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## UNITED STATES SECURITIES AND EXCHANGE COMMISSION Washington, D.C. 20549

#### FORM 8-K

#### **CURRENT REPORT**

Pursuant to Section 13 or 15(d) of The Securities Exchange Act of 1934

Date of Report (Date of earliest event reported): July 14, 2021

#### Hillman Solutions Corp.

(Exact name of registrant as specified in its charter)

Delaware	001-39609	85-2096734
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(State or other jurisdiction of incorporation)

(Commission File Number)

(IRS Employer Identification No.)

#### 10590 Hamilton Avenue Cincinnati, OH 45231

(Address of principal executive offices) (Zip Code)

Registrant's telephone number, including area code: (513) 851-4900

Check the appropriate box below if the Form 8–K filing is intend	ed to simultaneously satisfy the fili	ng obligation of the registrant under
any of the following provisions:		

Written communications pursuant to Rule 425 under the Securities Act (1/CFR 230.42	rsuant to Rule 425 under the Securities Act (17 CFR 230.4)	pursuant to Rule 425 under	☐ Written communications	$\square W$
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- ☐ Soliciting material pursuant to Rule 14a–12 under the Exchange Act (17 CFR 240.14a–12)
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- □ Pre-commencement communications pursuant to Rule 13e-4(c) under the Exchange Act (17 CFR 240.13e-4(c))

Securities registered pursuant to Section 12(b) of the Act:

Title of each class	Trading Symbol	Name of each exchange on which registered	
Common stock, par value \$0.0001 per share	HLMN	The Nasdaq Stock Market LLC	
Warrants to purchase one share of common stock, each at an exercise price of \$11.50	HLMNW	The Nasdaq Stock Market LLC	

Indicate by check mark whether the registrant is an emerging growth company as defined in Rule 405 of the Securities Act of 1933 (§230.405 of this chapter) or Rule 12b-2 of the Securities Exchange Act of 1934 (§240.12b-2 of this chapter).

Emerging growth company □

If an emerging growth company, indicate by check mark if the registrant has elected not to use the extended transition period for complying with any new or revised financial accounting standards provided pursuant to Section 13(a) of the Exchange Act.  $\square$ 

#### **Introductory Note**

#### **Business Combination**

On July 14, 2021 (the "Closing Date"), Landcadia Holdings III, Inc., a Delaware corporation ("Landcadia" and after the Business Combination described herein, "New Hillman"), consummated the previously announced business combination (the "Closing") pursuant to the terms of the Agreement and Plan of Merger, dated as of January 24, 2021 (as amended on March 12, 2021, and as it may be further amended or supplemented from time to time, the "Merger Agreement"), by and among Landcadia, Helios Sun Merger Sub, a wholly-owned subsidiary of Landcadia ("Merger Sub"), HMAN Group Holdings Inc., a Delaware corporation ("Hillman Holdco") and CCMP Sellers' Representative, LLC, a Delaware limited liability company in its capacity as the Stockholder Representative thereunder (the "Stockholder Representative"). Pursuant to the terms of the Merger Agreement, Merger Sub merged with and into Hillman Holdco with Hillman Holdco surviving the merger as a wholly owned subsidiary of New Hillman, which was renamed "Hillman Solutions Corp." (the "Merger" and together with the other transactions contemplated by the Merger Agreement, the "Business Combination").

In accordance with the terms and subject to the conditions set forth in the Merger Agreement, Landcadia paid aggregate consideration in the form of New Hillman common stock calculated as described herein and equal to a value of approximately (i) \$911,300,000 plus (ii) \$28,280,000, such amount being the value of 2,828,000 shares of Class B common stock of Landcadia, valued at \$10.00 per share, that TJF, LLC ("TJF Sponsor") and Jefferies Financial Group Inc., ("JFG Sponsor" and, together with TJF Sponsor, the "Sponsors") agreed to forfeit at the Closing. Pursuant to the Amended and Restated Letter Agreement, dated as of January 24, 2021 (the "A&R Letter Agreement"), by and among Landcadia, its officers, its directors, and the Sponsors, the Sponsors forfeited a total of 3,828,000 shares of Landcadia Class B common stock (the "Sponsor Forfeited Shares"), with 2,828,000 shares being forfeited by the Sponsors on a basis pro rata with their ownership of Landcadia and 1,000,000 additional shares being forfeited by the TJF Sponsor.

At the Closing, each outstanding option to acquire common stock of Hillman Holdco (a "Hillman Holdco Option"), whether vested or unvested, was assumed by New Hillman and converted into an option to purchase common stock of New Hillman ("New Hillman Option") with substantially the same terms and conditions (including expiration date and exercise provisions) as applicable to the Hillman Holdco Option immediately prior to the Closing, except that (i) each New Hillman Option is exercisable for a number of shares of New Hillman common stock equal to the product (rounded down to the nearest whole number) of (A) the number of shares of Hillman Holdco common stock subject to the Hillman Holdco Option immediately prior to Closing multiplied by (B) the Closing Stock Per Option Amount (as defined in the Merger Agreement), and (ii) the per share exercise price for each share of New Hillman common stock issuable upon exercise of the New Hillman Option is equal to the quotient (rounded up to the nearest whole cent) obtained by dividing (A) the exercise price per share of Hillman Holdco common stock subject to such Hillman Holdco Option immediately prior to closing by (B) the Closing Stock Per Option Amount. Each New Hillman Option is generally subject to the same vesting conditions as the Hillman Holdco Option from which it was converted, except that the performance-based vesting conditions of any Hillman Holdco Option granted prior to 2021 were adjusted such that the performance-based portion of the associated New Hillman Option will vest upon certain pre-established stock price hurdles.

At the Closing, (i) each share of unvested restricted Hillman Holdco common stock was cancelled and converted into the right to receive a number of shares of New Hillman restricted stock equal to the Closing Stock Per Restricted Share Amount (as defined in the Merger Agreement) with substantially the same terms and conditions as were applicable to the related share of Hillman Holdco restricted stock immediately prior to the Closing (including with respect to vesting and termination-related provisions), and (ii) each Hillman Holdco restricted stock unit was assumed by New Hillman and converted into a New Hillman restricted stock unit award with substantially the same terms and conditions as were applicable to such Hillman Holdco restricted stock unit immediately prior to the Closing (including with respect to vesting and termination-related provisions), except that the number of shares underlying the New Hillman restricted stock unit award is equal to the product (rounded down to the nearest whole number) of (A) the number of shares underlying the Hillman Holdco restricted stock unit award multiplied by (B) the Company RSU Exchange Ratio (as defined in the Merger Agreement).

The number of shares of New Hillman common stock issued was 137,569,511. Holders of shares of Hillman Holdco capital stock held, in the aggregate, approximately 48.73% of the issued and outstanding shares of New Hillman common stock immediately following the Closing of the Business Combination.

The foregoing description of the Business Combination does not purport to be complete and is qualified in its entirety by the full text of the Merger Agreement, which is attached hereto as Exhibit 2.1 and Exhibit 2.2 and is incorporated herein by reference.

#### **PIPE**

On January 24, 2021, Landcadia entered into subscription agreements ("<u>PIPE Subscription Agreements</u>") by and among Landcadia and the investors named therein (the "<u>PIPE Investors</u>"), pursuant to which Landcadia agreed to issue an aggregate of 37,500,000 shares of Landcadia Class A common stock to the PIPE Investors, including JFG Sponsor, immediately before the Closing at a purchase price of \$10.00 per share (the "<u>PIPE Investment</u>"). The PIPE Investment was consummated substantially concurrently with the Business Combination.

The foregoing description of the PIPE Subscription Agreements does not purpose to be complete and is qualified in its entirety by reference to the full text of the form of the PIPE Subscription Agreement, which is attached hereto as Exhibit 10.1 and is incorporated herein by reference.

Unless the context otherwise requires, in this Current Report on Form 8-K, the "registrant" and the "Company" refer to Landcadia prior to the Closing and to the combined company and its subsidiaries following the Closing and "Hillman Holdco" refers to Hillman Holdco and its subsidiaries prior to the Closing and the business of the combined company and its subsidiaries following the Closing.

Immediately after giving effect to the PIPE Investment and the Business Combination, there were 187,569,511 shares of New Hillman common stock outstanding and 24,666,667 warrants to purchase shares of New Hillman common stock outstanding.

#### Item 1.01. Entry into a Material Definitive Agreement.

#### Amended and Restated Registration Rights Agreement

In connection with the consummation of the Business Combination, on the Closing Date, New Hillman, and certain Hillman Holdco stockholders entered into an amended and restated registration rights agreement (the "Registration Rights Agreement"). The Registration Rights Agreement became effective immediately upon the Closing of the Business Combination.

Pursuant to the Registration Rights Agreement, among other things, (i) New Hillman agreed to register for resale, pursuant to Rule 415 under the Securities Act, certain shares of New Hillman common stock and other equity securities of New Hillman that are held by the parties thereto from time to time, (ii) the Sponsors and the Hillman Holdco supporting stockholders will be granted certain registration rights and (iii) the Sponsors will reaffirm the lock-up they agreed to in the A&R Letter Agreement and the Hillman Holdco supporting stockholders will agree to a lock-up under which they will not sell, for the period set forth therein, the shares of New Hillman common stock they received in the Business Combination.

The foregoing description of the Registration Rights Agreement does not purport to be complete and is qualified in its entirety by the terms and conditions of the Registration Rights Agreement, a copy of which is attached hereto as Exhibit 10.2 and is incorporated herein by reference.

#### **Indemnification Agreements**

In connection with the consummation of the Business Combination, New Hillman entered into indemnification agreements with each of its directors and executive officers.

Each indemnification agreement provides for indemnification and advancements by New Hillman of certain expenses and costs relating to claims, suits or proceedings arising from his or her service to New Hillman or, at New Hillman's request, service to other affiliated entities, as officers or directors to the maximum extent permitted by applicable law.

The foregoing description of the indemnification agreements do not purport to be complete and is qualified in its entirety by the terms and conditions of the indemnification agreements, a form of which is attached hereto as Exhibit 10.5 and is incorporated herein by reference.

#### Term Credit Agreement and Amendment to ABL Credit Agreements

On July 14, 2021, The Hillman Group, Inc. (the "Borrower"), an indirect wholly-owned subsidiary of New Hillman, entered into a new credit agreement with Jefferies Finance LLC, as administrative agent, and the lenders and other parties thereto (the "Term Credit Agreement"), which provided for a new funded term loan facility of \$835.0 million and a delayed draw term loan facility of \$200.0 million (of which \$16.0 million was drawn). Concurrently with the Term Credit Agreement, the Borrower and The Hillman Group Canada ULC, a wholly-owned subsidiary of the Borrower (the "Canadian Borrower"), also entered into an amendment to their existing asset-based revolving credit agreement (the "ABL Amendment") with Barclays Bank PLC, as administrative agent, and the lenders and other parties thereto (the "ABL Credit Agreement"), increasing the aggregate commitments thereunder to \$250.0 million, extended the maturity and conformed certain provisions to the Term Credit Agreement. The proceeds of the funded term loans under the Term Credit Agreement and revolving credit loans under the ABL Credit Agreement were used, together with other available cash, to (1) refinance in full all outstanding term loans and to terminate all outstanding commitments under the credit agreement, dated as of May 31, 2018, among the Hillman Investment Company ("Holdings"), The Hillman Companies, Inc. ("Hillman Companies"), the Borrower, the other parties party thereto and Jefferies Finance PLC, as administrative agent (the "Original Credit Agreement"), as a result of which the Original Credit Agreement is no longer in effect, (2) refinance outstanding revolving credit loans, and (3) redeem in full senior notes due July 15, 2022 (the "6.375% Senior Notes"), issued by the Borrower and as a result the 6.375% Senior Notes are redeemed, satisfied and discharged and no longer in effect.

In anticipation of the Business Combination and the refinancings described above, on July 13, 2021, the Hillman Companies delivered a notice to redeem in full 11.6% Junior Subordinated Debentures of Hillman Companies due September 30, 2027 (the "Junior Subordinated Debentures") issued under the Indenture, dated as of September 5, 1997 (as amended and supplemented, the "Debentures Indenture"), between The Hillman Companies and The Bank of New York Mellon, a New York banking corporation, as Trustee (the "Trustee") and deposited an amount with the Trustee sufficient to satisfy and discharge the Debentures Indenture, which is no longer in effect. Notices to redeem 4,217,837 trust preferred securities (the "Trust Preferred Securities") issued in a public offering by the Hillman Group Capital Trust ("Trust") and 130,449 of trust common securities (the "Trust Common Securities") issued by the Trust to Hillman Companies were also delivered on July 13, 2021. Upon the payment of the redemption price for the Debentures on August 12, 2021, the Trust will redeem the Trust Preferred Securities and the Trust Common Securities, which as of August 12, 2021 will no longer be deemed to be outstanding.

The Term Credit Agreement contains usual and customary representations and warranties, covenants and events of default customary for facilities of this type and does not contain any financial maintenance covenants. Pricing for all funded term loans, including delayed draw term loans when funded, are at the Borrower's option either adjusted LIBOR plus a margin varying from 2.75% and 2.50% per annum or an alternate base rate plus a margin varying from 1.75% to 1.50% per annum. The stated maturity date of the term loans under the Term Credit Agreement is July 14, 2028. The term loans and other amounts outstanding under the Term Credit Agreement and related documents are guaranteed by Holdings, the immediate parent of the Borrower, and, subject to certain exceptions, the Borrower's wholly-owned domestic subsidiaries and are secured by substantially all of the Borrower's and the guarantors' assets. The delayed draw term loan facility under the Term Credit Agreement may be used to finance permitted acquisitions and similar investments and to replenish cash and repay revolving credit loans previously used for permitted acquisitions.

The ABL Credit Agreement contains usual and customary representations and warranties, covenants and events of default customary for facilities of this type. \$250.0 million of the revolving credit facilities under the ABL Credit Agreement is available to the Borrower and \$50.0 million of the revolving credit facilities under the ABL Credit Agreement is available to the Canadian Borrower, in each case, subject to a borrowing base. Pricing for revolving credit loans under the ABL Credit Agreement are at the Borrower's option either adjusted LIBOR (or a Canadian banker's acceptance rate in the case of Canadian Dollar loans) plus a margin varying from 1.25% to 1.75% per annum based on availability or an alternate base rate (or a Canadian prime rate or alternate base rate in the case of Canadian Dollar loans) plus a margin varying from 0.25% to 0.75% per annum based on availability. The stated maturity date of the revolving credit commitments under the ABL Credit Agreement is May 31, 2026. The loans and other amounts outstanding under the ABL Credit Agreement and related documents are guaranteed by Holdings and, subject to certain exceptions, the Borrower's wholly-owned domestic subsidiaries and are secured by substantially all of the Borrower's and the guarantors' assets plus, solely in the case of the Canadian Borrower, its and its wholly-owned Canadian subsidiary's assets, which has guaranteed by the Canadian portion under the ABL Credit Agreement.

The foregoing descriptions of the Term Credit Agreement, ABL Amendment and the ABL Credit Agreement do not purport to be complete and is qualified in its entirety by the terms and conditions of the Term Credit Agreement, ABL Amendment and the ABL Credit Agreement, copies of which are attached hereto as Exhibit 10.22 and Exhibit 10.21 and is incorporated herein by reference.

#### Item 2.01 Completion of Acquisition or Disposition of Assets.

On July 13, 2021, Landcadia held a Special Meeting at which the Landcadia stockholders considered and adopted, among other matters, the Merger Agreement (the "Special Meeting"). On July 14, 2021, the parties to the Merger Agreement consummated the Business Combination. Pursuant to the Merger Agreement, the Merger Consideration paid to the Hillman Holdco stockholders was paid solely by the delivery of new shares of New Hillman common stock, each valued at \$10.00 per share. The aggregate value of the consideration paid to Hillman Holdco stockholders in the Business Combination was approximately \$939,580,000.00.

On July 15, 2021, (i) Landcadia's outstanding units separated into the underlying shares of Landcadia Class A common stock and public warrants upon consummation of the Business Combination and, as a result, no longer trade as a separate security and (ii) Landcadia's Class A common stock and public warrants ceased trading and New Hillman common stock and warrants began trading on The Nasdaq Stock Market LLC ("Nasdaq").

As of the Closing Date, our directors and executive officers and affiliated entities beneficially owned approximately 48.1% of the outstanding shares of New Hillman common stock, and the former securityholders of Landcadia beneficially owned approximately 31.3% of the outstanding shares of New Hillman common stock.

#### Cautionary Note Regarding Forward Looking Statements

Certain statements in this Current Report on Form 8-K and the information incorporated herein by reference may involve substantial risks and uncertainties and may constitute forward-looking statements within the meaning of the Private Securities Litigation Reform Act of 1995, as amended. In some cases, you can identify forward-looking statements by terminology such as "may," "will," "should," "could," "would," "expect," "plan," "anticipate," "believe," "estimate," "continue," "project," or the negative of such terms or other similar expressions.

These forward-looking statements are not historical facts, but rather are based on management's current expectations, assumptions, and projections about future events. Although management believes that the expectations, assumptions, and projections on which these forward-looking statements are based are reasonable, they nonetheless could prove to be inaccurate, and as a result, the forward-looking statements based on those expectations, assumptions, and projections also could be inaccurate. Forward-looking statements are not guarantees of future performance. Instead, forward-looking statements are subject to known and unknown risks, uncertainties, and assumptions that may cause the New Hillman's strategy, planning, actual results, levels of activity, performance, or achievements to be materially different from any strategy, planning, future results, levels of activity, performance, or achievements expressed or implied by such forward-looking statements. Actual results could differ materially from those currently anticipated as a result of a number of factors, including, but not limited to, those factors described under the heading "Risk Factors" in the definitive Proxy Statement/Prospectus, dated as of June 24, 2021 (File No. 333-252693), filed with the Securities and Exchange Commission (the "SEC") pursuant to Rule 424(b)(3) under the Securities Act of 1933, as amended, on June 25, 2021 (the "Definitive Proxy"). Some of these risks and uncertainties may in the future be amplified by the COVID-19 outbreak and there may be additional risks that we consider immaterial or which are unknown. Given these uncertainties, current or prospective investors are cautioned not to place undue reliance on any such forward-looking statements.

All forward-looking statements attributable to New Hillman or persons acting on our behalf are expressly qualified in their entirety by the cautionary statements included in this report and the risks and uncertainties discussed under the caption "Risk Factors" in the Definitive Proxy and they should not be regarded as a representation by New Hillman or any other individual. We undertake no obligation to update publicly or revise any forward-looking statements, whether as a result of new information, future events, or otherwise. In light of these risks, uncertainties, and assumptions, the forward-looking events discussed in this report might not occur or be materially different from those discussed.

#### Business

The business of the Company is described in the Definitive Proxy in the section titled "Business of Hillman" beginning on page 166 and that information is incorporated herein by reference.

#### Risk Factors

The risk factors related to the Company's business and operations and the Business Combination are set forth in the Definitive Proxy in the section titled "*Risk Factors*" beginning on page 50 and that information is incorporated herein by reference.

#### Management's Discussion and Analysis of Financial Condition and Results of Operations

Reference is made to the disclosure contained in the Definitive Proxy in the sections titled "Management's Discussion and Analysis of Financial Condition and Results of Operations of Hillman" beginning on page 174 and that information is incorporated herein by reference.

#### Quantitative and Qualitative Disclosures about Market Risk

Reference is made to the disclosure contained in The Hillman Companies, Inc.'s quarterly Form 10-Q, filed with the SEC on May 11, 2021, in the section titled "Quantitative and Qualitative Disclosures About Market Risk" and that information is incorporated herein by reference.

#### **Properties**

Our principal office, manufacturing, and distribution properties are as follows:

Business Segment	Approximate Square Footage	Description
Hardware and Protective Solutions & Robotics and Digital		
Solutions		
- Cincinnati, Ohio	270,000	Office, Distribution
- Dallas, Texas	166,000	Distribution
- Forest Park, Ohio	385,000	Office, Distribution
- Jacksonville, Florida	97,000	Distribution
- Rialto, California	402,000	Distribution
- Shafter, California	168,000	Distribution
- Tempe, Arizona	184,000	Office, Manufacturing, Distribution
- Hamilton, OH	57,600	Manufacturing, Distribution
- Jonestown, PA	187,000	Distribution
Hardware and Protective Solutions		
- Atlanta, Georgia	14,000	Office
- Fairfield, Ohio	90,000	Distribution
- Guadalajara, Mexico	12,000	Office, Distribution
- Guleph, Ontario	25,000	Distribution
- Pompano Beach, Florida	39,000	Office, Distribution
- Monterrey, Mexico	13,000	Distribution
- Rome, Georgia	14,000	Office
- Shannon, Georgia	300,000	Distribution
- Springdale, Ohio <sup>(1)</sup>	28,000	Manufacturing, Distribution
- Tyler, Texas <sup>(2)</sup>	202,000	Office, Manufacturing, Distribution
Robotics and Digital Solutions		
-Boulder, Colorado	20,000	Office
Canada		
- Burnaby, British Columbia	29,000	Distribution
- Edmonton, Alberta	100,000	Distribution

- Laval, Quebec	34,000	Distribution
- Milton, Ontario	26,000	Manufacturing
- Pickering, Ontario	110,000	Distribution
- Scarborough, Ontario	23,000	Manufacturing, Distribution
- Toronto, Ontario	453,400	Office, Distribution
- Winnipeg, Manitoba	42,000	Distribution

<sup>(1)</sup> This lease expires on July 31, 2021.

All of New Hillman's facilities are leased. In the opinion of New Hillman's management, the existing facilities are in good condition.

#### Security Ownership of Certain Beneficial Owners and Management

The following table sets forth information known to New Hillman regarding the beneficial ownership of the New Hillman common stock as of the Closing Date by:

- each person known to the Company to be the beneficial owner of more than 5% of outstanding Company common stock;
- each of the Company's executive officers and directors; and
- all executive officers and directors of the Company as a group.

Beneficial ownership is determined according to the rules of the SEC, which generally provide that a person has beneficial ownership of a security if he, she or it posses sole or shared voting or investment power over that security, including options and warrants that are currently exercisable or exercisable within 60 days.

The beneficial ownership of Company stock is based on 187,569,511 shares of New Hillman common stock issued and outstanding as of the Closing Date.

Unless otherwise indicated, the Company believes that each person named in the table below has sole voting and investment power with respect to all of New Hillman common stock beneficially owned by them.

Name and Address of Beneficial Owner	Number of Shares	%
Directors and Executive Officers Post-Business Combination <sup>(1)</sup>		
Douglas Cahill <sup>(2)</sup>	2,835,362	1.5%
Joseph Scharfenberger	-	-
Richard Zannino	-	-
Daniel O'Leary	-	-
John Swygert	-	-
Aaron Jagdfeld <sup>(3)</sup>	214,272	*
David Owens <sup>(4)</sup>	37,085	*
Philip Woodlief <sup>(5)</sup>	49,447	*
Diana Dowling	-	=

<sup>(2)</sup> New Hillman leases two facilities in Tyler, Texas. The first is a 139,000 square foot facility located at 2329 E. Commerce Street used for manufacturing and distribution. The second is a 63,000 square foot facility located at 6357 Reynolds Road used for offices, manufacturing, and distribution.

Teresa Gendron	-	-
Robert Kraft <sup>(6)</sup>	425,042	*
Jon Michael Adinolfi <sup>(7)</sup>	506,713	*
Jarrod Streng <sup>(8)</sup>	35,025	*
Scott Ride <sup>(9)</sup>	228,282	*
George Murphy <sup>(10)</sup>	35,025	*
Randy Fagundo <sup>(11)</sup>	144,839	*
Gary Seeds <sup>(12)</sup>	494,580	*
Amanda Kitzberger <sup>(13)</sup>	11,125	*
Steve Brunker <sup>(14)</sup>	16,482	*
All directors and executive officers post-Business Combination as a group (nineteen individuals)	5,033,279	2.6%
Five Percent Holders:		
Select Equity Group, L.P. (15)	10,022,000	5.3%
CCMP Capital Investors III, L.P. and related investment funds <sup>(16)</sup>	71,952,733	38.4%
Oak Hill Capital Partners and related investment funds <sup>(17)</sup>	15,163,940	8.1%

- \* less than 1%
- (1) Unless otherwise noted, the business address of each of these stockholders is 10590 Hamilton Avenue, Cincinnati, Ohio 45231.
- (2) Includes 2,747,063 shares that may be acquired upon the exercise of outstanding options.
- (3) Includes 49,447 shares that may be acquired upon the exercise of outstanding options.
- (4) Includes 37,085 shares that may be acquired upon the exercise of outstanding options.
- (5) Includes 49,447 shares that may be acquired upon the exercise of outstanding options.
- (6) Includes 342,629 shares that may be acquired upon the exercise of outstanding options.
- (7) Includes 153,493 shares that may be acquired upon the exercise of outstanding options and 176,610 shares that may be acquired subject the terms of the restricted stock.
- (8) Includes 35,025 shares that may be acquired upon the exercise of outstanding options.
- (9) Includes 228,282 shares that may be acquired upon the exercise of outstanding options.
- (10) Includes 35,025 shares that may be acquired upon the exercise of outstanding options.
- (11) Includes 144,839 shares that may be acquired upon the exercise of outstanding options.
- (12) Includes 258,880 shares that may be acquired upon the exercise of outstanding options.
- (13) Includes 11,125 shares that may be acquired upon the exercise of outstanding options.
- (14) Includes 16,482 shares that may be acquired upon the exercise of outstanding options.

  According to a Schedule 13G/A filed on March 22, 2021, Select Equity Group, L.P., a Delaware limited partnership ("Select LP") SEG Partners II. L.P. a Delaware limited partnership ("SEG Partners II") SEG Partners Offshore Moster Fund Ltd. a

LP"), SEG Partners II, L.P., a Delaware limited partnership ("SEG Partners II"), SEG Partners Offshore Master Fund, Ltd., a Cayman Islands exempted company ("SEG Offshore"), and George S. Loening, a United States citizen ("Loening"), who is the majority owner of Select LP and managing member of its general partner, a director of SEG Offshore and who is the managing member of SEG Partners II's general partner, share voting control and investment discretion over part or all of the interests shown

- (15) as follows: (i) Select LP shares voting and investment discretion over 10,022,000 shares, (ii) SEG Partners II shares voting and investment discretion over 4,732,217 shares, (iii) SEG Offshore shares voting and investment discretion over 2,802,692 shares and (iv) Loening shares voting and investment discretion over 10,022,000 shares. The business address of each Select LP, SEG Partners II and Loening is 380 Lafayette Street, 6th Floor, New York, New York 10003. The business address of SEG Offshore is c/o Mourant Governance Services (Cayman) Limited, 94 Solaris Avenue, Camana Bay, P.O. Box 1348, Grand Cayman KY1-1108, Cayman Islands.
  - Includes 52,113,061 shares held by CCMP Capital Investors III, L.P. ("CCMP III"), 3,126,372 shares held by CCMP Capital Investors (Employee) III, L.P. ("CCMP III Employee") and 16,713,300 shares held by CCMP Co-Invest III A, L.P. ("CCMP Co-Invest"), and collectively with CCMP III and CCMP III Employee, the "CCMP Investors"). The general partner of each of CCMP III and CCMP III Employee is CCMP Capital Associates III, L.P. ("CCMP Capital Associates"). The general partner of CCMP Co-Invest is CCMP Co-Invest III A GP, LLC ("CCMP Co-Invest GP"). The general partner of CCMP Capital Associates
- is CCMP Capital Associates III GP, LLC ("CCMP Capital Associates GP"). CCMP Capital Associates GP is wholly owned by CCMP Capital, LP. CCMP Capital, LP, is also the sole member of CCMP Co-Invest GP. The general partner of CCMP Capital, LP is CCMP Capital GP, LLC ("CCMP Capital GP"). CCMP Capital GP ultimately exercises voting and investment power over the shares held by the CCMP Investors. As a result, CCMP Capital GP may be deemed to share beneficial ownership with respect to the shares held by the CCMP Investors. The investment committee of CCMP Capital GP includes Messrs. Scharfenberger and

Zannino, each of whom serves as a director of the Company. Each of the CCMP entities has an address of c/o CCMP Capital Advisors, LP, 277 Park Avenue, New York, New York 10172.

Oak Hill Capital Partners ("Oak Hill") represents an aggregation of 14,293,107 shares held by Oak Hill Capital Partners III, L.P., 469,419 shares held by Oak Hill Capital Management Partners III, L.P. and 401,414 shares held by OHCP III HC RO, L.P (collectively, the "Oak Hill Investors"). The general partner of each of the Oak Hill Investors is OHCP GenPar III, L.P. ("Oak Hill GP"). The general partner of Oak Hill GP is OHCP MGP Partners III, L.P. ("Oak Hill Capital GP"). The general partner of Oak Hill Capital GP is OHCP MGP III, Ltd. ("Oak Hill Capital UGP"). The three managing partners of Oak Hill, Tyler Wolfram, Brian Cherry and Steven Puccinelli, serve as the directors of Oak Hill Capital UGP and may be deemed to exercise voting and investment control over the shares held by the Oak Hill Investors. The address of Oak Hill is 65 East 55th Street, 32nd Floor, New York, New York 10022.

#### Directors and Executive Officers

The Company's directors and executive officers immediately after Closing are described in the Proxy Statement/Prospectus in the section titled "New Hillman Management After the Business Combination" and that information is incorporated herein by reference.

#### Director Independence

Information with respect to the independence of the Company's directors is set forth in the Definitive Proxy in the section titled "Management After the Business Combination—Independence of the Board of Directors" and that information is incorporated herein by reference.

#### Committees of the Board

Information with respect to the composition of the committees of our Board of Directors (the "Board") immediately after the Closing is set forth in the Definitive Proxy in the section titled "Management After the Business Combination—Board Committees" and that information is incorporated herein by reference, subject to the revisions outlined in Item 5.02 herein.

#### Director and Executive Officer Compensation

A description of the compensation of the named executive officers and directors of Hillman Holdco before the consummation of the Business Combination and the executive officers and directors of New Hillman after the consummation of the Business Combination is set forth in the Definitive Proxy in the sections titled "Hillman Holdco's Executive and Director Compensation" and "New Hillman Management After the Business Combination – Compensation of Directors and Executive Officers" and that information is incorporated herein by reference. A description of the compensation of the directors of New Hillman following the consummation of the Business Combination is set forth in Item 5.02 of this Current Report on Form 8-K and is incorporated herein by reference.

At the Special Meeting, the Landcadia stockholders approved the Hillman Solutions Corp. 2021 Equity Incentive Plan (the "Equity Incentive Plan") and the Hillman Solutions Corp. 2021 Employee Stock Purchase Plan (the "ESPP"). The descriptions of the Equity Incentive Plan and the ESPP are set forth in the Definitive Proxy section titled "The Incentive Plan Proposal" and "The ESPP Proposal", which are incorporated herein by reference. Copies of the full text of the Equity Incentive Plan and the ESPP are filed as Exhibit 10.3 and Exhibit 10.7, respectively, to this Current Report on Form 8-K and are incorporated herein by reference. Following the consummation of the Business Combination, the Company expects that the Board or the compensation committee will make grants of awards under the Equity Incentive Plan to eligible participants.

#### Certain Relationships and Related Party Transactions

Certain relationships and related party transactions of the Company are described in the Definitive Proxy in the section titled "Certain Relationships and Related Person Transactions" and that information is incorporated herein by reference.

#### Legal Proceedings

Information with respect to legal proceedings of Landcadia is set forth in the Definitive Proxy in the section titled "Legal Matters" and that information is incorporated herein by reference.

#### Market Price of and Dividends on the Registrant's Common Equity and Related Stockholder Matters

New Hillman common stock and warrants began trading on Nasdaq under the symbols "HLMN" and "HLMNW", on July 15, 2021. Landcadia's outstanding units separated into their component securities upon consummation of the Business Combination and, as a result, no longer trade as a separate security and were delisted from Nasdaq. As of immediately after the Closing Date, there were approximately 106 registered holders of shares of New Hillman common stock and 3 registered holders of warrants.

New Hillman has not paid any cash dividends on share of its common stock to date. The payment of cash dividends in the future will be dependent upon our revenues and earnings, if any, capital requirements and general financial condition. The payment of any dividends will be within the discretion of the Board.

#### Recent Sales of Unregistered Securities

Reference is made to the disclosure set forth below under Item 3.02 of this Current Report on Form 8-K concerning the issuance and sale by the Company of certain unregistered securities, which is incorporated herein by reference.

#### Description of Registrant's Securities to Be Registered

The description of the Company's securities is contained in the Definitive Proxy in the section titled "Description of New Hillman Securities" and that information is incorporated herein by reference.

#### Indemnification of Directors and Officers

New Hillman has entered into indemnification agreements with each of its directors and executive officers as of the Closing Date. Each indemnification agreement provides for indemnification and advancements by New Hillman of certain expenses and costs relating to claims, suits or proceedings arising from his or her service to New Hillman or, at our request, service to other entities, as officers or directors to the maximum extent permitted by applicable law.

The foregoing description of the indemnification agreements does not propose to be complete and is qualified in its entirety by the conditions of the indemnification agreements, the form of which is filed as Exhibit 10.5.

#### Financial Statements and Exhibits

The information set forth below under Item 9.01 of this Current Report on Form 8-K is incorporated herein by reference.

#### Changes in and Disagreements with Accountants on Accounting and Financial Disclosure

The information set forth below under Item 4.01 of this Current Report on Form 8-K is incorporated herein by reference.

#### Item 3.02 Unregistered Sale of Equity Securities.

The disclosure set forth in the "Introductory Note" above is incorporated herein by reference. The securities issued in connection with the PIPE Investment were not registered under the Securities Act of 1933, as amended (the "Securities Act"), in reliance on the exemption from registration provided by Section 4(a)(2) of the Securities Act and/or Regulation D promulgated thereunder.

#### Item 3.03 Material Modification to Rights of Security Holders.

In connection with the consummation of the Business Combination, Landcadia changed its name to Hillman Solutions Corp. and filed its amended and restated certificate of incorporation (the "Certificate of Incorporation") with the Secretary of State of the State of Delaware and amended and restated its bylaws (the "Bylaws"). Reference is made to the disclosure described in the Definitive Proxy in

the sections titled "The Charter Proposal," "Comparison of Stockholder Rights" and "Description of New Hillman Securities," which are incorporated herein by reference.

Copies of the Certificate of Incorporation and the Bylaws are included as Exhibits 3.1 and 3.2, respectively, to this Current Report on Form 8-K and incorporated herein by reference.

#### Item 5.01 Change in Control of Registrant.

Reference is made to the disclosure in the Proxy Statement/Prospectus in the section titled "*The Business Combination Proposal*," which is incorporated herein by reference. Further reference is made to the information contained above in the "*Introductory Note*" and Item 2.01 to this Current Report on Form 8-K, which is incorporated herein by reference.

### Item 5.02 Departure of Directors or Certain Officers; Election of Directors; Appointment of Certain Officers; Compensatory Arrangements of Certain Officers.

#### **Executive Officers and Directors**

Upon the consummation of the Business Combination, and in accordance with the terms of the Merger Agreement, each executive officer of Landcadia ceased serving in such capacities; Tilman Fertitta, Richard Handler, Scott Kelly and Dona Cornell ceased serving on Landcadia's board of directors. Douglas Cahill, Joseph Scharfenberger, Richard Zannino, Daniel O'Leary, John Swygert, Aaron Jagdfeld, David Owners, Philip Woodlief, Diana Dowling and Teresa Gendron were appointed as directors of the Company, with Douglas Cahill appointed Chairman. The directors were divided among the following classes:

- the Class I directors will be Douglas Cahill, Joseph Scharfenberger and Richard Zannino, and their terms will expire at the annual meeting of stockholders to be held in 2022;
- the Class II directors will be Aaron Jagdfeld, David Owens and Philip Woodlief, and their terms will expire at the annual meeting of stockholders to be held in 2023; and
- the Class III directors will be Diana Dowling, John Swygert, Daniel O'Leary and Teresa Gendron, and their terms will expire at the annual meeting of stockholders to be held in 2024.

Upon the consummation of the Business Combination, the Company established the following audit committee, compensation committee, and the nominating and environmental, social and corporate governance committee. Philip Woodlief, John Swygert, Teresa Gendron and Daniel O'Leary were appointed to serve on the Company's audit committee, with Philip Woodlief serving as the chair and qualifying as an audit committee financial expert, as such term is defined in Item 407(d)(5) of Regulation S-K. Richard Zannino, Joseph Scharfenberger, Aaron Jagdfeld, Diana Dowling and David Owens were appointed to serve on the Company's compensation committee, with Aaron Jagdfeld serving as the chair. Teresa Gendron, Daniel O'Leary, John Swygert, Aaron Jagdfeld, David Owens, Philip Woodlief, Diana Dowling, Joseph Scharfenberger and Richard Zannino were appointed to serve on the Company's nominating and environmental, social and corporate governance committee, with David Owens serving as chair.

Additionally, upon the consummation of the Business Combination, Douglas Cahill was appointed as President and Chief Executive Officer; Robert Kraft was appointed as Chief Financial Officer and Treasurer; and Steven Brunker was appointed as Chief Information Officer.

Reference is made to the disclosure described in the Definitive Proxy in the section titled "New Hillman Management After the Business Combination" beginning on page 229 for biographical information about each of the directors and officers following the Transactions, which is incorporated herein by reference.

#### Compensatory Arrangements for Directors

Following the Business Combination, the members of the Board will be compensated pursuant to a non-employee director compensation policy. The following summary describes the material terms of the non-employee director compensation policy.

Under the non-employee director compensation policy, our directors, other than our employee directors and our directors who are affiliated with CCMP Capital Advisors, LP or Oak Hill Capital Partners (or one of their respective affiliates), will be compensated as follows following this offering:

- each non-employee director will receive an annual cash fee of \$75,000;
- the non-employee director who serves as the audit committee chair will receive an additional annual cash fee of \$20,000;
- the non-employee director who serves as the compensation committee chair will receive an additional annual cash fee of \$15,000;
- each non-employee director who is first elected or appointed to the Board after the Business Combination will be granted a number of restricted stock units determined by dividing \$100,000 by the closing price of a share of the Company's common stock on the date of grant (pro-rated by dividing the number of days until the expected date of the Company's next annual meeting of stockholders by 365); and
- commencing in fiscal 2022, each non-employee director will annually be granted a number of restricted stock units determined by dividing \$100,000 by the closing price of a share of the Company's common stock on the date of grant.

The initial and annual restricted stock units granted to our non-employee directors will vest in full on the earlier of the one-year anniversary of the date of grant and the next annual meeting of stockholders that follows the date of grant, subject to the director's continued service on the Board.

Following the Business Combination, each eligible non-employee director received a number of restricted stock units determined by dividing \$100,000 (pro-rated by dividing the number of days until the expected date of the Company's next annual meeting of stockholders by 365) by the closing price of a share of the Company's common stock on the date of grant, which award will vest in accordance with the schedule described above for initial and annual equity awards.

Each non-employee director is entitled to reimbursement for reasonable travel and other expenses incurred in connection with attending meetings of New Hillman's Board and any committee on which he or she serves. Non-employee directors who are affiliated with CCMP Capital Advisors, LP or Oak Hill Capital Partners (or one of their respective affiliates) will not receive compensation for their service on the Board.

#### 2021 Equity Incentive Plan

At the Special Meeting, the Landcadia stockholders approved the Equity Incentive Plan. Subject to adjustment in the event of certain corporate transactions, including a stock dividend, stock split or combination of shares (including a reverse stock split), recapitalization or other change in the Company's capital structure, the maximum number of shares of New Hillman common stock that may be delivered in satisfaction of awards under the Equity Incentive Plan is (i) 7,150,814 shares, plus (ii) up to an aggregate of 14,523,510 shares of New Hillman common stock underlying awards under the Hillman Holdco 2014 Equity Incentive Plan (the "Prior Plan") that on or after the date the Equity Incentive Plan becomes effective, expire or become unexercisable, or are forfeited, cancelled or otherwise terminated, in each case, without delivery of shares or cash therefor, and would have become available under the terms of the Prior Plan. The purpose of the Equity Incentive Plan is to advance the Company's interests by providing for the grant to employees, directors, consultants and advisors of stock and stock-based awards. The Company expects the Board or the compensation committee will make grants of awards under the Equity Incentive Plan to eligible participants.

The description is set forth in the Definitive Proxy section titled "The Incentive Plan Proposal", which is incorporated herein by reference. A copy of the full text of the Equity Incentive Plan is filed as Exhibit 10.3 to this Current Report on Form 8-K and is incorporated herein by reference.

#### 2021 Employee Stock Purchase Plan

At the Special Meeting, the Landcadia stockholders approved the ESPP. Subject to adjustment in the event of certain corporate transactions, including a stock dividend, stock split or combination of shares (including a reverse stock split), recapitalization or other change in the Company's capital structure, the aggregate number of shares of New Hillman common stock available for purchase pursuant to the exercise of options under the ESPP is 1,140,754 shares. The purpose of the ESPP is to enable eligible employees of the Company and its participating subsidiaries to use payroll deductions to purchase shares of New Hillman common stock, and thereby acquire an interest in the Company.

The description is set forth in the Definitive Proxy section titled "The ESPP Proposal", which is incorporated herein by reference. A copy of the full text of the ESPP is filed as Exhibit 10.7 to this Current Report on Form 8-K and is incorporated herein by reference.

#### 2021 Cash Incentive Plan

In connection with the Business Combination, the Board adopted the Hillman Solutions Corp. 2021 Cash Incentive Plan (the "<u>Cash Incentive Plan</u>"). The Cash Incentive Plan provides for the grant of cash-based incentive awards to our executive officers and key employees. The following summary describes the material terms of the Cash Incentive Plan. This summary is not a complete description of all provisions of the Cash Incentive Plan and is qualified in its entirety by reference to the Cash Incentive Plan, which is filed as Exhibit 10.8 to this Current Report on Form 8-K and is incorporated herein by reference

Purpose

The purpose of the Cash Incentive Plan is to advance the interests of the Company by providing for the grant of cash-based incentive awards to participants that will attract, retain, and reward such persons and incentivize them to attain key Company performance criteria and metrics.

Administration

The Cash Incentive Plan will be administered by the compensation committee and its delegates, except that the Board may at any time administer the Cash Incentive Plan. As used in this summary, the term "Administrator" refers to the compensation committee, the Board or any authorized delegates, as applicable.

The Administrator will have the discretionary authority to administer and interpret the Cash Incentive Plan and any awards granted under it, determine eligibility for and grant awards, adjust the performance criterion or criteria applicable to awards, determine, modify or waive the terms and conditions of any award, prescribe forms, rules and procedures relating to the Cash Incentive Plan and awards and otherwise do all things necessary or desirable to carry out the purposes of the Cash Incentive Plan.

Eligibility and Participation

Executive officers and key employees of the Company and its subsidiaries will be eligible to participate in the Cash Incentive Plan and will be selected from time to time by the Administrator to participate in the Cash Incentive Plan.

Awards; Performance Criteria

Awards under the Cash Incentive Plan will be made based on, and subject to achieving, specified performance criteria established by the Administrator. For each award granted under the Cash Incentive Plan, the Administrator will establish the performance criteria applicable to the award, the amount or amounts payable if the performance criteria are achieved in whole or in part and such other terms and conditions as the Administrator deems appropriate.

#### Payments Under an Award

A participant will be entitled to payment under an award only if all conditions to payment have been satisfied in accordance with the Cash Incentive Plan and the terms of the award, except as otherwise determined by the Administrator in accordance with the Cash Incentive Plan. Following the end of a performance period, the Administrator will determine whether and to what extent the applicable performance criteria have been satisfied and will determine the amount payable under each award. The Administrator has the discretionary authority to increase or decrease the amount actually paid under any award, with or without specifying its reasons for doing so.

#### Recovery of Compensation

Payments in respect of an award will be subject to forfeiture and disgorgement to us if the participant violates a non-competition, non-solicitation, confidentiality or other restrictive covenant or to the extent provided in any applicable company policy that provides for forfeiture or disgorgement, or as otherwise required by law or applicable stock exchange listing standards.

#### Amendment and Termination

The Administrator may amend the Cash Incentive Plan or any outstanding award for any purpose, and may at any time terminate the Cash Incentive Plan as to any future grant of awards.

#### **Employment Agreements**

A description of the employment agreements between the Company's named executive officers and The Hillman Group, Inc. is set forth in the Proxy Statement/Prospectus in the section titled "Hillman Holdco's Executive and Director Compensation". The Company may amend these employment agreements following the Business Combination to, among other things, assign the employment agreements to New Hillman or another of its subsidiaries.

#### Indemnification of Directors and Officers

The disclosure set forth in Item 2.01 of this Current Report on Form 8-K under the section titled "Indemnification of Directors and Officers" is incorporated in this Item 5.02 by reference.

#### Item 5.03 Amendments to Articles of Incorporation or Bylaws; Change in Fiscal Year.

The disclosure set forth in Item 3.03 of this Current Report on Form 8-K is incorporated in this Item 5.03 by reference.

#### Item 5.06 Change in Shell Company Status.

As a result of the Business Combination, the Company ceased to be a shell company. The material terms of the Business Combination are described in the sections titled "The Business Combination Proposal" beginning on page 84 of the Definitive Proxy, and are incorporated herein by reference. Further, the information set forth in "Introductory Note" and under Item 2.01 is incorporated in by reference.

#### Item 7.01 Regulation FD Disclosure.

On July 14, 2021, New Hillman issued a press release announcing the consummation of the Merger. A copy of the press release is attached as Exhibit 99.2 to this Current Report on Form 8-K.

#### Item 9.01 Financial Statements and Exhibits.

(a) Financial statements of businesses acquired.

The financial statements of HMAN Group Holdings, Inc. as of and for the fiscal years ended December 26, 2020 and December 28, 2019, the related notes and report of independent public accounting firm thereto are set forth in the Definitive Proxy beginning on page F-42 and are incorporated herein by reference. The financial statements of HMAN Group Holdings, Inc. as of and for the three months ended March 27, 2021 and the related notes thereto are set forth in the Definitive Proxy beginning on page F-89 and are incorporated herein by reference.

The financial statements of Landcadia Holdings III, Inc. as of and for the fiscal year ended December 31, 2020, December 31, 2019 and for the period from March 13, 2018 (date of inception) through December 31, 2018, and related notes thereto as set forth in the Definitive Proxy beginning on page F-20 and are incorporated herein by reference. The financial statements of Landcadia Holdings III, Inc., as of and for the three months ended March 31, 2021 and the related notes thereto are set forth in the Definitive Proxy beginning on page F-2 and are incorporated herein by reference.

(b) Pro forma financial information.

The unaudited pro forma condensed combined financial information of Landcadia and Hillman Holdco as of March 31, 2021 and for the year ended December 31, 2020 and the three months ended March 31, 2021 is set forth in Exhibit 99.1 and is incorporated herein by reference. In accordance with the instructions in item 9.01 of Form 8-K, New Hillman intends to file an amendment to this Form 8-K within 45 days of the end of its second fiscal quarter to include historical and pro forma financial statements for the quarterly period ended June 26, 2021.

(d) Exhibits.

# Exhibit No. Description Agreement and Plan of Merger, dated as of January 24, 2021, by and among Landcadia Holdings III, Inc., Helios Sun Merger Color Hard Many Control of the Color of

- Sub, Inc., HMAN Group Holdings Inc. and CCMP Sellers' Representative, LLC, solely in its capacity as representative of the stockholders of HMAN Group Holdings Inc. (incorporated by reference to Exhibit 2.1 of Landcadia's Registration Statement on Form S-4 (Reg. No. 333-252693), filed with the SEC on June 11, 2021).
- 2.2 First Amendment to Merger Agreement, dated as of March 12, 2021, by and among Landcadia Holdings III, Inc., Helios Sun Merger Sub, Inc., HMAN Group Holdings Inc. and CCMP Sellers' Representative, LLC, solely in its capacity as representative of the stockholders of HMAN Group Holdings Inc. (incorporated by reference to Exhibit 2.2 of Landcadia's Registration Statement on Form S-4 (Reg. No. 333-252693), filed with the SEC on June 11, 2021).
- 3.1\* Third Amended and Restated Certificate of Incorporation of Hillman Solutions Corp.
- 3.2\* Amended and Restated Bylaws of Hillman Solutions Corp.
- Amended and Restated Warrant Agreement, dated as of November 13, 2020, between Landcadia and Continental Stock Transfer & Trust Company, as warrant agent (incorporated by reference to Exhibit 4.2 of Landcadia's Quarterly Report on Form 10-Q (File No. 001-39609), filed with the SEC on November 16, 2020).
- 4.2 Amended and Restated Declaration of Trust. (incorporated by reference to Exhibit 4.1 to the The Hillman Companies, Inc.'s Registration Statement No. 333-44733 on Form S-2)
- 4.3 Preferred Securities Guarantee. (incorporated by reference to Exhibit 4.3 to the The Hillman Companies, Inc.'s Registration Statement No. 333-44733 on Form S-2)
- Form of Subscription Agreement, dated January 24, 2021, by and between Landcadia Holdings III, Inc. and the subscribers party thereto (incorporated by reference to Exhibit 10.3 of Landcadia's Registration Statement on Form S-4 (Reg. No. 333-252693), filed with the SEC on June 11, 2021).

- Amended and Restated Registration Rights Agreement, dated July 14, 2021, by and among Hillman Solutions Corp., Jefferies Financial Group Inc., TFJ, LLC, CCMP Capital Investors III, L.P., CCMP Capital Investors (Employee) III, L.P., CCMP Co-Invest III A, L.P., Oak Hill Capital Partners III, L.P., Oak Hill Capital Management Partners III, L.P. and OHCP III HC RO, L.P.
- 10.3 Form Hillman Solutions Corp. 2021 Equity Incentive Plan (incorporated by reference to 10.1 of Landcadia's Registration Statement on Form S-4 (Reg. No. 333-252693), filed with the SEC on June 11, 2021).
- Amended and Restated Letter Agreement, dated as of January 24, 2021, by and among Landcadia Holdings III, Inc., its officers, its directors, TJF, LLC and Jefferies Financial Group Inc. (incorporated by reference to Exhibit 10.5 of Lancadia's Registration Statement on Form S-4 (Reg. No. 333-252693), filed with the SEC on June 11, 2021).
- 10.5\* Form of Indemnification Agreement
- 10.7 Form Hillman Solutions Corp. 2021 Employee Stock Purchase Plan (incorporated by reference to 10.2 of Landcadia's Registration Statement on Form S-4 (Reg. No. 333-252693), filed with the SEC on June 11, 2021).
- 10.8\* Hillman Solutions Corp. 2021 Cash Incentive Plan
- 10.9\* Form of Non-Qualified Stock Option Award Agreement under the Hillman Solutions Corp. 2021 Equity Incentive Plan
- 10.10\* Form of Non-Qualified Stock Option Award Agreement for Non-Employee Directors under the Hillman Solutions Corp. 2021 Equity Incentive Plan
- 10.11\* Form of Restricted Stock Unit Award Agreement under the Hillman Solutions Corp. 2021 Equity Incentive Plan
- 10.12\* Form of Restricted Stock Unit Award Agreement for Non-Employee Directors under the Hillman Solutions Corp. 2021 Equity Incentive Plan
- 10.13\* Form of Management Lock-Up Agreement
- 10.14 Employment Agreement between Robert Kraft and The Hillman Group, Inc. dated October 2, 2017 (incorporated by reference to Exhibit 10.17 of Lancadia's Registration Statement on Form S-4 (Reg. No. 333-252693), filed with the SEC on June 11, 2021).
- Employment Agreement between Douglas Cahill and The Hillman Group, Inc. dated July 25, 2019 (incorporated by reference to Exhibit 10.18 of Lancadia's Registration Statement on Form S-4 (Reg. No. 333-252693), filed with the SEC on June 11, 2021).

