

IN THE UNITED STATES BANKRUPTCY COURT  
FOR THE DISTRICT OF DELAWARE

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In re:	)	
	)	Chapter 11
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VILLAGE ROADSHOW ENTERTAINMENT	)	Case No. 25-10475 (TMH)
GROUP USA INC., <i>et al.</i> , <sup>1</sup>	)	
	)	(Jointly Administered)
Debtors.	)	
	)	<u>Hearing Date:</u> January 26, 2026 at 2:00 p.m. (ET)
	)	<u>Obj. Deadline:</u> December 23, 2025 at 4:00 p.m. (ET)
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**DEBTORS' THIRD MOTION FOR AN ORDER, PURSUANT TO BANKRUPTCY  
RULES 9006 AND 9027, EXTENDING THE PERIOD WITHIN WHICH THE  
DEBTORS MAY REMOVE ACTIONS PURSUANT TO 28 U.S.C. § 1452**

The above-captioned debtors and debtors in possession (collectively, the “Debtors”) hereby submit this motion (this “Motion”) for entry of an order (the “Proposed Order”), substantially in the form attached hereto as **Exhibit A**, extending the period within which the Debtors may remove actions pursuant to 28 U.S.C. § 1452 by ninety (90) days, through and including March 16, 2026. In support of this Motion, the Debtors respectfully state as follows:

**JURISDICTION AND VENUE**

1. The United States Bankruptcy Court for the District of Delaware (the “Court”) has jurisdiction over this matter pursuant to 28 U.S.C. §§ 157 and 1334 and the *Amended Standing Order of Reference* from the United States District Court for the District of Delaware, dated February 29, 2012. This matter is a core proceeding within the meaning of 28 U.S.C. § 157(b)(2), and the Debtors confirm their consent, pursuant to Rule 9013-1(f) of the Local Rules of Bankruptcy

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Practice and Procedure of the United States Bankruptcy Court for the District of Delaware (the “Local Rules”), to the entry of a final order by the Court in connection with this Motion 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 legal bases for the relief requested in this Motion are Rules 9006 and 9027 of the Federal Rules of Bankruptcy Procedure (the “Bankruptcy Rules”).

### **BACKGROUND**

#### **I. General Background**

4. On March 17, 2025 (the “Petition Date”), each of the Debtors filed a voluntary petition for relief under chapter 11 of the Bankruptcy Code. The Debtors are managing their properties and operating their businesses as debtors in possession pursuant to sections 1107(a) and 1108 of the Bankruptcy Code. On March 27, 2025, the United States Trustee for the District of Delaware (the “U.S. Trustee”) appointed an Official Committee of Unsecured Creditors (the “Committee”) [Docket No. 103]. No request for the appointment of a trustee or examiner has been made in these chapter 11 cases.

5. Additional information regarding the Debtors, their business, capital structure, and the circumstances leading to the commencement of these chapter 11 cases is set forth in the *Declaration of Keith Maib in Support of First Day Relief* [Docket No. 2] (the “First Day Declaration”), which is fully incorporated herein by reference.<sup>2</sup>

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

## II. The Current Removal Deadline

6. On June 13, 2025, the Court entered the *Order, Pursuant to Bankruptcy Rules 9006 and 9027, Extending the Period Within Which the Debtors May Remove Actions Pursuant to 28 U.S.C. § 1453* [Docket No. 512], extending the time by which the Debtors may file notices of removal under 28 U.S.C. § 1452 from June 16, 2025 through and including September 15, 2025.

7. On October 1, 2025, the Court entered the *Order, Pursuant to Bankruptcy Rules 9006 and 9027, Extending the Period Within Which the Debtors May Remove Actions Pursuant to 28 U.S.C. § 1452* [Docket No. 899], extending the time by which the Debtors may file notices of removal under 28 U.S.C. § 1452 from September 15, 2025 through and including December 15, 2025 (the “Current Removal Deadline”).

