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IN THE UNITED STATES BANKRUPTCY COURT FOR THE DISTRICT OF DELAWARE

In re:

VILLAGE ROADSHOW ENTERTAINMENT GROUP USA INC., *et al.*, ¹ Chapter 11

Case No. 25-10475 (TMH)

Debtors.

(Joint Administration Requested)

Ref. Docket No. 7

CERTIFICATION OF COUNSEL SUBMITTING *PROPOSED* INTERIM ORDER (I) AUTHORIZING THE DEBTORS TO (A) CONTINUE OPERATING CASH MANAGEMENT SYSTEM, (B) HONOR CERTAIN PREPETITION OBLIGATIONS RELATED THERETO, (C) MAINTAIN EXISTING BUSINESS FORMS, (D) CONTINUE INTERCOMPANY TRANSACTIONS, (II) CONFIRMING ADMINISTRATIVE EXPENSE PRIORITY FOR POSTPETITION INTERCOMPANY <u>CLAIMS, AND (III) GRANTING RELATED RELIEF</u>

On March 17, 2025, the above-captioned debtors and debtors in possession (collectively,

the "Debtors") filed the Debtors' Motion for Entry of Interim and Final Orders (I) Authorizing the

Debtors to (A) Continue to Operate Their Cash Management System, (B) Honor Certain

Prepetition Obligations Related Thereto, (C) Maintain Existing Business Forms, (D) Continue

Intercompany Transactions; (II) Confirming Administrative Expense Priority for Postpetition

Intercompany Claims; and (II) Granting Related Relief [Docket No. 7] (the "Motion").

A hearing on the Motion was held on March 18, 2025 (the "Hearing") before the United

States Bankruptcy Court for the District of Delaware (the "Court"). Prior to the Hearing, the



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Debtors received informal comments from Alcon Entertainment, LLC ("<u>Alcon Entertainment</u>") and Warner Bros. Entertainment Inc. and its affiliates (collectively, "<u>Warner</u>").

Attached hereto as <u>Exhibit A</u> is a proposed form of revised interim order (the "<u>Revised</u> <u>Proposed Interim Order</u>"), reflective of the changes requested by Alcon Entertainment and Warner, and as set forth on the record at the Hearing. The Debtors respectfully submit that the Revised Proposed Interim Order resolves Alcon Entertainment's and Warner's informal comments and is consistent with the record of the Hearing. For the convenience of the Court and other interested parties, a blackline comparing the Revised Proposed Interim Order against the original proposed order filed with the Motion is attached hereto as <u>Exhibit B</u>.

WHEREFORE, the Debtors respectfully request entry of the Revised Proposed Interim Order attached hereto as <u>Exhibit A</u>.

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Dated: March 18, 2025 Wilmington, Delaware

/s/ Joseph M. Mulvihill

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EXHIBIT A

Revised Proposed Interim Order

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Upon the motion (the "<u>Motion</u>")² of the above-captioned debtors and debtors in possession (collectively, the "<u>Debtors</u>") for the entry of an interim order (this "<u>Interim Order</u>"): (a) authorizing the Debtors to (i) continue operating the Cash Management System, (ii) honor and pay the Bank Fees in the normal course, (iii) maintain existing business forms, (iv) continue to perform under and honor Intercompany Transactions in the ordinary course of business, in their business judgment and at their sole discretion; (b) confirming administrative expense priority for postpetition intercompany claims; and (c) granting related relief, all as more fully set forth in the Motion; and upon consideration of the First Day Declaration; and this Court having jurisdiction over this matter pursuant to 28 U.S.C. §§ 157 and 1334 and the *Amended Standing Order of*

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

IT IS HEREBY ORDERED THAT:

1. The Motion is granted on an interim basis as set forth herein.

2. The final hearing (the "<u>Final Hearing</u>") on the Motion shall be held on April 11, 2025, at 1:30 p.m., prevailing Eastern Time. Any objections or responses to entry of a final order on the Motion shall be filed on or before 4:00 p.m., prevailing Eastern Time, on April 3, 2025 and shall be served on: (i) the Debtors, Village Roadshow Entertainment Group USA Inc., 750 N. San Vicente Blvd., Suite 800 West, West Hollywood, CA 90069; (ii) proposed co-counsel to the Debtors, (a) Sheppard, Mullin, Richter & Hampton LLP, 321 North Clark Street, 32nd Floor, Chicago, IL 60654, Attn.: Justin R. Bernbrock (jbernbrock@sheppardmullin.com), and (b) Young Conaway Stargatt & Taylor, LLP, Rodney Square, 1000 North King Street, Wilmington, DE