- Employment Agreement between Randall Fagundo and The Hillman Group, Inc. dated August 10, 2018 (incorporated by reference to Exhibit 10.19 of Lancadia's Registration Statement on Form S-4 (Reg. No. 333-252693), filed with the SEC on June 11, 2021).
- Employment Agreement between George Murphy and The Hillman Group, Inc. dated October 1, 2018 (incorporated by reference to Exhibit 10.20 of Lancadia's Registration Statement on Form S-4 (Reg. No. 333-252693), filed with the SEC on June 11, 2021).
- 10.18 Employment Agreement between Jarrod Streng and The Hillman Group, Inc. dated October 1, 2018 (incorporated by reference to Exhibit 10.21 of Lancadia's Registration Statement on Form S-4 (Reg. No. 333-252693), filed with the SEC on June 11, 2021).
- 10.19 ABL Credit Agreement, dated as of May 31, 2018, by and among Hillman Investment Company, a Delaware corporation, The Hillman Companies, Inc., a Delaware corporation, The Hillman Group Canada ULC, a British Columbia unlimited liability

company, the other loan parties party thereto, the Lenders and Issuing Banks from time to time party hereto, including Barclays Bank PLC, and Barclays, in its capacities as administrative agent and collateral agent and the Swingline Lender, with Barclays, Jefferies Finance LLC, Citizens Bank, N.A. and MUFG Union Bank, N.A. as joint lead arrangers and joint bookrunners, Credit Suisse Loan Funding LLC and PNC Bank, National Association, as a documentation agent (incorporated by reference to Exhibit 10.14 of Lancadia's Registration Statement on Form S-4 (Reg. No. 333-252693), filed with the SEC on June 11, 2021).

- Amendment No. 1, dated as of November 15, 2019 (incorporated by reference to Exhibit 10.16 of Lancadia's Registration Statement on Form S-4 (Reg. No. 333-252693), filed with the SEC on June 11, 2021).
- 10.21\* Amendment No. 2, dated as of July 14, 2021, by and among Hillman Investment Company, a Delaware corporation, The Hillman Group, Inc., a Delaware corporation, The Hillman Group Canada ULC, a British Columbia unlimited liability company, the Subsidiary Guarantors, the Released Party, the Lenders listed on the signature pages hereto and Barclays Bank PLC, in its capacity as administrative agent for the Lenders.
- 10.22\* Credit Agreement, dated as of July 14, 2021, by and among The Hillman Group, Inc., a Delaware corporation, Hillman Investment Company, a Delaware corporation, the Lenders from time to time party hereto and Jefferies Finance LLC, in its capacities as administrative agent and collateral agent, with Jefferies and Barclays Bank PLC as joint lead arrangers and joint bookrunners.
- 21.1\* <u>List of Subsidiaries</u>
- 99.1\* Unaudited Pro Forma Condensed Combined Financial Information as of March 31, 2021.
- 99.2\* Press release dated July 14, 2021.
- \* Filed herewith

#### **Signatures**

Pursuant to the requirements of the Securities Exchange Act of 1934, the registrant has duly caused this report to be signed by the undersigned hereunto duly authorized.

Date: July 20, 2021 Hillman Solutions Corp.

By: /s/ Douglas J. Cahill

Name: Douglas J. Cahill

Title: Chairman, President and Chief Executive Officer

# THIRD AMENDED AND RESTATED CERTIFICATE OF INCORPORATION OF LANDCADIA HOLDINGS III, INC.

July 14, 2021

Landcadia Holdings III, Inc., a corporation organized and existing under the laws of the State of Delaware (the "*Corporation*"), DOES HEREBY CERTIFY AS FOLLOWS:

- 1. The Corporation was initially formed as Automalyst LLC (the "*LLC*"), a Delaware limited liability company, on March 13, 2018. The sole member of the LLC was M Science Holdings LLC, a Delaware limited liability company. On August 24, 2020, the LLC filed a certificate of conversion with the Secretary of State of the State of Delaware for purposes of converting the LLC to a corporation.
- 2. The original certificate of incorporation of the Corporation was filed with the Secretary of State of the State of Delaware on August 24, 2020.
- 3. The Corporation filed an amended and restated certificate of incorporation with the Secretary of State of the State of Delaware on September 16, 2020.
- 4. The Corporation filed a second amended and restated certificate of incorporation with the Secretary of State of the State of Delaware on October 8, 2020 (the "Second Amended and Restated Certificate").
- 5. This Third Amended and Restated Certificate of Incorporation (this "*Third Amended and Restated Certificate*") was duly adopted by the Board of Directors of the Corporation (the "*Board*") and the stockholders of the Corporation in accordance with Sections 228, 242 and 245 of the General Corporation Law of the State of Delaware (as amended from time to time, the "*DGCL*").
- 6. This Certificate shall become effective on the date of filing with the Secretary of State of the State of Delaware.
- 7. This Third Amended and Restated Certificate restates, integrates and amends the provisions of the Second Amended and Restated Certificate. Certain capitalized terms used in this Third Amended and Restated Certificate are defined where appropriate herein.
- 8. The Second Amended and Restated Certificate is being amended and restated in connection with the transactions contemplated by that certain Agreement and Plan of Merger, dated as of January 24, 2021, by and among the Corporation, HMAN Group Holdings Inc. and the other parties thereto (as amended, modified, supplemented or waived from time to time, the "Merger Agreement"). As part of the transactions contemplated by the Merger Agreement, and in accordance with Section 4.3(b) of the Second Amended and Restated Certificate, all 20,000,000 shares of the Class B Common Stock of the Corporation will be automatically converted on a 1- for-1 basis into 20,000,000 shares of Class A Common Stock of the Corporation such that, at the effectiveness of this Third Amended and Restated Certificate, only Class A Common Stock remains outstanding. All Class A Common Stock issued and outstanding prior to the effectiveness of this Third Amended and Restated Certificate and all Class A Common Stock issued as part of the Merger Agreement and the Subscription Agreements contemplated by the Merger Agreement shall be renamed as Common Stock for all purposes of this Third Amended and Restated Certificate.
- 9. The text of the Second Amended and Restated Certificate is hereby restated and amended in its entirety to read as follows:

ARTICLE I NAME

The name of the corporation is "Hillman Solutions Corp.".

#### ARTICLE II PURPOSE

The purpose of the Corporation is to engage in any lawful act or activity for which corporations may be organized under the DGCL. In addition to the powers and privileges conferred upon the Corporation by law and those incidental thereto, the Corporation shall possess and may exercise all the powers and privileges that are necessary or convenient to the conduct, promotion or attainment of the business or purposes of the Corporation.

#### ARTICLE III REGISTERED AGENT

The address of the Corporation's registered office in the State of Delaware is 251 Little Falls Drive, Wilmington, New Castle Country, Delaware 19808, and the name of the Corporation's registered agent at such address is Corporation Service Company.

## ARTICLE IV CAPITALIZATION

Section 4.1 <u>Authorized Capital Stock</u>. The total number of shares of all classes of capital stock, each with a par value of \$0.0001 per share, which the Corporation is authorized to issue is 501,000,000 shares, which shall be divided into (a) 500,000,000 shares of common stock (the "*Common Stock*") and (b) 1,000,000 shares of preferred stock (the "*Preferred Stock*").

Section 4.2 <u>Preferred Stock.</u> The Preferred Stock may be issued from time to time in one or more series. The Board is hereby expressly authorized to provide for the issuance of shares of the Preferred Stock in one or more series and to establish from time to time the number of shares to be included in each such series and to fix the voting rights, if any, designations, powers, preferences and relative, participating, optional, special and other rights, if any, of each such series and any qualifications, limitations and restrictions thereof, as shall be stated in the resolution or resolutions adopted by the Board providing for the issuance of such series and included in a certificate of designation (a "*Preferred Stock Designation*") filed pursuant to the DGCL, and the Board is hereby expressly vested with the authority to the full extent provided by law, now or hereafter, to adopt any such resolution or resolutions. Except as otherwise provided by any Preferred Stock Designation with respect to any series of Preferred Stock then outstanding or by law, no holder of any such series of Preferred Stock, as such, shall be entitled to any voting powers in respect thereof.

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#### Section 4.3 Common Stock.

- (a) Except as otherwise required by law or this Third Amended and Restated Certificate (including any Preferred Stock Designation), the holders of the Common Stock shall exclusively possess all voting power with respect to the Corporation. The holders of shares of Common Stock shall be entitled to one vote for each such share on each matter properly submitted to the stockholders on which the holders of the Common Stock are entitled to vote. The holders of shares of Common Stock shall at all times vote together as one class on all matters submitted to a vote of the stockholders of the Corporation.
- (b) Except as otherwise required by law or this Third Amended and Restated Certificate (including any Preferred Stock Designation), at any annual or special meeting of the stockholders of the Corporation, the holders of the Common Stock shall have the exclusive right to vote for the election of directors and on all other matters properly submitted to a vote of the stockholders. Notwithstanding the foregoing, except as otherwise required by law or this Third Amended and Restated Certificate (including any Preferred Stock Designation), the holders of the Common Stock shall not be entitled to vote on any amendment to this Third Amended and Restated Certificate (including any amendment to any Preferred Stock Designation) that relates solely to the terms of one or more outstanding series of the Preferred Stock if the holders of such affected series are entitled, either separately or together with the holders of one or more other such series, to vote thereon pursuant to this Third Amended and Restated Certificate (including any Preferred Stock Designation) or the DGCL.
- (c) Subject to the rights, if any, of the holders of any outstanding series of the Preferred Stock, the holders of the Common Stock shall be entitled to receive such dividends and other distributions (payable in cash, property or capital stock of the Corporation) when, as and if declared thereon by the Board from time to time out of any assets or funds of the Corporation legally available therefor, and shall share equally on a per share basis in such dividends and distributions.

- (d) Subject to the rights, if any, of the holders of any outstanding series of the Preferred Stock, in the event of any voluntary or involuntary liquidation, dissolution or winding-up of the Corporation, after payment or provision for payment of the debts and other liabilities of the Corporation, the holders of the Common Stock shall be entitled to receive all the remaining assets of the Corporation available for distribution to its stockholders, ratably in proportion to the number of shares of the Common Stock held by them.
- Section 4.4 <u>Rights and Options</u>. The Corporation has the authority to create and issue rights, warrants and options entitling the holders thereof to purchase shares of any class or series of the Corporation's capital stock or other securities of the Corporation, and such rights, warrants and options shall be evidenced by instrument(s) approved by the Board. The Board is empowered to set the exercise price, duration, times for exercise and other terms and conditions of such rights, warrants or options; <u>provided</u>, <u>however</u>, that the consideration to be received for any shares of capital stock issuable upon exercise thereof may not be less than the par value thereof.

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Section 4.5 No Class Vote on Changes in Authorized Number of Shares of Stock. Subject to the rights of the holders of any outstanding series of Preferred Stock, the number of authorized shares of any class or classes of stock may be increased or decreased (but not below the number of shares thereof then outstanding) by the affirmative vote of holders of a majority of the voting power of all then outstanding shares of capital stock of the Corporation entitled to vote generally in the election of directors, voting together as a single class, irrespective of the provisions of Section 242(b)(2) of the DGCL.

#### ARTICLE V BOARD OF DIRECTORS

Section 5.1 <u>Board Powers</u>. The business and affairs of the Corporation shall be managed by, or under the direction of, the Board, except as may be otherwise provided by the DGCL or by this Third Amended and Restated Certificate.

#### Section 5.2 <u>Number, Election and Term.</u>

- (a) The number of directors of the Corporation, other than those who may be elected by the holders of one or more series of the Preferred Stock voting separately by class or series, shall be fixed from time to time exclusively by the Board.
- Subject to Section 5.5 hereof, the Board shall be divided into three classes, as nearly equal in number as possible, and designated Class I, Class II and Class III. The Board is authorized to assign members of the Board already in office to Class I, Class II or Class III. The term of the initial Class I directors shall expire at the first annual meeting of the stockholders of the Corporation following the effectiveness of this Third Amended and Restated Certificate; the term of the initial Class II directors shall expire at the second annual meeting of the stockholders of the Corporation following the effectiveness of this Third Amended and Restated Certificate; and the term of the initial Class III directors shall expire at the third annual meeting of the stockholders of the Corporation following the effectiveness of this Third Amended and Restated Certificate. At each succeeding annual meeting of the stockholders of the Corporation, beginning with the first annual meeting of the stockholders of the Corporation following the effectiveness of this Third Amended and Restated Certificate, successors to the class of directors whose term expires at that annual meeting shall be elected for a three-year term. Subject to Section 5.5 hereof, if the number of directors is changed, any increase or decrease shall be apportioned by the Board among the classes so as to maintain the number of directors in each class as nearly equal as possible, and any such additional director of any class elected to fill a newly created directorship resulting from an increase in such class shall hold office for a term that shall coincide with the remaining term of that class, but in no case shall a decrease in the number of directors shorten the term of any incumbent director. A director shall hold office until the annual meeting at which his or her term expires and until his or her successor shall be elected and qualified, or his or her death, resignation, retirement, disqualification or removal from office. Subject to the rights of the holders of one or more series of Preferred Stock, voting separately by class or series, to elect directors pursuant to the terms of one or more series of Preferred Stock, directors shall be elected by a plurality of the votes cast at an annual meeting of stockholders by holders of the Common Stock.

- (c) Subject to Section 5.5 hereof, a director shall hold office until the annual meeting for the year in which his or her term expires and until his or her successor has been elected and qualified, subject, however, to such director's earlier death, resignation, retirement, disqualification or removal.
- (d) Unless and except to the extent that the Amended and Restated Bylaws of the Corporation (as may be amended from time to time, "*Bylaws*") shall so require, the election of directors need not be by written ballot.
- Section 5.3 Newly Created Directorships and Vacancies. Subject to Section 5.5 hereof, newly created directorships resulting from an increase in the number of directors and any vacancies on the Board resulting from death, resignation, retirement, disqualification, removal or other cause shall be filled solely by a majority vote of the remaining directors then in office, even if less than a quorum, or by a sole remaining director (and not by stockholders), and any director so chosen shall hold office for the remainder of the full term of the class of directors to which the new directorship was added or in which the vacancy occurred and until his or her successor has been elected and qualified, subject, however, to such director's earlier death, resignation, retirement, disqualification or removal.
- Section 5.4 <u>Removal</u>. Subject to <u>Section 5.5</u> hereof, any or all of the directors may be removed from office at any time, but only for cause and only by the affirmative vote of holders of at least 66% in voting power of all the then outstanding shares of capital stock of the Corporation entitled to vote generally in the election of directors, voting together as a single class. At least forty-five (45) days prior to any annual or special meeting of stockholders at which it is proposed that any director be removed from office, written notice of such proposed removal and the alleged grounds thereof shall be sent to the director whose removal will be considered at the meeting.
- Section 5.5 <u>Preferred Stock Directors.</u> Notwithstanding any other provision of this <u>Article V</u>, and except as otherwise required by law, whenever the holders of one or more series of the Preferred Stock shall have the right, voting separately by class or series, to elect one or more directors, the term of office, the filling of vacancies, the removal from office and other features of such directorships shall be governed by the terms of such series of the Preferred Stock as set forth in this Third Amended and Restated Certificate (including any Preferred Stock Designation) and such directors shall not be included in any of the classes created pursuant to this <u>Article V</u> unless expressly provided by such terms.

#### ARTICLE VI BYLAWS

In furtherance and not in limitation of the powers conferred upon it by law, the Board is expressly authorized to adopt, amend, alter or repeal the Bylaws without the assent or vote of the stockholders in any manner not inconsistent with the laws of the State of Delaware or this Third Amended and Restated Certificate. The Bylaws also may be adopted, amended, altered or repealed by the stockholders; provided, however, that in addition to any vote of the holders of any class or series of capital stock of the Corporation required by law or by this Third Amended and Restated Certificate (including any Preferred Stock Designation), the affirmative vote of the holders of at least 66% in voting power of all the then outstanding shares of capital stock of the Corporation entitled to vote generally in the election of directors, voting together as a single class, shall be required for the stockholders to adopt, amend, alter or repeal the Bylaws; and provided further, however, that no Bylaws hereafter adopted by the stockholders shall invalidate any prior act of the Board that would have been valid if such Bylaws had not been adopted.

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## ARTICLE VII MEETINGS OF STOCKHOLDERS; ACTION BY WRITTEN CONSENT

- Section 7.1 <u>Meetings</u>. Subject to the rights, if any, of the holders of any outstanding series of the Preferred Stock, and to the requirements of applicable law, special meetings of the stockholders of the Corporation may be called only by the Board, and special meetings of stockholders may not be called by any other person or persons. Only those matters set forth in the notice of the special meeting may be considered or acted upon at a special meeting of stockholders of the Corporation.
- Section 7.2 <u>Advance Notice</u>. Advance notice of stockholder nominations for the election of directors and of business to be brought by stockholders before any meeting of the stockholders of the Corporation shall be given in the manner provided in the Bylaws.
- Section 7.3 <u>Action by Written Consent</u>. Except as may be otherwise provided for or fixed pursuant to this Certificate (including any Preferred Stock Designation) relating to the rights of the holders of any outstanding series of Preferred Stock, any action required

or permitted to be taken by the stockholders of the Corporation must be effected by a duly called annual or special meeting of such stockholders and may not be effected by written consent of the stockholders.

#### ARTICLE VIII LIMITED LIABILITY; INDEMNIFICATION

Section 8.1 <u>Limitation of Director Liability</u>. A director of the Corporation shall not be personally liable to the Corporation or its stockholders for monetary damages for breach of fiduciary duty as a director, except to the extent such exemption from liability or limitation thereof is not permitted under the DGCL as the same exists or may hereafter be amended. Any amendment, modification or repeal of the foregoing sentence shall not adversely affect any right or protection of a director of the Corporation hereunder in respect of any act or omission occurring prior to the time of such amendment, modification or repeal.

#### Section 8.2 <u>Indemnification and Advancement of Expenses.</u>

(a) The Corporation, to the fullest extent permitted by law, shall indemnify and advance expenses to any director of the Corporation and may indemnify and advance expenses to any other Person, in each case, made or threatened to be made a party to an action, suit or proceeding, whether criminal, civil, administrative or investigative, by reason of the fact that he or she is or was a director, officer, employee or agent of the Corporation or any predecessor of the Corporation or is or was serving at the request of the Corporation as a director, officer, employee or agent of another corporation, partnership, joint venture, trust or other enterprise.

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- (b) The rights to indemnification and advancement of expenses conferred on any indemnitee by this <u>Section 8.2</u> shall not be exclusive of any other rights that any indemnitee may have or hereafter acquire under law, this Third Amended and Restated Certificate, the Bylaws, an agreement, vote of stockholders or disinterested directors, or otherwise.
- (c) Any repeal or amendment of this <u>Section 8.2</u> by the stockholders of the Corporation or by changes in law, or the adoption of any other provision of this Third Amended and Restated Certificate inconsistent with this <u>Section 8.2</u>, shall, unless otherwise required by law, be prospective only (except to the extent such amendment or change in law permits the Corporation to provide broader indemnification rights on a retroactive basis than permitted prior thereto), and shall not in any way diminish or adversely affect any right or protection existing at the time of such repeal or amendment or adoption of such inconsistent provision in respect of any proceeding (regardless of when such proceeding is first threatened, commenced or completed) arising out of, or related to, any act or omission occurring prior to such repeal or amendment or adoption of such inconsistent provision.
- (d) This <u>Section 8.2</u> shall not limit the right of the Corporation, to the extent and in the manner authorized or permitted by law, to indemnify and to advance expenses to persons other than indemnitees.

### ARTICLE IX CORPORATE OPPORTUNITY

Section 9.1 To the greatest extent permitted by applicable law, each of CCMP Capital Advisors, LP and the investment funds affiliated with CCMP Capital Advisors, LP and their respective successors, Transferees and Affiliates (each as defined in Section 10.3) (other than the Corporation and its subsidiaries) and all of their respective partners, principals, directors, officers, members, managers, equity holders and/or employees, including any of the foregoing who serve as officers or directors of the Corporation (each, an "Exempted Person") shall not have any fiduciary duty to refrain from engaging directly or indirectly in the same or similar business activities or lines of business as the Corporation or any of its subsidiaries. To the fullest extent permitted by applicable law, the Corporation, on behalf of itself and its subsidiaries, renounces any interest or expectancy of the Corporation and its subsidiaries in, or in being offered an opportunity to participate in, business opportunities that are from time to time available to the Exempted Persons, even if the opportunity is one that the Corporation or its subsidiaries might reasonably be deemed to have pursued or had the ability or desire to pursue if granted the opportunity to do so, and each such Exempted Person shall have no duty to communicate or offer such business opportunity to the Corporation (and there shall be no restriction on the Exempted Person using the general knowledge and understanding of the industry in which the Corporation operates which it has gained as an Exempted Person in considering and pursuing such opportunities or in making investment, voting, monitoring, governance or other decisions relating to other entities or securities) and, to the fullest extent permitted by applicable law, shall not be liable to the Corporation or any of its subsidiaries or stockholders for breach of any fiduciary or other duty, as a director or officer or otherwise, by reason of the fact that such Exempted Person pursues or

acquires such business opportunity, directs such business opportunity to another person or fails to present such business opportunity, or information regarding such business opportunity, to the Corporation or its subsidiaries, or uses such knowledge and understanding in the manner described herein. In addition to and notwithstanding the foregoing, a corporate opportunity shall not be deemed to belong to the Corporation if it is a business opportunity that the Corporation is not financially able or contractually permitted or legally able to undertake, or that is, from its nature, not in the line of the Corporation's business or is of no practical advantage to it or that is one in which the Corporation has no interest or reasonable expectancy. Any person or entity purchasing or otherwise acquiring any interest in any shares of stock of the Corporation shall be deemed to have notice of the provisions of this <u>Article IX</u>.

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Section 9.2 Neither the alteration, amendment, addition to or repeal of this <u>Article IX</u>, nor the adoption of any provision of this Third Amended and Restated Certificate (including any Preferred Stock Designation) inconsistent with this <u>Article IX</u>, shall eliminate or reduce the effect of this <u>Article IX</u> in respect of any business opportunity first identified or any other matter occurring, or any cause of action, suit or claim that, but for this <u>Article IX</u>, would accrue or arise, prior to such alteration, amendment, addition, repeal or adoption. This <u>Article IX</u> shall not limit any protections or defenses available to, or indemnification or advancement rights of, any director or officer of the Corporation under this Third Amended and Restated Certificate, the Bylaws or applicable law.

## ARTICLE X BUSINESS COMBINATIONS

- Section 10.1 Opt Out of DGCL 203. The Corporation shall not be governed by Section 203 of the DGCL.
- Section 10.2 <u>Limitations on Business Combinations</u>. Notwithstanding the foregoing, the Corporation shall not engage in any business combination, at any point in time at which the Common Stock is registered under Section 12(b) or 12(g) of the Securities Exchange Act of 1934, as amended, with any interested stockholder for a period of three (3) years following the time that such stockholder became an interested stockholder, unless:
- (a) prior to such time, the Board approved either the business combination or the transaction which resulted in the stockholder becoming an interested stockholder; or
- (b) upon consummation of the transaction which resulted in the stockholder becoming an interested stockholder, the interested stockholder owned at least 85% of the voting stock of the Corporation outstanding at the time the transaction commenced, excluding for purposes of determining the voting stock outstanding (but not the outstanding voting stock owned by the interested stockholder) those shares owned by: (i) persons who are directors and also officers; or (ii) employee stock plans in which employee participants do not have the right to determine confidentially whether shares held subject to the plan will be tendered in a tender or exchange offer; or
- (c) at or subsequent to such time, the business combination is approved by the Board and authorized at an annual or special meeting of stockholders, and not by written consent, by the affirmative vote of at least 66% in voting power of all the then outstanding voting stock of the Corporation which is not owned by the interested stockholder.

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#### Section 10.3 <u>Definitions</u>. For purposes of this <u>Article X</u>, the term:

- (a) "Affiliate" means, with respect to any person, any other person that controls, is controlled by, or is under common control with such person.
- (b) "associate," when used to indicate a relationship with any person, means: (i) any corporation, partnership, unincorporated association or other entity of which such person is a director, officer or partner or is, directly or indirectly, the owner of 20% or more of any class of voting stock; (ii) any trust or other estate in which such person has at least a 20% beneficial interest or as to which such person serves as trustee or in a similar fiduciary capacity; and (iii) any relative or spouse of such person, or any relative of such spouse, who has the same residence as such person.

- (c) "business combination," when used in reference to the Corporation and any interested stockholder of the Corporation, means:
- (i) any merger or consolidation of the Corporation or any direct or indirect majority-owned subsidiary of the Corporation: (A) with the interested stockholder; or (B) with any other corporation, partnership, unincorporated association or other entity if the merger or consolidation is caused by the interested stockholder and as a result of such merger or consolidation Section 10.2 is not applicable to the surviving entity;
- (ii) any sale, lease, exchange, mortgage, pledge, transfer or other disposition (in one transaction or a series of transactions), except proportionately as a stockholder of the Corporation, to or with the interested stockholder, whether as part of a dissolution or otherwise, of assets of the Corporation or of any direct or indirect majority-owned subsidiary of the Corporation which assets have an aggregate market value equal to 10% or more of either the aggregate market value of all the assets of the Corporation determined on a consolidated basis or the aggregate market value of all the outstanding stock of the Corporation;
- (iii) any transaction which results in the issuance or transfer by the Corporation or by any direct or indirect majority-owned subsidiary of the Corporation of any stock of the Corporation or of such subsidiary to the interested stockholder, except: (A) pursuant to the exercise, exchange or conversion of securities exercisable for, exchangeable for or convertible into stock of the Corporation or any such subsidiary which securities were outstanding prior to the time that the interested stockholder became such; (B) pursuant to a merger under Section 251(g) of the DGCL; (C) pursuant to a dividend or distribution paid or made, or the exercise, exchange or conversion of securities exercisable for, exchangeable for or convertible into stock of the Corporation or any such subsidiary which security is distributed, pro rata to all holders of a class or series of stock of the Corporation subsequent to the time the interested stockholder became such; (D) pursuant to an exchange offer by the Corporation to purchase stock made on the same terms to all holders of said stock; or (E) any issuance or transfer of stock by the Corporation; provided, however, that in no case under items (C) (E) of this subsection (iii) shall there be an increase in the interested stockholder's proportionate share of the stock of any class or series of the Corporation or of the voting stock of the Corporation (except as a result of immaterial changes due to fractional share adjustments);

- (iv) any transaction involving the Corporation or any direct or indirect majority-owned subsidiary of the Corporation which has the effect, directly or indirectly, of increasing the proportionate share of the stock of any class or series, or securities convertible into the stock of any class or series, of the Corporation or of any such subsidiary which is owned by the interested stockholder, except as a result of immaterial changes due to fractional share adjustments or as a result of any purchase or redemption of any shares of stock not caused, directly or indirectly, by the interested stockholder; or
- (v) any receipt by the interested stockholder of the benefit, directly or indirectly (except proportionately as a stockholder of the Corporation), of any loans, advances, guarantees, pledges, or other financial benefits (other than those expressly permitted in subsections (i)-(iv) above) provided by or through the Corporation or any direct or indirect majority-owned subsidiary.
- (d) "control," including the terms "controlling," "controlled by" and "under common control with," means the possession, directly or indirectly, of the power to direct or cause the direction of the management and policies of a person, whether through the ownership of voting stock, by contract, or otherwise. A person who is the owner of 20% or more of the outstanding voting stock of the Corporation, partnership, unincorporated association or other entity shall be presumed to have control of such entity, in the absence of proof by a preponderance of the evidence to the contrary. Notwithstanding the foregoing, a presumption of control shall not apply where such person holds voting stock, in good faith and not for the purpose of circumventing this Article X, as an agent, bank, broker, nominee, custodian or trustee for one or more owners who do not individually or as a group have control of such entity.
- (e) "interested stockholder" means any person (other than the Corporation or any direct or indirect majority-owned subsidiary of the Corporation) that: (i) is the owner of 15% or more of the outstanding voting stock of the Corporation; or (ii) is an Affiliate or associate of the Corporation and was the owner of 15% or more of the outstanding voting stock of the Corporation at any time within the three (3) year period immediately prior to the date on which it is sought to be determined whether such person is an interested stockholder; or (iii) an Affiliate or associate of any such person described in clauses (i) and (ii); provided, however, that the term "interested stockholder" shall not include: (A) the Sponsor Holders or their transferees; or (B) any person whose ownership of shares in excess of the 15% limitation set forth herein is the result of any action taken solely by the Corporation; provided, that such person specified in this clause (B) shall be an interested stockholder if thereafter such person acquires additional shares of voting stock of the Corporation, except as a result of

further corporate action not caused, directly or indirectly, by such person. For the purpose of determining whether a person is an interested stockholder, the voting stock of the Corporation deemed to be outstanding shall include stock deemed to be owned by the person through application of the definition of "owner" below but shall not include any other unissued stock of the Corporation which may be issuable pursuant to any agreement, arrangement or understanding, or upon exercise of conversion rights, warrants or options, or otherwise.

- (f) "owner," including the terms "own" and "owned," when used with respect to any stock, means a person that individually or with or through any of its Affiliates or associates:
- (i) beneficially owns such stock, directly or indirectly; or

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- has: (A) the right to acquire such stock (whether such right is exercisable immediately or only after the passage of time) pursuant to any agreement, arrangement or understanding, or upon the exercise of conversion rights, exchange rights, warrants or options, or otherwise; provided, however, that a person shall not be deemed the owner of stock tendered pursuant to a tender or exchange offer made by such person or any of such person's Affiliates or associates until such tendered stock is accepted for purchase or exchange; or (B) the right to vote such stock pursuant to any agreement, arrangement or understanding; provided, however, that a person shall not be deemed the owner of any stock because of such person's right to vote such stock if the agreement, arrangement or understanding to vote such stock arises solely from a revocable proxy or consent given in response to a proxy or consent solicitation made to 10 or more persons; or
- (iii) has any agreement, arrangement or understanding for the purpose of acquiring, holding, voting (except voting pursuant to a revocable proxy or consent as described in item (B) of subsection (ii) above), or disposing of such stock with any other person that beneficially owns, or whose Affiliates or associates beneficially own, directly or indirectly, such stock.
- (g) "person" means any individual, corporation, partnership, unincorporated association or other entity.
- (h) "stock" means, with respect to any corporation, capital stock and, with respect to any other entity, any equity interest.
- (i) "Sponsor Holders" means the investment funds affiliated with CCMP Capital Advisors, LP and their respective successors, Transferees and Affiliates.
- (j) "*Transferee*" means any Person who (i) becomes a beneficial owner of Common Stock upon having acquired such shares of Common Stock from an investment fund affiliated with CCMP Capital Advisors, LP and (ii) is designated in writing by the transferor as a "Transferee" and a copy of such writing is provided to the Corporation at or prior to the time of such transfer; <u>provided</u>, <u>however</u>, that a purchaser of Common Stock in a registered offering or in a transaction effected pursuant to Rule 144 under the Securities Act of 1933, as amended (or any similar or successor provision thereto), shall not be a "Transferee."
- (k) "voting stock" means stock of any class or series entitled to vote generally in the election of directors.

## ARTICLE XI AMENDMENT OF THIRD AMENDED AND RESTATED CERTIFICATE OF INCORPORATION

The Corporation reserves the right at any time and from time to time to amend, alter, change or repeal any provision contained in this Third Amended and Restated Certificate (including any Preferred Stock Designation), in the manner now or hereafter prescribed by this Third Amended and Restated Certificate and the DGCL, and, except as set forth in Article VIII, all rights, preferences and privileges herein conferred upon stockholders, directors or any other persons by and pursuant to this Third Amended and Restated Certificate in its present form or as hereafter amended are granted subject to the right reserved in this Article XI. Notwithstanding anything to the contrary contained in this Third Amended and Restated Certificate, and notwithstanding that a lesser percentage may be permitted from time to time by applicable law, no provision of Article V, Article VI, Section 7.1, Section 7.3, Article VIII, Article IX, Article X and this Article XI may be altered, amended or repealed in any respect, nor may any provision or bylaw inconsistent therewith be adopted, unless, in addition to any other vote required by this Third Amended and Restated Certificate or otherwise required by law, such alteration, amendment, repeal or adoption is approved by the affirmative vote of the holders of at least 66% in voting power of all the then

outstanding shares of capital stock of the Corporation entitled to vote generally in the election of directors, voting together as a single class.

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## ARTICLE XII EXCLUSIVE FORUM FOR CERTAIN LAWSUITS

Section 12.1 Exclusive Forum. Unless the Corporation consents in writing to the selection of an alternative forum, the Court of Chancery of the State of Delaware (the "Court of Chancery") shall be the sole and exclusive forum for any stockholder (including a beneficial owner) to bring (i) any derivative claim or proceeding brought on behalf of the Corporation, (ii) any claim of breach of a fiduciary duty owed by any director, officer or other employee of the Corporation to the Corporation or the Corporation's stockholders, (iii) any claim against the Corporation, its directors, officers or employees arising pursuant to any provision of the DGCL or this Third Amended and Restated Certificate or the Bylaws, or (iv) any claim against the Corporation, its directors, officers or employees governed by the internal affairs doctrine (each of (i) through (iv) above, a "Covered Claim") and, if brought outside of Delaware, the stockholder bringing the suit will be deemed to have consented to service of process on such stockholder's counsel. Notwithstanding the foregoing, the provisions of this Section 12.1 will not apply to suits brought to enforce a duty or liability created by the Securities Exchange Act of 1934, as amended or any other claim for which the federal courts have exclusive jurisdiction. Any person or entity purchasing or otherwise acquiring any interest in any security of the Corporation shall be deemed to have notice of and consented to the provisions of this Section 12.1.

Section 12.2 Federal Forum. Unless the Corporation consents in writing to the selection of an alternative forum, the federal district courts of the United States shall be the exclusive forum for the resolution of any complaint asserting a cause of action arising under the Securities Act of 1933, as amended. Any person or entity purchasing or otherwise acquiring any interest in any security of the Corporation shall be deemed to have notice of and consented to this provision.

Section 12.3 <u>Consent to Jurisdiction</u>. If any claim the subject matter of which is within the scope of <u>Section 12.1</u> immediately above is filed in a court other than a court located within the State of Delaware (a "*Foreign Action*") in the name of any stockholder, such stockholder shall be deemed to have consented to (i) the personal jurisdiction of the state and federal courts located within the State of Delaware in connection with any action brought in any such court to enforce <u>Section 12.1</u> immediately above (an "*FSC Enforcement Action*") and (ii) having service of process made upon such stockholder in any such FSC Enforcement Action by service upon such stockholder's counsel in the Foreign Action as agent for such stockholder.

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Section 12.4 Severability. If any provision or provisions of this Article XII shall be held to be invalid, illegal or unenforceable as applied to any person or entity or circumstance for any reason whatsoever, then, to the fullest extent permitted by law, the validity, legality and enforceability of such provisions in any other circumstance and of the remaining provisions of this Article XII (including, without limitation, each portion of any sentence of this Article XII containing any such provision held to be invalid, illegal or unenforceable that is not itself held to be invalid, illegal or unenforceable) and the application of such provision to other persons or entities and circumstances shall not in any way be affected or impaired thereby. Any person or entity purchasing or otherwise acquiring any interest in shares of capital stock of the Corporation shall be deemed to have notice of and consented to the provisions of this Article XII.

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IN WITNESS WHEREOF, the Corporation has caused this Third Amended and Restated Certificate to be duly executed in its name and on its behalf by an authorized officer as of the date first set forth above.

#### LANDCADIA HOLDINGS III, INC.

By: /s/ Steven L. Scheinthal
Name: Steven L. Scheinthal
Title: Vice President and Secretary

[Signature Page to the Third Amended and Restated Certificate of Incorporation]

# AMENDED AND RESTATED BYLAWS OF HILLMAN SOLUTIONS CORP. (f/k/a LANDCADIA HOLDINGS III, INC.)

#### ARTICLE I

#### **OFFICES**

- **Section 1.1. Registered Office**. The registered office of Hillman Solutions Corp. (the "*Corporation*") within the State of Delaware shall be located at either: (a) the principal place of business of the Corporation in the State of Delaware; or (b) the office of the corporation or individual acting as the Corporation's registered agent in Delaware.
- **Section 1.2.** Additional Offices. The Corporation may, in addition to its registered office in the State of Delaware, have such other offices and places of business, both within and outside the State of Delaware, as the Board of Directors of the Corporation (the "Board") may from time to time determine or as the business and affairs of the Corporation may require.

#### ARTICLE II

#### STOCKHOLDERS MEETINGS

- **Section 2.1. Annual Meetings**. The annual meeting of stockholders shall be held at such place and time and on such date as shall be determined by the Board and stated in the notice of the meeting; <u>provided</u> that the Board may in its sole discretion determine that the meeting shall not be held at any place, but may instead be held solely by means of remote communication pursuant to <u>Section 9.5(a)</u>. At each annual meeting, the stockholders shall elect those directors of the Corporation to fill any term of a directorship that expires on the date of such annual meeting and may transact any other business as may properly be brought before the meeting.
- **Section 2.2. Special Meetings.** Subject to the rights of the holders of any outstanding series of the preferred stock of the Corporation (the "*Preferred Stock*"), and to the requirements of applicable law, special meetings of stockholders, for any purpose or purposes, may be called only by the Board. Special meetings of stockholders shall be held at such place and time and on such date as shall be determined by the Board and stated in the Corporation's notice of the meeting; <u>provided</u> that the Board may in its sole discretion determine that the meeting shall not be held at any place, but may instead be held solely by means of remote communication pursuant to <u>Section 9.5(a)</u>.
- Section 2.3. Notices. Notice of each stockholders meeting stating the place, if any, date, and time of the meeting, and the means of remote communication, if any, by which stockholders and proxy holders may be deemed to be present in person and vote at such meeting, shall be given in the manner permitted by Section 9.3 to each stockholder entitled to vote thereat by the Corporation not less than 10 nor more than 60 days before the date of the meeting. If said notice is for a stockholders meeting other than an annual meeting, it shall in addition state the purpose or purposes for which the meeting is called, and the business transacted at such meeting shall be limited to the matters so stated in the Corporation's notice of meeting (or any supplement thereto). Any meeting of stockholders as to which notice has been given may be postponed, and any special meeting of stockholders as to which notice has been given may be cancelled, by the Board upon public announcement (as defined in Section 2.7(c)) given before the date previously scheduled for such meeting.
- **Section 2.4. Quorum.** Except as otherwise provided by applicable law, the Corporation's Third Amended and Restated Certificate of Incorporation, as the same may be amended or restated from time to time (the "Certificate of Incorporation"), or these Bylaws, the presence, in person or by proxy, at a stockholders meeting of the holders of shares of outstanding capital stock of the Corporation representing a majority of the voting power of all outstanding shares of capital stock of the Corporation entitled to vote at such meeting shall constitute a quorum for the transaction of business at such meeting, except that when specified business is to be voted on by a class or series of stock voting as a class, the holders of shares representing a majority of the voting power of the outstanding shares of such

class or series shall constitute a quorum of such class or series for the transaction of such business. If a quorum shall not be present or represented by proxy at any meeting of the stockholders of the Corporation, the chairman of the meeting may adjourn the meeting from time to time in the manner provided in Section 2.6 until a quorum shall attend. The stockholders present at a duly convened meeting may continue to transact business until adjournment, notwithstanding the withdrawal of enough stockholders to leave less than a quorum. Shares of its own stock belonging to the Corporation or to another corporation, if a majority of the voting power of the shares entitled to vote in the election of directors of such other corporation is held, directly or indirectly, by the Corporation, shall neither be entitled to vote nor be counted for quorum purposes; provided, however, that the foregoing shall not limit the right of the Corporation or any such other corporation to vote shares held by it in a fiduciary capacity.

#### Section 2.5. Voting of Shares.

Voting Lists. The Secretary of the Corporation (the "Secretary") shall prepare, or shall cause the officer or agent (a) who has charge of the stock ledger of the Corporation to prepare, at least 10 days before every meeting of stockholders, a complete list of the stockholders of record entitled to vote at such meeting and showing the address and the number of shares registered in the name of each stockholder. Nothing contained in this Section 2.5(a) shall require the Corporation to include electronic mail addresses or other electronic contact information on such list. Such list shall be open to the examination of any stockholder, for any purpose germane to the meeting, during ordinary business hours for a period of at least 10 days prior to the meeting: (i) on a reasonably accessible electronic network; provided that the information required to gain access to such list is provided with the notice of the meeting; or (ii) during ordinary business hours, at the principal place of business of the Corporation. In the event that the Corporation determines to make the list available on an electronic network, the Corporation may take reasonable steps to ensure that such information is available only to stockholders of the Corporation. If the meeting is to be held at a place, then the list shall be produced and kept at the time and place of the meeting during the whole time thereof, and may be inspected by any stockholder who is present. If a meeting of stockholders is to be held solely by means of remote communication as permitted by Section 9.5(a), the list shall be open to the examination of any stockholder during the whole time of the meeting on a reasonably accessible electronic network, and the information required to access such list shall be provided with the notice of meeting. The stock ledger shall be the only evidence as to who are the stockholders entitled to examine the list required by this <u>Section 2.5(a)</u> or to vote in person or by proxy at any meeting of stockholders.

- (b) <u>Manner of Voting</u>. At any stockholders meeting, every stockholder entitled to vote may vote in person or by proxy. If authorized by the Board, the voting by stockholders or proxy holders at any meeting conducted by remote communication may be effected by a ballot submitted by electronic transmission (as defined in <u>Section 9.3</u>); <u>provided</u> that any such electronic transmission must either set forth or be submitted with information from which the Corporation can determine that the electronic transmission was authorized by the stockholder or proxy holder. The Board, in its discretion, or the chairman of the meeting of stockholders, in such person's discretion, may require that any votes cast at such meeting shall be cast by written ballot.
- (c) Proxies. Each stockholder entitled to vote at a meeting of stockholders or to express consent or dissent to corporate action in writing without a meeting may authorize another person or persons to act for such stockholder by proxy, but no such proxy shall be voted or acted upon after three years from its date, unless the proxy provides for a longer period. Proxies need not be filed with the Secretary until the meeting is called to order, but shall be filed with the Secretary before being voted. Without limiting the manner in which a stockholder may authorize another person or persons to act for such stockholder as proxy, either of the following shall constitute a valid means by which a stockholder may grant such authority. A proxy shall be irrevocable if it states that it is irrevocable and if, and only as long as, it is coupled with an interest sufficient in law to support an irrevocable power. A stockholder may revoke any proxy that is not irrevocable by attending the meeting and voting in person or by delivering to the Secretary a revocation of the proxy or a new proxy bearing a later date.
- (i) A stockholder may execute a writing authorizing another person or persons to act for such stockholder as proxy. Execution may be accomplished by the stockholder or such stockholder's authorized officer, director, employee or agent signing such writing or causing such person's signature to be affixed to such writing by any reasonable means, including, but not limited to, by facsimile signature.
- (ii) A stockholder may authorize another person or persons to act for such stockholder as proxy by transmitting or authorizing the transmission of an electronic transmission to the person who will be the holder of the proxy or to a proxy solicitation firm, proxy support service organization or like agent duly authorized by the person who will be the holder of the proxy to receive such transmission; provided that any such electronic transmission must either set forth or be submitted with information from which it can be

determined that the electronic transmission was authorized by the stockholder. Any copy, facsimile telecommunication or other reliable reproduction of the writing or transmission authorizing another person or persons to act as proxy for a stockholder may be substituted or used in lieu of the original writing or transmission for any and all purposes for which the original writing or transmission could be used; <u>provided</u> that such copy, facsimile telecommunication or other reproduction shall be a complete reproduction of the entire original writing or transmission.

(d) Required Vote. Subject to the rights of the holders of one or more series of Preferred Stock, voting separately by class or series, to elect directors pursuant to the terms of one or more series of Preferred Stock, the election of directors shall be determined by a plurality of the votes cast by the stockholders present in person or represented by proxy at the meeting and entitled to vote thereon. All other matters shall be determined by the vote of a majority of the votes cast (excluding abstentions and broker nonvotes) on such matter, unless the matter is one upon which, by applicable law, the Certificate of Incorporation, these Bylaws or applicable stock exchange rules, a different vote is required, in which case such provision shall govern and control the decision of such matter.

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(e) <u>Inspectors of Election.</u> The Board may, and shall if required by law, in advance of any meeting of stockholders, appoint one or more persons as inspectors of election, who may be employees of the Corporation or otherwise serve the Corporation in other capacities, to act at such meeting of stockholders or any adjournment thereof and to make a written report thereof. The Board may appoint one or more persons as alternate inspectors to replace any inspector who fails to act. If no inspectors of election or alternates are appointed by the Board, the chairman of the meeting shall appoint one or more inspectors to act at the meeting. Each inspector, before discharging his or her duties, shall take and sign an oath faithfully to execute the duties of inspector with strict impartiality and according to the best of his or her ability. The inspectors shall ascertain and report the number of outstanding shares and the voting power of each; determine the number of shares present in person or represented by proxy at the meeting and the validity of proxies and ballots; count all votes and ballots and report the results; determine and retain for a reasonable period a record of the disposition of any challenges made to any determination by the inspectors; and certify their determination of the number of shares represented at the meeting and their count of all votes and ballots. No person who is a candidate for an office at an election may serve as an inspector at such election. Each report of an inspector shall be in writing and signed by the inspector or by a majority of them if there is more than one inspector acting at such meeting. If there is more than one inspector, the report of a majority shall be the report of the inspectors.

**Section 2.6. Adjournments.** Any meeting of stockholders, annual or special, may be adjourned by the chairman of the meeting, from time to time, whether or not there is a quorum, to reconvene at the same or some other place. Notice need not be given of any such adjourned meeting if the date, time, and place, if any, thereof, and the means of remote communication, if any, by which stockholders and proxy holders may be deemed to be present in person and vote at such adjourned meeting are announced at the meeting at which the adjournment is taken. At the adjourned meeting, the stockholders or the holders of any class or series of stock entitled to vote separately as a class, as the case may be, may transact any business that might have been transacted at the original meeting. If the adjournment is for more than 30 days, or if after the adjournment a new record date is fixed for the adjourned meeting, notice of the adjourned meeting shall be given to each stockholder of record entitled to vote at the meeting.

#### **Section 2.7.** Advance Notice for Business.

Annual Meetings of Stockholders. No business may be transacted at an annual meeting of stockholders, other than business that is either: (i) specified in the Corporation's notice of meeting (or any supplement thereto) given by or at the direction of the Board; (ii) otherwise properly brought before the annual meeting by or at the direction of the Board; or (iii) otherwise properly brought before the annual meeting by any stockholder of the Corporation: (A) who is a stockholder of record on the date of the giving of the notice provided for in this Section 2.7(a) and on the record date for the determination of stockholders entitled to vote at such annual meeting; and (B) who complies with the notice procedures set forth in this Section 2.7(a). For the avoidance of doubt, the foregoing clause (iii) shall be the exclusive means for a stockholder to bring business properly before an annual meeting of stockholders (other than matters properly brought under Rule 14a-8 under the Exchange Act). Notwithstanding anything in this Section 2.7(a) to the contrary, only persons nominated for election as a director to fill any term of a directorship that expires on the date of the annual meeting pursuant to Section 3.2 will be considered for election at such meeting.

- brought before an annual meeting by a stockholder, such stockholder must have given timely notice thereof in proper written form to the Secretary and such business must otherwise be a proper matter for stockholder action. Subject to Section 2.7(a)(v), a stockholder's notice to the Secretary with respect to such business, to be timely, must be received by the Secretary at the principal executive offices of the Corporation not later than the close of business on the 90<sup>th</sup> day nor earlier than the opening of business on the 120<sup>th</sup> day before the anniversary date of the immediately preceding annual meeting of stockholders (which date shall, for purposes of the Corporation's first annual meeting of stockholders after its shares of Common Stock (as defined in the Certificate of Incorporation) are first publicly traded, be deemed to have occurred on July 14, 2021); provided, however, that if the date of the annual meeting is more than thirty (30) days before or more than sixty (60) days after such anniversary date, or if no annual meeting was held in the preceding year, notice by the stockholder to be timely must be so delivered, or mailed and received, not later than the ninetieth (90<sup>th</sup>) day prior to such annual meeting or, if later, the tenth (10<sup>th</sup>) day following the day on which public disclosure of the date of such annual meeting was first made (such notice within such time periods, "*Timely Notice*"). In no event shall any adjournment or postponement of an annual meeting or the announcement thereof commence a new time period for the giving of Timely Notice as described above.
- (ii) The public announcement of an adjournment of an annual meeting shall not commence a new time period for the giving of a stockholder's notice as described in this <u>Section 2.7(a)</u>.
- (iii) To be in proper written form, a stockholder's notice to the Secretary with respect to any business (other than nominations) must set forth as to each such matter such stockholder proposes to bring before the annual meeting:
  - a brief description of the business desired to be brought before the meeting, the reasons for conducting such business at the meeting, the text, if any, of any resolutions or Bylaw amendment proposed for adoption, and any material interest in such business of each Proposing Person (as defined below);

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Proposing Person, the following information: (a) the class or series and number of all shares of capital stock of the Corporation which are, directly or indirectly, owned beneficially or of record by such Proposing Person or any of its affiliates or associates (as such terms are defined in Rule 12b-2 promulgated under the Exchange Act), including any shares of any class or series of capital stock of the Corporation as to which such Proposing Person or any of its affiliates or associates has a right to acquire beneficial ownership at any time in the future, (b) all Synthetic Equity Interests (as defined below) in which such Proposing Person or any of its affiliates or associates, directly or indirectly, holds an interest including a description of the material terms of each such Synthetic Equity Interest, including without limitation, identification of the counterparty to each such Synthetic Equity Interest and disclosure, for each such Synthetic Equity Interest, as to (x) whether or not such Synthetic Equity Interest conveys any voting rights, directly or indirectly, in such shares to such Proposing Person, (y) whether or not such Synthetic Equity Interest is required to be, or is capable of being, settled through delivery of such shares and (z) whether or not such Proposing Person and/or, to the extent known, the counterparty to such Synthetic Equity Interest has entered into other transactions that hedge or mitigate the economic effect of such Synthetic Equity Interest, (c) any proxy (other than a revocable proxy given in response to a public proxy solicitation made pursuant to, and in accordance with, the Exchange Act), agreement, arrangement, understanding or relationship pursuant to which such Proposing Person has or shares a right to, directly or indirectly, vote any shares of any class or series of capital stock of the Corporation, (d) any rights to dividends or other distributions on the shares of any class or series of capital stock of the Corporation, directly or indirectly, owned beneficially by such Proposing Person that are separated or separable from the underlying shares of the Corporation, and (e) any performance-related fees (other than an asset based fee) that such Proposing Person, directly or indirectly, is entitled to based on any increase or decrease in the value of shares of any class or series of capital stock of the Corporation or any Synthetic Equity Interests (the disclosures to be made pursuant to the foregoing clauses (a) through (e) are referred to, collectively,

(i) the name and address of the stockholder giving the notice, as they appear on the Corporation's books, and the names and addresses of the other Proposing Persons (if any) and (ii) as to each

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as "Material Ownership Interests"), and (iii) a description of the material terms of all agreements, arrangements or understandings (whether or not in writing) entered into by any Proposing Person or any of its affiliates or associates with any other person for the purpose of acquiring, holding, disposing or voting of any shares of any class or series of capital stock of the Corporation;

(i) a description of all agreements, arrangements or understandings by and among any of the Proposing Persons, or by and among any Proposing Persons and any other person, pertaining to the business proposed to be brought before the meeting of stockholders (which description shall identify the name of each other person who is party to such an agreement, arrangement or understanding), and (ii) identification of the names and addresses of other stockholders (including beneficial owners) known by any of the Proposing Persons to support such business proposal(s), and to the extent known the class and number of all shares of the Corporation's capital stock owned beneficially or of record by such other stockholder(s) or other beneficial owner(s); and

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(i) a representation that such stockholder intends to appear in person or by proxy at the annual meeting to bring such business before the meeting, and (ii) a statement whether or not the stockholder giving the notice and/or the other Proposing Person(s), if any, will deliver a proxy statement and form of proxy to holders of at least the percentage of voting power of all of the shares of capital stock of the Corporation required under applicable law to approve the business proposal.

