

IN THE UNITED STATES BANKRUPTCY COURT  
FOR THE SOUTHERN DISTRICT OF TEXAS  
HOUSTON DIVISION

In re:	)	
	)	Chapter 11
VERTEX ENERGY, INC., <i>et al.</i> , <sup>1</sup>	)	
	)	Case No. 24-90507 (CML)
Reorganized Debtors.	)	
	)	(Jointly Administered)

SUMMARY COVER  
SHEET TO THE FIRST AND FINAL  
FEE APPLICATION OF KIRKLAND & ELLIS LLP  
AND KIRKLAND & ELLIS INTERNATIONAL LLP, ATTORNEYS  
FOR THE DEBTORS AND DEBTORS IN POSSESSION, FOR THE FEE PERIOD  
FROM SEPTEMBER 24, 2024 THROUGH AND INCLUDING DECEMBER 20, 2024

Name of Applicant:	Kirkland & Ellis LLP and Kirkland & Ellis International LLP	
Applicant's Role in Case:	Counsel to the Debtors	
Docket No. of Employment Order(s):	[Docket No. 450]	
Interim Application ( ) Final Application (X)	Final	
	Beginning Date	End Date
Time period covered by this Application for which interim compensation has not previously been awarded:	September 24, 2024	December 20, 2024
Were the services provided necessary to the administration of or beneficial at the time rendered toward the completion of the case? Yes		
Were the services performed in a reasonable amount of time commensurate with the complexity, importance and nature of the issues addressed? Yes		

<sup>1</sup> A complete list of each of the Reorganized Debtors in these chapter 11 cases may be obtained on the website of the Reorganized Debtors' claims and noticing agent at <https://www.veritaglobal.net/vertex>. The location of Reorganized Debtor Vertex Energy, Inc.'s corporate headquarters and the Reorganized Debtors' service address in these chapter 11 cases is 1331 Gemini Street, Suite 250, Houston, Texas 77058.



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**Is the requested compensation reasonable based on the customary compensation charged by comparably skilled practitioners in other non-bankruptcy cases? Yes**

**Do expense reimbursements represent actual and necessary expenses incurred? Yes**

**Compensation Breakdown for Time Period Covered by this Application**

<b>Total professional fees requested in this Application:</b>	\$7,163,463.00
<b>Total professional hours covered by this Application:</b>	5,916.20
<b>Average hourly rate for professionals:</b>	\$1,210.82
<b>Total paraprofessional fees requested in this Application:</b>	\$100,708.00
<b>Total paraprofessional hours covered by this Application:</b>	227.50
<b>Average hourly rate for paraprofessionals:</b>	\$442.67
<b>Total fees requested in this Application:</b>	\$7,264,171.00
<b>Total expense reimbursements requested in this Application:</b>	\$172,369.75
<b>Total fees and expenses requested in this Application:</b>	\$7,436,540.75
<b>Total fees and expenses awarded in all prior Applications:</b>	N/A

**Plan Status:** On December 20, 2024, the United States Bankruptcy Court for the Southern District of Texas entered the *Order Confirming the Second Amended Joint Chapter 11 Plan of Vertex Energy, Inc. and its Debtor Affiliates* [Docket No. 578], approving the Debtors' *Second Amended Joint Chapter 11 Plan of Vertex Energy, Inc. and its Debtor Affiliates* [Docket No. 564] (the "Plan"). The effective date of the Plan occurred on January 21, 2025 (the "Effective Date") [Docket No. 646].

**Primary Benefits:** K&E diligently represented the above-captioned reorganized debtors (collectively, the "Reorganized Debtors") and before the Effective Date, the "Debtors") as lead counsel during the Fee Period, advising the Debtors on a wide variety of complex restructuring matters and issues. With K&E's advice and assistance, the Debtors successfully transitioned into chapter 11 with typical "first day" relief, secured necessary postpetition financing and continuation of the Debtors' prepetition intermediation facility, conducted a robust marketing process for their business, and confirmed a chapter 11 plan of reorganization, which, among other things, incorporated the terms of a settlement between the United States Environmental Protection Agency, the United States, and the Debtors.

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Kirkland & Ellis LLP and Kirkland & Ellis International LLP (together, “K&E”), attorneys for the above-captioned reorganized debtors (collectively, the “Reorganized Debtors” and before the Effective Date, the “Debtors”),<sup>2</sup> hereby submits their first and final fee application (this “Fee Application”) for allowance of compensation for professional services provided in the amount of \$7,264,171.00 and reimbursement of actual and necessary expenses in the amount of \$172,369.75 that K&E incurred for the period from September 24, 2024 through December 20, 2024 (the “Fee Period”). In support of this Fee Application, K&E submits the declaration of Brian Schartz, president of Brian Schartz, P.C., a partner of K&E, (the “Schartz Declaration”), which is attached

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<sup>2</sup> Capitalized terms used but not otherwise defined herein shall have the meaning as set forth in the Plan (as defined herein).

hereto as **Exhibit A** and incorporated by reference. In further support of this Fee Application, K&E respectfully states as follows.

### **Jurisdiction and Venue**

1. The United States Bankruptcy Court for the Southern District of Texas (the “Court”) has jurisdiction over this matter pursuant to 28 U.S.C. §§ 157 and 1334 and the *Amended Order of Reference to Bankruptcy Judges*, dated May 24, 2012, from the United States District Court for the Southern District of Texas. This is a core proceeding pursuant to 28 U.S.C. § 157(b)(2). The Reorganized Debtors confirm their consent to the Court entering a final order in connection with this Fee Application to the extent that it is later determined that the Court, absent consent of the parties, cannot enter final orders or judgments in connection herewith consistent with Article III of the United States Constitution.

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

3. The bases for the relief requested herein are sections 330 and 331 of title 11 of the United States Code (the “Bankruptcy Code”), rule 2016 of the Federal Rules of Bankruptcy Procedure (the “Bankruptcy Rules”), rule 2016-1 of the Bankruptcy Local Rules for the Southern District of Texas (the “Bankruptcy Local Rules”), and the *Order Establishing Procedures for Interim Compensation and Reimbursement of Expenses for Professionals* [Docket No. 463] (the “Interim Compensation Order”).

### **Background**

4. On September 24, 2024 (the “Petition Date”), each of the Debtors filed a voluntary petition for relief under chapter 11 of the Bankruptcy Code. During the course of the chapter 11 cases, the Debtors operated their businesses and managed their properties as debtors-in-possession pursuant to sections 1107(a) and 1108 of the Bankruptcy Code. On September 25, 2024, the Court entered an order [Docket No. 39] authorizing the joint administration and procedural consolidation



of the Debtors' chapter 11 cases pursuant to Bankruptcy Rule 1015(b). No request was made for the appointment of a trustee or examiner in these chapter 11 cases. On October 8, 2024, the United States Trustee for the Southern District of Texas (the "U.S. Trustee") appointed an official committee of unsecured creditors pursuant to section 1102 of the Bankruptcy Code (the "Committee") [Docket No. 151].

5. A description of the Debtors' business, the reasons for commencing the chapter 11 cases, and the relief sought from the Court to allow for a smooth transition into chapter 11 are set forth in the *Declaration of R. Seth Bullock, Chief Restructuring Officer of Vertex Energy, Inc., in Support of the Debtors' Chapter 11 Petitions and First Day Motions*, filed on September 25, 2024 [Docket No. 18] and incorporated herein by reference.

6. On November 26, 2024, the Court entered the Interim Compensation Order, which sets forth the procedures for interim compensation and reimbursement of expenses for all professionals in these cases.

7. On December 20, 2024, the Court entered the *Order Confirming the Second Amended Joint Chapter 11 Plan of Vertex Energy, Inc. and its Debtor Affiliates* (the "Confirmation Order") [Docket No. 578], pursuant to which the Court approved and confirmed the *Second Amended Joint Chapter 11 Plan of Vertex Energy, Inc. and its Debtor Affiliates* [Docket No. 564] (the "Plan"). On January 21, 2025 (the "Effective Date"), the Reorganized Debtors filed the *Notice of (I) Entry of an Order Confirming the Second Amended Joint Chapter 11 Plan of Vertex Energy, Inc. and its Debtor Affiliates and (II) Occurrence of the Effective Date* [Docket No. 646].

#### **Preliminary Statement**

8. During the Fee Period, K&E represented the Debtors professionally and diligently, advising them on a variety of complex matters and issues, as a result of which the Debtors took action to maximize the value of their estates for the benefit of all parties in interest.

9. With K&E's advice and counsel, the Debtors successfully completed their chapter 11 restructuring in just three months and accomplished, among other things, the following achievements:

- a. filed for chapter 11 and successfully secured approval of all "first day" motions, allowing the Debtors to smoothly transition into chapter 11;
- b. negotiated commitments for, and obtained Court approval of a \$280 million secured debtor-in-possession financing facility (the "DIP Facility"), providing the Debtors with access to \$80 million of "new money" for use during these chapter 11 cases, pursuant to the *Final Order (I) Authorizing the Debtors to Obtain Postpetition Financing, (II) Authorizing the Debtors to Use Cash Collateral, (III) Granting Liens and Providing Claims with Superpriority Administrative Expense Status, (IV) Granting Adequate Protection to the Pre-Petition Term Loan Secured Parties, (V) Modifying the Automatic Stay, and (VI) Granting Related Relief* [Docket No. 332] (the "DIP Order");
- c. secured authority to continue the Debtors' prepetition intermediation contracts, as amended, during these chapter 11 cases to facilitate the purchase and sale of feedstock to replenish inventory during these chapter 11 cases pursuant to the *Final Order (I) Authorizing Continuation of the Intermediation Contracts, as Amended, (II) Authorizing the Debtors to Enter into and Perform Postpetition Intermediation Transactions and Postpetition Hedging Transactions, (III) Providing Superpriority Administrative Expense Status and Liens in Respect of Postpetition Intermediation Transactions and Postpetition Hedging Transactions, (IV) Granting Adequate Protection to the Intermediation Provider, (V) Providing Superpriority Administrative Expense Status in Respect of Purchaser Support Agreements, (VI) Modifying the Automatic Stay, and (VII) Granting Related Relief* [Docket No. 329];
- d. completed and filed comprehensive schedules of assets and liabilities and statements of financial affairs [Docket Nos. 260–341];
- e. entered into value-maximizing settlements with the Committee, the United States Environmental Protection Agency (the "EPA") and the United States, and Matheson Tri-Gas, Inc. ("Matheson");
- f. commenced and conducted a robust postpetition marketing and sale process for the Debtors' assets pursuant to the *Order (I) Approving the Bidding Procedures and Auction, (II) Scheduling Bid Deadlines, an Auction, Objection Deadlines, and a Sale Hearing, (III) Approving the Assumption and Assignment Procedures, (IV) Approving the Form and Manner of Notice of a Sale Transaction, the Auction, the Sale Hearings, and*

*Assumption and Assignment Procedures, and (V) Granting Related Relief* [Docket No. 55] (the “Bidding Procedures Order”);

- g. responded to various diligence requests and engaged in discussions with potential bidders;
- h. investigated and analyzed potentially valuable claims and causes of action that the Debtors may hold against various parties;
- i. obtained confirmation of the Plan pursuant to the Confirmation Order; and
- j. timely consummated the transaction contemplated by the Plan and emerged from chapter 11 on the Effective Date, only four months after the Petition Date.

### **Case Status Summary**

10. The Debtors commenced these chapter 11 cases to pursue a value-maximizing transaction, either in the form of a standalone recapitalization transaction or sale of all, or substantially all, of the Debtors’ assets. In pursuit of a potential sale of their assets, the Debtors, with the assistance of their advisors, conducted a robust marketing process in accordance with the Bidding Procedures Order. Specifically, the Debtors and their advisors actively engaged with bidders to facilitate the production of diligence, schedule site visits for potential purchasers to visit the Debtors’ facilities, and facilitate management conferences for potential purchasers to learn more about the Debtors’ operations. Although the Debtors received multiple bids from various third parties, after a fulsome review, the Debtors, in consultation with the Consultation Parties (as defined in the Bidding Procedures Order), ultimately determined that none of the bids received constituted a Qualified Bid (as defined in the Bidding Procedures Order).

11. Simultaneously during the course of the sale and marketing process, the Debtors continued to focus on engaging with (a) the EPA, to address the approximately \$84.4 million in obligations that the Debtors estimated they would owe through the 2024 compliance period under the federal RFS Program, (b) the Committee and Matheson, to negotiate the terms of the

Committee Settlement, (c) Macquarie Energy North America Trading Inc. (“Macquarie”) and Shell Chemical LP (“Shell”), on continuing the Debtors’ intermediation facility and related agreements through March 31, 2025, unless the parties agree to extend such date, and (d) the DIP Lenders, on the terms of exit financing. After weeks of hard-fought, arm’s-length negotiations with each of the EPA and the United States, Macquarie, Shell, the DIP Lenders, the Committee, Matheson, and various other parties in interest, the Debtors sought to effectuate the Recapitalization Transaction. Specifically, the Recapitalization Transaction contemplated under the Plan provided for: (a) the complete equitization of prepetition debt of approximately \$118.1 million and postpetition debt of approximately \$280 million in exchange for New Common Stock; (b) \$100 million in “new money” exit financing to provide the Reorganized Debtors with ample liquidity at emergence; (c) the restructuring of the Debtors’ existing obligations under the Clean Air Act, whereby the Reorganized Debtors retired a total of 18,794,250 unexpired valid RINs, in full and final satisfaction of all liability under the Clean Air Act and the renewable fuel standard regulations for the Debtors’ 2023-24 RVOs; and (d) the Committee Settlement, which provided a recovery to Holders of Allowed General Unsecured Claims at Debtors Other than Vertex that would not otherwise have been entitled to any recovery under the Plan. Due to the Debtors’ and their various stakeholders’ tireless efforts both before and after the Petition Date, the Court confirmed the Plan on December 20, 2024 and the Effective Date occurred on January 21, 2025.

### **The Debtors’ Retention of K&E**

12. On November 25, 2024, the Court entered the *Order Authorizing the Retention and Employment of Kirkland & Ellis LLP and Kirkland & Ellis International LLP as Attorneys for the Debtors and Debtors in Possession Effective as of September 24, 2024* [Docket No. 450] (the “Retention Order”), attached hereto as **Exhibit B** and incorporated by reference. The

Retention Order authorizes the Debtors to compensate and reimburse K&E in accordance with the Bankruptcy Code, the Bankruptcy Rules, the Bankruptcy Local Rules, and the Interim Compensation Order. The Retention Order also authorizes the Debtors to compensate K&E at K&E's hourly rates charged for services of this type and to reimburse K&E for K&E's actual and necessary out-of-pocket expenses incurred, subject to application to this Court. The particular terms of K&E's engagement are detailed in the engagement letter by and between K&E and the Debtors, effective as of June 13, 2024 and attached hereto as **Exhibit C** (the "Engagement Letter").

13. The Retention Order authorizes K&E to provide the following services consistent with and in furtherance of the services enumerated above:

- a. advising the Debtors with respect to their powers and duties as debtors-in-possession in the continued management and operation of their businesses and properties;
- b. preparing pleadings, including motions, applications, answers, orders, reports, and papers necessary or otherwise beneficial to the administration of the Debtors' estates and consistent with the services identified in the Retention Order;
- c. appearing before the Court and any appellate courts to represent the interests of the Debtors' estates before those courts in connection with the services in the Retention Order; and
- d. performing all other legal services reasonably necessary or otherwise beneficial for the Debtors in connection with these chapter 11 cases.

#### **Disinterestedness of K&E**

14. To the best of the Debtors' knowledge and as disclosed in the *Declaration of Brian Schartz in Support of the Debtors' Application for the Entry of an Order Authorizing the Retention and Employment of Kirkland & Ellis LLP and Kirkland & Ellis International LLP as Attorneys for the Debtors and Debtors in Possession Effective as of the Petition Date* [Docket No. 236], the *First Supplemental Declaration of Brian Schartz in Support of the Debtors' Application for Entry of an Order Authorizing the Retention and Employment of Kirkland & Ellis LLP and Kirkland &*

*Ellis International LLP as Attorneys for the Debtors and Debtors in Possession Effective as of September 24, 2024* [Docket No. 529], and the *Second Supplemental Declaration of Brian Scharz in Support of the Debtors' Application for Entry of an Order Authorizing the Retention and Employment of Kirkland & Ellis LLP and Kirkland & Ellis International LLP as Attorneys for the Debtors and Debtors in Possession Effective as of September 24, 2024* [Docket No. 633] (collectively, the “K&E Declarations”), (a) K&E is a “disinterested person” within the meaning of section 101(14) of the Bankruptcy Code, as required by section 327(a) of the Bankruptcy Code, and does not hold or represent an interest adverse to the Debtors’ estates and (b) K&E has no connection to the Debtors, their creditors, or other parties in interest, except as may be disclosed in the K&E Declarations.

15. K&E may have in the past represented, may currently represent, and likely in the future will represent parties in interest in connection with matters unrelated to the Debtors in these chapter 11 cases. In the K&E Declarations, K&E disclosed its connections to parties in interest that it has been able to ascertain using its reasonable efforts.

16. K&E performed the services for which it is seeking compensation on behalf of the Debtors and their estates, and not on behalf of any committee, creditor, or other entity.

17. Except to the extent of the advance payments paid to K&E that K&E previously disclosed to this Court in the K&E Declarations, K&E has received no payment and no promises for payment from any source other than the Debtors for services provided or to be provided in any capacity whatsoever in connection with these chapter 11 cases.

18. Pursuant to Bankruptcy Rule 2016(b), K&E has not shared, nor has K&E agreed to share (a) any compensation it has received or may receive with another party or person other than with the partners, counsel, and associates of K&E or (b) any compensation another person or party

has received or may receive.

**Summary of Compliance with Interim Compensation Order**

19. This Fee Application has been prepared in accordance with the Interim Compensation Order, Article II.D of the Plan, and paragraph 142 of the Confirmation Order.

20. K&E seeks final compensation for professional services rendered to the Debtors during the Fee Period in the amount of \$7,264,171.00 and reimbursement of actual and necessary expenses incurred in connection with providing such services in the amount of \$172,369.75. During the Fee Period, K&E attorneys and paraprofessionals expended a total of 6,143.70 hours for which compensation is requested.

21. In accordance with the Interim Compensation Order, as of the date hereof, K&E has received payments totaling \$5,983,706.55 (\$5,811,336.80 of which was for services provided and \$172,369.75 of which was for reimbursement of expenses) for the Fee Period. Accordingly, by this Fee Application, and to the extent such amounts have not been paid by the time of the hearing on this Fee Application, K&E seeks payment of the remaining \$1,452,834.20, which amount represents the entire amount of unpaid fees and expenses incurred between September 24, 2024 and December 20, 2024.<sup>3</sup>

22. K&E seeks final allowance and approval of compensation for professional services rendered to the Debtors during the Fee Period in the aggregate amount of \$7,264,171.00 and reimbursement of actual expenses incurred in connection with such services in the aggregate amount of \$172,369.75, for a total allowance of \$7,436,540.75 for fees and expenses incurred. To date, K&E has received total payment of \$5,811,336.80 for legal services rendered to the Debtors and \$172,369.75 for related expenses during the Fee Period pursuant to the Interim Compensation

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<sup>3</sup> This amount also reflects the 20% holdback for the Fee Period.

Order.

**Fees and Expenses Incurred During Fee Period**

**A. Customary Billing Disclosures.**

23. K&E's hourly rates are set at a level designed to compensate K&E fairly for the work of its attorneys and paraprofessionals and to cover fixed and routine expenses. The hourly rates and corresponding rate structure utilized by K&E in these chapter 11 cases are equivalent to the hourly rates and corresponding rate structure used by K&E for other restructuring matters, as well as similar complex corporate, securities, and litigation matters whether in court or otherwise, regardless of whether a fee application is required. The rates and rate structure reflect that such restructuring and other complex matters typically are national in scope and typically involve great complexity, high stakes, and severe time pressures. For the convenience of the Court and all parties in interest, attached hereto as **Exhibit D** is a summary of blended hourly rates for timekeepers who billed to non-bankruptcy matters and blended hourly rates for timekeepers who billed to the Debtors during the Fee Period.

**B. Fees Incurred During Fee Period.**

24. In the ordinary course of K&E's practice, K&E maintains computerized records of the time expended to render the professional services required by the Debtors and their estates. For the convenience of the Court and all parties in interest, attached hereto as **Exhibit E** is a summary of fees incurred and hours expended during the Fee Period, setting forth the following information:

- the name of each attorney and paraprofessional for whose work on these chapter 11 cases compensation is sought;
- each attorney's year of bar admission and area of practice concentration;
- the aggregate time expended and fees billed by each attorney and each paraprofessional during the Fee Period;



- the hourly billing rate for each attorney and each paraprofessional at K&E's current billing rates;
- the hourly billing rate for each attorney and each paraprofessional as disclosed in this Fee Application;
- the number of rate increases since the inception of the case; and
- a calculation of total compensation requested using the rates disclosed in the *Debtors' Application for Entry of an Order Authorizing the Retention and Employment of Kirkland & Ellis LLP and Kirkland & Ellis International LLP as Attorneys for the Debtors and Debtors in Possession Effective as of September 24, 2024* [Docket No. 235] (the "Retention Application").

**C. Expenses Incurred During Fee Period.**

25. In the ordinary course of K&E's practice, K&E maintains a record of expenses incurred in the rendition of the professional services required by the Debtors and their estates and for which reimbursement is sought. K&E currently charges \$0.16 per page for standard duplication in its offices in the United States. K&E does not charge its clients for incoming facsimile transmissions.

26. For the convenience of the Court and all parties in interest, attached hereto as **Exhibit F** is a summary for the Fee Period, setting forth the total amount of reimbursement sought with respect to each category of expenses for which K&E is seeking reimbursement.

**Summary of Legal Services Rendered During the Fee Period**

27. As discussed above, during the Fee Period, K&E provided extensive and important professional services to the Debtors in connection with these chapter 11 cases. These services were often performed under severe time constraints and were necessary to address a multitude of critical issues both unique to these chapter 11 cases and typically faced by large corporate debtors in similar cases of this magnitude and complexity.

28. To provide a meaningful summary of K&E's services provided on behalf of the Debtors and their estates, K&E has established, in accordance with its internal billing procedures, certain subject matters categories (each, a "Matter Category") in connection with these chapter 11 cases. The following is a summary of the fees and hours billed for each Matter Category in the Fee Period:<sup>4</sup>

<b>Matter Number</b>	<b>Matter Category Description</b>	<b>Hours Billed</b>	<b>Total Compensation Billed</b>
2	Chapter 11 Filing & First Day Pleadings	362.80	\$380,150.00
3	Adversary Proceeding & Contested Matters	565.50	\$723,901.50
4	Automatic Stay Matters	45.70	\$49,954.50
5	Business Operations	25.50	\$44,401.50
6	Case Administration	232.30	\$259,564.50
7	DIP Financing and Cash Collateral	103.20	\$135,625.00
8	Intermediation Matters	21.60	\$25,652.00
9	Cash Management	15.50	\$16,708.50
10	Customer and Vendor Matters	118.60	\$138,813.00
11	Claims Administration and Objections	85.20	\$95,859.50
12	Official Committee Matters and Meetings	132.00	\$179,248.00
13	Use, Sale, and Disposition of Property	1,227.90	\$1,455,566.50
14	Corp., Governance, & Securities Matters	96.30	\$121,364.50
15	Employee Matters	91.50	\$157,027.50
16	Executory Contracts and Unexpired Leases	225.40	\$245,553.00
17	SOFAs and Schedules	91.20	\$108,923.00
18	Hearings	78.90	\$100,102.50
19	Insurance and Surety Matters	124.30	\$148,053.50
20	Disclosure Statement, Plan, Confirmation	1,711.60	\$2,017,347.00
21	K&E Retention and Fee Matters	282.80	\$268,327.50
22	Non-K&E Retention and Fee Matters	204.00	\$221,976.00
23	Tax Matters	49.50	\$76,322.50
24	Creditor and Stakeholder Communications	32.20	\$38,515.50

<sup>4</sup> In certain instances, K&E may have billed the same amount of fees, but different number of hours to different Matter Categories. This difference is the result of different staffing of each such Matter Category.

Matter Number	Matter Category Description	Hours Billed	Total Compensation Billed
25	Utilities	7.40	\$8,466.00
26	Non-Working Travel	22.50	\$34,466.50
27	U.S. Trustee Communications & Reporting	21.00	\$26,495.00
28	Environmental/Regulatory Issues	169.30	\$185,786.50
29	Expenses	-	\$172,369.75
	<b>Total</b>	6,143.70	\$7,264,171.00

29. The following is a summary, by Matter Category, of the most significant professional services provided by K&E during the Fee Period. This summary is organized in accordance with K&E's internal system of matter numbers. The detailed descriptions demonstrate that K&E was heavily involved in performing services for the Debtors on a daily basis, often including night and weekend work, to meet the needs of the Debtors' estates in these chapter 11 cases. A schedule setting forth a description of the Matter Categories utilized in this case, the number of hours expended by K&E partners, associates and paraprofessionals by matter, and the aggregate fees associated with each matter is attached hereto as **Exhibit G**.

30. In addition, K&E's computerized records of time expended providing professional services to the Debtors and their estates are attached hereto as **Exhibit H**, and K&E's records of expenses incurred during the Fee Period in the rendition of professional services to the Debtors and their estates are attached as **Exhibit I**.

**(a) Chapter 11 Filing & First Day Pleadings [Matter No. 2]**

Total Fees: \$380,150.00  
Total Hours: 362.80

31. This Matter Category includes time spent by K&E attorneys and paraprofessionals providing services related to the filing of the Debtors' chapter 11 petitions and various "first day" pleadings and related notices during the initial days of these chapter 11 cases, including, without limitation, (a) reviewing and revising the Debtors' petitions and "first day" motions, proposed

orders, declarations, and notices; and (b) preparing for the “first day” hearing, including drafting hearing notes and related materials and preparing potential witnesses in connection with certain of the first day motions.

32. Specifically, the Debtors filed several motions seeking orders authorizing the Debtors to pay various prepetition claims. Entry of these orders eased the strain on the Debtors’ relationships with employees, vendors, customers, and taxing authorities as a consequence of the commencement of these chapter 11 cases. Among other things, these orders authorized the Debtors to (a) pay certain critical vendors, suppliers, and lien claimants; (b) pay certain prepetition employee wages and benefits; (c) maintain cash management systems; (d) use prepetition bank accounts, checks and other business forms; (e) make tax payments to federal, local, and state taxing authorities; (f) prohibit utility companies from discontinuing services; and (g) maintain prepetition insurance policies and enter into new insurance policies.

**(b) Adversary Proceeding & Contested Matters [Matter No. 3]**

Total Fees: \$723,901.50  
Total Hours: 565.50

33. This Matter Category includes time spent by K&E attorneys and paraprofessionals providing services related to litigation and other adversarial matters. Specifically, K&E attorneys and paraprofessionals spent time:

- (i) conducting the Investigation, including reviewing approximately 300 documents, conducting multiple interviews, and drafting and preparing materials with respect to findings thereof;
- (ii) advising, updating, coordinating, and meeting with the Disinterested Director with respect to the Investigation;
- (iii) reviewing, analyzing, and responding to discovery requests, including assisting with the production of documents for the Committee’s review of potentially valuable claims and causes of action held by the Debtors;

- (iv) reviewing, analyzing, and investigating potential litigation claims;
- (v) preparing various declarants in the Debtors' chapter 11 cases called to testify in support of contested motions;
- (vi) preparing materials for hearings with respect to contested motions; and
- (vii) coordinating and communicating with the Debtors, the Debtors' other advisors, and relevant stakeholders regarding the foregoing activities.

(c) **Automatic Stay Matters [Matter No. 4]**

Total Fees: \$49,954.50  
Total Hours: 45.70

34. This Matter Category includes time spent by K&E attorneys and paraprofessionals providing services related to the imposition of the automatic stay. Specifically, K&E attorneys and paraprofessionals spent time:

- (i) engaging with stakeholders regarding requests for relief from the automatic stay;
- (ii) researching, analyzing, and advising the Debtors regarding automatic stay matters; and
- (iii) drafting and revising notices, stipulations, and enforcement letters relating to the enforcement of the automatic stay.

(d) **Business Operations [Matter No. 5]**

Total Fees: \$44,401.50  
Total Hours: 25.50

35. This Matter Category includes time spent by K&E attorneys and paraprofessionals developing a strategy with the Debtors to ensure a smooth transition into chapter 11 and to ensure that going forward the business operations continue without interruption. Specifically, K&E attorneys and paraprofessionals spent time:

- (i) reviewing, analyzing, and advising the Debtors with respect to ordinary course payments; and

- (ii) coordinating and communicating with the Debtors, the Debtors' other advisors, and relevant stakeholders regarding the chapter 11 cases.

(e) **Case Administration [Matter No. 6]**

Total Fees: \$259,564.50  
Total Hours: 232.30

36. This Matter Category includes time spent on a variety of tasks that were necessary to ensure the efficient and smooth administration of legal services related to the Debtors' chapter 11 cases. Specifically, K&E attorneys and paraprofessionals spent time:

- (i) coordinating, managing, and administering these chapter 11 cases on a daily basis, including monitoring critical dates and maintaining a case calendar, task lists, and work-in-progress reports;
- (ii) facilitating compliance with all applicable requirements of the Bankruptcy Code, Bankruptcy Rules, and Bankruptcy Local Rules, and orders or procedures issued by the Court;
- (iii) conducting telephone conferences and corresponding to coordinate efforts among K&E personnel and other retained professionals; and
- (iv) coordinating case management tasks among K&E personnel and other retained professionals.

37. Time billed to this Matter Category also includes work and meetings related to multiple matters such that the time cannot be easily allocated to one of the other matters.

(f) **DIP Financing & Cash Collateral [Matter No. 7]**

Total Fees: \$135,625.00  
Total Hours: 103.20

38. This Matter Category includes time spent by K&E attorneys and paraprofessionals providing services related to securing the consensual use of cash collateral and debtor-in-possession financing to fund the chapter 11 cases. Specifically, K&E attorneys and paraprofessionals spent time:

- (i) analyzing and discussing issues related to the Debtors' liquidity and financing needs with the Debtors' other advisors and stakeholders;

- (ii) negotiating, revising, and filing the Debtors' motion seeking approval of the DIP Facility and the declarations in support thereof;
- (iii) negotiating the terms of, revising, filing, and securing approval of orders approving the DIP Facility; and
- (iv) coordinating and communicating with the Debtors, the Debtors' other advisors, and relevant stakeholders regarding the foregoing activities.

39. K&E's efforts were critical in securing, among other things, the Debtors' access to \$80 million of "new money" for use during the chapter 11 cases. The DIP Facility provided the Debtors with the necessary liquidity to fund the Debtors' postpetition marketing process and operations at the outset of their chapter 11 cases and provided the necessary runway to enable the Debtors to restructure their business and emerge from chapter 11 as a going-concern.

**(g) Intermediation Matters [Matter No. 8]**

Total Fees: \$25,652.00

Total Hours: 21.60

40. This Matter Category includes time spent on a variety of tasks that were necessary to ensure the continuation of the Intermediation Facility during these chapter 11 cases. Specifically, K&E attorneys and paraprofessionals spent time:

- (i) analyzing and discussing issues related to the Debtors' Intermediation Facility with the Debtors' other advisors and stakeholders;
- (ii) negotiating the terms of, revising, filing, and securing approval of the Intermediation Facility Orders and the Exit Intermediation Facility; and
- (iii) coordinating and communicating with the Debtors, the Debtors' other advisors, and relevant stakeholders regarding the foregoing activities.

**(h) Cash Management [Matter No. 9]**

Total Fees: \$16,708.50

Total Hours: 15.50

41. This Matter Category includes time spent by K&E attorneys and paraprofessionals providing services related to analyzing and discussing cash management and financing issues with the Debtors, their advisors, the U.S. Trustee, and various stakeholders and their respective advisors, including, among other things, issues pertaining to the Debtors' bank accounts, credit card programs, and intercompany transactions.

**(i) Customer and Vendor Matters [Matter No. 10]**

Total Fees: \$138,813.00

Total Hours: 118.60

42. This Matter Category includes time spent by K&E attorneys and paraprofessionals advising the Debtors on customer and vendor issues, including with respect to first day relief and postpetition business activities. Specifically, K&E attorneys and paraprofessionals spent time:

- (i) drafting, revising, and securing approval of orders for relief approving, among other things, prepetition payments to critical vendors;
- (ii) analyzing, reviewing, and advising the Debtors with respect to various vendor matters;
- (iii) corresponding with customers and vendors concerning the Debtors' bankruptcy cases; and
- (iv) coordinating and communicating with the Debtors, the Debtors' other advisors, and relevant stakeholders regarding the foregoing activities.



(j) **Claims Administration and Objections [Matter No. 11]**

Total Fees: \$95,859.50  
Total Hours: 85.20

43. This Matter Category includes time K&E attorneys and paraprofessionals spent on matters related to claims administration and claims-related issues. Specifically, K&E attorneys and paraprofessionals spent time:

- (i) drafting and securing approval of the *Debtors' Motion for Entry of an Order (I) Establishing Deadlines for the Filing of Proofs of Claim, (II) Approving the Form and Manner of Notice Thereof, (III) Approving the Form and Manner for Filing Proofs of Claim, and (IV) Granting Related Relief* [Docket No. 140] (the "Bar Date Motion");
- (ii) coordinating with the Debtors' retained professionals regarding the Bar Date Motion and the claims resolution process; and
- (iii) coordinating and communicating with the Debtors, the Debtors' other advisors, and relevant stakeholders regarding the foregoing activities.

(k) **Official Committee Matters and Meetings [Matter No. 12]**

Total Fees: \$179,248.00  
Total Hours: 132.00

44. This Matter Category includes time spent by K&E attorneys meeting and corresponding with the Committee's advisors to provide updates as to developments in the cases, providing relevant information and access to the Debtors and their records as requested, and responding to miscellaneous creditor inquiries. During the Fee Period, K&E attorneys and paraprofessionals organized, prepared for, and attended the formational creditors' meeting. K&E attorneys and paraprofessionals also spent time responding to information requests from the Committee and coordinating with the Debtors' other advisors to respond to diligence requests more efficiently. Finally, K&E attorneys assisted the Debtors in negotiating and documenting the Committee Settlement, a critical component of the value-maximizing Restructuring Transactions

contemplated in the Plan.

**(l) Use, Sale, and Disposition of Property [Matter No. 13]**

Total Fees: \$1,455,566.50

Total Hours: 1,227.90

45. This Matter Category includes time spent by K&E attorneys and paraprofessionals providing services related to the Debtors' property interests. Specifically, K&E attorneys and paraprofessionals spent time:

- (i) analyzing strategy and approach with the Debtors and their other advisors regarding the sale process and advising the Debtors, the Board, and the Disinterested Director with respect thereto;
- (ii) drafting and revising notices and other documentation pursuant to the Bidding Procedures Order;
- (iii) responding to diligence requests from potential bidders for certain or all of the Debtors' assets or equity;
- (iv) drafting, revising, and negotiating asset purchase agreements and nondisclosure agreements in connection with the Debtors' marketing process; and
- (v) coordinating and communicating with the Debtors, the Debtors' other advisors, and relevant stakeholders regarding the foregoing activities.

**(m) Corporate, Governance, & Securities Matters [Matter No. 14]**

Total Fees: \$121,364.50

Total Hours: 96.30

46. This Matter Category includes time spent by K&E attorneys and paraprofessionals advising the Debtors, the Board, and the Disinterested Director regarding, among other things, corporate governance matters and the Investigation. Specifically, K&E attorneys and paraprofessionals spent time:

- (i) preparing for and participating in meetings with the Board and the Disinterested Director in connection with the chapter 11 process;

- (ii) preparing, reviewing, and revising materials for Board and Disinterested Director meetings;
- (iii) reviewing, analyzing, and advising the Debtors with respect to various financial, corporate governance, securities, and compliance issues; and
- (iv) complying with corporate governance requirements, including drafting, reviewing, and revising Board and Disinterested Director meeting minutes and resolutions.

**(n) Employee Matters [Matter No. 15]**

Total Fees: \$157,027.50

Total Hours: 91.50

47. This Matter Category includes time spent by K&E attorneys and paraprofessionals addressing the following employee compensation issues:

- (i) drafting, revising, and securing approval of an order for relief approving, among other things, payment and continuation of employee compensation and benefits programs;
- (ii) correspond and negotiate with the Pension Benefit Guaranty Corporation regarding pension plan claims;
- (iii) researching, analyzing, and advising the Debtors with respect to issues concerning employment and labor matters; and
- (iv) coordinating and communicating with the Debtors, the Debtors' other advisors, and relevant stakeholders regarding the foregoing activities.

**(o) Executory Contracts and Unexpired Leases [Matter No. 16]**

Total Fees: \$245,553.00

Total Hours: 225.40

48. This Matter Category includes time spent by K&E attorneys examining issues related to the Debtors' executory contracts and unexpired leases. K&E attorneys spent time researching, analyzing, renegotiating, or rejecting the Debtors' obligations under their various executory contracts. Specifically, K&E attorneys spent time:

- (i) reviewing and analyzing the Debtors' executory contracts and unexpired leases;
- (ii) drafting, revising, and securing approval of the motion to reject that certain Hydrogen and Steam Supply Agreement by and between the Debtors and Matheson; and
- (iii) coordinating and communicating with the Debtors, the Debtors' other advisors, and relevant stakeholders regarding the foregoing activities.

**(p) SOFAs and Schedules [Matter No. 17]**

Total Fees: \$108,923.00

Total Hours: 91.20

49. This Matter Category includes time spent by K&E attorneys and paraprofessionals providing services related to advising the Debtors, Kurtzman Carson Consultants dba Verita Global LLC, and other advisors in connection with the preparation, review, revision, and filing of the Debtors' schedules of assets and liabilities and statements of financial affairs (the "Schedules and Statements"). Moreover, K&E attorneys advised the Debtors regarding drafting the Schedules and Statements, attended regular conferences with the Debtors and their advisors regarding the same, and conferred and corresponded with the Debtors and K&E professionals regarding the monthly operating reports.

**(q) Hearings [Matter No. 18]**

Total Fees: \$100,102.50

Total Hours: 78.90

50. This Matter Category includes time spent by K&E attorneys and paraprofessionals providing services related to preparing for and attending several hearings during the Fee Period (each a "Hearing" and, collectively, the "Hearings"), including preparing agendas, orders, and binders related to Hearings, settling orders before and after Hearings, and corresponding with various parties in preparation for, and after the Hearings. These services also included conferences to discuss multiple matters scheduled for a specific Hearing and coordinating Hearing logistics.

During the Fee Period, K&E attorneys and paraprofessionals spent considerable time preparing for and attending Hearings including:

- (i) the “first day” hearing on September 25, 2024 addressing the Debtors’ first day motions, including with respect to the DIP Facility;
- (ii) a hearing on October 25, 2024 addressing the Bar Date Motion;
- (iii) a “second day” hearing on October 29, 2024 addressing final approval of the Debtors’ “first day” motions and the Final DIP Order;
- (iv) a status conference on November 12, 2024, informing the Court of the status of the disclosure statement;
- (v) a hearing on November 18, 2024, addressing the Disclosure Statement; and
- (vi) a hearing on December 20, 2024, addressing the confirmation of the Plan.

**(r) Insurance and Surety Matters [Matter No. 19]**

Total Fees: \$148,053.50

Total Hours: 124.30

51. This Matter Category includes time spent by K&E attorneys and paraprofessionals providing services related to ensuring that the Debtors’ insurance policies were maintained during these chapter 11 cases. Specifically, K&E attorneys and paraprofessionals spent time reviewing and analyzing the Debtors’ insurance policies and corresponding with the Debtors, their advisors, and the Debtors’ stakeholders and their respective advisors regarding potential insurance issues.

**(s) Disclosure Statement, Plan, Confirmation [Matter No. 20]**

Total Fees: \$2,017,347.00

Total Hours: 1,711.60

52. This Matter Category includes time spent by K&E attorneys and paraprofessionals providing services related to developing a chapter 11 plan and disclosure statement in connection with the chapter 11 cases. Specifically, K&E attorneys and paraprofessionals spent time:

- (i) drafting, negotiating, revising, compiling, and filing a proposed chapter 11 plan, the disclosure statement relating thereto, and related filings with respect to the foregoing, including solicitation procedures and materials;
- (ii) drafting, negotiating, revising, and filing the Debtors' Plan Supplement [Docket No. 531], the first amended Plan Supplement [Docket No. 540], the second amended Plan Supplement [Docket No. 544], the third amended Plan Supplement [Docket No. 553], the fourth amended Plan Supplement [Docket No. 569], the fifth amended Plan Supplement [Docket No. 573], the sixth amended Plan Supplement [Docket No. 645];
- (iii) researching and analyzing legal and factual issues relevant to the foregoing;
- (iv) preparing for the Confirmation Hearing and obtaining confirmation of the Plan; and
- (v) coordinating and communicating with the Debtors, the Debtors' other advisors, and relevant stakeholders regarding the foregoing activities.

**(t) K&E Retention and Fee Matters [Matter No. 21]**

Total Fees: \$268,327.50  
Total Hours: 282.80

53. This Matter Category includes time spent by K&E attorneys and paraprofessionals providing services related to the retention of K&E as the Debtors' counsel. Specifically, K&E attorneys and paraprofessionals spent time:

- (i) preparing pleadings and a comprehensive conflict analysis necessary to obtain the order of the Court approving the employment of K&E to represent the Debtors;
- (ii) implementing internally established procedures which require the continuous analysis of potential new conflicts;
- (iii) preparing updated professional disclosures for filing with the Court;
- (iv) preparing and distributing K&E's monthly fee statements in accordance with the Interim Compensation Order; and
- (v) reviewing all time entries to ensure compliance with the Interim Compensation Order and applicable provisions of the Bankruptcy

Code, and to make necessary redactions to preserve the confidentiality of the work performed for the Debtors.

**(u) Non K&E Retention and Fee Matters [Matter No. 22]**

Total Fees: \$221,976.00

Total Hours: 204.00

54. This Matter Category includes time spent by K&E attorneys and paraprofessionals providing services related to ensuring the retention of the Debtors' other professionals in these chapter 11 cases. Specifically, K&E attorneys and paraprofessionals spent time:

- (i) assisting the Debtors' other advisors regarding their respective retention applications and retention orders, including the Debtors' financial advisors, investment bankers, and claims and noticing agent;
- (ii) drafting, reviewing, revising, and filing a motion seeking entry of the Interim Compensation Order and obtaining approval thereof; and
- (iii) coordinating with the Debtors and their other advisors with respect to ordinary course professional retentions and complying with the related disclosure requirements of applicable provisions of the Bankruptcy Code.

**(v) Tax Matters [Matter No. 23]**

Total Fees: \$76,322.50

Total Hours: 49.50

55. This Matter Category includes time spent by K&E attorneys conducting legal research, preparing correspondence and pleadings, and generally advising the Debtors on tax issues related to or arising during the chapter 11 cases. During the Fee Period, K&E attorneys were responsible for researching and analyzing certain tax issues arising in connection with the

Debtors' business operations and the structuring and implementation of the Plan.

**(w) Creditor and Stakeholder Communication [Matter No. 24]**

Total Fees: \$38,515.50

Total Hours: 32.20

56. This Matter Category includes time spent by K&E attorneys on matters relating to stakeholder issues and communications. Specifically, K&E attorneys spent time:

(i) drafting and revising communication materials regarding the Debtors' chapter 11 cases;

(ii) corresponding with the Debtors, various stakeholders, and their respective advisors to provide updates as to developments in the chapter 11 cases;

(iii) corresponding with parties in interest regarding diligence requests; and

(iv) responding to miscellaneous creditor inquiries.

**(x) Utilities [Matter No. 25]**

Total Fees: \$8,466.00

Total Hours: 7.40

57. This Matter Category includes time spent by K&E attorneys providing services related to utility issues arising in connection with filing these chapter 11 cases.

**(y) Non-Working Travel Time [Matter No. 26]**

Total Fees: \$34,466.50

Total Hours: 22.50

58. This Matter Category includes time spent by K&E attorneys providing services related to traveling in connection with their representation of the Debtors. The amounts presented



for review and the request for payment in the Fee Application reflect a reduction of one half the charges for travel time.

**(z) U.S. Trustee Communications & Reporting [Matter No. 27]**

Total Fees: \$26,495.00

Total Hours: 21.00

59. This Matter Category includes time spent by K&E attorneys and paraprofessionals corresponding with the U.S. Trustee with respect to the following issues:

- (i) advising and preparing the Debtors for and participating in the initial debtor interview and the meeting of creditors required by section 341 of the Bankruptcy Code;
- (ii) advising the Debtors on U.S. Trustee reporting requirements and preparing reports with respect thereto;
- (iii) corresponding with the U.S. Trustee with respect to, and resolving, various concerns and issues raised by the U.S. Trustee regarding various matters in the Debtors' chapter 11 cases;
- (iv) conducting discussions, phone calls and correspondence with the U.S. Trustee regarding K&E's retention and responding to questions and comments regarding the same; and
- (v) coordinating efforts among the Debtors and their other professionals to address various concerns and issues raised by the U.S. Trustee with respect to the retention of the Debtors' other professionals and ensuring that these professionals were ultimately retained without any objection to assist in the Debtors' chapter 11 cases.

**(aa) Environmental/Regulatory Issues [Matter No.28]**

Total Fees: \$185,786.50

Total Hours: 169.30

60. This Matter Category includes time spent by K&E attorneys and paraprofessionals assessing issues related to the Debtors' environmental liabilities. Specifically, K&E attorneys and paraprofessionals spent time:

- (i) drafting, negotiating, revising, and seeking approval of settlement agreements for certain environmental liabilities, including with the EPA;

- (ii) responding to environmental diligence requests related to the Debtors' marketing process;
- (iii) analyzing certain environmental regulations and advising the Debtors with respect thereto;
- (iv) researching and analyzing legal and factual issues relevant to the foregoing; and
- (v) coordinating and communicating with the Debtors, the Debtors' other advisors, and relevant stakeholders regarding the foregoing activities.

**Actual and Necessary Expenses Incurred by K&E**

61. As set forth in **Exhibit H** attached hereto, and as summarized in **Exhibit F** attached hereto, K&E has incurred a total of \$172,369.75 in expenses on behalf of the Debtors during the Fee Period. These charges are intended to reimburse K&E's direct operating costs, which are not incorporated into the K&E hourly billing rates. K&E charges external copying and computer research at the provider's cost without markup. Only clients who actually use services of the types set forth in **Exhibit H** of this Fee Application are separately charged for such services. The effect of including such expenses as part of the hourly billing rates would impose that cost upon clients who do not require extensive photocopying and other facilities and services.

**Reasonable and Necessary Services Provided by K&E**

**A. Reasonable and Necessary Fees Incurred in Providing Services to the Debtors.**

62. The foregoing professional services provided by K&E on behalf of the Debtors during the Fee Period were reasonable, necessary, and appropriate to the administration of these chapter 11 cases and related matters.

63. Many of the services performed by partners and associates of K&E were provided by K&E's Restructuring Group. K&E has a prominent practice in this area and enjoys a national and international reputation for its expertise in financial reorganizations and restructurings of

troubled companies, with over 175 attorneys focusing on this area of the law. The attorneys at K&E have represented either the debtor or the creditors' committee or have acted as special counsel in many large chapter 11 cases.

64. In addition, due to the facts and circumstances of these chapter 11 cases, attorneys from K&E's litigation, corporate, and tax groups were heavily involved with K&E's representation of the Debtors. These practice groups also enjoy a national and international reputation for their expertise. Overall, K&E brings to these chapter 11 cases a particularly high level of skill and knowledge, which inured to the benefit of the Debtors and all stakeholders.

**B. Reasonable and Necessary Expenses Incurred in Providing Services to the Debtors.**

65. The time constraints imposed by the circumstances of these chapter 11 cases required K&E attorneys and other employees to devote substantial time during the evenings and on weekends to perform services on behalf of the Debtors. These services were essential to meet deadlines, respond to daily inquiries from various creditors and other parties in interest on a timely basis, and satisfy the demands of the Debtors' businesses and ensure the orderly administration of their estates. Consistent with firm policy, and as further disclosed in the Retention Application, K&E attorneys and other K&E employees who worked late in the evenings or on weekends were reimbursed for their reasonable meal and transportation costs. K&E's regular practice is not to include components for those charges in overhead when establishing billing rates, but rather to charge its clients for these and all other out-of-pocket disbursements incurred during the regular course of the rendition of legal services.

66. In addition, due to the location of the Debtors' businesses, co-counsel, creditors, and other parties in interest in relation to K&E's offices, frequent multi-party telephone conferences involving numerous parties were required. On many occasions, the exigencies and circumstances of these chapter 11 cases required overnight delivery of documents and other

materials. The disbursements for such services are not included in K&E's overhead for the purpose of setting billing rates and K&E has made every effort to minimize its disbursements in these chapter 11 cases. The actual expenses incurred in providing professional services were necessary, reasonable, and justified under the circumstances to serve the needs of the Debtors in these chapter 11 cases.

67. Among other things, K&E makes sure that all overtime meals, travel meals, hotel rates, and airfares are reasonable and appropriate expenses for which to seek reimbursement. Specifically, K&E regularly reviews its bills to ensure that the Debtors are only billed for services that were actual and necessary and, where appropriate, prorates expenses. In that regard, K&E will waive certain fees and reduce its expenses if necessary. In the Fee Period, K&E voluntarily reduced its fees by \$179,837.75 and expenses by \$2,303.13. Consequently, K&E does not seek payment of such fees or reimbursement of such expenses in the Fee Application.

**K&E's Requested Compensation and Reimbursement Should be Allowed**

68. Section 330 of the Bankruptcy Code provides that a court may award a professional employed under section 327 of the Bankruptcy Code "reasonable compensation for actual necessary services rendered . . . and reimbursement for actual, necessary expenses." 11 U.S.C. § 330(a)(1). Section 330 also sets forth the criteria for the award of such compensation and reimbursement:

In determining the amount of reasonable compensation to be awarded . . . the court shall consider the nature, the extent, and the value of such services, taking into account all relevant factors, including—

- (a) the time spent on such services;
- (b) the rates charged for such services;
- (c) whether the services were necessary to the administration of, or beneficial at the time at which the service was rendered toward the completion of, a case under this title;

- (d) whether the services were performed within a reasonable amount of time commensurate with the complexity, importance, and nature of the problem, issue, or task addressed;
- (e) with respect to a professional person, whether the person is board certified or otherwise has demonstrated skill and expertise in the bankruptcy field; and
- (f) whether the compensation is reasonable based on the customary compensation charged by comparably skilled practitioners in cases other than cases under this title.

11 U.S.C. § 330(a)(3).

69. K&E respectfully submits that the services for which it seeks compensation in this Fee Application were, at the time rendered, necessary for and beneficial to the Debtors and their estates and were rendered to protect and preserve the Debtors' estates. K&E further believes that it performed the services for the Debtors economically, effectively, and efficiently, and the results obtained benefited not only the Debtors, but also the Debtors' estates and the Debtors' constituents. K&E further submits that the compensation requested herein is reasonable in light of the nature, extent, and value of such services to the Debtors, their estates, and all parties in interest.

70. During the Fee Period, K&E's hourly billing rates for attorneys ranged from \$745 to \$2,465. The hourly rates and corresponding rate structure utilized by K&E in these chapter 11 cases are equivalent to the hourly rates and corresponding rate structure used by K&E for restructuring, workout, bankruptcy, insolvency, and comparable matters, and similar complex corporate, securities, and litigation matters, whether in court or otherwise, regardless of whether a fee application is required. K&E strives to be efficient in the staffing of matters. These rates and the rate structure reflect that such matters are typically national in scope and involve great complexity, high stakes, and severe time pressures—all of which were present in these chapter 11 cases.

71. Moreover, K&E's hourly rates are set at a level designed to compensate K&E fairly for the work of its attorneys and paraprofessionals and to cover certain fixed and routine overhead expenses. Hourly rates vary with the experience and seniority of the individuals assigned. These hourly rates are subject to periodic adjustments to reflect economic and other conditions and are consistent with the rates charged elsewhere.

72. In sum, K&E respectfully submits that the professional services provided by K&E on behalf of the Debtors and their estates during these chapter 11 cases were necessary and appropriate given the complexity of these chapter 11 cases, the time expended by K&E, the nature and extent of K&E's services provided, the value of K&E's services, and the cost of comparable services outside of bankruptcy, all of which are relevant factors set forth in section 330 of the Bankruptcy Code. Accordingly, K&E respectfully submits that approval of the compensation sought herein is warranted and should be approved.

73. No previous application for the relief sought herein has been made to this or any other Court.

#### **Reservation of Rights and Notice**

74. It is possible that some professional time expended, or expenses incurred, during the Fee Period are not reflected in the Fee Application. K&E reserves the right to include such amounts in future fee applications. In addition, the Debtors have provided notice of this Fee Application to: (a) the U.S. Trustee; (b) counsel to the Committee; (c) counsel to the Consenting Term Loan Lenders; (d) the agent under the Debtors' Term Loan Facility, and counsel thereto; (e) the agent under the Debtors' DIP Facility and counsel thereto; (f) counsel to Macquarie; (g) the United States Attorney's Office for the Southern District of Texas; (h) the Internal Revenue Service; (i) the United States Securities and Exchange Commission; (j) the state attorneys general for states in which the Debtors conduct business; and (k) any party that has requested notice

pursuant to Bankruptcy Rule 2002 (collectively, the “Notice Parties”). Pursuant to the Interim Compensation Order, any party, other than the Notice Parties, that wishes to object to the Fee Application, must file its objection with the Court, with a copy to Chambers and serve it on the affected professional and the Notice Parties so that it is actually received on or before March 24, 2025 at 4:00 p.m. (prevailing Central Time).

**No Prior Request**

75. No prior application for the relief requested herein has been made to this or any other court.

WHEREFORE, K&E respectfully requests that the Court enter an order (a) awarding K&E final compensation professional and paraprofessional services provided during the Fee Period in the amount of \$7,264,171.00, and reimbursement of actual, reasonable and necessary expenses incurred in the Fee Period in the amount of \$172,369.75; (b) authorizing and directing the Debtors to remit payment to K&E for such fees and expenses; and (c) granting such other relief as is appropriate under the circumstances.

Houston, Texas  
March 3, 2025

/s/ *Brian Schartz*

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**IN THE UNITED STATES BANKRUPTCY COURT  
FOR THE SOUTHERN DISTRICT OF TEXAS  
HOUSTON DIVISION**

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In re:

VERTEX ENERGY, INC., *et al.*,<sup>1</sup>

Reorganized Debtors.

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) Chapter 11  
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) Case No. 24-90507 (CML)  
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) (Jointly Administered)  
) **Re: Docket No \_\_\_\_**

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**ORDER ALLOWING COMPENSATION AND  
REIMBURSEMENT OF EXPENSES INCURRED BY KIRKLAND & ELLIS  
LLP AND KIRKLAND & ELLIS INTERNATIONAL LLP AS ATTORNEYS  
FOR THE DEBTORS AND DEBTORS IN POSSESSION FOR THE FEE PERIOD  
FROM SEPTEMBER 24, 2024 THROUGH AND INCLUDING DECEMBER 20, 2024**

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The Court has considered the *First and Final Fee Application of Kirkland & Ellis LLP and Kirkland & Ellis International LLP, Attorneys for the Debtors and Debtors in Possession, for the Final Fee Period from September 24, 2024 Through and Including December 20, 2024* (the “Application”)<sup>2</sup> filed by Kirkland & Ellis LLP and Kirkland & Ellis International LLP (the “Applicant”) and, based on the Court’s examination of the record in these bankruptcy cases, including (a) the First Day Declaration [Docket No. 18]; (b) the declarations filed in support of the Applicant’s retention [Docket Nos. 236, 529, 633] and the Application [Exhibit A to the Application]; and (c) the evidence presented and the statements made by counsel and the Court at the hearings with respect to (i) the first day pleadings and DIP Financing on September 25, 2024

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<sup>1</sup> A complete list of each of the Reorganized Debtors in these chapter 11 cases may be obtained on the website of the Reorganized Debtors’ claims and noticing agent at <https://www.veritaglobal.net/vertex>. The location of Reorganized Debtor Vertex Energy, Inc.’s corporate headquarters and the Reorganized Debtors’ service address in these chapter 11 cases is 1331 Gemini Street, Suite 250, Houston, Texas 77058.

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

and October 29, 2024 [Docket Nos. 122, 383] and (ii) the confirmation of the Plan on December 20, 2024 [Docket No. 628], **THE COURT FINDS THAT:**

A. In making the following findings, the Court has considered the novelty and difficulty of the questions, issues, and problems addressed by the Applicant's services through its representation of the Debtors during these bankruptcy cases.

B. The time that the Applicant spent on services provided under the Application was reasonable and necessary based on the complexity, importance, and nature of these bankruptcy cases.

C. The billing rates that the Applicant charged are comparable to and reasonable based on rates charged by other professionals with similar experience and expertise in the Southern District of Texas.

D. The services provided by the Applicant were necessary to the administration of these bankruptcy cases.

**IT IS THEREFORE ORDERED THAT:**

1. The Applicant is allowed compensation and reimbursement of expenses in the amount of \$7,436,540.75 for the period set forth in the Application.

2. The compensation and reimbursement of expenses allowed in this order and all previous interim allowances of compensation and reimbursement of expenses are approved on a final basis.

3. The Reorganized Debtors are authorized to disburse any unpaid amounts allowed by paragraphs 1 or 2 of this order.

Dated: \_\_\_\_\_, 2025

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CHRISTOPHER M. LOPEZ  
UNITED STATES BANKRUPTCY JUDGE

**Exhibit A**

**Schartz Declaration**

**IN THE UNITED STATES BANKRUPTCY COURT  
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In re:	)	
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VERTEX ENERGY, INC., <i>et al.</i> , <sup>1</sup>	)	Case No. 24-90507 (CML)
	)	
Reorganized Debtors.	)	(Jointly Administered)
	)	

**DECLARATION OF BRIAN SCHARTZ IN SUPPORT OF  
THE FIRST AND FINAL FEE APPLICATION OF KIRKLAND & ELLIS  
LLP AND KIRKLAND & ELLIS INTERNATIONAL LLP, ATTORNEYS  
FOR THE DEBTORS AND DEBTORS IN POSSESSION FOR THE FEE PERIOD  
FROM SEPTEMBER 24, 2024 THROUGH AND INCLUDING DECEMBER 20, 2024**

I, Brian Schartz, being duly sworn, state the following under penalty of perjury:

1. I am the president of Brian Schartz, P.C., a partner in the law firm of Kirkland & Ellis LLP, located at 601 Lexington Avenue, New York, NY 10022, and a partner of Kirkland & Ellis International, LLP (together with Kirkland & Ellis LLP, "K&E").<sup>2</sup> I am one of the lead attorneys from K&E working on the above-captioned chapter 11 cases. I am a member in good standing of the Bars of the States of Texas and New York, and I have been admitted to practice in the U.S. District Court for the Southern District of Texas, the U.S. District Court for the Southern District of New York, and the U.S. District Court for the Eastern District of New York. There are no disciplinary proceedings pending against me.

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<sup>1</sup> A complete list of each of the Reorganized Debtors in these chapter 11 cases may be obtained on the website of the Reorganized Debtors' claims and noticing agent at <https://www.veritaglobal.net/vertex>. The location of Reorganized Debtor Vertex Energy, Inc.'s corporate headquarters and the Reorganized Debtors' service address in these chapter 11 cases is 1331 Gemini Street, Suite 250, Houston, Texas 77058.

<sup>2</sup> Capitalized terms used but not otherwise defined herein shall have the meaning as set forth in the Application or Original Declaration (as defined herein), as applicable.

2. I have read the foregoing final fee application of K&E, attorneys for the Debtors, for the Fee Period (the “Fee Application”). To the best of my knowledge, information and belief, the statements contained in the Fee Application are true and correct. In addition, I believe that the Fee Application complies with rule 2016-1 of the Bankruptcy Local Rules for the Southern District of Texas (the “Bankruptcy Local Rules”).

3. In connection therewith, I hereby certify that:

- a) to the best of my knowledge, information, and belief, formed after reasonable inquiry, the fees and disbursements sought in the Fee Application are permissible under the relevant rules, court orders, and Bankruptcy Code provisions, except as specifically set forth herein;
- b) except to the extent disclosed in the Fee Application, the fees and disbursements sought in the Fee Application are billed at rates customarily employed by K&E and generally accepted by K&E’s clients. In addition, none of the professionals seeking compensation varied their hourly rate based on the geographic location of the Debtors’ case;
- c) K&E is seeking compensation with respect to the approximately 136.7 hours and \$149,117.50 in fees spent reviewing or revising time records and preparing, reviewing, and revising invoices for privileged and confidential information;
- d) in providing a reimbursable expense, K&E does not make a profit on that expense, whether the service is performed by K&E in-house or through a third party;
- e) in accordance with Rule 2016(a) of the Federal Rules of Bankruptcy Procedure and 11 U.S.C. § 504, no agreement or understanding exists between K&E and any other person for the sharing of compensation to be received in connection with the above cases except as authorized pursuant to the Bankruptcy Code, Bankruptcy Rules, and Bankruptcy Local Rules;
- f) all services for which compensation is sought were professional services on behalf of the Debtors and not on behalf of any other person;
- g) the time spent on services provided to the Debtors, as set forth in the Fee Application, was reasonable and necessary based on the complexity, importance, and nature of the Debtors’ cases;
- h) to the best of my knowledge, information, and belief, formed after reasonable inquiry, the billing rates charged are comparable to, and

reasonable based on, rates charged by other professionals in similar cases of size and complexity; and

- i) the services provided were necessary to the administration of the Debtors' cases.

Pursuant to 28 U.S.C. § 1746, I declare under penalty of perjury that the foregoing is true and correct to the best of my knowledge and belief.

Dated: March 3, 2025

Respectfully submitted,

/s/ Brian Schartz

Brian Schartz  
as President of Brian Schartz, P.C., as Partner of  
Kirkland & Ellis LLP; and as Partner of  
Kirkland & Ellis International LLP



**Exhibit B**

**Retention Order**

**ENTERED**

November 25, 2024

Nathan Ochsner, Clerk

**IN THE UNITED STATES BANKRUPTCY COURT  
FOR THE SOUTHERN DISTRICT OF TEXAS  
HOUSTON DIVISION**

In re:

VERTEX ENERGY, INC., *et al.*,<sup>1</sup>

Debtors.

)  
) Chapter 11  
)  
) Case No. 24-90507 (CML)  
)  
) (Jointly Administered)  
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) **Re: Docket No. 235**  
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**ORDER AUTHORIZING THE RETENTION AND  
EMPLOYMENT OF KIRKLAND & ELLIS LLP AND KIRKLAND  
& ELLIS INTERNATIONAL LLP AS ATTORNEYS FOR THE DEBTORS  
AND DEBTORS IN POSSESSION EFFECTIVE AS OF SEPTEMBER 24, 2024**

Upon the application (the “Application”)<sup>2</sup> of the above-captioned debtors and debtors in possession (collectively, the “Debtors”) for the entry of an order (the “Order”) authorizing the Debtors to retain and employ Kirkland & Ellis LLP and Kirkland & Ellis International LLP (collectively, “Kirkland”) as their attorneys effective as of the Petition Date, pursuant to sections 327(a) and 330 of title 11 of the United States Code (the “Bankruptcy Code”), rules 2014(a) and 2016 of the Federal Rules of Bankruptcy Procedure (the “Bankruptcy Rules”), and rules 2014-1 and 2016-1 of the Local Bankruptcy Rules for the Southern District of Texas (the “Bankruptcy Local Rules”); and the Court having reviewed the Application, the Declaration of Brian Schartz, P.C., the president of Brian Schartz, P.C., a partner of Kirkland & Ellis LLP, and a partner of Kirkland & Ellis International LLP (the “Schartz Declaration”), and the declaration of

<sup>1</sup> A complete list of each of the Debtors in these chapter 11 cases may be obtained on the website of the Debtors’ claims and noticing agent at <https://www.veritaglobal.net/vertex>. The location of Debtor Vertex Energy, Inc.’s corporate headquarters and the Debtors’ service address in these chapter 11 cases is 1331 Gemini Street, Suite 250, Houston, Texas 77058.

<sup>2</sup> Capitalized terms used but not otherwise defined herein shall have the meanings set forth in the Application.



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R. Seth Bullock, the Chief Restructuring Officer of Vertex Energy, Inc., (the “Bullock Declaration”); and the Court having found that the Court has jurisdiction over this matter pursuant to 28 U.S.C. §§ 157 and 1334; and the Court having found that the Application is a core proceeding pursuant to 28 U.S.C. § 157(b)(2); and the Court having found that venue of this proceeding and the Application in this district is proper pursuant to 28 U.S.C. §§ 1408 and 1409; and the Court having found based on the representations made in the Application and in the Schartz Declaration that (a) Kirkland does not hold or represent an interest adverse to the Debtors’ estates and (b) Kirkland is a “disinterested person” as defined in section 101(14) of the Bankruptcy Code and as required by section 327(a) of the Bankruptcy Code; and the Court having found that the relief requested in the Application is in the best interests of the Debtors’ estates, their creditors, and other parties in interest; and the Court having found that the Debtors provided adequate and appropriate notice of the Application and opportunity for a hearing under the circumstances and that no other or further notice is required; and the Court having reviewed the Application; and the Court having determined that the legal and factual bases set forth in the Application establish just cause for the relief granted herein; and any objections to the relief requested herein having been withdrawn or overruled on the merits; and after due deliberation and sufficient cause appearing therefor, IT IS HEREBY ORDERED THAT:

1. The Application is granted to the extent set forth herein.
2. The Debtors are authorized to retain and employ Kirkland as their attorneys effective as of the Petition Date in accordance with the terms and conditions set forth in the Application and in the Engagement Letter attached hereto as Exhibit 1.

3. Kirkland is authorized to provide the Debtors with the professional services as described in the Application and the Engagement Letter. Specifically, but without limitation, Kirkland will render the following legal services:

- a. advising the Debtors with respect to their powers and duties as debtors in possession in the continued management and operation of their businesses and properties;
- b. advising and consulting on their conduct during these chapter 11 cases, including all of the legal and administrative requirements of operating in chapter 11;
- c. attending meetings and negotiating with representatives of creditors and other parties in interest;
- d. taking all necessary actions to protect and preserve the Debtors' estates, including prosecuting actions on the Debtors' behalf, defending any action commenced against the Debtors, and representing the Debtors in negotiations concerning litigation in which the Debtors are involved, including objections to claims filed against the Debtors' estates;
- e. preparing pleadings in connection with these chapter 11 cases, including motions, applications, answers, orders, reports, and papers necessary or otherwise beneficial to the administration of the Debtors' estates;
- f. representing the Debtors in connection with obtaining authority to continue using cash collateral and postpetition financing;
- g. advising the Debtors in connection with any potential sale of assets;
- h. appearing before the Court and any appellate courts to represent the interests of the Debtors' estates;
- i. advising the Debtors regarding tax matters;
- j. taking any necessary action on behalf of the Debtors to negotiate, prepare, and obtain approval of a disclosure statement and confirmation of a chapter 11 plan and all documents related thereto; and
- k. performing all other necessary legal services for the Debtors in connection with the prosecution of these chapter 11 cases, including: (i) analyzing the Debtors' leases and contracts and the assumption and assignment or rejection thereof; (ii) analyzing the validity of liens against the Debtors' assets; and (iii) advising the Debtors on corporate and litigation matters.

4. Kirkland shall apply for compensation for professional services rendered and reimbursement of expenses incurred in connection with the Debtors' chapter 11 cases in compliance with sections 330 and 331 of the Bankruptcy Code and applicable provisions of the Bankruptcy Rules, Bankruptcy Local Rules, and any other applicable procedures and orders of the Court. Kirkland also intends to make a reasonable effort to comply with the U.S. Trustee's requests for information and additional disclosures as set forth in the *Guidelines for Reviewing Applications for Compensation and Reimbursement of Expenses Filed under 11 U.S.C. § 330 by Attorneys in Larger Chapter 11 Cases Effective as of November 1, 2013*, both in connection with the Application and the interim and final fee applications to be filed by Kirkland in these chapter 11 cases.

5. Kirkland is authorized without further order of the Court to apply amounts from the prepetition special purpose retainer to compensate and reimburse Kirkland for fees or expenses incurred on or prior to the Petition Date consistent with its ordinary course billing practice. At the conclusion of Kirkland's engagement by the Debtors, if the amount of any special purpose retainer held by Kirkland is in excess of the amount of Kirkland's outstanding and estimated fees, expenses, and costs, Kirkland will pay to the Debtors the amount by which any special purpose retainer exceeds such fees, expenses, and costs, in each case in accordance with the Engagement Letter.

6. Notwithstanding anything to the contrary in the Application, the Engagement Letter, or the Declarations attached to the Application, the reimbursement provisions allowing the reimbursement of fees and expenses incurred in connection with participating in, preparing for, or responding to any action, claim, suit, or proceeding brought by or against any party that relates to the legal services provided under the Engagement Letter and fees for defending any objection to

Kirkland's fee applications under the Bankruptcy Code are not approved pending further order of the Court.

7. Notwithstanding anything to the contrary in the Application, the Engagement Letter, or the Declarations attached in the Applications, the "Client Waiver" of the right to object to fees and expenses once paid is not effective while the Client is a debtor-in-possession. The Client Waiver shall not be construed to limit, restrict, or impair, while Client is a debtor-in-possession, Client's responsibility to protect and conserve estate assets by reviewing and objecting to the allowance of professional fees in accordance with 11 U.S.C. §§ 330, 331, and 1106(a)(1) (incorporating sections 704(a)(5) and 704(a)(2)).

8. Kirkland shall not charge a markup to the Debtors with respect to fees billed by contract attorneys who are hired by Kirkland to provide services to the Debtors and shall ensure that any such contract attorneys are subject to conflict checks and disclosures in accordance with the requirements of the Bankruptcy Code and Bankruptcy Rules.

9. Kirkland shall provide ten-business-days' notice to the Debtors, the U.S. Trustee, and counsel to the Committee before any increases in the rates set forth in the Application or the Engagement Letter are implemented and shall file such notice with the Court. The U.S. Trustee retains all rights to object to any rate increase on all grounds, including the reasonableness standard set forth in section 330 of the Bankruptcy Code, and the Court retains the right to review any rate increase pursuant to section 330 of the Bankruptcy Code.

10. The Debtors and Kirkland are authorized to take all actions necessary to effectuate the relief granted pursuant to this Order in accordance with the Application.

11. Notice of the Application as provided therein is deemed to be good and sufficient notice of such Application, and the requirements of the Bankruptcy Local Rules are satisfied by the contents of the Application.

12. To the extent the Application, the Scharzt Declaration, the Bullock Declaration, or the Engagement Letter is inconsistent with this Order, the terms of this Order shall govern.

13. The terms and conditions of this Order shall be immediately effective and enforceable upon its entry.

14. The Court retains jurisdiction with respect to all matters arising from or related to the implementation of this Order.

Signed: November 25, 2024

  
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Christopher Lopez  
United States Bankruptcy Judge

**Exhibit C**

**Engagement Letter**



**KIRKLAND & ELLIS LLP**

AND AFFILIATED PARTNERSHIPS

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June 13, 2024

Vertex Energy, Inc.  
1331 Gemini Street, Suite 250  
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Attn: James P. Gregory  
Secretary and General Counsel

Re: Retention to Provide Legal Services

Dear Mr. Gregory:

We are very pleased that you have asked us to represent Vertex Energy, Inc. and its direct and indirect subsidiaries (collectively, “Client”) in connection with a potential restructuring. Please note, the Firm’s representation is only of Client; the Firm does not and will not represent any direct or indirect shareholder, director, officer, partner, employee, affiliate, or joint venturer of Client or of any other entity.

**General Terms.** This retention letter (this “Agreement”) sets forth the terms of Client’s retention of Kirkland & Ellis LLP and its affiliates (collectively, the “Firm,” “we,” “our” or “us”) to provide legal services and constitutes an agreement between the Firm and Client (the “Parties”). This Agreement (notwithstanding any guidelines for outside counsel that Client may provide to the Firm) sets forth the Parties’ entire agreement for rendering professional services for the current matter, as well as for all other existing or future matters (collectively, the “Engagement”), except where the Parties otherwise agree in writing.

**Fees.** The Firm will bill Client for fees incurred at its regular hourly rates and in quarterly increments of an hour (or in smaller time increments as otherwise required by a court). The Firm reserves the right to adjust the Firm’s billing rates from time to time in the ordinary course of the Firm’s representation of Client.

Although the Firm will attempt to estimate fees to assist Client in Client’s planning if requested, such estimates are subject to change and are not binding unless otherwise expressly and unequivocally stated in writing.

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**Expenses.** Expenses related to providing services shall be included in the Firm's statements as disbursements advanced by the Firm on Client's behalf. Such expenses include photocopying, printing, scanning, witness fees, travel expenses, filing and recording fees, certain secretarial overtime, and other overtime expenses, postage, express mail, and messenger charges, deposition costs, computerized legal research charges, and other computer services, and miscellaneous other charges. Client shall pay directly (and is solely responsible for) certain larger costs, such as consultant or expert witness fees and expenses, and outside suppliers' or contractors' charges, unless otherwise agreed by the Parties. By executing this Agreement below, Client agrees to pay for all charges in accordance with the Firm's schedule of charges, a copy of which is attached hereto at **Schedule 1**, as revised from time to time.

**Billing Procedures.** The Firm's statements of fees and expenses are typically delivered monthly, but the Firm reserves the right to alter the timing of delivering its statements depending on circumstances. Client may have the statement in any reasonable format it chooses, but the Firm will select an initial format for the statement unless Client otherwise requests in writing. Depending on the circumstances, however, estimated or summary statements may be provided, with time and expense details to follow thereafter.

**Retainer.** Client agrees to provide to the Firm a "special purpose retainer" (also known as an "advance payment retainer") as defined in Rule 1.5(d) of the Illinois Rules of Professional Conduct, *Dowling v. Chicago Options Assoc., Inc.*, 875 N.E.2d 1012, 1018 (Ill. 2007), and *In re Caesars Entm't Operating Co., Inc.*, No. 15-01145 (ABG) (Bankr. N.D. Ill. May 28, 2015) (and cases cited therein), in the amount of \$100,000. In addition, Client agrees to provide one or more additional special purpose retainer upon request by the Firm so that the amount of any special purpose retainer remains at or above the Firm's estimated fees and expenses. The Firm may apply the special purpose retainer to any outstanding fees as services are rendered and to expenses as they are incurred. Client understands and acknowledges that any special purpose retainer is earned by the Firm upon receipt, any special purpose retainer becomes the property of the Firm upon receipt, Client no longer has a property interest in any special purpose retainer upon the Firm's receipt, any special purpose retainer will be placed in the Firm's general account and will not be held in a client trust account, and Client will not earn any interest on any special purpose retainer; *provided, however*, that solely to the extent required under applicable law, at the conclusion of the Engagement, if the amount of any special purpose retainer held by the Firm is in excess of the amount of the Firm's outstanding and estimated fees, expenses, and costs, the Firm will pay to Client the amount by which any special purpose retainer exceeds such fees, expenses, and costs. Client further understands and acknowledges that the use of a special purpose retainer is an integral condition of the Engagement, and is necessary to ensure that: Client continues to have access to the Firm's services; the Firm is compensated for its representation of Client; the Firm is not a pre-petition creditor in the event of a Restructuring Case (as defined herein); and that in light of the foregoing, the provision of the special purpose retainer is in Client's best interests. The fact that

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Client has provided the Firm with a special purpose retainer does not affect Client's right to terminate the client-lawyer relationship.

Please be advised that there is another type of retainer known as a "security retainer," as defined in *Dowling v. Chicago Options Assoc.*, 875 N.E.2d at 1018, and *In re Caesars Entm't Operating Co., Inc.*, No. 15-01145 (ABG) (Bankr. N.D. Ill. May 28, 2015) (and cases cited therein). A security retainer remains the property of the client until the lawyer applies it to charges for services that are actually rendered and expenses that are incurred. Any unearned funds are then returned to the client. In other circumstances not present here, the Firm would consider a security retainer and Client's funds would be held in the Firm's segregated client trust account until applied to pay fees and expenses. Funds in a security retainer, however, can be subject to claims of Client's creditors and, if taken by creditors, may leave Client unable to pay for ongoing legal services, which may result in the Firm being unable to continue the Engagement. Moreover, a security retainer creates clawback risks for the Firm in the event of an insolvency proceeding. The choice of the type of retainer to be used is Client's choice alone, but for the Engagement and for the reasons set forth above, the Firm is unwilling to represent Client in the Engagement without using the special purpose retainer.

**Termination.** The Engagement may be terminated by either Party at any time by written notice by or to Client. The Engagement will end at the earliest of (a) Client's termination of the Engagement, (b) the Firm's withdrawal, and (c) the substantial completion of the Firm's substantive work. If permission for withdrawal is required by a court, the Firm shall apply promptly for such permission, and termination shall coincide with the court order for withdrawal. If this Agreement or the Firm's services are terminated for any reason, such termination shall be effective only to terminate the Firm's services prospectively and all the other terms of this Agreement shall survive any such termination.

Upon cessation of the Firm's active involvement in a particular matter (even if the Firm continues active involvement in other matters on Client's behalf), the Firm will have no further duty to inform Client of future developments or changes in law as may be relevant to such matter. Further, unless the Parties mutually agree in writing to the contrary, the Firm will have no obligation to monitor renewal or notice dates or similar deadlines that may arise from the matters for which the Firm had been retained.

**Cell Phone and E-Mail Communication.** The Firm hereby informs Client and Client hereby acknowledges that the Firm's attorneys sometimes communicate with their clients and their clients' professionals and agents by cell telephone, that such communications are capable of being intercepted by others and therefore may be deemed no longer protected by the attorney-client privilege, and that Client must inform the Firm if Client does not wish the Firm to discuss privileged matters on cell telephones with Client or Client's professionals or agents.

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The Firm hereby informs Client and Client hereby acknowledges that the Firm's attorneys sometimes communicate with their clients and their clients' professionals and agents by unencrypted e-mail, that such communications are capable of being intercepted by others and therefore may be deemed no longer protected by the attorney-client privilege, and that Client must inform the Firm if Client wishes to institute a system to encode all e-mail between the Firm and Client or Client's professionals or agents.

**File Retention.** All records and files will be retained and disposed of in compliance with the Firm's policy in effect from time to time. Subject to future changes, it is the Firm's current policy generally not to retain records relating to a matter for more than five years. Upon Client's prior written request, the Firm will return client records that are Client's property to Client prior to their destruction. Although we will return your records (*i.e.*, your client file) to you at any time upon your written request, you agree that your client file will not include our Firm's internal files including administrative materials, internal communications, and drafts. It is not administratively feasible for the Firm to advise Client of the closing of a matter or the disposal of records. The Firm recommends, therefore, that Client maintain Client's own files for reference or submit a written request for Client's client files promptly upon conclusion of a matter. Notwithstanding anything to the contrary herein, Client acknowledges and agrees that any applicable privilege of Client (including any attorney-client and work product privilege or any duty of confidentiality) (collectively, the "**Privileges**") belongs to Client alone and not to any successor entity (including without limitation the Client after a change in control or other similar restructuring or non-restructuring transaction (including without limitation a reorganized Client after the effective date of a plan of reorganization), whether through merger, asset or equity sale, business combination, or otherwise, irrespective of whether such transaction occurs in a Restructuring Case or on an out-of-court basis (in each case, a "**Transaction**"). Client hereby waives any right, title, and interest of such successor entity to all information, data, documents, or communications in any format covered by the Privileges that is in the possession of the Firm ("**Firm Materials**"), to the extent that such successor entity had any right, title, and interest to such Firm Materials. For the avoidance of doubt, Client agrees and acknowledges that after a Transaction, such successor entity shall have no right to claim or waive the Privileges or request the return of any such Firm Materials; instead, such Firm Materials shall remain in the Firm's sole possession and control for its exclusive use, and the Firm will (a) not waive any Privileges or disclose the Firm Materials, (b) take all reasonable steps to ensure that the Privileges survive and remain in full force and effect, and (c) assert the Privileges to prevent disclosure of any Firm Materials.

**Data Protection.** You further agree that, if you provide us with personal data, you have complied with applicable data protection legislation and that we may process such personal data in accordance with our Data Transfer and Privacy Policy at [www.kirkland.com](http://www.kirkland.com). We process your personal data in order to (i) carry out work for you; (ii) share the data with third parties such as

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expert witnesses and other professional advisers if our work requires; (iii) comply with applicable laws and regulations and (iv) provide you with information relating to our Firm and its services.

**Conflicts of Interest.** As is customary for a law firm of the Firm's size, there are numerous business entities, with which Client currently has relationships, that the Firm has represented or currently represents in matters unrelated to Client.

Further, in undertaking the representation of Client, the Firm wants to be fair not only to Client's interests but also to those of the Firm's other clients. Because Client is engaged in activities (and may in the future engage in additional activities) in which its interests may diverge from those of the Firm's other clients, the possibility exists that one of the Firm's current or future clients may take positions adverse to Client (including litigation or other dispute resolution mechanisms) in a matter in which such other client may have retained the Firm or one of Client's adversaries may retain the Firm in a matter adverse to another entity or person.

In the event a present conflict of interest exists between Client and the Firm's other clients or in the event one arises in the future, Client agrees to waive any such conflict of interest or other objection that would preclude the Firm's representation of another client (a) in other current or future matters substantially unrelated to the Engagement or (b) other than during a Restructuring Case (as defined below), in other matters related to Client (such representation an "Allowed Adverse Representation"). By way of example, such Allowed Adverse Representations might take the form of, among other contexts: litigation (including arbitration, mediation and other forms of dispute resolution); transactional work (including consensual and non-consensual merger, acquisition, and takeover situations, financings, and commercial agreements); counseling (including advising direct adversaries and competitors); and restructuring (including bankruptcy, insolvency, financial distress, recapitalization, equity and debt workouts, and other transactions or adversarial adjudicative proceedings related to any of the foregoing and similar matters).

Client also agrees that it will not, for itself or any other entity or person, assert that either (i) the Firm's representation of Client or any of Client's affiliates in any past, present, or future matter or (ii) the Firm's actual or possible possession of confidential information belonging to Client or any of Client's affiliates is a basis to disqualify the Firm from representing another entity or person in any Allowed Adverse Representation. Client further agrees that any Allowed Adverse Representation does not breach any duty that the Firm owes to Client or any of Client's affiliates. Client also agrees that the Firm's representation in the Engagement is solely of Client and that no member or other entity or person related to it (such as a shareholder, parent, subsidiary, affiliate, director, officer, partner, employee, or joint venturer) has the status of a client for conflict of interest purposes.

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In addition, if a waiver of a conflict of interest necessary to allow the Firm to represent another client in a matter that is not substantially related to the Engagement is not effective for any reason, Client agrees that the Firm may withdraw from the Engagement. Should that occur, Client will not, for itself or any other entity or person, seek to preclude such termination of services or assert that either (a) the Firm's representation of Client or any of Client's affiliates in any past, present, or future matter or (b) the Firm's actual or possible possession of confidential information belonging to Client or any of Client's affiliates is a basis to disqualify the Firm from representing such other client or acting on such adverse matter.

It is important that you review this letter carefully and consider all of the advantages and disadvantages of waiving certain conflicts of interests that would otherwise bar the Firm from representing parties with interests adverse to you during the time in which the Firm is representing you. You also understand that because this waiver includes future issues and future clients that are unknown and unknowable at this time, it is impossible to provide you with any more details about those prospective clients and matters. Thus, in choosing to execute this waiver, you have recognized the inherent uncertainty about the array of potential matters and clients the Firm might take on in matters that are adverse to you but have nonetheless decided it is in your interest to waive conflicts of interest regarding the Allowed Adverse Representations and waive rights to prohibit the Firm's potential withdrawal should a conflict waiver prove ineffectual.

The Firm informs Client that certain entities owned by current or former Firm attorneys and senior staff ("attorney investment entities") have investments in funds or companies that may, directly or indirectly, be affiliated with Client, hold investments in Client's debt or equity securities, may be adverse to Client, or conduct commercial transactions with Client (each, a "Passive Holding"). The attorney investment entities are passive and have no management or other control rights in such funds or companies. The Firm notes that other persons may in the future assert that a Passive Holding creates, in certain circumstances, a conflict between the Firm's exercise of its independent professional judgment in rendering advice to Client and the financial interest of Firm attorneys participating in the attorney investment entities, and such other persons might seek to limit Client's ability to use the Firm to advise Client on a particular matter. While the Firm cannot control what a person might assert or seek, the Firm believes that the Firm's judgment will not be compromised by virtue of any Passive Holding. Please let us know if Client has any questions or concerns regarding the Passive Holdings. By executing this letter, Client acknowledges the Firm's disclosure of the foregoing.

**Restructuring Cases.** If it becomes necessary for Client to commence a restructuring case under chapter 11 of the U.S. Bankruptcy Code (a "Restructuring Case"), the Firm's ongoing employment by Client will be subject to the approval of the court with jurisdiction over the petition. If necessary, the Firm will take steps necessary to prepare the disclosure materials



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required in connection with the Firm's retention as lead restructuring counsel. In the near term, the Firm will begin conflicts checks on potentially interested parties as provided by Client.

If necessary, the Firm will prepare a preliminary draft of a schedule describing the Firm's relationships with certain interested parties (the "Disclosure Schedule"). The Firm will give Client a draft of the Disclosure Schedule once it is available. Although the Firm believes that these relationships do not constitute actual conflicts of interest, these relationships must be described and disclosed in Client's application to the court to retain the Firm.

If in the Firm's determination a conflict of interest arises in Client's Restructuring Case requiring separate conflicts counsel, then Client will be required to use separate conflicts counsel in those matters.

**No Guarantee of Success.** It is impossible to provide any promise or guarantee about the outcome of Client's matters. Nothing in this Agreement or any statement by Firm staff or attorneys constitutes a promise or guarantee. Any comments about the outcome of Client's matter are simply expressions of judgment and are not binding on the Firm.

**Consent to Use of Information.** In connection with future materials that, for marketing purposes, describe facets of the Firm's law practice and recite examples of matters the Firm handles on behalf of clients, Client agrees that, if those materials avoid disclosing Client's confidences and secrets as defined by applicable ethical rules, they may identify Client as a client, may contain factual synopses of Client's matters, and may indicate generally the results achieved.

**Reimbursement of Fees and Expenses.** Client agrees to promptly reimburse the Firm for all internal or external fees and expenses, including the amount of the Firm's attorney and paralegal time at normal billing rates, as incurred by the Firm in connection with participating in, preparing for, or responding to any action, claim, objection, suit, or proceeding brought by or against any third-party that relates to the legal services provided by the Firm under this Agreement. Without limiting the scope of the foregoing, and by way of example only, this paragraph extends to all such fees and expenses incurred by the Firm: in responding to document subpoenas, and preparing for and testifying at depositions and trials; and with respect to the filing, preparation, prosecution or defense of any applications by the Firm for approval of fees and expenses in a judicial, arbitral, or similar proceeding. Further, Client understands, acknowledges, and agrees that in connection with a Restructuring Case, if Client has not objected to the payment of a Firm invoice or to a Firm fee and expense application, has in fact paid such invoice, or has approved such fee and expense application, then Client waives its right (and the right of any successor entity as a result of a Transaction or otherwise) to subsequently object to the payment of fees and expenses covered by such invoice or fee application.

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**LLP.** Kirkland & Ellis LLP is a limited liability partnership organized under the laws of Illinois, and Kirkland & Ellis International LLP is a limited liability partnership organized under the laws of Delaware. Pursuant to those statutory provisions, an obligation incurred by a limited liability partnership, whether arising in tort, contract or otherwise, is solely the obligation of the limited liability partnership, and partners are not personally liable, directly or indirectly, by way of indemnification, contribution, assessment or otherwise, for such obligation solely by reason of being or so acting as a partner.

**Governing Law.** This Agreement shall be governed by, and construed in accordance with, the laws of the State of Illinois, without giving effect to the conflicts of law principles thereof.

**Miscellaneous.** This Agreement sets forth the Parties' entire agreement for rendering professional services. It can be amended or modified only in writing and not orally or by course of conduct. Each Party signing below is jointly and severally responsible for all obligations due to the Firm and represents that each has full authority to execute this Agreement so that it is binding. This Agreement may be signed in one or more counterparts and binds each Party countersigning below, whether or not any other proposed signatory ever executes it. If any provision of this Agreement or the application thereof is held invalid or unenforceable, the invalidity or unenforceability shall not affect other provisions or applications of this Agreement which can be given effect without such provisions or application, and to this end the provisions of this Agreement are declared to be severable. Any agreement or waiver contained herein by Client extends to any assignee or successor in interest to Client, including without limitation the reorganized Client upon and after the effective date of a plan of reorganization in a Restructuring Case.

This Agreement is the product of arm's-length negotiations between sophisticated parties, and Client acknowledges that it is experienced with respect to the retention of legal counsel. Therefore, the Parties acknowledge and agree that any otherwise applicable rule of contract construction or interpretation which provides that ambiguities shall be construed against the drafter (and all similar rules of contract construction or interpretation) shall not apply to this Agreement. The Parties further acknowledge that the Firm is not advising Client with respect to this Agreement because the Firm would have a conflict of interest in doing so, and that Client has consulted (or had the opportunity to consult) with legal counsel of its own choosing. Client further acknowledges that Client has entered into this Agreement and agreed to all of its terms and conditions voluntarily and fully-informed, based on adequate information and Client's own independent judgment. The Parties further acknowledge that they intend for this Agreement to be effective and fully enforceable upon its execution and to be relied upon by the Parties.

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**KIRKLAND & ELLIS LLP**

Mr. James P. Gregory

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Please confirm your agreement with the arrangements described in this letter by signing the enclosed copy of this letter in the space provided below and returning it to us. Please understand that, if we do not receive a signed copy of this letter within twenty-one days, we will withdraw from representing you in this Engagement.

Very truly yours,

**KIRKLAND & ELLIS LLP**

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By: Brian Schartz

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Printed Name: Brian Schartz, P.C.

Title: Partner

6/17/2024

Agreed and accepted this \_\_\_\_ of June, 2024

**VERTEX ENERGY, INC.**

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Title: General Counsel

**KIRKLAND & ELLIS LLP****CLIENT-REIMBURSABLE EXPENSES AND OTHER CHARGES***Effective 01/01/2024*

The following outlines Kirkland & Ellis LLP's ("K&E LLP") policies and standard charges for various services performed by K&E LLP and/or by other third parties on behalf of the client which are often ancillary to our legal services. Services provided by in-house K&E LLP personnel are for the convenience of our clients. Given that these services are often ancillary to our legal services, in certain instances it may be appropriate and/or more cost efficient for these services to be outsourced to a third-party vendor. If services are provided beyond those outlined below, pricing will be based on K&E LLP's approximate cost and/or comparable market pricing.

- **Duplicating, Reprographics and Printing:** The following list details K&E LLP's charges for duplicating, reprographics and printing services:
  - ▶ Black and White Copy or Print (all sizes of paper):
    - \$0.16 per impression for all U.S. offices
    - €0.10 per impression in Munich
    - £0.15 per impression in London
    - HK\$1.50 per impression in Hong Kong
    - CNY1.00 per impression in Beijing and Shanghai
  - ▶ Color Copy or Print (all sizes of paper):
    - \$0.55 per impression
  - ▶ Scanned Images:
    - \$0.16 per page for black and white or color scans
  - ▶ Other Services:
    - CD/DVD Duplicating or Mastering - \$7/\$10 per CD/DVD
    - Binding - \$0.70 per binding
    - Large or specialized binders - \$13/\$27
    - Tabs - \$0.13 per item
    - OCR/File Conversion - \$0.03 per page
    - Large Format Printing - \$1.00 per sq. ft.
- **Secretarial and Word Processing:** Clients are not charged for secretarial and word processing activities incurred on their matters during standard business hours.
- **Overtime Charges:** Clients will be charged for overtime costs for secretarial and document services work if either (i) the client has specifically requested the after-hours work or (ii) the nature of the work being done for the client necessitates out-of-hours overtime and such work could not have been done during normal working hours. If these conditions are satisfied, costs for related overtime meals and transportation also will be charged.
- **Travel Expenses:** We charge clients our out-of-pocket costs for travel expenses including associated travel agency fees. We charge coach fares (business class for

international flights) unless the client has approved business-class, first-class or an upgrade. K&E LLP personnel are instructed to incur only reasonable airfare, hotel and meal expenses. K&E LLP negotiates, uses, and passes along volume discount hotel and air rates whenever practicable. However, certain retrospective rebates may not be passed along.

- **Catering Charges:** Clients will be charged for any in-house catering service provided in connection with client matters.
- **Communication Expenses:** We do not charge clients for telephone calls, conference calls, videoconferences or faxes made from K&E LLP's offices.

Charges incurred for conference calls, videoconferences, cellular telephones, and calls made from other third-party locations will be charged to the client at the actual cost incurred. Further, other telecommunication expenses incurred at third-party locations (*e.g.*, phone lines at trial sites, Internet access, etc.) will be charged to the client at the actual cost incurred.

- **Overnight Delivery/Postage:** We charge clients for the actual cost of overnight and special delivery (*e.g.*, Express Mail, FedEx, and DHL), and U.S. postage for materials mailed on the client's behalf. K&E LLP negotiates, uses, and passes along volume discount rates whenever practicable.
- **Messengers:** We charge clients for the actual cost of a third-party vendor messenger.
- **Library Research Services:** Library Research staff provides research and document retrieval services at the request of attorneys, and clients are charged per hour for these services. Any expenses incurred in connection with the request, such as outside retrieval service or online research charges, are passed on to the client at cost, including any applicable discounts.
- **Online Research Charges:** K&E LLP charges for costs incurred in using third-party online research services in connection with a client matter. K&E LLP negotiates and uses discounts or special rates for online research services whenever possible and practicable and passes through the full benefit of any savings to the client based on actual usage.
- **Inter-Library Loan Services:** Our standard client charge for inter-library loan services when a K&E LLP library employee borrows a book from an outside source is \$25 per title. There is no client charge for borrowing books from K&E LLP libraries in other cities or from outside collections when the title is part of the K&E LLP collection but unavailable.
- **Off-Site Legal Files Storage:** Clients are not charged for off-site storage of files unless the storage charge is approved in advance.

- **Electronic Data Storage:** K&E LLP will not charge clients for costs to store electronic data and files on K&E LLP's systems if the data stored does not exceed 100 gigabytes (GB). If the data stored for a specific client exceeds 100GB, K&E LLP will charge clients \$6.00 per month/per GB for all network data stored until the data is either returned to the client or properly disposed of. For e-discovery data on the Relativity platform, K&E LLP will also charge clients \$6.00 per month/per GB until the data is either returned to the client or properly disposed of.
- **Tax Filings:** Clients will be charged a fixed fee for certain tax filings. Our standard charge is \$400 per Form 8832 election; \$250 per Form 83(b) election for the first 20 forms, \$100 per form for any additional forms; \$1,000 each for Form SS-4 (Foreign); \$100 each for Form SS-4 (Domestic); and \$75 for each FIRPTA certificate.
- **Calendar Court Services:** Our standard charge is \$25 for a court filing and other court services or transactions.
- **Supplies:** There is no client charge for standard office supplies. Clients are charged for special items (e.g., a minute book, exhibit tabs/indexes/dividers, binding, etc.) and then at K&E LLP's actual cost.
- **Contract Attorneys and Contract Non-Attorney Billers:** If there is a need to utilize a contract attorney or contract non-attorney on a client engagement, clients will be charged a standard hourly rate for these billers unless other specific billing arrangements are agreed between K&E LLP and client.
- **Expert Witnesses, Experts of Other Types, and Other Third Party Consultants:** If there is a need to utilize an expert witness, expert of other type, or other third party consultant such as accountants, investment bankers, academicians, other attorneys, etc. on a client engagement, clients will be requested to retain or pay these individuals directly unless specific billing arrangements are agreed between K&E LLP and client.
- **Third Party Expenditures:** Third party expenditures (e.g., corporate document and lien searches, lease of office space at trial location, IT equipment rental, SEC and regulatory filings, etc.) incurred on behalf of a client, will be passed through to the client at actual cost. If the invoice exceeds \$50,000, it is K&E LLP's policy that wherever possible such charges will be directly billed to the client. In those circumstances where this is not possible, K&E LLP will seek reimbursement from our client prior to paying the vendor.

Unless otherwise noted, charges billed in foreign currencies are based on current U.S. charges at an appropriate exchange rate.

**Exhibit D**

**Voluntary Rate Disclosures**

- The blended hourly rate for all K&E domestic timekeepers (including both professionals and paraprofessionals) who billed to non-bankruptcy matters (collectively, the “Non-Bankruptcy Matters”)<sup>1</sup> during the 12-month period beginning on September 24, 2024 and ending on December 20, 2024 (the “Comparable Period”) was, in the aggregate, approximately **\$1,315.38** per hour (the “Non-Bankruptcy Blended Hourly Rate”).<sup>2</sup>
- The blended hourly rate for all K&E timekeepers (including both professionals and paraprofessionals) who billed to the Debtors during the Fee Period was approximately **\$1,182.38** per hour (the “Debtor Blended Hourly Rate”).<sup>3</sup>
- A detailed comparison of these rates is as follows:

<b>Position at K&amp;E</b>	<b>Debtor Blended Hourly Rate for This Fee Application</b>	<b>Non-Bankruptcy Blended Hourly Rate</b>
Partner	1,677.64	1,798.92
Of Counsel	-	1,451.76
Associate	1,108.25	1,062.38
Visiting Attorney	-	792.45
Law Clerk	-	491.75
Paralegal	530.58	530.52
Junior Paralegal	355.00	323.71
Support Staff	363.42	575.06
<b>Total</b>	<b>1,182.38</b>	<b>1,315.38</b>

<sup>1</sup> It is the nature of K&E’s practice that certain non-bankruptcy engagements require the advice and counsel of professionals and paraprofessionals who work primarily within K&E’s Restructuring Group. Accordingly, “Non-Bankruptcy Matters” consist of matters for which K&E domestic timekeepers represented a client in a matter other than an in-court bankruptcy proceeding. Moreover, the Non-Bankruptcy Matters include time billed by K&E domestic timekeepers who work primarily within K&E’s Restructuring Group.

<sup>2</sup> K&E calculated the blended rate for Non-Bankruptcy Matters by dividing the *total dollar amount* billed by K&E domestic timekeepers to the Non-Bankruptcy Matters during the Comparable Period by the *total number of hours* billed by K&E domestic timekeepers to the Non-Bankruptcy Matters during the Comparable Period.

<sup>3</sup> K&E calculated the blended rate for timekeepers who billed to the Debtors by dividing the *total dollar amount billed* by such timekeepers during the Fee Period by the *total number of hours billed* by such timekeepers during the Fee Period.

**Exhibit E**

**Summary of Total Fees Incurred and Hours Billed During the Fee Period**

Attorney Name	Position	Department	Date of Admission	Fees Billed In this Application	Hours Billed In this Application	Number of Rate Increases	Hourly Rate Billed		Fees Billed In this Application at First Fee Statement Billing Rate
							In this Application	In the First Fee Statement	
Claire Smyser Campbell, P.C.	Partner	Corporate - M&A/Private Equity	2013	24,937.50	12.50	N/A	1,995.00	1,995.00	24,937.50
Thad W. Davis, P.C.	Partner	Taxation	2005	27,945.00	13.80	N/A	2,025.00	2,025.00	27,945.00
David Foster, P.C.	Partner	Taxation	2006	9,739.50	4.30	N/A	2,265.00	2,265.00	9,739.50
Rob Fowler, P.C.	Partner	ECEB - Executive Compensation	1996	3,384.00	1.60	N/A	2,115.00	2,115.00	3,384.00
Timothy Knapp, P.C.	Partner	Litigation - General	2009	17,065.50	9.30	N/A	1,835.00	1,835.00	17,065.50
Joshua Korff, P.C.	Partner	Corporate - Capital Markets	1994	1,122.50	0.50	N/A	2,245.00	2,245.00	1,122.50
Daniel Lewis, P.C.	Partner	Technology & IP Transactions	2008	6,494.00	3.40	N/A	1,910.00	1,910.00	6,494.00
Damien R. Lyster, P.C.	Partner	Energy Regulatory	2009	10,817.00	5.80	N/A	1,865.00	1,865.00	10,817.00
John D. Pitts, P.C.	Partner	Corporate - M&A/Private Equity	2010	2,245.00	1.00	N/A	2,245.00	2,245.00	2,245.00
Anna G. Rotman, P.C.	Partner	Litigation - General	2004	32,648.50	16.70	N/A	1,955.00	1,955.00	32,648.50
Brian Scharztz, P.C.	Partner	Restructuring	2008	155,126.50	67.30	N/A	2,305.00	2,305.00	155,126.50
Chad Michael Smith, P.C.	Partner	Corporate - M&A/Private Equity	2011	19,082.50	8.50	N/A	2,245.00	2,245.00	19,082.50
Sara B. Zablutney, P.C.	Partner	Taxation	2003	12,469.50	5.10	N/A	2,445.00	2,445.00	12,469.50
Christie M. Alcala	Partner	ECEB - Labor/Employment	2010	17,907.50	9.50	N/A	1,885.00	1,885.00	17,907.50
Matthew Antinossi	Partner	ECEB - Employee Benefits	1999	121,189.50	57.30	N/A	2,115.00	2,115.00	121,189.50
Rachael M. Bentley	Partner	Restructuring	2017	801,328.00	502.40	N/A	1,595.00	1,595.00	801,328.00
Zac Ciullo	Partner	Litigation - General	2014	124,244.50	79.90	N/A	1,555.00	1,555.00	124,244.50
Stefanie I. Gitler	Partner	Environment - Transactional	2009	75,400.00	40.00	N/A	1,885.00	1,885.00	75,400.00
Susan D. Golden	Partner	Restructuring	1988	6,720.00	4.20	N/A	1,600.00	1,600.00	6,720.00
Grant Jones	Partner	Litigation - General	2018	23,614.50	17.30	N/A	1,365.00	1,365.00	23,614.50
Jennifer Karinen	Partner	Corporate - Capital Markets	2017	40,792.50	25.90	N/A	1,575.00	1,575.00	40,792.50



Shan A. Khan	Partner	Corporate - Debt Finance	2015	15,750.00	10.00	N/A	1,575.00	1,575.00	15,750.00
R.J. Malenfant	Partner	Corporate - M&A/Private Equity	2014	31,357.50	18.50	N/A	1,695.00	1,695.00	31,357.50
Barira Munshi	Partner	Litigation - General	2016	203,931.00	149.40	N/A	1,365.00	1,365.00	203,931.00
William T. Pruitt	Partner	Litigation - General	2004	508.50	0.30	N/A	1,695.00	1,695.00	508.50
Rebekah Tobison Scherr	Partner	Antitrust/Competition	2015	2,203.50	1.30	N/A	1,695.00	1,695.00	2,203.50
Max Anderson	Associate	Environment - Transactional	2022	60,772.50	55.50	N/A	1,095.00	1,095.00	60,772.50
Michael Angarola	Associate	Litigation - General	2024	46,707.50	59.50	N/A	785.00	785.00	46,707.50
Marcela Barba	Associate	Corporate - Capital Markets	2020	16,321.50	11.70	N/A	1,395.00	1,395.00	16,321.50
Rachel Beeton	Associate	ECEB - Employee Benefits	2021	18,943.50	17.30	N/A	1,095.00	1,095.00	18,943.50
Sloane Bessey	Associate	Restructuring	2024	243,457.50	249.70	N/A	975.00	975.00	243,457.50
Jacob E. Black	Associate	Restructuring	2021	32,510.50	25.70	N/A	1,265.00	1,265.00	32,510.50
Shelby Brown	Associate	Corporate - Capital Markets	2020	6,456.00	4.80	N/A	1,345.00	1,345.00	6,456.00
George Cartveli	Associate	ECEB - Labor/Employment	2019	11,432.50	8.50	N/A	1,345.00	1,345.00	11,432.50
Stew Dunoskovic	Associate	ECEB - General	2024	5,705.00	7.00	N/A	815.00	815.00	5,705.00
Trevor Eck	Associate	Restructuring	2023	154,504.50	141.10	N/A	1,095.00	1,095.00	154,504.50
Christopher Fabrizio	Associate	Restructuring	2024	134,719.50	165.30	N/A	815.00	815.00	134,719.50
John Farah	Associate	Energy Regulatory	2022	52,357.50	53.70	N/A	975.00	975.00	52,357.50
Nathan James Felton	Associate	Restructuring	2023	36,354.00	33.20	N/A	1,095.00	1,095.00	36,354.00
Josephine Fina	Associate	Restructuring	2021	539,028.00	386.40	N/A	1,395.00	1,395.00	539,028.00
Rachel Golden	Associate	Restructuring	2023	637,509.00	582.20	N/A	1,095.00	1,095.00	637,509.00
Lilla K. Grisham	Associate	Energy Regulatory	2022	22,447.50	20.50	N/A	1,095.00	1,095.00	22,447.50
Palmer Gunderson	Associate	Taxation	2023	39,501.50	39.70	N/A	995.00	995.00	39,501.50
Kelsie Harris	Associate	ECEB - Executive Compensation	2018	9,207.00	6.60	N/A	1,395.00	1,395.00	9,207.00
Tysan Holloman	Associate	Restructuring	2024	165,526.50	203.10	N/A	815.00	815.00	165,526.50
Marissa Kinsey	Associate	Corporate - General	2023	64,545.00	66.20	N/A	975.00	975.00	64,545.00
Hannah Kupsky	Associate	Restructuring	2024	29,542.50	30.30	N/A	975.00	975.00	29,542.50
Alex Lippert	Associate	Corporate - M&A/Private Equity	2015	25,947.00	18.60	N/A	1,395.00	1,395.00	25,947.00

Alexiz D. Magro-Malo	Associate	Corporate - M&A/Private Equity	2021	62,111.50	49.10	N/A	1,265.00	1,265.00	62,111.50
Patrick G. Maroun	Associate	Litigation - General	2020	107,457.50	81.10	N/A	1,325.00	1,325.00	107,457.50
Miles Matey	Associate	Corporate - General	2024	23,146.00	28.40	N/A	815.00	815.00	23,146.00
Jamie McLennan	Associate	Restructuring	2024	215,670.00	221.20	N/A	975.00	975.00	215,670.00
Melissa Moreno	Associate	Technology & IP Transactions	2019	5,998.50	4.30	N/A	1,395.00	1,395.00	5,998.50
Joe Morley	Associate	Taxation	2019	20,182.50	13.50	N/A	1,495.00	1,495.00	20,182.50
Scott Myers	Associate	Corporate - M&A/Private Equity	2019	418,221.00	299.80	N/A	1,395.00	1,395.00	418,221.00
Brian Nakhaimousa	Associate	Restructuring	2021	598,390.50	444.90	N/A	1,345.00	1,345.00	598,390.50
Srinithi Narayanan	Associate	Technology & IP Transactions	2023	15,015.00	15.40	N/A	975.00	975.00	15,015.00
Brendan Nashelsky	Associate	Restructuring	2023	435,810.00	398.00	N/A	1,095.00	1,095.00	435,810.00
Renee Olivett	Associate	Restructuring	2023	199,095.00	204.20	N/A	975.00	975.00	199,095.00
Isabella J. Paretti	Associate	Restructuring	2024	14,235.00	13.00	N/A	1,095.00	1,095.00	14,235.00
Hannah Marie Putnam	Associate	Litigation - General	2019	136,344.00	110.40	N/A	1,235.00	1,235.00	136,344.00
Joshua Raphael	Associate	Restructuring	2023	213,087.00	194.60	N/A	1,095.00	1,095.00	213,087.00
Mary-Michael Robertson	Associate	Environment - Transactional	2024	87,123.50	106.90	N/A	815.00	815.00	87,123.50
Michael A. Sloman	Associate	Restructuring	2022	134,469.50	106.30	N/A	1,265.00	1,265.00	134,469.50
Savannah R. Soto	Associate	Corporate - Debt Finance	2022	8,431.50	7.70	N/A	1,095.00	1,095.00	8,431.50
Quin Wetzel	Associate	Restructuring	2023	180,862.50	185.50	N/A	975.00	975.00	180,862.50
Pete Wojtal	Associate	Corporate - General	2024	146,292.50	179.50	N/A	815.00	815.00	146,292.50

Paraprofessional Name	Position	Department	Date of Admission	Fees Billed In this Application	Hours Billed In this Application	Number of Rate Increases	Hourly Rate Billed		Fees Billed In this Application at First Fee Statement Billing Rate
							In this Application	In the First Fee Statement	
Ashlyn Gallagher	Paralegal	Restructuring	N/A	15,834.00	36.40	N/A	435.00	435.00	15,834.00
Michelle Hendrickson	Paralegal	Corporate - M&A/Private Equity	N/A	1,312.50	2.50	N/A	525.00	525.00	1,312.50
Lauren A. Mitchell-Dawson	Paralegal	Environment - Transactional	N/A	4,812.50	7.70	N/A	625.00	625.00	4,812.50
Jeffrey Norgle	Paralegal	Technology & IP Transactions	N/A	2,437.50	3.90	N/A	625.00	625.00	2,437.50

Laura Saal	Paralegal	Restructuring	N/A	19,437.50	31.10	N/A	625.00	625.00	19,437.50
Gary M. Vogt	Paralegal	Litigation - General	N/A	7,250.00	11.60	N/A	625.00	625.00	7,250.00
Lydia Yale	Paralegal	Restructuring	N/A	7,438.50	17.10	N/A	435.00	435.00	7,438.50
Georgia Meadow	Junior Paralegal	Restructuring	N/A	16,898.00	47.60	N/A	355.00	355.00	16,898.00
Tanzila Zomo	Junior Paralegal	Restructuring	N/A	284.00	0.80	N/A	355.00	355.00	284.00
Michael Y. Chan	Support Staff	Conflicts Analysis	N/A	513.50	1.30	N/A	395.00	395.00	513.50
Matthew Cooper	Support Staff	Conflicts Analysis	N/A	1,938.00	5.70	N/A	340.00	340.00	1,938.00
Marta Dudyan	Support Staff	Conflicts Analysis	N/A	6,358.00	18.70	N/A	340.00	340.00	6,358.00
Eric Nyberg	Support Staff	Conflicts Analysis	N/A	11,662.00	34.30	N/A	340.00	340.00	11,662.00
Chris Everhart	Support Staff	Litigation & Practice Tech	N/A	3,244.50	6.30	N/A	515.00	515.00	3,244.50
Scott M. Smith II	Support Staff	Litigation & Practice Tech	N/A	1,133.00	2.20	N/A	515.00	515.00	1,133.00
Antonio Soto Jr.	Support Staff	Litigation - General	N/A	154.50	0.30	N/A	515.00	515.00	154.50

**Exhibit F**

**Summary of Actual and Necessary Expenses for the Fee Period**

**Summary of Actual and Necessary Expenses for the Fee Period**

<b>Expense</b>	<b>Amount</b>
Standard Copies or Prints	952.32
Color Copies or Prints	6,457.00
Closing/Mini Books	60.00
Local Transportation	232.99
Travel Expense	3,051.99
Airfare	3,469.67
Transportation to/from airport	647.44
Travel Meals	617.26
Filing Fees	42,112.00
Other Court Costs and Fees	62,851.12
Outside Copy/Binding Services	2,675.20
Working Meals/K&E and Others	706.34
Catering Expenses	1,752.00
Outside Retrieval Service	22,550.32
Computer Database Research	4,202.97
Westlaw Research	6,473.46
LexisNexis Research	1,053.88
Overtime Transportation	1,199.07
Overtime Meals - Non-Attorney	100.00
Overtime Meals - Attorney	3,022.65
Rental Expenses	6,981.23
Miscellaneous Office Expenses	890.60
Overnight Delivery - Hard	60.24
Computer Database Research - Soft	250.00
<b>Total</b>	<b>172,369.75</b>

**Exhibit G**

**Summary of Fees and Expenses by Matter for the Fee Period**

<b>Matter Number</b>	<b>Matter Category Description</b>	<b>Hours Billed</b>	<b>Total Compensation Billed</b>
2	Chapter 11 Filing & First Day Pleadings	362.80	\$380,150.00
3	Adversary Proceeding & Contested Matters	565.50	\$723,901.50
4	Automatic Stay Matters	45.70	\$49,954.50
5	Business Operations	25.50	\$44,401.50
6	Case Administration	232.30	\$259,564.50
7	DIP Financing and Cash Collateral	103.20	\$135,625.00
8	Intermediation Matters	21.60	\$25,652.00
9	Cash Management	15.50	\$16,708.50
10	Customer and Vendor Matters	118.60	\$138,813.00
11	Claims Administration and Objections	85.20	\$95,859.50
12	Official Committee Matters and Meetings	132.00	\$179,248.00
13	Use, Sale, and Disposition of Property	1,227.90	\$1,455,566.50
14	Corp., Governance, & Securities Matters	96.30	\$121,364.50
15	Employee Matters	91.50	\$157,027.50
16	Executory Contracts and Unexpired Leases	225.40	\$245,553.00
17	SOFAs and Schedules	91.20	\$108,923.00
18	Hearings	78.90	\$100,102.50
19	Insurance and Surety Matters	124.30	\$148,053.50
20	Disclosure Statement, Plan Confirmation	1,711.60	\$2,017,347.00
21	K&E Retention and Fee Matters	282.80	\$268,327.50
22	Non-K&E Retention and Fee Matters	204.00	\$221,976.00
23	Tax Matters	49.50	\$76,322.50
24	Creditor and Stakeholder Communications	32.20	\$38,515.50
25	Utilities	7.40	\$8,466.00
26	Non-Working Travel	22.50	\$34,466.50
27	U.S. Trustee Communications & Reporting	21.00	\$26,495.00
28	Environmental/Regulatory Issues	169.30	\$185,786.50
29	Expenses	-	\$172,369.75
	<b>Total</b>	6,143.70	\$7,264,171.00

**Exhibit H**

**Detailed Description of Services Provided**



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December 6, 2024

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**Invoice Number: 1050108839**  
**Client Matter: 57088-2**

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**In the Matter of Chapter 11 Filing & First Day Pleadings**

For legal services rendered through October 31, 2024  
(see attached Description of Legal Services for detail)

\$ 380,150.00

Total legal services rendered

\$ 380,150.00

Legal Services for the Period Ending October 31, 2024  
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**Summary of Hours Billed**

<b><u>Name</u></b>	<b><u>Hours</u></b>	<b><u>Rate</u></b>	<b><u>Amount</u></b>
Rachael M. Bentley	20.80	1,595.00	33,176.00
Sloane Bessey	15.40	975.00	15,015.00
Jacob E. Black	14.00	1,265.00	17,710.00
Trevor Eck	15.10	1,095.00	16,534.50
Christopher Fabrizio	11.00	815.00	8,965.00
Nathan James Felton	23.50	1,095.00	25,732.50
Josephine Fina	27.10	1,395.00	37,804.50
Ashlyn Gallagher	18.50	435.00	8,047.50
Rachel Golden	18.70	1,095.00	20,476.50
Hannah Kupsky	19.60	975.00	19,110.00
Jamie McLennan	23.50	975.00	22,912.50
Georgia Meadow	16.40	355.00	5,822.00
Brian Nakhaimousa	22.80	1,345.00	30,666.00
Brendan Nashelsky	23.90	1,095.00	26,170.50
Renee Olivett	13.80	975.00	13,455.00
Isabella J. Parette	0.90	1,095.00	985.50
Joshua Raphael	19.50	1,095.00	21,352.50
Laura Saal	19.90	625.00	12,437.50
Brian Schartz, P.C.	6.00	2,305.00	13,830.00
Michael A. Sloman	19.10	1,265.00	24,161.50
Lydia Yale	13.30	435.00	5,785.50
<b>TOTALS</b>	<b>362.80</b>		<b>\$ 380,150.00</b>

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<u>Date</u>	<u>Name</u>	<u>Hours</u>	<u>Description</u>
09/24/24	Rachael M. Bentley	18.20	Telephone conferences with Sidley, B. Schartz and K&E team re transaction considerations, contingency planning, related matters (3.7); correspond with Sidley, B. Schartz and K&E team re same (3.9); review, analyze issues re same (3.8); review, revise filing documents re same (3.7); file chapter 11 cases (3.1).
09/24/24	Sloane Bessey	15.40	Review, revise critical vendors motion (1.8); correspond with A&M re diligence re same (.4); conferences with J. Raphael, A&M re same (1.0); review, revise taxes motion (2.8); prepare same for filing (1.2); review, revise NOL motion (3.1); prepare same for filing (.7); review, analyze, revise plan, related disclosure statement re comments received (3.1); correspond with R. Golden re same (.3); review, finalize petitions (1.0).
09/24/24	Jacob E. Black	14.00	Review, comment on wages motion (2.0); correspond with H. Kupsky, A&M re same (.6); review, comment on bidding procedures motion, related procedures (3.9); correspond with T. Eck re same (.4); review, comment on bar date motion (3.1); correspond with T. Eck re same (.5); review Disclosure Statement (3.5).
09/24/24	Trevor Eck	13.00	Review, revise various first day pleadings (1.8); review, revise bidding procedures, motion and order (3.2); correspond with R. Bentley K&E team, A&M re chapter 11 filing and case strategy (1.0); review, revise bar date motion (2.0); review, revise scheduling motion (2.1); conferences with R. Bentley, A&M, and K&E team re same (2.9).
09/24/24	Christopher Fabrizio	11.00	Review and revise various first day motions (3.2); review, analyze, summarize various SDTX transcripts re first day hearings (3.1); review and revise disclosure statement motion (2.7); draft talking points re first day motions (1.8); conference with J. Fina and K&E team re same (.2).