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19801, Attn.: Joseph M. Mulvihill (jmulvihill@ycst.com); (iii) the U.S. Trustee, J. Caleb Boggs Federal Building, 844 King Street, Room 2207, Wilmington, DE 19801, Attn.: Rosa Sierra-Fox (rosa.sierra-fox@usdoj.gov); (iv) counsel to the DIP Lenders, Morrison Foerster, 250 West 55th Street, New York, NY 10019, Attn.: James Newton (jnewton@mofo.com); (v) counsel to the ABS Trustee, Barnes & Thornburg LLP, One North Wacker Drive Suite 4400, Chicago, IL 60606, Attn.: Aaron Gavant (agavant@btlaw.com); and (vi) counsel to any statutory committee appointed in these chapter 11 cases.

3. In the event no objections to entry of the Proposed Final Order on the Motion are timely received, this Court may enter such Proposed Final Order without need for the Final Hearing.

4. The Debtors are authorized, but not directed, to: (a) continue operating the Cash Management System, substantially as identified on **Exhibit D** to the Motion and as described in the Motion, including intercompany funding among the Debtor affiliates; (b) honor their prepetition obligations related thereto; (c) use, in their present form, all preprinted correspondence and Business Forms (including letterhead) without reference to the Debtors' status as debtors in possession; provided, however, that once the Debtors' existing checks have been used, the Debtors shall, when reordering checks, require the designation "Debtor in Possession" and the corresponding bankruptcy case number on all checks; provided further that, with respect to checks which the Debtors or their agents print themselves, the Debtors shall begin printing the "Debtor in Possession" legend and the bankruptcy case number on such items within ten (10) days of the date of entry of this Order; (d) continue to use, with the same account numbers, the Bank Accounts in existence as of the Petition Date, including those accounts identified on **Exhibit C** to the Motion, and need not comply with certain guidelines relating to bank accounts set forth in the U.S. Trustee

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Guidelines (to the extent applicable); (e) treat the Bank Accounts for all purposes as accounts of the Debtors as debtors in possession; (f) deposit funds in and withdraw funds from the Bank Accounts by all usual means, including checks, wire transfers, and other debits; and (g) pay the Bank Fees, including any prepetition amounts and any ordinary course Bank Fees incurred in connection with the Bank Accounts and to otherwise perform their obligations under the documents governing the Bank Accounts; *provided* that in the case of each of (a) through (g), such action is taken in the ordinary course of business and consistent with historical practices.

5. The Banks are authorized to continue to maintain, service, and administer the Bank Accounts as accounts of the Debtors as debtors in possession, without interruption and in the ordinary course of business consistent with historical practices, and to receive, process, honor, and pay, to the extent of available funds, any and all checks, drafts, wires, credit card payments, and ACH transfers issued and drawn on the Bank Accounts after the Petition Date by the holders or makers thereof, as the case may be, and all such banks and financial institutions are authorized to rely on the Debtors' designation of any particular check or electronic payment request as approved by this Interim Order; *provided* that the Debtors shall only instruct or request any Banks to pay or honor any check, draft, or other payment item issued on a Bank Account prior to the Petition Date but presented to such Bank for payment after the Petition Date as authorized by an order of the Court.

6. The Banks are authorized to debit the Debtors' accounts in the ordinary course of business, consistent with historical practices, without the need for further order of this Court for:

(a) all checks drawn on the Debtors' accounts which are cashed at such Bank's counters or exchanged for cashier's checks by the payees thereof prior to the Petition Date;
(b) all checks or other items deposited in one of Debtors' accounts with such Bank prior to the Petition Date which

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have been dishonored or returned unpaid for any reason, together with any fees and costs in connection therewith, to the same extent the Debtor was responsible for such items prior to the Petition Date; and (c) all undisputed prepetition amounts outstanding as of the date hereof, if any, owed to any Bank as service charges for the maintenance of the Cash Management System.

7. The Debtors are authorized and empowered to continue performing under and honoring Intercompany Transactions; *provided* that the Debtors shall not be authorized to undertake any Intercompany Transactions that are not on the same terms as, or materially consistent with, the Debtors' operation of their business in the ordinary course during the prepetition period; *provided*, *further*, that the Debtors shall (a) keep records of any postpetition Intercompany Transactions that occur during these chapter 11 cases and (b) implement accounting procedures to identify and distinguish between prepetition and postpetition Intercompany Transactions and keep records of same.