For purposes of these Bylaws, the term "Proposing Person" shall mean the following persons: (i) the stockholder of record as of the record date for such applicable meeting of stockholders providing the notice of nominations or business proposed to be brought before a stockholders' meeting, and (ii) the beneficial owner(s), if different, on whose behalf the nominations or business proposed to be brought before a stockholders' meeting is made. For purposes of these Bylaws, the term "Synthetic Equity Interest" shall mean any transaction, agreement or arrangement (or series of transactions, agreements or arrangements), including, without limitation, any derivative, swap, hedge, repurchase or so-called "stock borrowing" agreement or arrangement, the purpose or effect of which is to, directly or indirectly: (a) give a person or entity economic benefit and/or risk similar to ownership of shares of any class or series of capital stock of the Corporation, in whole or in part, including due to the fact that such transaction, agreement or arrangement provides, directly or indirectly, the opportunity to profit or avoid a loss from any increase or decrease in the value of any shares of any class or series of capital stock of the Corporation, (b) mitigate loss to, reduce the economic risk of or manage the risk of share price changes for, any person or entity with respect to any shares of any class or series of capital stock of the Corporation, (c) otherwise provide in any manner the opportunity to profit or avoid a loss from any decrease in the value of any shares of any class or series of capital stock of the Corporation, or (d) increase or decrease the voting power of any person or entity with respect to any shares of any class or series of capital stock of the Corporation.

(iv) A stockholder providing appropriate and timely notice of business proposed to be brought before an annual meeting of stockholders of the Corporation shall further update and supplement such notice, if necessary, so that the information (including, without limitation, the Material Ownership Interests information) provided or required to be provided in such notice pursuant to this Bylaw shall be true and correct as of the record date for the meeting and as of the date that is ten (10) business days prior to such annual meeting, and such update and supplement shall be received by the Secretary at the principal executive offices of the Corporation not later than the close of business on the fifth (5th) business day after the record date for the annual meeting (in the case of the update and supplement required to be made as of the record date), and not later than the close of business on the eighth (8th) business day prior to the date of the annual meeting (in the case of the update and supplement required to be made as of ten (10) business days prior to the meeting).

- (v) The foregoing notice requirements of this Section 2.7(a) shall be deemed satisfied by a stockholder as to any proposal (other than nominations) if the stockholder has notified the Corporation of such stockholder's intention to present such proposal at an annual meeting in compliance with Rule 14a-8 (or any successor thereof) of the Securities Exchange Act of 1934, as amended (the "Exchange Act"), and such stockholder has complied with the requirements of such Rule for inclusion of such proposal in a proxy statement prepared by the Corporation to solicit proxies for such annual meeting. No business shall be conducted at the annual meeting of stockholders except business brought before the annual meeting in accordance with the procedures set forth in this Section 2.7(a); provided, however, that once business has been properly brought before the annual meeting in accordance with such procedures, nothing in this Section 2.7(a) shall be deemed to preclude discussion by any stockholder of any such business. If the Board or the chairman of the annual meeting determines that any stockholder proposal was not made in accordance with the provisions of this Section 2.7(a), such proposal shall not be presented for action at the annual meeting. Notwithstanding the foregoing provisions of this Section 2.7(a), if the stockholder (or a qualified representative of the stockholder) does not appear at the annual meeting of stockholders of the Corporation to present the proposed business, such proposed business shall not be transacted, notwithstanding that proxies in respect of such matter may have been received by the Corporation.
- (vi) In addition to the provisions of this <u>Section 2.7(a)</u>, a stockholder shall also comply with all applicable requirements of the Exchange Act and the rules and regulations thereunder with respect to the matters set forth herein. Nothing in this <u>Section 2.7(a)</u> shall be deemed to affect any rights of stockholders to request inclusion of proposals in the Corporation's proxy statement pursuant to Rule 14a-8 under the Exchange Act.
- (b) <u>Special Meetings of Stockholders</u>. Only such business shall be conducted at a special meeting of stockholders as shall have been brought before the meeting pursuant to the Corporation's notice of meeting. Nominations of persons for election to the Board may be made at a special meeting of stockholders at which directors are to be elected pursuant to the Corporation's notice of meeting only pursuant to Section 3.2.
- (c) <u>Public Announcement</u>. For purposes of these Bylaws, "*public announcement*" shall mean disclosure in a press release reported by the Dow Jones News Service, Associated Press or comparable national news service or in a document publicly filed by the Corporation with the Securities and Exchange Commission pursuant to Sections 13, 14 or 15(d) of the Exchange Act.
- Section 2.8. Conduct of Meetings. The chairman of each annual and special meeting of stockholders shall be the Chairman of the Board or, in the absence (or inability or refusal to act) of the Chairman of the Board, the Chief Executive Officer (if he or she shall be a director) or, in the absence (or inability or refusal to act) of the Chief Executive Officer or if the Chief Executive Officer is not a director, the President (if he or she shall be a director) or, in the absence (or inability or refusal to act) of the President or if the President is not a director, such other person as shall be appointed by the Board. The date and time of the opening and the closing of the polls for each matter upon which the stockholders will vote at a meeting shall be announced at the meeting by the chairman of the meeting. The Board may adopt such rules and regulations for the conduct of the meeting of stockholders as it shall deem appropriate. Except to the extent inconsistent with these Bylaws or such rules and regulations as adopted by the Board, the chairman of any meeting of stockholders shall have the right and authority to convene and to adjourn the meeting, to prescribe such rules, regulations and procedures and to do all such acts as, in the judgment of such chairman, are appropriate for the proper conduct of the meeting. Such rules, regulations or procedures, whether adopted by the Board or prescribed by the chairman of the meeting, may include, without limitation, the following: (a) the establishment of an agenda or order of business for the meeting; (b) rules and procedures for maintaining order at the meeting and the safety of those present; (c) limitations on attendance at or participation in the meeting to stockholders of record of the Corporation, their duly authorized and constituted proxies or such other persons as the chairman of the meeting shall determine; (d) restrictions on entry to the meeting after the time fixed for the commencement thereof; and (e) limitations on the time allotted to questions or comments by participants. Unless and to the extent determined by the Board or the chairman of the meeting, meetings of stockholders shall not be required to be held in accordance with the rules of parliamentary procedure. The secretary of each annual and special meeting of stockholders shall be the Secretary or, in the absence (or inability or refusal to act) of the Secretary, an Assistant Secretary so appointed to act by the chairman of the meeting. In the absence (or inability or refusal to act) of the Secretary and all Assistant Secretaries, the chairman of the meeting may appoint any person to act as secretary of the meeting.

#### ARTICLE III

#### DIRECTORS

**Section 3.1. Powers.** The business and affairs of the Corporation shall be managed by or under the direction of the Board, which may exercise all such powers of the Corporation and do all such lawful acts and things as are not by statute or by the Certificate of Incorporation or by these Bylaws required to be exercised or done by the stockholders. Directors need not be stockholders or residents of the State of Delaware.

#### **Section 3.2.** Advance Notice for Nomination of Directors.

(a) Only persons who are nominated in accordance with the following procedures shall be eligible for election as directors of the Corporation, except as may be otherwise provided by the terms of one or more series of Preferred Stock with respect to the rights of holders of one or more series of Preferred Stock to elect directors. Nominations of persons for election to the Board at any annual meeting of stockholders, or at any special meeting of stockholders called for the purpose of electing directors as set forth in the Corporation's notice of such special meeting, may be made: (i) by or at the direction of the Board; or (ii) by any stockholder of the Corporation: (A) who is a stockholder of record on the date of the giving of the notice provided for in this Section 3.2 and on the record date for the determination of stockholders entitled to vote at such meeting; and (B) who complies with the notice procedures set forth in this Section 3.2. For the avoidance of doubt, the foregoing clause (ii) shall be the exclusive means for a stockholder to bring nominations before an annual meeting of stockholders (other than matters properly brought under Rule 14a-8 under the Exchange Act).

- (b) In addition to any other applicable requirements, for a nomination to be made by a stockholder, such stockholder must have given timely notice thereof in proper written form to the Secretary. To be timely, a stockholder's notice to the Secretary must be received by the Secretary at the principal executive offices of the Corporation: (i) in the case of an annual meeting, not later than the close of business on the 90<sup>th</sup> day nor earlier than the opening of business on the 120<sup>th</sup> day before the anniversary date of the immediately preceding annual meeting of stockholders (which date shall, for purposes of the Corporation's first annual meeting of stockholders after its shares of Common Stock (as defined in the Certificate of Incorporation) are first publicly traded, be deemed to have occurred on July 14, 2021); provided, however, that if the date of the annual meeting is more than thirty (30) days before or more than sixty (60) days after such anniversary date, or if no annual meeting was held in the preceding year, notice by the stockholder to be timely must be so delivered, or mailed and received, not later than the ninetieth (90<sup>th</sup>) day prior to such annual meeting or, if later, the tenth (10<sup>th</sup>) day following the day on which public disclosure of the date of such annual meeting was first made (such notice within such time periods, "Timely Notice"). In no event shall any adjournment or postponement of an annual meeting or the announcement thereof commence a new time period for the giving of Timely Notice as described above.
- Notwithstanding anything in paragraph (b) to the contrary, in the event that the number of directors to be elected to the Board at an annual meeting is greater than the number of directors whose terms expire on the date of the annual meeting and there is no public announcement by the Corporation naming all of the nominees for the additional directors to be elected or specifying the size of the increased Board before the close of business on the 90th day prior to the anniversary date of the immediately preceding annual meeting of stockholders, a stockholder's notice required by this Section 3.2 shall also be considered timely, but only with respect to nominees for the additional directorships created by such increase that are to be filled by election at such annual meeting, if it shall be received by the Secretary at the principal executive offices of the Corporation not later than the close of business on the 10th day following the date on which such public announcement was first made by the Corporation.
  - (d) To be in proper written form, a stockholder's notice to the Secretary must set forth:
- (i) as to each person whom the stockholder proposes to nominate for election as a director: (A) the name, age, business address and residence address of the nominee, (B) the principal occupation or employment of the nominee, (C) the class and number of shares of the Corporation that are held of record or are beneficially owned by the nominee and any derivative positions held or beneficially held by the nominee, (D) whether and the extent to which any hedging or other transaction or series of transactions has been entered into by or on behalf of the nominee with respect to any securities of the Corporation, and a description of any other agreement, arrangement or understanding (including any short position or any borrowing or lending of shares), the effect or intent of which is to mitigate loss to, or to manage the risk or benefit of share price changes for, or to increase or decrease the voting power of

the nominee, (E) a description of all arrangements or understandings between or among the stockholder and each nominee and any other person or persons (naming such person or persons) pursuant to which the nominations are to be made by the stockholder or concerning the nominee's potential service on the Board, (F) a written statement executed by the nominee acknowledging that as a director of the corporation, the nominee will owe fiduciary duties under Delaware law with respect to the Corporation and its stockholders, and (G) all information relating to such person that is required to be disclosed in solicitations of proxies for election of directors in an election contest, or is otherwise required, in each case pursuant to Regulation 14A under the Exchange Act (including such person's written consent to being named in the proxy statement as a nominee and to serving as a director if elected);

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(A) the name and address of the stockholder giving the notice, as they appear on the Corporation's books, and the names and addresses of the other Proposing Persons (if any) and (B) as to each Proposing Person, the following information: (a) the class or series and number of all shares of capital stock of the Corporation which are, directly or indirectly, owned beneficially or of record by such Proposing Person or any of its affiliates or associates (as such terms are defined in Rule 12b-2 promulgated under the Exchange Act), including any shares of any class or series of capital stock of the Corporation as to which such Proposing Person or any of its affiliates or associates has a right to acquire beneficial ownership at any time in the future, (b) all Synthetic Equity Interests (as defined below) in which such Proposing Person or any of its affiliates or associates, directly or indirectly, holds an interest including a description of the material terms of each such Synthetic Equity Interest, including without limitation, identification of the counterparty to each such Synthetic Equity Interest and disclosure, for each such Synthetic Equity Interest, as to (x) whether or not such Synthetic Equity Interest conveys any voting rights, directly or indirectly, in such shares to such Proposing Person, (y) whether or not such Synthetic Equity Interest is required to be, or is capable of being, settled through delivery of such shares and (z) whether or not such Proposing Person and/or, to the extent known, the counterparty to such Synthetic Equity Interest has entered into other transactions that hedge or mitigate the economic effect of such Synthetic Equity Interest, (c) any proxy (other than a revocable proxy given in response to a public proxy solicitation made pursuant to, and in accordance with, the Exchange Act), agreement, arrangement, understanding or relationship pursuant to which such Proposing Person has or shares a right to, directly or indirectly, vote any shares of any class or series of capital stock of the Corporation, (d) any rights to dividends or other distributions on the shares of any class or series of capital stock of the Corporation, directly or indirectly, owned beneficially by such Proposing Person that are separated or separable from the underlying shares of the Corporation, and (e) any performance-related fees (other than an asset based fee) that such Proposing Person, directly or indirectly, is entitled to based on any increase or decrease in the value of shares of any class or series of capital stock of the Corporation or any Synthetic Equity Interests (the disclosures to be made pursuant to the foregoing clauses (a) through (e) are referred to, collectively, as "Material Ownership Interests") and (C) a description of the material terms of all agreements, arrangements or understandings (whether or not in writing) entered into by any Proposing Person or any of its affiliates or associates with any other person for the purpose of acquiring, holding, disposing or voting of any shares of any class or series of capital stock of the Corporation;

- (iii) (A) a description of all agreements, arrangements or understandings by and among any of the Proposing Persons, or by and among any Proposing Persons and any other person (including with any proposed nominee(s)), pertaining to the nomination(s), or other business proposed to be brought before the meeting of stockholders (which description shall identify the name of each other person who is party to such an agreement, arrangement or understanding), and (B) identification of the names and addresses of other stockholders (including beneficial owners) known by any of the Proposing Persons to support such nominations or other business proposal(s), and to the extent known the class and number of all shares of the Corporation's capital stock owned beneficially or of record by such other stockholder(s) or other beneficial owner(s);
- (iv) (A) a representation that such stockholder intends to appear in person or by proxy at the meeting to nominate the persons named in its notice and (B) a statement whether or not the stockholder giving the notice and/or the other Proposing Person(s), if any, will deliver a proxy statement and form of proxy to holders of at least the percentage of voting power of all of the shares of capital stock of the Corporation reasonably believed by such Proposing Person to be sufficient to elect the nominee or nominees proposed to be nominated by such stockholder; and

- (v) any other information relating to such stockholder and/or the other Proposing Person(s) that would be required to be disclosed in a proxy statement or other filings required to be made in connection with solicitations of proxies for election of directors pursuant to Section 14 of the Exchange Act and the rules and regulations promulgated thereunder.
- (e) A stockholder providing timely notice of nominations to be brought before an annual meeting of stockholders of the Corporation shall further update and supplement such notice, if necessary, so that the information (including, without limitation, the Material Ownership Interests information) provided or required to be provided in such notice pursuant to this Bylaw shall be true and correct as of the record date for the meeting and as of the date that is ten (10) business days prior to such annual meeting, and such update and supplement shall be received by the Secretary at the principal executive offices of the Corporation not later than the close of business on the fifth (5th) business day after the record date for the annual meeting (in the case of the update and supplement required to be made as of the record date), and not later than the close of business on the eighth (8th) business day prior to the date of the annual meeting (in the case of the update and supplement required to be made as of ten (10) business days prior to the meeting).
- (f) If the Board or the chairman of the meeting of stockholders determines that any nomination was not made in accordance with the provisions of this Section 3.2, then such nomination shall not be considered at the meeting in question. Notwithstanding the foregoing provisions of this Section 3.2, if the stockholder (or a qualified representative of the stockholder) does not appear at the meeting of stockholders of the Corporation to present the nomination, such nomination shall be disregarded, notwithstanding that proxies in respect of such nomination may have been received by the Corporation.
- (g) In addition to the provisions of this <u>Section 3.2</u>, a stockholder shall also comply with all of the applicable requirements of the Exchange Act and the rules and regulations thereunder with respect to the matters set forth herein. Nothing in this <u>Section 3.2</u> shall be deemed to affect any rights of the holders of Preferred Stock to elect directors pursuant to the Certificate of Incorporation.

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- **Section 3.3. Compensation.** Unless otherwise restricted by the Certificate of Incorporation or these Bylaws, the Board shall have the authority to fix the compensation of directors. The directors may be reimbursed their expenses, if any, of attendance at each meeting of the Board and may be paid either a fixed sum for attendance at each meeting of the Board or other compensation as director. No such payment shall preclude any director from serving the Corporation in any other capacity and receiving compensation therefor. Members of committees of the Board may be allowed like compensation and reimbursement of expenses for service on the committee.
- **Section 3.4. Removal**. The directors of the Corporation may be removed in accordance with the Certificate of Incorporation and the DGCL.
- **Section 3.5. Resignation**. A director may resign at any time by electronic transmission or by giving written notice to the Chairman of the Board, if one is elected, the President or the Secretary. A resignation shall be effective upon receipt, unless the resignation otherwise provides.
- Section 3.6. Newly Created Directorships and Vacancies. Unless otherwise provided by the Certificate of Incorporation, newly created directorships resulting from an increase in the number of directors and any vacancies on the Board resulting from death, resignation, retirement, disqualification, removal or other cause shall be filled solely by a majority vote of the remaining directors then in office, even if less than a quorum, or by a sole remaining director (and not by stockholders), and any director so chosen shall hold office for the remainder of the full term of the class of directors to which the new directorship was added or in which the vacancy occurred and until his or her successor has been elected and qualified, subject, however, to such director's earlier death, resignation, retirement, disqualification or removal.

#### ARTICLE IV

# **BOARD MEETINGS**

**Section 4.1. Annual Meetings**. The Board shall meet as soon as practicable after the adjournment of each annual stockholders meeting at the place of the annual stockholders meeting unless the Board shall fix another time and place and give notice thereof in the manner required herein for special meetings of the Board. No notice to the directors shall be necessary to legally convene this meeting, except as provided in this <u>Section 4.1</u>.

**Section 4.2. Regular Meetings**. Regularly scheduled, periodic meetings of the Board may be held without notice at such times, dates and places as shall from time to time be determined by the Board

Section 4.3. Special Meetings. Special meetings of the Board may be called at any time by the chairperson of the Board, the chief executive officer, the president, the secretary or a majority of the total number of directors constituting the Board. Notice of the time and place of special meetings shall be: (i) delivered personally by hand, by courier or by telephone; (ii) sent by United States first-class mail, postage prepaid; (iii) sent by electronic mail; or (iv) sent by other means of electronic transmission, directed to each director at that director's address, telephone number or electronic mail address, or other address for electronic transmission, as the case may be, as shown on the Corporation's records. If the notice is (A) delivered personally by hand, by courier or by telephone, (B) sent by electronic mail, or (C) sent by other means of electronic transmission, it shall be delivered or sent at least twelve (12) hours before the time of the holding of the meeting. If the notice is sent by U.S. mail, it shall be deposited in the U.S. mail at least one (1) day before the time of the holding of the meeting. The notice need not specify the place of the meeting (if the meeting is to be held at the Corporation's principal executive office) nor the purpose of the meeting. A special meeting may be held at any time without notice if all the directors are present or if those not present waive notice of the meeting in accordance with Section 9.4.

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**Section 4.4. Quorum; Required Vote.** A majority of the Board shall constitute a quorum for the transaction of business at any meeting of the Board, and the act of a majority of the directors present at any meeting at which there is a quorum shall be the act of the Board, except as may be otherwise specifically provided by applicable law, the Certificate of Incorporation, these Bylaws. If a quorum shall not be present at any meeting, a majority of the directors present may adjourn the meeting from time to time, without notice other than announcement at the meeting, until a quorum is present.

Section 4.5. Consent In Lieu of Meeting. Unless otherwise restricted by the Certificate of Incorporation or these Bylaws, any action required or permitted to be taken at any meeting of the Board or any committee thereof may be taken without a meeting if all members of the Board or committee, as the case may be, consent thereto in writing or by electronic transmission, and the writing or writings or electronic transmission or transmissions (or paper reproductions thereof) are filed with the minutes of proceedings of the Board or committee. Such filing shall be in paper form if the minutes are maintained in paper form and shall be in electronic form.

Section 4.6. Organization. The chairman of each meeting of the Board shall be the Chairman of the Board or, in the absence (or inability or refusal to act) of the Chairman of the Board, the Chief Executive Officer (if he or she shall be a director) or, in the absence (or inability or refusal to act) of the Chief Executive Officer or if the Chief Executive Officer is not a director, the President (if he or she shall be a director) or in the absence (or inability or refusal to act) of the President or if the President is not a director, a chairman elected from the directors present. The Secretary shall act as secretary of all meetings of the Board. In the absence (or inability or refusal to act) of the Secretary, an Assistant Secretary shall perform the duties of the Secretary at such meeting. In the absence (or inability or refusal to act) of the Secretary and all Assistant Secretaries, the chairman of the meeting may appoint any person to act as secretary of the meeting.

#### ARTICLE V

## COMMITTEES OF DIRECTORS

**Section 5.1. Establishment**. The Board may by resolution passed by a majority of the Board designate one or more committees, each committee to consist of one or more of the directors of the Corporation. Each committee shall keep regular minutes of its meetings and report the same to the Board when required. The Board shall have the power at any time to fill vacancies in, to change the membership of, or to dissolve any such committee.

- **Section 5.2. Available Powers.** Any committee established pursuant to <u>Section 5.1</u> hereof, to the extent permitted by applicable law and by resolution of the Board, shall have and may exercise all of the powers and authority of the Board in the management of the business and affairs of the Corporation, and may authorize the seal of the Corporation to be affixed to all papers that may require it.
- **Section 5.3. Alternate Members.** The Board may designate one or more directors as alternate members of any committee, who may replace any absent or disqualified member at any meeting of such committee.
- Section 5.4. Procedures. Unless the Board otherwise provides, the time, date, place, if any, and notice of meetings of a committee shall be determined by such committee. At meetings of a committee, a majority of the number of members of the committee (but not including any alternate member, unless such alternate member has replaced any absent or disqualified member at the time of, or in connection with, such meeting) shall constitute a quorum for the transaction of business. The act of a majority of the members present at any meeting at which a quorum is present shall be the act of the committee, except as otherwise specifically provided by applicable law, the Certificate of Incorporation, these Bylaws or the Board. If a quorum is not present at a meeting of a committee, the members present may adjourn the meeting from time to time, without notice other than an announcement at the meeting, until a quorum is present. Unless the Board otherwise provides and except as provided in these Bylaws, each committee designated by the Board may make, alter, amend and repeal rules for the conduct of its business. In the absence of such rules each committee shall conduct its business in the same manner as the Board is authorized to conduct its business pursuant to Article III and Article IV of these Bylaws.

#### ARTICLE VI

#### **OFFICERS**

- Secretary and such other officers (including without limitation, Vice Presidents, Assistant Secretaries and a Treasurer) as the Board from time to time may determine, each of whom shall be elected by the Board and have such authority, function or duties set forth in these Bylaws or as from time to time may be conferred by the Board. The Chief Executive Officer or President may also appoint such other officers (including without limitations one or more Vice Presidents and Controllers) as may be necessary or desirable for the conduct of the business of the Corporation. Such other officers shall have such powers and duties and shall hold their officers for such terms as may be provided in these Bylaws or as may be prescribed by the Board or, if such officer has been appointed by the Chief Executive Officer or President, as may be prescribed by the appointing officer.
- (a) <u>Chief Executive Officer</u>. The Chief Executive Officer shall be the chief executive officer of the Corporation, shall have general supervision of the affairs of the Corporation and general control of all of its business subject to the ultimate authority of the Board, and shall be responsible for the execution of the policies of the Board with respect to such matters. In the absence (or inability or refusal to act) of the Chairman of the Board, the Chief Executive Officer (if he or she shall be a director) shall preside when present at all meetings of the stockholders and the Board. The position of Chief Executive Officer and President may be held by the same person.

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- (b) <u>President</u>. The President shall make recommendations to the Chief Executive Officer on all operational matters that would normally be reserved for the final executive responsibility of the Chief Executive Officer. In the absence (or inability or refusal to act) of the Chairman of the Board and Chief Executive Officer, the President (if he or she shall be a director) shall preside when present at all meetings of the stockholders and the Board. The President shall also perform such duties and have such powers as shall be designated by the Board. The position of President and Chief Executive Officer may be held by the same person.
- (c) <u>Vice Presidents</u>. Each Vice President shall have the powers and duties delegated to him or her by the Board of Directors, the Chief Executive Officer or the President. One Vice President may be designated by the Board of Directors to perform the duties and exercise the powers of the President in the event of the President's absence or disability.

# (d) <u>Secretary</u>.

(i) The Secretary shall attend all meetings of the stockholders, the Board and (as required) committees of the Board and shall record the proceedings of such meetings in books to be kept for that purpose. The Secretary shall give, or cause to be given, notice of all meetings of the stockholders and special meetings of the Board and shall perform such other duties as may be prescribed by the Board, the Chairman of the Board, Chief Executive Officer or President. The Secretary shall have custody of the

corporate seal of the Corporation and the Secretary, or any Assistant Secretary, shall have authority to affix the same to any instrument requiring it, and when so affixed, it may be attested by his or her signature or by the signature of such Assistant Secretary. The Board may give general authority to any other officer to affix the seal of the Corporation and to attest the affixing thereof by his or her signature.

- (ii) The Secretary shall keep, or cause to be kept, at the principal executive office of the Corporation or at the office of the Corporation's transfer agent or registrar, if one has been appointed, a stock ledger, or duplicate stock ledger, showing the names of the stockholders and their addresses, the number and classes of shares held by each and, with respect to certificated shares, the number and date of certificates issued for the same and the number and date of certificates cancelled.
- (e) <u>Assistant Secretaries</u>. The Assistant Secretary or, if there be more than one, the Assistant Secretaries in the order determined by the Board shall, in the absence (or inability or refusal to act) of the Secretary, perform the duties and have the powers of the Secretary and shall otherwise perform the duties and have the powers and responsibilities determined by the Board, the Chief Executive Officer or the President.
- (f) <u>Chief Financial Officer</u>. The Chief Financial Officer shall perform all duties commonly incident to that office (including, without limitation, the care and custody of the funds and securities of the Corporation, which from time to time may come into the Chief Financial Officer's hands and the deposit of the funds of the Corporation in such banks or trust companies as the Board, the Chief Executive Officer or the President may authorize).

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- (g) <u>Treasurer</u>. The Treasurer shall, in the absence (or inability or refusal to act) of the Chief Financial Officer, perform the duties and exercise the powers of the Chief Financial Officer and shall otherwise perform the duties and have the powers and responsibilities determined by the Board, the Chief Executive Officer or the President.
- Section 6.2. Term of Office; Removal; Resignation; Vacancies. The officers of the Corporation shall be appointed by the Board and shall hold office until their successors are duly elected and qualified by the Board or until their earlier death, resignation, retirement, disqualification, or removal from office. Any officer may be removed, with or without cause, at any time by the Board. Any officer appointed by the Chief Executive Officer or President may also be removed, with or without cause, by the Chief Executive Officer or President, as the case may be. Any officer may resign by delivering his or her written or electronically transmitted resignation to the Corporation addressed to the President or the Secretary, and such resignation shall be effective upon receipt, unless the resignation otherwise provides. Any vacancy occurring in any office of the Corporation may be filled by the Board. Any vacancy occurring in any office appointed by the Chief Executive Officer or President may be filled by the Chief Executive Officer, or President, as the case may be, unless the Board then determines that such officer shall thereupon be elected by the Board, in which case the Board shall elect such officer.
- **Section 6.3. Other Officers**. The Board may delegate the power to appoint such other officers and agents, and may also remove such officers and agents or delegate the power to remove same, as it shall from time to time deem necessary or desirable.
- **Section 6.4. Multiple Officeholders; Stockholder and Director Officers**. Any number of offices may be held by the same person unless the Certificate of Incorporation or these Bylaws otherwise provide; <u>provided</u>, <u>however</u>, that no officer shall execute, acknowledge or verify any instrument in more than one capacity if such instrument is required by law, the Certificate of Incorporation or these Bylaws to be executed, acknowledged or verified by two or more parties. Officers need not be stockholders or residents of the State of Delaware.

#### ARTICLE VII

#### **SHARES**

- **Section 7.1. Certificated and Uncertificated Shares.** The shares of the Corporation may be certificated or uncertificated, subject to the sole discretion of the Board and the requirements of the DGCL.
- **Section 7.2. Multiple Classes of Stock**. If the Corporation shall be authorized to issue more than one class of stock or more than one series of any class, the Corporation shall: (a) cause the powers, designations, preferences and relative, participating, optional or other special rights of each class of stock or series thereof and the qualifications, limitations or restrictions of such preferences or rights to be set forth in full or summarized on the face or back of any certificate that the Corporation issues to represent shares of such class or

series of stock; or (b) in the case of uncertificated shares, within a reasonable time after the issuance or transfer of such shares, send to the registered owner thereof a written notice containing the information required to be set forth on certificates as specified in clause (a) above; provided, however, that, except as otherwise provided by applicable law, in lieu of the foregoing requirements, there may be set forth on the face or back of such certificate or, in the case of uncertificated shares, on such written notice a statement that the Corporation will furnish without charge to each stockholder who so requests the powers, designations, preferences and relative, participating, optional or other special rights of each class of stock or series thereof and the qualifications, limitations or restrictions of such preferences or rights.

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**Section 7.3. Signatures**. Each certificate representing capital stock of the Corporation shall be signed by or in the name of the Corporation by any two authorized officers of the Corporation. Any or all of the signatures on the certificate may be a facsimile. In case any officer, transfer agent or registrar who has signed or whose facsimile signature has been placed upon a certificate shall have ceased to be such officer, transfer agent or registrar before such certificate is issued, such certificate may be issued by the Corporation with the same effect as if such person were such officer, transfer agent or registrar on the date of issue.

# Section 7.4. Consideration and Payment for Shares.

- (a) Subject to applicable law and the Certificate of Incorporation, shares of stock may be issued for such consideration, having in the case of shares with par value a value not less than the par value thereof, and to such persons, as determined from time to time by the Board. The consideration may consist of any tangible or intangible property or any benefit to the Corporation, including cash, promissory notes, services performed, contracts for services to be performed or other securities, or any combination thereof.
- (b) Subject to applicable law and the Certificate of Incorporation, shares may not be issued until the full amount of the consideration has been paid, unless upon the face or back of each certificate issued to represent any partly paid shares of capital stock or upon the books and records of the Corporation in the case of partly paid uncertificated shares, there shall have been set forth the total amount of the consideration to be paid therefor and the amount paid thereon up to and including the time said certificate representing certificated shares or said uncertificated shares are issued.

## Section 7.5. Lost, Destroyed or Wrongfully Taken Certificates.

(a) If an owner of a certificate representing shares claims that such certificate has been lost, destroyed or wrongfully taken, the Corporation shall issue a new certificate representing such shares or such shares in uncertificated form if the owner: (i) requests such a new certificate before the Corporation has notice that the certificate representing such shares has been acquired by a protected purchaser; (ii) if requested by the Corporation, delivers to the Corporation a bond sufficient to indemnify the Corporation against any claim that may be made against the Corporation on account of the alleged loss, wrongful taking or destruction of such certificate or the issuance of such new certificate or uncertificated shares; and (iii) satisfies other reasonable requirements imposed by the Corporation.

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(b) If a certificate representing shares has been lost, apparently destroyed or wrongfully taken, and the owner fails to notify the Corporation of that fact within a reasonable time after the owner has notice of such loss, apparent destruction or wrongful taking and the Corporation registers a transfer of such shares before receiving notification, the owner shall be precluded from asserting against the Corporation any claim for registering such transfer or a claim to a new certificate representing such shares or such shares in uncertificated form.

#### Section 7.6. Transfer of Stock.

Transfers of stock shall be made only upon the transfer books of the Corporation kept at an office of the Corporation (within or without the State of Delaware) or by transfer agents designated to transfer shares of the stock of the Corporation.

Section 7.7. Registered Stockholders. Before due presentment for registration of transfer of a certificate representing shares of the Corporation or of an instruction requesting registration of transfer of uncertificated shares, the Corporation may treat the registered owner as the person exclusively entitled to inspect for any proper purpose the stock ledger and the other books and records of the Corporation, vote such shares, receive dividends or notifications with respect to such shares and otherwise exercise all the rights and powers of the owner of such shares, except that a person who is the beneficial owner of such shares (if held in a voting trust or by a nominee on behalf of such person) may, upon providing documentary evidence of beneficial ownership of such shares and satisfying such other conditions as are provided under applicable law, may also so inspect the books and records of the Corporation.

**Section 7.8. Regulations.** The Board shall have power and authority to make such additional rules and regulations, subject to any applicable requirement of law, as the Board may deem necessary and appropriate with respect to the issue, transfer or registration of transfer of shares of stock or certificates representing shares. The Board may appoint one or more transfer agents or registrars and may require for the validity thereof that certificates representing shares bear the signature of any transfer agent or registrar so appointed.

#### ARTICLE VIII

## INDEMNIFICATION

**Section 8.1. Right to Indemnification.** To the fullest extent permitted by applicable law, as the same exists or may hereafter be amended, the Corporation shall indemnify and hold harmless each person who was or is made a party or is threatened to be made a party to or is otherwise involved in any threatened, pending or completed action, suit or proceeding, whether civil, criminal, administrative or investigative (hereinafter a "proceeding"), by reason of the fact that (i) he or she is or was a director or officer of the Corporation or, (ii) while a director or officer of the Corporation, is or was serving at the request of the Corporation as a director, officer, employee or agent of a subsidiary of the Corporation or of another corporation or of a partnership, joint venture, trust, other enterprise or nonprofit entity, including service with respect to an employee benefit plan (hereinafter an "Indemnitee"), whether the basis of such proceeding is alleged action in an official capacity as a director, officer, employee or agent, or in any other capacity while serving as a director, officer, employee or agent, against all liability and loss suffered and expenses (including, without limitation, attorneys' fees, judgments, fines, ERISA excise taxes and penalties and amounts paid in settlement) reasonably incurred by such Indemnitee in connection with such proceeding; provided, however, that, except as provided in Section 8.3 with respect to proceedings to enforce rights to indemnification, the Corporation shall indemnify an Indemnitee in connection with a proceeding (or part thereof) initiated by such Indemnitee only if such proceeding (or part thereof) was authorized by the Board.

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Section 8.2. Right to Advancement of Expenses. In addition to the right to indemnification conferred in Section 8.1, an Indemnitee shall also have the right to be paid by the Corporation to the fullest extent not prohibited by applicable law the expenses (including, without limitation, attorneys' fees) incurred in defending or otherwise participating in any such proceeding in advance of its final disposition (hereinafter an "advancement of expenses"); provided, however, that, if the DGCL requires, an advancement of expenses incurred by an Indemnitee in his or her capacity as a director or officer of the Corporation (and not in any other capacity in which service was or is rendered by such Indemnitee, including, without limitation, service to an employee benefit plan) shall be made only upon the Corporation's receipt of an undertaking (hereinafter an "undertaking"), by or on behalf of such Indemnitee, to repay all amounts so advanced if it shall ultimately be determined that such Indemnitee is not entitled to be indemnified under this Article VIII or otherwise.

**Section 8.3. Right of Indemnitee to Bring Suit.** If a claim under Section 8.1 or Section 8.2 is not paid in full by the Corporation within 60 days after a written claim therefor has been received by the Corporation, except in the case of a claim for an advancement of expenses, in which case the applicable period shall be 20 days, the Indemnitee may at any time thereafter bring suit against the Corporation to recover the unpaid amount of the claim. If successful in whole or in part in any such suit, or in a suit brought by the Corporation to recover an advancement of expenses pursuant to the terms of an undertaking, the Indemnitee shall also be entitled to be paid the expense of prosecuting or defending such suit. In (a) any suit brought by the Indemnitee to enforce a right to indemnification hereunder (but not in a suit brought by an Indemnitee to enforce a right to an advancement of expenses) it shall be a defense that, and (b) any suit brought by the Corporation to recover an advancement of expenses pursuant to the terms of an undertaking, the Corporation shall be entitled to recover such expenses upon a final judicial decision from which there is no further right to appeal (hereinafter a "final adjudication") that, the Indemnitee has not met any applicable standard for indemnification set forth in the DGCL. Neither the failure of the Corporation (including its directors who are not parties to such action, a committee of such directors, independent legal counsel, or its stockholders) to have made a determination prior to the commencement of such suit that indemnification of the Indemnitee is proper in the circumstances because the Indemnitee has met the applicable standard of conduct set forth in the DGCL, nor an actual determination by

the Corporation (including a determination by its directors who are not parties to such action, a committee of such directors, independent legal counsel, or its stockholders) that the Indemnitee has not met such applicable standard of conduct, shall create a presumption that the Indemnitee has not met the applicable standard of conduct or, in the case of such a suit brought by the Indemnitee, shall be a defense to such suit. In any suit brought by the Indemnitee to enforce a right to indemnification or to an advancement of expenses hereunder, or by the Corporation to recover an advancement of expenses pursuant to the terms of an undertaking, the burden of proving that the Indemnitee is not entitled to be indemnified, or to such advancement of expenses, under this Article VIII or otherwise shall be on the Corporation.

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**Section 8.4. Non-Exclusivity of Rights.** The rights provided to any Indemnitee pursuant to this <u>Article VIII</u> shall not be exclusive of any other right, which such Indemnitee may have or hereafter acquire under applicable law, the Certificate of Incorporation, these Bylaws, an agreement, a vote of stockholders or disinterested directors, or otherwise.

**Section 8.5. Insurance**. The Corporation may maintain insurance, at its expense, to protect itself and/or any director, officer, employee or agent of the Corporation or another corporation, partnership, joint venture, trust or other enterprise against any expense, liability or loss, whether or not the Corporation would have the power to indemnify such person against such expense, liability or loss under the DGCL.

Section 8.6. Indemnification of Other Persons. This Article VIII shall not limit the right of the Corporation to the extent and in the manner authorized or permitted by law to indemnify and to advance expenses to persons other than Indemnitees. Without limiting the foregoing, the Corporation may, to the extent authorized from time to time by the Board, grant rights to indemnification and to the advancement of expenses to any employee or agent of the Corporation and to any other person who is or was serving at the request of the Corporation as a director, officer, employee or agent of another corporation or of a partnership, joint venture, trust or other enterprise, including service with respect to an employee benefit plan, to the fullest extent of the provisions of this Article VIII with respect to the indemnification and advancement of expenses of Indemnitees under this Article VIII.

**Section 8.7. Amendments**. Any repeal or amendment of this <u>Article VIII</u> by the Board or the stockholders of the Corporation or by changes in applicable law, or the adoption of any other provision of these Bylaws inconsistent with this <u>Article VIII</u>, will, to the extent permitted by applicable law, be prospective only (except to the extent such amendment or change in applicable law permits the Corporation to provide broader indemnification rights to Indemnitees on a retroactive basis than permitted prior thereto), and will not in any way diminish or adversely affect any right or protection existing hereunder in respect of any act or omission occurring prior to such repeal or amendment or adoption of such inconsistent provision; <u>provided</u>, <u>further</u>, that amendments or repeals of this <u>Article VIII</u> shall require the affirmative vote of the stockholders holding at least 66% in voting power of all the then outstanding shares of capital stock of the Corporation.

**Section 8.8. Certain Definitions.** For purposes of this <u>Article VIII</u>: (a) references to "other enterprise" shall include any employee benefit plan; (b) references to "fines" shall include any excise taxes assessed on a person with respect to an employee benefit plan; (c) references to "serving at the request of the Corporation" shall include any service that imposes duties on, or involves services by, a person with respect to any employee benefit plan, its participants, or beneficiaries; and (d) a person who acted in good faith and in a manner such person reasonably believed to be in the interest of the participants and beneficiaries of an employee benefit plan shall be deemed to have acted in a manner "not opposed to the best interest of the Corporation" for purposes of Section 145 of the DGCL.

**Section 8.9. Contract Rights.** The rights provided to Indemnitees pursuant to this <u>Article VIII</u> shall be contract rights and such rights shall continue as to an Indemnitee who has ceased to be a director, officer, agent or employee and shall inure to the benefit of the Indemnitee's heirs, executors and administrators.

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**Section 8.10.** Severability. If any provision or provisions of this <u>Article VIII</u> shall be held to be invalid, illegal or unenforceable for any reason whatsoever: (a) the validity, legality and enforceability of the remaining provisions of this <u>Article VIII</u> shall not in any way be affected or impaired thereby; and (b) to the fullest extent possible, the provisions of this <u>Article VIII</u> (including, without limitation,

each such portion of this <u>Article VIII</u> containing any such provision held to be invalid, illegal or unenforceable) shall be construed so as to give effect to the intent manifested by the provision held invalid, illegal or unenforceable.

#### ARTICLE IX

#### MISCELLANEOUS

**Section 9.1. Place of Meetings**. If the place of any meeting of stockholders, the Board or committee of the Board for which notice is required under these Bylaws is not designated in the notice of such meeting, such meeting shall be held at the principal business office of the Corporation; <u>provided</u>, <u>however</u>, if the Board has, in its sole discretion, determined that a meeting shall not be held at any place, but instead shall be held by means of remote communication pursuant to <u>Section 9.5</u> hereof, then such meeting shall not be held at any place.

# Section 9.2. Fixing Record Dates.

- (a) In order that the Corporation may determine the stockholders entitled to notice of or to vote at any meeting of stockholders or any adjournment thereof, the Board may fix a record date, which shall not precede the date upon which the resolution fixing the record date is adopted by the Board, and which record date shall not be more than 60 nor less than 10 days before the date of such meeting. If no record date is fixed by the Board, the record date for determining stockholders entitled to notice of or to vote at a meeting of stockholders shall be at the close of business on the business day next preceding the day on which notice is given, or, if notice is waived, at the close of business on the business day next preceding the day on which the meeting is held. A determination of stockholders of record entitled to notice of or to vote at a meeting of stockholders shall apply to any adjournment of the meeting; provided, however, that the Board may fix a new record date for the adjourned meeting.
- (b) In order that the Corporation may determine the stockholders entitled to receive payment of any dividend or other distribution or allotment of any rights or the stockholders entitled to exercise any rights in respect of any change, conversion or exchange of stock, or for the purpose of any other lawful action, the Board may fix a record date, which record date shall not precede the date upon which the resolution fixing the record date is adopted, and which record date shall be not more than 60 days prior to such action. If no record date is fixed, the record date for determining stockholders for any such purpose shall be at the close of business on the day on which the Board adopts the resolution relating thereto.

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## Section 9.3. Means of Giving Notice.

- (a) Notice to Directors. Whenever under applicable law, the Certificate of Incorporation or these Bylaws notice is required to be given to any director, such notice shall be given either: (i) in writing and sent by mail, or by a nationally recognized delivery service; (ii) by means of facsimile telecommunication or other form of electronic transmission (including electronic mail); or (iii) by oral notice given personally or by telephone. A notice to a director will be deemed given as follows: (A) if given by hand delivery, orally, or by telephone, when actually received by the director; (B) if sent through the United States mail, when deposited in the United States mail, with postage and fees thereon prepaid, addressed to the director at the director's address appearing on the records of the Corporation; (C) if sent for next day delivery by a nationally recognized overnight delivery service, when deposited with such service, with fees thereon prepaid, addressed to the director at the director's address appearing on the records of the Corporation; (D) if sent by facsimile telecommunication, when sent to the facsimile transmission number for such director appearing on the records of the Corporation; or (F) if sent by any other form of electronic transmission, when sent to the address, location or number (as applicable) for such director appearing on the records of the Corporation.
- (b) Notice to Stockholders. Whenever under applicable law, the Certificate of Incorporation or these Bylaws notice is required to be given to any stockholder, such notice may be given: (i) in writing and sent either by hand delivery, through the United States mail, or by a nationally recognized overnight delivery service for next day delivery; or (ii) by means of a form of electronic transmission consented to by the stockholder, to the extent permitted by, and subject to the conditions set forth in Section 232 of the DGCL. A notice to a stockholder shall be deemed given as follows: (A) if given by hand delivery, when actually received by the stockholder; (B) if sent through the United States mail, when deposited in the United States mail, with postage and fees thereon prepaid, addressed to the stockholder at the stockholder's address appearing on the stock ledger of the Corporation; (C) if sent for next day delivery by a nationally

recognized overnight delivery service, when deposited with such service, with fees thereon prepaid, addressed to the stockholder at the stockholder's address appearing on the stock ledger of the Corporation; and (D) if given by a form of electronic transmission consented to by the stockholder to whom the notice is given and otherwise meeting the requirements set forth above: (1) if by facsimile transmission, when directed to a number at which the stockholder has consented to receive notice; (2) if by electronic mail, when directed to an electronic mail address at which the stockholder has consented to receive notice; (3) if by a posting on an electronic network together with separate notice to the stockholder of such specified posting, upon the later of: (x) such posting; and (y) the giving of such separate notice; or (4) if by any other form of electronic transmission, when directed to the stockholder. A stockholder may revoke such stockholder's consent to receiving notice by means of electronic communication by giving written notice of such revocation to the Corporation. Any such consent shall be deemed revoked if: (x) the Corporation is unable to deliver by electronic transmission two consecutive notices given by the Corporation in accordance with such consent; and (y) such inability becomes known to the Secretary or an Assistant Secretary or to the Corporation's transfer agent, or other person responsible for the giving of notice; provided, however, the inadvertent failure to treat such inability as a revocation shall not invalidate any meeting or other action.

(c) <u>Electronic Transmission</u>. "*Electronic transmission*" means any form of communication, not directly involving the physical transmission of paper, that creates a record that may be retained, retrieved and reviewed by a recipient thereof, and that may be directly reproduced in paper form by such a recipient through an automated process, including but not limited to transmission by electronic mail, telex, facsimile telecommunication, telegram and cablegram.

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- (d) Notice to Stockholders Sharing Same Address. Without limiting the manner by which notice otherwise may be given effectively by the Corporation to stockholders, any notice to stockholders given by the Corporation under any provision of the DGCL, the Certificate of Incorporation or these Bylaws shall be effective if given by a single written notice to stockholders who share an address if consented to by the stockholders at that address to whom such notice is given. A stockholder may revoke such stockholder's consent by delivering written notice of such revocation to the Corporation. Any stockholder who fails to object in writing to the Corporation within 60 days of having been given written notice by the Corporation of its intention to send such a single written notice shall be deemed to have consented to receiving such single written notice.
- (e) Exceptions to Notice Requirements. Whenever notice is required to be given, under the DGCL, the Certificate of Incorporation or these Bylaws, to any person with whom communication is unlawful, the giving of such notice to such person shall not be required and there shall be no duty to apply to any governmental authority or agency for a license or permit to give such notice to such person. Any action or meeting that shall be taken or held without notice to any such person with whom communication is unlawful shall have the same force and effect as if such notice had been duly given. In the event that the action taken by the Corporation is such as to require the filing of a certificate with the Secretary of State of Delaware, the certificate shall state, if such is the fact and if notice is required, that notice was given to all persons entitled to receive notice except such persons with whom communication is unlawful.

Whenever notice is required to be given by the Corporation, under any provision of the DGCL, the Certificate of Incorporation or these Bylaws, to any stockholder to whom: (1) notice of two consecutive annual meetings of stockholders and all notices of stockholder meetings or of the taking of action by written consent of stockholders without a meeting to such stockholder during the period between such two consecutive annual meetings; or (2) all, and at least two payments (if sent by first-class mail) of dividends or interest on securities during a 12-month period, have been mailed addressed to such stockholder at such stockholder's address as shown on the records of the Corporation and have been returned undeliverable, the giving of such notice to such stockholder shall not be required. Any action or meeting that shall be taken or held without notice to such stockholder shall have the same force and effect as if such notice had been duly given. If any such stockholder shall deliver to the Corporation a written notice setting forth such stockholder's then current address, the requirement that notice be given to such stockholder shall be reinstated. In the event that the action taken by the Corporation is such as to require the filing of a certificate with the Secretary of State of Delaware, the certificate need not state that notice was not given to persons to whom notice was not required to be given pursuant to Section 230(b) of the DGCL. The exception in subsection (1) of the first sentence of this paragraph to the requirement that notice be given shall not be applicable to any notice returned as undeliverable if the notice was given by electronic transmission.

**Section 9.4. Waiver of Notice**. Whenever any notice is required to be given under applicable law, the Certificate of Incorporation, or these Bylaws, a written waiver of such notice, signed before or after the date of such meeting by the person or persons entitled to said notice, or a waiver by electronic transmission by the person entitled to said notice, shall be deemed equivalent to such required notice. All such waivers shall be kept with the books of the Corporation. Attendance at a meeting shall constitute a waiver of notice of such meeting,

# Section 9.5. Meeting Attendance via Remote Communication Equipment.

- (a) <u>Stockholder Meetings</u>. If authorized by the Board in its sole discretion, and subject to such guidelines and procedures as the Board may adopt, stockholders and proxy holders not physically present at a meeting of stockholders may, by means of remote communication:
  - (i) participate in a meeting of stockholders; and
- (ii) be deemed present in person and vote at a meeting of stockholders, whether such meeting is to be held at a designated place or solely by means of remote communication; <u>provided</u> that: (A) the Corporation shall implement reasonable measures to verify that each person deemed present and permitted to vote at the meeting by means of remote communication is a stockholder or proxy holder; (B) the Corporation shall implement reasonable measures to provide such stockholders and proxy holders a reasonable opportunity to participate in the meeting and to vote on matters submitted to the stockholders, including an opportunity to read or hear the proceedings of the meeting substantially concurrently with such proceedings; and (C) if any stockholder or proxy holder votes or takes other action at the meeting by means of remote communication, a record of such votes or other action shall be maintained by the Corporation.
- (b) <u>Board Meetings</u>. Unless otherwise restricted by applicable law, the Certificate of Incorporation or these Bylaws, members of the Board or any committee thereof may participate in a meeting of the Board or any committee thereof by means of conference telephone, video conference or other communications equipment by means of which all persons participating in the meeting can hear each other. Such participation in a meeting shall constitute presence in person at the meeting, except where a person participates in the meeting for the express purpose of objecting to the transaction of any business on the ground that the meeting was not lawfully called or convened.
- **Section 9.6. Dividends**. The Board may from time to time declare, and the Corporation may pay, dividends (payable in cash, property or shares of the Corporation's capital stock) on the Corporation's outstanding shares of capital stock, subject to applicable law and the Certificate of Incorporation.
- **Section 9.7. Reserves**. The Board may set apart out of the funds of the Corporation available for dividends a reserve or reserves for any proper purpose and may abolish any such reserve.
- Section 9.8. Contracts and Negotiable Instruments. Except as otherwise provided by applicable law, the Certificate of Incorporation or these Bylaws, any contract, bond, deed, lease, mortgage or other instrument may be executed and delivered in the name and on behalf of the Corporation by such officer or officers or other employee or employees of the Corporation as the Board may from time to time authorize. Such authority may be general or confined to specific instances as the Board may determine. The Chairman of the Board, the Chief Executive Officer, the President, the Chief Financial Officer, the Treasurer or any Vice President may execute and deliver any contract, bond, deed, lease, mortgage or other instrument in the name and on behalf of the Corporation. Subject to any restrictions imposed by the Board, the Chairman of the Board, Chief Executive Officer, President, the Chief Financial Officer, the Treasurer or any Vice President may delegate powers to execute and deliver any contract, bond, deed, lease, mortgage or other instrument in the name and on behalf of the Corporation to other officers or employees of the Corporation under such person's supervision and authority, it being understood, however, that any such delegation of power shall not relieve such officer of responsibility with respect to the exercise of such delegated power.

**Section 9.10. Seal**. The Board may adopt a corporate seal, which shall be in such form as the Board determines. The seal may be used by causing it or a facsimile thereof to be impressed, affixed or otherwise reproduced.

**Section 9.11. Books and Records.** The books and records of the Corporation may be kept within or outside the State of Delaware at such place or places as may from time to time be designated by the Board.