### **RELIEF REQUESTED**

8. By this Motion, the Debtors request the Court to enter the Proposed Order extending the period within which the Debtors may remove actions and related proceedings by ninety (90) days, through and including March 16, 2026,<sup>3</sup> without prejudice to the rights of the Debtors and their estates to seek further extensions of the Current Removal Deadline and related proceedings.<sup>4</sup>

### **BASIS FOR RELIEF**

9. Bankruptcy Rule 9027 and 28 U.S.C. § 1452 govern the removal of pending civil actions. Specifically, section 1452(a) provides that:

[a] party may remove any claim or cause of action in a civil action other than a proceeding before the United States Tax Court or a civil action by a governmental unit to enforce such governmental unit’s police or

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<sup>3</sup> The ninety (90) days from the Current Removal Deadline falls on a Sunday. Pursuant to Bankruptcy Rule 9006(a), the Debtors are requesting that the deadline be continued to the following Monday, March 16, 2026.

<sup>4</sup> Pursuant to Local Rule 9006-2, the filing of this Motion prior to the expiration of the Current Removal Deadline shall automatically extend the Current Removal Deadline until the Court acts on this Motion—without the necessity for entry of a bridge order.

regulatory power, to the district court for the district where such civil action is pending, if such district court has jurisdiction of such claim or cause of action under section 1334 of this title.

28 U.S.C. § 1452(a). Bankruptcy Rule 9027(a)(2) further provides, in pertinent part that:

[i]f the claim or cause of action in a civil action is pending when a case under the [Bankruptcy] Code is commenced, a notice of removal may be filed in the bankruptcy court only within the longest of (A) 90 days after the order for relief in the case under the Code, (B) 30 days after entry of an order terminating a stay, if the claim or cause of action in a civil action has been stayed under § 362 of the Code, or (C) 30 days after a trustee qualifies in a chapter 11 reorganization case but not later than 180 days after the order for relief.

Fed. R. Bankr. P. 9027(a)(2).

10. Bankruptcy Rule 9006(b) provides that the Court may extend unexpired time periods, such as the Debtors' removal period, without notice:

[W]hen an act is required or allowed to be done at or within a specified period by [the Bankruptcy Rules] or by a notice given thereunder or by order of court, the court for cause shown may at any time in its discretion ... with or without motion or notice order the period enlarged if the request therefor is made before the expiration of the period originally prescribed or as extended by a previous order.

*Id.* at 9006(b)(1). Accordingly, the Court is authorized to grant the relief requested herein. *See Raff v. Gordon*, 58 B.R. 988, 990-91 (Bankr. E.D. Pa. 1986) (stating that the period in which to file a motion to remove may be expanded pursuant to Bankruptcy Rule 9006); *Jandous Elec. Constr. Corp. v. City of New York (In re Jandous Elec. Constr. Corp.)*, 106 B.R. 48, 50 (Bankr. S.D.N.Y. 1989) (same); *see also Doan v. Loomis (In re Fort Dodge Creamery Co.)*, 117 B.R. 438, 442-43 (Bankr. N.D. Iowa 1990) (implying that the time period in which a removal motion may be filed may be extended pursuant to Bankruptcy Rule 9006); *In re Boyer*, 108 B.R. 19, 26 (Bankr. N.D.N.Y. 1988) (same).

11. The Debtors may be parties to actions currently pending in other courts (collectively, the “Actions”), and believe that it is prudent to seek an extension of the time established by Bankruptcy Rule 9027 to protect the rights of the Debtors and their estates to remove any such Actions.