8. In accordance with sections 503(b)(1) of the Bankruptcy Code, all ordinary course Intercompany Claims arising after the Petition Date shall be accorded administrative expense priority to the extent that they provided an actual and necessary benefit to the respective Debtor's estate.

9. Any existing agreements between or among the Debtors, the Banks, and other parties shall continue to govern the postpetition cash management relationship between the Debtors and the Banks, and all of the provisions of such agreements, including, without limitation, the termination, fee provisions, cash sweep provisions (including for the deposit account maintained by the VREG Wonka IP Global Account³), rights, benefits, offset rights, and remedies afforded under such agreements shall remain in full force and effect unless otherwise ordered by

³ The VREG Wonka IP Global Account is at City National Bank, Account No. **** 4465.

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the Court, and the Debtors and the Banks may, without further order of this Court, agree to and implement changes to the Cash Management System and cash management procedures in the ordinary course of business, consistent with historical practices, including, without limitation, the opening and closing of bank accounts, subject to paragraph 12 below.

10. The Debtors' time to comply with section 345(b) of the Bankruptcy Code is hereby extended for a period of forty-five days from the date of this Interim Order (the "<u>Extension</u> <u>Period</u>"); *provided*, *however*, that such extension is without prejudice to the Debtors' right to request a further extension of the Extension Period or a final waiver of the requirements of section 345(b) in these chapter 11 cases.

11. For the Banks at which the Debtors hold Bank Accounts that are party to a Uniform Depository Agreement with the U.S. Trustee, as soon as reasonably possible, the Debtors shall (a) contact such bank, (b) provide such bank with each of the Debtors' employer identification numbers, (c) identify each of their Bank Accounts held at such bank as being held by a debtor in possession in the Debtors' bankruptcy cases; and (d) serve a copy this Interim Order on each Bank. For any Bank at which the Debtors hold Bank Accounts that are not party to a Uniform Depository Agreement with the U.S. Trustee, the Debtors shall use their good-faith efforts to cause the Bank to execute a Uniform Depository Agreement in a form prescribed by the U.S. Trustee within 45 days of the date of this Interim Order. The U.S. Trustee's rights to seek further relief from this Court on notice in the event that the aforementioned banks are unwilling to execute a Uniform Depository Agreement in a form prescribed by the U.S. Trustee.

12. Subject to the terms hereof the Debtors are authorized, but not directed, in the ordinary course of business consistent with historical practices, to open any new bank accounts or close any existing Bank Accounts and enter into any ancillary agreements, including deposit

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account control agreements, related to the foregoing, as they may deem necessary and appropriate, provided that the Debtors give notice to the U.S. Trustee and any official committees appointed in these chapter 11 cases within fifteen days of opening or closing a bank account. The relief granted in this Interim Order is extended to any new bank account opened by the Debtors in the ordinary course of business after the date hereof, which account shall be deemed a "Bank Account," and to the bank at which such account is opened, which bank shall be deemed a "Bank;" *provided* that any new domestic bank account opened by the Debtors shall be established at an institution that is a party to a Uniform Depository Agreement with the U.S. Trustee or is willing to immediately execute such a Uniform Depository Agreement.

13. All Banks maintaining any of the Bank Accounts that are provided with notice of this Interim Order shall not honor or pay any bank payments drawn on the listed Bank Accounts or otherwise issued before the Petition Date; *provided*, *however*, that any such bank shall not be found to be in violation of this Interim Order nor liable to the Debtors or their estates should any such bank honor or pay any bank payment (a) in a good-faith belief that the Court has authorized such payment to be honored, or (b) as the result of a mistake made despite implementation of customary item handling procedures.

14. The Banks are authorized, without further order of this Court, to deduct any applicable fees from the applicable Bank Accounts in the ordinary course of business consistent with historical practices and pursuant to the applicable agreements governing each Bank Account.

15. The Banks are authorized, without further order of this Court, to charge back to the appropriate accounts of the Debtors any amounts resulting from returned checks or other returned items, including returned items that result from ACH transactions, wire transfers, or other electronic transfers of any kind, regardless of whether such returned items were deposited or

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transferred prepetition or postpetition and regardless of whether the returned items relate to prepetition or postpetition items or transfers, including, without limitation, on account of checks that have been dishonored or returned as a result of insufficient funds in the Bank Accounts, in each case to the same extent the Debtors were responsible for such items prior to the Petition Date.