Section 9.12. Surety Bonds. Such officers, employees and agents of the Corporation (if any) as the Chairman of the Board, Chief Executive Officer, President or the Board may direct, from time to time, shall be bonded for the faithful performance of their duties and for the restoration to the Corporation, in case of their death, resignation, retirement, disqualification or removal from office, of all books, papers, vouchers, money and other property of whatever kind in their possession or under their control belonging to the Corporation, in such amounts and by such surety companies as the Chairman of the Board, Chief Executive Officer, President or the Board may determine. The premiums on such bonds shall be paid by the Corporation and the bonds so furnished shall be in the custody of the Secretary.

Section 9.13. Securities of Other Corporations. Powers of attorney, proxies, waivers of notice of meeting, consents in writing and other instruments relating to securities owned by the Corporation may be executed in the name of and on behalf of the Corporation by the Chairman of the Board, Chief Executive Officer, President or any Vice President. Any such officer, may, in the name of and on behalf of the Corporation, take all such action as any such officer may deem advisable to vote in person or by proxy at any meeting of security holders of any corporation in which the Corporation may own securities, or to consent in writing, in the name of the Corporation as such holder, to any action by such corporation, and at any such meeting or with respect to any such consent shall possess and may exercise any and all rights and power incident to the ownership of such securities and which, as the owner thereof, the Corporation might have exercised and possessed. The Board may from time to time confer like powers upon any other person or persons.

**Section 9.14.** Amendments. The Board shall have the power to adopt, amend, alter or repeal the Bylaws. The affirmative vote of a majority of the Board shall be required to adopt, amend, alter or repeal the Bylaws. The Bylaws also may be adopted, amended, altered or repealed by the stockholders; <u>provided</u>, <u>however</u>, that in addition to any vote of the holders of any class or series of capital stock of the Corporation required by applicable law or the Certificate of Incorporation, the affirmative vote of the holders of at least 66% in voting power of all the then outstanding shares of capital stock of the Corporation entitled to vote generally in the election of directors, voting together as a single class, shall be required for the stockholders to adopt, amend, alter or repeal the Bylaws; and <u>provided further</u>, <u>however</u>, that no Bylaws hereafter adopted by the stockholders shall invalidate any prior act of the Board that would have been valid if such Bylaws had not been adopted.

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**Exclusive Forum.** Unless, with the approval of the Board, the Corporation consents in writing to the selection of an alternative forum, the Court of Chancery in the State of Delaware shall be the sole and exclusive forum for any stockholder (including a beneficial owner) to bring: (a) any derivative claim or proceeding brought on behalf of the Corporation; (b) claim of breach of fiduciary duty owed by any director, officer or other employee of the Corporation to the Corporation or the Corporation's stockholders; (c) any claim against the Corporation, its directors, officers or employees arising pursuant to any provision of the DGCL or the Corporation's certificate of incorporation or bylaws; or (d) any claim against the Corporation, its directors, officers or employees governed by the internal affairs doctrine (each of (a) through (d) above, a "Covered Claim") and, if brought outside of Delaware, the stockholder bringing the suit will be deemed to have consented to service of process on such stockholder's counsel. Notwithstanding the foregoing, the provisions of this Section 9.15 will not apply to suits brought to enforce a duty or liability created by the Securities Exchange Act of 1934, as amended or any other claim for which the federal courts have exclusive jurisdiction. Any person or entity purchasing or otherwise acquiring any interest in any security of the Corporation shall be deemed to have notice of and consented to the provisions of this Section 9.15. If any provision or provisions of this Section 9.15 shall be held to be invalid, illegal or unenforceable as applied to any person or entity or circumstance for any reason whatsoever, then, to the fullest extent permitted by law, the validity, legality and enforceability of such provisions in any other circumstance and of the remaining provisions of this Section 9.15 (including, without limitation, each portion of any sentence of this Section 9.15 containing any such provision held to be invalid, illegal or unenforceable that is not itself held to be invalid, illegal or unenforceable) and the application of such provision to other persons or entities and circumstances shall not in any way be affected or impaired thereby.

**Section 9.16.** Federal Forum. Unless the Corporation consents in writing to the selection of an alternative forum, the federal district courts of the United States shall be the exclusive forum for the resolution of any complaint asserting a cause of action arising under the

Securities Act of 1933, as amended. Any person or ent shall be deemed to have notice of and consented to this	is provision.	
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#### AMENDED AND RESTATED REGISTRATION RIGHTS AGREEMENT

THIS AMENDED AND RESTATED REGISTRATION RIGHTS AGREEMENT (this "Agreement"), dated as of July 14, 2021, is made and entered into by and among (i) Hillman Solutions Corp. (f/k/a Landcadia Holdings III, Inc.), a Delaware corporation (the "Company"), (ii) Jefferies Financial Group Inc., a New York corporation ("Jefferies"), and TFJ, LLC, a Delaware limited liability company ("TFJ", and together with Jefferies and their respective Permitted Transferees (as defined herein), the "Sponsors"), (iii) CCMP Capital Investors III, L.P., a Delaware limited partnership ("CCMP III"), CCMP Capital Investors (Employee) III, L.P., a Delaware limited partnership ("CCMP Employee") and CCMP Co-Invest III A, L.P., a Delaware limited partnership ("CCMP Holders"), (iv) Oak Hill Capital Partners III, L.P., a Delaware limited partnership ("Oak Hill III") Oak Hill Capital Management Partners III, L.P., a Delaware limited partnership ("Oak Hill Management"), and OHCP III HC RO, L.P., a Delaware limited partnership ("OHCP, and together with Oak Hill III, Oak Hill Management and their respective Permitted Transferees, the "Oak Hill Holders", and together with the CCMP Holders, the "Hillman Holders"). The Sponsors, the Hillman Holders and any person or entity who hereafter becomes a party to this Agreement pursuant to Section 5.2 of this Agreement are each referred to herein as a "Holder" and collectively as the "Holders".

## **RECITALS**

**WHEREAS**, the Sponsors hold an aggregate of 12,500,000 shares of the Company's Class B common stock, par value \$0.0001 per share (the "*Founder Shares*");

WHEREAS, upon the closing of the transactions (the "*Transactions*") contemplated by that certain Agreement and Plan of Merger, dated January 24, 2021, by and among the Company, Helios Sun Merger Sub, Inc., a Delaware corporation and wholly-owned subsidiary of the Company, HMAN Group Holdings Inc., a Delaware corporation ("*Hillman*"), and the stockholder representative thereunder (the "*Merger Agreement*"), the Sponsors forfeited an aggregate of 3,828,000 Founder Shares, and 8,672,000 Founder Shares were subsequently converted, on a one-to-one basis, into shares of the Company's common stock, par value \$0.0001 per share (the "*Common Stock*");

WHEREAS, on October, 8 2020, the Company and the Sponsors entered into that certain Private Placement Warrants Purchase Agreement (the "Private Placement Warrants Purchase Agreement"), pursuant to which the Sponsors purchased an aggregate of 8,000,000 warrants (the "Private Placement Warrants"), in a private placement transaction occurring simultaneously with the closing of the Company's initial public offering on October 14, 2020;

**WHEREAS**, on October 8, 2020, the Company and the Sponsors entered into that certain Registration Rights Agreement (the "Existing Registration Rights Agreement"), pursuant to which the Company granted the Sponsors certain registration rights with respect to certain securities of the Company;

WHEREAS, immediately after giving effect to the Transactions, in accordance with the Merger Agreement, the Hillman Holders shall receive shares of Common Stock (the "Closing Hillman Stock");

WHEREAS, pursuant to Section 5.5 of the Existing Registration Rights Agreement, the provisions, covenants and conditions set forth therein may be amended or modified upon the written consent of the Company and the Holders (as defined in the Existing Registration Rights Agreement) of at least a majority-in-interest of the Registrable Securities (as defined in the Existing Registration Rights Agreement) at the time in question; and

**WHEREAS**, the Company and the Sponsors desire to amend and restate the Existing Registration Rights Agreement pursuant to Section 5.5 thereof in order to provide the Holders with registration rights with respect to the Registrable Securities on the terms set forth herein.

**NOW**, **THEREFORE**, in consideration of the representations, covenants and agreements contained herein, and certain other good and valuable consideration, the receipt and sufficiency of which are hereby acknowledged, the parties hereto, intending to be legally bound, hereby agree as follows:

# ARTICLE I DEFINITIONS

1.1. <u>Definitions</u>. The terms defined in this <u>Article I</u> shall, for all purposes of this Agreement, have the respective meanings set forth below:

"Adverse Disclosure" shall mean any public disclosure of material non-public information, which disclosure, in the good faith judgment of the Board, after consultation with counsel to the Company, (a) would be required to be made in any Registration Statement or Prospectus in order for the applicable Registration Statement or Prospectus not to contain any untrue statement of a material fact or omit to state a material fact necessary to make the statements contained therein (in the case of any prospectus and any preliminary prospectus, in light of the circumstances under which they were made) not misleading, (b) would not be required to be made at such time if the Registration Statement were not being filed, and (c) the Company has a bona fide business purpose for not making such information public.

"Affiliate" means, with respect to a specified Person, each other Person that directly, or indirectly through one or more intermediaries, controls or is controlled by, or is under common control with, the Person specified; provided that no Holder shall be deemed an Affiliate of any other Holder solely by reason of an investment in, or holding of Common Stock (or securities convertible or exchangeable for shares of Common Stock) of, the Company. As used in this definition, "control" (including with correlative meanings, "controlled by" and "under common control with") means possession, directly or indirectly, of power to direct or cause the direction of management or policies (whether through ownership of voting securities or by contract or other agreement); provided, however, that in no event shall the term "Affiliate" include any portfolio company of any Holder or their respective Affiliates (other than the Company).

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"Block Trade" means an offering and/or sale of Registrable Securities by any Holder on a block trade or underwritten basis (whether firm commitment or otherwise) for reoffering to the public without a roadshow or substantial marketing efforts prior to pricing, including, without limitation, a same day trade, overnight trade or similar transaction.

"CCMP Demanding Holders" shall have the meaning given in Section 2.2.1.

"CCMP Holders" shall have the meaning given in the Preamble.

"Claims" shall have the meaning given in subsection 4.1.1.

"Closing Date" shall mean the date of this Agreement.

"Commission" shall mean the Securities and Exchange Commission.

"Commission Guidance" means (i) any publicly-available written or oral guidance of the Commission staff, or any comments, requirements or requests of the Commission staff and (ii) the Securities Act.

"Common Stock" shall have the meaning given in the Recitals hereto.

"Company" shall have the meaning given in the Preamble.

<sup>&</sup>quot;Agreement" shall have the meaning given in the Preamble.

<sup>&</sup>quot;Aggregate Blocking Period" shall have the meaning given in Section 2.4.

<sup>&</sup>quot;Board" shall mean the Board of Directors of the Company.

- "Company Shelf Take Down Notice" shall have the meaning given in subsection 2.1.3.
- "Demand Registration" shall have the meaning given in subsection 2.2.1.
- "Demanding Holder" shall mean, as applicable, (a) the applicable Holder making a written demand for the Registration of Registrable Securities pursuant to subsection 2.2.1 or (b) the applicable Holder making a written demand for a Shelf Underwritten Offering of Registrable Securities pursuant to subsection 2.1.3.
  - "Effectiveness Deadline" shall have the meaning given in subsection 2.1.1.
  - "Existing Registration Rights Agreement" shall have the meaning given in the Recitals hereto.
  - "Exchange Act" shall mean the Securities Exchange Act of 1934, as it may be amended from time to time.

- "First Secondary Offering" means the first Underwritten Offering in which any CCMP Holder Transfers all or any portion of their Registrable Securities.
  - "Form S-1 Shelf" shall have the meaning given in subsection 2.1.2.
  - "Form S-3 Shelf" shall have the meaning given in subsection 2.1.2.
- "Founder Shares" shall have the meaning given in the Recitals hereto and shall be deemed to include the shares of Common Stock issued upon conversion thereof.
- "Founder Shares Lock-up Period" shall mean, with respect to the Founder Shares, the period commencing on the date hereof and ending on the earlier of (A) one year after the Closing Date, (B) the first date the last sale price of the Common Stock equals or exceeds \$12.00 per share (as adjusted for stock splits, stock dividends, reorganizations, recapitalizations and the like) for any 20 trading days within any 30-trading day period commencing at least 150 days after the Closing Date, or (C) the date on which the Company completes a liquidation, merger, capital stock exchange, reorganization or other similar transaction that results in all of the Company's stockholders having the right to exchange their shares of Common Stock for cash, securities or other property.
  - "Hillman Holders" shall have the meaning given in the Preamble.
  - "Hillman Lock-Up Period" shall have the meaning given in Section 2.7.2.
  - "Holders" shall have the meaning given in the Preamble.
- "Insider Letter" shall mean that certain letter agreement, dated October 8, 2020, by and among the Company, the Sponsors and the other parties thereto.
  - "Jefferies" shall have the meaning given in the Preamble.
  - "Maximum Number of Securities" shall have the meaning given in subsection 2.2.4.
  - "Merger Agreement" shall have the meaning given in the Recitals hereto.
- "Misstatement" shall mean an untrue statement of a material fact or an omission to state a material fact required to be stated in a Registration Statement or Prospectus, or necessary to make the statements in a Registration Statement or Prospectus in the light of the circumstances under which they were made not misleading.
  - "Oak Hill Demanding Holders" shall have the meaning given in Section 2.2.1.

"Oak Hill Holders" shall have the meaning given in the Preamble.

"Other Shares" shall have the meaning given in Section 2.2.4.

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"Permitted Transferees" or "Permitted Transfer" shall mean (x) any Affiliate of a Holder or (y) any transfers made: (i) pursuant to a bona fide gift or charitable contribution; (ii) by will or intestate succession upon the death of Holder; (iii) to any Permitted Transferee; (iv) to the members of the Sponsors, (v) pursuant to a court order or settlement agreement related to the distribution of assets in connection with the dissolution of marriage or civil union; (vi) pro rata to the partners, members or shareholders of a Holder upon its liquidation or dissolution; or (vii) in the event of the Company's completion of a liquidation, merger, share exchange or other similar transaction which results in all of its shareholders having the right to exchange their Common Stock for cash, securities or other property; provided that in the case of (i) through (vi), the recipient of such Transfer must enter into a written agreement agreeing to be bound by the terms of this Agreement, including the transfer restrictions set forth in Section 2.6.

"Piggyback Registration" shall have the meaning given in subsection 2.3.1.

"Primary Shares" shall have the meaning given in Section 2.2.4.

"Private Placement Lock-up Period" shall mean, with respect to Private Placement Warrants that are held by the initial purchasers of such Private Placement Warrants or their Permitted Transferees, and any of the Common Stock issued or issuable upon the exercise or conversion of the Private Placement Warrants and that are held by the initial purchasers of the Private Placement Warrants or their Permitted Transferees, the period ending 30 days after the Closing Date.

"Private Placement Warrants" shall have the meaning given in the Recitals hereto.

"Private Placement Warrants Purchase Agreement" shall have the meaning given in the Recitals hereto.

"Pro Rata" shall have the meaning given in subsection 2.2.4.

"Prospectus" shall mean the prospectus included in any Registration Statement, whether preliminary or final, as supplemented by any and all prospectus supplements (including any "free writing prospectus") and as amended by any and all post-effective amendments, and including all material incorporated by reference in such prospectus.

"Registrable Security" shall mean (a) any outstanding share of Common Stock or any other equity security (including the Private Placement Warrants and including shares of Common Stock issued or issuable upon the exercise of any other equity security) of the Company held by a Holder as of the date of this Agreement or hereafter acquired by a Holder (including the shares of Common Stock issued upon the conversion of the Founder Shares and upon the exercise of any Private Placement Warrants), and (b) any other equity security of the Company issued or issuable with respect to any such share of Common Stock referred to in the foregoing clause (a) by way of a stock dividend or stock split or in connection with a combination of shares, recapitalization, merger, consolidation or other reorganization or otherwise; provided, however, that, as to any particular Registrable Security, such securities shall cease to be Registrable Securities when: (i) a Registration Statement with respect to the sale of such securities shall have become effective under the Securities Act and such securities shall have been sold, transferred, disposed of or exchanged in accordance with such Registration Statement by the applicable Holder; (ii) such securities shall have been otherwise transferred, new certificates for such securities not bearing (or book entry positions not subject to) a legend restricting further transfer shall have been delivered by the Company and subsequent public distribution of such securities shall not require registration under the Securities Act; (iii) such securities shall have ceased to be outstanding; or (iv) such securities (A) are held, or become held, by any Holder (other than the Sponsors) who holds less than two percent (2%) of the then issued and outstanding equity securities of the Company; and (B) may be sold without registration pursuant to Rule 144 or any successor rule promulgated under the Securities Act (but with no volume or other restrictions or limitations including as to manner or timing of sale).

- "Registration" shall mean a registration effected by preparing and filing a registration statement or similar document in compliance with the requirements of the Securities Act, and the applicable rules and regulations promulgated thereunder, and such registration statement becoming effective.
  - "Registration Expenses" shall mean the out-of-pocket expenses of a Registration, including, without limitation, the following:
- (a) all registration and filing fees (including fees with respect to filings required to be made with the Financial Industry Regulatory Authority, Inc., or fees payable to any stock exchange or over-the-counter trading market) and any securities exchange on which the Common Stock is then listed;
- (b) fees and expenses of compliance with securities or blue sky laws (including reasonable fees and disbursements of counsel for the Underwriters in connection with blue sky qualifications of Registrable Securities);
- (c) fees and disbursements of underwriters customarily paid by issuers or sellers of securities, but excluding underwriting discounts and commissions and transfer taxes, if any;
  - (d) printing, messenger, telephone, delivery and road show or other marketing expenses;
  - (e) reasonable fees and disbursements of counsel for the Company;
- (f) reasonable fees and disbursements of all independent registered public accountants of the Company incurred specifically in connection with such Registration; and
- (g) reasonable fees and expenses of (A) one (1) legal counsel for the CCMP Holders (plus appropriate special and local counsel selected by the CCMP Holders), to the extent the CCMP Holders are participating in the Registration, (B) one (1) legal counsel for the Oak Hill Holders (plus appropriate special and local counsel selected by the Oak Hill Holders), to the extent the Oak Hill Holders are participating in the Registration, and (C) one (1) legal counsel for the Sponsors (plus appropriate special and local counsel selected by the Sponsors), to the extent the Sponsors are participating in the Registration.
- "Registration Statement" shall mean any registration statement that covers the Registrable Securities pursuant to the provisions of this Agreement, including the Prospectus included in such registration statement, amendments (including post-effective amendments) and supplements to such registration statement, and all exhibits to and all material incorporated by reference in such registration statement.

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"Secondary Lock-Up Period" shall mean the period ending on the earlier of (i) 12 months from the date hereof, and (ii) the date on which the CCMP Holders or any of their Affiliates are no longer subject to any Underwriter's lock-up or other contractual restriction in connection with the First Secondary Offering.

"Securities Act" shall mean the Securities Act of 1933, as amended from time to time.

"Shelf Requesting Holder" shall have the meaning given in subsection 2.1.3.

"Shelf Take Down Notice" shall have the meaning given in subsection 2.1.3.

"Shelf Underwritten Offering" shall have the meaning given in subsection 2.1.3.

"Sponsors" shall have the meaning given in the Preamble.

<sup>&</sup>quot;Removed Shares" shall have the meaning given in Section 2.6.

<sup>&</sup>quot;Requesting Holder" shall have the meaning given in subsection 2.2.1.

"Subscription Agreements" shall mean those certain subscription agreements dated July 14, 2021 by and between the Company and certain subscribers to shares of Common Stock.

"*TFJ*" shall have the meaning given in the Preamble.

"Transactions" shall have the meaning given in the Recitals hereto.

"Transfer" shall mean the (a) sale of, offer to sell, contract or agreement to sell, hypothecate, pledge, grant of any option to purchase or otherwise dispose of or agreement to dispose of, directly or indirectly, or establishment or increase of a put equivalent position or liquidation with respect to or decrease of a call equivalent position within the meaning of Section 16 of the Exchange Act, and the rules and regulations of the Commission promulgated thereunder with respect to, any security, (b) entry into any swap or other arrangement that transfers to another, in whole or in part, any of the economic consequences of ownership of any security, whether any such transaction is to be settled by delivery of such securities, in cash or otherwise, or (c) public announcement of any intention to effect any transaction specified in clause (a) or (b).

"*Underwriter*" shall mean a securities dealer who purchases any Registrable Securities as principal in an Underwritten Offering and not as part of such dealer's market-making activities.

"Underwritten Registration" or "Underwritten Offering" shall mean a Registration or offering and/or sale of Registrable Securities in which securities of the Company are sold to an Underwriter in a firm commitment underwriting for distribution to the public, including a Block Trade.

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## ARTICLE II REGISTRATIONS

# 2.1. Shelf Registration.

Initial Filing. The Company shall, as soon as practicable, but in any event within thirty (30) days after the Closing Date, file a Registration Statement under the Securities Act to permit the public resale of all the Registrable Securities held by the Holders and all shares of Common Stock received by then current or former employees of Hillman pursuant to the Transactions from time to time as permitted by Rule 415 under the Securities Act (or any successor or similar provision adopted by the Commission then in effect) on the terms and conditions specified in this subsection 2.1.1 and shall use its reasonable best efforts to cause such Registration Statement to be declared effective as soon as practicable after the filing thereof, but in no event later than sixty (60) days following the filing deadline (the "Effectiveness Deadline"); provided, that the Effectiveness Deadline shall be extended to ninety (90) days after the filing deadline if the Registration Statement is reviewed by, and receives comments from, the Commission. The Registration Statement filed with the Commission pursuant to this subsection 2.1.1 shall be on Form S-3 or, if Form S-3 is not then available to the Company, on Form S-1 or such other form of registration statement as is then available to effect a registration for resale of such Registrable Securities, covering such Registrable Securities, and shall contain a Prospectus in such form as to permit any Holder to sell such Registrable Securities pursuant to Rule 415 under the Securities Act (or any successor or similar provision adopted by the Commission then in effect) at any time beginning on the effective date for such Registration Statement. A Registration Statement filed pursuant to this subsection 2.1.1 shall provide for the resale pursuant to any method or combination of methods legally available to, and requested by, the Holders. The Company shall use its reasonable best efforts to cause a Registration Statement filed pursuant to this subsection 2.1.1 to remain effective, and to be supplemented and amended to the extent necessary to ensure that such Registration Statement is available or, if not available, that another Registration Statement is available, for the resale of all the Registrable Securities held by the Holders until all such Registrable Securities have ceased to be Registrable Securities. As soon as practicable following the effective date of a Registration Statement filed pursuant to this subsection 2.1.1, but in any event within one (1) business day of such date, the Company shall notify the Holders of the effectiveness of such Registration Statement. When effective, a Registration Statement filed pursuant to this subsection 2.1.1 (including the documents incorporated therein by reference) will comply as to form in all material respects with all applicable requirements of the Securities Act and the Exchange Act and will not contain an untrue statement of a material fact or omit to state a material fact required to be stated therein or necessary to make the statements therein not misleading (in the case of any Prospectus contained in such Registration Statement, in the light of the circumstances under which such statement is made).

Form S-1 Shelf. If the Company files a shelf registration statement on Form S-3 (a "Form S-3 Shelf") and thereafter the Company becomes ineligible to use Form S-3 for secondary sales, the Company shall use its reasonable best efforts to file a shelf registration on Form S-1 (a "Form S-1 Shelf") as promptly as practicable to replace the shelf registration statement that is a Form S-3 Shelf and have the Form S-1 Shelf declared effective as promptly as practicable and to cause such Form S-1 Shelf to remain effective, and to be supplemented and amended to the extent necessary to ensure that such Registration Statement is available or, if not available, that another Registration Statement is available, for the resale of all the Registrable Securities held by the Holders until all such Registrable Securities have ceased to be Registrable Securities. In the case of a Form S-1 filed pursuant to Section 2.1.1 or a Form S-1 Shelf filed pursuant to this Section 2.1.2, upon such date as the Company becomes eligible to use Form S-3 for secondary sales or, in the case of a Form S-1 Shelf filed to register the resale of Removed Shares pursuant to Section 2.6 hereof, upon such date as the Company becomes eligible to register all of the Removed Shares for resale on a Form S-3 Shelf pursuant to the Commission Guidance and, if applicable, without a requirement that any of the CCMP Holders be named as an "underwriter" therein, the Company shall use its reasonable best efforts to file a Form S-3 Shelf as promptly as practicable to replace the applicable Form S-1 Shelf and have the Form S-3 Shelf declared effective as promptly as practicable and to cause such Form S-3 Shelf to remain effective, and to be supplemented and amended to the extent necessary to ensure that such Registration Statement is available or, if not available, that another Registration Statement is available, for the resale of all the Registrable Securities thereunder held by the applicable Holders until all such Registrable Securities have ceased to be Registrable Securities.

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Requests for Underwritten Shelf Takedowns. At any time and from time to time following the effectiveness of the shelf registration statement required by subsection 2.1.1 or 2.1.2 or any replacement thereof, by notice to the Company specifying the intended method or methods of disposition thereof any CCMP Holder or any Sponsor or Oak Hill Holder (as applicable, the "Shelf Requesting Holder") may make a written request to the Company to effect a public offering (a "Shelf Take Down Notice"), (provided that any request for an underwritten offering that is registered pursuant to such shelf registration statement (including a Block Trade) (a "Shelf Underwritten Offering") by any Sponsor or Oak Hill Holder is subject to and only to the extent provided by Section 2.4), of all or a portion of such Holder's Registrable Securities that may be registered under such shelf registration statement, and as soon as practicable the Company shall amend or supplement such shelf registration statement as necessary for such purpose. Each Shelf Takedown Notice for a Shelf Underwritten Offering shall specify the approximate number of Registrable Securities proposed to be sold in the Shelf Underwritten Offering and a reasonably estimated approximate price range (net of reasonably estimated underwriting discounts and commissions) of such Shelf Underwritten Offering. Promptly upon receipt of a Shelf Takedown Notice (but in no event more than two (2) business days thereafter (or more than twenty-four (24) hours thereafter in connection with a Block Trade)), the Company shall give written notice of such requested Shelf Underwritten Offering to all other Holders of Registrable Securities (the "Company Shelf Takedown Notice") and, subject to the provisions of subsection 2.2.4, shall include in such Shelf Underwritten Offering such Registrable Securities requested to be included by each such Holder, up to such number of Registrable Securities equal to such Holder's pro rata share determined based on the number of Registrable Securities that the Shelf Requesting Holder proposes to sell in such Shelf Underwritten Offering as compared to the number of outstanding Registrable Securities held by the Shelf Requesting Holder immediately prior to such Shelf Underwritten Offering, within five (5) days after sending the Company Shelf Takedown Notice, or, in the case of a Block Trade, within twenty-four (24) hours after sending the Company Shelf Takedown Notice and otherwise as provided in Section 2.1.4. The Company shall enter into an underwriting agreement in customary form with the managing Underwriter or Underwriters selected by the Shelf Requesting Holder, after reasonable consultation with the Company, and shall take all such other reasonable actions as are requested by the managing Underwriter or Underwriters in order to expedite or facilitate the disposition of such Registrable Securities. In connection with any Shelf Underwritten Offering contemplated by this subsection 2.1.3, subject to Section 3.3 and Article IV, the underwriting agreement into which each Holder and the Company shall enter shall contain such representations, covenants, indemnities and other rights and obligations as are customary in secondary underwritten offerings. Notwithstanding the delivery of any Shelf Take Down Notice, all determinations as to whether to complete any Shelf Underwritten Offering and as to the timing, manner, price and other terms of any Shelf Underwritten Offering contemplated by this Section 2.1.3, shall be determined by the Shelf Requesting Holder. At any time before the pricing of a Shelf Underwritten Offering, in accordance with Section 2.2.5, the Shelf Requesting Holder may withdraw its Shelf Take Down Notice and, upon receipt of written notice to such effect from the Shelf Requesting Holder, the Company shall cease all efforts to complete such Underwritten Offering.

2.1.4. Notwithstanding any other provision of this <u>Article II</u>, but subject to <u>Section 3.4</u> and not in limitation of any other provision in this <u>Article II</u> applicable to Shelf Underwritten Offerings, if any Holder desires to effect a Block Trade, then notwithstanding any other time periods in this <u>Article II</u>, such Holder shall provide written notice to the Company at least three (3) business days prior to the date such Block Trade will commence. As expeditiously as possible, the Company shall use its reasonable best efforts to facilitate such Block Trade. Such Holder shall use its reasonable best efforts to work with the Company and the Underwriters

(including by disclosing the maximum number of Registrable Securities proposed to be the subject of such Block Trade) in order to facilitate preparation of the Registration Statement, Prospectus and other offering documentation related to the Block Trade and any related due diligence and comfort procedures. In the event of a Block Trade, and after consultation with the Company and subject to subsection 2.2.4, the Holder initiating the Block Trade shall determine the maximum number of Registrable Securities that can be sold pursuant to such offering, the underwriter or underwriters and share price of such offering.

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#### 2.2. Demand Registration.

Request for Registration. Subject to the provisions of subsection 2.2.5 and Sections 2.4, 2.6 and 3.4 hereof, at any time and from time to time on or after the Closing Date, each of (a) the Sponsors, (b) the CCMP Holders (the "CCMP Demanding Holders"), and (c) the Oak Hill Holders (the "Oak Hill Demanding Holders", and together with the Sponsors and the CCMP Demanding Holders, the "Demanding Holders"), may make a written demand for Registration of all or part of their Registrable Securities on (i) Form S-1 or (ii) if available, Form S-3, which in the case of either clause (i) or (ii), may be a shelf registration statement filed pursuant to Rule 415 under the Securities Act, which written demand shall describe the amount and type of securities to be included in such Registration and the intended method(s) of distribution thereof (such written demand a "Demand Registration"). The Company shall, promptly following the Company's receipt of a Demand Registration (but in no event more than two (2) business days thereafter), notify, in writing all other Holders of Registrable Securities of such demand, and each Holder of Registrable Securities who thereafter wishes to include any of such Holder's Registrable Securities in a Registration pursuant to a Demand Registration (each such Holder that includes any portion of such Holder's Registrable Securities in such Registration, a "Requesting Holder") shall so notify the Company, in writing, within three (3) business days after the receipt by the Holder of the notice from the Company. Each Requesting Holder shall be permitted to include up to such number of Registrable Securities in a Registration pursuant to a Demand Registration equal to such Requesting Holder's pro rata share determined based on the number of Registrable Securities that the Demanding Holder proposes to sell in such Demand Registration as compared to the number of outstanding Registrable Securities held by the Demanding Holder immediately prior to such Demand Registration. For the avoidance of doubt, to the extent a Requesting Holder also separately possesses Demand Registration rights pursuant to this Section 2.2, but is not the Holder who exercises such Demand Registration rights, the exercise by such Requesting Holder of its rights pursuant to the foregoing sentence shall not count as the exercise by it of one of its Demand Registration rights. Upon receipt by the Company of any such written notification from a Requesting Holder(s) to the Company, subject to subsection 2.2.4 below, such Requesting Holder(s) shall be entitled to have their pro rata portion of Registrable Securities included in a Registration pursuant to a Demand Registration and the Company shall effect, as soon thereafter as practicable, but not more than forty five (45) days immediately after the Company's receipt of the Demand Registration, the Registration of all Registrable Securities requested by the Demanding Holders and up to the pro rata portion of Registrable Securities requested by the Requesting Holders pursuant to such Demand Registration. The Company shall not be obligated to effect more than (A) an aggregate of six (6) Registrations pursuant to a Demand Registration initiated by the CCMP Holders, and (B) one (1) Registration pursuant to a Demand Registration initiated by the Oak Hill Holders and the Sponsors, in each case under this subsection 2.2.1 with respect to any or all Registrable Securities; provided, however, that (i) a Registration shall not be counted for such purposes unless a Registration Statement that may be available at such time has become effective and all of the Registrable Securities entitled to be included by the Demanding Holders and the Requesting Holders in such Registration have been sold, in accordance with Section 3.1 of this Agreement, and (ii) a Shelf Underwritten Offering effected by a Block Trade shall not be a Demand Registration. Notwithstanding the foregoing, Jefferies may not exercise its Demand Registration rights after October 8, 2025, and may not exercise its demand rights on more than one occasion.

2.2.2. Effective Registration. Notwithstanding the provisions of subsection 2.2.1 above or any other part of this Agreement, a Registration pursuant to a Demand Registration shall not count as a Registration unless and until (a) the Registration Statement filed with the Commission with respect to a Registration pursuant to a Demand Registration has been declared effective by the Commission and (b) the Company has complied with all of its obligations under this Agreement with respect thereto; provided, further, that if, after such Registration Statement has been declared effective, an offering of Registrable Securities in a Registration pursuant to a Demand Registration is subsequently interfered with by any stop order or injunction of the Commission, federal or state court or any other governmental agency, the Registration Statement with respect to such Registration shall be deemed not to have been declared effective, unless and until, (i) such stop order or injunction is removed, rescinded or otherwise terminated, and (ii) the Demanding Holders initiating such Demand Registration thereafter affirmatively elect to continue with such Registration and accordingly notify the Company in writing, but in no event later than five (5) days after the removal, rescission or other termination of such stop order or injunction, of such election; provided, further, that the Company shall not be obligated or required to file another Registration Statement until the Registration Statement that has been previously filed with respect to a Registration pursuant to a Demand Registration by the same Demanding Holder becomes effective or is subsequently terminated.

- 2.2.3. <u>Underwritten Offering</u>. Subject to the provisions of <u>subsection 2.2.4</u> and <u>Sections 2.4</u>, <u>2.6</u> and <u>3.4</u> hereof, if the Demanding Holders so advise the Company as part of their Demand Registration that the offering of the Registrable Securities pursuant to such Demand Registration shall be in the form of an Underwritten Offering, then the right of such Demanding Holder or Requesting Holder (if any) to include its Registrable Securities in such Registration shall be conditioned upon such Holder's participation in such Underwritten Offering and the inclusion of such Holder's Registrable Securities in such Underwritten Offering to the extent provided herein. All such Holders proposing to distribute their Registrable Securities through an Underwritten Offering under this <u>subsection 2.2.3</u>, subject to <u>Section 3.3</u> and <u>Article IV</u>, shall enter into an underwriting agreement in customary form with the Company and the Underwriter(s) selected for such Underwritten Offering by the Demanding Holders initiating the Demand Registration(which Underwriter(s) shall be reasonably satisfactory to the Company) which underwriting agreement shall contain such representations, covenants, indemnities and other rights and obligations customary in secondary Underwritten Offerings.
- 2.2.4. Reduction of Underwritten Offering. If a Demand Registration is to be an Underwritten Offering (including any Shelf Underwritten Offering) and the managing Underwriter or Underwriters (or, in the case of a Block Trade, the Holder(s) requesting a Shelf Underwritten Offering or the Demanding Holder(s), as applicable), in good faith, advises the Company in writing that, in its opinion, the dollar amount or number of Registrable Securities that the Demanding Holders and the Requesting Holders (if any) desire to sell, taken together with all other Common Stock or other equity securities that the Company desires to sell for its own account (the "Primary Shares") and the Common Stock, if any, as to which a Registration has been requested pursuant to separate written contractual piggy-back registration rights held by any other stockholders of the Company who desire to sell (the "Other Shares"), exceeds the maximum dollar amount or maximum number of equity securities that can be sold in such Underwritten Offering without adversely affecting the proposed offering price, the timing, the distribution method, or the probability of success of such offering (such maximum dollar amount or maximum number of such securities, as applicable, the "Maximum Number of Securities"), then the Company shall include in such Underwritten Offering, as follows: (a) first, the Registrable Securities of the Demanding Holders, Shelf Requesting Holders and the Requesting Holders (if any), as applicable, pro rata based on the total amount of Registrable Securities held by each such Demanding Holder, Shelf Requesting Holder, or Requesting Holder (if any), as applicable, at such time of determination (such proportion is referred to herein as "Pro Rata")) that can be sold without exceeding the Maximum Number of Securities; (b) second, to the extent that the Maximum Number of Securities has not been reached under the foregoing clause (a), the Primary Shares which can be sold without exceeding the Maximum Number of Securities; (c) third, to the extent that the Maximum Number of Securities has not been reached under the foregoing clauses (a) and (b), the Registrable Securities of the Sponsors; and (d) fourth, to the extent the Maximum Number of Securities has not been reached under the foregoing clauses (a), (b) and (c), the Other Shares that can be sold without exceeding the Maximum Number of Securities.

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2.2.5. <u>Demand Registration Withdrawal</u>. A Demanding Holder, Shelf Requesting Holder, or Requesting Holder shall have the right to withdraw all or a portion of its Registrable Securities included in a Demand Registration pursuant to <u>subsection 2.1.1</u> or a Shelf Underwritten Offering pursuant to <u>subsection 2.1.3</u> (including a Block Trade pursuant to <u>subsection 2.1.4</u>) for any or no reason whatsoever upon written notification to the Company and the Underwriter or Underwriters (if any) of its intention to so irrevocably withdraw at any time prior to (a) in the case of a Demand Registration, the effectiveness of the applicable Registration Statement or (b) in the case of any Shelf Underwritten Offering (including a Block Trade), prior to the pricing of such Shelf Underwritten Offering; <u>provided</u>, <u>however</u>, that upon withdrawal by the Demanding Holders initiating a Demand Registration (or in the case of a Shelf Underwritten Offering, withdrawal of the Shelf Requesting Holder), the Company shall cease all efforts to secure effectiveness of the applicable Registration Statement or complete the Underwritten Offering, as applicable. Notwithstanding anything to the contrary in this Agreement, the Company shall be responsible for the Registration Expenses incurred in connection with a Registration pursuant to a Demand Registration or a Shelf Underwritten Offering prior to and including its withdrawal under this <u>subsection 2.2.5</u>.

## 2.3. Piggyback Registration.

2.3.1. <u>Piggyback Rights</u>. If the Company proposes to file a Registration Statement under the Securities Act with respect to an offering of equity securities, or securities or other obligations exercisable or exchangeable for, or convertible into equity

securities, for its own account or for the account of stockholders of the Company, other than a Registration Statement (a) filed in connection with any employee stock option or other benefit plan, (b) for an exchange offer or offering of securities solely to the Company's existing stockholders, (c) for an offering of debt that is convertible into equity securities of the Company, (d) for a dividend reinvestment plan, or (e) filed pursuant to subsection 2.1.1, then the Company shall give written notice of such proposed filing to all Holders then holding Registrable Securities as soon as practicable but not less than five (5) business days before the anticipated filing date of such Registration Statement, which notice shall (i) describe the amount and type of securities to be included in such offering, the intended method(s) of distribution (including whether such registration will be pursuant to a shelf registration statement), and the proposed price and name of the proposed managing Underwriter or Underwriters, if any, in such offering, (ii) such Holders' rights under this Section 2.3 and (iii) offer to all of the Holders of Registrable Securities the opportunity to register the sale of such number of Registrable Securities as such Holders may request in writing within three (3) business days after receipt of such written notice (or in the case of a Block Trade, within twenty-four (24) hours thereafter) (such Registration a "Piggyback Registration"). The Company shall, in good faith, cause such Registrable Securities identified in a Holder's response notice described in the foregoing sentence to be included in such Piggyback Registration and shall use its reasonable best efforts to cause the managing Underwriter or Underwriters of a proposed Underwritten Offering, if any, to permit the Registrable Securities requested by the Holders pursuant to this subsection 2.3.1 to be included in a Piggyback Registration on the same terms and conditions as any similar securities of the Company or Company stockholder(s) for whose account the Registration Statement is to be filed included in such Registration and to permit the sale or other disposition of such Registrable Securities in accordance with the intended method(s) of distribution thereof. All such Holders proposing to distribute their Registrable Securities through an Underwritten Offering under this subsection 2.3.1, subject to Section 3.3 and Article IV, shall enter into an underwriting agreement in customary form with the Underwriter(s) selected for such Underwritten Offering by the Company or Company stockholder(s) for whose account the Registration Statement is to be filed. For purposes of this Section 2.3, the filing by the Company of an automatic shelf registration statement for offerings pursuant to Rule 415(a) that omits information with respect to any specific offering pursuant to Rule 430B shall not trigger any notification or participation rights hereunder until such time as the Company amends or supplements such Registration Statement to include information with respect to a specific offering of Securities (and such amendment or supplement shall trigger the notice and participation rights provided for in this Section 2.3).

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2.3.2. <u>Reduction of Piggyback Registration</u>. If a Piggyback Registration is to be an Underwritten Offering and the managing Underwriter or Underwriters, in good faith, advises the Company and the Holders of Registrable Securities participating in the Piggyback Registration in writing that, in its opinion, the dollar amount or number of Primary Shares that the Company desires to sell, taken together with (a) the Common Stock, if any, as to which Registration has been demanded pursuant to separate written contractual arrangements with persons or entities other than the Holders of Registrable Securities hereunder, (b) the Registrable Securities as to which registration has been requested pursuant <u>Section 2.3</u> hereof, and (c) the Other Shares, exceeds the Maximum Number of Securities, then:

2.3.2.1.if the Registration is undertaken for the Company's account, the Company shall include in any such Registration (a) first, the Primary Shares, which can be sold without exceeding the Maximum Number of Securities; (b) second, to the extent that the Maximum Number of Securities has not been reached under the foregoing clause (a), the Registrable Securities of Holders exercising their rights to register their Registrable Securities pursuant to subsection 2.3.1 hereof, Pro Rata, which can be sold without exceeding the Maximum Number of Securities; and (c) third, to the extent that the Maximum Number of Securities has not been reached under the foregoing clauses (a) and (b), the Other Shares which can be sold without exceeding the Maximum Number of Securities; and

2.3.2.2.if the Registration is pursuant to a request by persons or entities other than the Holders of Registrable Securities, then the Company shall include in any such Registration (a) first, the Common Stock or other equity securities, if any, of such requesting persons or entities, other than the Holders of Registrable Securities, which can be sold without exceeding the Maximum Number of Securities; (b) second, to the extent that the Maximum Number of Securities has not been reached under the foregoing clause (a), the Registrable Securities of Holders exercising their rights to register their Registrable Securities pursuant to subsection 2.3.1 hereof, Pro Rata, which can be sold without exceeding the Maximum Number of Securities; (c) third, to the extent that the Maximum Number of Securities has not been reached under the foregoing clauses (a) and (b), the Primary Shares which can be sold without exceeding the Maximum Number of Securities has not been reached under the foregoing clauses (a), (b) and (c), the Other Shares which can be sold without exceeding the Maximum Number of Securities.

- 2.3.3. Piggyback Registration Withdrawal. Any Holder of Registrable Securities shall have the right to withdraw all or any portion of its Registrable Securities in a Piggyback Registration for any or no reason whatsoever upon written notification to the Company and the Underwriter or Underwriters (if any) of his, her or its intention to withdraw such Registrable Securities from such Piggyback Registration prior to in the case of a Piggyback Registration not involving an Underwritten Offering or Shelf Underwritten Offering, the effectiveness of the applicable Registration Statement. The Company (whether on its own good faith determination or as the result of a request for withdrawal by persons pursuant to separate written contractual obligations) may withdraw a Registration Statement filed with the Commission in connection with a Piggyback Registration at any time prior to the effectiveness of such Registration Statement. Notwithstanding anything to the contrary in this Agreement, the Company shall be responsible for the Registration Expenses incurred in connection with the Piggyback Registration prior to and including its withdrawal under this subsection 2.3.3.
- 2.3.4. <u>Unlimited Piggyback Registration Rights</u>. For purposes of clarity, any Registration effected pursuant to <u>Section 2.3</u> hereof shall not be counted as a Registration pursuant to a Demand Registration effected under <u>Section 2.2</u> hereof and shall not relieve the Company of its obligations under <u>Section 2.1</u> or <u>Section 2.2</u>.
- Restrictions on Registration Rights. If (a) during the period starting with the date sixty (60) days prior to the Company's good faith estimate of the date of the filing of, and ending on a date one hundred and twenty (120) days after the effective date of, a Company initiated Registration and provided that the Company has delivered written notice to the Holders prior to receipt of a Demand Registration pursuant to <u>subsection 2.2.1</u> and it continues to actively employ, in good faith, all reasonable efforts to cause the applicable Registration Statement to become effective; (b) the Holders have requested an Underwritten Registration and the Company and the Holders are unable to obtain the commitment of underwriters to firmly underwrite the offer; or (c) in the good faith judgment of the Board such Registration would be seriously detrimental to the Company and the Board concludes as a result that it is essential to defer the filing of such Registration Statement at such time, then in each case the Company shall furnish to such Holders a certificate signed by the Chairman of the Board stating that in the good faith judgment of the Board it would be seriously detrimental to the Company for such Registration Statement to be filed in the near future and that it is therefore essential to defer the filing of such Registration Statement. In such event, the Company shall have the right to defer such filing for a period of not more than thirty (30) days; provided, however, that the Company shall not defer its obligation in this manner more than once in any twelve (12)-month period (the "Aggregate Blocking **Period**'). Notwithstanding anything to the contrary herein, the Oak Hill Holders and each Sponsor shall be able to either (and not both) (i) make one (1) demand request under, and subject to the terms and procedures set forth in Section 2.2, or (ii) initiate one (1) Shelf Underwritten Offering under, and subject to the terms and conditions set forth in Section 2.1 (in each case in accordance with the terms of Section 3.3).

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Rule 415; Removal. If at any time the Commission takes the position that the offering of some or all of the Registrable 2.5. Securities in a Registration Statement on Form S-3 filed pursuant to this Section 2 is not eligible to be made on a delayed or continuous basis under the provisions of Rule 415 under the Securities Act (provided, however, the Company shall be obligated to use diligent efforts to advocate with the Commission for the registration of all of the Registrable Securities in accordance with the Commission Guidance, including without limitation, Compliance and Disclosure Interpretation 612.09) or requires a CCMP Holder to be named as an "underwriter," the Company shall (i) promptly notify each holder of Registrable Securities thereof (or in the case of the Commission requiring a CCMP Holder to be named as an "underwriter," the CCMP Holders) and (ii) use reasonable best efforts to persuade the SEC that the offering contemplated by such Registration Statement is a valid secondary offering and not an offering "by or on behalf of the issuer" as defined in Rule 415 and that none of the CCMP Holders is an "underwriter." The Holders shall have the right to select one (1) legal counsel designated by the holders of a majority of the Registrable Securities subject to such Registration Statement to review and oversee any registration or matters pursuant to this Section 2.5, including participation in any meetings or discussions with the Commission regarding the Commission's position and to comment on any written submission made to the Commission with respect thereto. No such written submission with respect to this matter shall be made to the Commission to which the applicable Holders' counsel reasonably objects. In the event that, despite the Company's reasonable best efforts and compliance with the terms of this Section 2.5, the Commission refuses to alter its position, the Company shall (i) remove from such Registration Statement such portion of the Registrable Securities (the "Removed Shares") and/or (ii) agree to such restrictions and limitations on the registration and resale of the Registrable Securities as the Commission may require to assure the Company's compliance with the requirements of Rule 415; provided, however, that the Company shall not agree to name any CCMP Holder as an "underwriter" in such Registration Statement without the prior written consent of such CCMP Holder. In the event of a share removal pursuant to this Section 2.5, the Company shall give the applicable Holders at least three (3) business days prior written notice along with the calculations as to such Holder's allotment. Any removal of shares of the Holders pursuant to this Section 2.5 shall first be applied to Holders other than the CCMP Holders with securities registered for

resale under the applicable Registration Statement and thereafter allocated between the CCMP Holders on a pro rata basis based on the aggregate amount of Registrable Securities held by the CCMP Holders. In the event of a share removal of the Holders pursuant to this Section 2.5, the Company shall promptly register the resale of any Removed Shares pursuant to subsection 2.1.2 hereof and in no event shall the filing of such Registration Statement on Form S-1 or subsequent Registration Statement on Form S-3 filed pursuant to the terms of subsection 2.1.2 be counted as a Demand Registration hereunder. Until such time as the Company has registered all of the Removed Shares for resale pursuant to Rule 415 on an effective Registration Statement, the Company shall not be able to defer the filing of a Registration Statement pursuant to Section 2.4 hereof.

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## 2.6. Lock-Up Agreements.

- 2.6.1. Each Sponsor agrees that it shall not Transfer any Founder Shares (or any shares of Common Stock issuable upon conversion thereof) until the expiration of the Founder Shares Lock-Up Period and will not transfer any Private Placement Warrants (or any shares of Common Stock issued or issuable upon the exercise of the Private Placement Warrants), until the expiration of the Private Placement Warrants Lock-Up Period. The foregoing restrictions shall not apply to Permitted Transfers or Transfers made by a Permitted Transferee.
- 2.6.2. Each Hillman Holder agrees that it, he or she shall not Transfer any shares of Closing Hillman Stock for six (6) months following the Closing Date (the "Hillman Lock-Up Period"); provided, (x) that 33% of the Closing Hillman Stock shall be transferable as part of an Underwritten Offering following 90 days after the Closing Date if the last closing price of the Common Stock equals or exceeds \$12.00 per share (as adjusted for stock splits, stock dividends, reorganizations, recapitalizations and the like) for any 20 trading days within any 30-trading day period after the Closing, and (y) each executive officer and director of the Company shall be permitted to establish a plan to acquire and sell shares of Common Stock pursuant to Rule 10b5-1 under the Exchange Act, provided that such plan does not provide for the Transfer of shares of Closing Hillman Stock during the Hillman Lock-up Period. The foregoing restrictions shall not apply to Permitted Transfers or Transfers made by a Permitted Transferee.
- Each Holder agrees, and the Company agrees and shall cause each director and officer of the Company to agree, that, in connection with each Registration or sale of Registrable Securities pursuant to Section 2.1, Section 2.2 or Section 2.3 conducted as an Underwritten Offering, if requested, to become bound by and to execute and deliver a customary lock-up agreement with the Underwriter(s) of such Underwritten Offering restricting such applicable person or entity's right to (a) Transfer, directly or indirectly, any equity securities of the Company held by such person or entity or (b) enter into any swap or other arrangement that transfers to another any of the economic consequences of ownership of such securities during the period commencing on the date of the final Prospectus relating to the Underwritten Offering and ending on the date specified by the Underwriters (such period not to exceed ninety (90) days). The terms of such lock-up agreements shall be negotiated among the applicable Holder requested to enter into lock-up agreements in accordance with the immediately preceding sentence, the Company and the Underwriters and shall include customary exclusions from the restrictions on Transfer set forth therein, including that such restrictions on the applicable Holder shall be conditioned upon all officers and directors of the Company, as well as all Holders, being subject to the same restrictions; provided, that, to the extent any Holder is granted a release or waiver from the restrictions contained in this Section 2.6.3 and in such Holder's lock-up agreement prior to the expiration of the period set forth in such Holder's lock-up agreement, then all Holders shall be automatically granted a release or waiver from the restrictions contained in this Section 2.6.3 and the applicable lock-up agreements to which they are party to the same extent, on substantially the same terms as and on a pro rata basis with, the Holder to which such release or waiver is granted. The provisions of this Section 2.6.3 shall not apply to any Holder that holds less than one percent (1%) of then total issued and outstanding Common Stock.