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<u>Date</u>	<u>Name</u>	<u>Hours</u>	<u>Description</u>
09/24/24	Nathan James Felton	16.10	Review, revise first day presentation (2.6); review, revise first day hearing talking points (2.1); draft first day motions (3.2); review, revise first day motions (2.4); correspond with J. Fina, K&E team re same (1.7); conference with B. Nakhaimousa, K&E team re same (1.9); prepare for first day hearing (2.2).
09/24/24	Josephine Fina	16.40	Review, revise chapter 11 pleadings, chapter 11 plan, and disclosure statement (3.9); correspond with B. Nakhaimousa and K&E team, Company advisors re same, related strategies and issues, proposed next steps (3.4); review, analyze revised pleadings re same (1.5); correspond with N. Felton re first day presentation, first day declaration and related materials (1.7); review filing versions of chapter 11 petitions and first day motions (3.4); draft, review, revise talking points re first day hearing (2.5).
09/24/24	Ashlyn Gallagher	10.60	Review petitions (3.9); correspond with G. Meadow re same, K&E team re same (.4); correspond with G. Meadow re hearing, logistics (.8); prepare materials re commencement of chapter 11 cases (3.9); review, analyze same re same (1.1); correspond with G. Meadow re same (.5).
09/24/24	Rachel Golden	15.40	Draft, revise restructuring support agreement (1.2); compile same (.8); review, revise restructuring term sheet (3.9); prepare same for filing (.4); review, revise plan (3.2); review, analyze related issues and considerations re same (.9); review, revise first day pleadings (2.9); correspond with J. Fina, K&E team re deal documents, first day pleadings (2.1).

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<u>Date</u>	<u>Name</u>	<u>Hours</u>	<u>Description</u>
09/24/24	Hannah Kupsky	15.00	Review, revise creditor matrix motion (1.1); correspond with B. Nakhaimousa, J. Fina, K&E team re same (.2); review, revise wages motion (2.7); correspond with B. Nakhaimousa, J. Fina, K&E team re same (.5); multiple conferences with A&M re various first day diligence (1.1); draft, review, revise talking points re first days (3.9); further review, revise same (1.6); review, finalize chapter 11 pleadings for chapter 11 filing (1.5); review petitions (2.4).
09/24/24	Jamie McLennan	18.00	Revise, revise disclosure statement motion (2.1); review, revise disclosure statement order exhibits (3.4); review, revise disclosure statement (3.4); correspond with B. Nashelsky, K&E team re same (1.0); review, revise scheduling motion (.8); correspond with B. Nakhaimousa, K&E team re same (.4); review, revise various first day pleadings re finalization for commencement of chapter 11 (2.1); review, analyze issues re disclosure statement re risk factors (2.1); further review, revise disclosure statement re same (1.6); draft, review, revise summary of transcripts reviewed re SDTX cases (1.1).
09/24/24	Georgia Meadow	10.40	Review and revise petitions (3.4); correspond with A. Gallagher re same, K&E team re same (.4); correspond with B. Nakhaimousa, J. Fina, K&E team re first day hearing, preparation of same (.5); review, revise chapter 11 pleadings re global revisions (3.9); prepare petition exhibits for finalization (2.2).

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<u>Date</u>	<u>Name</u>	<u>Hours</u>	<u>Description</u>
09/24/24	Brian Nakhaimousa	20.80	Review, revise DIP Order (2.1); correspond with M. Sloman, J. Raphael re same (.5); review, revise intermediation order (1.1); correspond with B. Nashelsky re same (.4); review, revise wages motion (2.1); correspond with J. Black, H. Kupsky re same (.4); review, comment on SOFAs motion (.5); correspond with R. Olivett, B. Nashlesky re same (.3); review, comment on taxes motion (.7); correspond with M. Sloman, K&E team re same; review, comment on NOL motion (1.1); correspond with M. Sloman, K&E team re same (.3); review, comment on utilities motion (.9); correspond with J. Raphael, J. Fina re same (.1); review, comment on critical vendors motion (1.0); correspond with J. Fina, K&E team re same (.1); review, revise disclosure statement (3.9); correspond with R. Golden, B. Nashelsky, J. McLennan re same (.7); further review, revise same (1.0); review, comment on first day presentation (1.1); correspond with N. Felton re same (review, comment on First Day declaration (1.1); correspond with N. Felton re same (.2); review, revise Matheson rejection motion (1.1); correspond with I. Paretti, K&E team re same (.1).
09/24/24	Brendan Nashelsky	16.20	Review, revise cash management motion and related order (2.1); correspond with R. Olivett re same (.2); review, comment on SOFAs motion (.6); correspond with R. Olivett, A&M, T. Eck re same, re scheduling motion considerations (.4); conferences with R. Olivett, A&M, T. Eck re same (.5); review, revise bar date motion (1.1); conferences with R. Bentley, B. Nashelsky, J. Fina T. Eck re same (.4); review, revise disclosure statement (3.9); correspond with R. Golden, B. Nakhaimousa re same (.6); review, revise intermediation order (3.9); multiple conferences with R. Bentley, Sidley, Reed Smith, Shell re same (2.5).

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09/24/24	Renee Olivett	11.70	Review, revise cash management order (3.5); correspond with B. Nashelsky re same (.5); review, revise disclosure statement (1.3); correspond with J. McLennan re same (.2); review, revise SoFAs motion (1.1); correspond with B. Nashelsky re same (.1); draft, review, revise board minutes (3.1); review, analyze Matheson rejection motion considerations (.6); correspond with B. Nakhaimousa, J. Fina, K&E team re various first day pleadings, commencement of chapter 11 cases, finalization of same (1.3).
09/24/24	Joshua Raphael	15.30	Review, revise DIP motion (3.9); correspond with M. Sloman re same (.3); review, revise DIP declarations (1.4); correspond with M. Sloman re same (.5); conferences with same re same (.5); review, revise DIP order (2.9); multiple conferences with R. Bentley, K&E team re same (1.1); prepare talking points re first day hearing (3.0); correspond with B. Nakhaimousa, K&E team re same (.5); review, revise, comment on various first day pleadings re final review, preparation for filing chapter 11 cases (1.2).
09/24/24	Laura Saal	13.50	Review and revise petitions (2.7); compile petitions for filing (3.4); prepare for and assist with first day filing (3.9); conference with J. Fina, B. Nakhaimousa, R. Golden and B. Nashelsky re hearing preparation (.4); conference with B. Nashelsky and Bracewell re filing (.5); prepare for first day hearing re binders (2.4); correspond with J. Fina and K&E team re same (.2).
09/24/24	Brian Schartz, P.C.	6.00	Prepare for first day hearing (3.2); correspond with R. Bentley, A&M, PWP, K&E team re same, filed pleadings, DIP, intermediation orders, deal (2.8).

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09/24/24	Michael A. Sloman	15.30	Review, revise DIP motion (1.2); correspond with J. Raphael re same (.3); review, revise DIP declarations (1.4); review, revise DIP order (3.9); multiple conferences with R. Bentley, K&E team re same (1.1); prepare talking points re first day hearing (3.0); correspond with B. Nakhaimousa, K&E team re same (.5); review, revise, comment on various first day pleadings re final review, preparation for filing chapter 11 cases (3.9).
09/24/24	Lydia Yale	10.50	Review, revise voluntary petitions (.8); compile and prepare same for filing (3.4); research re precedent disclosure statements and first day hearing transcripts (.2); correspond with L. Saal and K&E team re first day hearing preparation (.3); correspond with H. Kupsky re pleading template (.3); revise first day pleadings re case numbers (1.7); prepare binders re first day hearing (3.8).
09/25/24	Rachael M. Bentley	2.60	Telephone conferences with B. Schartz and K&E team re transaction considerations, contingency planning, related matters (.6); review, analyze issues re same (.4); review, analyze documents re same (.6); negotiate intermediation facility order, documents re U.S. Trustee comments (.5); telephone conferences with Bracewell re same (.5).
09/25/24	Trevor Eck	2.10	Review, revise first day pleadings re chapter 11 filing.
09/25/24	Nathan James Felton	7.40	Draft, review, revise first day hearing presentation (3.6); review, revise first day pleadings (3.8).
09/25/24	Josephine Fina	9.20	File chapter 11 petitions and first day motions (3.9); review, finalize and revise same (3.1); prepare for first day hearing (2.2).
09/25/24	Ashlyn Gallagher	7.90	Compile petitions, finalize for filing (3.5); correspond with G. Meadow re first day hearing (.3); prepare materials re first day hearing (2.2); correspond with L. Saal, K&E team re same (.4); compile related materials re same (1.5).



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09/25/24	Rachel Golden	3.30	Review, revise first day motions re chapter 11 filing (1.6); review, revise claims agent order (.5); conference with Bracewell re same (.2); correspond with B. Nakhaimousa re same (.1); review, analyze intermediation facility motion (.9).
09/25/24	Hannah Kupsky	2.70	Review, revise various first day motions for filing.
09/25/24	Hannah Kupsky	1.90	Review, revise talking points re wages motion.
09/25/24	Jamie McLennan	5.50	Review, revise talking points re first day motions (3.9); review, analyze first day motions re same (1.6).
09/25/24	Georgia Meadow	6.00	Prepare materials re first day hearing (3.9); correspond with A. Gallagher re first day (.6); review petitions (1.5).
09/25/24	Brian Nakhaimousa	2.00	Correspond with J. Fina, R. Bentley, K&E team re first day pleadings re chapter 11 filing.
09/25/24	Brendan Nashelsky	7.70	Review, revise cash management motion (1.0); correspond with R. Olivett re same (.5); review, revise SoFAs extension motion (.3); correspond with R. Olivett re same (.2); review, revise intermediation order (3.0); correspond with R. Bentley, K&E team re same (.5); conferences with same re same (.5); review, revise disclosure statement (1.1); correspond with R. Golden, J. McLennan re same (.4); review, revise scheduling order (.1); correspond with T. Eck, J. McLennan re same (.1).
09/25/24	Renee Olivett	2.10	Revise cash management motion (.4); revise SoFAs extension motion (.2); correspond with Bracewell, J. Fina and K&E team re first day pleadings (.3); draft first day talking points (1.2).
09/25/24	Isabella J. Paretti	0.90	Correspond with B. Nashelsky, K&E team re various first day pleadings, hearing preparation.
09/25/24	Joshua Raphael	4.20	Draft talking points re first day motions (2.0); review, revise finalize DIP order (1.7); correspond with M. Sloman, K&E team re same (.5).

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09/25/24	Laura Saal	6.40	Conference with R. Bentley, B. Nakhaimousa and J. Fina re first day hearing prep (.3); prepare materials re first day hearing (3.9); correspond with B. Nakhaimousa, J. Fina, R. Bentley re same (.6); prepare related court binders re same (1.6).
09/25/24	Michael A. Sloman	3.80	Revise, revise, final DIP order re first day hearing (3.2); correspond with J. Raphael, K&E team re same (.6).
09/25/24	Lydia Yale	2.80	Prepare pro hac vices and notices of appearance for filing (1.6); correspond with J. Fina and K&E team re court appearances (.7); correspond with Bracewell re same (.1); correspond with R. Bentley re first day hearing binder (.3); correspond with J. Fina and K&E team re filed first day pleadings (.1).
10/28/24	Josephine Fina	1.50	Correspond with Sidley re revised cash management and vendor final orders (.3); review, analyze same (.4); correspond with R. Bentley re second day hearing (.3); correspond with B. Nashelsky re intermediation final order (.2); correspond with Willkie re final orders (.3).
<b>Total</b>		<b>362.80</b>	

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**Invoice Number: 1050108840**  
**Client Matter: 57088-3**

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**In the Matter of Adversary Proceeding & Contested Matters**

For legal services rendered through October 31, 2024  
(see attached Description of Legal Services for detail)

\$ 405,998.00

Total legal services rendered

\$ 405,998.00

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**Summary of Hours Billed**

<b><u>Name</u></b>	<b><u>Hours</u></b>	<b><u>Rate</u></b>	<b><u>Amount</u></b>
Michael Angarola	45.20	785.00	35,482.00
Rachael M. Bentley	6.60	1,595.00	10,527.00
Sloane Bessey	1.80	975.00	1,755.00
Zac Ciullo	53.60	1,555.00	83,348.00
Trevor Eck	0.50	1,095.00	547.50
Chris Everhart	6.30	515.00	3,244.50
Josephine Fina	2.80	1,395.00	3,906.00
Ashlyn Gallagher	1.50	435.00	652.50
Rachel Golden	4.60	1,095.00	5,037.00
Tysan Holloman	1.70	815.00	1,385.50
Grant Jones	16.70	1,365.00	22,795.50
Timothy Knapp, P.C.	5.90	1,835.00	10,826.50
Patrick G. Maroun	65.10	1,325.00	86,257.50
Barira Munshi	42.60	1,365.00	58,149.00
Brian Nakhaimousa	4.10	1,345.00	5,514.50
Renee Olivett	0.30	975.00	292.50
Hannah Marie Putnam	51.40	1,235.00	63,479.00
Joshua Raphael	0.70	1,095.00	766.50
Anna G. Rotman, P.C.	2.30	1,955.00	4,496.50
Laura Saal	0.90	625.00	562.50
Brian Schartz, P.C.	0.50	2,305.00	1,152.50
Scott M. Smith II	2.20	515.00	1,133.00
Gary M. Vogt	7.50	625.00	4,687.50
<b>TOTALS</b>	<b>324.80</b>		<b>\$ 405,998.00</b>

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<u>Date</u>	<u>Name</u>	<u>Hours</u>	<u>Description</u>
09/24/24	Zac Ciullo	0.20	Correspond with A&M re potential litigation considerations and next steps.
09/25/24	Zac Ciullo	1.40	Conference with A&M re additional factual development re potential litigation (.6); prepare for same (.5); review, analyze Company business plans and documents re same (.3).
09/25/24	Timothy Knapp, P.C.	0.50	Conference with Z. Ciullo and A&M re potential litigation claim (.3); prepare for same (.2).
09/26/24	Michael Angarola	1.30	Review and analyze background materials re potential litigation.
09/26/24	Michael Angarola	0.50	Conference with Z. Ciullo re potential litigation (.3); draft interview outline re same (.2).
09/26/24	Zac Ciullo	0.80	Conference with M. Angarola re potential litigation (.3); correspond with M. Angarola, K&E team re same (.4); telephone conference with T. Knapp re next steps re fact investigation (.1).
09/26/24	Barira Munshi	1.00	Conference with H. Putnam re document review re Disinterested Director investigation (.4); correspond with G. Vogt re same (.6).
09/26/24	Hannah Marie Putnam	0.30	Conference with B. Munshi re document review re Disinterested Director investigation.
09/26/24	Scott M. Smith II	1.20	Correspond with G. Vogt re document review re Disinterested Director investigation (.2); prepare, review, process materials re same (1.0).
09/26/24	Gary M. Vogt	2.20	Correspond with S. Smith re document review re potential litigation (.2); outline next steps re same (1.1); review analyze same (.9).
09/27/24	Michael Angarola	1.40	Review and analyze case materials re case status, potential litigation issues.
09/27/24	Sloane Bessey	1.70	Draft, review, revise suggestion of bankruptcy (1.2); correspond with B. Nakhaimousa and K&E team re same (.5).
09/27/24	Barira Munshi	3.50	Review, analyze documents re independent investigation (2.7); draft presentation re findings (.8).

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09/27/24	Brian Nakhaimousa	0.10	Correspond with S. Bessey re suggestion of bankruptcy.
09/27/24	Hannah Marie Putnam	3.60	Review, analyze documents re disinterested director investigation.
09/29/24	Michael Angarola	1.60	Review and analyze Company materials re potential litigation.
09/30/24	Zac Ciullo	0.20	Correspond with A&M re potential litigation.
10/01/24	Zac Ciullo	0.20	Correspond with A&M team re witness interviews re potential litigation.
10/01/24	Barira Munshi	3.50	Review, analyze organizational documents re Disinterested Director investigation.
10/01/24	Hannah Marie Putnam	3.10	Review, analyze documents re Disinterested Director investigation.
10/01/24	Gary M. Vogt	0.50	Review, analyze, prepare database re document review.
10/02/24	Michael Angarola	0.50	Meeting with Z. Ciullo and A&M team re potential litigation issues.
10/02/24	Michael Angarola	2.00	Draft preservation letters and litigation hold re potential litigation.
10/02/24	Michael Angarola	0.20	Revise litigation hold and preservation letter re potential litigation.
10/02/24	Michael Angarola	0.70	Conference with Z. Ciullo and K&E team re potential litigation and next steps.
10/02/24	Michael Angarola	0.70	Draft outline re upcoming interview.
10/02/24	Michael Angarola	0.70	Conference with T. Knapp and Z. Ciullo re potential claim.
10/02/24	Michael Angarola	0.50	Revise litigation hold letter and preservation letters re potential litigation.
10/02/24	Michael Angarola	0.40	Conference with Z. Ciullo re litigation hold and preservation letters.
10/02/24	Zac Ciullo	0.30	Correspond with R. Bentley re updates on potential litigation.
10/02/24	Zac Ciullo	0.10	Conference with M. Angarola re preservation notices and next steps.
10/02/24	Zac Ciullo	1.10	Conference with A&M team re investigation (.7); correspond with T. Knapp re same, next steps (.4).
10/02/24	Zac Ciullo	0.30	Analyze and revise draft preservation notices re investigation.

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10/02/24	Zac Ciullo	0.70	Conference with M. Angarola, K&E team and A&M team re case status, updates and assignments.
10/02/24	Zac Ciullo	0.10	Correspond with B. Nakhaimousa re document preservation notices.
10/02/24	Zac Ciullo	0.60	Conference with T. Knapp and M. Angarola re case strategy, investigation issues.
10/02/24	Timothy Knapp, P.C.	0.50	Review, analyze preservation notices re investigation (.3); correspond with Z. Ciullo and K&E team re same (.2).
10/02/24	Hannah Marie Putnam	0.50	Review, analyze, prepare database re document review.
10/03/24	Michael Angarola	1.10	Draft outline re upcoming fact interview re potential litigation.
10/03/24	Zac Ciullo	0.40	Finalize draft preservation notices re potential litigation.
10/03/24	Josephine Fina	0.40	Draft correspondence re preservation of documents re potential litigation (.2); correspond with R. Bentley, A&M re same (.2).
10/03/24	Rachel Golden	0.30	Correspond with B. Munshi, K&E team, A&M team re investigation.
10/03/24	Barira Munshi	0.60	Conference with H. Putnam re Disinterested Director investigation (.2); correspond with R. Golden and A. Rotman re diligence requests (.4).
10/03/24	Hannah Marie Putnam	1.40	Review, analyze documents re Disinterested Director investigation.
10/03/24	Hannah Marie Putnam	0.50	Conference with B. Munshi and K&E team re Disinterested Director investigation.
10/03/24	Anna G. Rotman, P.C.	0.20	Conference with R. Bentley and K&E team investigation status and next steps.
10/03/24	Gary M. Vogt	0.50	Review, analyze document review matters.
10/04/24	Josephine Fina	0.80	Correspond with R. Bentley re potential litigation (.1); review, revise litigation holds re same (.3); correspond with R. Bentley, K&E team re same (.2); correspond with Company re same (.2).
10/04/24	Rachel Golden	0.20	Correspond with A&M team re investigation.
10/04/24	Hannah Marie Putnam	0.70	Review, analyze documents re Disinterested Director investigation.

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10/04/24	Hannah Marie Putnam	3.40	Review, analyze background materials re investigation.
10/07/24	Michael Angarola	0.20	Correspond with P. Maroun re potential litigation.
10/07/24	Rachael M. Bentley	1.10	Telephone conferences with H. Putnam and K&E team re Disinterested Director investigation and considerations re same (.5); correspond with B. Munshi and K&E team re same (.6).
10/07/24	Zac Ciullo	0.40	Correspond with P. Maroun and K&E team re potential litigation.
10/07/24	Rachel Golden	1.00	Conference with J. Fina, K&E team, disinterested director re case updates (.7); draft summary re same (.3).
10/07/24	Rachel Golden	0.60	Correspond with A&M team re investigation diligence (.1); conference with H. Putnam re same (.4); conference with A&M team re same (.1).
10/07/24	Patrick G. Maroun	0.90	Telephone conference with Z. Ciullo re potential litigation matters, next steps (.4); review and analyze documents re construction contract (.5).
10/07/24	Barira Munshi	0.50	Correspond with R. Bentley and K&E team re document requests (.2); review, analyze summarize same (.1); draft document request (.2).
10/07/24	Brian Nakhaimousa	0.10	Correspond with Z. Ciullo re potential litigation considerations.
10/07/24	Hannah Marie Putnam	0.50	Conference with R. Bentley and K&E team re document requests.
10/07/24	Hannah Marie Putnam	4.40	Review, analyze documents re investigation (3.9); summarize notes of same (.5).
10/08/24	Rachel Golden	0.30	Correspond with A&M re Disinterested Director Investigation.
10/08/24	Rachel Golden	0.60	Correspond with A&M team re investigation diligence (.1); conference with H. Putnam re same (.4); conference with A&M team re same (.1).
10/08/24	Rachel Golden	0.10	Correspond with A&M re diligence re investigation.
10/08/24	Barira Munshi	0.70	Conference with H. Putnam re investigation and collection of documents (.5); correspond with A. Rotman, H. Putnam re same (.2).



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10/08/24	Brian Nakhaimousa	0.10	Correspond with H. Putnam re investigation.
10/08/24	Hannah Marie Putnam	0.30	Review, analyze board meeting minutes.
10/08/24	Hannah Marie Putnam	1.40	Draft summary re document review findings (1.0); review, analyze issues re same (.4).
10/09/24	Patrick G. Maroun	4.20	Review and analyze documents re potential litigation.
10/09/24	Hannah Marie Putnam	0.40	Review, analyze board meeting minutes (.2); correspond with B. Munshi re investigation (.2).
10/10/24	Rachael M. Bentley	0.50	Telephone conferences and correspond re investigation.
10/10/24	Rachel Golden	0.20	Correspond with H. Putnam, K&E team re investigation diligence.
10/10/24	Barira Munshi	0.70	Conference with A&M team, B. Nakhaimousa, and K&E team re discovery requests re investigation (.3); correspond with H. Putnam re same (.4).
10/10/24	Brian Nakhaimousa	0.30	Conference with A&M team, J. Fina, K&E team re document requests re investigation.
10/10/24	Renee Olivett	0.30	Conference with J. Fina, K&E team re document requests re investigation.
10/10/24	Hannah Marie Putnam	1.10	Review, analyze board meeting minutes re investigation (.8); conference with B. Nakhaimousa, K&E team and A&M team re document requests (.3).
10/10/24	Anna G. Rotman, P.C.	0.30	Conference with R. Bentley, K&E team re investigation.
10/11/24	Michael Angarola	0.50	Research re upcoming interview.
10/11/24	Michael Angarola	0.20	Telephone conference with P. Maroun re interview outline.
10/11/24	Michael Angarola	0.20	Correspond with P. Maroun re interview outline.
10/11/24	Rachel Golden	0.20	Correspond with H. Putnam, K&E team re investigation.
10/11/24	Patrick G. Maroun	2.20	Review and revise interview outline (1.8); correspond with Z. Ciullo and M. Angarola re same (.2); telephone conference with M. Angarola re interview outline (.2).
10/12/24	Michael Angarola	0.20	Review and analyze interview outline.

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10/13/24	Patrick G. Maroun	0.20	Review and revise interview outline (.1); correspond with Z. Ciullo and M. Angarola re same (.1).
10/13/24	Brian Nakhaimousa	0.10	Correspond with J. Raphael re investigation.
10/14/24	Tysan Holloman	1.70	Research, analyze precedent re motion re potential litigation.
10/14/24	Barira Munshi	1.00	Review, analyze board minutes re investigation.
10/14/24	Hannah Marie Putnam	0.20	Review, analyze board minutes re investigation.
10/14/24	Gary M. Vogt	0.80	Compile materials re investigation (.4); correspond with M. Angarola, K&E team re database review (.4).
10/15/24	Michael Angarola	0.60	Conference with P. Maroun re interview outline.
10/15/24	Michael Angarola	0.60	Conference with P. Maroun and Z. Ciullo re status of case and upcoming interviews.
10/15/24	Zac Ciullo	0.50	Conference with P. Maroun and M. Angarola re strategy for investigating potential claims.
10/15/24	Zac Ciullo	1.30	Review and analyze key documents and materials re interview preparation.
10/15/24	Zac Ciullo	1.70	Analyze and revise interview outline.
10/15/24	Zac Ciullo	0.10	Correspond with R. Bentley re interview strategy.
10/15/24	Zac Ciullo	0.20	Review and analyze potential litigation considerations.
10/15/24	Chris Everhart	1.40	Compile materials re investigation (1.0); conference with R. Bentley, K&E team re same (.4).
10/15/24	Patrick G. Maroun	2.80	Attend interview of Company employee re potential litigation (1.0); conference with Z. Ciullo and M. Angarola re status and next steps re potential litigation (.4); correspond with Z. Ciullo and K&E team re same (.5); review and revise interview outline (.9).
10/16/24	Michael Angarola	0.40	Draft outline re interview.
10/16/24	Michael Angarola	3.00	Draft summary re Company employee interview.
10/16/24	Michael Angarola	1.20	Draft Company employee interview outline.
10/16/24	Michael Angarola	0.30	Telephone conference with P. Maroun re upcoming interviews.

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10/16/24	Michael Angarola	1.50	Interview with Company employee (1.0); conference with A&M team, Z. Ciullo and P. Maroun re same (.5).
10/16/24	Michael Angarola	0.20	Revise Company employee interview summary.
10/16/24	Zac Ciullo	0.20	Telephone conference with T. Knapp re investigation strategy.
10/16/24	Zac Ciullo	2.50	Prepare for Company employee interview (1.1); participate in same (1.0); correspond with P. Maroun and M. Angarola re same, next steps (.4).
10/16/24	Chris Everhart	2.80	Prepare documents for review (2.5); conference with R. Bentley and K&E team re same (.3).
10/16/24	Patrick G. Maroun	4.40	Attend interview of Company employee re potential litigation (1.0); conference with Z. Ciullo and M. Angarola re status and next steps re potential litigation (.4); review and revise Company employee interview memorandum (1.0); correspond with Z. Ciullo and K&E team re same (.1); review, analyze litigation considerations, next steps, related strategy (1.9).
10/16/24	Brian Nakhaimousa	0.20	Correspond with B. Munshi and K&E team re Disinterested Director investigation matters.
10/16/24	Hannah Marie Putnam	0.30	Correspond with B. Nakhaimousa and K&E team re investigation.
10/16/24	Hannah Marie Putnam	0.30	Correspond with Z. Ciullo and K&E team re investigation documents.
10/16/24	Anna G. Rotman, P.C.	0.30	Telephone conference with B. Munshi, K&E team re status of investigation.
10/16/24	Gary M. Vogt	0.50	Correspond with M. Angarola, K&E team re processing additional document review re potential litigation.
10/17/24	Michael Angarola	0.90	Review, analyze Company employee interview summary.
10/17/24	Michael Angarola	2.00	Revise presentation re investigation.
10/17/24	Michael Angarola	0.40	Review, revise investigation presentation.
10/17/24	Michael Angarola	0.40	Conference with Z. Ciullo and P. Maroun re investigation presentation.
10/17/24	Michael Angarola	1.20	Draft presentation re investigation issues.
10/17/24	Michael Angarola	0.50	Review and revise investigation presentation.

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10/17/24	Zac Ciullo	2.80	Prepare and revise deck re investigation.
10/17/24	Zac Ciullo	0.40	Correspond with P. Maroun and M. Angarola re investigation presentation.
10/17/24	Zac Ciullo	0.20	Correspond with T. Knapp re investigation strategy.
10/17/24	Zac Ciullo	2.00	Analyze first day declaration reinvestigation.
10/17/24	Zac Ciullo	0.80	Analyze and revise Company employee interview memorandum.
10/17/24	Zac Ciullo	0.50	Correspond with R. Bentley re strategy for re investigation.
10/17/24	Patrick G. Maroun	10.00	Review and revise Company employee interview outline (1.3); telephone conference with M. Angarola re status and next steps (.2); conference with Z. Ciullo and M. Angarola re status and next steps (.3); correspond with same re same (.2); review and analyze Company documents re investigation (2.0); research re local law re potential claims (2.5); review, revise presentation re potential litigation (2.2); correspond with Z. Ciullo and M. Angarola re same (1.3).
10/17/24	Hannah Marie Putnam	7.40	Review, analyze board minutes re confidentiality, privilege re Committee discovery.
10/18/24	Michael Angarola	0.70	Interview Company employee re investigation.
10/18/24	Michael Angarola	0.50	Conference with Z. Ciullo and P. Maroun re interview and next steps.
10/18/24	Zac Ciullo	0.90	Research and analyze authority re potential claims.
10/18/24	Zac Ciullo	0.50	Correspond with A&M team re follow up interview with Company employee.
10/18/24	Zac Ciullo	0.30	Correspond with P. Maroun re investigation.
10/18/24	Zac Ciullo	0.40	Review and analyze notes re follow up interview with Company employee.
10/18/24	Zac Ciullo	0.10	Correspond with R. Bentley re diligence into potential claim.
10/18/24	Zac Ciullo	4.40	Revise and finalize presentation re investigation, potential claim.

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10/18/24	Zac Ciullo	2.90	Prepare for interview of Company employee (1.5); interview Company employee (.7); conference with R. Bentley, K&E team and A&M team re interview and next steps (.5); draft summary re interview (.2).
10/18/24	Zac Ciullo	0.10	Correspond with P. Maroun and M. Angarola re analysis of documents and materials.
10/18/24	Zac Ciullo	0.30	Correspond with T. Knapp re litigation strategy, conference with lenders re same.
10/18/24	Patrick G. Maroun	6.20	Telephone conference with Z. Ciullo re claim strategy presentation (.3); review and revise claim strategy presentation (.7); correspond with Z. Ciullo and K&E team re same (.2); interview Company employee (.7); prepare for same (.4); conference with Z. Ciullo, K&E team, and A&M team re interview (.5); research re potential claim (1.4); review and analyze Company documents re confidentiality concerns (1.7); correspond with Z. Ciullo and K&E team re same (.3).
10/18/24	Hannah Marie Putnam	0.70	Review investigation related materials.
10/19/24	Michael Angarola	0.70	Telephone conference with P. Maroun re logistics and strategy re disclosed materials.
10/19/24	Michael Angarola	3.00	Review and analyze documents re investigation.
10/19/24	Michael Angarola	1.90	Research legal issues re potential litigation.
10/19/24	Zac Ciullo	0.30	Correspond with T. Knapp, P. Maroun and M. Angarola re investigation strategy.
10/19/24	Patrick G. Maroun	2.00	Telephone conference with M. Angarola re investigation (.7); research and analyze local law issues and considerations of same (.9); correspond with T. Knapp and K&E team re same (.4).
10/20/24	Michael Angarola	1.80	Draft summary of interview with Company employee.
10/20/24	Michael Angarola	1.50	Organize, compile documents re document review.
10/20/24	Michael Angarola	0.70	Draft summary of findings re Company files.
10/20/24	Michael Angarola	0.40	Revise Company employee interview summary.
10/20/24	Michael Angarola	0.60	Review and revise Company employee interview summary.

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10/20/24	Michael Angarola	2.30	Review and analyze Company documents re investigation.
10/20/24	Patrick G. Maroun	7.20	Review and analyze Company documents re potential litigation claim (3.9); review, analyze litigation considerations and related strategy re same (2.9); correspond with Z. Ciullo and K&E team re same (.4).
10/21/24	Michael Angarola	1.50	Review and analyze Company documents re potential litigation.
10/21/24	Rachael M. Bentley	1.50	Telephone conferences with J. Fina and K&E team re potential litigation matters (.3); correspond with Z. Ciullo and K&E team re same (.3); review, analyze summary re same (.4); telephone conferences with Committee, DIP lenders re potential litigation considerations (.3); correspond with same re same (.2).
10/21/24	Rachael M. Bentley	1.50	Conference with B. Munshi, K&E team re investigation status (.6); review materials re litigation strategy (.8); correspond with B. Nakhaimousa re same (.1).
10/21/24	Zac Ciullo	0.10	Correspond with R. Bentley re strategy re litigation matters.
10/21/24	Zac Ciullo	3.30	Review and analyze documents and materials re potential claims (3.0); correspond with P. Maroun and M. Angarola re investigation documents (.3).
10/21/24	Zac Ciullo	0.10	Correspond with Company re investigation diligence.
10/21/24	Zac Ciullo	0.80	Conference with B. Schartz, R. Bentley and T. Knapp re litigation strategy and next steps (.7); correspond with T. Knapp re same (.1).
10/21/24	Zac Ciullo	0.60	Correspond with M. Slade, K&E team re litigation matters.
10/21/24	Zac Ciullo	0.70	Review and analyze hot document chronology.
10/21/24	Zac Ciullo	1.70	Review, revise presentation to Sidley re contract counterparty claim (.4); correspond with T. Knapp re strategy re conference re same (.2); prepare for same (1.1).
10/21/24	Trevor Eck	0.50	Telephone conference with R. Bentley, K&E team re investigation status.



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10/21/24	Josephine Fina	0.30	Correspond with R. Bentley re audit issues (.1); review, analyze 10k document re same (.2).
10/21/24	Timothy Knapp, P.C.	0.90	Conference with Z. Ciullo and K&E team re potential third-party claim (.5); prepare for same (.4).
10/21/24	Patrick G. Maroun	1.20	Review and revise interview memorandum (.4); correspond with M. Angarola re same (.3); correspond with M. Angarola re document review (.3); review and analyze documents re potential claims (.2).
10/21/24	Barira Munshi	7.40	Conference with T. Eck and K&E team re investigation status (.5); review, analyze documents re same (3.9); prepare summary of findings re same (.5); analyze documents re potential claims (2.3); conference with A. Rotman re same (.2).
10/21/24	Brian Nakhaimousa	2.20	Review, comment on presentation materials re potential litigation (1.1); correspond with R. Bentley re same (.1); conference with B. Munshi, K&E team re investigation (.5); correspond with same re same (.2); review, analyze precedent re motion re litigation strategy (.3).
10/21/24	Hannah Marie Putnam	0.80	Conference with B. Munshi re DIP objection, related discovery requests.
10/21/24	Hannah Marie Putnam	1.00	Review, analyze board minutes.
10/21/24	Anna G. Rotman, P.C.	0.30	Review, analyze Disinterested Director investigation materials.
10/21/24	Brian Schartz, P.C.	0.50	Telephone conference with R. Bentley re investigation.
10/22/24	Rachael M. Bentley	1.20	Telephone conferences with B. Munshi and K&E team re investigation matters (.5); correspond with same re same (.7).
10/22/24	Sloane Bessey	0.10	Correspond with J. Fina, K&E team, and stockholder re notice of bankruptcy filing.
10/22/24	Zac Ciullo	0.80	Correspond with R. Bentley re litigation strategy (.2); conference with R. Bentley and K&E team re same (.6).
10/22/24	Josephine Fina	0.20	Correspond with J. Willian, K&E team re diligence requests, potential litigation claim.

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10/22/24	Grant Jones	1.40	Draft and revise discovery plan (.9); correspond with D. Raffle and K&E team re preparing document collection (.5).
10/22/24	Grant Jones	7.00	Telephone conference with A. Rotman and B. Munshi re discovery and investigation next steps (.5); correspond with B. Munshi and K&E team re discovery and document collection (.7); correspond with R. Bentley and K&E team re drafting confidentiality agreement and protective order (.4); draft and revise forms for internal document collection (.8); conference with D. Raffle and K&E team re discovery plan (1.0); draft and revise search terms re document collection and review (1.8); review and analyze case filings and background documents re search terms draft (.8); draft and revise stipulated confidentiality agreement and protective order (1.0).
10/22/24	Timothy Knapp, P.C.	2.00	Conferences with P. Maroun, K&E team and lenders re potential litigation (1.5); research re potential litigation (.3); correspond with Z. Ciullo re same (.2).
10/22/24	Patrick G. Maroun	5.60	Conference with Z. Ciullo and K&E team re potential claims and next steps (.5); telephone conference with T. Knapp and Z. Ciullo re same (.1); analyze potential litigation claims (1.2); correspond with T. Knapp, Z. Ciullo and M. Angarola re same (.5); review and analyze documents re potential litigation claims (3.1); correspond with Z. Ciullo and K&E team re same (.2).
10/22/24	Barira Munshi	9.10	Telephone conference with R. Bentley re investigation status (.5); telephone conference with A. Rotman and G. Jones re document review (.5); correspond with G. Jones and K&E team re collection, review and production of documents (2.6); draft search terms and review same (.6); conference with G. Jones and K&E team re document review (.5); correspond with G. Jones, K&E team re same (.7); review and analyze potential claim (.6); correspond with B. Nakhaimousa and K&E team re overview of same (1.0); draft interview outlines (2.1).



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10/22/24	Brian Nakhaimousa	0.40	Correspond with B. Munshi re investigation matters (.3); conference with Z. Ciullo re litigation hold (.1).
10/22/24	Hannah Marie Putnam	0.70	Conference with G. Jones and K&E team re production of board minutes.
10/22/24	Hannah Marie Putnam	0.50	Conference with A. Blacklock, K&E team, and A&M team re investigation documents.
10/22/24	Hannah Marie Putnam	0.60	Draft outlines re depositions re DIP.
10/22/24	Anna G. Rotman, P.C.	1.20	Conference with K&E team re discovery and investigation timelines (.5); review, analyze DIP objections (.4); review, analyze investigation strategy (.3).
10/22/24	Laura Saal	0.90	Draft motion re potential litigation.
10/23/24	Zac Ciullo	1.20	Research re potential litigation claim (.9); correspond with Sidley re same (.3).
10/23/24	Chris Everhart	0.60	Prepare documents for review (.3); conference with R. Bentley and K&E team re same (.3).
10/23/24	Rachel Golden	0.40	Correspond with B. Munshi, K&E team re disinterested director investigation.
10/23/24	Grant Jones	2.50	Draft and revise review search panel (.7); correspond with D. Raffle and K&E team re same (.1); correspond with B. Munshi and H. Putnam re board minutes review (.2); correspond with D. Raffle and K&E team re internal document collection (.2); review and analyze documents re Committee discovery requests (1.3).
10/23/24	Timothy Knapp, P.C.	0.70	Analyze potential litigation claim (.2); conference with Z. Ciullo and K&E team re same (.5).
10/23/24	Patrick G. Maroun	3.50	Review and analyze documents re potential claims.
10/23/24	Barira Munshi	3.10	Review meeting minutes re potential redactions (.4); correspond with G. Jones and K&E team re document review hold (.2); draft outlines re investigation (2.5).
10/23/24	Hannah Marie Putnam	4.00	Review, analyze documents re Disinterested Director investigation.
10/23/24	Gary M. Vogt	0.70	Correspond with C. Everhart re document review, potential redactions.

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10/24/24	Zac Ciullo	0.10	Telephone conference with T. Knapp re litigation strategy.
10/24/24	Chris Everhart	0.70	Compile documents re potential litigation (.5); conference with R. Bentley, K&E team re same (.2).
10/24/24	Josephine Fina	0.60	Conference with R. Bentley, K&E team, Sidley re litigation strategy re potential claim.
10/24/24	Grant Jones	4.60	Review and analyze board minutes re privilege issues (3.2); redact same (1.4).
10/24/24	Timothy Knapp, P.C.	0.80	Conferences with Z. Ciullo and K&E team re potential litigation.
10/24/24	Patrick G. Maroun	1.30	Review and analyze documents re potential litigation.
10/24/24	Barira Munshi	4.50	Prepare for telephone conference with counterparty re investigation (1.4); conference with H. Putnam re same (.5); conference with counterparty re investigation (.6); review, analyze materials related to same (2.0).
10/24/24	Hannah Marie Putnam	0.60	Conference with Company counsel re derivative lawsuits.
10/24/24	Hannah Marie Putnam	0.50	Conference with B. Munshi and K&E team re analysis of derivative lawsuits.
10/24/24	Hannah Marie Putnam	0.20	Redact board minutes re privilege designations.
10/24/24	Hannah Marie Putnam	2.20	Review, analyze shareholder derivative lawsuits.
10/24/24	Scott M. Smith II	1.00	Prepare documents re document review.
10/24/24	Gary M. Vogt	0.80	Correspond with C. Everhart re processing additional documents re review re investigation.
10/24/24	Gary M. Vogt	0.50	Research, compile board materials re investigation.
10/25/24	Michael Angarola	0.50	Review, analyze correspondence re potential damages re potential litigation.
10/25/24	Zac Ciullo	2.20	Review, analyze model re damages for potential litigation claim.
10/25/24	Grant Jones	1.20	Draft and revise summary re privilege issues re Board minutes (1.0); correspond with B. Munshi and H. Putnam re same (.2).
10/25/24	Timothy Knapp, P.C.	0.20	Review, analyze considerations re potential litigation and related claim.

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 Vertex Energy Inc.  
 Adversary Proceeding & Contested Matters

Invoice Number: 1050108840  
 Matter Number: 57088-3

<u>Date</u>	<u>Name</u>	<u>Hours</u>	<u>Description</u>
10/25/24	Patrick G. Maroun	0.10	Review model re damages for potential litigation claim.
10/25/24	Hannah Marie Putnam	1.00	Review, analyze documents re independent investigation.
10/25/24	Hannah Marie Putnam	0.40	Review, quality check privilege designations re board minutes.
10/28/24	Zac Ciullo	0.20	Correspond with P. Maroun and M. Angarola re research re potential litigation claim.
10/28/24	Zac Ciullo	1.80	Analyze documents re potential litigation claim.
10/28/24	Chris Everhart	0.80	Prepare Company data re review re investigation (.5); conference with C. Hughes and K&E team re same (.3).
10/28/24	Patrick G. Maroun	1.20	Review and analyze documents from Company re potential litigation.
10/28/24	Brian Nakhaimousa	0.10	Correspond with A&M team re investigation related diligence.
10/28/24	Hannah Marie Putnam	0.40	Review, analyze documents re Disinterested Director investigation.
10/28/24	Joshua Raphael	0.70	Draft objection re counterparty dispute (.3); review, analyze agreements re same (.1); review, analyze lien perfection research re same (.3).
10/28/24	Gary M. Vogt	0.50	Correspond with C. Everhart re document review.
10/29/24	Rachael M. Bentley	0.50	Telephone conference with B. Munshi, K&E team re investigation matters.
10/29/24	Rachael M. Bentley	0.30	Analyze issues re investigation matters.
10/29/24	Zac Ciullo	0.30	Research and analyze case law re potential claim.
10/29/24	Josephine Fina	0.50	Conference with R. Bentley, K&E team re investigation.
10/29/24	Patrick G. Maroun	2.60	Review and analyze documents re potential claims.
10/29/24	Barira Munshi	0.50	Conference with B. Nakhaimousa and K&E team re investigation status.
10/29/24	Brian Nakhaimousa	0.50	Conference with B. Munshi, K&E team re investigation matters.
10/29/24	Hannah Marie Putnam	0.60	Conference with B. Nakhaimousa and K&E team re investigation and settlement discussions with UCC.

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Adversary Proceeding & Contested Matters

Invoice Number: 1050108840  
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<u>Date</u>	<u>Name</u>	<u>Hours</u>	<u>Description</u>
10/29/24	Hannah Marie Putnam	0.20	Conference with Z. Ciullo and K&E team re independent investigation updates.
10/30/24	Zac Ciullo	0.30	Conference with J. Emmanuel, A. Soto re potential litigation.
10/30/24	Zac Ciullo	2.50	Review, analyze considerations re potential litigation claim.
10/30/24	Zac Ciullo	5.20	Draft steps outline re evaluation of litigation claim, exhibit list and witness summary templates (3.7); prepare correspondence to correspond with J. Emmanuel, K&E team re next steps, status (1.5).
10/30/24	Zac Ciullo	0.10	Correspond with R. Ellis re litigation considerations.
10/30/24	Zac Ciullo	0.70	Correspond with A&M re potential litigation (.5); correspond with R. Bentley re potential litigation and related strategy (.2).
10/30/24	Patrick G. Maroun	7.60	Review, analyze Plan re release provisions (3.9); research, analyze considerations re same re potential litigation claim (3.5); correspond with M. Angarola re same (.2).
10/30/24	Hannah Marie Putnam	0.30	Review, analyze documents re Disinterested Director investigation.
10/31/24	Michael Angarola	0.50	Telephone conference with P. Maroun re status of document review.
10/31/24	Michael Angarola	1.00	Research re local law re potential litigation.
10/31/24	Michael Angarola	1.00	Review, analyze issues re potential litigation claim.
10/31/24	Michael Angarola	0.50	Telephone conference with P. Maroun re issues, related considerations re potential litigation.
10/31/24	Zac Ciullo	0.70	Review and analyze summary of research re potential litigation claim (.5); correspond with P. Maroun and K&E team re same (.2).
10/31/24	Ashlyn Gallagher	1.50	Review, compile, organize case law re litigation considerations.
10/31/24	Rachel Golden	0.70	Conference with A&M team re investigation (.3); conference with B. Munshi re same (.3); correspond with R. Bentley re same (.1).
10/31/24	Timothy Knapp, P.C.	0.30	Review research re issues, related considerations re potential litigation.

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<u>Date</u>	<u>Name</u>	<u>Hours</u>	<u>Description</u>
10/31/24	Patrick G. Maroun	0.50	Conference with M. Angarola re document review.
10/31/24	Patrick G. Maroun	1.40	Telephone conference with M. Angarola re issues, related considerations re potential litigation (.5); correspond with T. Knapp, Z. Ciullo, and M. Angarola re same (.9).
10/31/24	Barira Munshi	6.50	Draft interview outline re investigation.
10/31/24	Hannah Marie Putnam	6.90	Review, analyze documents re Disinterested Director investigation.
10/31/24	Gary M. Vogt	0.50	Prepare database searches re investigation matters.
<b>Total</b>		<b>324.80</b>	

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**Invoice Number: 1050108841**  
**Client Matter: 57088-4**

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**In the Matter of Automatic Stay Matters**

For legal services rendered through October 31, 2024  
(see attached Description of Legal Services for detail)

\$ 12,645.50

Total legal services rendered

\$ 12,645.50

Legal Services for the Period Ending October 31, 2024  
Vertex Energy Inc.  
Automatic Stay Matters

Invoice Number: 1050108841  
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**Summary of Hours Billed**

<b><u>Name</u></b>	<b><u>Hours</u></b>	<b><u>Rate</u></b>	<b><u>Amount</u></b>
Rachael M. Bentley	0.70	1,595.00	1,116.50
Sloane Bessey	6.40	975.00	6,240.00
Josephine Fina	0.70	1,395.00	976.50
Rachel Golden	1.00	1,095.00	1,095.00
Brian Nakhaimousa	0.90	1,345.00	1,210.50
Joshua Raphael	0.10	1,095.00	109.50
Michael A. Sloman	1.50	1,265.00	1,897.50
<b>TOTALS</b>	<b>11.30</b>		<b>\$ 12,645.50</b>

Legal Services for the Period Ending October 31, 2024  
 Vertex Energy Inc.  
 Automatic Stay Matters

Invoice Number: 1050108841  
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**Description of Legal Services**

<b><u>Date</u></b>	<b><u>Name</u></b>	<b><u>Hours</u></b>	<b><u>Description</u></b>
10/20/24	Rachael M. Bentley	0.70	Correspond with B. Nakhaimousa and K&E team re potential violation of automatic stay (.3); review, analyze research re same (.4).
10/20/24	Brian Nakhaimousa	0.20	Review, analyze letter re potential violation of automatic stay (.1); correspond with R. Bentley re same (.1).
10/21/24	Sloane Bessey	1.30	Research re potential automatic stay violation (1.1); correspond with R. Golden re same (.2).
10/22/24	Sloane Bessey	2.20	Summarize research re potential automatic stay violation (.6); correspond with R. Bentley and K&E team re same (.6); draft automatic stay violation letter (1.0).
10/22/24	Sloane Bessey	0.60	Draft letter re vendor outreach and automatic stay violation (.4); conference with R. Bentley, K&E team, A&M team re potential auto stay violation (.2).
10/22/24	Rachel Golden	1.00	Review, revise creditor correspondence re automatic stay (.9); correspond with S. Bessey re same (.1).
10/22/24	Brian Nakhaimousa	0.30	Review, analyze research re automatic stay violation.
10/22/24	Joshua Raphael	0.10	Review, analyze draft automatic stay violation letter.
10/22/24	Michael A. Sloman	0.60	Correspond with J. Raphael re automatic stay issue (.4); analyze considerations re same (.2).
10/23/24	Sloane Bessey	0.40	Review, analyze lift stay motion (.2); correspond with J. Fina, K&E team and A&M team re lift stay motion (.2).
10/23/24	Michael A. Sloman	0.10	Analyze considerations re lift stay motion.
10/24/24	Sloane Bessey	0.80	Correspond with M. Sloman and K&E team re lift stay claimant (.6); correspond with R. Golden re lien lift stay claimant (.2).
10/24/24	Josephine Fina	0.30	Review, analyze lift stay motion (.2); correspond with M. Sloman re same (.1).
10/24/24	Michael A. Sloman	0.30	Correspond with insurance counsel re lift stay motion (.1); correspond with S. Bessey re same (.2).
10/28/24	Sloane Bessey	0.80	Correspond with insurance counsel, M. Sloman and K&E team re lift stay request.



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<u>Date</u>	<u>Name</u>	<u>Hours</u>	<u>Description</u>
10/28/24	Brian Nakhaimousa	0.10	Correspond with J. Raphael, S. Bessey re auto stay violation.
10/28/24	Michael A. Sloman	0.30	Correspond with S. Bessey, K&E team, Zurich counsel re lift stay motion.
10/29/24	Brian Nakhaimousa	0.20	Review, analyze research re automatic stay violation matters (.1); correspond with S. Bessey re same (.1).
10/30/24	Sloane Bessey	0.30	Correspond with R. Bentley and K&E team re lift stay request.
10/30/24	Michael A. Sloman	0.20	Correspond with S. Bessey, K&E team, movant counsel re lift stay motion.
10/31/24	Josephine Fina	0.40	Review, revise auto stay letter (.3); correspond with S. Bessey re same (.1).
10/31/24	Brian Nakhaimousa	0.10	Correspond with S. Bessey re automatic stay consideration.
<b>Total</b>		<b>11.30</b>	

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**In the Matter of Business Operations**

For legal services rendered through October 31, 2024  
(see attached Description of Legal Services for detail)

\$ 20,793.50

Total legal services rendered

\$ 20,793.50

Legal Services for the Period Ending October 31, 2024  
 Vertex Energy Inc.  
 Business Operations

Invoice Number: 1050108842  
 Matter Number: 57088-5

**Summary of Hours Billed**

<b><u>Name</u></b>	<b><u>Hours</u></b>	<b><u>Rate</u></b>	<b><u>Amount</u></b>
Rachael M. Bentley	5.90	1,595.00	9,410.50
Claire Smyser Campbell, P.C.	0.50	1,995.00	997.50
Josephine Fina	1.10	1,395.00	1,534.50
Timothy Knapp, P.C.	0.50	1,835.00	917.50
Brian Nakhaimousa	1.10	1,345.00	1,479.50
Brian Schartz, P.C.	2.80	2,305.00	6,454.00
<b>TOTALS</b>	<b>11.90</b>		<b>\$ 20,793.50</b>

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 Vertex Energy Inc.  
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**Description of Legal Services**

<b><u>Date</u></b>	<b><u>Name</u></b>	<b><u>Hours</u></b>	<b><u>Description</u></b>
09/30/24	Josephine Fina	1.10	Correspond with A&M team re management update materials (.4); review, analyze same (.3); review, revise daily discussion materials (.2); correspond with R. Bentley, K&E team, A&M team re same (.2).
10/04/24	Brian Schartz, P.C.	0.50	Telephone conference with A&M, PWP, R. Bentley, and K&E team re advisor call.
10/07/24	Brian Nakhaimousa	0.20	Review, revise weekly management update materials.
10/08/24	Brian Schartz, P.C.	0.70	Telephone conference with R. Bentley, PWP, A&M, Company re status, next steps.
10/10/24	Brian Nakhaimousa	0.20	Correspond with A&M team re work in process re Company update.
10/14/24	Brian Nakhaimousa	0.20	Review, revise weekly management update materials.
10/15/24	Rachael M. Bentley	1.10	Telephone conferences with J. Fina, K&E team, A&M, Company re case status, vendor, operational matters (.7); review, analyze issues re same (.4).
10/15/24	Brian Schartz, P.C.	0.50	Telephone conference with R. Bentley, A&M, PWP, Company re weekly update call, status.
10/16/24	Rachael M. Bentley	1.90	Telephone conferences with J. Fina, K&E team re vendor, employee, operational matters (1.2); review, analyze considerations re same (.7).
10/17/24	Rachael M. Bentley	1.20	Telephone conferences with A&M re vendor, operational matters (.6); review, analyze issues re same (.6).
10/18/24	Rachael M. Bentley	1.20	Telephone conference with A&M re vendor, pension, operational matters.
10/18/24	Timothy Knapp, P.C.	0.50	Correspond with R. Bentley, K&E team re presentation to Company re contract counterparty (.3); review, revise same (.2).
10/21/24	Brian Nakhaimousa	0.50	Review, revise management daily update materials (.4); correspond with R. Bentley, PWP, A&M teams re same (.1).
10/22/24	Rachael M. Bentley	0.50	Telephone conference with Company, PWP, A&M re status, work in process (.4); prepare for same (.1).

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<u>Date</u>	<u>Name</u>	<u>Hours</u>	<u>Description</u>
10/22/24	Claire Smyser Campbell, P.C.	0.50	Conference with Company, R. Bentley, K&E team re permits.
10/22/24	Brian Schartz, P.C.	0.40	Telephone conference with Company, A&M, PWP, R. Bentley re weekly status check in, next steps.
10/30/24	Brian Schartz, P.C.	0.70	Telephone conference with R. Bentley, A&M, PWP, Company re weekly update, status, next steps.
<b>Total</b>		<b>11.90</b>	

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## In the Matter of Case Administration

For legal services rendered through October 31, 2024  
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\$ 174,063.00

Total legal services rendered

\$ 174,063.00

Legal Services for the Period Ending October 31, 2024  
Vertex Energy Inc.  
Case Administration

Invoice Number: 1050108843  
Matter Number: 57088-6

**Summary of Hours Billed**

<b><u>Name</u></b>	<b><u>Hours</u></b>	<b><u>Rate</u></b>	<b><u>Amount</u></b>
Rachael M. Bentley	24.50	1,595.00	39,077.50
Sloane Bessey	9.50	975.00	9,262.50
Jacob E. Black	0.50	1,265.00	632.50
Trevor Eck	1.70	1,095.00	1,861.50
Christopher Fabrizio	6.40	815.00	5,216.00
John Farah	0.20	975.00	195.00
Nathan James Felton	0.40	1,095.00	438.00
Josephine Fina	17.20	1,395.00	23,994.00
Ashlyn Gallagher	4.60	435.00	2,001.00
Rachel Golden	24.20	1,095.00	26,499.00
Tysan Holloman	2.30	815.00	1,874.50
Hannah Kupsky	1.00	975.00	975.00
Jamie McLennan	2.70	975.00	2,632.50
Georgia Meadow	7.70	355.00	2,733.50
Brian Nakhaimousa	11.40	1,345.00	15,333.00
Brendan Nashelsky	10.20	1,095.00	11,169.00
Renee Olivett	7.60	975.00	7,410.00
Isabella J. Parette	0.80	1,095.00	876.00
Joshua Raphael	2.40	1,095.00	2,628.00
Laura Saal	2.40	625.00	1,500.00
Brian Schartz, P.C.	4.30	2,305.00	9,911.50
Michael A. Sloman	2.60	1,265.00	3,289.00
Quin Wetzell	1.80	975.00	1,755.00
Lydia Yale	2.50	435.00	1,087.50
Sara B. Zablottney, P.C.	0.70	2,445.00	1,711.50
<b>TOTALS</b>	<b>149.60</b>		<b>\$ 174,063.00</b>

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<b><u>Date</u></b>	<b><u>Name</u></b>	<b><u>Hours</u></b>	<b><u>Description</u></b>
09/24/24	John Farah	0.20	Conference with R. Bentley, K&E team re case status, next steps.
09/26/24	Rachael M. Bentley	0.50	Telephone conference with J. Fina, K&E team re case status.
09/26/24	Sloane Bessey	0.60	Review, revise work in process summary tracker.
09/26/24	Josephine Fina	0.80	Conference with R. Bentley, K&E team re work in process (.5); correspond with R. Bentley, K&E team re same (.3).
09/26/24	Ashlyn Gallagher	1.00	Compile, recent docket filings (.8); correspond with B. Nakhaimousa, K&E team re same (.2).
09/26/24	Rachel Golden	0.50	Conference with R. Bentley, J. Fina re case status, post-petition workstreams.
09/26/24	Brendan Nashelsky	3.90	Telephone conferences with B. Nakhaimousa, K&E team re work in process (2.8); review, revise summary tracker re same (1.1).
09/26/24	Brendan Nashelsky	0.60	Correspond with R. Olivett, K&E team re first day orders and related reporting obligations.
09/26/24	Joshua Raphael	0.10	Conference with B. Nashelsky re post-petition workstreams.
09/26/24	Brian Schartz, P.C.	1.10	Telephone conference with R. Bentley re case status, next steps.
09/27/24	Rachael M. Bentley	1.50	Telephone conferences with J. Fina, K&E team re case status, next steps.
09/27/24	Georgia Meadow	0.20	Correspond with J. Fina, K&E team re docket report.
09/27/24	Brian Nakhaimousa	0.20	Conference with J. Fina re case status, work in process.
09/27/24	Laura Saal	0.50	Correspond with J. Fina, G. Meadow re daily docket update (.4); review, revise same (.1).
09/27/24	Brian Schartz, P.C.	0.50	Telephone conference with R. Bentley, A&M, PWP re status, next steps.
09/27/24	Sara B. Zabloutney, P.C.	0.40	Telephone conference with R. Bentley, K&E team re case status.
09/29/24	Rachael M. Bentley	0.20	Telephone conference with J. Fina, K&E team re status, next steps.
09/29/24	Brian Nakhaimousa	0.20	Conference with B. Schartz re work in process, status updates.



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09/30/24	Sloane Bessey	0.10	Correspond with J. Fina, K&E team, A&M team re work in process tracker.
09/30/24	Josephine Fina	0.10	Conferences with B. Nakhaimousa re work in process, case updates.
09/30/24	Ashlyn Gallagher	0.30	Correspond with G. Meadow re daily docket update.
09/30/24	Georgia Meadow	0.20	Correspond with J. Fina, K&E team re daily docket reports.
09/30/24	Renee Olivett	1.70	Review, revise pleading template.
10/01/24	Rachael M. Bentley	5.00	Telephone conferences with J. Fina, K&E team, advisors re case status (.6); correspond with J. Fina, K&E team re same (.6); review, analyze issues re same (1.3); correspond with J. Fina, K&E team, A&M team re second day hearing considerations, case timeline (2.5).
10/01/24	Josephine Fina	0.40	Conferences with R. Bentley, B. Nakhaimousa re second day hearing considerations, case timeline.
10/01/24	Georgia Meadow	0.20	Correspond with J. Fina, K&E team re docket reports.
10/02/24	Rachael M. Bentley	4.70	Telephone conferences with J. Fina, K&E team, advisors re chapter 11 matters, post-petition issues (.5); correspond with J. Fina, K&E team re same (.4); review, analyze issues and timeline re same (2.3); correspond with J. Fina, K&E team, A&M team re second day hearing considerations, case timeline (1.5).
10/02/24	Sloane Bessey	1.50	Revise work in process summary re work in process (.9); correspond with B. Nakhaimousa re same (.2); conference with R. Bentley, K&E team re same (.4).
10/02/24	Sloane Bessey	0.60	Review, analyze reporting requirements re first day motions (.5); correspond with R. Golden (.1).
10/02/24	Trevor Eck	0.40	Conference with R. Bentley, K&E team re case status, next steps.
10/02/24	Christopher Fabrizio	0.40	Conference with R. Bentley, K&E team re work in process.
10/02/24	Nathan James Felton	0.40	Telephone conference with R. Bentley, K&E team re work in process, priority workstreams.

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10/02/24	Josephine Fina	2.20	Conference with B. Schartz re work in process (.3); conferences with B. Nakhaimousa, R. Bentley re same (.3); conference with R. Bentley, K&E team re work in process, case updates (.4); conference with R. Bentley, K&E team, Company advisors re case updates, next steps (.3); draft agenda re same (.2); review, revise case calendar (.7).
10/02/24	Ashlyn Gallagher	0.40	Conference with R. Bentley, K&E team re case status.
10/02/24	Rachel Golden	5.80	Correspond with B. Nakhaimousa, K&E team re case milestones (.9); draft summary re reporting requirements, milestones (.8); review, analyze DIP, intermediation, first day motions re same (1.6); draft case calendar (2.5).
10/02/24	Tysan Holloman	0.30	Conference with R. Bentley, K&E team re case status.
10/02/24	Jamie McLennan	0.40	Conference with R. Bentley, K&E team re case status.
10/02/24	Georgia Meadow	0.20	Correspond with J. Fina, K&E team re docket reports.
10/02/24	Georgia Meadow	0.40	Telephone conference with R. Bentley, K&E team re case status.
10/02/24	Brian Nakhaimousa	0.40	Conference with J. Fina re work in process (.1); conference with J. Fina, R. Bentley re same (.2); correspond with S. Bessey re work in process tracker (.1).
10/02/24	Brendan Nashelsky	0.40	Telephone conference with R. Bentley, K&E team re work in process.
10/02/24	Renee Olivett	0.50	Telephone conference with J. Fina, K&E team re work in process.
10/02/24	Renee Olivett	0.60	Review, analyze reporting requirements re various first day motions (.5); correspond with R. Golden re same (.1).
10/02/24	Joshua Raphael	0.30	Telephone conference with R. Bentley, K&E team re work in process.
10/02/24	Laura Saal	0.50	Conference with J. Fina, K&E team re case status.
10/02/24	Brian Schartz, P.C.	0.50	Telephone conference with R. Bentley, K&E team re next steps.

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<u>Date</u>	<u>Name</u>	<u>Hours</u>	<u>Description</u>
10/02/24	Michael A. Sloman	0.40	Conference with R. Bentley, K&E team re case status, next steps.
10/02/24	Lydia Yale	0.40	Conference with R. Bentley, K&E team re work in process.
10/03/24	Rachael M. Bentley	4.90	Telephone conferences with J. Fina, K&E team re deal considerations, case status (1.3); review, analyze correspondence, materials re same (1.4); correspond with J. Fina, K&E team, A&M team re second day hearing considerations, case timeline (1.2); review, analyze operational matters and case calendar (.6); telephone conferences, correspond with A&M team re same (.4).
10/03/24	Josephine Fina	1.40	Correspond with R. Golden re case calendar (.1); review, revise same (.1); review, revise daily update materials (.1); correspond with A&M team re same (.2); conference with R. Golden re work in process (.2); conferences with B. Nakhaimousa re case updates, work in process (.1); conference with R. Bentley, B. Nakhaimousa re case updates, next steps (.6).
10/03/24	Rachel Golden	1.10	Revise case calendar (.3); correspond with J. Fina, B. Nakhaimousa re same (.1); review, analyze correspondence re case status (.7).
10/03/24	Georgia Meadow	0.20	Correspond with J. Fina, K&E team re docket updates.
10/03/24	Brian Nakhaimousa	0.90	Conferences with J. Fina re work in process, next steps (.3); conference with J. Fina, R. Bentley re work in process, next steps (.6).
10/04/24	Rachael M. Bentley	4.90	Telephone conferences with J. Fina, K&E team re deal considerations, case status (1.0); review, analyze correspondence, materials re same (1.0); correspond with J. Fina, K&E team re second day hearing considerations, case timeline (1.7); review, analyze issues re implementation and case calendar (.5); telephone conferences, correspond with A&M re same (.7).
10/04/24	Josephine Fina	0.30	Conference with B. Nakhaimousa re case status, work in process.
10/04/24	Rachel Golden	1.30	Revise case calendar (.8); conference with R. Bentley re case status (.3); review, analyze correspondence re case status (.2).

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10/04/24	Georgia Meadow	0.10	Correspond with J. Fina, K&E team re docket reports.
10/04/24	Brian Nakhaimousa	0.10	Conference with J. Fina re case status, next steps.
10/07/24	Rachael M. Bentley	0.70	Review, revise case materials (.4); telephone conferences with J. Fina, K&E team re status (.3).
10/07/24	Sloane Bessey	0.30	Revise work in process summary.
10/07/24	Josephine Fina	0.70	Conferences with B. Nakhaimousa re case updates, work in process (.3); conference with R. Bentley, B. Nakhaimousa re same (.4).
10/07/24	Rachel Golden	2.80	Revise case calendar (1.3); review, analyze documents re same (.8); correspond with B. Nakhaimousa, K&E team re case calendar (.2); conference with J. Fina, K&E team, advisors re case updates (.5).
10/07/24	Georgia Meadow	0.20	Correspond with J. Fina, K&E team re docket reports.
10/07/24	Brian Nakhaimousa	1.30	Review, revise work in process summary (.7); correspond with J. Fina, K&E team re same (.2); conference with R. Bentley, J. Fina re next steps, case status (.4).
10/07/24	Brian Schartz, P.C.	1.70	Review, analyze calendar and open items (.6); correspond with R. Bentley re same (1.1).
10/08/24	Rachael M. Bentley	1.00	Telephone conference with B. Nakhaimousa, K&E team re case status.
10/08/24	Rachel Golden	3.20	Revise case calendar (3.1); correspond with K&E team re same (.1).
10/08/24	Georgia Meadow	0.20	Correspond with J. Fina, K&E team re docket reports.
10/09/24	Sloane Bessey	0.10	Correspond with J. Fina, K&E team re work in process conference.
10/09/24	Rachel Golden	0.40	Review, revise case calendar.
10/09/24	Georgia Meadow	0.10	Correspond with J. Fina, K&E team re docket reports.
10/09/24	Brian Nakhaimousa	0.50	Correspond with R. Olivett re pleading template (.1); conference with J. Fina re work in process (.4).
10/09/24	Renee Olivett	0.90	Revise postpetition pleading template (.7); correspond with B. Nashelsky, B. Nakhaimousa re same (.2).

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10/10/24	Rachael M. Bentley	0.50	Conference with J. Fina, K&E team re case status.
10/10/24	Sloane Bessey	0.40	Correspond with R. Olivett, K&E team re work in process.
10/10/24	Jacob E. Black	0.50	Conference with R. Bentley, K&E team re critical workstreams, next steps.
10/10/24	Trevor Eck	0.50	Conference with R. Bentley, K&E team re case status, next steps.
10/10/24	Christopher Fabrizio	0.70	Conference with J. Fina, K&E team re case status.
10/10/24	Ashlyn Gallagher	0.80	Conference with J. Fina, K&E team re case status (.7); correspond with G. Meadow re docket update (.1).
10/10/24	Tysan Holloman	0.70	Conference with R. Bentley, K&E team re case status
10/10/24	Hannah Kupsky	0.70	Conference with R. Bentley, K&E team re case status.
10/10/24	Jamie McLennan	0.70	Conference with J. Fina, K&E team re case status.
10/10/24	Georgia Meadow	0.90	Correspond with J. Fina, K&E team re docket reports (.2); telephone conference with J. Fina, K&E team re case status (.7).
10/10/24	Brian Nakhaimousa	0.90	Correspond with J. Fina, K&E team re docket reports (.2); telephone conference with J. Fina, K&E team re case status (.7).
10/10/24	Brendan Nashelsky	0.50	Review, revise work in process summary (.1); telephone conference with J. Fina, K&E team re work in process (.4).
10/10/24	Renee Olivett	1.60	Conference with J. Fina, K&E team re work in process (.7); revise work in process tracker (.5); correspond with J. Fina, K&E team re scheduling (.4).
10/10/24	Joshua Raphael	0.80	Conference with J. Fina, K&E team re work in process (.7); review, revise tracker re same (.1).
10/10/24	Michael A. Sloman	0.70	Conference with R. Bentley, K&E team re case status, next steps.
10/10/24	Quin Wetzel	0.90	Conference with B. Nakhaimousa, K&E team re critical workstreams (.7); review, revise tracker re same (.2).

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10/10/24	Lydia Yale	0.80	Conference with J. Fina, K&E team re work in process (.7); correspond with G. Meadow re docket report (.1).
10/10/24	Sara B. Zablotney, P.C.	0.30	Conference with R. Bentley re case status.
10/11/24	Josephine Fina	0.40	Correspond with R. Golden, K&E team re case calendar, objection deadlines (.2); review, analyze same (.2).
10/11/24	Ashlyn Gallagher	0.30	Draft daily docket report.
10/11/24	Rachel Golden	0.10	Revise case calendar.
10/11/24	Brian Nakhaimousa	0.10	Correspond with R. Golden re case calendar.
10/14/24	Sloane Bessey	1.10	Revise work in process summary tracker (.7); correspond with C. Fabrizio re same (.4).
10/14/24	Christopher Fabrizio	1.40	Review, revise work in process summary tracker.
10/14/24	Josephine Fina	1.10	Review, revise case calendar (.3); correspond with R. Golden re same (.1); correspond with B. Schartz, R. Bentley re same (.1); correspond with A&M team re same (.1); conferences with R. Bentley, B. Nakhaimousa re case updates, work in process (.5).
10/14/24	Ashlyn Gallagher	0.20	Draft daily docket report.
10/14/24	Rachel Golden	0.60	Correspond with B. Nakhaimousa, J. Fina re case calendar (.1); revise same (.5).
10/14/24	Brian Nakhaimousa	0.40	Conference with R. Bentley, J. Fina re work in process, next steps.
10/15/24	Sloane Bessey	0.70	Conference with R. Bentley, K&E team re work in process (.6); correspond with C. Fabrizio re work in process summary (.1).
10/15/24	Christopher Fabrizio	1.20	Correspond with J. Fina, K&E team re work in process summary (.2); coordinate conference re work in process (.1); revise work in process summary (.4); conference with J. Fina, K&E team re case status (.5).
10/15/24	Josephine Fina	1.30	Conference with R. Golden, K&E team re case updates, work in process (.7); conference with B. Nakhaimousa re same (.4); conference with B. Nakhaimousa, R. Bentley re same (.2).
10/15/24	Tysan Holloman	0.50	Conference with R. Bentley, K&E team re case status.
10/15/24	Jamie McLennan	0.50	Conference with J. Fina, K&E team re case status.



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10/15/24	Georgia Meadow	0.80	Telephone conference with J. Fina, K&E team re case status (.5); correspond with J. Fina, K&E team re docket reports (.3).
10/15/24	Brendan Nashelsky	0.90	Review, revise work in process summary (.4); telephone conference with J. Fina, K&E team re same (.5).
10/15/24	Renee Olivett	1.00	Revise work in process summary (.5); conference with R. Bentley, K&E team re work in process (.5).
10/15/24	Isabella J. Parette	0.80	Conference with J. Fina, K&E team re work in process, case updates (.5); review, revise summary re same (.3).
10/15/24	Laura Saal	0.50	Conference with R. Bentley, K&E team re case status.
10/15/24	Michael A. Sloman	0.50	Conference with J. Fina, K&E team re case status, next steps.
10/15/24	Lydia Yale	0.50	Conference with J. Fina, K&E team re work in process, next steps.
10/16/24	Josephine Fina	0.60	Conference with B. Nakhaimousa, R. Bentley re case updates, work in process (.3); correspond with B. Nakhaimousa, R. Bentley re same (.3).
10/16/24	Georgia Meadow	0.20	Correspond with J. Fina, K&E team re docket reports.
10/16/24	Brian Nakhaimousa	0.90	Conference with J. Fina re work in process, next steps, case status.
10/16/24	Brendan Nashelsky	0.90	Conference with J. Fina, R. Golden re case status (.6); telephone conference with B. Nakhaimousa, K&E team re same (.3).
10/17/24	Josephine Fina	0.40	Conferences with R. Bentley, B. Nakhaimousa re case updates, work in process.
10/17/24	Georgia Meadow	0.20	Correspond with J. Fina, K&E team re docket reports.
10/17/24	Brian Nakhaimousa	1.00	Conference with J. Fina re work in process (.4); review, analyze considerations re same (.6).
10/18/24	Josephine Fina	0.40	Conference with R. Bentley, B. Nakhaimousa re case updates, work in process.
10/18/24	Georgia Meadow	0.20	Correspond with J. Fina, K&E team re docket reports.

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10/18/24	Brendan Nashelsky	0.50	Telephone conferences with B. Nakhaimousa, R. Golden re case status.
10/19/24	Brian Nakhaimousa	0.10	Correspond with R. Golden re case calendar.
10/21/24	Sloane Bessey	0.20	Correspond with C. Fabrizio re work in process summary.
10/21/24	Trevor Eck	0.30	Review, revise work in process summary.
10/21/24	Christopher Fabrizio	0.30	Revise work in process summary (.2); correspond with S. Bessey, K&E team re same (.1).
10/21/24	Josephine Fina	0.70	Conferences with B. Nakhaimousa, R. Bentley re case updates, work in process.
10/21/24	Rachel Golden	1.50	Review, revise case calendar (1.3); correspond with J. Fina, K&E team re same (.2).
10/21/24	Georgia Meadow	0.50	Review, analyze hearing dates, deadlines (.2); correspond with R. Golden re same re case calendar (.1); correspond with J. Fina, K&E team re docket reports (.2).
10/21/24	Brian Nakhaimousa	1.30	Correspond with R. Golden re case calendar (.4); conference with R. Bentley, J. Fina re work in process, next steps (.7); conference with J. Fina re same (.2).
10/21/24	Brian Schartz, P.C.	0.50	Telephone conference with R. Bentley, A&M, PWP re sale process, IOIs.
10/22/24	Sloane Bessey	0.50	Revise work in process summary tracker (.1); conference with R. Bentley, K&E team re same (.4).
10/22/24	Trevor Eck	0.50	Conference with J. Fina, K&E team re case status, next steps.
10/22/24	Christopher Fabrizio	0.80	Review, revise work in process summary (.4); conference with J. Fina, K&E team re case status (.4).
10/22/24	Josephine Fina	0.50	Conference with R. Bentley, K&E team re case updates, work in process.
10/22/24	Josephine Fina	0.60	Correspond with R. Bentley, B. Nakhaimousa re case updates, work in process.
10/22/24	Ashlyn Gallagher	0.70	Conference with J. Fina, K&E team re case status (.3); review, analyze precedent (.4).
10/22/24	Rachel Golden	0.40	Conference with J. Fina, K&E team re case updates.
10/22/24	Tysan Holloman	0.30	Conference with R. Bentley, K&E team re case status.



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10/22/24	Jamie McLennan	0.40	Conference with J. Fina, K&E team re case status.
10/22/24	Georgia Meadow	0.20	Correspond with J. Fina, K&E team re docket reports.
10/22/24	Brian Nakhaimousa	0.80	Conference with J. Fina, K&E team re work in process, next steps (.4); conference with J. Fina re same (.4).
10/22/24	Brendan Nashelsky	0.90	Review, revise work in process summary (.5); telephone conference with J. Fina, K&E team re same (.4).
10/22/24	Renee Olivett	0.60	Conference with B. Nakhaimousa, K&E team re work in process (.4); revise work in process summary (.2).
10/22/24	Joshua Raphael	0.40	Conference with J. Fina, K&E team re work in process.
10/22/24	Laura Saal	0.40	Conference with J. Fina, K&E team re case status.
10/22/24	Michael A. Sloman	0.50	Conference with J. Fina, K&E team re case status, next steps (.4); review, revise work in process summary re same (.1).
10/22/24	Quin Wetzel	0.40	Telephone conference with B. Nakhaimousa, K&E team re critical workstreams.
10/22/24	Lydia Yale	0.30	Conference with J. Fina, K&E team re work in process.
10/23/24	Rachel Golden	2.40	Review, analyze correspondence from R. Bentley, K&E team re case status.
10/23/24	Georgia Meadow	0.20	Correspond with J. Fina, K&E team re docket reports.
10/23/24	Brian Nakhaimousa	1.00	Conference with R. Bentley re work in process, next steps (.6); conference with R. Golden re case calendar (.4).
10/23/24	Brendan Nashelsky	0.80	Office conferences with J. Fina, B. Nakhaimousa, R. Golden re case status.
10/24/24	Josephine Fina	0.50	Conferences with R. Bentley, B. Nakhaimousa re deal updates, work in process.
10/24/24	Ashlyn Gallagher	0.50	Draft pro hac vice application re B. Nashelsky.
10/24/24	Georgia Meadow	0.40	Correspond with A. Gallagher re pro hac vice application (.2); correspond with J. Fina, K&E team re docket reports (.2).

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10/24/24	Brian Nakhaimousa	0.60	Conference R. Bentley, J. Fina re case status, next steps, work in process (.2); conference with R. Bentley, B. Nashelsky, J. Fina re work in process (.4).
10/28/24	Sloane Bessey	2.70	Draft, review, revise notices of revised forms of second day orders (2.5); correspond with B. Nakhaimousa, K&E team re same (.2).
10/28/24	Christopher Fabrizio	0.50	Review, revise work in process tracker (.4); correspond with J. Fina, K&E team re same (.1).
10/28/24	Josephine Fina	1.80	Correspond with K&E team re work in process, case updates (.4); conferences with B. Nakhaimousa re case updates, work in process (.5); conference with Stein, K&E team, PWP re case, sale process updates (.5); conferences with R. Bentley, B. Nakhaimousa re case updates, related issues (.4).
10/28/24	Rachel Golden	0.50	Revise case calendar.
10/28/24	Georgia Meadow	1.00	Draft pro hac vice application re B. Nashelsky (.4); correspond with B. Nashelsky re same (.2); correspond with J. Fina, K&E team re docket reports (.4).
10/28/24	Brian Nakhaimousa	0.20	Correspond with R. Golden re case calendar.
10/28/24	Brendan Nashelsky	0.50	Correspond with B. Nakhaimousa, K&E team re case status.
10/28/24	Joshua Raphael	0.30	Review, revise notices of final orders (.2); correspond with S. Bessey, K&E team re same (.1).
10/28/24	Joshua Raphael	0.10	Review, analyze notices of revised orders.
10/29/24	Rachael M. Bentley	0.50	Telephone conference with J. Fina, K&E team re work in process.
10/29/24	Sloane Bessey	0.70	Conference with J. Fina, K&E team re work in process (.5); revise summary re same (.2).
10/29/24	Christopher Fabrizio	1.10	Draft work in process summary (.5); correspond with J. Fina, K&E team re workstreams (.2); conference with J. Fina, K&E team re case status (.4).
10/29/24	Josephine Fina	0.90	Conference with B. Nakhaimousa, K&E team re case updates, work in process (.5); correspond with B. Nakhaimousa re case updates, work in process (.2); conferences with R. Bentley re same (.2).

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10/29/24	Ashlyn Gallagher	0.40	Conference with J. Fina, K&E team re case status.
10/29/24	Rachel Golden	1.90	Revise case calendar (1.1); conference with J. Fina, K&E team re case updates (.5); revise case summary re same (.2); correspond with A&M team re case calendar (.1).
10/29/24	Tysan Holloman	0.50	Conference with J. Fina, K&E team re case status.
10/29/24	Hannah Kupsky	0.30	Conference with J. Fina, K&E team re case status (partial).
10/29/24	Jamie McLennan	0.70	Conference with J. Fina, K&E team re case status.
10/29/24	Georgia Meadow	0.70	Telephone conference with J. Fina, K&E team re case status (.5); correspond with J. Fina, K&E team re docket reports (.2).
10/29/24	Brian Nakhaimousa	0.50	Conference with J. Fina, K&E team re work in process, next steps.
10/29/24	Renee Olivett	0.70	Conference with J. Fina, K&E team re work in process (.5); revise work in process summary (.2).
10/29/24	Joshua Raphael	0.40	Conference with J. Fina, K&E team re work in process.
10/29/24	Laura Saal	0.50	Conference with J. Fina, K&E team re case status.
10/29/24	Michael A. Sloman	0.50	Conference with J. Fina, K&E team re case status, next steps.
10/29/24	Quin Wetzel	0.50	Conference with B. Nakhaimousa, K&E team re critical work streams.
10/29/24	Lydia Yale	0.50	Conference with J. Fina, K&E team re work in process.
10/30/24	Josephine Fina	1.70	Conference with A&M, K&E team, Willkie, PWP re case updates, related issues (1.0); conferences with B. Nakhaimousa re case updates, work in process (.4); conference with R. Bentley re same (.3).
10/30/24	Rachel Golden	1.00	Correspond with J. Fina, K&E team re docket reports.
10/30/24	Georgia Meadow	0.20	Correspond with B. Nakhaimousa, K&E team re docket updates.
10/31/24	Rachael M. Bentley	0.10	Telephone conference with A&M re executory contract considerations.

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10/31/24	Josephine Fina	0.40	Conferences with B. Nakhaimousa re case updates, work in process (.2); conference with R. Bentley, B. Nakhaimousa re same (.2).
10/31/24	Rachel Golden	0.70	Revise case calendar (.5); correspond with J. Fina, K&E team re same (.2).
10/31/24	Georgia Meadow	0.20	Correspond with J. Fina, K&E team re docket reports.
10/31/24	Brendan Nashelsky	0.30	Conferences with B. Nakhaimousa re case status.
<b>Total</b>		<b>149.60</b>	

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**In the Matter of DIP Financing and Cash Collateral**

For legal services rendered through October 31, 2024  
(see attached Description of Legal Services for detail)

\$ 119,003.50

Total legal services rendered

\$ 119,003.50

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**Summary of Hours Billed**

<b><u>Name</u></b>	<b><u>Hours</u></b>	<b><u>Rate</u></b>	<b><u>Amount</u></b>
Rachael M. Bentley	12.60	1,595.00	20,097.00
Josephine Fina	5.30	1,395.00	7,393.50
Tysan Holloman	0.30	815.00	244.50
Grant Jones	0.60	1,365.00	819.00
Shan A. Khan	5.20	1,575.00	8,190.00
Barira Munshi	6.40	1,365.00	8,736.00
Brian Nakhaimousa	12.30	1,345.00	16,543.50
Brendan Nashelsky	2.00	1,095.00	2,190.00
Hannah Marie Putnam	1.10	1,235.00	1,358.50
Joshua Raphael	20.30	1,095.00	22,228.50
Anna G. Rotman, P.C.	0.90	1,955.00	1,759.50
Brian Schartz, P.C.	3.00	2,305.00	6,915.00
Michael A. Sloman	8.40	1,265.00	10,626.00
Savannah R. Soto	2.50	1,095.00	2,737.50
Quin Wetzel	9.40	975.00	9,165.00
<b>TOTALS</b>	<b>90.30</b>		<b>\$ 119,003.50</b>

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09/24/24	Shan A. Khan	3.50	Correspond with Sidley, S. Soto, K&E team re finalization of DIP (1.0); review, revise, comment on ancillary deliverables re finalization of same (2.5).
09/25/24	Shan A. Khan	0.20	Review DIP credit agreement.
09/26/24	Joshua Raphael	0.20	Review, analyze DIP documents (.1); correspond with B. Nakhaimousa, K&E team re same (.1).
09/29/24	Brian Nakhaimousa	0.10	Correspond with A&M team re DIP order.
10/01/24	Savannah R. Soto	0.50	Correspond with S. Khan, K&E team re closing documents.
10/03/24	Tysan Holloman	0.30	Correspond with B. Nakhaimousa re DIP documents.
10/03/24	Savannah R. Soto	0.50	Correspond with S. Khan, K&E team re closing documents.
10/04/24	Savannah R. Soto	0.50	Correspond with S. Khan, K&E team re closing documents.
10/07/24	Rachael M. Bentley	0.90	Telephone conferences with J. Fina, K&E team re DIP order, related considerations (.6); review, analyze DIP order (.3).
10/07/24	Brian Nakhaimousa	0.30	Review, analyze DIP objection (.2); correspond with J. Raphael re same (.1).
10/07/24	Joshua Raphael	1.30	Correspond with Sidley re DIP order (.2); review, analyze DIP language (.2); correspond with J. Fina, K&E team re same (.2); review, analyze DIP, restructuring support agreement (.2); correspond with B. Nakhaimousa re same (.2); review, analyze DIP order (.2); correspond with R. Bentley re same, milestones (.1).
10/08/24	Shan A. Khan	0.50	Correspond with J. Raphael, K&E team re DIP order.
10/08/24	Brian Nakhaimousa	0.50	Correspond with J. Raphael re DIP order (.2); conference with R. Bentley re same (.1); correspond with contract counterparty's counsel re same (.1); correspond with J. Raphael re DIP milestones (.1).
10/08/24	Joshua Raphael	0.50	Draft correspondence to Sidley re DIP milestones (.4); correspond with B. Nakhaimousa, K&E team re same (.1).

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Vertex Energy Inc.  
DIP Financing and Cash Collateral

Invoice Number: 1050108844  
Matter Number: 57088-7

<u>Date</u>	<u>Name</u>	<u>Hours</u>	<u>Description</u>
10/08/24	Savannah R. Soto	0.50	Correspond with S. Khan, K&E team re DIP post-closing obligations.
10/09/24	Rachael M. Bentley	0.50	Telephone conference with Sidley re status, DIP order, IM order.
10/09/24	Shan A. Khan	0.50	Correspond with S. Soto re DIP.
10/09/24	Brian Nakhaimousa	0.40	Review, revise final DIP order (.3); correspond with J. Raphael re same (.1).
10/09/24	Brian Nakhaimousa	0.30	Correspond with J. Raphael re DIP reporting (.2); correspond with J. Raphael re DIP milestones (.1).
10/09/24	Joshua Raphael	1.20	Correspond with B. Nakhaimousa re professional fee reporting re DIP (.4); review, analyze DIP order re same (.2); review, analyze final DIP order (.4); correspond with B. Nakhaimousa, K&E team re same (.2).
10/10/24	Brian Nakhaimousa	0.40	Review, revise final DIP order (.3); correspond with J. Raphael, R. Bentley re same (.1).
10/10/24	Joshua Raphael	0.50	Review DIP milestones (.4); correspond with B. Nakhaimousa re same (.1).
10/13/24	Brian Nakhaimousa	0.10	Correspond with J. Raphael re final DIP order milestones.
10/14/24	Brian Nakhaimousa	0.40	Correspond with J. Raphael, J. Fina, A&M team re DIP stipulations, related provisions.
10/15/24	Rachael M. Bentley	2.10	Telephone conferences, correspond with Sidley re DIP and issues re same (.8); review, analyze issues re same (.9); telephone conferences, correspond with UCC re same (.4).
10/15/24	Josephine Fina	1.20	Conference with J. Raphael, K&E team, counterparty re DIP objection (.3); conference with A&M team re lenders' diligence requests (.4); review, analyze Committee's DIP issues list (.5).
10/15/24	Brian Nakhaimousa	0.20	Review, analyze Committee's DIP issues list.
10/15/24	Brian Nakhaimousa	0.90	Conference with A&M team, R. Bentley, K&E team re DIP order (.5); review, analyze same (.3); prepare same for filing (.1).
10/15/24	Michael A. Sloman	0.50	Telephone conference with R. Bentley, K&E team, A&M team re final DIP order, related considerations.



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<u>Date</u>	<u>Name</u>	<u>Hours</u>	<u>Description</u>
10/16/24	Rachael M. Bentley	1.00	Telephone conferences, correspond with UCC, K&E team re DIP issues (.5); telephone conferences, correspond with Sidley re same (.3); analyze issues re same (.2).
10/16/24	Josephine Fina	0.90	Correspond with B. Schartz, Sidley re Committee DIP term sheet (.2); correspond with R. Bentley re DIP reply (.2); review, analyze precedent re same (.4); correspond with M. Sloman re same (.1).
10/16/24	Brian Nakhaimousa	0.40	Review, analyze Committee's DIP issues list.
10/16/24	Michael A. Sloman	1.00	Research, analyze considerations re final DIP order, DIP objection (.7); correspond with J. Raphael re same (.3).
10/17/24	Rachael M. Bentley	1.90	Review, analyze issues re DIP objection (1.3); telephone conferences, correspond re same (.6).
10/17/24	Josephine Fina	1.10	Correspond with B. Schartz, K&E team re DIP objection (.2); correspond with B. Munshi re DIP objection (.1); correspond with A&M team re same (.1); conference with R. Bentley, K&E team, Sidley re DIP objection (.5); conference with J. Raphael, K&E team re same (.2).
10/17/24	Barira Munshi	1.40	Conference with A. Rotman re DIP objection (.4); review, analyze same, related declaration (.7); correspond with J. Fina, K&E team re DIP hearing (.3).
10/17/24	Brian Nakhaimousa	1.70	Conference with R. Bentley, Sidley re DIP order, DIP issues list (.6); correspond with R. Bentley, M. Sloman re same (.4); conference with R. Bentley, M. Sloman re DIP issues, Committee objection, DIP reply, revised final DIP order (.7).
10/17/24	Joshua Raphael	5.30	Draft omnibus reply re DIP objection (2.6); review, analyze DIP objection (.5); conference with M. Sloman re DIP reply (.1); correspond with R. Bentley, K&E team, lenders re same (.2); continue drafting reply (1.9).
10/17/24	Michael A. Sloman	3.10	Review, analyze Committee DIP objection (1.1); correspond with R. Bentley, K&E team re same (1.2); review, revise proposed final DIP order (.8).

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<u>Date</u>	<u>Name</u>	<u>Hours</u>	<u>Description</u>
10/18/24	Rachael M. Bentley	2.00	Telephone conferences, correspond re DIP objection and issues list re same (1.2); review, analyze issues re same (.8).
10/18/24	Josephine Fina	0.20	Correspond with R. Bentley, K&E team re DIP milestones.
10/18/24	Josephine Fina	0.70	Conference with M. Sloman, K&E team, A&M team re DIP objection (.5); correspond with B. Munshi, K&E team re DIP objection (.2).
10/18/24	Barira Munshi	5.00	Conference with J. Fina, K&E team re DIP hearing (.5); review, analyze DIP objection (3.5); review, analyze Committee DIP declaration (1.0).
10/18/24	Brian Nakhaimousa	3.60	Conference with R. Bentley, K&E team re Committee DIP objection (.3); correspond with J. Raphael, K&E team re DIP final order (.2); correspond with R. Bentley re DIP order milestones (.1); correspond with J. Raphael re same (.1); review, revise final DIP order (1.5); correspond with M. Sloman, J. Raphael, R. Bentley re same (.2); conference with R. Bentley, Sidley re Committee DIP objections, revised DIP order (.6); review, analyze Committee DIP objection (.6).
10/18/24	Brian Nakhaimousa	0.30	Correspond with Q. Wetzel, B. Nashelsky re presentation re DIP hearing (.1); conference with B. Schartz re same (.2).
10/18/24	Joshua Raphael	5.50	Review, revise DIP order (.9); review, revise DIP reply (3.9); review, analyze agreement re DIP objection (.1); correspond with B. Nakhaimousa, K&E team re revised DIP order language (.2); draft correspondence re DIP milestone extension (.4).
10/18/24	Anna G. Rotman, P.C.	0.90	Telephone conference with B. Munshi re objection to DIP (.5); conference with R. Bentley, K&E team re discovery re objection to DIP (.4).
10/18/24	Brian Schartz, P.C.	2.50	Telephone conference with R. Bentley, K&E team re Committee objection re DIP, intermediation (1.2); conference with R. Bentley, K&E team, advisors re same (.3); review, analyze term sheet, DIP settlement (1.0).

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10/18/24	Brian Schartz, P.C.	0.50	Telephone conference with R. Bentley, K&E team, Sidley, HL, A&M re UCC DIP objection and settlement.
10/18/24	Michael A. Sloman	1.50	Review, revise DIP reply.
10/19/24	Rachael M. Bentley	1.70	Telephone conferences with J. Raphael, K&E team re DIP, Committee settlement (1.2); review, analyze issues re same (.5).
10/19/24	Josephine Fina	0.20	Correspond with J. Raphael re DIP milestones.
10/19/24	Brian Nakhaimousa	0.10	Correspond with J. Raphael re DIP final milestones.
10/19/24	Brendan Nashelsky	0.60	Review, revise DIP hearing presentation (.4); correspond with Q. Wetzel re same (.2).
10/19/24	Quin Wetzel	1.90	Research precedent re DIP milestones (.9); draft DIP presentation (.8); correspond with B. Nashelsky re same (.2).
10/20/24	Rachael M. Bentley	1.30	Telephone conference with B. Nakhaimousa, K&E team re DIP, Committee settlement (.5); correspond with J. Fina, K&E team re discovery requests, related considerations (.6); review, analyze same (.2).
10/20/24	Josephine Fina	0.10	Correspond with B. Nashelsky re DIP milestones.
10/20/24	Brendan Nashelsky	0.90	Review, revise DIP financing presentation (.6); correspond with Q. Wetzel re same (.3).
10/20/24	Joshua Raphael	0.50	Conference with A&M team, R. Bentley, K&E team re Committee discovery, DIP.
10/20/24	Quin Wetzel	4.10	Review, analyze DIP precedent re milestones (2.8); draft DIP milestone presentation (1.3).
10/21/24	Brian Nakhaimousa	0.70	Review, analyze materials re DIP milestones (.4); review, revise DIP reply (.3).
10/21/24	Brendan Nashelsky	0.50	Review, revise DIP financing presentation (.3); correspond with Q. Wetzel re same (.2).
10/21/24	Joshua Raphael	1.30	Review, revise DIP reply.
10/21/24	Michael A. Sloman	2.10	Review, revise reply to DIP objection (1.4); correspond with J. Raphael, K&E team re same (.7).
10/21/24	Quin Wetzel	3.40	Review, revise DIP milestone presentation (2.5); correspond with B. Nakhaimousa re same (.4); correspond with B. Nashelsky re same (.5).

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10/22/24	Rachael M. Bentley	0.60	Correspond with J. Fina, K&E team re DIP order, related considerations.
10/22/24	Josephine Fina	0.40	Review, analyze DIP issues (.1); correspond with R. Bentley, K&E team re same (.1); review, analyze research re same (.2).
10/22/24	Grant Jones	0.60	Draft summary re DIP discovery considerations (.5); correspond with C. Hughes, K&E team re same (.1).
10/22/24	Brian Nakhaimousa	0.70	Review, revise DIP order (.6); correspond with J. Raphael re same (.1).
10/22/24	Hannah Marie Putnam	1.10	Conference with C. Hughes and K&E team re DIP hearing (.5); prepare for same (.6).
10/23/24	Shan A. Khan	0.50	Correspond with R. Bentley re DIP Order.
10/23/24	Brian Nakhaimousa	0.10	Correspond with J. Raphael re DIP reporting obligations.
10/23/24	Brian Nakhaimousa	0.80	Conference with R. Bentley, Sidley re final DIP order (.7); review, revise DIP order (.1).
10/23/24	Joshua Raphael	1.10	Correspond with Sidley re final DIP order, professional fee reporting re same (.8); revise DIP order (.1); correspond with R. Bentley, M. Sloman re same (.2).
10/23/24	Michael A. Sloman	0.20	Correspond with J. Raphael, K&E team re revised DIP Order.
10/23/24	Savannah R. Soto	0.50	Review, analyze issue re DIP objection (.2); review, analyze correspondence re same (.3).
10/24/24	Joshua Raphael	0.70	Review, analyze DIP issues (.6); correspond with M. Sloman re same (.1).
10/25/24	Rachael M. Bentley	0.60	Review, analyze revised DIP order.
10/28/24	Josephine Fina	0.50	Conference with B. Nashelsky, K&E, A&M team re intermediation claims.
10/28/24	Brian Nakhaimousa	0.30	Review, revise final DIP order.
10/28/24	Joshua Raphael	1.10	Review, revise final DIP order, notice (1.0); finalize same (.1).
10/28/24	Joshua Raphael	0.40	Review, revise final DIP order.
10/29/24	Joshua Raphael	0.10	Correspond with A&M team re DIP reporting obligations.

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<u>Date</u>	<u>Name</u>	<u>Hours</u>	<u>Description</u>
10/30/24	Joshua Raphael	0.60	Review, analyze professional fees estimate re DIP reporting (.1); correspond with B. Nakhaimousa, K&E team re same (.1); conference with R. Bentley, B. Nakhaimousa re same (.1); review, analyze reporting requirement (.1); correspond with J. Fina, K&E team, A&M team, Willkie re same (.2).
<b>Total</b>		<b>90.30</b>	

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Attn: James Gregory

**Invoice Number: 1050108845**  
**Client Matter: 57088-8**

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## In the Matter of Intermediation Matters

For legal services rendered through October 31, 2024  
(see attached Description of Legal Services for detail)

\$ 25,323.50

Total legal services rendered

\$ 25,323.50

Legal Services for the 9period Ending October 31, 2024  
 Vertex Energy Inc.  
 Intermediation P atters

Invoice Bumber: 1050108845  
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**Summary of Hours Billed**

<b><u>Name</u></b>	<b><u>Hours</u></b>	<b><u>Rate</u></b>	<b><u>Amount</u></b>
Michael P . - entley	2.70	1,5R5.00	4,306.50
- rian BaChaimousa	2.60	1,345.00	3,4R7.00
- rendan BashelsCy	16.00	1,0R5.00	17,520.00
<b>TOTALS</b>	<b>21.30</b>		<b>\$ 25,323.50</b>

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### Description of Legal Services

<u>Date</u>	<u>Name</u>	<u>Hours</u>	<u>Description</u>
10K07K24	- rendan BashelsCy	0.40	Meviek , analyze materials re final intermediation order (.1)/ correspond k ith M - entley, w&E team, Meed Smith re same (.3).
10K08K24	Michael P . - entley	1.20	Telephone conference k ith - . BashelsCy re IP order and letter re storage agreements (.R)/ reviek , analyze same (.3).
10K08K24	- rendan BashelsCy	1.80	Meviek , revise final intermediation order (.7)/ conference k ith M - entley re same (.R)/ correspond k ith M - entley, - racek ell, Meed Smith re same (.2).
10K0R24	Michael P . - entley	1.00	Meviek , analyze issues re intermediation order.
10K0R24	- rendan BashelsCy	2.60	Meviek , revise intermediation final order (1.8)/ telephone conference k ith M - entley, contract counterparty re same (.5)/ conference k ith M - entley, w&E team re same (.3).
10K0K24	- rian BaChaimousa	0.10	; orrespond k ith Meed Smith re intermediation considerations.
10K0K24	- rendan BashelsCy	1.R0	Meviek , revise intermediation final order (1.3)/ reviek , analyze materials re same (.3)/ correspond k ith M - entley, - racek ell re same (.3).
10K2K24	- rian BaChaimousa	0.10	; orrespond k ith - racek ell re final intermediation order.
10K3K24	- rian BaChaimousa	1.10	Meviek , revise draft final intermediation order (.8)/ correspond k ith M - entley, Sidley, WillGe, Meed Smith re same (.3).
10K5K24	- rendan BashelsCy	0.R0	Meviek , revise intermediation order (.1)/ correspond k ith M - entley, - . BaChaimousa, opposing counsel re same (.6)/ telephone conference k ith Meed Smith re same (.2).
10K7K24	Michael P . - entley	0.50	Meviek , analyze issues re intermediation facility order.
10K7K24	- rendan BashelsCy	0.40	Telephone conference k ith M - entley, contract counterparty re intermediation final order.
10K8K24	- rian BaChaimousa	0.20	; orrespond k ith - . BashelsCy re intermediation order milestones (.1)/ correspond k ith - . BashelsCy re redacted exhibits re same (.1).