12. Since the commencement of these chapter 11 cases, the Debtors have worked diligently to ensure a smooth transition into chapter 11, and to preserve and maximize the value of the Debtors’ estates for the benefit of all stakeholders. To that end, the Debtors have, among other things: (i) expended significant resources for the marketing and sale processes to sell substantially all of their assets (the “Sale”) pursuant to the Court-approved bidding procedures [Docket No. 276] (the “Bidding Procedures Order”) (ii) obtained entry of interim [Docket Nos. 69] and final orders [Docket No. 280] (together, the “Financing Orders”) approving the Debtors’ use postpetition debtor-in-possession financing; (iii) retained professionals and filed fee applications on their behalf; (iv) negotiated and obtained court approval of the sales of the Debtors’ library assets (the “Library Asset Sale”) and studio business (the “Studio Business Sale”) [Docket Nos. 562 & 782]; (v) successfully closed the Library Asset Sale; (vi) negotiated, litigated, and obtained court approval of the sale of the Debtors’ derivative rights assets [Docket No. 1027] (the “Derivative Rights Sale”); (vii) worked with the U.S. Trustee, the Committee, and other significant parties in interest to resolve a number of their comments and objections with respect to the Bidding Procedures Order, Financing Orders, the Library Asset Sale, the Studio Business Sale, the Derivative Rights Sale, and the assumption and assignment of executory contracts; (viii) negotiated a comprehensive settlement with the Committee; (ix) filed responses to Warner Bros.’ appeal of the Derivative Rights Sale and related pleadings; (x) filed Monthly Operating

Reports; (xi) responded to numerous creditor inquiries and demands; and (xii) handled various other tasks related to the administration of the Debtors' estates and these chapter 11 cases.

13. As a result of the foregoing efforts and various others, the Debtors have not had sufficient time to determine if any Action should be removed pursuant to Bankruptcy Rule 9027(a). Accordingly, the Debtors submit that extending the Current Removal Deadline is in the best interests of the Debtors, their estates, and creditors. The extension sought will afford the Debtors an opportunity to make more fully informed decisions concerning the removal of any Action, and will ensure that the Debtors and their estates do not forfeit the valuable rights afforded to them under 28 U.S.C. § 1452. Furthermore, the Debtors submit that granting the extension requested herein will not prejudice the rights of any other parties to the Actions because such parties may not prosecute them absent relief from the automatic stay. In addition, nothing herein will prejudice any party to an Action that the Debtors may ultimately attempt to remove from seeking the remand of such action under 28 U.S.C § 1452(b) at the appropriate time.

14. For the reasons set forth above, the Debtors submit that extending the Current Removal Deadline through and including March 16, 2026, is necessary, prudent and in the best interests of the Debtors, their estates and creditors.

### **NOTICE**

15. The Debtors will provide notice of this Motion to: (a) counsel to the ABS Trustee, Barnes & Thornburg LLP, One North Wacker Drive Suite 4400, Chicago, IL 60606, Attn.: Aaron Gavant (agavant@btlaw.com) (b) counsel to the DIP Lenders, Morrison Foerster, 250 West 55th Street, New York, NY 10019, Attn.: James Newton (jnewton@mof.com); (c) counsel to Vine Alternative Investments Group, LLC, Cooley LLP, 55 Hudson Yards, New York, NY 10001 Attn.: Daniel Shamah (dshamah@cooley.com); (d) counsel to Magnum Films SPC, DLA Piper LLP, 121

Avenue of the Americas, New York, NY, 10020, Attn: Dennis C. O'Donnell (dennis.odonnell@dlapiper.com); (e) counsel to the ad hoc group of ABS Noteholders, Wachtell, Lipton, Rosen & Katz, 51 West 52nd Street, New York, NY 10019, Attn: Joel Simwinga (jmsimwinga@wlrk.com); (f) counsel to the Official Committee of Unsecured Creditors, Pachulski Stang Ziehl & Jones LLP, 780 Third Avenue 34<sup>th</sup> Floor, New York, NY 10017, Attn: Robert Feinstein (rfeinstein@pszjlaw.com) and Bradford Sandler (bsandler@pszjlaw.com); (g) counsel to Warner Bros., (i) O'Melveny & Myers LLP, 400 South Hope Street, Suite 1900, Los Angeles, CA 90071, Attn.: Steve Warren (swarren@omm.com), and (ii) Morris, Nichols, Arsht & Tunnell LLP, 1201 N. Market Street, 16<sup>th</sup> Floor, Wilmington, DE 19801, Attn.: Curtis S. Miller (cmiller@morrisnichols.com), (h) the U.S. Trustee, 844 N. King Street, Room 2207, Wilmington, DE 19801, Attn.: Timothy J. Fox (timothy.fox@usdoj.gov); (i) the United States Attorney's Office for the District of Delaware; and (j) any party that requests service pursuant to Bankruptcy Rule 2002. A copy of this Motion is also available on the website of the Debtors' notice and claims agent at <https://www.veritaglobal.net/vreg>. In light of the nature of the relief requested, the Debtors submit that no other or further notice is required.