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## ARTICLE III COMPANY PROCEDURES

3.1. <u>General Procedures</u>. If the Company is required to effect the Registration of Registrable Securities, or facilitate an offering to sell Registrable Securities, pursuant to its obligations under <u>Article 2</u>, the Company shall use its reasonable best efforts to

effect such Registration to permit the sale of such Registrable Securities in accordance with the intended plan of distribution thereof as expeditiously as possible, and, not in limitation of any of the Company's obligations under <u>Article 2</u>, in connection therewith the Company shall:

- 3.1.1. prepare and file with the Commission as soon as practicable a Registration Statement with respect to such Registrable Securities and use its reasonable best efforts to cause such Registration Statement to become effective and remain effective until all Registrable Securities covered by such Registration Statement have been sold;
- 3.1.2. prepare and file with the Commission such amendments and post-effective amendments to the Registration Statement, and such supplements to the Prospectus, as may be requested by any Holder with Registrable Securities covered by such Prospectus or any Underwriter of Registrable Securities or as may be required by the rules, regulations or instructions applicable to the registration form used by the Company or by the Securities Act or rules and regulations thereunder to keep the Registration Statement effective until all Registrable Securities covered by such Registration Statement are sold in accordance with the intended plan of distribution set forth in such Registration Statement or supplement to the Prospectus;
- 3.1.3. prior to filing a Registration Statement or Prospectus, or any amendment or supplement thereto, (a) furnish without charge to the Underwriters, if any, and the Holders of Registrable Securities included in such Registration, and such Holders' legal counsel, copies of such Registration Statement as proposed to be filed, each amendment and supplement to such Registration Statement (in each case including all exhibits thereto and documents incorporated by reference therein), the Prospectus included in such Registration Statement (including each preliminary Prospectus), and such other documents as the Underwriters and the Holders of Registrable Securities included in such Registration or the legal counsel for any such Holders may request in order to facilitate the disposition of the Registrable Securities owned by such Holders, and (b) make such changes in such documents concerning the Holders prior to the filing thereof as such Holders, or their counsel, may reasonably request;
- 3.1.4. prior to any public offering of Registrable Securities, but in any case no later than the effective date of the applicable Registration Statement, use its reasonable best efforts to (a) register or qualify the Registrable Securities covered by the Registration Statement under such securities or "blue sky" laws of such jurisdictions in the United States as the Holders of Registrable Securities included in such Registration Statement (in light of their intended plan of distribution) may request and to keep such registration or qualification in effect for so long as such Registration Statement remains in effect and (b) take such action necessary to cause such Registrable Securities covered by the Registration Statement to be registered with or approved by such other governmental authorities as may be necessary by virtue of the business and operations of the Company or otherwise and do any and all other acts and things that may be necessary or advisable, in each case, to enable the Holders of Registrable Securities included in such Registration Statement to consummate the disposition of such Registrable Securities in such jurisdictions; provided, however, that the Company shall not be required to qualify generally to do business in any jurisdiction where it would not otherwise be required to qualify or take any action to which it would be subject to general service of process or taxation in any such jurisdiction where it is not then otherwise so subject;

- 3.1.5. cause all such Registrable Securities to be listed on each securities exchange or automated quotation system on which similar securities issued by the Company are then listed no later than the effective date of such Registration Statement;
- 3.1.6. provide a transfer agent or warrant agent, as applicable, and registrar for all such Registrable Securities no later than the effective date of such Registration Statement;
- 3.1.7. promptly furnish to each seller of Registrable Securities covered by such Registration Statement such number of conformed copies of such Registration Statement and of each such amendment and supplement thereto (in each case including all exhibits), such number of copies of the Prospectus contained in such Registration Statement (including each preliminary Prospectus and any summary Prospectus) and any other Prospectus filed under Rule 424 under the Securities Act, in conformity with the requirements of the Securities Act, and such other documents as such seller may reasonably request;
- 3.1.8. advise each seller of such Registrable Securities, promptly after it shall receive notice or obtain knowledge thereof, of any written comments by the Commission or any request by the Commission that the Company amend or supplement such Registration Statement or Prospectus or the issuance of any stop order by the Commission suspending the effectiveness of such Registration Statement or Prospectus the initiation or threatening of any proceeding for such purpose and promptly use its reasonable

best efforts to amend or supplement such Registration Statement or Prospectus or prevent the issuance of any stop order or to obtain its withdrawal if such stop order should be issued, as applicable;

- 3.1.9. advise each Holder of Registrable Securities covered by such Registration Statement, promptly after the Company receives notice thereof, of the time when such registration statement has been declared effective or a supplement to any Prospectus forming a part of such registration statement has been filed;
- 3.1.10. at least five (5) days prior to the filing of any Registration Statement or Prospectus or any amendment or supplement to such Registration Statement or Prospectus or any document that is to be incorporated by reference into such Registration Statement or Prospectus, furnish a copy thereof to each seller of such Registrable Securities and its counsel (including, without limitation, providing copies promptly upon receipt of any comment letters received with respect to any such Registration Statement or Prospectus), and not to file any such Registration Statement or Prospectus, or amendment or supplement thereto, to which any such Holder or Registrable Securities shall have reasonably objected;

- 3.1.11. notify the Holders at any time when a Prospectus relating to such Registration Statement is required to be delivered under the Securities Act, of the happening of any event or the existence of any condition as a result of which the Prospectus included in such Registration Statement, as then in effect, includes a Misstatement, or in the opinion of counsel for the Company it is necessary to supplement or amend such Prospectus to comply with law, and then to correct such Misstatement or include such information as is necessary to comply with law, in each case as set forth in Section 3.4 hereof, at the request of any such Holder promptly prepare and furnish to such Holder a reasonable number of copies of a supplement to or an amendment of such Prospectus as may be necessary so that, as thereafter delivered to the purchasers of such securities, such Prospectus shall not include a Misstatement or such Prospectus, as supplemented or amended, shall comply with law;
- 3.1.12. permit a representative of the Holders (such representative to be selected by a majority of the participating Holders), the Underwriters, if any, and any attorney or accountant retained by such Holders or Underwriter to participate in the preparation of any Registration Statement, each such Prospectus included therein or filed with the Commission, and each amendment or supplement thereto, and will give each of them such access to its books and records and such opportunities to discuss the business, finances and accounts of the Company and its subsidiaries with its officers, directors and the independent public accountants who have certified its financial statements as shall be necessary, in the opinion of such Holders' and such Underwriters' respective counsel, to conduct a reasonable investigation within the meaning of the Securities Act, and will cause the Company's officers, directors and employees to supply all information reasonably requested by any such representative, Underwriter, attorney or accountant in connection with the Registration; provided, however, that if requested by the Company, such representatives or Underwriters enter into a confidentiality agreement, in form and substance reasonably satisfactory to the Company, prior to the release or disclosure of any such information; and provided, further, the Company may not include the name of any Holder or Underwriter or any information regarding any Holder or Underwriter in any Registration Statement or Prospectus, any amendment or supplement to such Registration Statement or Prospectus, any document that is to be incorporated by reference into such Registration Statement or Prospectus, or any response to any comment letter, without the prior written consent of such Holder or Underwriter and providing each such Holder or Underwriter a reasonable amount of time to review and comment on such applicable document, which comments the Company shall include unless contrary to applicable law;
- 3.1.13. obtain a "cold comfort" letter (including a bring-down letter dated as of the date the Registrable Securities are delivered for sale pursuant to such Registration) from the Company's independent registered public accountants in the event of an Underwritten Offering which the participating Holders may rely on (if requested by a participating Holder), in customary form and covering such matters of the type customarily covered by "cold comfort" letters as the managing Underwriter may reasonably request, and reasonably satisfactory to the participating Holders and any Underwriter;
- 3.1.14. on the date the Registrable Securities are delivered for sale pursuant to such Registration, obtain an opinion and negative assurance letter, dated such date, of counsel representing the Company for the purposes of such Registration, addressed to the Holders, the placement agent or sales agent, if any, and the Underwriters, if any, covering such legal matters with respect to the Registration in respect of which such opinion is being given as the Holders, placement agent, sales agent, or Underwriter may reasonably request and as are customarily included in such opinions and negative assurance letters, and reasonably satisfactory to the participating Holders and any Underwriter;

- 3.1.15. in the event of any Underwritten Offering, enter into and perform its obligations under an underwriting agreement and a "lock up" agreement, in usual and customary form, with the managing Underwriter of such offering;
- 3.1.16. otherwise use its reasonable best efforts to comply with all applicable rules and regulations of the Commission, and to make available to its security holders, as soon as reasonably practicable, an earnings statement covering the period of at least twelve (12) months beginning with the first day of the Company's first full calendar quarter after the effective date of the Registration Statement which satisfies the provisions of Section 11(a) of the Securities Act and the rules and regulations thereunder, including Rule 158 thereunder (or any successor rule promulgated thereafter by the Commission);
- 3.1.17. make available senior executives of the Company to participate in customary "road show" presentations or meetings with potential investors that may be reasonably requested by the Underwriter in any Underwritten Offering; and
- 3.1.18. otherwise, in good faith, cooperate reasonably with, and take such customary actions as may reasonably be requested by the Holders, including causing the officers and directors of the Company to enter into customary "lock-up agreements," in connection with such Registration.
- 3.2. <u>Registration Expenses</u>. The Registration Expenses of all Registrations shall be borne by the Company. It is acknowledged by the Holders that the Holders shall bear all incremental selling expenses relating to the sale of Registrable Securities, such as Underwriters' commissions and discounts, brokerage fees and, other than as set forth in the definition of "Registration Expenses," all reasonable fees and expenses of any legal counsel representing the Holders.

## 3.3. Participation in Underwritten Offerings.

- 3.3.1. No person may participate in any Underwritten Offering for equity securities of the Company pursuant to a Registration initiated by the Company hereunder unless such person (a) agrees to sell such person's securities on the basis provided in any underwriting arrangements approved by the Company and (b) completes and executes all customary questionnaires, indemnities, lock-up agreements, underwriting agreements and other customary documents as may be reasonably required under the terms of such underwriting arrangements.
- 3.3.2. Holders participating in an Underwritten Offering may, at their option, require that any or all of the representations and warranties by, and the other agreements on the part of, the Company to and for the benefit of the Underwriters shall also be made to and for the benefit of such Holders and that any or all of the conditions precedent to the obligations of such Underwriters shall also be made to and for the benefit of such Holders; <u>provided</u>, <u>however</u>, that the Company shall not be required to make any representations or warranties with respect to written information specifically provided by a Holder in writing for inclusion in the Registration Statement.

- 3.3.3. The Company will use its commercially reasonable efforts to ensure that no Underwriter shall require any Holder to make any representations or warranties to or agreements with the Company or the Underwriters other than representations, warranties or agreements regarding such Holder and such Holder's intended method of distribution and any other representation required by law, and if, despite the Company's commercially reasonable efforts, an Underwriter requires any Holder to make additional representation or warranties to or agreements with such Underwriter, such Holder may elect not to participate in such Underwritten Offering (but shall not have any claims against the Company as a result of such election). Any liability of such Holder to any Underwriter or other person under such underwriting agreement shall be limited to an amount equal to the proceeds (net of expenses and underwriting discounts and commissions) that it derives from such registration.
- 3.4. <u>Suspension of Sales; Adverse Disclosure</u>. Upon receipt of written notice from the Company that a Registration Statement or Prospectus contains a Misstatement, or in the opinion of counsel for the Company it is necessary to supplement or amend such Prospectus to comply with law, each of the Holders shall forthwith discontinue disposition of Registrable Securities until it has received copies of a supplemented or amended Prospectus correcting the Misstatement or including the information counsel for the

Company believes to be necessary to comply with law (it being understood that the Company hereby covenants to prepare and file such supplement or amendment as soon as practicable after the time of such notice such that the Registration Statement or Prospectus, as so amended or supplemented, as applicable, will not include a Misstatement and complies with law), or until it is advised in writing by the Company that the use of the Prospectus may be resumed. If the filing, initial effectiveness or continued use of a Registration Statement in respect of any Registration at any time would require the Company to make an Adverse Disclosure or would require the inclusion in such Registration Statement of financial statements that are unavailable to the Company for reasons beyond the Company's control, the Company may, upon giving prompt written notice of such action to the Holders, delay the filing or initial effectiveness of, or suspend use of, such Registration Statement for the shortest period of time, but in no event more than thirty (30) days, determined in good faith by the Board to be necessary for such purpose; provided, that each day of any such suspension pursuant to this Section 3.4 shall correspondingly decrease the Aggregate Blocking Period available to the Company during any twelve (12)-month period pursuant to Section 2.4 hereof. In the event the Company exercises its rights under the preceding sentence, the Holders agree to suspend, immediately upon their receipt of the notice referred to above, their use of the Prospectus relating to any Registration in connection with any sale or offer to sell Registrable Securities. The Company shall immediately notify the Holders of the expiration of any period during which it exercised its rights under this Section 3.4.

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- 3.5. <u>Covenants of the Company</u>. As long as any Holder shall own Registrable Securities, the Company hereby covenants and agrees:
- 3.5.1. the Company will not file any Registration Statement or Prospectus included therein or any other filing or document (other than this Agreement) with the Commission which refers to any Holder of Registrable Securities by name or otherwise without the prior written approval of such Holder;
- 3.5.2. the Company will not effect or permit to occur any combination or subdivision of securities which would adversely affect the ability of the Holders to effect registration of Registrable Securities in the manner contemplated by this Agreement;
- 3.5.3. at all times while it shall be a reporting company under the Exchange Act, to file timely (or obtain extensions in respect thereof and file within the applicable grace period) all reports required to be filed by the Company after the date hereof pursuant to Sections 13(a) or 15(d) of the Exchange Act and to promptly furnish the Holders with true and complete copies of all such filings. The Company further covenants that it shall take such further action as any Holder may reasonably request, all to the extent required from time to time to enable such Holder to sell shares of Common Stock held by such Holder without registration under the Securities Act within the limitation of the exemptions provided by Rule 144 promulgated under the Securities Act (or any successor rule promulgated thereafter by the Commission), including providing any legal opinions. Upon the request of any Holder, the Company shall deliver to such Holder a written certification of a duly authorized officer as to whether it has complied with such requirements; and
- 3.5.4. promptly following the effectiveness of the shelf registration statement required by <u>subsection 2.1.1</u> (and in any event within three (3) business days from such effectiveness), the Company shall cause the transfer agent to remove any restrictive legends (including any electronic transfer restrictions) from any Common Stock or Private Placement Warrants held by such Holder and provide or cause any customary opinions of counsel to be delivered to the transfer agent in connection with such removal.

# ARTICLE IV INDEMNIFICATION AND CONTRIBUTION

## 4.1. Indemnification.

4.1.1. In connection with any registration of and/or any offering and sale of Registrable Securities pursuant to this Agreement, the Company agrees to indemnify, to the full extent permitted by law, each Holder of Registrable Securities, its officers, directors, partners, stockholders or members, employees, agents, investment advisors and each person who controls such Holder (within the meaning of the Securities Act and Exchange Act) from and against all losses, claims, damages, liabilities and expenses (including attorneys' fees), joint or several (or actions or proceedings, whether commenced or threatened, in respect thereof) (collectively, "Claims"), to which any such Holder or other persons may become subject, insofar as such Claims arise out of or are based on any untrue or alleged untrue statement of any material fact contained in any Registration Statement, Prospectus or preliminary Prospectus or any amendment thereof or supplement thereto or any omission or alleged omission of a material fact required to be stated therein or necessary to make the statements therein not misleading, and the Company will reimburse such Holder or other person for any legal or any other

expenses reasonably incurred by them in connection with investigating or defending any such Claim; except insofar as the Claim or expense arises out of or is based upon an untrue statement or alleged untrue statement or omission or alleged omission made in such filing in reliance upon and in conformity with information furnished in writing to the Company by such Holder expressly for use therein. The Company shall indemnify the Underwriters, their officers and directors and each person who controls such Underwriters (within the meaning of the Securities Act and Exchange Act) to the same extent as provided in the foregoing with respect to the indemnification of the Holder.

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In connection with any Registration Statement in which a Holder of Registrable Securities is participating, 4.1.2. the Company may require that, as a condition to including any Registrable Securities in any Registration Statement, the Company shall have received an undertaking reasonably satisfactory to it from such Holder, to indemnify the Company, its directors and officers and agents and each person who controls the Company (within the meaning of the Securities Act and Exchange Act) from and against any Claims, to which any the Company or such other persons may become subject, insofar as such Claims arise out of or are based on any untrue statement of any material fact contained in the Registration Statement, Prospectus or preliminary Prospectus or any amendment thereof or supplement thereto or any omission of a material fact required to be stated therein or necessary to make the statements therein not misleading, but only to the extent that such untrue statement or omission is contained in any information furnished in writing by such Holder expressly for use therein; provided, however, that the obligation to indemnify shall be several, not joint and several, among such Holders of Registrable Securities, and the liability of each such Holder of Registrable Securities shall be in proportion to and limited to the net proceeds received by such Holder from the sale of Registrable Securities pursuant to such Registration Statement. The Holders of Registrable Securities shall indemnify the Underwriters, their officers, directors and each person who controls such Underwriters (within the meaning of the Securities Act and Exchange Act) to the same extent as provided in the foregoing with respect to indemnification of the Company and the Company shall use its commercially reasonable efforts to ensure that no Underwriter shall require any Holder of Registrable Securities to provide any indemnification other than that provided hereinabove in this subsection 4.1.2, and, if, despite the Company's commercially reasonable efforts, an Underwriter requires any Holder of Registrable Securities to provide additional indemnification, such Holder may elect not to participate in such Underwritten Offering (but shall not have any claim against the Company as a result of such election).

4.1.3. Any person entitled to indemnification herein shall (a) give prompt written notice to the indemnifying party of any Claim with respect to which it seeks indemnification (provided that the failure to give prompt notice shall not impair any person's right to indemnification hereunder to the extent such failure has not materially prejudiced the indemnifying party) and (b) unless in such indemnified party's reasonable judgment a conflict of interest between such indemnified and indemnifying parties may exist with respect to such Claim, permit such indemnifying party to assume the defense of such Claim with counsel reasonably satisfactory to the indemnified party. An indemnifying party who is not entitled to, or elects not to, assume the defense of a claim shall not be obligated to pay the fees and expenses of more than one (1) counsel (plus local counsel) for all parties indemnified by such indemnifying party with respect to such claim, unless in the reasonable judgment of any indemnified party a conflict of interest may exist between such indemnified party and any other of such indemnified parties with respect to such claim. No indemnifying party shall, without the consent of the indemnified party, consent to the entry of any judgment or enter into any settlement which cannot be settled in all respects by the payment of money (and such money is so paid by the indemnifying party pursuant to the terms of such settlement) and which settlement includes a statement or admission of fault or culpability on the part of such indemnified party or does not include as an unconditional term thereof the giving by the claimant or plaintiff to such indemnified party of a release from all liability in respect to such claim or litigation.

- 4.1.4. The indemnification provided for under this Agreement shall remain in full force and effect regardless of any investigation made by or on behalf of the indemnified party or any officer, director, partners, stockholders or members, employees, agents, investment advisors or controlling person of such indemnified party and shall survive the transfer of Registrable Securities.
- 4.1.5. If the indemnification provided under <u>Section 4.1</u> hereof from the indemnifying party is unavailable or insufficient to hold harmless an indemnified party in respect of any Claims, then the indemnifying party, in lieu of indemnifying the indemnified party, shall contribute to the amount paid or payable by the indemnified party as a result of such Claims (a) in such proportion

as is appropriate to reflect the relative benefits received by the indemnifying party or parties on the one hand and the indemnified party or parties on the other hand from the offering of the Registrable Securities or (b) if the allocation provided by clause (a) above is not permitted by applicable law, in such proportion as is appropriate to reflect not only the relative benefits referred to in clause (a) above but also to reflect the relative fault of the indemnifying party or parties on the other hand in connection with the statements or omissions that resulted in such Claims, as well as any other relevant equitable considerations. The relative fault of the indemnifying party and indemnified party shall be determined by reference to, among other things, whether any action in question, including any untrue or alleged untrue statement of a material fact or omission or alleged omission to state a material fact, was made by, or relates to information supplied by, such indemnifying party or indemnified party, and the indemnifying party's and indemnified party's relative intent, knowledge, access to information and opportunity to correct or prevent such action; provided, however, that the liability of any Holder or any director, officer, employee, agent, investment advisor or controlling person thereof under this subsection 4.1.5 shall be limited to the amount of the net proceeds received by such Holder in such offering giving rise to such liability. The amount paid or payable by a party as a result of the losses or other liabilities referred to above shall be deemed to include, subject to the limitations set forth in subsections 4.1.1, 4.1.2 and 4.1.3 above, any legal or other fees, charges or expenses reasonably incurred by such party in connection with any investigation or proceeding. The parties hereto agree that it would not be just and equitable if contribution pursuant to this subsection 4.1.5 were determined by pro rata allocation or by any other method of allocation, which does not take account of the equitable considerations referred to in this subsection 4.1.5. No person guilty of fraudulent misrepresentation (within the meaning of Section 11(f) of the Securities Act) shall be entitled to contribution pursuant to this subsection 4.1.5 from any person who was not guilty of such fraudulent misrepresentation.

4.1.6. The indemnification required by this <u>Section 4.1</u> shall be made by periodic payments of the amount thereof during the course of the investigation or defense, as and when bills are received or expense, loss, damage or liability is incurred.

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## ARTICLE V MISCELLANEOUS

5.1. Notices. Any notice or communication under this Agreement must be in writing and given by (a) delivery in person or by courier service providing evidence of delivery, or (b) transmission by hand delivery, electronic mail or facsimile. Each notice or communication that is delivered or transmitted in the manner described above shall be deemed sufficiently given, served, sent, and received, in the case of notices delivered by courier service, hand delivery, electronic mail or facsimile, at such time as it is delivered to the addressee (with the delivery receipt or the affidavit of messenger) or at such time as delivery is refused by the addressee upon presentation. Any notice or communication under this Agreement must be addressed, if to the Company, to: Hillman Solutions Corp., 10590 Hamilton Avenue, Cincinnati, OH 45231, Attention: Chief Executive Officer and General Counsel, and, if to any Holder, at such Holder's address or contact information (including e-mail address) as set forth in the Company's books and records. Any party may change its address for notice at any time and from time to time by written notice to the other parties hereto, and such change of address shall become effective thirty (30) days after delivery of such notice as provided in this Section 5.1.

# 5.2. <u>Assignment; No Third Party Beneficiaries</u>.

- 5.2.1. This Agreement and the rights, duties and obligations of the Company hereunder may not be assigned or delegated by the Company in whole or in part.
- 5.2.2. The rights of a Holder hereunder may be assigned (but only with all related obligations as set forth below) in connection with a Transfer of Registrable Securities to a Permitted Transferee of that Holder. No assignment by any Holder of such Holder's rights, duties and obligations hereunder shall be binding upon or obligate the Company unless and until the Company shall have received (a) written notice of such assignment as provided in Section 5.1 hereof and (b) the written agreement of the Permitted Transferee to which the assignment is being made, in a form reasonably satisfactory to the Company, to be bound by the terms and provisions of this Agreement (which may be accomplished by an addendum or certificate of joinder to this Agreement). Any transfer or assignment made other than as provided in this Section 5.2 shall be null and void.
- 5.2.3. This Agreement and the provisions hereof shall be binding upon and shall inure to the benefit of each of the parties and its successors and the permitted assigns of the applicable Holders.

5.2.4.	This Agreement shall not confer any rights or benefits on any persons that are not parties hereto, other than as
expressly set forth in this	Agreement and Section 5.2 hereof.

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- 5.3. <u>Counterparts</u>. This Agreement may be executed in multiple counterparts (including facsimile or PDF counterparts), each of which shall be deemed an original, and all of which together shall constitute the same instrument, but only one of which need be produced.
- 5.4. <u>Governing Law; Venue</u>. NOTWITHSTANDING THE PLACE WHERE THIS AGREEMENT MAY BE EXECUTED BY ANY OF THE PARTIES HERETO, THE PARTIES EXPRESSLY AGREE THAT (I) THIS AGREEMENT SHALL BE GOVERNED BY AND CONSTRUED UNDER THE LAWS OF THE STATE OF NEW YORK AS APPLIED TO AGREEMENTS AMONG NEW YORK RESIDENTS ENTERED INTO AND TO BE PERFORMED ENTIRELY WITHIN NEW YORK, AND (II) THE VENUE FOR ANY ACTION TAKEN WITH RESPECT TO THIS AGREEMENT SHALL BE ANY STATE OR FEDERAL COURT IN NEW YORK COUNTY IN THE STATE OF NEW YORK.
- 5.5. Amendments and Modifications. Upon the written consent of the Company and the Holders of at least a majority in interest of the Registrable Securities at the time in question, compliance with any of the provisions, covenants and conditions set forth in this Agreement may be waived, or any of such provisions, covenants or conditions may be amended or modified; provided, however, that notwithstanding the foregoing, (a) any amendment hereto or waiver hereof that adversely affects one Holder, solely in its capacity as a holder of the shares of capital stock of the Company, in a manner that is adverse and different from the other Holders (in such capacity) shall require the consent of the Holder so affected, and (b) the consent of any Sponsor, CCMP Holder and Oak Hill Holder, as applicable, shall be required for any amendment, modification or waiver which has an adverse effect on the specific and personal rights, limitations or obligations of such Holder. No course of dealing between any Holder or the Company and any other party hereto or any failure or delay on the part of a Holder or the Company in exercising any rights or remedies under this Agreement shall operate as a waiver of any rights or remedies of any Holder or the Company. No single or partial exercise of any rights or remedies under this Agreement by a party shall operate as a waiver or preclude the exercise of any other rights or remedies hereunder or thereunder by such party.
- 5.6. Other Registration Rights. Other than pursuant to the terms of the Subscription Agreements, the Company represents and warrants that no person, other than a Holder of Registrable Securities, has any right to require the Company to register any securities of the Company for sale or to include such securities of the Company in any Registration filed by the Company for the sale of securities for its own account or for the account of any other person. Further, the Company represents and warrants that this Agreement supersedes any other registration rights agreement or agreement with similar terms and conditions among the parties thereto and in the event of a conflict between any such agreement or agreements and this Agreement, the terms of this Agreement shall prevail.
- 5.7. <u>Term.</u> This Agreement shall terminate upon the earlier of the date as of which (A) all of the Registrable Securities have been sold pursuant to a Registration Statement (but in no event prior to the applicable period referred to in Section 4(a)(3) of the Securities Act and Rule 174 thereunder (or any successor rule promulgated thereafter by the Commission)) or (B) no Holder holds Registrable Securities. The provisions of <u>Section 3.5</u> and <u>Article IV</u> shall survive any termination.

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**IN WITNESS WHEREOF**, the undersigned have caused this Agreement to be executed as of the date first written above.

# **COMPANY:**

Hillman Solutions Corp., a Delaware corporation

By: /s/ Douglas J. Cahill

Name: Douglas J. Cahill

Title: President and Chief Executive Officer

## **SPONSORS:**

## JEFFERIES FINANCIAL GROUP INC.,

a New York corporation

By: /s/ Michael Sharp

Name: Michael Sharp Title: General Counsel

#### TJF, LLC,

a Delaware limited liability company

By: /s/ Steven L. Scheinthal

Name: Steven L. Scheinthal Title: Vice President

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#### **CCMP HOLDERS:**

## CCMP CAPITAL INVESTORS III, L.P.,

a Delaware limited liability company

By: CCMP Capital Associates III, L.P., its general partner

By: CCMP Capital Associates GP, LLC, its general partner

By: /s/ Richard F. Zannino

Name: Richard F. Zannino Title: Managing Director

# CCMP CAPITAL INVESTORS (EMPLOYEE) III, L.P.,

a Delaware limited liability company

By: CCMP Capital Associates III, L.P., its general partner

By: CCMP Capital Associates GP, LLC, its general partner

By: /s/ Richard F. Zannino

Name: Richard F. Zannino Title: Managing Director

# CCMP CO-INVEST III A, L.P.,

a Delaware limited liability company

By: CCMP Co-Invest III A GP, LLC, its general partner

By: /s/ Richard F. Zannino

Name: Richard F. Zannino Title: Managing Director

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## **OAK HILL HOLDERS:**

# OAK HILL CAPITAL PARTNERS III, L.P.,

a Delaware limited partnership

By: OHCP GenPar III, L.P., its General Partner

By: OHCP MGP Partners III, L.P., its General Partner

By: OHCP MGP III, Ltd., its General Partner

By: /s/ Allan Kahn

Name: Allan Kahn

Title: Authorized Signatory

## OAK HILL CAPITAL MANAGEMENT PARTNERS III, L.P.,

a Delaware limited partnership

By: OHCP GenPar III, L.P., its General Partner

By: OHCP MGP Partners III, L.P., its General Partner

By: OHCP MGP III, Ltd., its General Partner

By: /s/ Allan Kahn

Name: Allan Kahn

Title: Authorized Signatory

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## OHCP III HC RO, L.P.,

a Delaware limited partnership

By: OHCP GenPar III, L.P., its General Partner

By: OHCP MGP Partners III, L.P., its General Partner

By: OHCP MGP III, Ltd., its General Partner

By: /s/ Allan Kahn

Name: Allan Kahn

Title: Authorized Signatory

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## INDEMNIFICATION AGREEMENT

This Indemnification Agreement (this "<u>Agreement</u>") is made and entered into as of July 14, 2021, by and among Hillman Solutions Corp., a Delaware corporation (the "<u>Company</u>"), and [<u>NAME OF DIRECTOR/OFFICER</u>] ("<u>Indemnitee</u>").

WHEREAS, in light of the litigation costs and risks to directors and officers resulting from their service to companies, and the desire of the Company to attract and retain qualified individuals to serve as directors and officers, it is reasonable, prudent and necessary for the Company to indemnify, hold harmless and advance Expenses on behalf of the Company's directors and officers to the fullest extent permitted by law so that they will serve or continue to serve the Company;

WHEREAS, the Company has requested that Indemnitee serve or continue to serve as a director or officer of the Company and may have requested or may in the future request that Indemnitee serve one or more Hillman Entities (as hereinafter defined) as a director or an officer or in other capacities, and in order to induce the Indemnitee to serve in such capacity, the Company is willing to grant the Indemnitee the indemnification provided for herein;

WHEREAS, (i) the Certificate of Incorporation and the By-laws of the Company require indemnification of the officers and directors of the Company, (ii) Indemnitee may also be entitled to indemnification pursuant to applicable provisions of the Delaware General Corporation Law ("DGCL"), and (iii) the Certificate of Incorporation, By-laws and the DGCL expressly provide that the indemnification provisions set forth therein are not exclusive, and thereby contemplate that contracts may be entered into between the Company and members of the Board of Directors, officers and other persons with respect to indemnification, hold-harmless, exoneration, advancement and reimbursement rights;

WHEREAS, one of the conditions that Indemnitee requires in order to serve as a director and/or officer of the Company is that Indemnitee be so indemnified; and

WHEREAS, Indemnitee may have certain rights to indemnification, advancement of expenses and/or insurance provided by one or more of the Affiliate Indemnitors (as hereinafter defined) (or their affiliates) and/or any insurer providing insurance coverage under any policy purchased or maintained by such Affiliate Indemnitors (or their affiliates), which Indemnitee, the Company and the Affiliate Indemnitors (or their affiliates) intend to be secondary to the primary obligation of the Company to indemnity Indemnitee as provided herein, with the Company's acknowledgement of and agreement to the foregoing being a material condition to Indemnitee's willingness to serve as a director and/or officer the Company.

NOW, THEREFORE, in consideration of the premises and the covenants contained herein, the Company and Indemnitee do hereby covenant and agree as follows:

1. <u>Services by Indemnitee</u>. Indemnitee agrees to serve as a director and/or officer of the Company. Indemnitee may at any time and for any reason resign from such position (subject to any contractual obligation the Indemnitee may have under any other agreement).

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2. <u>Indemnification - General</u>. On the terms and subject to the conditions of this Agreement, the Company shall, to the fullest extent permitted by law, indemnify Indemnitee with respect to, and hold Indemnitee harmless from and against, all losses, damages, liabilities, judgments, fines, penalties, costs, amounts paid in settlement, Expenses (as hereinafter defined) and other amounts that Indemnitee reasonably incurs and that result from, arise in connection with or are by reason of any Proceeding and shall advance Expenses to Indemnitee in connection with the same. The obligations of the Company shall continue after such time as Indemnitee ceases to serve as a director and/or officer of the Company or in any other Corporate Status and include, without limitation, claims for monetary damages against Indemnitee in respect of any actual or alleged liability or other loss of Indemnitee, to the fullest extent permitted under applicable law (including, if applicable, Section 145 of the DGCL) as in existence on the date hereof and as amended from time to time.

- 3. Proceedings Other Than Proceedings by or in the Right of the Company. If in connection with or by reason of Indemnitee's Corporate Status, Indemnitee was, is, or is threatened to be made, a party to or a participant (as a witness, deponent or otherwise) in any Proceeding (as hereinafter defined) other than a Proceeding by or in the right of the Company to procure a judgment in its favor, the Company shall, to the fullest extent permitted by law, indemnify and hold harmless Indemnitee with respect to, and hold Indemnitee harmless from and against, all Expenses, losses, damages, liabilities, judgments, penalties, fines and amounts paid in settlement (including all interest, assessments and other charges paid or payable in connection with or in respect of such liabilities, judgments, penalties, fines and amounts paid in settlement) reasonably incurred by Indemnitee or on behalf of Indemnitee in connection with such Proceeding or any claim, issue or matter therein.
- 4. <u>Proceedings by or in the Right of the Company</u>. If in connection with or by reason of Indemnitee's Corporate Status, Indemnitee was, is, or is threatened to be made, a party to or a participant in any Proceeding by or in the right of the Company to procure a judgment in the Company's favor, the Company shall, to the fullest extent permitted by law, indemnify Indemnitee with respect to, and hold Indemnitee harmless from and against, all Expenses reasonably incurred by Indemnitee or on behalf of Indemnitee in connection with such Proceeding or any claim, issue or matter therein.
- 5. Mandatory Indemnification in Case of Successful Defense. Notwithstanding any other provision of this Agreement, to the extent that Indemnitee is, by reason of Indemnitee's Corporate Status, a party to (or a participant in) and is successful, on the merits or otherwise, in defense of any Proceeding or any claim, issue or matter therein (including, without limitation, any Proceeding brought by or in the right of the Company), the Company shall, to the fullest extent permitted by law, indemnify Indemnitee with respect to, and hold Indemnitee harmless from and against, all Expenses reasonably incurred by Indemnitee or on behalf of Indemnitee in connection therewith. If Indemnitee is not wholly successful in defense of such Proceeding but is successful, on the merits or otherwise, as to one or more but less than all claims, issues or matters in such Proceeding, the Company shall, to the fullest extent permitted by law, indemnify Indemnitee against all Expenses reasonably incurred by Indemnitee or on behalf of Indemnitee in connection with each successfully resolved claim, issue or matter. For purposes of this Section 5 and without limitation, the termination of any claim, issue or matter in such a Proceeding by dismissal, with or without prejudice, on substantive or procedural grounds, or settlement of any such claim prior to a final judgment by a court of competent jurisdiction with respect to such Proceeding, shall be deemed to be a successful result as to such claim, issue or matter; provided, however, that any settlement of any claim, issue or matter in such a Proceeding shall not be deemed to be a successful result as to such claim, issue or matter if such settlement is effected by Indemnitee without the Company's prior written consent, which consent shall not be unreasonably withheld, delayed or conditioned.

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- 6. <u>Partial Indemnification</u>. If Indemnitee is entitled under any provision of this Agreement or otherwise to indemnification by the Company for some or a portion of the Expenses, liabilities, judgments, penalties, fines and amounts paid in settlement (including all interest, assessments and other charges paid or payable in connection with or in respect of such liabilities, judgments, penalties, fines and amounts paid in settlement) incurred by Indemnitee or on behalf of Indemnitee in connection with a Proceeding or any claim, issue or matter therein, in whole or in part, the Company shall, to the fullest extent permitted by law, indemnify Indemnitee to the fullest extent to which Indemnitee is entitled to such indemnification.
  - 7. Indemnification for Additional Expenses Incurred to Secure Recovery or as Witness.

(a)

- The Company shall, to the fullest extent permitted by law, indemnify Indemnitee with respect to, and hold Indemnitee harmless from and against, any and all Expenses and, if requested by Indemnitee, shall advance on an as-incurred basis (as provided in Section 8 of this Agreement) such Expenses to Indemnitee, which are incurred by Indemnitee in connection with any action or proceeding or part thereof brought by Indemnitee for (i) indemnification or advance payment of Expenses by the Company under this Agreement, any other agreement, the Certificate of Incorporation or By-laws of the Company as now or hereafter in effect, or pursuant to indemnification agreements in effect as of the date hereof; or (ii) recovery under any director and officer liability insurance policies maintained by any Hillman Entity.
- To the extent that Indemnitee is, by reason of Indemnitee's Corporate Status, a witness (or is forced or asked to respond to discovery requests) in any Proceeding to which Indemnitee is not a party, the Company shall, to the fullest extent permitted by law, indemnity Indemnitee with respect to, and hold Indemnitee harmless from and against, and the Company will advance on an as-incurred basis (as provided in Section 8 of this Agreement), all Expenses reasonably incurred by Indemnitee or on behalf of Indemnitee in connection therewith.

8. Advancement of Expenses. The Company shall, to the fullest extent permitted by law, pay on a current and as-incurred basis all Expenses incurred by Indemnitee in connection with any Proceeding in any way connected with, resulting from or relating to Indemnitee's Corporate Status. Such Expenses shall be paid in advance of the final disposition of such Proceeding, without regard to whether Indemnitee will ultimately be entitled to be indemnified for such Expenses and without regard to whether an Adverse Determination (as hereinafter defined) has been or may be made. Upon submission of a request for advancement of Expenses pursuant to Section 9(c) of this Agreement, Indemnitee shall be entitled to advancement of Expenses as provided in this Section 8, and such advancement of Expenses shall continue until such time (if any) as there is a final non-appealable judicial determination that Indemnitee is not entitled to indemnification. Indemnitee shall repay such amounts advanced if and to the extent that it shall ultimately be determined in a decision by a court of competent jurisdiction from which no appeal can be taken that Indemnitee is not entitled to be indemnified by the Company for such Expenses. Such repayment obligation shall be unsecured and shall not bear interest. The Company shall not impose on Indemnitee additional conditions to advancement or require from Indemnitee additional undertakings regarding repayment. Indemnitee shall, in all events, be entitled to advancement of Expenses, without regard to Indemnitee's ultimate entitlement to indemnification, until the final determination of the Proceeding.

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# 9. <u>Indemnification Procedures</u>.

- (a) Notice of Proceeding. Indemnitee agrees to notify the Company promptly upon being served with any summons, citation, subpoena, complaint, indictment, information or other document relating to any Proceeding or matter which may be subject to indemnification or advancement of Expenses hereunder. Any failure by Indemnitee to notify the Company will not relieve the Company of its advancement or indemnification obligations under this Agreement unless, and only to the extent that, the Company can establish that such omission to notify resulted in actual and material prejudice to it, which prejudice cannot be reversed or otherwise eliminated without any material negative effect on the Company, and the omission to notify the Company will, in any event, not relieve the Company from any liability which it may have to indemnify Indemnitee otherwise than under this Agreement. If, at the time of receipt of any such notice, the Company has a director and officer liability insurance policy in effect, the Company will promptly notify the relevant insurer in accordance with the procedures and requirements of such policy.
- Defense; Settlement. Indemnitee shall have the sole right and obligation to control the defense or conduct of any claim or Proceeding with respect to Indemnitee. The Company shall not, without the prior written consent of Indemnitee, which may be provided or withheld in Indemnitee's sole discretion, effect any settlement of any Proceeding against Indemnitee or which, in the opinion of Independent Counsel, could have been brought against Indemnitee or which potentially or actually imposes any cost, liability, exposure or burden on Indemnitee unless (i) such settlement solely involves the payment of money or performance of any obligation by persons other than Indemnitee or any Affiliate Indemnitor affiliated with Indemnitee and includes an unconditional, full release of Indemnitee and Affiliate Indemnitors by all relevant parties from all liability on any matters that are the subject of such Proceeding and an acknowledgment that Indemnitee denies all wrongdoing in connection with such matters and (ii) the Company has fully indemnified the Indemnitee with respect to, and held Indemnitee harmless from and against, all Expenses and other amounts incurred by Indemnitee or on behalf of Indemnitee in connection with such Proceeding. The Company shall not be obligated to indemnify Indemnitee against amounts paid in settlement of a Proceeding against Indemnitee if such settlement is effected by Indemnitee without the Company's prior written consent, which consent shall not be unreasonably withheld, delayed or conditioned, unless such settlement solely involves the payment of money or performance of any obligation by persons other than the Company and includes an unconditional release of the Company by any party to such Proceeding other than the Indemnitee from all liability on any matters that are the subject of such Proceeding and an acknowledgment that the Company denies all wrongdoing in connection with such matters; provided, however, that if a Change in Control has occurred, the Company shall be liable for indemnification of Indemnitee for amounts paid in settlement if the Independent Counsel (selected pursuant to Section 9(e) of this Agreement) has approved the settlement.

### (c) Request for Advancement; Request for Indemnification.

(i) To obtain advancement of Expenses under this Agreement, Indemnitee shall submit to the Company a written request therefor, together with such invoices or other supporting information as may be reasonably requested by the Company and reasonably available to Indemnitee, and, only to the extent required by applicable law which cannot be waived, an unsecured written undertaking to repay amounts advanced in the event of a decision by a court of competent jurisdiction from which no appeal can be taken that Indemnitee is not entitled to be indemnified by the Company for such Expenses. The Company shall make advance payment of Expenses to Indemnitee no later than ten (10) business days after receipt of the written request for advancement (and each subsequent request for advancement) by Indemnitee. If, at the time of receipt of any such written request for advancement of Expenses, the Company has a director and officer insurance policy in effect, the Company will promptly notify the relevant insurer in accordance with the procedures and requirements of such policy. The Company shall thereafter keep such insurer informed of the status of the Proceeding or other claim (with assistance from the Indemnitee as reasonably required) and take such other actions, as appropriate to secure coverage of Indemnitee for such claim.

(ii) To obtain indemnification under this Agreement, at any time before or after submission of a request for advancement pursuant to Section 9(c)(i) of this Agreement, Indemnitee may submit a written request for indemnification hereunder. The time at which Indemnitee submits a written request for indemnification shall be determined by the Indemnitee in the Indemnitee's sole discretion. Once Indemnitee submits such a written request for indemnification (and only at such time that Indemnitee submits such a written request for indemnification), a Determination (as hereinafter defined) shall thereafter be made, as provided in and only to the extent required by Section 9(d) of this Agreement. In no event shall a Determination be made, or required to be made, as a condition to or otherwise in connection with any advancement of Expenses pursuant to Section 8 and Section 9(c)(i) of this Agreement. If, at the time of receipt of any such request for indemnification, the Company has a director and officer insurance policy in effect, the Company will promptly notify the relevant insurer and take such other actions as necessary or appropriate to secure coverage of Indemnitee for such claim in accordance with the procedures and requirements of such policies.

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Determination. The Company agrees that Indemnitee shall be indemnified to the fullest (d) extent permitted by law and that no Determination shall be required in connection with such indemnification unless specifically required by applicable law which cannot be waived. In no event shall a Determination be required in connection with indemnification for Expenses pursuant to Section 7 of this Agreement or incurred in connection with any Proceeding or portion thereof with respect to which Indemnitee has been successful on the merits or otherwise. Any decision that a Determination is required by law in connection with any other indemnification of Indemnitee, and any such Determination, shall be made within thirty (30) days after receipt of Indemnitee's written request for indemnification pursuant to Section 9(c)(ii) and such Determination shall be made either (i) by the Disinterested Directors (as hereinafter defined), even though less than a quorum, so long as Indemnitee does not request that such Determination be made by Independent Counsel (as hereinafter defined), or (ii) if so requested by Indemnitee, in Indemnitee's sole discretion, by Independent Counsel in a written opinion to the Company and Indemnitee. If a Determination is made that Indemnitee is entitled to indemnification, payment to Indemnitee shall be made within ten (10) business days after such Determination. Indemnitee shall reasonably cooperate with the person, persons or entity making such determination with respect to Indemnitee's entitlement to indemnification, including providing to such person, persons or entity upon reasonable advance request any documentation or information which is not privileged or otherwise protected from disclosure and which is reasonably available to Indemnitee and reasonably necessary to such Determination. Any Expenses incurred by Indemnitee in so cooperating with the Disinterested Directors or Independent Counsel, as the case may be, making such determination shall be advanced and borne by the Company (irrespective of the Determination as to Indemnitee's entitlement to indemnification). If the person, persons or entity empowered or selected under this Section 9(d) to determine whether Indemnitee is entitled to indemnification shall not have made a determination within twenty (20) days after receipt by the Company of the request therefor, the requisite determination of entitlement to indemnification shall, to the fullest extent not prohibited by law, be deemed to have been made and Indemnitee shall be entitled to such indemnification, absent (i) a misstatement by Indemnitee of a material fact, or an omission of a material fact necessary to make Indemnitee's statement not materially misleading, in connection with the request for indemnification, or (ii) a prohibition of such indemnification under applicable law; provided, however, that such twenty (20) day period may be extended for a reasonable time, not to exceed an additional twenty (20) days, if the person, persons or entity making the determination with respect to entitlement to indemnification in good faith requires such additional time for the obtaining or evaluating of documentation and/or information relating thereto; and

<u>Independent Counsel</u>. In the event Indemnitee requests that the Determination be made by Independent Counsel pursuant to Section 9(d) of this Agreement, the Independent Counsel shall be selected as provided in this Section 9(e). The Independent Counsel shall be selected by Indemnitee (unless Indemnitee shall request that such selection be made by the Board of Directors, in which event the Board of Directors shall make such selection on behalf of the Company, subject to the remaining provisions of this Section 9(e), and Indemnitee or the Company, as the case may be, shall give written notice to the other, advising the Company or Indemnitee of the identity of the Independent Counsel so selected. The Company or Indemnitee, as the case may be, may, within five (5) days after such written notice of selection shall have been received, deliver to Indemnitee or the Company, as the case may be, a written objection to such selection; provided, however, that such objection may be asserted only on the ground that the Independent Counsel so selected does not meet the requirements of "Independent Counsel" as defined in Section 15 of this Agreement, and the objection shall set forth with particularity the factual basis of such assertion. Absent a proper and timely objection, the person so selected shall act as Independent Counsel. If a written objection is so made and substantiated, the Independent Counsel so selected may not serve as Independent Counsel unless and until such objection is withdrawn or a court of competent jurisdiction has determined that such objection is without merit. If, within ten (10) days after submission by Indemnitee of a written request for indemnification pursuant to Section 9(c)(ii) of this Agreement and after a request for the appointment of Independent Counsel has been made, no Independent Counsel shall have been selected and not objected to, either the Company or Indemnitee may petition a court of competent jurisdiction for resolution of any objection which shall have been made by the Company or Indemnitee to the other's selection of Independent Counsel and/or for the appointment as Independent Counsel of a person selected by the court or by such other person as the court shall designate, and the person with respect to whom all objections are so resolved or the person so appointed shall act as Independent Counsel under Section 9(d) of this Agreement. Upon the due commencement of any judicial proceeding or arbitration pursuant to Section 9(f) of this Agreement, Independent Counsel shall be discharged and relieved of any further responsibility in such capacity (subject to the applicable standards of professional conduct then prevailing). Any expenses incurred by or in connection with the appointment of Independent Counsel shall be borne by the Company (irrespective of the Determination of Indemnitee's entitlement to indemnification) and not by Indemnitee.

(f) <u>Consequences of Determination; Remedies of Indemnitee</u>. The Company shall be bound by and shall have no right to challenge a Favorable Determination. If an Adverse Determination is made, or if for any other reason the Company does not make timely indemnification payments or advances of Expenses, Indemnitee shall have the right to commence a Proceeding before a court of competent jurisdiction to challenge such Adverse Determination and/or to require the Company to make such payments or advances (and the Company shall have the right to defend its position in such Proceeding and to appeal any adverse judgment in such Proceeding). Indemnitee shall be entitled to be indemnified for all Expenses incurred in connection with such a Proceeding and to have such Expenses advanced by the Company in accordance with Section 8 of this Agreement. If Indemnitee fails to challenge an Adverse Determination within twenty (20) business days, or if Indemnitee challenges an Adverse Determination and such Adverse Determination has been upheld by a final judgment of a court of competent jurisdiction from which no appeal can be taken, then, to the extent and only to the extent required by such Adverse Determination or final judgment, the Company shall not be obligated to indemnify Indemnitee under this Agreement.

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(g) <u>Presumptions; Burden and Standard of Proof.</u> The parties intend and agree that, to the extent permitted by law, in connection with any Determination with respect to Indemnitee's entitlement to indemnification hereunder by any person, including a court:

- (i) it will be presumed that Indemnitee is entitled to indemnification under this Agreement (notwithstanding any Adverse Determination), and the Company or any other person or entity challenging such right will have the burden of proof to overcome that presumption in connection with the making by any person, persons or entity of any determination contrary to that presumption;
- (ii) the termination of any action, suit or proceeding by judgment, order, settlement, conviction, or upon a plea of *nolo contendere* or its equivalent, shall not, of itself, create a presumption that Indemnitee did not act in good faith and in a manner which Indemnitee reasonably believed to be in or not opposed to the best interests of the Company, and, with respect to any criminal action or proceeding, had reasonable cause to believe that Indemnitee's conduct was unlawful;
- (iii) Indemnitee will be deemed to have acted in good faith if Indemnitee's action is based on the records or books of account of the Company, including financial statements, or on information supplied to Indemnitee by the officers, employees, or committees of the board of directors of the Company, or on the advice of legal counsel or other advisors (including financial advisors and accountants) for the Company or on information or records given in reports made to the Company by an independent certified public accountant or by an appraiser or other expert or advisor selected by the Company; and
- (iv) the knowledge and/or actions, or failure to act, of any director, officer, agent or employee of the Company or relevant enterprises will not be imputed to Indemnitee in a manner that limits or otherwise adversely affects Indemnitee's rights hereunder.

The provisions of this  $\underline{\text{Section } 9(g)}$  shall not be deemed to be exclusive or to limit in any way the other circumstances in which Indemnitee may be deemed to have met the applicable standard of conduct set forth in this Agreement.

### 10. Remedies of Indemnitee.

(a) In the event that (i) a determination is made pursuant to Section 9(d) of this Agreement that Indemnitee is not entitled to indemnification under this Agreement, (ii) advancement of Expenses is not timely made pursuant to Section 8 and Section 9(c)(i) of this Agreement, (iii) no determination of entitlement to indemnification shall have been made pursuant to Section 9(d) of this Agreement within twenty (20) days after receipt by the Company of the request for indemnification, (iv) payment of indemnification is not made pursuant to Section 5, 6 or 7 of this Agreement within five (5) business days after receipt by the Company of a written request therefor, (v) payment of indemnification pursuant to Section 3 or 4 of this Agreement is not made within five (5) business days after a determination has been made that Indemnitee is entitled to indemnification, or (vi) the Company or any other person takes or threatens to take any action to declare this Agreement void or unenforceable, or institutes any litigation or other action or Proceeding designed to deny, or to recover from, the Indemnitee the benefits provided or intended to be provided to the Indemnitee hereunder, Indemnitee shall be entitled to an adjudication by a court of his entitlement to such indemnification or advancement of Expenses. Alternatively, Indemnitee, at his option, may seek an award in arbitration to be conducted by a single arbitrator pursuant to the Commercial Arbitration Rules of the American Arbitration Association in New York (or JAMS in New York, if requested by the Indemnitee). The Company shall not oppose Indemnitee's right to seek any such adjudication or award in arbitration.

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- (b) In the event that a determination shall have been made pursuant to Section 9(d) of this Agreement that Indemnitee is not entitled to indemnification, any judicial proceeding or arbitration commenced pursuant to this Section 10 shall be conducted in all respects as a *de novo* trial, or arbitration, on the merits, in which (i) Indemnitee shall not be prejudiced by reason of that adverse determination, and (ii) the Company shall bear the burden of establishing that Indemnitee is not entitled to indemnification.
- (c) If a determination shall have been made pursuant to Section 9(d) of this Agreement that Indemnitee is entitled to indemnification, the Company shall be bound by such determination in any judicial proceeding or arbitration commenced pursuant to this Section 10, absent (i) a misstatement by Indemnitee of a material fact, or an omission of a material fact necessary to make Indemnitee's statement not materially misleading, in connection with the request for indemnification, or (ii) a prohibition of such indemnification under Delaware corporate law.

(d) The Company shall, to the fullest extent not prohibited by law, be precluded from asserting in any judicial proceeding or arbitration commenced pursuant to this <u>Section 10</u> that the procedures and presumptions of this Agreement are not valid, binding and enforceable and shall stipulate in any such court or before any such arbitrator that the Company is bound by all the provisions of this Agreement.

