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

In re:	Chapter 11
Supply Source Enterprises, Inc., et al.,1	Case No. 24-11054 (BLS
Debtors.	(Jointly Administered)

# NOTICE OF SALE, BIDDING PROCEDURES, AUCTION, SALE HEARING, AND OTHER DEADLINES RELATED THERETO

## PLEASE TAKE NOTICE OF THE FOLLOWING:

On May 22, 2024, the debtors and debtors in possession (the "Debtors") in the abovecaptioned chapter 11 cases (the "Chapter 11 Cases") filed with the United States Bankruptcy Court for the District of Delaware (the "Court") a motion [Docket No. 16] (the "Motion") seeking entry of (A) an order (the "Bidding Procedures Order") (i) approving bidding procedures (the "Bidding <u>Procedures</u>")<sup>2</sup> to be used in connection with a sale (the "<u>Sale</u>") of all, substantially all, or a portion of the Debtors' assets (the "Assets"); (ii) designation of TZ SSE Buyer LLC as the Stalking Horse Bidder;<sup>3</sup> (iii) scheduling (a) an auction of the Assets (the "Auction") and (b) a final hearing to consider approval of the proposed Sale (the "Sale Hearing"); (iv) approving the form and manner of notice of the Bidding Procedures, the Auction and the Sale Hearing; (v) approving procedures for the assumption and assignment of executory contracts and unexpired leases (collectively, the "Contracts") in connection with the Sale; (vi) approving the form and manner of notice to each relevant non-debtor counterparty to a Contract of the Debtors' calculation of the amount necessary to cure any defaults under an applicable Contract and certain other information regarding the potential assumption and assignment of Contracts in connection with a Sale; and (vii) granting related relief; and (B) an order (the "Sale Order") (i) authorizing the sale of the Assets free and clear of all liens, claims, interests and encumbrances, except certain permitted encumbrances as determined by the Debtors and any Successful Bidder (as defined in Section VII.C.1 of the Bidding

<sup>&</sup>lt;sup>3</sup> The Stalking Horse Bidder is also acting as the DIP Lender in the Chapter 11 Cases.



<sup>&</sup>lt;sup>1</sup> The Debtors in these chapter 11 proceedings, together with the last four digits of each Debtor's federal tax identification number, are: Supply Source Enterprises, Inc. (0842); SSE Intermediate, Inc. (1772); SSE Buyer, Inc. (5901); Impact Products, LLC (7450); and The Safety Zone, LLC (4597). The Debtors' headquarters are located at 385 Long Hill Road, Guilford, Connecticut 06437.

<sup>&</sup>lt;sup>2</sup> Capitalized terms used but not defined herein shall have the respective meanings ascribed to such terms in the Motion or the Bidding Procedures, as applicable. Any summary of the Bidding Procedures or the Bidding Procedures Order (or any provision thereof) contained herein is qualified in its entirety by the actual terms and conditions thereof. To the extent that there is any inconsistency between any summary in this Sale Notice and the terms and conditions of either of the Bidding Procedures or the Bidding Procedures Order, the actual terms and conditions in those documents shall control.

Procedures), with liens to attach to the proceeds of the Sale; (ii) authorizing the assumption and assignment of certain Contracts in connection with approved Sale; and (iii) granting related relief.

On June 20, 2024, the Court entered the Bidding Procedures Order [Docket No. 173].

## **ASSETS FOR SALE**

The Debtors intend to sell all, substantially all, or a portion of their Assets.

A Prospective Bidder (as defined in Section III of the Bidding Procedures) may bid on the Assets, subject to the conditions set forth herein.

The ability to undertake and consummate a sale of the Assets shall be subject to competitive bidding, as set forth herein, and approval by the Court. In addition to the Stalking Horse Bid (as defined in the Motion), and as set forth herein, the Debtors will consider bids for the Assets from other parties.

Any party interested in submitting a bid for any of the Debtors' Assets should contact the following individuals at Triple P RTS, LLC ("Portage Point"):

### **Portage Point**

Attn: Jason Cohen and Lisa Lansio jcohen@pppllc.com llansio@pppllc.com

## **KEY DATES AND DEADLINES**

#### A. Bid Deadline

Any Prospective Bidder that intends to participate in the Auction must submit in writing to the Bid Notice Parties a Qualified Bid (as defined in Section VI.A of the Bidding Procedures) on or before June 24, 2024, at 4:00 p.m. (prevailing Eastern Time) (the "Bid Deadline").

The Qualified Bid requirements are set forth in Section VI.A of the Bidding Procedures.

#### B. Auction

If the Debtors receive more than one Qualified Bid (including a combination of bids that, when considered together, constitute a Qualified Bid) for the Assets, the Debtors will conduct an Auction for the Assets. If the Stalking Horse Bid is the only Qualified Bid received in respect of the Assets subject to such Stalking Horse Bid, the Debtors will not conduct an Auction for such applicable Assets and will seek approval of the Stalking Horse Bid at the Sale Hearing.

The Auction, if required, will be conducted on **June 26, 2024, at 10:00 a.m.** (**prevailing Eastern Time**), either (i) at the offices of Potter Anderson & Corroon LLP, 1313 N. Market Street, 6<sup>th</sup> Floor, Wilmington, Delaware 19801-6108, (ii) some other physical location to be determined by the Debtors, or (iii) virtually or at such other date, time or location as designated by the Debtors.

Professionals and principals for the Debtors, each Qualified Bidder (including, its representative(s), if any), each of the Consultation Parties, and any creditor of the Debtors that has provided notice in writing of its intent to observe the Auction via electronic mail to counsel for the Debtors, Potter Anderson & Corroon LLP (Attn: Katelin A. Morales, kmorales@potteranderson.com) at least one (1) day prior to the start of the Auction shall be able to attend and observe the Auction, along with any other parties the Debtors deem appropriate.

