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In re:

Powin, LLC, et al., 1

Debtors.

Order Filed on July 15, 2025 by Clerk U.S. Bankruptcy Court District of New Jersey

Chapter 11

Case No. 25-16137 (MB) (Jointly Administered)

INTERIM ORDER GRANTING MOTION OF THE DEBTORS FOR ENTRY OF AN ORDER (I) GRANTING AUTHORITY TO PAY CERTAIN PREPETITION TAXES; AND (II) GRANTING RELATED RELIEF

The relief set forth on the following pages, numbered three (3) through four (4), is **ORDERED**.

DATED: July 15, 2025

Honorable Michael B. Kaplan United States Bankruptcy Judge

¹ The Debtors in these Chapter 11 Cases, along with the last four digits of each Debtor's federal tax identification number, are: (i) Powin Project LLC [1583]; (ii) Powin, LLC [0504], (iii) PEOS Holdings, LLC [5476], (iv) Powin China Holdings 1, LLC [1422], (v) Powin China Holdings 2, LLC [9713], (vi) Charger Holdings, LLC [15241], (vii) Powin Energy Ontario Storage, LLC [8348], (viii) Powin Energy Operating Holdings, LLC [22495], and (ix) Powin Energy Operating, LLC [6487]. The Debtors' mailing address is 20550 SW 115th Avenue Tualatin, OR 97062.

Caption in Compliance with D.N.J. LBR 9004-1(b)

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Related Relief

Upon consideration of the Motion¹ of the above-captioned debtors and debtors in possession (collectively, the "Debtors") for entry of an order (this "Order"): (i) granting authority to pay certain prepetition taxes; and (ii) granting related relief, all as more fully set forth in the Motion; and upon the First Day Declaration; and this Court having jurisdiction over this matter pursuant to 28 U.S.C. §§ 157 and 1334 and the *Standing Order of Reference* from the United States District Court for the District of New Jersey dated as of September 18, 2012; and that this Court may enter a final order consistent with Article III of the United States Constitution; and the Debtors having asserted that venue of this proceeding and the Motion in this district is proper pursuant to 28 U.S.C. §§ 1408 and 1409; and this Court having found that the Debtors' notice of the Motion and opportunity for hearing on the Motion were appropriate under the circumstances and that no other notice be provided; and this Court having determined that the legal and factual bases set forth in the Motion and at the hearing thereon establish just cause for the relief granted herein; and upon all of the proceedings before this Court; and after due deliberation and sufficient cause appearing therefor, it is HEREBY ORDERED THAT:

- 1. The Motion is **GRANTED** on an interim basis as set forth herein.
- 2. The Debtors are permitted to pay the applicable Taxes to the Authorities as they become due.

¹ Capitalized terms not otherwise defined herein shall have the meanings ascribed to them in the Motion.

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3. Notwithstanding the relief granted herein or any actions taken hereunder, nothing contained in this Interim Order shall create any rights in favor of, or enhance the status of any claim held by, any of the Authorities.

- 4. Nothing in this Interim Order authorizes the Debtors to accelerate any payments not otherwise due.
- 5. Nothing herein shall impair any rights of the Debtors to dispute or object to any taxes asserted as owing to any Authorities or those parties who ordinarily collect the Taxes and Fees as to amount, liability, priority, classification, or otherwise.
- 6. To the extent that the Debtors have overpaid any Taxes and Fees, the Debtors are authorized to seek a refund or credit.
- 7. Notice of the Motion as provided therein shall be deemed good and sufficient notice of such Motion and the requirements of the Local Rules are satisfied by such notice.
- 8. To the extent applicable, the requirements set forth by Bankruptcy Rule 6003 are satisfied.
- 9. Notwithstanding any Bankruptcy Rule to the contrary, the terms and conditions of this Order are immediately effective and enforceable upon entry.
- 10. The Final Hearing on the Motion shall be held on <u>August 6</u>, 2025, at <u>11:30</u> am (Eastern Time) and any objections or responses to the Motion shall be in writing, filed with the Court, with a copy to chambers, and served upon (a) the Debtors, Powin, LLC, *et al.*, (b) proposed co-counsel to the Debtors, Dentons US LLP, 601 S. Figueroa Street #2500, Los Angeles, CA

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11. Notwithstanding anything contained in the Motion or this Order, any payment to be made, and any relief or authorization granted herein, shall be subject to, and must be in compliance with, the terms and conditions in any orders authorizing the Debtors to use cash collateral or obtain postpetition financing (collectively, the "Financing Orders"), including any budgets in connection therewith as may be updated and approved from time to time in accordance with the terms of the Financing Orders. To the extent there is any inconsistency between the terms of the Financing Orders and any action taken or proposed to be taken hereunder, the terms of the Financing Orders shall control.

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12. This Interim Order is effective only from the date of entry through this Court's disposition of the Motion on a final basis; provided that the Court's ultimate disposition of the Motion on a final basis shall not impair or otherwise affect any action taken pursuant to this Order.

- 13. The Debtors are authorized to take all actions necessary to effectuate the relief granted in this Order in accordance with the Motion.
- 14. Any party may move for modification of this Interim Order in accordance with Local Rule 9013-5(e).
- 15. A true copy of this Interim Order shall be served on all required parties pursuant to Local Rule 9013-5(f).
- 16. This Court retains exclusive jurisdiction with respect to all matters arising from or related to the implementation, interpretation, and enforcement of this Interim Order.