# 11. <u>Insurance; Subrogation; Other Rights of Recovery, etc.</u>

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The Company shall use its reasonable best efforts to purchase and maintain a policy or policies of insurance with reputable insurance companies with A.M. Best ratings of "A" or better, providing Indemnitee with coverage for any liability asserted against, and incurred by, Indemnitee or on Indemnitee's behalf by reason of Indemnitee's Corporate Status, or arising out of Indemnitee's status as such, whether or not the Company would have the power to indemnify Indemnitee against such liability. Such insurance policies shall have coverage terms and policy limits at least as favorable to Indemnitee as the insurance coverage provided to any other director and/or officer of the Company. If the Company has such insurance in effect at the time it receives from Indemnitee any notice of the commencement of an action, suit, proceeding or other claim, the Company shall give prompt notice of the commencement of such action, suit, proceeding or other claim to the insurers and take such other actions in accordance with the procedures set forth in the policy as required or appropriate to secure coverage of Indemnitee for such action, suit, proceeding or other claim. The Company shall thereafter take all necessary or desirable action to cause such insurers to pay, on behalf of Indemnitee, all amounts payable as a result of such action, suit, proceeding or other claim in accordance with the terms of such policy. The Company shall continue to provide such insurance coverage to Indemnitee for a period of at least ten (10) years after Indemnitee ceases to serve as a director or in any other Corporate Status.

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In the event of any payment by the Company under this Agreement, the Company shall be subrogated to the extent of such payment to all of the rights of recovery of Indemnitee against any other Hillman Entity, and Indemnitee hereby agrees, as a condition to obtaining any advancement or indemnification from the Company, to assign the Company all of Indemnitee's rights to obtain from such other Hillman Entity such amounts to the extent that they have been paid by the Company to or for the benefit of Indemnitee as advancement or indemnification under this Agreement and are adequate to indemnify Indemnitee with respect to the costs, Expenses or other items to the full extent that Indemnitee is entitled to indemnification or other payment hereunder; and Indemnitee will (upon request by the Company) execute all papers required and use reasonable best efforts to take all action reasonably necessary to secure such rights, including execution of such documents as are necessary to enable the Company to bring suit or enforce such rights.

The Company hereby acknowledges that the rights to indemnification, advancement of expenses and/or insurance provided pursuant to this Agreement may also be provided to certain Indemnitees by one or more of their respective affiliates (other than the Hillman Entities) or their insurers (collectively, and including, in the case of CCMP Capital Investors III, L.P., CCMP Capital Investors III (Employee), L.P., CCMP Co-Invest III A, L.P. and CCMP Capital Advisors, LP, each of their respective partners, shareholders, members, affiliates, associated investment funds, directors, officers, fiduciaries, managers, controlling persons, employees and agents and each of the partners, shareholders, members, affiliates, associated investment funds, directors, officers, fiduciaries, managers, controlling persons, employees and agents of each of the foregoing, the "Affiliate Indemnitors"). The Company hereby agrees that, as between the Company, on the one hand, and the Affiliate Indemnitors, on the other hand, (i) the Company is the full indemnitor of first resort and the Affiliate Indemnitors are the full indemnitors of second resort with respect to all such indemnifiable claims against such Indemnitees, whether arising under this Agreement or otherwise (i.e., the obligations of the Company to such Indemnitees are primary and any obligation of the Affiliate Indemnitors to advance expenses or to provide indemnification for the same expenses or liabilities incurred by such Indemnitees are secondary), (ii) upon receipt by the Company of an undertaking by or on behalf of such Indemnitees to repay such amount if it shall be determined that the Indemnitee is not entitled to be indemnified as authorized by this Agreement or otherwise, the Company shall be required to advance the full amount of expenses incurred by such Indemnitees and shall be liable for the full amount of all expenses, judgments, penalties, fines and amounts paid in settlement to the extent legally permitted and as required by the terms of this Agreement (or any other agreement between the Company and such Indemnitees), without regard to any rights such Indemnitees may have against the Affiliate Indemnitors and (iii) the Company irrevocably waives, relinquishes and releases the Affiliate Indemnitors from any and all claims against the Affiliate Indemnitors for contribution, subrogation or any other recovery of any kind in respect thereof.

The Company agrees to indemnify the Affiliate Indemnitors directly for any amounts that the Affiliate Indemnitors pay as indemnification or advancement on behalf of any such Indemnitee and for which such Indemnitee may be entitled to indemnification from the Company in connection with serving as a director and/or officer of the Company. The Company further agrees that no advancement or payment by the Affiliate Indemnitors on behalf of any such Indemnitee with respect to any claim for which such Indemnitee has sought indemnification from the Company shall affect the foregoing and the Affiliate Indemnitors shall be subrogated to the extent of such advancement or payment to all of the rights of recovery of such Indemnitee against the Company, and the Company shall cooperate with the Affiliate Indemnitors in pursuing such rights.

- Except as provided in <u>Sections 11(c)</u>, the Company shall not be liable to pay or advance to Indemnitee any amounts otherwise indemnifiable under this Agreement or under any other indemnification agreement if, and to the extent that, Indemnitee has otherwise actually received such payment under any insurance policy, contract, agreement or otherwise.
- The Company's obligation to indemnify or advance Expenses hereunder to Indemnitee in respect of or relating to Indemnitee's service at the request of the Company as a director, officer, employee, fiduciary, trustee, representative, partner or agent of any other Hillman Entity shall be reduced by any amount Indemnitee has actually received as payment of indemnification or advancement of Expenses from such other Hillman Entity, except to the extent that such indemnification payments and advance payment of Expenses when taken together with any such amount actually received from other Hillman Entities or under director and officer insurance policies maintained by one or more Hillman Entities are inadequate to fully pay all costs, Expenses or other items to the full extent that Indemnitee is otherwise entitled to indemnification or other payment hereunder.
- Except as provided in Sections 11(c), 11(d) and 11(e) of this Agreement, the rights to indemnification and advancement of Expenses as provided by this Agreement shall not be deemed exclusive of any other rights to which Indemnitee may at any time, whenever conferred or arising, be entitled under applicable Delaware corporate law, under the Hillman Entities' organizational documents, or under any other agreement, vote of stockholders or resolution of directors of any Hillman Entity, or otherwise. Indemnitee's rights under this Agreement are present contractual rights that fully vest upon Indemnitee's first service as a director and/or officer of the Company. The Parties hereby agree that Sections 11(c), 11(d) and 11(e) of this Agreement shall be deemed exclusive and shall be deemed to modify, amend and clarify any right to indemnification or advancement provided to Indemnitee under any other contract, agreement or document with any Hillman Entity.

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No amendment, alteration or repeal of this Agreement or of any provision hereof shall limit or restrict any right of Indemnitee under this Agreement in respect of any action taken or omitted by such Indemnitee in Indemnitee's Corporate Status prior to such amendment, alteration or repeal. To the extent that a change in the General Corporation Law of the State of Delaware (or other applicable law), whether by statute or judicial decision, permits greater indemnification or advancement of Expenses than would be afforded currently under the Hillman Entities' organizational documents and this Agreement, it is the intent of the parties hereto that Indemnitee enjoy by this Agreement the greater benefits so afforded by such change. No change in applicable law shall have the effect of reducing the benefits available to Indemnitee hereunder based on Delaware law as in effect on the date hereof or as such benefits may improve as a result of amendments to Delaware law that become effective after the date hereof. The assertion or employment of any right or remedy hereunder, or otherwise, shall not prevent the concurrent assertion or employment of any other right or remedy.

12. Employment Rights; Successors; Third Party Beneficiaries.

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- This Agreement shall not be deemed an employment contract between the Company and Indemnitee. This Agreement shall continue in force as provided above after Indemnitee has ceased to serve as a director and/or officer of the Company or any other Corporate Status.
- This Agreement shall be binding upon the Company and its successors and assigns and shall inure to the benefit of Indemnitee and Indemnitee's heirs, executors and administrators. If the Company or any of its successors or assigns shall (i) consolidate with or merge into any other corporation or entity and shall not be the continuing or surviving corporation or entity of such consolidation or merger or (ii) transfer all or substantially all of its properties and assets to any individual, corporation or other entity, then, and in each such case, proper provisions shall be made so that the successors and assigns of the Company shall assume all of the obligations set forth in this Agreement.
- The Affiliate Indemnitors are express third party beneficiaries of this Agreement, are entitled to rely upon this Agreement, and may specifically enforce the Company's obligations hereunder (including but not limited to the obligations specified in Section 11 of this Agreement) as though a party hereunder.

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- 13. Severability. If any provision or provisions of this Agreement shall be held to be invalid, illegal or unenforceable for any reason whatsoever: (i) the validity, legality and enforceability of the remaining provisions of this Agreement (including without limitation, each portion of any Section of this Agreement containing any such provision held to be invalid, illegal or unenforceable, that is not itself invalid, illegal or unenforceable) shall not in any way be affected or impaired thereby and shall remain enforceable to the fullest extent permitted by law; (ii) such provision or provisions shall be deemed reformed to the extent necessary to conform to applicable law and to give the maximum effect to the intent of the parties hereto; and (iii) to the fullest extent possible, the provisions of this Agreement (including, without limitation, each portion of any Section of this Agreement containing any such provision held to be invalid, illegal or unenforceable, that is not itself invalid, illegal or unenforceable) shall be construed so as to give effect to the intent manifested thereby.
- 14. Exception to Right of Indemnification or Advancement of Expenses. Notwithstanding any other provision of this Agreement and except as provided in Section 7(a) of this Agreement or as may otherwise be agreed by the Company, Indemnitee shall not be entitled to indemnification or advancement of Expenses under this Agreement with respect to any Proceeding brought by Indemnitee (other than (i) a Proceeding by Indemnitee (i) by way of defense or counterclaim or other similar portion of a Proceeding, (ii) to enforce any other rights of Indemnitee to indemnification, advancement or contribution from the Company under this Agreement, or under any other contract, by-laws or charter or under statute or other law, including any rights under Section 145 of the DGCL, or (iii) after a Change in Control), unless the bringing of such Proceeding or making of such claim shall have been approved by the Board of Directors or similar governing body of the Company.
  - 15. Definitions. For purposes of this Agreement:

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- (a) "Board of Directors" means the board of directors of the Company.
- (b) "By-laws" means, in each case, the bylaws or similar governing document of the relevant entity as amended from time to time.
- (c) "Certificate of Incorporation" means, in each case, the certificate of incorporation, articles of incorporation or similar constituting document as amended from time to time.
  - 14(d) of the Securities Exchange Act of 1934, as amended), other than a trustee or other fiduciary holding securities under an employee benefit plan of the Company or a corporation owned directly or indirectly by the stockholders of the Company in substantially the same proportions as their ownership of stock of the Company, is or becomes the "Beneficial Owner" (as defined in Rule 13d-3 under said Act), directly or indirectly, of securities of the Company representing 20% or more of the total voting power represented by the Company's then outstanding Voting Securities, or (ii) during any period of two consecutive years, individuals who at the beginning of such period constitute the Board and any new director whose election by the Board or nomination for election by the Company's stockholders was approved by a vote of at least two-thirds (2/3) of the directors then still in office who either were directors at the beginning of the period or whose election or nomination for election was previously so approved, cease for any

"Change in Control" shall be deemed to have occurred if (i) any "person" (as such term is used in Sections 13(d) and

reason to constitute a majority thereof, or (iii) the stockholders of the Company approve a merger or consolidation of the Company with any other corporation, other than a merger or consolidation that would result in the Voting Securities of the Company outstanding immediately prior thereto continuing to represent (either by remaining outstanding or by being converted into Voting Securities of the surviving entity) at least 80% of the total voting power represented by the Voting Securities of the Company or such surviving entity outstanding immediately after such merger or consolidation, or the stockholders of the Company approve a plan of complete liquidation of the Company or an agreement for the sale or disposition by the Company (in one transaction or a series of transactions) of all or substantially all of the Company's assets.

- "Corporate Status" describes the status of a person by reason of such person's past, present or future service as a director, officer, employee, fiduciary, trustee, or agent of the Company (including, without limitation, one who serves at the request of the Company as a director, officer, employee, fiduciary, trustee or agent of any other Hillman Entity), in all cases whether or not Indemnitee is acting or serving in any such capacity or has such status at the time any Expenses are incurred for which indemnification, advancement or any other right can be provided by this Agreement.
- "Determination" means a determination that either (x) there is a reasonable basis for the conclusion that indemnification of Indemnitee is proper in the circumstances because Indemnitee met a/the particular standard(s) of conduct (a "Favorable Determination") or (y) there is no reasonable basis for the conclusion that indemnification of Indemnitee is proper in the circumstances because Indemnitee met a/the particular standard(s) of conduct (an "Adverse Determination"). An Adverse Determination shall include the decision that a Determination was required in connection with indemnification and the decision as to the applicable standard of conduct.
- "<u>Disinterested Director</u>" means a director of the Company who is not and was not a party to the Proceeding in respect of which indemnification is sought by Indemnitee and does not otherwise have an interest materially adverse to any interest of the Indemnitee.
  - specifically include, without limitation, all reasonable attorneys' fees, retainers, court costs, transcript costs, fees and costs of experts, witness fees and costs, travel expenses, duplicating costs, printing and binding costs, telephone charges, postage, delivery service fees, any federal, state, local or foreign taxes imposed on Indemnitee as a result of the actual or deemed receipt of any payments under this Agreement, ERISA excise taxes and penalties, and all other disbursements or expenses of the types customarily incurred in connection with prosecuting, defending, preparing to prosecute or defend, investigating, being or preparing to be a witness, in, or otherwise participating in, a Proceeding or an appeal resulting from a Proceeding, including, but not limited to, the premium for appeal bonds, attachment bonds or similar bonds and all interest, assessments and other charges paid or payable in connection with or in respect of any such Expenses, and shall also specifically include, without limitation, all reasonable attorneys' fees and all other expenses incurred by or on behalf of Indemnitee in connection with preparing and submitting any requests or statements for indemnification, advancement, contribution or any other right provided by this Agreement. Expenses, however, shall not include amounts of judgments or fines against Indemnitee.

"Expenses" shall mean all direct and indirect costs, fees and expenses of any type or nature whatsoever and shall

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- (i) "Hillman Entity" means the Company, any of its respective subsidiaries and any other corporation, partnership, limited liability company, joint venture, trust, employee benefit plan or other enterprise with respect to which Indemnitee serves as a director, officer, employee, partner, representative, fiduciary, trustee or agent, or in any similar capacity, at the request of the Company.
- "Independent Counsel" means, at any time, any law firm, or a member of a law firm, that (a) is experienced in matters of corporation law and (b) is not, at such time, or has not been in the five years prior to such time, retained to represent:

  (i) any Hillman Entity or Indemnitee in any matter material to either such party (other than with respect to matters

concerning Indemnitee under this Agreement, or of other indemnities under similar indemnification agreements), or (ii) any other party to the Proceeding giving rise to a claim for indemnification hereunder. Notwithstanding the foregoing, the term "Independent Counsel" shall not include any person who, under the applicable standards of professional conduct then prevailing, would have a conflict of interest in representing either the Company or Indemnitee in an action to determine Indemnitee's rights under this Agreement. The Company agrees to pay the reasonable fees and expenses of the Independent Counsel referred to above and to fully indemnify such counsel against any and all Expenses, claims, liabilities and damages arising out of or relating to this Agreement or its engagement pursuant hereto and to be jointly and severally liable therefor.

"Proceeding" includes any actual, threatened, pending or completed action, suit, arbitration, alternate dispute resolution mechanism, investigation (formal or informal), inquiry, administrative hearing or any other actual, threatened, pending or completed proceeding, whether brought by or in the right of any Hillman Entity or otherwise and whether civil, criminal, administrative or investigative in nature, in which Indemnitee was, is, may be or will be involved as a party, witness or otherwise, by reason of Indemnitee's Corporate Status or by reason of any action taken by Indemnitee or of any inaction on Indemnitee's part while acting as director, officer, employee, fiduciary, trustee or agent of any Hillman Entity (in each case whether or not Indemnitee is acting or serving in any such capacity or has such status at the time any liability or expense is incurred for which indemnification or advancement of Expenses can be provided under this Agreement). If Indemnitee believes in good faith that a given situation may lead to or culminate in the institution of a Proceeding, this shall be considered a Proceeding under this paragraph.

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- (1) "Voting Securities" means any securities of the Company that vote generally in the election of directors.
- 16. <u>Construction</u>. Whenever required by the context, as used in this Agreement the singular number shall include the plural, the plural shall include the singular, and all words herein in any gender shall be deemed to include (as appropriate) the masculine, feminine and neuter genders.
- 17. <u>Reliance</u>. The Company expressly confirms and agrees that it has entered into this Agreement and assumed the obligations imposed on it hereby in order to induce Indemnitee to serve as a director and/or officer of the Company, and the Company acknowledges that Indemnitee is relying upon this Agreement in serving as a director and/or officer of the Company.
- 18. <u>Modification and Waiver</u>. No supplement, modification or amendment of this Agreement shall be binding unless executed in a writing identified as such by all of the parties hereto. Except as otherwise expressly provided herein, the rights of a party hereunder (including the right to enforce the obligations hereunder of the other parties) may be waived only with the written consent of such party, and no waiver of any of the provisions of this Agreement shall be deemed or shall constitute a waiver of any other provisions hereof (whether or not similar) nor shall such waiver constitute a continuing waiver.
- 19. <u>Notice Mechanics</u>. All notices, requests, demands or other communications hereunder shall be in writing and shall be deemed to have been duly given if (i) delivered by hand and receipted for by the party to whom said notice or other communication shall have been directed, or (ii) mailed by certified or registered mail with postage prepaid, on the third business day after the date on which it is so mailed:
  - (a) If to Indemnitee to:

### [DIRECTOR/OFFICER CONTACT INFORMATION]

If to the Company, to:

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c/o The Hillman Group, Inc. 10590 Hamilton Avenue Cincinnati, Ohio 45231 Attn: Doug Cahill, Doug Roberts Ropes & Gray LLP
with a copy 1211 Avenue of the Americas
to: New York, NY 10036-8704
Attn: David Blittner, Laura Steinke

or to such other address as may have been furnished (in the manner prescribed above) as follows: (a) in the case of a change in address for notices to Indemnitee, furnished by Indemnitee to the Company and (b) in the case of a change in address for notices to the Company, furnished by the Company to Indemnitee.

- 20. <u>Contribution</u>. To the fullest extent permissible under Delaware corporate law, if the indemnification provided for in this Agreement is unavailable to Indemnitee for any reason whatsoever, the Company, in lieu of indemnifying Indemnitee, shall contribute to the amount incurred by Indemnitee, whether for judgments, fines, penalties, excise taxes, amounts paid or to be paid in settlement and/or for reasonably incurred Expenses, in connection with any claim relating to an indemnifiable event under this Agreement, in such proportion as is deemed fair and reasonable in light of all of the circumstances of such Proceeding in order to reflect (i) the relative benefits received by the Company and Indemnitee as a result of the event(s) and/or transaction(s) giving cause to such Proceeding; and/or (ii) the relative fault of the Company (and its other directors, officers, employees and agents) and Indemnitee in connection with such event(s) and/or transaction(s).
- 21. Governing Law; Submission to Jurisdiction; Appointment of Agent for Service of Process. This Agreement and the legal relations among the parties shall, to the fullest extent permitted by law, be governed by, and construed and enforced in accordance with, the laws of the State of Delaware, without regard to its conflict of laws rules. The Company and Indemnitee hereby irrevocably and unconditionally (i) agree that any action or proceeding arising out of or in connection with this Agreement shall be brought only in the Court of Chancery of the State of Delaware (the "Delaware Court"), and not in any other state or federal court in the United States of America or any court in any other country, (ii) consent to submit to the exclusive jurisdiction of the Delaware Court for purposes of any action or proceeding arising out of or in connection with this Agreement, (iii) waive any objection to the laying of venue of any such action or proceeding in the Delaware Court, and (iv) waive, and agree not to plead or to make, any claim that any such action or proceeding brought in the Delaware Court has been brought in an improper or otherwise inconvenient forum.
- 22. <u>Headings</u>. The headings of the paragraphs of this Agreement are inserted for convenience only and shall not be deemed to constitute part of this Agreement or to affect the construction thereof.
- 23. <u>Counterparts</u>. This Agreement may be executed in one or more counterparts, each of which shall for all purposes be deemed to be an original but all of which together shall constitute one and the same Agreement.

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IN WITNESS WHEREOF, the parties hereto have executed this Agreement on the day and year first above written.

Company:	HILLMAN SOLUTIONS CORP.
	By:Name: Title:
Indemnitee:	
	Name: [NAME OF INDEMNITEE]

[Signature Page to Indemnification Agreement]

## HILLMAN SOLUTIONS CORP. 2021 CASH INCENTIVE PLAN

### 1. **DEFINED TERMS**

Exhibit A, which is incorporated by reference, defines certain terms used in the Plan and sets forth operational rules related to those terms.

### 2. PURPOSE

The Plan has been established to advance the interests of the Company by providing for the grant of cash-based incentive Awards to Participants that will attract, retain, and reward such persons and incentivize them to attain key Company performance criteria and metrics.

### 3. ADMINISTRATION

The Plan will be administered by the Administrator. The Administrator has discretionary authority, subject only to the express provisions of the Plan, to administer and interpret the Plan and any Award; to determine eligibility for and grant Awards; to adjust the Performance Criterion or Criteria applicable to Awards; to determine, modify or waive the terms and conditions of any Award; to prescribe forms, rules and procedures relating to the Plan and Awards; and to otherwise do all things necessary or desirable to carry out the purposes of the Plan or any Award. Determinations of the Administrator made with respect to the Plan or any Award are conclusive and bind all persons.

### 4. ELIGIBILITY AND PARTICIPATION

The Administrator may select Participants from among executive officers and key employees of the Company and its subsidiaries.

## 5. GRANT OF AWARDS

A Participant who is granted an Award will be entitled to a payment, if any, in respect of the Award only if all conditions to payment have been satisfied in accordance with the Plan and the terms of the Award, except as otherwise determined by the Administrator in accordance with Section 6 below. By accepting (or being deemed to have accepted) an Award, the Participant agrees or will be deemed to have agreed to the terms and conditions of the Award and the Plan. The Administrator will select the Participants, if any, who receive Awards for each Performance Period and, for each Award, will establish the following:

- (a) the Performance Criterion or Criteria applicable to the Award;
- **(b)** the amount or amounts that will be payable (subject to adjustment in accordance with Section 6 below) if the Performance Criterion or Criteria are achieved in whole or in part; and
  - (c) such other terms and conditions as the Administrator determines with respect to the Award.

# 6. DETERMINATION OF PERFORMANCE AND AMOUNTS PAYABLE

As soon as practicable after the end of the applicable Performance Period, the Administrator will determine whether and to what extent, if at all, the Performance Criterion or Criteria applicable to each Award granted for such Performance Period have been satisfied. The Administrator will then determine the amount payable, if any, under each Award. The Administrator may, in its sole discretion

and with or without specifying its reasons for doing so, after determining the amount that would otherwise be payable in respect of any Award, adjust the actual payment, if any, to be made with respect to such Award. The Administrator may exercise the discretion described in the immediately preceding sentence either in individual cases or in ways that affect more than one Participant. In each case, the Administrator's discretionary determination, which may affect different Awards differently, is conclusive and will bind all persons.

### 7. PAYMENTS

The Administrator will determine the payment dates for Awards under the Plan. Except as otherwise determined by the Administrator:

- (a) all payments under the Plan will be made, if at all, not later than the later of (i) two and one-half months following the end of the Company's fiscal year in which the Performance Period ends and (ii) March 15<sup>th</sup> of the calendar year immediately following the calendar year in which the Performance Period ends;
- **(b)** payment will not be made with respect to an Award unless the Participant has remained employed with the Company and its subsidiaries through the date of payment; and
- (c) awards under the Plan are intended to qualify for exemption from Section 409A of the Code and shall be construed and administered accordingly.

Notwithstanding anything herein to the contrary, the Administrator may authorize elective deferrals of any Award payments in accordance with the deferral rules of Section 409A.

### 8. TAX WITHHOLDING

All payments under the Plan will be reduced by all tax and other amounts required to be withheld with respect to the payment. Any amounts withheld pursuant to this Section 8 will be treated as though such payments had been made directly to the applicable Participant.

### 9. AMENDMENT AND TERMINATION

The Administrator may at any time or times amend the Plan or any outstanding Award for any purpose which may at the time be permitted by applicable law, and may at any time terminate the Plan as to any future grants of Awards. For the avoidance of doubt, no adjustment to any Award or determination made with respect to any Award, in each case, in accordance with the terms of the Plan will be treated as an amendment that requires the consent of any Participant.

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### 10. RECOVERY OF COMPENSATION

The Administrator may provide in any case that any outstanding Award and any amounts received in respect of any Award will be subject to forfeiture and disgorgement to the Company, with interest and other related earnings, if the Participant to whom the Award was granted is not in compliance with any provision of the Plan or any applicable Award, or violates any non-competition, non-solicitation, no-hire, non-disparagement, confidentiality, invention assignment, or other restrictive covenant in favor of the Company or any of its affiliates by which the Participant is bound. In addition, each Award will be subject to any policy of the Company or any of its affiliates that provides for forfeiture, disgorgement or clawback with respect to incentive compensation that includes Awards under the Plan and will be further subject to forfeiture and disgorgement to the extent required by law or applicable stock exchange listing standards, including, without limitation, Section 10D of the Securities Exchange Act of 1934, as amended. Each Participant, by accepting (or being deemed to have accepted) an Award under the Plan, agrees (or will be deemed to have agreed) to the provisions of this Section 10 and any clawback, recoupment or similar policy of the Company or any of its subsidiaries and further agrees (or will be deemed to have further agreed) to cooperate fully with the Administrator to effectuate any forfeiture or disgorgement described in this Section 10. Neither the Administrator nor the Company nor any other person, other than the Participant, will be responsible for any adverse tax or other consequences to a Participant that may arise in connection with this Section 10.

### 11. MISCELLANEOUS

- Waiver of Jury Trial. By accepting (or being deemed to have accepted) an Award under the Plan, each Participant waives (or will be deemed to have waived), to the maximum extent permitted under applicable law, any right to a trial by jury in any action, proceeding or counterclaim concerning any rights under the Plan or any Award, or under any amendment, waiver, consent, instrument, document or other agreement delivered or which in the future may be delivered in connection therewith, and agrees (or will be deemed to have agreed) that any such action, proceeding or counterclaim will be tried before a court and not before a jury. By accepting (or being deemed to have accepted) an Award under the Plan, each Participant certifies that no officer, representative, or attorney of the Company has represented, expressly or otherwise, that the Company would not, in the event of any action, proceeding, or counterclaim, seek to enforce the foregoing waivers. Notwithstanding anything to the contrary in the Plan, nothing herein is to be construed as limiting the ability of the Company and a Participant to agree to submit any dispute arising under the terms of the Plan or any Award to binding arbitration or as limiting the ability of the Company to require any individual to agree to submit such disputes to binding arbitration as a condition of receiving an Award hereunder.
- (b) Section 409A. Without limiting the generality of Section 11(c) hereof, each Award will contain such terms as the Administrator determines and will be construed and administered, such that the Award either qualifies for an exemption from the requirements of Section 409A or satisfies such requirements. Notwithstanding anything to the contrary in the Plan or any Award agreement, the Administrator may unilaterally amend, modify or terminate the Plan or any outstanding Award, including but not limited to changing the form of the Award, if the Administrator determines that such amendment, modification or termination is necessary or desirable to avoid the imposition of an additional tax, interest or penalty under Section 409A. If a Participant is determined on the date of the Participant's termination of Employment to be a "specified employee" within the meaning of that term under Section 409A(a)(2)(B) of the Code, then, with regard to any payment that is considered nonqualified deferred compensation under Section 409A, to the extent applicable, payable on account of a "separation from service", such payment will be made or provided on the date that is the earlier of (i) the first business day following the expiration of the six-month period measured from the date of such "separation from service" and (ii) the date of the Participant's death. For purposes of Section 409A, each payment made under the Plan or any Award will be treated as a separate payment.

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- **Limitation of Liability.** Notwithstanding anything to the contrary in the Plan or any Award, neither the Company, nor any of its subsidiaries, nor the Administrator, nor any person acting on behalf of the Company, any of its subsidiaries, or the Administrator, will be liable to any Participant or to any other person by reason of any acceleration of income, any additional tax, or any penalty, interest or other liability asserted by reason of the failure of an Award to satisfy the requirements of Section 409A or by reason of Section 4999 of the Code, or otherwise asserted with respect to any Award.
- (d) <u>Unfunded Plan</u>. The Company's obligations under the Plan are unfunded, and no Participant will have any right to specific assets of the Company in respect of any Award. Participants will be general unsecured creditors of the Company with respect to any amounts due or payable under the Plan.
- **Governing Law.** Except as otherwise provided by the express terms of an Award, the domestic substantive laws of the State of Delaware govern the provisions of the Plan and of Awards under the Plan and all claims or disputes arising out of or based upon the Plan or any Award under the Plan or relating to the subject matter hereof or thereof, without giving effect to any choice or conflict of laws provision or rule that would cause the application of the domestic substantive laws of any other jurisdiction.
- (f) <u>Jurisdiction</u>. By accepting (or being deemed to have accepted) an Award, each Participant agrees or will be deemed to have agreed to (i) submit irrevocably and unconditionally to the jurisdiction of the federal and state courts located within the geographic boundaries of the United States District Court for the District of Delaware for the purpose of any suit, action or other proceeding arising out of or based upon the Plan or any Award; (ii) not commence any suit, action or other proceeding arising out of or based upon the Plan or any Award, except in the federal and state courts located within the geographic boundaries of the United States District Court for the District of Delaware; and (iii) waive, and not assert, by way of motion as a defense or otherwise, in any such suit, action or proceeding, any claim that the Participant is not subject personally to the jurisdiction of the above-named courts, that the Participant's property is exempt or immune from attachment or execution, that the suit, action or proceeding is brought in an inconvenient forum, that the venue of the suit, action or proceeding is improper or that the Plan or any Award or the subject matter thereof may not be enforced in or by such court.

- (g) Other Compensation Arrangements. The existence of the Plan or the grant of any Award will not affect the right of the Company or any of its subsidiaries to grant any person bonuses or other compensation in addition to Awards under the Plan.
- (h) <u>Rights Limited.</u> Nothing in the Plan or any Award will be construed as giving any person the right to be granted an Award or to continued employment or service with the Company or any of its subsidiaries. The loss of any Award will not constitute an element of damages in the event of a termination of a Participant's employment for any reason, even if the termination is in violation of an obligation of the Company or any of its subsidiaries to the Participant.
- (i) <u>Effective Date</u>. The Plan will be effective upon adoption of the Plan by the Administrator and will supersede and replace the Company's annual cash bonus program with respect to awards granted to eligible executive officers and employees for fiscal years beginning after the date of adoption.

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# EXHIBIT A Definition of Terms

The following terms, when used in the Plan, have the meanings and are subject to the provisions set forth below:

- "Administrator": The Compensation Committee, except that the Board may at any time act in the capacity of the Administrator (including with respect to such matters that are not delegated to the Compensation Committee by the Board (whether pursuant to committee charter or otherwise), if applicable). The Compensation Committee (or the Board) may delegate (i) to one or more of its members (or one or more other members of the Board) such of its duties, powers and responsibilities as it may determine; (ii) to one or more officers of the Company the power to grant Awards to the extent permitted by applicable law; and (iii) to such employees or other persons as it determines such ministerial tasks as it deems appropriate. For purposes of the Plan, the term "Administrator" will include the Board, the Compensation Committee, and the person or persons delegated authority under the Plan to the extent of such delegation, as applicable.
- "Award": A cash bonus award that is granted to a Participant with respect to a Performance Period. An Award opportunity may be expressed as a percentage of the Participant's base salary, as a fixed dollar amount, or in such other form determined by the Administrator.
  - "Board": The board of directors of the Company.
- "Code": The U.S. Internal Revenue Code of 1986, as from time to time amended and in effect, or any successor statute as from time to time in effect, including any applicable regulations and guidance thereunder.
  - "Company": Hillman Solutions Corp., a Delaware corporation.
  - "Compensation Committee": The Compensation Committee of the Board.
  - "Participant": A person who is granted an Award under the Plan.
- "Performance Criteria": Specified criteria, other than the mere continuation of employment or the mere passage of time, the satisfaction of which is a condition for the grant, exercisability, vesting, or full enjoyment of an Award. A Performance Criterion and any targets with respect thereto need not be based upon an increase, a positive or improved result, or avoidance of loss and may be applied to a Participant individually, or to a business unit or division of the Company or to the Company as a whole. A Performance Criterion may also be based on individual performance and/or subjective performance criteria. The Administrator may provide that one or more

of the Performance Criteria applicable to such Award will be adjusted in a manner to reflect events (for example, but without limitation, acquisitions or dispositions) occurring during the Performance Period that affect the applicable Performance Criteria.

"Performance Period": A specified performance period, consisting of the Company's fiscal year or such other period as the Administrator determines.

"Plan": This Hillman Solutions Corp. 2021 Cash Incentive Plan, as from time to time amended and in effect.

"Section 409A": Section 409A of the Code and the regulations thereunder.

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Name:	
Number of Shares of Stock subject to the Stock Option:	
Exercise Price Per Share:	\$
Date of Grant:	
[Vesting Commencement Date:]	

# HILLMAN SOLUTIONS CORP. 2021 EQUITY INCENTIVE PLAN

## Non-Statutory Stock Option Agreement

This agreement (this "Agreement") evidences a stock option granted by Hillman Solutions Corp. (the "Company") to the individual named above (the "Participant"), pursuant to and subject to the terms of the Hillman Solutions Corp. 2021 Equity Incentive Plan (as from time to time amended and in effect, the "Plan"). Except as otherwise defined herein, all capitalized terms used herein have the same meaning as in the Plan.

1. <u>Grant of Stock Option</u>. The Company grants to the Participant on the date set forth above (the "**Date of Grant**") an option (the "**Stock Option**") to purchase, pursuant to and subject to the terms and conditions set forth in this Agreement and in the Plan, up to the number of shares of Stock set forth above (the "**Shares**") with an exercise price per Share as set forth above, in each case, subject to adjustment pursuant to Section 7 of the Plan in respect of transactions occurring after the date hereof.

The Stock Option evidenced by this Agreement is a non-statutory option (that is, an option that is not intended to qualify as an ISO) and is granted to the Participant in connection with the Participant's Employment.

- 2. <u>Vesting</u>. The term "**vest**" as used herein with respect to the Stock Option or any portion thereof means to become exercisable and the term "**vested**" as used herein with respect to the Stock Option (or any portion thereof) means that the Stock Option (or portion thereof) is then exercisable. Unless earlier terminated, forfeited, relinquished or expired, the Stock Option will vest.
- Exercise of the Stock Option. No portion of the Stock Option may be exercised until such portion vests. Each election to exercise any vested portion of the Stock Option will be subject to the terms and conditions of the Plan and must be in written or electronic form acceptable to the Administrator, signed (including by electronic signature) by the Participant or, if at the relevant time the Stock Option has passed to the estate or beneficiary of the Participant or a permitted transferee, by such estate or beneficiary or permitted transferee. Each such written or electronic exercise election must be received by the Company at its principal office or at such other place or by such other party as the Administrator may prescribe and must be accompanied by payment in full of the exercise price by cash or check, through a broker-assisted exercise program acceptable to the Administrator, or as otherwise provided in the Plan. Subject to earlier termination as set forth herein or in the Plan (including Section 6(a)(4) of the Plan), the latest date on which the Stock Option or any portion thereof may be exercised is the tenth (10<sup>th</sup>) anniversary of the Date of Grant (the "Final Exercise Date") and, if not exercised on or prior to such date, the Stock Option or any remaining portion thereof will thereupon immediately terminate.
- 4. <u>Cessation of Employment</u>. If the Participant's Employment ceases for any reason, except as expressly provided for in a written agreement between the Participant and the Company or one of its affiliates that is in effect at the time of such cessation of Employment, the Stock Option, to the extent not then vested, will be immediately forfeited for no consideration, and any vested portion of the Stock Option that is then outstanding will remain exercisable for the period, if any, described in Section 6(a)(4) of the Plan.
- 5. <u>Restrictions on Transfer</u>. The Stock Option may not be transferred except as expressly permitted under Section 6(a)(3) of the Plan.
- 6. <u>Forfeiture; Recovery of Compensation</u>. By accepting, or being deemed to have accepted, the Stock Option, the Participant expressly acknowledges and agrees that his or her rights, and those of any permitted transferee, with respect to the Stock

Option, including the right to any Shares acquired under the Stock Option or any amounts received in respect thereof, are subject to Section 6(a)(5) of the Plan (including any successor provision). The Participant further agrees to be bound by the terms of any applicable clawback or recoupment policy and any stock ownership guidelines of, or established by, the Company. Nothing in the preceding sentence will be construed as limiting the general application of Section 8 of this Agreement.

- 7. Taxes. The Participant expressly acknowledges and agrees that the Participant's rights hereunder, including the right to be issued Shares upon exercise of the Stock Option, are subject to the Participant promptly paying to the Company in cash or by check (or by such other means as may be acceptable to the Administrator) all taxes and other amounts required to be withheld. No Shares will be issued pursuant to the exercise of the Stock Option unless and until the person exercising the Stock Option has remitted to the Company an amount in cash sufficient to satisfy any withholding requirements, or has made other arrangements satisfactory to the Company with respect to such amounts. The Participant authorizes the Company and its subsidiaries to withhold any amounts due in respect of any required withholdings from any amounts otherwise owed to the Participant, but nothing in this sentence will be construed as relieving the Participant from any liability for satisfying his or her obligation under the preceding provisions of this Section.
- 8. <u>Provisions of the Plan</u>. This Agreement is subject in its entirety to the provisions of the Plan, which are incorporated herein by reference. A copy of the Plan as in effect on the Date of Grant has been made available to the Participant. By accepting, or being deemed to have accepted, the Stock Option, the Participant agrees to be bound by the terms of the Plan and this Agreement. In the event of any conflict between the terms of this Agreement and the Plan, the terms of the Plan will control.

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9. <u>Acknowledgements</u>. The Participant acknowledges and agrees that (i) this Agreement may be executed in two or more counterparts, each of which will be an original and all of which together will constitute one and the same instrument, (ii) this Agreement may be executed and exchanged using facsimile, portable document format (PDF) or electronic signature, which, in each case, will constitute an original signature for all purposes hereunder, and (iii) such signature by the Company will be binding against the Company and will create a legally binding agreement when this Agreement is countersigned by the Participant.

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The Company, by its duly authorized officer, and the Participant have executed this Agreement.

HILLMAN SOLUTIONS CORP.

ъу:			
Name:			
Title:			
Title:			

Agreed and Accepted:

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[Participant's Name]

Signature page to Stock Option Agreement

Name:	
Number of Shares of Stock subject to the Stock Option:	
Exercise Price Per Share:	\$
Date of Grant:	
[Vesting Commencement Date:]	

# HILLMAN SOLUTIONS CORP. 2021 EQUITY INCENTIVE PLAN

# Non-Statutory Stock Option Agreement (Non-Employee Directors)

This agreement (this "Agreement") evidences a stock option granted by Hillman Solutions Corp. (the "Company") to the individual named above (the "Participant"), pursuant to and subject to the terms of the Hillman Solutions Corp. 2021 Equity Incentive Plan (as from time to time amended and in effect, the "Plan"). Except as otherwise defined herein, all capitalized terms used herein have the same meaning as in the Plan.

1. <u>Grant of Stock Option</u>. The Company grants to the Participant on the date set forth above (the "**Date of Grant**") an option (the "**Stock Option**") to purchase, pursuant to and subject to the terms and conditions set forth in this Agreement and in the Plan, up to the number of shares of Stock set forth above (the "**Shares**") with an exercise price per Share as set forth above, in each case, subject to adjustment pursuant to Section 7 of the Plan in respect of transactions occurring after the date hereof.

The Stock Option evidenced by this Agreement is a non-statutory option (that is, an option that is not intended to qualify as an ISO) and is granted to the Participant in connection with the Participant's Employment.

- 2. <u>Vesting</u>. The term "**vest**" as used herein with respect to the Stock Option or any portion thereof means to become exercisable and the term "**vested**" as used herein with respect to the Stock Option (or any portion thereof) means that the Stock Option (or portion thereof) is then exercisable. Unless earlier terminated, forfeited, relinquished or expired, the Stock Option will vest.
- Exercise of the Stock Option. No portion of the Stock Option may be exercised until such portion vests. Each election to exercise any vested portion of the Stock Option will be subject to the terms and conditions of the Plan and must be in written or electronic form acceptable to the Administrator, signed (including by electronic signature) by the Participant or, if at the relevant time the Stock Option has passed to the estate or beneficiary of the Participant or a permitted transferee, by such estate or beneficiary or permitted transferee. Each such written or electronic exercise election must be received by the Company at its principal office or at such other place or by such other party as the Administrator may prescribe and must be accompanied by payment in full of the exercise price by cash or check, through a broker-assisted exercise program acceptable to the Administrator, or as otherwise provided in the Plan. Subject to earlier termination as set forth herein or in the Plan (including Section 6(a)(4) of the Plan), the latest date on which the Stock Option or any portion thereof may be exercised is the tenth  $(10^{th})$  anniversary of the Date of Grant (the "Final Exercise Date") and, if not exercised on or prior to such date, the Stock Option or any remaining portion thereof will thereupon immediately terminate.
- 4. <u>Cessation of Employment.</u> If the Participant's Employment ceases for any reason, except as expressly provided for in a written agreement between the Participant and the Company or one of its affiliates that is in effect at the time of such cessation of Employment, the Stock Option, to the extent not then vested, will be immediately forfeited for no consideration, and any vested portion of the Stock Option that is then outstanding will remain exercisable for the period, if any, described in Section 6(a)(4) of the Plan.
- 5. <u>Restrictions on Transfer.</u> The Stock Option may not be transferred except as expressly permitted under Section 6(a)(3) of the Plan.

- 6. <u>Forfeiture; Recovery of Compensation</u>. By accepting, or being deemed to have accepted, the Stock Option, the Participant expressly acknowledges and agrees that his or her rights, and those of any permitted transferee, with respect to the Stock Option, including the right to any Shares acquired under the Stock Option or any amounts received in respect thereof, are subject to Section 6(a)(5) of the Plan (including any successor provision). The Participant further agrees to be bound by the terms of any applicable clawback or recoupment policy and any stock ownership guidelines of, or established by, the Company. Nothing in the preceding sentence will be construed as limiting the general application of Section 8 of this Agreement.
- 7. <u>Taxes</u>. The Participant is responsible for satisfying and paying all taxes arising from or due in connection with the Stock Option, its exercise and any disposition of any Shares acquired upon exercise of the Stock Option. The Company will have no liability or obligation related to the foregoing.
- 8. <u>Provisions of the Plan.</u> This Agreement is subject in its entirety to the provisions of the Plan, which are incorporated herein by reference. A copy of the Plan as in effect on the Date of Grant has been made available to the Participant. By accepting, or being deemed to have accepted, the Stock Option, the Participant agrees to be bound by the terms of the Plan and this Agreement. In the event of any conflict between the terms of this Agreement and the Plan, the terms of the Plan will control.
- 9. <u>Acknowledgements</u>. The Participant acknowledges and agrees that (i) this Agreement may be executed in two or more counterparts, each of which will be an original and all of which together will constitute one and the same instrument, (ii) this Agreement may be executed and exchanged using facsimile, portable document format (PDF) or electronic signature, which, in each case, will constitute an original signature for all purposes hereunder, and (iii) such signature by the Company will be binding against the Company and will create a legally binding agreement when this Agreement is countersigned by the Participant.

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The Company, by its duly authorized officer, and the F	Participant have executed this Agreement.
	HILLMAN SOLUTIONS CORP.
	Ву:
	Name:
	Title:
Agreed and Accepted:	
Ву	
[Participant's Name]	
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Name:	
Number of Restricted Stock Units:	
Date of Grant:	
[Vesting Commencement Date:]	

# HILLMAN SOLUTIONS CORP. 2021 EQUITY INCENTIVE PLAN

### RESTRICTED STOCK UNIT AGREEMENT

This agreement (this "Agreement") evidences a grant (the "Award") of Restricted Stock Units ("RSUs") by Hillman Solutions Corp. (the "Company") to the individual named above (the "Participant"), pursuant to and subject to the terms of the Hillman Solutions Corp. 2021 Equity Incentive Plan (as from time to time amended and in effect, the "Plan"). Except as otherwise defined herein, all capitalized terms used herein have the same meaning as in the Plan.

1. <u>Grant of RSUs.</u> On the date set forth above (the "**Date of Grant**"), the Company granted to the Participant the number of Restricted Stock Units ("**RSUs**") set forth above, giving the Participant the conditional right to receive, without payment and pursuant to and subject to the terms and conditions set forth in this Agreement and in the Plan, one share of Stock (a "**Share**") with respect to each RSU subject to this Award, subject to adjustment pursuant to Section 7 of the Plan in respect of transactions occurring after the date hereof.

The RSUs are granted to the Participant in connection with the Participant's Employment with the Company.

- 2. Vesting. Unless earlier terminated, forfeited, relinquished or expired, the RSUs will vest, subject to the Participant remaining in continuous Employment from the Date of Grant through the applicable vesting date.
- 3. <u>Cessation of Employment</u>. If the Participant's Employment ceases for any reason, except as expressly provided for in a written agreement between the Participant and the Company or one of its affiliates that is in effect at the time of such cessation of Employment, the RSUs, to the extent not then vested, will be immediately forfeited for no consideration.
- 4. <u>Delivery of Shares</u>. The Company shall, as soon as practicable upon the vesting of any RSUs (but in no event later than thirty (30) days following the date on which such RSUs vest), effect delivery of the Shares with respect to such vested RSUs to the Participant (or, in the event of the RSUs have passed to the estate or beneficiary of the Participant or a permitted transferee, to such estate or beneficiary or permitted transferee).
- 5. <u>Restrictions on Transfer</u>. The RSUs may not be transferred except as expressly permitted under Section 6(a)(3) of the Plan.
- 6. <u>Forfeiture; Recovery of Compensation</u>. By accepting, or being deemed to have accepted, the RSUs, the Participant expressly acknowledges and agrees that his or her rights, and those of any permitted transferee, with respect to the RSUs, including the right to any Shares acquired in respect of the RSUs and any amounts received in respect thereof, are subject to Section 6(a)(5) of the Plan (including any successor provision). The Participant further agrees to be bound by the terms of any applicable clawback or recoupment policy and any stock ownership guidelines of, or established by, the Company. Nothing in the preceding sentence will be construed as limiting the general application of Section 8 of this Agreement.
- 7. Taxes. The Participant expressly acknowledges and agrees that the Participant's rights hereunder, including the right to be issued Shares upon settlement of the Award, are subject to the Participant promptly paying to the Company in cash or by check (or by such other means as may be acceptable to the Administrator) all taxes and other amounts required to be withheld. No Shares will be issued in respect of the Award unless and until the Participant has remitted to the Company an amount in cash sufficient to satisfy any withholding requirements, or has made other arrangements satisfactory to the Company with respect to such amounts. Unless otherwise

determined by the Company, the Company shall automatically satisfy any tax withholding obligations by withholding from the Shares that would otherwise be delivered in connection with a vesting date a number of Shares having a fair market value equal to the minimum statutory amount required to be withheld to satisfy such tax withholding obligations and/or by causing such number of Shares to be sold in accordance with a sell-to-cover arrangement. The Participant authorizes the Company and its subsidiaries to withhold any amounts due in respect of any required withholdings by withholding from the Shares otherwise deliverable in connection with the RSUs, by causing such Shares to be sold in accordance with a sell-to-cover arrangement and/or by withholding from any amounts otherwise owed to the Participant. Nothing in this Section 7, however, shall be construed as relieving the Participant of any liability for satisfying his or her tax obligations relating to the Award. If a sell-to-cover arrangement is selected as contemplated hereunder the Participant shall bear all costs associated with the sale of Shares under such arrangement.

- 8. <u>Provisions of the Plan.</u> This Agreement is subject in its entirety to the provisions of the Plan, which are incorporated herein by reference. A copy of the Plan as in effect on the Date of Grant has been made available to the Participant. By accepting, or being deemed to have accepted, the Award, the Participant agrees to be bound by the terms of the Plan and this Agreement. In the event of any conflict between the terms of this Agreement and the Plan, the terms of the Plan will control.
- 9. <u>Acknowledgements</u>. The Participant acknowledges and agrees that (i) this Agreement may be executed in two or more counterparts, each of which will be an original and all of which together will constitute one and the same instrument, (ii) this Agreement may be executed and exchanged using facsimile, portable document format (PDF) or electronic signature, which, in each case, will constitute an original signature for all purposes hereunder, and (iii) such signature by the Company will be binding against the Company and will create a legally binding agreement when this Agreement is countersigned by the Participant.

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The Company, by its duly authorized officer, and the Par	ticipant have executed this Agreement.
	HILLMAN SOLUTIONS CORP.
	By:
	Name:
	Title:
Agreed and Accepted:	
By[Participant's Name]	
	ricted Stock Unit Agreement

Name:	
Number of Restricted Stock Units:	
Date of Grant:	
[Vesting Commencement Date:]	

# HILLMAN SOLUTIONS CORP. 2021 EQUITY INCENTIVE PLAN

# RESTRICTED STOCK UNIT AGREEMENT (NON-EMPLOYEE DIRECTORS)

This agreement (this "Agreement") evidences a grant (the "Award") of Restricted Stock Units ("RSUs") by Hillman Solutions Corp. (the "Company") to the individual named above (the "Participant"), pursuant to and subject to the terms of the Hillman Solutions Corp. 2021 Equity Incentive Plan (as from time to time amended and in effect, the "Plan"). Except as otherwise defined herein, all capitalized terms used herein have the same meaning as in the Plan.

1. <u>Grant of RSUs.</u> On the date set forth above (the "**Date of Grant**"), the Company granted to the Participant the number of Restricted Stock Units ("**RSUs**") set forth above, giving the Participant the conditional right to receive, without payment and pursuant to and subject to the terms and conditions set forth in this Agreement and in the Plan, one share of Stock (a "**Share**") with respect to each RSU subject to this Award, subject to adjustment pursuant to Section 7 of the Plan in respect of transactions occurring after the date hereof.

The RSUs are granted to the Participant in connection with the Participant's Employment with the Company.

- 2. <u>Vesting</u>. Unless earlier terminated, forfeited, relinquished or expired, the RSUs will vest, subject to the Participant remaining in continuous Employment from the Date of Grant through the applicable vesting date.
- 3. <u>Cessation of Employment</u>. If the Participant's Employment ceases for any reason, except as expressly provided for in a written agreement between the Participant and the Company or one of its affiliates that is in effect at the time of such cessation of Employment, the RSUs, to the extent not then vested, will be immediately forfeited for no consideration.
- 4. <u>Delivery of Shares</u>. The Company shall, as soon as practicable upon the vesting of any RSUs (but in no event later than thirty (30) days following the date on which such RSUs vest), effect delivery of the Shares with respect to such vested RSUs to the Participant (or, in the event of the RSUs have passed to the estate or beneficiary of the Participant or a permitted transferee, to such estate or beneficiary or permitted transferee).
- 5. <u>Restrictions on Transfer</u>. The RSUs may not be transferred except as expressly permitted under Section 6(a)(3) of the Plan.
- 6. <u>Forfeiture; Recovery of Compensation</u>. By accepting, or being deemed to have accepted, the RSUs, the Participant expressly acknowledges and agrees that his or her rights, and those of any permitted transferee, with respect to the RSUs, including the right to any Shares acquired in respect of the RSUs and any amounts received in respect thereof, are subject to Section 6(a)(5) of the Plan (including any successor provision). The Participant further agrees to be bound by the terms of any applicable clawback or recoupment policy and any stock ownership guidelines of, or established by, the Company. Nothing in the preceding sentence will be construed as limiting the general application of Section 8 of this Agreement.
- 7. <u>Taxes</u>. The Participant is responsible for satisfying and paying all taxes arising from or due in connection with the Award, its vesting and/or settlement and any disposition of any Shares acquired upon the vesting of the Award. The Company will have no liability or obligation related to the foregoing.