If the Debtors conduct the Auction virtually, the Debtors will provide instructions setting forth how to attend the Auction to the participants and other attendees via electronic mail. The Debtors will provide notice (via electronic mail or otherwise) of any change in the date, time or location of the Auction to Qualified Bidders, and will cause publication of such change to occur on the website maintained by Verita Global, the Debtors' claims and noticing agent in these Chapter 11 Cases, located at https://veritaglobal.net/supplysource (the "Verita Website") as soon as reasonably practicable and in any event no later than 24 hours before the Auction.

On June 27, 2024 by 4:00 p.m. (prevailing Eastern Time), the Debtors will file with the Court, serve on the Sale Notice Parties (as defined in Section X.B of the Bidding Procedures) and cause to be published on the Verita Website, a notice of the results of the Auction, which will, among other things, (i) identify the Successful Bidder and Backup Bidder(s); (ii) either include a copy of the Successful Bid and the Backup Bid or a summary of the material terms of such bids, including any assumption and assignment of Contracts contemplated thereby, or provide instructions for accessing the Successful Bid and the Backup Bid free of charge from the Verita Website; and (iii) set forth the date, time, and location of the Sale Hearing and any other relevant dates or other information necessary to reasonably apprise the Sale Notice Parties of the outcome of the Auction.

If the Debtors determine not to hold an Auction for some or all of the Assets, the Debtors shall file with the Court, serve on the Sale Notice Parties, and cause to be published on the Verita Website, a notice containing the following information (as applicable): (i) a statement that the Auction for the relevant Assets has been canceled; (ii) the identity of the Successful Bidder; (iii) either include a copy of the Successful Bid or a summary of the material terms of such bid, including any assumption and assignment of Contracts contemplated thereby, or provide instructions for accessing the Successful Bid free of charge from the Verita Website; and (iv) the date, time, and location of the Sale Hearing.

## C. Objection Deadlines

1. <u>Sale Objection Deadline</u>. All objections to a sale of the Assets, including (a) any objection to a sale of the Assets free and clear of all liens, claims, interests and encumbrances pursuant to section 363(f) of the Bankruptcy Code; (b) any objection to the conduct of the Auction, the Successful Bidder, or the Backup Bidder; and (c) entry of any Sale Order must be (i) in writing and state, with specificity, the legal and factual bases thereof and include any appropriate documentation in support thereof; and (ii) filed with the Court by **no later than July 5, 2024 at 4:00 p.m.** (**prevailing Eastern Time**) and served on the Objection Notice Parties (as defined in Section X.D of the Bidding Procedures).

## D. Sale Hearing

The Sale Hearing shall take place on **July 9, 2024, at 11:00 a.m.** (**prevailing Eastern Time**) before The Honorable Brendan L. Shannon, United States Bankruptcy Judge, in the United States Bankruptcy Court for the District of Delaware, located at 824 N. Market Street, Wilmington, Delaware 19801, 6th floor, courtroom 1.

## RESERVATION OF RIGHTS TO MODIFY BIDDING PROCEDURES

The Debtors reserve the right to, in their reasonable business judgment and after consultation with the Consultation Parties (subject to Section XI.C of, as defined in, the Bidding Procedures) in a manner consistent with their fiduciary duties and applicable law, modify the Bidding Procedures, including to, among other things, extend or waive deadlines or other terms and conditions set forth therein; adopt new rules and procedures for conducting the bidding and Auction process so long as any such modifications are disclosed to all Prospective Bidders and Qualified Bidders, as applicable; or otherwise modify these Bidding Procedures to further promote competitive bidding for and maximizing the of value of the Assets, in each case, to the extent not materially inconsistent with the Bidding Procedures or the Bidding Procedures Order.

## **ADDITIONAL INFORMATION**

Copies of the Motion, the Bidding Procedures Order and the Bidding Procedures may be obtained free of charge by visiting the Verita Website located at https://veritaglobal.net/supplysource.

FAILURE TO ABIDE BY THE BIDDING PROCEDURES, THE BIDDING PROCEDURES ORDER OR ANY OTHER APPLICABLE ORDER OF THE COURT ENTERED IN THE CHAPTER 11 CASES MAY RESULT IN THE REJECTION OF YOUR BID AND YOUR DISQUALIFICATION FROM PARTICIPATING IN THE BIDDING FOR AND AUCTION OF ANY OF THE DEBTORS' ASSETS.

THE FAILURE OF ANY PERSON OR ENTITY TO FILE AND SERVE AN OBJECTION IN ACCORDANCE WITH THE BIDDING PROCEDURES ORDER, INCLUDING THE FAILURE TO FILE ANY SUCH OBJECTION BY THE APPLICABLE OBJECTION DEADLINE, SHALL FOREVER BAR SUCH PERSON OR ENTITY FROM ASSERTING, AT THE SALE HEARING OR THEREAFTER, ANY SUCH OBJECTION TO THE RELIEF REQUESTED IN THE MOTION, THE CONSUMMATION OF ANY APPLICABLE SALE, INCLUDING THE SALE OF ANY ASSETS TO A SUCCESSFUL LIENS, BIDDER **AND CLEAR OF** CLAIMS, **INTERESTS FREE** ENCUMBRANCES PURSUANT TO SECTION 363(f) OF THE BANKRUPTCY CODE OR THE TERMS OF THE STALKING HORSE APA OR OTHER ASSET PURCHASE AGREEMENT EXECUTED BY THE DEBTORS.

Dated: June 20, 2024 /s/ Katelin A. Morales

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