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<u>Date</u>	<u>Name</u>	<u>Hours</u>	<u>Description</u>
10K8K24	- rendan BashelsCy	2.70	Meviek , revise intermediation final order (.8)/ correspond k ith M - entley, w&E team, contract counterparty, Meed Smith re same (.5)/ correspond k ith - . BaChaimousa re supply and offtaCe agreement milestones (.4)/ reviek , analyze materials re same (.4)/ correspond k ith - . BaChaimousa, w&E team re intermediation order exhibits (.2)/ reviek , analyze same (.4).
10KRK24	- rian BaChaimousa	0.20	; orrespond k ith - . BashelsCy re intermediation order milestones.
10KRK24	- rendan BashelsCy	0.60	; orrespond k ith - . BaChaimousa, w&E team, Meed Smith, ; ommittee re intermediation order exhibits.
10K20K24	- rendan BashelsCy	0.30	; orrespond k ith - . BaChaimousa, w&E team, Meed Smith re intermediation milestones.
10K22K24	- rendan BashelsCy	0.10	; orrespond k ith - . BaChaimousa, w&E team, - racek ell re intermediation documents.
10K23K24	- rian BaChaimousa	0.30	; onference k ith - . BashelsCy re final intermediation order.
10K23K24	- rendan BashelsCy	0.60	Meviek , revise intermediation final order (.2)/ correspond k ith M - entley re same (.1)/ conference k ith - . BaChaimousa re same (.3).
10K25K24	- rendan BashelsCy	0.60	Mesearch re intermediation documents (.4)/ correspond k ith M - entley, - racek ell re same (.2).
10K28K24	- rian BaChaimousa	0.60	Meviek proposed final intermediation order (.5)/ correspond k ith - . BashelsCy re same (.1).
10K28K24	- rendan BashelsCy	3.10	Meviek , revise final intermediation order (2.0)/ correspond k ith M - entley, - . BaChaimousa, Sidley, Meed Smith, ; ommittee re same (.7)/ telephone conferences k ith M - entley, contract counterparty re same (.4).
<b>Total</b>		<b>21.30</b>	

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**Client Matter: 57088-9**

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## In the Matter of Cash Management

For legal services rendered through October 31, 2024  
(see attached Description of Legal Services for detail)

\$ 15,611.50

Total legal services rendered

\$ 15,611.50

Legal Services for the 9period Ending October 31, 2024  
 Vertex Energy Inc.  
 Pash B anagement

Invoice Number: 1050108846  
 B atter Number: 57088M

**Summary of Hours Billed**

<b><u>Name</u></b>	<b><u>Hours</u></b>	<b><u>Rate</u></b>	<b><u>Amount</u></b>
Josephine Fina	0.50	1,3- 5.00	6- 7.50
Rrian NaChaimousa	1.60	1,345.00	2,152.00
Rrendan NashelsCy	5.60	1,0- 5.00	6,132.00
Kenée Olivett	6.80	- 75.00	6,630.00
<b>TOTALS</b>	<b>14.50</b>		<b>\$ 15,611.50</b>

Legal Services for the 9eriod Ending October 31, 2024  
Vertex Energy Inc.  
Pash B anagement

Invoice Number: 1050108846  
B atter Number: 57088M

### Description of Legal Services

<u>Date</u>	<u>Name</u>	<u>Hours</u>	<u>Description</u>
0-126124	Kenec Olivett	1.40	Kesearch re cash management considerations (1.1)zcorrespond / ith R. NashelsCy re same (.3).
10116124	Josephine Fina	0.30	Keve/ , analywe Pommittee comments to cash management order (.2)zcorrespond / ith R. NaChaimousa, & E team re same (.1).
10117124	Rrian NaChaimousa	0.10	Porrespond / ith R. NashelsCy, K. Olivett re cash management final order.
10117124	Rrendan NashelsCy	1.40	Keve/ , revise cash management final order (1.0)zcorrespond / ith K. Olivett re same (.4).
10117124	Kenec Olivett	1.80	Keve/ , analywe cash management final order re Pommittee comments (1.1)zcorrespond / ith R. NashelsCy re same (.3)zrevise cash management final order re same (.4).
10120124	Rrian NaChaimousa	0.60	Keve/ , revise cash management final order re Pommittee comments (.4)zcorrespond / ith K. Olivett re same (.2).
10120124	Kenec Olivett	1.20	Keveise cash management final order (-)zcorrespond / ith R. NashelsCy re same (.3).
10121124	Rrian NaChaimousa	0.30	Porrespond / ith R. NashelsCy, & E team re final cash management order.
10121124	Rrendan NashelsCy	1.70	Keve/ , revise final cash management order (-)zcorrespond / ith R. NaChaimousa, K. Olivett, A; B team re same (.6)zrevie/ , analywe materials re same (.2).
10121124	Kenec Olivett	1.10	Keveise cash management final order (.7)zcorrespond / ith R. NashelsCy, A; B team re same (.4).
10122124	Rrian NaChaimousa	0.30	Porrespond / ith R. NashelsCy re cash management final order.
10122124	Rrendan NashelsCy	0.30	Porrespond / ith R. NaChaimousa, K. Olivett, A; B team re final cash management order.
10123124	Rrendan NashelsCy	0.60	Telephone conference / ith A; B re cash management final order (.1)zrevie/ , analywe materials re same (.3)zcorrespond / ith R. NaChaimousa, & E team re same (.2).
10123124	Kenec Olivett	0.60	Keveise cash management final order (.4)zcorrespond / ith R. NashelsCy, & E team re same (.2).

Legal Services for the 9eriod Ending October 31, 2024  
 Vertex Energy Inc.  
 Pash B anagement

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 B atter Number: 57088M

<u>Date</u>	<u>Name</u>	<u>Hours</u>	<u>Description</u>
10k26k24	Rrendan NashelsCy	0.70	Porrespond / ith R. NaChaimousa, &; E team, W.S. Trustee re banCaccount (.4)zrevie/ , analywe materials re same (.3).
10k28k24	Josephine Fina	0.20	Porrespond / ith R. NashelsCy re cash management issue.
10k28k24	Rrendan NashelsCy	0.60	Kevie/ , revise final cash management order (.1)zrevie/ , revise notice re final cash management order (.2)zcorrespond / ith R. NaChaimousa, &; E team, A; B team re same (.3).
10k28k24	Kenee Olivett	0.20	Porrespond / ith J. Fina, &; E team re cash management final order.
10k2-k24	Rrian NaChaimousa	0.30	Porrespond / ith R. NashelsCy re final cash management order.
10k2-k24	Rrendan NashelsCy	0.30	Porrespond / ith A; B team re final cash management order.
10k2-k24	Kenee Olivett	0.50	Kevis cash management final order (.4)zcorrespond / ith R. NashelsCy, &; E team re same (.1).
<b>Total</b>		<b>14.50</b>	

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**Client Matter: 56088710**

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For legal services rendered through October 31, 2024  
(see attached Description of Legal Services for detail)

\$ 69,891.50

Total legal services rendered

\$ 69,891.50

Legal Services for the Period Ending October 31, 2024  
 Vertex Energy Inc.  
 Customer and Vendor Matters

Invoice Number: 1050108847  
 Matter Number: 57088-10

**Summary of our bill**

<b><u>Name</u></b>	<b><u>hours</u></b>	<b><u>Rate</u></b>	<b><u>Amount</u></b>
Rachael M. Bentley	4.10	1,595.00	6,539.50
Sloane Bessey	27.80	975.00	27,105.00
Josephine Fina	14.30	1,395.00	19,948.50
Rachel Golden	1.50	1,095.00	1,642.50
Brian Nakhaimousa	6.40	1,345.00	8,608.00
Renee Olivett	0.70	975.00	682.50
Joshua Raphael	4.90	1,095.00	5,365.50
<b>dRdATg</b>	<b>50.60</b>		<b>. \$50,850.00</b>

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**Description of Legal services**

<b><u>Date</u></b>	<b><u>Name</u></b>	<b><u>your Description</u></b>
09/26/24	Sloane Bessey	1.20 Conference with J. Fina, K&E team, A&M team re vendor issues (.4); correspond with J. Fina, K&E team, A&M team re same (.8).
09/26/24	Josephine Fina	1.10 Correspond with S. Bessey, K&E team re vendor issues (.7); conference with S. Bessey, K&E team, A&M re same (.4).
09/26/24	Brian Nakhaimousa	0.10 Correspond with Bracewell re vendor matters.
09/26/24	Joshua Raphael	0.20 Telephone conference with J. Fina, K&E team, A&M re vendors.
09/27/24	Sloane Bessey	1.50 Correspond with J. Fina, K&E team, A&M team re vendor issues (1.2); conference with opposing counsel, J. Fina, K&E team re vendor payments (.3).
09/27/24	Josephine Fina	1.20 Conference with opposing counsel re vendor issue (.3); review, analyze same (.3); correspond with S. Bessey, K&E team, A&M re same (.2); review, analyze vendor issues (.3); correspond with S. Bessey, K&E team re same (.1).
09/27/24	Brian Nakhaimousa	0.30 Conference with J. Fina, K&E team, WEX re vendor issue.
09/27/24	Joshua Raphael	0.40 Telephone conference with J. Fina, K&E team, opposing counsel re vendor matters (.3); correspond with J. Fina, K&E team re same (.1).
09/28/24	Sloane Bessey	0.30 Correspond with J. Fina, K&E team, opposing counsel re vendor issues.
09/30/24	Sloane Bessey	0.90 Correspond with J. Fina, K&E team, A&M team, opposing counsel re critical vendor status.
09/30/24	Josephine Fina	0.70 Review, analyze vendor issues (.3); correspond with S. Bessey, K&E team re same (.2); correspond with opposing counsel to vendor re same (.2).
10/01/24	Sloane Bessey	0.60 Correspond with J. Raphael, K&E team, A&M team re critical vendor status.
10/02/24	Sloane Bessey	0.20 Correspond with J. Fina, K&E team, A&M team re critical vendor issues.
10/03/24	Josephine Fina	0.20 Review, analyze vendor issue (.1); correspond with R. Golden re same (.1).



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10/03/24	Rachel Golden	0.60	Correspond with A&M re vendor matter (.1); conference with vendor re case status (.3); correspond with R. Bentley, J. Fina, B. Nakhaimousa re same (.1); correspond with A&M, vendor re same (.1).
10/04/24	Sloane Bessey	0.10	Review, analyze correspondence with R. Bentley, K&E team, A&M team re critical vendor.
10/04/24	Josephine Fina	0.30	Correspond with Company, A&M re vendor issue (.1); review, analyze same (.2).
10/08/24	Sloane Bessey	1.40	Correspond with J. Fina, K&E team, A&M team re vendor requests (.6); correspond with vendors, J. Fina, K&E team re same (.3); draft summary re vendor outreach (.5).
10/09/24	Sloane Bessey	1.50	Correspond with J. Fina, K&E team re vendor outreach (1.0); correspond with J. Fina, K&E team, A&M team, opposing counsel re same (.5).
10/09/24	Rachel Golden	0.10	Correspond with A&M team re vendor matters.
10/09/24	Brian Nakhaimousa	0.50	Correspond with S. Bessey, J. Raphael re critical vendor matters.
10/09/24	Joshua Raphael	0.40	Review, analyze potential vendor agreement (.2); conference with S. Bessey re vendor matter (.1); conference with counsel to vendor (.1).
10/10/24	Rachael M. Bentley	0.70	Telephone conferences with J. Fina, K&E team, vendors re claim considerations and critical vendor motion (.3); correspond with J. Fina, K&E team, vendors re same (.2); review, analyze correspondence re same (.2).
10/10/24	Sloane Bessey	0.20	Correspond with J. Fina, K&E team, A&M team re vendor outreach.
10/10/24	Brian Nakhaimousa	0.70	Conference with J. Fina, K&E team, A&M team, vendor re critical vendor status (.5); correspond with A&M team re same (.1); correspond with J. Raphael re vendor matters (.1).
10/10/24	Joshua Raphael	0.10	Correspond with A&M team re potential critical vendor.

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10/11/24	Josephine Fina	0.90	Correspond with J. Raphael re vendor issues (.2); conference with B. Nakhaimousa re same (.1); conference with vendor counsel, J. Raphael re same (.3); review, analyze vendor issues and related contracts (.3).
10/11/24	Brian Nakhaimousa	0.40	Conference with counsel to creditor, J. Fina, J. Raphael re critical vendor status (.2); correspond with same, J. Raphael, K&E team re MSA (.1); correspond with J. Fina re vendor matter (.1).
10/11/24	Renee Olivett	0.40	Correspond with A&M re vendor outreach.
10/11/24	Joshua Raphael	0.90	Conferences with vendor counterparty (.2); prepare for same (.2); follow up with J. Fina and K&E team re vendor outstanding issues (.2); telephone conference with A&M team re vendor matters (.1); correspond with A&M team re same (.1); correspond with J. Fina re vendor matters (.1).
10/14/24	Rachael M. Bentley	1.70	Telephone conferences with J. Fina, K&E team re vendor, pension, operational matters (1.1); review, analyze materials re same (.6).
10/14/24	Sloane Bessey	0.20	Correspond with J. Raphael re critical vendor outreach.
10/14/24	Josephine Fina	0.50	Review, analyze vendor issues (.3); correspond with J. Raphael, S. Bessey re same (.2).
10/14/24	Rachel Golden	0.60	Correspond with A&M team, B. Nakhaimousa re vendor issue.
10/14/24	Brian Nakhaimousa	1.50	Correspond with J. Raphael, J. Fina re creditor inquiries re critical vendor status (.6); review, analyze issues and considerations re same (.9).
10/15/24	Sloane Bessey	2.30	Revise summary re vendor outreach (1.0); correspond with J. Raphael re same (.5); correspond with A&M team, J. Fina, K&E team re same (.3); conference with A&M team, J. Fina, K&E team re same (.5).
10/15/24	Josephine Fina	1.90	Conference with J. Raphael, K&E team, A&M team re vendor issues (.5); review, analyze summary re same (.3); review, analyze vendor issues (.3); correspond with J. Raphael, S. Bessey re same (.2); conference with J. Raphael re same (.4); correspond with A&M team re vendor issue (.2).

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10/15/24	Rachel Golden	0.20	Correspond with A&M team re vendor issues.
10/15/24	Brian Nakhaimousa	1.50	Correspond with S. Bessey, J. Raphael, K&E team, A&M team re critical vendor matters (.8); review, analyze summary re same (.2); conference with S. Bessey, J. Raphael, K&E team, A&M team re same (.5).
10/16/24	Sloane Bessey	1.60	Research re proposed final critical vendor order (1.2); correspond with J. Raphael, K&E team re same (.4).
10/16/24	Sloane Bessey	0.20	Correspond with J. Raphael re critical vendor outreach.
10/16/24	Josephine Fina	1.90	Conference with J. Raphael, A&M team, vendor re vendor issue (.5); conference with B. Nakhaimousa re same (.3); correspond with J. Raphael re vendor issues (.4); review, analyze same (.3); conference with J. Raphael, vendor re vendor issue (.4).
10/16/24	Josephine Fina	0.30	Review, analyze Committee comments to final critical vendors order (.2); correspond with B. Nakhaimousa, K&E team re same (.1).
10/16/24	Brian Nakhaimousa	0.40	Conference with potential critical vendor, J. Fina, A&M team, J. Raphael re critical vendor status (.3); correspond with A&M team re critical vendor spending matrix (.1).
10/17/24	Sloane Bessey	2.50	Correspond with J. Raphael, K&E team re vendor outreach (.6); revise summary re same (.2); conference with J. Raphael, K&E team, A&M team re same (.7); revise final critical vendor order (.7); correspond with J. Fina, K&E team re final critical vendor order (.3).
10/17/24	Josephine Fina	0.40	Review, analyze vendor issues (.2); conference with J. Raphael re same (.2).
10/17/24	Josephine Fina	0.50	Review, analyze final critical vendor order, issues re same (.3); correspond with S. Bessey, J. Raphael re same (.2).
10/17/24	Brian Nakhaimousa	0.30	Correspond with S. Bessey re final critical vendors order (.2); review, comment on same (.1).

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10/18/24	Sloane Bessey	1.10	Correspond with J. Raphael, K&E team re vendor outreach (.1); conference with J. Fina, K&E team, A&M team re vendor outreach (.3); conference with J. Fina, K&E team re same (.2); conference with contract counterparty, R. Bentley, K&E team re same (.5).
10/18/24	Josephine Fina	0.30	Review, analyze vendor issues (.2); correspond with J. Raphael re same (.1).
10/18/24	Joshua Raphael	0.60	Conference with B. Nakhaimousa, K&E team, A&M team re vendor matter (.5); correspond with vendor re vendor issues (.1).
10/19/24	Sloane Bessey	0.10	Correspond with J. Raphael re vendor claim.
10/21/24	Sloane Bessey	0.60	Correspond with J. Raphael, K&E team re vendor outreach (.5); correspond with J. Fina, K&E team, A&M team re same (.1).
10/22/24	Rachael M. Bentley	1.70	Telephone conferences with B. Nakhaimousa, K&E team re critical vendor and executory contract matters (.4); correspond with B. Nakhaimousa, K&E team re same (.4); analyze issues re same (.9).
10/22/24	Sloane Bessey	2.10	Correspond with J. Fina, K&E team re vendor outreach (.8); correspond with J. Fina, K&E team, A&M team re same (.5); conference with J. Raphael, K&E team, A&M team re same (.5); revise summary re same (.3).
10/22/24	Josephine Fina	0.40	Review, analyze vendors issues (.3); correspond with J. Raphael, S. Bessey re same (.1).
10/22/24	Renee Olivett	0.10	Correspond with A&M team re vendor outreach.
10/23/24	Sloane Bessey	1.80	Correspond with J. Raphael, K&E team re vendor outreach (1.0); revise summary re same (.4); correspond with J. Fina, K&E team, A&M team re same (.4).
10/24/24	Sloane Bessey	1.50	Correspond with J. Raphael, K&E team re vendor outreach (.5); revise summary re same (.3); conference with opposing counsel, R. Bentley, K&E team re critical vendor status (.4); conference with J. Raphael, A&M team re vendor outreach (.3).

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10/24/24	Josephine Fina	0.70	Review, analyze vendor issues (.4); correspond with J. Raphael, S. Bessey re same (.2); correspond with R. Bentley re same (.1).
10/24/24	Brian Nakhaimousa	0.50	Conference with A&M team, J. Raphael re vendor inbounds.
10/24/24	Joshua Raphael	1.60	Review, analyze Turner agreements (.3); conference with S. Bessey re same (.1); follow up re same (.2); telephone conference with R. Bentley, K&E team, Turner re Turner agreement (.5); prepare for same (.1); conference with S. Bessey, A&M re vendor status, next steps (.4).
10/25/24	Sloane Bessey	0.20	Correspond with J. Fina, K&E team re vendor outreach.
10/25/24	Josephine Fina	0.30	Review, analyze vendor issues (.2); correspond with S. Bessey, K&E team re same (.1).
10/26/24	Sloane Bessey	0.10	Correspond with B. Nakhaimousa, K&E team re vendor outreach.
10/28/24	Sloane Bessey	3.80	Correspond with J. Fina, K&E team re vendor outreach (.5); research re mechanics liens (1.9); draft summary re same (.9); correspond with J. Fina, K&E team re final critical vendor order (.5).
10/28/24	Josephine Fina	0.80	Conference with vendor counsel, R. Bentley re vendor issue (.5); conference with J. Raphael, K&E team re lien issues (.3).
10/28/24	Renee Olivett	0.20	Correspond with A&M team re creditor outreach.
10/28/24	Joshua Raphael	0.20	Conference with B. Nakhaimousa, S. Bessey re creditor re critical vendor status (.1); correspond with creditor re same (.1).
10/29/24	Sloane Bessey	0.60	Correspond with J. Raphael, K&E team re vendor outreach (.1); conference with J. Raphael, A&M team re same (.5).
10/29/24	Sloane Bessey	0.90	Prepare revised critical vendors order for filing (.8); correspond with J. Raphael re same (.1).
10/29/24	Josephine Fina	0.50	Conference with K&E team, A&M re vendor issues.

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10/29/24	Josephine Fina	1.40	Review, analyze vendor issues (.4); research re same (.3); correspond with K&E team re same (.3); review, revise daily discussion materials (.3); correspond with R. Bentley, A&M re same (.1).
10/29/24	Brian Nakhaimousa	0.20	Review, correspond with J. Raphael re final critical vendors order.
10/29/24	Joshua Raphael	0.40	Conference with S. Bessey, K&E team, A&M team re vendor matters.
10/30/24	Sloane Bessey	0.10	Correspond with J. Raphael re vendor outreach.
10/31/24	Sloane Bessey	0.20	Correspond with J. Raphael, K&E team, A&M team re vendor outreach.
10/31/24	Joshua Raphael	0.10	Correspond with critical vendor, A&M team, K&E team.
<b>Total</b>		<b>5.00</b>	

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Attn: James Gregory

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**Client Matter: 57088-11**

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## In the Matter of Claims Administration and Objections

For legal services rendered through October 31, 2024  
(see attached Description of Legal Services for detail)

\$ 67,173.50

Total legal services rendered

\$ 67,173.50

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**Summary of Hours Billed**

<b><u>Name</u></b>	<b><u>Hours</u></b>	<b><u>Rate</u></b>	<b><u>Amount</u></b>
Rachael M. Bentley	3.40	1,595.00	5,423.00
Sloane Bessey	3.00	975.00	2,925.00
Trevor Eck	30.10	1,095.00	32,959.50
Josephine Fina	4.20	1,395.00	5,859.00
Susan D. Golden	0.50	1,600.00	800.00
Tysan Holloman	8.00	815.00	6,520.00
Hannah Kupsky	1.20	975.00	1,170.00
Brian Nakhaimousa	8.40	1,345.00	11,298.00
Joshua Raphael	0.20	1,095.00	219.00
<b>TOTALS</b>	<b>59.00</b>		<b>\$ 67,173.50</b>



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<u>Date</u>	<u>Name</u>	<u>Hours</u>	<u>Description</u>
09/26/24	Trevor Eck	6.80	Review, revise bar date motion (2.6); review, revise case timeline re same (1.8); review, analyze precedent re same (.8); research re same (1.0); correspond with B. Nakhaimousa, K&E team re same (.6).
09/30/24	Trevor Eck	2.90	Review, revise bar date motion (1.8); correspond with B. Nakhaimousa, K&E team re same (.3); review, analyze precedent re same (.8).
09/30/24	Josephine Fina	0.70	Review, revise bar date motion (.6); correspond with T. Eck re same (.1).
09/30/24	Brian Nakhaimousa	1.40	Review, revise bar date motion (1.3); correspond with T. Eck re same (.1).
10/01/24	Trevor Eck	3.60	Review, revise bar date motion (.8); review, revise case timeline re same (.7); correspond with Verita, Bracewell, R. Bentley, K&E team re same (.5); review, analyze issues re same, noticing (.9); review, analyze precedent re governmental bar date (.7).
10/02/24	Trevor Eck	2.00	Review, revise bar date motion (1.4); conference with Verita, B. Nashelsky, K&E team re same (.4); conference with B. Nakhaimousa, K&E team re same (.2).
10/02/24	Josephine Fina	0.10	Review, analyze revised bar date motion.
10/02/24	Brian Nakhaimousa	0.20	Conference with B. Nashelsky, T. Eck, J. McLennan re bar date, related matters.
10/03/24	Sloane Bessey	3.00	Research re bar date motion.
10/03/24	Trevor Eck	3.40	Review, revise bar date motion (1.7); review, analyze precedent re same (.6); review, analyze proof of claim form (.8); correspond with B. Nakhaimousa, K&E team re same (.3).
10/03/24	Brian Nakhaimousa	0.50	Correspond with J. Fina, Verita re creditor inquiry (.1); review same (.4).
10/03/24	Brian Nakhaimousa	0.10	Correspond with T. Eck, K&E team re bar date motion.
10/04/24	Trevor Eck	1.70	Review, revise bar date motion (1.3); correspond with R. Bentley, K&E team, Sidley, Bracewell re same (.4).

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10/04/24	Josephine Fina	1.50	Review, revise bar date motion (1.4); correspond with T. Eck re same (.1).
10/04/24	Brian Nakhaimousa	1.10	Review, revise bar date motion (1.0); correspond with T. Eck re same (.1).
10/07/24	Rachael M. Bentley	0.60	Telephone conferences re bar date language and issues re same (.4); review, analyze materials same (.2).
10/07/24	Trevor Eck	2.70	Review, analyze precedent re bar date order proposed language (1.8); draft summary re same (.9).
10/08/24	Rachael M. Bentley	1.50	Telephone conference with potential litigation counterparty re claim considerations.
10/09/24	Brian Nakhaimousa	0.20	Correspond with T. Eck re bar date order.
10/11/24	Trevor Eck	0.90	Review, revise bar date order.
10/11/24	Tysan Holloman	1.30	Review, revise cure notice and schedules.
10/11/24	Brian Nakhaimousa	0.10	Correspond with T. Eck, PBGC re bar date order.
10/13/24	Brian Nakhaimousa	0.10	Correspond with T. Eck re revised bar date order.
10/14/24	Trevor Eck	0.60	Review, revise bar date order.
10/15/24	Brian Nakhaimousa	0.10	Correspond with T. Eck re bar date order.
10/19/24	Josephine Fina	0.10	Correspond with T. Eck re bar date hearing.
10/20/24	Josephine Fina	0.30	Review, analyze considerations re setoff of claim (.2); correspond with T. Holloman, K&E team re same (.1).
10/21/24	Trevor Eck	0.40	Review, analyze issues re bar date order.
10/21/24	Josephine Fina	0.20	Correspond with B. Nakhaimousa, T. Eck re bar date motion.
10/21/24	Josephine Fina	0.90	Correspond with T. Holloman re setoff research (.1); review, analyze summary, caselaw re same (.4); research re same (.4).
10/21/24	Tysan Holloman	1.20	Research re setoff of claims.
10/22/24	Josephine Fina	0.40	Review, analyze revised bar date order (.2); correspond with T. Eck, K&E team re same (.1); correspond with Willkie re same (.1).
10/22/24	Tysan Holloman	3.30	Review, analyze, research re potential claim (2.2); research re setoffs (1.1).
10/22/24	Brian Nakhaimousa	0.40	Review, analyze Willkie comments to bar date order (.2); correspond with B. Schartz, T. Eck re same (.2).

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10/23/24	Trevor Eck	2.60	Review, revise bar date order (2.1); review, analyze complex procedures, precedent re same (.5).
10/23/24	Tysan Holloman	2.20	Research re setoffs.
10/23/24	Brian Nakhaimousa	1.00	Review, analyze Committee comments to bar date order (.2); review, analyze precedent re same (.7); correspond with T. Eck re same (.1).
10/23/24	Brian Nakhaimousa	0.20	Correspond with T. Eck re bar date order.
10/24/24	Rachael M. Bentley	1.30	Correspond with B. Nakhaimousa, T. Eck re bar date order (.5); review, comment on same (.8).
10/24/24	Trevor Eck	2.10	Review, revise bar date order (1.4); correspond with B. Nakhaimousa, K&E team, Bracewell re same (.7).
10/24/24	Brian Nakhaimousa	2.60	Conference with Union re bar date order (.2); review, revise bar date order (.6); review, analyze precedent re same (.4); correspond with T. Eck, K&E team, Willkie, Bracewell re same (.4); conference with Willkie re same (.1); review and prepare filing version re bar date order (.9).
10/25/24	Hannah Kupsky	0.50	Review, revise bar date notice and publication notice.
10/26/24	Brian Nakhaimousa	0.40	Conference with Verita re cure schedules (.3); correspond with R. Bentley re same (.1).
10/28/24	Trevor Eck	0.40	Review, revise bar date notice.
10/28/24	Susan D. Golden	0.50	Coordinate publication of bar date notice.
10/28/24	Hannah Kupsky	0.70	Review, revise bar date notices (.4); correspond with K&E team re same (.1); correspond with Verita team re same (.1); correspond with S. Golden, K&E team re publication notice (.1).
10/31/24	Joshua Raphael	0.20	Review, analyze agreement re potential general unsecured claim (.1); conference with B. Nakhaimousa re same (.1).
<b>Total</b>		<b>59.00</b>	



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Sloane Ressey	2.60	M5.00	2,535.00
Bac Piullo	3.10	1,555.00	4,820.50
Phristopher FabriZio	1.70	815.00	1,385.50
Josephine Fina	M60	1,3M5.00	13,3M2.00
Ashlyn Gallagher	0.50	435.00	217.50
- achel Golden	41.M0	1,0M5.00	45,880.50
Tysan Holloman	2.60	815.00	2,11M00
Georgia & eadok	0.50	355.00	177.50
Rrian CaKhaimousa	6.10	1,345.00	8,204.50
Rrendan CashelsKy	0.70	1,0M5.00	766.50
Joshua - aphael	0.20	1,0M5.00	21M00
Rrian Schartz, 9.P.	7.30	2,305.00	16,826.50
& ichael A. Sloman	0.70	1,265.00	885.50
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<u>Date</u>	<u>Name</u>	<u>d ourO DeQrigition</u>
10x07z24	Phristopher FabriZio	0.M0 - esearch re Pommittee charters (.2)/ analyZe same (.6)/ correspond k ith T. Holloman re same (.1).
10x07z24	Tysan Holloman	1.80 - eviek , analyZe documents re Pommittee charters and diligence rewuests.
10x07z24	Rrian CaKhaimousa	0.20 Porrespond k ith S. Ressey, ; q E team re committee onboarding materials.
10x08z24	Sloane Ressey	1.30 9repare documents re Pommittee onboarding.
10x08z24	Phristopher FabriZio	0.80 - esearch re Pommittee charters (.5)/ correspond k ith G. & eadok , ; q E team re same (.3).
10x08z24	- achel Golden	1.00 Ponference k ith J. Fina, ; q E team re committee considerations (.7)/ draft summary re same (.3).
10x0M24	- achael & . Rentley	0.50 Porrespond k ith Pommittee counsel re Pommittee appointment and case backGround.
10x0M24	Sloane Ressey	1.30 Porrespond k ith R. CaKhaimousa and ; q E team re Pommittee onboarding documents (.7)/ analyZe Pommittee bylak s (.6).
10x0M24	- achel Golden	0.30 Porrespond k ith J. Fina, ; q E team re Pommittee diligence rewuests.
10x0M24	Rrian CaKhaimousa	0.M0 Porrespond k ith S. Ressey re Pommittee diligence (.2)/ correspond k ith j illKie team re diligence rewuests (.1)/ prepare same re distribution to Pommittee (.6).
10zl0z24	- achael & . Rentley	0.70 - eviek Pommittee bylak s re confidentiality (.2)/ telephone conferences k ith J. Fina re Pommittee diligence and counsel appointment (.5).
10zl0z24	Tysan Holloman	0.80 - eviek and analyZe Pommittee bylak s, precedent re same.
10zl0z24	Rrian CaKhaimousa	0.20 Porrespond k ith R. ScharZre status of Pommittee rewuests (.1)/ correspond k ith & . Sloman re Pommittee bylak s (.1).
10zl0z24	& ichael A. Sloman	0.20 - eviek , analyZe Pommittee bylak s re confidentiality provisions.
10zl1z24	- achael & . Rentley	1.20 Telephone conference k ith Pommittee advisors re case backGround (.5)/ reviek , analyZe, comment on confidentiality provisions re Pommittee bylak s (.7).

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10z11z24	Josephine Fina	0.40 Porrespond k ith Pommittee re obWction deadlines (.1)/ reviek , analyZe Pommittee bylak s (.2)/ correspond k ith & . Sloman re same (.1).
10z11z24	- achel Golden	0.60 - eviek , analyZe Pommittee diligence rewuests.
10z11z24	Rrian CaKhaimousa	0.20 Porrespond k ith & . Sloman re Pommittee bylak s (.1)/ reviek , analyZe same (.1).
10z11z24	Rrian SchartZ, 9.P.	0.40 Ponference k ith - . Rentley re Pommittee matters.
10z11z24	& ichael A. Sloman	0.50 - eviek , revise Pommittee bylak s re confidentiality provisions (.3)/ correspond k ith - . Rentley, ; q E team, j illKie re same (.2).
10z13z24	Rrian CaKhaimousa	0.10 Porrespond k ith J. Fina, & . Sloman re Pommittee bylak s.
10z14z24	- achael & . Rentley	5.30 Telephone conferences k ith J. Fina, ; q E team re Pommittee settlement (.M)/ correspond k ith R. SchartZ, ; q E team re same (.8)/ reviek , analyZe issues re same (3.6).
10z14z24	Josephine Fina	0.30 - eviek , analyZe Pommittee bylak s (.2)/ correspond k ith & . Sloman re same (.1).
10z15z24	- achael & . Rentley	3.80 Telephone conferences k ith J. Fina, ; q E team re Pommittee settlement (.7)/ reviek , analyZe issues re same (3.1)
10z15z24	Josephine Fina	0.80 - eviek , analyZe potential Pommittee issues (.2)/ conference k ith - . Rentley, R. CaKhaimousa re same (.4)/ correspond k ith - . Golden, ; q E team re same (.2).
10z15z24	- achel Golden	2.10 Ponference k ith - . Rentley, J. Fina, R. CaKhaimousa re Pommittee settlement (.6)/ correspond k ith - . Rentley, J. Fina re same (.2)/ draft same (1.3).
10z16z24	- achael & . Rentley	4.10 Telephone conferences k ith J. Fina, ; q E team re DI9, Pommittee settlement (.7)/ reviek , analyZe issues re same (3.4).
10z16z24	Josephine Fina	3.50 Draft, reviek , revise Pommittee settlement term sheet (1.4)/ reviek , analyZe precedent re same (.5)/ conference k ith - . Golden re same (.8)/ conference k ith - . Rentley, - . Golden, R. CaKhaimousa re same (.8).

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10z16z24	Ashlyn Gallagher	0.50 - esearch precedent re Pommittee settlement term sheet (.3)/ correspond k ith G. & eadok , - . Golden re same (.2).
10z16z24	- achel Golden	11.20 - eviek , analyZe precedent re global settlement term sheet (2.7)/ conference k ith J. Fina re same (.8)/ correspond k ith A. Gallagher, G. & eadok re same (.2)/ conference k ith - . Rentley, J. Fina, R. CaKhaimousa re same (.8)/ draft same (3.0)/ reviek , revise same (3.7).
10z16z24	Georgia & eadok	0.30 AnalyZe issues re Pommittee term sheet.
10z16z24	Georgia & eadok	0.20 Porrespond k ith - . Golden re Pommittee settlement term sheet precedent.
10z16z24	Rrian CaKhaimousa	0.00 Ponference k ith - . Rentley, J. Fina, - . Golden re Pommittee issues list, obWction, term sheet (.8)/ reviek Pommittee issues list (.1).
10z16z24	Rrian Schartz, 9.P.	0.00 - eviek , analyZe Pommittee issues list, term sheet, obWction, and next steps.
10z17z24	- achael & . Rentley	3.40 Telephone conference k ith J. Fina, ; q E team re Pommittee settlement (.8)/ reviek , analyZe issues re same (2.6).
10z17z24	Josephine Fina	0.20 Porrespond k ith - . Golden re Pommittee settlement term sheet.
10z17z24	- achel Golden	11.10 - eviek , revise Pommittee settlement term sheet (3.0)/ further revise same (3.0)/ correspond k ith J. Fina, ; q E team re same (.3)/ correspond k ith Aq & team, 9j 9 re same (.2)/ conference k ith R. CaKhaimousa, ; q E team, Sidley re DI9 considerations, settlement considerations (.6)/ draft summary re same (.6)/correspond k ith R. CaKhaimousa re summary of same (.3)/ reviek , analyZe issues and considerations re global settlement (1.3).
10z18z24	- achael & . Rentley	3.80 Telephone conference k ith J. Fina, ; q E team re Pommittee settlement (1.0)/ reviek , analyZe issues re same (2.8).
10z18z24	Josephine Fina	0.00 - eviek , revise Pommittee settlement term sheet (.4)/ correspond k ith - . Rentley re same (.1)/ correspond k ith j illKie re same (.2)/ conference k ith - . Golden re Pommittee term sheet (.2).



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10z18z24	- achel Golden	1.20 Ponference k ith Sidley re Pommittee term sheet (.8)/ draft summary re same (.4).
10z18z24	Rrian SchartZ, 9.P.	1.00 Telephone conference k ith - . Rentley, ; q E team, Sidley, HL, Aq & re UPP DI9 obWction and settlement (.6)/ reviek , analyZe UPP materials re same (.4).
10z1M24	Rrian SchartZ, 9.P.	1.00 Porrespond k ith - . Rentley, ; q E team re UPP issues, next steps (.5)/ conferences k ith - . Rentley re same (.5).
10z20z24	- achael & . Rentley	0.50 Porrespond k ith R. SchartZ, ; q E team re Pommittee settlement, related considerations and strategy.
10z20z24	Josephine Fina	0.50 Ponference k ith J. j alsh, - . Rentley, ; q E team re Pommittee diligence rewuests.
10z20z24	Rrian CaKhaimousa	0.70 Ponference k ith - . Rentley, J. Fina, Aq & team re Pommittee discovery rewuests (.6)/ correspond k ith 9j 9 re same (.1).
10z21z24	- achel Golden	2.20 Pompile, manage documents re Pommittee diligence rewuests.
10z21z24	Rrian CaKhaimousa	0.20 Porrespond k ith S. Ressey, ; q E team re Pommittee standing call.
10z21z24	Rrian CaKhaimousa	0.20 Porrespond k ith 9j 9, J. Fina, ; q E team re Pommittee diligence rewuests.
10z22z24	- achael & . Rentley	1.M0 Telephone conferences k ith J. Fina, ; q E team re Pommittee settlement considerations (.7)/ reviek , analyZe same (1.2).
10z22z24	Josephine Fina	0.50 - eviek , analyZe Pommittee settlement term sheet (.4)/ correspond k ith j illKie team re same (.1).
10z22z24	Rrendan CashelsKy	0.60 Porrespond k ith R. CaKhaimousa, ; q E team re Pommittee diligence rewuests (.3)/ reviek , analyZe materials re same (.3).
10z23z24	- achael & . Rentley	0.M0 - eviek , analyZe Pommittee global settlement.
10z23z24	Bac Piullo	1.50 Telephone conference k ith J. Fina re Pommittee and potential litigation (.1)/ telephone conference k ith T. ; napp, - . Rentley re same (.4)/ reviek , analyZe consideration (1.0).

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10/23/24	- Rachel Golden	5.50 - revise Committee settlement term sheet (3.1)/ draft issues list re same (1.7)/ correspond with - . Rentley, ; q E team re same (.2)/ correspond with T. Holloman re term sheet research (.5).
10/23/24	Brian CaKhaimousa	0.40 Conference with - . Rentley, 9j 9, Aq & team, UPP advisors re checkin call.
10/23/24	Rrendan Cashelsky	0.10 Correspond with J. - aphael re Committee diligence request.
10/23/24	Joshua - aphael	0.20 - eviek , analyze Committee diligence (.1)/ correspond with S. ; ahn, ; q E team re same (.1).
10/23/24	Brian Schartz, 9.P.	0.40 Telephone conference with j illkie, A9, Aq &, 9j 9 and - . Rentley, ; q E team re Debtor and Committee advisor standing call.
10/24/24	- aphael & . Rentley	0.00 Correspond with Committee re settlement.
10/24/24	Bac Piullo	1.50 Prepare for conference with Committee re potential litigation (.7)/ conference with Committee re same (.8).
10/24/24	Brian CaKhaimousa	1.40 Conference with - . Rentley, ; q E team, j illkie re potential litigation strategy (.8)/ correspond with J. - aphael re Committee diligence requests and reviek same (.6).
10/25/24	- aphael & . Rentley	0.50 Correspond with Committee re settlement and considerations re same.
10/25/24	Brian Schartz, 9.P.	2.00 Correspond with - . Rentley re Committee issues (.3)/ telephone conference with - . Rentley re same (.5)/ reviek , analyze settlement term sheet, related issues re same (1.2).
10/27/24	- aphael & . Rentley	2.20 - eviek , revise Committee global settlement term sheet (1.2)/ correspond with R. Schartz, ; q E team re Committee issue, revised term sheet (.5)/ conference with R. Schartz re same (.5).
10/27/24	Josephine Fina	2.10 - eviek , analyze Committee settlement term sheet markup (1.7)/ reviek , revise same (.2)/ correspond with - . Rentley, ; q E team re same (.1)/ conference with - . Golden re same (.1).
10/27/24	Brian CaKhaimousa	0.30 - eviek , analyze global settlement term sheet.
10/28/24	- aphael & . Rentley	1.10 - eviek , revise Committee settlement term sheet.

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10z28z24	- achael & . Rentley	1.40 Telephone conferences k ith Sidley, j illKie, Aq & , - eed Smith, Shell re DI9, I& orders (.6)/ correspond k ith same, R. CaKhaimousa, J. Fina, ; q E team re same (.2)/ reviek , comment on same (.6).
10z28z24	- achel Golden	2.00 - eviek , revise Pommittee settlement.
10z2M24	Josephine Fina	0.40 Porrespond k ith - . Golden re committee term sheet (.2)/ reviek , analyZe same (.2).
10z2M24	- achel Golden	2.00 - evise Pommittee settlement term sheet (.1)/ correspond k ith R. CaKhaimousa, J. Fina re same (.1)/ reviek , analyZe Pommittee settlement term sheet (.7)/ revise same (1.5)/ correspond k ith - . Rentley, ; q E team, j illKie re same (.2)/ conference k ith - . Rentley re same (.3).
10z30z24	- achael & . Rentley	0.50 Telephone conferences k ith Pommittee advisors re settlement and case status.
10z30z24	Bac Piullo	0.10 Porrespond k ith T. ; napp re meeting k ith Pommittee re potential litigation claim.
10z30z24	- achel Golden	0.00 - eviek , revise Pommittee settlement term sheet.
10z30z24	Rrian CaKhaimousa	0.40 Attend standing conference k ith j illKie, Aq & , R. SchartZ ; q E team, Alix9artners re Pommittee checKin.
10z30z24	Rrian SchartZ 9.P.	1.60 Telephone conference k ith j illKie, A9, Aq & , 9j 9, - . Rentley, ; q E team re DebtorPommittee Advisor call.
10z31z24	- achael & . Rentley	0.40 Telephone conferences k ith j illKie re intermediation order and existing agreements.
10z31z24	- achael & . Rentley	0.20 Porrespond k ith Pompany advisors re Pommittee settlement and considerations re same.
<b>Lotal</b>		<b>110980</b>

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December 6, 2024

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Attn: James Gregory

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**In the Matter of Use, Sale, and Disposition of Property**

For legal services rendered through October 31, 2024  
(see attached Description of Legal Services for detail)

\$ 784,489.00

Total legal services rendered

\$ 784,489.00

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**Summary of Hours Billed**

<b><u>Name</u></b>	<b><u>Hours</u></b>	<b><u>Rate</u></b>	<b><u>Amount</u></b>
Christie M. Alcala	3.80	1,885.00	7,163.00
Max Anderson	14.40	1,095.00	15,768.00
Matthew Antinossi	2.10	2,115.00	4,441.50
Marcela Barba	0.80	1,395.00	1,116.00
Rachel Beeton	2.50	1,095.00	2,737.50
Rachael M. Bentley	38.50	1,595.00	61,407.50
Sloane Bessey	2.10	975.00	2,047.50
Jacob E. Black	1.00	1,265.00	1,265.00
Claire Smyser Campbell, P.C.	6.70	1,995.00	13,366.50
George Cartveli	2.70	1,345.00	3,631.50
Zac Ciullo	4.40	1,555.00	6,842.00
Thad W. Davis, P.C.	0.50	2,025.00	1,012.50
Trevor Eck	2.00	1,095.00	2,190.00
Christopher Fabrizio	12.70	815.00	10,350.50
John Farah	8.60	975.00	8,385.00
Josephine Fina	8.70	1,395.00	12,136.50
Rob Fowler, P.C.	0.50	2,115.00	1,057.50
Ashlyn Gallagher	0.50	435.00	217.50
Stefanie I. Gitler	7.90	1,885.00	14,891.50
Lilla K. Grisham	2.20	1,095.00	2,409.00
Palmer Gunderson	1.20	995.00	1,194.00
Kelsie Harris	2.30	1,395.00	3,208.50
Tysan Holloman	16.60	815.00	13,529.00
Jennifer Karinen	2.20	1,575.00	3,465.00
Marissa Kinsey	48.40	975.00	47,190.00
Timothy Knapp, P.C.	0.40	1,835.00	734.00
Daniel Lewis, P.C.	1.30	1,910.00	2,483.00
Alex Lippert	3.30	1,395.00	4,603.50
Damien R. Lyster, P.C.	1.30	1,865.00	2,424.50
Alexiz D. Magro-Malo	20.50	1,265.00	25,932.50
R.J. Malenfant	4.60	1,695.00	7,797.00
Miles Matey	8.50	815.00	6,927.50

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Lauren A. Mitchell-Dawson	0.80	625.00	500.00
Joe Morley	0.60	1,495.00	897.00
Scott Myers	194.60	1,395.00	271,467.00
Brian Nakhaimousa	14.40	1,345.00	19,368.00
Renee Olivett	0.30	975.00	292.50
John D. Pitts, P.C.	1.00	2,245.00	2,245.00
Joshua Raphael	0.20	1,095.00	219.00
Mary-Michael Robertson	20.30	815.00	16,544.50
Brian Schartz, P.C.	3.70	2,305.00	8,528.50
Chad Michael Smith, P.C.	3.70	2,245.00	8,306.50
Quin Wetzel	79.30	975.00	77,317.50
Pete Wojtal	105.10	815.00	85,656.50
Sara B. Zablotney, P.C.	0.50	2,445.00	1,222.50
<b>TOTALS</b>	<b>657.70</b>		<b>\$ 784,489.00</b>

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09/24/24	Marissa Kinsey	1.50	Review, revise NDA tracker (1.2); revise sale NDAs (.2); correspond with S. Myers, K&E team re same (.1).
09/24/24	Alexiz D. Magro-Malo	1.00	Review, revise purchase agreement (.2); conference with S. Myers re same (.3); correspond with S. Myers re same (.1); review, revise confidentiality agreement (.3); correspond with M. Kinsey, K&E team re same (.1).
09/24/24	Lauren A. Mitchell-Dawson	0.80	Review, analyze materials re diligence (.4); review, revise summary re diligence (.4).
09/24/24	Scott Myers	2.90	Review and revise confidentiality agreements (1.3); correspond with A. Magro-Malo, K&E team re same (.2); review, revise asset purchase agreement (1.3); correspond with A. Magro-Malo, K&E team re same (.1).
09/25/24	Palmer Gunderson	0.80	Revise draft purchase price allocation for sale transaction re tax considerations.
09/25/24	Marissa Kinsey	1.80	Review, revise various confidentiality agreements re sale process (1.0); correspond with S. Myers, K&E team re same (.8).
09/25/24	Damien R. Lyster, P.C.	0.10	Review, analyze diligence materials re regulatory considerations.
09/25/24	Scott Myers	3.90	Review and revise confidentiality agreements (3.6); correspond with counsel to various counterparties, R. Bentley, re same (.3).
09/26/24	Rachael M. Bentley	0.80	Telephone conference with S. Myers, K&E team, potential bidder re confidentiality agreement.
09/26/24	Trevor Eck	0.30	Review, revise bidding procedures notice.
09/26/24	Marissa Kinsey	1.40	Review, revise confidentiality agreements.
09/26/24	Alexiz D. Magro-Malo	0.50	Conference with S. Myers re diligence considerations (.2); coordinate diligence re same (.3).
09/26/24	Scott Myers	4.10	Draft, review and revise confidentiality agreements (1.7); review, analyze issues, related precedent re same (1.2); correspond with various potential bidders re same (.4); conference with R. Bentley, K&E team, potential bidder re NDA (.8).

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09/26/24	Brian Nakhaimousa	0.10	Correspond with T. Eck re bidding procedures notice.
09/26/24	Brian Schartz, P.C.	0.90	Correspond with R. Bentley re sale process, next steps.
09/27/24	Rachael M. Bentley	2.20	Telephone conferences with S. Myers, K&E team, third party re sale process, confidentiality agreements (.9); review, analyze same and issues re same (1.0); correspond with S. Myers, third parties re same (.3).
09/27/24	Trevor Eck	0.50	Review, revise bidding procedures notices (.2); correspond with B. Nakhaimousa re same (.1); correspond with PWP, Verita re same (.2).
09/27/24	Josephine Fina	1.00	Conference with third party, R. Bentley, K&E team re confidentiality agreement (.5); conference with R. Bentley, K&E team, Clifford Chance re confidentiality agreement (.5).
09/27/24	Stefanie I. Gitler	0.20	Review, analyze environmental materials re disclosure schedules.
09/27/24	Marissa Kinsey	3.00	Revise confidentiality agreements (1.2); update confidentiality agreement tracker (1.8).
09/27/24	Alexiz D. Magro-Malo	0.50	Review, revise confidentiality agreement (.2); conference with S. Myers re same (.3).
09/27/24	Scott Myers	6.20	Telephone conferences with R. Bentley, K&E team, third party re sale process, confidentiality agreements (.9); review, analyze issues and related considerations re same (.5); correspond with R. Bentley, K&E team re same (.4); review, revise various NDAs (3.9); correspond with M. Kinsey, K&E team re same (.5).
09/27/24	Brian Nakhaimousa	0.90	Conferences with confidentiality agreement parties, R. Bentley K&E team re confidentiality agreements re sale process.
09/28/24	Marissa Kinsey	1.30	Review, revise confidentiality agreements (1.0); correspond with counterparties, S. Myers, K&E team re same (.3).
09/28/24	Scott Myers	0.50	Review and revise confidentiality agreements (.4); correspond with M. Kinsey re same (.1).



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09/29/24	Marissa Kinsey	0.80	Review, revise confidentiality agreements (.6); correspond with counterparties, S. Myers re same (.2).
09/29/24	Scott Myers	0.30	Draft, review and revise confidentiality agreements (.2); correspond with M. Kinsey re same (.1).
09/30/24	Rachael M. Bentley	0.70	Telephone conferences with S. Myers, K&E team, counterparties re confidentiality agreements (.4); correspond with same re same (.1); conference with B. Nakhaimousa re APA (.2).
09/30/24	Rachael M. Bentley	0.70	Review, analyze NDAs re counterparty comments, related issues.
09/30/24	Marissa Kinsey	3.80	Review, revise confidentiality agreements (2.6); revise summary re same (1.2).
09/30/24	Scott Myers	7.30	Draft, review and revise confidentiality agreements.
09/30/24	Brian Nakhaimousa	3.30	Conference with R. Bentley re asset purchase agreement (.2); review, revise same (3.0); correspond with R. Bentley re same (.1).
10/01/24	Marissa Kinsey	2.90	Review, revise confidentiality agreements (2.8); correspond with A. Magro-Malo, K&E team re same (.1).
10/01/24	Alexiz D. Magro-Malo	0.50	Review, revise confidentiality agreements (.4); correspond with S. Myers, K&E team re same (.1).
10/01/24	Joe Morley	0.60	Review, analyze purchase agreement purchase price allocation methodology (.5); correspond with P. Gunderson re purchase agreement purchase price allocation methodology (.1).
10/01/24	Scott Myers	4.70	Review and revise confidentiality agreements (3.5); correspond with M. Kinsey, K&E team re same (.2); telephone conference with PWP re same, sale process (1.0).
10/01/24	Quin Wetzel	2.90	Review, analyze bid procedures (1.9); review, revise cure notice, schedule (.8); correspond with J. Black re same (.2).
10/02/24	Claire Smyser Campbell, P.C.	0.50	Conference with S. Myers, counterparty re confidentiality agreement.
10/02/24	Josephine Fina	0.40	Review, analyze revised asset purchase agreement.

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10/02/24	Marissa Kinsey	2.50	Review and revise confidentiality agreements (2.4); correspond with S. Myers, K&E team re same (.1).
10/02/24	Alexiz D. Magro-Malo	1.00	Review, revise asset purchase agreement.
10/02/24	Scott Myers	8.10	Draft, review and revise confidentiality agreements (3.5); review, analyze related issues re counterparty comments (.7); review, analyze issues and considerations re asset purchase agreement (1.0); review, revise asset purchase agreement re same (1.7); telephone conferences with counterparties re confidentiality agreements (1.2).
10/02/24	Quin Wetzel	4.10	Review, revise asset purchase agreement (3.6); correspond with R. Bentley, B. Nakhaimousa re same (.5).
10/03/24	Christie M. Alcala	0.80	Review, revise asset purchase agreement.
10/03/24	Matthew Antinossi	0.30	Review and revise APA re employee matters (.2); correspond with S. Myers K&E team re same (.1).
10/03/24	John Farah	1.70	Analyze and revise asset purchase agreement re environmental considerations (1.0); conference and correspond with D. Lyster, K&E team re same (.7).
10/03/24	Lilla K. Grisham	1.00	Review, revise draft asset purchase agreement re energy regulatory concerns.
10/03/24	Marissa Kinsey	0.70	Review, revise confidentiality agreements.
10/03/24	Alexiz D. Magro-Malo	2.20	Review, revise asset purchase agreement (2.1); correspond with S. Myers, K&E team re same (.1).
10/03/24	Scott Myers	9.30	Review, revise various confidentiality agreements re counterparty comments (3.7); multiple telephone conference with counterparties re same (1.9); review, revise asset purchase agreement (3.5); correspond with K. Harris, M. Antinossi, K&E team re same (.2).
10/03/24	Sara B. Zablotney, P.C.	0.50	Review, revise APA re tax considerations.
10/04/24	Christie M. Alcala	1.00	Review, revise asset purchase agreement.
10/04/24	Matthew Antinossi	0.50	Review and revise asset purchase agreement (.4); correspond with R. Bentley, K&E team re same (.1).

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10/04/24	Marcela Barba	0.70	Review, analyze sale materials re disclosure language (.6); correspond with J. Karinen re same (.1).
10/04/24	Sloane Bessey	1.30	Revise sale materials re disclaimers (.9); correspond with J. Fina, K&E team, A&M team re same (.4).
10/04/24	Claire Smyser Campbell, P.C.	0.50	Telephone conference with R. Bentley, K&E team re confidentiality agreement and related correspondence.
10/04/24	George Cartveli	0.50	Review, revise asset purchase agreement.
10/04/24	John Farah	1.00	Research re regulatory issues (.3); analyze and revise asset purchase agreement re same (.3); conference with D. Lyster, K&E team re same (.2); correspond with D. Lyster, K&E team re same (.2).
10/04/24	Josephine Fina	0.60	Correspond with S. Bessey re sale diligence disclaimer language (.2); review, revise same (.2); correspond with B. Nakhaimousa re same (.2).
10/04/24	Stefanie I. Gitler	0.40	Review, analyze first day motions re asset sale considerations.
10/04/24	Kelsie Harris	0.30	Review, revise purchase agreement (.2); correspond with S. Myers, K&E team re same (.1).
10/04/24	Jennifer Karinen	0.80	Review, revise sale materials re disclaimers (.7); correspond with M. Barba re same (.1).
10/04/24	Marissa Kinsey	1.50	Review, revise confidentiality agreements (1.3); correspond with K. Harris, K&E team re same (.2).
10/04/24	Damien R. Lyster, P.C.	0.40	Review, revise asset purchase agreement (.1); conference with J. Farah re same (.2); correspond with J. Farah re same (.1).
10/04/24	Alexiz D. Magro-Malo	1.00	Review, revise asset purchase agreement (.5); review, analyze revised disclaimer language re VDR materials (.5).
10/04/24	Scott Myers	8.60	Review, revise confidentiality agreements (3.7); telephone conference with various counterparties re confidentiality agreements (1.0); review, revise asset purchase agreement (3.9).

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10/04/24	Brian Nakhaimousa	0.30	Conference with A&M team re disclosure re virtual data room, virtual data room materials (.1); review, analyze same (.1); correspond with S. Bessey re same (.1).
10/05/24	Sloane Bessey	0.20	Correspond with B. Nakhaimousa re virtual data room materials.
10/05/24	Claire Smyser Campbell, P.C.	0.20	Correspond with R. Bentley and K&E team re counterparty comments to confidentiality agreement.
10/05/24	Scott Myers	8.30	Review and revise asset purchase agreement (3.9); correspond with C. Campbell, K&E team re same (.1); research precedent asset purchase agreements (3.9); review, analyze sale process timeline (.4).
10/06/24	Claire Smyser Campbell, P.C.	1.00	Review, revise draft asset purchase agreement (.9); correspond with S. Myers re same (.1).
10/06/24	Palmer Gunderson	0.40	Correspond with S. Zabloutney, K&E team re asset purchase agreement re tax considerations.
10/06/24	Alexiz D. Magro-Malo	4.00	Review, revise asset purchase agreement (3.9); correspond with S. Myers, K&E team re same (.1).
10/06/24	R.J. Malenfant	0.50	Correspond with S. Myers, K&E team re potential transaction structure, related considerations.
10/06/24	Scott Myers	6.60	Review, revise asset purchase agreement (3.5); review, analyze purchase agreement precedent (3.1).
10/07/24	Marcela Barba	0.10	Correspond with B. Nakhaimousa re sale presentation disclaimer language.
10/07/24	Rachael M. Bentley	3.30	Telephone conferences with S. Myers, K&E team re asset purchase agreement, sale process confidentiality agreements, sale process (1.2); correspond with S. Myer, K&E team re same (1.1); review, analyze confidentiality agreements re sale process (1.0).
10/07/24	Sloane Bessey	0.40	Revise VDR materials re disclaimer language (.3); correspond with J. Fina, K&E team, A&M team re same (.1).
10/07/24	Jacob E. Black	0.20	Correspond with Q. Wetzel re sale process, related documentation.

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10/07/24	Claire Smyser Campbell, P.C.	0.50	Telephone conference with R. Bentley, K&E team re asset purchase agreement.
10/07/24	Thad W. Davis, P.C.	0.30	Review and revise asset purchase agreement re tax considerations.
10/07/24	Trevor Eck	1.20	Review, analyze contracts re cure schedule (.6); review, analyze summary re same (.4); correspond with Q. Wetzel re same (.2).
10/07/24	Josephine Fina	0.30	Correspond with S. Bessey re sale materials (.1); review, revise disclaimer language for same (.2).
10/07/24	Josephine Fina	0.20	Review correspondence with A&M, Q. Wetzel re cure schedules and related issues.
10/07/24	Stefanie I. Gitler	0.80	Review, revise purchase agreement (.7); correspond with S. Myers re same (.1).
10/07/24	Jennifer Karinen	1.40	Revise disclaimers re sale materials (.9); correspond with M. Barba re same (.5).
10/07/24	Marissa Kinsey	2.10	Review, revise confidentiality agreements (.8); review, revise asset purchase agreement (.7); correspond with S. Gitler, K&E team re same (.3); conference with P. Wojtal re sale process (.3).
10/07/24	Alexiz D. Magro-Malo	0.90	Review, analyze confidentiality agreement (.5); correspond with S. Myers, K&E team re sale process (.4).
10/07/24	Scott Myers	7.50	Review, revise asset purchase agreement (3.4); correspond with J. Pitts re same (.1); review, revise confidentiality agreements (3.5); correspond with R. Bentley, counterparties, K&E team re same (.5).
10/07/24	Brian Nakhaimousa	0.40	Conference with A&M team re cure schedule (.1); correspond with Q. Wetzel re same (.2); correspond with S. Bessey re disclaimer language re virtual data room, virtual data room materials (.1).
10/07/24	John D. Pitts, P.C.	1.00	Review, revise APA (.9); correspond with S. Myers, K&E team re same (.1).
10/07/24	Quin Wetzel	4.20	Research sale motion precedent (1.8); review, revise sale motion and order (2.4).
10/07/24	Pete Wojtal	1.10	Correspond with M. Kinsey re sale process (.2); conference with M. Kinsey same (.3); review, analyze materials re sale process (.6).

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10/08/24	Rachael M. Bentley	0.70	Correspond with S. Myers re confidentiality agreements (.5); review, analyze confidentiality issues re counterparties to same (.2).
10/08/24	Stefanie I. Gitler	0.20	Review, analyze materials re sale process.
10/08/24	Tysan Holloman	0.70	Review and analyze precedent re declarations in support of sale motions.
10/08/24	Marissa Kinsey	1.90	Review, revise amendment to confidentiality agreement (1.0); correspond with A. Magro-Malo, K&E team re confidentiality agreements (.2); review, revise various confidentiality agreements (.5); conference with S. Myers and K&E team re same (.2).
10/08/24	Alexiz D. Magro-Malo	0.50	Review, revise NDAs (.4); correspond with M. Kinsey, K&E team re same (.1).
10/08/24	Scott Myers	6.50	Review, revise confidentiality agreements (3.4); correspond with R. Bentley, K&E team re same (.6); review, analyze issues re sale process (1.0); review, analyze asset purchase agreement and disclosure schedules (1.5).
10/08/24	Brian Nakhaimousa	0.30	Review, analyze precedent re cure notices (.2); correspond with A&M team re same (.1).
10/08/24	Quin Wetzel	0.60	Review, analyze precedent re declarations in support of sale motions (.4); correspond with T. Holloman re same (.2).
10/08/24	Pete Wojtal	2.80	Review, revise working group list (.3); correspond with M. Kinsey, M. Magro-Malo, S. Myers re sale process (.2); conference with M. Kinsey re same (.5); review, analyze documents re same (1.0); review, revise confidentiality agreement summary (.2); review, revise confidentiality agreement (.4); draft closing checklist and disclosure schedule (.2).
10/09/24	Rachael M. Bentley	1.80	Review, analyze issues re sale process and confidentiality agreement matters (1.3); revise same (.5).
10/09/24	Ashlyn Gallagher	0.50	Correspond with Q. Wetzel re cures notice.
10/09/24	Tysan Holloman	1.10	Draft, review, revise sale order declaration.
10/09/24	Marissa Kinsey	1.50	Review, revise confidentiality agreements (1.0); correspond with S. Myers, K&E team re same (.5).



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10/09/24	Scott Myers	6.70	Review, revise confidentiality agreements (2.5); correspond with M. Kinsey, K&E team re same (.5); conference with R. Bentley re same (.5); review, analyze issues, related strategy re sale process and confidentiality agreements (3.2).
10/09/24	Brian Nakhaimousa	1.10	Correspond with PWP re potential bidder re confidentiality agreement (.1); correspond with J. Black, Q. Wetzel, A&M team, Bracewell re cure notice (1.0).
10/09/24	Quin Wetzel	4.40	Review, revise cure notice (1.1); review, revise cure schedule (2.1); correspond with J. Black, A&M team re same (.6); telephone conference with B. Nakhaimousa, A&M team re same (.4); telephone conference with Verita team re same (.2).
10/09/24	Pete Wojtal	8.20	Revise confidentiality agreements (.2); correspond with S. Myers, A. Magro-Malo, M. Kinsey re same (.3); review, revise closing checklist (3.9); draft sellers disclosure letter (3.8).
10/10/24	Rachael M. Bentley	2.00	Telephone conference with S. Myers, K&E team, PWP re sale process, confidentiality agreements (.5); correspond with B. Nakhaimousa, K&E team, PWP re same (.9); review, analyze, revise confidentiality agreements (.6).
10/10/24	Tysan Holloman	2.40	Review, revise sale declaration.
10/10/24	Marissa Kinsey	1.00	Review, revise confidentiality agreements (.5); telephone conference with R. Bentley, K&E team, PWP re same (.5).
10/10/24	Scott Myers	6.90	Review, revise confidentiality agreements (3.4); review, analyze issues re sale process and confidentiality agreements (3.0); telephone conference with R. Bentley, K&E team, PWP re sale process (.5).
10/10/24	Brian Nakhaimousa	0.30	Correspond with Q. Wetzel re service of cure notice (.1); correspond with Bracewell re unredacted version of same (.1); correspond with Q. Wetzel re sale motion (.1).
10/10/24	Quin Wetzel	1.10	Correspond with contract counterparty re cure notice amount (.3); review, analyze issues re same (.5); correspond with J. Fina, A&M team re same (.3).

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10/10/24	Pete Wojtal	1.10	Revise confidentiality agreements (.3); conference with sale counterparty re same (.4); conference with S. Myers, M. Kinsey re same (.2); review, analyze issues re same (.2).
10/11/24	Rachael M. Bentley	1.10	Telephone conference with sale counterparty, S. Myers re NDA (.6); telephone conference with B. Schartz, A&M and PWP re sale process (.5).
10/11/24	Claire Smyser Campbell, P.C.	0.20	Review confidentiality agreement.
10/11/24	Christopher Fabrizio	0.50	Review, revise 363 sale motion.
10/11/24	Christopher Fabrizio	0.80	Review, revise cure notices.
10/11/24	Marissa Kinsey	2.30	Review, revise transaction checklist and disclosure schedules.
10/11/24	Alexiz D. Magro-Malo	1.30	Review, revise sale transaction checklist.
10/11/24	Scott Myers	4.60	Telephone conference with R. Bentley, sale counterparty re sale process and confidentiality agreement (.6); review, analyze issues re deal process (2.0); review, revise confidentiality agreements (2.0).
10/11/24	Brian Nakhaimousa	0.10	Correspond with Q. Wetzel re amended cure schedule.
10/11/24	Brian Schartz, P.C.	0.50	Telephone conference with R. Bentley, A&M and PWP re sale process.
10/11/24	Quin Wetzel	3.20	Research case law re 363 sale motion (.8); revise sale motion and order re same (2.4).
10/11/24	Pete Wojtal	4.80	Review, revise sale process checklist (1.3); review, revise disclosure letter (.5); correspond with M. Kinsey re same (.6); review, revise confidentiality agreements (1.7); correspond with S. Myers, counterparty re confidentiality agreement (.5); correspond with S. Myers, A. Magro-Malo, M. Kinsey re same (.1); correspond with counterparty re confidentiality agreement (.1).
10/12/24	Tysan Holloman	0.50	Review, revise declaration in support of 363 motion (.3); review, analyze precedent re same (.2).
10/12/24	Alexiz D. Magro-Malo	0.30	Review, revise confidentiality agreement issues list tracker.
10/12/24	Alexiz D. Magro-Malo	1.30	Review and revise APA disclosure schedules.



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10/12/24	Scott Myers	0.40	Telephone conference with counterparty, R. Bentley, K&E team re confidentiality agreements.
10/12/24	Quin Wetzel	1.10	Review, revise sale motion, related declaration (.8); correspond with T. Holloman re same (.3).
10/13/24	Scott Myers	0.90	Review, revise confidentiality agreements.
10/13/24	Pete Wojtal	0.40	Correspond with M. Kinsey re sale process.
10/14/24	Josephine Fina	0.40	Review, analyze lenders' diligence requests (.3); correspond with A&M team re same (.1).
10/14/24	Stefanie I. Gitler	0.10	Review, analyze correspondences re sale process.
10/14/24	Tysan Holloman	0.80	Review, analyze notice of sale publications.
10/14/24	Marissa Kinsey	1.60	Review, revise confidentiality agreements.
10/14/24	Scott Myers	6.30	Review, analyze asset purchase agreement (1.0); analyze issues re transaction processes (1.8); review, revise confidentiality agreements (3.5).
10/14/24	Mary-Michael Robertson	2.20	Review and analyze environmental, health and safety related materials re potential sale.
10/14/24	Quin Wetzel	6.10	Research precedent re 363 sale orders (.9); revise sale motion (1.4); revise sale declaration (1.1); telephone conference with J. Black, B. Nakhaimousa re same (.7); research precedent re asset purchase agreements (.8); draft summary re same (1.2).
10/14/24	Pete Wojtal	6.90	Correspond with counterparty re confidentiality agreement (.3); review, revise outstanding confidentiality agreements (1.5); review, revise confidentiality agreement summary (1.0); correspond with S. Myers, A. Magro-Malo, M. Kinsey re same (.5); review, revise confidentiality agreement (3.6).
10/15/24	Claire Smyser Campbell, P.C.	0.30	Review, analyze NDA questions (.2); correspond with S. Myers, K&E team re same (.1).
10/15/24	Marissa Kinsey	4.00	Review, revise confidentiality agreements.
10/15/24	Alexiz D. Magro-Malo	1.50	Review, revise confidentiality agreements.

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10/15/24	Scott Myers	8.20	Review, revise confidentiality agreements (3.9); telephone conference with counterparty re confidentiality agreements (.7); review, analyze issues re transaction process (2.4); review, revise asset purchase agreement and schedules (1.2).
10/15/24	Brian Nakhaimousa	0.30	Correspond with Q. Wetzel re cure amounts.
10/15/24	Mary-Michael Robertson	3.70	Review and analyze environmental issues re sale transaction (2.0); review and analyze sale materials re environmental matters (1.5); summarize same (.2).
10/15/24	Quin Wetzel	5.20	Research precedent re 363 sale motion (1.2); revise sale motion re same (2.8); review, revise sale declaration (.9); correspond with T. Holloman re same (.3).
10/15/24	Pete Wojtal	7.20	Review, revise confidentiality agreements (.9); correspond with M. Kinsey re same (.2); correspond with S. Myers, A. Magro-Malo, M. Kinsey re sale process (.9); review, revise confidentiality agreement (1.5); review, analyze issues re sale process (.8); review, revise disclosure letter and schedules (2.5); correspond with counterparty re confidentiality agreement (.4).
10/16/24	Claire Smyser Campbell, P.C.	0.50	Correspond with R. Bentley re sale process, potential bidders.
10/16/24	Josephine Fina	0.60	Conference with PWP, AlixPartners, Willkie, A&M team re sale process and potential outreaches.
10/16/24	Josephine Fina	0.60	Correspond with A&M team re lenders' diligence requests (.2); review, analyze responses re same (.3); correspond with R. Bentley re same (.1).
10/16/24	Tysan Holloman	0.90	Review, revise sale declaration.
10/16/24	Marissa Kinsey	0.90	Review, revise confidentiality agreements.
10/16/24	Alexiz D. Magro-Malo	0.70	Review, revise disclosure schedules.
10/16/24	Scott Myers	7.70	Review, revise confidentiality agreements (3.3); telephone conference with counterparty, R. Bentley, K&E team re confidentiality agreement (1.0); review, revise asset purchase agreement and schedules (3.4).
10/16/24	Brian Nakhaimousa	0.60	Conference with R. Bentley, PWP, AlixPartners re sale process.

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10/16/24	Mary-Michael Robertson	3.20	Review, analyze environmental reports (2.7); review, analyze environmental issues (.5).
10/16/24	Brian Schartz, P.C.	0.60	Conference with R. Bentley, PWP, AlixPartners re sale process.
10/16/24	Chad Michael Smith, P.C.	1.00	Review, revise asset purchase agreement.
10/16/24	Quin Wetzel	4.70	Review, revise sale motion, proposed form of order (2.6); revise sale declaration re same (1.4); correspond with J. Black and T. Holloman re same (.7).
10/16/24	Pete Wojtal	5.60	Correspond with S. Myers, A. Magro-Malo, M. Kinsey re sale process (.7); review, revise sellers disclosure letter and schedules (1.8); review, revise confidentiality agreement (3.1).
10/17/24	Christopher Fabrizio	0.70	Research case law re setoffs (.5); correspond with B. Nakhaimousa, J. Fina re same (.2).
10/17/24	Marissa Kinsey	2.50	Review, revise confidentiality agreements.
10/17/24	Scott Myers	7.00	Review, revise confidentiality agreements (2.3); review, analyze issues re transaction, draft APA (1.6); review, revise asset purchase agreement and disclosure schedules re same (3.1).
10/17/24	Brian Nakhaimousa	0.30	Correspond with PWP, potential bidder, Bracewell re confidentiality agreement (.2); correspond with Q. Wetzel re cure reconciliation (.1).
10/17/24	Joshua Raphael	0.20	Review, revise proposed sale order language.
10/17/24	Quin Wetzel	2.40	Review, analyze issues re cures schedule amounts (1.1); correspond with contract counterparties, A&M team re cures issues (1.3).
10/17/24	Pete Wojtal	5.40	Correspond with S. Myers, A. Magro-Malo, M. Kinsey re sale process (1.9); review, revise confidentiality agreements (2.4); correspond with counterparties, co-counsel re confidentiality agreements (.8); review, analyze issues re sale process (.3).
10/18/24	Claire Smyser Campbell, P.C.	0.50	Conference with R. Bentley, K&E team re potential bidder.
10/18/24	Christopher Fabrizio	1.30	Draft, revise notice of adjournment (1.1); correspond with Q. Wetzel re same (.2).

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10/18/24	Josephine Fina	0.70	Correspond with R. Bentley re sale CIM (.1); review, analyze same (.2); correspond with B. Nashelsky re same (.2); conference and correspond with PWP re same (.2).
10/18/24	Josephine Fina	0.40	Review, analyze DIP lender diligence, related discovery requests (.2); correspond with A&M team re same (.2).
10/18/24	Josephine Fina	0.90	Review, analyze cure issues, objections (.4); correspond with Q. Wetzel re same (.2); conference with B. Nakhaimousa, vendor counsel re same (.3).
10/18/24	Scott Myers	3.70	Review, revise confidentiality agreements (2.0); review, revise disclosure schedules (1.7).
10/18/24	Brian Nakhaimousa	1.50	Correspond with counsel to contract counterparty re cure schedule (.1); conference with same, A&M team, Q. Wetzel, K&E team re same (.4); correspond with Q. Wetzel re notice of extended indication of interest deadline (.2); review, revise same (.3); conference with PWP, J. Fina re CIM (.2); correspond with R. Bentley, potential bidder, PWP re confidentiality agreement (.2); correspond with R. Bentley re cure objection (.1).
10/18/24	Quin Wetzel	4.80	Review, revise notice extending indication of interest deadline (3.1); correspond with C. Fabrizio re same (.4); correspond with B. Nakhaimousa re same (.4); review, revise sale order (.6); correspond with J. Black re same (.3).
10/18/24	Quin Wetzel	3.80	Correspond with J. Fina, A&M team, contract counterparties re cures issues (2.2); draft cures claim summary (1.1); correspond with T. Holloman, C. Fabrizio re same (.5).
10/18/24	Pete Wojtal	2.60	Correspond with S. Myers, A. Magro-Malo, M. Kinsey re sale process (.7); review, revise sellers disclosure letter (1.0); review, summarize asset purchase agreement (.9).
10/19/24	Max Anderson	6.20	Review, analyze environmental diligence (2.0); review and revise tracker re environmental permits (2.7); revise materials re APA disclosure re same (1.3); correspond with M. Robertson re same (.2).

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10/19/24	Scott Myers	1.00	Review, revise confidentiality agreement.
10/19/24	Brian Nakhaimousa	0.10	Correspond with counsel to potential bidder, S. Myers re confidentiality agreement.
10/19/24	Mary-Michael Robertson	1.00	Review company filings re environmental liabilities (.8); correspond with M. Anderson re same (.2).
10/20/24	Josephine Fina	0.10	Correspond with Q. Wetzel re cure summary.
10/20/24	Tysan Holloman	0.40	Draft cure notice objections summary.
10/20/24	Brian Nakhaimousa	0.10	Correspond with Q. Wetzel re sale timeline precedent summary.
10/20/24	Pete Wojtal	7.20	Review, analyze materials re virtual data room (.6); review, analyze pending litigation (.6); review, analyze subsidiary entity documents (2.5); draft capitalization schedule (3.2); correspond with M. Kinsey re sale process (.3).
10/21/24	Rachael M. Bentley	1.10	Review, analyze issues re asset sale process, timeline, indications of interest.
10/21/24	Josephine Fina	0.20	Correspond with Q. Wetzel re cure issues.
10/21/24	Josephine Fina	0.90	Correspond with J. Walsh re cure objections (.1); review, analyze cure issues (.3); correspond with B. Schartz, K&E team re same (.1); review, analyze cure research, summary (.3); correspond with T. Holloman re same (.1).
10/21/24	Stefanie I. Gitler	2.00	Review, revise analysis of permit transfers (1.0); review, revise APA disclosure schedules re environmental issues (1.0).
10/21/24	Tysan Holloman	2.40	Draft summary re cure notice objections (.9); revise same (1.5).
10/21/24	Marissa Kinsey	1.40	Review, revise confidentiality agreements.
10/21/24	Scott Myers	5.50	Review, revise confidentiality agreements (3.7); review, revise asset purchase agreement and schedules (1.8).
10/21/24	Brian Nakhaimousa	0.90	Correspond with Q. Wetzel, K&E team re cure amounts.

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10/21/24	Quin Wetzel	5.50	Review, analyze case law re cure objection (.9); correspond with T. Holloman re same (.3); review, revise cures objection summary (1.0); telephone conference with contract counterparty re cures issue (.4); review, analyze issues re cures objections, cures issues (2.2); correspond with J. Fina re same (.7).
10/21/24	Pete Wojtal	3.20	Review, revise confidentiality agreements (2.3); correspond with S. Myers, A. Magro-Malo, M. Kinsey re same (.3); correspond with counterparty counsel re same (.1); correspond with investment bankers, counterparties re same (.5).
10/22/24	Rachael M. Bentley	1.80	Telephone conferences with J. Fina, K&E team re sale process and confidentiality agreements (1.0); correspond with J. Fina, K&E team re same (.8).
10/22/24	Zac Ciullo	2.70	Conference with T. Knapp re strategy re contract counterparty claim (.6); correspond with B. Schartz, K&E team re same (.1); prepare for same (1.4); conference with Sidley re same (.6).
10/22/24	Tysan Holloman	1.20	Review and revise cure notice objections summary.
10/22/24	Scott Myers	4.50	Review, analyze issues re environmental permit transfers and analysis (1.3); review and revise confidentiality agreements re same (3.2).
10/22/24	Brian Nakhaimousa	0.70	Correspond with Q. Wetzel, K&E team re cure matters.
10/22/24	Quin Wetzel	1.20	Review, analyze bid procedures re sale objection milestones (.3); correspond with J. Fina, K&E team re same (.2); revise sale motion (.5); correspond with J. Fina, K&E team re same (.2).
10/22/24	Quin Wetzel	2.60	Review, analyze cure objections (.5); correspond with J. Black, A&M team re same (.4); correspond with T. Holloman re same (.4); revise cures summary (.7); correspond with contract counterparties re same (.6).



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10/22/24	Pete Wojtal	3.40	Telephone conference with Company re sale process (1.3); review, revise client call summary (.3); correspond with S. Myers, A. Magro-Malo, M. Kinsey re sale process (.3); review materials re same (.4); revise confidentiality agreement summary (.2); review, revise confidentiality agreement (.9).
10/23/24	Max Anderson	2.00	Review, analyze consent decree transfer requirements (.9); draft summary re current consent decree status and transfer options (1.1).
10/23/24	Max Anderson	0.90	Telephone conference with R. Bentley, K&E team, Sidley re consent decree (.6); prepare for same (.3).
10/23/24	Rachael M. Bentley	5.20	Review, analyze issues re sale process, sale process confidentiality agreements (2.7); review, analyze issues re DIP and Committee settlement considerations (1.4); telephone conference with M. Robertson re environmental considerations (.5); review, analyze Matheson presentation re sale process (.6).
10/23/24	Zac Ciullo	0.40	Review, analyze Matheson sales presentation.
10/23/24	Stefanie I. Gitler	1.30	Telephone conference with outside counsel to Company re consent decree compliance (.3); review, analyze issues re same (1.0).
10/23/24	Tysan Holloman	0.20	Review and revise cure notice objections summary.
10/23/24	Timothy Knapp, P.C.	0.40	Review, analyze presentation re litigation strategy (.2); correspond with B. Nakhaimousa and K&E team re same (.2).
10/23/24	Damien R. Lyster, P.C.	0.10	Conference with L. Grisham re sale process issues.
10/23/24	Scott Myers	6.30	Review, analyze issues re confidentiality agreements (1.4); review, revise asset purchase agreement and related schedules (2.0); review, revise confidentiality agreements (2.9).
10/23/24	Brian Nakhaimousa	0.40	Correspond with Q. Wetzel re cure matters.
10/23/24	Mary-Michael Robertson	3.00	Review, analyze refinery purchase agreement for environmental provisions (1.5); review, analyze issues re consent decree (1.0); review, analyze new data room documents (.5).

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10/23/24	Mary-Michael Robertson	1.00	Conference with R. Bentley, K&E team, Sidley re consent decree, environmental considerations (.5); prepare for same (.5).
10/23/24	Quin Wetzel	1.30	Revise sale order and declaration.
10/23/24	Pete Wojtal	7.10	Review, revise confidentiality agreements (3.9); correspond with S. Myers, A. Magro-Malo, M. Kinsey re same (.8); conference with M. Kinsey re same (.2); revise confidentiality agreement summary (.7); review, analyze environmental issues (1.5).
10/24/24	Rachael M. Bentley	2.80	Review, analyze issues re sale process and confidentiality agreements (2.1); correspond with stakeholder re sale process deck (.7).
10/24/24	Zac Ciullo	0.90	Review, analyze sale presentation (.3); telephone conference with T. Knapp re sales presentation (.2); draft response to party re presentation (.4).
10/24/24	Josephine Fina	0.40	Review, analyze cure issues (.2); conference with R. Bentley re same (.1); correspond with contract counterparty counsel re same (.1).
10/24/24	Stefanie I. Gitler	0.40	Review, analyze outreach summary re transaction progress (.2); correspond with S. Myers, K&E team re contract assignment plans for asset purchase agreement (.2).
10/24/24	Tysan Holloman	0.40	Review, revise cure notice objections summary.
10/24/24	Marissa Kinsey	0.80	Review, revise confidentiality agreements.
10/24/24	Damien R. Lyster, P.C.	0.10	Correspond with L. Grisham re sale process.
10/24/24	Alexiz D. Magro-Malo	0.50	Review, revise confidentiality agreement.
10/24/24	Scott Myers	3.40	Review, revise confidentiality agreements (3.0); review, analyze issues re transaction process (.4).
10/24/24	Renee Olivett	0.10	Correspond with J. Fina, K&E team re VDR materials.
10/24/24	Quin Wetzel	1.80	Review, analyze sale order and asset purchase agreement precedent (.6); revise sale order (1.2).
10/24/24	Quin Wetzel	2.20	Correspond with contract counterparties re cures objections (.8); review, analyze invoices re same (.5); correspond with A&M team re same (.4); correspond with T. Holloman re same (.2); revise objection summary (.3).



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10/24/24	Pete Wojtal	5.70	Review, revise confidentiality agreements (3.4); correspond with S. Myers, A. Magro-Malo, M. Kinsey re same (.9); correspond with counterparties re same (.2); revise confidentiality agreement summary (1.2).
10/25/24	Rachael M. Bentley	2.40	Review, analyze issues re sale process and NDAs (1.3); review, revise schedules and statements (1.1).
10/25/24	Claire Smyser Campbell, P.C.	0.50	Correspond with S. Myers, K&E team re schedules and APA.
10/25/24	Tysan Holloman	0.80	Review, revise cure notice objections summary (.6); correspond with A&M team re cure objections (.2).
10/25/24	Marissa Kinsey	0.60	Review, revise confidentiality agreements (.4); correspond with S. Myers, K&E team re same (.2).
10/25/24	Alexiz D. Magro-Malo	1.00	Review, revise asset purchase agreement (.9); correspond with S. Myers, K&E team re same (.1).
10/25/24	Scott Myers	5.70	Review, revise confidentiality agreements (3.6); correspond with A Magro-Malo, K&E team re same (.4); review, analyze issues re confidentiality agreements (.7); coordinate transaction process and FCC filings (1.0).
10/25/24	Renee Olivett	0.20	Correspond with B. Nakhaimousa, PWP re VDR materials.
10/25/24	Quin Wetzel	2.20	Review, analyze cures issues (1.5); correspond with J. Black, contract counterparties re cures objections (.7).
10/25/24	Pete Wojtal	7.00	Review, revise confidentiality agreements (3.9); correspond with S. Myers, A. Magro-Malo, M. Kinsey re same (.9); correspond with PWP and counterparties re same (.7); revise confidentiality agreement summary (1.5).
10/26/24	Christopher Fabrizio	1.80	Research re APA issues (1.7); correspond with Q. Wetzel re same (.1).
10/26/24	Scott Myers	2.20	Review, revise confidentiality agreements.
10/26/24	Pete Wojtal	0.30	Correspond with counterparty re confidentiality agreement (.1); review, revise confidentiality agreement (.2).
10/27/24	Christopher Fabrizio	3.90	Research re APA issue (3.1); draft summary of findings re same (.8).

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10/27/24	Scott Myers	0.60	Review, revise confidentiality agreements.
10/27/24	Pete Wojtal	1.70	Review, revise confidentiality agreements (1.2); correspond with counterparties re same (.2); correspond with S. Myers, A. Magro-Malo, M. Kinsey re same (.3).
10/28/24	Max Anderson	1.50	Review, analyze supplemental environmental disclosure materials (.9); draft summary re same (.6).
10/28/24	Rachael M. Bentley	2.20	Correspond with S. Myers, PWP re sale process, NDAs and status re same (.6); correspond with same re same (.9); review, analyze issues re NDAs (.7).
10/28/24	Rachael M. Bentley	0.20	Correspond with B. Nakhaimousa, K&E team re PWP, A&M re sale process VDR.
10/28/24	Rachael M. Bentley	1.30	Review, analyze IOIs (.4); telephone conferences with B. Schartz, PWP, A&M re same (.9).
10/28/24	Zac Ciullo	0.40	Correspond with R. Bentley re VDR sale materials.
10/28/24	Thad W. Davis, P.C.	0.20	Review, analyze IOIs received re tax considerations.
10/28/24	Christopher Fabrizio	0.90	Telephone conference with H. Kupsky re asset purchase agreement issue (.2); telephone conference with Q. Wetzel re same (.2); revise summary of findings re same (.5).
10/28/24	Tysan Holloman	0.90	Conference with A&M team re cure objections (.3); conference with A&M team re same (.1); review, analyze exhibits in objections (.5).
10/28/24	Marissa Kinsey	1.60	Review, revise confidentiality agreements (.9); review, analyze, revise draft schedules (.7).
10/28/24	Daniel Lewis, P.C.	0.50	Review, analyze indications of interest.
10/28/24	Miles Matey	0.50	Revise transaction summary (.3); review, analyze asset purchase agreement (.1); review, analyze disclosure letter (.1).
10/28/24	Scott Myers	6.00	Review, revise confidentiality agreements (3.5); correspond with R. Bentley, K&E team, counterparties re same (.5); review, analyze asset purchase agreement and disclosure schedules (2.0).

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10/28/24	Brian Nakhaimousa	1.40	Review, analyze indications of interest received (.2); conference with Q. Wetzel, A&M team re cure schedules (.4); correspond with R. Bentley, K&E team re sale considerations (.4); review, analyze documentation re same (.4).
10/28/24	Brian Nakhaimousa	0.10	Review, analyze proposed virtual data room materials.
10/28/24	Mary-Michael Robertson	2.20	Review, analyze environmental diligence materials re sale transaction considerations.
10/28/24	Quin Wetzel	2.70	Review, analyze indications of interest (1.3); telephone conference with C. Fabrizio re asset purchase agreement (.2); revise sale order (1.2).
10/28/24	Quin Wetzel	1.80	Review, analyze cure objections (.5); revise, analyze objection summary re same (.3); telephone conference with B. Nakhaimousa, A&M team re cure objections (.4); correspond with T. Holloman, A&M team re cures issues (.6).
10/28/24	Pete Wojtal	5.40	Review, revise confidentiality agreements (3.6); review, analyze documents in virtual data room (1.2); correspond with S. Myers, A. Magro-Malo, M. Kinsey re same (.4); correspond with counterparties re confidentiality agreements (.2).
10/29/24	Matthew Antinossi	0.20	Review, analyze employee benefits provisions of indication of interest proposals.
10/29/24	Rachael M. Bentley	5.00	Review, analyze IOIs (3.9); correspond with S. Myers, B. Schartz, K&E team, PWP, A&M re same (1.1).
10/29/24	Jacob E. Black	0.50	Correspond with Q. Wetzel re sale issues (.1); conference with same re same (.2); conference with B. Nakhaimousa, K&E team re critical workstreams, next steps (.2).
10/29/24	Claire Smyser Campbell, P.C.	1.00	Review IOIs (.5); review APA and schedules (.5).
10/29/24	Christopher Fabrizio	1.80	Review and revise notice of acceptable IOI.
10/29/24	Tysan Holloman	0.80	Review and analyze indications of interest.
10/29/24	Marissa Kinsey	0.70	Review, analyze confidentiality agreements.
10/29/24	Damien R. Lyster, P.C.	0.10	Review, revise correspondence re purchase agreement and related regulatory issues.

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10/29/24	Alexiz D. Magro-Malo	1.00	Review, revise asset purchase agreement (.5); conference with S. Myers re same (.5).
10/29/24	R.J. Malenfant	0.30	Review, revise asset purchase agreement.
10/29/24	Miles Matey	1.70	Review, revise confidentiality agreements.
10/29/24	Scott Myers	7.50	Review, revise confidentiality agreements (3.3); correspond with M. Matey, K&E team re same (.1); review, revise asset purchase agreement (3.0); correspond with R. Malenfant, K&E team re same (.1); review, analyze initial indications of interest (1.0).
10/29/24	Brian Nakhaimousa	0.40	Review, analyze bidding procedures (.3); correspond with R. Bentley re same (.1).
10/29/24	Brian Schartz, P.C.	1.70	Review, analyze IOIs received (1.2); correspond with R. Bentley, PWP, A&M re same (.5).
10/29/24	Quin Wetzel	1.90	Review, revise notice of acceptable IOIs (.9); correspond with C. Fabrizio re same (.2); review, analyze bidding procedures (.5); correspond with B. Nakhaimousa re same (.3).
10/29/24	Quin Wetzel	1.10	Correspond with A&M team re cure objection summary (.3); revise cure objection summary (.6); correspond with J. Black, cures objection counterparty re cure amount (.2).
10/29/24	Pete Wojtal	5.00	Review, revise confidentiality agreements (3.1); correspond with S. Myers, A. Magro-Malo, M. Kinsey, M. Matey re same (.3); conference with M. Matey re same (.3); correspond with counterparty re confidentiality agreement (.2); revise confidentiality agreement summary (.4); review, analyze indications of interest (.7).
10/30/24	Christie M. Alcala	1.00	Review, analyze, revise asset purchase agreement.
10/30/24	Max Anderson	1.30	Review, revise asset purchase agreement.
10/30/24	Rachel Beeton	1.70	Revise asset purchase agreement re ERISA matters.
10/30/24	Rachael M. Bentley	1.60	Telephone conference with PWP re indications of interest and bid procedures order (1.1); prepare for same (.5).
10/30/24	Rachael M. Bentley	1.00	Review, analyze IOIs received.

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10/30/24	Claire Smyser Campbell, P.C.	1.00	Conference S. Myers, K&E team re APA and disclosure schedules (.5); correspond S. Myers, K&E team re same (.5).
10/30/24	Christopher Fabrizio	0.60	Revise notice of acceptable I (.5); correspond with Q. Wetzel team re same (.1).
10/30/24	John Farah	0.60	Review, analyze asset purchase agreement and disclosure schedule re environmental matters.
10/30/24	Josephine Fina	0.50	Review, analyze sale motion (.3); review, analyze precedent re same (.2).
10/30/24	Stefanie I. Gitler	0.30	Review, analyze indications of interest.
10/30/24	Kelsie Harris	0.50	Review, revise APA (.4); correspond with S. Myers, K&E team re same (.1).
10/30/24	Tysan Holloman	0.70	Review, analyze indications of interest.
10/30/24	Marissa Kinsey	1.90	Review, analyze documents in virtual data room (1.0); revise confidentiality agreements (.9).
10/30/24	Alex Lippert	1.50	Review, analyze asset purchase agreement (.8); correspond with R. Malenfant, C. Smith re same (.7).
10/30/24	Alexiz D. Magro-Malo	0.80	Review, analyze disclosure schedules.
10/30/24	R.J. Malenfant	2.00	Review, revise asset purchase agreement and schedules (1.7); correspond with A. Lippert re same (.3).
10/30/24	Miles Matey	4.20	Review, analyze confidential information memorandum (.5); review, analyze indications of interest (.6); review, analyze intermediation contracts (.8); review, analyze confidentiality agreements (1.4); correspond with S. Myers, K&E team re same (.9).
10/30/24	Scott Myers	8.10	Review, revise asset purchase agreement (3.6); review, analyze confidentiality agreements re mutual confidentiality obligations (1.5); review, analyze disclosure schedules (3.0).
10/30/24	Brian Nakhaimousa	0.30	Correspond with Q. Wetzel re acceptable indications of interest notice.
10/30/24	Mary-Michael Robertson	1.30	Revise asset purchase agreement.
10/30/24	Chad Michael Smith, P.C.	1.50	Review, revise asset purchase agreement (1.3); correspond with A. Lippert re same (.2).

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10/30/24	Quin Wetzel	0.80	Review, analyze sale motion precedent (.3); correspond with J. Fina re same (.2); correspond with B. Nakhaimousa, C. Fabrizio re indication of interest notice (.3).
10/30/24	Quin Wetzel	1.20	Correspond with A&M team re cures objection (.4); telephone conference with A&M re cures counterparty (.2); correspond with J. Black, cures counterparty re objection deadline (.2); review, analyze cures schedule (.4).
10/30/24	Pete Wojtal	7.40	Review, analyze virtual data room materials re sale process (3.3); review, analyze confidentiality agreements and summarize same (3.0); review, revise confidentiality agreement (.4); correspond with S. Myers, A. Magro-Malo, M. Kinsey, M. Matey re same (.7).
10/31/24	Christie M. Alcala	1.00	Review, analyze, and revise APA.
10/31/24	Max Anderson	2.50	Telephone conference with M. Robertson, K&E team re environmental disclosure schedule (.5); review, analyze environmental documentation (.7); revise disclosure schedule (1.3).
10/31/24	Matthew Antinossi	1.10	Review, revise asset purchase agreement (.9); telephone conference with R. Beeton re same (.2).
10/31/24	Rachel Beeton	0.80	Revise asset purchase agreement re ERISA matters (.6); conference with M. Antinossi re same (.2).
10/31/24	Rachael M. Bentley	0.10	Correspond with S. Myers, PWP re sale process and VDR.
10/31/24	Rachael M. Bentley	0.50	Telephone conference with B. Schartz, K&E team, PWP, A&M re sale process update and status, IOIs.
10/31/24	Sloane Bessey	0.20	Correspond with B. Nakhaimousa re auction logistics.
10/31/24	Jacob E. Black	0.30	Correspond with Q. Wetzel re sale, cure issues.
10/31/24	George Cartveli	2.20	Review, analyze APA, related matters.
10/31/24	Christopher Fabrizio	0.40	Revise notice of acceptable indications of interest (.3); correspond with R. Bentley, K&E team re same (.1).



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10/31/24	John Farah	5.30	Research re regulatory considerations (1.3); analyze and revise asset purchase agreement and sellers disclosure letter re environmental matters (4.0).
10/31/24	Josephine Fina	0.50	Conference with PWP, K&E team re sale updates.
10/31/24	Rob Fowler, P.C.	0.50	Review, comment on draft APA (.3); correspond with C. Alcalá, K&E team re same (.2).
10/31/24	Stefanie I. Gitler	2.20	Correspond with A&M team re seller diligence (.2); review, revise asset purchase agreement (1.5); review, revise disclosure schedules (.5).
10/31/24	Lilla K. Grisham	1.20	Conference with J. Farah re case status, environmental issues (.5); review and revise draft agreement and schedules (.7).
10/31/24	Kelsie Harris	1.50	Review, revise APA (1.3); correspond with R. Fowler, K&E team re same (.2).
10/31/24	Tysan Holloman	2.40	Review, revise indications of interest summary (2.1); conference with J. Black and Q. Wetzel re cures (.3).
10/31/24	Marissa Kinsey	2.40	Revise disclosure schedules (1.4); revise asset purchase agreement (1.0).
10/31/24	Daniel Lewis, P.C.	0.80	Review, revise asset purchase agreement.
10/31/24	Alex Lippert	1.80	Review, analyze issues re asset purchase agreement.
10/31/24	Damien R. Lyster, P.C.	0.50	Review, revise asset purchase agreement and schedules (.2); correspond with L. Grisham, J. Farah re same (.3).
10/31/24	R.J. Malenfant	1.80	Review, analyze asset purchase agreement (1.0); review, analyze intermediation facility documents re same (.8).
10/31/24	Miles Matey	2.10	Correspond with P. Wojtal, K&E team re disclosure schedules (.3); conference with S. Myers, K&E team re disclosure schedules (.9); revise asset purchase agreement (.9).
10/31/24	Scott Myers	6.60	Review, revise asset purchase agreement and schedules (3.6); review, analyze issues re sale process (2.0); review, revise confidentiality agreements (1.0).

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10/31/24	Brian Nakhaimousa	0.50	Conference with PWP, A&M team, B. Schartz, R. Bentley re sale process (.4); review, revise notice of acceptable indications of interest (.1).
10/31/24	Mary-Michael Robertson	2.70	Review, revise asset purchase agreement, disclosure letter (1.0); conference with M. Anderson re disclosure letter (.3); review, revise disclosure letter and environmental disclosures (1.4).
10/31/24	Chad Michael Smith, P.C.	1.20	Review, revise asset purchase agreement.
10/31/24	Quin Wetzel	2.30	Review, revise indication of interest notice (1.4); correspond with C. Fabrizio re same (.4); correspond with Sidley team re same (.2); review, analyze indication of interest summary (.3).
10/31/24	Quin Wetzel	2.10	Review, analyze proposed cure amount revisions (1.2); draft responses to cures counterparties (.5); conference with J. Black, T. Holloman re same (.4).
10/31/24	Pete Wojtal	5.60	Correspond with S. Myers, A. Magro-Malo, M. Kinsey, M. Matey re sale process (1.2); conference with M. Kinsey, M. Matey re same (.9); review, revise asset purchase agreement and sellers' disclosure letter (2.2); review, revise confidentiality agreement (1.0); revise confidentiality agreement summary (.3).
<b>Total</b>		<b>657.70</b>	



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**In the Matter of Corp., Governance, & Securities Matters**

For legal services rendered through October 31, 2024  
(see attached Description of Legal Services for detail)

\$ 99,460.50

Total legal services rendered

\$ 99,460.50

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**Summary of Hours Billed**

<b><u>Name</u></b>	<b><u>Hours</u></b>	<b><u>Rate</u></b>	<b><u>Amount</u></b>
Narcela Barba	3.60	1,395.00	5,022.00
Kachael N. Bentley	4.80	1,595.00	7,656.00
Shelby Brown	4.80	1,345.00	6,456.00
-athan James Felton	9.30	1,095.00	10,183.50
Josephine Fina	4.20	1,395.00	5,859.00
Jennifer warinen	13.30	1,575.00	20,947.50
Jamie McLennan	1.60	975.00	1,560.00
Georgia Neador	0.60	355.00	213.00
Brian - alkhaimousa	14.10	1,345.00	18,964.50
Brendan - ashelsky	1.00	1,095.00	1,095.00
Kenee Olivett	17.80	975.00	17,355.00
Brian Schart & P.C.	1.80	2,305.00	4,149.00
<b>TOTALS</b>	<b>76.90</b>		<b>\$ 99,460.50</b>

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09;24;24	Jennifer warinen	1.00	kevie/ , analy& 8Rv.
09;26;24	- athan James Felton	1.40	kevie/ , revise board minutes.
09;27;24	Shelby Bro/ n	1.30	kevie/ and revise draft of Form 8Rv.
09;27;24	- athan James Felton	0.20	kevie/ , revise board minutes.
09;27;24	Jennifer warinen	0.50	kevie/ , analy& issues re 8Rv.
09;28;24	Jennifer warinen	1.00	kevie/ , revise 8Rv.
09;29;24	k aachael N . Bentley	0.80	Correspond / ith Loev re 8Rv filing.
09;29;24	Brian - aKhaimousa	0.20	kevie/ , revise 8Rv (.1)zcorrespond / ith Loev re same (.1).
10;01;24	Shelby Bro/ n	0.60	kevie/ and revise 8Rv.
10;01;24	- athan James Felton	0.60	kevie/ , revise board minutes.
10;01;24	Jennifer warinen	0.80	kevie/ and revise 8Rv.
10;02;24	- athan James Felton	2.90	kevie/ , revise board minutes (2.7)zcorrespond / ith k . Olivett, wME team re same (.2).
10;03;24	- athan James Felton	3.90	Conference / ith k . Olivett re board minutes (.2)zrevie/ , revise board minutes (3.7).
10;03;24	Georgia N eado/	0.60	kevie/ and compile precedent re board minutes (.4)zcorrespond / ith k . Olivett re same (.2).
10;03;24	k enee Olivett	2.70	kevie board meeting minutes (2.4)zconference / ith - . Felton re same (.3).
10;04;24	N arcela Barba	1.20	ke search re securities la/ s re periodic reporting (1.0)zcorrespond / ith J. warinen re same (.2).
10;04;24	- athan James Felton	0.30	kevie/ , revise board minutes (.2)zcorrespond / ith k . Olivett re same (.1).
10;04;24	Jennifer warinen	2.40	kevie/ and revise responses re SEC filing obligations (2.2)zcorrespond / ith B. - aKhaimousa, B.N . Barba re same (.1)zconference / ith B. - aKhaimousa re same (.1).
10;04;24	Brian - aKhaimousa	0.20	Conference / ith J. warinen re public reporting (.1)zcorrespond / ith J. warinen, wME team re same (.1).
10;04;24	k enee Olivett	1.10	kevie/ , revise board meeting minutes (1.0)zcorrespond / ith - . Felton re same (.1).

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Vertex Energy Inc.  
Corp., Governance, M Securities Matters

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<u>Date</u>	<u>Name</u>	<u>Hours</u>	<u>Description</u>
10;07;24	Josephine Fina	3.30	kevie/ , revise board minutes (2.4)zrevie/ , analy& precedent re same (.3)zconference / ith B. - aKhaimousa re same (.4)z correspond / ith k . Olivett re same (.2).
10;07;24	Brian - aKhaimousa	3.50	kevie/ , revise board minutes (2.5)z correspond / ith k . Olivett re same (.1)z attend disinterested director meeting / ith k . Bentley, k . Olivett, AMN , PWP (.9).
10;07;24	k enee Olivett	2.80	kevis board meeting minutes (2.2)zattend disinterested director meeting / ith k . Bentley, AMN , PWP, B. - aKhaimousa (.6).
10;07;24	Brian Schar& P.C.	0.80	Telephone conference / ith k . Bentley, PWP re disinterested director meeting.
10;08;24	Jennifer warinen	0.20	kevie/ , analy& FI- k A correspondence.
10;08;24	Brian - aKhaimousa	1.60	kevie/ , revise board minutes (1.0)z correspond / ith k . Olivett re same (.1)z conference / ith k . Bentley, PWP, AMN re disinterested director meeting (.4)zcorrespond / ith Loev re board minutes (.1).
10;08;24	k enee Olivett	3.90	kevis board meeting minutes (3.6)z correspond / ith B. - aKhaimousa, wME team re same (.3).
10;09;24	Shelby Bro/ n	2.90	kevis FI- k A response letter (2.8)z correspond / ith J. warinen re same (.1).
10;09;24	Jamie N cLennan	1.30	kevie/ , revise FI- k A letter (1.2)z correspond / ith B. - ashelsKy re same (.1).
10;09;24	Brian - aKhaimousa	0.20	Correspond / ith J. warinen re FI- k A response (.1)zrevie/ , analy& materials from FI- k A re same (.1).
10;10;24	Jennifer warinen	2.90	kevie/ and revise FI- k A response letter (1.9)zanaly& considerations re kule 144 (1.0).
10;10;24	Brian - aKhaimousa	0.10	Correspond / ith J. warinen, Loev re public filing considerations.
10;11;24	N arcela Barba	1.00	kevis FI- k A response letter (.9)z correspond / ith J. warinen re same (.1).
10;11;24	Jennifer warinen	2.80	kevis FI- k A response letter (1.9)z correspond / ith B. - aKhaimousa and N . Barba re same (.9).

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Corp., Governance, M Securities Matters

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<u>Date</u>	<u>Name</u>	<u>Hours</u>	<u>Description</u>
10;11;24	Brian - aKhaimousa	0.50	kevie/ , revise board meeting minutes (.2)z correspond / ith k . Olivett re same (.1)z correspond / ith J. warinen re FI- k A questionnaire (.1)zcorrespond / ith Company, AMN re same (.1).
10;11;24	k enee Olivett	0.20	ke vise board meeting minutes.
10;14;24	N arcela Barba	0.60	ke vie/ , revise FI- k A response letter (.5)z correspond / ith J. warinen, B. - aKhaimousa re same (.1).
10;14;24	Jennifer warinen	1.00	ke vie/ , revise FI- k A response letter (.8)z correspond / ith N . Barba re same (.2).
10;14;24	Brian - aKhaimousa	1.40	ke vie/ , revise board minutes (.6)zcorrespond / ith k . Olivett re same (.1)zrevie/ , revise FI- k A response letter (.5)zcorrespond / ith N . Barba re same (.2).
10;14;24	Brian - aKhaimousa	0.50	Correspond / ith k . Golden, k . Bentley, AMN re lender - DAs (.3)zrevie/ , revise same (.2).
10;15;24	N arcela Barba	0.20	ke vie/ , revise FI- k A response letter.
10;15;24	Jennifer warinen	0.30	Correspond / ith N . Barba re FI- k A letter.
10;15;24	Jamie N cLennan	0.30	Correspond / ith N . Barba and wME team re FI- k A letter.
10;15;24	Brian - aKhaimousa	2.00	Correspond / ith k . Olivett re board minutes (.1)zrevie/ , revise board minutes (1.9).
10;15;24	k enee Olivett	1.10	ke vise board meeting minutes (.9)z correspond / ith B. - aKhaimousa, wME team re same (.2).
10;16;24	N arcela Barba	0.40	ke vise FI- k A response letter (.2)z correspond / ith J. N cLennan, wME team re same (.2).
10;16;24	Jennifer warinen	0.20	Correspond / ith N . Barba re FI- k A response letter.
10;16;24	Brian - aKhaimousa	0.40	ke vie/ , revise board minutes (.3)zcorrespond / ith k . Olivett re same (.1).
10;16;24	Brendan - ashelsKy	0.20	Correspond / ith J. Fina, B. - aKhaimousa, wME team, Company re FI- k A letter.
10;16;24	k enee Olivett	1.70	ke vise board meeting minutes (1.3)z correspond / ith B. - aKhaimousa, wME team re same (.4).
10;17;24	Brian - aKhaimousa	0.10	Correspond / ith k . Olivett re board meeting minutes.

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 Corp., Governance, M Securities Matters

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<u>Date</u>	<u>Name</u>	<u>Hours</u>	<u>Description</u>
10;17;24	Brendan - ashelsky	0.80	review / , revise FI- k A letter (.3)zcorrespond / ith B. - aKhaimousa, wME team, Company re same (.4)zconference / ith B. - aKhaimousa re same (.1).
10;17;24	Kenee Olivett	0.40	revise board meeting minutes (.1)zcorrespond / ith B. - aKhaimousa, wME team re same (.3).
10;18;24	Narcela Barba	0.20	Correspond / ith J. warinen re securities filings.
10;18;24	Jennifer warinen	0.20	Correspond / ith N. Barba re 8Rw filing.
10;22;24	Kachael N. Bentley	1.50	review / , revise board materials re chapter 11 update (.8)zcorrespond / ith B. - aKhaimousa and wME team re same (.7).
10;22;24	Josephine Fina	0.90	review / , revise board materials (.6)zrevise fiduciary duty slides re same (.2)zcorrespond / ith K. Bentley re same (.1).
10;23;24	Kachael N. Bentley	1.10	Draft, review / , and revise board materials (1.0)zcorrespond / ith J. Fina re same (.1).
10;23;24	Brian - aKhaimousa	0.20	review / , analyze & board presentation materials.
10;24;24	Kachael N. Bentley	0.80	Participate in board meeting / ith B. Scharf & AMN, PWP, Company.
10;24;24	Brian - aKhaimousa	2.00	Attend board meeting / ith K. Bentley, Company, PWP, AMN (1.0)zsummarize & same (.8)zcorrespond / ith J. Fina re same (.2).
10;24;24	Brian Scharf & P.C.	1.00	Participate in board meeting / ith K. Bentley, AMN, PWP, Company.
10;28;24	Kachael N. Bentley	0.60	Disinterested director meeting re status and sale process.
10;28;24	Brian - aKhaimousa	0.60	Conference / ith disinterested director, K. Bentley, PWP, AMN re case status.
10;30;24	Kenee Olivett	1.70	Draft board meeting minutes.
10;31;24	Brian - aKhaimousa	0.60	review / , revise board minutes (.5)zcorrespond / ith K. Olivett re same (.1).
10;31;24	Kenee Olivett	2.20	Draft board meeting minutes (.7)zreview / , revise same (1.3)zcorrespond / ith B. - aKhaimousa re same (.2).
<b>Total</b>		<b>76.90</b>	

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December 6, 2024

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Attn: James Gregory

**Invoice Number: 1050108852**  
**Client Matter: 57088-15**

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**In the Matter of Employee Matters**

For legal services rendered through October 31, 2024  
(see attached Description of Legal Services for detail)

\$ 88,761.00

Total legal services rendered

\$ 88,761.00

Legal Services for the 9eriod Ending October 31, 2024  
 Vertex Energy Inc.  
 Employee P atters

Invoice Cumber: 1050108852  
 P attter Cumber: 57088M5

**Summary of Hours Billed**

<b><u>Name</u></b>	<b><u>Hours</u></b>	<b><u>Rate</u></b>	<b><u>Amount</u></b>
Nhristie P . Alcala	0.30	1,885.00	565.50
P atthe- Antinossi	27.40	2,115.00	57,851.00
Bachel k eeton	4.10	1,085.00	4,448.50
Bachael P . k entley	4.70	1,585.00	7,446.50
Ste- Dunos/ ovic	7.00	815.00	5,705.00
Josephine Fina	3.40	1,385.00	4,713.00
Bachel Golden	0.50	1,085.00	542.50
k rian Ca/ haimousa	5.40	1,345.00	7,263.00
<b>TOTALS</b>	<b>52.80</b>		<b>\$ 88,761.00</b>



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Vertex Energy Inc.  
Employee P atters

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### Description of Legal Services

<u>Date</u>	<u>Name</u>	<u>Hours</u>	<u>Description</u>
10/01/24	P atthe- Antinossi	0.50	Bevie- , analyKe correspondence from 9k GN re pension issues (.1)&correspond - ith k . Ca/ haimousa, ; z E team re same (.1)& revie- , analyKe - ages motion (.3).
10/01/24	k rian Ca/ haimousa	0.30	Nonference - ith B. k entley re 9k GN (.1)& correspond - ith Az P , P . Antinossi, 9k GN re conference re same (.2).
10/02/24	P atthe- Antinossi	3.20	Telephone conferences - ith B. k entley re pension issues (.4)&revie- and analyKe pension claims (.2)&research re same (.4)& telephone conference - ith 9k GN, J. Fina, ; z E team, Az P re case status, pension issues (.6)&telephone conference - ith B. k entley and Az P re same (.2)&revie- , analyKe pension documents (.R) correspond - ith Az P re same (.2)&conference - ith S. Dunos/ ovic re pension matters (.3).
10/02/24	Ste- Dunos/ ovic	0.R0	Nonference - ith P . Antinossi, ; z E team re pension (.3)&research re issues re same (.6).
10/02/24	Josephine Fina	0.50	Nonference - ith P . Antinossi, ; z E team, 9k GN re pension, employee matters (.4)& correspond - ith Az P , k . Ca/ haimousa, ; z E team re same (.1).
10/02/24	k rian Ca/ haimousa	0.80	Nonference - ith J. Fina, B. k entley re pension, employee matters (.6)&correspond - ith J. Fina, ; z E team re same (.2).
10/03/24	P atthe- Antinossi	0.R0	Telephone conference - ith Az P , Nompany, Aaron ; eys re pension issues (.5)&revie- , analyKe pension documents (.4).
10/03/24	Ste- Dunos/ ovic	0.R0	Besearch re pension considerations.
10/04/24	P atthe- Antinossi	0.60	Bevie- , analyKe correspondence from 9k GN re pension issues (.2)&correspond - ith Nompany and Aaron ; eys re same (.1)& revie- , analyKe pension documents (.3).
10/04/24	Josephine Fina	0.30	Norrespond - ith Az P re employee compensation matter (.1)&revie- , analyKe same (.2).
10/07/24	P atthe- Antinossi	0.20	Norrespond - ith k . Ca/ haimousa, ; z E team re pension matters (.1)&correspond - ith pension advisor, Az P re same (.1).