16. Subject to the terms set forth herein, any bank, including the Banks, may rely upon the representations of the Debtors with respect to whether any check, draft, wire, or other transfer drawn or issued by the Debtors prior to the Petition Date should be honored pursuant to any order of this Court, and no bank that honors a prepetition check or other item drawn on any account that is the subject of this Interim Order (a) at the direction of the Debtors, (b) in a good-faith belief that this Court has authorized such prepetition check or item to be honored, or (c) as a result of a mistake made despite implementation of reasonable customary handling procedures, shall be deemed to be nor shall be liable to the Debtors, their estates, or any other party on account of such prepetition check or other item being honored postpetition, or otherwise deemed to be in violation of this Interim Order.

17. Any banks, including the Banks, are further authorized to honor the Debtors' directions with respect to the opening and closing of any Bank Account and accept and hold, or invest, the Debtors' funds in accordance with the Debtors' instructions; *provided* that the Banks shall not have any liability to any party for relying on such representations to the extent such reliance otherwise complies with applicable law.

18. Notwithstanding anything contained herein and the use of a consolidated cash management system, the Debtors shall calculate quarterly fees under 28 U.S.C. section 1930(a)(6) based on the disbursements of each debtor, regardless of who pays those disbursements.

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19. Notwithstanding anything to the contrary contain in the Motion or this Interim Order, any payment to be made, obligation incurred, or relief or authorization granted hereunder shall not be inconsistent with, and shall be subject to and in compliance with, the requirements imposed on the Debtors under the terms of each interim and final order entered by the Court in respect of *Debtors' Motion for Entry of Interim and Final Orders (I) Authorizing the Debtors to (A) Obtain Postpetition Financing and (B) Utilize Cash Collateral, (II) Granting Liens and Superpriority Administrative Expense Claims, (III) Granting Adequate Protection, (IV) Modifying the Automatic Stay, (V) Scheduling a Final Hearing, and (VI) Granting Related Relief* (the "DIP Orders"), including compliance with any budget or cash flow forecast in connection therewith and any other terms and conditions thereof. Nothing herein is intended to modify, alter, or waive, in any way, any terms, provisions, requirements, or restrictions of the DIP Orders.

20. Nothing contained in the Motion or this Interim Order shall be construed to (a) create or perfect, in favor of any person or entity, any interest in cash of a Debtor that did not exist as of the Petition Date or (b) alter or impair the validity, priority, enforceability, or perfection of any security interest or lien or setoff right, in favor of any person or entity, that existed as of the Petition Date.

21. Nothing contained in the Motion or this Interim Order, and no action taken pursuant to the relief requested or granted (including any payment made in accordance with this Interim Order), is intended as or shall be construed or deemed to be: (a) an admission as to the amount of, basis for, or validity of any claim against the Debtors under the Bankruptcy Code or other applicable nonbankruptcy law; (b) a waiver of the Debtors' or any other party in interest's right to dispute any claim on any grounds; (c) a promise or requirement to pay any particular claim; (d) an implication, admission or finding that any particular claim is an administrative expense claim,

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other priority claim or otherwise of a type specified or defined in the Motion or this Interim Order; (e) a request or authorization to assume, adopt, or reject any agreement, contract, or lease pursuant to section 365 of the Bankruptcy Code; (f) an admission as to the validity, priority, enforceability or perfection of any lien on, security interest in, or other encumbrance on property of the Debtors' estates; or (g) a waiver or limitation of any claims, causes of action or other rights of the Debtors or any other party in interest against any person or entity under the Bankruptcy Code or any other applicable law.

22. The Debtors are authorized, but not directed, to issue postpetition checks, or to effect postpetition fund transfer requests, in replacement of any checks or fund transfer requests that are dishonored as a consequence of these chapter 11 cases with respect to prepetition amounts owed in connection with the relief granted herein.

23. Nothing in this Interim Order authorizes the Debtors to accelerate any payments not otherwise due.

24. The Debtors have demonstrated that the requested relief is "necessary to avoid immediate and irreparable harm," as contemplated by Bankruptcy Rule 6003.

25. Notice of the Motion as provided therein shall be deemed good and sufficient notice of such Motion and the requirements of Bankruptcy Rule 6004(a) and the Local Rules are satisfied by such notice.

