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United States Bankruptcy Court
Southern District of Texas
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IN THE UNITED STATES BANKRUPTCY COURT
FOR THE SOUTHERN DISTRICT OF TEXAS
HOUSTON DIVISION

In re:	Chapter 11
ASCEND ELEMENTS, INC. *et al.*,[1]	Case No. 26-90440 (CML)
Debtors.	(Jointly Administered)

ORDER ALLOWING INTERIM COMPENSATION AND REIMBURSEMENT OF EXPENSES
[Relates to Dkt. No. 583]

The Court has considered the *First Interim Application for Compensation and Reimbursement of Expenses* filed by Alvarez & Marsal North America, LLC (the "Applicant"). The Court orders:

1. The Applicant is allowed interim compensation and reimbursement of expenses in the amount of $2,800,019.41 for the period set forth in the application.

2. The Debtors are authorized to disburse any unpaid amounts allowed by paragraph 1 of this Order.

Signed: August 19, 2026

Christopher Lopez
United States Bankruptcy Judge

[1] The Debtors in these chapter 11 cases, along with the last four digits of each Debtor's federal tax identification number, are: Ascend Elements, Inc. (2893) and Ascend Elements US, LLC (8309). The location of the Debtors' service address is: 133 Flanders Road, Westborough, MA 01581.

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United States Bankruptcy Court
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In re:
Ascend Elements, Inc.
Official Committee of Unsecured Creditor
Debtors

Case No. 26-90440-cml
Chapter 11

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cr		Interco Trading, Inc., 7 Gateway Commerce Center Dr. W., Edwardsville, IL 62025-2814
cr	+	McCormick Equipment Company, Inc., c/o Robbins Kelly Patterson & Tucker LPA, 312 Elm Street, Suite 2200, Cincinnati, OH 45202-2748
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cr	+	PowerTech Water, Inc. dba Electramet, Mitby Pacholder Johnson PLLC, 1001 McKinney St., Suite 925, Houston, TX 77002, UNITED STATES 77002-6400
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op	+	Email/Text: kccnoticing@kccllc.com	Aug 19 2026 20:36:00	Kurtzman Carson Consultants, LLC d/b/a Verita Glob, 222 N. Pacific Coast Highway, Suite 300, El Segundo, CA 90245-5614
cr	+	Email/Text: schristianson@buchalter.com	Aug 19 2026 20:36:00	Oracle America, Inc., Buchalter LLP, c/o Shawn M. Christianson, Esq., 425 Market St., Suite 2900, San Francisco, CA 94105-2491
cr	+	Email/Text: AGBankRevenue@ag.tn.gov	Aug 19 2026 20:36:00	TN Dept of Revenue, c/o TN Attorney General's Office, Bankruptcy Division, P.O. Box 20207, Nashville, TN 37202-4015
cr	+	Email/Text: mheld@jw.com	Aug 19 2026 20:36:48	United Electric Company, Inc., Michael S Held, Jackson Walker LLP, 2323 Ross Avenue, Suite 600, Dallas, TX 75201-2725

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intp	Certain CLN Holders
intp	City of Hopkinsville, Kentucky
intp	Covington Industrial LLC
cr	Doral Energy - Tech Ventures, Limited Partnership
cr	Doral Tech SI, Limited Partnership
cr	F.E. Moran, Inc. Fire Protection
cr	Fifth Wall Accelerate (Late Stage), L.P.
cr	Fifth Wall Early Stage Climate Technology Fund, L.
cr	Fifth Wall Ventures SPV XXXIX, L.P.
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cr	H2O Innovation USA, Inc.
cr	Hopkinsville Industrial Foundation, Inc.
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intp	Kinterra Capital Corp. and Its Affiliates
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cr	Planters Bank, Inc.
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cr	SKS Private Equity Co., Ltd.
intp	Senior CLN Investors
cr	Steel Fab, Inc.
cr	TEC-Protective Coatings Inc.
cr	Total Quality Logistics LLC
cr	Turner-Kokosing Joint Venture
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NOTICE CERTIFICATION

I, Gustava Winters, declare under the penalty of perjury that I have sent the attached document to the above listed entities in the manner shown, and prepared the Certificate of Notice and that it is true and correct to the best of my information and belief.

Meeting of Creditor Notices only (Official Form 309): Pursuant to Fed .R. Bank. P.2002(a)(1), a notice containing the complete Social Security Number (SSN) of the debtor(s) was furnished to all parties listed. This official court copy contains the redacted SSN as required by the bankruptcy rules and the Judiciary's privacy policies.

Date: Aug 21, 2026 Signature: /s/Gustava Winters

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