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<u>Date</u>	<u>Name</u>	<u>Hours</u>	<u>Description</u>
10/07/24	Ste- Dunos/ ovic	1.60	Bevie- , analyKe pension liabilities (.7)&draft summary re same (.R).
10/07/24	k rian Ca/ haimousa	0.20	Norrespond - ith P . Antinossi re 9k GN.
10/08/24	P atthe- Antinossi	1.10	Bevie- and analyKe pension documents (.R)& correspond - ith Aaron ; eys, k . Ca/ haimousa re same, 9k GN reWests (.2).
10/08/24	Ste- Dunos/ ovic	0.40	Besearch re pension liabilities.
10/0R/24	P atthe- Antinossi	2.70	Bevie- and analyKe pension documents (.R)& research, analyKe issues re same (.4)& telephone conference - ith k . Ca/ haimousa re pension issues (.3)&correspond - ith Nompnay, Aaron ; eys re same (.4)& correspond - ith 9k GN re pension matters (.3)&research, analyKe ban/ ruptcy implications re same (.3)&correspond - ith S. Dunos/ ovic re same (.1).
10/0R/24	Ste- Dunos/ ovic	0.50	Besearch re pension liabilities.
10/0R/24	k rian Ca/ haimousa	0.30	Nonference - ith P . Antinossi re employee matters.
10/0/24	P atthe- Antinossi	2.50	Bevie- and analyKe pension issues (1.1)& correspond - ith 9k GN team re same (.4)& correspond - ith k . Ca/ haimousa, ; z E team re same (.3)&telephone conference - ith B. kentley re same (.2)&revie- , analyKe diligence reWiest and proposes responses re employee matters (.3)&correspond - ith Az P re same (.2).
10/0/24	k rian Ca/ haimousa	0.30	Norrespond - ith Az P , P . Antinossi re employee matters.
10/1/24	P atthe- Antinossi	0.20	Bevie- , analyKe correspondence from 9k GN re pension and claims matters (.1)&correspond - ith Aaron ; eys re document reWests (.1).
10/1/24	Bachael P . kentley	2.10	Bevie- , analyKe issues re pension matters.
10/2/24	Ste- Dunos/ ovic	2.70	Besearch re pension matters.
10/4/24	P atthe- Antinossi	0.10	Bevie- , analyKe 9k GN comments to proposed bar date order.
10/5/24	P atthe- Antinossi	0.60	Bevie- , analyKe 9k GN premium filings, correspondence re same (.4)&correspond - ith k . Ca/ haimousa, ; z E team re same (.1)& revie- , analyKe 9k GN confidentiality agreement (.1).

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 Employee Matters

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<u>Date</u>	<u>Name</u>	<u>Hours</u>	<u>Description</u>
10/5/24	Bachel Golden	0.50	Nonconference - with Az P re pension (.3)& correspond - with B. kentley, J. Finamore same (.2).
10/5/24	Kieran Ca/haimousa	0.10	Nonrespond - with T. Eckert re 9k GN confidentiality agreement.
10/6/24	Patricia Antinossi	1.20	Telephone conference - with K. Ca/haimousa, ; z E team, Az P and Nompany re pension issues (.5)& review - and analyze pension documents, files, regulatory guidance re same (.6)& correspond - with B. Keeton re EBISA research (.1).
10/6/24	Kieran Ca/haimousa	0.50	Nonconference - with B. kentley, P. Antinossi, J. Finamore, Az P, Nompany re 9k GN matters.
10/7/24	Patricia Antinossi	1.40	Telephone conference - with K. Ca/haimousa, ; z E team, Nompany, Az P, Aaron ; eyes re pension issues and reviews (.5)& review - , analyze review from 9k GN re same (.2)& review - , analyze pension documents (.3)& correspond - with K. Ca/haimousa, ; z E team and Az P re same (.2)& correspond - with B. Keeton, ; z E team re EBISA research (.2).
10/7/24	Bachel Keeton	4.10	Research re employee matters (2.1)& analyze considerations re same (2.0).
10/7/24	Kieran Ca/haimousa	0.50	Nonconference - with B. kentley, ; z E team, Az P, Aaron ; eyes re pension matters and considerations (.4)& correspond - with P. Antinossi re 9k GN diligence reviews (.1).
10/8/24	Patricia Antinossi	1.40	Review - and analyze pension documents and 9k GN review (.7)& prepare draft responses to 9k GN (.5)& correspond - with K. Ca/haimousa, ; z E team, Nompany and Az P re same (.2).
10/21/24	Christie P. Alcala	0.30	Review - and analyze correspondence re employee related matters.
10/21/24	Patricia Antinossi	0.50	Nonrespond - with K. Ca/haimousa, ; z E team re pension issues and lender due diligence re employee matters (.2)& review - , analyze correspondence from Az P and Nompany re same, 9k GN review (.3).
10/21/24	Kieran Ca/haimousa	0.60	Nonrespond - with P. Antinossi, ; z E team re employee matters.

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<u>Date</u>	<u>Name</u>	<u>Hours</u>	<u>Description</u>
10/22/24	P atthe- Antinossi	1.50	Telephone conference - ith k . Ca/ haimousa, ; z E team re pension issues (.5)&telephone conference - ith Sidley re union, pension issues (.4)&correspond - ith Az P , Nompany and ; z E teams re outstanding pension reWiests and 9k GN and lender inWiiries (.3)&revie- , revise draft responses to 9k GN inWiiry (.2)&revie- , analyKe correspondence from B. k entley, Az P re same (.1).
10/22/24	Bachael P . k entley	1.10	Telephone conferences - ith J. Fina and ; z E team re pension matters (.5)&correspond - ith P . Antinossi, Az P re same (.6).
10/22/24	Josephine Fina	1.70	Nonference - ith k . Ca/ haimousa, ; z E team re pension issues (.5)&conference - ith Sidley, k . Ca/ haimousa, ; z E team re pension, and Nk A issues (1.2).
10/22/24	k rian Ca/ haimousa	0.50	Nonference - ith P . Antinossi, ; z E team re employee matters.
10/23/24	P atthe- Antinossi	0.30	Bevie- , analyKe correspondence from Az P re pension related claims (.1)&correspond - ith k . Ca/ haimousa, ; z E team re same (.1)&correspond - ith Nompany and Az P re pension reWiests (.1).
10/24/24	P atthe- Antinossi	0.10	Bevie- , analyKe correspondence from ; z E team and Az P re 9k GN claims.
10/25/24	P atthe- Antinossi	0.70	Norrespond - ith k . Ca/ haimousa, ; z E team, Az P and Nompany re pension documents and reWiests (.4)&revie- and analyKe same (.2)&correspond - ith Sidley team re same (.1).
10/28/24	P atthe- Antinossi	1.20	Bevie- and analyKe pension documents (.3)&correspond - ith Aaron ; eys re same (.1)&correspond - ith Az P re lender diligence reWiests re pension (.1)&correspond - ith Sidley re diligence reWiests re pension (.2)&telephone conference - ith k . Ca/ haimousa re pension issues (.4)&revie- and analyKe pension issues (.1).
10/28/24	k rian Ca/ haimousa	0.40	Nonference - ith P . Antinossi re employee matters.
10/2R/24	P atthe- Antinossi	1.40	Norrespond - ith Az P , Aaron ; eys re 9k GN reWiests, related documentation (.5)&revie- and analyKe same (.7)&correspond - ith Sidley re pension issues and reWiests (.2).

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 Vertex Energy Inc.  
 Employee P atters

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<u>Date</u>	<u>Name</u>	<u>Hours</u>	<u>Description</u>
10/30/24	P atthe- Antinossi	2.80	Telephone conference - ith pension T9A re 9k GN reWiests (.5)&telephone conference - ith actuarial contact re same (.3)&revie- , analyKe documents re same (.7)&telephone conference - ith Nompany and B. k entley re pension and benefits issues (.5)&telephone conference - ith B. k entley and k . Ca/ haimousa re same (.4)&revie- and analyKe pension issues (.4).
10/30/24	Bachael P . k entley	1.50	Nonference - ith Az P , Aaron ; eys, P . Antinossi, ; z E team re employee matters (.5)&conference - ith k . Ca/ haimousa, P . Antinossi re follo- up of same (.4)&correspond - ith same re same (.1)&telephone conference - ith Nompany and P . Antinossi re pension and benefits issues (.5).
10/30/24	Josephine Fina	0.00	Nonference - ith k . Ca/ haimousa, ; z E team, Nompany advisors re cash balance plan (.5)&revie- , revise DS language re same (.2)&correspond - ith B. k entley, k . ScharKre same (.2).
10/30/24	k rian Ca/ haimousa	0.00	Nonference - ith Az P , Aaron ; eys, P . Antinossi, ; z E team re employee matters (.5)&conference - ith B. k entley, P . Antinossi re follo- up of same (.4).
10/31/24	P atthe- Antinossi	2.30	Norrespond - ith pension plan service providers re 9k GN reWiests and responses (.4)&revie- and analyKe documents and responses (.6)&prepare 9k GN response and correspond - ith 9k GN re same (.R)&revie- and analyKe pension issues (.3)&correspond - ith k . Ca/ haimousa, ; z E team re same (.1).
<b>Total</b>		<b>52.80</b>	

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**Client Matter: 57088-16**

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**In the Matter of Executory Contracts and Unexpired Leases**

For legal services rendered through October 31, 2024  
(see attached Description of Legal Services for detail)

\$ 77,369.00

Total legal services rendered

\$ 77,369.00

Legal Services for the Period Ending October 31, 2024  
 Vertex Energy Inc.  
 Executory Contracts and Unexpired Leases

Invoice Number: 1050108853  
 Matter Number: 57088-16

**Summary of Hours Billed**

<b><u>Name</u></b>	<b><u>Hours</u></b>	<b><u>Rate</u></b>	<b><u>Amount</u></b>
Rachael M. Bentley	3.60	1,595.00	5,742.00
Sloane Bessey	2.20	975.00	2,145.00
Christopher Fabrizio	6.60	815.00	5,379.00
Josephine Fina	5.90	1,395.00	8,230.50
Ashlyn Gallagher	1.20	435.00	522.00
Tysan Holloman	18.30	815.00	14,914.50
Hannah Kupsky	0.90	975.00	877.50
Brian Nakhaimousa	11.20	1,345.00	15,064.00
Brendan Nashelsky	8.70	1,095.00	9,526.50
Renee Olivett	10.60	975.00	10,335.00
Joshua Raphael	4.00	1,095.00	4,380.00
Michael A. Sloman	0.20	1,265.00	253.00
<b>TOTALS</b>	<b>73.40</b>		<b>\$ 77,369.00</b>

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 Matter Number: 57088-16

### Description of Legal Services

<u>Date</u>	<u>Name</u>	<u>Hours</u>	<u>Description</u>
10/06/24	Christopher Fabrizio	0.90	Review, analyze unexpired lease re termination considerations (.5); summarize provisions re same (.4).
10/06/24	Joshua Raphael	0.10	Review, analyze lease and correspond with C. Fabrizio re same.
10/07/24	Christopher Fabrizio	0.50	Review, revise analysis re lease termination (.2); correspond with J. Raphael re same (.2); correspond with T. Holloman re stipulation and agreed order research (.1).
10/07/24	Josephine Fina	0.80	Correspond with A&M re executory contract issues (.1); correspond with T. Eck, Q. Wetzel re same (.1); review, analyze same (.2); correspond with B. Nakhaimousa, K&E team re consensual lease rejection (.1); review, analyze same (.3).
10/07/24	Tysan Holloman	0.60	Review and analyze precedent re lease termination stipulations.
10/07/24	Joshua Raphael	0.40	Review, analyze lease re rejection (.3); correspond with C. Fabrizio re same (.1).
10/08/24	Tysan Holloman	2.90	Review and analyze precedent stipulations (.6); draft rejection stipulation (2.0); review and revise same (.3).
10/08/24	Hannah Kupsky	0.90	Review, analyze agreement re assignment.
10/08/24	Brian Nakhaimousa	0.20	Correspond with counsel to lease counterparty re rejection.
10/09/24	Brian Nakhaimousa	0.80	Correspond with counsel to lease counterparty, A&M re rejection (.3); conference with same re same (.5).
10/10/24	Brian Nakhaimousa	0.20	Conference with R. Bentley, J. Fina, Greenberg Traurig re Matheson rejection.
10/11/24	Rachael M. Bentley	1.00	Review, analyze NDA re same (.1); review, analyze issues re Matheson removal (.9).
10/11/24	Christopher Fabrizio	2.80	Research re executory contracts (.8); review, analyze executory contract (1.8); telephone conference with J. Raphael re same (.2).
10/11/24	Josephine Fina	0.30	Review, analyze cure notices (.2); correspond with Q. Wetzel re same (.1).
10/11/24	Brian Nakhaimousa	0.20	Correspond with R. Olivett, H. Kupsky, R. Golden re Matheson rejection (.1); conference with R. Golden re same (.1).



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10/11/24	Brian Nakhaimousa	0.10	Correspond with J. Raphael re lease rejection.
10/11/24	Renee Olivett	2.40	Review, analyze Matheson contract (1.9); conference with R. Golden re same (.2); correspond with I. Paretti, K&E team re same (.3).
10/11/24	Joshua Raphael	0.10	Conference with C. Fabrizio re executory contract.
10/14/24	Christopher Fabrizio	0.30	Review, analyze leases (.2); correspond with J. Raphael re same (.1).
10/14/24	Josephine Fina	0.80	Correspond with B. Nakhaimousa re rejection stipulations (.2); correspond with Q. Wetzel re amended cure schedule (.2); review, analyze cure issues (.2); review, analyze contract amendment issues (.1); correspond with B. Nakhaimousa, K&E team re same (.1).
10/14/24	Brian Nakhaimousa	1.90	Review, revise Matheson rejection order (.2); correspond with R. Olivett, B. Nashelsky re same (.1); conference with B. Nashelsky re Matheson issues (.1); review, analyze Matheson agreement re issues re rejection order (.9); correspond with R. Olivett re same (.1); review, analyze creditor agreement (.4); correspond with R. Bentley re considerations re same (.1).
10/14/24	Brendan Nashelsky	2.40	Review, revise Matheson rejection motion re dismantling agreement (.3); telephone conferences with B. Nakhaimousa, R. Olivett re same (.2); correspond with B. Nakhaimousa, K&E team re same (.6); review, analyze materials re same (1.3).
10/14/24	Renee Olivett	2.10	Revise Matheson rejection order (.6); analyze Matheson contract re issues re same (1.1); correspond with B. Nakhaimousa, A&M re same (.4).
10/15/24	Christopher Fabrizio	0.70	Review, analyze agreement re executoriness (.5); correspond with J. Raphael re same (.2).
10/15/24	Josephine Fina	0.30	Review, analyze revised Matheson rejection order (.2); correspond with R. Olivett re same (.1).
10/15/24	Brian Nakhaimousa	0.70	Correspond with R. Olivett, R. Bentley, K&E team, Company re Matheson rejection order.
10/15/24	Brian Nakhaimousa	0.50	Review revised Matheson rejection order.

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10/15/24	Brendan Nashelsky	0.60	Review, analyze materials re Matheson rejection order.
10/15/24	Renee Olivett	2.40	Review, analyze Matheson contracts re security procedures.
10/16/24	Tysan Holloman	3.10	Review and revise lease rejection stipulation (2.8); correspond with B. Nakhaimousa, K&E team re same (.3).
10/16/24	Brian Nakhaimousa	1.00	Review, revise stipulation re lease rejection (.4); correspond with T. Holloman re same (.1); correspond with R. Olivett re Matheson rejection order (.2); review, analyze security protocol summary re rejection issues re same (.2); correspond with R. Olivett re same (.1).
10/16/24	Renee Olivett	1.30	Revise Matheson rejection order (.6); correspond with A&M re security provisions (.3); correspond with B. Nakhaimousa, K&E team re same (.4).
10/17/24	Sloane Bessey	1.00	Review, analyze contract re potential executory status (.8); summarize contract re potential executory status (.2).
10/17/24	Josephine Fina	0.30	Review, analyze cure issues (.2); correspond with Q. Wetzel re same (.1).
10/17/24	Tysan Holloman	1.20	Review and revise lease termination stipulation.
10/17/24	Brian Nakhaimousa	0.50	Correspond with T. Holloman re rejection stipulation (.1); conference with R. Bentley re rejection considerations (.1); correspond with C. Fabrizio, T. Holloman re research re same (.1); correspond with B. Nashelsky re Matheson rejection motion (.2).
10/17/24	Brendan Nashelsky	0.30	Correspond with B. Nakhaimousa, A&M re rejection.
10/18/24	Josephine Fina	1.90	Review, analyze motion to compel assumption or rejection (.4); review, analyze precedent responses re same (.4); conference with K&E team, A&M re same (.5); conference with RCP counsel re same (.6).

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10/18/24	Brian Nakhaimousa	2.10	Correspond with RCP, J. Raphael re motion to compel (.1); conference with J. Raphael re same (.3); correspond with Bracewell re same (.1); conference with A&M, J. Raphael, K&E team re same (.5); conference with R. Bentley, K&E team, RCP re same (.5); review objection and prepare for conference (.5).; correspond with B. Nashelsky, R. Olivett, R. Bentley re Matheson rejection order (.1);.
10/18/24	Brendan Nashelsky	0.40	Correspond with B. Nakhaimousa, K&E team re Matheson rejection (.2); review, analyze materials re same (.2).
10/18/24	Renee Olivett	0.40	Revise Matheson rejection order (.3); correspond with B. Nashelsky re same (.1).
10/18/24	Joshua Raphael	0.50	Conference with creditor re motion to compel.
10/20/24	Tysan Holloman	2.70	Research re assumption and assignment of intellectual property contracts.
10/21/24	Josephine Fina	0.50	Correspond with A&M re rejection issues (.2); review, analyze notice of adjournment of motion to compel (.2); correspond with K&E team re same (.1).
10/21/24	Tysan Holloman	0.20	Review and revise lease rejection stipulation.
10/21/24	Brian Nakhaimousa	0.20	Correspond with B. Nashelsky, K&E team re Matheson rejection order.
10/21/24	Brendan Nashelsky	2.60	Review, revise certificate of no objection re rejection order (1.3); review, revise rejection order (.5); correspond with B. Nakhaimousa, K&E team, Bracewell, Matheson counsel, Sidley re same (.8).
10/22/24	Tysan Holloman	0.30	Review and revise lease termination stipulation.
10/23/24	Sloane Bessey	1.10	Review, analyze contracts re potential executory status.
10/23/24	Tysan Holloman	1.20	Review, analyze executory contracts.
10/24/24	Brian Nakhaimousa	0.50	Conference with R. Bentley, counsel to executory contract re executoriness.
10/24/24	Brendan Nashelsky	2.00	Review, analyze materials re Matheson rejection, removal of Facility.
10/24/24	Joshua Raphael	0.50	Review, analyze lease rejection stipulation, precedent re abandoned property.
10/26/24	Brian Nakhaimousa	0.10	Correspond with J. Raphael re lease rejection.

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10/28/24	Rachael M. Bentley	0.90	Conference with B. Nakhaimousa, K&E team, counsel to executory contract counterparty re assumption (.6); follow up conference with B. Nakhaimousa, J. Fina re same (.3).
10/28/24	Josephine Fina	0.50	Conference with K&E team, A&M teams re cure issues.
10/28/24	Tysan Holloman	1.30	Review, analyze precedent stipulations re contract counterparty.
10/28/24	Brian Nakhaimousa	1.70	Conference with R. Bentley, K&E team, counsel to executory contract re assumption (.5); follow up conference with R. Bentley, J. Fina re same (.2); conference with J. Raphael re same (.1); correspond with J. Raphael, A&M re rejection of lease (.2); review, analyze stipulation re same (.4); conference with A&M re rejection of executory contract (.3).
10/28/24	Renee Olivett	0.20	Correspond with T. Holloman, K&E team re Matheson removal agreement.
10/28/24	Joshua Raphael	0.10	Review, revise lease rejection stipulation and correspond with B. Nakhaimousa, K&E team, A&M re same.
10/28/24	Joshua Raphael	0.20	Review, analyze rejection stipulation; correspond with R. Bentley re same.
10/29/24	Sloane Bessey	0.10	Review, revise rejection stipulation.
10/29/24	Ashlyn Gallagher	1.20	Review, compile precedent re removal agreement re Matheson.
10/29/24	Tysan Holloman	3.20	Review and analyze precedent stipulations re lease rejection.
10/29/24	Renee Olivett	0.20	Correspond with Bracewell re Matheson rejection order.
10/29/24	Joshua Raphael	0.30	Review, revise lease rejection stipulation (.2); correspond with R. Bentley, K&E team, A&M re same (.1).
10/30/24	Rachael M. Bentley	1.70	Telephone conference with B. Nakhaimousa, A&M re executory contract matters (.2); correspond with same re same (.4); review, analyze issues and related strategy re same (.6); review, revise stipulation re rejection (.4); correspond with J. Raphael, K&E team re same (.1).

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10/30/24	Josephine Fina	0.50	Conference with B. Nakhaimousa, K&E team, A&M re contract rejection.
10/30/24	Brian Nakhaimousa	0.20	Conference with A&M, R. Bentley re potential rejection.
10/30/24	Brendan Nashelsky	0.30	Correspond with B. Nakhaimousa, Matheson re contract rejection order (.2); conference with R. Olivett re Matheson procedures (.1).
10/30/24	Renee Olivett	0.20	Analyze precedent re Matheson removal agreement.
10/30/24	Joshua Raphael	0.10	Review, revise lease rejection stipulation and correspond with Sidley, K&E team re same.
10/30/24	Joshua Raphael	1.00	Draft objection re motion to compel.
10/30/24	Michael A. Sloman	0.20	Conference with B. Nakhaimousa re Matheson contract.
10/31/24	Christopher Fabrizio	1.40	Review, analyze agreement re executory considerations and claims (1.2); correspond with R. Golden re same (.2).
10/31/24	Tysan Holloman	1.60	Draft Matheson rejection stipulation.
10/31/24	Brian Nakhaimousa	0.30	Review, analyze agreement re claim considerations (.2); correspond with A&M, J. Raphael re same (.1).
10/31/24	Brendan Nashelsky	0.10	Correspond with B. Nakhaimousa, K&E team, opposing counsel re contract rejection order.
10/31/24	Renee Olivett	1.40	Draft agreement re Matheson contract (1.1); correspond with T. Holloman re same (.3).
10/31/24	Joshua Raphael	0.60	Draft objection re potential motion to compel.
10/31/24	Joshua Raphael	0.10	Correspond with Sidley, landlord counsel re lease rejection stipulation.
<b>Total</b>		<b>73.40</b>	

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For legal services rendered through October 31, 2024  
(see attached Description of Legal Services for detail)

\$ 106,77P.50

Total legal services rendered

\$ 106,77P.50

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**Summary of Hours Billed**

<b><u>Name</u></b>	<b><u>Hours</u></b>	<b><u>Rate</u></b>	<b><u>Amount</u></b>
- ax Anderson	7.20	1,0P5.00	7,884.00
Bachael - . 9 entley	3.20	1,5P5.00	5,104.00
kac / iullo	0.80	1,555.00	1,244.00
Josephine Fina	8.10	1,3P5.00	11,2PP.50
Stefanie I. Gitler	6.40	1,885.00	12,064.00
Bachel Golden	1.00	1,0P5.00	1,0P5.00
Tysan Holloman	1.60	815.00	1,304.00
9 rian NaChaimousa	13.00	1,345.00	17,485.00
9 rendan NashelsCy	32.70	1,0P5.00	35,806.50
Benee Olivett	6.40	P75.00	6,240.00
- aryR ichael Bobertson	8.P0	815.00	7,253.50
<b>TOTALS</b>	<b>89.30</b>		<b>\$ 106,779.50</b>

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0P2724	Josephine Fina	0.60	BevieK, analy& insider analysis (.2); correspond Kith B. 9 entley, z q E team re same (.2); conference Kith Aq - re same (.2).
0P2724	9 rian NaChaimousa	0.30	/ onference Kith Aq - , J. Fina, NashelsCy, re SoFAs.
0P2724	9 rendan NashelsCy	0.30	Telephone conference Kith J. Fina, 9 . NaChaimousa, Aq - re schedules (.2); correspond Kith Aq - re same (.1).
102724	9 rian NaChaimousa	0.10	/ orrespond Kith 9 . NashelsCy re creditor matrix.
102724	Josephine Fina	0.50	BevieK, analy& SoFAs and schedules issues (.2); correspond Kith Aq - re same (.1); conference Kith 9 . NaChaimousa re same (.2).
102724	Josephine Fina	0.20	/ orrespond Kith Aq - re SoFAs and schedules issues.
102724	Josephine Fina	0.30	/ onference Kith Aq - , 9 . NaChaimousa re SoFAs and schedules issues.
102724	9 rian NaChaimousa	0.10	/ onference Kith Aq - , J. Fina re SoFAs and schedules.
102724	Josephine Fina	0.30	BevieK, analy& SoFAs and schedules issues (.2); correspond Kith 9 . NashelsCy re same (.1).
102724	9 rendan NashelsCy	0.40	BevieK, analy& correspondence re SoFAs (.2); correspond Kith J. Fina, z q E team, Aq - re same (.2).
102824	9 rian NaChaimousa	0.10	/ orrespond Kith 9 . NashelsCy re SoFAs.
102824	9 rendan NashelsCy	0.40	BevieK, analy& materials re SoFAs (.2); correspond Kith 9 . NaChaimousa, Aq - re same (.2).
102124	Josephine Fina	0.30	/ orrespond Kith 9 . NashelsCy re SoFAs and schedules (.1); revieK, analy& issues re same (.2).
102124	9 rendan NashelsCy	1.30	BevieK, analy& materials re SoFAs (.8); correspond Kith B. Olivett, z q E team re same (.5).
102124	Bence Olivett	1.10	BevieK, analy&, comment on SoFAs and schedules.
102224	Josephine Fina	0.40	/ onference Kith 9 . NaChaimousa, z q E team, Aq - re SoFAs and schedules.



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10/22/24	9rian NaChaimousa	1.10	/ correspond Kith Aq - re SoFAs and schedules (.7); conference Kith Aq - , J. Fina re same (.4).
10/22/24	9rendan NashelsCy	2.20	BevieK, revise global notes (1.8) correspond Kith J. Fina, z q E team, Aq - re same (.4).
10/22/24	Benee Olivett	0.40	BevieK, revise SoFAs and schedules (.2); correspond Kith 9 . NashelsCy re same, global notes (.2).
10/23/24	Bachael - . 9 entley	0.50	BevieK, analy&e issues re SoFAs and schedules.
10/23/24	9rian NaChaimousa	3.60	BevieK, revise global notes (2.3); revieK, analy&e precedent re same (.7); correspond Kith 9 . NashelsCy re same (.4); conference Kith Aq - , 9 . NashelsCy re global notes (.2).
10/23/24	9rendan NashelsCy	3.70	BevieK, revise global notes (3.1); correspond Kith 9 . NaChaimousa, z q E team, Aq - re same (.6).
10/24/24	- ax Anderson	1.30	/ onference Kith S. Gitler, z q E team re responses to environmental SoFAs reZuests (.5); revieK, analy&e diligence materials re same (.3); draft summary of environmental responses (.3); draft document reZuest list re same (.2).
10/24/24	Josephine Fina	1.10	/ onference Kith 9 . NaChaimousa, z q E team, Aq - re SoFAs and schedules (.5); conferences and correspond Kith 9 . NashelsCy re same (.4); revieK, analy&e issues re same (.2).
10/24/24	Tysan Holloman	1.60	BevieK and revise global notes.
10/24/24	9rian NaChaimousa	2.00	/ onference Kith 9 . NashelsCy, z q E team, Aq - re SoFAs and schedules (.8); revieK, analy&e SoFAs and schedules (1.8); correspond Kith 9 . NashelsCy, Aq - re same (.3).
10/24/24	9rendan NashelsCy	6.30	BevieK, revise SoFAs and schedules (3.6); revieK, analy&e precedent re same (1.5); correspond Kith J. Fina, z q E team, Aq - re same (.4); conference Kith J. Fina, 9 . NaChaimousa, Aq - re same (.8).
10/24/24	Benee Olivett	1.10	BevieK, analy&e SoFAs and schedules (1.0); correspond Kith 9 . NashelsCy re same (.1).
10/25/24	Bachael - . 9 entley	0.40	BevieK, revise global note.

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10/25/24	Kac / iullo	0.80	/ orrespond Kith B. 9 entley and T. z napp re schedules (.4); comment on same re same (.4).
10/25/24	Josephine Fina	2.30	BevieK, revise SoFAs and schedules (1.3); conferences and correspond Kith 9 . NaChaimousa, 9 . NashelsCy, Aq - team re same (1.0).
10/25/24	Bachel Golden	1.00	/ onference Kith 9 . NashelsCy, Aq - re SoFAs, schedules (.8); prepare same for filing (.2).
10/25/24	9 rian NaChaimousa	4.10	BevieK, comment on SoFAs and schedules (3.6); multiple conferences Kith 9 . NashelsCy re same (.5).
10/25/24	9 rendan NashelsCy	12.40	BevieK, revise SoFAs and schedules (3.P); revieK, analy& considerations, related revieK of precedent re same (1.8); further revieK, revise same (3.4); telephone conferences Kith 9 . NaChaimousa, z q E team, Aq - re same (1.2); research re same (2.1).
10/25/24	Benee Olivett	3.10	BevieK, analy& SoFAs and schedules (1.7); analy& precedent re same (1.1); correspond Kith 9 . NashelsCy re same (.3).
10/26/24	9 rendan NashelsCy	0.50	BevieK, analy& materials re SoFAs and schedules (.2); correspond Kith 9 . NaChaimousa, Aq - re same (.3).
10/27/24	9 rendan NashelsCy	0.40	/ orrespond Kith 9 . NaChaimousa, z q E team re Form 426 re nonDebtor entity (.1); revieK, analy& materials re same (.3).
10/28/24	Josephine Fina	0.80	BevieK, analy& schedules and SOFAs issues (.3); correspond Kith B. 9 entley, z q E team re same (.2); research re form 426 (.3).
10/28/24	Stefanie I. Gitler	0.40	/ orrespond Kith z q E team re environmental items on SoFA (.2); correspond Kith / ompany re conference re same (.2).
10/28/24	9 rian NaChaimousa	0.40	/ orrespond Kith 9 . NashelsCy re Form 426 (.2); revieK, revise same (.2).
10/28/24	9 rendan NashelsCy	2.60	BevieK, revise Form 426 filing (1.6); correspond Kith B. 9 entley, z q E team, Aq - re same (.6); correspond Kith B. 9 entley, z q E team, Aq - , / ompany re SoFAs and schedules (.2); conference Kith Aq - re same (.2).

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10/2/24	- Max Anderson	5.50	Telephone conference with Kith S. Gitler, z q E team, / company, Aq - re SoFA (.4); prepare for same (.1); conference with Kith S. Gitler, z q E team re SoFAs (.5); review, analyze & documents, environmental search results re same (1.4); review, revise SoFAs re environmental responses (3.1).
10/2/24	Bachael - . Bentley	0.80	Telephone conferences and correspond with Kith S. Gitler, z q E team re environmental matters re SoFAs and schedules.
10/2/24	Josephine Fina	0.50	/ conference with Kith z q E team, Alix Martners re SoFAs and schedules issues.
10/2/24	Stefanie I. Gitler	1.80	Participate in telephone conference with Kith / company, B. Bentley, z q E team re SoFAs (.4); prepare for same (.1); conference with - . Anderson, z q E team re same (.5); review, analyze & issues, SoFAs re same (.8).
10/2/24	Brandon Nashelsky	0.80	Telephone conference with Kith B. Bentley, z q E team, Aq - , / company re SoFAs and schedules (.4); review, analyze & materials re same (.2); correspond with Kith J. Fina, z q E team re Form 426 (.2).
10/2/24	- Mary Michael Robertson	6.60	/ conference with Kith - . Anderson re SoFAs (.2); review, analyze & materials re same (3.5); review, analyze & precedent, related issues and considerations re same (2.P).
10/30/24	- Max Anderson	0.40	Participate in telephone conference with Kith S. Gitler, z q E team, Aq - , / company re SoFA.
10/30/24	Bachael - . Bentley	1.00	Telephone conference with Kith S. Gitler, Aq - re SoFAs and schedules (.2); review, analyze & documents re same (.2); telephone conference with Kith / company, S. Gitler, z q E team, Aq - re same (.3); telephone conference with / company re schedules and statements (.2); correspond re same (.1).
10/30/24	Josephine Fina	0.50	/ conference with Kith B. Bentley, z q E team, Alix Martners re SoFAs issues.
10/30/24	Josephine Fina	0.30	/ correspond with Kith B. Bentley re SoFAs.
10/30/24	Stefanie I. Gitler	4.20	/ conference with Kith B. Bentley, z q E team, Aq - , / company re SoFAs (.3); review and revise document summarizing materials re same (3.P).

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 Vertex Energy Inc.  
 SOFAs and Schedules

Invoice Number: 1050108854  
 - Matter Number: 57088817

<u>Date</u>	<u>Name</u>	<u>Hours</u>	<u>Description</u>
10/30/24	Shirley NaChaimousa	0.30	Conference with Kith S. Gitler, z q E team, / company, Aq - re environmental considerations re SoFAs.
10/30/24	Shirley Nashelsky	1.30	Telephone conference with Kith B. Gentley, z q E team, Aq - , / company re amended SOFAs (.3); correspond with Kith S. NaChaimousa, z q E team, Aq - , U.S. Trustee re same (.6); review, analyze materials re same (.2); conference with Kith J. Finamore re same (.2).
10/30/24	Shirley Michael Robertson	2.30	Review and revise SoFAs re environmental considerations (.3); telephone conference with Kith / company, S. NaChaimousa, z q E team re same (.3); prepare for same (.7); review, analyze environmental database search results re same (1.0).
10/31/24	Shirley - . Gentley	0.50	Review, revise global notes (.4); correspond with Kith S. Nashelsky re same (.1).
10/31/24	Shirley Nashelsky	0.10	Correspond with Kith B. Olivett, Aq - re amended SoFAs.
10/31/24	Benee Olivett	0.70	Review, analyze SoFA revisions (.5); correspond with Kith S. Nashelsky re same (.2).
<b>Total</b>		<b>89.30</b>	

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December 6, 2024

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Houston, TX 77058

Attn: James Gregory

**Invoice Number: 1050108855**  
**Client Matter: 57088-18**

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## In the Matter of Hearings

For legal services rendered through October 31, 2024  
(see attached Description of Legal Services for detail)

\$ 73,091.00

Total legal services rendered

\$ 73,091.00

Legal Services for the Period Ending October 31, 2024  
 Vertex Energy Inc.  
 Hearings

Invoice Cumber: 1050108855  
 Uatter Cumber: 57088N8

**Summary of Hours Billed**

<b><u>Name</u></b>	<b><u>Hours</u></b>	<b><u>Rate</u></b>	<b><u>Amount</u></b>
Michael U. - entley	4.60	1,595.00	7,337.00
Sloane - essey	7.60	975.00	7,410.00
Jacob E. - lacR	1.60	1,265.00	2,024.00
Trevor EcR	6.90	1,095.00	7,555.50
Josephine Fina	3.00	1,395.00	4,185.00
Ashlyn Gallagher	2.20	435.00	957.00
Machel Golden	0.50	1,095.00	547.50
Georgia UeadoB	1.60	355.00	568.00
- arira U unshi	0.50	1,365.00	682.50
- rian CaRhaimousa	7.70	1,345.00	10,356.50
- rendan CashelsRy	6.40	1,095.00	7,008.00
Isabella J. Paretti	1.80	1,095.00	1,971.00
Joshua Maphael	0.50	1,095.00	547.50
Anna G. Motman, P.z .	1.50	1,955.00	2,932.50
Laura Saal	2.30	625.00	1,437.50
- rian ScharK, P.z .	6.80	2,305.00	15,674.00
Uichael A. Sloman	1.50	1,265.00	1,897.50
<b>TOTALS</b>	<b>57.00</b>		<b>\$ 73,091.00</b>

Legal Services for the Period Ending October 31, 2024  
Vertex Energy Inc.  
Hearings

Invoice Cumber: 1050108855  
U atter Cumber: 57088N8

### Description of Legal Services

<u>Date</u>	<u>Name</u>	<u>Hours</u>	<u>Description</u>
09/25/24	Michael U. - entley	3.40	Prepare for hearing (1.9)/ attend first day hearing (1.5).
09/25/24	Sloane - essey	3.20	z oordinate logistics of first day hearing.
09/25/24	Jacob E. - lacR	1.60	Telephonically attend first day hearing.
09/25/24	Josephine Fina	2.10	Attend first day hearing (1.6)/ conference Bith - . CaRhaimousa and w; E team re same (.5).
09/25/24	Ashlyn Gallagher	1.60	Telephonically attend first day hearing to monitor lines for attorneys.
09/25/24	- rian CaRhaimousa	3.60	Prepare for first day hearing (2.0)/ participate in first day hearing (1.6).
09/25/24	Isabella J. Paretti	1.00	z onference Bith A; U team re preparation of evidentiary support re first day hearing.
09/25/24	Anna G. Mtman, P.z .	1.50	Telephonically attend first day hearing.
09/25/24	Laura Saal	2.00	Telephonically attend first day hearing to assist attorneys (1.6)/ prepare for same (.4).
09/25/24	- rian SchartK, P.z .	6.00	Prepare for first day hearing (3.9)/ revieB, revise talRing points re same (.5)/ attend first day hearing (1.6).
09/25/24	U ichael A. Sloman	1.50	Telephonically attend first day hearing.
10/16/24	Isabella J. Paretti	0.80	MevieB, revise Bitness and exhibit list re second day hearing (.7)/ conference Bith J. Fina, M Golden re same (.1).
10/17/24	- rian CaRhaimousa	0.20	z orrespond Bith - raceBell, I. Paretti re Bitness and exhibit list.
10/18/24	Sloane - essey	2.30	Mevis notice re second day hearing add&urnment (1.0)/ correspond Bith J. Fina and w; E team re same (.6)/ correspond Bith J. Fina, w; E team, and - raceBell team re same (.7).
10/18/24	Georgia U eadoB	0.40	z orrespond Bith L. Saal re hearing preparations.
10/18/24	- rian CaRhaimousa	0.50	z orrespond Bith M - entley re Bitness and exhibit list (.1)/ correspond Bith S. - essey re notice of add&urned second day hearing (.1)/ revieB, revise same (.1)/ conference Bith M - entley re same (.1)/ correspond Bith Sidley re same (.1).

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Vertex Energy Inc.  
Hearings

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<u>Date</u>	<u>Name</u>	<u>Hours</u>	<u>Description</u>
10k18k24	- rendan CashelsRy	0.60	z orrespond Bith - . CaRhaimousa, Q. WetKel re second day hearing slides (.3)/ correspond Bith S. - essey re notice of ad&urned hearing (.2)/ revieB, revise same (.1).
10k23k24	Sloane - essey	0.10	z orrespond Bith J. Fina and w; E team re hearing presentation.
10k23k24	Trevor EcR	0.90	MevieB, revise Bitness and exhibit list re bar date hearing (.3)/ revieB, analyKe precedent re same (.6).
10k23k24	Trevor EcR	0.50	MevieB, revise agenda re bar date hearing.
10k23k24	- rian CaRhaimousa	0.20	z orrespond Bith - raceBell re Bitness and exhibit list.
10k24k24	Sloane - essey	0.60	z orrespond Bith J. Fina and w; E team re upcoming hearing logistics.
10k24k24	Trevor EcR	2.80	Prepare re bar date hearing.
10k24k24	- rian CaRhaimousa	0.30	z orrespond Bith T. EcRre hearing agenda (.1)/ correspond Bith - raceBell, T. EcRre bar date hearing (.2).
10k25k24	Sloane - essey	0.90	z orrespond Bith T. EcRand w; E team re hearing logistics (.6)/ telephonically attend hearing (.3).
10k25k24	Trevor EcR	2.20	Participate in bar date hearing (.3)/ prepare re same (1.3)/ conference Bith - . CaRhaimousa re hearing preparation (.6).
10k25k24	Josephine Fina	0.50	Telephonically attend bar date hearing (.3)/ prepare for same (.2).
10k25k24	Ashlyn Gallagher	0.20	Telephonically attend bar date hearing to assist attorneys.
10k25k24	Machel Golden	0.50	z orrespond Bith S. - essey re hearing logistics.
10k25k24	Georgia U eadoB	0.60	Telephonically attend bar date hearing to assist attorneys (.3)/ correspond Bith A. Gallagher, w; E team re listenNonly logistics (.3).
10k25k24	- rian CaRhaimousa	1.90	Attend bar date hearing (.3)/ prepare for same (1.0)/ conference Bith T. EcRre preparation of same (.6).
10k28k24	Georgia U eadoB	0.10	z orrespond Bith L. Saal re second day hearing preparation.
10k28k24	- rendan CashelsRy	1.90	Prepare for second day hearing (1.6)/ telephone conferences Bith - . CaRhaimousa, w; E team re same (.3).



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<u>Date</u>	<u>Name</u>	<u>Hours</u>	<u>Description</u>
10/28/24	Joshua Maphael	0.40	MevieB, revise hearing agenda (.3)/ correspond Bith - raceBell, w; E team re same (.1).
10/28/24	Laura Saal	0.30	z orrespond Bith J. Fina, w; E team re hearing.
10/29/24	Michael U. - entley	0.50	Participate in second day hearing.
10/29/24	Michael U. - entley	0.70	Prepare for second day hearing.
10/29/24	Sloane - essey	0.50	z onference Bith - . CashelsRy and w; E team re hearing logistics.
10/29/24	Trevor EcR	0.50	Telephonically attend second day hearing.
10/29/24	Josephine Fina	0.40	Attend second day hearing.
10/29/24	Ashlyn Gallagher	0.40	Telephonically attend second day hearing to assist attorneys.
10/29/24	Georgia U eadoB	0.50	Telephonically attend second day hearing to assist attorneys.
10/29/24	- arira U unshi	0.50	Attend second day hearing.
10/29/24	- rian CaRhaimousa	1.00	Telephonically attend second day hearing (.5)/ conference Bith - . CashelsRy re preparation for same (.5).
10/29/24	- rendan CashelsRy	3.90	Participate in second day hearing (.5)/ prepare for second day hearing (3.4).
10/29/24	Joshua Maphael	0.10	z onference Bith - . CashelsRy re hearing preparation.
10/29/24	- rian SchartK P.z .	0.80	Attend second day hearing (.6)/ correspond Bith M - entley, w; E team re same (.2).
<b>Total</b>		<b>57.00</b>	

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**Client Matter: 57088-19**

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## In the Matter of Insurance and Surety Matters

For legal services rendered through October 31, 2024  
(see attached Description of Legal Services for detail)

\$ 126,088.00

Total legal services rendered

\$ 126,088.00

Legal Services for the Period Ending October 31, 2024  
 Vertex Energy Inc.  
 Insurance and Surety Matters

Invoice Number: 1050108856  
 Matter Number: 57088-19

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**Summary of Hours Billed**

<b><u>Name</u></b>	<b><u>Hours</u></b>	<b><u>Rate</u></b>	<b><u>Amount</u></b>
Rachael M. Bentley	6.30	1,595.00	10,048.50
Josephine Fina	19.50	1,395.00	27,202.50
Rachel Golden	72.80	1,095.00	79,716.00
Tysan Holloman	1.20	815.00	978.00
Georgia Meadow	0.80	355.00	284.00
Brian Nakhaimousa	3.50	1,345.00	4,707.50
Renee Olivett	0.20	975.00	195.00
Isabella J. Paretti	2.70	1,095.00	2,956.50
<b>TOTALS</b>	<b>107.00</b>		<b>\$ 126,088.00</b>

Legal Services for the Period Ending October 31, 2024  
 Vertex Energy Inc.  
 Insurance and Surety Matters

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**Description of Legal Services**

<b><u>Date</u></b>	<b><u>Name</u></b>	<b><u>Hours</u></b>	<b><u>Description</u></b>
10/03/24	Josephine Fina	0.50	Review motion precedent re litigation re insurance.
10/03/24	Brian Nakhaimousa	0.10	Review motion precedent re litigation re insurance and correspond with I. Paretti re same.
10/04/24	Josephine Fina	0.80	Conference and correspond with R. Golden re comfort order, 9019 motion (.7); review, analyze precedent re same (.1).
10/04/24	Rachel Golden	1.80	Conference with J. Fina re comfort order (.6); correspond with J. Fina re same (.1); research re comfort order precedent (1.1).
10/08/24	Josephine Fina	0.90	Conference with R. Golden re comfort motion and related issues (.2); conference with R. Golden, Steptoe re same (.5); correspond with R. Golden, R. Bentley re same (.2).
10/08/24	Rachel Golden	0.50	Conference with Steptoe re securities litigation.
10/08/24	Rachel Golden	0.70	Conference with J. Fina, K&E team re securities class action, ordinary course professionals.
10/10/24	Rachel Golden	2.70	Correspond with R. Bentley, J. Fina re securities litigation (.2); correspond with Steptoe re same (.2); research re securities litigation (2.3).
10/11/24	Rachel Golden	3.40	Correspond with R. Bentley, J. Fina re securities litigation (.2); correspond with Steptoe re same (.2); conference with Steptoe re same (.4); draft summary re same (.3); research re securities litigation (2.3).
10/14/24	Josephine Fina	0.30	Review, analyze surety bond issue (.2); correspond with I. Paretti re same (.1).
10/14/24	Brian Nakhaimousa	0.10	Correspond with R. Bentley re securities litigation matters.
10/14/24	Isabella J. Paretti	1.20	Correspond with surety re plan, case status (.2); correspond with J. Fina, K&E team re same (.1); research re same (.9).
10/15/24	Josephine Fina	0.50	Conference with counsel to class action, R. Golden, K&E team re securities litigation.

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10/15/24	Rachel Golden	2.60	Correspond with L. Saal re comfort order (.1) conference with counterparty re mediation update (.3); review and revise comfort order (1.7); conference with counsel re litigation, related issues (.5).
10/15/24	Georgia Meadow	0.80	Review and revise comfort motion (.6); correspond with R. Golden re same (.2).
10/15/24	Isabella J. Paretti	0.40	Correspond with A&M, Verita re surety matters (.2); review, revise notice re same (.2).
10/16/24	Josephine Fina	0.40	Conference with I. Paretti, counsel to Liberty Mutual re surety issue.
10/16/24	Brian Nakhaimousa	0.20	Conference with J. Fina, I. Paretti, counsel to surety re status (.1); correspond with I. Paretti re same (.1).
10/16/24	Isabella J. Paretti	0.40	Conference with counsel to surety, B. Nakhaimousa, J. Fina re case status.
10/18/24	Rachel Golden	1.30	Research re comfort, 9019 motion.
10/21/24	Josephine Fina	0.20	Correspond and conference with R. Golden re mediation, comfort motion.
10/21/24	Rachel Golden	2.70	Review, analyze D&O policies.
10/21/24	Isabella J. Paretti	0.70	Conference with R. Golden re insurance comfort motion (.5); research re same (.2).
10/22/24	Josephine Fina	0.40	Conferences with R. Golden re insurance and comfort motion.
10/22/24	Rachel Golden	10.80	Draft motion re insurance proceeds, settlement agreement (3.9); review, analyze insurance policies, precedent re same (3.9); correspond with J. Fina re same (.6); further review, revise same (2.4).
10/22/24	Brian Nakhaimousa	0.60	Conference with J. Fina, R. Golden re 9019 motion.
10/23/24	Rachel Golden	1.10	Conference with counterparty, J. Fina, K&E team re comfort order (.4); correspond with counterparty, J. Fina, K&E team re same (.7).
10/23/24	Renee Olivett	0.20	Correspond with B. Nakhaimousa, K&E team re insurance matters.
10/24/24	Rachael M. Bentley	1.10	Review, analyze issues re comfort motion and litigation considerations.

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Insurance and Surety Matters

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<u>Date</u>	<u>Name</u>	<u>Hours</u>	<u>Description</u>
10/24/24	Josephine Fina	4.70	Review, analyze insurance policies (1.2); review, revise, draft insurance and comfort motion re litigation (1.4); conferences and correspond with R. Golden re same (1.6); conference with R. Bentley, K&E team, counsel re litigation (.5).
10/24/24	Rachel Golden	10.40	Draft motion re insurance proceeds, settlement agreement (3.9); review, analyze insurance policies re same (1.2); review, analyze precedent re same (3.1); correspond with J. Fina re same (.8); conference with J. Fina re same (1.4).
10/24/24	Brian Nakhaimousa	0.70	Review, revise 9019 motion (.6); correspond with R. Golden re same (.1).
10/24/24	Brian Nakhaimousa	0.50	Conference with R. Golden, K&E team, counsel re litigation.
10/25/24	Josephine Fina	3.30	Review, analyze insurance policies (1.1); review, revise, draft insurance and comfort motion re litigation (2.0); conferences and correspond with R. Golden re same (.2).
10/25/24	Rachel Golden	7.40	Draft, review, revise motion re insurance proceeds, settlement agreement (3.8); review, analyze background materials re same (3.3); correspond with A&M re conference with insurance brokers (.3).
10/27/24	Rachael M. Bentley	2.00	Review, revise 9019 motion (1.9); correspond with R. Golden, K&E team re same (.1).
10/27/24	Josephine Fina	2.20	Review, revise comfort/9019 motion (.3); correspond with R. Golden re same (.2); review, revise declaration re same (1.3); conference with R. Golden, R. Bentley re same (.4).
10/27/24	Rachel Golden	11.00	Review, revise comfort, 9019 motion (3.9); correspond with J. Fina, R. Bentley, B. Nakhaimousa re same (.3); review, analyze insurance policies re same (3.6); correspond with J. Fina re same (.8); draft declaration in support of motion (2.0); review, analyze precedent re same (.4).
10/27/24	Brian Nakhaimousa	0.50	Review, revise 9019 motion.
10/28/24	Rachael M. Bentley	1.50	Review, revise 9019 motion (.9); telephone conferences with J. Fina, R. Golden re same (.5); correspond with same re same (.1).

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<u>Date</u>	<u>Name</u>	<u>Hours</u>	<u>Description</u>
10/28/24	Josephine Fina	0.50	Conference with R. Golden, insurance brokers re D&O.
10/28/24	Josephine Fina	0.60	Conferences with R. Golden re 9019, comfort motion and case updates.
10/28/24	Rachel Golden	0.30	Conference with insurance brokers re insurance policies.
10/28/24	Rachel Golden	4.80	Conference with counterparty, J. Fina, K&E team re settlement motion (.8); revise same (.4); correspond with R. Bentley re same (.2); conference with R. Bentley re same (.1); further revise same (1.8); correspond with Sidley, counterparty, Willkie, J. Fina, K&E team re same (1.2); conference with B. Schartz re comfort, 9019 motion (.3).
10/28/24	Brian Nakhaimousa	0.30	Conference with R. Golden, J. Fina, insurance broker re insurance, litigation matters.
10/29/24	Josephine Fina	1.40	Conference with R. Golden, counterparty re comfort, 9019 motion (.8); review, revise same (.6).
10/29/24	Rachel Golden	7.20	Conference with counterparty, J. Fina, K&E team re comfort motion (.8); review, research, analyze related issues re same (2.1); revise motion (2.4); correspond with R. Bentley re same (.2); conference with R. Bentley re same (.1); further revise same (.5); correspond with counterparty, Bracewell, J. Fina, K&E team re same (1.1).
10/30/24	Rachael M. Bentley	1.20	Telephone conference with R. Golden, correspond re 9019 motion (.9); review, revise declaration re same (.3).
10/30/24	Rachael M. Bentley	0.20	Review, analyze plan re PBGC, pension matters.
10/30/24	Josephine Fina	1.00	Conference with R. Golden re comfort, 9019 motion (.5); correspond with R. Golden re same (.2); review, analyze motion re same (.3).
10/30/24	Rachel Golden	1.50	Revise comfort, 9019 motion (.4); correspond with Sidley, Willkie, counsel re same (.3); conference with J. Fina re same (.5); correspond with J. Fina, K&E team re same (.3).
10/31/24	Rachael M. Bentley	0.30	Conference with Willkie, K&E team, counsel re comfort, 9019 motion.

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 Insurance and Surety Matters

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<u>Date</u>	<u>Name</u>	<u>Hours</u>	<u>Description</u>
10/31/24	Josephine Fina	0.50	Conference with Willkie, R. Bentley, K&E team, counsel re comfort, 9019 motion.
10/31/24	Josephine Fina	1.00	Review, analyze surety issues, DS and cure objections (.8); correspond with surety counsel re same (.2).
10/31/24	Josephine Fina	0.30	Review, analyze surety research.
10/31/24	Rachel Golden	2.60	Conference with Willkie, counterparty, J. Fina, K&E team re comfort, 9019 motion (.7); revise same (.3); correspond with R. Bentley re same (.2); conference with R. Bentley re same (.1); further revise same (.9); correspond with Sidley, counterparty, Willkie, J. Fina, K&E team re same (.4).
10/31/24	Tysan Holloman	1.20	Research re surety bonds.
10/31/24	Brian Nakhaimousa	0.50	Conference with counsel, Willkie, R. Bentley, K&E team re insurance, litigation matters.
<b>Total</b>		<b>107.00</b>	



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**Invoice Number: 1050108857**  
**Client Matter: 57088-20**

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**In the Matter of Disclosure Statement, Plan Confirmation**

For legal services rendered through October 31, 2024  
(see attached Description of Legal Services for detail)

\$ 228,P62.00

Total legal services rendered

\$ 228,P62.00

Legal Services for the Period Ending October 31, 2024  
 Vertex Energy Inc.  
 Disclosure Statement, Clean Nonconfirmation

Invoice Number: 1050108857  
 - Matter Number: 57088820

**Summary of Hours Billed**

<b><u>Name</u></b>	<b><u>Hours</u></b>	<b><u>Rate</u></b>	<b><u>Amount</u></b>
- Max Anderson	2.50	1,075.00	2,737.50
- Matthew Antinossi	2.30	2,115.00	4,864.50
Michael - McKentley	7.30	1,575.00	11,643.50
Sloane Kessey	2.50	975.00	2,437.50
Zac Niullo	0.10	1,555.00	155.50
Christopher Fabrizio	11.40	815.00	9,291.00
Josephine Fina	8.50	1,375.00	11,857.50
Ashlyn Gallagher	1.50	435.00	652.50
Stefanie L. Gitler	2.40	1,885.00	4,524.00
Michael Golden	13.60	1,075.00	14,820.00
Tyler Holloman	12.20	815.00	9,943.00
Jamie - McLennan	66.40	975.00	64,740.00
Kieran Mahaimousa	26.00	1,345.00	36,180.50
Kendall Marshelsky	42.10	1,075.00	46,000.50
Isabella J. Caretti	0.30	1,075.00	328.50
- Ryan Michael Robertson	2.30	815.00	1,874.50
Kieran Schartz, C.N.	2.20	2,305.00	5,071.00
Quinn Wetzel	1.40	975.00	1,365.00
Lydia Yale	0.70	435.00	304.50
<b>TOTALS</b>	<b>206.60</b>		<b>\$ 228,962.00</b>

Legal Services for the Period Ending October 31, 2024  
Vertex Energy Inc.  
Disclosure Statement, Case Nonfirmation

Invoice Number: 1050108857  
- after Number: 57088820

### Description of Legal Services

<u>Date</u>	<u>Name</u>	<u>Hours</u>	<u>Description</u>
0PZ5Z4	9 achel Golden	1.50	9 evieB, revise plan.
0PZ5Z4	9 achel Golden	2.00	9 evieB, revise disclosure statement (1.7)/ prepare same for filing (.3).
0PZ6Z4	9 achael - . k entley	1.20	Telephone conference Bith J. Fina and &; E team re disclosure statement scheduling motion, bar date, timeline considerations.
0PZ6Z4	Josephine Fina	0.70	Norrespond Bith J. - cLennan, &; E team re solicitation, timeline, noticing (.2)/ conference Bith J. - cLennan, &; E team re same (.5).
0PZ6Z4	Jamie - cLennan	2.70	9 evieB and revise scheduling motion (2.0)/ correspond Bith J. Fina, k. Mawhaimousa re same (.2)/ conference Bith same re same (.5).
0PZ6Z4	k rian Mawhaimousa	0.10	Norrespond Bith k. Mashelswy re bar date motion, 341 meeting, disclosure statement scheduling motion.
0PZ6Z4	k rendan Mashelswy	0.70	Norrespond Bith k. Mawhaimousa, &; E team, Verita re notice, service considerations (.4)/ revieB, analyKe timing considerations re same (.3).
0PZ7Z4	9 achael - . k entley	1.30	Nonference Bith k. Mashelswy re scheduling motion, related timeline (.5)/ revieB same (.8).
0PZ7Z4	Josephine Fina	0.80	Norrespond Bith J. - cLennan, &; E team re solicitation timing, related issues (.2)/ revieB, analyKe considerations re same (.6).
0PZ7Z4	Jamie - cLennan	2.20	9 evieB, revise disclosure statement motion, order, and related exhibits.
0PZ7Z4	k rian Mawhaimousa	0.60	Nonference Bith 9. k entley, &; E team, k raceBell re disclosure statement scheduling motion (.4)/ correspond Bith 9. k entley, &; E team re considerations re same (.2).
0PZ7Z4	k rendan Mashelswy	2.70	Telephone conferences Bith k. Mawhaimousa, &; E team, k raceBell team re disclosure statement (.7)/ revieB, analyKe materials re same (.6)/ revieB, revise same (1.4).
0PZ8Z4	k rendan Mashelswy	3.20	9 evieB, revise disclosure statement motion.
0PZ0Z4	9 achael - . k entley	1.10	Telephone conferences Bith k. Mawhaimousa re scheduling motion and bar date (.7)/ revieB, analyKe timing considerations re same (.4).

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0PZ0Z4	Jamie - cLennan	4.80	9 evieB and revise disclosure statement motion (3.P)/ revieB and compile precedent re same (.P).
0PZ0Z4	k rian Mawhaimousa	2.10	9 evieB, revise disclosure statement motion (1.3)/ correspond Bith k . Mashelswy, J. - cLennan re same (.1)/ conferences Bith 9 . k entley re considerations of same (.7).
0PZ0Z4	krendan Mashelswy	2.70	9 evieB, revise disclosure statement motion (1.P)/ correspond Bith J. - cLennan, &; E team re same (.3)/ revieB, revise disclosure statement hearing notice (.3)/ correspond Bith J. - cLennan re same (.2).
0PZ0Z4	Lydia Yale	0.70	Draft notice re disclosure statement hearing (.6)/ correspond Bith J. - cLennan re same (.1).
10Z1Z4	Nhristopher FabriKio	2.60	Nonference Bith 9 . Golden re DS motion (.4)/ research re precedent re same (2.2).
10Z1Z4	Josephine Fina	2.10	9 evise disclosure statement motion (1.1)/ correspond Bith J. - cLennan, &; E team re same (.2)/ conference Bith 9 . k entley re same (.1)/ revieB, analyKe timing re same (.3)/ conference Bith 9 . k entley, k . Mashelswy re same (.3)/ correspond Bith k . Mashelswy, &; E team re DS motion, bar date motion (.1).
10Z1Z4	9 achel Golden	0.50	Nonference Bith k . Mashelswy, &; E team re disclosure statement motion.
10Z1Z4	Tysan Holloman	0.80	9 esearch re DS motion precedent.
10Z1Z4	Jamie - cLennan	6.80	9 evieB and revise disclosure statement motion exhibits (3.P)/ revieB, analyKe precedent re same (1.8)/ conference Bith k . Mashleswy and &; E team re same (.5)/ revieB and revise disclosure statement hearing notice (.6).
10Z1Z4	k rian Mawhaimousa	4.00	9 evieB, revise notice re disclosure statement hearing (.4)/ correspond Bith J. - cLennan re same (.1)/ conference Bith J. Fina, k . Mashelswy, and 9 . k entley re DS scheduling motion, bar date motion (.4)/ revieB, revise disclosure statement scheduling motion exhibits (3.0)/ correspond Bith J. - cLennan re same (.1).

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10/01/24	Krendan Mashelswy	P.00	Review, revise disclosure statement motion exhibits (3.P)/ further review, revise same (1.0)/ correspond with J. Fina, & E team, Sidley, and Verita teams re same (1.2)/ telephone conferences with G. Kentley, & E team, and Verita re same (.P)/ conferences with J. Fina, & E team re same (.8)/ review, revise notice of DS hearing (.3)/ correspond with J. Fina, & E team, Sidley, and Verita re same (.4)/ telephone conference with G. Golden, & E team re timing (.5).
10/02/24	Nicholas Fabrizio	1.80	Research re amended disclosure statement.
10/02/24	Josephine Fina	0.P0	Conference with K. Mawhaimousa, & E team, Verita re disclosure statement motion (.8)/ conference, correspond with K. Mashelswy re disclosure statement motion, notice (.1).
10/02/24	Josephine Fina	0.10	Respond with K. Mashelswy re disclosure statement motion, notice.
10/02/24	Jamie - cLennan	4.40	Review and revise disclosure statement motion re K. Bell and &NN comments (3.P)/ conference with K. Mashelswy and T. Ewre ballots (.2)/ prepare and review disclosure statement hearing notice for filing (.3).
10/02/24	Kieran Mawhaimousa	2.50	Review, revise disclosure statement motion exhibits (2.1)/ correspond with J. - cLennan re same (.1)/ conference with &NN re solicitation matters (.3).
10/02/24	Krendan Mashelswy	4.70	Review, revise disclosure statement motion (3.1)/ telephone conference with J. Fina, & E team, Verita re same (.8)/ office conferences with J. - cLennan re same (.4)/ review, revise notice of disclosure statement hearing (.1)/ correspond with G. Kentley, & E team, Verita re same (.3).
10/03/24	Nicholas Fabrizio	2.40	Research re amended disclosure statements.
10/03/24	Tysan Holloman	1.P0	Review, revise amended disclosure statement (1.4)/ compile, analyze precedent re liquidation analysis (.5).

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10/03/24	Jamie - cLennan	2.70	Review and revise disclosure statement motion (1.1)/ correspond Bith k. Mawhaimousa re same (.1)/ review, analyze precedent re liquidation analysis (.7)/ correspond Bith T. Holloman, N. Fabriko re same (.4)/ correspond Bith k. Mashelswy re amended disclosure statement (.4).
10/03/24	Krendan Mashelswy	2.20	Review, revise DS motion (1.4)/ correspond Bith J. - cLennan, & E team, Verita re same (.4)/ correspond Bith J. - cLennan re amended disclosure statement (.4).
10/04/24	Josephine Fina	1.10	Nonconference Bith k. Mashelswy, & E team, A; - team re liquidation analysis (.5)/ k. Mashelswy re solicitation timing (.3)/ conference Bith 9. Kentley, k. Mashelswy re same (.3).
10/04/24	Jamie - cLennan	3.00	Review and revise disclosure statement motion (2.7)/ review, prepare disclosure statement motion re filing (1.2).
10/04/24	Krian Mawhaimousa	3.20	Nonconference Bith A; - team, 9. Kentley, J. Fina re liquidation analysis (.4)/ review, analyze precedent re same (.1)/ review, revise disclosure statement scheduling motion and exhibits (2.5)/ correspond Bith J. - cLennan, k. Mashelswy re same (.2).
10/04/24	Krendan Mashelswy	3.10	Review, revise disclosure statement motion (2.4)/ telephone conferences Bith 9. Kentley, & E team re same (.3)/ correspond Bith J. - cLennan, & E team re same (.4).
10/08/24	Ashlyn Gallagher	1.50	Nonprecedent re plan supplement.
10/08/24	Krian Mawhaimousa	0.10	Nonconference Bith k. Mashelswy re amended disclosure statement.
10/08/24	Krendan Mashelswy	0.30	Nonconference Bith k. Mawhaimousa re disclosure statement (.1)/ review, analyze materials re same (.2).
10/08/24	Krian Schartz, C.N.	0.30	Review, analyze open items re transactions, related strategy re same.
10/09/24	Krendan Mashelswy	0.30	Nonrespond Bith k. Mawhaimousa, J. - cLennan re amended disclosure statement.
10/10/24	Krendan Mashelswy	0.20	Nonrespond Bith J. - cLennan re amended disclosure statement.
10/11/24	Josephine Fina	0.20	Nonrespond Bith A; - team re insider issue.

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10Z3Z4	Jamie - cLennan	0.30	Norrespond Bith N. FabriKio and T. Holloman re amended disclosure statement.
10Z4Z4	Nhristopher FabriKio	2.60	9 evieB and revise amended disclosure statement.
10Z4Z4	k rendan Mashelswy	0.40	9 evieB, revise amended disclosure statement (.2)/ correspond Bith T. Holloman, & E team re same (.2).
10Z5Z4	Nhristopher FabriKio	2.00	9 evieB, revise amended disclosure statement, amended chapter 11 plan (1.0)/ research re riswfactors (.8)/ conference Bith J. - cLennan, T. Holloman re same (.2).
10Z5Z4	Tysan Holloman	3.60	9 evieB, revise amended disclosure statement/ (3.4)/ conference Bith J. - cLennan, N. FabriKio re same (.2).
10Z5Z4	Jamie - cLennan	3.20	9 evieB and revise amended disclosure statement (3.0)/ conference Bith N. FabriKio, T. Holloman re same (.2).
10Z5Z4	k rian Mawhaimousa	1.40	Nonference Bith 9 . k entley, J. Fina, 9 osen LaB re DS, Clan issues (.5)/ further conference Bith 9 . k entley, J. Fina re same (.3)/ correspond Bith 9 osen LaB re same (.3)/ conference Bith Steptoe re same, securities litigation (.3).
10Z5Z4	k rian Mawhaimousa	0.80	9 evieB, correspond Bith J. - cLennan re disclosure statement order.
10Z6Z4	Jamie - cLennan	3.60	9 evieB, revise amended disclosure statement (2.4)/ revieB, analyKe precedent re same (1.0)/ correspond Bith k . Mawhaimousa re same (.2).
10Z6Z4	k rendan Mashelswy	0.20	Norrespond Bith J. - cLennan re amended DS.
10Z6Z4	Isabella J. Caretti	0.30	9 evieB, analyKe plan language re insurance issue.
10Z7Z4	Tysan Holloman	2.40	9 evieB, revise disclosure statement (2.3)/ correspond Bith k . Mashelswy re same (.1).
10Z7Z4	k rendan Mashelswy	1.20	9 evieB, revise disclosure statement (.6)/ correspond Bith k . Mawhaimousa, & E team, Verita, A; - , lenders, re solicitation (.4)/ conference Bith k . Mawhaimousa re same (.2).
10Z8Z4	Jamie - cLennan	1.50	9 evieB, revise disclosure statement re case updates.



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10Z8Z4	k rian Mawhaimousa	0.30	Nonference Bith k . Mawhaimousa re solicitation (.2)/ correspond Bith k . Mashelswy re disclosure statement (.1).
10Z8Z4	k rendan Mashelswy	0.20	Norrespond Bith J. - cLennan re amended disclosure statement.
10Z0Z4	k rian Mawhaimousa	0.10	Norrespond Bith k . Mashelswy re amended disclosure statement.
10Z1Z4	Josephine Fina	1.00	Nonference Bith J. Willian, &; E team re investigation 9 evieB materials re potential litigation claims (.5)/ correspond Bith 9 . Golden re case calendar (.1)/ correspond Bith 9 . k entley re case milestones (.1)/ revieB, analyKe updated case calendar (.2)/ correspond Bith 9 . Golden re same (.1).
10Z1Z4	Tysan Holloman	1.70	9 esearch re potential claims re plan considerations.
10Z2Z4	Tysan Holloman	0.40	9 esearch re discharge of claim re plan considerations.
10Z2Z4	k rendan Mashelswy	2.60	9 evieB, revise amended disclosure statement.
10Z2Z4	k rian SchartK C.N.	0.60	Telephone conference Bith 9 . k entley, &; E team re potential litigation strategy.
10Z3Z4	9 aachael - . k entley	0.40	9 evieB, analyKe disclosure statement exhibits.
10Z3Z4	Jamie - cLennan	0.60	9 evieB precedent re disclosure statements (.4)/ correspond Bith k . Mashelswy re same (.2).
10Z3Z4	k rendan Mashelswy	1.70	9 evieB, revise amended disclosure statement (1.2)/ correspond Bith J. - cLennan re same (.1)/ revieB, analyKe precedent re same (.4).
10Z3Z4	k rian SchartK C.N.	1.10	9 evieB, analyKe plan.
10Z4Z4	z ac Niullo	0.10	Norrespond Bith 9 . k entley re Clan.
10Z4Z4	Stefanie I. Gitler	0.70	9 evieB, analyKe materials re classification of claims.
10Z4Z4	Tysan Holloman	1.40	9 evieB, revise amended disclosure statement (1.3)/ correspond Bith J. - cLennan re same (.1).
10Z4Z4	Jamie - cLennan	1.30	9 evieB and revise amended disclosure statement (.6)/ correspond Bith T. Holloman, k . Mashelswy re same (.2)/ conference Bith k . Mashelswy re same (.5).
10Z4Z4	k rendan Mashelswy	0.50	Nonference Bith J. - cLennan re amended disclosure statement.



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10Z5Z4	- attheB Antinossi	1.10	9 evieB, revise disclosure statement, plan re employee matter considerations (.5)/ correspond Bith 9 . Golden, k . Mawhaimousa, &; E team re same (.2)/ revieB, analyKe bacwground materials re same (.4).
10Z5Z4	9 aachael - . k entley	1.00	Telephone conference Bith k . Mashelswy, &; E team, A; - re disclosure statement exhibits.
10Z5Z4	Josephine Fina	0.50	Nonference Bith k . Mashelswy, &; E team, and A; - team re disclosure statement exhibits.
10Z5Z4	Jamie - cLennan	1.00	Nonference Bith 9 . k entley, &; E team and A; - team re disclosure statement exhibits.
10Z5Z4	k rian Mawhaimousa	1.00	Telephone conference Bith k . Mashelswy, &; E team, A; - re disclosure statement exhibits.
10Z5Z4	k rendan Mashelswy	1.00	Telephone conference Bith 9 . k entley, &; E team, A; - re disclosure statement exhibits.
10Z5Z4	Quin WetKel	1.40	9 evieB, revise amended disclosure statement (1.1)/ correspond Bith J. - cLennan, k . Mashelswy re same (.3).
10Z6Z4	k rian Mawhaimousa	1.20	9 evieB, revise amended disclosure statement (1.1)/ correspond Bith J. - cLennan re same (.1).
10Z6Z4	k rian Mawhaimousa	0.30	Norrespond Bith - . Antinossi re Ck GN disclosure statement objection (.1)/ revieB, analyKe precedent re same (.2).
10Z7Z4	9 achel Golden	0.50	9 evieB, revise Nommittee settlement term sheet.
10Z7Z4	Jamie - cLennan	5.70	9 evieB and analyKe precedent re amended disclosure statement (1.8)/ revieB and revise disclosure statement re same (3.P).
10Z7Z4	k rendan Mashelswy	0.60	9 evieB, analyKe global settlement term sheet.
10Z8Z4	9 achel Golden	1.30	9 esearch re plan issues, related considerations.
10Z8Z4	Jamie - cLennan	6.20	9 evieB, revise amended disclosure statement (2.P)/ revieB and analyKe precedent informal comments to same (1.1)/ revieB and revise disclosure statement re same (2.2).

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10Z8Z4	k rian Mavhaimousa	3.00	9 evieB, revise disclosure statement (2.7)/ correspond Bith k . Mashelswy, & E team re same (.1)/ conference Bith k raceBell, A; - , 9 . k entley, & E team re liquidation analysis (.2).
10Z8Z4	k rendan Mashelswy	0.50	Nonference Bith k raceBell, A; - , 9 . k entley, & E team re liquidation analysis (.3)/ revieB, analyKe materials re same (.2).
10ZPZ4	Josephine Fina	0.20	Norrespond Bith k . Mashelswy re DS objection.
10ZPZ4	Jamie - cLennan	6.50	9 evieB and revise disclosure statement (3.P)/ 9 evieB and analyKe disclosure statement precedent re informal comments to same (1.3)/ revieB and revise disclosure insert re same (1.3).
10ZPZ4	k rian Mavhaimousa	4.30	9 evieB, revise disclosure statement (3.8)/ correspond Bith J. - cLennan re same (.1)/ revieB, analyKe precedent re same (.3)/ revieB liquidation analysis (.1).
10ZPZ4	k rendan Mashelswy	0.10	Telephone conference Bith U.S. Trustee re disclosure statement order.
10Z0Z4	- ax Anderson	2.50	9 evieB, revise amended disclosure statement.
10Z0Z4	- attheB Antinossi	1.00	9 evieB and revise disclosure statement re Ck GN comments (.4)/ correspond Bith J. - cLennan, & E team re same and re pension issues (.3)/ research re same (.3).
10Z0Z4	9 achael - . k entley	0.P0	9 evieB, revise disclosure statement language re informal comments received (.3)/ revieB, analyKe precedent re same (.3)/ correspond Bith k . Mavhaimousa, J. - cLennan, - . Antinossi re same (.3).
10Z0Z4	Stefanie I. Gitler	0.20	Norrespond Bith k . Mavhaimousa, & E team re disclosure statement.
10Z0Z4	9 achel Golden	0.40	9 evieB, revise plan.
10Z0Z4	9 achel Golden	0.70	Further revieB, revise Clan.
10Z0Z4	Jamie - cLennan	3.60	Norrespond Bith S. Gitler, & E teams re Disclosure Statement (.8)/ conferences Bith k . Mashelswy, k . Mavhaimousa re same (.6)/ revieB and revise disclosure statement (2.2).
10Z0Z4	k rian Mavhaimousa	0.P0	9 evieB, revise disclosure statement insert re Ck GN (.3)/ correspond Bith counsel to same re same (.2)/ correspond Bith - . Antinossi, J. - cLennan, k . Mashelswy re same (.4).

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10/30/24	Krendan Mashelsky	1.10	Review, revise amended disclosure statement (.2)/ office conferences with J. - cLennan re same (.4)/ correspond with J. - cLennan, & E team re same (.2)/ review, analyze materials re same (.3).
10/30/24	- Mary R. Michael Robertson	1.80	Review, draft environmental edits to the first amended disclosure statement.
10/30/24	Kieran Schartz, C.N.	0.20	Respond with R. Kentley re sale process, amended Plan.
10/31/24	- Matthew Antinossi	0.20	Review, analyze disclosure statement re pension matters (.1)/ review, analyze re comments re same (.1).
10/31/24	Rachael - R. Kentley	1.00	Review comments to disclosure statement (.2)/ review disclosure statement objections filed (.2)/ review correspondence with counsel to sureties re same (.1)/ correspond with J. Fina, & E team re same (.1)/ conference with J. Fina re same (.1)/ review Ck GN comments to plan (.1)/ correspond with - R. Antinossi, & E team re same (.1)/ review, analyze employment agreements re plan language (.1).
10/31/24	Rachael - R. Kentley	0.40	Telephone conference with Nompny re plan, case status.
10/31/24	Sloane Kessey	2.50	Review, analyze precedent re U.S. Trustee comments to Plan.
10/31/24	Josephine Fina	0.00	Review, analyze U.S. Trustee DS comments (.7)/ correspond with & E team re same (.2).
10/31/24	Stefanie I. Gitler	1.50	Review, analyze disclosure statement re environmental provisions.
10/31/24	Rachel Golden	6.70	Review, analyze precedent re U.S. Trustee comments re plan (1.1)/ draft summary re same (3.2)/ research re plan classes (.P)/ review, analyze plan precedent (1.5).
10/31/24	Jamie - cLennan	5.40	Review, analyze informal comments received to DS (.4)/ review, revise disclosure statement re same (.8)/ review, analyze U.S. Trustee DS objection (1.6)/ review, revise DS reply (1.1)/ review, analyze plan precedent re U.S. Trustee objections (.8)/ review, revise DS reply re same (.7).

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10/31/24	Kieran Mawhaimousa	1.00	Nonconference with K. Mashelsky re disclosure statement (.2)/ correspond with Ck GN re DS insert (.2)/ review DS objections (.3)/ review correspondence with Liberty - actual re same (.2)/ conference with J. Fina re same (.1).
10/31/24	Krendan Mashelsky	2.00	Review, revise amended disclosure statement (.3)/ correspond with J. - cLennan, & E team, CWC re same (.2)/ review, analyze disclosure statement objection (.4)/ correspond with K. Mawhaimousa, & E team re same (.4)/ telephone conferences with J. Golden, & E team re plan comments (1.6).
10/31/24	- ary R. Michael Robertson	0.50	Review, revise DS re environmental considerations (.4)/ correspond with J. - cLennan, & E team re same (.1).
<b>Total</b>		<b>206.60</b>	

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Attn: James Gregory

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**Client Matter: 57088-21**

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**In the Matter of K&E Retention and Fee Matters**

For legal services rendered through October 31, 2024  
(see attached Description of Legal Services for detail)

\$ 74,853.00

Total legal services rendered

\$ 74,853.00

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**Summary of Hours Billed**

<b><u>Name</u></b>	<b><u>Hours</u></b>	<b><u>Rate</u></b>	<b><u>Amount</u></b>
Rachael M. Bentley	3.90	1,595.00	6,220.50
Michael Y. Chan	0.50	395.00	197.50
Marta Dudyan	18.70	340.00	6,358.00
Josephine Fina	6.20	1,395.00	8,649.00
Susan D. Golden	1.30	1,600.00	2,080.00
Brian Nakhaimousa	1.20	1,345.00	1,614.00
Eric Nyberg	6.20	340.00	2,108.00
Renee Olivett	29.80	975.00	29,055.00
Isabella J. Parette	1.50	1,095.00	1,642.50
Brian Schartz, P.C.	0.10	2,305.00	230.50
Michael A. Sloman	13.20	1,265.00	16,698.00
<b>TOTALS</b>	<b>82.60</b>		<b>\$ 74,853.00</b>

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09/26/24	Renee Olivett	0.30	Correspond with M. Sloman, K&E team re K&E retention.
09/26/24	Michael A. Sloman	0.10	Correspond with R. Bentley, K&E team re K&E retention.
09/30/24	Josephine Fina	0.50	Correspond with M. Sloman re K&E retention.
09/30/24	Renee Olivett	0.90	Draft K&E retention application (.7); correspond with M. Sloman, K&E team re same (.2).
10/01/24	Marta Dudyan	3.80	Draft schedule 1 re K&E retention application (2.8); draft schedule 2 re same (1.0).
10/01/24	Renee Olivett	4.50	Draft K&E retention application (3.9); review, revise K&E retention application (.3) correspond with M. Sloman, K&E team re same (.3).
10/01/24	Michael A. Sloman	0.70	Review, analyze considerations re K&E retention (.5); correspond with R. Olivett, K&E team re same (.2).
10/02/24	Marta Dudyan	1.90	Review, revise schedules 1 and 2 re Schartz declaration.
10/02/24	Josephine Fina	0.20	Correspond with M. Sloman, K&E team re retention applications, ICP motion.
10/02/24	Michael A. Sloman	0.30	Correspond with R. Olivett, K&E team re specific disclosures in K&E retention.
10/07/24	Marta Dudyan	5.40	Review potential disclosures re K&E retention (3.9); summarize same (1.5).
10/07/24	Renee Olivett	1.30	Review, revise K&E retention application (.7); correspond with M. Sloman re same (.3); correspond with A&M team, Bracewell team re retentions (.3).
10/07/24	Michael A. Sloman	2.20	Review, revise K&E retention application (1.8); correspond with R. Olivett, K&E team, A&M team re same (.4).
10/08/24	Marta Dudyan	4.90	Review potential disclosures re K&E retention (3.9); summarize same (1.0).
10/08/24	Renee Olivett	3.60	Revise K&E retention application (3.0); correspond with Bracewell team, M. Sloman, K&E team re same (.6).

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 K&E Retention and Fee Matters

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<u>Date</u>	<u>Name</u>	<u>Hours</u>	<u>Description</u>
10/08/24	Michael A. Sloman	2.20	Review, revise K&E retention application (1.7); correspond with R. Olivett re same (.5).
10/09/24	Michael Y. Chan	0.50	Review potential disclosures re K&E retention.
10/09/24	Marta Dudyan	2.70	Review potential disclosures re K&E retention.
10/09/24	Brian Nakhaimousa	0.30	Correspond with M. Sloman re redaction, retention matters.
10/09/24	Eric Nyberg	2.40	Analyze potential disclosures re K&E retention.
10/09/24	Renee Olivett	0.90	Review, revise motion to seal re professional declarations (.7); correspond with M. Sloman, K&E team re same (.2).
10/09/24	Michael A. Sloman	0.10	Correspond with R. Bentley, K&E team re specific disclosures in K&E retention application.
10/10/24	Michael A. Sloman	0.40	Review, revise motion to seal re professional declarations.
10/11/24	Brian Nakhaimousa	0.10	Correspond with B. Schartz re K&E retention application.
10/11/24	Eric Nyberg	3.80	Draft and revise schedules re Schartz declaration
10/11/24	Brian Schartz, P.C.	0.10	Correspond with B. Nakhaimousa re retention application.
10/14/24	Josephine Fina	4.20	Review, revise K&E retention application (2.8); review, analyze precedent re same (.4); review, analyze specific disclosure summary (.8); correspond with R. Olivett, M. Sloman re same (.2).
10/14/24	Renee Olivett	3.40	Revise K&E retention application (2.6); correspond with M. Sloman, K&E team, Bracewell team, A&M team re same (.8).
10/14/24	Michael A. Sloman	0.40	Review, revise K&E retention application (.2); correspond with R. Olivett re same (.2).
10/15/24	Josephine Fina	0.90	Review, analyze revised K&E retention application (.3); correspond with R. Olivett re same (.2); review, analyze specific disclosures (.3); correspond with R. Olivett, K&E team re same (.1).
10/15/24	Brian Nakhaimousa	0.20	Correspond with R. Bentley, R. Golden, K&E team re K&E retention application.



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<u>Date</u>	<u>Name</u>	<u>Hours</u>	<u>Description</u>
10/15/24	Renee Olivett	1.70	Revise K&E retention application (1.3); correspond with M. Sloman, A&M team, K&E team re same (.4).
10/15/24	Michael A. Sloman	0.80	Review, revise K&E retention application (.6); correspond with R. Olivett, K&E team re same (.2).
10/16/24	Josephine Fina	0.20	Correspond with M. Sloman re specific disclosures in K&E retention application (.1); review, analyze same (.1).
10/16/24	Brian Nakhaimousa	0.30	Review, revise redaction motion re confidential M&A parties (.2); correspond with M. Sloman, R. Olivett re same (.1).
10/16/24	Renee Olivett	2.30	Revise motion to seal (.8); revise K&E retention application (1.5).
10/16/24	Michael A. Sloman	0.90	Review, revise motion to seal re confidential parties (.7); correspond with R. Bentley, K&E team re conflicts analysis (.2).
10/17/24	Brian Nakhaimousa	0.20	Correspond with R. Olivett re motion to seal retention applications (.1); review, analyze motion to seal (.1).
10/17/24	Renee Olivett	0.30	Revise motion to seal.
10/21/24	Rachael M. Bentley	1.70	Review, revise K&E retention application (1.2); telephone conference with M. Sloman re same (.5).
10/21/24	Susan D. Golden	1.30	Correspond with M. Sloman re K&E retention (.3); review, revise K&E retention application (1.0).
10/21/24	Brian Nakhaimousa	0.10	Correspond with R. Bentley re K&E retention application.
10/21/24	Renee Olivett	2.00	Revise retention application (1.4); correspond with M. Sloman, K&E team, A&M team re same (.6).
10/21/24	Michael A. Sloman	0.70	Review, revise K&E retention application (.5); correspond with R. Olivett, K&E team re same (.2).
10/22/24	Rachael M. Bentley	2.20	Correspond with M. Sloman and K&E team re retention applications (.8); review, analyze same (1.4).
10/22/24	Josephine Fina	0.20	Review, analyze K&E retention app (.1); correspond with R. Bentley, K&E team re same (.1).

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10/22/24	Renee Olivett	3.90	Revise retention application (3.3); correspond with M. Sloman, K&E team re same (.6).
10/22/24	Isabella J. Paretti	1.50	Draft summary of research re precedent re interim compensation procedures (.7); correspond with J. Fina re same (.2); review, revise ICP motion (.6).
10/22/24	Michael A. Sloman	2.30	Review, revise K&E retention application (.6): review, analyze K&E disclosure schedules re privilege and confidentiality considerations (1.1); correspond with R. Olivett, K&E team re K&E retention application (.3); correspond with Sidley re K&E retention (.3).
10/23/24	Renee Olivett	4.40	Revise retention application (3.7); correspond with M. Sloman, K&E team re same (.7).
10/23/24	Michael A. Sloman	1.80	Review, revise K&E retention application and prepare same for filing (1.4); telephone conferences with R. Bentley re same (.4).
10/23/24	Michael A. Sloman	0.20	Review, revise sealing motion.
10/24/24	Renee Olivett	0.30	Finalize, compile K&E retention application (.2); correspond with M. Sloman re same (.1).
10/25/24	Michael A. Sloman	0.10	Correspond with Willkie, Sidley re sealed retention declarations.
<b>Total</b>		<b>82.60</b>	

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**In the Matter of Non-K&E Retention and Fee Matters**

For legal services rendered through October 31, 2024  
(see attached Description of Legal Services for detail)

\$ 110,906.00

Total legal services rendered

\$ 110,906.00

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**Summary of Hours Billed**

<b><u>Name</u></b>	<b><u>Hours</u></b>	<b><u>Rate</u></b>	<b><u>Amount</u></b>
Rachael M. Bentley	3.80	1,595.00	6,061.00
Sloane Bessey	20.70	975.00	20,182.50
Trevor Eck	13.20	1,095.00	14,454.00
Christopher Fabrizio	2.30	815.00	1,874.50
Josephine Fina	9.90	1,395.00	13,810.50
Rachel Golden	36.40	1,095.00	39,858.00
Georgia Meadow	0.90	355.00	319.50
Brian Nakhaimousa	2.80	1,345.00	3,766.00
Renee Olivett	2.00	975.00	1,950.00
Isabella J. Parette	5.00	1,095.00	5,475.00
Laura Saal	1.00	625.00	625.00
Michael A. Sloman	2.00	1,265.00	2,530.00
<b>TOTALS</b>	<b>100.00</b>		<b>\$ 110,906.00</b>

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<b><u>Date</u></b>	<b><u>Name</u></b>	<b><u>Hours</u></b>	<b><u>Description</u></b>
10/02/24	Brian Nakhaimousa	0.10	Conference with J. Black re A&M, PWP retention applications.
10/03/24	Rachel Golden	3.50	Correspond with B. Nakhaimousa, K&E team re non-K&E retention applications (.1); research re OCP motion precedent (.6); review, analyze same (1.9); correspond with L. Saal, G. Meadow re same (.1); correspond with A&M team re same (.1); conference with A&M team re same (.5); correspond with J. Black re PWP retention application (.1); correspond with Katten re same (.1).
10/03/24	Georgia Meadow	0.90	Draft OCP Motion (.8); correspond with R. Golden re same (.1).
10/03/24	Brian Nakhaimousa	0.10	Conference with I. Paretti re interim compensation.
10/03/24	Laura Saal	1.00	Draft ICP Motion.
10/04/24	Rachel Golden	0.10	Correspond with A&M re ordinary course professionals.
10/06/24	Rachel Golden	2.10	Draft, review, revise OCP motion (1.2); review, revise PWP retention application (.9).
10/07/24	Rachel Golden	5.20	Review, revise PWP retention application (3.3); review, analyze precedent re same (1.2); correspond with A&M re ordinary course professionals (.3); coordinate conference re same (.1); correspond with R. Bentley re PWP retention application (.1); correspond with Katten re same (.2).
10/07/24	Brian Nakhaimousa	1.50	Review, revise ICP motion (1.4); correspond with I. Paretti re same (.1).
10/08/24	Sloane Bessey	1.50	Research re A&M retention (1.0); correspond with T. Eck and K&E team re same (.5).
10/08/24	Trevor Eck	1.40	Review, revise A&M retention application (.4); review, analyze issues, precedent re same (.8); correspond with S. Bessey re same (.2).
10/08/24	Josephine Fina	0.70	Conference with R. Golden, K&E team re PWP retention application (.4); conference with R. Golden, K&E team, A&M team re OCP issues (.3).

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10/08/24	Rachel Golden	0.30	Correspond with A&M re ordinary course professionals (.2); correspond with PWP re parties in interest (.1).
10/08/24	Rachel Golden	0.60	Correspond with J. Fina, J. Raphael re vendor, ordinary course professional considerations (.3); correspond with A&M re same (.1); conference with A&M re same (.2).
10/08/24	Rachel Golden	2.30	Draft, review, revise OCP motion (.3); correspond with A&M re ordinary course professionals (.5); coordinate conference re same (.1); correspond with R. Bentley re PWP retention application (.1); correspond with Katten re same (.2); draft summary re same (.2); conference with B. Nakhaimousa, K&E team re retention of non-K&E professionals (.4); conference with A&M re ordinary course professionals motion (.5).
10/08/24	Brian Nakhaimousa	0.40	Conference with R. Golden, J. Fina, K&E team re non-K&E retention matters.
10/09/24	Sloane Bessey	2.30	Revise A&M retention application.
10/09/24	Rachel Golden	1.50	Conference with A&M re ordinary course professionals (.5); review, analyze precedent re same (.8); revise ordinary course professional motion (.2).
10/10/24	Rachel Golden	0.10	Correspond with B. Nakhaimousa re ordinary course professionals.
10/10/24	Rachel Golden	0.50	Correspond with A&M re vendor, ordinary course professional considerations (.3); correspond with Katten re parties in interest list (.2).
10/10/24	Rachel Golden	0.10	Correspond with PWP re parties in interest list.
10/10/24	Brian Nakhaimousa	0.10	Correspond with T. Eck re A&M retention application.
10/11/24	Rachel Golden	0.90	Correspond with PWP re parties in interest list (.1); correspond with B. Nakhaimousa re ordinary course professionals (.1); correspond with A&M re vendor, ordinary course professional considerations (.5); correspond with Katten re parties in interest list (.2).
10/11/24	Brian Nakhaimousa	0.10	Correspond with I. Paretti re ICP motion.
10/11/24	Renee Olivett	0.20	Correspond with Bracewell re Bracewell retention.

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10/13/24	Rachel Golden	2.20	Review, revise OCP motion (.3); review, analyze materials re OCPs re same (1.9).
10/13/24	Brian Nakhaimousa	0.10	Correspond with R. Golden re OCP motion, I. Paretti re ICP motion.
10/14/24	Trevor Eck	0.50	Review, analyze issues re A&M retention application.
10/14/24	Rachel Golden	4.50	Correspond with A&M, B. Nakhaimousa, K&E team re ordinary course professional considerations (.5); conference with A&M re same (.3); review, analyze precedent re ordinary course professional motion (1.2); draft summary re same (.6); revise ordinary course professional motion (1.8); correspond with J. Fina, B. Nakhaimousa re same (.1).
10/14/24	Isabella J. Paretti	1.80	Review, revise ICP motion (1.5); correspond with Bracewell re same (.1); correspond with J. Fina, K&E team re same (.2).
10/15/24	Sloane Bessey	2.00	Revise A&M retention application (1.9); correspond with T. Eck re same (.1).
10/15/24	Trevor Eck	0.30	Review, analyze issues re A&M retention.
10/15/24	Josephine Fina	1.20	Conference with R. Golden, K&E team re OCP issues (.3); review, analyze OCP list (.2); review, revise OCP motion (.5); correspond with R. Golden re same (.2).
10/15/24	Rachel Golden	0.90	Revise ordinary course professional motion (.4); correspond with J. Fina re same (.3); correspond with R. Bentley re same (.1); correspond with Katten team re investment banker retention application (.1).
10/16/24	Sloane Bessey	1.70	Review, revise A&M retention application (1.5); correspond with T. Eck re A&M retention application (.2).
10/16/24	Trevor Eck	3.50	Review, revise A&M retention application (2.6); review, analyze precedent re same (.5); correspond with S. Bessey, A&M team, K&E team re same (.4).
10/16/24	Josephine Fina	0.90	Correspond with I. Paretti re ICP motion (.2); review, revise same (.6); correspond with B. Nakhaimousa re same (.1).
10/16/24	Brian Nakhaimousa	0.30	Conference with J. Fina re ICP motion.
10/16/24	Renee Olivett	0.60	Correspond with M. Sloman, K&E team, A&M team re retention application.

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10/16/24	Isabella J. Paretti	2.30	Research re interim compensation timeline, procedures (1.4); correspond with J. Fina, K&E team re same (.2); review, revise ICP motion (.7).
10/17/24	Sloane Bessey	0.90	Revise A&M retention application (.8); correspond with J. Fina and K&E team re A&M retention application (.1).
10/17/24	Brian Nakhaimousa	0.10	Correspond with T. Eck, A&M team re A&M retention application.
10/17/24	Isabella J. Paretti	0.90	Research re ICP motion.
10/17/24	Michael A. Sloman	0.40	Review, revise Bracewell retention application.
10/18/24	Sloane Bessey	2.80	Revise A&M retention application (2.3); correspond with J. Fina, K&E team, and A&M team re same (.5).
10/18/24	Trevor Eck	1.00	Review, revise A&M retention application.
10/18/24	Josephine Fina	2.20	Review, revise A&M retention application (1.4); review, analyze precedent re same (.4); correspond with T. Eck re same (.2); correspond with R. Golden re PWP application (.2).
10/18/24	Rachel Golden	3.40	Conference with Katten re PWP retention application (2.0); revise same (.6); correspond with J. Fina re same (.8).
10/18/24	Renee Olivett	0.10	Correspond with A&M team re A&M retention.
10/20/24	Josephine Fina	1.60	Review, revise PWP retention application (1.1); review, analyze precedent re same (.4); correspond with R. Golden re same (.1).
10/20/24	Rachel Golden	0.40	Review, revise OCP motion.
10/21/24	Sloane Bessey	0.10	Correspond with T. Eck re A&M retention application.
10/21/24	Josephine Fina	0.70	Correspond with S. Bessey, K&E team re retention applications (.2); review, analyze revised PWP application (.2); correspond with R. Golden re same (.1); correspond with I. Paretti re ICP motion (.1); correspond with Bracewell team re retention applications (.1).
10/21/24	Rachel Golden	3.20	Correspond with M. Sloman, K&E team re non-K&E retention (.6); research re PWP retention application (1.7); revise same (.9).



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10/22/24	Sloane Bessey	0.40	Correspond with T. Eck, K&E team, and A&M team re A&M retention application.
10/22/24	Trevor Eck	3.30	Review, revise ICP motion (2.0); research precedent re same (1.3).
10/22/24	Josephine Fina	1.80	Correspond with I. Paretti re ICP motion (.2); correspond, conference with T. Eck re same (.3); correspond with M. Sloman, K&E team re retention applications, sealing motion (.4); review, revise ICP motion (.5); review, analyze precedent re same (.3); correspond with T. Eck re same (.1).
10/23/24	Rachael M. Bentley	2.30	Review, revise non-K&E retention applications (A&M, PWP).
10/23/24	Sloane Bessey	0.30	Correspond with T. Eck, K&E team, and A&M team re retention application.
10/23/24	Rachel Golden	2.70	Review, analyze PWP retention application (1.4); correspond with Katten re same (.8); prepare same for filing (.5).
10/23/24	Michael A. Sloman	1.20	Review, revise Bracewell retention application (.3); redact professionals' retention applications and prepare same for filing (.7); correspond with Bracewell re same (.2).
10/24/24	Sloane Bessey	7.70	Review, revise A&M retention application (3.9); review, analyze same re redactions (1.3); correspond with J. Fina, K&E team re retention application (1.8); correspond with J. Fina, K&E team, and A&M team re same (.7).
10/24/24	Trevor Eck	2.40	Review, revise A&M retention application (1.2); review, revise schedules re same (.7); correspond with S. Bessey, K&E team, A&M team, Bracewell team re same (.5).
10/24/24	Josephine Fina	0.80	Review, analyze A&M retention application (.4); correspond, conference with S. Bessey re same (.2); conference, correspond with N. Bonds re same (.2).
10/24/24	Michael A. Sloman	0.40	Review, analyze A&M retention application (.1); redact and prepare same for filing (.3).
10/25/24	Rachael M. Bentley	1.50	Review, revise OCP motion (.9); review, revise interim compensation motion (.6).
10/25/24	Sloane Bessey	1.00	Revise A&M retention application (.8); correspond with J. Fina, K&E team, and Bracewell team re same (.2).

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<u>Date</u>	<u>Name</u>	<u>Hours</u>	<u>Description</u>
10/25/24	Trevor Eck	0.80	Review, revise A&M retention application.
10/25/24	Rachel Golden	0.30	Review, revise ordinary course professional motion.
10/28/24	Christopher Fabrizio	1.00	Conference with R. Golden re OCP motion (.2); draft correspondence re OCP re same (.8).
10/29/24	Christopher Fabrizio	1.30	Review and revise OCP instruction correspondence (.7); correspond with R. Golden re same (.1); research precedent declarations of disinterestedness (.5).
10/29/24	Rachel Golden	0.40	Correspond with C. Fabrizio re ordinary course professional summary.
10/30/24	Rachel Golden	0.70	Conference with A&M team re OCPs (.4); correspond with A&M team re same (.3).
10/30/24	Renee Olivett	1.10	Correspond with Verita, A&M team, M. Sloman re updated parties in interest list (.7); review, analyze new parties (.4).
10/31/24	Rachel Golden	0.50	Review, analyze professional engagement letter (.4); correspond with C. Fabrizio re same (.1).
<b>Total</b>		<b>100.00</b>	

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## In the Matter of Tax Matters

For legal services rendered through October 31, 2024  
(see attached Description of Legal Services for detail)

\$ 38,625.50

Total legal services rendered

\$ 38,625.50

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 Tax Matters

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**Summary of Hours Billed**

<b><u>Name</u></b>	<b><u>Hours</u></b>	<b><u>Rate</u></b>	<b><u>Amount</u></b>
Sloane Bessey	1.70	975.00	1,657.50
Thad W. Davis, P.C.	7.90	2,025.00	15,997.50
Josephine Fina	0.90	1,395.00	1,255.50
Palmer Gunderson	10.80	995.00	10,746.00
Joe Morley	3.80	1,495.00	5,681.00
Brendan Nashelsky	0.10	1,095.00	109.50
Sara B. Zablotney, P.C.	1.30	2,445.00	3,178.50
<b>TOTALS</b>	<b>26.50</b>		<b>\$ 38,625.50</b>

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### Description of Legal Services

<u>Date</u>	<u>Name</u>	<u>Hours</u>	<u>Description</u>
09/25/24	Thad W. Davis, P.C.	0.10	Review, analyze tax issues re DIP financing.
09/26/24	Sloane Bessey	1.00	Revise NOL motion notice (.6); correspond with B. Nakhaimousa, K&E team re same (.4).
09/26/24	Thad W. Davis, P.C.	0.50	Review, analyze tax issues re DIP financing (.2); correspond with P. Gunderson, J. Morley, S. Zablotney re same (.3).
09/26/24	Josephine Fina	0.30	Review, revise NOL notice (.2); correspond with S. Bessey, K&E team re same (.1).
09/26/24	Palmer Gunderson	0.40	Review, analyze tax issues re DIP financing (.3); correspond with T. Davis, J. Morley re same (.1).
09/26/24	Joe Morley	0.50	Review, analyze tax issues re DIP financing (.4); correspond with P. Gunderson, T. Davis re same (.1).
09/26/24	Sara B. Zablotney, P.C.	0.30	Correspond with T. Davis re DIP considerations.
09/27/24	Sloane Bessey	0.50	Correspond with B. Nashelsky, K&E team re notice of NOL order.
09/27/24	Thad W. Davis, P.C.	0.30	Review, analyze correspondence with S. Zablotney re DIP tax issues.
09/30/24	Thad W. Davis, P.C.	0.30	Review, analyze tax model.
10/01/24	Thad W. Davis, P.C.	0.30	Correspond with P. Gunderson re transaction structure re tax considerations.
10/01/24	Palmer Gunderson	0.30	Correspond with T. Davis re transaction structure re tax considerations.
10/02/24	Thad W. Davis, P.C.	0.20	Review, analyze DIP tax issues.
10/03/24	Thad W. Davis, P.C.	0.20	Review, analyze DIP tax issues.
10/03/24	Josephine Fina	0.40	Review, analyze tax issue (.3); correspond with A&M re same (.1).
10/04/24	Thad W. Davis, P.C.	1.20	Conference with Sidley, P. Gunderson, J. Morley and A&M team re tax structuring (1.0); prepare for same (.2).
10/04/24	Palmer Gunderson	1.00	Conference with Sidley, T. Davis, J. Morley and A&M team re tax structuring.

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Tax Matters

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Matter Number: 57088-23

<u>Date</u>	<u>Name</u>	<u>Hours</u>	<u>Description</u>
10/04/24	Joe Morley	1.00	Prepare for telephone conference with A&M, Sidley re emergence tax analysis (.2); participate in telephone conference re same (.5); correspond with P. Gunderson re tax considerations (.3).
10/04/24	Sara B. Zabloutney, P.C.	0.50	Telephone conference with lenders' counsel re tax matters.
10/06/24	Palmer Gunderson	1.70	Analyze tax consequences re transaction structure.
10/07/24	Sloane Bessey	0.20	Correspond with Texas workforce commission, J. Fina, and K&E team re entity EIN numbers.
10/07/24	Palmer Gunderson	1.50	Analyze tax consequences of transaction structure (.9); telephone conference J. Morley re same (.6).
10/07/24	Joe Morley	0.60	Conference with P. Gunderson re transaction structure.
10/09/24	Thad W. Davis, P.C.	0.30	Review, analyze correspondence re tax model.
10/10/24	Thad W. Davis, P.C.	0.70	Telephone conference with A&M team re tax modeling analysis.
10/10/24	Palmer Gunderson	2.60	Review, analyze debt documents re tax consequences (2.1); conference with J. Morley re same (.5).
10/10/24	Joe Morley	0.50	Conference with P. Gunderson re debt tax analysis.
10/11/24	Thad W. Davis, P.C.	1.80	Review, analyze issues re transaction structuring (.4); telephone conference with A&M, J. Morley, K&E team re same (1.1); research re same (.3).
10/11/24	Palmer Gunderson	3.30	Review, analyze debt documents re potential transaction re tax consequences (2.2); conference with T. Davis, J. Morley, A&M re same (1.1).
10/11/24	Joe Morley	1.10	Conference with P. Gunderson, T. Davis, A&M re tax analysis.
10/14/24	Thad W. Davis, P.C.	0.80	Telephone conference with A&M team and Sidley team re debt modification.
10/16/24	Thad W. Davis, P.C.	0.70	Review correspondence re transfer tax considerations (.5); correspond with S. Zabloutney, K&E team re same (.2).

Legal Services for the Period Ending October 31, 2024  
 Vertex Energy Inc.  
 Tax Matters

Invoice Number: 1050108860  
 Matter Number: 57088-23

<u>Date</u>	<u>Name</u>	<u>Hours</u>	<u>Description</u>
10/16/24	Joe Morley	0.10	Correspond with T. Davis re transfer tax considerations.
10/16/24	Brendan Nashelsky	0.10	Correspond with R. Bentley, K&E team, Sidley team re tax analysis.
10/16/24	Sara B. Zablotney, P.C.	0.30	Review, revise transfer tax analysis (.2); correspond with T. Davis, K&E team re same (.1).
10/18/24	Thad W. Davis, P.C.	0.30	Telephone conference with A&M team re tax modeling.
10/25/24	Thad W. Davis, P.C.	0.20	Telephone conference with A&M team re tax modeling.
10/25/24	Josephine Fina	0.20	Correspond with M. Sloman re NOL motion matrix.
10/25/24	Sara B. Zablotney, P.C.	0.20	Telephone conference with A&M re tax modeling.
<b>Total</b>		<b>26.50</b>	

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Attn: James Gregory

**Invoice Number: 1050108861**  
**Client Matter: 57088-24**

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**In the Matter of Creditor and Stakeholder Communications**

For legal services rendered through October 31, 2024  
(see attached Description of Legal Services for detail)

\$ 37,708.50

Total legal services rendered

\$ 37,708.50



Legal Services for the Period Ending October 31, 2024  
 Vertex Energy Inc.  
 Creditor and Stakeholder Communications

Invoice Number: 1050108861  
 Matter Number: 57088-24

**Summary of Hours Billed**

<b><u>Name</u></b>	<b><u>Hours</u></b>	<b><u>Rate</u></b>	<b><u>Amount</u></b>
Max Anderson	0.80	1,085.00	876.00
Sloane Bessey	1.20	875.00	1,170.00
Trevor Ecj	0.60	1,085.00	657.00
Josephine Fina	5.70	1,385.00	7,851.50
Stefanie I. Gitler	0.30	1,885.00	565.50
Rachel Golden	8.50	1,085.00	10,402.50
Susan D. Golden	0.50	1,600.00	800.00
Hannah Kupsky	0.30	875.00	262.50
Brian Najaimousa	5.00	1,345.00	6,725.00
Brendan Nashelsky	0.80	1,085.00	876.00
Genee Olivett	6.40	875.00	6,240.00
Brian Schartz, P.C.	0.50	2,305.00	1,152.50
<b>TOTALS</b>	<b>31.60</b>		<b>\$ 37,708.50</b>

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 Vertex Energy Inc.  
 Creditor and Staj eholder Communications

Invoice Number: 1050108861  
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### Description of Legal Services

<u>Date</u>	<u>Name</u>	<u>Hours</u>	<u>Description</u>
0R/26/24	Trevor Ecj	0.60	Correspond with J. Fina, k ; E team re first day order service, related notices.
0R/26/24	9 achel Golden	6.00	Conference with B. Naj haimousa, J. z alsh re creditor letter (.3)&research precedent re same (2.6)&draft same (2.5)&review, analyKe creditor correspondence re same (.4)& correspond with A; M, J. Fina re same (.2).
0R/26/24	Brian Naj haimousa	0.30	Correspond with M. Sloman re publication notice re net operating loss motion.
0R/27/24	Josephine Fina	0.50	9 eview, revise notice of commencement (.4)& correspond with B. Nashelsj y, k ; E team re same (.1).
0R/27/24	Susan D. Golden	0.50	Coordinate publication of notice re net operating loss motion.
0R/27/24	Hannah k upsj y	0.20	9 eview, revise notice of commencement (.1)& correspond with B. Naj haimousa re same (.1).
0R/27/24	Brendan Nashelsj y	0.50	9 eview, revise notice of commencement (.2)& correspond with H. k upsj y, k ; E team re same (.3).
0R/30/24	Josephine Fina	1.10	9 eview, revise preference demand letter (.4)& review, analyKe precedent re same (.4)& correspond with 9 . Golden re same (.3).
0R/30/24	9 achel Golden	2.30	9 eview, revise creditor letter (.3)&research re same (2.0).
10/01/24	Josephine Fina	0.50	Correspond with B. Nashelsj y re notice of commencement (.3)&correspond with creditors re inquiries (.2).
10/01/24	9 achel Golden	0.10	Correspond with A; M team re preference letter.
10/01/24	Hannah k upsj y	0.10	Correspond with S. Golden re notice of commencement.
10/03/24	Sloane Bessey	0.60	Correspond with J. Fina, k ; E team, and stocj holder re banj ruptcy inquiries.
10/03/24	Josephine Fina	0.40	9 eview, analyKe reclamation demand (.3)& correspond with 9 . Golden, k ; E team, A; M team re same (.1).
10/03/24	Josephine Fina	0.30	9 eview, revise creditor communication (.2)& correspond with S. Bessey re same (.1).