26. Notwithstanding Bankruptcy Rule 6004(h), the terms and conditions of this Interim Order are immediately effective and enforceable upon its entry.

27. The Debtors are authorized to take all actions necessary to effectuate the relief granted in this Order.

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28. This Court retains jurisdiction with respect to all matters arising from or related to the implementation, interpretation, and enforcement of this Interim Order.

<u>EXHIBIT B</u>

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Debtors.

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(Jointly Administered)

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Upon the motion (the "<u>Motion</u>") ² of the above-captioned debtors and debtors in possession (collectively, the "<u>Debtors</u>") for the entry of an interim order (this "<u>Interim Order</u>"): (a) authorizing the Debtors to (i) continue operating the Cash Management System, (ii) honor and pay the Bank Fees in the normal course, (iii) maintain existing business forms, (iv) continue to perform under and honor Intercompany Transactions in the ordinary course of business, in their business judgment and at their sole discretion; (b) confirming administrative expense priority for postpetition intercompany claims; and (c) granting related relief, all as more fully set forth in the Motion; and upon consideration of the First Day Declaration; and this Court having jurisdiction over this matter pursuant to 28 U.S.C. §§ 157 and 1334 and the *Amended Standing*

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

IT IS HEREBY ORDERED THAT:

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Bernbrock (jbernbrock@sheppardmullin.com), and (b) Young Conaway Stargatt & Taylor, LLP, Rodney Square, 1000 North King Street, Wilmington, DE 19801, Attn.: Joseph M. Mulvihill (jmulvihill@ycst.com); (iii) the U.S. Trustee, J. Caleb Boggs Federal Building, 844 King Street, Room 2207, Wilmington, DE 19801, Attn.: Rosa Sierra-Fox (rosa.sierra-fox@usdoj.gov); (iv) counsel to the DIP Lenders, Morrison Foerster, 250 West 55th Street, New York, NY 10019, Attn.: James Newton (jnewton@mofo.com); (v) counsel to the ABS Trustee, Barnes & Thornburg LLP, One North Wacker Drive Suite 4400, Chicago, IL 60606, Attn.: Aaron Gavant (agavant@btlaw.com); and (vi) counsel to any statutory committee appointed in these chapter 11 cases.

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numbers, the Bank Accounts in existence as of the Petition Date, including those accounts identified on **Exhibit C** to the Motion, and need not comply with certain guidelines relating to bank accounts set forth in the U.S. Trustee Guidelines (to the extent applicable); (e) treat the Bank Accounts for all purposes as accounts of the Debtors as debtors in possession; (f) deposit funds in and withdraw funds from the Bank Accounts by all usual means, including checks, wire transfers, and other debits; and (g) pay the Bank Fees, including any prepetition amounts and any ordinary course Bank Fees incurred in connection with the Bank Accounts; *provided* that in the case of each of (a) through (g), such action is taken in the ordinary course of business and consistent with historical practices.

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6. The Banks are authorized to debit the Debtors' accounts in the ordinary course of business, consistent with historical practices, without the need for further order of this Court for:

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(a) all checks drawn on the Debtors' accounts which are cashed at such Bank's counters or exchanged for cashier's checks by the payees thereof prior to the Petition Date; (b) all checks or other items deposited in one of Debtors' accounts with such Bank prior to the Petition Date which have been dishonored or returned unpaid for any reason, together with any fees and costs in connection therewith, to the same extent the Debtor was responsible for such items prior to the Petition Date; and (c) all undisputed prepetition amounts outstanding as of the date hereof, if any, owed to any Bank as service charges for the maintenance of the Cash Management System.

7. The Debtors are authorized and empowered to continue performing under and honoring Intercompany Transactions; *provided* that the Debtors shall not be authorized to undertake any Intercompany Transactions that are not on the same terms as, or materially consistent with, the Debtors' operation of their business in the ordinary course during the prepetition period; *provided*, *further*, that the Debtors shall (a) keep records of any postpetition Intercompany Transactions that occur during these chapter 11 cases and (b) implement accounting procedures to identify and distinguish between prepetition and postpetition Intercompany Transactions and keep records of same.

8. In accordance with sections 503(b)(1) of the Bankruptcy Code, all <u>ordinary</u> <u>course</u> Intercompany Claims arising after the Petition Date shall be accorded administrative expense priority to the extent that they provided an actual and necessary <u>benefit to the respective Debtor's estate</u>.