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WHEREFORE, the Debtors respectfully request entry of the Proposed Order, substantially in the form attached hereto as **Exhibit A**, granting the relief requested herein, and granting such other relief as is just and proper.

Dated: December 9, 2025  
Wilmington, Delaware

/s/ Brynna M. Gaffney

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**NOTICE OF FILING OF MOTION**

**PLEASE TAKE NOTICE** that on the date hereof, the above-captioned debtors and debtors in possession (collectively, the “Debtors”) filed the *Debtors’ Third Motion for an Order, Pursuant to Bankruptcy Rules 9006 and 9027, Extending the Period Within Which the Debtors May Remove Actions Pursuant to 28 U.S.C. § 1452* (the “Motion”).<sup>2</sup>

**PLEASE TAKE FURTHER NOTICE** that any objections to the Motion must be filed on or before **December 23, 2025 at 4:00 p.m. (ET)** (the “Objection Deadline”) with the United States Bankruptcy Court for the District of Delaware, 3<sup>rd</sup> Floor, 824 North Market Street, Wilmington, Delaware 19801. At the same time, you must serve a copy of the objection upon the undersigned proposed counsel to the Debtors so as to be received on or before the Objection Deadline.

**PLEASE TAKE FURTHER NOTICE** that copies of the Motion and other information regarding these chapter 11 cases are available for inspection free of charge on the case website at <https://www.veritaglobal.net/vreg>.

**PLEASE TAKE FURTHER NOTICE THAT A HEARING TO CONSIDER THE MOTION WILL BE HELD ON JANUARY 26, 2026 AT 2:00 P.M. (ET) BEFORE THE HONORABLE THOMAS M. HORAN, UNITED STATES BANKRUPTCY COURT JUDGE FOR THE DISTRICT OF DELAWARE, 824 N. MARKET STREET, 5th FLOOR, COURTROOM NO. 5, WILMINGTON, DELAWARE 19801.**

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**PLEASE TAKE FURTHER NOTICE THAT, IF YOU FAIL TO RESPOND IN ACCORDANCE WITH THIS NOTICE, THE COURT MAY GRANT THE RELIEF REQUESTED IN THE MOTION WITHOUT FURTHER NOTICE OR A HEARING.**

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**EXHIBIT A**

**Proposed Order**

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**ORDER, PURSUANT TO BANKRUPTCY RULES  
9006 AND 9027, EXTENDING THE PERIOD WITHIN WHICH THE  
DEBTORS MAY REMOVE ACTIONS PURSUANT TO 28 U.S.C. § 1452**

Upon consideration of the motion (the “Motion”)<sup>2</sup> of the above-captioned debtors and debtors in possession (collectively, the “Debtors”) for entry of an order (this “Order”), extending the period within which the Debtors may remove actions pursuant to 28 U.S.C. § 1452 through and including March 16, 2026, as more fully set forth in the Motion; and this Court having jurisdiction over this matter pursuant to 28 U.S.C. §§ 157 and 1334 and the *Amended Standing 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’

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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 "Hearing"), if any; 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 as set forth herein.
2. The time period provided by Bankruptcy Rule 9027 within which the Debtors and their estates may file notices of removal of claims and causes of action is hereby extended through and including March 16, 2026 (the "Removal Deadline").
3. This Order shall be without prejudice to the rights of the Debtors and their estates to seek further extensions of the Removal Deadline.
4. This Court retains jurisdiction with respect to all matters arising from or related to the implementation, interpretation, and enforcement of this Order.