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10/03/24	Brendan Nashelsj y	0.30	Correspond with J. Fina, A; M re reclamation response letter.
10/07/24	Josephine Fina	0.50	Correspond with 9 . Olivett re reclamation demand letter (.2)&review, analyKe issue, reclamation demand letter (.3).
10/07/24	Josephine Fina	0.50	Conference with 9 . Bentley, k ; E team, Steptoe, Company, Sidley re securities litigation.
10/07/24	Josephine Fina	0.60	9 eview, revise press release (.3)&correspond with S. Bessey, k ; E team re same (.1)& correspond with creditor re inquiries (.2).
10/07/24	Brian Naj haimousa	0.80	Conference with 9 . Golden, J. Fina re letter to creditor.
10/07/24	9 enee Olivett	1.80	9 eview, analyKe reclamation demand letter (.6)&research precedent, case law re same (1.0)&correspond with J. Fina re same (.2).
10/08/24	9 achel Golden	0.40	9 evis e preference letter.
10/0R/24	Brian Naj haimousa	0.30	Correspond with S. Bessey re communications with creditor re chapter 11 cases (.1)&correspond with J. Fina, k ; E team re Club Lender diligence requests (.2).
10/0R/24	Brian SchartK, P.C.	0.50	Telephone conference with Sidley and 9 . Bentley re case status, deal updates.
10/10/24	9 achel Golden	0.10	Correspond with A; M team re preference letter.
10/11/24	9 achel Golden	0.10	Correspond with A; M team re preference demand letter.
10/11/24	Brian Naj haimousa	0.10	Correspond with J. 9 aphael, 9 . Olivett re reclamation demand letter.
10/11/24	9 enee Olivett	0.50	Correspond with J. 9 aphael, A; M team re reclamation demand letter.
10/13/24	9 enee Olivett	0.20	Correspond with A; M re creditor outreach.
10/14/24	9 achel Golden	0.40	Conference with shareholder re case status.
10/15/24	9 achel Golden	0.10	Correspond with A; M re preference letter.
10/15/24	Brian Naj haimousa	0.20	Conference with J. Fina, A; M team re Club Lender diligence requests.
10/15/24	9 enee Olivett	0.50	9 evis e reclamation notice response letter (.4)& correspond with A; M team re same (.1).
10/16/24	Sloane Bessey	0.20	Correspond with Verita team, A; M team, J. Fina and k ; E team re creditor outreach.

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10/16/24	Josephine Fina	0.20	Correspond with S. Bessey re staj eholder outreach.
10/16/24	Brian Naj haimousa	0.30	Review, revise response re reclamation letter (.1)&review, analyze precedent re same (.1)& correspond with G. Olivett re same (.1).
10/16/24	Genevieve Olivett	0.10	Correspond with B. Naj haimousa, A; M team re reclamation response letter.
10/17/24	Sloane Bessey	0.20	Correspond with J. Fina, k ; E team, and creditors re notice of bankruptcy.
10/17/24	Brian Naj haimousa	0.80	Correspond with A; M team, Sidley team, M. Antinossi re Club Lender diligence requests (.7)&correspond with S. Bessey re creditor outreach re noticing (.1).
10/17/24	Brian Naj haimousa	0.10	Correspond with G. Olivett re reclamation response letter.
10/17/24	Genevieve Olivett	0.10	Correspond with A; M team re reclamation response letter.
10/18/24	Brian Naj haimousa	0.10	Correspond with Sidley team re settlement term sheet.
10/18/24	Genevieve Olivett	1.00	Review reclamation response letter (.8)& correspond with B. Naj haimousa re same (.2).
10/18/24	Josephine Fina	0.10	Correspond with B. Naj haimousa re reclamation issue.
10/18/24	Brian Naj haimousa	0.40	Correspond with Sidley team re diligence requests.
10/18/24	Brian Naj haimousa	0.10	Correspond with G. Olivett re reclamation response letter.
10/21/24	Sloane Bessey	0.20	Correspond with J. Fina, k ; E team, and shareholder re bankruptcy filing questions.
10/21/24	Josephine Fina	0.20	Correspond with Bracewell team, S. Bessey re creditor inquiry.
10/21/24	Genevieve Olivett	1.60	Research, analyze considerations re reclamation demand (.7)&review, revise reclamation response letter (.4)&correspond with A; M team re same (.5).
10/22/24	Josephine Fina	0.40	Correspond with S. Gitler, k ; E team re Sidley diligence requests (.2)&correspond with Sidley re diligence requests, diligence calls (.2).

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<u>Date</u>	<u>Name</u>	<u>Hours</u>	<u>Description</u>
10/22/24	Brian Najhaimousa	0.80	Conference with Sidley team, 9 . Bentley, k ; E team re employee matters, Matheson re Wction.
10/22/24	Brian Najhaimousa	0.70	Correspond with S. Bessey re equity holder inquiry.
10/23/24	Max Anderson	0.80	Telephone conference with 9 . Bentley, k ; E team, Sidley re environmental diligence call (.4)&prepare for same (.4).
10/23/24	Stefanie I. Gitler	0.30	Telephone conference with Sidley re environmental matters.
10/23/24	Genee Olivett	0.50	Correspond with creditor re notice.
10/23/24	Genee Olivett	0.10	Correspond with 9 . Bentley re reclamation response letter.
10/30/24	Josephine Fina	0.40	Conference with S. Bullockj , A; M re 341 meeting.
<b>Total</b>		<b>31.60</b>	

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**Client Matter: 57088-25**

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**In the Matter of Utilities**

For legal services rendered through October 31, 2024  
(see attached Description of Legal Services for detail)

\$ 4,981.00

Total legal services rendered

\$ 4,981.00

Legal Services for the Period Ending October 31, 2024  
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 Utilities

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**Summary of Hours Billed**

<b><u>Name</u></b>	<b><u>Hours</u></b>	<b><u>Rate</u></b>	<b><u>Amount</u></b>
Josephine Fina	0.50	1,395.00	697.50
Rachel Golden	0.80	1,095.00	876.00
Hannah Bupsky	0.10	975.00	97.50
/ rian Makhaimousa	0.10	1,345.00	134.50
Joshua Raphael	2.90	1,095.00	3,175.50
<b>TOTALS</b>	<b>4.40</b>		<b>\$ 4,981.00</b>

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**Description of Legal Services**

<b><u>Date</u></b>	<b><u>Name</u></b>	<b><u>Hours</u></b>	<b><u>Description</u></b>
09/25/24	Rachel Golden	0.50	Korrespond &ith utilities counterparty re utilities order (.3); telephone conference &ith utilities counterparty re same (.2).
09/25/24	Joshua Raphael	1.60	Revie&, analyze utilities order in Wiry (.8); conference &ith R. / entley re same (.8).
09/26/24	/ rian Makhaimousa	0.10	Korrespond &ith Verita re service re utilities motion.
09/27/24	Hannah Bupsky	0.10	Korrespond &ith Aq N re utility accounts.
10/01/24	Rachel Golden	0.30	Korrespond &ith utility counsel re first day hearing transcript (.2); correspond &ith / race&ell re same (.1).
10/08/24	Joshua Raphael	0.20	Draft correspondence to utility counsel re utility services.
10/11/24	Joshua Raphael	0.50	Revie&, analyze utility counsel correspondences re utility notices (.3); correspond &ith Aq N, Bq E team re same (.2).
10/14/24	Josephine Fina	0.30	Revie&, analyze utility issue (.2); correspond &ith J. Raphael re same (.1).
10/23/24	Joshua Raphael	0.60	Telephone conference &ith utility counsel re utilities order (.3); revie&, analyze issues re same (.2); correspond &ith utility counsel re same (.1).
10/31/24	Josephine Fina	0.20	Korrespond &ith / race&ell, Bq E team re utilities issue.
<b>Total</b>		<b>4.40</b>	



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**Client Matter: 57088-26**

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## In the Matter of Non-Working Travel

For legal services rendered through October 31, 2024  
(see attached Description of Legal Services for detail)

\$ 10,109.00

Total legal services rendered

\$ 10,109.00

Legal Services for the Period Ending October 31, 2024  
Vertex Energy Inc.  
Non-Working Travel

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Invoice Number: 1050108863  
Matter Number: 57088-26

**Summary of Hours Billed**

<b><u>Name</u></b>	<b><u>Hours</u></b>	<b><u>Rate</u></b>	<b><u>Amount</u></b>
Rachael M. Bentley	3.80	1,595.00	6,061.00
Jacob E. Black	3.20	1,265.00	4,048.00
<b>TOTALS</b>	<b>7.00</b>		<b>\$ 10,109.00</b>

Legal Services for the Period Ending October 31, 2024  
Vertex Energy Inc.  
Non-Working Travel

Invoice Number: 1050108863  
Matter Number: 57088-26

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**Description of Legal Services**

<b><u>Date</u></b>	<b><u>Name</u></b>	<b><u>Hours</u></b>	<b><u>Description</u></b>
09/25/24	Rachael M. Bentley	3.80	Travel from New York, NY to Chicago, IL re first day hearing (billed at half time).
09/25/24	Jacob E. Black	3.20	Travel from New York, NY to Chicago, IL re first day hearing (billed at half time).
<b>Total</b>		<b>7.00</b>	

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**Client Matter: 57088-27**

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**In the Matter of U.S. Trustee Communications & Reporting**

For legal services rendered through October 31, 2024  
(see attached Description of Legal Services for detail)

\$ 21,708.50

Total legal services rendered

\$ 21,708.50

Legal Services for the 9eriod Ending October 31, 2024  
 Vertex Energy Inc.  
 P.S. Trustee Communications MNeporting

Invoice - umber: 1050108864  
 R atter - umber: 5708827

**Summary of Hours Billed**

<b><u>Name</u></b>	<b><u>Hours</u></b>	<b><u>Rate</u></b>	<b><u>Amount</u></b>
Nachael R . k entley	1.70	1,5/ 5.00	2,711.50
Josephine Fina	4.30	1,3/ 5.00	5,/ / 8.50
Nachel Golden	0.10	1,0/ 5.00	10/ .50
k rian - awhaimousa	3.10	1,345.00	4,16/ .50
k rendan - ashelswy	5.50	1,0/ 5.00	6,022.50
Nenee Olivett	1.10	/ 75.00	1,072.50
Joshua Naphael	0.20	1,0/ 5.00	21/ .00
k rian ScharT 9.C.	0.50	2,305.00	1,152.50
R ichael A. Sloman	0.20	1,265.00	253.00
<b>TOTALS</b>	<b>16.70</b>		<b>\$ 21,708.50</b>

Legal Services for the 9eriod Ending October 31, 2024  
 Vertex Energy Inc.  
 P.S. Trustee Communications MNeporting

Invoice - umber: 1050108864  
 Ratter - umber: 57088827

### Description of Legal Services

<u>Date</u>	<u>Name</u>	<u>Hours</u>	<u>Description</u>
0/ 2624	Nachael R . k entley	0.30	Telephone conferences ; ith J. Fina, z ME team re 341 meeting and notice of commencement.
102224	Josephine Fina	0.20	Correspond ; ith AMR re Initial Debtor Intervie; .
102224	k rian - avhaimousa	0.70	Conference ; ith N. k entley, z ME team, AMR re P.S. Trustee correspondence (.3)W conference ; ith AMR , N. k entley, z ME team, P.S. Trustee re same (.4).
102324	Josephine Fina	0.50	Correspond ; ith P.S. Trustee re Initial Debtor Intervie; (.1)Wcorrespond ; ith AMR re same (.1)Wvie; , analyKe questionnaire re same (.3).
102324	Josephine Fina	1.10	Conference, correspond ; ith AMR team re Committee candidates (.4)Wconference ; ith P.S. Trustee, S. kessey, z ME team, AMR team re same (.5)Wvie; , analyKe same (.2).
102324	k rian - avhaimousa	0.70	Correspond ; ith AMR , J. Fina, N. k entley, P.S. Trustee re Initial Debtor Intervie; (.4)W conference ; ith J. Fina, AMR re preparation call for same (.3).
102324	k rendan - ashelswy	0.60	Nevie; , revise summary re proposed Committee members (.2)Wtelephone conference ; ith J. Fina, k . - avhaimousa, z ME team re same (.4).
102724	Josephine Fina	0.20	Correspond ; ith P.S. Trustee re R ON (.1)W correspond ; ith Alix team re same (.1).
102524	Josephine Fina	0.10	Correspond ; ith AMR re R onthly Operating Neports.
102824	Josephine Fina	0.10	Correspond ; ith - . k onds re P.S. Trustee diligence.
102/ 24	Josephine Fina	0.30	Nevie; , analyKe P.S. Trustee requested diligence (.2)Wcorrespond ; ith N. k entley re same (.1).
102124	Nachael R . k entley	0.50	Correspond ; ith J. Fina re Initial Debtor Intervie; (.2)Wttend same (.3).
102124	Josephine Fina	0.50	Attend Initial Debtor Intervie; (.3)W correspond ; ith AMR re diligence postB Initial Debtor Intervie; (.2).
102124	k rian - avhaimousa	0.30	Attend Initial Debtor Intervie; .

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<u>Date</u>	<u>Name</u>	<u>Hours</u>	<u>Description</u>
10/21/24	Kieran Schartz, P.C.	0.50	Telephone conference ; ith N. Kentley, z ME team re initial debtor interview; .
10/25/24	Michael A. Sloman	0.20	Correspond ; ith P.S. Trustee, counsel to Committee, counsel to DI9 Lenders re insurance and tax reporting requirements.
10/26/24	Josephine Fina	0.20	Correspond ; ith P.S. Trustee re IDI diligence.
10/26/24	Nachel Golden	0.10	Correspond ; ith P.S. Trustee re disclosure statement hearing.
10/26/24	Krendan - ashelswy	0.40	Conference ; ith J. R cLennan re disclosure statement (.2)Wevie; , analyKe materials re same (.2).
10/30/24	Nachael R. Kentley	0.40	Telephone conferences, correspond ; ith K race; ell, AMR , J. Fina re 341 meeting (.2)W analyKe issues re same (.2).
10/30/24	Josephine Fina	0.60	Conference ; ith z ME team, AMR re R ON.
10/30/24	Kieran - avhaimousa	0.20	Conference ; ith K race; ell, N. Kentley, AMR , J. Fina re 341 preparations.
10/30/24	Kieran - avhaimousa	0.40	Conference ; ith AMR , K. - ashelswy, J. Fina re R ONs.
10/30/24	Krendan - ashelswy	0./0	Telephone conferences ; ith K. - avhaimousa, AMR , K race; ell re monthly operating reports (.5)W conferences ; ith K. - avhaimousa, N. Olivett re same (.3)Wevie; , analyKe monthly operating reports (.1).
10/30/24	Nenee Olivett	1.10	Telephone conference ; ith K. - ashelswy, z ME team, AMR team re monthly operating reports (.6)W correspond ; ith AMR team re same (.2)Wevie; , analyKe monthly operating reports (.3).
10/30/24	Joshua Naphael	0.20	Conference ; ith N. Kentley, z ME team, AMR , K race; ell re 341 meeting preparation.
10/31/24	Nachael R. Kentley	0.50	Attend 341 meeting.
10/31/24	Josephine Fina	0.50	Attend 341 meeting.
10/31/24	Kieran - avhaimousa	0.20	Correspond ; ith K. - ashelswy re R ONs.
10/31/24	Kieran - avhaimousa	0.60	Telephonically attend 341 meeting (.5)W correspond ; ith N. Kentley re same (.1).
10/31/24	Krendan - ashelswy	3.60	Nevie; , revise monthly operating reports (2.1)W correspond ; ith K. - avhaimousa, z ME team, AMR , K race; ell re same (.7)W telephone conferences ; ith K. - avhaimousa, AMR , K race; ell re same (.8).

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**Total**

**16.70**



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For legal services rendered through October 31, 2024  
(see attached Description of Legal Services for detail)

\$ 91,916.00

Total legal services rendered

\$ 91,916.00

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**Summary of Hours Billed**

<b><u>Name</u></b>	<b><u>Hours</u></b>	<b><u>Rate</u></b>	<b><u>Amount</u></b>
Max Anderson	10.90	1,095.00	11,935.50
Rachael M. Bentley	2.00	1,595.00	3,190.00
John Farah	13.10	975.00	12,772.50
Josephine Fina	0.90	1,395.00	1,255.50
Stefanie I. Gitler	6.70	1,885.00	12,629.50
Lilla K. Grisham	7.50	1,095.00	8,212.50
Damien R. Lyster, P.C.	0.80	1,865.00	1,492.00
Alexiz D. Magro-Malo	0.90	1,265.00	1,138.50
Lauren A. Mitchell-Dawson	6.90	625.00	4,312.50
Brian Nakhaimousa	0.80	1,345.00	1,076.00
Brendan Nashelsky	0.20	1,095.00	219.00
Renee Olivett	0.40	975.00	390.00
Mary-Michael Robertson	37.50	815.00	30,562.50
Quin Wetzel	2.80	975.00	2,730.00
<b>TOTALS</b>	<b>91.40</b>		<b>\$ 91,916.00</b>

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09/24/24	Stefanie I. Gitler	0.30	Review, analyze summary re environmental permit transfer.
09/24/24	Mary-Michael Robertson	4.30	Review, revise summary of environmental, health, and safety materials (1.4); analyze permit documents (.9); research re permit transferability (1.0); draft summary re permit transfer (1.0).
09/25/24	Lauren A. Mitchell-Dawson	1.30	Research re environmental matters.
09/25/24	Mary-Michael Robertson	4.70	Review and analyze environmental permit documents (2.0); summary re transferability of permits (1.0); research re regulations re same (1.7).
09/26/24	Rachael M. Bentley	0.20	Telephone conference with A&M re natural gas and continued services.
09/26/24	Lauren A. Mitchell-Dawson	2.80	Research re environmental matters re sale transaction.
09/26/24	Mary-Michael Robertson	5.90	Research re environmental permit transferability (3.0); analyze and summarize transfer requirements for specific permits (2.9).
09/27/24	Max Anderson	1.40	Review, revise environmental permit transfer analysis.
09/27/24	Lauren A. Mitchell-Dawson	2.80	Analyze environmental due diligence research re target-related entities (1.5); review, compile, and summarize database search results (1.3).
09/30/24	Stefanie I. Gitler	0.30	Review, analyze documents re environmental issues.
09/30/24	Mary-Michael Robertson	3.20	Review, analyze environmental due diligence matters.
10/01/24	Stefanie I. Gitler	0.50	Review, analyze documents re environmental issues and related considerations.
10/01/24	Mary-Michael Robertson	4.80	Review, analyze Company materials re environmental enforcement actions (2.0); research and analyze related issues re same (2.8).
10/02/24	Stefanie I. Gitler	1.70	Review, analyze environmental related materials (.7); review, analyze environmental permit transfer issues (1.0).

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10/03/24	Damien R. Lyster, P.C.	0.10	Correspond with J. Farah re federal communications commission license issue.
10/05/24	Damien R. Lyster, P.C.	0.10	Correspond with J. Farah re regulatory considerations.
10/08/24	Brendan Nashelsky	0.20	Review, analyze diligence re FINRA (.1); correspond with J. McLennan, K&E team re same (.1).
10/11/24	John Farah	0.30	Conference with L. Grisham, K&E team re FCC filings (.2); correspond with same re same (.1).
10/14/24	Stefanie I. Gitler	0.20	Correspond with M. Robertson re permit transfers.
10/15/24	Max Anderson	1.30	Correspond with Company, M. Robertson, K&E team re permit transfer requirements (.3); review and revise environmental permit transfer analysis table (.5); conference with M. Robertson, K&E team re environmental permit transfer requirements (.5).
10/15/24	John Farah	0.30	Correspond with L. Grisham, K&E team re FCC filings (.2); conference with D. Lyster re same (.1).
10/15/24	Stefanie I. Gitler	0.40	Review, analyze issues re permit transfers.
10/15/24	Damien R. Lyster, P.C.	0.10	Conference with J. Farah re federal communications commission filing.
10/15/24	Mary-Michael Robertson	0.20	Correspond with S. Glitter re environmental permit transfer requirements.
10/16/24	John Farah	1.80	Research re FCC filings and form requirements (1.1); conference and correspond with L. Grisham, K&E team re same (.7).
10/16/24	Stefanie I. Gitler	0.20	Correspond with M. Robertson, K&E team re environmental permits.
10/16/24	Lilla K. Grisham	0.50	Conference with J. Farah re FCC regulatory filings.
10/17/24	Max Anderson	0.50	Review, analyze issues re environmental permit transfer.
10/17/24	John Farah	2.30	Research and draft summaries re FCC filings and form requirements (1.3); conference with L. Grisham re same (1.0).
10/17/24	Stefanie I. Gitler	0.20	Review, analyze issues re environmental permit transfer.

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10/17/24	Lilla K. Grisham	1.00	Conference with J. Farah re FCC regulatory filings.
10/17/24	Mary-Michael Robertson	2.80	Review and analyze environmental permits re permit transferability analysis.
10/18/24	John Farah	5.10	Research, summarize re FCC filings and form requirements (3.1); conference L. Grisham, K&E team re same (2.0).
10/18/24	Stefanie I. Gitler	0.20	Conference with J. Fina and K&E team re environmental considerations.
10/18/24	Lilla K. Grisham	1.00	Conference with J. Farah re FCC regulatory filings.
10/18/24	Mary-Michael Robertson	2.30	Correspond with M. Anderson re permit transfer and environmental disclosures (.3); review and analyze consent decree re transfer of ownership provisions (2.0).
10/20/24	Mary-Michael Robertson	0.20	Conference with M. Anderson re permit transfer requirements.
10/21/24	Max Anderson	3.30	Conference with M. Robertson, re environmental permit transfer analysis (.2); conference with environmental counsel re same (.5); review, analyze diligence documents (1.2); revise talking points re environmental permits (1.0); review, analyze non-environmental permits re applicable transfer requirements (.4).
10/21/24	John Farah	0.30	Correspond with L. Grisham, B. Nakhaimousa re FCC filings and form requirements.
10/21/24	Lilla K. Grisham	0.30	Review, revise FCC filing materials (.2); correspond with J. Farah re same (.1).
10/21/24	Damien R. Lyster, P.C.	0.20	Correspond with J. Farah re federal communications commission license issues.
10/21/24	Brian Nakhaimousa	0.30	Correspond with J. Farah re environmental matters.
10/21/24	Renee Olivett	0.40	Correspond with J. Farah re environmental matters.
10/21/24	Mary-Michael Robertson	3.70	Research and analyze permit transfer requirements (2.0); review and revise environmental issues list and permit transferability summary (1.7).

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10/22/24	Max Anderson	4.40	Telephone conference with M. Robertson, K&E team, Company, and environmental counsel re environmental permit transfers and environmental matters for disclosure (1.5); draft environmental document requests (.5); review, revise environmental diligence notes documents (.9); review, revise consent decree (.5); review, analyze prior consent decree transfer covenants (1.0).
10/22/24	Rachael M. Bentley	1.00	Telephone conferences with Bracewell, A&M re EPA matters (.4); correspond with J. Fina, K&E team re same (.6).
10/22/24	John Farah	2.60	Research and revise summaries re regulatory filings and form requirements (2.4); correspond with L. Grisham, D. Lyster re same (.2).
10/22/24	Stefanie I. Gitler	2.00	Review, analyze issues re permit tracking and tank registrations (.2); telephone conference with M. Robertson, K&E team, Company re active environmental matters and required permit transfers (1.1); review, analyze document requests (.7).
10/22/24	Lilla K. Grisham	0.50	Review, revise FCC filing materials (.4); correspond with J. Farah, D Lyster re same (.1).
10/22/24	Damien R. Lyster, P.C.	0.20	Correspond with L. Grisham and J. Farah re FCC filing (.1); review, revise requirements re same (.1).
10/22/24	Alexiz D. Magro-Malo	0.90	Telephone conference with R. Bentley, K&E team re environmental issues, liabilities and permits.
10/22/24	Mary-Michael Robertson	5.40	Telephone conference with S. Gitler, K&E team, Company re permit transferability and anticipated environmental disclosures (1.1); prepare for same (.4); review and analyze list of outstanding permits (2.7); draft diligence requests list (1.2).
10/23/24	John Farah	0.40	Research and draft summaries re regulatory filings and form requirements (.2); correspond with L. Grisham re same (.2).
10/23/24	Lilla K. Grisham	0.20	Review, revise FCC filing materials (.1); correspond with J. Farah re same, related research (.1).
10/24/24	Lilla K. Grisham	0.50	Review, revise FCC filing materials.

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10/25/24	Lilla K. Grisham	3.50	Draft FCC applications.
10/25/24	Damien R. Lyster, P.C.	0.10	Correspond with L. Grisham re FCC license issues.
10/28/24	Stefanie I. Gitler	0.20	Review, analyze regulatory reporting obligations.
10/30/24	Josephine Fina	0.20	Correspond with R. Bentley, Q. Wetzel re EPA.
10/30/24	Stefanie I. Gitler	0.50	Conference with Company re SoFAs, environmental matters.
10/30/24	Quin Wetzel	2.10	Draft presentation re RIN considerations (1.8); correspond with J. Fina, B. Nakhaimousa re same (.3).
10/31/24	Rachael M. Bentley	0.40	Review, revise presentation re RINs (.3); correspond with Q. Wetzel, K&E team re same (.1).
10/31/24	Rachael M. Bentley	0.40	Telephone conferences with Willkie re intermediation order and existing agreements.
10/31/24	Josephine Fina	0.70	Review, revise EPA slides (.6); correspond with Q. Wetzel re same (.1).
10/31/24	Brian Nakhaimousa	0.50	Review, revise presentation re RIN issues (.4); correspond with Q. Wetzel re same (.1).
10/31/24	Quin Wetzel	0.70	Review, revise EPA presentation (.4); correspond with B. Schartz, R. Bentley re same (.3).
<b>Total</b>		<b>91.40</b>	

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\$ 195,098.50

Total legal services rendered

\$ 195,098.50



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<b><u>Name</u></b>	<b><u>Hours</u></b>	<b><u>Rate</u></b>	<b><u>Amount</u></b>
Michael Angarola	14.30	785.00	11,225.50
Rachael M. Bentley	3.30	1,595.00	5,263.50
Zac Ciullo	10.50	1,555.00	16,327.50
Trevor Eck	4.70	1,095.00	5,146.50
Christopher Fabrizio	1.00	815.00	815.00
Josephine Fina	4.30	1,395.00	5,998.50
Timothy Knapp, P.C.	0.50	1,835.00	917.50
Patrick G. Maroun	16.00	1,325.00	21,200.00
Barira Munshi	50.90	1,365.00	69,478.50
Brian Nakhaimousa	4.10	1,345.00	5,514.50
Hannah Marie Putnam	32.10	1,235.00	39,643.50
Joshua Raphael	1.50	1,095.00	1,642.50
Anna G. Rotman, P.C.	6.10	1,955.00	11,925.50
<b>TOTALS</b>	<b>149.30</b>		<b>\$ 195,098.50</b>

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10/14/24	Joshua Raphael	0.40	Review, analyze issues re pending litigation (.3); correspond with B. Munshi, K&E team re same (.1).
11/01/24	Michael Angarola	0.30	Conference with P. Maroun re arbitration research.
11/01/24	Michael Angarola	2.20	Research re arbitration considerations (2.0); draft summary re same (.2).
11/01/24	Michael Angarola	2.80	Research re arbitration.
11/01/24	Zac Ciullo	0.40	Correspond with R. Bentley re arbitration research.
11/01/24	Patrick G. Maroun	1.90	Telephone conference with M. Angarola re arbitration research (.3); research re same (1.1); correspond with T. Knapp, Z. Ciullo, and M. Angarola re same (.5).
11/01/24	Hannah Marie Putnam	0.30	Draft interview outline re independent director investigation.
11/04/24	Michael Angarola	3.50	Review, analyze research re potential litigation claim.
11/04/24	Zac Ciullo	1.80	Review and analyze proofs of claim (1.3); conference with A&M, B. Schartz, K&E team re potential litigation claim (.4); telephone conference with T. Knapp re same (.1).
11/04/24	Trevor Eck	1.80	Telephone conference with R. Bentley, K&E team re disinterested director investigation (.3); review, revise interview questions re same (1.5).
11/04/24	Josephine Fina	0.70	Conference with R. Bentley, K&E team, and A&M re potential adversary proceeding (.5); correspond with same re same (.2).
11/04/24	Timothy Knapp, P.C.	0.50	Conference with Z. Ciullo, K&E team re potential litigation claim.
11/04/24	Patrick G. Maroun	0.50	Review and revise research summary re potential litigation claims (.4); correspond with M. Angarola re same (.1).
11/04/24	Barira Munshi	5.00	Review, analyze disinterested director investigation materials (2.5); revise interview questions re same (2.0); telephone conference with A. Rotman and H. Putnam re same (.5).

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11/04/24	Brian Nakhaimousa	0.90	Conference with R. Bentley, J. Fina, A&M re potential preference claims (.3); conference with B. Munshi, K&E team re disinterested director investigation (.3); correspond with B. Munshi, K&E team re disinterested director investigation outline (.3).
11/04/24	Hannah Marie Putnam	0.90	Conference with B. Munshi, K&E team re disinterested director investigation interview outline (.5); draft summary re same (.4).
11/04/24	Hannah Marie Putnam	0.10	Draft presentation re disinterested director investigation.
11/04/24	Anna G. Rotman, P.C.	1.00	Conference with H. Putnam, B. Munshi re upcoming disinterested director investigation interviews and next steps (.5); review materials re same (.5).
11/05/24	Michael Angarola	1.30	Research re potential litigation claims (1.0); review, analyze issues re same (.3).
11/05/24	Zac Ciullo	0.70	Review, analyze UCC settlement re potential litigation considerations.
11/05/24	Trevor Eck	0.40	Review, revise interview questionnaire re disinterested director investigation (.2); conference with B. Munshi, H. Putnam re same (.2).
11/05/24	Josephine Fina	0.50	Conference with R. Bentley, K&E team re preference analysis.
11/05/24	Josephine Fina	0.40	Review, revise outline re disinterested director interview (.3); correspond with T. Eck re same (.1).
11/05/24	Barira Munshi	3.10	Conference with H. Putnam re interview (.1); prepare for interview re disinterested director investigation (1.0); revise question outline re same (1.8); conference with T. Eck, H. Putnam re same (.2).
11/05/24	Hannah Marie Putnam	2.90	Conference with B. Munshi, K&E team re disinterested director investigation interview outline (.2); review, revise outline re same (2.7).
11/05/24	Anna G. Rotman, P.C.	1.40	Review, revise disinterested director investigation presentation (.8); review, revise interview outline (.6).
11/06/24	Zac Ciullo	2.50	Research and analyze case law re potential litigation claim.

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11/06/24	Patrick G. Maroun	2.90	Review and revise research summary re potential litigation claim (2.7); correspond with M. Angarola re same (.2).
11/06/24	Barira Munshi	4.80	Conduct interview with Company re disinterested director investigation (2.0); prepare re same (2.5); conference with B. Nakhaimousa, K&E team re disinterested director investigation matters (.3).
11/06/24	Brian Nakhaimousa	0.30	Conference with B. Munshi, K&E team re disinterested director investigation matters.
11/06/24	Hannah Marie Putnam	0.60	Conference with B. Munshi, K&E team re disinterested director investigation matters (.3); prepare for same (.3).
11/06/24	Hannah Marie Putnam	0.80	Prepare for interview re disinterested director investigation.
11/06/24	Hannah Marie Putnam	2.00	Conduct interview re disinterested director investigation.
11/07/24	Michael Angarola	1.10	Conference with P. Maroun re research re potential litigation claim.
11/07/24	Michael Angarola	1.80	Draft research summary re potential litigation claim.
11/07/24	Michael Angarola	0.40	Review, analyze documents re potential litigation claim.
11/07/24	Michael Angarola	0.90	Review, analyze issues re potential litigation claim (.1); review, analyze summary re same (.8).
11/07/24	Patrick G. Maroun	3.40	Review and revise summary chart re potential litigation claim (1.8); conference with M. Angarola re same (1.1); correspond with M. Angarola re same (.5).
11/07/24	Barira Munshi	4.20	Revise materials re disinterested director investigation (1.0); further draft, review, revise Company interview outlines (3.1); correspond with B. Nakhaimousa re disinterested director investigation matters (.1).
11/07/24	Brian Nakhaimousa	0.20	Review, analyze potential preference claims analysis (.1); correspond with B. Munshi re disinterested director investigation (.1).
11/07/24	Anna G. Rotman, P.C.	0.70	Review, revise outline re investigation interviews.
11/08/24	Rachael M. Bentley	1.70	Prepare for and attend interview re disinterested director investigation.

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11/08/24	Zac Ciullo	2.50	Review, analyze issues re potential litigation claim.
11/08/24	Zac Ciullo	0.40	Correspond with T. Knapp re potential litigation claim.
11/08/24	Josephine Fina	1.00	Conference with R. Bentley, K&E team, interviewee re investigation.
11/08/24	Patrick G. Maroun	4.50	Review and revise summary chart re potential litigation claim research (.5); correspond with M. Angarola re same (.4); review and analyze documents re same (3.6).
11/08/24	Barira Munshi	3.90	Conduct Company interview re disinterested director investigation (1.5); prepare re same (2.4).
11/08/24	Hannah Marie Putnam	0.30	Review, analyze agreement re disinterested director investigation.
11/08/24	Hannah Marie Putnam	0.20	Draft presentation re disinterested director investigation findings.
11/08/24	Hannah Marie Putnam	0.60	Prepare for conference with Company re disinterested director investigation.
11/08/24	Hannah Marie Putnam	1.50	Interview Company party re disinterested director investigation.
11/08/24	Hannah Marie Putnam	0.40	Conference with B. Munshi, K&E team re disinterested director investigation.
11/08/24	Anna G. Rotman, P.C.	1.20	Prepare for interview with Company re disinterested director investigation.
11/09/24	Barira Munshi	0.20	Correspond with A. Rotman re disinterested director investigation status.
11/11/24	Zac Ciullo	0.90	Analyze key evidence and documents re potential litigation claim.
11/11/24	Zac Ciullo	0.90	Research and analyze case law re potential litigation claim.
11/11/24	Josephine Fina	0.20	Review disinterested director investigation topics list.
11/11/24	Patrick G. Maroun	2.80	Review and analyze documents re potential litigation claim.
11/11/24	Brian Nakhaimousa	0.40	Conference with R. Bentley, K&E team re potential litigation claim.
11/11/24	Hannah Marie Putnam	0.50	Summary investigation materials re UCC settlement.
11/11/24	Hannah Marie Putnam	0.30	Draft presentation re findings of disinterested director investigation.

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11/12/24	Zac Ciullo	0.40	Conference with P. Maroun and M. Angarola re strategy for potential litigation claim.
11/12/24	Hannah Marie Putnam	0.20	Research historical Company transactions re disinterested director investigation.
11/12/24	Hannah Marie Putnam	0.10	Prepare re Company interview re investigation.
11/12/24	Joshua Raphael	1.10	Draft objection to motion to compel.
11/13/24	Trevor Eck	0.40	Conference with R. Bentley, K&E team re disinterested director investigation status.
11/13/24	Barira Munshi	6.40	Conference with B. Nakhaimousa and H. Putnam re investigation update (.5); review, analyze materials re investigation (3.8); research re potential claims (2.1).
11/13/24	Brian Nakhaimousa	0.90	Conference with B. Munshi, H. Putnam re disinterested director investigation update (.5); conference with Bracewell re follow up to same (.2); correspond with same, B. Munshi re same (.1); correspond with R. Golden, T. Eck re same (.1).
11/13/24	Hannah Marie Putnam	0.90	Draft presentation re disinterested director investigation findings.
11/13/24	Hannah Marie Putnam	0.50	Conference with B. Munshi, K&E team re independent investigation.
11/13/24	Anna G. Rotman, P.C.	0.30	Conference with H. Putnam, K&E team re disinterested director investigation status.
11/14/24	Hannah Marie Putnam	0.20	Conference with B. Munshi, K&E team re disinterested director investigation.
11/15/24	Barira Munshi	1.20	Review, analyze, and revise draft investigation findings presentation (.5); conference with H. Putnam re disinterested director investigation (.7).
11/15/24	Hannah Marie Putnam	2.20	Draft, review, revise presentation re disinterested director investigation findings (1.5); conference with B. Munshi re same (.7).
11/15/24	Hannah Marie Putnam	1.60	Research re historical transactions re disinterested director investigation.
11/18/24	Barira Munshi	7.00	Review, analyze documents re disinterested director investigation (3.9); revise interview outlines re same (3.1).
11/18/24	Hannah Marie Putnam	0.30	Conference with B. Munshi, K&E team re disinterested director investigation.

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11/19/24	Barira Munshi	2.30	Review, revise disinterested director investigation interview outlines.
11/19/24	Hannah Marie Putnam	0.10	Conference with B. Munshi, K&E team re disinterested director investigation.
11/20/24	Rachael M. Bentley	1.60	Review, analyze disinterested director investigation status and related considerations re same.
11/20/24	Trevor Eck	0.40	Conference with R. Bentley, K&E team re investigation.
11/20/24	Josephine Fina	0.50	Conference with B. Munshi, K&E team re disinterested director investigation (.3); prepare for same (.2).
11/20/24	Barira Munshi	0.60	Conference with R. Bentley, K&E team re investigation (.3); correspond with H. Putnam and A. Rotman re investigation status update (.3).
11/20/24	Brian Nakhaimousa	0.30	Conference with B. Munshi, K&E team re investigation status.
11/20/24	Hannah Marie Putnam	1.00	Conference with B. Munshi K&E team re disinterested director investigation status (.4); draft summary re same (.6).
11/20/24	Anna G. Rotman, P.C.	0.50	Conference with R. Bentley, K&E team re disinterested director investigation status.
11/21/24	Hannah Marie Putnam	3.40	Review, revise presentation re disinterested director investigation findings.
11/22/24	Hannah Marie Putnam	0.70	Research re disinterested director investigation.
11/22/24	Hannah Marie Putnam	5.40	Review, revise presentation re disinterested director investigation (3.9); further draft, review, revise re same (1.5).
11/25/24	Trevor Eck	1.00	Conference with J. Fina, K&E team re disinterested director investigation.
11/25/24	Christopher Fabrizio	1.00	Conference with T. Eck, K&E team re disinterested director investigation update.
11/25/24	Josephine Fina	1.00	Conference with B. Munshi, K&E team re disinterested director investigation updates.
11/25/24	Barira Munshi	3.60	Conference with B. Nakhaimousa, K&E team re investigation status (1.0); conference with A. Rotman and H. Putnam re same (.5); review, revise draft deck re same (2.0); correspond with H. Putnam re same (.1).



Legal Services for the Period Ending November 30, 2024  
Vertex Energy Inc.  
Adversary Proceeding & Contested Matters

Invoice Number: 1050109773  
Matter Number: 57088-3

<u>Date</u>	<u>Name</u>	<u>Hours</u>	<u>Description</u>
11/25/24	Brian Nakhaimousa	1.10	Conference with B. Munshi, K&E team re disinterested director investigation status (1.0); prepare for same (.1).
11/25/24	Hannah Marie Putnam	2.80	Conference with B. Nakhaimousa, K&E team re disinterested director investigation status, next steps (1.0); review, revise presentation re investigation (1.2); correspond with B. Munshi re same (.1); conference with A. Rotman, B. Munshi re next steps (.5).
11/25/24	Anna G. Rotman, P.C.	1.00	Conference with H. Putnam, B. Munshi re investigation status (.5); review materials re same (.5).
11/26/24	Barira Munshi	3.40	Analyze issues re disinterested director investigation.
11/26/24	Hannah Marie Putnam	0.70	Research re disinterested director investigation.
11/26/24	Hannah Marie Putnam	0.60	Revise presentation re disinterested director investigation.
11/27/24	Trevor Eck	0.70	Review, analyze considerations re disinterested director investigation re UCC settlement (.3); correspond with Willkie, B. Nakhaimousa, K&E team re same (.4).
11/27/24	Barira Munshi	5.20	Revise interview question outline re disinterested director investigation (3.9); further revise re same (1.3).
<b>Total</b>		<b>149.30</b>	



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January 15, 2025

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Houston, TX 77058

Attn: James Gregory

**Invoice Number: 1050108662**  
**Client Matter: 56077-2**

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**In the Matter of Automatic Utas MatterS**

For legal services rendered through November 30, 2024  
(see attached Description of Legal Services for detail)

\$ 28,767.50

Total legal services rendered

\$ 28,767.50

Legal Services for the Period Ending November 30, 2024  
 Vertex Energy Inc.  
 Automatic Stay Matters

Invoice Number: 1050109774  
 Matter Number: 57088-4

**Summary of your Bill**

<b><u>Name</u></b>	<b><u>your</u></b>	<b><u>date</u></b>	<b><u>Amount</u></b>
Rachael M. Bentley	2.10	1,595.00	3,349.50
Sloane Bessey	12.30	975.00	11,992.50
Josephine Fina	0.90	1,395.00	1,255.50
Tysan Holloman	6.30	815.00	5,134.50
Brian Nakhaimousa	1.40	1,345.00	1,883.00
Joshua Raphael	0.20	1,095.00	219.00
Michael A. Sloman	3.90	1,265.00	4,933.50
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Legal Services for the Period Ending November 30, 2024  
 Vertex Energy Inc.  
 Automatic Stay Matters

Invoice Number: 1050109774  
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11/01/24	Sloane Bessey	2.70	Research re potential automatic stay violation (.9); correspond with J. Fina and K&E team re same (1.0); summarize research re same (.8).
11/01/24	Josephine Fina	0.50	Review, analyze research re auto stay (.2); review, analyze revised auto stay letter (.2); correspond with S. Bessey re same (.1).
11/01/24	Tysan Holloman	2.30	Research re lien notices re auto stay violation.
11/01/24	Brian Nakhaimousa	0.40	Review, analyze research re mechanics lien inquiry (.3); correspond with S. Bessey re same (.1).
11/01/24	Joshua Raphael	0.10	Review, analyze research re lien notices.
11/01/24	Michael A. Sloman	0.10	Correspond with B. Nakhaimousa, K&E team, counterparty re Tribe lift stay motion.
11/02/24	Sloane Bessey	0.20	Correspond with J. Fina and K&E team re lien notices.
11/04/24	Sloane Bessey	0.80	Research re lien notice (.7); correspond with J. Fina and K&E team re same (.1).
11/04/24	Tysan Holloman	0.50	Review, analyze documents re mechanics liens.
11/04/24	Brian Nakhaimousa	0.10	Review, analyze filed mechanics lien.
11/04/24	Joshua Raphael	0.10	Review, analyze notice of intent to file mechanics lien.
11/05/24	Sloane Bessey	0.50	Correspond with J. Raphael and K&E team re lien notices (.3); review, analyze research re same (.2).
11/05/24	Tysan Holloman	2.10	Research re mechanics lien.
11/06/24	Sloane Bessey	0.30	Correspond with J. Fina, K&E team re lien notices.
11/07/24	Sloane Bessey	1.00	Review, analyze liens (.4); research re lien notice re automatic stay (.3); correspond with J. Fina and K&E team re liens (.3).
11/08/24	Sloane Bessey	0.70	Review, analyze research re lien notice (.3); correspond with J. Fina and K&E team re same (.1); correspond with M. Sloman, K&E team, and A&M team re lift stay motion (.3).
11/08/24	Tysan Holloman	1.40	Research re enforcement of liens (1.3); correspond with S. Bessey re same (.1).

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 Automatic Stay Matters

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<u>Date</u>	<u>Name</u>	<u>Hours</u>	<u>Description</u>
11/08/24	Michael A. Sloman	0.30	Correspond with S. Bessey, K&E team re lift stay motion.
11/11/24	Sloane Bessey	0.50	Correspond with M. Sloman and K&E team re lift stay motion.
11/12/24	Sloane Bessey	0.40	Correspond with R. Bentley, K&E team, and A&M team re lien notices (.3); correspond with M. Sloman and K&E team re lift stay request (.1).
11/12/24	Brian Nakhaimousa	0.10	Review, analyze research re mechanics lien issues.
11/13/24	Michael A. Sloman	1.00	Telephone conference with R. Bentley, K&E team, Committee counsel re case status, automatic stay issues.
11/14/24	Michael A. Sloman	0.10	Telephone conference with Willkie re lift stay motion.
11/20/24	Sloane Bessey	0.10	Correspond with M. Sloman, K&E team re lift stay request.
11/20/24	Brian Nakhaimousa	0.10	Correspond with M. Sloman re Deborra Tribe matter.
11/20/24	Michael A. Sloman	0.30	Review, analyze issues re Tribe motion to lift stay.
11/21/24	Sloane Bessey	0.90	Correspond with M. Sloman, K&E team re lift stay motion (.4); correspond with M. Sloman and Verita team re same (.2); correspond with J. Fina, K&E team re liens (.3).
11/21/24	Michael A. Sloman	0.30	Correspond with S. Bessey re Tribe motion to lift stay.
11/22/24	Sloane Bessey	0.60	Correspond with J. Fina, K&E team re lien notices.
11/22/24	Brian Nakhaimousa	0.20	Correspond with S. Bessey re mechanics liens research.
11/22/24	Michael A. Sloman	0.30	Telephone conference with R. Bentley re Tribe lift stay motion (.1); correspond with counterparty counsel re same (.2).
11/25/24	Sloane Bessey	1.80	Draft, review, revise lift stay stipulation (1.7); correspond with M. Sloman re same (.1).
11/25/24	Michael A. Sloman	0.60	Review, revise stipulation re Tribe lift stay motion (.5); correspond with S. Bessey re same (.1).

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 Matter Number: 57088-4

<u>Date</u>	<u>Name</u>	<u>Hours</u>	<u>Description</u>
11/26/24	Rachael M. Bentley	2.10	Review, revise Tribe stipulation (1.9); correspond with M. Sloman, K&E team re same (.2).
11/26/24	Sloane Bessey	0.60	Review, revise lift stay stipulation (.2); correspond with A&M team, R. Bentley and K&E team re lift stay stipulation (.4).
11/26/24	Josephine Fina	0.40	Conference with R. Bentley re stay issue (.2); correspond with M. Sloman re same (.2).
11/26/24	Brian Nakhaimousa	0.20	Review, revise equities litigation stipulation (.1); correspond with S. Bessey, K&E team re same (.1).
11/26/24	Michael A. Sloman	0.20	Correspond with counsel to Sidley, counsel to Willkie, counterparty counsel, J. Fina, K&E team re Tribe lift stay stipulation.
11/27/24	Sloane Bessey	1.20	Review, revise automatic stay stipulation (.5); correspond with M. Sloman and K&E team re stipulation (.7).
11/27/24	Brian Nakhaimousa	0.30	Correspond with S. Bessey, B. Nashelsky re lift stay stipulation (.2); review, analyze same (.1).
11/27/24	Michael A. Sloman	0.70	Review, revise Tribe lift stay stipulation (.3); research, analyze considerations re same (.4).
<b>Total</b>		<b>16.40</b>	

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<b>Total</b>		<b>4.70</b>	



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**Client Matter: 56077-2**

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**In the Matter of Calé As miniiltration**

For legal services rendered through November 30, 2024  
(see attached Description of Legal Services for detail)

\$ 42,779.50

Total legal services rendered

\$ 42,779.50

Legal Services for the Period Ending November 30, 2024  
 Vertex Energy Inc.  
 Case Administration

Invoice Number: 1050109776  
 Matter Number: 57088-6

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<b><u>Name</u></b>	<b><u>HourU</u></b>	<b><u>d ate</u></b>	<b><u>Amount</u></b>
Rachael M. Bentley	0.50	1,595.00	797.50
Sloane Bessey	1.10	975.00	1,072.50
Trevor Eck	1.30	1,095.00	1,423.50
Christopher Fabrizio	4.40	815.00	3,586.00
Josephine Fina	6.90	1,395.00	9,625.50
Ashlyn Gallagher	0.80	435.00	348.00
Rachel Golden	8.60	1,095.00	9,417.00
Tysan Holloman	0.90	815.00	733.50
Hannah Kupsky	0.80	975.00	780.00
Jamie McLennan	1.20	975.00	1,170.00
Georgia Meadow	4.30	355.00	1,526.50
Brian Nakhaimousa	2.30	1,345.00	3,093.50
Brendan Nashelsky	1.40	1,095.00	1,533.00
Renee Olivett	1.40	975.00	1,365.00
Joshua Raphael	1.60	1,095.00	1,752.00
Brian Schartz, P.C.	1.00	2,305.00	2,305.00
Michael A. Sloman	0.90	1,265.00	1,138.50
Gary M. Vogt	1.00	625.00	625.00
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Legal Services for the Period Ending November 30, 2024  
 Vertex Energy Inc.  
 Case Administration

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10/15/24	Joshua Raphael	0.50	Conference with J. Fina, K&E team re work in process, next steps.
11/01/24	Georgia Meadow	0.20	Correspond with C. Fabrizio, K&E team re recent case filings.
11/04/24	Josephine Fina	0.30	Review, revise daily update materials for Company.
11/04/24	Rachel Golden	0.80	Revise case calendar (.7); correspond with B. Nakhaimousa, J. Fina re same (.1).
11/04/24	Georgia Meadow	0.20	Correspond with C. Fabrizio, K&E team re recent case filings.
11/04/24	Gary M. Vogt	1.00	Research, compile materials re Company interview outline (.9); correspond with B. Munshi, K&E team re same (.1).
11/05/24	Sloane Bessey	0.10	Correspond with C. Fabrizio re work in process summary.
11/05/24	Christopher Fabrizio	1.00	Review and revise work in process summary (.8); correspond with S. Bessey, K&E team re same (.2).
11/05/24	Rachel Golden	0.70	Revise case calendar (.6); correspond with B. Nakhaimousa, J. Fina re same (.1).
11/05/24	Georgia Meadow	0.20	Correspond with C. Fabrizio, K&E team re recent case filings.
11/05/24	Brian Nakhaimousa	0.70	Correspond with J. Fina, K&E team re work in process, case update (.3); correspond with R. Golden re case calendar (.1); conference with R. Bentley re work in process, next steps (.3).
11/06/24	Georgia Meadow	0.20	Correspond with C. Fabrizio, K&E team re recent case filings.
11/07/24	Josephine Fina	0.40	Conference with B. Nakhaimousa, R. Bentley, R. Golden re work in process.
11/07/24	Georgia Meadow	0.20	Correspond with C. Fabrizio, K&E team re recent case filings.
11/08/24	Georgia Meadow	0.20	Correspond with C. Fabrizio, K&E team re recent case filings.
11/11/24	Christopher Fabrizio	0.50	Revise summary re work in process (.4); correspond with B. Nakhaimousa, K&E team re same (.1).

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<u>Date</u>	<u>Name</u>	<u>Hours</u>	<u>Description</u>
11/11/24	Josephine Fina	1.10	Conferences with R. Bentley, K&E team re case updates.
11/11/24	Rachel Golden	0.20	Correspond with A&M team re case calendar.
11/11/24	Georgia Meadow	0.20	Correspond with C. Fabrizio, K&E team re recent case filings.
11/11/24	Brian Schartz, P.C.	1.00	Telephone conference with A&M, PWP, R. Bentley, Bracewell re case status.
11/12/24	Josephine Fina	1.10	Review, analyze work in process summary (1.0); correspond with B. Nakhaimousa, R. Golden re case calendar (.1).
11/12/24	Rachel Golden	1.40	Revise case calendar.
11/12/24	Rachel Golden	1.20	Review, analyze documents re case milestones re case calendar (.6); correspond with B. Nakhaimousa re same (.1); conference with J. Fina, K&E team re same (.5).
11/12/24	Georgia Meadow	0.20	Correspond with C. Fabrizio, K&E team re recent case filings.
11/12/24	Brian Nakhaimousa	0.20	Review, revise case calendar (.1); correspond with R. Golden, J. Fina re same (.1).
11/13/24	Rachael M. Bentley	0.50	Conference with J. Fina, K&E team re status, next steps.
11/13/24	Sloane Bessey	0.50	Conference with J. Fina, K&E team re case updates, next steps.
11/13/24	Trevor Eck	0.50	Telephone conference with J. Fina, K&E team re case status, next steps.
11/13/24	Christopher Fabrizio	1.40	Review, revise work in process summary (.9); conference with B. Nakhaimousa, K&E team re case status, next steps (.5).
11/13/24	Josephine Fina	0.50	Conference with R. Bentley, K&E team re case updates, work in process.
11/13/24	Ashlyn Gallagher	0.10	Conference with J. Fina, K&E team re case status, next steps.
11/13/24	Tysan Holloman	0.50	Conference with J. Fina, K&E team re case status, next steps.
11/13/24	Hannah Kupsky	0.50	Conference with J. Fina, K&E team re weekly case status updates.
11/13/24	Jamie McLennan	0.50	Telephone conference with J. Fina, K&E team re case status, next steps.

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<u>Date</u>	<u>Name</u>	<u>Hours</u>	<u>Description</u>
11/13/24	Georgia Meadow	0.70	Telephone conference with J. Fina, K&E team re case status (.5); correspond with C. Fabrizio, K&E team re recent case filings (.2).
11/13/24	Brendan Nashelsky	0.70	Conference with B. Nakhaimousa, K&E team re work in process (.4); review, revise work in process summary (.3).
11/13/24	Joshua Raphael	0.50	Conference with J. Fina, K&E team re case status, next steps.
11/13/24	Michael A. Sloman	0.50	Conference with B. Nakhaimousa, K&E team re case status, next steps.
11/13/24	Quin Wetzel	0.50	Telephone conference with B. Nakhaimousa, K&E team re case status, next steps.
11/14/24	Georgia Meadow	0.20	Correspond with C. Fabrizio, K&E team re recent case filings.
11/15/24	Georgia Meadow	0.20	Correspond with C. Fabrizio, K&E team re recent case filings.
11/18/24	Christopher Fabrizio	0.20	Revise work in process summary.
11/18/24	Rachel Golden	1.20	Review, revise case calendar (.8); correspond with J. Fina, K&E team, A&M team re same (.4).
11/18/24	Georgia Meadow	0.20	Correspond with C. Fabrizio, K&E team re recent case filings.
11/19/24	Sloane Bessey	0.50	Conference with R. Bentley, K&E team re case status, next steps.
11/19/24	Trevor Eck	0.80	Conference with J. Fina, K&E team re case status (.5); review, revise summary re same (.3).
11/19/24	Christopher Fabrizio	0.90	Revise summary re work in process (.4); conference with J. Fina, K&E team re case status, next steps (.5).
11/19/24	Josephine Fina	0.50	Conference with R. Bentley, K&E team re work in process, case updates.
11/19/24	Josephine Fina	0.70	Conferences with B. Nakhaimousa re case updates, work in process (.4); conferences with R. Bentley re same (.3).
11/19/24	Rachel Golden	1.10	Review, revise work in process summary (.6); conference with J. Fina, K&E team re work in process (.5).
11/19/24	Tysan Holloman	0.40	Conference with J. Fina, K&E team re case status, next steps.
11/19/24	Hannah Kupsky	0.30	Conference with J. Fina, K&E team re case status, next steps (partial).

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<u>Date</u>	<u>Name</u>	<u>Hours</u>	<u>Description</u>
11/19/24	Jamie McLennan	0.70	Review, revise work in process summary (.2); office conference with J. Fina and K&E team re case status, next steps (.5).
11/19/24	Georgia Meadow	0.60	Telephone conference with J. Fina, K&E team re case status, next steps (.4); correspond with C. Fabrizio, K&E team re docket report (.2).
11/19/24	Brian Nakhaimousa	1.00	Review, revise work in process summary (.4); correspond with C. Fabrizio, K&E team re same (.1); conference with J. Fina, K&E team re case status, next steps (.5).
11/19/24	Brendan Nashelsky	0.50	Telephone conference with R. Bentley, K&E team re case status, next steps.
11/19/24	Renee Olivett	0.70	Conference with J. Fina, K&E team re case status, next steps (.5); revise work in process summary (.2).
11/19/24	Joshua Raphael	0.60	Conference with J. Fina, K&E team re work in process.
11/19/24	Michael A. Sloman	0.40	Conference with J. Fina, K&E team re case status, next steps.
11/20/24	Josephine Fina	0.40	Correspond with R. Bentley, K&E team re case updates, work in process (.3); correspond with R. Golden re case calendar (.1).
11/20/24	Rachel Golden	0.90	Revise case calendar (.8); correspond with J. Fina re same (.1).
11/20/24	Georgia Meadow	0.20	Correspond with C. Fabrizio, K&E team re recent case filings.
11/20/24	Brian Nakhaimousa	0.10	Correspond with R. Golden re case calendar.
11/21/24	Georgia Meadow	0.30	Correspond with C. Fabrizio, K&E team re recent case filings.
11/22/24	Josephine Fina	0.50	Conference with B. Nakhaimousa, R. Bentley re case updates, work in process.
11/22/24	Georgia Meadow	0.30	Correspond with C. Fabrizio, K&E team re recent case filings.
11/23/24	Brian Nakhaimousa	0.10	Correspond with R. Golden re case calendar.
11/25/24	Christopher Fabrizio	0.40	Review, revise work in process summary.
11/25/24	Josephine Fina	0.90	Review, analyze revised case calendar (.1); correspond with R. Golden re same (.1); conference with B. Nakhaimousa re case updates, work in process (.4); conference with R. Bentley re same (.3).

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<u>Date</u>	<u>Name</u>	<u>Hours</u>	<u>Description</u>
11/25/24	Ashlyn Gallagher	0.20	Correspond with J. Fina re case status, next steps.
11/25/24	Rachel Golden	1.10	Revise case calendar (.8); correspond with J. Fina, B. Nakhaimousa re same (.2); correspond with A&M team re same (.1).
11/26/24	Josephine Fina	0.50	Correspond with B. Nakhaimousa re case status, next steps (.1); review case calendar, work in process summary (.4).
11/26/24	Ashlyn Gallagher	0.30	Correspond with J. Fina re case status, next steps.
11/26/24	Brian Nakhaimousa	0.10	Correspond with J. Fina re case status, next steps.
11/26/24	Brendan Nashelsky	0.20	Review, revise pleading template (.1); correspond with R. Olivett re same (.1).
11/26/24	Renee Olivett	0.40	Revise pleading template (.3); correspond with B. Nashelsky, K&E team re same (.1).
11/27/24	Ashlyn Gallagher	0.20	Correspond with J. Fina re case status, next steps.
11/27/24	Brian Nakhaimousa	0.10	Correspond with R. Olivett re pleading template.
11/27/24	Renee Olivett	0.30	Review, revise pleading template (.2); correspond with B. Nashelsky re same (.1).
<b>Total</b>		<b>10.40</b>	

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January 15, 2025

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Houston, TX 77058

Attn: James Gregory

**Invoice Number: 1050109778**  
**Client Matter: 57088-8**

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## In the Matter of Intermediation Matters

For legal services rendered through November 30, 2024  
(see attached Description of Legal Services for detail)

\$ 328.50

Total legal services rendered

\$ 328.50

Legal Services for the Period Ending November 30, 2024  
Vertex Energy Inc.  
Intermediation Matters

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Matter Number: 57088-8

**Summary of Hours Billed**

<b><u>Name</u></b>	<b><u>Hours</u></b>	<b><u>Rate</u></b>	<b><u>Amount</u></b>
Brendan Nashelsky	0.10	1,095.00	109.50
Joshua Raphael	0.20	1,095.00	219.00
<b>TOTALS</b>	<b>0.30</b>		<b>\$ 328.50</b>

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**Description of Legal Services**

<b><u>Date</u></b>	<b><u>Name</u></b>	<b><u>Hours</u></b>	<b><u>Description</u></b>
10/22/24	Joshua Raphael	0.20	Correspond with B. Nashelsky re Shell agreements.
11/01/24	Brendan Nashelsky	0.10	Correspond with J. Raphael re intermediation final order.
<b>Total</b>		<b>0.30</b>	

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For legal services rendered through November 30, 2024 (see attached Description of Legal Services for detail)	<u>\$ 55,847.00</u>
Total legal services rendered	\$ 55,847.00

Legal Services for the Period Ending November 30, 2024  
 Vertex Energy Inc.  
 Customer and Vendor Matters

Invoice Number: 1050109779  
 Matter Number: 57088-10

**Summary of Hourly Rates**

<b><u>Name</u></b>	<b><u>Hourly Rate</u></b>	<b><u>Billable</u></b>	<b><u>Amount</u></b>
Rachael M. Bentley	3.90	1,595.00	6,220.50
Sloane Bessey	11.40	975.00	11,115.00
Josephine Fina	8.80	1,395.00	12,276.00
Brian Nakhaimousa	3.50	1,345.00	4,707.50
Renee Olivett	3.10	975.00	3,022.50
Joshua Raphael	16.90	1,095.00	18,505.50
<b>Total</b>		<b>6,405.00</b>	<b>\$ 55,847.00</b>



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 Customer and Vendor Matters

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**Description of TEGM Service**

<b><u>DM</u></b>	<b><u>NAME</u></b>	<b><u>YOUR DESCRIPTION</u></b>
10/14/24	Joshua Raphael	0.30 Review, analyze vendors, utilities issues (.2); correspond with A&M team re same (.1).
10/15/24	Joshua Raphael	1.10 Telephone conference with A&M team, S. Bessey re vendors, utilities issues (.4); conference with S. Bessey re same (.3); conferences with J. Fina, A&M team re vendor issues (.4).
10/16/24	Joshua Raphael	1.10 Conference with Company, J. Fina, B. Nakhaimousa, vendor, A&M team re vendor considerations (.3); conference with J. Fina, vendor's counsel re vendor considerations (.1); prepare for same (.1); conference with J. Fina re vendor issues (.2); correspond with B. Nakhaimousa, K&E team, A&M team re vendor matrix, vendor priority items (.3); review, analyze vendors order (.1).
10/17/24	Joshua Raphael	1.10 Conference with A&M team re vendor issues (.2); conference with J. Fina re same (.1); correspond with R. Bentley re vendor considerations (.2); conference with A&M team, S. Bessey re vendor, utility items (.6).
10/22/24	Joshua Raphael	1.00 Conference with A&M team re vendor issues (.1); telephone conference with S. Bessey, A&M team re same (.6); follow up conference with S. Bessey re same (.3).
11/01/24	Sloane Bessey	1.00 Correspond with J. Raphael, K&E team re vendor outreach (.5); conference with J. Fina, K&E team, A&M team re same (.5).
11/01/24	Josephine Fina	1.00 Conference with J. Raphael, A&M re vendor issues (.5); review, analyze vendor issues (.3); correspond with J. Raphael, B. Nakhaimousa re same (.2).
11/01/24	Joshua Raphael	0.60 Conference with B. Nakhaimousa, K&E team, A&M team re vendor issues (.5); correspond with vendor, S. Bessey, K&E team re invoices (.1).
11/04/24	Sloane Bessey	1.00 Correspond with J. Raphael, K&E team re vendor outreach (.8); correspond with J. Raphael, K&E team, A&M team, vendor counsel re same (.2).

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11/04/24	Josephine Fina	1.00	Conference with R. Bentley, K&E team, Sidley re lien issues (.5); review, analyze vendor issues (.2); correspond with J. Raphael, S. Bessey re same (.2); review, analyze lien research (.1).
11/04/24	Joshua Raphael	0.30	Conference and correspond with A&M team re vendor issue (.1); review, analyze vendor 503(b)(9) claim (.1); correspond with J. Fina, K&E team re same, vendor issues (.1).
11/05/24	Sloane Bessey	1.10	Correspond with J. Raphael, K&E team re vendor outreach (.5); correspond with J. Raphael, K&E team, A&M team re same (.3); revise, analyze summary re same (.3).
11/05/24	Josephine Fina	0.40	Review, analyze caselaw re vendor issue (.3); correspond with R. Bentley, K&E team re same (.1).
11/05/24	Brian Nakhaimousa	0.40	Conference with J. Raphael, K&E team, A&M team re vendor issues.
11/05/24	Joshua Raphael	1.00	Conference with S. Bessey re vendor issues, related updates (.2); review, analyze vendor issues re vendor agreements (.1); correspond with S. Bessey re same (.1); conference with B. Nakhaimousa, A&M team re outstanding vendor issues (.6).
11/06/24	Sloane Bessey	0.50	Correspond with J. Raphael, K&E team, A&M team re vendor outreach.
11/06/24	Josephine Fina	0.60	Review, analyze vendor issues (.2); correspond with J. Raphael, S. Bessey re same (.1); conference with J. Raphael, B. Nakhaimousa re same (.3).
11/06/24	Brian Nakhaimousa	0.10	Correspond with J. Raphael re critical vendor.
11/06/24	Joshua Raphael	0.60	Conference with A&M team re vendor issues (.1); correspond with J. Fina, K&E team re same (.1); correspond with R. Bentley re same (.2); review, analyze customer, vendor agreement, related issues (.2).
11/07/24	Sloane Bessey	0.50	Correspond with J. Raphael, K&E team re vendor outreach.
11/07/24	Josephine Fina	0.30	Review, analyze vendor issues (.2); correspond with J. Raphael re same (.1).

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11/07/24	Joshua Raphael	0.70	Conference with A&M re vendor matter (.1); conference with B. Nakhaimousa re same (.1); correspond with R. Bentley re same (.2); review, analyze same (.3).
11/08/24	Sloane Bessey	0.90	Correspond with J. Raphael, K&E team, A&M re vendor outreach (.3); conference with J. Raphael, K&E team, A&M team re same (.6).
11/08/24	Josephine Fina	0.50	Conference with A&M, J. Raphael re vendor issues.
11/08/24	Joshua Raphael	0.70	Conference with B. Nakhaimousa, K&E team, A&M team re outstanding vendor issues (.6); correspond with J. Fina, K&E team re same (.1).
11/11/24	Joshua Raphael	0.20	Telephone conference with A&M team re customer, vendor issues.
11/12/24	Sloane Bessey	1.30	Telephone conference with J. Raphael re vendor outreach (.5); correspond with J. Fina, K&E team, A&M team re same (.3); conference with J. Raphael, K&E team, A&M team re same (.5).
11/12/24	Josephine Fina	0.50	Review, analyze research, summary re vendor issue (.2); revise same (.2); correspond with T. Holloman re same (.1).
11/12/24	Brian Nakhaimousa	0.40	Conference with J. Raphael, K&E team, A&M team re vendor issues.
11/12/24	Joshua Raphael	1.30	Review, analyze vendor dispute (.6); telephone conference with Bracewell re vendor issue (.1); follow up with Bracewell re same (.2); conference with S. Bessey re vendors (.2); correspond with S. Bessey re contract rejection, vendor issues (.1); conference with S. Bessey re same (.1).
11/13/24	Sloane Bessey	0.60	Correspond with J. Raphael, K&E team re vendor outreach.
11/14/24	Sloane Bessey	0.60	Correspond with J. Raphael, K&E team re vendor outreach (.3); conference with J. Raphael, A&M team re vendor matters (.3).
11/14/24	Joshua Raphael	0.30	Telephone conference with S. Bessey, A&M team re vendor matters.
11/15/24	Sloane Bessey	0.40	Correspond with J. Raphael, K&E team re vendor outreach.

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11/15/24	Josephine Fina	0.40	Review, analyze vendor issues (.2); correspond with J. Raphael re same (.1); correspond with S. Bessey re same (.1).
11/15/24	Brian Nakhaimousa	1.50	Correspond with R. Bentley, K&E team, A&M re vendor matters (.4); correspond with counsel to vendor re same (.2); conference with counsel to vendor re same (.3); review, comment on vendor matrix (.5); correspond with J. Raphael re same (.1).
11/15/24	Joshua Raphael	0.30	Review, analyze vendor matrix (.1); correspond with A&M team re same (.1); correspond with Willkie, Sidley, U.S. Trustee re same (.1).
11/16/24	Josephine Fina	0.20	Correspond with J. Raphael, A&M team re vendor matrix.
11/18/24	Sloane Bessey	0.20	Correspond with J. Raphael, K&E team, A&M team re vendor matters.
11/19/24	Sloane Bessey	0.70	Correspond with J. Raphael, K&E team re vendor matters (.4); conference with J. Raphael, A&M team re same (.3).
11/19/24	Josephine Fina	0.30	Review, analyze vendor issues (.2); correspond with J. Raphael re same (.1).
11/19/24	Brian Nakhaimousa	0.50	Correspond with J. Raphael re trade agreement (.1); conference with J. Raphael, K&E team, A&M team re vendor issues (.4).
11/19/24	Renee Olivett	0.30	Correspond with Bracewell, A&M team re creditor outreach.
11/19/24	Joshua Raphael	2.30	Draft trade agreement re RCP (.6); correspond with B. Nakhaimousa, K&E team re same (.1); review, revise form trade agreement (.6); correspond, conferences re same (1.0).
11/20/24	Rachael M. Bentley	1.70	Review, analyze critical vendor, executory contract issues and considerations (1.2); conference with J. Fina re same (.5).
11/20/24	Sloane Bessey	0.10	Correspond with J. Raphael, K&E team re vendor outreach.
11/20/24	Josephine Fina	0.30	Review, analyze vendor issues (.2); correspond with J. Raphael re same (.1).
11/20/24	Josephine Fina	0.50	Conference with R. Bentley re vendor matters.
11/20/24	Brian Nakhaimousa	0.20	Correspond with J. Raphael re trade agreement (.1); correspond with S. Bessey, K&E team re mechanics liens research (.1).

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11/20/24	Joshua Raphael	1.30	Draft trade agreement re vendor (.8); research, revise same (.2); correspond with B. Nakhaimousa, K&E team, A&M re trade agreement (.3).
11/21/24	Rachael M. Bentley	1.70	Review, analyze critical vendor issues and considerations.
11/21/24	Sloane Bessey	0.20	Correspond with J. Raphael, A&M team re vendor outreach.
11/22/24	Rachael M. Bentley	0.50	Review, analyze critical vendor, executory contract considerations.
11/22/24	Sloane Bessey	0.70	Correspond with J. Raphael re vendor outreach (.3); conference with A&M team, J. Raphael re same (.4).
11/22/24	Josephine Fina	0.90	Conference with J. Raphael, A&M team re vendor issues (.5); review, analyze same (.2); correspond with J. Raphael re same (.2).
11/22/24	Brian Nakhaimousa	0.20	Review, analyze vendor correspondence re critical vendor issues.
11/22/24	Joshua Raphael	1.40	Conference with A&M re vendor, utility (.1); correspond with Q. Wetzel, K&E team re vendor matter (.2); conference with A&M, K&E team re vendor matters (.8); review, analyze correspondence re vendor issues (.2); correspond with S. Bessey re same, vendor matters (.1).
11/23/24	Josephine Fina	0.10	Correspond with J. Raphael, K&E team re vendor issue.
11/23/24	Renee Olivett	2.70	Research re vendor payment issues and considerations.
11/25/24	Sloane Bessey	1.00	Research re vendor payment issues and considerations (.7); correspond with J. Fina, K&E team re same (.3).
11/25/24	Josephine Fina	1.00	Correspond with J. Raphael, S. Bessey re vendor issues (.3); review, analyze same (.5); correspond with A&M team re same (.2).
11/25/24	Brian Nakhaimousa	0.10	Review, analyze vendor correspondence re critical vendor issues.
11/25/24	Renee Olivett	0.10	Correspond with S. Bessey, K&E team re vendor issue.
11/25/24	Joshua Raphael	0.50	Review, revise trade agreement (.2); correspond with A&M re same (.1); conference with A&M re same (.2).

Legal Services for the Period Ending November 30, 2024  
 Vertex Energy Inc.  
 Customer and Vendor Matters

Invoice Number: 1050109779  
 Matter Number: 57088-10

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11/26/24	Sloane Bessey	0.20	Correspond with J. Raphael re vendor outreach.
11/26/24	Josephine Fina	0.80	Conference with J. Raphael, K&E team, A&M team re vendor issues (.5); review, analyze same (.2); correspond with J. Raphael re same (.1).
11/26/24	Brian Nakhaimousa	0.10	Correspond with J. Raphael re lien claimant considerations.
11/26/24	Joshua Raphael	0.40	Conference with A&M, J. Fina, B. Nakhaimousa re lien claimant (.2); review, analyze correspondence from lien claimant (.2).
11/27/24	Sloane Bessey	0.40	Review, analyze vendor agreements (.3); correspond with J. Raphael re same (.1).
11/27/24	Joshua Raphael	0.40	Conference with A&M re vendor matters, early rejections.

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**Client Matter: 57088-11**

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## In the Matter of Claims Administration and Objections

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December 6, 2040,

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**Client Matter: 57088-12**

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## In the Matter of Official Committee Matters and Meetings

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<b>Total</b>		<b>11.50</b>	

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January 15, 2025

Vertex Energy Inc.  
1331 Gemini Street  
Suite 250  
Houston, TX 77058

Attn: James Gregory

**Invoice Number: 1050109782**  
**Client Matter: 57088-13**

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**In the Matter of Use, Sale, and Disposition of Property**

For legal services rendered through November 30, 2024  
(see attached Description of Legal Services for detail)

\$ 587,797.00

Total legal services rendered

\$ 587,797.00

Legal Services for the Period Ending November 30, 2024  
Vertex Energy Inc.  
Use, Sale, and Disposition of Property

Invoice Number: 1050109782  
Matter Number: 57088-13

**Summary of Hours Billed**

<b><u>Name</u></b>	<b><u>Hours</u></b>	<b><u>Rate</u></b>	<b><u>Amount</u></b>
Christie M. Alcala	1.60	1,885.00	3,016.00
Max Anderson	14.70	1,095.00	16,096.50
Matthew Antinossi	2.80	2,115.00	5,922.00
Rachel Beeton	6.40	1,095.00	7,008.00
Rachael M. Bentley	26.20	1,595.00	41,789.00
Sloane Bessey	1.00	975.00	975.00
Jacob E. Black	0.10	1,265.00	126.50
Claire Smyser Campbell, P.C.	5.30	1,995.00	10,573.50
George Cartveli	4.40	1,345.00	5,918.00
Thad W. Davis, P.C.	1.00	2,025.00	2,025.00
Christopher Fabrizio	8.40	815.00	6,846.00
John Farah	7.00	975.00	6,825.00
Josephine Fina	11.70	1,395.00	16,321.50
Rob Fowler, P.C.	0.80	2,115.00	1,692.00
Stefanie I. Gitler	10.30	1,885.00	19,415.50
Rachel Golden	0.20	1,095.00	219.00
Lilla K. Grisham	4.60	1,095.00	5,037.00
Palmer Gunderson	0.60	995.00	597.00
Kelsie Harris	3.50	1,395.00	4,882.50
Tysan Holloman	13.00	815.00	10,595.00
Shan A. Khan	1.40	1,575.00	2,205.00
Marissa Kinsey	17.80	975.00	17,355.00
Daniel Lewis, P.C.	2.10	1,910.00	4,011.00
Alex Lippert	15.30	1,395.00	21,343.50
Damien R. Lyster, P.C.	1.60	1,865.00	2,984.00
Alexiz D. Magro-Malo	26.20	1,265.00	33,143.00
R.J. Malenfant	13.90	1,695.00	23,560.50
Miles Matey	19.90	815.00	16,218.50
Melissa Moreno	4.30	1,395.00	5,998.50
Scott Myers	92.00	1,395.00	128,340.00
Brian Nakhaimousa	9.20	1,345.00	12,374.00
Srinithi Narayanan	15.40	975.00	15,015.00



Legal Services for the Period Ending November 30, 2024  
 Vertex Energy Inc.  
 Use, Sale, and Disposition of Property

Invoice Number: 1050109782  
 Matter Number: 57088-13

<u>Name</u>	<u>Hours</u>	<u>Rate</u>	<u>Amount</u>
Brendan Nashelsky	0.50	1,095.00	547.50
Jeffrey Norgle	3.90	625.00	2,437.50
Mary-Michael Robertson	37.90	815.00	30,888.50
Brian Schartz, P.C.	2.00	2,305.00	4,610.00
Chad Michael Smith, P.C.	4.80	2,245.00	10,776.00
Antonio Soto Jr.	0.30	515.00	154.50
Savannah R. Soto	5.20	1,095.00	5,694.00
Gary M. Vogt	1.60	625.00	1,000.00
Quin Wetzel	32.40	975.00	31,590.00
Pete Wojtal	63.40	815.00	51,671.00
<b>TOTALS</b>	<b>494.70</b>		<b>\$ 587,797.00</b>

Legal Services for the Period Ending November 30, 2024  
Vertex Energy Inc.  
Use, Sale, and Disposition of Property

Invoice Number: 1050109782  
Matter Number: 57088-13

**Description of Legal Services**

<b><u>Date</u></b>	<b><u>Name</u></b>	<b><u>Hours</u></b>	<b><u>Description</u></b>
11/01/24	Max Anderson	2.50	Participate in phone conference with R. Bentley, K&E team, Company, Bracewell re disclosure schedules (1.5); prepare for same (.5); revise disclosure schedules re same (.5).
11/01/24	Rachael M. Bentley	1.70	Telephone conference with S. Myers, K&E team, Company, Bracewell re asset purchase agreement, schedules (1.5); prepare for same (.2).
11/01/24	Claire Smyser Campbell, P.C.	0.50	Review, analyze asset purchase agreement.
11/01/24	Christopher Fabrizio	2.90	Research re assumption of property interests (2.4); draft summary of findings re same (.5).
11/01/24	John Farah	1.40	Analyze asset purchase agreement and seller's disclosure letter re regulatory issues (.7); conference with L. Grisham and K&E team re same (.7).
11/01/24	Stefanie I. Gitler	0.80	Review, analyze disclosure schedules (.5); correspond with S. Myers, K&E team re same (.3).
11/01/24	Lilla K. Grisham	1.70	Conference with J. Farah and K&E team re draft asset purchase agreement schedules (.7); review, analyze same (.9); conference with D. Lyster re same (.1).
11/01/24	Marissa Kinsey	1.70	Telephone conference with S. Myers, K&E team re asset purchase agreement, disclosure schedules (1.5); prepare for same (.2).
11/01/24	Daniel Lewis, P.C.	0.50	Review, revise asset purchase agreement schedules, related diligence.
11/01/24	Alex Lippert	0.80	Telephone conference with S. Myers, K&E team, Company, Bracewell re asset purchase agreement, disclosure schedules.
11/01/24	Damien R. Lyster, P.C.	0.10	Conference with L. Grisham re diligence call and asset purchase agreement schedules.
11/01/24	R.J. Malenfant	2.00	Telephone conference with R. Bentley, K&E team, Company, Bracewell re disclosure schedules (1.5); prepare for same (.5).

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11/01/24	Miles Matey	4.30	Correspond with M. Anderson, K&E team re asset purchase agreement (.2); review, analyze confidentiality agreement (.2); review, revise asset purchase agreement (.2); telephone conference with S. Myers, K&E team, Company re asset purchase agreement (1.7); draft summary call notes re same (1.6); correspond with S. Myers, K&E team re same (.4).
11/01/24	Melissa Moreno	0.50	Draft intellectual property-related comments to asset purchase agreement.
11/01/24	Scott Myers	5.30	Telephone conference with R. Bentley, K&E team, Bracewell re asset purchase agreement, disclosure schedules (1.5); prepare for same (1.0); review, analyze issues re transaction process timeline (1.5); review, analyze asset purchase agreement, disclosure schedules (1.3).
11/01/24	Brian Nakhaimousa	0.50	Conference with Q. Wetzel, K&E team, A&M team re cure objections, amended cure schedule.
11/01/24	Srinithi Narayanan	1.90	Review, revise asset purchase agreement (1.4); correspond with S. Myers, K&E team re next steps, diligence (.5).
11/01/24	Jeffrey Norgle	3.90	Review, analyze intellectual property for Company disclosure letter (3.5); review, analyze precedent re same (.4).
11/01/24	Mary-Michael Robertson	1.00	Correspond with S. Gitler, M. Anderson re environmental disclosure letter outline.
11/01/24	Chad Michael Smith, P.C.	2.50	Telephone conference with S. Myers, K&E team, Bracewell re asset purchase agreement (1.5); review, revise asset purchase agreement (1.0).
11/01/24	Quin Wetzel	0.50	Conference with B. Nakhaimousa, K&E team, surety bond counterparties re cure schedule, reservation of rights.

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11/01/24	Pete Wojtal	3.30	Conference with S. Myers, M. Kinsey re disclosure schedules (.3); correspond with S. Myers, M. Kinsey, M. Matey re same (.3); conference with S. Myers, K&E team, Bracewell, Company re asset purchase agreement, disclosure schedules (1.5); conference with M. Kinsey, M. Matey re disclosure schedules revisions (.2); review, revise nondisclosure agreement (.3); review, analyze disclosure schedules, virtual data room documents (.7).
11/02/24	John Farah	0.20	Correspond with L. Grisham and K&E team re regulatory requirements, asset purchase agreement and seller's disclosure letter.
11/02/24	Stefanie I. Gitler	0.10	Review, analyze disclosure schedules.
11/02/24	Marissa Kinsey	0.40	Review, analyze asset purchase agreement, disclosure schedules.
11/02/24	Damien R. Lyster, P.C.	0.10	Correspond with L. Grisham re licenses re purchase agreement schedules.
11/02/24	Scott Myers	0.90	Review, revise asset purchase agreement.
11/03/24	Max Anderson	1.90	Review, analyze environmental diligence materials (1.0); revise environmental disclosure schedules (.9).
11/03/24	Rachel Beeton	0.50	Review, analyze disclosure schedules re ERISA matters.
11/03/24	John Farah	0.30	Correspond with L. Grisham and K&E team re regulatory requirements, asset purchase agreement and seller's disclosure letter.
11/03/24	Marissa Kinsey	0.50	Review, revise disclosure schedules.
11/03/24	Miles Matey	2.30	Review, analyze documents populated to virtual data room (1.0); review, revise disclosure schedules (1.3).
11/03/24	Scott Myers	1.90	Review, revise asset purchase agreement.
11/03/24	Mary-Michael Robertson	4.40	Review, revise environmental disclosure schedules (3.9); further review, revise environmental disclosure schedules (.5).
11/03/24	Pete Wojtal	2.30	Correspond with M. Kinsey, M. Matey (.6); review, analyze virtual data room, disclosure schedules (1.7).
11/04/24	Matthew Antinossi	0.30	Review, analyze bidder due diligence requests and responses (.2); correspond with A&M team re same (.1).

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11/04/24	Jacob E. Black	0.10	Correspond with Q. Wetzel re sale motion.
11/04/24	John Farah	1.80	Analyze and revise asset purchase agreement and seller's disclosure letter (1.3); correspond with L. Grisham and K&E team re same (.5).
11/04/24	Marissa Kinsey	0.90	Revise disclosure schedules.
11/04/24	Alex Lippert	1.10	Review, revise asset purchase agreement, disclosure schedules.
11/04/24	R.J. Malenfant	0.90	Review, analyze indications of interest, purchase agreement schedules.
11/04/24	Miles Matey	2.60	Review, revise non-disclosure agreement (2.4); correspond with S. Myers, K&E team re same (.2).
11/04/24	Scott Myers	5.20	Review, revise asset purchase agreement and disclosure schedules (2.2); telephone conference with R. Malenfant, K&E team re real estate and disclosure schedules (1.0); review, revise confidentiality agreements (2.0).
11/04/24	Brian Nakhaimousa	0.30	Review, analyze indications of interest received.
11/04/24	Brian Nakhaimousa	0.40	Conference with Q. Wetzel, A&M team, re cure objections.
11/04/24	Srinithi Narayanan	1.20	Review, revise disclosure schedules.
11/04/24	Mary-Michael Robertson	0.30	Review, revise environmental disclosure schedules.
11/04/24	Savannah R. Soto	0.90	Review, revise disclosure schedules (.8); correspond with S. Myers, K&E team re same (.1).
11/04/24	Pete Wojtal	1.30	Correspond with S. Myers, M. Kinsey, M. Matey re disclosure schedules (.5); review, revise nondisclosure agreement (.8).
11/05/24	Rachel Beeton	0.10	Revise disclosure schedules re ERISA matters.
11/05/24	Claire Smyser Campbell, P.C.	1.00	Review, revise asset purchase agreement.
11/05/24	George Cartveli	1.70	Review, analyze disclosure schedules.
11/05/24	John Farah	1.20	Review, analyze, and revise asset purchase agreement (.4); analyze seller's disclosure letter (.4); correspond with D. Lyster and K&E team re same (.4).

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11/05/24	Josephine Fina	0.80	Correspond with R. Bentley, K&E team re APA issues (.2); conference with Sidley re same (.1); review, revise sale research (.4); correspond with T. Holloman re same (.1).
11/05/24	Stefanie I. Gitler	2.30	Review, analyze sale process update (.3); review, revise disclosure schedules (2.0).
11/05/24	Kelsie Harris	0.20	Review, revise disclosure schedules re employee matters (.1); correspond with M. Kinsey re the same (.1).
11/05/24	Tysan Holloman	1.40	Review, revise indications of interest summary (.2); review, revise declaration in support of sale motion (1.2).
11/05/24	Marissa Kinsey	1.80	Revise disclosure schedules.
11/05/24	Daniel Lewis, P.C.	0.60	Review, analyze indication of interests (.1); review, analyze disclosure schedules (.5).
11/05/24	Alex Lippert	2.20	Review, revise disclosure schedules.
11/05/24	Damien R. Lyster, P.C.	0.30	Review and revise draft purchase agreement and schedules (.1); correspond with J. Farah re same (.2).
11/05/24	R.J. Malenfant	0.80	Review, revise disclosure schedules re intellectual property.
11/05/24	Miles Matey	2.80	Correspond with S. Myers, K&E team re disclosure schedules (.8); review, revise disclosure schedules (1.4); review, revise confidentiality agreement (.2); correspond with M. Kinsey, K&E team, counterparty re same (.4).
11/05/24	Melissa Moreno	0.80	Draft intellectual property-related comments to disclosure schedules.
11/05/24	Scott Myers	3.80	Review, revise schedules to asset purchase agreement (2.8); review, revise confidentiality agreements (1.0).
11/05/24	Brian Nakhaimousa	0.60	Review, analyze asset purchase agreement (.1); telephone conference with R. Bentley, PWP re sale process update (.5).
11/05/24	Srinithi Narayanan	1.30	Review, revise disclosure schedules.
11/05/24	Mary-Michael Robertson	3.70	Review, revise disclosure schedules re environmental matters (2.8); review, analyze data room, diligence re environmental matters (.7); correspond with S. Myers, K&E team re disclosure schedules (.2).

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11/05/24	Savannah R. Soto	2.90	Review, revise disclosure schedules (2.8); correspond with S. Khan, K&E team re same (.1).
11/05/24	Quin Wetzel	4.90	Review, revise sale motion (2.4); correspond with J. Black re same (.2); review, revise sale declaration (.8); correspond with T. Holloman re same (.3); revise notice of acceptable indications of interest (.7); correspond with Sidley, Willkie teams re same (.5).
11/05/24	Pete Wojtal	1.20	Review, revise confidentiality agreement (.3); review, revise disclosure letter (.8); correspond with sale counterparties re disclosure schedules, sale materials (.1).
11/06/24	Matthew Antinossi	0.20	Review, revise asset purchase agreement re employee issues (.1); correspond with R. Beeton re same (.1).
11/06/24	Rachel Beeton	0.40	Review, analyze issues re ERISA provisions of asset purchase agreement.
11/06/24	Thad W. Davis, P.C.	1.00	Review and revise asset purchase agreement re tax issues (.5); correspond with P. Gunderson, K&E team re same (.5).
11/06/24	Josephine Fina	0.50	Conference with R. Bentley, K&E team, and PWP re sale updates.
11/06/24	Rob Fowler, P.C.	0.30	Correspond with K. Harris, K&E team re asset purchase agreement, related schedules.
11/06/24	Palmer Gunderson	0.30	Review, analyze purchase agreement re tax considerations (.2); correspond with J. Morley, S. Zabloutney and T. Davis re same (.1).
11/06/24	Kelsie Harris	0.30	Review, revise asset purchase agreement (.2) correspond with R. Fowler, K&E team re same (.1).
11/06/24	Marissa Kinsey	0.40	Review, analyze diligence materials.
11/06/24	Alexiz D. Magro-Malo	2.30	Review, revise disclosure schedules.
11/06/24	R.J. Malenfant	0.40	Review, analyze issues re asset description, treatment of inventory.
11/06/24	Miles Matey	0.40	Review, revise confidentiality agreement.
11/06/24	Scott Myers	5.30	Review, revise confidentiality agreements (1.5); review, analyze transaction milestones (1.0); review, revise asset purchase agreement (1.8); review, revise disclosure schedules (1.0).



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11/06/24	Mary-Michael Robertson	1.80	Draft summary re non-transferable permits re disclosure schedules.
11/06/24	Quin Wetzel	0.60	Review, analyze bid procedures re service requirements (.5); correspond with B. Nakhaimousa re same (.1).
11/06/24	Pete Wojtal	1.90	Correspond with S. Myers, M. Kinsey, M. Matey re sale process updates (.3); correspond with sale counterparty re diligence materials (.1); telephone conference with counterparty, PWP team re same (.2); conference with S. Myers re same (.1); review, revise confidentiality agreement joinder (1.2).
11/07/24	Christie M. Alcala	0.50	Review, revise asset purchase agreement.
11/07/24	Matthew Antinossi	0.40	Review, revise asset purchase agreement (.2); correspond with R. Bentley, K&E team re same, employee issues (.2).
11/07/24	Rob Fowler, P.C.	0.50	Review, revise draft of purchase agreement (.3); review, analyze related documentation re same (.2).
11/07/24	Stefanie I. Gitler	1.20	Review, revise summary of non-transferable permits.
11/07/24	Palmer Gunderson	0.30	Correspond with J. Morley, T. Davis and S. Zablotney re purchase agreement tax considerations.
11/07/24	Kelsie Harris	1.30	Review, revise purchase agreement (1.1); correspond with R. Fowler, K&E team re same (.2).
11/07/24	Marissa Kinsey	0.50	Correspond with S. Narayanan, K&E team re intellectual property issues.
11/07/24	Daniel Lewis, P.C.	0.50	Review, analyze disclosure schedules.
11/07/24	Alexiz D. Magro-Malo	1.30	Review, revise purchase agreement.
11/07/24	R.J. Malenfant	0.50	Correspond with S. Myers re inventory re sale.
11/07/24	Miles Matey	0.30	Correspond with M. Kinsey, K&E team re non-disclosure agreements (.1); revise seller disclosure letter to asset purchase agreement (.2).
11/07/24	Melissa Moreno	0.50	Revise disclosure schedules.
11/07/24	Scott Myers	4.30	Review, analyze issues re asset purchase agreement, deal process (2.3); review, revise asset purchase agreement re same (2.0).



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11/07/24	Brian Nakhaimousa	0.20	Correspond with Verita re bid escrow agreement.
11/07/24	Srinithi Narayanan	1.40	Correspond with M. Kinsey, K&E team re disclosure schedules.
11/07/24	Mary-Michael Robertson	4.70	Review, revise environmental disclosure schedules, permit tables (3.0); correspond with S. Gitler re permit transferability (.2); research re permit transferability (.5); review, analyze permits (.3); review, analyze environmental documents (.2); revise disclosure schedules re same (.3); correspond with M. Anderson, K&E team re disclosure schedule (.2).
11/07/24	Chad Michael Smith, P.C.	0.50	Review, analyze asset purchase agreement.
11/07/24	Quin Wetzell	1.10	Review, analyze escrow agreement proposal (.6); correspond with B. Nakhaimousa, R. Bentley re same (.5).
11/07/24	Pete Wojtal	4.70	Review, revise confidentiality agreement joinder (1.9); review, analyze mutual confidentiality agreement (1.7); correspond with S. Myers, M. Kinsey, M. Matey re same (.8); correspond with M. Robertson, K&E team re disclosure schedules (.3).
11/08/24	Max Anderson	1.90	Review, analyze environmental permits (1.0); revise summary table re same (.4); revise disclosure schedules re same (.5).
11/08/24	Matthew Antinossi	0.60	Review, revise disclosure schedules for asset purchase agreement (.4); correspond with R. Beeton, A&M team re same (.2).
11/08/24	Rachel Beeton	1.90	Revise disclosure schedules re employee benefit plans.
11/08/24	Rachael M. Bentley	0.80	Review, analyze NDA issues (.2); telephone conferences, correspond re same (.6).
11/08/24	Claire Smyser Campbell, P.C.	0.80	Review, revise asset purchase agreement.
11/08/24	Stefanie I. Gitler	0.30	Review, analyze environmental permits included on disclosure schedules.
11/08/24	Kelsie Harris	0.20	Correspond with M. Antinossi, K&E team re disclosure schedules re employee matters.
11/08/24	Marissa Kinsey	0.50	Correspond with sale counterparties re virtual data room access.

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11/08/24	Scott Myers	6.10	Telephone conference with sale counterparty re confidentiality agreement, crude supply process (1.1); review, revise confidentiality agreements (2.0); review, revise asset purchase agreement, disclosure schedules (3.0).
11/08/24	Mary-Michael Robertson	2.00	Review, revise request list of outstanding permits (1.0); research permit transferability (.3); review, revise disclosure schedules (.7).
11/08/24	Antonio Soto Jr.	0.30	Review, analyze diligence materials re sale transaction.
11/08/24	Gary M. Vogt	0.80	Compile diligence materials re sale transaction.
11/08/24	Pete Wojtal	4.40	Review, revise confidentiality agreement joinders (1.6); review, revise confidentiality agreements (2.3); correspond with counterparty re same (.1); correspond with S. Myers, M. Kinsey, M. Matey re confidentiality agreement (.4).
11/09/24	Matthew Antinossi	0.20	Review, revise disclosure schedules re asset purchase agreement.
11/09/24	Rachel Beeton	1.40	Review, revise employee benefits disclosure schedules.
11/09/24	Josephine Fina	0.30	Correspond with R. Bentley re APA (.1); correspond with Sidley re same (.2).
11/09/24	Kelsie Harris	0.20	Review, analyze disclosure schedules re employee issues.
11/09/24	Marissa Kinsey	0.50	Correspond with S. Myers, K&E team re disclosure schedules.
11/09/24	Alexiz D. Magro-Malo	0.50	Review, analyze disclosure schedules.
11/09/24	Scott Myers	0.90	Review, revise disclosure schedules.
11/09/24	Mary-Michael Robertson	0.50	Review, analyze environmental materials (.3); correspond with Bracewell re environmental disclosure schedule (.2).
11/09/24	Pete Wojtal	0.20	Review, analyze issues re disclosure schedules.
11/10/24	Max Anderson	3.20	Review, analyze environmental permits (1.1); revise environmental permit analysis summary, disclosure schedules (2.1).
11/10/24	Scott Myers	3.40	Review, revise disclosure schedules.

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11/10/24	Mary-Michael Robertson	3.70	Review, analyze environmental permit (2.0); research permit transferability (.5); review, revise environmental disclosure schedules (1.2).
11/10/24	Chad Michael Smith, P.C.	0.80	Review, revise disclosure schedules.
11/11/24	Christie M. Alcala	0.50	Review, analyze, and revise disclosure schedules.
11/11/24	Max Anderson	1.20	Review, analyze revisions to disclosure schedules.
11/11/24	Matthew Antinossi	0.30	Review, revise disclosure schedules for asset purchase agreement (.2); correspond with A&M team, R. Beeton, K&E teams re same, employee benefits documentation (.1).
11/11/24	Rachel Beeton	0.50	Review, analyze issues re ERISA provisions of disclosure schedules.
11/11/24	Claire Smyser Campbell, P.C.	0.50	Review, analyze FCC filing.
11/11/24	George Cartveli	1.20	Review, revise disclosure schedules.
11/11/24	Josephine Fina	0.50	Conference with B. Nakhaimousa, K&E team, PWP team, A&M team re case, sale updates.
11/11/24	Josephine Fina	1.00	Conference with R. Bentley, K&E team, PWP team, purchaser counsel re sale process.
11/11/24	Stefanie I. Gitler	0.70	Review, analyze revised disclosure schedules (.3); revise disclosure schedules (.1); telephone conference with R. Bentley, K&E team, Bracewell, A&M team re same (.3).
11/11/24	Lilla K. Grisham	0.80	Review and revise draft schedules re energy regulatory concerns (.7); correspond with D. Lyster re same (.1).
11/11/24	Kelsie Harris	0.70	Review, revise disclosure schedules.
11/11/24	Tysan Holloman	0.70	Review, revise sale declaration in support of sale motion (.6); correspond with Q. Wetzel re same (.1).
11/11/24	Tysan Holloman	0.40	Review, revise cures objection summary (.3); correspond with Q. Wetzel re same (.1).
11/11/24	Shan A. Khan	0.40	Review, analyze asset purchase agreement schedules (.3); correspond with M. Anderson, K&E team re same (.1).
11/11/24	Marissa Kinsey	1.70	Revise asset purchase agreement.
11/11/24	Alex Lippert	1.90	Review, revise disclosure schedules.

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11/11/24	Damien R. Lyster, P.C.	1.00	Telephone conference with Company, and L. Grisham, K&E team re regulatory considerations (.8); review, analyze schedules (.1); correspond with L. Grisham, K&E team re same (.1).
11/11/24	Alexiz D. Magro-Malo	1.50	Review, revise disclosure schedules.
11/11/24	Alexiz D. Magro-Malo	0.30	Telephone conference with PWP team re sale process.
11/11/24	Alexiz D. Magro-Malo	0.70	Telephone conference with R. Malenfant, K&E team re intermediation facility re asset sale.
11/11/24	R.J. Malenfant	0.80	Revise exhibits and schedules.
11/11/24	R.J. Malenfant	0.70	Telephone conference with A. Magro-Malo, K&E team re intermediation facility re asset sale.
11/11/24	Miles Matey	1.40	Review, revise disclosure schedules (1.1); correspond with M. Kinsey, K&E team re disclosure schedules (.3).
11/11/24	Melissa Moreno	0.40	Review, revise asset purchase agreement.
11/11/24	Scott Myers	3.10	Review, analyze issues re transaction processes (1.1); review, revise disclosure schedules (2.0).
11/11/24	Srinithi Narayanan	1.40	Review, revise disclosure schedules.
11/11/24	Mary-Michael Robertson	3.90	Review, revise summary of permits (1.9); review, revise environmental disclosure schedules (1.0); research permit transferability regulations (.8); correspond with M. Anderson, K. Quinn re environmental diligence (.2).
11/11/24	Savannah R. Soto	0.90	Review, revise disclosure schedules re title (.4); review re asset purchase agreement (.5).
11/11/24	Quin Wetzel	1.00	Review, revise sale declaration (.4); correspond with T. Holloman re same (.2); review, analyze sale milestones, cures timeline (.4).
11/11/24	Pete Wojtal	4.80	Correspond with S. Myers, A. Magro-Malo, M. Kinsey, M. Matey re sale process update (1.1); review, analyze confidentiality agreements (.3); review, revise disclosure schedules (2.9); review, revise confidentiality agreement (.5).
11/12/24	Max Anderson	1.30	Review, revise disclosure schedules.

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11/12/24	Matthew Antinossi	0.20	Review, analyze bidder due diligence inquiries (.1); correspond with A&M team re same (.1).
11/12/24	Claire Smyser Campbell, P.C.	0.50	Correspond with R. Bentley, K&E team re sale process, asset purchase agreement.
11/12/24	Stefanie I. Gitler	0.20	Review, analyze issues re disclosure re environmental covenant.
11/12/24	Stefanie I. Gitler	0.20	Further review, analyze issues re environmental covenant disclosure.
11/12/24	R.J. Malenfant	0.30	Review, analyze issues re sale process timeline.
11/12/24	Melissa Moreno	0.30	Review, revise asset purchase agreement.
11/12/24	Scott Myers	4.40	Review, analyze issues re transaction process, sale milestones (1.4); review, revise disclosure schedules (3.0).
11/12/24	Srinithi Narayanan	0.20	Correspond with D. Lewis, K&E team re disclosure schedules.
11/12/24	Mary-Michael Robertson	1.80	Research re permit transfer requirements (.3); correspond with M. Anderson, K&E team re disclosure schedules (.2); review, revise disclosure schedule permit tables (1.3).
11/12/24	Pete Wojtal	3.40	Correspond with S. Myers, A. Magro-Malo, M. Kinsey, M. Matey re sale updates (1.1); review, analyze issues re intellectual property, real estate assets (1.1); correspond with sale counterparties re confidentiality agreement (.3); review, revise confidentiality agreement summary (.2); analyze issues re sale milestones, timeline (.7).
11/13/24	Josephine Fina	0.50	Conference with R. Bentley, K&E team, A&M team, PWP re deal updates, case timeline issues.
11/13/24	Stefanie I. Gitler	0.80	Review, revise updated disclosure schedules.
11/13/24	Lilla K. Grisham	0.70	Review and revise purchase agreements re regulatory concerns.
11/13/24	Alex Lippert	1.00	Telephone conference with R. Bentley, A&M team, PWP, K&E team re sale process updates (.5); prepare for same (.5).
11/13/24	Scott Myers	3.10	Review, revise disclosure schedules to asset purchase agreement (2.5); correspond with R. Bentley, K&E team re transaction processes (.6).

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11/13/24	Brian Nakhaimousa	0.70	Conference with R. Bentley, A&M team, K&E team, PWP re liquidity, sale process considerations (.5); correspond with Q. Wetzel re research re assignment of contracts (.2).
11/13/24	Srinithi Narayanan	0.20	Correspond with D. Lewis, K&E team re disclosure schedules.
11/13/24	Brendan Nashelsky	0.50	Telephone conference with R. Bentley, K&E team, A&M, PWP re case status.
11/13/24	Mary-Michael Robertson	1.40	Review, revise environmental permit disclosure schedules.
11/13/24	Quin Wetzel	0.60	Review, analyze issues re assignability considerations (.3); correspond with C. Fabrizio re same (.3).
11/13/24	Pete Wojtal	2.60	Correspond with counterparty re confidentiality agreement (.2); correspond with S. Myers, A. Magro-Malo, M. Kinsey, M. Matey re sale process updates (.8); correspond with Company, Bracewell re disclosure schedules (.9); review, revise disclosure schedules (.7).
11/14/24	Christie M. Alcala	0.30	Review, analyze, and revise disclosure schedules.
11/14/24	Max Anderson	2.30	Telephone conference with S. Myers, K&E team, Bracewell, Company re disclosure schedules (1.5); revise schedules re same (.8).
11/14/24	Matthew Antinossi	0.30	Review disclosure schedules re asset sale agreement (.2); correspond with S. Myers, K&E team re same (.1).
11/14/24	Rachel Beeton	1.40	Review, analyze issues re employee benefits disclosure schedules.
11/14/24	Claire Smyser Campbell, P.C.	0.50	Conference with B. Nakhaimousa, K&E team re disclosure schedules.
11/14/24	George Cartveli	0.70	Review, revise asset purchase agreement disclosure schedules.
11/14/24	John Farah	0.40	Review, analyze seller's disclosure letter (.2); correspond with D. Lyster, K&E team re same (.2).
11/14/24	Stefanie I. Gitler	1.50	Telephone conference with S. Myers, K&E team, Bracewell, Company re disclosure schedules.
11/14/24	Kelsie Harris	0.10	Correspond with R. Beeton re disclosure schedules.



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11/14/24	Tysan Holloman	1.10	Review, revise sale declaration (.8); conference with Q. Wetzel re same (.1); correspond with J. Fina, K&E team re same (.2).
11/14/24	Shan A. Khan	0.50	Review, analyze asset purchase agreement schedules (.3); correspond with M. Anderson, K&E team re same (.2).
11/14/24	Marissa Kinsey	1.50	Telephone conference with S. Myers, K&E team, Bracewell, Company re disclosure schedules.
11/14/24	Alexiz D. Magro-Malo	3.40	Telephone conference with S. Myers, K&E team, Bracewell, Company re disclosure schedules (1.5); review, revise disclosure schedules (1.9).
11/14/24	R.J. Malenfant	1.80	Telephone conference with S. Myers, K&E team, Bracewell, Company re disclosure schedules (1.5); prepare for same (.3).
11/14/24	Miles Matey	1.20	Conference with S. Myers, K&E team re disclosure schedules (.4); summarize same (.4); correspond with S. Myers, K&E team re disclosure schedules (.4).
11/14/24	Melissa Moreno	0.40	Review, revise asset purchase agreement.
11/14/24	Scott Myers	6.30	Review, analyze issues re transaction (1.3); telephone conference with R. Malenfant, Company, Bracewell re disclosure schedules (1.5); review, revise disclosure schedules (3.5).
11/14/24	Brian Nakhaimousa	0.10	Correspond with Q. Wetzel re executory contract schedule re asset purchase agreement.
11/14/24	Srinithi Narayanan	1.90	Telephone conference with S. Myers, K&E team, Bracewell, Company re disclosure schedules (1.5); review, revise disclosure schedules (.4).
11/14/24	Mary-Michael Robertson	3.40	Telephone conference with S. Myers, K&E team, Bracewell, Company re disclosure schedules (1.5); review, revise environmental permit schedules (.9); draft summary re environmental permits (.5); review, analyze environmental site assessments for current facilities (.5).

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11/14/24	Quin Wetzel	3.20	Review, revise sale order (1.8); correspond with J. Black re same (.3); revise sale declaration (.4); correspond with T. Holloman re same (.1); review, revise easement research re sale, assignment (.5); correspond with C. Fabrizio re same (.1).
11/14/24	Pete Wojtal	6.70	Telephone conference with S. Myers, K&E team, Company, Bracewell re disclosure schedules (1.5); correspond with S. Myers, A. Magro-Malo, M. Kinsey, M. Matey re asset purchase agreement (1.9); correspond with R. Bentley re sale process (.3); review, analyze documents re inclusion in virtual data room (1.2); review, revise disclosure schedules (1.8).
11/15/24	Claire Smyser Campbell, P.C.	0.50	Correspond with Scott M. re disclosure schedules.
11/15/24	Josephine Fina	1.30	Correspond with Q. Wetzel, B. Nakhaimousa re sale issues (.2); review, analyze, research same (.5); correspond with R. Malenfant, K&E team re same (.2); correspond with same re APA schedules (.1); review, analyze same (.3).
11/15/24	Lilla K. Grisham	0.20	Review and revise purchase agreements re regulatory concerns.
11/15/24	Kelsie Harris	0.40	Review, revise disclosure schedules.
11/15/24	Daniel Lewis, P.C.	0.50	Review, revise disclosure schedules.
11/15/24	Alexiz D. Magro-Malo	1.80	Review, summarize services agreement (.8); review and revise disclosure schedules (1.0).
11/15/24	R.J. Malenfant	0.50	Correspond with R. Bentley, K&E team re sale timeline, milestones.
11/15/24	Miles Matey	0.20	Correspond with S. Myers, K&E team re disclosure schedules (.1); correspond with Bracewell team re same (.1).
11/15/24	Melissa Moreno	0.50	Review, revise asset purchase agreement disclosure schedules.
11/15/24	Scott Myers	2.70	Review, revise disclosure schedules (1.7); telephone conference with Bracewell, Company re real estate disclosures (.5); correspond with various parties re transaction processes (.5).



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11/15/24	Brian Nakhaimousa	0.90	Correspond with S. Myers, K&E team re escrow agreement re bid deposits (.3); review same (.1); correspond with Verita re same (.1); correspond with Q. Wetzel re sale motion (.1); correspond with A. Margo-Malo re disclosure schedules (.2); correspond with Q. Wetzel re research re easements re same (.1).
11/15/24	Srinithi Narayanan	0.70	Review, revise disclosure schedules.
11/15/24	Quin Wetzel	0.80	Review, analyze escrow agreement re sale deposit (.4); correspond with B. Nakhaimousa, J. Fina re same (.4).
11/15/24	Pete Wojtal	1.90	Correspond with A. Magro-Malo, M. Kinsey, M. Matey re sale process (.3); review, analyze issues re real assets (.3); review, analyze entity documents (1.3).
11/16/24	Christie M. Alcala	0.30	Review, analyze, and revise disclosure schedules.
11/16/24	Max Anderson	0.40	Review, revise disclosure schedules.
11/16/24	Matthew Antinossi	0.30	Review, revise disclosure schedules to asset purchase agreement.
11/16/24	Rachel Beeton	0.20	Review, revise employee benefits portion of disclosure schedules.
11/16/24	George Cartveli	0.80	Review, revise asset purchase agreement.
11/16/24	John Farah	1.40	Analyze and revise draft of seller's disclosure letter schedules (.7); correspond with L. Grisham, K&E team re same (.7).
11/16/24	Josephine Fina	1.80	Correspond with S. Myers re sale schedules (.4); review, revise same (1.1); correspond with S. Myers, K&E team re same (.3).
11/16/24	Stefanie I. Gitler	0.20	Review, analyze disclosure schedules.
11/16/24	Lilla K. Grisham	0.50	Review and revise purchase agreement re regulatory concerns.
11/16/24	Kelsie Harris	0.10	Correspond with R. Beeton, K&E team re purchase agreement and schedules.
11/16/24	Shan A. Khan	0.50	Review, analyze asset purchase agreement schedules (.2); correspond with M. Anderson, K&E team re same (.3).
11/16/24	Damien R. Lyster, P.C.	0.10	Review, analyze APA and schedules and correspond with J. Farah re same.
11/16/24	R.J. Malenfant	0.30	Review, analyze issues re sale process timeline.

