a direct or indirect ownership interest.
- 115. "**Rejection Claim**" means any Claim for monetary damages as a result of the rejection of any prepetition executory contract or unexpired lease, whether rejected pursuant to the Confirmation Order or otherwise.
- 116. "**Rejection Claims Bar Date**" means, to the extent not previously established by prior order of the Bankruptcy Court, the first Business Day that is at least thirty (30) calendar days after the Effective Date.
- 117. "Related Parties" means, collectively, all of the respective accountants, agents, assigns, attorneys, bankers, consultants, directors, employees, executors, financial advisors, investment bankers, managers, members, officers, partners, predecessors, principals, professional persons, representatives, and successors of the referenced Person; *provided, however*, that the Debtors' Related Parties will be limited to the following Persons: the independent directors, officers, attorneys, accountants, consultants, and professionals who are employed by the Debtors on the Effective Date pursuant to an order of the Bankruptcy Court.
- 118. "Replacement Secured Note" means notes bearing interest at a fixed rate equal to the Treasury Rate plus 2.75% to be issued by the Plan Recovery Trust to the Holders of Allowed Class 4 Claims (Retained Property Secured Lender Claims) on terms to be disclosed in the Plan Supplement.
- 119. "Responsible Individual" means Robbin L. Itkin, the appointed responsible individual of the KSMP Debtors pursuant to Local Rule 4002-1.
- 120. "Retained Property Secured Lender" means a lender to a Debtor or an affiliate of a Debtor (including, without limitation, a retail or commercial bank) that is not an Investor and that purportedly holds a Secured Claim on account of a deed of trust or Lien against one or more of the Real Properties that are Estate Assets as of the Effective Date.
- 121. "Retained Property Secured Lender Claims" means any and all Secured Claims of Retained Property Secured Lenders in relation to one or more of the Retained Real Properties.

122. "**Retained Real Properties**" means the Real Properties identified in the Plan Supplement as Real Properties to be retained by the Debtors and transferred to the Plan Recovery Trust upon the Effective Date.

- 123. "Schedule of Allowed Investor Amounts" means a schedule, or any applicable portion thereof, that will be established for each Investor in accordance with the Investor Settlement Amount Procedures Order.
- 124. "Schedule of Assumed Agreements" means the schedule of those certain executory contracts and unexpired leases that the Plan Proponents have determined that the Debtors may assume and assign to the Plan Recovery Trust on the Effective Date. The initial Schedule of Assumed Agreements will be Filed as part of the Plan Supplement, but remains subject to any modifications that may be made prior to the Effective Date pursuant to Section 6.1 of the Plan.
- 125. "Schedule of Excluded Parties" means the list of Excluded Parties identified on Exhibit B to the Plan.
  - 126. "Scheduled" means set forth in the Schedules.
- 127. "Schedules" means the respective Schedules of Assets and Liabilities and Statements of Financial Affairs Filed by the Debtors, as such Schedules may be amended from time to time in accordance with Bankruptcy Rule 1009.
  - 128. "SEC" means the U.S. Securities and Exchange Commission.
- 129. "Section 503(b)(9) Claim" means a Claim arising under Bankruptcy Code section 503(b)(9) for the value of any goods that were received by the Debtors within twenty (20) calendar days before the applicable Petition Date and that were sold to the Debtors in the ordinary course of their business.
- 130. "Secured Claim" means a Claim that is secured by a valid, perfected, and enforceable Lien on property in which the Debtors or the Estates have an interest, which Lien is valid, perfected, and enforceable under applicable law and not subject to avoidance under the Bankruptcy Code or applicable non-bankruptcy law. A Claim is a Secured Claim only to the extent of the value of the Holder's interest in the Debtors' interest in the Collateral or to the extent of the amount subject to setoff against a Cause of Action held by the Debtors, whichever is applicable, and as determined under section 506(a) of the Bankruptcy Code. No Investor Claim shall be defined, classified, or treated as a Secured Claim under the Plan.
  - 131. "Securities Act" means the Securities Act of 1933, as amended.
- 132. "Sold Property Secured Lender" means a lender to a Debtor or an affiliate of a Debtor (including, without limitation, a retail or commercial bank) that is not an Investor and that purportedly held a Secured Claim on account of a deed of trust or Lien against one or more of the Real Properties sold by the Debtors prior to the Effective Date.
- 133. "Sold Property Secured Lender Claims" means any and all Secured Claims of Sold Property Lenders in relation to the proceeds from one or more of the Real Properties.
- 134. "Solicitation Procedures Order" means the order approving the Disclosure Statement, authorizing the Plan Proponents to solicit acceptances of the Plan, and establishing certain related procedures and deadlines.

- 135. "TIC Interest" means respective tenant-in-common interests of non-debtor parties in Real Properties owned in part by the Debtors.
- 136. "**Trade Claims**" means all non-priority unsecured claims that are not Investor Claims.
- 137. "Treasury Rate" means the yield to maturity of United States Treasury securities with a constant maturity (as compiled and published in the most recent Federal Reserve Statistical Release H.15 (519) that has become publicly available at least two business days prior to the Effective Date (or, if such Statistical Release is no longer published, any publicly available source of similar market data)) most nearly equal to the period from the Effective Date to the Maturity Date; *provided*, *that* if no published maturity exactly corresponds with such period, then the Treasury Rate shall be interpolated or extrapolated on a straight-line basis from the arithmetic mean of the yields for the next shortest and next longest published maturities.
- 138. "Unimpaired" means any Class of Claims that is not impaired within the meaning of section 1124 of the Bankruptcy Code.
- 139. "Unliquidated Claim" means any Claim that is Scheduled as unliquidated or that was Filed in an unliquidated amount.
  - 140. "U.S. Trustee" The United States Trustee for Region 17.
- 141. "Voting Deadline" means the date and time by which all Ballots to accept or reject the Plan must be received in order to be counted under the Solicitation Procedures Order.