9. Any existing agreements between or among the Debtors, the Banks, and other parties shall continue to govern the postpetition cash management relationship between the Debtors and the Banks, and all of the provisions of such agreements, including, without limitation, the termination, fee provisions, <u>cash sweep provisions (including for the deposit</u>

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<u>account maintained by the VREG Wonka IP Global Account³)</u>, rights, benefits, offset rights, and remedies afforded under such agreements shall remain in full force and effect unless otherwise ordered by the Court, and the Debtors and the Banks may, without further order of this Court, agree to and implement changes to the Cash Management System and cash management procedures in the ordinary course of business, consistent with historical practices, including, without limitation, the opening and closing of bank accounts, subject to paragraph 12 below.

10. The Debtors' time to comply with section 345(b) of the Bankruptcy Code is hereby extended for a period of forty-five days from the date of this Interim Order (the "<u>Extension Period</u>"); *provided*, *however*, that such extension is without prejudice to the Debtors' right to request a further extension of the Extension Period or a final waiver of the requirements of section 345(b) in these chapter 11 cases.

11. For the Banks at which the Debtors hold Bank Accounts that are party to a Uniform Depository Agreement with the U.S. Trustee, as soon as reasonably possible, the Debtors shall (a) contact such bank, (b) provide such bank with each of the Debtors' employer identification numbers, (c) identify each of their Bank Accounts held at such bank as being held by a debtor in possession in the Debtors' bankruptcy cases; and (d) serve a copy this Interim Order on each Bank. For any Bank at which the Debtors hold Bank Accounts that are not party to a Uniform Depository Agreement with the U.S. Trustee, the Debtors shall use their good-faith efforts to cause the Bank to execute a Uniform Depository Agreement in a form prescribed by the U.S. Trustee within 45 days of the date of this Interim Order. The U.S. Trustee's rights to seek further relief from this Court on notice in the event that the aforementioned banks are

³ <u>The VREG Wonka IP Global Account is at City National Bank, Account No. **** 4465.</u>

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unwilling to execute a Uniform Depository Agreement in a form prescribed by the U.S. Trustee are fully reserved.

12. Subject to the terms hereof the Debtors are authorized, but not directed, in the ordinary course of business consistent with historical practices, to open any new bank accounts or close any existing Bank Accounts and enter into any ancillary agreements, including deposit account control agreements, related to the foregoing, as they may deem necessary and appropriate, provided that the Debtors give notice to the U.S. Trustee and any official committees appointed in these chapter 11 cases within fifteen days of opening or closing a bank account. The relief granted in this Interim Order is extended to any new bank account opened by the Debtors in the ordinary course of business after the date hereof, which account shall be deemed a "Bank Account," and to the bank at which such account is opened, which bank shall be established at an institution that is a party to a Uniform Depository Agreement with the U.S. Trustee or is willing to immediately execute such a Uniform Depository Agreement.

13. All Banks maintaining any of the Bank Accounts that are provided with notice of this Interim Order shall not honor or pay any bank payments drawn on the listed Bank Accounts or otherwise issued before the Petition Date; *provided*, *however*, that any such bank shall not be found to be in violation of this Interim Order nor liable to the Debtors or their estates should any such bank honor or pay any bank payment (a) in a good-faith belief that the Court has authorized such payment to be honored, or (b) as the result of a mistake made despite implementation of customary item handling procedures.

14. The Banks are authorized, without further order of this Court, to deduct any applicable fees from the applicable Bank Accounts in the ordinary course of business consistent

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with historical practices and pursuant to the applicable agreements governing each Bank Account.

15. The Banks are authorized, without further order of this Court, to charge back to the appropriate accounts of the Debtors any amounts resulting from returned checks or other returned items, including returned items that result from ACH transactions, wire transfers, or other electronic transfers of any kind, regardless of whether such returned items were deposited or transferred prepetition or postpetition and regardless of whether the returned items relate to prepetition or postpetition items or transfers, including, without limitation, on account of checks that have been dishonored or returned as a result of insufficient funds in the Bank Accounts, in each case to the same extent the Debtors were responsible for such items prior to the Petition Date.