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11/16/24	Scott Myers	2.90	Review, revise disclosure schedules to asset purchase agreement.
11/16/24	Srinithi Narayanan	0.80	Correspond with D. Lewis, K&E team re disclosure schedules.
11/16/24	Mary-Michael Robertson	0.70	Review, revise permit holding entity names in disclosure schedules.
11/16/24	Savannah R. Soto	0.50	Review and revise disclosure schedules re asset purchase agreement (.4); correspond with S. Meyers, K&E team re same (.1).
11/16/24	Pete Wojtal	6.90	Correspond with S. Myers, A. Magro-Malo, M. Kinsey, M. Matey re sale process updates (.8); review, analyze issues re disclose schedules (1.2); review diligence re virtual data room (.8); review, revise disclosure schedules (1.3); review, analyze material contracts (2.8).
11/17/24	John Farah	0.30	Review, analyze correspondence with L. Grisham, K&E team re draft of seller's disclosure letter schedules.
11/17/24	Lilla K. Grisham	0.70	Review and revise purchase agreement re regulatory concerns.
11/17/24	Marissa Kinsey	5.40	Review, analyze sale diligence (2.3); correspond with P. Wojtal re same (.4); review, analyze diligence re disclosure schedules (2.7).
11/17/24	Alexiz D. Magro-Malo	3.40	Review, analyze diligence documents (1.0); revise schedules (2.4).
11/17/24	Miles Matey	2.90	Review, analyze material contracts re disclosure schedules.
11/17/24	Scott Myers	1.80	Review, revise schedules to asset purchase agreement.
11/17/24	Pete Wojtal	9.40	Review, analyze material contracts (3.5); correspond with S. Myers, A. Magro-Malo, M. Kinsey, M. Matey re same (1.6); further review, analyze material contracts (3.6); review, revise disclosure schedules (.7).
11/18/24	Rachael M. Bentley	1.40	Review, analyze issues re sale process timeline and milestones (1.2); telephone conference with B. Nakhaimousa, J. Fina re same (.2).
11/18/24	Sloane Bessey	0.10	Correspond with J. Fina, K&E team re auction scheduling.

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11/18/24	Claire Smyser Campbell, P.C.	1.00	Review, analyze issues list re asset purchase agreement.
11/18/24	Josephine Fina	1.00	Review, revise asset purchase agreement schedules (.6); correspond with Q. Wetzel, K&E team re same (.2); conference with R. Bentley, B. Nakhaimousa re sale process (.2).
11/18/24	Scott Myers	2.80	Review, revise disclosure schedules.
11/18/24	Brian Nakhaimousa	0.30	Correspond with Q. Wetzel re sale timeline (.1); conference with R. Bentley, J. Fina re sale process timeline, APA schedules (.2).
11/18/24	Quin Wetzel	3.60	Review, revise sale order (1.2); conference with J. Black re same (.4); review, revise asset purchase agreement schedules (.9); correspond with J. Fina, S. Myers re same (.3); revise summary re easement research (.3); correspond with C. Fabrizio re same (.2); review, analyze issues re sale timeline (.3).
11/18/24	Pete Wojtal	1.00	Correspond with S. Myers, A. Magro-Malo, M. Kinsey, M. Matey re sale process updates (.4); review, analyze documents from virtual data room (.4); review, analyze issues re real assets (.2).
11/19/24	Rachael M. Bentley	1.50	Review, analyze sale process status, APA, related exhibits (1.2); correspond with S. Myers, K&E team re same (.3).
11/19/24	Stefanie I. Gitler	0.50	Telephone conference with S. Myers, K&E team re sale updates.
11/19/24	Marissa Kinsey	0.30	Review, analyze issues re disclosure schedules.
11/19/24	Alexiz D. Magro-Malo	1.70	Review, revise purchase agreement.
11/19/24	R.J. Malenfant	0.30	Review, analyze potential transaction issues.
11/19/24	Miles Matey	1.40	Draft summary re permit transfer requirements (1.2); correspond with P. Wojtal, K&E team re same (.2).
11/19/24	Scott Myers	5.10	Telephone conference with lender's counsel re asset purchase agreement (.5); review, analyze issues re sale process, asset purchase agreement (2.6); review, revise ancillary documents (2.0).

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11/19/24	Brian Nakhaimousa	1.20	Review, analyze asset purchase agreement schedules (.1); correspond with C. Fabrizio, K&E team re same (.1); correspond with Verita, PWP re deposit escrow agreement (.2); conference with Verita re same (.1); review, revise 363 sale motion (.2); correspond with Q. Wetzel re same (.1); review, revise PWP declaration re 363 sale (.3); correspond with T. Holloman re same (.1).
11/19/24	Brian Nakhaimousa	0.10	Correspond with Sidley re sale.
11/19/24	Brian Nakhaimousa	0.10	Correspond with S. Gitler, K&E team, A&M, Sidley re diligence requests.
11/19/24	Srinithi Narayanan	0.30	Review, analyze disclosure schedules.
11/19/24	Mary-Michael Robertson	1.70	Review, analyze pollution insurance policies re assignability.
11/19/24	Quin Wetzel	1.30	Review, revise sale motion (1.2); correspond with B. Nakhaimousa re same (.1).
11/19/24	Pete Wojtal	0.70	Correspond with S. Myers, A. Magro-Malo, M. Kinsey, M. Matey re sale process (.3); review, revise confidentiality agreement (.2); review various diligence materials re diligence requests (.2).
11/20/24	Rachael M. Bentley	1.80	Review, analyze sale process, diligence requests (1.3); conference with S. Myers, K&E team, counsel to bidder re sale process (.5).
11/20/24	Josephine Fina	0.50	Conference with potential purchaser advisors, B. Nakhaimousa, K&E team, PWP re sale.
11/20/24	Stefanie I. Gitler	0.80	Review, analyze issues re transferring excluded permits.
11/20/24	Alex Lippert	2.60	Draft, review, revise assignment, deed and bill of sale.
11/20/24	Alexiz D. Magro-Malo	3.80	Review, revise purchase agreement exhibits (1.0); review, summarize purchase agreement (2.3); telephone conference with R. Bentley, potential bidders' counsel re sale process (.5).
11/20/24	R.J. Malenfant	0.40	Review, revise purchase agreement ancillaries.
11/20/24	Melissa Moreno	0.40	Draft intellectual property assignment agreements for asset purchase agreement.

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11/20/24	Scott Myers	4.20	Review, revise ancillary sale documents (3.0); telephone conference with R. Bentley, potential bidder re bid process, bid structure (.5); correspond with R. Bentley, K&E team re transaction processes, next steps (.7).
11/20/24	Brian Nakhaimousa	0.60	Conference with R. Bentley, K&E team, counsel to bidder re sale process (.5); correspond with Q. Wetzel, K&E team re notice of adjournment (.1).
11/20/24	Srinithi Narayanan	1.90	Draft short-form intellectual property assignment agreements.
11/20/24	Mary-Michael Robertson	0.90	Draft summary of permits and transfer requirements.
11/20/24	Quin Wetzel	1.80	Review, revise asset purchase agreement form of assignment, bill of sale (1.0); review, analyze precedent re same (.6); correspond with B. Nakhaimousa re same (.2).
11/21/24	Rachael M. Bentley	3.30	Review, analyze re sale process, diligence requests; qualified bid deadline.
11/21/24	Christopher Fabrizio	0.90	Draft, revise notice of adjournment of auction.
11/21/24	Rachel Golden	0.20	Correspond with R. Bentley, Sidley, Willkie re bids received.
11/21/24	Tysan Holloman	1.60	Review, revise sale declaration (1.5); correspond with Q. Wetzel re same (.1).
11/21/24	Alex Lippert	2.40	Revise assignment, deed and bill of sale.
11/21/24	R.J. Malenfant	0.30	Review, analyze issues re real assets.
11/21/24	Melissa Moreno	0.50	Draft intellectual property assignment agreements re asset purchase agreement.
11/21/24	Scott Myers	2.60	Review, revise confidentiality agreement (.6); review, revise ancillary documents (1.0); coordinate transaction processes (1.0).
11/21/24	Brian Nakhaimousa	0.20	Conference with A&M re wind down budget.
11/21/24	Srinithi Narayanan	1.80	Draft intellectual property assignment agreements.
11/21/24	Mary-Michael Robertson	0.20	Correspond with M. Anderson re summary of permit transferability (.1); review, analyze scope of Louisiana permits re special transfer requirements (.1).
11/21/24	Brian Schartz, P.C.	1.00	Review, analyze status re sale process, related strategies and tactics re next steps.

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11/21/24	Quin Wetzel	6.90	Review, analyze precedent re sale orders (.5); review, revise sale order re same (2.6); review, revise sale motion (2.1); review, revise sale declaration (1.1); correspond with T. Holloman re same (.6).
11/21/24	Pete Wojtal	0.50	Correspond with S. Myers re sale process (.2); review, revise confidentiality agreement (.2); correspond with counterparty re same (.1).
11/22/24	Rachael M. Bentley	3.30	Review, analyze qualified bids (1.4); telephone conference with Company re sale status update, case updates (.6); review, analyze sale process diligence and assignment considerations (1.3).
11/22/24	Sloane Bessey	0.60	Correspond with B. Nakhaimousa, K&E team re auction.
11/22/24	Christopher Fabrizio	1.40	Review, revise notice of adjournment (.9); correspond with B. Nakhaimousa, K&E team re same (.2); correspond with R. Bentley re same (.2); correspond with J. Fina, Bracewell team re same (.1).
11/22/24	Josephine Fina	1.20	Correspond with R. Bentley re asset purchase agreement schedules (.3); research re easements (.4); review, analyze easement analysis (.3); correspond with R. Malenfant, K&E team re same (.2).
11/22/24	Tysan Holloman	2.10	Review, revise sale declaration (1.3); correspond with Q. Wetzel re same (.2); review, revise cures tracker (.3); review, analyze qualified bids (.3).
11/22/24	Alexiz D. Magro-Malo	1.40	Review, analyze easements (.8); draft summary re same (.6).
11/22/24	R.J. Malenfant	1.00	Review, analyze issues re conveyances, property interests.
11/22/24	Scott Myers	4.90	Conference with counterparties re bid process, ancillaries (2.0); review, revise ancillary documents (1.9); correspond with C. Everhart, K&E team re sale process, next steps, diligence matters, and related deliverables (1.0).



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11/22/24	Brian Nakhaimousa	0.90	Review, revise notice of adjournment of auction (.3); correspond with C. Fabrizio, Q. Wetzel re same (.2); correspond with Q. Wetzel, K&E team re auction (.1); review, analyze issues re asset purchase agreement re assignments (.3).
11/22/24	Srinithi Narayanan	0.40	Correspond with D. Lewis, K&E team re agreements re schedules.
11/22/24	Mary-Michael Robertson	0.70	Revise summary of transferable and non-transferable permits, timing requirements (.6); correspond with M. Anderson, S. Gitler re pre-closing permit transfer requirements (.1).
11/22/24	Chad Michael Smith, P.C.	0.50	Review, revise asset purchase agreement exhibits.
11/22/24	Gary M. Vogt	0.80	Review, compile sale process diligence (.5); correspond with C. Everhart, K&E team re same (.3).
11/22/24	Quin Wetzel	4.40	Revise sale declaration (1.4): correspond with T. Holloman re same (.4); review, analyze bid documents (.4); review, analyze bidding procedures re auction requirements (.5); review, revise notice of auction adjournment (.8); correspond with B. Nakhaimousa, C. Fabrizio re same (.5); correspond with Sidley team, Committee re same (.3); correspond with Bracewell team re same (.1).
11/22/24	Pete Wojtal	0.70	Review, analyze contract re assignment (.6); correspond with S. Myers, A. Magro-Malo re same (.1).
11/23/24	Rachael M. Bentley	1.10	Telephone conferences with PWP, A&M team, Sidley team re bids, qualified bid requirements (1.0); review, analyze confidentiality restrictions re same (.1).
11/23/24	Christopher Fabrizio	1.70	Research re potential sale of non-executory contracts (.8); draft analysis re same (.8); correspond with J. Fina, K&E team re same (.1).
11/23/24	Josephine Fina	0.70	Correspond with Q. Wetzel, K&E team re easement issue (.2); review, analyze research and analysis re same (.2); draft summary re same (.2); correspond with R. Malenfant, K&E team re same (.1).
11/23/24	Marissa Kinsey	1.70	Research re easement assignability.

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11/23/24	Alexiz D. Magro-Malo	1.30	Review, revise asset purchase agreement bid comparison summary.
11/23/24	Alexiz D. Magro-Malo	0.50	Review, analyze easements (.3); conference with S. Myers and M. Kinsey re same (.2).
11/23/24	R.J. Malenfant	0.30	Correspond with S. Myers re conveyance documentation.
11/23/24	Scott Myers	3.30	Review, revise joinder agreement (1.3); review, analyze easement consent analysis (2.0).
11/23/24	Brian Nakhaimousa	0.70	Review, analyze bids received (.4); correspond with S. Bessey re auction (.1); correspond with R. Bentley re auction procedures (.2).
11/23/24	Mary-Michael Robertson	0.10	Revise summary of permit transferability.
11/23/24	Brian Schartz, P.C.	1.00	Review, analyze bids received, summary materials.
11/23/24	Pete Wojtal	4.30	Review, revise bid comparison summary (3.9); correspond with S. Myers, A. Magro-Malo, M. Kinsey, M. Matey re same (.4).
11/24/24	Rachael M. Bentley	1.10	Review, analyze sale process, bids.
11/24/24	Stefanie I. Gitler	0.20	Correspond with M. Robertson re TCEQ permit transfers.
11/24/24	Scott Myers	0.30	Review, analyze issues buyer diligence requests.
11/25/24	Rachael M. Bentley	1.60	Review, analyze issues re sale process and timing review and implementation.
11/25/24	Rachael M. Bentley	1.00	Telephone conferences, correspond re indications of interest (.6); review, analyze same (.4).
11/25/24	Sloane Bessey	0.30	Correspond with J. Fina, K&E team re auction.
11/25/24	Christopher Fabrizio	1.50	Review, analyze potential bidder asset purchase agreement.
11/25/24	Josephine Fina	0.50	Conference with Sidley, Houlihan Lokey, B. Nakhaimousa, K&E team, PWP re sale updates.
11/25/24	Tysan Holloman	3.90	Review, analyze asset purchase agreements (3.1); correspond with C. Fabrizio re same (.1); review, revise sale declaration (.6); correspond with Q. Wetzel, K&E team re same (.1).



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11/25/24	Tysan Holloman	0.50	Review, revise cure objections summary (.3); correspond with Q. Wetzel, K&E team re same (.2).
11/25/24	Alex Lippert	2.40	Review, analyze conveyance documents.
11/25/24	Alexiz D. Magro-Malo	1.40	Review, analyze asset purchase agreement markups (.5); draft summary re same (.6); conference with M. Kinsey re same (.3).
11/25/24	R.J. Malenfant	2.30	Review, revise materials re conveyances.
11/25/24	Scott Myers	4.20	Review, analyze bid proposals (2.8); review, analyze asset purchase agreement markups (1.4).
11/25/24	Brian Nakhaimousa	0.40	Correspond with R. Bentley, K&E team, PWP re bids received (.2); correspond with Lexitas re auction (.2).
11/25/24	Brian Nakhaimousa	0.50	Conference with R. Bentley, K&E team, Sidley, Houlihan Lokey, PWP re sale process update.
11/25/24	Quin Wetzel	1.70	Telephone conference with B. Nakhaimousa, PWP team re sale process update (.5); review, analyze bid documents (.8); correspond with J. Black, T. Holloman re same (.4).
11/25/24	Pete Wojtal	0.30	Correspond with S. Myers, A. Magro-Malo, M. Kinsey, M. Matey re sale process.
11/26/24	Rachael M. Bentley	3.80	Review, analyze issues re sale process.
11/26/24	Rachael M. Bentley	2.10	Telephone conferences, correspond with Sidley, Company advisors re sale process and issues re same (1.2); telephone conference, correspond with K&E team re NDAs, APA matters (.5); review, analyze same (.4).
11/26/24	Josephine Fina	0.50	Telephone conference with R. Bentley, K&E team, PWP, A&M team re sale updates.
11/26/24	Stefanie I. Gitler	0.50	Telephone conference with R. Bentley, K&E team, PWP, A&M team re case status, sale updates.
11/26/24	Tysan Holloman	1.30	Review, analyze cures objections summary (.6); revise same (.6); conference with Q. Wetzel re same (.1).
11/26/24	Alex Lippert	0.90	Review, revise conveyance documents.
11/26/24	Alexiz D. Magro-Malo	0.90	Review, analyze asset purchase agreement markups (.2); draft summary re same (.2); telephone conference with S. Myers, K&E team re sale process update (.5).

Legal Services for the Period Ending November 30, 2024  
 Vertex Energy Inc.  
 Use, Sale, and Disposition of Property

Invoice Number: 1050109782  
 Matter Number: 57088-13

<u>Date</u>	<u>Name</u>	<u>Hours</u>	<u>Description</u>
11/26/24	R.J. Malenfant	0.30	Review, analyze issues re conveyances.
11/26/24	Scott Myers	2.60	Telephone conference with A. Magro-Malo, K&E team re sale process (.5); review, revise confidentiality agreement (1.6); review, analyze transaction timeline (.5).
11/26/24	Brian Nakhaimousa	0.10	Review, analyze letter from potential bidder.
11/26/24	Brian Nakhaimousa	0.40	Conference with Sidley, Houlihan Lokey, PWP, R. Bentley, K&E team re sale process, next steps.
11/26/24	Chad Michael Smith, P.C.	0.50	Review, revise transfer assignment forms re asset purchase agreement.
11/26/24	Pete Wojtal	0.90	Review, revise confidentiality agreement (.8); correspond with S. Myers, A. Magro-Malo, M. Kinsey, M. Matey re same (.1).
11/27/24	Rachael M. Bentley	1.70	Review, analyze sale process, considerations re same (.7); review, analyze correspondence re sale process (.4); review, analyze sale process confidentiality agreement (.6).
11/27/24	Josephine Fina	0.60	Draft sale update (.4); correspond with R. Bentley re same (.1); correspond with Sidley re same (.1).
11/27/24	Miles Matey	0.10	Correspond with P. Wojtal, K&E team re confidentiality agreement.
11/27/24	Scott Myers	0.60	Review, revise confidentiality agreement.
11/27/24	Mary-Michael Robertson	1.00	Review, analyze environmental database re document requests.
<b>Total</b>		<b>494.70</b>	

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**Client Matter: 57088-14**

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**In the Matter of Corp., Governance, & Securities Matters**

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January 15, 2025

Vertex Energy Inc.  
1331 Gemini Street  
Suite 250  
Houston, TX 77058

Attn: James Gregory

**Invoice Number: 105010862C**  
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For legal services rendered through November 30, 2024 (see attached Description of Legal Services for detail)	\$ 44,6P5.00
Total legal services rendered	\$ 44,6P5.00

Legal Services for the Period Ending November 30, 2024  
 Vertex Energy Inc.  
 Employee 9 atters

Invoice Number: 105010P784  
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Rhristie 9 . Alcala	2.40	1,885.00	4,524.00
9 atttheB Antinossi	13.70	2,115.00	28,875.50
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k achael 9 . / entley	1.10	1,585.00	1,754.50
George Rartveli	1.40	1,345.00	1,883.00
Josephine Fina	0.50	1,385.00	687.50
/ rian Na; haimousa	1.60	1,345.00	2,152.00
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Legal Services for the Period Ending November 30, 2024  
 Vertex Energy Inc.  
 Employee 9 atters

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1101024	Rhristie 9 . Alcala	0.50	kevieB, analyKe labor union reservation of rights filing.
1101024	9 atttheB Antinossi	0.20	Rorrespond Bith pension advisors re pension issues, documentation.
1103024	Rhristie 9 . Alcala	1.40	kevieB, analyKe issues re collective bargaining agreement.
1103024	George Rartveli	1.40	kevieB, analyKe employment and labor agreements.
1104024	9 atttheB Antinossi	0.20	kevieB, analyKe pension issues.
1105024	9 atttheB Antinossi	1.10	Telephone conference Bith / . Na; haimousa, &z E team, Az 9 team re pension and employee issues, due diligence requests (.5)C telephone conference Bith Sidley re pension issues (.2)CrevieB and analyKe same (.2)C correspond Bith / . Na; haimousa, &z E team re same (.2).
1105024	9 atttheB Antinossi	0.20	Rorrespond Bith Az 9 team re M GR.
1105024	/ rian Na; haimousa	0.50	Ronference Bith k. / entley, Az 9 team, 9 . Antinossi re pension considerations.
1106024	9 atttheB Antinossi	1.00	Ronference Bith k. / entley re pension issues, lender requests, case status (.5)Ccorrespond Bith Az 9 team re pension issues (.2)C revieB, revise claim estimates and summaries (.3).
1107024	9 atttheB Antinossi	1.80	Rorrespond Bith Az 9 team re pension issues and claims (.3)CrevieB, analyKe materials re same (.6)CrevieB, revise summary re same (.4)Ctelephone conference Bith k. / entley re pension issues (.3)Ccorrespond Bith k. / entley, &z E team re lender due diligence inquiries and Ek ISA issues (.2).
1107024	kachel / eeton	0.80	research re audit requirements.
1108024	Rhristie 9 . Alcala	0.50	kevieB, analyKe contracts re to labor and employment issues.
1108024	9 atttheB Antinossi	0.50	Telephone conference Bith Az 9 team re pension issues (.1)Cresearch re pension plan audit issues (.2)Ccorrespond Bith k. / eeton re same (.1)Ccorrespond Bith k. / entley re same (.1).



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3.50 k esearch re audit requirements re employee matters.

0.20 Rorrespond Bith Az 9 team re pension due diligence inquiries (.1)Ccorrespond Bith / . Na; haimousa re pension proposals and employee communications (.1).

1.30 Draft pension freeKe notice (.5)Ccorrespond Bith / . Na; haimousa, &z E team re same (.1)Ctelephone conference Bith k . / entley re pension issues (.3)Cresearch re same (.3)Ccorrespond Bith consultants re potential plan expenses (.1).

0.20 k evieB, analyKe pension issues (.1)Ccorrespond Bith 9 . Antinossi re same (.1).

1.70 Telephone conference Bith Sidley re pension issues (.7)Ctelephone conference Bith Rompany re employee benefits matters (.7)Ccorrespond Bith Az 9 team re same (.1)CrevieB, analyKe files re pension assets (.1)Ccorrespond Bith Rompany re pension notices (.1).

1.10 Rorrespond Bith 9 . Antinossi, &z E team, Az 9 re pension matters (.2)CanalyKe issues re same (.P).

1.00 Telephone conference Bith M GR, / . Na; haimousa, &z E team re transaction status and pension issues (.3)Ctelephone conference Bith / . Na; haimousa, &z E team re same (.2)Ctelephone conference Bith Sidley re same (.2)CrevieB notice re premium payment and filings (.2)Ccorrespond Bith / . Na; haimousa, &z E team re same (.1).

0.50 Ronference Bith k . / entley, &z E team, M GR counsel re M GR issues.

0.50 Ronference Bith 9 . Antinossi, &z E team, M GR re case update, Man, sale process.

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Legal Services for the Period Ending November 30, 2024  
 Vertex Energy Inc.  
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1.00 Telephone conference Bith Rompany, Rompany advisors re pension issues, plan amendments and related issues (.5)Telephone conference Bith Az 9 team re same (.1)CrevieB, analyKe correspondence from pension plan document provider re basic plan document references (.1)CrevieB, analyKe employee communications re pension matters (.2)Ccorrespond Bith A. Wallace re same (.1).

11w6w24 9 atttheB Antinossi

0.20 Rorrespond Bith M GR and Sidley re pension issues (.1)Ccorrespond Bith Az 9 team re same (.1).

11w8w24 9 atttheB Antinossi

1.00 Rorrespond Bith pension administrator re plan amendments and documentation (.3)CrevieB, analyKe same (.5)CrevieB, analyKe prior documents and notes re pension provisions (.2).

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0.20 Rorrespond Bith M GR re document, information request (.1)Ccorrespond Bith Rompany re same (.1).

11w0w24 9 atttheB Antinossi

0.50 Rorrespond Bith Rompany re M GR requests, employee communications (.1)Telephone conference Bith Az 9 team re pension audit issues (.4).

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0.20 Rorrespond Bith k. / entley re employment agreements.

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1.30 Rorrespond Bith / . Na; haimousa, & E team, Sidley re pension issues (.3)Ccorrespond Bith Rompany re employee pension notices and operations (.2)CrevieB, analyKe correspondence from M GR team re same (.1)CrevieB, revise draft pension amendment (.4)Ccorrespond Bith TMA re same (.2)Ccorrespond Bith / . Na; haimousa, Az 9 team re pension audit (.1).

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0.10 Rorrespond Bith 9 . Antinossi re audit.

11w2w24 9 atttheB Antinossi

0.20 krevieB, analyKe pension and benefits matters (.1)Ccorrespond Bith Az 9 team re same (.1).

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0.10 Rorrespond Bith pension advisor team re plan amendments.

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January 15, 2025

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Attn: James Gregory

**Invoice Number: 1050109785**  
**Client Matter: 57088-16**

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**In the Matter of Executory Contracts and Unexpired Leases**

For legal services rendered through November 30, 2024  
(see attached Description of Legal Services for detail)

\$ 112,082.00

Total legal services rendered

\$ 112,082.00

Legal Services for the Period Ending November 30, 2024  
 Vertex Energy Inc.  
 Executory Contracts and Unexpired Leases

Invoice Number: 1050109785  
 Matter Number: 57088-16

**Summary of Hours Billed**

<b><u>Name</u></b>	<b><u>Hours</u></b>	<b><u>Rate</u></b>	<b><u>Amount</u></b>
Max Anderson	1.30	1,095.00	1,423.50
Rachael M. Bentley	11.90	1,595.00	18,980.50
Sloane Bessey	2.50	975.00	2,437.50
Zac Ciullo	2.60	1,555.00	4,043.00
Christopher Fabrizio	4.30	815.00	3,504.50
Josephine Fina	2.60	1,395.00	3,627.00
Stefanie I. Gitler	1.60	1,885.00	3,016.00
Tysan Holloman	18.30	815.00	14,914.50
Brian Nakhaimousa	9.10	1,345.00	12,239.50
Brendan Nashelsky	17.70	1,095.00	19,381.50
Renee Olivett	14.10	975.00	13,747.50
Joshua Raphael	6.30	1,095.00	6,898.50
Laura Saal	0.50	625.00	312.50
Brian Schartz, P.C.	0.70	2,305.00	1,613.50
Michael A. Sloman	2.00	1,265.00	2,530.00
Quin Wetzel	3.50	975.00	3,412.50
<b>TOTALS</b>	<b>99.00</b>		<b>\$ 112,082.00</b>

Legal Services for the Period Ending November 30, 2024  
 Vertex Energy Inc.  
 Executory Contracts and Unexpired Leases

Invoice Number: 1050109785  
 Matter Number: 57088-16

### Description of Legal Services

<u>Date</u>	<u>Name</u>	<u>Hours</u>	<u>Description</u>
10/15/24	Joshua Raphael	0.30	Review, revise rejection stipulation.
11/01/24	Rachael M. Bentley	1.40	Review, analyze Matheson, executory contract matters.
11/01/24	Sloane Bessey	0.30	Review, analyze contract re executory status.
11/01/24	Tysan Holloman	2.10	Research re consent decrees.
11/01/24	Tysan Holloman	4.20	Draft Matheson rejection agreement (3.9); review, revise re same (.3).
11/01/24	Brian Nakhaimousa	0.50	Correspond with J. Raphael re lease rejection (.3); review, analyze correspondences re executory contract rejection issues and considerations (.2).
11/01/24	Joshua Raphael	0.70	Correspond with UCC, B. Nakhaimousa, K&E team re lease rejection stipulation (.1); review, analyze revise stipulation (.6).
11/03/24	Tysan Holloman	0.90	Draft Matheson rejection agreement.
11/04/24	Rachael M. Bentley	1.10	Review, analyze issues re Matheson, executory contract matters.
11/04/24	Josephine Fina	1.00	Conference with B. Nakhaimousa, K&E team, and A&M re cure and assumption issues (.5); conference with R. Golden, K&E team, and A&M re preference analysis (.5).
11/04/24	Tysan Holloman	1.60	Draft Matheson rejection stipulation.
11/04/24	Tysan Holloman	0.60	Telephone conference with J. Fina, K&E team, A&M team re cure schedule (.4); review, revise cure objections summary (.2).
11/04/24	Brendan Nashelsky	0.50	Review, analyze materials re contract rejection documents (.4); correspond with B. Nakhaimousa re same (.1).
11/04/24	Renee Olivett	0.40	Draft Matheson removal, dismantling agreement.
11/04/24	Brian Schartz, P.C.	0.70	Review, analyze Matheson contract, settlement considerations.
11/04/24	Quin Wetzel	2.00	Review, analyze issues re cure objections (.4); correspond with J. Black, T. Holloman re same (.3); telephone conference with B. Nakhaimousa, A&M team re same (.4); revise cure objections summary re same (.6); correspond with A&M team re same (.3).

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Executory Contracts and Unexpired Leases

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<u>Date</u>	<u>Name</u>	<u>Hours</u>	<u>Description</u>
11/05/24	Rachael M. Bentley	2.30	Review, analyze issues re Matheson and removal agreement (1.3); telephone conferences, correspond with B. Nakhaimousa re executory contract matters and rejection (1.0).
11/05/24	Sloane Bessey	0.60	Review, analyze contract re executory status, lien payments.
11/05/24	Josephine Fina	0.50	Conference with R. Bentley, K&E team, and A&M re potential rejection matters.
11/05/24	Tysan Holloman	0.80	Review and analyze precedent removal agreements.
11/05/24	Brian Nakhaimousa	0.60	Correspond with M. Sloman, K&E team re Matheson removal agreement (.1); conference with J. Fina, R. Bentley, A&M team re rejection of contract (.5).
11/05/24	Brendan Nashelsky	1.90	Review, revise agreement re executory contract (1.7); office conference with R. Olivett re same (.2).
11/05/24	Renee Olivett	4.10	Draft Matheson removal, dismantling agreement (3.7); correspond with B. Nashelsky, K&E team re same (.4).
11/05/24	Michael A. Sloman	1.20	Review, revise Matheson removal agreement.
11/06/24	Rachael M. Bentley	2.20	Review, analyze issues re Matheson removal agreement (.6); telephone conferences, correspond with A&M team re same (.4); review, analyze executory contract matters (.4); telephone conferences, correspond with K&E team, A&M re same (.8).
11/06/24	Sloane Bessey	0.60	Review, analyze contracts re executory status.
11/06/24	Tysan Holloman	0.60	Research issue re executory contract provisions.
11/06/24	Tysan Holloman	0.20	Review, revise cures objections summary (.1); correspond with Q. Wetzel re same (.1).
11/06/24	Brian Nakhaimousa	1.00	Review, revise Matheson removal agreement (.5); correspond with M. Sloman, K&E team re same (.1); review, analyze executory contract re vendor status (.3); conference with J. Raphael re lease stipulation (.1).
11/06/24	Brendan Nashelsky	0.50	Review, revise agreement re executory contract.
11/06/24	Renee Olivett	0.90	Revise Matheson removal, dismantling agreement (.8); correspond with R. Bentley, K&E team re same (.1).

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 Executory Contracts and Unexpired Leases

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<u>Date</u>	<u>Name</u>	<u>Hours</u>	<u>Description</u>
11/06/24	Joshua Raphael	0.20	Prepare lease rejection stipulation for filing (.1); correspond with B. Nakhaimousa, K&E team, Bracewell re same (.1).
11/06/24	Quin Wetzel	0.70	Correspond with contract counterparty re cure objection (.4); correspond with A&M team re same (.3).
11/07/24	Rachael M. Bentley	1.10	Review, analyze issues re executory contract matters (.3); telephone conferences, correspond with A&M re same (.3); telephone conferences, correspond with Company, K&E team re Matheson removal agreement (.5).
11/07/24	Tysan Holloman	3.40	Research re contract provision (3.0); correspond with Q. Wetzel re same (.2); correspond with B. Nakhaimousa and K&E team re same (.2).
11/07/24	Brendan Nashelsky	0.20	Office conference with M. Sloman re executory contract agreement.
11/07/24	Renee Olivett	0.30	Revise Matheson removal, dismantling agreement (.2); correspond with M. Sloman, K&E team re same (.1).
11/07/24	Michael A. Sloman	0.20	Review, revise Matheson removal agreement.
11/07/24	Quin Wetzel	0.80	Review, revise research memorandum re cures objections (.6); correspond with T. Holloman re same (.2).
11/09/24	Rachael M. Bentley	0.50	Review, analyze issues re executory contract matters (.3); correspond with counsel to vendor re same (.2).
11/12/24	Brian Nakhaimousa	0.20	Conference with J. Raphael re RCP motion to compel.
11/13/24	Sloane Bessey	1.00	Research re motion to compel assumption, rejection.
11/13/24	Christopher Fabrizio	0.40	Review, analyze real property easements re executoriness (.3); correspond with K. Young, K&E team re same (.1).
11/13/24	Brian Nakhaimousa	0.90	Correspond with J. Raphael, Bracewell re RCP motion to compel (.4); conferences with J. Raphael, A&M team re same (.5).
11/13/24	Joshua Raphael	0.30	Conference with A&M team re motion to compel re contract counterparty (.2); review, analyze same (.1).

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 Executory Contracts and Unexpired Leases

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<u>Date</u>	<u>Name</u>	<u>Hours</u>	<u>Description</u>
11/13/24	Joshua Raphael	0.50	Review, analyze motion to compel re contract counterparty (.2); draft objection re same (.1); conference with S. Bessey, K&E team re same, related settlement (.2).
11/14/24	Zac Ciullo	1.60	Review, analyze, revise Matheson removal agreement.
11/14/24	Christopher Fabrizio	1.70	Telephone conference with T. Holloman re easements (.3); review, analyze easements re executoriness (1.4).
11/14/24	Josephine Fina	0.50	Conference with R. Bentley, K&E team, RCP counsel re motion to compel.
11/14/24	Tysan Holloman	1.40	Review, analyze easements re executoriness (1.1); telephone conference with C. Fabrizio re same (.3).
11/14/24	Brian Nakhaimousa	0.80	Conferences with counsel to RCP re motion to compel.
11/14/24	Brian Nakhaimousa	0.10	Correspond with M. Sloman, K&E team re Matheson removal agreement.
11/14/24	Brendan Nashelsky	1.10	Review, revise agreement re executory contract (.6); correspond with B. Nakhaimousa, K&E team, A&M team re same (.3); review, analyze materials re same (.2).
11/14/24	Joshua Raphael	0.10	Telephone conference with RCP, R. Bentley, K&E team re motion to compel.
11/15/24	Rachael M. Bentley	0.80	Correspond with A&M, B. Nakhaimousa re vendor matters (.5); review, analyze issues re same (.3).
11/15/24	Brendan Nashelsky	1.10	Correspond with B. Nakhaimousa, K&E team, A&M team re executory contract agreement (.4); review, revise executory contract agreement (.6); telephone conference with A&M team re same (.1).
11/15/24	Joshua Raphael	0.10	Review, analyze correspondence from A&M team re rejection considerations.
11/16/24	Christopher Fabrizio	0.90	Review, analyze easements re executoriness.
11/16/24	Josephine Fina	0.30	Review, analyze JV agreement issues (.2); correspond with B. Nakhaimousa, K&E team re same (.1).
11/16/24	Tysan Holloman	0.50	Review, analyze easement agreements.
11/16/24	Brendan Nashelsky	0.80	Review, revise agreement re executory contract.



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<u>Date</u>	<u>Name</u>	<u>Hours</u>	<u>Description</u>
11/17/24	Brendan Nashelsky	0.40	Review, revise agreement re executory contact.
11/18/24	Christopher Fabrizio	1.30	Review, analyze easements (1.2); correspond with Q. Wetzel, T. Holloman re same (.1).
11/18/24	Tysan Holloman	0.70	Review, revise Matheson removal agreement (.5); correspond with B. Nashelsky and K&E team re same (.2).
11/18/24	Brian Nakhaimousa	0.10	Correspond with R. Olivett re reclamation letter.
11/18/24	Brendan Nashelsky	0.40	Review, revise Matheson removal agreement.
11/19/24	Max Anderson	1.30	Review, revise Matheson removal agreement.
11/19/24	Zac Ciullo	0.60	Review, analyze, revise updated Matheson removal agreement.
11/19/24	Stefanie I. Gitler	0.60	Conference with B. Nakhaimousa, K&E team re Matheson removal agreement (.3); review, analyze issues re same (.3).
11/19/24	Brian Nakhaimousa	0.80	Review, revise Matheson removal agreement (.7); correspond with T. Holloman, K&E team re same (.1).
11/19/24	Brian Nakhaimousa	0.60	Correspond with R. Olivett re reclamation letter (.2); review, analyze precedent re same (.4).
11/19/24	Brendan Nashelsky	1.40	Review, revise Matheson removal agreement (1.2); correspond with B. Nakhaimousa, K&E team, A&M team re same (.2).
11/19/24	Renee Olivett	0.90	Revise reclamation letter (.6); correspond with B. Nakhaimousa, K&E team re same (.3).
11/19/24	Laura Saal	0.50	Research re precedent reclamation letters.
11/20/24	Stefanie I. Gitler	1.00	Review, revise environmental provisions of Matheson removal agreement.
11/20/24	Brian Nakhaimousa	1.90	Conference with Counsel to executory contract, R. Bentley re case status, mechanics lien, next steps (.5); review, analyze executory contract re preparation for same (.5); conference with R. Bentley, J. Fina re same (.3); conference with A&M team re same (.2); correspond with S. Gitler, K&E team re Matheson removal agreement (.3); correspond with J. Raphael re rejection of executory contracts (.1).

Legal Services for the Period Ending November 30, 2024  
 Vertex Energy Inc.  
 Executory Contracts and Unexpired Leases

Invoice Number: 1050109785  
 Matter Number: 57088-16

<u>Date</u>	<u>Name</u>	<u>Hours</u>	<u>Description</u>
11/20/24	Brendan Nashelsky	2.10	Review, revise Matheson removal agreement (1.3); correspond with B. Nakhaimousa, R. Olivett re same (.2); review, analyze materials re same (.6).
11/20/24	Renee Olivett	2.40	Revise Matheson removal, dismantling agreement (2.2); correspond with B. Nashelsky, K&E team re same (.2).
11/20/24	Joshua Raphael	1.00	Review, analyze considerations re lease rejections and research re same.
11/21/24	Brian Nakhaimousa	0.70	Review, revise Matheson removal agreement (.4); correspond with R. Olivett, K&E team re same (.1); conference with R. Olivett, B. Nashelsky re same (.1); correspond with A&M team, R. Bentley, counsel to executory contract counterparty re postpetition invoicing matters (.1).
11/21/24	Brendan Nashelsky	2.80	Review, revise agreement re executory contract (1.1); review, analyze materials re same (.6); office conferences with B. Nakhaimousa, R. Olivett re same (.6); correspond with R. Olivett, K&E team, A&M team, Company re same (.5).
11/21/24	Renee Olivett	3.20	Revise Matheson removal, dismantling agreement (.7); correspond with B. Nashelsky, K&E team re same (.2); draft mutual release agreement (2.3).
11/21/24	Joshua Raphael	0.10	Correspond with A&M re rejection matters.
11/21/24	Michael A. Sloman	0.10	Review, revise Matheson removal agreement.
11/22/24	Brian Nakhaimousa	0.10	Correspond with counsel to executory contract, A&M team re postpetition invoicing matters.
11/23/24	Rachael M. Bentley	0.90	Review, analyze issues re executory contract matters and invoicing (.7); telephone conferences, correspond re same (.2).
11/25/24	Rachael M. Bentley	0.40	Review, analyze executory contract issues (.2); telephone conference with A&M re same (.1); telephone conference with B. Nakhaimousa re same (.1).
11/25/24	Tysan Holloman	0.10	Correspond with J. Fina and K&E team re postpetition payment considerations, executory contract issue.

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Vertex Energy Inc.  
Executory Contracts and Unexpired Leases

Invoice Number: 1050109785  
Matter Number: 57088-16

<u>Date</u>	<u>Name</u>	<u>Hours</u>	<u>Description</u>
11/25/24	Brian Nakhaimousa	0.30	Conference with A&M team re postpetition payments re executory contract (.1); conference with R. Bentley re same (.1); conference with counsel to contract counterparty re same (.1).
11/25/24	Renee Olivett	0.10	Correspond with R. Bentley, K&E team re reclamation response letter.
11/25/24	Joshua Raphael	1.70	Review, analyze rejection matters (.4); research re issues re rejection (1.2); conference with S. Bessey re same (.1).
11/26/24	Zac Ciullo	0.40	Review, analyze revisions to Matheson removal contract.
11/26/24	Brian Nakhaimousa	0.10	Correspond with counsel to executory contract counterparty re postpetition invoices.
11/26/24	Brendan Nashelsky	3.80	Review, revise Matheson dismantling agreement (.8); review, analyze materials re same (.3); correspond with R. Olivett, K&E team, A&M team, and Company re same (.3); review, revise Matheson mutual release agreement (1.9); correspond with R. Olivett re same (.1); review, analyze materials re same (.4).
11/26/24	Renee Olivett	1.40	Revise Matheson removal, dismantling agreement (.6); revise mutual release agreement (.7); correspond with M. Sloman, K&E team re same (.1).
11/26/24	Joshua Raphael	1.00	Review, analyze executory contracts re rejection (.8); correspond with A&M re same (.2).
11/27/24	Rachael M. Bentley	1.20	Review, analyze executory issue re preference claims (.3); telephone conference with counsel to stakeholder re same (.2); review, revise reclamation demand letter (.7).
11/27/24	Josephine Fina	0.30	Review, analyze rejection issues (.2); correspond with J. Raphael re same (.1).
11/27/24	Tysan Holloman	1.20	Research re executory contract issue (.4); draft summary, analysis re same (.2); correspond with B. Nakhaimousa re same (.2); review, revise analysis re same (.4).

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 Executory Contracts and Unexpired Leases

Invoice Number: 1050109785  
 Matter Number: 57088-16

<u>Date</u>	<u>Name</u>	<u>Hours</u>	<u>Description</u>
11/27/24	Brian Nakhaimousa	0.40	Conference with B. Nashelsky re Matheson removal agreement (.1); correspond with B. Nashelsky, R. Olivett, K&E team re same (.1); correspond with T. Holloman re postpetition payment considerations re executory contract issue (.2).
11/27/24	Brendan Nashelsky	0.70	Review, revise Matheson dismantling agreement (.4); correspond with B. Nakhaimousa, K&E team, A&M team re same (.3).
11/27/24	Renee Olivett	0.40	Revise Matheson removal, dismantling agreement (.3); correspond with M. Sloman, K&E team re same (.1).
11/27/24	Joshua Raphael	0.30	Correspond with B. Nakhaimousa re early rejections (.1); draft correspondence re same (.2).
11/27/24	Michael A. Sloman	0.50	Review, revise Matheson removal agreement (.4); correspond with R. Olivett, K&E team re same (.1).
<b>Total</b>		<b>99.00</b>	

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**Client Matter: 57088-17**

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**Summary of Hours Billed**

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January 15, 2025

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Houston, TX 77058

Attn: James Gregory

**Invoice Number: 105010801 C**  
**Invoice Date: 5/11/2024**

**Invoice Description**

For legal services rendered through November 30, 2024 (see attached Description of Legal Services for detail)	<u>\$ 13,555.50</u>
Total legal services rendered	\$ 13,555.50



Legal Services for the Period Ending November 30, 2024  
 Vertex Energy Inc.  
 Hearings

Invoice Number: 1050109787  
 Matter Number: 57088-18

**Summary of Fees**

<b><u>Name</u></b>	<b><u>Hours</u></b>	<b><u>Rate</u></b>	<b><u>Amount</u></b>
Rachael M. Bentley	3.00	1,595.00	4,785.00
Sloane Bessey	2.60	975.00	2,535.00
Jacob E. Black	0.60	1,265.00	759.00
Josephine Fina	1.10	1,395.00	1,534.50
Ashlyn Gallagher	0.40	435.00	174.00
Georgia Meadow	0.70	355.00	248.50
Barira Munshi	0.50	1,365.00	682.50
Brian Nakhaimousa	1.40	1,345.00	1,883.00
Joshua Raphael	0.40	1,095.00	438.00
Anna G. Rotman, P.C.	0.20	1,955.00	391.00
Laura Saal	0.20	625.00	125.00
<b>Total</b>	<b>11.80</b>		<b>\$17,955.50</b>

Legal Services for the Period Ending November 30, 2024  
Vertex Energy Inc.  
Hearings

Invoice Number: 1050109787  
Matter Number: 57088-18

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11/04/24	Sloane Bessey	0.70	Revise notice of adjournment of hearing (.4); correspond with J. Fina and K&E team re same (.3).
11/08/24	Sloane Bessey	0.30	Correspond with J. Fina, K&E team re upcoming hearing logistics.
11/11/24	Sloane Bessey	0.80	Revise disclosure statement hearing agenda (.4); correspond with J. Fina, K&E team and Bracewell team re disclosure statement hearing agenda (.4).
11/11/24	Josephine Fina	0.20	Correspond with PWP team, A&M team re disclosure statement hearing.
11/11/24	Brian Nakhaimousa	0.20	Conference with J. Fina re disclosure statement hearing.
11/11/24	Laura Saal	0.20	Coordinate logistics re disclosure statement hearing.
11/12/24	Rachael M. Bentley	1.30	Prepare for status conference re disclosure statement hearing (.7); attend same (.6).
11/12/24	Sloane Bessey	0.60	Revise notice of continuation of disclosure statement hearing (.4); correspond with J. Fina, K&E team, and Bracewell re same (.2).
11/12/24	Josephine Fina	0.20	Attend status conference.
11/12/24	Josephine Fina	0.10	Correspond with S. Bessey re notice of continuation.
11/12/24	Brian Nakhaimousa	0.10	Telephonically attend status conference.
11/12/24	Anna G. Rotman, P.C.	0.20	Telephonically attend status conference.
11/14/24	Brian Nakhaimousa	0.10	Correspond with Bracewell re W&E list.
11/15/24	Sloane Bessey	0.20	Correspond with J. Fina and K&E team re disclosure statement hearing.
11/15/24	Brian Nakhaimousa	0.30	Correspond with Bracewell, S. Bessey, K&E team re hearing agenda (.2); correspond with S. Bessey re hearing logistical matters (.1).
11/18/24	Rachael M. Bentley	1.70	Participate in disclosure statement hearing (.7); prepare for same (1.0).
11/18/24	Jacob E. Black	0.60	Telephonically attend disclosure statement hearing.
11/18/24	Josephine Fina	0.60	Telephonically attend disclosure statement hearing.

Legal Services for the Period Ending November 30, 2024  
 Vertex Energy Inc.  
 Hearings

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<u>Date</u>	<u>Name</u>	<u>Hours</u>	<u>Description</u>
11/18/24	Ashlyn Gallagher	0.40	Monitor lines to assist attorneys re disclosure statement hearing.
11/18/24	Georgia Meadow	0.70	Monitor lines to assist attorneys re disclosure statement hearing.
11/18/24	Barira Munshi	0.50	Attend disclosure statement hearing.
11/18/24	Brian Nakhaimousa	0.70	Telephonically attend disclosure statement hearing.
11/18/24	Joshua Raphael	0.40	Telephonically attend disclosure statement hearing.
<b>Total</b>		<b>11.10</b>	

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**Invoice Number: 1050108466**  
**Client Matter: 54066718**

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For legal services rendered through November 30, 2024  
(see attached Description of Legal Services for detail)

\$ 14,509.00

Total legal services rendered

\$ 14,509.00

Legal Services for the Period Ending November 30, 2024  
 Vertex Energy Inc.  
 Insurance and Surety Matters

Invoice Number: 1050109788  
 Matter Number: 57088-19

**Summary of Sours**

<b><u>Name</u></b>	<b><u>Sours</u></b>	<b><u>Hate</u></b>	<b><u>Amount</u></b>
Rachael M. Bentley	0.30	1,595.00	478.50
Sloane Bessey	0.90	975.00	877.50
Josephine Fina	4.80	1,395.00	6,696.00
Rachel Golden	3.80	1,095.00	4,161.00
Brian Nakhaimousa	1.30	1,345.00	1,748.50
Joshua Raphael	0.50	1,095.00	547.50
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Vertex Energy Inc.  
Insurance and Surety Matters

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<b><u>Date</u></b>	<b><u>Name</u></b>	<b><u>Source</u></b>	<b><u>Description</u></b>
11/01/24	Josephine Fina	0.60	Conference with R. Bentley, K&E team and surety counsel re surety objections (.4); review, analyze issues re same (.2).
11/01/24	Josephine Fina	0.20	Correspond with R. Bentley re 9019 motion (.1); correspond with R. Golden re same (.1).
11/01/24	Rachel Golden	0.20	Correspond with Steptoe, Willkie, A&M team, Sidley re comfort, 9019 motion.
11/04/24	Rachel Golden	0.20	Correspond with Steptoe re shareholder derivative lawsuit.
11/06/24	Josephine Fina	0.20	Correspond with counsel to sureties re surety issues.
11/06/24	Brian Nakhaimousa	0.40	Correspond with J. Raphael re insurance proceeds (.1); conference with J. Raphael re same (.3).
11/06/24	Joshua Raphael	0.50	Correspond with A&M team insurance question, proceeds and follow up re same (.3); conference with B. Nakhaimousa re same (.2).
11/18/24	Rachel Golden	0.10	Correspond with Steptoe re insurance order, related mediation.
11/19/24	Rachael M. Bentley	0.30	Conference with Steptoe, R. Golden, K&E team re 9019 motion.
11/19/24	Josephine Fina	0.50	Conference with R. Golden, K&E team, Steptoe re 9019 motion, mediation updates.
11/19/24	Rachel Golden	0.40	Conference with Steptoe, J. Fina, K&E team re insurance, 9019 motion.
11/19/24	Brian Nakhaimousa	0.30	Conference with R. Golden, K&E team, Steptoe re 9019 motion.
11/21/24	Rachel Golden	0.80	Conference with Steptoe re comfort order, mediation updates (.4); prepare for same (.2); correspond with J. Fina re same (.2).
11/22/24	Josephine Fina	1.00	Correspond with M. Sloman re insurance matrix (.2); review, analyze surety bond issue (.3); correspond with J. Raphael, K&E team re same (.2); correspond, conference with R. Bentley re same (.2); correspond with A&M team re same (.1).
11/22/24	Rachel Golden	0.90	Review, revise comfort motion (.8); correspond with J. Fina, B. Nakhaimousa re same (.1).

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<u>Date</u>	<u>Name</u>	<u>Source</u>	<u>Description</u>
11/22/24	Brian Nakhaimousa	0.20	Review, analyze surety bond issue (.1); correspond with S. Bessey, J. Raphael re same (.1).
11/23/24	Sloane Bessey	0.90	Research re surety bonds.
11/23/24	Josephine Fina	0.40	Correspond with S. Bessey re surety analysis (.1); review, analyze re same (.3).
11/23/24	Brian Nakhaimousa	0.10	Correspond with J. Raphael re surety matter.
11/25/24	Josephine Fina	0.90	Review, analyze surety issue (.2); correspond with T. Eck re same (.1); review, revise 9019 insurance motion (.5); correspond with R. Golden re same (.1).
11/25/24	Rachel Golden	0.90	Review, revise insurance, 9019 motion (.8); correspond with J. Fina, B. Nakhaimousa, R. Bentley re same (.1).
11/26/24	Josephine Fina	0.50	Conference, correspond with A&M re surety issue (.3); correspond with J. Raphael re same (.1); conference with R. Bentley re same (.1).
11/26/24	Rachel Golden	0.30	Conference with Steptoe re insurance order, related mediation (.2); correspond with R. Bentley, J. Fina, B. Nakhaimousa re same (.1).
11/27/24	Josephine Fina	0.30	Correspond with R. Golden re insurance 9019 motion (.2); correspond with J. Raphael re surety issue (.1).
11/27/24	Brian Nakhaimousa	0.30	Correspond with J. Raphael, J. Fina re surety bond issue.
11/29/24	Josephine Fina	0.20	Correspond with J. Raphael re surety issue.
<b>Total</b>		<b>11.10</b>	

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**In the Matter of Disclosure Statement, Plan Confirmation**

For legal services rendered through November 30, 2024  
(see attached Description of Legal Services for detail)

\$ 743,554.50

Total legal services rendered

\$ 743,554.50



Legal Services for the Period Ending November 30, 2024  
Vertex Energy Inc.  
Disclosure Statement, Plan Confirmation

Invoice Number: 1050109789  
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**Summary of Hours Billed**

<b><u>Name</u></b>	<b><u>Hours</u></b>	<b><u>Rate</u></b>	<b><u>Amount</u></b>
Christie M. Alcala	1.40	1,885.00	2,639.00
Matthew Antinossi	1.40	2,115.00	2,961.00
Marcela Barba	7.30	1,395.00	10,183.50
Rachael M. Bentley	98.60	1,595.00	157,267.00
Sloane Bessey	14.00	975.00	13,650.00
Zac Ciullo	3.80	1,555.00	5,909.00
Thad W. Davis, P.C.	1.80	2,025.00	3,645.00
Trevor Eck	2.80	1,095.00	3,066.00
Christopher Fabrizio	19.00	815.00	15,485.00
Josephine Fina	39.20	1,395.00	54,684.00
Ashlyn Gallagher	0.40	435.00	174.00
Rachel Golden	106.70	1,095.00	116,836.50
Susan D. Golden	1.60	1,600.00	2,560.00
Palmer Gunderson	12.50	995.00	12,437.50
Tysan Holloman	20.60	815.00	16,789.00
Jennifer Karinen	8.60	1,575.00	13,545.00
Timothy Knapp, P.C.	2.00	1,835.00	3,670.00
Jamie McLennan	85.80	975.00	83,655.00
Georgia Meadow	3.50	355.00	1,242.50
Joe Morley	4.20	1,495.00	6,279.00
Barira Munshi	2.90	1,365.00	3,958.50
Brian Nakhaimousa	52.80	1,345.00	71,016.00
Brendan Nashelsky	106.70	1,095.00	116,836.50
Renee Olivett	4.40	975.00	4,290.00
Hannah Marie Putnam	1.20	1,235.00	1,482.00
Joshua Raphael	2.60	1,095.00	2,847.00
Anna G. Rotman, P.C.	0.80	1,955.00	1,564.00
Laura Saal	1.40	625.00	875.00
Brian Schartz, P.C.	6.00	2,305.00	13,830.00
Tanzila Zomo	0.50	355.00	177.50
<b>TOTALS</b>	<b>614.50</b>		<b>\$ 743,554.50</b>

Legal Services for the Period Ending November 30, 2024  
Vertex Energy Inc.  
Disclosure Statement, Plan Confirmation

Invoice Number: 1050109789  
Matter Number: 57088-20

### Description of Legal Services

<u>Date</u>	<u>Name</u>	<u>Hours</u>	<u>Description</u>
11/01/24	Rachael M. Bentley	5.60	Telephone conferences with R. Golden, K&E team re plan, U.S. Trustee comments (1.6); correspond with R. Golden, K&E team re UCC settlement, plan, disclosure statement (1.1); revise same (2.9).
11/01/24	Sloane Bessey	2.50	Revise summary re U.S. Trustee plan comments (.8); correspond with R. Bentley and K&E team re same (.3); review, analyze reservation of rights re plan and disclosure statement (.5); correspond with J. Fina and K&E team re reservation of rights (.2); review, analyze precedent re confirmation orders (.7).
11/01/24	Christopher Fabrizio	0.50	Draft summary re U.S. Trustee objection to disclosure statement.
11/01/24	Josephine Fina	3.40	Review, analyze U.S. Trustee disclosure statement objection (.5); review, analyze proposed responses, precedent re same (.5); conference with R. Bentley, K&E team and U.S. Trustee re same (.6); review, analyze committee term sheet markup (.5); correspond with Willkie re same (.1); review, analyze revised plan (.8); conferences with R. Golden re same (.4).
11/01/24	Rachel Golden	13.90	Draft, revise summary re U.S. Trustee informal comments re plan, disclosure statement (1.2); conference with U.S. Trustee, R. Bentley, K&E team re same (.6); correspond with S. Bessey re same, reservation of rights (.1); review, revise correspondence to U.S. Trustee re same (.3); review, analyze committee settlement term sheet (2.1); correspond with Sidley re same (.1); revise plan (3.9); review, analyze issues re same (3.7); review, analyze precedent re same (1.9).
11/01/24	Tysan Holloman	0.80	Review, analyze, summarize objections re disclosure statement.

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11/01/24	Jamie McLennan	9.80	Review, analyze disclosure statement objections (2.6); review, analyze precedent re same (1.2); review, revise disclosure statement objection reply (3.7); review, analyze precedent re same (2.1); conference with C. Fabrizio and T. Holloman re same (.2).
11/01/24	Georgia Meadow	0.40	Correspond with J. McLennan re disclosure statement reply precedent.
11/01/24	Brian Nakhaimousa	2.30	Review, analyze research re U.S. Trustee disclosure statement objection (.3); correspond with R. Golden, K&E team re same (.1); review, revise disclosure statement (1.4); conference with J. Fina, counsel to suretys re disclosure statement objection (.5).
11/01/24	Brian Nakhaimousa	0.50	Conference with R. Bentley, K&E team, U.S. Trustee re U.S. Trustee disclosure statement objection.
11/01/24	Brendan Nashelsky	2.70	Review, revise amended disclosure statement (1.7); review, analyze materials re disclosure statement objections (.6); correspond with J. McLennan, K&E team re same (.4).
11/01/24	Brian Schartz, P.C.	1.40	Review, analyze plan issues.
11/01/24	Tanzila Zomo	0.50	Research re disclosure statement reply.
11/02/24	Josephine Fina	2.80	Conference with R. Bentley, K&E team re plan (.6); review, revise plan (2.1); correspond with R. Golden re same (.1).
11/02/24	Rachel Golden	3.80	Conference with R. Bentley re plan, case status (.6); review, analyze documents re plan (.7); revise plan (2.4); correspond with J. Fina re same (.1).
11/02/24	Jamie McLennan	4.90	Conference with B. Nashelsky re disclosure statement objections (.3); review, revise disclosure statement objection reply (2.8); review, analyze precedent re same (1.8).
11/02/24	Brian Nakhaimousa	0.50	Conference with R. Bentley, K&E team re plan.
11/02/24	Brendan Nashelsky	1.80	Review, revise disclosure statement reply (.4); telephone conference with J. McLennan re same (.2); review, revise amended disclosure statement (1.2).
11/03/24	Christopher Fabrizio	1.80	Review, analyze precedent re disclosure statement considerations.

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11/03/24	Josephine Fina	1.70	Review, revise plan (1.3); correspond with R. Golden re same (.1); correspond with B. Nakhaimousa re same (.3).
11/03/24	Rachel Golden	0.30	Correspond with J. Fina, B. Nakhaimousa re plan.
11/03/24	Tysan Holloman	2.60	Research re objections to disclosure statement.
11/03/24	Jamie McLennan	3.70	Review, revise disclosure statement objection reply.
11/03/24	Brian Nakhaimousa	1.30	Review, revise plan (.5); correspond with R. Golden re same (.1); review, revise disclosure statement reply (.7).
11/03/24	Brendan Nashelsky	5.60	Review, revise disclosure statement reply (2.8); correspond with J. McLennan re same (.1); review, revise amended disclosure statement (2.7).
11/04/24	Rachael M. Bentley	4.90	Telephone conferences and correspond with R. Golden, K&E team re UCC settlement, plan, disclosure statement, disclosure statement reply (2.1); review, revise same (1.9); telephone conferences, correspond with A&M, working group re same (.9).
11/04/24	Sloane Bessey	0.20	Correspond with B. Nakhaimousa and K&E team re disclosure statement re U.S. Trustee objection.
11/04/24	Christopher Fabrizio	0.20	Correspond with J. McLennan re disclosure statement hearing transcripts (.1); review same (.1).
11/04/24	Josephine Fina	0.80	Correspond with B. Nashelsky re disclosure statement (.1); review, revise same (.5); correspond with R. Golden re confirmation order language (.1); correspond with B. Nashelsky re disclosure statement hearing notice (.1).
11/04/24	Rachel Golden	3.50	Conference with R. Bentley re plan (.6); revise plan (2.4); correspond with J. Fina re same (.5).
11/04/24	Tysan Holloman	1.70	Review, revise disclosure statement order.

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11/04/24	Georgia Meadow	0.50	Compile precedent re disclosure statement issues (.3); correspond with C. Fabrizio re same (.2).
11/04/24	Brian Nakhaimousa	6.70	Review, analyze liquidation analysis (1.3); review, analyze precedent re same (.5); correspond with B. Nashelsky, J. McLennan re same (.1); review, revise disclosure statement (1.0); correspond with J. McLennan re same (.1); review, analyze disclosure statement objections (1.0); review, analyze disclosure statement objection replies (.6); review, revise disclosure statement reply (2.1).
11/04/24	Brendan Nashelsky	4.80	Review, revise amended disclosure statement (1.8); review, analyze materials re same (.6); review, revise disclosure statement objection reply (.8); correspond with B. Nakhaimousa, K&E team, Sidley re same (.8); review, analyze revised liquidation analysis (.8).
11/04/24	Joshua Raphael	1.00	Review, revise disclosure statement.
11/04/24	Brian Schartz, P.C.	0.80	Review, analyze plan issues.
11/05/24	Rachael M. Bentley	4.70	Correspond with R. Golden, K&E team re UCC settlement, plan, disclosure statement (.5), revise same (3.2); review, analyze issues, related considerations and implementation strategies re same (1.0).
11/05/24	Josephine Fina	2.90	Review, revise disclosure statement (2.4); review, analyze precedent re same (.4); correspond with B. Nashelsky re same (.1).
11/05/24	Palmer Gunderson	1.70	Review, analyze amended disclosure statement (1.0); review, analyze amended plan (.7).
11/05/24	Tysan Holloman	1.20	Review, revise amended disclosure statement.
11/05/24	Jennifer Karinen	1.10	Review, analyze revised disclosure statement and plan.

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11/05/24	Jamie McLennan	5.90	Review, revise solicitation ballots (2.3); review, revise amended disclosure statement (3.4); conference with B. Nashelsky re same (.2).
11/05/24	Brian Nakhaimousa	1.00	Review, analyze revised liquidation analysis (.3); correspond with B. Nashelsky re same (.1); conference with B. Nashelsky re disclosure statement (.3); conference with A&M re liquidation analysis (.3).
11/05/24	Brendan Nashelsky	3.20	Review, revise amended disclosure statement (2.1); conference with J. McLennan re same (.3); correspond with J. Fina, K&E team, A&M re same (.2); review, revise liquidation analysis (.6).
11/06/24	Marcela Barba	2.40	Review, revise amended disclosure statement.
11/06/24	Rachael M. Bentley	4.80	Telephone conference with R. Golden, K&E team re UCC settlement, plan, disclosure statement (.5); correspond with same re same (.1); review, analyze open issues, related strategies and tactics re same (2.6); revise plan, UCC settlement re same (1.6).
11/06/24	Josephine Fina	1.50	Conference with R. Bentley, K&E team, and A&M re deficiency claims (.5); correspond with R. Bentley, K&E team, and Company re Plan (.5); conference with B. Nakhaimousa, K&E team, AlixPartners, Willkie, A&M, and PWP re case updates (.5).
11/06/24	Rachel Golden	4.70	Conference with A&M, J. Fina, K&E team re deficiency claims (.5); correspond with J. Karinen, K&E team re plan (.8); conference with B. Nashelsky, P. Gunderson re plan (.9); review, analyze committee settlement term sheet (.9); revise same (1.3); correspond with R. Bentley, K&E team, Sidley, Willkie re same (.3).
11/06/24	Palmer Gunderson	5.80	Telephone conference with B. Nashelsky and R. Golden re general unsecured creditor trust (.3); review, analyze disclosure statement re tax considerations (3.8); review, analyze plan re tax considerations (1.2); correspond with J. Morley re disclosure statement, plan re tax matters (.5).

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11/06/24	Tysan Holloman	1.40	Review, revise amended disclosure statement (1.3); correspond with J. McLennan re same (.1).
11/06/24	Jennifer Karinen	2.60	Review, analyze transfer of GUC Trust interests (.4); conference with J. Pushka re same (.3); review, analyze precedent re disclosure statement, securities considerations (1.1); correspond with M. Barba re disclosure statement (.3); review, analyze disclosure statement re securities considerations (.5).
11/06/24	Jamie McLennan	1.70	Review, revise amended disclosure statement.
11/06/24	Joe Morley	0.10	Correspond with P. Gunderson, K&E team re tax considerations re disclosure statement and plan.
11/06/24	Brian Nakhaimousa	2.10	Review, revise disclosure statement (1.5); correspond with B. Nashelsky re same (.1); conference with J. Fina, R. Golden re plan (.2); review, revised settlement term sheet (.3).
11/06/24	Brendan Nashelsky	6.70	Review, revise disclosure statement (3.2); review, analyze precedent re same (1.2); correspond with B. Nakhaimousa, K&E team, A&M re disclosure statement (.4); conferences with B. Nakhaimousa, J. McLennan re disclosure statement (.3); review, analyze materials re same (.4); review, analyze revised liquidation analysis (.3); correspond with B. Nakhaimousa, A&M re same (.2); telephone conference with B. Nakhaimousa, A&M re same (.3); review, analyze financial projections exhibit (.4).
11/06/24	Laura Saal	1.40	Research re precedent re disclosure statement replies (1.2); correspond with R. Bentley, K&E team re same (.2).
11/07/24	Marcela Barba	2.30	Review, revise amended disclosure statement.
11/07/24	Rachael M. Bentley	5.10	Review, analyze issues re plan, UCC settlement (1.6); telephone conferences, correspond with A&M re same and disclosure statement exhibits (.6); analyze issues re same (.3); conference with R. Golden, K&E team re same (.3); review, revise documentation re same (2.0); correspond with R. Golden, K&E team re same (.3).



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11/07/24	Josephine Fina	3.10	Review, analyze disclosure statement reply (2.3); conference with B. Nashelsky, K&E team re same (.5); conference with B. Nakhaimousa re same (.3).
11/07/24	Rachel Golden	2.30	Revise plan (.3); review, analyze correspondence re deal status (1.7); conference with J. Fina, B. Nakhaimousa, R. Bentley re same (.3).
11/07/24	Palmer Gunderson	0.20	Correspond with J. Morley re disclosure statement re tax matters.
11/07/24	Tysan Holloman	0.90	Review, analyze precedent financial projections (.7); correspond with J. McLennan re same (.1); correspond with B. Nakhaimousa and K&E team re same (.1).
11/07/24	Jennifer Karinen	2.20	Review, revise disclosure statement.
11/07/24	Jamie McLennan	3.10	Review, revise disclosure statement objection reply.
11/07/24	Joe Morley	2.30	Review and revise plan and disclosure statement re tax considerations.
11/07/24	Brian Nakhaimousa	3.80	Review, revise amended disclosure statement (1.2); correspond with B. Nashelsky re same (.1); review, revise liquidation analysis (.5); conference with B. Nashelsky re DS reply (.5); review revise financial projections re disclosure statement exhibit (.6); correspond with B. Nashelsky re same (.1); review, revise plan (.8).
11/07/24	Brendan Nashelsky	5.80	Review, revise amended disclosure statement (2.4); telephone conference with M. Barba re same (.3); review, revise disclosure statement exhibits (1.4); telephone conferences with A&M re same (.2); conference with B. Nakhaimousa re same (.4); review, revise disclosure statement order (.6); conference with J. Fina, J. McLennan re disclosure statement reply (.3); review, analyze materials re same (.2).
11/08/24	Marcela Barba	0.80	Conference with B. Nashelsky re disclosure statement (.3); review same (.5).
11/08/24	Rachael M. Bentley	4.50	Telephone conferences with S. Golden, R. Golden, K&E team re UCC settlement, plan, disclosure statement (2.1); review, analyze issues re same (.5); review, revise same (1.9).



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11/08/24	Zac Ciullo	0.20	Correspond with T. Knapp plan re considerations.
11/08/24	Zac Ciullo	0.90	Review, analyze revised plan.
11/08/24	Zac Ciullo	0.10	Telephone conference with R. Bentley re revisions to plan.
11/08/24	Josephine Fina	6.40	Review, analyze disclosure statement reply precedent (.5); correspond with B. Nashelsky re same (.1); correspond with Willkie re plan and disclosure statement order (.1); review, analyze markups re same (.7); correspond with R. Bentley, R. Golden re committee term sheet (.2); review, analyze markup re same (.4); correspond with S. Golden re disclosure statement objection (.2); review, revise disclosure statement reply (1.6); correspond with B. Nashelsky re same (.1); correspond with B. Nashelsky re plan, disclosure statement (.2); conferences with B. Nakhaimousa, K&E working group re disclosure statement, disclosure statement reply (.6); review, revise plan (1.2); conference with R. Golden re same (.5).
11/08/24	Susan D. Golden	1.10	Review, analyze U.S. Trustee objection to disclosure statement (.8); correspond with R. Bentley, K&E team re same (.3).
11/08/24	Rachel Golden	11.80	Review, analyze committee settlement term sheet (2.5); conference with R. Bentley, J. Fina re same (.8); conference with R. Bentley, J. Fina, Willkie re same (.3); revise plan re same, Committee's comments (3.7); review, analyze precedent re same (2.5); further review, revise same re same (2.0).
11/08/24	Jennifer Karinen	1.60	Review, revise financial projections and liquidation analysis.
11/08/24	Timothy Knapp, P.C.	1.10	Correspond with Z. Ciullo, K&E team re plan (.3); correspond with Z. Ciullo re same (.3); review, analyze plan (.3); correspond with Z. Ciullo, K&E team re same (.2).
11/08/24	Jamie McLennan	1.30	Review, revise disclosure statement order (.8); review, revise amended disclosure statement (.1); review, analyze U.S. Trustee objection (.4).

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11/08/24	Georgia Meadow	0.80	Compile precedent re disclosure statement reply (.6); correspond with L. Saal re same (.2).
11/08/24	Brian Nakhaimousa	4.00	Conference with R. Bentley, J. Fina re settlement term sheet (.5); review, revise disclosure statement reply (2.1); conference with B. Nashelsky, K&E team re disclosure statement (.9); correspond with B. Nashelsky re same (.1); conference with R. Bentley re disclosure statement (.4).
11/08/24	Brendan Nashelsky	6.70	Review, revise disclosure statement (.4); correspond with B. Nakhaimousa, K&E team, A&M re same (.3); conferences with B. Nakhaimousa, K&E team re same (.9); review, analyze materials re same (.5); review, revise disclosure statement order (2.2); correspond with J. McLennan, K&E team re same (.6); review, revise disclosure statement reply (1.4); correspond with J. Fina, K&E team re same (.4).
11/08/24	Hannah Marie Putnam	1.20	Review, analyze U.S. Trustee Disclosure Statement objection (1.0); review, revise disclosure statement reply (.2).
11/09/24	Marcela Barba	0.60	Review, revise disclosure statement financial projection exhibit.
11/09/24	Rachael M. Bentley	3.10	Telephone conference with Z. Ciullo, K&E team re UCC settlement, plan, disclosure statement (.4); revise documentation re same (2.7).
11/09/24	Rachael M. Bentley	1.40	Telephone conferences, correspond with WFG, Sidley re disclosure statement objections and settlement (.4); review, analyze issues re same (.6); telephone conferences, correspond with K&E team re same (.4).
11/09/24	Zac Ciullo	0.40	Telephone conference with R. Bentley re revisions to plan, UCC settlement.
11/09/24	Christopher Fabrizio	3.10	Research, analyze disclosure statement precedent re U.S. Trustee objections (2.8); correspond with B. Nashelsky, K&E team re same (.3).
11/09/24	Josephine Fina	0.10	Correspond with B. Nashelsky re disclosure statement, disclosure statement order.

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11/09/24	Rachel Golden	4.10	Correspond with Willkie, Sidley, R. Bentley, K&E team re plan (.3); revise same (3.5); correspond with A&M re same (.3).
11/09/24	Tysan Holloman	4.20	Research re precedent disclosure statement objections (1.4); correspond with C. Fabrizio re same (.1); correspond with B. Nashelsky and K&E team re same (.1); research re adequate information in disclosure statement (2.6).
11/09/24	Tysan Holloman	4.10	Research re plan considerations (3.8); correspond with J. McLennan and K&E team re same (.3).
11/09/24	Jennifer Karinen	0.30	Revise disclosure statement financial projections language.
11/09/24	Jamie McLennan	4.60	Review, analyze case law re U.S. Trustee objection (3.2); review, revise disclosure statement objection reply (1.4).
11/09/24	Brian Nakhaimousa	6.00	Review, analyze summary re U.S. Trustee objection (.5); review, revise disclosure statement (1.4); correspond with B. Nashelsky, K&E team re same (.1); review, revise disclosure statement reply (1.3); correspond with B. Nashelsky, K&E team re same (.1); review, revise disclosure statement order (2.5); correspond with B. Nashelsky, K&E team re same (.1).
11/09/24	Brendan Nashelsky	11.20	Review, revise disclosure statement (2.3); review, revise disclosure statement order (3.0); correspond with B. Nakhaimousa, K&E team, Verita re same (.6); review, revise disclosure statement reply (2.4); correspond with J. McLennan, K&E team, Bracewell re same (.8); review, analyze materials re same (.7); review, analyze research re same (1.2); correspond with B. Nakhaimousa, Verita re solicitation (.2).
11/10/24	Christie M. Alcala	1.40	Review, revise plan re employee matters.
11/10/24	Matthew Antinossi	0.40	Correspond with B. Nakhaimousa, K&E team re United Steelworkers objection to disclosure statement (.1); review same (.3).
11/10/24	Marcela Barba	0.30	Review, revise disclosure statement financial projection exhibit.

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11/10/24	Josephine Fina	1.80	Review, analyze plan comments (.5); correspond with R. Golden, K&E team re same (.1); review, revise plan (.9); correspond with R. Golden re same (.1); correspond with T. Davis re plan (.2).
11/10/24	Rachel Golden	5.60	Review, revise plan (3.9); correspond with J. Fina, K&E team re same (1.4); correspond with union re same (.3).
11/10/24	Palmer Gunderson	0.80	Correspond with J. Morley re revised plan and disclosure statement (.3); review same (.5).
11/10/24	Jennifer Karinen	0.20	Review, analyze financial projections for disclosure statement.
11/10/24	Jamie McLennan	3.20	Review, revise financial projections for disclosure statement (1.0); review, revise disclosure statement objection (2.2).
11/10/24	Joe Morley	0.80	Correspond with T. Davis and K&E team re plan and disclosure statement tax considerations.
11/10/24	Brian Nakhaimousa	1.70	Review, correspond with B. Nashelsky re disclosure statement, disclosure statement order (1.0); review, revise disclosure statement reply (.7).
11/10/24	Brendan Nashelsky	8.30	Review, revise disclosure statement order (3.4); review, analyze materials re same (.9); correspond with R. Bentley, K&E team, Verita, Committee, Sidley re same (.7); correspond with B. Nakhaimousa, Verita, Sidley re solicitation (.6); review, revise amended disclosure statement (1.5); telephone conference with R. Bentley re same (.1); correspond with B. Nakhaimousa, K&E team re same (.6); review, analyze materials re disclosure statement reply (.5).
11/11/24	Marcela Barba	0.90	Review, revise amended disclosure statement.

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11/11/24	Sloane Bessey	1.70	Revise notices of revised plan, disclosure statement and disclosure statement order (.9); correspond with B. Nakhaimousa and K&E team re notices (.5); correspond with J. Fina, K&E team re logistics re disclosure statement hearing (.3).
11/11/24	Zac Ciullo	1.40	Review, analyze revised plan (.6); correspond with T. Knapp and R. Bentley re strategy re UCC settlement (.4); conference with T. Knapp, R. Bentley, K&E team re strategy re UCC settlement (.4).
11/11/24	Thad W. Davis, P.C.	0.80	Review and revise tax considerations section re disclosure statement.
11/11/24	Josephine Fina	3.70	Conference with R. Bentley, K&E team re union objection (.5); conference with Sidley team, B. Nakhaimousa re solicitation (.5); conference with J. Willian, K&E team re plan (.5); correspond with T. Davis re plan (.2); review, analyze tax issues (.2); conference with T. Davis, K&E team re same (.1); conference with R. Bentley re same (.2); revise plan insert re union comments (.2); correspond with R. Golden re same (.1); conferences with R. Bentley, K&E team re plan, disclosure statement, term sheet, related issues (1.2).
11/11/24	Rachel Golden	10.50	Revise plan re committee settlement (3.9); review, analyze precedent re same (.7); further review, revise same (3.8); conference with union re plan (.5); revise plan re union proposed language (.3); review, analyze correspondence from R. Bentley, K&E team re deal status, committee settlement (1.3).
11/11/24	Palmer Gunderson	2.40	Review, revise disclosure statement re tax matters (1.5); review, revise plan re tax matters (.6); conference with T. Davis re plan and disclosure statement (.3).

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11/11/24	Jennifer Karinen	0.60	Correspond with M. Barba re disclosure statement.
11/11/24	Timothy Knapp, P.C.	0.90	Conference with Z. Ciullo, K&E team re plan and release language (.4); prepare for same (.1); correspond with Z. Ciullo, K&E team re same (.4).
11/11/24	Jamie McLennan	4.10	Review, revise disclosure statement order (.9); review, revise solicitation materials (2.6); review, revise disclosure statement (.6).
11/11/24	Georgia Meadow	0.40	Research re precedent re disclosure statement (.3); correspond with B. Nakhaimousa, K&E team re same (.1).
11/11/24	Joe Morley	0.60	Correspond with T. Davis and K&E team re plan and disclosure statement re tax considerations.
11/11/24	Barira Munshi	1.00	Review, analyze, and revise draft disclosure statement reply (.6); conference with B. Nakhaimousa re same (.4).
11/11/24	Brian Nakhaimousa	4.10	Review, revise disclosure statement order (.8); correspond with B. Nashelsky re same (.1); correspond with B. Nashelsky re disclosure statement reply (.1); conferences with R. Golden re plan (.6); conference with B. Nashelsky re solicitation, amended disclosure statement (.4); conferences with R. Bentley, Sidley, B. Nashelsky, A&M, HL re class 3 ballots (1.0); conferences with A&M re claim amounts re disclosure statement (.2); correspond with same re same (.2); review, comment on notices of amended disclosure statement, plan (.3); conference with J. Fina, R. Bentley, union re filed reservation of rights (.2); conference with B. Munshi re disclosure statement reply (.2).



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11/11/24	Brendan Nashelsky	9.80	Review, revise disclosure statement (1.7); correspond with B. Nakhaimousa, K&E team, A&M, lenders, Committee re same (.8); telephone conferences with B. Nakhaimousa, K&E team, A&M, lenders counsel re same (1.3); review, analyze materials re same (1.3); review, revise disclosure statement order (2.4); correspond with B. Nakhaimousa, K&E team re same (.2); telephone conference with J. McLennan re same (.1); review, revise disclosure statement reply (1.2); correspond with B. Nakhaimousa, K&E team, Bracewell re same (.4); review, analyze materials re same (.4).
11/11/24	Anna G. Rotman, P.C.	0.80	Review, analyze draft disclosure statement reply.
11/12/24	Rachael M. Bentley	8.50	Conference with R. Golden re plan (.3); conference with J. Fina, K&E team re committee settlement (.1); review, analyze open issues, related considerations re same (2.6); review, revise deal documentation re same (2.1); telephone conferences with Sidley, Willkie re plan, UCC settlement, status conference (2.2); correspond with same re same (1.2).
11/12/24	Josephine Fina	0.30	Correspond with B. Nakhaimousa, K&E team re solicitation matters (.2); correspond with A&M re solicitation (.1).
11/12/24	Rachel Golden	1.90	Correspond with B. Schartz re plan, disclosure statement (.3); conference with B. Nakhaimousa re committee settlement term sheet (.5); revise same (.3); review, analyze liquidation analysis (.8).
11/12/24	Palmer Gunderson	1.00	Review, revise disclosure statement re tax considerations (.5); review, revise plan re tax considerations (.5).
11/12/24	Brian Nakhaimousa	1.20	Review, revise committee settlement term sheet (.5); correspond with R. Golden re same (.1); conference with R. Golden re plan (.3); conference with R. Bentley, J. Fina re committee settlement (.1); conference with A&M re liquidation analysis (.2).
11/12/24	Brendan Nashelsky	1.80	Review, revise liquidation analysis exhibit (1.6); correspond with A&M re same (.2).

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11/13/24	Rachael M. Bentley	7.10	Telephone conferences with Sidley, Company advisors re UCC settlement and related documentation (1.8); review, analyze Sidley comments to disclosure statement (.5); review, analyze open issues, related strategy re UCC settlement (2.0); conference with B. Schartz re same (.5) review, revise UCC term sheet (2.2); correspond with R. Golden re same (.1).
11/13/24	Josephine Fina	1.50	Conference with R. Bentley, Willkie, A&M, AlixPartners re deal updates, related issues (1.0); correspond, conferences with R. Bentley, K&E team re solicitation timeline (.5).
11/13/24	Rachel Golden	5.70	Review, revise plan, committee settlement term sheet (3.6); correspond with J. Fina, K&E team, advisors re same (2.1).
11/13/24	Brian Nakhaimousa	0.10	Correspond with A&M re liquidation analysis.
11/13/24	Brian Nakhaimousa	0.70	Review, analyze Sidley disclosure statement comments (.5); correspond with R. Golden re plan (.1); correspond with B. Nashelsky re disclosure statement (.1).
11/13/24	Brendan Nashelsky	4.80	Conferences with B. Nakhaimousa, K&E team re disclosure statement matters (1.6); telephone conferences with B. Nakhaimousa, K&E team, A&M, Committee re plan (1.2); review, revise disclosure statement (.5); review, revise disclosure statement exhibits (.8); correspond with R. Bentley, K&E team, A&M re same (.2); telephone conferences with A&M re same (.2); review, revise disclosure statement order (.1); review, analyze materials re same (.2).
11/13/24	Brian Schartz, P.C.	1.30	Conference with R. Bentley re deal status (.5); review, analyze revised plan and disclosure statement (.8).
11/14/24	Matthew Antinossi	0.50	Review, revise plan language (.2); review, analyze precedent re employee matters re same (.2); correspond with R. Golden re same (.1).



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11/14/24	Rachael M. Bentley	6.80	Review, analyze open issues re plan, settlements, related documentation (1.7); telephone conferences, correspond with A&M, Sidley, Willkie, Reed Smith re same, next steps, resolution of open matters (2.3); correspond with Z. Ciullo, K&E team re open deal points, related strategy, next steps re documenting same (.5); review, revise disclosure statement (1.5); review, revise disclosure statement exhibits (.8).
11/14/24	Zac Ciullo	0.60	Analyze and revise plan (.5); correspond with R. Bentley, K&E team re same (.1).
11/14/24	Thad W. Davis, P.C.	0.80	Review and revise tax considerations section of disclosure statement.
11/14/24	Josephine Fina	0.80	Review, revise plan (.6); conference with R. Golden re same (.2).
11/14/24	Rachel Golden	6.80	Review, revise plan, committee settlement term sheet (3.9); review, analyze precedent re same (.8); correspond with J. Fina, K&E team, advisors re plan, committee settlement (2.1).
11/14/24	Palmer Gunderson	0.60	Correspond with J. Morley, S. Zablotney and T. Davis re plan and disclosure statement re tax issues (.4); revise same re same (.2).
11/14/24	Joe Morley	0.40	Review and revise plan and disclosure statement re tax considerations.
11/14/24	Barira Munshi	1.90	Review, revise declarations in support of plan confirmation.
11/14/24	Brendan Nashelsky	3.80	Review, revise amended disclosure statement (1.9); review, analyze materials re same (.6); correspond with R. Bentley, K&E team, A&M, Sidley re same (.5); review, analyze materials re disclosure statement order (.4); review, analyze materials re solicitation (.1); correspond with B. Nakhaimousa, K&E team, Verita, Sidley re same (.3).
11/15/24	Matthew Antinossi	0.30	Review, analyze revised plan (.2); correspond with R. Golden, K&E team re same (.1).

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11/15/24	Rachael M. Bentley	8.20	Correspond with R. Golden, K&E team re plan (.4); review, revise committee settlement (1.0); correspond with R. Golden, K&E team re same (.1); correspond with B. Nakhaimousa, K&E team re professional fee escrow account (.2); review, revise plan (1.0); review, analyze issues re same (.3); correspond with A&M re disclosure statement exhibits (.4); review, analyze same (.3); correspond with A&M, B. Nakhaimousa, K&E team, DOJ/EPA re RIN settlement, related diligence (.5); telephone conferences, correspond with Sidley, Bracewell re same (.4); review, analyze draft statement of lien and automatic stay matters re same (.5); correspond with A&M re same (.2); review, revise disclosure statement reply and disclosure statement (2.1); correspond with B. Nashelsky, K&E team re same (.2); telephone conference with M. Antinossi re pension matters (.3); review, analyze same (.3).
11/15/24	Sloane Bessey	1.20	Review, revise UCC letter re plan support (1.0); correspond with R. Golden and K&E team re UCC letter (.2).
11/15/24	Zac Ciullo	0.20	Correspond with A&M re Plan, settlement considerations re potential litigation matters.
11/15/24	Thad W. Davis, P.C.	0.20	Review, analyze tax issues re disclosure statement.
11/15/24	Josephine Fina	1.80	Correspond with counsel to surety re disclosure statement hearing (.1); correspond with J. Lozano re confirmation hearing (.1); review, revise plan (.6); correspond with R. Golden re same (.1); correspond with J. McLennan re disclosure statement (.1); review, analyze same (.3); correspond with B. Nashelsky re disclosure statement reply (.1); review, analyze same (.4).
11/15/24	Rachel Golden	7.00	Review, revise plan (3.6); correspond with J. Fina, K&E team, Sidley, Willkie, Reed Smith re same (3.4).
11/15/24	Jamie McLennan	4.80	Review, revise disclosure statement order (1.7); review, revise disclosure statement (2.1); review, analyze precedent re solicitation procedures (.4); correspond with B. Nakhaimousa and B. Nashelsky re same (.6).

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11/15/24	Brian Nakhaimousa	2.10	Correspond with R. Golden re committee letter in support of plan (.1); review same (.2); review correspondence from B. Nashelsky re solicitation matters (.1); review revised disclosure statement (.2); correspond with B. Nashelsky re same (.3); correspond with J. McLennan re disclosure statement order (.1); correspond with B. Nashelsky, K&E team re liquidation analysis (.3); correspond with R. Golden re union reservation of rights (.1); correspond with R. Golden, K&E team re Matheson re committee settlement (.1); review, revise committee settlement (.5); correspond with R. Golden re same (.1).
11/15/24	Brendan Nashelsky	5.80	Review, revise amended disclosure statement (1.8); correspond with J. McLennan, K&E team, A&M team re same (.6); telephone conference with R. Bentley, A&M team re amended disclosure statement exhibits (.2); review, revise disclosure statement order (1.4); correspond with J. McLennan re same (.3); review, revise disclosure statement reply (1.3); correspond with R. Bentley, K&E team re same (.2).
11/16/24	Rachael M. Bentley	5.10	Review, analyze disclosure statement reply (.5); telephone conference with J. McClennan, K&E team re same and objections (.9); correspond with same re same (.2); review, revise disclosure statement exhibits (.6); correspond with B. Nakhaimousa, K&E team re same (.5); review, analyze committee settlement term sheet (.4); correspond with R. Golden, K&E team re same (.4); review, revise disclosure statement (.6); correspond with B. Nashelsky, K&E team re same (.2); review, analyze plan comments (.3); correspond with R. Golden, K&E team re same (.2); telephone conference with committee, DIP lenders re settlement (.3).
11/16/24	Josephine Fina	1.30	Conference with R. Bentley, K&E team re disclosure statement reply and disclosure statement objections (1.0); conference with B. Nashelsky re same (.1); conference with B. Nakhaimousa re same (.2).

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11/16/24	Rachel Golden	6.20	Review, revise plan (3.9); correspond with J. Fina, K&E team, Sidley, Willkie, Reed Smith re same (1.6); further review, revise plan re same (.7).
11/16/24	Tysan Holloman	0.90	Review, revise amended disclosure statement (.8); correspond with J. McLennan re same (.1).
11/16/24	Jamie McLennan	10.80	Telephone conference with R. Bentley and K&E team re disclosure statement reply (1.1); review, revise disclosure statement order (3.9); review, revise disclosure statement re plan updates and case timeline (3.9); review, analyze precedent re valuation analysis (.5); review and edit disclosure statement re same (1.4).
11/16/24	Brian Nakhaimousa	8.30	Review, revise disclosure statement reply (1.3); correspond with B. Nashelsky re same (.2); conference with R. Bentley, K&E team re disclosure statement reply (1.0); review, revise disclosure statement (2.9); correspond with B. Nashelsky re same (.2); review, revise disclosure statement order exhibits (2.5); correspond with B. Nashelsky re same (.2).
11/16/24	Brendan Nashelsky	7.40	Telephone conference with R. Bentley, K&E team re disclosure statement reply (.7); review, revise same (3.8); analyze precedent re same (1.1); telephone conferences with B. Nakhaimousa re same (.6); review, revise disclosure statement order (.2); correspond with J. McLennan re same (.2); review, revise disclosure statement (.4); correspond with B. Nakhaimousa, J. McLennan re same (.4).
11/17/24	Matthew Antinossi	0.20	Review revise plan re employee matters (.1); correspond with R. Bentley re same (.1).

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11/17/24	Rachael M. Bentley	9.10	Conference with B. Schartz re committee settlement, plan, disclosure statement (.5); correspond with R. Golden re settlement term sheet (.1); review, revise same (.8); correspond with B. Schartz re settlement term sheet (.7); review, revise plan (1.3); correspond with M. Antinossi, K&E team re plan (.5); correspond with B. Nashelsky, K&E team re disclosure statement (.2); review, revise disclosure statement reply (1.4); correspond with B. Nashelsky, K&E team re same (.4); correspond with Bracewell re filing (.2); review, revise disclosure statement exhibits (.8); correspond with S. Myers, K&E team re asset purchase agreement schedules (.2); review, comment on UCC letter in support of plan (.5); correspond with S. Bessey, K&E team re same (.2); review, analyze issues re U.S. Trustee objection (1.3).
11/17/24	Sloane Bessey	3.40	Revise notices of revised disclosure statement, disclosure statement order, and plan (.3); correspond with R. Golden and K&E team re notices (.1); revise UCC letter in support of plan (2.0); correspond with R. Bentley and K&E team re letter (1.0).
11/17/24	Josephine Fina	0.90	Review, analyze, revise compiled amended plan and disclosure statement (.6); correspond with B. Nashelsky, R. Golden re same (.2); correspond with S. Bessey re lender and committee correspondence (.1).
11/17/24	Josephine Fina	0.90	Review, revise Committee support letter re solicitation (.5); review, analyze precedent re same (.1); correspond with S. Bessey re same (.1); conference with R. Golden re same (.2).

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11/17/24	Rachel Golden	10.10	Review, analyze precedent re committee support letter (1.3); revise same (1.9); correspond with S. Bessey re same (.4); conference with S. Bessey re same (.5); correspond with J. Fina, B. Nakhaimousa re same (.2); revise plan (2.3); revise committee settlement term sheet (2.1); correspond with J. Fina, R. Bentley, B. Nakhaimousa, Committee, Sidley, advisors re plan, committee settlement term sheet (.6); prepare plan, committee settlement term sheet for filing (.8).
11/17/24	Jamie McLennan	2.70	Review, revise disclosure statement order and solicitation materials.
11/17/24	Brian Nakhaimousa	1.00	Correspond with B. Nashelsky, K&E team re final filing versions of plan, disclosure statement, disclosure statement order, disclosure statement reply (.5); review, analyze same (.5).
11/17/24	Brendan Nashelsky	7.90	Review, revise amended disclosure statement (2.2); review, analyze materials re same (.7); correspond with B. Nakhaimousa, K&E team, Bracewell re same (.6); telephone conferences with B. Nakhaimousa, R. Golden re same (.4); review, revise amended disclosure statement order (2.9); correspond with B. Nakhaimousa, K&E team, Bracewell re same (.6); review, revise disclosure statement reply (.3); correspond with R. Bentley, K&E team, Bracewell re same (.2).
11/17/24	Brian Schartz, P.C.	1.50	Review, revise plan (.9); conference with R. Bentley re deal documents (.5); correspond with R. Bentley re deal (.1).
11/18/24	Rachael M. Bentley	0.80	Conference with Willkie re letter in support of solicitation (.5); correspond with same re same (.3).
11/18/24	Rachael M. Bentley	1.80	Correspond with Sidley re disclosure statement hearing (.5); conferences with Sidley re same (.5); correspond with Willkie re disclosure statement hearing (.3); conference with same re same (.5).
11/18/24	Sloane Bessey	0.20	Correspond with R. Bentley and K&E team re UCC support letter.

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11/18/24	Trevor Eck	0.40	Review, analyze precedent re confirmation declarations.
11/18/24	Josephine Fina	1.20	Conferences with R. Bentley, B. Nakhaimousa re disclosure statement (.2); correspond with B. Nakhaimousa, K&E team re same (.2); review, analyze filed disclosure statement pleadings, reply (.4); correspond with U.S. Trustee re same (.2); correspond with Bracewell re same (.2).
11/18/24	Susan D. Golden	0.50	Coordinate publication of confirmation hearing notice.
11/18/24	Rachel Golden	3.00	Review, analyze informal, formal objections re disclosure statement (.8); draft correspondence re same (1.0); correspond with R. Bentley re same (.1); review, analyze Committee support letter (.2); correspond with Sidley, Willkie re same (.1); review, finalize plan re solicitation (.7); correspond with B. Nashelsky re same (.1).
11/18/24	Jamie McLennan	8.90	Review, revise solicitation materials (3.9); review, revise ballots (3.4); correspond with B. Nashlesky re same (1.6).
11/18/24	Brian Nakhaimousa	2.40	Correspond with C. Fabrizio re Stein declaration in support of confirmation (.1); correspond with M. Sloman, J. Raphael re confirmation brief (.2); correspond with B. Nashelsky, J. McLennan re solicitation version of disclosure statement (.8); conference with R. Bentley re same, solicitation version of plan (.4); correspond with R. Golden re solicitation version of plan (.1); review, analyze solicitation versions of ballots, non-voting status notices (.8).
11/18/24	Brendan Nashelsky	7.10	Review, analyze materials re solicitation (3.2); review, revise same (2.8); correspond with B. Nakhaimousa, K&E team, Verita, A&M re same (.7); telephone conferences with Verita re same (.4).
11/18/24	Brian Schartz, P.C.	1.00	Review, analyze issues re disclosure statement objections.



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11/19/24	Rachael M. Bentley	4.00	Correspond with B. Nakhaimousa, A&M, Bracewell re diligence re EPA/DOJ settlement (.4); conference with A&M re same (.1); correspond with B. Nakhaimousa re Baker & O'Brien engagement letter (.1); review same (.5); correspond with Sidley re same (.1); correspond with S. Gitler, K&E team re Matheson removal agreement (.1); review revised EPA proposal (.5); correspond with B. Schartz, K&E team, Bracewell, Sidley re same (.9); review, analyze settlement precedent re same (.5); correspond with counsel to vendor re vendor matters (.1); conference with A&M re same (.3); correspond with U.S. Trustee re retention (.1); conference with same re same (.3).
11/19/24	Trevor Eck	0.50	Conference with B. Nakhaimousa, K&E team re confirmation declaration (.3); review, analyze issues re same (.2).
11/19/24	Christopher Fabrizio	3.20	Research, analyze precedent re confirmation declarations (1.0); research, analyze caselaw re U.S. Trustee confirmation objections (2.2).
11/19/24	Josephine Fina	0.80	Review, analyze plan re plan considerations (.3); review, analyze precedent re same (.2); correspond and conferences with R. Bentley, R. Golden, B. Nakhaimousa re same (.2); conference with B. Schartz re same (.1).
11/19/24	Rachel Golden	0.20	Review, analyze plan re consultant engagement letter (.1); correspond with J. Fina, B. Nakhaimousa re same (.1).
11/19/24	Rachel Golden	1.60	Review, analyze plan re open issues (1.3); correspond with J. Fina, B. Nakhaimousa re same (.3).
11/19/24	Tysan Holloman	0.20	Conference with B. Nashelsky and K&E team re confirmation declarations.
11/19/24	Jamie McLennan	1.40	Conference with B. Nashlesky re Verita voting declaration (.3); review, analyze precedent re same (1.1).
11/19/24	Georgia Meadow	0.10	Correspond with C. Fabrizio re confirmation declaration.
11/19/24	Georgia Meadow	0.60	Research precedent re plan releases (.5); correspond with R. Olivett re same (.1).



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11/19/24	Brian Nakhaimousa	1.30	Correspond with B. Nashelsky re publication of confirmation hearing notice (.2); correspond with B. Nashelsky re voting report declaration (.1); conference with R. Bentley re plan (.3); review, analyze same, precedent re same (.5); conference with B. Nashelsky re supplemental solicitation mailings (.2).
11/19/24	Brendan Nashelsky	0.20	Correspond with S. Golden, K&E team re confirmation hearing notice (.1); review, analyze same (.1).
11/19/24	Renee Olivett	1.80	Correspond with G. Meadow, K&E team re mutual release agreement (.4); draft re same (1.4).
11/19/24	Joshua Raphael	0.40	Review, analyze U.S. Trustee objection re disclosure statement.
11/20/24	Sloane Bessey	0.10	Correspond with R. Golden re confirmation.
11/20/24	Christopher Fabrizio	1.90	Review, analyze case law re U.S. Trustee objection (1.0); review, precedent re confirmation briefs (.8); correspond with G. Meadow re same (.1).
11/20/24	Josephine Fina	1.00	Conference with R. Bentley, K&E team, Willkie, PWP, A&M re case updates, confirmation.
11/20/24	Georgia Meadow	0.70	Correspond with C. Fabrizio re precedent re confirmation briefs (.2); review, analyze same (.5).
11/20/24	Brian Nakhaimousa	0.10	Correspond with S. Bessey, R. Golden re plan supplement.
11/20/24	Renee Olivett	2.30	Draft Matheson mutual release agreement.
11/20/24	Joshua Raphael	0.80	Review, analyze research, correspondence re U.S. Trustee objection (.4); research re same (.4).
11/20/24	Joshua Raphael	0.40	Correspond with R. Bentley, K&E team re B&O engagement letter.
11/21/24	Sloane Bessey	1.30	Conference with R. Golden, K&E team re confirmation workstreams (.5); research re confirmation order (.8).
11/21/24	Christopher Fabrizio	4.10	Draft, revise declaration in support of confirmation (3.0); review, analyze precedent confirmation briefs, U.S. Trustee objections to plans (1.1).
11/21/24	Rachel Golden	0.60	Conference with S. Bessey re confirmation documents (.5); prepare re same (.1).

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11/21/24	Jamie McLennan	3.00	Review, revise voting declaration.
11/21/24	Brendan Nashelsky	0.10	Correspond with Verita, Sidley re solicitation.
11/22/24	Sloane Bessey	0.20	Correspond with R. Golden re plan supplement.
11/22/24	Christopher Fabrizio	3.20	Review, revise disinterested director declaration in support of confirmation.
11/22/24	Ashlyn Gallagher	0.20	Correspond with R. Bentley, K&E team re Disclosure Statement hearing transcripts.
11/22/24	Rachel Golden	0.50	Review, revise summary re plan supplement documents (.4); correspond with S. Bessey re same (.1).
11/22/24	Brian Nakhaimousa	0.10	Correspond with T. Eck, B. Nashelsky re supplemental solicitation.
11/22/24	Brendan Nashelsky	0.10	Review, analyze materials re Matheson mutual release agreement.
11/22/24	Renee Olivett	0.30	Correspond with B. Nashelsky re Matheson mutual release agreement.
11/23/24	Brian Nakhaimousa	0.30	Review, analyze precedent re release agreements (.2); correspond with B. Nashelsky re same (.1).
11/24/24	Trevor Eck	0.30	Review, revise confirmation declaration.
11/25/24	Rachael M. Bentley	0.70	Telephone conferences, correspond with K&E team re evidence in support of confirmation (.5); correspond re plan supplement documents (.2).
11/25/24	Rachael M. Bentley	0.40	Review, analyze DOJ/EPA counter (.3); correspond re same (.1).
11/25/24	Sloane Bessey	1.20	Conference with R. Golden re committee settlement terms (.5); draft summary re plan supplement documents (.7).
11/25/24	Trevor Eck	1.60	Review, revise confirmation declaration.
11/25/24	Christopher Fabrizio	1.00	Review, revise Stein declaration in support of confirmation.
11/25/24	Rachel Golden	0.50	Conference with S. Bessey re Committee settlement.
11/25/24	Rachel Golden	0.80	Correspond with S. Bessey re tax considerations re plan (.1); review, analyze correspondence re same (.3); review, analyze plan supplement document summary (.3); correspond with S. Bessey re same (.1).

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11/25/24	Brendan Nashelsky	1.10	Review, revise Matheson mutual release agreement.
11/26/24	Sloane Bessey	2.00	Draft plan supplement (1.2); correspond with R. Golden and K&E team re same (.4); research re GUC trust agreements (.4).
11/26/24	Josephine Fina	0.50	Conference with R. Bentley, K&E team re voting issues.
11/26/24	Ashlyn Gallagher	0.20	Review, compile plan supplement precedent.
11/26/24	Rachel Golden	1.30	Correspond with S. Bessey re plan supplement notice (.2); review, analyze same (.9); review, analyze precedent re same (.2).
11/26/24	Jamie McLennan	2.20	Review, revise voting report declaration.
11/26/24	Brian Nakhaimousa	0.10	Review, analyze correspondence from KCC, B. Nashelsky re supplemental solicitation.
11/26/24	Brian Nakhaimousa	0.70	Conference with J. Fina, B. Nashelsky re supplemental solicitation, proofs of claims.
11/28/24	Brian Nakhaimousa	0.40	Correspond with B. Nashelsky, K&E team re supplemental solicitation.
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January 15, 2025

Vertex Energy Inc.  
1331 Gemini Street  
Suite 250  
Houston, TX 77058

Attn: James Gregory

**Invoice Number: 1050108981**  
**Client Matter: 59077-22**

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**In the Matter of Non-K&E Retention and Fee Matters**

For legal services rendered through November 30, 2024  
(see attached Description of Legal Services for detail)

\$ 85,266.50

Total legal services rendered

\$ 85,266.50

Legal Services for the Period Ending November 30, 2024  
 Vertex Energy Inc.  
 Non-K&E Retention and Fee Matters

Invoice Number: 1050109791  
 Matter Number: 57088-22

**Summary of Hours Billed**

<b><u>Name</u></b>	<b><u>Hours</u></b>	<b><u>Rate</u></b>	<b><u>Amount</u></b>
Rachael M. Bentley	0.90	1,595.00	1,435.50
Sloane Bessey	7.20	975.00	7,020.00
Trevor Eck	2.30	1,095.00	2,518.50
Christopher Fabrizio	19.60	815.00	15,974.00
Josephine Fina	11.50	1,395.00	16,042.50
Rachel Golden	35.30	1,095.00	38,653.50
Brian Nakhaimousa	1.10	1,345.00	1,479.50
Joshua Raphael	0.40	1,095.00	438.00
Michael A. Sloman	0.50	1,265.00	632.50
Quin Wetzel	1.10	975.00	1,072.50
<b>TOTALS</b>	<b>98.80</b>		<b>\$ 75,266.50</b>

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<b><u>Date</u></b>	<b><u>Name</u></b>	<b><u>Hours</u></b>	<b><u>Description</u></b>
11/04/24	Rachel Golden	0.50	Conference with A&M re ordinary course professionals.
11/05/24	Josephine Fina	0.30	Review, analyze OCP process (.2); correspond with C. Fabrizio re same (.1).
11/05/24	Rachel Golden	3.70	Correspond with A&M re ordinary course professionals (.5); conference with A&M re same (.5); review, revise ordinary course professional summary (.9); review, revise correspondence re same (.5); review, revise declaration of disinterestedness (.9); correspond with C. Fabrizio, J. Fina re same (.3); correspond with R. Olivett re parties in interest list (.1).
11/06/24	Christopher Fabrizio	1.60	Correspond with R. Golden re ordinary course professionals (.8); analyze, revise ordinary course professional summary (.2); conference with R. Golden, ordinary course professionals re retention process (.3); conference with M. Levine re ordinary course professionals (.2); revise ordinary course professional summary (.1).
11/06/24	Rachel Golden	1.10	Review, revise ordinary course professional summary (.5); correspond with C. Fabrizio re same (.2); conference with ordinary course professional re declaration of disinterestedness (.4).
11/07/24	Rachel Golden	1.10	Correspond with A&M re ordinary course professionals (.5); correspond with ordinary course professional re process, next steps (.3); revise summary re same (.2); correspond with C. Fabrizio re same (.1).
11/08/24	Christopher Fabrizio	0.70	Analyze, revise ordinary course professional summary analysis (.2); correspond with R. Golden re same (.1); revise, draft declaration of disinterestedness (.2); correspond with R. Golden, ordinary course professional re same (.2).
11/11/24	Christopher Fabrizio	0.50	Review, revise ordinary course professional tracker, correspond with R. Golden re same (.1); review, analyze ordinary course professional declaration (.4).

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11/11/24	Josephine Fina	0.50	Conference with R. Golden re OCPs.
11/12/24	Rachel Golden	0.20	Correspond with professionals re ordinary course professional retention.
11/13/24	Sloane Bessey	0.30	Correspond with M. Sloman, K&E team, and Bracewell team re non-K&E retention applications, related matters.
11/13/24	Christopher Fabrizio	2.20	Conference with R. Golden re ordinary course professional outreach status, next steps (.7); review, revise ordinary course professional declarations (.6); correspond with R. Golden re ordinary course professionals (.4); analyze, revise ordinary course professional declarations (.3); correspond with R. Golden re same (.2).
11/13/24	Rachel Golden	1.60	Correspond with Katten re PWP retention order (.2); review, analyze issues re ordinary course professionals (1.4).
11/14/24	Sloane Bessey	3.40	Draft certificate of no objection re retention applications (1.0); further revise same (.8); correspond with M. Sloman, K&E team and A&M team re same (.5); research re A&M retention application considerations (.9); correspond with J. Fina and K&E team re same (.2).
11/14/24	Christopher Fabrizio	0.30	Draft correspondence to ordinary course professional (.2); review, revise ordinary course professional summary (.1).
11/14/24	Josephine Fina	2.20	Correspond with M. Sloman re redaction issue (.4); review, analyze precedent re same (.4); correspond with S. Bessey re CNOs (.2); review, analyze U.S. Trustee retention objections (.6); correspond with M. Sloman, K&E team re same (.2); correspond with U.S. Trustee re same (.2); correspond with Katten team re PWP comments (.2).
11/14/24	Rachel Golden	2.30	Correspond with Katten re PWP retention order (.5); review, analyze precedent re same (.9); review, analyze issues re ordinary course professionals (.9).
11/15/24	Sloane Bessey	0.10	Correspond with Bracewell team, M. Sloman and K&E team re non-K&E retention, certificate of no objection.

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11/15/24	Christopher Fabrizio	2.10	Conference with R. Golden re ordinary course professional retention, status (.4); review, revise ordinary course professional declarations (1.5); correspond with R. Golden re ordinary course professionals (.2).
11/15/24	Josephine Fina	1.20	Conference with Katten, M. Sloman re PWP retention application (.5); review, revise proposed responses to U.S. Trustee objections (.4); correspond with M. Sloman, K&E team re same (.1); conference, correspond with A. Jimenez re retention applications (.2).
11/15/24	Rachel Golden	0.90	Conference with Katten re PWP retention application (.3); review, analyze considerations re ordinary course professionals (.6).
11/15/24	Brian Nakhaimousa	0.50	Conference with Katten, J. Fina, K&E team re PWP retention application, U.S. Trustee comments to same.
11/17/24	Josephine Fina	0.10	Correspond with Katten re PWP retention.
11/18/24	Sloane Bessey	1.10	Correspond with A&M team, T. Eck, K&E team re A&M retention application (.5); revise A&M retention application order (.6).
11/18/24	Trevor Eck	1.10	Review, revise A&M retention order (.5); review, analyze issues re same (.3); correspond with U.S. Trustee, S. Bessey, K&E team re same (.3).
11/18/24	Christopher Fabrizio	1.40	Conference with R. Golden re ordinary course professional declarations (.4); review, revise same (1.0).
11/18/24	Josephine Fina	1.10	Correspond with Katten re PWP retention, sealing order (.2); correspond with T. Eck re A&M retention order (.2); review, analyze U.S. Trustee comments re same (.2); correspond with U.S. Trustee re same (.2); conference with R. Golden re ordinary course professional issues (.3).
11/18/24	Rachel Golden	2.00	Correspond with Katten re PWP retention application (.2); correspond with C. Fabrizio re ordinary course professional declarations of disinterestedness (1.1); conference with C. Fabrizio re same (.7).
11/18/24	Brian Nakhaimousa	0.10	Correspond with T. Eck re A&M retention.