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## **EXHIBIT C**

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### **LFM Debtors**

4	Debtor Name	Petition Date	Tax ID	Case No.
5	Apan Partners LLC	9/12/2024	N/A	24-10487
6	Autumn Wood I, LP	9/12/2024	20-0164208	24-10488
	Bay Tree, LP	9/12/2024	82-1071378	24-10489
7	Beach Pine, LP	9/12/2024	83-2643272	24-10490
8	Bishop Pine, LP	9/12/2024	83-2643038	24-10491
	Black Walnut, LP	9/12/2024	47-2451858	24-10492
9	Buck Avenue Apartments, LP	9/12/2024	54-2090323	24-10493
10	Buckeye Tree, LP	9/12/2024	88-2980108	24-10494
	Bur Oak, LP	9/12/2024	87-4699497	24-10495
11	Butcher Road Partners, LLC	9/12/2024	45-5159521	24-10496
12	California Investment Properties, a California corporation	9/12/2024	30-0289474	24-10543
12	Cambria Pine, LP	9/12/2024	83-2644771	24-10497
13	Chestnut Oak, LP	9/12/2024	87-4702239	24-10498
14	Country Oaks I, LP	9/12/2024	26-0860694	24-10499
1.5	Divi Divi Tree, L.P.	9/12/2024	71-0926806	24-10500
15	Douglas Fir Investments, LP	9/12/2024	47-4674444	24-10501
16	Firetree I, LP	9/12/2024	82-3519393	24-10502
17	Firetree II, LP	9/12/2024	82-3519554	24-10503
1/	Firetree III, LP	9/12/2024	82-3919655	24-10504
18	Foxtail Pine, LP	9/12/2024	83-2643197	24-10505
19	Ginko Tree, LP	9/12/2024	88-2960976	24-10506
1)	Golden Tree, LP	9/12/2024	82-1060045	24-10507
20	Hagar Properties, LP	9/12/2024	04-3598044	24-10508
21	Heacock Park Apartments, LP	9/12/2024	46-3737509	24-10509
	Home Tax Service of America, Inc.	9/12/2024	68-0262554	24-10544
22	LeFever Mattson I, LLC	9/12/2024	47-4960075	24-10510
23	LeFever Mattson, a California corporation	9/12/2024	68-0197537	24-10545
	Live Oak Investments, LP	9/12/2024	47-3786181	24-10511
24	Monterey Pine, LP	9/12/2024	83-2644824	24-10512
25	Napa Elm, LP	9/12/2024	54-2090332	24-10513
	Nut Pine, LP	9/12/2024	83-2661795	24-10514
26	Pinecone, LP	9/12/2024	84-2395880	24-10515
27	Pinewood Condominiums, LP	10/2/2024	54-2090329	24-10598
	Ponderosa Pines, LP	10/2/2024	N/A	24-10599
28	Red Cedar Tree, LP	9/12/2024	88-3572519	24-10517

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Red Mulberry Tree, LP	9/12/2024	88-3572594	24-10518
Red Oak Tree, LP	9/12/2024	92-1008382	24-10520
Red Oak, LP	9/12/2024	61-2022650	24-10519
Red Spruce Tree, LP	9/12/2024	92-0780568	24-10521
Redbud Tree, LP	9/12/2024	88-2961999	24-10516
River Birch, LP	9/12/2024	86-3020630	24-10522
River Tree Partners, LP	9/12/2024	81-3671554	24-10523
River View Shopping Center 1, LLC	9/12/2024	47-4186147	24-10524
River View Shopping Center 2, LLC	9/12/2024	47-4186476	24-10525
RT Capitol Mall, LP	9/12/2024	81-3775896	24-10526
RT Golden Hills, LP	9/12/2024	81-3708073	24-10527
Scotch Pine, LP	9/12/2024	86-3043628	24-10528
Sequoia Investment Properties, LP	9/12/2024	32-0136044	24-10529
Sienna Pointe, LLC	9/12/2024	47-4712579	24-10530
Spruce Pine, LP	9/12/2024	84-2396399	24-10532
Tradewinds Apartments, LP	9/12/2024	54-2090326	24-10533
Vaca Villa Apartments, LP	9/12/2024	54-2090327	24-10534
Valley Oak Investments, LP	9/12/2024	47-3383417	24-10535
Watertree I, LP	9/12/2024	82-3519819	24-10536
Willow Oak, LP	9/12/2024	87-4700495	24-10537
Windscape Apartments I, LP	9/12/2024	26-0860477	24-10538
Windscape Apartments II, LP	9/12/2024	26-0860509	24-10539
Windscape Apartments, LLC	8/6/2024	83-1597353	24-10417
Windscape Holdings, LLC	9/12/2024	83-1608759	24-10540
Windtree, LP	9/12/2024	82-4974654	24-10541
Yellow Poplar, LP	9/12/2024	86-3043392	24-10542