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The Company, by its duly authorized officer, and the Parti	cipant have executed this Agreement.
	HILLMAN SOLUTIONS CORP.
	By:
	Name: Title:
Agreed and Accepted:	
By	
[Participant's Name]	
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Provisions of the Plan. This Agreement is subject in its entirety to the provisions of the Plan, which are incorporated

herein by reference. A copy of the Plan as in effect on the Date of Grant has been made available to the Participant. By accepting, or

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### LOCK-UP AGREEMENT

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Hillman Solutions Corp. [10590 Hamilton Avenue Cincinnati, Ohio 45231]

Ladies and Gentlemen:

Reference is hereby made to that certain Agreement and Plan of Merger, dated January 24, 2021, by and among Landcadia Holdings III, Inc., a Delaware corporation ("Parent"), Helios Sun Merger Sub, Inc., a Delaware corporation and wholly-owned subsidiary of Parent ("Merger Sub"), HMAN Group Holdings Inc., a Delaware corporation ("Hillman"), and the stockholder representative thereunder (the "Merger Agreement"). Capitalized terms used but not defined herein shall have the meanings ascribed to such terms in the Merger Agreement.

The undersigned understands that (i) pursuant to the Merger Agreement, Merger Sub shall merge with and into Hillman, with Hillman being the surviving corporation of the merger, and (ii) upon the closing of the transactions contemplated by the Merger Agreement, each share of common stock, par value \$0.01 per share, of Hillman (the "Hillman Common Stock") held by the undersigned shall be cancelled and automatically deemed for all purposes to represent the right to receive a portion of the Aggregate Stock Consideration, with the undersigned being entitled to receive with respect to each such share of Hillman Common Stock, a number of shares of common stock, par value \$0.0001 per share (the "Common Stock"), of Hillman Solutions Corp. (f/k/a Landcadia Holdings III, Inc.), a Delaware corporation (the "Company"), subject to and in accordance with the terms and conditions set forth in the Merger Agreement.

In consideration of the foregoing, and for other good and valuable consideration, the receipt and sufficiency of which are hereby acknowledged, the undersigned hereby agrees as follows:

The undersigned agrees that they shall not Transfer any shares of Common Stock for six (6) months following the Closing Date (the "Lock-Up Period"); provided, (x) that 33% of the Common Stock shall be transferable as part of an Underwritten Offering following 90 days after the Closing Date if the last closing price of the Common Stock equals or exceeds \$12.00 per share (as adjusted for stock splits, stock dividends, reorganizations, recapitalizations and the like) for any 20 trading days within any 30-trading day period after the Closing, and (y) each executive officer and director of the Company shall be permitted to establish a plan to acquire and sell shares of Common Stock pursuant to Rule 10b5-1 under the Exchange Act, provided that such plan does not provide for the Transfer of shares of Common Stock during the Lock-Up Period. The foregoing restrictions shall not apply to Permitted Transfers or Transfers made by a Permitted Transferee.

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The undersigned further agrees, and the Company agrees and shall cause each director and officer of the Company to agree, that, in connection with each Registration or sale of Registrable Securities conducted as an Underwritten Offering, if requested, to become bound by and to execute and deliver a customary lock-up agreement with the Underwriter(s) of such Underwritten Offering restricting such applicable person or entity's right to (a) Transfer, directly or indirectly, any equity securities of the Company held by such person or entity or (b) enter into any swap or other arrangement that transfers to another any of the economic consequences of ownership of such securities during the period commencing on the date of the final Prospectus relating to the Underwritten Offering and ending on the date specified by the Underwriters (such period not to exceed ninety (90) days). The terms of such lock-up agreements shall be negotiated among the applicable holder of Common Stock ("Holder") requested to enter into lock-up agreements in accordance with the immediately preceding sentence, the Company and the Underwriters and shall include customary exclusions from the restrictions on Transfer set forth therein, including that such restrictions on the applicable Holder shall be conditioned upon all officers and directors of the Company, as well as all Holders, being subject to the same restrictions; provided, that, to the extent any Holder is granted a release or waiver from the restrictions

contained in this Section 2 and in such Holder's lock-up agreement prior to the expiration of the period set forth in such Holder's lock-up agreement, then all Holders shall be automatically granted a release or waiver from the restrictions contained in this Section 2 and the applicable lock-up agreements to which they are party to the same extent, on substantially the same terms as and on a pro rata basis with, the Holder to which such release or waiver is granted. The provisions of this Section 2 shall not apply to any Holder that holds less than one percent (1%) of then total issued and outstanding Common Stock.

3. As used herein, the following terms shall have the respective meanings set forth below:

"Affiliate" means, with respect to a specified Person, each other Person that directly, or indirectly through one or more intermediaries, controls or is controlled by, or is under common control with, the Person specified; provided that no Holder shall be deemed an Affiliate of any other Holder solely by reason of an investment in, or holding of Common Stock (or securities convertible or exchangeable for shares of Common Stock) of, the Company. As used in this definition, "control" (including with correlative meanings, "controlled by" and "under common control with") means possession, directly or indirectly, of power to direct or cause the direction of management or policies (whether through ownership of voting securities or by contract or other agreement); provided, however, that in no event shall the term "Affiliate" include any portfolio company of any Holder or their respective Affiliates (other than the Company).

"Block Trade" means an offering and/or sale of Registrable Securities by any Holder on a block trade or underwritten basis (whether firm commitment or otherwise) for reoffering to the public without a roadshow or substantial marketing efforts prior to pricing, including, without limitation, a same day trade, overnight trade or similar transaction.

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"Commission" shall mean the Securities and Exchange Commission.

"Exchange Act" shall mean the Securities Exchange Act of 1934, as it may be amended from time to time.

"Permitted Transferees" or "Permitted Transfer" shall mean (x) any Affiliate of a Holder or (y) any transfers made: (i) pursuant to a bona fide gift or charitable contribution; (ii) by will or intestate succession upon the death of Holder; (iii) to any Permitted Transferee; (iv) to the members of the Sponsors, (v) pursuant to a court order or settlement agreement related to the distribution of assets in connection with the dissolution of marriage or civil union; (vi) pro rata to the partners, members or shareholders of a Holder upon its liquidation or dissolution; or (vii) in the event of the Company's completion of a liquidation, merger, share exchange or other similar transaction which results in all of its shareholders having the right to exchange their Common Stock for cash, securities or other property; provided that in the case of (i) through (vi), the recipient of such Transfer must enter into a written agreement agreeing to be bound by the terms of this Agreement.

"Prospectus" shall mean the prospectus included in any Registration Statement, whether preliminary or final, as supplemented by any and all prospectus supplements (including any "free writing prospectus") and as amended by any and all post-effective amendments, and including all material incorporated by reference in such prospectus.

"Registrable Security" shall mean (a) any outstanding share of Common Stock or any other equity security (including shares of Common Stock issued or issuable upon the exercise of any other equity security) of the Company held by a Holder as of the date of this agreement or hereafter acquired by a Holder, and (b) any other equity security of the Company issued or issuable with respect to any such share of Common Stock referred to in the foregoing clause (a) by way of a stock dividend or stock split or in connection with a combination of shares, recapitalization, merger, consolidation or other reorganization or otherwise; provided, however, that, as to any particular Registrable Security, such securities shall cease to be Registrable Securities when: (i) a Registration Statement with respect to the sale of such securities shall have become effective under the Securities Act and such securities shall have been sold, transferred, disposed of or exchanged in accordance with such Registration Statement by the applicable Holder; (ii) such securities shall have been otherwise transferred, new certificates for such securities not bearing (or book entry positions not subject to) a legend restricting further transfer shall have been delivered by the Company and subsequent public distribution of such securities shall not require registration under the Securities Act; (iii) such securities shall have ceased to be outstanding; or (iv) such securities (A) are held, or become held, by any Holder (other than the Sponsors) who holds less than two percent (2%) of the then issued and outstanding equity securities of the Company; and (B) may be sold without registration pursuant to Rule 144 or any successor rule promulgated under the Securities Act (but with no volume or other restrictions or limitations including as to manner or timing of sale).

"Registration" shall mean a registration effected by preparing and filing a registration statement or similar document in compliance with the requirements of the Securities Act, and the applicable rules and regulations promulgated thereunder, and such registration statement becoming effective.				
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"Registration Statement" shall mean any registration statement that covers the Registrable Securities pursuant to the provision of this agreement, including the Prospectus included in such registration statement, amendments (including post-effective amendments and supplements to such registration statement, and all exhibits to and all material incorporated by reference in such registration statement.				
"Securities Act" shall mean the Securities Act of 1933, as amended from time to time.				
"Sponsors" shall mean Jefferies Financial Group Inc., a New York corporation and TFJ, LLC, a Delaware limited liabilit company.				
"Transfer" shall mean the (a) sale of, offer to sell, contract or agreement to sell, hypothecate, pledge, grant of any option to purchase or otherwise dispose of or agreement to dispose of, directly or indirectly, or establishment or increase of a put equivalent position or liquidation with respect to or decrease of a call equivalent position within the meaning of Section 16 of the Exchange Act, and the rule and regulations of the Commission promulgated thereunder with respect to, any security, (b) entry into any swap or other arrangement that transfers to another, in whole or in part, any of the economic consequences of ownership of any security, whether any such transaction is to be settled by delivery of such securities, in cash or otherwise, or (c) public announcement of any intention to effect any transaction specified in clause (a) or (b).				
"Underwriter" shall mean a securities dealer who purchases any Registrable Securities as principal in an Underwritten Offerin and not as part of such dealer's market-making activities.				
"Underwritten Registration" or "Underwritten Offering" shall mean a Registration or offering and/or sale of Registrable Securities in which securities of the Company are sold to an Underwriter in a firm commitment underwriting for distribution to the public including a Block Trade.				
4. The undersigned further understands that this agreement is irrevocable and shall be binding upon the undersigned's heirs, legar representatives, successors and assigns.				
The undersigned acknowledges and agrees that the Company has not provided any recommendation or investment advice not has the Company solicited any action from the undersigned with respect to the Common Stock and the undersigned has consulted their own legal, accounting, financial, regulatory and tax advisors to the extent deemed appropriate.				
6. This agreement shall be governed by and construed in accordance with the laws of the State of Delaware.				
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Very truly yours,				
(Name)				
(Address)				

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#### AMENDMENT NO. 2

This Amendment No. 2, dated as of July 14, 2021 (this "<u>Amendment</u>"), is entered into by and among Hillman Investment Company, a Delaware corporation ("<u>Holdings</u>"), The Hillman Group, Inc., a Delaware corporation (the "<u>US Borrower</u>"), The Hillman Group Canada ULC, a British Columbia unlimited liability company (the "<u>Canadian Borrower</u>" and, together with the US Borrower, the "<u>Borrowers</u>" and each, a "<u>Borrower</u>"), the Subsidiary Guarantors, the Lenders listed on the signature pages hereto and Barclays Bank PLC, in its capacity as administrative agent for the Lenders (in such capacity, the "<u>Administrative Agent</u>"). Capitalized terms used herein and not otherwise defined herein shall have the respective meanings ascribed to them in the Amended and Restated Credit Agreement (as defined below).

### WITNESSETH:

WHEREAS, Holdings, the Borrowers, the lenders from time to time party thereto (each, an "Existing Lender" and, collectively, the "Existing Lenders"), the Administrative Agent and the other parties named therein are party to that certain Credit Agreement, dated as of May 31, 2018 (as amended by that certain Amendment No. 1, dated as of November 15, 2019, and as further amended, restated, amended and restated, supplemented or otherwise modified from time to time prior to the Amendment No. 2 Effective Date (as defined below), the "Existing Credit Agreement");

WHEREAS, each of the parties hereto have agreed to (a) amend and restate the Existing Credit Agreement as set forth in <u>Section 1</u> of this Amendment (the Existing Credit Agreement as amended and restated hereby, the "<u>Amended and Restated Credit Agreement</u>") and (b) to release The Hillman Companies, Inc., a Delaware corporation (the "<u>Released Party</u>") from all of its obligations under the Existing Credit Agreement and the other Loan Documents;

WHEREAS, each Loan Party (a) expects to realize substantial direct and indirect benefits as a result of this Amendment becoming effective and by its signature hereto agrees to the terms hereof and (b) in the case of each existing Loan Party immediately prior to the Amendment No. 2 Effective Date, agrees to reaffirm its obligations pursuant to the Amended and Restated Credit Agreement, the Security Documents and the other Loan Documents to which it is a party;

WHEREAS, subject to the terms and conditions contained in this Amendment, each Existing Lender holding Revolving Loans under the Existing Credit Agreement immediately prior to the Amendment No. 2 Effective Date (the "Existing Revolving Loans") and/or Commitments under the Existing Credit Agreement immediately prior to the Amendment No. 2 Effective Date (the "Existing Commitments") that executes and delivers a signature page to this Amendment as a "Continuing Lender" (each, a "Continuing Lender" and, collectively, the "Continuing Lenders") shall, by the fact of such execution and delivery, be deemed to have (i) consented to the terms of this Amendment and the Amended and Restated Credit Agreement and (ii) agreed to sell the entire aggregate principal amount of its Existing Revolving Loans and Existing Commitments via an assignment (at 100% of par) on the Amendment No. 2 Effective Date pursuant to the Master Assignment and Assumption substantially in the form attached hereto as Annex I (the "Master Assignment") and (iii) on the Amendment No. 2 Effective Date (or a later date selected by the Administrative Agent its sole discretion), purchase via an assignment (at 100% of par) Revolving Loans and Commitments under the Amended and Restated Credit Agreement in an aggregate principal amount equal to the amount set forth opposite such Continuing Lender's name on Schedule I to this Amendment;

WHEREAS, each Existing Lender that executes and delivers a signature page to this Amendment as a "Non-Continuing Lender" (each, a "Non-Continuing Lender" and, collectively, the "Non-Continuing Lenders") shall, by the fact of such execution and delivery, be deemed to have consented to this Amendment and the Amended and Restated Credit Agreement, but not to the continuation of any of its Existing Revolving Loans or Existing Commitments as Revolving Loans or Commitments, respectively, under the Amended and Restated Credit Agreement and shall execute (or shall be deemed to have executed) a counterpart of the Master Assignment and shall, in accordance therewith, sell the entire aggregate principal amount of its Existing Revolving Loans and Existing Commitments via an assignment (at 100% of par) pursuant to the Master Assignment;

WHEREAS, if any Existing Lender fails to execute and return a signature page to this Amendment by 5:00 p.m. (New York City time), on July 14, 2021, such Existing Lender shall be deemed to be a Non-Continuing Lender and, in accordance with Section 2.19(b) of the Existing Credit Agreement, shall be required to assign and delegate (or shall be deemed to have assigned and delegated), without recourse (in accordance with and subject to the restrictions contained in Section 2.19(b) of the Existing Credit Agreement), all of its interests, rights and obligations under the Existing Credit Agreement and the related Loan Documents in respect of its Existing Revolving Loans and Existing Commitments to an Eligible Assignee that shall assume such obligations (which Eligible Assignee may be another Lender, if a Lender accepts such assignment) at 100% of par pursuant to the Master Assignment; and

WHEREAS, the Administrative Agent, the Lenders party hereto and the Loan Parties are willing, on the terms and subject to the conditions set forth herein, to consent to the amendment and restatement of the Existing Credit Agreement as set forth herein.

NOW, THEREFORE, in consideration of the premises and for other good and valuable consideration (the receipt and sufficiency of which are hereby acknowledged), the parties hereto hereby agree as follows:

# Section 1. Amendment and Restatement of the Existing Credit Agreement, Loan Guaranty, US Security Agreement, Canadian Security Agreement and ABL Intercreditor Agreement; Release.

The parties hereto agree that, on the Amendment No. 2 Effective Date:

- (a) the Existing Credit Agreement is hereby amended and restated in its entirety to delete the stricken text (indicated textually in the same manner as the following example: stricken-text) and to add the double-underlined text (indicated textually in the same manner as the following example: added double-underlined text) as set forth in the pages of the Amended and Restated Credit Agreement attached as Exhibit A hereto;
- (b) the Exhibits to the Existing Credit Agreement are hereby amended and restated and replaced in their entirety by Exhibit B hereto;

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- (c) the Commitment Schedule is hereby amended and restated and replaced in its entirety by Schedule 1 hereto;
- (d) the Loan Guaranty is hereby amended and restated and replaced in its entirety by <u>Exhibit H</u> to the Amended and Restated Credit Agreement (the "<u>Amended and Restated Loan Guaranty</u>");
- (e) the US Security Agreement is hereby amended and restated and replaced in its entirety by <u>Exhibit I-1</u> to the Amended and Restated Credit Agreement (the "<u>Amended and Restated US Security Agreement</u>");
- (f) the Canadian Security Agreement is hereby amended and restated and replaced in its entirety by <u>Exhibit I-2 to the</u> Amended and Restated Credit Agreement (the "Amended and Restated Canadian Security Agreement");
- (g) the ABL Intercreditor Agreement is hereby amended and restated and replaced in its entirety by <u>Exhibit L</u> to the Amended and Restated Credit Agreement (the "Amended and Restated ABL Intercreditor Agreement"); and
  - (h) Release.
    - The Released Party shall automatically be released and discharged from its Obligations under the Existing

      (i) Credit Agreement and any and all other obligations, liabilities, covenants, and agreements in respect of the Existing Credit Agreement and any other Loan Document as of the Amendment No. 2 Effective Date.
    - Any security interest or lien granted to the Administrative Agent or the Secured Parties by the Released Party in its personal property or real property under the Existing Credit Agreement and the other Loan Documents shall automatically and irrevocably be terminated, released and discharged and the Released Party or its counsel (or any other designee of the Released Party) are authorized to deliver and/or file, a Uniform Commercial Code termination statement in connection therewith. The Administrative Agent will (x) execute,

as applicable, and deliver to the Released Party or its counsel (or any designee of the Released Party) any such UCC termination statements (in form and substance agreed by the Administrative Agent prior to the Amendment No. 2 Effective Date), lien releases, mortgage releases, discharges of security interests, pledges and guarantees and other similar discharge or release documents, as are reasonably requested and necessary to release, as of record, the security interests and liens granted to the Administrative Agent or the Secured Parties by the Released Party in its personal property or real property under the Existing Credit Agreement and the other Loan Documents and all notices thereof previously filed by the Administrative Agent under the Existing Credit Agreement and the other Loan Documents and (y) deliver to the Borrower or its counsel (or any other designee of the Borrower) and/or the Administrative Agent or its counsel (or any other designee of the Administrative Agent) all instruments evidencing pledged debt and all equity certificates owned by the Released Party and previously delivered in physical form by the Released Party to the Administrative Agent under the Existing Credit Agreement and the other Loan Documents. Upon the consummation of the Refinancing, the Released Party (or any designee of the Released Party) is authorized to file the UCC termination statement (in form and substance agreed by the Administrative Agent prior to the Amendment No. 2 Effective Date).

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### Section 2. Existing Revolving Loans and Existing Commitments.

Pursuant to the procedures set forth in <u>Section 3</u> of this Amendment:

- (a) Continuation of Existing Revolving Loans and Existing Commitments by Continuing Lenders. Each Existing Lender executing this Amendment as a "Continuing Lender" consents and agrees to (1) this Amendment and the Amended and Restated Credit Agreement, (2) sell the entire aggregate principal amount of its Existing Revolving Loans and Existing Commitments via an assignment (at 100% of par) on the Amendment No. 2 Effective Date pursuant to the Master Assignment and (3) on the Amendment No. 2 Effective Date (or a later date selected by the Administrative Agent its sole discretion), purchase via an assignment (at 100% of par) Revolving Loans and Commitments in an aggregate principal amount equal to the amount set forth opposite such Continuing Lender's name on Schedule I to this Amendment (it being understood and agreed that such Lender's signature to this Amendment shall be deemed to be such Lender's written consent to the assignments described in the foregoing clauses (2) and (3)).
- (b) Non-Continuation of Existing Revolving Loans and Existing Commitments by Non-Continuing Lenders. Each Existing Lender executing this Amendment as a "Non-Continuing Lender" (1) consents and agrees to this Amendment and the Amended and Restated Credit Agreement, but does not consent to the continuation of its Existing Revolving Loans and Existing Commitments into Revolving Loans and Commitments, respectively, under the Amended and Restated Credit Agreement, (2) shall execute (or shall be deemed to have executed) a counterpart of the Master Assignment and (3) shall, in accordance with the Master Assignment, sell via an assignment (at 100% of par) the entire aggregate principal amount of its Existing Revolving Loans and Existing Commitments pursuant to the Master Assignment (it being understood and agreed that such Lender's signature to this Amendment shall be deemed to be such Lender's written consent to the assignment described in this Section 2(b)).
- (c) Each Existing Lender that fails to execute and return a signature page to this Amendment by 5:00 p.m. (New York City time), on July 13, 2021, shall be deemed to be a Non-Continuing Lender and, in accordance with Section 2.19(b) of the Existing Credit Agreement, shall be required to execute (or shall be deemed to have executed) a counterpart of the Master Assignment and shall, in accordance therewith, sell via an assignment (at 100% of par) the entire aggregate principal amount of its Existing Revolving Loans and Existing Commitments pursuant to the Master Assignment.

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## Section 3. Master Assignment.

(a) Pursuant to the Master Assignment entered into (or deemed entered into) by each Continuing Lender and each Non-Continuing Lender in accordance with <u>Section 2</u> of this Amendment, each Continuing Lender and each Non-Continuing Lender shall

sell and assign the principal amount of its Existing Revolving Loans and Existing Commitments as set forth in Schedule I to the Master Assignment (as completed by the Administrative Agent on or prior to the Amendment No. 2 Effective Date) to Barclays Bank PLC, as assignee (in such capacity, the "Replacement Lender") under the Master Assignment (collectively, the "Inbound Assignments") and, immediately after giving effect to the Inbound Assignments on the Amendment No. 2 Effective Date, the Replacement Lender shall sell and assign the principal amount of its Existing Revolving Loans and Existing Commitments as set forth in Schedule I to the Master Assignment (as completed by the Administrative Agent on or prior to the Amendment No. 2 Effective Date) to the Continuing Lenders, as assignees (collectively, the "Outbound Assignments"). Each Lender and each Issuing Bank's signature page to this to this Amendment shall be deemed to be it signature page to the Master Assignment. Each of the US Borrower and the Canadian Borrower's signature page to this Amendment shall be deemed its signature page to the Master Assignment. At the election of the Administrative Agent (in its sole discretion), the Master Assignment (and Schedule I thereto) may be completed and executed as one or more separate agreements, each with a separate Schedule I.

- (b) Each Lender that does not execute a signature page to this Amendment on or prior to the Amendment No. 2 Effective Date shall be deemed to be a Non-Consenting Lender (as defined in the Existing Credit Agreement). Pursuant to Section 2.19(b) of the Existing Credit Agreement, such Non-Consenting Lender shall execute or, by virtue of the Administrative Agent's signature to this Amendment, shall be deemed to have executed, the Master Assignment.
- Each Loan Party and each Lender hereby authorizes the Administrative Agent, in consultation with the Lead Borrower, to (i) determine all amounts, percentages and other information with respect to the Revolving Loans and Commitments of each Continuing Lender in a manner consistent with the Amended and Restated Commitment Letter, dated as of February 12, 2021 (the "Commitment Letter"), by and among Barclays Bank PLC and the other financial institutions party thereto as Commitment Parties (as defined therein) and the US Borrower and (ii) enter and complete all such amounts, percentages and other information in the Register maintained pursuant to Section 9.05(b)(iv) of the Amended and Restated Credit Agreement, as appropriate. After giving effect to the transactions contemplated by this Amendment, the amounts of the "Revolving Loans" and "Commitments" shall be as set forth in this Amendment and the Amended and Restated Credit Agreement. The Administrative Agent's determination of such amounts in a manner consistent with the Commitment Letter and entry thereof in the Register shall be conclusive evidence of the existence, amounts, percentages and other information with respect to the obligations of the Borrowers under the Amended and Restated Credit Agreement, in each case, absent manifest error. For the avoidance of doubt, the provisions of Article VIII and Section 9.03 of the Amended and Restated Credit Agreement shall apply to any determination, entry or completion made by the Administrative Agent pursuant to this Section 3.

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# Section 4. Conditions Precedent to the Effectiveness of this Amendment.

This Amendment shall become effective as of the date when, and only when, the following conditions precedent have been satisfied (or waived by the Arrangers), subject in all respects to the last paragraph of this <u>Section 4</u>, (such date, the "<u>Amendment No. 2</u> <u>Effective Date</u>"):

- Amendment and Loan Documents. The Administrative Agent (or its counsel) shall have received from the Released Party, the Borrowers, Holdings, and each other Loan Party party thereto on the Amendment No. 2 Effective Date: (i) a counterpart signed by each such Loan Party (or written evidence reasonably satisfactory to the Administrative Agent (which may include a copy transmitted by facsimile or other electronic method) that such party has signed a counterpart and may be delivered in escrow pending the consummation of the Merger) of (A) this Amendment, (B) the Amended and Restated US Security Agreement, (C) the Amended and Restated Canadian Security Agreement, (D) the Amended and Restated Loan Guaranty, (E) the Amended and Restated ABL Intercreditor Agreement and (F) any Promissory Note requested by a Lender at least three (3) Business Days prior to the Amendment No. 2 Effective Date and (ii) if applicable, a Borrowing Request pursuant to Section 2.03 of the Amended and Restated Credit Agreement.
  - (b) [reserved].
- (c) <u>Legal Opinions</u>. The Administrative Agent (or its counsel) shall have received a favorable customary written opinion of (i) Ropes & Gray LLP, in its capacity as special counsel for the Loan Parties, (ii) Stikeman Elliott LLP and MLT Aikins LLP, as local Canadian counsels for the Loan Parties, and (iii) Thompson Hine LLP, as local Georgia counsel for the Loan Parties, in each case, dated as of the Amendment No. 2 Effective Date, addressed to the Administrative Agent, the Collateral Agent, the Lenders and the Issuing Banks.

- sheets as of December 28, 2018, December 29, 2019 and December 26, 2020 and consolidated statements of income, shareholders' equity and cash flows of the Lead Borrower and its subsidiaries (or, to the extent permitted by the Existing Credit Agreement, a Parent Company of the Lead Borrower) for such fiscals years then ended, (ii) copies of the unaudited consolidated balance sheet as of March 31, 2021 and related consolidated statements of income, shareholders' equity and cash flows of the Lead Borrower and its subsidiaries (or, to the extent permitted by the Existing Credit Agreement, a Parent Company of the Lead Borrower) for the fiscal quarter then ended and (iii) the unaudited pro forma consolidated balance sheet as of and for the most recently ended period pursuant to clause (i) or clause (ii) above, prepared after giving effect to the Transactions, which need not be prepared in compliance with Regulation S-X of the Securities Act of 1933, as amended, or include adjustments for purchase accounting.
- (e) Closing Certificates; Certified Charters; Good Standing Certificates. The Administrative Agent (or its counsel) shall have received (i) a certificate of each Loan Party, dated as of the Amendment No. 2 Effective Date and executed by a secretary, assistant secretary or other Responsible Officer (as the case may be) thereof of each Loan Party, dated as of the Amendment No. 2 Effective Date, which shall (A) certify that attached thereto is a true and complete copy of the resolutions or written consents of its shareholders, board of directors, board of managers, members or other governing body authorizing the execution, delivery and performance of this Amendment and the other Loan Documents to which it is a party and, in the case of the Borrowers, the borrowings under the Amended and Restated Credit Agreement, and that such resolutions or written consents have not been modified, rescinded or amended (other than as attached thereto) and are in full force and effect, (B) identify by name and title and bear the signatures of the officers, managers, directors or authorized signatories of such Loan Party authorized to sign this Amendment and the other Loan Documents to which it is a party on the Amendment No. 2 Effective Date and (C) certify (x) that attached thereto is a true and complete copy of the certificate or articles of incorporation or organization (or memorandum of association or other equivalent thereof) of such Loan Party certified by the relevant authority of the jurisdiction of organization of such Loan Party and a true and correct copy of its by-laws or operating, management, partnership or similar agreement and (y) that such documents or agreements have not been amended (except as otherwise attached to such certificate and certified therein as being the only amendments thereto as of such date) and (ii) a good standing (or equivalent) certificate as of a recent date for such Loan Party from its jurisdiction of organization, to the extent available.

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- (f) Representations and Warranties. The (i) Specified Merger Agreement Representations shall be true and correct solely to the extent required by the terms of the definition thereof and (ii) Specified Representations shall be true and correct in all material respects on and as of the Amendment No. 2 Effective Date; provided that (A) in the case of any Specified Representation which expressly relates to a specific date or period, such representation and warranty shall be true and correct in all material respects as of the respective date or for the respective period, as the case may be and (B) if any Specified Representation is qualified by or subject to a "material adverse effect", "material adverse change" or similar term or qualification, the definition thereof shall be the definition of "Amendment No. 2 Effective Date Material Adverse Effect" for purposes of the making or deemed making of such Specified Representation on, or as of, the Amendment No. 2 Effective Date (or any date prior thereto).
- (g) Fees. Prior to or substantially concurrently with the initial availability of the Revolving Loans under the Amended and Restated Credit Agreement, the Administrative Agent shall have received (i) all fees required to be paid by the Borrowers on the Amendment No. 2 Effective Date pursuant to the Fee Letter and (ii) all expenses required to be paid by the Borrowers on or before the Amendment No. 2 Effective Date for which invoices have been presented at least three (3) Business Days prior to the Amendment No. 2 Effective Date (including the reasonable fees and expenses of legal counsel), in each case on or before the Amendment No. 2 Effective Date, which amounts may be offset against the proceeds of any Revolving Loans borrowed on the Amendment No. 2 Effective Date.
- (h) <u>Solvency</u>. The Administrative Agent (or its counsel) shall have received a certificate dated as of the Amendment No. 2 Effective Date in substantially the form of <u>Exhibit K</u> to the Amended and Restated Credit Agreement from the chief financial officer (or other officer with reasonably equivalent responsibilities) of the Lead Borrower certifying as to the matters set forth therein.
- (i) <u>Perfection Certificate</u>. The Administrative Agent (or its counsel) shall have received a completed Perfection Certificate dated as of the Amendment No. 2 Effective Date and signed by a Responsible Officer of each Borrower, together with all attachments contemplated thereby.

- (j) Filings Registrations and Recordings. Each document (including any UCC, PPSA or similar financing statement) required by any Collateral Document to be delivered on the Amendment No. 2 Effective Date or under law to be filed, registered or recorded in order to create in favor of the Administrative Agent, for the benefit of the Secured Parties, a perfected Lien on the Collateral required to be delivered pursuant to such Collateral Document, prior and superior in right of security to any other Person (subject to the terms of the ABL Intercreditor Agreement and other than with respect to Permitted Liens), shall have been received by the Administrative Agent and be in proper form for filing, registration or recordation.
- (k) <u>Beneficial Ownership Certification</u>. If any Borrower qualifies as a "legal entity customer" under the Beneficial Ownership Regulation, then such Borrower shall have delivered to the Administrative Agent a Beneficial Ownership Certification in relation to such Borrower, to the extent reasonably requested by any Lender in writing at least ten (10) Business Days in advance of the Amendment No. 2 Effective Date.
- (l) <u>Amendment No. 2 Effective Date Material Adverse Effect</u>. No Amendment No. 2 Effective Date Material Adverse Effect shall have occurred since January 24, 2021.
- (m) <u>USA PATRIOT Act</u>. No later than three (3) Business Days in advance of the Amendment No. 2 Effective Date, the Administrative Agent shall have received all documentation and other information required pursuant to applicable "know your customer" and anti-money laundering rules and regulations, including the USA PATRIOT Act with respect to any Loan Party to the extent reasonably requested by any Lender in writing at least ten (10) Business Days in advance of the Amendment No. 2 Effective Date.
- (n) Officer's Certificate. The Administrative Agent (or its counsel) shall have received a certificate signed by a Responsible Officer of the Lead Borrower certifying as of the Amendment No. 2 Effective Date to the matters set forth in Sections 4(f) and (l) of this Amendment.
- (o) <u>Refinancing</u>. Prior to or substantially concurrently with the initial availability of the Revolving Loans under the Amended and Restated Credit Agreement, the Refinancing (as defined in the Term Credit Agreement as in effect on the Amendment No. 2 Effective Date) shall have been consummated.
- (p) <u>Junior Debentures Discharge and Redemption</u>. Prior to or substantially concurrently with the initial availability of the Revolving Loans under the Amended and Restated Credit Agreement, the Redemption Deposit (as defined in the Term Credit Agreement as in effect on the Amendment No. 2 Effective Date) with respect to the Junior Debentures shall have been deposited with the trustee under the Junior Debentures Indenture and a notice of redemption for all outstanding Trust Preferred Securities on the Redemption Date (as defined in the Term Credit Agreement as in effect on the Amendment No. 2 Effective Date) shall have been delivered.
- (q) <u>PIPE Investment</u>. Prior to or substantially concurrently with the initial availability of the Revolving Loans under the Amended and Restated Credit Agreement, the PIPE Investment shall have been consummated.

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(r) Transactions. The Merger shall have been consummated, or substantially simultaneously with the initial borrowings of the Revolving Loans under the Amended and Restated Credit Agreement, shall be consummated in all material respects in accordance with the terms of the Merger Agreement, without giving effect to any amendments, waivers or consents to the Merger Agreement by HMAN that are materially adverse to the interests of the Initial Revolving Lenders in their capacities as such without the consent of the Arrangers, such consent not to be unreasonably withheld, delayed or conditioned; provided, that (a) any decrease in the aggregate merger consideration (x) of up to 10% shall not be materially adverse to the interests of the Initial Revolving Lenders in their capacities as such, (y) greater than 10% shall not be materially adverse to the interests of the Initial Revolving Lenders in their capacities as such so long as such decrease is allocated, to the extent reducing any merger consideration payable in cash, to reduce the Initial Term Loans (as defined in the Term Credit Agreement as in effect on the Amendment No. 2 Effective Date) ratably (or on a greater than pro rata basis) with the PIPE Investment, and (z) reducing only consideration payable in stock shall not be materially adverse to the Initial Revolving Lenders in their capacities as such, (b) any increase in the purchase price shall not be materially adverse to the Initial Revolving Lenders in their capacities as such so long as such increase is funded by amounts permitted to be drawn hereunder, any increase in the PIPE Investment and/or the proceeds of Qualified Capital Stock, (c) any amendment, waiver or consent to the definition of "Company Material Adverse Effect" in the Merger Agreement shall be deemed to be materially adverse to the Initial Revolving Lenders in their capacities as such, (d) other than with respect to the foregoing clause (c), the granting of any consent or waiver under the Merger Agreement that is not

materially adverse to the interests of the Initial Revolving Lenders in their capacities as such shall not otherwise constitute an amendment or waiver, and (e) the granting of any consent or waiver under the Merger Agreement with respect to any condition to closing based on (i) Closing Available Proceeds (as defined in the Merger Agreement) in Section 7.1(e) of the Merger Agreement, (ii) Cash and Cash Equivalents (as defined in the Merger Agreement) in Section 7.1(f) of the Merger Agreement, and/or (iii) Post-Closing Indebtedness (as defined in the Merger Agreement) in Section 7.1(g) of the Merger Agreement, in each case, shall not be materially adverse to the interests of the Initial Revolving Lenders in their capacities as such.

(s) <u>Borrowing Base Certificates</u>. The Administrative Agent shall have received a US Borrowing Base Certificate and a Canadian Borrowing Base Certificate, in each case, at least one (1) Business Day prior to the Amendment No. 2 Effective Date.

For purposes of determining whether the conditions specified in this <u>Section 4</u> have been satisfied on the Amendment No. 2 Effective Date, by funding the Revolving Loans under the Amended and Restated Credit Agreement, the Administrative Agent and each Lender that has executed this Amendment shall be deemed to have consented to, approved or accepted, or to be satisfied with, each document or other matter required hereunder to be consented to or approved by or acceptable or satisfactory to the Administrative Agent or such Lender, as the case may be.

Notwithstanding the foregoing, to the extent the Lien on any Collateral (including the granting or perfection of any security interest) or Guarantee is not or cannot be provided on the Amendment No. 2 Effective Date (other than (i) the granting of liens in the Collateral owned by Holdings, the US Borrower and each US Subsidiary Guarantor pursuant to the US Security Agreement to the extent perfection of a Lien on such Collateral may be perfected solely by the filing of a financing statement under the UCC, (ii) a pledge of the Capital Stock of the Lead Borrower to the extent such pledge may be perfected on the Amendment No. 2 Effective Date by the delivery to the Term Agent as bailee and agent for the Administrative Agent of a stock or equivalent certificate representing such Capital Stock (together with a stock power or similar instrument endorsed in blank for the relevant certificate), (iii) a pledge of the Capital Stock of each subsidiary required to be a Subsidiary Guarantor to the extent such pledge may be perfected on the Amendment No. 2 Effective Date by the delivery to the Term Agent as bailee and agent for the Administrative Agent of a stock or equivalent certificate representing such Capital Stock (together with a stock power or similar instrument endorsed in blank for the relevant certificate), but solely to the extent such Subsidiary Guarantor is a currently a "subsidiary guarantor" under the Existing Term Facility (as defined in the Term Credit Agreement as in effect on the Amendment No. 2 Effective Date) whose stock or equivalent certificates have been pledged and delivered to the administrative agent under the Existing Term Facility (unless due to the COVID-19 pandemic, obtaining any such stock certificates from the administrative agent under the Existing Term Facility is impractical, in which case, such stock certificates shall be delivered to the to the Term Agent as bailee and agent for the Administrative Agent within five (5) Business Days after the Amendment No. 2 Effective Date (or such later date as the Term Agent may reasonably agree) and (iv) the Guarantee by Holdings and each material Subsidiary Guarantor)), then the provision (and/or perfection) of such Collateral and/or Guarantee shall not constitute a condition precedent to the availability of the of the Revolving Loans under the Amended and Restated Credit Agreement on the Amendment No. 2 Effective Date but may instead be provided (and/or perfected) within ninety (90) days (or five (5) Business Days in the case of any Guarantee) after the Amendment No. 2 Effective Date or such later date as the Administrative Agent, to the extent relating to ABL Priority Collateral, may reasonably agree. For the avoidance of doubt, delivery of insurance certificates and lien searches are not conditions to the availability of the of the Revolving Loans under the Amended and Restated Credit Agreement on the Amendment No. 2 Effective Date but the Lead Borrower shall use commercially reasonable efforts to deliver such insurance certificates and lien searches on the Amendment No. 2 Effective Date or soon as thereafter as reasonably practicable.

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# Section 5. Representations and Warranties.

On and as of the Amendment No. 2 Effective Date, after giving effect to this Amendment, each Loan Party hereby represents and warrants to the Administrative Agent and each of the Lenders as follows:

(a) Each Loan Party has the power and authority to execute, deliver and perform this Amendment and the other Loan Documents to which it is a party. Each Loan Party has taken all necessary corporate action (including obtaining approval of its shareholders, if necessary) to authorize its execution, delivery and performance of this Amendment and the other Loan Documents to which it is a party. This Amendment and the other Loan Documents have been duly executed and delivered by each Loan Party party thereto, and constitutes the legal, valid and binding obligations of such Loan Party, enforceable against it in accordance with its terms, subject to the Legal Reservations. Each Loan Party's execution, delivery and performance of this Amendment and the other Loan Documents to which it is a party does not (x) violate, the terms of (a) the Term Credit Agreement or any other material Contractual

Obligations to which such Loan Party is a party which violation, in the case of this <u>Section 3(a)</u>, would reasonably be expected to result in a Material Adverse Effect, (b) any Requirement of Law applicable to such Loan Party, which violation, in the case of this <u>clause (b)</u>, would reasonably be expected to have a Material Adverse Effect, or (c) any Organization Document of such Loan Party or (y) result in the imposition of any Lien upon the property of any Loan Party by reason of any of the foregoing.

- (b) The representations and warranties contained in <u>Article III</u> of the Amended and Restated Credit Agreement and the other Loan Documents are true and correct in all material respects (and any representation and warranty that is qualified as to materiality or Material Adverse Effect is true and correct in all respects) on and as of the Amendment No. 2 Effective Date as though made on and as of such date, other than any such representation or warranty which relates to a given date or period, in which case such representations and warranties were true and correct in all material respects as of such date or period.
- (c) The execution and delivery of this Amendment and the other Loan Documents by each Loan Party party thereto and the performance by each Loan Party thereof do not require any consent or approval of, registration or filing with, or any other action by, any Governmental Authority, except (i) such as have been obtained or made and are in full force and effect and (ii) such consents, approvals, registrations, filings, or other actions the failure to obtain or make which would not be reasonably expected to have a Material Adverse Effect.

# Section 6. Reference to and Effect on the Loan Documents.

- (a) As of the Amendment No. 2 Effective Date, each reference in the Existing Credit Agreement to "this Agreement," "hereunder," "hereof," "herein," or words of like import, and each reference in the other Loan Documents to the Existing Credit Agreement (including, without limitation, by means of words like "thereunder," "thereof" and words of like import), shall mean and be a reference to the Amended and Restated Credit Agreement, and this Amendment and the Amended and Restated Credit Agreement shall be read together and construed as a single instrument.
- (b) Except as expressly amended and restated on the Amendment No. 2 Effective Date, all of the terms and provisions of the Existing Credit Agreement, the Loan Guaranty and all other Loan Documents are and shall remain in full force and effect and are hereby ratified and confirmed. This Amendment shall not constitute a novation of the Existing Credit Agreement, the Loan Guaranty or any other Loan Document.
- (c) The execution, delivery and effectiveness of this Amendment shall not operate as a waiver of any right, power or remedy of the Lenders, the Borrowers or the Administrative Agent under any of the Loan Documents, nor constitute a waiver or amendment of any other provision of any of the Loan Documents or for any purpose except as expressly set forth herein.
- (d) This Amendment shall constitute a Loan Document under the terms of the Amended and Restated Credit Agreement.
- (e) The Loan Parties, by their respective signatures below, hereby affirm and confirm their guarantees pursuant to the Loan Guaranty and the pledge of and/or grant of a security interest in their assets which are Collateral to secure the Obligations, all as provided in the Collateral Documents, and acknowledge and agree that such guarantees and such pledge and/or grant shall continue in full force and effect in respect of, and to secure, such Obligations under the Amended and Restated Credit Agreement and the other Loan Documents.

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### Section 7. Fees and Expenses.

The Borrowers agree to pay all reasonable and documented or invoiced out-of-pocket costs and expenses of the Administrative Agent and the Lenders in connection with this Amendment to the extent required by <u>Section 9.03</u> of the Amended and Restated Credit Agreement.

## Section 8. Counterparts.

This Amendment may be executed in any number of counterparts (and by different parties hereto on different counterparts), each of which shall be an original, but all of which shall constitute a single contract. This Amendment shall become effective on the

Amendment No. 2 Effective Date. Delivery of an executed counterpart of a signature page to this Amendment by facsimile or by email as a ".pdf" or ".tiff" attachment shall be effective as delivery of a manually executed counterpart of this Amendment. The words "execute," "execution," "signed," "signature," and words of like import in or related to any document to be signed in connection with this Amendment and the transactions contemplated hereby (including, without limitation, Assignment and Assumptions, amendments or other modifications, Borrowing Requests, waivers and consents) shall be deemed to include electronic signatures, the electronic matching of assignment terms and contract formations on electronic platforms approved by the Administrative Agent, or the keeping of records in electronic form, each of which shall be of the same legal effect, validity or enforceability as a manually executed signature or the use of a paper-based recordkeeping system, as the case may be, to the extent and as provided for in any applicable law, including the Federal Electronic Signatures in Global and National Commerce Act, the New York State Electronic Signatures and Records Act, or any other similar state laws based on the Uniform Electronic Transactions Act; provided that, notwithstanding anything contained herein to the contrary the Administrative Agent is under no obligation to agree to accept electronic signatures in any form or in any format unless expressly agreed to by the Administrative Agent pursuant to procedures approved by it.

# Section 9. Governing Law.

- (a) THIS AMENDMENT AND ANY CLAIM, CONTROVERSY OR DISPUTE ARISING UNDER OR RELATED TO THIS AMENDMENT, WHETHER IN TORT, CONTRACT (AT LAW OR IN EQUITY) OR OTHERWISE, SHALL BE GOVERNED BY, AND CONSTRUED AND INTERPRETED IN ACCORDANCE WITH, THE LAWS OF THE STATE OF NEW YORK.
- (b) The jurisdiction, venue and service of process provisions of <u>Section 9.10</u> of the Amended and Restated Credit Agreement shall apply to this Amendment *mutatis mutandis*.

#### Section 10. Notices.

All communications and notices hereunder shall be given as provided in <u>Section 9.01</u> of the Amended and Restated Credit Agreement.

#### Section 11. Waiver of Jury Trial.

The waiver of jury trial provisions of <u>Section 9.11</u> of the Amended and Restated Credit Agreement shall apply to this Amendment *mutatis mutandis*.

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**IN WITNESS WHEREOF**, the parties hereto have caused this Amendment to be executed by their respective officers thereunto duly authorized, as of the date first written above.

#### HILLMAN INVESTMENT COMPANY,

as Holdings

By: /s/ Douglas D. Roberts

Name: Douglas D. Roberts

Title: Vice President, Secretary, and General Counsel

#### THE HILLMAN GROUP, INC.,

as the US Borrower

By: /s/ Douglas D. Roberts

Name: Douglas D. Roberts

Title: Vice President, Secretary, and General Counsel

#### THE HILLMAN GROUP CANADA ULC,

as the Canadian Borrower

By: /s/ Douglas D. Roberts

Name: Douglas D. Roberts

Title: Vice President, Secretary, and General Counsel

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BIG TIME PRODUCTS, LLC
NB PARENT COMPANY LLC
NB PRODUCTS LLC
SUNSUB C INC.,

as Subsidiary Guarantors

By: /s/ Douglas D. Roberts

Name: Douglas D. Roberts

Title: Vice President, Secretary, and General Counsel

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# THE HILLMAN COMPANIES, INC.,

as a Released Party

By: /s/ Douglas D. Roberts

Name: Douglas D. Roberts

Title: Vice President, Secretary, and General Counsel

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# BARCLAYS BANK PLC,

as Administrative Agent

By: /s/ Joseph Jordan

Name: Joseph Jordan Title: Managing Director

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#### BARCLAYS BANK PLC,

as the Replacement Lender, a Continuing Lender, a Lender and Issuing Bank

By: /s/ Joseph Jordan

Name: Joseph Jordan Title: Managing Director

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# MUFG UNION BANK, N.A.,

as a Continuing Lender, a Lender and Issuing Bank

By: /s/ Thomas Kainamura

Name: Thomas Kainamura

Title: Director

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# PNC BANK, NATIONAL ASSOCIATION,

as a Continuing Lender, a Lender and Issuing Bank

By: /s/ Andrew Salmon

Name: Andrew Salmon Title: Vice President

### PNC BANK CANADA BRANCH,

as a Continuing Lender, a Lender and Issuing Bank

By: /s/ David D'Cruz

Name: David D'Cruz Title: Vice President

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# BANK OF AMERICA, N.A.,

as a Continuing Lender, a Lender and Issuing Bank

By: /s/ Kristen J. Holihan

Name: Kristen J. Holihan Title: Senior Vice President

**BANK OF AMERICA, N.A.**, acting through its Canada Branch, as a Continuing Lender, a Lender and Issuing Bank

By: /s/ Medina Sales de Andrade

Name: Medina Sales de Andrade

Title: Vice President

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ANNEX I

#### Master Assignment

[See Attached]

# ANNEX I SCHEDULE A

# INBOUND MASTER ASSIGNMENT AND ASSUMPTION AGREEMENT FOR THE HILLMAN GROUP, INC. AND THE HILLMAN GROUP CANADA ULC AMENDMENT NO. 2

This Master Assignment and Assumption Agreement (this "Master Assignment and Assumption") is dated as of the Effective Date set forth in Section 8 below (the "Effective Date") and is entered into by and between each Assignor identified in item 1 below (each, an "Assignor") and the Assignee identified in item 2 below (the "Assignee"). It is understood and agreed that the rights and obligations of each of the Assignors hereunder are several and not joint. Capitalized terms used but not defined herein shall have the meanings given to them in the Credit Agreement identified below, receipt of a copy of which is hereby acknowledged by the Assignee. The standard terms and conditions set forth in Annex 1 attached hereto (the "Standard Terms and Conditions") are hereby agreed to and incorporated herein by reference and made a part of this Master Assignment and Assumption as if set forth herein in full.

For an agreed consideration, each Assignor hereby irrevocably sells and assigns to the Assignee as described below, and the Assignee hereby irrevocably purchases and assumes from the applicable Assignor, subject to and in accordance with the Standard Terms and Conditions and the Credit Agreement, as of the Effective Date, (i) all of the applicable Assignor's rights and obligations in its capacity as a Lender or an Issuing Bank under the Credit Agreement and any other documents or instruments delivered pursuant thereto to the extent related to the principal amount of Commitments and Revolving Loans identified opposite such Lender or Issuing Bank's name on Schedule I hereto under the caption "Commitments/Revolving Loans held immediately prior to the Effective Date" and/or "Maximum Letters of Credit held immediately prior to the Effective Date", as applicable, and (ii) to the extent permitted to be assigned under applicable Law, all claims, suits, causes of action and any other right of the applicable Assignor (in its capacity as a Lender or an Issuing Bank under the Credit Agreement) against any Person, whether known or unknown, arising under or in connection with the Credit Agreement, any other documents or instruments delivered pursuant thereto or the loan transactions governed thereby or in any way based on or related to any of the foregoing, including, but not limited to, contract claims, tort claims, malpractice claims, statutory claims and all other claims at law or in equity related to the rights and obligations sold and assigned pursuant to clause (i) above (the rights and obligations sold and assigned Interest"). Each such sale and assignment is without recourse to any Assignor and, except as expressly provided in this Master Assignment and Assumption, without representation or warranty by any Assignor.

By purchasing the Assigned Interest, the Assignee agrees that, for purposes of that certain Amendment No. 2, dated as of July 14, 2021 (the "Second Amendment"), by and among Holdings, certain direct and indirect subsidiaries of Holdings, the Lenders referred to therein, the Administrative Agent and the Issuing Banks, to the Credit Agreement (as defined below), it shall be deemed to have consented and agreed to (1) the Second Amendment and (2) the amendment and restatement of the Credit Agreement (in the form of Exhibit A attached to Amendment No. 2). 1. Assignor: Each person identified on Schedule I hereto 2. Assignee: Barclays Bank PLC 3. Borrower: The Hillman Group, Inc. and The Hillman Group Canada ULC 4. Administrative Agent: Barclays Bank PLC, as the Administrative Agent under the Credit Agreement The Credit Agreement, dated as of May 31, 2018, by and among THE HILLMAN GROUP, INC., as the US Borrower, THE HILLMAN GROUP CANADA ULC, as the Canadian Borrower, THE HILLMAN COMPANIES, INC., as Holdings, the Lenders and 5. Credit Agreement: Issuing Banks from time to time party thereto and BARCLAYS BANK PLC, as Administrative Agent and Swingline Lender (as amended by that certain Amendment No. 1, dated as of November 15, 2019, the "Credit Agreement"). 6. As indicated on Schedule I hereto. Assigned Interests: Effective Date: July 14, 2021 [Remainder of page intentionally left blank] BARCLAYS BANK PLC, as Assignee By: Title: Consented to and Accepted: BARCLAYS BANK PLC, as Administrative Agent, Issuing Bank and Swingline Lender By: Title: Consented to and Accepted: THE HILLMAN GROUP, INC.

Consented to and Accepted:

By:\_\_ Title:

THE HILLMAN GROUP CANADA ULC

By:			
Title:			

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#### ANNEX 1

# STANDARD TERMS AND CONDITIONS FOR MASTER ASSIGNMENT AND ASSUMPTION AGREEMENT

#### 1. Representations and Warranties.

1.1. <u>Assignors</u>. Each Assignor (a) represents and warrants that (i) it is the legal and beneficial owner of the Assigned Interest transferred by it hereunder, (ii) such Assigned Interest transferred by it hereunder is free and clear of any lien, encumbrance or other adverse claim and (iii) it has full power and authority, and has taken all action necessary, to execute and deliver this Master Assignment and Assumption (or, if it fails to so execute and deliver this Master Assignment and Assumption Agreement, it acknowledges that it will be deemed to have done so pursuant to Section 2.19(b) of the Credit Agreement) and to consummate the transactions by it contemplated hereby; and (b) assumes no responsibility with respect to (i) any statements, warranties or representations made in or in connection with the Credit Agreement or any other Loan Document, (ii) the execution, legality, validity, enforceability, genuineness, sufficiency or value of the Loan Documents or any collateral thereunder, (iii) the financial condition of Holdings or any of its Restricted Subsidiaries or Affiliates or any other Person obligated in respect of any Loan Document or (iv) the performance or observance by Holdings or any of its Restricted Subsidiaries or Affiliates or any other Person of any of their respective obligations under any Loan Document.