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11/19/24	Sloane Bessey	2.20	Draft certificate of no objection re interim compensation procedures (.7); correspond with T. Eck re same (.2); review, revise A&M retention application certificate of no objection (.7); correspond with T. Eck, K&E team, A&M team and Bracewell team re A&M retention application (.3); draft non-K&E monthly fee statements (.3).
11/19/24	Trevor Eck	1.20	Review, revise certificate of no objection re interim compensation procedures (.6); correspond with S. Bessey re same (.2); review, revise CNO re A&M retention (.3); correspond with S. Bessey, U.S. Trustee re same (.1).
11/19/24	Christopher Fabrizio	1.30	Review, analyze Brown Fox ordinary course professional declaration (.1); telephone conference with J. Fina, Steptoe team re same (.5); correspond with R. Golden, Brown Fox team re declaration (.2); correspond with R. Golden, Cherry Bekaert team re declaration (.2); review, revise ordinary course professional summary analysis (.3).
11/19/24	Josephine Fina	1.70	Review, analyze PWP revised retention order (.3); correspond with R. Golden re same (.1); correspond with Katten re same (.1); correspond with U.S. Trustee re retention orders (.4); conferences with R. Bentley, K&E team re same (.5); conference with PWP re fee applications (.2); correspond with M. Sloman re same (.1).
11/19/24	Josephine Fina	0.90	Review, analyze lender advisor engagement letter (.3); conference with Sidley re same (.1); correspond with Sidley re same (.1); conference with R. Bentley, K&E team re same (.1); correspond with R. Bentley, K&E team re same (.1); review, analyze DIP, restructuring support agreement re same (.2).
11/19/24	Rachel Golden	0.20	Draft certificate of no objection re ordinary course professional.

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 Vertex Energy Inc.  
 Non-K&E Retention and Fee Matters

Invoice Number: 1050109791  
 Matter Number: 57088-22

<u>Date</u>	<u>Name</u>	<u>Hours</u>	<u>Description</u>
11/19/24	Rachel Golden	3.80	Correspond with J. Fina, M. Sloman re PWP retention application (.3); review, analyze research re same (1.1); correspond with Katten re U.S. Trustee comments re sealing motion, PWP retention application (.3); correspond with U.S. Trustee re same (.2); review, analyze certificate of no objection re PWP retention application (.7); correspond with Katten, Bracewell re same (.4); conference with C. Fabrizio re ordinary course professionals (.3); review, analyze correspondence re same (.2); filing version re ordinary course professional final order (.2); correspond with A&M re same (.1).
11/19/24	Brian Nakhaimousa	0.30	Correspond with S. Bessey re certificate of no objection re A&M retention application (.2); correspond with T. Eck re ordinary course professionals' motion (.1).
11/19/24	Joshua Raphael	0.40	Review, analyze DIP credit agreement re Baker O'Brien engagement (.3); correspond with J. Fina, K&E team re same (.1).
11/19/24	Michael A. Sloman	0.30	Draft correspondence to professionals re fee application process.
11/20/24	Sloane Bessey	0.10	Correspond with M. Sloman, K&E team, and A&M team re non-K&E monthly fee statements.
11/20/24	Christopher Fabrizio	3.40	Telephone conference with Bradley team, J. Fina and K&E team re ordinary course professionals (.5); research, analyze issues re ordinary course professionals (2.2); conference with R. Golden, professional re ordinary course professional status (.2); correspond with R. Golden re ordinary course professional status (.5).
11/20/24	Josephine Fina	0.70	Conference with R. Golden re ordinary course professional issues (.2); conference with Bradley re same (.4); correspond with Katten re PWP retention, sealing order (.1).



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11/20/24	Rachel Golden	6.10	Correspond with A&M re ordinary course professionals (.5); conference with A&M re same (.6); conference with ordinary course professional re retention (.6); correspond with C. Fabrizio re same (.3); draft correspondence re ordinary course professionals and declarations re same (1.9); correspond with J. Fina, R. Bentley re same (.5); coordinate filing re ordinary course professional certificate of no objection (1.7).
11/21/24	Christopher Fabrizio	1.70	Review, revise ordinary course professional summary (.3); conference with R. Golden re ordinary course professional status and related correspondence to professionals (.4); correspond with same re same (.3); telephone conference with R. Golden, Weaver team re ordinary course professional status (.3); review, revise declaration re ordinary course professional (.4).
11/21/24	Josephine Fina	0.30	Conference with R. Golden re ordinary course professional issues.
11/21/24	Rachel Golden	4.70	Conference with C. Fabrizio re ordinary course professional retention (.9); conference with ordinary course professional re retention (.4); review, analyze correspondence from OCP re same (1.9); correspond with C. Fabrizio re same (.3); correspond with ordinary course professional re same (.1); correspond with A&M re same (1.1).
11/22/24	Christopher Fabrizio	0.50	Review, revise ordinary course professional summary analysis (.3); correspond with R. Golden re ordinary course professional matters (.1); telephone conference re same (.1).
11/22/24	Josephine Fina	0.30	Correspond with M. Sloman re revised sealing order (.1); review, analyze same (.2).
11/22/24	Rachel Golden	0.90	Correspond with C. Fabrizio re ordinary course professional retention (.6); correspond with J. Fina re same (.1); conference with Steptoe re same (.2).
11/24/24	Michael A. Sloman	0.20	Correspond with PWP re fee statement process.

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11/25/24	Rachael M. Bentley	0.90	Review, declaration of disinterestedness (.3); telephone conferences, correspond re same (.6).
11/25/24	Christopher Fabrizio	2.10	Review, revise ordinary course professional summary analysis (.4); telephone conference with R. Golden re ordinary course professional matters (.4); review, revise ordinary course professional declarations (1.1); correspond with F. Fina, K&E team re same (.2).
11/25/24	Josephine Fina	1.20	Correspond with Katten re PWP retention, sealing order (.1); review, revise ordinary course professional declaration (.2); review, analyze precedent re same (.1); research re same (.2); correspond with R. Golden re same (.1); correspond with R. Bentley re same (.2); review, analyze ordinary course professional declarations (.2); correspond with C. Fabrizio re same (.1).
11/25/24	Josephine Fina	1.00	Review, analyze potential retention issues (.7); correspond with Q. Wetzel re same (.1); conference with R. Bentley re same (.2).
11/25/24	Rachel Golden	3.30	Conference with C. Fabrizio re ordinary course professional retention (.5); correspond with C. Fabrizio re same (1.2); review, analyze declarations of disinterestedness re same (.7); correspond with ordinary course professional re retention (.1); correspond with J. Fina, B. Nakhaimousa re same (.1); revise ordinary course professional summary (.7).
11/25/24	Quin Wetzel	1.10	Review, analyze consulting agreement (.8); correspond with M. Sloman, J. Fina re same (.3).
11/26/24	Christopher Fabrizio	1.10	Review, revise ordinary course professional declarations (.2); review, revise ordinary course professional summary analysis (.5); correspond with R. Bentley re ordinary course professional matters (.1); correspond with R. Golden re same (.1); review, revise declarations (.1); correspond with R. Golden, Bracewell team re declarations, related matters (.1).

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<u>Date</u>	<u>Name</u>	<u>Hours</u>	<u>Description</u>
11/26/24	Rachel Golden	2.90	Correspond with J. Fina, C. Fabrizio re ordinary course professional retention (.1); correspond with ordinary course professionals re same (.3); review, analyze declarations of disinterestedness re same (.7); revise same (.8); correspond with C. Fabrizio re same (.8); correspond with Bracewell re same (.1); correspond with A&M team re same (.1).
11/26/24	Brian Nakhaimousa	0.20	Correspond with C. Fabrizio, R. Golden, J. Fina re ordinary course professional declarations (.1); review, analyze same (.1).
11/27/24	Christopher Fabrizio	0.40	Review, revise ordinary course professional summary analysis (.3); review, analyze ordinary course professional declaration (.1).
11/29/24	Christopher Fabrizio	0.30	Review, revise ordinary course professional declaration (.2); correspond with R. Golden re same (.1).
<b>Total</b>		<b>98.80</b>	

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**Client Matter: 57088-23**

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**In the Matter of Tax Matters**

For legal services rendered through November 30, 2024  
(see attached Description of Legal Services for detail)

\$ 15,576.50

Total legal services rendered

\$ 15,576.50

Legal Services for the Period Ending November 30, 2024  
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 Tax Matters

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**Summary of Hours Billed**

<b><u>Name</u></b>	<b><u>Hours</u></b>	<b><u>Rate</u></b>	<b><u>Amount</u></b>
Rachael M. Bentley	0.80	1,595.00	1,276.00
Sloane Bessey	2.30	975.00	2,242.50
Thad W. Davis, P.C.	0.50	2,025.00	1,012.50
Josephine Fina	0.20	1,395.00	279.00
David Foster, P.C.	3.00	2,265.00	6,795.00
Rachel Golden	0.20	1,095.00	219.00
Joe Morley	0.20	1,495.00	299.00
Brian Nakhaimousa	0.70	1,345.00	941.50
Joshua Raphael	0.50	1,095.00	547.50
Michael A. Sloman	0.20	1,265.00	253.00
Sara B. Zablotney, P.C.	0.70	2,445.00	1,711.50
<b>TOTALS</b>	<b>9.30</b>		<b>\$ 15,576.50</b>

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<b><u>Date</u></b>	<b><u>Name</u></b>	<b><u>Hours</u></b>	<b><u>Description</u></b>
11/01/24	Thad W. Davis, P.C.	0.10	Telephone conference with A&M re tax issues.
11/05/24	Sloane Bessey	0.20	Correspond with B. Nakhaimousa, K&E team and A&M team re tax request.
11/15/24	Sloane Bessey	1.10	Research re Alabama tax penalties (.8); correspond with J. Raphael re same (.3).
11/15/24	Brian Nakhaimousa	0.10	Correspond with J. Raphael re tax matter.
11/15/24	Joshua Raphael	0.50	Research tax issue (.4); correspond with B. Nakhaimousa, K&E team re same (.1).
11/19/24	Brian Nakhaimousa	0.10	Correspond with J. Raphael re tax issue.
11/21/24	Rachael M. Bentley	0.80	Review, analyze IRS tax issue.
11/21/24	Rachel Golden	0.20	Correspond with A&M, R. Bentley, K&E team re tax matters.
11/22/24	Thad W. Davis, P.C.	0.10	Review, analyze IRS correspondence re IRS tax issues.
11/25/24	Sloane Bessey	0.40	Correspond with M. Sloman, K&E team and A&M team re tax issue.
11/25/24	Josephine Fina	0.20	Correspond with M. Sloman re IRS letter.
11/25/24	Michael A. Sloman	0.20	Review, analyze IRS correspondence (.1); correspond with J. Fina, K&E team re same (.1).
11/26/24	Thad W. Davis, P.C.	0.20	Review, analyze, and draft correspondence to B. Nakhaimousa, K&E team re IRS claim.
11/26/24	David Foster, P.C.	0.50	Review and analyze IRS materials.
11/26/24	Joe Morley	0.20	Review and analyze correspondence with IRS re unfiled tax returns.
11/26/24	Brian Nakhaimousa	0.30	Correspond with Company, R. Bentley, K&E team re IRS tax issue.
11/26/24	Sara B. Zabloutney, P.C.	0.50	Correspond with B. Nakhaimousa, K&E team re IRS notice (.2); review, analyze IRS notice (.3).
11/27/24	Sloane Bessey	0.60	Draft Form 2848 re tax matter (.3); correspond with D. Foster and K&E team re same (.3).
11/27/24	Thad W. Davis, P.C.	0.10	Review, analyze IRS correspondence re tax issue re IRS.

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<u>Date</u>	<u>Name</u>	<u>Hours</u>	<u>Description</u>
11/27/24	David Foster, P.C.	1.00	Review, analyze power of attorney, IRS correspondence (.6); telephone conference with IRS agent re tax issue (.4).
11/27/24	David Foster, P.C.	1.00	Review and analyze tax return materials.
11/27/24	Brian Nakhaimousa	0.20	Correspond with D. Foster, K&E team, Company re IRS tax issue, power of attorney.
11/27/24	Sara B. Zablotney, P.C.	0.20	Review, analyze response to IRS.
11/29/24	David Foster, P.C.	0.50	Review, analyze response to IRS.
<b>Total</b>		<b>9.30</b>	

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**Invoice Number: 1050108482**  
**Client Matter: 54077-h5**

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**In the Matter of the Estate of**

For legal services rendered through November 30, 2024  
(see attached Description of Legal Services for detail)

\$ 2,324.50

Total legal services rendered

\$ 2,324.50



Legal Services for the 6eriod Ending November 30, 2024  
 Vertex Energy Inc.  
 P tilities

Invoice Number: 1050109794  
 Matter Number: 57088-25

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<b><u>Name</u></b>	<b><u>y ourO</u></b>	<b><u>Rate</u></b>	<b><u>Amount</u></b>
Rrian NaBhaimousa	0.10	1,345.00	134.50
Joshua k aphael	2.00	1,095.00	2,190.00
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 Vertex Energy Inc.  
 P tilities

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 Matter Number: 57088-25

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<b><u>Date</u></b>	<b><u>Name</u></b>	<b><u>y ourO DeOrigition</u></b>
10/1;/24	Joshua k aphael	0.10 k eview, analyKe utility issue.
10/22/24	Joshua k aphael	0.10 &orrespond with J. Fina, R. NaBhaimousa re utilities items.
11/13/24	Joshua k aphael	0.10 k eview, analyKe utilities issue.
11/14/24	Rrian NaBhaimousa	0.10 &orrespond with J. k aphael re utility issue.
11/14/24	Joshua k aphael	0.80 &onference with utility counterparty (.2)z conference with J. Fina re same (.2)z conference with counsel to utility counterparty re utilities issue (.1)zcorrespond with J. Fina and q CE team re same (.3).
11/19/24	Joshua k aphael	0.30 k eview, analyKe utilities matter re plan treatment and correspond with R. NaBhaimousa re same.
11/20/24	Joshua k aphael	0.20 k eview analyKe utilities Westion (.1)z conference with counsel to utility provider re same (.1).
11/27/24	Joshua k aphael	0.30 &orrespond with utility counterparty re utility issue.
11/29/24	Joshua k aphael	0.10 &orrespond re utility matter.
<b>Total</b>		<b>h910</b>

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**Client Matter: 57088-27**

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**In the Matter of U.S. Trustee Communications & Reporting**

For legal services rendered through November 30, 2024  
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\$ 4,786.50

Total legal services rendered

\$ 4,786.50

Legal Services for the Period Ending November 30, 2024  
Vertex Energy Inc.  
U.S. Trustee Communications & Reporting

Invoice Number: 1050109795  
Matter Number: 57088-27

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**Summary of Hours Billed**

<b><u>Name</u></b>	<b><u>Hours</u></b>	<b><u>Rate</u></b>	<b><u>Amount</u></b>
Josephine Fina	0.30	1,395.00	418.50
Rachel Golden	2.00	1,095.00	2,190.00
Brian Nakhaimousa	0.20	1,345.00	269.00
Brendan Nashelsky	0.80	1,095.00	876.00
Michael A. Sloman	0.20	1,265.00	253.00
Quin Wetzel	0.80	975.00	780.00
<b>TOTALS</b>	<b>4.30</b>		<b>\$ 4,786.50</b>

Legal Services for the Period Ending November 30, 2024  
 Vertex Energy Inc.  
 U.S. Trustee Communications & Reporting

Invoice Number: 1050109795  
 Matter Number: 57088-27

### Description of Legal Services

<u>Date</u>	<u>Name</u>	<u>Hours</u>	<u>Description</u>
11/01/24	Brendan Nashelsky	0.10	Correspond with Bracewell team, Verita team re monthly operating reports.
11/12/24	Quin Wetzel	0.80	Review, analyze hedging order re reporting requirements (.5); correspond with B. Nakhaimousa, A&M team re same (.3).
11/18/24	Josephine Fina	0.20	Correspond with A&M team, R. Golden, K&E team re monthly operating reports.
11/18/24	Rachel Golden	0.40	Correspond with Bracewell, A&M team, J. Fina, K&E team re monthly operating reports (.2); conference with Bracewell re same (.2).
11/20/24	Rachel Golden	0.90	Correspond with A&M, B. Nakhaimousa, K&E team, U.S. Trustee re monthly operating reports.
11/20/24	Brian Nakhaimousa	0.10	Correspond with R. Golden re monthly operating reports.
11/21/24	Rachel Golden	0.60	Correspond with J. Bracewell re monthly operating reports (.2); conference with A&M, B. Nashelsky re same (.4).
11/22/24	Brian Nakhaimousa	0.10	Correspond with Q. Wetzel re hedging report.
11/22/24	Michael A. Sloman	0.20	Correspond with U.S. Trustee, Committee counsel, DIP Lender counsel re tax and insurance reporting.
11/26/24	Rachel Golden	0.10	Correspond with Bracewell re monthly operating reports.
11/26/24	Brendan Nashelsky	0.10	Review, analyze materials re monthly operating reports.
11/27/24	Josephine Fina	0.10	Correspond with B. Nashelsky re monthly operating reports.
11/27/24	Brendan Nashelsky	0.60	Review, analyze Debtors' monthly operating reports (.4); correspond with J. Fina, B. Nakhaimousa, Bracewell team, A&M team re same (.2).
<b>Total</b>		<b>4.30</b>	

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**Client Matter: 57088-28**

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**In the Matter of Environmental/Regulatory Issues**

For legal services rendered through November 30, 2024  
(see attached Description of Legal Services for detail)

\$ 60,305.50

Total legal services rendered

\$ 60,305.50

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 Environmental/Regulatory Issues

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**Summary of Hours Billed**

<b><u>Name</u></b>	<b><u>Hours</u></b>	<b><u>Rate</u></b>	<b><u>Amount</u></b>
Max Anderson	1.20	1,095.00	1,314.00
Rachael M. Bentley	5.20	1,595.00	8,294.00
Sloane Bessey	0.10	975.00	97.50
Jacob E. Black	0.20	1,265.00	253.00
John Farah	21.80	975.00	21,255.00
Stefanie I. Gitler	1.60	1,885.00	3,016.00
Rachel Golden	0.60	1,095.00	657.00
Lilla K. Grisham	5.90	1,095.00	6,460.50
Tysan Holloman	0.60	815.00	489.00
Damien R. Lyster, P.C.	1.90	1,865.00	3,543.50
Brian Nakhaimousa	6.50	1,345.00	8,742.50
Brian Schartz, P.C.	0.50	2,305.00	1,152.50
Rebekah Tobison Scherr	1.30	1,695.00	2,203.50
Quin Wetzel	2.90	975.00	2,827.50
<b>TOTALS</b>	<b>50.30</b>		<b>\$ 60,305.50</b>

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11/01/24	Brian Schartz, P.C.	0.50	Telephone conference with R. Bentley re RIN matters.
11/04/24	Lilla K. Grisham	0.70	Review and revise purchase agreement re energy regulatory concerns.
11/05/24	Max Anderson	0.50	Review, analyze responses re DIP lender environmental diligence requests (.4); correspond with B. Nakhaimousa re same (.1).
11/05/24	John Farah	0.10	Review, analyze regulatory application status.
11/05/24	Stefanie I. Gitler	0.30	Review, analyze lender diligence requests.
11/05/24	Stefanie I. Gitler	0.20	Correspond with B. Nakhaimousa, K&E team re environmental consent decree.
11/05/24	Tysan Holloman	0.60	Research, analyze re consent decrees.
11/05/24	Brian Nakhaimousa	0.40	Correspond with A&M team, Sidley team, M. Anderson, K&E team re environmental diligence (.3); correspond with S. Gitler, K&E team re same (.1).
11/05/24	Quin Wetzel	0.90	Review, revise research summary re environmental consent decree (.8); correspond with T. Holloman re same (.1).
11/06/24	John Farah	2.90	Research and review, analyze regulatory application status and filing requirements (2.4); correspond with L. Grisham and K&E team re same (.5).
11/06/24	Lilla K. Grisham	0.90	Prepare for meeting with FCC.
11/06/24	Damien R. Lyster, P.C.	0.10	Correspond with L. Grisham re FCC tower licenses.
11/07/24	John Farah	1.10	Conference with L. Grisham, K&E team and FCC re licenses (.3); draft summary re same (.6); correspond with L. Grisham, K&E team re same (.2).
11/07/24	Lilla K. Grisham	1.20	Conference with J. Farah, K&E team, and FCC re licenses (.3); correspond with D. Lyster, K&E team re FCC license requirements (.9).
11/07/24	Damien R. Lyster, P.C.	0.50	Telephone conference with FCC, L. Grisham and K&E team re FCC approvals (.3); prepare for same (.1); correspond with L. Grisham re amendment to FCC applications (.1).



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11/08/24	John Farah	0.90	Correspond with L. Grisham, K&E team re regulatory licenses (.6); research re same (.3).
11/08/24	Lilla K. Grisham	0.20	Correspond with J. Farah, K&E team re FCC filings.
11/09/24	John Farah	0.20	Correspond with L. Grisham, K&E team re seller's disclosure letter.
11/11/24	John Farah	3.40	Analyze, and revise regulatory provisions re seller's disclosure letter (.7); review, analyze research re FCC applications (1.0); draft same (1.0); correspond with L. Grisham, K&E team re same (.7).
11/12/24	John Farah	3.80	Research and draft amendments to FCC applications (3.7); correspond with L. Grisham, K&E team re same (.1).
11/12/24	Lilla K. Grisham	0.60	Review and revise FCC filing materials (.5); correspond with J. Farah re same (.1).
11/13/24	Jacob E. Black	0.20	Review, analyze FCC amendment documents (.1); correspond with Q. Wetzel re same (.1).
11/13/24	John Farah	1.80	Revise amendments to FCC applications (1.7); correspond with D. Lyster and K&E team re same (.1).
11/13/24	Stefanie I. Gitler	0.20	Review, analyze lender correspondence re diligence requests.
11/13/24	Damien R. Lyster, P.C.	0.50	Review and revise draft FCC filings (.2); correspond with J. Farah and L. Grisham re same (.2); review, analyze regulatory requirement for amendment filing (.1).
11/13/24	Brian Nakhaimousa	1.10	Correspond with S. Myers, K&E team, Sidley team re HSR considerations (.5); conference with R. Scherr re same (.3); correspond with R. Bentley re consent decree considerations (.1); correspond with J. Farah, Q. Wetzel re FCC amendments re licenses (.2).
11/13/24	Rebekah Tobison Scherr	0.20	Correspond with B. Nakhaimousa re HSR analysis.
11/13/24	Quin Wetzel	0.70	Review, revise FCC transaction descriptions (.6); correspond with J. Black re same (.1).
11/14/24	Stefanie I. Gitler	0.10	Correspond with B. Nakhaimousa, K&E team re environmental diligence responses.
11/14/24	Lilla K. Grisham	0.70	Review and revise FCC filing materials.
11/14/24	Damien R. Lyster, P.C.	0.20	Correspond with J. Farah re FCC approvals.

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<u>Date</u>	<u>Name</u>	<u>Hours</u>	<u>Description</u>
11/14/24	Brian Nakhaimousa	0.70	Correspond with R. Scherr, Sidley team re HSR considerations (.2); review, revise FCC license application amendment (.4); correspond with Q. Wetzel re same (.1).
11/14/24	Brian Nakhaimousa	0.50	Correspond with Sidley, A&M, S. Gitler, K&E team re Sidley environmental diligence.
11/14/24	Rebekah Tobison Scherr	1.10	Correspond with B. Nakhaimousa, K&E team, Sidley team re HSR analysis.
11/15/24	John Farah	1.70	Correspond with L. Grisham, K&E team re asset sale timeline and FCC amendments.
11/15/24	Stefanie I. Gitler	0.10	Correspond with B. Nakhaimousa re lender diligence requests.
11/15/24	Damien R. Lyster, P.C.	0.10	Correspond with J. Farah re FCC amendment filings.
11/15/24	Brian Nakhaimousa	1.20	Correspond with R. Scherr re HSR matters (.1); correspond with A&M, S. Gitler, K&E team re Club Lender re diligence requests re environmental matters (.2); correspond with J. Farah, Q. Wetzel re FCC amendments (.2); review, revise same (.5); correspond with Q. Wetzel re DOJ/EPA diligence requests (.1); review same (.1).
11/15/24	Quin Wetzel	0.70	Review, revise FCC transaction descriptions.
11/18/24	John Farah	0.90	Revise amendments to FCC applications (.3); correspond with D. Lyster, K&E team re same (.6).
11/18/24	Damien R. Lyster, P.C.	0.10	Review, analyze draft FCC filings and correspond with J. Farah re same.
11/18/24	Quin Wetzel	0.60	Revise FCC transaction descriptions.
11/19/24	Sloane Bessey	0.10	Correspond with R. Golden re RIN liabilities.
11/19/24	John Farah	0.20	Correspond with L. Grisham, K&E team re seller's disclosure letter schedules.
11/19/24	Stefanie I. Gitler	0.10	Correspond with Sidley team re environmental insurance policies.
11/19/24	Rachel Golden	0.60	Research re EPA settlement (.3); conference with B. Nakhaimousa re same (.1); draft correspondence re same (.2).
11/19/24	Brian Nakhaimousa	0.90	Correspond with S. Gitler, K&E team, A&M, EPA, PWP re diligence requests (.1); research re RIN considerations (.6); correspond with S. Bessey, K&E team re same (.1); conference with R. Golden re same (.1).

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 Environmental/Regulatory Issues

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<u>Date</u>	<u>Name</u>	<u>Hours</u>	<u>Description</u>
11/20/24	John Farah	2.40	Revise amendments to FCC applications (.3); correspond with L. Grisham, K&E team re same (2.1).
11/20/24	Lilla K. Grisham	0.20	Prepare FCC filing materials.
11/20/24	Damien R. Lyster, P.C.	0.20	Correspond with J. Farah re FCC amendment filings.
11/20/24	Brian Nakhaimousa	0.90	Prepare materials re EPA diligence requests (.7); correspond with S. Gitler, K&E team re same (.1); correspond with A&M team re same (.1).
11/21/24	John Farah	2.20	File FCC amendments and waivers (1.0); correspond with FCC counsel, L. Grisham, K&E team re same (1.2).
11/21/24	Lilla K. Grisham	1.40	Prepare FCC filings for submission.
11/21/24	Damien R. Lyster, P.C.	0.20	Conference with J. Farah, K&E team re regulatory filing.
11/22/24	Rachael M. Bentley	2.00	Review, analyze EPA settlement (1.1); review, analyze counter re same (.9).
11/22/24	John Farah	0.20	Correspond with FCC counsel re amendment and waiver filings.
11/22/24	Brian Nakhaimousa	0.10	Correspond with Sidley re environmental diligence.
11/23/24	Brian Nakhaimousa	0.30	Review, analyze revised EPA term sheet.
11/24/24	Rachael M. Bentley	0.90	Review, analyze DOJ/EPA settlement proposal and implementation considerations re same.
11/25/24	Rachael M. Bentley	1.70	Review, analyze DOJ/EPA settlement, implementation, and considerations re same.
11/26/24	Stefanie I. Gitler	0.20	Review, analyze Company feedback re RIN settlement.
11/26/24	Brian Nakhaimousa	0.10	Review, analyze EPA term sheet.
11/26/24	Brian Nakhaimousa	0.20	Correspond with A&M, M. Anderson, K&E team re EPA diligence requests.
11/27/24	Max Anderson	0.70	Review, analyze environmental diligence materials (.3); correspond with B. Nakhaimousa re same (.4).
11/27/24	Rachael M. Bentley	0.60	Review, analyze EPA settlement.
11/27/24	Stefanie I. Gitler	0.40	Review, analyze lender diligence requests (.3); correspond with B. Nakhaimousa, K&E team re same (.1).

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<u>Date</u>	<u>Name</u>	<u>Hours</u>	<u>Description</u>
11/27/24	Brian Nakhaimousa	0.10	Correspond with S. Gitler, K&E team re Sidley diligence requests re environmental matters.
<b>Total</b>		<b>50.30</b>	

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For legal services rendered through December 20, 2024  
(see attached Description of Legal Services for detail)

\$ 122,805.00

Total legal services rendered

\$ 122,805.00

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 Vertex Energy Inc.  
 Adversary Proceeding & Contested Matters

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 Matter Number: 57088-3

**Summary of Hours Billed**

<b><u>Name</u></b>	<b><u>Hours</u></b>	<b><u>Rate</u></b>	<b><u>Amount</u></b>
Rachael M. Bentley	1.10	1,595.00	1,754.50
Trevor Eck	9.10	1,095.00	9,964.50
Josephine Fina	9.30	1,395.00	12,973.50
Barira Munshi	37.70	1,365.00	51,460.50
Brian Nakhaimousa	5.70	1,345.00	7,666.50
Hannah Marie Putnam	21.10	1,235.00	26,058.50
Anna G. Rotman, P.C.	4.60	1,955.00	8,993.00
Brian Schartz, P.C.	1.30	2,305.00	2,996.50
Gary M. Vogt	1.50	625.00	937.50
<b>TOTALS</b>	<b>120</b>		<b>\$ 1, , 905200</b>

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<b><u>Date</u></b>	<b><u>Name</u></b>	<b><u>Hours</u></b>	<b><u>Description</u></b>
12/02/24	Rachael M. Bentley	0.60	Telephone conference with T. Eck, K&E team re disinterested director investigation (.4); correspond with T. Eck, K&E team re same (.2).
12/02/24	Trevor Eck	0.60	Telephone conference with R. Bentley, K&E team re disinterested director investigation (.4); correspond with Willkie, R. Bentley, K&E team re same (.2).
12/02/24	Josephine Fina	1.00	Conference with B. Munshi, K&E team re disinterested director investigation, related updates (.5); correspond with B. Munshi, K&E team re same (.5).
12/02/24	Barira Munshi	6.00	Review, analyze correspondence with B. Nakhaimousa, K&E team re investigation updates, case status (.3); review, revise interview outline re disinterested director investigation (2.6); review, revise disinterested director investigation presentation (3.1).
12/02/24	Brian Nakhaimousa	0.50	Conference with B. Munshi, K&E team re disinterested director investigation status (.4); prepare for same (.1).
12/02/24	Hannah Marie Putnam	1.10	Review, revise interview outline re disinterested director investigation.
12/02/24	Hannah Marie Putnam	0.80	Review, revise disinterested director investigation presentation materials.
12/02/24	Hannah Marie Putnam	0.40	Review, analyze materials re disinterested director investigation (.1); conference with B. Nakhaimousa, K&E team re same (.3).
12/02/24	Anna G. Rotman, P.C.	0.30	Conference with B. Munshi, K&E team re disinterested director investigation.
12/03/24	Rachael M. Bentley	0.50	Telephone conference with B. Nakhaimousa, K&E team re disinterested director investigation, related considerations (.4); correspond with B. Nakhaimousa, K&E team re same (.1).
12/03/24	Josephine Fina	0.50	Conference with K&E team, Willkie re disinterested director investigation.

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12/03/24	Barira Munshi	3.50	Correspond with B. Nakhaimousa, K&E team, interviewee re disinterested director investigation (.5); review, analyze materials re disinterested director investigation re Company interview (2.0); review, analyze disinterested director investigation presentation (1.0).
12/03/24	Brian Nakhaimousa	0.10	Correspond with B. Munshi, K&E team, Company re disinterested director investigation.
12/03/24	Brian Nakhaimousa	0.60	Conference with B. Munshi, K&E team re disinterested director investigation (.5); correspond with interviewee re investigation (.1).
12/03/24	Hannah Marie Putnam	0.70	Conference with B. Nakhaimousa, K&E team, interviewee re disinterested director investigation (.5); review, analyze materials re same (.2).
12/03/24	Hannah Marie Putnam	0.20	Review, analyze materials re disinterested director investigation interview.
12/03/24	Hannah Marie Putnam	0.20	Conference with B. Nakhaimousa re disinterested director investigation.
12/03/24	Hannah Marie Putnam	0.40	Review, revise disinterested director investigation presentation.
12/03/24	Hannah Marie Putnam	0.80	Review, revise interview outlines re disinterested director investigation.
12/04/24	Josephine Fina	1.00	Conference with B. Munshi, K&E team, interviewee re independent director investigation.
12/04/24	Barira Munshi	5.00	Review, analyze materials re disinterested director investigation re interview re preparation (2.5); review, analyze, revise interview outline re same (1.3); conference with B. Nakhaimousa, K&E team, interviewee re same (1.2).
12/04/24	Brian Nakhaimousa	1.20	Conference with R. Bentley, K&E team, Company re disinterested director investigation interview.
12/04/24	Hannah Marie Putnam	2.80	Draft, revise disinterested director investigation presentation.
12/04/24	Hannah Marie Putnam	0.20	Review, analyze materials re disinterested director investigation interview.



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<u>D7M</u>	<u>N7me</u>	<u>Hours</u>	<u>DescripMbn</u>
12/04/24	Hannah Marie Putnam	1.70	Further review, revise disinterested director presentation re interviews.
12/04/24	Anna G. Rotman, P.C.	0.80	Review, analyze interview re disinterested director investigation.
12/05/24	Josephine Fina	1.00	Conference with B. Nakhaimousa, K&E team, Company re disinterested director investigation.
12/05/24	Barira Munshi	5.50	Review, analyze materials re disinterested director investigation (1.3); conduct interview re same (1.2); review, revise disinterested director investigation presentation (2.8); correspond with B. Nakhaimousa re investigation matters (.2).
12/05/24	Brian Nakhaimousa	1.30	Conference with R. Bentley, K&E team, interviewee re disinterested director investigation interview.
12/05/24	Brian Nakhaimousa	0.20	Correspond with B. Munshi, K&E team re disinterested director investigation matters.
12/05/24	Hannah Marie Putnam	1.40	Review, analyze materials re disinterested director investigation interview (.1); conference with B. Nakhaimousa, K&E team, interviewee re same (1.3).
12/06/24	Trevor Eck	1.20	Review, revise disinterested director investigation presentation.
12/06/24	Barira Munshi	6.50	Review, revise disinterested director investigation presentation (3.8); further review, revise same (2.7).
12/07/24	Josephine Fina	0.70	Review, analyze precedent disinterested director investigation presentations (.2); correspond with T. Eck re same (.1); review, analyze disinterested director investigation presentation (.4).
12/07/24	Barira Munshi	1.20	Review, revise disinterested director investigation presentation (1.0); conference with H. Putnam, K&E team re same (.2).
12/08/24	Trevor Eck	3.00	Review, revise disinterested director investigation presentation (2.8); correspond with J. Fina, K&E team re same (.2).
12/08/24	Josephine Fina	0.70	Review, analyze disinterested director investigation presentation (.4); correspond with T. Eck, K&E team re same (.3).
12/09/24	Trevor Eck	2.40	Review, revise disinterested director investigation presentation.

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12/09/24	Barira Munshi	3.60	Conference with B. Nakhaimousa, K&E team, disinterested director re investigation status (.3); review, revise disinterested director investigation presentation (3.2); conference with A. Rotman re investigation matters (.1).
12/09/24	Brian Nakhaimousa	0.70	Conference with R. Bentley re disinterested director investigation (.3); correspond with R. Bentley, K&E team re same (.4).
12/09/24	Hannah Marie Putnam	0.80	Review, analyze materials re disinterested director investigation (.4); conference with B. Nakhaimousa, K&E team, disinterested director re disinterested director investigation (.4).
12/09/24	Hannah Marie Putnam	3.30	Review, analyze disinterested director investigation presentation.
12/09/24	Gary M. Vogt	1.00	Research re securities litigation matters re disinterested director investigation.
12/10/24	Trevor Eck	0.80	Review, revise disinterested director investigation presentation (.4); correspond with B. Nakhaimousa, K&E team, Willkie re same (.4).
12/10/24	Josephine Fina	0.30	Correspond with R. Bentley, J. Stein re investigation deck.
12/10/24	Barira Munshi	1.50	Correspond with T. Eck, K&E team re disinterested director investigation presentation (.4); review, revise same (1.1).
12/10/24	Brian Nakhaimousa	0.20	Conference with R. Bentley re disinterested director investigation matters.
12/10/24	Hannah Marie Putnam	2.20	Review, revise disinterested director presentation.
12/11/24	Trevor Eck	0.50	Conference with B. Nakhaimousa, K&E team, disinterested director re disinterested director investigation (.2); draft summary re minutes re same (.3).
12/11/24	Josephine Fina	0.50	Conference with K&E team re investigation updates.
12/11/24	Barira Munshi	2.60	Conference with disinterested director, R. Bentley, K&E team re investigation (.2); review, finalize materials re same (2.4).
12/11/24	Brian Nakhaimousa	0.20	Conference with disinterested director, R. Bentley, K&E team re disinterested director investigation.

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12/11/24	Hannah Marie Putnam	2.50	Review, analyze materials re disinterested director investigation (2.3); conference with disinterested director, R. Bentley, K&E team re same (.2).
12/11/24	Anna G. Rotman, P.C.	1.70	Review, revise presentation materials re disinterested director investigation.
12/11/24	Brian Schartz, P.C.	0.80	Conference with R. Bentley re disinterested director investigation.
12/12/24	Josephine Fina	1.20	Conference with J. Stein, K&E team re investigation.
12/12/24	Barira Munshi	1.00	Review, analyze presentation materials re disinterested director investigation (.7); follow up conference with Willkie re same (.2); conference with A. Rotman re disinterested director investigation (.1).
12/12/24	Anna G. Rotman, P.C.	0.50	Review, analyze materials re conference with B. Munshi re disinterested director investigation (.4); conference with B. Munshi re same (.1).
12/12/24	Gary M. Vogt	0.50	Research re securities litigation matters re disinterested director investigation.
12/13/24	Barira Munshi	0.80	Review, analyze investigation materials
12/13/24	Anna G. Rotman, P.C.	0.30	Correspond with B. Munshi re investigation.
12/16/24	Hannah Marie Putnam	1.10	Review, revise disinterested director investigation presentation.
12/17/24	Brian Nakhaimousa	0.30	Correspond with disinterested director re disinterested director investigation, related materials (.1); correspond with B. Munshi, K&E team re same (.2).
12/17/24	Anna G. Rotman, P.C.	1.00	Correspond with B. Munshi, K&E team re investigation, summary of findings.
12/18/24	Trevor Eck	0.60	Telephone conference with B. Munshi, K&E team, disinterested director re disinterested director investigation (.4); prepare for same (.2).
12/18/24	Josephine Fina	2.40	Conference with R. Bentley, disinterested director, K&E team re director investigation.
12/18/24	Barira Munshi	0.50	Telephone conference with T. Eck, K&E team, disinterested director re disinterested director investigation (.4); prepare for same (.1).

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12/18/24	Brian Nakhaimousa	0.40	Conference with R. Bentley, K&E team, disinterested director re investigation.
12/18/24	Hannah Marie Putnam	0.50	Telephone conference with T. Eck, K&E team, disinterested director re disinterested director investigation (.4); prepare for same (.1).
12/18/24	Brian Schartz, P.C.	0.50	Conference with R. Bentley re disinterested director investigation.

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Attn: James Gregory

**Invoice Number: 1050110880**  
**Client Matter: 57088-4**

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**In the Matter of Automatic Stay Matters**

For legal services rendered through December 20, 2024  
(see attached Description of Legal Services for detail)

\$ 8,541.50

Total legal services rendered

\$ 8,541.50

Legal Services for the Period Ending December 20, 2024  
Vertex Energy Inc.  
Automatic Stay Matters

Invoice Number: 1050110880  
Matter Number: 57088-4

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**Summary of Hours Billed**

<b><u>Name</u></b>	<b><u>Hours</u></b>	<b><u>Rate</u></b>	<b><u>Amount</u></b>
Rachael M. Bentley	0.60	1,595.00	957.00
Sloane Bessey	3.10	975.00	3,022.50
Brian Nakhaimousa	0.10	1,345.00	134.50
Michael A. Sloman	3.50	1,265.00	4,427.50
<b>TOTALS</b>	<b>7.30</b>		<b>\$ 8,541.50</b>

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 Vertex Energy Inc.  
 Automatic Stay Matters

Invoice Number: 1050110880  
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**Description of Legal Services**

<b><u>Date</u></b>	<b><u>Name</u></b>	<b><u>Hours</u></b>	<b><u>Description</u></b>
12/02/24	Rachael M. Bentley	0.60	Review, analyze stipulation re automatic stay (.2); telephone conference with M. Sloman re hearing re same (.1); correspond with M. Sloman, K&E team re same (.3).
12/02/24	Sloane Bessey	0.50	Correspond with M. Sloman re lift stay (.2); research re stipulation re same (.3).
12/02/24	Brian Nakhaimousa	0.10	Review, analyze correspondences re lift stay motion.
12/02/24	Michael A. Sloman	0.40	Correspond with R. Bentley, K&E team, Bracewell, movant counsel re lift stay motion, adjournment (.3); conference with R. Bentley re same, hearing re same (.1).
12/06/24	Michael A. Sloman	0.10	Review, revise lift stay stipulation.
12/09/24	Sloane Bessey	0.80	Revise stipulation re lift stay (.6); correspond with M. Sloman, K&E team re same (.2).
12/09/24	Michael A. Sloman	0.50	Review, analyze research re lift stay stipulation (.3); review, revise same (.1); correspond with S. Bessey re same (.1).
12/10/24	Sloane Bessey	0.50	Correspond with J. Raphael re lien notices (.3); correspond with M. Sloman re lift stay stipulation (.2).
12/10/24	Michael A. Sloman	0.20	Correspond with R. Bentley, S. Bessey, Sidley, Willkie re lift stay stipulation.
12/13/24	Sloane Bessey	0.10	Correspond with R. Bentley, K&E team re lift stay stipulation.
12/16/24	Sloane Bessey	0.90	Correspond with R. Bentley, K&E team, lift stay stipulation.
12/16/24	Michael A. Sloman	2.10	Telephone conference with insurers' counsel re lift stay stipulation (.4); correspond with insurers' counsel re same (.1); correspond with S. Bessey re automatic stay talking points (.2); research, analyze same (1.4).
12/19/24	Sloane Bessey	0.20	Correspond with M. Sloman, K&E team re lift stay claimant.
12/20/24	Sloane Bessey	0.10	Correspond with M. Sloman re lift stay stipulation.

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Vertex Energy Inc.  
Automatic Stay Matters

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<u>Date</u>	<u>Name</u>	<u>Hours</u>	<u>Description</u>
12/20/24	Michael A. Sloman	0.20	Correspond with R. Bentley, K&E team, claimant counsel, insurer counsel re lift stay stipulation.
<b>Total</b>		<b>7.30</b>	



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January 15, 2010

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Attn: Finance Department

**Invoice Number: 1050110881**  
**Client Code: 5088a5**

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**Invoice for 9 months of service**

For services rendered from January 1, 2009 to December 31, 2009  
(See attached bill of materials for details of services)

\$ 3,900.02

For services rendered from January 1, 2010 to December 31, 2010

\$ 3,900.02

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January 29, 2025

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Attn: James Gregory

**Invoice Number: 1050110882**  
**Client Matter: 57088-6**

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## In the Matter of Case Administration

For legal services rendered through December 20, 2024  
(see attached Description of Legal Services for detail)

\$ 42,722.00

Total legal services rendered

\$ 42,722.00

Legal Services for the Period Ending December 20, 2024  
 Vertex Energy Inc.  
 Case Administration

Invoice Number: 1050110882  
 Matter Number: 57088-6

**Summary of Hours Billed**

<b><u>Name</u></b>	<b><u>Hours</u></b>	<b><u>Rate</u></b>	<b><u>Amount</u></b>
Rachael M. Bentley	0.80	1,595.00	1,276.00
Sloane Bessey	2.50	975.00	2,437.50
Trevor Eck	2.80	1,095.00	3,066.00
Christopher Fabrizio	2.90	815.00	2,363.50
Josephine Fina	5.30	1,395.00	7,393.50
Ashlyn Gallagher	0.60	435.00	261.00
Rachel Golden	2.30	1,095.00	2,518.50
Tysan Holloman	1.30	815.00	1,059.50
Hannah Kupsky	0.40	975.00	390.00
Jamie McLennan	1.00	975.00	975.00
Georgia Meadow	4.90	355.00	1,739.50
Brian Nakhaimousa	5.30	1,345.00	7,128.50
Brendan Nashelsky	5.00	1,095.00	5,475.00
Renee Olivett	1.90	975.00	1,852.50
Joshua Raphael	1.90	1,095.00	2,080.50
Laura Saal	0.50	625.00	312.50
Michael A. Sloman	1.30	1,265.00	1,644.50
Quin Wetzel	0.50	975.00	487.50
Lydia Yale	0.60	435.00	261.00
<b>TOTALS</b>	<b>41.80</b>		<b>\$ 42,722.00</b>

Legal Services for the Period Ending December 20, 2024  
 Vertex Energy Inc.  
 Case Administration

Invoice Number: 1050110882  
 Matter Number: 57088-6

**Description of Legal Services**

<b><u>Date</u></b>	<b><u>Name</u></b>	<b><u>Hours</u></b>	<b><u>Description</u></b>
12/02/24	Rachael M. Bentley	0.30	Telephone conference with R. Bentley, J. Fina re case status, next steps, work in process.
12/02/24	Rachel Golden	0.60	Correspond with M. Sloman re case calendar (.1); revise same (.5).
12/02/24	Georgia Meadow	0.20	Correspond with J. Fina, K&E team re recent case filings.
12/02/24	Brian Nakhaimousa	0.30	Conference with R. Bentley J. Fina re case status, next steps, work in process.
12/03/24	Josephine Fina	0.60	Conference with B. Nakhaimousa, R. Bentley re case updates, work in process (.3); prepare for same (.3).
12/03/24	Rachel Golden	0.40	Revise case calendar.
12/03/24	Georgia Meadow	0.30	Correspond with J. Fina, K&E team re recent case filings.
12/04/24	Josephine Fina	1.00	Conference with B. Nakhaimousa, K&E team re deal updates, work in process (.5); correspond with B. Nakhaimousa, R. Bentley re same (.5).
12/04/24	Georgia Meadow	0.20	Correspond with J. Fina, K&E team re recent case filings.
12/04/24	Quin Wetzel	0.50	Telephone conference with B. Nakhaimousa, K&E team re case status.
12/05/24	Rachael M. Bentley	0.50	Telephone conference with J. Fina, K&E team re case status, work in process.
12/05/24	Sloane Bessey	0.80	Conference with R. Bentley, K&E team re work in process (.6); revise summary re same (.2).
12/05/24	Christopher Fabrizio	1.60	Review, revise work in process summary (1.1); conference with R. Bentley, K&E team re work in process (.5).
12/05/24	Josephine Fina	1.20	Conference with B. Nakhaimousa, K&E team re work in process, next steps (.6); conference with B. Nakhaimousa re open items (.2); correspond with R. Bentley, B. Nakhaimousa re same (.4).
12/05/24	Ashlyn Gallagher	0.60	Conference with B. Nakhaimousa, K&E team re work in process.

Legal Services for the Period Ending December 20, 2024  
Vertex Energy Inc.  
Case Administration

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Matter Number: 57088-6

<u>Date</u>	<u>Name</u>	<u>Hours</u>	<u>Description</u>
12/05/24	Rachel Golden	0.70	Conference with B. Nakhaimousa, K&E team re case updates, work in process (.6); correspond with C. Fabrizio re case calendar (.1).
12/05/24	Tysan Holloman	0.60	Conference with R. Bentley, K&E team re work in process.
12/05/24	Jamie McLennan	0.50	Conference with J. Fina, K&E team re work in process.
12/05/24	Georgia Meadow	0.80	Conference with J. Fina, K&E team re work in process (.6); correspond with J. Fina, K&E team re recent case filings (.2).
12/05/24	Brian Nakhaimousa	0.90	Conference with J. Fina, K&E team re work in process, next steps (.6); conference with J. Fina re same (.3).
12/05/24	Brendan Nashelsky	0.70	Review, revise work in process summary (.1); telephone conference with B. Nakhaimousa, K&E team re work in process (.6).
12/05/24	Renee Olivett	1.10	Revise work in process summary (.4); correspond with M. Sloman re same (.1); conference with J. Fina, K&E team re work in process (.6).
12/05/24	Joshua Raphael	0.60	Conference with J. Fina, K&E team re work in process.
12/05/24	Laura Saal	0.50	Conference with J. Fina, K&E team re case status.
12/05/24	Michael A. Sloman	0.60	Conference with J. Fina, K&E team re case status, next steps.
12/06/24	Josephine Fina	0.50	Conference with R. Golden re deal updates, work in process (.2); correspond with B Nakhaimousa re same (.3).
12/06/24	Georgia Meadow	0.20	Correspond with J. Fina, K&E team re recent case filings.
12/09/24	Josephine Fina	0.30	Conferences with B. Nakhaimousa, K&E team re case updates, work in process.
12/09/24	Georgia Meadow	0.30	Correspond with J. Fina, K&E team re recent case filings.
12/10/24	Christopher Fabrizio	0.10	Review, analyze case calendar.
12/10/24	Josephine Fina	0.70	Conferences with R. Bentley, B. Nakhaimousa, R. Golden, K&E team re work in process, related issues.
12/10/24	Rachel Golden	0.60	Conference with J. Fina re case status.



Legal Services for the Period Ending December 20, 2024  
Vertex Energy Inc.  
Case Administration

Invoice Number: 1050110882  
Matter Number: 57088-6

<u>Date</u>	<u>Name</u>	<u>Hours</u>	<u>Description</u>
12/10/24	Georgia Meadow	0.20	Correspond with J. Fina, K&E team re recent case filings.
12/11/24	Sloane Bessey	0.70	Conference with J. Fina, K&E team re work in process.
12/11/24	Trevor Eck	0.70	Conference with J. Fina, K&E team re case status, next steps.
12/11/24	Christopher Fabrizio	1.20	Review, revise work in process summary (.5); conference with J. Fina, K&E team re case status, next steps (.7).
12/11/24	Josephine Fina	1.00	Conference with B. Nakhaimousa, K&E team re deal updates, work in process (.7); review, analyze summary re same (.3).
12/11/24	Tysan Holloman	0.70	Conference with R. Bentley, K&E team re case status.
12/11/24	Hannah Kupsky	0.40	Conference with J. Fina, K&E team re work in process (partial).
12/11/24	Jamie McLennan	0.50	Conference with J. Fina, K&E team re work in process (partial).
12/11/24	Georgia Meadow	0.90	Conference with J. Fina, K&E team re work in process. (.7); correspond with J. Fina, K&E team re recent case filings (.2).
12/11/24	Brian Nakhaimousa	1.30	Conference with R. Bentley, K&E team re work in process, next steps (.7); review, revise work in process summary (.6).
12/11/24	Brendan Nashelsky	0.70	Telephone conference with J. Fina, K&E team re work in process.
12/11/24	Renee Olivett	0.80	Conference with J. Fina, K&E team re work in process (.7); review, revise work in process summary (.1).
12/11/24	Joshua Raphael	0.50	Conference with J. Fina, K&E team re work in process (partial).
12/11/24	Michael A. Sloman	0.70	Conference with R. Bentley, K&E team re case status, next steps.
12/11/24	Lydia Yale	0.60	Conference with J. Fina, K&E team re work in process.
12/12/24	Georgia Meadow	0.20	Correspond with J. Fina, K&E team re recent case filings.
12/13/24	Georgia Meadow	0.30	Correspond with J. Fina, K&E team re recent case filings.
12/16/24	Georgia Meadow	0.30	Correspond with J. Fina, K&E team re recent case filings.

Legal Services for the Period Ending December 20, 2024  
 Vertex Energy Inc.  
 Case Administration

Invoice Number: 1050110882  
 Matter Number: 57088-6

<u>Date</u>	<u>Name</u>	<u>Hours</u>	<u>Description</u>
12/16/24	Brian Nakhaimousa	1.10	Conference with R. Bentley, J. Fina re work in process, next steps (.9); correspond with J. Fina, K&E team re same (.2).
12/17/24	Trevor Eck	1.60	Conferences with R. Bentley, K&E team re case status, open workstreams.
12/17/24	Georgia Meadow	0.20	Correspond with J. Fina, K&E team re recent case filings.
12/17/24	Brendan Nashelsky	1.70	Telephone conferences with R. Bentley, K&E team re work in process.
12/17/24	Joshua Raphael	0.80	Telephone conference with J. Fina, K&E team re work in process.
12/18/24	Sloane Bessey	1.00	Conference with R. Golden, K&E team re work in process, next steps.
12/18/24	Trevor Eck	0.50	Conference with J. Fina, K&E team re case status, next steps.
12/18/24	Georgia Meadow	0.20	Correspond with J. Fina, K&E team re recent case filings.
12/18/24	Brian Nakhaimousa	1.70	Conferences with R. Bentley, J. Fina, K&E team re work in process, next steps.
12/18/24	Brendan Nashelsky	1.90	Conferences with J. Fina, K&E team re work in process, next steps.
12/19/24	Georgia Meadow	0.30	Correspond with J. Fina, K&E team re recent case filings.
12/20/24	Georgia Meadow	0.30	Correspond with J. Fina, K&E team re recent case filings.
<b>Total</b>		<b>41.80</b>	

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Attn: James Gregory

**Invoice Number: 1050110883**  
**Client Matter: 57088-7**

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## In the Matter of DIP Financing and Cash Collateral

For legal services rendered through December 20, 2024  
(see attached Description of Legal Services for detail)

\$ 3,P58.00

Total legal services rendered

\$ 3,P58.00

Legal Services for the Period Ending December 20, 2024  
 Vertex Energy Inc.  
 DI&Financing and Cash Collateral

Invoice Number: 1050110883  
 Matter Number: 57088-7

**Summary of Hours Billed**

<b><u>Name</u></b>	<b><u>Hours</u></b>	<b><u>Rate</u></b>	<b><u>Amount</u></b>
Rachael N . Bentley	1.00	1,595.00	1,595.00
Shan A. k han	1.00	1,575.00	1,575.00
Brian Ma6haimousa	0.20	1,345.00	2P9.00
Joshua Raphael	0.20	1,095.00	219.00
<b>TOTALS</b>	<b>2.40</b>		<b>\$ 3,658.00</b>

Legal Services for the Period Ending December 20, 2024  
 Vertex Energy Inc.  
 DI&Financing and Cash Collateral

Invoice Number: 1050110883  
 Matter Number: 57088-7

### Description of Legal Services

<u>Date</u>	<u>Name</u>	<u>Hours</u>	<u>Description</u>
12/03/24	Rachael N. Bentley	1.00	Review, analyze DI&lender advisor engagement and considerations re same (P)K review, analyze letter re same (.4).
12/04/24	Brian Ma6haimousa	0.10	Correspond / ith J. Raphael re DI&lenders engagement letter.
12/04/24	Joshua Raphael	0.10	Correspond / ith B. Ma6haimousa re professional fee estimate re DI&reporting.
12/0P/24	Brian Ma6haimousa	0.10	Correspond / ith J. Raphael re lender DI&lenders engagement letter.
12/11/24	Joshua Raphael	0.10	Correspond / ith B. Ma6haimousa re professional fees estimate re DI&reporting.
12/18/24	Shan A. Khan	1.00	Review/ draft exit facility documents.
<b>Total</b>		<b>2.40</b>	

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**Client Matter: 57088-9**

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## In the Matter of Cash Management

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**Summary of Hours Billed**

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<b>TOTALS</b>	<b>1.00</b>		<b>\$ 1,097.00</b>

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### Description of Legal Services

<u>Date</u>	<u>Name</u>	<u>Hours</u>	<u>Description</u>
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16/03/16h	Ctctt KJstx	0.h0	9 Htt q(Hz Fz Sl M Beol tJo-r bt leol i ecegti ttxbt(Hsg HJsgexSho.
<b>Total</b>		<b>1.00</b>	



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**Client Matter: 57088-10**

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**In the Matter of Customer and Vendor Matters**

For legal services rendered through December 20, 2024  
(see attached Description of Legal Services for detail)

\$ 13,074.50

Total legal services rendered

\$ 13,074.50

Legal Services for the Period Ending December 20, 2024  
 Vertex Energy Inc.  
 Customer and Vendor Matters

Invoice Number: 105011088N  
 Matter Number: 57088-10

**Summary of Hours Billed**

<b><u>Name</u></b>	<b><u>Hours</u></b>	<b><u>Rate</u></b>	<b><u>Amount</u></b>
Sloane Ressey	3.70	975.00	3,607.50
Josephine Fina	2.40	1,395.00	3,348.00
Rrian MaBhaimousa	1.70	1,345.00	2,286.50
Joshua k aphael	3.50	1,095.00	3,832.50
<b>TOTALS</b>	<b>11.30</b>		<b>\$ 13,074.50</b>

Legal Services for the Period Ending December 20, 2024  
 Vertex Energy Inc.  
 Customer and Vendor Matters

Invoice Number: 105011088N  
 Matter Number: 57088-10

### Description of Legal Services

<u>Date</u>	<u>Name</u>	<u>Hours</u>	<u>Description</u>
12/03/24	Sloane Ressey	0.10	Respond with J. Kaphael re vendor outreach (.1)/ conference with J. Kaphael, AwC team re same (.5).
12/03/24	Josephine Fina	0.70	Respond with R. MaBhaimousa, KWE team re vendor matter (.2)/ conference with S. Ressey, KWE team, AwC team re vendor matters (.5).
12/03/24	Rrian MaBhaimousa	0.20	Respond with counsel to vendor, J. Fina re vendor matters (.1)/ correspond with AwC re same (.1).
12/03/24	Joshua Kaphael	0.50	Telephone conference with S. Ressey, KWE team, AwC team re vendor matters.
12/04/24	Sloane Ressey	0.10	Respond with J. Kaphael re vendor outreach.
12/05/24	Sloane Ressey	0.20	Respond with J. Kaphael, KWE team, AwC team re vendor outreach.
12/06/24	Sloane Ressey	0.70	Respond with J. Kaphael, KWE team re vendor outreach (.3)/ conference with J. Kaphael, AwC team re same (.4).
12/06/24	Rrian MaBhaimousa	0.20	Conference with AwC team, J. Kaphael, S. Ressey re critical vendor matters.
12/06/24	Joshua Kaphael	0.40	Review, revise trade agreement (.2)/ correspond with J. Fina, KWE team re same (.2).
12/06/24	Joshua Kaphael	0.80	Telephone conference with AwC team, KWE team, S. Ressey re vendors and utilities matters (.4)/ prepare for same (.2)/ correspond with vendor counsel, AwC team re vendor matters (.2).
12/09/24	Sloane Ressey	0.10	Respond with J. Kaphael, KWE team re vendor outreach.
12/09/24	Josephine Fina	0.20	Conference with J. Kaphael, KWE team, P; P, AwC re case updates.
12/09/24	Joshua Kaphael	0.70	Respond with Sidley re vendor matter (.4)/ review, analyze offer re same (.3).
12/10/24	Sloane Ressey	0.20	Conference with J. Kaphael, AwC team re vendor outreach.
12/10/24	Josephine Fina	0.50	Respond with J. Kaphael re vendor issues (.2)/ review, analyze same (.3).

Legal Services for the Period Ending December 20, 2024  
 Vertex Energy Inc.  
 Customer and Vendor Matters

Invoice Number: 105011088N  
 Contract Number: 57088-10

<u>Date</u>	<u>Name</u>	<u>Hours</u>	<u>Description</u>
12/01/24	Rrian Mahaimousa	0.20	Conference with AwC team, J. k aphael, S. Ressey re vendor matters (.1)/ conference with J. k aphael re same (.1).
12/01/24	Joshua k aphael	0.30	Telephone conference with AwC team, S. Ressey re vendors, utilities matters (.3)/ correspond with AwC team re liens, trade agreements (.3).
12/01/24	Sloane Ressey	0.30	Correspond with J. k aphael, KwE team, AwC team, vendors re vendor outreach.
12/01/24	Josephine Fina	0.50	Correspond with J. k aphael re vendor issues (.2)/ review , analyze same (.3).
12/02/24	Josephine Fina	0.20	Correspond with vendor counsel re deal updates.
12/02/24	Joshua k aphael	0.10	Review , analyze lien claim.
12/03/24	Sloane Ressey	0.30	Correspond with J. k aphael re vendor matrix (.2)/ conference with AwC team, J. k aphael re vendor outreach (.1).
12/03/24	Joshua k aphael	0.40	Review , analyze vendor matrix (.2)/ finalize same (.1)/ correspond with AwC team, lenders, ; Billie, U.S. Trustee re same (.1).
12/04/24	Josephine Fina	0.30	Review , analyze vendor issue (.2)/ correspond with J. k aphael re same (.1).
12/07/24	Sloane Ressey	0.70	Correspond with J. k aphael, KwE team, AwC team re vendor outreach.
12/08/24	Sloane Ressey	0.10	Correspond with J. k aphael, KwE team, AwC team re vendor outreach.
12/09/24	Sloane Ressey	0.30	Correspond with J. k aphael, KwE team, AwC team re vendor outreach.
12/09/24	Rrian Mahaimousa	1.10	Correspond with J. k aphael re vendor matters (.5)/ conference with AwC re same (.1).
12/20/24	Sloane Ressey	0.10	Correspond with k . Rentley, KwE team, AwC team re vendor outreach.
<b>Total</b>		<b>11.30</b>	

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**Invoice Number: 1050110887**  
**Client Matter: 57088-11**

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**In the Matter of Claims Administration and Objections**

For legal services rendered through December 20, 2024  
(see attached Description of Legal Services for detail)

\$ 5,348.00

Total legal services rendered

\$ 5,348.00

Legal Services for the Period Ending December 20, 2024  
 Vertex Energy Inc.  
 Claims Administration and Objections

Invoice Number: 1050110887  
 Matter Number: 57088-11

**Summary of Hours Billed**

<b><u>Name</u></b>	<b><u>Hours</u></b>	<b><u>Rate</u></b>	<b><u>Amount</u></b>
Rachael M. Bentley	0.50	1,595.00	797.50
Sloane Bessey	0.20	975.00	195.00
Josephine Fina	0.20	1,395.00	279.00
Brian Nakhaimousa	0.10	1,345.00	134.50
Brendan Nashelsky	3.60	1,095.00	3,942.00
<b>TOTALS</b>	<b>4.60</b>		<b>\$ 5,348.00</b>

Legal Services for the Period Ending December 20, 2024  
Vertex Energy Inc.  
Claims Administration and Objections

Invoice Number: 1050110887  
Matter Number: 57088-11

**Description of Legal Services**

<b><u>Date</u></b>	<b><u>Name</u></b>	<b><u>Hours</u></b>	<b><u>Description</u></b>
12/02/24	Rachael M. Bentley	0.50	Review, analyze claim issues and related considerations.
12/03/24	Sloane Bessey	0.20	Correspond with A&M team, J. Fina, K&E team re claims matters.
12/03/24	Josephine Fina	0.20	Correspond with S. Bessey re claims matters.
12/04/24	Brendan Nashelsky	0.30	Review, analyze materials re proofs of claim (.2); correspond with Verita re same (.1).
12/05/24	Brendan Nashelsky	1.40	Review, analyze materials re claims (1.1); telephone conference with Verita re same (.1); correspond with J. Fina, B. Nakhaimousa re same (.2).
12/06/24	Brendan Nashelsky	0.70	Review, analyze claims issues (.3); correspond with B. Nakhaimousa, K&E team, A&M team re same (.4).
12/09/24	Brian Nakhaimousa	0.10	Correspond with B. Nashelsky re proof of claim, related administration.
12/09/24	Brendan Nashelsky	0.50	Review, analyze materials re proofs of claim (.2); correspond with B. Nakhaimousa, K&E team, claimant's counsel re same (.3).
12/10/24	Brendan Nashelsky	0.30	Correspond with B. Nakhaimousa, A&M team, claimant re proof of claim.
12/12/24	Brendan Nashelsky	0.10	Correspond with claimant's counsel, A&M team re proof of claim.
12/17/24	Brendan Nashelsky	0.30	Review, analyze materials re claims.
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**Invoice Number: 1050110890**  
**Client Matter: 57088-14**

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**In the Matter of Corp., Governance, & Securities Matters**

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**Summary of Hours Billed**

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January 29, 2025

Vertex Energy Inc.  
1331 Gemini Street  
Suite 250  
Houston, TX 77058

Attn: James Gregory

**Invoice Number: 1050110971**  
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For legal services rendered through December 20, 2024 (see attached Description of Legal Services for detail)	<u>\$ 23,571.50</u>
Total legal services rendered	\$ 23,571.50

Legal Services for the Period Ending December 20, 2024  
 Vertex Energy Inc.  
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& atttheN Antinossi	7.- 0	2,115.00	1-,074.00
Sloane Ressey	1.90	975.00	1,852.50
Josephine Fina	1.00	1,395.00	1,395.00
Bob FoNler, P.k.	0.30	2,115.00	- 34.50
Bachel Golden	1.30	1,095.00	1,423.50
6 elsie Harris	0.80	1,395.00	1,11- .00
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12/02/24	& attheN Antinossi	0.20 BevieN, analyw PRGk notice re late premium payments and penalties (.1)K correspond Nith B. Golden, 6 ; E team re same (.1).
12/05/24	& attheN Antinossi	0.30 Telephone conference Nith R. Cazhaimousa re transaction status and pension issues (.2)K correspond Nith A; & team and pension administrator team re same (.1).
12/05/24	Bachel Golden	0.40 k onference Nith R. Cazhaimousa re cash benefit plan (.1)KrevieN, analyw plan re same (.2)Kcorrespond Nith & . Antinossi re same (.1).
12/05/24	Rrian Cazhaimousa	0.20 k orrespond Nith & . Antinossi re auditor, employee matters (.1)Kconference Nith B. Golden re same (.1).
12/10/24	& attheN Antinossi	2.00 k orrespond Nith PRGk re plan amendments (.2)Kdraft pension plan amendment and board resolution re same (1.3)Ktelephone conference Nith R. Cazhaimousa re same, case status (.2)KrevieN, analyw plan language re pension treatment (.1)Ktelephone conference Nith R. Cazhaimousa, 6 ; E team and PRGk team re same (.2)
12/10/24	Sloane Ressey	0.50 BevieN, revise board resolutions re pension plan amendment.
12/10/24	Josephine Fina	0.50 k onference Nith & . Antinossi, 6 ; E team re PRGk issues.
12/10/24	Rrian Cazhaimousa	0.30 k orrespond Nith & . Antinossi re employee matters (.1)Kcorrespond Nith PRGk re case update (.1)Kconference Nith PRGk , & . Antinossi re same (.1).
12/11/24	& attheN Antinossi	0.80 BevieN, analyw PRGk revisions to plan language re pension treatment (.2)K correspond Nith R. Cazhaimousa, 6 ; E team re same, PRGk , and pension issues (.2)K revieN, analyw pension amendment and resolution (.2)Kcorrespond Nith S. Ressey, 6 ; E team re same (.1)Kcorrespond Nith A; & team re PRGk claims (.1).
12/11/24	Sloane Ressey	0.30 k orrespond Nith B. Rentley, 6 ; E team re pension resolutions.

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12/11/24	Bachel Golden	0.90	BevieN, revise board resolution re pension plan amendment (.8)Kcorrespond Nith S. Ressey re same (.1).
12/11/24	Rrian Cazhaimousa	0.10	k orrespond Nith S Ressey, B Golden re pension plan resolution.
12/11/24	Rrian Cazhaimousa	0.20	k orrespond Nith & . Antinossi re audit, employee matters (.1)Kcorrespond Nith A; & team re same (.1).
12/12/24	& attheN Antinossi	1.10	Telephone conference Nith B. Golden, 6 ; E team re pension issues (.4)KrevieN, analywe PRGk claims (.2)Kcorrespond Nith A; & team re same (.2)Ktelephone conference Nith B. Golden re plan language and PRGk issues (.2)Kcorrespond Nith Sidley team re pension issues (.1).
12/12/24	Sloane Ressey	0.50	k orrespond Nith B. Rentley, 6 ; E team re pension plan.
12/12/24	Josephine Fina	0.50	k onference Nith & . Antinossi re PRGk .
12/13/24	& attheN Antinossi	0.10	k orrespond Nith pension administrator re plan amendments.
12/1- /24	& attheN Antinossi	1.00	BevieN, analywe pension amendments (.3)K revieN, revise pension amendment and resolutions (.5)Kcorrespond Nith B. Golden, 6 ; E team and PRGk team re same (.2).
12/17/24	& attheN Antinossi	0.50	k orrespond Nith B. Golden, 6 ; E team re pension plan amendments (.1)Kcorrespond Nith TPA re same (.1)Kdraft board summary re same (.3).
12/17/24	Sloane Ressey	0.- 0	Draft board presentation re pension plan amendment.
12/17/24	Bob FoNler, P.k .	0.30	k orrespond Nith Norzing group re proposed amendments to employment arrangements.
12/17/24	6 elsie Harris	0.80	BevieN and analywe employment agreement amendments (-)Kcorrespond Nith & . Antinossi, 6 ; E team re same (.2).
12/18/24	& attheN Antinossi	0.50	k orrespond Nith k ompany, B. Rentley and 6 ; E team re pension matter (.1)Ktelephone conference Nith B. Golden re pension issues (.1)Kcorrespond Nith PRGk re pension plan and updated claims (.3).
12/19/24	& attheN Antinossi	0.20	BevieN, analywe issues re pensions and benefits.

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January 29, 2025

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Attn: James Gregory

**Invoice Number: 1050110972**  
**Client Matter: 58099-13**

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**In the Matter of Txecutors ContractSany HnexBirey deaSeS**

For legal services rendered through December 20, 2024  
(see attached Description of Legal Services for detail)

\$ 56,102.00

Total legal services rendered

\$ 56,102.00

Legal Services for the Period Ending December 20, 2024  
Vertex Energy Inc.  
Executory Contracts and Unexpired Leases

Invoice Number: 1050110892  
Matter Number: 57088-16

**Summary of OurSLilley**

<b><u>Name</u></b>	<b><u>OurS</u></b>	<b><u>Rate</u></b>	<b><u>Amount</u></b>
Max Anderson	2.00	1,095.00	2,190.00
Rachael M. Bentley	2.00	1,595.00	3,190.00
Zac Ciullo	0.40	1,555.00	622.00
Christopher Fabrizio	4.40	815.00	3,586.00
Josephine Fina	0.90	1,395.00	1,255.50
Stefanie I. Gitler	0.50	1,885.00	942.50
Tysan Holloman	13.20	815.00	10,758.00
Jamie McLennan	1.00	975.00	975.00
Brian Nakhaimousa	7.30	1,345.00	9,818.50
Brendan Nashelsky	10.90	1,095.00	11,935.50
Renee Olivett	4.00	975.00	3,900.00
Joshua Raphael	5.50	1,095.00	6,022.50
Michael A. Sloman	0.10	1,265.00	126.50
Quin Wetzel	0.80	975.00	780.00
<b>\$, \$ Ad R</b>	<b>56.00</b>		<b>53,402.00</b>

Legal Services for the Period Ending December 20, 2024  
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Invoice Number: 1050110892  
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**DeScriBtion of d egal Services**

<b><u>Date</u></b>	<b><u>Name</u></b>	<b><u>OourS</u></b>	<b><u>DeScriBtion</u></b>
12/02/24	Stefanie I. Gitler	0.10	Review removal agreement.
12/02/24	Tysan Holloman	0.60	Review, revise research summary re executory contract waiver issues (.5); correspond with R. Bentley and K&E team re same (.1).
12/02/24	Brian Nakhaimousa	0.20	Correspond with T. Holloman, K&E team re waiver of lease issue (.1); correspond with A&M team, counsel to executory contract counterparty re postpetition payment matters (.1).
12/02/24	Brian Nakhaimousa	0.30	Review, analyze revised removal agreement (.2); correspond with R. Olivett re same (.1).
12/02/24	Brendan Nashelsky	0.50	Review, revise agreement re executory contract (.3); correspond with R. Olivett, K&E team, A&M team re same (.2).
12/02/24	Renee Olivett	0.40	Review, revise Matheson removal agreement (.3); correspond with Company, B. Nashelsky, K&E team re same (.1).
12/02/24	Joshua Raphael	0.30	Correspond with counterparty re cure objection (.1); review, analyze case law re same (.2).
12/03/24	Max Anderson	0.60	Review and revise removal agreement (.5); correspond with S. Gitler, K&E team re same (.1).
12/03/24	Rachael M. Bentley	1.70	Conference and correspond with T. Holloman, K&E team re contract rejection issues and timing (.4); review, analyze issues re same (.6); review, analyze cure cost claim (.7)
12/03/24	Stefanie I. Gitler	0.30	Review and revise removal agreement (.2); correspond with M. Anderson re same (.1).
12/03/24	Brian Nakhaimousa	0.20	Conference with B. Nashelsky re Matheson matters.
12/03/24	Brian Nakhaimousa	0.50	Conference with J. Raphael, K&E team, counsel to lease counterparty re post-petition claim dispute.

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<u>Date</u>	<u>Name</u>	<u>OourS</u>	<u>DeScriBtion</u>
12/03/24	Brendan Nashelsky	2.40	Review, revise Matheson decommissioning agreement (.8); office conferences with B. Nakhaimousa, R. Olivett re same (.6); review, analyze background materials re same (.2); telephone conference with A&M team re same (.2); correspond with B. Nakhaimousa, K&E team, A&M team, Company re same (.6).
12/03/24	Renee Olivett	1.10	Review, revise Matheson removal agreement (.9); conference with B. Nashelsky re same (.2).
12/03/24	Joshua Raphael	1.30	Conference with lease counterparty re objection (.5); prepare for same (.3); conference with R. Bentley, K&E team re same (.5).
12/04/24	Josephine Fina	0.20	Correspond with R. Bentley, Q. Wetzel re consulting agreement.
12/04/24	Tysan Holloman	0.70	Review, revise cures objections summary (.6); correspond with Q. Wetzel re same (.1).
12/04/24	Brian Nakhaimousa	0.40	Review, revise removal agreement (.1); correspond with B. Nashelsky re same (.1); correspond with A&M team re executory contract matter (.1); correspond with J. Raphael re rejection of executory contract (.1).
12/04/24	Brian Nakhaimousa	0.10	Correspond with J. Raphael, S. Bessey re lease matter.
12/04/24	Brendan Nashelsky	1.30	Review, revise Matheson removal agreement (.6); review, analyze materials re same (.4); correspond with R. Olivett, K&E team, A&M team re same (.3).
12/04/24	Renee Olivett	0.40	Review, revise Matheson removal agreement.
12/05/24	Tysan Holloman	0.30	Review, revise cures objection summary (.2); correspond with Q. Wetzel re same (.1).
12/05/24	Brian Nakhaimousa	0.50	Correspond with B. Nashelsky re rejection of executory contract (.2); conference with B. Nashelsky, J. Fina re same (.2); correspond with counsel to executory contract re post-petition payments (.1).

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<u>Date</u>	<u>Name</u>	<u>OurS</u>	<u>DeScriBtion</u>
12/05/24	Brendan Nashelsky	1.80	Review, revise Matheson removal agreement (.5); correspond with B. Nakhaimousa, K&E team, Company, Sidley team re same (.6); review, analyze materials re same (.5); office conference with B. Nakhaimousa re same (.2).
12/06/24	Tysan Holloman	1.80	Research re nonwaiver clauses, executory contract issues (1.7); correspond with J. Raphael re same (.1).
12/06/24	Brian Nakhaimousa	0.10	Correspond with B. Nashelsky re removal agreement.
12/06/24	Renee Olivett	1.40	Revise Matheson mutual release agreement.
12/08/24	Brian Nakhaimousa	0.10	Correspond with B. Nashelsky re removal agreement.
12/09/24	Christopher Fabrizio	0.50	Research re contract rejection issue.
12/09/24	Tysan Holloman	0.60	Research re contract rejection (.5); correspond with C. Fabrizio re same (.1).
12/09/24	Brian Nakhaimousa	0.30	Conference with A&M team re rejection schedule (.1); conference with J. Fina re same (.2).
12/09/24	Brendan Nashelsky	0.10	Correspond with Company re Matheson removal agreement.
12/09/24	Joshua Raphael	0.40	Conference with A&M team re assumption, rejection schedules (.2); correspond with A&M re same (.2).
12/09/24	Michael A. Sloman	0.10	Review, revise Matheson removal agreement.
12/10/24	Christopher Fabrizio	2.30	Research re executory contract considerations (1.9); correspond with R. Olivett re same (.2); correspond with T. Holloman re same (.2).
12/10/24	Tysan Holloman	2.10	Research re executory contract rejection (1.9); correspond with C. Fabrizio re same (.2).
12/10/24	Brian Nakhaimousa	0.90	Conference with A&M team re contract rejection (.2); research re same (.5); correspond with R. Bentley, S. Bessey, B. Nashelsky re same (.2).
12/10/24	Brendan Nashelsky	0.10	Correspond with A&M team, Company re executory contract agreement.
12/10/24	Renee Olivett	0.20	Correspond with J. Raphael re Matheson removal agreement.
12/11/24	Rachael M. Bentley	0.10	Telephone conference with J. Raphael re cure dispute.
12/11/24	Rachael M. Bentley	0.20	Correspond with B. Nashelsky, K&E team re removal and release agreement.



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 Vertex Energy Inc.  
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<u>Date</u>	<u>Name</u>	<u>OurS</u>	<u>DeScriBtion</u>
12/11/24	Tysan Holloman	0.40	Research re executory contract rejection (.3); correspond with C. Fabrizio, K&E team re same (.1).
12/11/24	Brian Nakhaimousa	0.80	Research re rejection issues (.4); conference with R. Bentley, J. Fina, A&M team re rejection schedule (.4).
12/11/24	Joshua Raphael	1.20	Correspond with Sidley re contract counterparty (.1); review, analyze contracts re rejection (1.1).
12/11/24	Quin Wetzel	0.80	Review, revise consulting agreement (.6); correspond with J. Fina re same (.2).
12/12/24	Max Anderson	1.40	Telephone conference with B. Nashelsky, K&E team and Company re removal agreement (.5); review and revise same (.9).
12/12/24	Zac Ciullo	0.40	Review, analyze revised Matheson removal agreement.
12/12/24	Christopher Fabrizio	0.30	Correspond with B. Nashelsky, K&E team re contract rejection research (.2); correspond with R. Bentley, K&E team re same (.1).
12/12/24	Josephine Fina	0.20	Correspond with J. Raphael re contract issues.
12/12/24	Brian Nakhaimousa	0.10	Correspond with C. Fabrizio re executory contract research.
12/12/24	Brendan Nashelsky	3.10	Review, revise Matheson removal agreement (1.8); telephone conferences with R. Bentley, K&E team, Company, A&M team re same (.9); correspond with J. Fina, K&E team, Company, A&M team, Sidley re same (.4).
12/12/24	Renee Olivett	0.50	Conference with B. Nashelsky, Company re Matheson removal agreement.
12/12/24	Joshua Raphael	0.10	Correspond with A&M team re executory contract.
12/13/24	Brendan Nashelsky	0.20	Review, revise Matheson removal agreement (.1); correspond with J. Fina, R. Bentley re same (.1).
12/13/24	Joshua Raphael	0.90	Review, analyze agreements re assumption and rejection (.6); correspond with A&M team, B. Nakhaimousa, K&E team re same (.3).
12/14/24	Brendan Nashelsky	0.80	Review, revise Matheson removal agreement (.4); correspond with R. Bentley, Sidley team re same (.4).

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12/16/24	Josephine Fina	0.50	Conference with R. Bentley, A&M team, K&E team re executory agreements.
12/16/24	Brian Nakhaimousa	2.30	Conference with R. Bentley re rejection matter (.6); conference with J. Raphael re rejection matter (.2); conference with Bracewell team re rejection matter (.2); conference with A&M team re rejection matter (.3); review, analyze Matheson decommissioning agreement (.1); correspond with B. Nashelsky re same (.1); conference with A&M team, J. Fina, R. Bentley re rejection (.8).
12/16/24	Brendan Nashelsky	0.60	Telephone conference with J. Fina re Matheson removal agreement (.3); correspond with J. Fina, K&E team, Company, A&M team re same (.3).
12/16/24	Joshua Raphael	0.80	Review, analyze agreements re rejection (.5); correspond with B. Nakhaimousa, K&E team, A&M re same (.3).
12/16/24	Joshua Raphael	0.50	Conference with R. Bentley, K&E team, A&M re lease assumption and rejections.
12/17/24	Stefanie I. Gitler	0.10	Review, analyze revised Matheson removal agreement.
12/17/24	Tysan Holloman	3.20	Draft stipulation re executory contract cure objection.
12/17/24	Brian Nakhaimousa	0.30	Conference with A&M team re rejection matters.
12/18/24	Tysan Holloman	3.50	Draft stipulation re executory contract cure objection (3.4); correspond with J. Raphael re same (.1).
12/18/24	Brian Nakhaimousa	0.20	Conference with A&M team, J. Fina re rejection of executory contracts.
12/19/24	Christopher Fabrizio	1.30	Review, analyze engagement letter re executory considerations.
12/19/24	Jamie McLennan	0.50	Review and revise assumption and rejection notices.
12/20/24	Jamie McLennan	0.50	Review and revise assumption and rejection notices.
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January 15, 2010

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Houston, TX 77002  
Telephone: 281.833.8820

Attn: Finance Department

**Invoice Number: 1050110843**  
**Client Matter: 57088-18**

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**In the Matter of the Estate of**

1. The undersigned has been retained by the undersigned to provide legal services in connection with the above-captioned matter.

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January 29, 2025

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Houston, TX 77058

Attn: James Gregory

**Invoice Number: 1050110978**  
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**In the Matter of Disclosure, Statement and Confirmation**

For legal services rendered through December 20, 2024  
(see attached Description of Legal Services for detail)

\$ 1,044,830.50

Total legal services rendered

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Legal Services for the Period Ending December 20, 2024  
Vertex Energy Inc.  
Disclosure Statement, Plan Confirmation

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Rachael M. Bentley	108.20	1,595.00	172,579.00
Sloane Bessey	64.10	975.00	62,497.50
Zac Ciullo	0.30	1,555.00	466.50
Thad W. Davis, P.C.	0.10	2,025.00	202.50
Trevor Eck	38.90	1,095.00	42,595.50
Christopher Fabrizio	20.60	815.00	16,789.00
Josephine Fina	78.30	1,395.00	109,228.50
Ashlyn Gallagher	2.10	435.00	913.50
Stefanie I. Gitler	0.40	1,885.00	754.00
Rachel Golden	162.50	1,095.00	177,937.50
Palmer Gunderson	10.90	995.00	10,845.50
Tysan Holloman	42.50	815.00	34,637.50
Shan A. Khan	1.20	1,575.00	1,890.00
Jamie McLennan	22.60	975.00	22,035.00
Georgia Meadow	4.10	355.00	1,455.50
Joe Morley	1.60	1,495.00	2,392.00
Barira Munshi	6.30	1,365.00	8,599.50
Brian Nakhaimousa	73.20	1,345.00	98,454.00
Brendan Nashelsky	77.00	1,095.00	84,315.00
Renee Olivett	38.40	975.00	37,440.00
Hannah Marie Putnam	1.00	1,235.00	1,235.00
Joshua Raphael	80.50	1,095.00	88,147.50
Anna G. Rotman, P.C.	0.30	1,955.00	586.50
Laura Saal	1.00	625.00	625.00
Brian Schartz, P.C.	3.80	2,305.00	8,759.00
Michael A. Sloman	34.00	1,265.00	43,010.00
Quin Wetzel	16.00	975.00	15,600.00
Sara B. Zabloutney, P.C.	0.30	2,445.00	733.50
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12/02/24	Zac Ciullo	0.30	Review, analyze revised Matheson removal agreement.
12/02/24	Trevor Eck	0.70	Review, revise Bullock declaration in support of confirmation.
12/02/24	Brian Nakhaimousa	0.10	Correspond with B. Nashelsky re solicitation.
12/03/24	Rachael M. Bentley	1.00	Telephone conferences with Sidley re confirmation timing and considerations re same (.4); correspond with Sidley re confirmation matters (.2); telephone conference with U.S. Trustee re confirmation objection (.2); correspond with J. Fina, K&E team re same (.2).
12/03/24	Sloane Bessey	0.40	Research re GUC trust agreements.
12/03/24	Josephine Fina	0.10	Correspond with J. Raphael, K&E team re confirmation brief.
12/03/24	Rachel Golden	2.20	Correspond with L. Saal re confirmation order (.1); review, analyze precedent re same (1.2); review, revise plan supplement materials (.9).
12/03/24	Brian Nakhaimousa	0.30	Correspond with R. Golden, K&E team re plan supplement (.2); review, analyze voting tabulation results (.1).
12/03/24	Brian Nakhaimousa	0.70	Review, revise Matheson mutual release agreement (.6); correspond with B. Nashelsky, K&E team re same (.1).
12/03/24	Brendan Nashelsky	0.10	Correspond with B. Nakhaimousa, A&M team re plan supplement.
12/03/24	Joshua Raphael	0.10	Conference with M. Sloman re confirmation brief.
12/03/24	Michael A. Sloman	0.30	Conference with J. Raphael re confirmation brief (.1); analyze considerations re same (.2).
12/03/24	Michael A. Sloman	1.10	Review, revise Matheson release agreement.
12/04/24	Rachael M. Bentley	2.10	Telephone conference with B. Schartz, K&E team, PWP, A&M, Company re status, check in, next steps (.5); review, analyze documents re plan supplement (1.0); telephone conferences with B. Schartz, K&E team re confirmation matters (.6).
12/04/24	Sloane Bessey	1.10	Review, revise confirmation order re comments received re surety.

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12/04/24	Trevor Eck	2.50	Review, revise Stein confirmation declaration (2.2); correspond with B. Nakhaimousa, K&E team re Bullock confirmation declaration (.3).
12/04/24	Christopher Fabrizio	1.30	Research, analyze precedent declarations in support of confirmation (.7); draft Stein declaration in support of confirmation (.6).
12/04/24	Georgia Meadow	3.20	Review and revise confirmation order (3.0); correspond with R. Golden re same (.2).
12/04/24	Brian Nakhaimousa	0.40	Review, analyze precedent re plan supplements.
12/04/24	Brian Nakhaimousa	0.10	Correspond with J. Raphael re plan supplement.
12/04/24	Brendan Nashelsky	0.20	Correspond with B. Nakhaimousa, K&E team re plan supplement.
12/04/24	Renee Olivett	1.50	Review, revise Matheson mutual release agreement.
12/04/24	Joshua Raphael	3.10	Review, revise lender advisor engagement letter.
12/04/24	Brian Schartz, P.C.	0.50	Conference with R. Bentley re open confirmation issues, related strategy and next steps.
12/04/24	Michael A. Sloman	0.80	Review, revise Matheson release agreement.
12/05/24	Rachael M. Bentley	0.70	Correspond with R. Golden, K&E team re plan, EPA settlement.
12/05/24	Sloane Bessey	3.00	Revise plan re EPA settlement.
12/05/24	Josephine Fina	0.50	Conference with vendor counsel re plan objections.
12/05/24	Ashlyn Gallagher	1.30	Draft confirmation declaration.
12/05/24	Rachel Golden	2.10	Conference with S. Bessey re plan, EPA settlement (.3); conference with B. Nakhaimousa re same (.2); conference with B. Nakhaimousa re emergence (.1); review, revise confirmation checklist (.8); conference with T. Eck re same (.2); correspond with R. Bentley, J. Fina, B. Nakhaimousa re same (.1); conference with J. Fina re plan (.3); correspond with S. Bessey re plan (.1).
12/05/24	Palmer Gunderson	2.00	Draft, review, revise restructuring transactions memorandum.
12/05/24	Jamie McLennan	0.40	Conference with J. Raphael re confirmation brief.

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12/05/24	Brian Nakhaimousa	0.10	Correspond with R. Golden, K&E team re second amended plan.
12/05/24	Brian Nakhaimousa	0.40	Review, analyze confirmation checklist (.3); conference with R. Golden re same (.1).
12/05/24	Brian Nakhaimousa	1.10	Review, revise release agreement (1.0); correspond with B. Nashelsky, K&E team re same (.1).
12/05/24	Brendan Nashelsky	1.60	Review, analyze materials re confirmation (1.0); correspond with T. Holloman re confirmation presentation (.1); correspond with Q. Wetzel re PWP declaration in support of confirmation (.1); conference with B. Nakhaimousa, T. Eck re declarations in support of confirmation (.2); review, analyze materials re confirmation order (.2).
12/05/24	Renee Olivett	0.40	Conference with T. Eck re Bullock declaration in support of confirmation (.2); review, analyze precedent re same (.2).
12/05/24	Renee Olivett	1.40	Revise Matheson mutual release agreement (1.2); conference with B. Nashelsky re same (.2).
12/05/24	Joshua Raphael	5.20	Draft confirmation brief.
12/05/24	Joshua Raphael	0.30	Review, revise consultant engagement letter.
12/06/24	Sloane Bessey	6.50	Revise GUC trust agreement (3.9); further review, revise same (1.1); conference with R. Golden re GUC trust agreement (.8); telephone conference with R. Bentley, K&E team and Sidley team re confirmation next steps (.7).
12/06/24	Josephine Fina	0.70	Correspond with B. Nakhaimousa, K&E team re schedule of retained causes of action issues (.2); review, analyze same (.2); correspond with B. Nakhaimousa, K&E team re transaction updates (.1); correspond with B. Nashelsky re plan supplement (.1); correspond with R. Golden re same (.1).

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12/06/24	Rachel Golden	9.20	Conference with R. Bentley, K&E team, Sidley re confirmation documents (.4); draft summary re same (.1); review, revise plan re settlement with Environmental Protection Agency (2.1); review, analyze precedent re same (.9); review, revise plan re recapitalization transaction (2.5); review, revise plan re Committee, lender comments (.7); review, analyze precedent re same (1.1); conference with J. Fina re Environmental Protection Agency settlement agreement, plan, plan supplement (.5); correspond with S. Bessey, Willkie re plan supplement documents (.1); conference with S. Bessey re same (.4); review, analyze disclosure statement order re service re plan supplement (.3); correspond with J. Fina re same (.1).
12/06/24	Palmer Gunderson	1.80	Review, revise restructuring transactions memorandum.
12/06/24	Joe Morley	1.20	Review, revise restructuring transactions memorandum.
12/06/24	Brian Nakhaimousa	0.70	Correspond with B. Nashelsky re retained causes of action schedule (.1); review, analyze same (.2); conference with R. Golden re plan supplement and confirmation order (.4).
12/06/24	Brian Nakhaimousa	0.60	Review, revise release agreement (.5); correspond with B. Nashelsky, K&E team re same (.1).
12/06/24	Brian Nakhaimousa	0.70	Conference with R. Bentley, K&E team, Sidley re confirmation matters.
12/06/24	Brendan Nashelsky	2.10	Correspond with B. Nakhaimousa, K&E team, Company re retained causes of action schedule (.4); review, analyze materials re same (.5); review, analyze materials re plan supplement (.3); correspond with J. Fina re same (.2); draft confirmation order insert re contract rejection (.7).
12/06/24	Brendan Nashelsky	0.10	Review, revise mutual release agreement.
12/06/24	Renee Olivett	0.60	Draft Bullock declaration in support of plan.
12/06/24	Joshua Raphael	1.50	Draft confirmation brief.
12/06/24	Joshua Raphael	0.70	Conference with R. Bentley, K&E team, Sidley re confirmation checklist, surety matters.

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12/06/24	Joshua Raphael	0.10	Correspond with B. Nakhaimousa, K&E team re DIP lender advisor engagement.
12/06/24	Quin Wetzel	0.70	Research precedent emergence materials.
12/07/24	Sloane Bessey	2.00	Revise GUC trust agreement (1.5); revise plan supplement (.3); correspond with R. Golden re GUC trust and plan supplement (.2).
12/07/24	Rachel Golden	8.00	Review, revise plan (3.9); review, analyze precedent re same (.5); correspond with J. Fina, B. Nakhaimousa re same (.1); correspond with S. Bessey re general unsecured claims trust agreement (.1); review, analyze precedent re same (1.1); review, revise same (2.3).
12/07/24	Joshua Raphael	1.00	Draft, review, revise confirmation brief.
12/08/24	Sloane Bessey	2.80	Revise confirmation order (2.3); correspond with J. Fina, K&E team re GUC trust agreement (.5).
12/08/24	Josephine Fina	0.90	Review, revise amended plan (.4); review, analyze precedent re same (.3); correspond with R. Golden re same (.2).
12/08/24	Josephine Fina	0.80	Review, revise consulting agreement (.6); correspond with R. Bentley, Q. Wetzel re same (.2).
12/08/24	Rachel Golden	9.60	Draft, revise GUC trust agreement (3.9); further review, revise same (3.9); review, analyze committee settlement term sheet re same (.4); review, analyze precedent re same (.8); correspond with S. Bessey re same (.6).
12/08/24	Brian Nakhaimousa	0.70	Review, revise proposed confirmation order language (.5); correspond with B. Nashelsky re same (.1); correspond with M. Sloman re confirmation brief (.1).
12/08/24	Brian Nakhaimousa	0.60	Review, revise release agreement (.5); correspond with B. Nashelsky, K&E team re same (.1).
12/08/24	Brendan Nashelsky	3.10	Review, revise Matheson mutual release agreement (2.1); correspond with R. Olivett, K&E team, A&M team re same (.5); review, revise confirmation order insert (.3); correspond with B. Nakhaimousa, K&E team re same (.2).



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12/08/24	Renee Olivett	1.00	Revise Matheson mutual release agreement (.8); correspond with B. Nashelsky, K&E team re same (.2).
12/08/24	Joshua Raphael	9.00	Draft confirmation brief (2.9); review, analyze precedent re same (2.2); research case law re confirmation matters (3.9).
12/08/24	Michael A. Sloman	0.70	Review, revise mutual release agreement.
12/09/24	Rachael M. Bentley	7.00	Review, analyze, revise plan (2.8); conferences with B. Nakhaimousa, K&E team re plan, declarations in support of confirmation, related matters (.3); review, revise declarations in support of confirmation (1.8); correspond with B. Nakhaimousa, K&E team re same (.1); review, revise confirmation brief (2.0).
12/09/24	Sloane Bessey	8.90	Revise confirmation order (3.9); further review, revise same (1.7); revise GUC trust agreement (1.3); correspond with J. Fina, K&E team re GUC trust agreement (.5); correspond with R. Golden re confirmation order (.5); review, revise restructuring transaction memorandum (.6); correspond with R. Golden and K&E team re same (.4).
12/09/24	Trevor Eck	4.00	Review, revise Bullock declaration (2.8); review, analyze precedent re same (.9); correspond with R. Olivett re same (.3).
12/09/24	Christopher Fabrizio	3.10	Conference with J. Raphael re confirmation presentation (.4); review, analyze precedent confirmation presentations (.7); draft, review, revise same (2.0).
12/09/24	Josephine Fina	3.50	Correspond with R. Golden re confirmation order (.3); review, revise chapter 11 plan (1.1); correspond with R. Golden re same (.2); review, revise investigation slide (.4); correspond with T. Eck re same (.1); correspond with R. Golden, K&E team re plan supplement (.3); conference with K&E team, PWP, A&M re case updates (.2); conference with Bracewell, K&E team re EPA updates (.5); conferences with R. Golden re plan, confirmation order (.4).
12/09/24	Ashlyn Gallagher	0.60	Draft confirmation declaration.

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12/09/24	Rachel Golden	9.50 Review, revise confirmation order language re surety (1.1); correspond with S. Bessey re confirmation order (.1); correspond with J. Fina re same (.2); review, revise plan (3.0); correspond with J. Fina, R. Bentley re same (.1); correspond with S. Bessey, K&E team re GUC trust agreement (.4); correspond with S. Bessey re same (.1); conference with B. Nakhaimousa re GUC trust agreement (.3); review, revise same (1.1); correspond with S. Bessey re same (.4); conference with S. Bessey re same (.5); review, revise consent decree (1.5); correspond with B. Nakhaimousa, R. Bentley re same (.1); review, revise restructuring transaction memorandum (.5); correspond with S. Bessey re same (.1).
12/09/24	Rachel Golden	0.10 Correspond with B. Nakhaimousa re confirmation hearing presentation.
12/09/24	Palmer Gunderson	5.40 Review, revise trust agreement (3.9); review, analyze tax issues re same (1.1); correspond with J. Morley and T. Davis re trust agreement (.4).
12/09/24	Tysan Holloman	0.70 Draft summary re assumption re plan (.6); correspond with Q. Wetzel re same (.1).
12/09/24	Tysan Holloman	1.60 Review and analyze precedent confirmation hearing presentations (1.4); correspond with B. Nashelsky and K&E team re same (.2).
12/09/24	Jamie McLennan	3.10 Review and analyze precedent re EPA settlement (.8); review, revise confirmation brief (2.3).
12/09/24	Georgia Meadow	0.30 Research precedent re confirmation hearing presentation (.2); correspond with T. Holloman re same (.1).
12/09/24	Joe Morley	0.30 Correspond with P. Gunderson, K&E team re emergence documents.

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12/09/24	Brian Nakhaimousa	3.90	Review, revise GUC trust agreement (1.4); correspond with S. Bessey, K&E team re same (.1); conference with R. Golden re GUC trust agreement (.3); conference with B. Nashelsky re supplemental solicitation (.1); correspond with B. Nashelsky, R. Olivett re research re confirmation order insert (.1); review, revise restructuring transaction memorandum (.2); correspond with S. Bessey re same (.1); conference with R. Bentley re Plan (.3); conference with R. Golden re plan (.2); conference with A&M re Bullock declaration (.3); correspond with R. Bentley re same (.1); conference with B. Nashelsky, J. Fina re schedule of retained causes of action (.7).
12/09/24	Brian Nakhaimousa	0.40	Correspond with B. Nashelsky re confirmation hearing presentation.
12/09/24	Brendan Nashelsky	3.90	Review, revise voting declaration (.8); correspond with Verita team re same (.1); correspond with Q. Wetzel, K&E team re PWP confirmation declaration (.2); telephone conference with J. Fina, B. Nakhaimousa re plan supplement (.6); review, analyze plan supplement exhibits (1.1); correspond with B. Nakhaimousa, K&E team, A&M team re same (.6); correspond with B. Nakhaimousa, T. Holloman re confirmation presentation (.3); review, analyze same (.2).
12/09/24	Renee Olivett	3.10	Draft Bullock declaration in support of confirmation (2.9); correspond with T. Holloman, K&E team re plan supplement (.2).
12/09/24	Joshua Raphael	11.00	Review, revise confirmation brief (3.8); review, analyze precedent re same (3.5); research case law re confirmation brief re confirmation (3.7).
12/09/24	Joshua Raphael	0.30	Conference with C. Fabrizio re confirmation hearing presentation.
12/09/24	Michael A. Sloman	0.70	Review, revise confirmation brief.
12/09/24	Quin Wetzel	2.10	Review, revise confirmation declaration (2.0); correspond with B. Nashelsky re same (.1).

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12/10/24	Rachael M. Bentley	6.90	Review, analyze, comment on plan supplement (1.2); correspond with S. Bessey, K&E team, Sidley team re same (.6); conference with B. Nakhaimousa, K&E team, Sidley re confirmation and emergence (.8); review, analyze issues re same (1.6); conference with B. Nakhaimousa, K&E team re same (.3); conference with B. Nakhaimousa, Shell re rejection and post-emergence matters (.5); telephone conferences and correspond with A&M, Company re same (.6); review, analyze intermediation facility documents and issues re same (1.3).
12/10/24	Sloane Bessey	4.40	Revise plan supplement exhibits (2.3); correspond with R. Golden and K&E team re plan supplement exhibits (1.1); correspond with R. Bentley, K&E team, Sidley team re same (.6); correspond with R. Golden, K&E team, Willkie team re same (.4).
12/10/24	Trevor Eck	0.60	Review, revise confirmation declaration.
12/10/24	Christopher Fabrizio	0.40	Review, revise hearing presentation (.3); correspond with J. Raphael re same (.1).
12/10/24	Josephine Fina	4.50	Conference with A&M, various parties, K&E team re RCA schedules (.5); conference with Shell, R. Bentley, K&E team re deal updates (.5); conference with Sidley, R. Bentley, K&E team re case updates, next steps (.6); draft agenda for same (.4); pre-call with R. Bentley, K&E team re same (.4); review, revise plan supplement (1.2); review, analyze precedent (.4); correspond with S. Bessey, R. Golden re same (.3); correspond with Q. Wetzel re escrow issues (.2).

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12/10/24	Rachel Golden	8.30 Review, revise restructuring transaction memorandum (.6); correspond with S. Bessey re same (.2); correspond with R. Bentley, K&E team re same (.6); correspond with S. Bessey re same (.1); review, revise confirmation checklist (.9); correspond with R. Bentley, B. Nakhaimousa, J. Raphael re same (.1); review, revise plan supplement (1.6); correspond with S. Bessey, J. Fina, B. Nakhaimousa re same (.3); correspond with Sidley re same (.1); conference with Sidley, R. Bentley, K&E team re confirmation checklist (.5); draft summary re same (.3); correspond with Willkie re general unsecured claims trust agreement, plan re trustee's comments (.3); review, analyze same (.7); revise same (1.4); review, revise correspondence re same (.5); correspond with S. Bessey re same (.1).
12/10/24	Brian Nakhaimousa	3.90 Correspond with S. Bessey re restructuring transactions memorandum (.1); telephone conferences with A&M re schedule of retained causes of action (.7); conference with J. Fina re same (.1); correspond with A&M re schedule of retained causes of action (.4); conference with R. Golden re plan supplement (.5); conference with R. Bentley, K&E team, Sidley re confirmation and emergence (.8); conference with R. Bentley, J. Fina, K&E team re same (.3); conference with R. Bentley, Shell re rejection and post-emergence matters (.5); review, research re issues re same (.4); correspond with R. Olivett, K&E team re same (.1).
12/10/24	Brendan Nashelsky	6.10 Conferences with B. Nakhaimousa, K&E team re confirmation documents (1.7); review, revise plan supplement documents (2.3); telephone conferences with R. Bentley, B. Nakhaimousa, K&E team, A&M team re same (.8); correspond with B. Nakhaimousa, K&E team, A&M team, Company, Sidley re same (.7); review, analyze exhibits re same (.4); review, revise voting declaration (.2).

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12/10/24	Renee Olivett	5.50	Revise Bullock declaration in support of confirmation (1.4); correspond with T. Eck re same (.2); research re confirmation order issue (3.9).
12/10/24	Joshua Raphael	4.60	Review, revise confirmation brief (3.9); review, analyze rejection schedule (.4); correspond with B. Nakhaimousa re same (.2); review, analyze plan and correspond re rejection schedule (.1).
12/10/24	Michael A. Sloman	3.90	Review, revise confirmation brief.
12/10/24	Michael A. Sloman	0.40	Review, revise mutual release agreement.
12/11/24	Rachael M. Bentley	6.80	Conference with Sidley, B. Nakhaimousa, K&E team re confirmation, plan supplement documents (.9); review, analyze, revise plan and plan supplement materials (1.2); conference B. Nakhaimousa, K&E team re same, confirmation pleadings (.8); review, revise, pleadings in support of confirmation (1.3); telephone conferences and correspond with A&M, K&E teams re same (1.1); correspond with B. Nakhaimousa re transfer agent (.1); correspond with B. Nashelsky, K&E team, Shell re confirmation order language (.4); review, analyze, revise confirmation order re same (1.0).
12/11/24	Rachael M. Bentley	0.40	Telephone conference with J. Fina, K&E team, A&M re retained causes of action, removal schedule re plan supplement.
12/11/24	Sloane Bessey	3.50	Conference with J. Fina, K&E team re plan supplement (1.2); revise plan supplement (1.4); telephone conference with R. Bentley, K&E team, Sidley team re confirmation next steps (.9).
12/11/24	Sloane Bessey	0.60	Review, revise confirmation presentation.
12/11/24	Trevor Eck	7.50	Review, revise Stein declaration in support of confirmation (3.2); review, revise Bullock declaration in support of confirmation (3.3); review, analyze precedent re confirmation declarations (1.0).
12/11/24	Christopher Fabrizio	1.70	Research re plan issues (.5); correspond with T. Holloman, R. Olivett re same (.2); review, revise Stein declaration in support of confirmation (1.0).

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12/11/24	Josephine Fina	5.60	Conference with A&M, R. Bentley, K&E team re contract rejection, assumption schedules (.5); review, analyze issues re same (.4); conference with Willkie, R. Bentley, K&E team re deal updates (.5); conference with HL, A&M, R. Bentley, K&E team, Sidley re deal updates, confirmation updates (.5); pre-call with R. Bentley, K&E team re same (.4); correspond with R. Golden re confirmation order (.4); review, analyze same (.4); correspond with Sidley re new board (.3); correspond with S. Bessey, R. Golden re plan supplement (.4); review, analyze same and schedules re same (.8); review, analyze restructuring transactions memo (.4); conference and correspond with R. Bentley, B. Nakhaimousa, R. Golden, K&E team re deal updates, work in process, related issues (.6).
12/11/24	Josephine Fina	0.30	Correspond with B. Roy re confirmation order.
12/11/24	Rachel Golden	8.40	Review, revise plan re exit facility (3.9); review, analyze precedent re same (1.3); conference with J. Fina re same (.5); correspond with R. Bentley re same (.2); correspond with Verita re service of plan supplement (.4); correspond with Bracewell re plan supplement (.2); correspond with S. Bessey re plan supplement documents (.3); correspond with P. Gunderson, K&E team re restructuring transaction memorandum (.2); correspond with S. Meyers, K&E team re new organizational documents (.1); review, revise PBGC language re plan (.7); correspond with Sidley re same (.2); conference with Sidley, R. Bentley re plan supplement notice (.4);.
12/11/24	Palmer Gunderson	0.50	Review, analyze conversion documents and revisions to restructuring transactions memorandum.
12/11/24	Tysan Holloman	3.80	Review, revise confirmation hearing presentation.



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12/11/24	Brian Nakhaimousa	4.20 Review, revise Matheson release agreement (.5); correspond with B. Nashelsky re same (.1); conferences with B. Nashelsky re retained causes of action schedule (.4); review same (.8); correspond with B. Nashelsky re tax matter re disclosure statement (.2); review, revise schedule of rejected executory contracts (.3); correspond with J. Raphael re same (.1); correspond with S. Bessey, R. Golden re plan (.1); conference with Sidley, R. Bentley, K&E team re plan supplement (.9); conference R. Bentley, K&E team re same, confirmation pleadings (.8);.
12/11/24	Brian Nakhaimousa	1.20 Correspond with B. Nashelsky re confirmation order re Shell (.1); correspond with R. Bentley re transfer agent (.1); correspond with Q. Wetzel re organizational documents re plan supplement (.1); review, analyze same (.5); correspond with C. Fabrizio re Stein declaration (.1); review, analyze plan supplement (.2); correspond with R. Golden, J. Fina re same (.1).
12/11/24	Brendan Nashelsky	6.40 Review, revise voting declaration (1.2); telephone conferences with R. Bentley, K&E team, A&M team, Sidley re plan supplement (2.3); review, analyze materials re same (.4); review, revise plan supplement documents (.6); correspond with B. Nakhaimousa, K&E team, Company, A&M team re same (.9); telephone conferences with B. Nakhaimousa, A&M team re same (.6); correspond with R. Bentley, K&E team, Shell re confirmation order language (.4).
12/11/24	Renee Olivett	4.90 Revise Bullock declaration in support of confirmation (2.6); research re confirmation order issue (1.9); correspond with C. Fabrizio, K&E team re same (.4).



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12/11/24	Joshua Raphael	5.50	Review, analyze agreements re rejection schedule (.5); conference with B. Nakhaimousa re contract rejection schedule (.1); revise same (1.0); review, revise confirmation brief (1.7); review, analyze, revise plan supplement notices and correspond re same (.7); review, analyze plan supplement (.6); telephone conference with A&M, J. Fina, K&E team re assumption, rejection schedules and review notice re same (.9).
12/11/24	Brian Schartz, P.C.	0.70	Conference with R. Bentley re deal status, open issues, next steps.
12/12/24	Rachael M. Bentley	6.90	Review, analyze, revise confirmation and plan supplement filings (2.0); telephone conferences and correspond with B. Nakhaimousa, K&E team re same (0.9); review, analyze, revise plan (1.1); review, analyze, revise plan supplement materials (.6); review, analyze, revise confirmation brief (.8); telephone conference with B. Nashelskey, working group re Matheson removal agreement (.5); prepare for same (.3); telephone conferences and correspond re PBGC matters (.4); analyze issues re same (.3).
12/12/24	Sloane Bessey	1.00	Correspond with R. Golden, K&E team re plan supplement.
12/12/24	Sloane Bessey	1.20	Review, revise confirmation hearing presentation.
12/12/24	Trevor Eck	3.50	Review, revise Bullock declaration in support of confirmation (3.3); correspond with R. Olivett re same (.2).
12/12/24	Christopher Fabrizio	0.90	Review, revise confirmation hearing presentation.