16. Subject to the terms set forth herein, any bank, including the Banks, may rely upon the representations of the Debtors with respect to whether any check, draft, wire, or other transfer drawn or issued by the Debtors prior to the Petition Date should be honored pursuant to any order of this Court, and no bank that honors a prepetition check or other item drawn on any account that is the subject of this Interim Order (a) at the direction of the Debtors, (b) in a good-faith belief that this Court has authorized such prepetition check or item to be honored, or (c) as a result of a mistake made despite implementation of reasonable customary handling procedures, shall be deemed to be nor shall be liable to the Debtors, their estates, or any other party on account of such prepetition check or other item being honored postpetition, or otherwise deemed to be in violation of this Interim Order.

17. Any banks, including the Banks, are further authorized to honor the Debtors' directions with respect to the opening and closing of any Bank Account and accept and hold, or

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invest, the Debtors' funds in accordance with the Debtors' instructions; *provided* that the Banks shall not have any liability to any party for relying on such representations to the extent such reliance otherwise complies with applicable law.

18. Notwithstanding anything contained herein and the use of a consolidated cash management system, the Debtors shall calculate quarterly fees under 28 U.S.C. section 1930(a)(6) based on the disbursements of each debtor, regardless of who pays those disbursements.

19. Notwithstanding anything to the contrary contain in the Motion or this Interim Order, any payment to be made, obligation incurred, or relief or authorization granted hereunder shall not be inconsistent with, and shall be subject to and in compliance with, the requirements imposed on the Debtors under the terms of each interim and final order entered by the Court in respect of *Debtors' Motion for Entry of Interim and Final Orders (I) Authorizing the Debtors to (A) Obtain Postpetition Financing and (B) Utilize Cash Collateral, (II) Granting Liens and Superpriority Administrative Expense Claims, (III) Granting Adequate Protection, (IV) Modifying the Automatic Stay, (V) Scheduling a Final Hearing, and (VI) Granting Related Relief* (the "DIP Orders"), including compliance with any budget or cash flow forecast in connection therewith and any other terms and conditions thereof. Nothing herein is intended to modify, alter, or waive, in any way, any terms, provisions, requirements, or restrictions of the DIP Orders.

20. Nothing contained in the Motion or this Interim Order shall be construed to (a) create or perfect, in favor of any person or entity, any interest in cash of a Debtor that did not exist as of the Petition Date or (b) alter or impair the validity, priority, enforceability, or perfection of any security interest or lien or setoff right, in favor of any person or entity, that existed as of the Petition Date.

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21. Nothing contained in the Motion or this Interim Order, and no action taken pursuant to the relief requested or granted (including any payment made in accordance with this Interim Order), is intended as or shall be construed or deemed to be: (a) an admission as to the amount of, basis for, or validity of any claim against the Debtors under the Bankruptcy Code or other applicable nonbankruptcy law; (b) a waiver of the Debtors' or any other party in interest's right to dispute any claim on any grounds; (c) a promise or requirement to pay any particular claim; (d) an implication, admission or finding that any particular claim is an administrative expense claim, other priority claim or otherwise of a type specified or defined in the Motion or this Interim Order; (e) a request or authorization to assume, adopt, or reject any agreement, contract, or lease pursuant to section 365 of the Bankruptcy Code; (f) an admission as to the validity, priority, enforceability or perfection of any lien on, security interest in, or other encumbrance on property of the Debtors' estates; or (g) a waiver or limitation of any claims, causes of action or other rights of the Debtors or any other party in interest against any person or entity under the Bankruptcy Code or any other applicable law.

22. The Debtors are authorized, but not directed, to issue postpetition checks, or to effect postpetition fund transfer requests, in replacement of any checks or fund transfer requests that are dishonored as a consequence of these chapter 11 cases with respect to prepetition amounts owed in connection with the relief granted herein.

23. Nothing in this Interim Order authorizes the Debtors to accelerate any payments not otherwise due.

24. The Debtors have demonstrated that the requested relief is "necessary to avoid immediate and irreparable harm," as contemplated by Bankruptcy Rule 6003.

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25. Notice of the Motion as provided therein shall be deemed good and sufficient notice of such Motion and the requirements of Bankruptcy Rule 6004(a) and the Local Rules are satisfied by such notice.

26. Notwithstanding Bankruptcy Rule 6004(h), the terms and conditions of this Interim Order are immediately effective and enforceable upon its entry.

27. The Debtors are authorized to take all actions necessary to effectuate the relief granted in this Order.

28. This Court retains jurisdiction with respect to all matters arising from or related to the implementation, interpretation, and enforcement of this Interim Order.

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