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UNITED STATES BANKRUPTCY COURT
NORTHERN DISTRICT OF NEW YORK

In re:	Chapter 11 Case
Vanderbilt Minerals, LLC,	Case No. 26-60110 (WAK)
Debtor.[1]	

NOTICE OF FILING

PLEASE TAKE NOTICE that, in accordance with the *Order (i) Authorizing the Debtor to Retain Applied Business Strategy, LLC to Provide a Chief Restructuring Officer for the Debtor; (ii) Designating Dean Vomero as the Debtor's Chief Restructuring Officer, Nunc Pro Tunc to the Petition Date and (iii) Granting Related Relief* (the "Order") [Docket No. 422], Applied Business Strategy, LLC has filed the *Staffing Report for the Period September 1, 2026 to September 30, 2026*, a copy of which is attached hereto.

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[1] The Debtor is Vanderbilt Minerals, LLC (EIN 13-1432885). The Debtor's noticing address in this chapter 11 case is 33 Winfield Street, Norwalk, Connecticut 06855.

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Dated: October 1, 2026
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STAFFING REPORT OF APPLIED BUSINESS STRATEGY, LLC FOR THE PERIOD SEPTEMBER 1, 2026 THROUGH SEPTEMBER 30, 2026

Name of Applicant:	Applied Business Strategy, LLC
Authorized to Provide Professional Services to:	Vanderbilt Minerals, LLC, Debtor-In-Possession
Date of Retention:	Order entered April 17, 2026 [Docket No. 422] (effective *nunc pro tunc* to February 16, 2026)
Nature of Services:	Interim management and restructuring services for the Debtor
Time Summary:	Attached as **Exhibit A**
Retainer:	$1,140.89[2]
Total Fees and Expenses Requested:	
Professional Fees:	$61,212.50
Expenses:	$ 409.59
Total:	$61,622.09

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[2] Applied Business Strategy, LLC received a prepetition retainer in the amount of $75,000.00. The remaining balance ($1,140.89) has been fully applied against the fees and expenses included in the February 16, 2026 through March 31, 2026 Staffing Report.

EXHIBIT A



Applied Business Strategy, LLC
1100 Superior Avenue East, Suite 1750
Cleveland, OH 44114
Phone (216) 239-1815

Invoice	
Date	Number
10/01/26	2172

Vanderbilt Minerals LLC
33 Winfield Street
Norwalk, Connecticut 06855

Client No.	Terms	Client
2550003	Due within 7 days	VM

Description		
Professional Fees (Appendix "A")	$	61,212.50
Out of Pocket Expenses (Appendix "B")		409.59
Total	$	61,622.09
Amount Due	**$**	**61,622.09**

Appendix "A" Summary of Professional Time and Fees by Category and Professional

Summary of Time and Fees by Category	Hours	Fees
Cash Management and Accounting	52.1	$ 19,242.50
Business Planning	4.1	$ 1,592.50
Financing and Asset Sale	14.0	$ 4,825.00
Strategic and Operational	22.1	$ 8,817.50
Legal Matters	63.2	$ 26,735.00
Total	**155.5**	**$ 61,212.50**

Category Definitions (Primary Activities)

Business Planning: Work on post-closing planning, budgets and budget to actual. Work on plan of reorganization and disclosure statement.

Cash Management and Accounting: Disbursement approval, intercompany (I/C) account review, reporting and account reconciliation, preparation of monthly operating reports. Time spent on accrued professional fee and the post-sale balance sheet. Time spent on the continued evaluation of claims and all other accounting related issues.

Financing and Asset Sale: Time spent on post-closing activities such as working capital true-up, cure cost and payment of assumed liabilities.

Strategic and Operational: Work on rttalc removal, Board meetings, and ongoing case activities.

Legal Matters: Time spent on court appearances, filings, discussions with counsel on various matters, and strategic discussions. Time spent responding to Committee information requests, negotiating settlements, and plan and discolosure statement matters.

Summary of Professional Time and Fees by Category and Professional

Summary of Time and Fees by Professional	Hours	Rate	Fees	Title
Dean Vomero	116.5	$ 425.00	$ 49,512.50	Managing Director
Linda Gee	13.5	$ 300.00	$ 4,050.00	Principal Consultant
Dave Victor	-	$ 300.00	$ -	Principal Consultant
Hugh Do	25.5	$ 300.00	$ 7,650.00	Principal Consultant
Total	**155.5**	**$ 393.65**	**$ 61,212.50**	

Appendix "B"
Out of Pocket Expense Summary

Type	Professional	Amount
Overnight Delivery	Vomero	$ 90.74
Transportation	Vomero	$ 318.85
Total Out of Pocket Expenses		$ 409.59