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12/12/24	Josephine Fina	5.40 Conference with B. Nashelsky, Company, A&M re Matheson removal agreement (.5); conference with R. Golden, PBGC re plan language (.5); conference with R Bentley, R. Golden re same (.4); review, analyze same (.2); correspond with B. Nashelsky re RCA issues (.2); review, analyze same (.4); review, analyze rejection issue (.4); correspond with C. Fabrizio re same (.2); correspond with Sidley re new board, plan supplement (.2); conference and correspond with R. Golden, S. Bessey re same (.4); review, analyze issues re same (.5); conferences with B. Nakhaimousa, K&E team re same (.3); review, revise new org documents (.7); conference and correspond with R. Golden, R. Bentley re same (.4); correspond with Bracewell re same (.1).
12/12/24	Rachel Golden	11.00 Review, revise confirmation order (3.9); correspond with Willkie re GUC trust agreement (.1); review, revise same (.3); correspond with Company re plan supplement documents (.3); review, revise plan supplement, related documents (3.9); revise plan supplement summary re same (.2); correspond with PBGC re plan language (.1); conference with PBGC re same (.3); correspond with M. Antinossi, Sidley re same (.2); review, revise plan (1.0); draft exhibit re identity of new board(.5); review, analyze precedent re same (.2).
12/12/24	Palmer Gunderson	0.70 Review and revise company conversion documents (.5); correspond with J. Morley and S. Zabloutney re same (.2).
12/12/24	Tysan Holloman	6.20 Review, revise confirmation hearing presentation (3.9); further review and revise re same (2.1); correspond with B. Nashelsky re same (.2).
12/12/24	Jamie McLennan	0.80 Review and revise voting declaration.
12/12/24	Brian Nakhaimousa	0.10 Correspond with B. Nashelsky re schedule of retained causes of action.

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12/12/24	Brendan Nashelsky	3.60 Review, revise plan supplement (.3); review, analyze exhibits re same (.5); correspond with R. Olivett, K&E team, Company, A&M team re same (1.1); telephone conferences with B. Nakhaimousa, K&E team, A&M team re same (.4); correspond with Verita, Sidley re ballots (.2); review, revise voting declaration (1.0); correspond with J. McLennan re same (.1).
12/12/24	Renee Olivett	1.80 Revise Bullock declaration in support of confirmation (.5); revise schedule of retained causes of action re plan supplement (.5); research re confirmation order issue (.4); correspond with C. Fabrizio, K&E team re same (.4).
12/12/24	Joshua Raphael	1.00 Review, analyze, revise confirmation presentation.
12/12/24	Michael A. Sloman	2.10 Review, revise confirmation brief (1.4); review, analyze new organizational documents (.4); correspond with Q. Wetzel re same (.3).
12/12/24	Quin Wetzel	2.10 Review, analyze reorganized corporate organizational documents (1.4); correspond with M. Sloman re same (.3); draft summary re same (.4).
12/13/24	Rachael M. Bentley	6.70 Review, revise confirmation pleadings (2.5); review, analyze plan supplement (.6); analyze issues re same, confirmation, emergence (2.5); telephone conferences with A&M, K&E team re same (1.1).
12/13/24	Sloane Bessey	2.90 Revise confirmation order insert re governmental claims (.6); research pleadings re same (.8); revise plan supplement (.7); correspond with R. Golden, K&E team re plan supplement (.4); revise GUC trust agreement (.4).
12/13/24	Sloane Bessey	0.30 Revise confirmation hearing presentation re RINs.
12/13/24	Christopher Fabrizio	0.50 Review, revise confirmation hearing presentation re plan objections.

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12/13/24	Josephine Fina	5.50 Correspond R. Olivett re notice re remote testimony (.2); review, revise same (.4); correspond with B. Nashelsky re RCA issues (.4); review, analyze same (.7); correspond with R. Golden, K&E team re plan supplement (.3); review, analyze, revise same, schedules for same (.9); conferences with R. Bentley, R. Golden re same (.5); correspond with B. Nakhaimousa, K&E team re assumption and rejection schedules, issues (.4); correspond with Sidley re plan supplement (.3); review, analyze issues re same (.6); correspond with J. Gregory re new org docs (.4); conference with R. Bentley re same (.4).
12/13/24	Josephine Fina	1.20 Correspond with B. Nashelsky re Shell issues (.3); review, analyze Matheson issues (.6); correspond with B. Nashelsky re same (.3).
12/13/24	Rachel Golden	8.80 Review, revise plan supplement documents (3.9); compile and prepare same for filing (2.1); correspond with Sidley, R. Bentley, K&E team re same (.2); correspond with Bracewell team re same (.1); correspond with P. Gunderson, K&E team re plan supplement document inquiries (.2); correspond with P. Gunderson, K&E team re GUC trust agreement(.1); review, analyze same (.9); correspond with S. Bessey re same (.2); correspond with S. Bessey re DOJ confirmation order language (.1); review, analyze precedent summary re same (.9); correspond with S. Bessey re same (.1).
12/13/24	Palmer Gunderson	0.20 Correspond with J. Morley, T. Davis and S. Zablotney re GUC trust agreement.
12/13/24	Tysan Holloman	3.70 Review, revise confirmation hearing presentation (3.6); correspond with B. Nashelsky re same (.1).
12/13/24	Jamie McLennan	2.10 Review and revise voting declaration.
12/13/24	Brian Nakhaimousa	0.30 Review, revise voting declaration (.2); correspond with J. McLennan re same (.1).
12/13/24	Brian Nakhaimousa	0.20 Conference with B. Nashelsky re rejection schedule re plan supplement.

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12/13/24	Brendan Nashelsky	4.40	Review, revise confirmation declaration (1.2); correspond with Q. Wetzel re same (.3); telephone conferences with A&M team re same (.2); telephone conferences with J. Fina, K&E team, A&M team re plan supplement (.6); correspond with J. Fina, K&E team, Company, A&M team, Sidley re same (1.1); review, analyze exhibits re same (.7); review, revise same (.1); review, revise Matheson mutual release agreement (.2).
12/13/24	Renee Olivett	0.90	Revise Bullock declaration in support of confirmation (.7); correspond with T. Eck, K&E team re same (.2).
12/13/24	Renee Olivett	0.50	Review, revise hearing notice.
12/13/24	Joshua Raphael	1.90	Review, revise confirmation brief.
12/13/24	Michael A. Sloman	7.60	Review, revise confirmation brief (3.9); further review, analyze considerations re same (3.7).
12/13/24	Quin Wetzel	2.30	Revise PWP confirmation declaration (1.9); correspond with B. Nashelsky re same (.4).
12/14/24	Rachael M. Bentley	2.10	Review, analyze plan, confirmation considerations.
12/14/24	Rachel Golden	3.90	Review, revise confirmation order.
12/14/24	Brendan Nashelsky	1.00	Review, analyze schedule of executory contracts to be assumed and rejected (.5); telephone conferences with B. Nakhaimousa, A&M team re same (.2); correspond with J. Raphael, K&E team, A&M team re same (.3).
12/14/24	Joshua Raphael	2.50	Review, revise confirmation brief.
12/15/24	Rachael M. Bentley	1.40	Correspond with S. Bessey, K&E team, A&M team re GUC trust agreement (.2); review, analyze same (.7); review, analyze plan (.5).
12/15/24	Sloane Bessey	0.50	Correspond with R. Bentley, K&E team, A&M team re GUC trust agreement (.2); revise GUC trust agreement (.3).
12/15/24	Josephine Fina	5.50	Review, revise confirmation order (1.1); review, revise declarations in support of confirmation (2.1); review, revise brief (1.2); review, analyze GUC trust agreement and related documents (1.1).

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12/15/24	Rachel Golden	12.50 Review, revise confirmation order (3.9); review, analyze precedent re same (2.9); further revise same (1.2); review, analyze GUC trust agreement (1.9); revise same (1.8); review, revise confirmation order (.8).
12/15/24	Jamie McLennan	0.90 Review and revise voting declaration.
12/15/24	Brendan Nashelsky	1.40 Review, revise voting declaration (.8); review, revise confirmation presentation (.6).
12/15/24	Joshua Raphael	2.00 Review, revise confirmation brief.
12/16/24	Rachael M. Bentley	15.70 Review, analyze GUC trust agreement (1.3); correspond with S. Bessey, K&E team, A&M team re same (.5); review, analyze schedules of executory contracts (.6); telephone conferences with B. Nashelsky, K&E team, A&M team re same (.8); review, analyze, revise plan supplement documents re filing (1.4); telephone conferences and correspond with J. Fina, K&E team re same (.8); review, analyze, revise plan supplement documents and documents in support of confirmation (2.9); review, analyze, revise confirmation order (1.2); review, analyze, revise plan (2.2); telephone conferences and correspond with A&M, working group re confirmation hearing and emergence matters (2.1); telephone conferences and correspond with Sidley re same (.4); telephone conferences and correspond re DOJ settlement (.8); review, analyze same (.7).
12/16/24	Sloane Bessey	1.70 Draft first amended plan supplement notice (.8); correspond with R. Bentley, K&E team, A&M team re GUC trust agreement (.5); review, analyze, revise confirmation order (.2); correspond with Bracewell team, J. Fina, K&E team re GUC trust agreement (.2).
12/16/24	Thad W. Davis, P.C.	0.10 Review and revise trust agreement re tax matters.
12/16/24	Trevor Eck	5.00 Review, revise Stein declaration in support of confirmation (1.5); correspond with J. Fina, K&E team re same (.4); review, revise Bullock declaration in support of confirmation (2.4); correspond with R. Olivett, K&E team re same (.4); review, analyze issues re same (.3).

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12/16/24	Christopher Fabrizio	2.40	Review, revise Stein declaration re confirmation (.6); correspond with T. Eck re same (.2); correspond with B. Munshi, K&E team re same (.1); research, analyze precedent re confirmation order considerations (1.5).
12/16/24	Josephine Fina	7.70	Review, revise confirmation order, declarations, brief and related documents (3.9); conferences with R. Bentley, B. Nakhaimousa re same (.8); conferences and correspond with R. Golden re confirmation order, plan supplement (.9); review, revise plan supplement (2.1).
12/16/24	Rachel Golden	13.00	Review, analyze proposed confirmation order inserts (1.5); revise confirmation order re inserts (1.8); review, revise same (2.3); further revise confirmation order (3.9); review, analyze precedent re same (.9); correspond with Sidley re same (.3); correspond with Sidley re transfer agent (.1); correspond with environmental protection agency re consent decree (.1); correspond with S. Bessey re plan supplement (.1); review, revise same (.4); prepare same for filing (.1); correspond with Q. Wetzels, S. Bessey re emergence summary (.1); conference with R. Bentley, J. Fina re consent decree, confirmation updates (.7); conference with J. Raphael re environmental protection agency settlement (.4); correspond with R. Bentley, Company re same (.2); correspond with S. Bessey re general unsecured claims trust agreement (.1).
12/16/24	Tysan Holloman	6.90	Review, revise confirmation hearing presentation (3.8); correspond with B. Nashelsky re same (.1); further review, revise confirmation hearing presentation (3.0).
12/16/24	Jamie McLennan	2.40	Review and revise voting declaration (1.7); review and analyze certificate of service re solicitation (.3); correspond with Verita re same (.4).
12/16/24	Georgia Meadow	0.60	Review, analyze precedent re confirmation order (.4); correspond with C. Fabrizio re same (.2).
12/16/24	Barira Munshi	1.40	Review, analyze confirmation declarations.



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12/16/24	Brian Nakhaimousa	9.70	Review, revise voting declaration (2.5); correspond with J. McLennan, K&E team re same (.1); conference with J. Fina, K&E team, A&M re rejection schedule (.5); review, revise confirmation brief (3.9); research, analyze issues and considerations re same (1.1); further review, revise same (.3); correspond with J. Fina, K&E team re confirmation order (.4); correspond with J. Fina, R. Golden re plan (.5); review, revise confirmation order insert re Shell (.3); correspond with B. Nashelsky re same (.1).
12/16/24	Brendan Nashelsky	6.90	Review, revise voting declaration (1.1); review, analyze solicitation materials re same (.4); correspond with J. McLennan, K&E team, Verita re same (.3); review, revise PWP declaration in support of confirmation (.9); correspond with Q. Wetzel re same (.1); telephone conferences with R. Bentley, K&E team, A&M team re schedule of executory contracts to be rejected (.8); review, analyze same (.6); correspond with J. Fina, K&E team, A&M team, Shell re same (.3); review, revise confirmation presentation (1.9); correspond with T. Holloman, K&E team re same (.3); correspond with T. Holloman, K&E team re confirmation hearing talking points (.2).
12/16/24	Renee Olivett	3.20	Revise Bullock declaration in support of plan (2.4); correspond with T. Eck, K&E team re same (.4); revise confirmation presentation (.4).
12/16/24	Joshua Raphael	0.20	Review, analyze considerations re plan objections.
12/16/24	Joshua Raphael	6.20	Review, revise confirmation brief (3.9); further revise same (2.3).
12/16/24	Anna G. Rotman, P.C.	0.30	Review, analyze declaration in support of confirmation.
12/16/24	Quin Wetzel	1.60	Revise PWP confirmation declaration (1.1); correspond with PWP team re same (.2); correspond with A. Rotman, K&E team re same (.1); correspond with B. Nashelsky re same (.2).
12/16/24	Tanzila Zomo	0.30	Research precedent re plan documents.



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12/17/24	Rachael M. Bentley	16.20	Conference with Willkie team, Kelley Drye team, S. Bessey, K&E team re GUC trust agreement (.7); conferences with B. Nakhaimousa, J. Fina, K&E team re confirmation workstreams (1.6); review exit financing term sheet and plan re same (.7); correspond with B. Nakhaimousa, S. Khan, Bracewell, A&M re same (.2); telephone conferences and correspond re confirmation objections and issues re same (1.4); research, analyze U.S. Trustee objection to confirmation (2.0); conference with J. Fina, K&E team re same (.8); review, revise schedules of assumed and rejected executory contracts (.8); correspond with B. Nashelsky, K&E team, Sidley re same (.4); review, revise confirmation brief (1.2); telephone conference with J. Fina, K&E team re same (.5); telephone conferences and correspond with A&M, working group re confirmation issues and emergence matters (2.4); telephone conferences and correspond with Company re same (.5); review, revise plan supplement documents and documents in support of confirmation (2.6); telephone conferences with declarants re confirmation hearing (.4).
12/17/24	Sloane Bessey	5.30	Prepare first amended plan supplement notice for filing (2.2); review, summarize objections to plan (.8); correspond with R. Golden, K&E team re plan supplement (.7); review, revise witness and exhibit list re confirmation hearing (.3); conference with Willkie team, Kelley Drye team, R. Bentley, K&E team re GUC trust agreement (.7); conference with R. Bentley, K&E team re confirmation next steps (.4); conference with R. Golden re same (.2).
12/17/24	Trevor Eck	5.00	Review, revise declarations in support of confirmation (3.9); review, analyze precedent re same (.5); correspond with J. Fina, K&E team re same (.6).
12/17/24	Christopher Fabrizio	3.90	Review, revise confirmation brief (2.6); review, revise Stein declaration re confirmation (1.3).

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12/17/24	Josephine Fina	11.60 Review, revise confirmation order (2.4); review, revise declarations in support of confirmation (2.6); review, revise confirmation brief (2.8); conference with R. Bentley, B. Nakhaimousa re confirmation documents (1.6); conference with Willkie, Sidley, S. Bessey, K&E team re GUC trust agreement (.7); review, analyze same (1.5).
12/17/24	Stefanie I. Gitler	0.40 Conference with R. Bentley, K&E team re confirmation matters.
12/17/24	Rachel Golden	14.20 Review, analyze confirmation order (1.8); review, revise same (2.2); review, analyze precedent re same (1.5); correspond with R. Bentley, J. Fina, B. Nakhaimousa re same (.9); review, analyze objections re plan, confirmation (1.4); correspond with R. Bentley, A&M, Sidley, Willkie re plan, plan supplement (.9); review, revise same (1.1); compile plan supplement and prepare same for filing (.3); review, revise plan re exit structure (2.5); review, analyze precedent re same (1.6).
12/17/24	Palmer Gunderson	0.30 Correspond with S. Zablotney, T. Davis and J. Morley re GUC trust agreement.
12/17/24	Tysan Holloman	0.80 Review, revise exit financing term sheet (.5); correspond with B. Nakhaimousa and K&E team re same (.3).
12/17/24	Tysan Holloman	7.30 Review, revise confirmation hearing presentation (3.8); correspond with B. Nashelsky and K&E team re same (.3); further review, revise re same (3.2).
12/17/24	Shan A. Khan	1.20 Correspond with B. Nakhaimousa, K&E team re Bracewell, Sidley re exit financing (.5); review, revise draft exit commitment letter re same (.7).
12/17/24	Jamie McLennan	1.20 Review and revise voting declaration.
12/17/24	Barira Munshi	3.30 Review, revise declarations in support of confirmation (3.0); review, analyze correspondence with A. Rotman, K&E team re same (.3).

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12/17/24	Brian Nakhaimousa	7.90		Review revised GUC trust agreement (.1); review, revise confirmation brief (.8); correspond with J. Raphael, K&E team re same (.1); review, revise Bullock declaration in support of confirmation (3.7); correspond with R. Olivett, K&E team re same (.1); review, revise exit financing term sheet (1.5); correspond with T. Holloman, S. Khan, R. Bentley, Bracewell, A&M re same (.2); conference with S. Khan re same (.1); review, revise McGovern declaration in support of confirmation (1.0); correspond with B. Nashelsky, Q. Wetzel re same (.1); review, analyze assumption schedule re plan supplement (.1); correspond with R. Bentley, K&E team re same (.1).
12/17/24	Brian Nakhaimousa	2.60		Conferences with R. Bentley, K&E team re work in process, next steps re confirmation.
12/17/24	Brian Nakhaimousa	0.20		Review, revise W&E list (.1); correspond with S. Bessey re same (.1).
12/17/24	Brian Nakhaimousa	1.10		Review, revise confirmation hearing presentation materials (1.0); correspond with B. Nashelsky re same (.1).
12/17/24	Brendan Nashelsky	2.70		Review, revise voting declaration (.7); telephone conferences with Verita re same (.2); correspond with Verita, Reed Smith re opt in (.2); correspond with R. Bentley, K&E team, Sidley re schedules of assumed and rejected executory contracts (.4); review, analyze materials re same (.8); correspond with B. Nakhaimousa, K&E team, A&M team, Company, counsel to Matheson re Matheson mutual release agreement (.2); review, analyze materials re same (.2).
12/17/24	Brendan Nashelsky	4.80		Review, revise confirmation presentation (3.7); conference with B. Schartz re same (.2); telephone conference with B. Nakhaimousa re same (.3); correspond with T. Holloman, K&E team re same (.6).
12/17/24	Renee Olivett	3.80		Review, revise Bullock declaration in support of plan (2.9); correspond with T. Eck, K&E team, A&M team re same (.9).
12/17/24	Hannah Marie Putnam	0.60		Review, revise voting declaration in support of confirmation.

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12/17/24	Joshua Raphael	11.00	Conference with R. Bentley, K&E team re confirmation (1.0); review, revise confirmation brief (2.3); further revise confirmation brief (4.5); correspond with J. Fina, K&E team re confirmation related issues (1.6); conferences with J. Fina, K&E team re same (1.6).
12/17/24	Brian Schartz, P.C.	0.60	Conference with R. Bentley re confirmation, next steps, related strategies and open issues.
12/17/24	Michael A. Sloman	0.40	Review, revise confirmation brief.
12/17/24	Michael A. Sloman	1.60	Telephone conferences with R. Bentley, K&E team re case status, confirmation.
12/17/24	Quin Wetzel	1.90	Review, revise declaration in support of confirmation.
12/17/24	Sara B. Zablotney, P.C.	0.30	Review, revise GUC trust agreement re tax matters.
12/18/24	Rachael M. Bentley	12.70	Conference with B. Schartz re confirmation matters (.6); prepare for confirmation hearing (1.2); correspond with declarants, S. Bessey, K&E team re same (.2); review, analyze confirmation objections (1.8); conference with S. Bessey, K&E team, objecting counsel re same (.2); telephone conferences and correspond with A&M, J. Fina, K&E team re confirmation matters and hearing (2.9); review, revise plan supplement documents, documents in support of confirmation (1.9); conference with B. Nakhaimousa, J. Fina re same (.3); review, analyze exit commitment letter (.6); conference with Bracewell, B. Nakhaimousa, K&E team re same (.4); review, revise Matheson mutual release agreement (1.4); correspond with B. Nashelsky, K&E team, Matheson, Sidley re same (.7); telephone conferences and correspond with Sidley re confirmation, plan supplement documents (.5).
12/18/24	Sloane Bessey	6.00	Revise third amended plan supplement notice (1.8); correspond with R. Golden re plan supplement (.3); review, revise confirmation order (.8); analyze, summarize objections to confirmation (1.2); conference with R. Bentley, K&E team, objecting counsel re confirmation objection (.2); prepare plan supplement notice for filing (1.7).

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12/18/24	Sloane Bessey	0.20	Correspond with declarants, R. Bentley, K&E team re confirmation hearing.
12/18/24	Trevor Eck	1.90	Review, revise declarations in support of confirmation.
12/18/24	Christopher Fabrizio	6.00	Review, revise Stein declaration (.7); correspond with B. Nakhaimousa, K&E team re same (.1); correspond with T. Eck re same (.1); research, analyze precedent re confirmation issues (.3); review, revise confirmation brief (3.9); review, analyze key issues and further revise same (.9).
12/18/24	Josephine Fina	8.00	Review, revise confirmation order (2.3); conference with R. Bentley, B. Nakhaimousa re same (.3); conferences with B. Nashelsky, K&E team re confirmation workstreams (1.9); review, revise declarations in support of confirmation (2.4); review, revise confirmation brief (.4); conference with Willkie, Alix, R. Bentley, K&E team, A&M re confirmation status, related issues (.5); conference with creditor counsel re plan objection (.2).
12/18/24	Ashlyn Gallagher	0.20	Review, revise hearing calendar invitations.
12/18/24	Rachel Golden	16.20	Review, analyze confirmation order (2.5); review, revise same (2.0); review, analyze precedent re same (1.5); correspond with R. Bentley, J. Fina, B. Nakhaimousa re same (.9); review, analyze objections re plan, confirmation (1.6); correspond with R. Bentley, A&M, Sidley, Willkie re plan, plan supplement (1.2); review, revise same (1.7); compile, manage same for filing (.5); review, revise plan re exit structure (2.7); review, analyze precedent re same (1.6).
12/18/24	Tysan Holloman	2.70	Review, revise confirmation hearing presentation (2.6); correspond with R. Golden, K&E team re same (.1).
12/18/24	Jamie McLennan	3.90	Review and revise voting declaration (1.3); review and analyze confirmation objections (.9); summarize same (1.7).
12/18/24	Joe Morley	0.10	Correspond with P. Gunderson, K&E team re restructuring transactions memorandum.

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12/18/24	Brian Nakhaimousa	10.40	Review, revise Stein declaration in support of confirmation (2.0); correspond with T. Eck, K&E team re same (.1); conference with R. Bentley re Stein declaration (.4); review, revise confirmation brief (3.8); correspond with J. Raphael, K&E team re same (.1); conference with R. Golden re objection re confirmation order (.3); conference with R. Golden, K&E team, objecting party re same (.2); conference with R. Bentley, J. Fina re confirmation order (.3); conference with R. Golden, K&E team re plan supplement (.5); review, finalize same (1.4); correspond with R. Golden, K&E team, A&M re same (.2); correspond with Willkie, AlixPartners, A&M re assumption schedule (.5); conference with Sidley re exit commitment letter (.1); conference with Bracewell, R. Bentley, K&E team re same (.4); correspond with Willkie, Bracewell, Sidley re same (.1).
12/18/24	Brian Nakhaimousa	0.50	Conference with B. Munshi re confirmation hearing.
12/18/24	Brendan Nashelsky	9.70	Draft talking points re confirmation (1.6); review, revise confirmation order (.6); telephone conferences with R. Bentley, K&E team, Sidley re same (.4); correspond with R. Bentley, K&E team, Sidley, Shell re same (.9); review, revise schedules of executory contracts (1.1); telephone conferences with B. Nakhaimousa, K&E team, A&M team re same (1.3); correspond with B. Nakhaimousa, A&M team, Sidley, counterparties re same (1.0); review, revise Matheson mutual release agreement (.8); correspond with R. Bentley, K&E team, counsel to Matheson, Sidley re same (.7); telephone conferences with Matheson re same (.2); review, revise voting declaration (.8); telephone conferences with Verita re same (.3).
12/18/24	Brendan Nashelsky	1.90	Review, revise confirmation presentation (1.7); correspond with T. Holloman re same (.2).
12/18/24	Renee Olivett	2.40	Review, revise Bullock declaration in support of confirmation (1.6); correspond with T. Eck, K&E team, A&M re same (.8).



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12/18/24	Renee Olivett	0.50	Review, revise Matheson mutual release agreement (.4); correspond with B. Nashelsky re same (.1).
12/18/24	Joshua Raphael	8.30	Review, revise confirmation brief (7.8); conference with R. Bentley, K&E team re confirmation, high priority items (.5).
12/18/24	Brian Schartz, P.C.	0.50	Conference with R. Bentley re confirmation matters.
12/18/24	Michael A. Sloman	1.70	Review, revise confirmation brief.
12/19/24	Rachael M. Bentley	14.90	Review, revise declarations and documents in support of confirmation (4.2); telephone conferences and correspond with B. Schartz, A&M team, K&E team re same and hearing (2.9); review, analyze revised plan re hearing and confirmation objections (1.1); review, analyze plan supplement documents (.9); review, analyze exit financing and governance considerations (1.1); correspond with B. Nakhaimousa re employee matters re confirmation (.7); telephone conferences with K&E team re confirmation objection (.6); review, analyze issues re same (1.3); office conference with A&M re disclosure statement exhibits (.6); prepare for confirmation hearing (1.0); review, revise presentation and talking points re same (.5).
12/19/24	Rachael M. Bentley	1.20	Conference with B. Nakhaimousa, U.S. Trustee re confirmation objection (.8); conference with B. Nakhaimousa re same (.4).
12/19/24	Sloane Bessey	7.30	Review, revise plan supplement (3.1); conferences with B. Nashelsky, K&E team re confirmation documents and filing (2.2); draft notice re amended plan (.5); review, analyze confirmation objections and resolutions (1.5).
12/19/24	Trevor Eck	4.20	Review, revise declarations in support of confirmation (3.6); correspond with R. Olivett, K&E team, Sidley re same (.6).
12/19/24	Christopher Fabrizio	0.40	Review, revise confirmation brief.

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12/19/24	Josephine Fina	8.80 Review, revise confirmation order (2.6), review, revise declarations in support of confirmation (1.8); review, revise confirmation brief (2.4); conferences with A&M team re same (.9); conferences and correspond with R. Golden re confirmation order, plan supplement (1.1).
12/19/24	Rachel Golden	14.00 Review, analyze confirmation order (3.9); review, revise same (2.8); review, analyze precedent re same (1.5); correspond with R. Bentley, J. Fina, B. Nakhaimousa re same (.9); review, analyze objections re plan, confirmation (1.6); correspond with R. Bentley, A&M, Sidley, Willkie re plan, plan supplement (.8); review, revise same (.4); review, revise plan (2.1).
12/19/24	Tysan Holloman	7.70 Review, revise confirmation hearing presentation (3.8); correspond with B. Nashelsky and K&E team re same (.3); further review, revise re same (3.6).
12/19/24	Jamie McLennan	7.80 Review and revise voting declaration (1.1); review and revise confirmation brief (3.9); review, analyze precedent re same (2.1); further review, revise same (.7).
12/19/24	Barira Munshi	0.50 Review, analyze Bullock declaration in support of confirmation (.3); conference with R. Olivett re same (.2).



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 Vertex Energy Inc.  
 Disclosure Statement, Plan Confirmation

Invoice Number: 1050110896  
 Matter Number: 57088-20

<u>Date</u>	<u>Name</u>	<u>BourS</u>	<u>Description</u>
12/19/24	Brian Nakhaimousa	10.30	Correspond with Texas taxing authorities re confirmation order (.4); correspond with R. Golden re confirmation order (.4); correspond with A&M re exit commitment letter (.4); correspond with S. Bessey, K&E team re plan supplement filing (.4); correspond with B. Nashelsky, K&E team re voting report (.5); correspond with R. Bentley re employee matters re confirmation (.7); correspond with C. Fabrizio re confirmation brief (.3); review, revise same (1.1); correspond with M. Sloman, J. Raphael re same (.4); correspond with Company re assumption and rejection schedules (.3); correspond with counsel to creditor re plan supplement (.3); conference with R. Bentley, U.S. Trustee re confirmation objection (.8); conference with R. Bentley re same (.4); review, revise confirmation pleadings and prepare same for filing (3.9).
12/19/24	Brian Nakhaimousa	0.40	Correspond with S. Bessey re confirmation hearing agenda.
12/19/24	Brendan Nashelsky	9.30	Review, revise voting declaration (1.7); telephone conferences with Verita, Sidley re same (.9); correspond with B. Nakhaimousa, K&E team, Verita, Sidley re same (1.4); review, revise declaration in support of confirmation (.7); review revise financial projections (.3); telephone conferences with A&M team re same (.2); review, revise confirmation order insert (1.8); correspond with Sidley, Shell, A&M team re same (1.5); review, analyze materials re schedules of assumed and rejected contracts (.8).
12/19/24	Brendan Nashelsky	1.40	Telephone conferences with B. Nakhaimousa, K&E team re confirmation.
12/19/24	Brendan Nashelsky	1.40	Review, revise confirmation presentation (.8); correspond with T. Holloman, K&E team, A&M team re same (.6).
12/19/24	Renee Olivett	3.70	Review, revise Bullock declaration in support of confirmation (3.1); correspond with T. Eck, K&E team re same (.6).
12/19/24	Hannah Marie Putnam	0.20	Review, analyze declarations in support of confirmation.

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12/19/24	Joshua Raphael	5.00	Review, revise confirmation brief (3.7); correspond with M. Sloman, K&E team, A&M re confirmation issues (.8); conference with M. Sloman, K&E team, A&M re same (.5).
12/19/24	Laura Saal	1.00	Research re confirmation hearing transcripts (.6); correspond with J. Raphael same (.4).
12/19/24	Michael A. Sloman	7.20	Review, revise confirmation brief (3.9); review, analyze precedent re same (1.1); further review, revise same (2.2).
12/19/24	Quin Wetzel	3.10	Review, revise PWP declaration (1.1); correspond with B. Nashelsky re same (1.0); correspond with B. Nakhaimousa, J. Fina re same (.6); conference with PWP re same (.1); correspond with Bracewell team re same (.3).
12/20/24	Rachael M. Bentley	5.50	Prepare for confirmation hearing (3.9); review, revise confirmation presentation (.7); conference with J. Fina, K&E team re same (.9).
12/20/24	Sloane Bessey	4.50	Prepare fourth amended plan supplement for filing (1.5); prepare fifth amended plan supplement for filing (1.0); conference with B. Nashelsky, K&E team re confirmation filings (2.0).
12/20/24	Trevor Eck	4.00	Review, revise declarations in support of confirmation (3.4); correspond with B. Nakhaimousa, K&E team re same (.6).
12/20/24	Josephine Fina	7.70	Review, revise confirmation order, (1.4); review, revise declarations in support of confirmation (1.8); review, revise confirmation brief (1.9); conference with R. Bentley, B. Nakhaimousa re same (.9); conferences with A&M team re same (.8); conferences and correspond with R. Golden re confirmation order, plan supplement (.9).
12/20/24	Rachel Golden	11.50	Review, analyze confirmation order (2.5); review, revise same (2.0); prepare same for filing (1.1); review, revise plan supplement (1.5); prepare same for filing (.3); revise plan (2.1); prepare same for filing (.2); correspond with R. Bentley, K&E team, A&M, Sidley, Willkie re confirmation documents, filing of same (1.8).

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<u>s ate</u>	<u>Name</u>	<u>BourS s e</u> <u>scription</u>
12/20/24	Tysan Holloman	0.60 Review, revise confirmation hearing presentation (.5); correspond with M. Sloman re same (.1).
12/20/24	Tysan Holloman	0.50 Correspond with B. Nakhaimousa, K&E team re confirmation materials.
12/20/24	Barira Munshi	1.10 Review, analyze confirmation declarations.
12/20/24	Brian Nakhaimousa	4.40 Correspond with R. Golden re exit commitment letter (.1); correspond with B. Nashelsky re schedule of assumed contracts (.1); correspond with Bracewell re filing (.1); review, revise McGovern declaration (.8); correspond with Q. Wetzel, K&E team re same (.1); review, revise plan supplement re identity of new board (.5); correspond with R. Bentley re same (.1); review, revise confirmation brief objection chart (.6); correspond with R. Golden, K&E team re same (.2); review, finalize documents for filing (.5); review, finalize voting declaration (.5); correspond with Bracewell re same (.1); correspond with M. Sloman re confirmation brief (.1); correspond with Declarants re file-stamped declarations (.5); correspond with counsel to vendor re confirmation (.1).
12/20/24	Brian Nakhaimousa	5.00 Review, revise confirmation hearing presentation (3.8); correspond with R. Bentley, K&E team re same, confirmation hearing, materials for same (.5); prepare for confirmation hearing (.7).
12/20/24	Brendan Nashelsky	4.90 Review, revise declarations in support of confirmation (1.3); review, analyze materials re confirmation workstreams (2.1); correspond with Q. Wetzel, K&E team re same (.3); telephone conferences with S. Bessey, K&E team re same (.6); review, revise confirmation hearing presentation (.4); correspond with T. Holloman re same (.2).
12/20/24	Renee Olivett	3.20 Review, revise Bullock declaration re confirmation (2.8); correspond with T. Eck re same (.4).
12/20/24	Hannah Marie Putnam	0.20 Review, analyze declarations in support of confirmation.
12/20/24	Brian Schartz, P.C.	1.50 Prepare for confirmation hearing.

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12/20/24	Michael A. Sloman	5.50	Review, revise confirmation brief (3.9); prepare same for filing (1.6).
12/20/24	Quin Wetzel	2.20	Review, revise PWP confirmation declaration (1.0); correspond with B. Nashelsky, Bracewell team re same (.7); correspond with S. Bessey re filing PWP declaration (.5).
<b>Ootal</b>		<b>970</b>	<b>50</b>

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For legal services rendered through December 20, 2024  
(see attached Description of Legal Services for detail)

\$ 79,15P.50

Total legal services rendered

\$ 79,15P.50

Legal Services for the Period Ending December 20, 2024  
 Vertex Energy Inc.  
 NME - Retention and Fee Matters

Invoice Number: 1050110897  
 Matter Number: 5708821

**Summary of Hours Billed**

<b><u>Name</u></b>	<b><u>Hours</u></b>	<b><u>Rate</u></b>	<b><u>Amount</u></b>
- Michael Kentley	1.30	1,595.00	2,073.50
Sloane Kessey	1.00	975.00	975.00
Jacob E. Kacz	2.50	1,245.00	3,112.50
Michael K. Khan	0.80	395.00	316.00
Matthew Wooper	4.80	340.00	1,632.00
Trevor Ecz	3.20	1,095.00	3,504.00
Christopher Fabrizio	4.80	815.00	3,912.00
Josephine Fina	0.50	1,395.00	697.50
- Rachel Golden	7.50	1,095.00	8,212.50
Tysan Holloman	6.00	815.00	4,890.00
Hannah Nupszy	2.90	975.00	2,827.50
Jamie McLennan	3.80	975.00	3,705.00
Kieran Razhaimousa	1.90	1,345.00	2,555.50
Kendall Rashelsky	3.30	1,095.00	3,613.50
Eric Ryberg	17.80	340.00	6,052.00
- Renee Wivett	18.70	975.00	18,232.50
Joshua - Michael	0.80	1,095.00	876.00
Michael A. Sloman	5.80	1,245.00	7,237.00
Yuin / et al	4.70	975.00	4,582.50
<b>TOTALS</b>	<b>92.10</b>		<b>\$ 9,156.50</b>

Legal Services for the Period Ending December 20, 2024  
 Vertex Energy Inc.  
 NME - retention and Fee matters

Invoice Number: 1050110897  
 Matter Number: 5708821

### Description of Legal Services

<u>Date</u>	<u>Name</u>	<u>Hours</u>	<u>Description</u>
12;02;24	Kieran Razhaimousa	0.70	- review, revise NME September and October invoice re privilege, confidentiality.
12;03;24	- Michael G. Kentley	0.50	- review, revise NME fee statement re privilege, confidentiality considerations (.3)& correspond Oith G. Sloman, NME team re same (.2).
12;03;24	Josephine Fina	0.30	respond Oith - G. Kentley, K. Razhaimousa, G. Sloman re NME retention order and rate increase.
12;03;24	Kieran Razhaimousa	0.20	respond Oith G. Sloman, NME team re retention matters.
12;05;24	Kieran Razhaimousa	0.20	respond Oith G. Sloman re retention matters.
12;0P;24	- Michael G. Kentley	0.80	- review, analyze NME September and October fee statement for filing (.7)& correspond Oith K. Razhaimousa, NME team re same (.1).
12;0P;24	Eric Ryberg	P.80	Analyze potential specific disclosures for supplemental declaration in support of NME retention.
12;0P;24	- Renee Wivett	4.00	Draft, revise NME September and October fee statement re privilege, confidentiality (2.2)& correspond Oith G. Sloman, NME team re same (.P): review, revise NME November invoice re privilege and confidentiality considerations (1.2).
12;0P;24	Michael A. Sloman	0.50	- review, revise NME September and October fee statement re privilege, confidentiality.
12;08;24	Christopher FabriQo	1.10	- review, revise NME November invoice re privilege, confidentiality considerations.
12;09;24	Christopher FabriQo	3.00	- review, revise NME November invoice re privilege, confidentiality considerations.
12;09;24	Tysan Holloman	0.P0	- review, revise NME November invoice re privilege and confidentiality considerations.
12;09;24	- Renee Wivett	1.20	- review, revise NME November invoice re privilege and confidentiality consideration.
12;09;24	Michael A. Sloman	0.40	respond Oith - R. Wivett, NME team re retention matters.
12;09;24	Yuin / et al	1.30	- review, revise NME November invoice re privilege, confidentiality.

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 NME - retention and Fee matters

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<u>D7M</u>	<u>N7me</u>	<u>Hours</u>	<u>Description</u>
12;10;24	Sloane Kessey	1.00	- review, revise NME November invoice re privilege and confidentiality considerations.
12;10;24	Christopher Fabri	0.70	- review, revise NME November invoice re privilege, confidentiality considerations.
12;10;24	Tysan Holloman	5.40	- review, revise NME November invoice re privilege and confidentiality considerations.
12;10;24	Hannah Nupszy	2.90	- review, revise NME November invoice re confidentiality and privilege considerations.
12;10;24	Jamie McLennan	3.80	- review, revise NME November invoice re privilege and confidentiality considerations.
12;10;24	Eric Ryberg	1.50	- review, analyze potential specific disclosures for supplemental declaration in support of NME retention.
12;10;24	- enee Wivett	1.80	- review, revise NME November invoice re privilege and confidentiality considerations.
12;10;24	Yuin / et al	3.40	- review, revise NME November invoice re privilege, confidentiality considerations.
12;11;24	Matter wooper	4.80	- review, analyze potential specific disclosures for supplemental declaration in support of NME retention.
12;11;24	Josephine Fina	0.20	respond Oath 6 . Sloman re supplemental disclosures.
12;11;24	Eric Ryberg	4.70	- review, analyze potential specific disclosures for supplemental declaration in support of NME retention (3.2)&draft schedules re supplemental declaration (1.5).
12;11;24	- enee Wivett	0.80	respond Oath 6 . Sloman, NME team re potential specific disclosures for supplemental declaration in support of NME retention (.2)&review, analyze same (.P).
12;12;24	Michael K. Whan	0.80	Draft schedules re supplemental declaration.
12;12;24	Eric Ryberg	4.80	Draft schedules re supplemental declaration.
12;12;24	- enee Wivett	2.00	respond Oath 6 . Sloman, NME team re potential specific disclosures for supplemental declaration in support of NME retention (.P)&telephone conference Oath 6 . Sloman re same (.3)&analyze same (.8)&revise supplemental Scharth declaration re NME retention re same (.3)&draft notice of disclosure of confidential parties (.P).



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Vertex Energy Inc.  
NME - etention and Fee 6 atters

Invoice Rumber: 1050110897  
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<u>D7M</u>	<u>N7me</u>	<u>Hours</u>	<u>DescripMbn</u>
12;12;24	6 ichael A. Sloman	0.70	- evieO, revise supplemental declaration re NME retention (.4)&telephone conference Oith - . Wivett re same (.3).
12;13;24	- enee Wivett	3.90	- evieO, revise supplemental SchartQ declaration (3.2)&correspond Oith 6 . Sloman, NME team re same (.7).
12;13;24	6 ichael A. Sloman	0.90	- evieO, revise supplemental SchartQ declaration (.5)&evieO, revise supplemental declaration re NME retention (.4).
12;14;24	Jacob E. k lacz	2.50	- evieO, revise NME Rovember invoice re privilege, confidentiality considerations.
12;15;24	Trevor Ecz	2.70	- evieO, revise NME Rovember invoice re privilege, confidentiality considerations.
12;15;24	- achel Golden	4.90	- evieO, revise NME Rovember invoice re confidentiality, privilege considerations.
12;15;24	k rendan Rashelszy	3.30	- evieO, revise NME Rovember invoice re privilege and confidentiality considerations.
12;15;24	Joshua - aphael	0.80	- evieO, revise NME Rovember invoice re privilege, confidentiality considerations.
12;15;24	6 ichael A. Sloman	0.80	- evieO, revise NME Rovember invoice re privilege and confidentiality considerations.
12;1P;24	- achel Golden	2.P0	- evieO, revise NME Rovember invoice re confidentiality, privilege considerations.
12;1P;24	k rian Razhaimousa	0.80	- evieO, revise supplemental SchartQ declaration (.P)&correspond Oith 6 . Sloman, - . Wivett re same (.2).
12;1P;24	- enee Wivett	1.90	- evise supplemental declaration re NME retention (1.7)&correspond Oith 6 . Sloman, NME team re same (.2).
12;1P;24	6 ichael A. Sloman	1.90	- evieO, revise supplemental SchartQ declaration (.9)&analyQe considerations re same (.3)&correspond Oith - . Wivett, NME team re same (.7).
12;17;24	- enee Wivett	0.40	- evise supplemental SchartQdeclaration (.3)& correspond Oith 6 . Sloman, NME team re same (.1).
12;17;24	6 ichael A. Sloman	0.30	worrespond Oith U.S. Trustee re NME retention issues (.1)&correspond Oith - . k entley, NME team re same (.2).
12;18;24	- enee Wivett	2.00	- evise supplemental SchartQdeclaration (1.7)&correspond Oith 6 . Sloman re same (.3).

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<u>D7M</u>	<u>N7me</u>	<u>Hours</u>	<u>DescripMbn</u>
12;18;24	6 ichael A. Sloman	0.30	- evieO, revise supplemental declaration re NME retention.
12;19;24	- enee Wivett	0.10	worrespond Oith 6 . Sloman re supplemental SchartQdeclaration re NME retention.
12;20;24	Trevor Ecz	0.50	worrespond Oith AM6 , 6 . Sloman, NME team re NME monthly fee statement.
<b>ToMt</b>		<b>92.10</b>	

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January 29, 2025

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**Invoice Number: 1050110979**  
**Client Matter: 58099-22**

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**In the Matter of Non-K&E Retention and Fee Matters**

For legal services rendered through December 20, 2024  
(see attached Description of Legal Services for detail)

\$ 25,803.50

Total legal services rendered

\$ 25,803.50

Legal Services for the Period Ending December 20, 2024  
 Vertex Energy Inc.  
 Non-K&E Retention and Fee Matters

Invoice Number: 1050110898  
 Matter Number: 57088-22

**Summary of Hours Billed**

<b><u>Name</u></b>	<b><u>Hours</u></b>	<b><u>Rate</u></b>	<b><u>Amount</u></b>
Rachael M. Bentley	3.00	1,595.00	4,785.00
Trevor Eck	0.70	1,095.00	766.50
Christopher Fabrizio	7.70	815.00	6,275.50
Josephine Fina	0.60	1,395.00	837.00
Rachel Golden	8.10	1,095.00	8,869.50
Brian Nakhaimousa	1.00	1,345.00	1,345.00
Renee Olivett	1.40	975.00	1,365.00
Quin Wetzel	1.60	975.00	1,560.00
<b>TOTALS</b>	<b>2. <del>\$</del>0</b>		<b>4 25,903<del>\$</del>0</b>

Legal Services for the Period Ending December 20, 2024  
 Vertex Energy Inc.  
 Non-K&E Retention and Fee Matters

Invoice Number: 1050110898  
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**Description of Legal Services**

<b><u>Date</u></b>	<b><u>Name</u></b>	<b><u>Hours</u></b>	<b><u>Description</u></b>
12/02/24	Christopher Fabrizio	0.60	Review, revise ordinary course professional summary (.3); telephone conference with R. Golden re ordinary course professional status (.2); correspond with J. Fina, Bracewell team re filing ordinary course professional declaration (.1).
12/02/24	Rachel Golden	0.50	Conference with C. Fabrizio re ordinary course professional retention (.2); review, analyze correspondence re same (.2); correspond with B. Nashelsky re declaration of disinterestedness service (.1).
12/03/24	Christopher Fabrizio	0.40	Conference with R. Golden re ordinary course professional status (.2); draft correspondence re additional ordinary course professional requirements (.1); revise ordinary course professional summary re retention (.1).
12/03/24	Rachel Golden	1.10	Conference with C. Fabrizio re ordinary course professional retention (.2); conferences with ordinary course professionals (.9).
12/03/24	Brian Nakhaimousa	0.20	Correspond with R. Olivett re parties in interest list (.1); correspond with PWP team re same (.1).
12/04/24	Rachael M. Bentley	1.40	Correspond with J. Fina re consulting agreement (.3); review, analyze same (1.1).
12/04/24	Christopher Fabrizio	0.30	Review, revise summary re ordinary course professional status (.1); correspond with R. Golden re ordinary course professional retention (.1); revise, analyze Kaempfer draft declaration (.1).
12/04/24	Brian Nakhaimousa	0.60	Review, revise consultant engagement letter (.3); correspond with J. Raphael re same (.1); review, analyze precedent re same (.2).
12/05/24	Rachael M. Bentley	1.60	Review, revise consulting agreement (1.1); correspond with J. Fina, K&E team re same (.5).
12/05/24	Christopher Fabrizio	0.90	Telephone conference with R. Golden re ordinary course professional status (.3); review, revise ordinary course professional declarations (.6).

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 Non-K&E Retention and Fee Matters

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<u>Date</u>	<u>Name</u>	<u>Hours</u>	<u>Description</u>
12/05/24	Rachel Golden	0.80	Conference with A&M re ordinary course professional retention (.1); correspond with C. Fabrizio re same (.5); review, analyze correspondence re same (.2).
12/06/24	Christopher Fabrizio	0.90	Correspond with R. Golden re ordinary course professional status (.2); review, revise summary re ordinary course professional retention status (.3); revise ordinary course professional declarations for filing (.3); correspond with Bracewell team re ordinary course professional declarations (.1).
12/06/24	Rachel Golden	0.40	Correspond with C. Fabrizio re ordinary course professional retention (.3); conference with A&M team re same (.1).
12/06/24	Renee Olivett	0.40	Correspond with A&M, Q. Wetzel re updated parties in interest list.
12/06/24	Quin Wetzel	1.60	Analyze and revise parties in interest list (1.0); correspond with R. Olivett, A&M team re same (.6).
12/09/24	Christopher Fabrizio	0.20	Review, revise summary re ordinary course professional retention status (.1); correspond with R. Golden re ordinary course professional status (.1).
12/09/24	Brian Nakhaimousa	0.20	Review, revise consulting agreement (.1); correspond with Q. Wetzel re same (.1).
12/09/24	Renee Olivett	0.60	Correspond with A&M, M. Sloman, K&E team re updated parties in interest list.
12/10/24	Christopher Fabrizio	0.50	Correspond with R. Golden re ordinary course professional status (.1); revise ordinary course professional summary re updates, objection deadlines (.1); draft correspondence for ordinary course professionals re retention, billing matters (.3).
12/10/24	Rachel Golden	1.60	Correspond with C. Fabrizio re ordinary course professional retention (.5); review, revise correspondence re same (.5); conference with A&M re same (.2); correspond with Bracewell re PWP monthly fee statement (.1); review, analyze same (.3).

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<u>Date</u>	<u>Name</u>	<u>Hours</u>	<u>Description</u>
12/11/24	Christopher Fabrizio	1.70	Review, revise summary re ordinary course professional summary (.4); conference with R. Golden re ordinary course professional payment (.3); review, revise ordinary course professional declaration (.4); correspond with ordinary course professional declarant re declaration issues (.1); prepare same for filing (.1); correspond with Bracewell team re same (.2); conference with R. Golden, K&E team re ordinary course professional issues (.1); correspond with R. Golden, K&E team, A&M re contact information for ordinary course professionals (.1).
12/11/24	Rachel Golden	2.00	Correspond with A&M re ordinary course professional retention (.5); correspond with C. Fabrizio re same (.5); conference with ordinary course professional re retention process (.8); correspond with ordinary course professional re same (.2).
12/12/24	Christopher Fabrizio	0.30	Review, revise ordinary course professional summary (.2); telephone conference with R. Golden, A&M re ordinary course professional status (.1).
12/12/24	Josephine Fina	0.20	Conference with R. Golden re OCP.
12/12/24	Rachel Golden	0.80	Correspond with A&M re ordinary course professional retention (.2); conference with C. Fabrizio re same (.6).
12/13/24	Josephine Fina	0.40	Correspond with R. Olivett re supplemental disclosures (.2); review, revise same (.2).
12/13/24	Rachel Golden	0.70	Correspond with A&M re ordinary course professional retention (.2); conference with C. Fabrizio re same (.5).
12/16/24	Christopher Fabrizio	1.10	Review, revise Weaver ordinary course professional declaration (.3); correspond with R. Golden re same (.2); correspond with ordinary course professionals re declarations (.2); conference with R. Golden re ordinary course professional status (.2); prepare, analyze declaration for filing (.1); correspond with Bracewell team re same (.1).
12/16/24	Renee Olivett	0.30	Correspond with A&M, PWP re supplemental declarations re advisor retention.

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Non-K&E Retention and Fee Matters

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<u>Date</u>	<u>Name</u>	<u>Hours</u>	<u>Description</u>
12/17/24	Christopher Fabrizio	0.40	Review, revise ordinary course professional summary re payment authorization (.2); correspond with R. Golden re same (.1); correspond with ordinary course professionals re same (.1).
12/17/24	Rachel Golden	0.10	Correspond with C. Fabrizio, A&M re ordinary course professionals.
12/18/24	Rachel Golden	0.10	Correspond with C. Fabrizio, A&M re ordinary course professionals.
12/19/24	Trevor Eck	0.70	Correspond with A&M re ordinary course professional.
12/19/24	Christopher Fabrizio	0.40	Review, revise ordinary course professional summary (.3); correspond with R. Golden re same (.1).
12/20/24	Renee Olivett	0.10	Correspond with A&M re supplemental declarations re professionals' retentions.
<b>Total</b>		<b>2.80</b>	



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**Invoice Number: 1050110899**  
**Client Matter: 57088-23**

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## In the Matter of Tax Matters

For legal services rendered through December 20, 2024  
(see attached Description of Legal Services for detail)

\$ 22,120.50

Total legal services rendered

\$ 22,120.50

Legal Services for the Period Ending December 20, 2024  
Vertex Energy Inc.  
Tax Matters

Invoice Number: 1050110899  
Matter Number: 57088-23

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**Summary of Hours Billed**

<b><u>Name</u></b>	<b><u>Hours</u></b>	<b><u>Rate</u></b>	<b><u>Amount</u></b>
Sloane Bessey	0.10	975.00	97.50
Thad W. Davis, P.C.	2.00	2,025.00	4,050.00
David Foster, P.C.	1.30	2,265.00	2,944.50
Palmer Gunderson	3.00	995.00	2,985.00
Joe Morley	3.10	1,495.00	4,634.50
Brian Nakhaimousa	2.60	1,345.00	3,497.00
Sara B. Zablotney, P.C.	1.60	2,445.00	3,912.00
<b>TOTALS</b>	<b>13.70</b>		<b>\$ 22,120.50</b>

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**Description of Legal Services**

<b><u>Date</u></b>	<b><u>Name</u></b>	<b><u>Hours</u></b>	<b><u>Description</u></b>
12/02/24	Sloane Bessey	0.10	Correspond with B. Nakhaimousa and K&E team re tax payments.
12/02/24	David Foster, P.C.	0.50	Review, analyze excise tax return filing issues.
12/02/24	Palmer Gunderson	0.10	Correspond with B. Nakhaimousa, K&E team re tax claim.
12/02/24	Brian Nakhaimousa	0.90	Review, analyze tax issue (.1); research re same (.5); correspond with S. Bessey, K&E team, A&M re same (.3).
12/02/24	Sara B. Zabloutney, P.C.	0.60	Correspond with Company re tax returns (.2); review, analyze proof of claims (.4).
12/03/24	Brian Nakhaimousa	0.30	Correspond with IRS, A&M re IRS tax claim.
12/03/24	Sara B. Zabloutney, P.C.	0.20	Correspond with Company re missing returns.
12/04/24	Joe Morley	0.10	Correspond with P. Gunderson re restructuring transactions memorandum.
12/04/24	Brian Nakhaimousa	0.10	Correspond with IRS re IRS proof of claim.
12/05/24	Brian Nakhaimousa	0.50	Correspond with D. Foster re IRS issue (.2); correspond with IRS re same (.3).
12/06/24	Thad W. Davis, P.C.	0.80	Review and revise transaction steps memorandum.
12/06/24	David Foster, P.C.	0.50	Prepare for telephone conference with IRS.
12/08/24	Brian Nakhaimousa	0.10	Correspond with IRS agent re tax matter.
12/09/24	David Foster, P.C.	0.30	Telephone conference with IRS re unsecured claim.
12/09/24	Brian Nakhaimousa	0.60	Conference with IRS agent, D. Foster re tax matters (.3); correspond with Company, IRS re same (.3).
12/09/24	Sara B. Zabloutney, P.C.	0.20	Review, revise transaction steps memorandum.
12/10/24	Thad W. Davis, P.C.	0.20	Review, analyze correspondence re FIRPTA status (.1); draft correspondence re same (.1).
12/10/24	Joe Morley	1.80	Review, revise GUC trust agreement re tax matters (1.6); correspond with P. Gunderson, K&E team re FIRPTA issue (.2).
12/10/24	Brian Nakhaimousa	0.10	Correspond with A&M team re tax payment.

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<u>Date</u>	<u>Name</u>	<u>Hours</u>	<u>Description</u>
12/11/24	Thad W. Davis, P.C.	0.70	Review, analyze correspondence re FIRPTA status (.1); correspond with J. Morley, K&E team re same (.1); review, analyze trust agreement (.3); conference with P. Gunderson re same (.2).
12/11/24	Palmer Gunderson	2.20	Review, analyze financial statements and tax law re lender diligence question (1.4); draft summary of analysis re same (.7); correspond with T. Davis and S. Zabloutney re same (.1).
12/11/24	Joe Morley	0.30	Review and analyze FIRPTA tax issue.
12/12/24	Thad W. Davis, P.C.	0.10	Review, analyze tax issues.
12/12/24	Palmer Gunderson	0.20	Prepare response to lenders tax counsel re tax diligence question.
12/12/24	Joe Morley	0.50	Correspond with P. Gunderson, K&E team re emergence documents re tax issues.
12/12/24	Sara B. Zabloutney, P.C.	0.40	Review and revise conversion documents re tax issues.
12/18/24	Thad W. Davis, P.C.	0.20	Review, analyze tax issues (.1); correspond with J. Morley, K&E team re same (.1).
12/18/24	Palmer Gunderson	0.50	Telephone conference with J. Morley, K&E team, lender's counsel and accountants re tax diligence questions (.4); review, analyze correspondence re tax diligence issue (.1).
12/18/24	Joe Morley	0.40	Conference with P. Gunderson, K&E team, advisors re FIRPTA issue.
12/18/24	Sara B. Zabloutney, P.C.	0.20	Review, analyze FIRPTA analysis.
<b>Total</b>		<b>13.70</b>	

# KIRKLAND & ELLIS LLP

AND AFFILIATED PARTNERSHIPS

601 Lexington Avenue  
New York, NY 10022

FEIN 36-1326630

January 29, 2025

Vertex Energy Inc.  
1331 Gemini Street  
Suite 250  
Houston, TX 77058

Attn: James Gregory

**Invoice Number: 1050110900**  
**Client Matter: 57088-24**

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## In the Matter of Creditor and Stakeholder Communications

For legal services rendered through December 20, 2024  
(see attached Description of Legal Services for detail)

\$ 807.00

Total legal services rendered

\$ 807.00

Legal Services for the Period Ending December 20, 2024  
Vertex Energy Inc.  
Creditor and Stakeholder Communications

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Invoice Number: 1050110900  
Matter Number: 57088-24

**Summary of Hours Billed**

<b><u>Name</u></b>	<b><u>Hours</u></b>	<b><u>Rate</u></b>	<b><u>Amount</u></b>
Brian Nakhaimousa	0.60	1,345.00	807.00
<b>TOTALS</b>	<b>0.60</b>		<b>\$ 807.00</b>

Legal Services for the Period Ending December 20, 2024  
 Vertex Energy Inc.  
 Creditor and Stakeholder Communications

Invoice Number: 1050110900  
 Matter Number: 57088-24

**Description of Legal Services**

<b><u>Date</u></b>	<b><u>Name</u></b>	<b><u>Hours</u></b>	<b><u>Description</u></b>
12/04/24	Brian Nakhaimousa	0.20	Conference with equity holder re plan.
12/12/24	Brian Nakhaimousa	0.20	Correspond with counsel to creditor re plan supplement filing.
12/18/24	Brian Nakhaimousa	0.20	Conference with equity holder re notices received.
<b>Total</b>		<b>0.60</b>	

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January 15, 2010

Vertex Energy Inc.  
3000 West 1st Street  
Houston, TX 77002  
Tel: 281.833.8820

Attn: Finance Department

**Invoice Number: 1050110801**  
**Client Ref: 5077-95**

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**Invoice Description:**

Legal fees for representation in connection with the above-captioned matter.	\$ 3,300.00
Travel expenses for representation in connection with the above-captioned matter.	\$ 3,300.00



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January 29, 2025

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Houston, TX 77058

Attn: James Gregory

**Invoice Number: 1050110902**  
**Client Matter: 57088-26**

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**In the Matter of Non-Working Travel**

For legal services rendered through December 20, 2024  
(see attached Description of Legal Services for detail)

\$ 24,357.50

Total legal services rendered

\$ 24,357.50

Legal Services for the Period Ending December 20, 2024  
 Vertex Energy Inc.  
 Non-Working Travel

Invoice Number: 1050110902  
 Matter Number: 57088-26

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**Summary of Hours Billed**

<b><u>Name</u></b>	<b><u>Hours</u></b>	<b><u>Rate</u></b>	<b><u>Amount</u></b>
Rachael M. Bentley	3.00	1,595.00	4,785.00
Josephine Fina	3.00	1,395.00	4,185.00
Rachel Golden	3.00	1,095.00	3,285.00
Brian Nakhaimousa	3.00	1,345.00	4,035.00
Brian Schartz, P.C.	3.50	2,305.00	8,067.50
<b>TOTALS</b>	<b>15.50</b>		<b>\$ 24,357.50</b>

Legal Services for the Period Ending December 20, 2024  
 Vertex Energy Inc.  
 Non-Working Travel

Invoice Number: 1050110902  
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**Description of Legal Services**

<b><u>Date</u></b>	<b><u>Name</u></b>	<b><u>Hours</u></b>	<b><u>Description</u></b>
12/19/24	Rachael M. Bentley	3.00	Travel from Chicago, IL to Houston, TX re confirmation hearing (billed at half time).
12/19/24	Josephine Fina	3.00	Travel from New York, NY to Houston, TX for confirmation hearing (billed at half time).
12/19/24	Rachel Golden	3.00	Travel from New York, NY to Houston, TX for confirmation hearing (billed at half time).
12/19/24	Brian Nakhaimousa	3.00	Travel from New York, NY to Houston, TX re confirmation hearing (billed at half time).
12/20/24	Brian Schartz, P.C.	3.50	Travel from New York, NY to Houston, TX re confirmation hearing (billed at half time).
<b>Total</b>		<b>15.50</b>	

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January 15, 2010

Vertex Energy Inc.  
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Suite 102  
Boston, MA 02108

Attn: Jennifer M. Regan

Invoice Number: 1050110904  
Client Matter: 57088-28

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In the Matter of Environmental/Regulatory Issues

For services rendered in connection with the preparation of the  
draft environmental impact statement for the proposed

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<b>TOTALS</b>	<b>27.60</b>		<b>\$ 33,565.00</b>

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<b>Total</b>		<b>27.60</b>	

**Exhibit I**

**Detailed Description of Expenses and Disbursements**

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601 Lexington Avenue  
New York, NY 10022

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December 6, 2024

Vertex Energy Inc.  
1331 Gemini Street  
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Houston, TX 77058

Attn: James Gregory

**Invoice Number: 1050108866**  
**Client Matter: 57088-29**

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## In the Matter of Expenses

For expenses incurred through October 31, 2024  
(see attached Description of Expenses for detail)

\$ 117,674.12

Total expenses incurred

\$ 117,674.12

Legal Services for the Period Ending October 31, 2024  
 Vertex Energy Inc.  
 Expenses

Invoice Number: 1050108866  
 Matter Number: 57088-29

**Description of Expenses**

<b><u>Description</u></b>	<b><u>Amount</u></b>
Standard Copies or Prints	502.40
Color Copies or Prints	2,557.50
Travel Expense	1,500.00
Transportation to/from airport	174.81
Travel Meals	149.45
Filing Fees	42,112.00
Other Court Costs and Fees	31,256.72
Outside Copy/Binding Services	2,675.20
Working Meals/K&E and Others	706.34
Catering Expenses	96.00
Outside Retrieval Service	22,550.32
Computer Database Research	1,698.06
Westlaw Research	2,213.85
LexisNexis Research	71.27
Overtime Transportation	657.02
Overtime Meals - Non-Attorney	100.00
Overtime Meals - Attorney	1,361.71
Rental Expenses	6,981.23
Overnight Delivery - Hard	60.24
Computer Database Research - Soft	250.00
<b>Total</b>	<b>\$ 117,674.12</b>

Legal Services for the Period Ending October 31, 2024  
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 Expenses

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**Description of Expenses**

**Standard Copies or Prints**

<b><u>Date</u></b>	<b><u>Description</u></b>	<b><u>Amount</u></b>
09/24/24	Standard Copies or Prints	13.76
09/24/24	Standard Copies or Prints	35.20
09/24/24	Standard Copies or Prints	9.44
09/24/24	Standard Copies or Prints	0.96
09/24/24	Standard Copies or Prints	8.00
09/24/24	Standard Copies or Prints	20.00
09/25/24	Standard Copies or Prints	2.88
09/25/24	Standard Copies or Prints	10.24
09/25/24	Standard Copies or Prints	61.76
09/25/24	Standard Copies or Prints	1.92
09/25/24	Standard Copies or Prints	3.68
09/25/24	Standard Copies or Prints	0.96
09/25/24	Standard Copies or Prints	0.48
09/25/24	Standard Copies or Prints	15.04
09/26/24	Standard Copies or Prints	13.44
09/27/24	Standard Copies or Prints	2.56
10/01/24	Standard Copies or Prints	2.08
10/02/24	Standard Copies or Prints	14.72
10/02/24	Standard Copies or Prints	0.32
10/03/24	Standard Copies or Prints	0.48
10/04/24	Standard Copies or Prints	33.92
10/07/24	Standard Copies or Prints	0.32
10/08/24	Standard Copies or Prints	0.32
10/08/24	Standard Copies or Prints	9.28
10/09/24	Standard Copies or Prints	0.32
10/09/24	Standard Copies or Prints	10.72
10/09/24	Standard Copies or Prints	14.72
10/11/24	Standard Copies or Prints	2.24
10/14/24	Standard Copies or Prints	0.80
10/15/24	Standard Copies or Prints	0.64
10/15/24	Standard Copies or Prints	2.24

Legal Services for the Period Ending October 31, 2024  
Vertex Energy Inc.

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Expenses

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10/15/24	Standard Copies or Prints	2.88
10/15/24	Standard Copies or Prints	25.60
10/15/24	Standard Copies or Prints	1.60
10/16/24	Standard Copies or Prints	1.28
10/16/24	Standard Copies or Prints	0.48
10/16/24	Standard Copies or Prints	6.08
10/16/24	Standard Copies or Prints	0.96
10/16/24	Standard Copies or Prints	0.32
10/17/24	Standard Copies or Prints	4.32
10/17/24	Standard Copies or Prints	2.40
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10/21/24	Standard Copies or Prints	9.44
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10/22/24	Standard Copies or Prints	9.44
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10/22/24	Standard Copies or Prints	7.20
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10/28/24	Standard Copies or Prints	9.92
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10/29/24	Standard Copies or Prints	6.40
10/29/24	Standard Copies or Prints	4.48
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10/29/24	Standard Copies or Prints	15.36
10/29/24	Standard Copies or Prints	1.28
10/30/24	Standard Copies or Prints	19.68

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	<b>Total</b>	<b>502.40</b>



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09/24/24	Color Copies or Prints	105.60
09/24/24	Color Copies or Prints	128.70
09/24/24	Color Copies or Prints	40.15
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09/25/24	Color Copies or Prints	3.30
09/25/24	Color Copies or Prints	9.90
09/25/24	Color Copies or Prints	1,266.10
09/27/24	Color Copies or Prints	73.15
10/01/24	Color Copies or Prints	94.60
10/07/24	Color Copies or Prints	11.00
10/09/24	Color Copies or Prints	2.20
10/14/24	Color Copies or Prints	2.20
10/15/24	Color Copies or Prints	2.20
10/15/24	Color Copies or Prints	2.75
10/15/24	Color Copies or Prints	1.10
10/16/24	Color Copies or Prints	7.15
10/17/24	Color Copies or Prints	14.85
10/21/24	Color Copies or Prints	2.20
10/22/24	Color Copies or Prints	7.15
10/22/24	Color Copies or Prints	4.40
10/22/24	Color Copies or Prints	6.60
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10/29/24	Color Copies or Prints	6.60
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10/30/24	Color Copies or Prints	2.75

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	<b>Total</b>	<b>2,557.50</b>

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**Travel Expense**

<b><u>Date</u></b>	<b><u>Description</u></b>	<b><u>Amount</u></b>
09/25/24	Jacob E. Black - Lodging, New York Chapter 11 Filing 09/25/2024	750.00
09/25/24	Laura Saal - Lodging, New York, NY, Hotel during filing 09/25/2024	750.00
	<b>Total</b>	<b>1,500.00</b>

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**Transportation to/from airport**

<b><u>Date</u></b>	<b><u>Description</u></b>	<b><u>Amount</u></b>
09/25/24	Jacob E. Black - Transportation To Airport	59.76
10/03/24	Rachael M. Bentley - Transportation From Airport, 9/25/24	115.05
	<b>Total</b>	<b>174.81</b>

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**Travel Meals**

<b><u>Date</u></b>	<b><u>Description</u></b>	<b><u>Amount</u></b>
09/24/24	Jacob E. Black - Travel Meals, New York	50.00
09/24/24	Jacob E. Black - Travel Meals, New York	99.45
	<b>Total</b>	<b>149.45</b>

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### **Filing Fees**

<b><u>Date</u></b>	<b><u>Description</u></b>	<b><u>Amount</u></b>
09/24/24	Hannah Kupsky - Filing Fees, Southern District of Texas Bankruptcy Court	17,380.00
09/24/24	Laura Saal - Filing Fees, Petition filing fees - Southern District of Texas Bankruptcy Court	1,738.00
09/24/24	Hannah Kupsky - Filing Fees, Texas Southern Bankruptcy Court	22,594.00
09/25/24	Laura Saal - Filing Fees, Pro hac vice application fee - Southern District of Texas Bankruptcy Court	100.00
09/25/24	Laura Saal - Filing Fees, Pro hac vice application fee - Southern District of Texas Bankruptcy Court	100.00
09/25/24	Laura Saal - Filing Fees, Pro hac vice application fee - Southern District of Texas Bankruptcy Court	100.00
09/25/24	Laura Saal - Filing Fees, Pro hac vice application fee - Southern District of Texas Bankruptcy Court	100.00
	<b>Total</b>	<b>42,112.00</b>

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**Other Court Costs and Fees**

<b><u>Date</u></b>	<b><u>Description</u></b>	<b><u>Amount</u></b>
09/30/24	Miller Advertising Agency Inc - Publication of NOL Notice in New York Times	8,176.68
10/04/24	Miller Advertising Agency Inc - Publication of Commencement Notice in New York Times	13,422.86
10/31/24	Miller Advertising Agency Inc - Publication of Bar Date Notice in the Wall Street Journal (National Edition)	9,657.18
	<b>Total</b>	<b>31,256.72</b>

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**Outside Copy/Binding Services**

<b><u>Date</u></b>	<b><u>Description</u></b>	<b><u>Amount</u></b>
09/27/24	EMPIRE DISCOVERY LLC - External printing and binding	2,675.20
	<b>Total</b>	<b>2,675.20</b>



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**Working Meals/K&E and Others**

<b><u>Date</u></b>	<b><u>Description</u></b>	<b><u>Amount</u></b>
09/24/24	Renee Olivett - Working Meal/K&E and A&M (16 people), New York, New York Erik Bell-A&M, Nancy Bonds-A&M, John Walsh-A&M, Renee Olivett, Brian Nakhaimousa, Christopher Fabrizio, Sloane Bessey, Joshua Raphael, Isabella J. Paretti, Michael A. Sloman, Josephine Fina, Brendan Nashelsky, Hannah Kupsy, Rachel Golden, Trevor Eck, Nathan James Felton	706.34
	<b>Total</b>	<b>706.34</b>

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**Catering Expenses**

<b><u>Date</u></b>	<b><u>Description</u></b>	<b><u>Amount</u></b>
09/26/24	FLIK - Vertex Energy Inc.	96.00
	<b>Total</b>	<b>96.00</b>

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**Outside Retrieval Service**

<b><u>Date</u></b>	<b><u>Description</u></b>	<b><u>Amount</u></b>
09/25/24	CSC - Lien/litigation work.	1,899.36
09/30/24	Clarivate Analytics (Compumark) Inc - Saegis excluded charge for September.	52.36
10/01/24	CSC - Lien/litigation work.	20,598.60
	<b>Total</b>	<b>22,550.32</b>

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**Computer Database Research**

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09/30/24	PROQUEST LLC - Proquest Usage for 09/2024	19.02
09/30/24	RELX Inc DBA LexisNexis - Courtlink Usage for 09/2024 by Timothy McAllister	11.29
10/01/24	CHEMICAL ABSTRACTS SERVICE - STN Usage for 09/2024	161.75
10/22/24	RESTRUCTURING CONCEPTS LLC - Chapter 11 Dockets Usage for 09/2024 by Hannah Kupsky	36.00
10/22/24	RESTRUCTURING CONCEPTS LLC - Chapter 11 Dockets Usage for 09/2024 by Lydia Yale	20.00
10/22/24	RESTRUCTURING CONCEPTS LLC - Chapter 11 Dockets Usage for 09/2024 by Nathan Felton	103.00
10/22/24	RESTRUCTURING CONCEPTS LLC - Chapter 11 Dockets Usage for 09/2024 by Joshua Raphael	592.00
10/22/24	RESTRUCTURING CONCEPTS LLC - Chapter 11 Dockets Usage for 09/2024 by Rachel Golden	99.00
10/22/24	RESTRUCTURING CONCEPTS LLC - Chapter 11 Dockets Usage for 09/2024 by Brendan Nashelsky	53.00
10/22/24	RESTRUCTURING CONCEPTS LLC - Chapter 11 Dockets Usage for 09/2024 by Brian Nakhaimousa	60.00
10/22/24	RESTRUCTURING CONCEPTS LLC - Chapter 11 Dockets Usage for 09/2024 by Sloane Bessey	326.00
10/22/24	RESTRUCTURING CONCEPTS LLC - Chapter 11 Dockets Usage for 09/2024 by Laura Saal	40.00
10/22/24	RESTRUCTURING CONCEPTS LLC - Chapter 11 Dockets Usage for 09/2024 by Renee Olivett	177.00
	<b>Total</b>	<b>1,698.06</b>

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### **Westlaw Research**

<b><u>Date</u></b>	<b><u>Description</u></b>	<b><u>Amount</u></b>
09/26/24	THOMSON REUTERS - WEST PUBLISHING CORP - WESTLAW Research Charges by Olivett, Renee on 9/26/2024	68.62
09/26/24	THOMSON REUTERS - WEST PUBLISHING CORP - WESTLAW Research Charges by Mitchell-Dawson, Lauren on 9/26/2024	48.19
09/30/24	THOMSON REUTERS - WEST PUBLISHING CORP - WESTLAW Research Charges by Golden, Rachel on 9/30/2024	49.46
10/11/24	THOMSON REUTERS - WEST PUBLISHING CORP - WESTLAW Research Charges by Fabrizio, Christopher Anthony on 10/11/2024	18.06
10/14/24	THOMSON REUTERS - WEST PUBLISHING CORP - WESTLAW Research Charges by Fabrizio, Christopher Anthony on 10/14/2024	54.18
10/17/24	THOMSON REUTERS - WEST PUBLISHING CORP - WESTLAW Research Charges by Bessey, Sloane on 10/17/2024	36.12
10/17/24	THOMSON REUTERS - WEST PUBLISHING CORP - WESTLAW Research Charges by Olivett, Renee on 10/17/2024	185.69
10/18/24	THOMSON REUTERS - WEST PUBLISHING CORP - WESTLAW Research Charges by Maroun, Patrick on 10/18/2024	316.46
10/19/24	THOMSON REUTERS - WEST PUBLISHING CORP - WESTLAW Research Charges by Angarola, Michael on 10/19/2024	103.58
10/19/24	THOMSON REUTERS - WEST PUBLISHING CORP - WESTLAW Research Charges by Maroun, Patrick on 10/19/2024	12.93
10/20/24	THOMSON REUTERS - WEST PUBLISHING CORP - WESTLAW Research Charges by Holloman, Tysan on 10/20/2024	72.51
10/21/24	THOMSON REUTERS - WEST PUBLISHING CORP - WESTLAW Research Charges by Bessey, Sloane on 10/21/2024	49.01
10/21/24	THOMSON REUTERS - WEST PUBLISHING CORP - WESTLAW Research Charges by Munshi, Barira on 10/21/2024	53.20
10/21/24	THOMSON REUTERS - WEST PUBLISHING CORP - WESTLAW Research Charges by Holloman, Tysan on 10/21/2024	176.10
10/22/24	THOMSON REUTERS - WEST PUBLISHING CORP - WESTLAW Research Charges by Bessey, Sloane on 10/22/2024	18.06
10/22/24	THOMSON REUTERS - WEST PUBLISHING CORP - WESTLAW Research Charges by Holloman, Tysan on 10/22/2024	119.93
10/22/24	THOMSON REUTERS - WEST PUBLISHING CORP - WESTLAW Research Charges by Maroun, Patrick on 10/22/2024	93.20

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10/22/24	THOMSON REUTERS - WEST PUBLISHING CORP - WESTLAW Research Charges by Raphael, Joshua on 10/22/2024	41.54
10/23/24	THOMSON REUTERS - WEST PUBLISHING CORP - WESTLAW Research Charges by Holloman, Tysan on 10/23/2024	311.20
10/24/24	THOMSON REUTERS - WEST PUBLISHING CORP - WESTLAW Research Charges by Raphael, Joshua on 10/24/2024	36.12
10/28/24	THOMSON REUTERS - WEST PUBLISHING CORP - WESTLAW Research Charges by Bessey, Sloane on 10/28/2024	67.06
10/31/24	THOMSON REUTERS - WEST PUBLISHING CORP - WESTLAW Research Charges by Holloman, Tysan on 10/31/2024	54.39
10/31/24	THOMSON REUTERS - WEST PUBLISHING CORP - WESTLAW Research Charges by Fabrizio, Christopher Anthony on 10/31/2024	54.18
10/31/24	THOMSON REUTERS - WEST PUBLISHING CORP - WESTLAW Research Charges by Angarola, Michael on 10/31/2024	174.06
	<b>Total</b>	<b>2,213.85</b>

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**LexisNexis Research**

<b><u>Date</u></b>	<b><u>Description</u></b>	<b><u>Amount</u></b>
09/26/24	RELX Inc DBA LexisNexis - LexisNexis Research on 9/26/2024 by Lauren Mitchell-Dawson	71.27
	<b>Total</b>	<b>71.27</b>

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**Overtime Transportation**

<b><u>Date</u></b>	<b><u>Description</u></b>	<b><u>Amount</u></b>
09/24/24	Brian Nakhaimousa - Taxi, Overtime transportation	14.73
09/24/24	Georgia Meadow - Taxi, Overtime transportation	17.96
09/24/24	Christopher Fabrizio - Taxi, Overtime transportation	26.80
09/24/24	Michael A. Sloman - Taxi, Overtime transportation	47.99
09/24/24	Sloane Bessey - Taxi, Overtime transportation	15.96
09/24/24	Brendan Nashelsky - Taxi, Overtime transportation	125.33
09/24/24	Christopher Fabrizio - Taxi, Overtime transportation	22.91
09/25/24	Georgia Meadow - Taxi, Overtime transportation	17.93
09/25/24	Jamie McLennan - Taxi, Overtime transportation	115.49
09/25/24	Brian Nakhaimousa - Taxi, Overtime transportation	28.92
10/01/24	Renee Olivett - Taxi, Overtime transportation	33.55
10/03/24	Renee Olivett - Taxi, Overtime transportation	35.85
10/07/24	Brian Nakhaimousa - Taxi, Overtime transportation	10.73
10/08/24	Brian Nakhaimousa - Taxi, Overtime transportation	14.42
10/10/24	Brian Nakhaimousa - Taxi, Overtime transportation	15.16
10/16/24	Michael Angarola - Taxi, Overtime transportation	14.91
10/17/24	Renee Olivett - Taxi, Overtime transportation	38.32
10/21/24	Renee Olivett - Taxi, Overtime transportation	32.30
10/25/24	Renee Olivett - Taxi, Overtime transportation	27.76
	<b>Total</b>	<b>657.02</b>



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**Overtime Meals - Non-Attorney**

<b><u>Date</u></b>	<b><u>Description</u></b>	<b><u>Amount</u></b>
09/29/24	GRUBHUB HOLDINGS INC - Meadow Georgia 9/24/2024 OT Meal	50.00
09/29/24	GRUBHUB HOLDINGS INC - Gallagher Ashlyn 9/24/2024 OT Meal	50.00
	<b>Total</b>	<b>100.00</b>

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**Overtime Meals - Attorney**

<b><u>Date</u></b>	<b><u>Description</u></b>	<b><u>Amount</u></b>
09/24/24	Renee Olivett - Overtime Meals (14 people) - Renee Olivett, Jamie McLennan, Trevor Eck, Nathan James Felton, Hannah Kupsky, Laura Saal, Josephine Fina, Sloane Bessey, Michael A. Sloman, Rachel Golden, Isabella J. Paretti, Christopher Fabrizio, Joshua Raphael, Brian Nakhaimousa	700.00
09/29/24	GRUBHUB HOLDINGS INC - Olivett, Renee, Overtime meal, 9/24/2024	50.00
10/06/24	GRUBHUB HOLDINGS INC - Myers, Scott, Overtime Meal, 10/2/2024	50.00
10/06/24	GRUBHUB HOLDINGS INC - Olivett, Renee, Overtime meal, 10/3/2024	50.00
10/07/24	Brian Nakhaimousa, Overtime Meal, 10/07/2024	29.43
10/13/24	GRUBHUB HOLDINGS INC - Myers, Scott, Overtime meal, 10/08	50.00
10/13/24	GRUBHUB HOLDINGS INC - Myers, Scott, Overtime meal, 10/10/2024	48.89
10/13/24	GRUBHUB HOLDINGS INC - Myers, Scott, Overtime meal 10/09/2024	40.05
10/20/24	GRUBHUB HOLDINGS INC - Myers, Scott, Overtime meal, 10/17/2024	48.89
10/20/24	GRUBHUB HOLDINGS INC - Myers, Scott, Overtime meal, 10/16/2024	48.89
10/20/24	GRUBHUB HOLDINGS INC - Myers, Scott, Overtime meal, 10/15/2024	48.89
10/27/24	GRUBHUB HOLDINGS INC - Myers, Scott, Overtime meal, 10/21/2024	48.89
10/27/24	GRUBHUB HOLDINGS INC - Myers, Scott, Overtime meal, 10/22/2024	48.89
10/27/24	GRUBHUB HOLDINGS INC - Myers, Scott, Overtime meal, 10/23/2024	50.00
10/27/24	GRUBHUB HOLDINGS INC - Myers, Scott, Overtime meal, 10/24/2024	48.89
	<b>Total</b>	<b>1,361.71</b>

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**Rental Expenses**

<b><u>Date</u></b>	<b><u>Description</u></b>	<b><u>Amount</u></b>
09/30/24	Aquipt Holdings LLC - Rental Expenses	1,287.07
09/30/24	Aquipt Holdings LLC - Rental Expenses	2,847.08
09/30/24	Aquipt Holdings LLC - Rental Expenses	2,847.08
	<b>Total</b>	<b>6,981.23</b>

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**Overnight Delivery - Hard**

<b><u>Date</u></b>	<b><u>Description</u></b>	<b><u>Amount</u></b>
09/30/24	FEDERAL EXPRESS - 778828621819	60.24
	<b>Total</b>	<b>60.24</b>

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**Computer Database Research - Soft**

<b><u>Date</u></b>	<b><u>Description</u></b>	<b><u>Amount</u></b>
09/25/24	ERIS, Environmental Research Database Charges	250.00
	<b>Total</b>	<b>250.00</b>
<b>TOTAL EXPENSES</b>		<b>\$ 117,674.12</b>

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January 15, 2025

Vertex Energy Inc.  
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Attn: James Gregory

**Invoice Number: 1050109797**  
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## In the Matter of Expenses

For expenses incurred through November 30, 2024  
(see attached Description of Expenses for detail)

\$ 37,317.55

Total expenses incurred

\$ 37,317.55

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Standard Copies or Prints	146.08
Color Copies or Prints	3,572.80
Local Transportation	166.69
Other Court Costs and Fees	31,594.40
LexisNexis Research	51.72
Overtime Transportation	120.49
Overtime Meals - Attorney	774.77
Miscellaneous Office Expenses	890.60
<b>Total</b>	<b>\$ 37,317.55</b>

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**Standard Copies or Prints**

<b><u>Date</u></b>	<b><u>Description</u></b>	<b><u>Amount</u></b>
10/24/24	Standard Copies or Prints	20.00
10/25/24	Standard Copies or Prints	23.20
11/04/24	Standard Copies or Prints	5.76
11/05/24	Standard Copies or Prints	28.48
11/06/24	Standard Copies or Prints	1.76
11/06/24	Standard Copies or Prints	35.20
11/08/24	Standard Copies or Prints	0.16
11/08/24	Standard Copies or Prints	11.04
11/13/24	Standard Copies or Prints	9.60
11/13/24	Standard Copies or Prints	1.28
11/18/24	Standard Copies or Prints	0.64
11/21/24	Standard Copies or Prints	3.04
11/21/24	Standard Copies or Prints	2.88
11/22/24	Standard Copies or Prints	3.04
	<b>Total</b>	<b>146.08</b>



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10/24/24	Color Copies or Prints	3,103.65
10/25/24	Color Copies or Prints	51.15
10/25/24	Color Copies or Prints	181.50
11/04/24	Color Copies or Prints	13.75
11/07/24	Color Copies or Prints	117.15
11/08/24	Color Copies or Prints	11.55
11/13/24	Color Copies or Prints	27.50
11/18/24	Color Copies or Prints	27.50
11/20/24	Color Copies or Prints	39.05
	<b>Total</b>	<b>3,572.80</b>

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**Local Transportation**

<b><u>Date</u></b>	<b><u>Description</u></b>	<b><u>Amount</u></b>
09/25/24	Michael A. Sloman - Taxi, overtime transportation 09/25/2024	40.99
10/15/24	Renee Olivett - Taxi, overtime transportation 10/15/2024	33.42
10/16/24	Renee Olivett - Taxi, overtime transportation 10/16/2024	31.17
10/22/24	Renee Olivett - Taxi, overtime transportation 10/22/2024	61.11
	<b>Total</b>	<b>166.69</b>

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**Other Court Costs and Fees**

<b><u>Date</u></b>	<b><u>Description</u></b>	<b><u>Amount</u></b>
11/22/24	Miller Advertising Agency Inc - Publication of Vertex Confirmation Hearing Notice in the New York Times (Business)	31,594.40
	<b>Total</b>	<b>31,594.40</b>

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**LexisNexis Research**

<b><u>Date</u></b>	<b><u>Description</u></b>	<b><u>Amount</u></b>
10/24/24	RELX Inc DBA LexisNexis - LexisNexis Research on 10/24/2024 by Joshua Raphael	51.72
	<b>Total</b>	<b>51.72</b>

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**Overtime Transportation**

<b><u>Date</u></b>	<b><u>Description</u></b>	<b><u>Amount</u></b>
10/04/24	Saal Laura – Car Service, Overtime transportation 09/24/2024	120.49
	<b>Total</b>	<b>120.49</b>

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**Overtime Meals - Attorney**

<b><u>Date</u></b>	<b><u>Description</u></b>	<b><u>Amount</u></b>
10/20/24	GRUBHUB HOLDINGS INC - Olivett Renee 10/15/2024 OT Meal	50.00
10/20/24	GRUBHUB HOLDINGS INC - Eck Trevor 10/15/2024 OT Meal	50.00
10/20/24	GRUBHUB HOLDINGS INC - Bessey Sloane 10/15/2024 OT Meal	50.00
10/27/24	GRUBHUB HOLDINGS INC - Golden Rachel 10/21/2024 OT Meal	43.84
10/27/24	GRUBHUB HOLDINGS INC - Olivett Renee 10/22/2024 OT Meal	49.21
10/27/24	GRUBHUB HOLDINGS INC - Nakhaimousa Brian 10/21/2024 OT Meal	42.69
10/27/24	GRUBHUB HOLDINGS INC - Golden Rachel 10/22/2024 OT Meal	50.00
10/27/24	GRUBHUB HOLDINGS INC - Olivett Renee 10/21/2024 OT Meal	50.00
11/03/24	GRUBHUB HOLDINGS INC - Myers Scott, 10/29/2024 OT Meal	48.89
11/03/24	GRUBHUB HOLDINGS INC - Myers Scott, 10/30/2024 OT Meal	48.89
11/03/24	GRUBHUB HOLDINGS INC - Golden Rachel 11/1/2024 OT Meal	45.64
11/10/24	GRUBHUB HOLDINGS INC - Olivett Renee 11/5/2024 OT Meal	35.57
11/10/24	GRUBHUB HOLDINGS INC - Myers Scott, 11/5/2024 OT Meal	48.89
11/17/24	GRUBHUB HOLDINGS INC - Fina Josephine 11/11/2024 OT Meal	44.88
11/17/24	GRUBHUB HOLDINGS INC - Nashelsky Brendan 11/11/2024 OT Meal	44.88
11/17/24	GRUBHUB HOLDINGS INC - Golden Rachel 11/11/2024 OT Meal	44.88
11/18/24	Fabrizio Christopher Fabrizio 11/18/2024 OT Meal	26.51
	<b>Total</b>	<b>774.77</b>

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**Miscellaneous Office Expenses**

<b><u>Date</u></b>	<b><u>Description</u></b>	<b><u>Amount</u></b>
11/08/24	Katrina Miani, Transcript 11/08/2024	40.60
11/21/24	Lilla K. Grisham, Registration Fee, Vertex Energy, Inc., Filing fee with FCC 11/21/2024	850.00
	<b>Total</b>	<b>890.60</b>
<b>TOTAL EXPENSES</b>		<b>\$ 37,317.55</b>

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January 29, 2025

Vertex Energy Inc.  
1331 Gemini Street  
Suite 250  
Houston, TX 77058

Attn: James Gregory

**Invoice Number: 1050110905**  
**Client Matter: 57088-29**

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## In the Matter of Expenses

For expenses incurred through December 22, 2024  
(see attached Description of Expenses for detail)

\$ 17,378.08

Total expenses incurred

\$ 17,378.08



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**Description of Expenses**

<b><u>Description</u></b>	<b><u>Amount</u></b>
Standard Copies or Prints	303.84
Color Copies or Prints	326.70
Closing/Mini Books	60.00
Local Transportation	66.30
Travel Expense	1,551.99
Airfare	3,469.67
Transportation to/from airport	472.63
Travel Meals	467.81
Catering Expenses	1,656.00
Computer Database Research	2,504.91
Westlaw Research	4,259.61
LexisNexis Research	930.89
Overtime Transportation	421.56
Overtime Meals - Attorney	886.17
<b>Total</b>	<b>\$ 17,378.08</b>

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**Description of Expenses**

**Standard Copies or Prints**

<b><u>Date</u></b>	<b><u>Description</u></b>	<b><u>Amount</u></b>
12/04/24	Standard Copies or Prints	4.96
12/04/24	Standard Copies or Prints	0.32
12/05/24	Standard Copies or Prints	8.64
12/09/24	Standard Copies or Prints	0.16
12/10/24	Standard Copies or Prints	1.12
12/10/24	Standard Copies or Prints	4.96
12/11/24	Standard Copies or Prints	0.16
12/11/24	Standard Copies or Prints	8.32
12/11/24	Standard Copies or Prints	6.40
12/13/24	Standard Copies or Prints	9.44
12/17/24	Standard Copies or Prints	0.64
12/17/24	Standard Copies or Prints	0.64
12/18/24	Standard Copies or Prints	0.32
12/18/24	Standard Copies or Prints	1.28
12/18/24	Standard Copies or Prints	39.36
12/18/24	Standard Copies or Prints	1.28
12/20/24	Standard Copies or Prints	111.36
12/20/24	Standard Copies or Prints	104.48
	<b>Total</b>	<b>303.84</b>

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**Color Copies or Prints**

<b><u>Date</u></b>	<b><u>Description</u></b>	<b><u>Amount</u></b>
12/04/24	Color Copies or Prints	2.20
12/11/24	Color Copies or Prints	28.60
12/11/24	Color Copies or Prints	7.70
12/17/24	Color Copies or Prints	9.90
12/18/24	Color Copies or Prints	6.60
12/18/24	Color Copies or Prints	24.20
12/19/24	Color Copies or Prints	11.55
12/20/24	Color Copies or Prints	211.75
12/20/24	Color Copies or Prints	24.20
	<b>Total</b>	<b>326.70</b>

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**Closing/Mini Books**

<b><u>Date</u></b>	<b><u>Description</u></b>	<b><u>Amount</u></b>
12/20/24	Closing/Mini Books	60.00
	<b>Total</b>	<b>60.00</b>

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**Local Transportation**

<b><u>Date</u></b>	<b><u>Description</u></b>	<b><u>Amount</u></b>
12/20/24	Brian Schartz, Taxi, local travel in Houston 12/20/2024	66.30
	<b>Total</b>	<b>66.30</b>

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**Travel Expense**

<b><u>Date</u></b>	<b><u>Description</u></b>	<b><u>Amount</u></b>
12/20/24	Brian Schartz, Lodging, Houston, Hotel 12/20/2024	719.58
12/20/24	Brian Nakhaimousa - Lodging, Houston, TX re Confirmation Hearing. 12/20/2024	277.47
12/20/24	Josephine Fina, Lodging, Houston, TX, Confirmation Hearing. 12/20/2024	277.47
12/20/24	Rachel Golden, Lodging, Houston to , Hotel. 12/20/2024	277.47
	<b>Total</b>	<b>1,551.99</b>

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### Airfare

<u>Date</u>	<u>Description</u>	<u>Amount</u>
12/16/24	Brian Schartz, Airfare, Houston, Travel to Houston for prep and attending Hearing. 12/16/2024	775.91
12/16/24	Brian Schartz, Agency Fee, Travel to Houston for prep and attending Hearing. 12/16/2024	58.00
12/16/24	Brian Nakhaimousa - Agency Fee, Travel to Houston, TX re Confirmation Hearing. 12/16/2024	58.00
12/16/24	Josephine Fina, Airfare (coach), Houston, TX, Confirmation Hearing in Houston 12/16/2024	806.11
12/16/24	Josephine Fina, Agency Fee, Confirmation Hearing in Houston 12/16/2024	58.00
12/16/24	Rachel Golden, Airfare, Houston to , Flights to/from Houston to prepare and attend hearing. 12/16/2024	720.78
12/16/24	Rachel Golden, Agency Fee, Flights to/from Houston to prepare and attend hearing. 12/16/2024	58.00
12/16/24	Brian Nakhaimousa - Airfare (coach), Travel to Houston, TX re Confirmation Hearing. 12/16/2024	362.37
12/20/24	Brian Nakhaimousa - Agency Fee, Travel to New York, NY re Confirmation Hearing. 12/20/2024	58.00
12/20/24	Brian Nakhaimousa - Airfare (coach), Houston to New York, NY re Confirmation Hearing. 12/20/2024	333.00
12/20/24	Josephine Fina, Airfare, Houston, TX to New York, NY, Confirmation Hearing 12/20/2024	(54.95)
12/20/24	Rachel Golden, Airfare, New York to , Flight change. Flights to/from Houston to prepare and attend hearing. 12/20/2024	236.45
	<b>Total</b>	<b>3,469.67</b>

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**Transportation to/from airport**

<b><u>Date</u></b>	<b><u>Description</u></b>	<b><u>Amount</u></b>
12/19/24	Brian Nakhaimousa - Transportation To/From Airport, Travel to Houston, TX re Confirmation Hearing.	119.45
12/19/24	Josephine Fina, Transportation To/From Airport, Confirmation Hearing in Houston 12/19/2024	67.85
12/20/24	BOSTON COACH CORPORATION - 12/19/2024 Brian Nakhaimousa Pick Up at IAH George Bush Airport Houston and Drop Off at KIRKLAND & ELLIS HOUSTON	285.33
	<b>Total</b>	<b>472.63</b>



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**Travel Meals**

<b><u>Date</u></b>	<b><u>Description</u></b>	<b><u>Amount</u></b>
12/19/24	Brian Nakhaimousa, Travel Meals, Houston, TX Travel meal while in Houston for Confirmation Hearing. 12/19/2024	10.84
12/19/24	Josephine Fina, Travel Meals, Houston, TX Confirmation Hearing in Houston Nancy Bonds-Alvarez and Marsal, Josephine Fina, Rachael M. Bentley, Brian Nakhaimousa, Rachel Golden 12/19/2024	456.97
	<b>Total</b>	<b>467.81</b>

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**Catering Expenses**

<b><u>Date</u></b>	<b><u>Description</u></b>	<b><u>Amount</u></b>
10/01/24	FLIK - Vertex Energy Inc.10/29/2024	120.00
10/01/24	FLIK - Vertex Energy Inc.10/15/2024	120.00
10/01/24	FLIK - Vertex Energy Inc.10/22/2024	120.00
11/01/24	FLIK - Vertex Energy Inc.11/12/2024	120.00
11/01/24	FLIK - Vertex Energy Inc.11/12/2024	36.00
11/01/24	FLIK - Vertex Energy Inc.11/12/2024	64.00
11/01/24	FLIK - Vertex Energy Inc.11/19/2024	120.00
11/01/24	FLIK - Vertex Energy Inc.11/12/2024	48.00
11/01/24	FLIK - Vertex Energy Inc.11/26/2024	120.00
11/01/24	FLIK - Vertex Energy Inc.11/5/2024	120.00
12/01/24	FLIK - Vertex Energy Inc.12/11/2024	56.00
12/01/24	FLIK - Vertex Confirmation Hearing Prep on 12/19/2024	96.00
12/01/24	FLIK - Vertex Confirmation Hearing Prep on 12/20/2024	192.00
12/01/24	FLIK - Vertex Confirmation Hearing Prep on 12/20/2024	96.00
12/01/24	FLIK - Vertex Confirmation Hearing Prep on 12/19/2024	228.00
	<b>Total</b>	<b>1,656.00</b>

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### **Computer Database Research**

<b><u>Date</u></b>	<b><u>Description</u></b>	<b><u>Amount</u></b>
11/13/24	RESTRUCTURING CONCEPTS LLC - Chapter 11 Dockets Usage for 10/2024 by Joshua Raphael	124.00
11/13/24	RESTRUCTURING CONCEPTS LLC - Chapter 11 Dockets Usage for 10/2024 by Brendan Nashelsky	73.00
11/13/24	RESTRUCTURING CONCEPTS LLC - Chapter 11 Dockets Usage for 10/2024 by Tysan Holloman	278.00
11/13/24	RESTRUCTURING CONCEPTS LLC - Chapter 11 Dockets Usage for 10/2024 by Brian Nakhaimousa	100.00
11/13/24	RESTRUCTURING CONCEPTS LLC - Chapter 11 Dockets Usage for 10/2024 by Renee Olivett	115.00
11/13/24	RESTRUCTURING CONCEPTS LLC - Chapter 11 Dockets Usage for 10/2024 by Ashlyn Gallagher	165.00
11/13/24	RESTRUCTURING CONCEPTS LLC - Chapter 11 Dockets Usage for 10/2024 by Sloane Bessey	300.00
11/13/24	RESTRUCTURING CONCEPTS LLC - Chapter 11 Dockets Usage for 10/2024 by Rachel Golden	125.00
11/13/24	RESTRUCTURING CONCEPTS LLC - Chapter 11 Dockets Usage for 10/2024 by Christopher Fabrizio	146.00
11/30/24	LEXISNEXIS RISK SOLUTIONS - Accurint Usage for 11/2024	65.91
12/13/24	RESTRUCTURING CONCEPTS LLC - Chapter 11 Dockets Usage for 11/2024 by Jamie McLennan	18.00
12/13/24	RESTRUCTURING CONCEPTS LLC - Chapter 11 Dockets Usage for 11/2024 by Christopher Fabrizio	428.00
12/13/24	RESTRUCTURING CONCEPTS LLC - Chapter 11 Dockets Usage for 11/2024 by Laura Saal	76.00
12/13/24	RESTRUCTURING CONCEPTS LLC - Chapter 11 Dockets Usage for 11/2024 by Rachel Golden	61.00
12/13/24	RESTRUCTURING CONCEPTS LLC - Chapter 11 Dockets Usage for 11/2024 by Brendan Nashelsky	49.00
12/13/24	RESTRUCTURING CONCEPTS LLC - Chapter 11 Dockets Usage for 11/2024 by Sloane Bessey	110.00
12/13/24	RESTRUCTURING CONCEPTS LLC - Chapter 11 Dockets Usage for 11/2024 by Sloane Bessey	117.00
12/13/24	RESTRUCTURING CONCEPTS LLC - Chapter 11 Dockets Usage for 11/2024 by Brian Nakhaimousa	40.00
12/13/24	RESTRUCTURING CONCEPTS LLC - Chapter 11 Dockets Usage for 11/2024 by Tysan Holloman	104.00

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12/13/24	RESTRUCTURING CONCEPTS LLC - Chapter 11 Dockets	10.00
	Usage for 11/2024 by Ashlyn Gallagher	
	<b>Total</b>	<b>2,504.91</b>

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### **Westlaw Research**

<b><u>Date</u></b>	<b><u>Description</u></b>	<b><u>Amount</u></b>
11/01/24	THOMSON REUTERS - WEST PUBLISHING CORP - WESTLAW Research Charges by Fabrizio, Christopher Anthony on 11/1/2024	406.26
11/01/24	THOMSON REUTERS - WEST PUBLISHING CORP - WESTLAW Research Charges by Holloman, Tysan on 11/1/2024	632.08
11/01/24	THOMSON REUTERS - WEST PUBLISHING CORP - WESTLAW Research Charges by Angarola, Michael on 11/1/2024	203.36
11/01/24	THOMSON REUTERS - WEST PUBLISHING CORP - WESTLAW Research Charges by Bessey, Sloane on 11/1/2024	75.84
11/03/24	THOMSON REUTERS - WEST PUBLISHING CORP - WESTLAW Research Charges by McLennan, Jamie on 11/3/2024	113.76
11/03/24	THOMSON REUTERS - WEST PUBLISHING CORP - WESTLAW Research Charges by Holloman, Tysan on 11/3/2024	217.18
11/04/24	THOMSON REUTERS - WEST PUBLISHING CORP - WESTLAW Research Charges by Holloman, Tysan on 11/4/2024	37.96
11/05/24	THOMSON REUTERS - WEST PUBLISHING CORP - WESTLAW Research Charges by Holloman, Tysan on 11/5/2024	151.84
11/08/24	THOMSON REUTERS - WEST PUBLISHING CORP - WESTLAW Research Charges by Holloman, Tysan on 11/8/2024	56.94
11/09/24	THOMSON REUTERS - WEST PUBLISHING CORP - WESTLAW Research Charges by McLennan, Jamie on 11/9/2024	43.62
11/11/24	THOMSON REUTERS - WEST PUBLISHING CORP - WESTLAW Research Charges by Munshi, Barira on 11/11/2024	74.29
11/12/24	THOMSON REUTERS - WEST PUBLISHING CORP - WESTLAW Research Charges by Raphael, Joshua on 11/12/2024	37.92
11/12/24	THOMSON REUTERS - WEST PUBLISHING CORP - WESTLAW Research Charges by Holloman, Tysan on 11/12/2024	189.81
11/13/24	THOMSON REUTERS - WEST PUBLISHING CORP - WESTLAW Research Charges by Bessey, Sloane on 11/13/2024	108.33
11/15/24	THOMSON REUTERS - WEST PUBLISHING CORP - WESTLAW Research Charges by Bessey, Sloane on 11/15/2024	146.25
11/19/24	THOMSON REUTERS - WEST PUBLISHING CORP - WESTLAW Research Charges by Fabrizio, Christopher Anthony on 11/19/2024	68.28
11/20/24	THOMSON REUTERS - WEST PUBLISHING CORP - WESTLAW Research Charges by Fabrizio, Christopher Anthony on 11/20/2024	328.30

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11/22/24	THOMSON REUTERS - WEST PUBLISHING CORP - WESTLAW Research Charges by Marshall, Amanda on 11/22/2024	337.93
11/23/24	THOMSON REUTERS - WEST PUBLISHING CORP - WESTLAW Research Charges by Raphael, Joshua on 11/23/2024	18.96
11/23/24	THOMSON REUTERS - WEST PUBLISHING CORP - WESTLAW Research Charges by Fabrizio, Christopher Anthony on 11/23/2024	290.10
11/23/24	THOMSON REUTERS - WEST PUBLISHING CORP - WESTLAW Research Charges by Bessey, Sloane on 11/23/2024	24.66
11/25/24	THOMSON REUTERS - WEST PUBLISHING CORP - WESTLAW Research Charges by Raphael, Joshua on 11/25/2024	216.66
11/25/24	THOMSON REUTERS - WEST PUBLISHING CORP - WESTLAW Research Charges by Bessey, Sloane on 11/25/2024	37.92
12/06/24	THOMSON REUTERS - WEST PUBLISHING CORP - WESTLAW Research Charges by Holloman, Tysan on 12/6/2024	144.25
12/09/24	THOMSON REUTERS - WEST PUBLISHING CORP - WESTLAW Research Charges by Fabrizio, Christopher Anthony on 12/9/2024	30.56
12/10/24	THOMSON REUTERS - WEST PUBLISHING CORP - WESTLAW Research Charges by Holloman, Tysan on 12/10/2024	174.85
12/14/24	THOMSON REUTERS - WEST PUBLISHING CORP - WESTLAW Research Charges by Raphael, Joshua on 12/14/2024	61.14
12/19/24	THOMSON REUTERS - WEST PUBLISHING CORP - WESTLAW Research Charges by Fabrizio, Christopher Anthony on 12/19/2024	30.56
	<b>Total</b>	<b>4,259.61</b>

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**LexisNexis Research**

<b><u>Date</u></b>	<b><u>Description</u></b>	<b><u>Amount</u></b>
11/14/24	RELX Inc DBA LexisNexis - LexisNexis Research on 11/14/2024 by Joshua Raphael	51.72
11/20/24	RELX Inc DBA LexisNexis - LexisNexis Research on 11/20/2024 by Joshua Raphael	362.01
11/23/24	RELX Inc DBA LexisNexis - LexisNexis Research on 11/23/2024 by Joshua Raphael	258.58
11/25/24	RELX Inc DBA LexisNexis - LexisNexis Research on 11/25/2024 by Joshua Raphael	258.58
	<b>Total</b>	<b>930.89</b>

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**Overtime Transportation**

<b><u>Date</u></b>	<b><u>Description</u></b>	<b><u>Amount</u></b>
11/25/24	Brian Nakhaimousa - Taxi, overtime transportation.	8.40
12/03/24	Brian Nakhaimousa, Taxi, Work late. Car ride home. 12/03/2024	14.34
12/06/24	Renee Olivett - Taxi, overtime transportation.	42.87
12/09/24	Renee Olivett - Taxi, overtime transportation.	40.84
12/10/24	Renee Olivett - Taxi, overtime transportation.	35.46
12/11/24	Renee Olivett - Taxi, overtime transportation.	34.62
12/16/24	Christopher Fabrizio, Taxi, OT Uber - 12/16/24	26.92
12/18/24	Brendan Nashelsky, Taxi, overtime transportation.	200.12
12/20/24	Sloane Bessey, Taxi, Uber home from office. 12/19 work day. 12/20/2024	17.99
	<b>Total</b>	<b>421.56</b>



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**Overtime Meals - Attorney**

<b><u>Date</u></b>	<b><u>Description</u></b>	<b><u>Amount</u></b>
11/24/24	GRUBHUB HOLDINGS INC - Fabrizio Christopher 11/21/2024 OT Meal	48.72
12/01/24	GRUBHUB HOLDINGS INC - Nakhaimousa Brian 11/25/2024 OT Meal	38.94
12/08/24	GRUBHUB HOLDINGS INC - Olivett Renee 12/6/2024 OT Meal	52.50
12/08/24	GRUBHUB HOLDINGS INC - Bessey Sloane 12/6/2024 OT Meal	52.50
12/08/24	GRUBHUB HOLDINGS INC - Bessey Sloane 12/4/2024 OT Meal	52.50
12/15/24	GRUBHUB HOLDINGS INC - Olivett Renee 12/10/2024 OT Meal	30.57
12/15/24	GRUBHUB HOLDINGS INC - Olivett Renee 12/9/2024 OT Meal	38.46
12/15/24	GRUBHUB HOLDINGS INC - Bessey Sloane 12/9/2024 OT Meal	38.26
12/15/24	GRUBHUB HOLDINGS INC - Nashelsky Brendan 12/10/2024 OT Meal	30.57
12/15/24	GRUBHUB HOLDINGS INC - Bessey Sloane 12/10/2024 OT Meal	30.57
12/15/24	GRUBHUB HOLDINGS INC - Golden Rachel 12/10/2024 OT Meal	30.58
12/17/24	GRUBHUB HOLDINGS INC - Eck Trevor 12/17/2024 OT Meal	47.66
12/17/24	GRUBHUB HOLDINGS INC - Golden Rachel 12/17/2024 OT Meal	47.65
12/17/24	GRUBHUB HOLDINGS INC - Fabrizio Christopher 12/17/2024 OT Meal	47.66
12/17/24	GRUBHUB HOLDINGS INC - Fina Josephine 12/17/2024 OT Meal	47.66
12/17/24	GRUBHUB HOLDINGS INC - Bessey Sloane 12/17/2024 OT Meal	47.66
12/17/24	GRUBHUB HOLDINGS INC - Nashelsky Brendan 12/17/2024 OT Meal	47.65
12/19/24	GRUBHUB HOLDINGS INC - Bessey Sloane 12/19/2024 OT Meal	51.06
12/19/24	GRUBHUB HOLDINGS INC - Nashelsky Brendan 12/19/2024 OT Meal	52.50

Legal Services for the Period Ending December 20, 2024  
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12/19/24	GRUBHUB HOLDINGS INC - Eck Trevor 12/19/2024 OT Meal	52.50
	<b>Total</b>	<b>886.17</b>
<b>TOTAL EXPENSES</b>		<b>\$ 17,378.08</b>