1.2. Assignee. The Assignee (a) represents and warrants that (i) it is an Eligible Assignee and has full power and authority, and has taken all action necessary, to execute and deliver this Master Assignment and Assumption and to consummate the transactions contemplated hereby and to become a Lender or an Issuing Bank under the Credit Agreement, (ii) it satisfies all the requirements to be an assignee under Section 9.05(b)(i) of the Credit Agreement (subject to such consents, if any, as may be required under Section 9.05(b)(i) of the Credit Agreement), (iii) from and after the Effective Date, it shall be bound by the provisions of the Credit Agreement and the other Loan Documents as a Lender (as such Credit Agreement or such other Loan Document may be further amended, amended and restated or supplemented from time to time) as a Lender or an Issuing Bank thereunder and, to the extent of the applicable Assigned Interests acquired by it hereunder, shall have the obligations of a Lender or an Issuing Bank thereunder, (iv) it is sophisticated with respect to decisions to acquire assets of the type represented by the Assigned Interest and either it, or the Person exercising discretion in making its decision to acquire the Assigned Interest, is experienced in acquiring assets of such type, (v) it has received a copy of the Credit Agreement, ABL Intercreditor Agreement and has received or has been afforded the opportunity to receive copies of the most recent financial statements delivered pursuant to Section 5.01 thereof, as applicable, and such other documents and information as it deems appropriate to make its own credit analysis and decision to enter into this Master Assignment and Assumption and to purchase such Assigned Interests acquired by it hereunder, independently and without reliance upon the Administrative Agent or any other Lender or Issuing Bank and based on such documents and information as it has deemed appropriate, made its own credit analysis and decision to enter into this Master Assignment and Assumption and to purchase the Assigned Interest, (vi) it has examined the list of Disqualified Institutions and it is not (A) a Disqualified Institution or (B) an Affiliate of a Disqualified Institution [(other than, in the case of this clause (B), a Competitor Debt Fund Affiliate)]<sup>1</sup>, (vii) attached to the Master Assignment and Assumption is any documentation required to be delivered by it pursuant to Section 2.17 of the Credit Agreement, duly completed and executed by the Assignee and (viii) is not an Affiliated Lender; and (b) agrees that (x) it will, independently and without reliance upon the Administrative Agent, any Assignor or any other Lender or Issuing Bank, and based on such documents and information as it shall deem appropriate at the time, continue to make its own credit decisions in taking or not taking action under the Loan Documents, (y) it appoints and authorizes the Administrative Agent to take such action on its behalf and to exercise such powers and discretion under the Credit Agreement, the ABL Intercreditor Agreement, the other Loan Documents or any other instrument or document furnished pursuant hereto or thereto as are delegated to the Administrative Agent by the terms thereof, together with such powers as are reasonably incidental thereto, and (z) it will perform in accordance with their terms all of the obligations which by the terms of the Loan Documents are required to be performed by it as a Lender or an Issuing Bank.

<sup>1</sup> Insert bracketed language if Assignee is a Competitor Debt Fund Affiliate and not otherwise identified on the list of Disqualified Institutions.

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- 2. <u>Payments</u>. From and after the Effective Date, the Administrative Agent shall make all payments in respect of each Assigned Interest (including payments of principal, interest, fees and other amounts) to the applicable Assignors for amounts which have accrued to but excluding the Effective Date and to the Assignee for amounts which have accrued from and after the Effective Date.
- 3. General Provisions. This Master Assignment and Assumption shall be binding upon, and inure to the benefit of, the parties hereto and their respective successors and assigns permitted under the Credit Agreement. This Master Assignment and Assumption may be executed in counterparts (and by different parties hereto in different counterparts), each of which shall constitute an original, but all of which when taken together shall constitute a single instrument. Delivery of an executed counterpart of a signature page of this Master Assignment and Assumption by facsimile or by email as a ".pdf" or ".tiff" attachment shall be effective as delivery of a manually executed counterpart of this Master Assignment and Assumption. This Master Assignment and Assumption shall be governed by, and construed in accordance with, the laws of the State of New York. The Administrative Agent, acting as a non-fiduciary agent of the US Borrower, shall record this Assignment and Assumption in the Register as of the Effective Date.

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SCHEDULE I

#### Commitments/Revolving Loans

ASSIGNOR	iı	ommitments/ Revolving Loans held mmediately prior to the Effective	i	ommitments/ Revolving Loans held mmediately following the Effective
		Date		Date
Barclays Bank PLC	\$	91,625,000	\$	350,000,000
MUFG Union Bank, N.A.	\$	82,500,000	\$	0
Citizens Bank, N.A.	\$	44,875,000	\$	0
PNC Bank, National Association	\$	38,500,000	\$	0
PNC Bank Canada Branch	\$	12,500,000	\$	0
Bank of America, N.A.	\$	66,000,000	\$	0
Bank of America, N.A., acting through its Canada Branch	\$	14,000,000	\$	0

#### Letters of Credit

	Ma	aximum Letters of	M	aximum Letters of
ASSIGNOR	Cred	lit held immediately	Cred	dit held immediately
ASSIGNOR	pri	or to the Effective	foll	owing the Effective
		Date		Date
Barclays Bank PLC	\$	15,000,000	\$	45,000,000
MUFG Union Bank, N.A.	\$	10,000,000	\$	0
Citizens Bank, N.A.	\$	6,000,000	\$	0
PNC Bank, National Association	\$	8,000,000	\$	0
Bank of America, N.A.	\$	6,000,000	\$	0

#### SCHEDULE B

# OUTBOUND MASTER ASSIGNMENT AND ASSUMPTION AGREEMENT FOR THE HILLMAN GROUP, INC. AND THE HILLMAN GROUP CANADA ULC AMENDMENT NO. 2

This Master Assignment and Assumption Agreement (this "Master Assignment and Assumption") is dated as of the Effective Date set forth in Section 8 below (the "Effective Date") and is entered into by and between each Assignor identified in item 1 below (the "Assignor") and each Assignee identified in item 2 below (each, an "Assignee"). It is understood and agreed that the rights and obligations of each of the Assignee hereunder are several and not joint. Capitalized terms used but not defined herein shall have the meanings given to them in the Credit Agreement identified below, receipt of a copy of which is hereby acknowledged by the Assignee. The standard terms and conditions set forth in Annex 1 attached hereto (the "Standard Terms and Conditions") are hereby agreed to and incorporated herein by reference and made a part of this Master Assignment and Assumption as if set forth herein in full.

For an agreed consideration, the Assignor hereby irrevocably sells and assigns to each Assignee as described below, and each Assignee hereby irrevocably purchases and assumes from the Assignor, subject to and in accordance with the Standard Terms and Conditions and the Credit Agreement, as of the Effective Date, (i) all of the Assignor's rights and obligations in its capacity as a Lender or an Issuing Bank under the Credit Agreement and any other documents or instruments delivered pursuant thereto to the extent related to the principal amount of Commitments and Revolving Loans identified opposite the Lender or Issuing Bank's name on Schedule I hereto under the caption "Commitments/Revolving Loans held immediately prior to the Effective Date" and/or "Maximum Letters of Credit held immediately prior to the Effective Date", as applicable, and (ii) to the extent permitted to be assigned under applicable Law, all claims, suits, causes of action and any other right of the applicable Assignor (in its capacity as a Lender or an Issuing Bank under the Credit Agreement) against any Person, whether known or unknown, arising under or in connection with the Credit Agreement, any other documents or instruments delivered pursuant thereto or the loan transactions governed thereby or in any way based on or related to any of the foregoing, including, but not limited to, contract claims, tort claims, malpractice claims, statutory claims and all other claims at law or in equity related to the rights and obligations sold and assigned pursuant to clauses (i) and (ii) above being referred to as an "Assigned Interest"). Each such sale and assignment is without recourse to the Assignor and, except as expressly provided in this Master Assignment and Assumption, without representation or warranty by the Assignor.

1. Assignor: Barclays Bank PLC

2. Assignee: Each person identified on <u>Schedule I</u> hereto

3. Borrower: The Hillman Group, Inc. and the Hillman Group Canada ULC

4. Administrative Agent: Barclays Bank PLC, as the Administrative Agent under the Credit Agreement

Credit Agreement:

5.

The Credit Agreement, dated as of May 31, 2018, by and among THE HILLMAN GROUP, INC., as the US Borrower, THE HILLMAN GROUP CANADA ULC, as the Canadian Borrower, THE HILLMAN COMPANIES, INC., as Holdings, the Lenders and Issuing Banks from time to time party thereto and BARCLAYS BANK PLC, as Administrative Agent and Swingline Lender (as amended by that certain Amendment No. 1, dated as of November 15, 2019, as further amended by that certain Amendment No. 2, dated as of July 14, 2021, and as further amended, restated, amended and restated, supplemented or otherwise modified from time to time, the "Credit Agreement").

Effective Date: July 14, 2021			
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BARCLAYS BANK PLC, as Assignor			
By:			
Consented to and Accepted: BARCLAYS BANK PLC, as Administrative Agent, Issuing Bank and Swingline Lender			
By:			
Consented to and Accepted: THE HILLMAN GROUP, INC.			
By:			
Consented to and Accepted: THE HILLMAN GROUP CANADA ULC			
By:			
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BARCLAYS BANK PLC as Assignee			
By:			
MUFG UNION BANK, N.A. as Assignee			
By:			
PNC BANK, NATIONAL ASSOCIATION as Assignee			

As indicated on Schedule I hereto.

6.

Assigned Interests:

By:	
Γitle:	
PNC BANK CANADA BRANCH	
as Assignee	
Ву:	
Title:	
BANK OF AMERICA, N.A.	
as Assignee	
Ву:	
Title:	
BANK OF AMERICA, N.A., ACTING THROUGH ITS CANADA as Assignee	BRANCH
By:	
Title:	
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#### ANNEX 1

### STANDARD TERMS AND CONDITIONS FOR MASTER ASSIGNMENT AND ASSUMPTION AGREEMENT

- 1. Representations and Warranties.
- 1.1. <u>Assignors</u>. The Assignor (a) represents and warrants that (i) it is the legal and beneficial owner of the Assigned Interest transferred by it hereunder, (ii) such Assigned Interest transferred by it hereunder is free and clear of any lien, encumbrance or other adverse claim and (iii) it has full power and authority, and has taken all action necessary, to execute and deliver this Master Assignment and Assumption (or, if it fails to so execute and deliver this Master Assignment and Assumption Agreement, it acknowledges that it will be deemed to have done so pursuant to Section 2.19(b) of the Credit Agreement) and to consummate the transactions by it contemplated hereby; and (b) assumes no responsibility with respect to (i) any statements, warranties or representations made in or in connection with the Credit Agreement or any other Loan Document, (ii) the execution, legality, validity, enforceability, genuineness, sufficiency or value of the Loan Documents or any collateral thereunder, (iii) the financial condition of Holdings or any of its Restricted Subsidiaries or Affiliates or any other Person obligated in respect of any Loan Document or (iv) the performance or observance by Holdings or any of its Restricted Subsidiaries or Affiliates or any other Person of any of their respective obligations under any Loan Document.
- 1.2. Assignee. Each Assignee (a) represents and warrants that (i) it is an Eligible Assignee and has full power and authority, and has taken all action necessary, to execute and deliver this Master Assignment and Assumption and to consummate the transactions contemplated hereby and to become a Lender or an Issuing Bank under the Credit Agreement, (ii) it satisfies all the requirements to be an assignee under Section 9.05(b)(i) of the Credit Agreement (subject to such consents, if any, as may be required under Section 9.05(b)(i) of the Credit Agreement), (iii) from and after the Effective Date, it shall be bound by the provisions of the Credit Agreement and the other Loan Documents as a Lender (as such Credit Agreement or such other Loan Document may be further amended, amended and restated or supplemented from time to time) as a Lender or an Issuing Bank thereunder and, to the extent of the applicable Assigned Interests acquired by it hereunder, shall have the obligations of a Lender or an Issuing Bank thereunder, (iv) it is sophisticated with respect to decisions to acquire assets of the type represented by the Assigned Interest and either it, or the Person exercising discretion in making its decision to acquire the Assigned Interest, is experienced in acquiring assets of such type, (v) it has received a copy of the Credit Agreement, ABL Intercreditor Agreement and has received or has been afforded the opportunity to receive copies of the most recent financial statements delivered pursuant to Section 5.01 thereof, as applicable, and such other documents and information as it deems appropriate to make its own credit analysis and decision to enter into this Master Assignment and Assumption and to purchase such

Assigned Interests acquired by it hereunder, independently and without reliance upon the Administrative Agent or any other Lender or Issuing Bank and based on such documents and information as it has deemed appropriate, made its own credit analysis and decision to enter into this Master Assignment and Assumption and to purchase the Assigned Interest, (vi) it has examined the list of Disqualified Institutions and it is not (A) a Disqualified Institution or (B) an Affiliate of a Disqualified Institution [(other than, in the case of this clause (B), a Competitor Debt Fund Affiliate)]<sup>2</sup>, (vii) attached to the Master Assignment and Assumption is any documentation required to be delivered by it pursuant to Section 2.17 of the Credit Agreement, duly completed and executed by the Assignee and (viii) is not an Affiliated Lender; and (b) agrees that (x) it will, independently and without reliance upon the Administrative Agent, any Assignor or any other Lender or Issuing Bank, and based on such documents and information as it shall deem appropriate at the time, continue to make its own credit decisions in taking or not taking action under the Loan Documents, (y) it appoints and authorizes the Administrative Agent to take such action on its behalf and to exercise such powers and discretion under the Credit Agreement, the ABL Intercreditor Agreement, the other Loan Documents or any other instrument or document furnished pursuant hereto or thereto as are delegated to the Administrative Agent by the terms thereof, together with such powers as are reasonably incidental thereto, and (z) it will perform in accordance with their terms all of the obligations which by the terms of the Loan Documents are required to be performed by it as a Lender or an Issuing Bank.

- 2. <u>Payments</u>. From and after the Effective Date, the Administrative Agent shall make all payments in respect of each Assigned Interest (including payments of principal, interest, fees and other amounts) to the applicable Assignors for amounts which have accrued to but excluding the Effective Date and to the Assignee for amounts which have accrued from and after the Effective Date.
- 3. General Provisions. This Master Assignment and Assumption shall be binding upon, and inure to the benefit of, the parties hereto and their respective successors and assigns permitted under the Credit Agreement. This Master Assignment and Assumption may be executed in counterparts (and by different parties hereto in different counterparts), each of which shall constitute an original, but all of which when taken together shall constitute a single instrument. Delivery of an executed counterpart of a signature page of this Master Assignment and Assumption by facsimile or by email as a ".pdf" or ".tiff" attachment shall be effective as delivery of a manually executed counterpart of this Master Assignment and Assumption. This Master Assignment and Assumption shall be construed in accordance with and governed by, the laws of the State of New York. The Administrative Agent, acting as a non-fiduciary agent of the US Borrower, shall record this Assignment and Assumption in the Register as of the Effective Date.

#### SCHEDULE I

#### Commitments/Revolving Loans

	Co	ommitments/	C	Commitments/
		Revolving		Revolving
		Loans held		Loans held
ASSIGNEE	i	mmediately		immediately
	]	prior to the	ſ	following the
		Effective		Effective
		Date		Date
Barclays Bank PLC	\$	350,000,000	\$	67,000,000
MUFG Union Bank, N.A.	\$	0	\$	61,000,000
PNC Bank, National Association	\$	0	\$	48,800,000
PNC Bank Canada Branch	\$	0	\$	12,200,000
Bank of America, N.A.	\$	0	\$	48,800,000
Bank of America, N.A., acting through its Canada Branch	\$	0	\$	12,200,000

<sup>&</sup>lt;sup>2</sup> Insert bracketed language if Assignee is a Competitor Debt Fund Affiliate and not otherwise identified on the list of Disqualified Institutions.

# Letters of Credit

	Ma	ximum Letters of	Maximun	n Letters of
ASSIGNEE	Cred	it held immediately	Credit held	immediately
ASSIGNEE	prio	or to the Effective	following t	he Effective
		Date	D	ate
Barclays Bank PLC	\$	45,000,000	\$	15,000,002
MUFG Union Bank, N.A.	\$	0	\$	11,666,666
PNC Bank, National Association	\$	0	\$	11,666,666
Bank of America, N.A.	\$	0	\$	11,666,666

# SCHEDULE I

# Commitment Schedule

Continuing Lender		S Revolving ommitment	]	Canadian Revolving ommitment	<u>C</u>	Aggregate Revolving ommitments	Percentage
Barclays Bank PLC		\$ 53,600,000	\$	13,400,000	\$	67,000,000	26.8%
Bank of America, N.A.		\$ 48,800,000	\$	0	\$	48,800,000	24.4%
Bank of America, N.A., acting through its Canada Branch		\$ 0	\$	12,200,000	\$	12,200,000	
MUFG Union Bank, N.A.		\$ 48,800,000	\$	12,200,000	\$	61,000,000	24.4%
PNC Bank, National Association		\$ 48,800,000	\$	0	\$	48,800,000	24.4%
PNC Bank Canada Branch		\$ 0	\$	12,200,000	\$	12,200,000	
	Total:	\$ 200,000,000	\$	50,000,000	\$	250,000,000	100%

# Letters of Credit

Issuing Bank		aximum US Letters of Credit	Maximum Canadian Letters of Credit	Maximum Letters of Credit	Percentage
Barclays Bank PLC	\$	10,000,001	\$ 5,000,001	\$ 15,000,002	30.01%
Bank of America, N.A.	\$	8,333,333	\$ 3,333,333	\$ 11,666,666	23.33%
MUFG Union Bank, N.A.	\$	8,333,333	\$ 3,333,333	\$ 11,666,666	23.33%
PNC Bank, National Association	\$	8,333,333	\$ 3,333,333	\$ 11,666,666	23.33%
	Total \$	35,000,000	\$ 15,000,000	\$ 50,000,000	100%

EXHIBIT A

# Amended and Restated Credit Agreement

[See Attached]

# Exhibits to Amended and Restated Credit Agreement

[See Attached]

# CREDIT AGREEMENT

Dated as of July 14, 2021

among

THE HILLMAN GROUP, INC., as Borrower,

# HILLMAN INVESTMENT COMPANY, as Holdings,

# THE FINANCIAL INSTITUTIONS PARTY HERETO, as Lenders,

# JEFFERIES FINANCE LLC, as Administrative Agent

and

# JEFFERIES FINANCE LLC and BARCLAYS BANK PLC, as Joint Lead Arrangers and Joint Bookrunners

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Form of Junior Lien Intercreditor Agreement

Exhibit N

#### CREDIT AGREEMENT

CREDIT AGREEMENT, dated as of July 14, 2021 (this "Agreement"), by and among The Hillman Group, Inc., a Delaware corporation (the "Borrower"), Hillman Investment Company, a Delaware corporation ("Holdings"), the Lenders from time to time party hereto and Jefferies Finance LLC ("Jefferies"), in its capacities as administrative agent and collateral agent (the "Administrative Agent"), with Jefferies and Barclays Bank PLC ("Barclays") as joint lead arrangers and joint bookrunners (in such capacities, the "Arrangers" and each, an "Arranger").

#### **RECITALS**

- A. Pursuant to the Merger Agreement, Merger Sub will merge with and into HMAN (the "Merger"), with HMAN as the surviving corporation, and as result of the Merger, Holdings and the Borrower will become indirect Subsidiaries of Landcadia Parent.
- B. In connection with the consummation of the Merger, (i) Landcadia Parent will obtain equity financing proceeds in an aggregate amount of \$375.0 million pursuant to a private placement of its Class A common stock (the "PIPE Investment") to the PIPE Investors, (ii) Landcadia Parent will redeem its Class A common stock to the extent, if any, any of its shareholders have elected to redeem their shares of such Class A common stock in connection with the Merger (the "Landcadia Stock Redemption"), and (iii) trust cash held by Landcadia Parent from Landcadia Parent's initial public offering remaining after the Landcadia Stock Redemption and the proceeds of the PIPE Investment will be applied to consummate the Transactions, including the Trust Preferred Redemption, the payment of certain Transaction Costs and the contribution directly or indirectly to the Borrower to be applied, together with the proceeds of the Credit Facilities and any borrowings under the ABL Facility on the Closing Date, to effect the Refinancing.
- C. The Borrower (i) has requested that the Lenders extend credit in the form of senior secured term loan credit facilities in an aggregate principal amount of \$1.035 billion comprised of (1) a \$835.0 million term loan facility and (2) a \$200.0 million delayed draw term loan facility, and (ii) intends to obtain, together with its wholly-owned Canadian Subsidiary, an asset-based revolving credit facility under the ABL Credit Agreement in an original aggregate principal amount equal to \$250.0 million.
- D. The Lenders are willing to extend such credit to the Borrower on the terms and subject to the conditions set forth herein. Accordingly, the parties hereto agree as follows:

#### ARTICLE I

# **DEFINITIONS**

Section 1.01. <u>Defined Terms</u>. As used in this Agreement, the following terms have the meanings specified below:

"ABL Agent" means Barclays Bank PLC, in its capacity as administrative agent and collateral agent with respect to the ABL Facility as of the Closing Date, or any successor or other administrative agent and collateral agent with respect to any ABL Facility.

"ABL Canadian Collateral" means "Canadian Collateral" as defined in the ABL Credit Agreement.

"ABL Credit Agreement" means that certain ABL Credit Agreement, dated as of May 31, 2018, and as amended and restated as of the Closing Date, by and among Holdings, the Borrower, the other borrowers and guarantors party thereto, the lenders party thereto in their capacities as lenders thereunder, the swingline lenders and letter of credit issuers party thereto in their capacities as such and the ABL Agent and the other agents party thereto and any other credit agreement, indenture or similar agreement governing any ABL Facility.

"ABL Facility" means the credit facility governed by the ABL Credit Agreement and any Refinancing Indebtedness that refinances or replaces any part of the loans, notes, guarantees, other credit facilities or commitments thereunder.

"ABL Intercreditor Agreement" means (a) the ABL Intercreditor Agreement substantially in the form of Exhibit L hereto, dated as of May 31, 2018, and as amended and restated as of the Closing Date, by and among the Administrative Agent, the ABL Agent and the other parties thereto from time to time and acknowledged by the Loan Parties, as amended, restated, amended and restated, supplemented or otherwise modified from time to time; (b) an intercreditor agreement substantially in the form of the ABL Intercreditor Agreement as in effect on the Closing Date with any material modifications which are reasonably acceptable to the Borrower and the Administrative Agent; and (c) if requested by the Borrower, an intercreditor agreement the terms of which are consistent with market terms governing security arrangements for the sharing of Liens and Collateral proceeds on a Split Collateral Basis in the case of an asset based ABL Facility at the time the intercreditor agreement is proposed to be established, so long as the terms of such intercreditor agreement are reasonably satisfactory to the Administrative Agent and the Borrower; provided, that (i) if required by the Administrative Agent prior to agreeing that any form (or modification) is reasonably acceptable to it, the form of any other intercreditor agreement shall be deemed acceptable to the Administrative Agent (and the Lenders) if posted to the Lenders and not objected to by the Required Lenders within five (5) Business Days thereafter, and (ii) any ABL Intercreditor Agreement shall be limited to terms governing the sharing of Liens and the relative rights and obligations of the secured parties regarding Collateral and the proceeds thereof and shall not restrict or limit any Indebtedness or the terms and conditions thereof (including any amendments and refinancings) to the extent such Indebtedness would otherwise be permitted by the Loan Documents.

"ABL Loans" means revolving loans under any ABL Facility.

"ABL US Priority Collateral" means ABL Priority Collateral (as defined in the ABL Intercreditor Agreement) of the U.S. Loan Parties.

"ABR", when used in reference to any Loan or Borrowing, refers to whether such Loan, or the Loans comprising such Borrowing, bears interest at a rate determined by reference to the Alternate Base Rate.

"ABR Loan" means a Loan bearing interest at a rate determined by reference to the Alternate Base Rate.

"Acceptable Intercreditor Agreement" means (a) in the case of Indebtedness that is secured by a Lien on the Collateral on a senior basis pari passu with the First Priority Secured Obligations (and any Class of Term Loans secured on senior "first lien" basis), (i) a Pari Passu Intercreditor Agreement, (ii) an intercreditor agreement substantially in the form of the Pari Passu Intercreditor Agreement with any material modifications which are reasonably acceptable to the Borrower and the Administrative Agent, or (iii) if requested by the Borrower, an intercreditor agreement the terms of which are consistent with market terms governing security arrangements for the sharing of Liens and Collateral proceeds on a pari passu basis at the time the intercreditor agreement is proposed to be established in light of the type of Indebtedness subject thereto, so long as the terms of such intercreditor agreement are reasonably satisfactory to the Administrative Agent and the Borrower; (b) in the case of Indebtedness that is secured by a Lien on the Collateral on a junior basis with respect to the Initial Term Loans (and any Class of Term Loans secured on senior "first lien" basis), (i) a Junior Lien Intercreditor Agreement, (ii) an intercreditor agreement substantially in the form of the Junior Lien Intercreditor Agreement with any material modifications which are reasonably acceptable to the Borrower and the Administrative Agent, or (iii) if requested by the Borrower, an intercreditor agreement the terms of which are consistent with market terms governing security arrangements for the sharing of Liens and Collateral proceeds on a junior secured basis at the time the intercreditor agreement is proposed to be established in light of the type of Indebtedness subject thereto, so long as the terms of such intercreditor agreement are reasonably satisfactory to the Administrative Agent and the Borrower; (c) to the extent the ABL Facility is outstanding, any ABL Intercreditor Agreement (or an Acceptable Intercreditor Agreement under clause (a) above in the case of any ABL Facility secured by the Collateral on a senior pari passu basis with the First Priority Secured Obligations (and not a Split Collateral Basis)); and (d) any Additional Agreement the terms of which are consistent with market terms governing, as applicable, security arrangements for the sharing of Liens and Collateral proceeds and/or payment subordination provisions, in each case on a basis applicable to the specified intercreditor arrangement at the time the intercreditor or subordination agreement, as applicable, is proposed to be established in light of the type of Indebtedness subject thereto, so long as the terms of such intercreditor or subordination agreement, as applicable, are reasonably satisfactory to the Administrative Agent and the Borrower; provided, that (A) if required by the Administrative Agent prior to agreeing that any form (or modification) is reasonably acceptable to it, the form of any other intercreditor agreement shall be deemed acceptable to the Administrative Agent (and the Lenders) if posted to the Lenders and not objected to by the Required Lenders within five (5) Business Days thereafter, and (B) any Acceptable Intercreditor Agreement shall be limited to terms governing the sharing of Liens and the relative rights and obligations of the secured parties regarding Collateral and the proceeds thereof and shall not restrict or limit any Indebtedness or the terms and conditions thereof (including any amendments and refinancings) to the extent such Indebtedness would otherwise be permitted by the Loan Documents.

- "ACH" means automated clearing house transfers.
- "Additional Agreement" has the meaning assigned to such term in Article VIII.
- "Additional Commitments" means any commitments hereunder added pursuant to Sections 2.22, 2.23 or 9.02(c).
- "Additional Lender" has the meaning assigned to such term in Section 2.22(b).
- "Additional Loans" means any Additional Revolving Loans and any Additional Term Loans.
- "Additional Revolving Commitments" means any revolving credit commitment added pursuant to Sections 2.22, 2.23 or 9.02(c)(ii).

or <u>9.02(c)(11)</u>

9.02(c)(ii).

"Additional Revolving Facility" means any revolving credit facility added pursuant to Sections 2.22, 2.23 or

Commitments.

- "Additional Revolving Loans" means any revolving loan made hereunder pursuant to any Additional Revolving
- "Additional Term Commitments" means any term commitment added pursuant to Sections 2.22, 2.23 or 9.02(c)(i).
- "Additional Term Facility" means any term loan facility added pursuant to Sections 2.22, 2.23 or 9.02(c)(i).

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- "Additional Term Loans" means any term loan added pursuant to Sections 2.22, 2.23 or 9.02(c)(i).
- "Administrative Agent" has the meaning assigned to such term in the preamble to this Agreement.
- "Administrative Questionnaire" has the meaning assigned to such term in Section 2.22(d).
- "Adverse Proceeding" means any action, suit, proceeding (whether administrative, judicial or otherwise), governmental investigation or arbitration (whether or not purportedly on behalf of Holdings, the Borrower or any of their respective Restricted Subsidiaries) at law or in equity, or before or by any Governmental Authority, domestic or foreign (including any Environmental Claim), whether pending or, to the knowledge of Holdings, the Borrower or any of their respective Restricted Subsidiaries, threatened in writing, against or affecting Holdings, the Borrower or any of their respective Restricted Subsidiaries or any property of Holdings, the Borrower or any of their respective Restricted Subsidiaries.
  - "Affected Financial Institution" means (a) any EEA Financial Institution or (b) any UK Financial Institution.
- "Affiliate" means, as applied to any Person, any other Person directly or indirectly Controlling, Controlled by, or under common Control with, that Person. No Person shall be an "Affiliate" of Holdings or any subsidiary thereof solely because it is an unrelated portfolio company of the Sponsor and none of the Administrative Agent, any Arranger, any Lender (other than any Affiliated Lender or any Debt Fund Affiliate) or any of their respective Affiliates shall be considered an Affiliate of Holdings or any subsidiary thereof. For purposes of this Agreement and the other Loan Documents, (a) Jefferies LLC and its Affiliates shall be deemed to be Affiliates of Jefferies Finance LLC and its Affiliates and (b) Jefferies Finance LLC, Jefferies Financial Group Inc., Jefferies LLC and their respective Affiliates shall be deemed to not be Affiliates of any Loan Party.
  - "Affiliated Lender" means any Non-Debt Fund Affiliate, Holdings, the Borrower and/or any subsidiary of Holdings.

"Affiliated Lender Assignment and Assumption" means an assignment and assumption entered into by a Lender and an Affiliated Lender (with the consent of any party whose consent is required by Section 9.05) and accepted by the Administrative Agent in the form of Exhibit A-2 or any other form approved by the Administrative Agent and the Borrower.

"Affiliated Lender Cap" has the meaning assigned to such term in Section 9.05(h)(iv).

"Agreement" has the meaning assigned to such term in the preamble to this Credit Agreement.

"AHYDO" means "applicable high yield discount obligations" within the meaning of Section 163(i)(1) of the Code.

"All-In Yield" means, as to any Indebtedness, the yield thereof, whether in the form of interest rate, margin, original issue discount, upfront fees, a LIBO Rate or Alternate Base Rate floor, or otherwise, in each case, incurred or payable directly by the Borrower ratably to all lenders of such Indebtedness; provided that (a) original issue discount and upfront fees shall be equated to interest rate assuming a 4-year life to maturity (or, if less, the stated life to maturity at the time of its incurrence of the applicable indebtedness), (b) "All-In Yield" shall not include arrangement fees, structuring fees, commitment fees, underwriting fees, placement fees, success fees, advisory fees, ticking and unused line fees, consent or amendment fees and any similar fees (regardless of whether shared or paid, in whole or in part, with or to any or all lenders) and any other fees not generally paid ratably to all lenders of such Indebtedness, and (c) if any Incremental Term Facility includes an Alternate Base Rate or LIBO Rate floor that is greater than the Alternate Base Rate or LIBO Rate floor applicable to the Initial Term Loans, such differential between interest rate floors shall be included in the calculation of All-In Yield, but only to the extent an increase in the Alternate Base Rate or LIBO Rate floor applicable to the Initial Term Loans would cause an increase in the interest rate then in effect thereunder, and in such case the Alternate Base Rate or LIBO Rate floors (but not the applicable rate, unless otherwise elected by the Borrower) applicable to the Initial Term Loans shall be increased to the extent of such differential between interest rate floors.

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"Alternate Base Rate" means, for any day, a rate per annum equal to the highest of (a) the Federal Funds Effective Rate in effect on such day *plus* 0.50%, (b) to the extent ascertainable, the Published LIBO Rate (which rate shall be calculated based upon an Interest Period of one (1) month and shall be determined on a daily basis) *plus* 1.00%, (c) the Prime Rate and (d) 0.00% per annum. Any change in the Alternate Base Rate due to a change in the Prime Rate, the Federal Funds Effective Rate or the Published LIBO Rate, as the case may be, shall be effective from and including the effective date of such change in the Prime Rate, the Federal Funds Effective Rate or the Published LIBO Rate, as the case may be.

"Applicable Initial Delayed Draw Term Loan Percentage" means, with respect to any Initial Delayed Draw Term Lender of any Class, a percentage equal to a fraction the numerator of which is the aggregate principal amount of the unused (i.e. undrawn) Initial Delayed Draw Term Loan Commitments of such Initial Delayed Draw Term Lender under the applicable Class and the denominator of which is the aggregate principal amount of all unused (i.e. undrawn) Initial Delayed Draw Term Loan Commitments of all Initial Delayed Draw Term Lenders under the applicable Class.

"Applicable Percentage" means, with respect to any Term Lender for any Class, a percentage equal to a fraction (i) the numerator of which is the aggregate outstanding principal amount of the Term Loans, unused Additional Term Commitments of such Term Lender for such Class and unused Initial Delayed Draw Term Loan Commitments of such Term Lender for such Class and (ii) the denominator of which is the aggregate outstanding principal amount of the Term Loans and unused Additional Term Commitments of all Term Lenders for such Class and the unused Initial Delayed Draw Term Loan Commitments for all Term Lenders for such Class; provided that for purposes of Section 2.21 and otherwise herein (except with respect to Section 2.11(a)(ii)), when there is a Defaulting Lender, any such Defaulting Lender's Commitment shall be disregarded in the relevant calculations.

"Applicable Price" has the meaning assigned to such term in the definition of "Dutch Auction".

"Applicable Rate" means, for any day, a percentage per annum equal to, with respect to any Initial Loans (i) until delivery of the Compliance Certificate for the first full fiscal quarter ending after the Closing Date pursuant to Section 5.01(c), (A) 2.75% for LIBO Rate Loans and (B) 1.75% for ABR Loans and (ii) thereafter, the following percentages per annum, based upon the First Lien Leverage Ratio as specified in the most recent Compliance Certificate received by the Administrative Agent pursuant to Section 5.01(c):

Pricing Level	First Lien Leverage Ratio	LIBO Rate Loans	ABR Loans
1	> 3.00:1.00	2.75%	1.75%
2	≤ 3.00:1.00	2.50%	1.50%

Furthermore, any increase or decrease in the Applicable Rate resulting from a change in the First Lien Leverage Ratio shall become effective as of the first Business Day immediately following the date a Compliance Certificate is delivered pursuant to Section 5.01(c); provided that, at the option of the Required Facility Lenders under any Credit Facility, "Pricing Level 1" (as set forth above) shall apply for such Credit Facility as of (x) the first Business Day after the date on which a Compliance Certificate was required to have been delivered but was not delivered, and shall continue to so apply to and including the date on which such Compliance Certificate is so delivered (and thereafter the pricing level otherwise determined in accordance with this definition shall apply) or (y) the first Business Day after an Event of Default under Section 7.01(a) shall have occurred and be continuing, and shall continue to so apply to but excluding the date on which such Event of Default is cured or waived (and thereafter the pricing level otherwise determined in accordance with this definition shall apply); provided, further, that "Pricing Level 1" (as set forth above) shall apply automatically as of the first Business Day after an Event of Default under Section 7.01(f) or (g) (with respect to the Borrower) shall have occurred and be continuing, and shall continue to so apply to but excluding the date on which such Event of Default is cured or waived (and thereafter the pricing level otherwise determined in accordance with this definition shall apply).

"Approved Fund" means, with respect to any Lender, any Person (other than a natural person or a Disqualified Institution) that is engaged in making, purchasing, holding or otherwise investing in commercial loans and similar extensions of credit in the ordinary course of its activities and is administered, advised or managed by (a) such Lender, (b) any Affiliate of such Lender or (c) any entity or any Affiliate of any entity that administers, advises or manages such Lender.

"Arrangers" has the meaning assigned to such term in the preamble to this Agreement.

"Assignment and Assumption" means an assignment and assumption entered into by a Lender and an assignee (with the consent of any party whose consent is required by Section 9.05), and accepted by the Administrative Agent in the form of Exhibit A-1 or any other form approved by the Administrative Agent and the Borrower.

"Auction" has the meaning assigned to such term in the definition of "Dutch Auction".

"Auction Agent" means (a) the Administrative Agent or any of its Affiliates to the extent the Administrative Agent or such Affiliate has agreed to act in such capacity or (b) any other financial institution or advisor engaged by the Borrower (whether or not an Affiliate of the Administrative Agent) to act as an arranger in connection with any Auction pursuant to the definition of "Dutch Auction".

"Auction Amount" has the meaning assigned to such term in the definition of "Dutch Auction".

"Auction Notice" has the meaning assigned to such term in the definition of "Dutch Auction".

"Auction Party" has the meaning set forth in the definition of "Dutch Auction".

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(a) the sum of:

<sup>&</sup>quot;Auction Response Date" has the meaning assigned to such term in the definition of "Dutch Auction".

<sup>&</sup>quot;Available Amount" means, at any time, an amount equal to, without duplication:

- (i) the greater of \$90.0 million and 35.0% of Consolidated Adjusted EBITDA plus
- (ii) the Retained Excess Cash Flow Amount; plus
- (iii) the amount of any Cash and Cash Equivalents (including from the proceeds of any property or assets (including Capital Stock)) and the Fair Market Value of property or assets contributed to the Borrower or any of its Restricted Subsidiaries by any Parent Company or received by the Borrower or any of its Restricted Subsidiaries in return for any issuance of Qualified Capital Stock to any Parent Company (but excluding any amounts (w) constituting a "Cure Amount" (as defined in the ABL Credit Agreement) or similar term with respect to an equity cure of a financial covenant default, (x) received from the Borrower or any Restricted Subsidiary, (y) the proceeds of equity used to incur Contribution Indebtedness, or (z) consisting of the proceeds of any loan or advance made pursuant to Section 6.06(h)(ii)), in each case, during the period from and including the day immediately following the Closing Date through and including such time; plus
- (iv) the aggregate principal amount of any Indebtedness or Disqualified Capital Stock, in each case, of the Borrower or any Restricted Subsidiary (other than Indebtedness or such Disqualified Capital Stock issued to the Borrower or any Restricted Subsidiary), which has been directly or indirectly converted into or exchanged for Qualified Capital Stock of the Borrower, any Restricted Subsidiary or any Parent Company (or contributed to the Borrower, any Restricted Subsidiary or any Parent Company and cancelled), together with the Fair Market Value of any Cash Equivalents and the Fair Market Value of any property or assets received by the Borrower or such Restricted Subsidiary upon such exchange, conversion or contribution, in each case, during the period from and including the day immediately following the Closing Date through and including such time; *plus*
- (v) the net proceeds received by the Borrower or any Restricted Subsidiary during the period from and including the day immediately following the Closing Date through and including such time in connection with the Disposition to any Person (other than the Borrower or any Restricted Subsidiary) of any acquisition or Investment made in reliance on amounts available under Section 6.06(r); plus
- (vi) the aggregate proceeds received by the Borrower or any Restricted Subsidiary during the period from and including the day immediately following the Closing Date through and including such time in connection with returns, profits, distributions and similar amounts received in Cash, Cash Equivalents and/or the Fair Market Value of any property or assets, including cash principal repayments and interest payments of loans, in each case, received in respect of any Investment made after the Closing Date in reliance on amounts available under Section 6.06(r); plus

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- (vii) an amount equal to the sum of (A) the amount of any Investments by the Borrower or any Restricted Subsidiary in reliance on amounts available under Section 6.06(r) in any Unrestricted Subsidiary (in an amount not to exceed the aggregate amount of Investments in such Unrestricted Subsidiary) that has been redesignated as a Restricted Subsidiary or has been merged, consolidated or amalgamated with or into, or is liquidated, wound up or dissolved into, the Borrower or any Restricted Subsidiary, (B) the amount of Cash, Cash Equivalents and the Fair Market Value of the property or assets of any Unrestricted Subsidiary that have been transferred, conveyed or otherwise distributed to the Borrower or any Restricted Subsidiary, in each case, during the period from and including the day immediately following the Closing Date through and including such time and (C) the net proceeds received by the Borrower or any Restricted Subsidiary during the period from and including the day immediately following the Closing Date through and including such time in connection with the sale, transfer or other disposition (other than to Holdings, the Borrower or any Restricted Subsidiary) of the Capital Stock of an Unrestricted Subsidiary that was previously a Restricted Subsidiary and designated as an Unrestricted Subsidiary to the extent such proceeds have not otherwise increased any other Restricted Payment basket under Section 6.04(a); plus
  - (viii) the amount of any Declined Proceeds; minus

(b) an amount equal to the sum of (i) Restricted Payments made pursuant to Section 6.04(a)(iii), plus (ii) Restricted Debt Payments made pursuant to Section 6.04(b)(vi), plus (iii) Investments made pursuant to Section 6.06(r), in each case, after the Closing Date and prior to such time or contemporaneously therewith.

"Available Tenor" means, as of any date of determination and with respect to the then current Benchmark, as applicable, any tenor for such Benchmark or payment period for interest calculated with reference to such Benchmark, as applicable, that is or may be used for determining the length of an Interest Period pursuant to this Agreement as of such date and not including, for the avoidance of doubt, any tenor for such Benchmark that is then-removed from the definition of "Interest Period" pursuant to Section 2.14(d).

"Bail-In Action" means, the exercise of any Write-Down and Conversion Powers by the applicable Resolution Authority in respect of any liability of an Affected Financial Institution.

"Bail-In Legislation" means, (a) with respect to any EEA Member Country implementing Article 55 of Directive 2014/59/EU of the European Parliament and of the Council of the European Union, the implementing law, regulation, rule or requirement for such EEA Member Country from time to time which is described in the EU Bail-In Legislation Schedule and (b) with respect to the United Kingdom, Part I of the United Kingdom Banking Act 2009 (as amended from time to time) and any other law, regulation or rule applicable in the United Kingdom relating to the resolution of unsound or failing banks, investment firms or other financial institutions or their affiliates (other than through liquidation, administration or other insolvency proceedings).

"Banking Services" means each and any of the following bank services provided to Holdings, the Borrower or any Restricted Subsidiary (a) under any arrangement that is in effect on the Closing Date between Holdings, the Borrower or any Restricted Subsidiary and a counterparty that is (or is an Affiliate of) the Administrative Agent, any Lender or an Arranger as of the Closing Date, (b) under any arrangement that is entered into after the Closing Date by Holdings, the Borrower or any Restricted Subsidiary with any counterparty that is (or is an Affiliate of) the Administrative Agent, any Lender or an Arranger at the time such arrangement is entered into or (c) by any other Person that is designated by the Borrower in writing to the Administrative Agent as a Banking Services counterparty and who is reasonably acceptable to the Administrative Agent: commercial credit cards, stored value cards, purchasing cards, treasury management services, netting services, overdraft protections, check drawing services, automated payment services (including depository, overdraft, controlled disbursement, ACH transactions, return items and interstate depository network services), employee credit card programs, cash pooling services and any arrangements or services similar to any of the foregoing and/or otherwise in connection with Cash management and Deposit Accounts.

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"Banking Services Obligations" means any and all obligations of Holdings, the Borrower or any Restricted Subsidiary, whether absolute or contingent and however and whenever created, arising, evidenced or acquired (including all renewals, extensions and modifications thereof and substitutions therefor), in connection with Banking Services, in each case, that has been designated to the Administrative Agent in writing by the Borrower as being Banking Services Obligations for the purposes of the Loan Documents, it being understood that each counterparty thereto shall be deemed (A) to appoint the Administrative Agent as its non-fiduciary agent under the applicable Loan Documents and (B) to agree to be bound by the provisions of Article VIII, Section 9.03, Section 9.10, Section 9.11 and the Intercreditor Agreement (and any other applicable Acceptable Intercreditor Agreement) as if it were a Lender.

"Bankruptcy Code" means Title 11 of the United States Code (11 U.S.C. § 101 et seq.).

"Barclays" has the meaning assigned to such term in the preamble to this Agreement.

"Benchmark" means, initially, USD LIBOR; provided, that if a Benchmark Transition Event, a Term SOFR Transition Event or an Early Opt-in Election, as applicable, and its related Benchmark Replacement Date have occurred with respect to USD LIBOR or the then-current Benchmark, then "Benchmark" means the applicable Benchmark Replacement to the extent that such Benchmark Replacement has replaced such prior benchmark rate pursuant to Section 2.14(a).

"Benchmark Replacement" means, for any Available Tenor, the first alternative set forth in the order below that can be determined by the Administrative Agent for the applicable Benchmark Replacement Date:

(1) the sum of: (a) Term SOFR and (b) the related Benchmark Replacement Adjustment;

- (2) the sum of: (a) Daily Simple SOFR and (b) the related Benchmark Replacement Adjustment;
- (3) the sum of: (a) the alternate benchmark rate that has been selected by the Administrative Agent and the Borrower as the replacement for the then-current Benchmark for the applicable Corresponding Tenor giving due consideration to (i) any selection or recommendation of a replacement benchmark rate or the mechanism for determining such a rate by the Relevant Governmental Body or (ii) the then-prevailing market convention or any evolving market convention that the Administrative Agent and the Borrower reasonably expect to become the prevailing market convention for determining a benchmark rate as a replacement for the then-current Benchmark for U.S. dollar-denominated broadly syndicated credit facilities at such time and (b) the related Benchmark Replacement Adjustment;

provided that, in the case of <u>clause (1)</u>, such Unadjusted Benchmark Replacement is displayed on a screen or other information service that publishes such rate from time to time as selected by the Administrative Agent in its reasonable discretion and in consultation with the Borrower; <u>provided further</u>, that, notwithstanding anything to the contrary in this Agreement or in any other Loan Document, (i) upon the occurrence of a Term SOFR Transition Event, and the delivery of a Term SOFR Notice, on the applicable Benchmark Replacement Date the "Benchmark Replacement" shall revert to and shall be deemed to be as set forth in <u>clause (1)</u> of this definition (subject to the proviso above), and (ii) if the then-prevailing market convention or any evolving market convention that the Administrative Agent and the Borrower reasonably expect to become the prevailing market convention for determining a benchmark rate as a replacement for the then-current Benchmark for U.S. dollar-denominated broadly syndicated credit facilities is not Term SOFR (as contemplated by <u>clause (1)</u> above) or Daily Simple SOFR (as contemplated by <u>clause (2)</u> above), at the request of the Borrower in consultation with the Administrative Agent, the Benchmark Replacement may be determined pursuant to clause (c) above. If the Benchmark Replacement as determined pursuant to <u>clause (1)</u>, (2) or (3) above would be less than 0.00%, the Benchmark Replacement will be deemed to be 0.00% for the purposes of this Agreement and the other Loan Documents.

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"Benchmark Replacement Adjustment" means, with respect to any replacement of the then-current Benchmark with an Unadjusted Benchmark Replacement for any applicable Interest Period and Available Tenor for any setting of such Unadjusted Benchmark Replacement:

- (1) for purposes of <u>clauses (1)</u> and <u>(2)</u> of the definition of "Benchmark Replacement," the first alternative set forth in the order below that can be determined by the Administrative Agent:
  - (a) the spread adjustment, or method for calculating or determining such spread adjustment, (which may be a positive or negative value or zero) as of the Reference Time such Benchmark Replacement is first set for such Interest Period that has been selected or recommended by the Relevant Governmental Body for the replacement of such Benchmark with the applicable Unadjusted Benchmark Replacement for the applicable Corresponding Tenor;
  - (b) the spread adjustment (which may be a positive or negative value or zero) as of the Reference Time such Benchmark Replacement is first set for such Interest Period that would apply to the fallback rate for a derivative transaction referencing the ISDA Definitions to be effective upon an index cessation event with respect to such Benchmark for the applicable Corresponding Tenor; and
- (2) for purposes of <u>clause (3)</u> of the definition of "Benchmark Replacement," the spread adjustment or method for calculating or determining such spread adjustment, (which may be a positive or negative value or zero) that has been selected by the Administrative Agent and the Borrower for the applicable Corresponding Tenor giving due consideration to (i) any selection or recommendation of a spread adjustment, or method for calculating or determining such spread adjustment, for the replacement of such Benchmark with the applicable Unadjusted Benchmark Replacement by the Relevant Governmental Body on the applicable Benchmark Replacement Date or (ii) the then-prevailing market convention or any evolving market convention that the Administrative Agent and the Borrower reasonably expect to become the prevailing market convention for determining a spread adjustment, or method for calculating or determining such spread adjustment, for the replacement of such Benchmark with the applicable Unadjusted Benchmark Replacement for U.S. dollar-denominated syndicated credit facilities;

<u>provided</u> that, in the case of <u>clause (1)</u> above, such adjustment is displayed on a screen or other information service that publishes such Benchmark Replacement Adjustment from time to time as selected by the Administrative Agent in its reasonable discretion and in consultation with the Borrower.

"Benchmark Replacement Conforming Changes" means, with respect to any Benchmark Replacement, any technical, administrative or operational changes (including changes to the definition of "Alternate Base Rate," the definition of "Business Day," the definition of "Interest Period," timing and frequency of determining rates and making payments of interest, timing of borrowing requests or prepayment, conversion or continuation notices, length of lookback periods, the applicability of breakage provisions, and other technical, administrative or operational matters) that the Administrative Agent decides, and the Borrower reasonably agrees, are appropriate to reflect the adoption and implementation of such Benchmark Replacement that permit the administration thereof by the Administrative Agent in a manner substantially consistent with the prevailing market practice for U.S. dollar denominated broadly syndicated credit facilities (or, if the Administrative Agent decides in its reasonable discretion that adoption of any portion of such market practice is not administratively feasible or if the Administrative Agent decides, and the Borrower reasonably agrees, that no market practice for the administration of such Benchmark Replacement exists, in such other manner of administration as the Administrative Agent and the Borrower reasonably agree is reasonably necessary in connection with the administration of this Agreement and the other Loan Documents).

"Benchmark Replacement Date" means the earliest to occur of the following events with respect to the then-current Benchmark:

- (1) in the case of <u>clause (1)</u> or (2) of the definition of "Benchmark Transition Event," the later of (a) the date of the public statement or publication of information referenced therein (subject to the proviso therein) and (b) the date on which the administrator of such Benchmark (or the published component used in the calculation thereof) permanently or indefinitely ceases to provide all Available Tenors of such Benchmark (or such component thereof);
- (2) in the case of <u>clause (3)</u> of the definition of "Benchmark Transition Event," the date of the public statement or publication of information referenced therein;
- (3) in the case of a Term SOFR Transition Event, the date that is thirty (30) days after the date a Term SOFR Notice is provided to the Lenders and the Borrower pursuant to Section 2.14(c); or
- (4) in the case of an Early Opt-in Election, the sixth (6th) Business Day after the date notice of such Early Opt-in Election is provided to the Lenders, so long as the Administrative Agent has not received, by 5:00 p.m. (New York City time) on the fifth (5th) Business Day after the date notice of such Early Opt-in Election is provided to the Lenders, written notice of objection to such Early Opt-in Election from Lenders comprising the Required Lenders.

For the avoidance of doubt, (i) if the event giving rise to the Benchmark Replacement Date occurs on the same day as, but earlier than, the Reference Time in respect of any determination, the Benchmark Replacement Date will be deemed to have occurred prior to the Reference Time for such determination and (ii) the "Benchmark Replacement Date" will be deemed to have occurred in the case of clause (1) or (2) with respect to any Benchmark upon the occurrence of the applicable event or events set forth therein with respect to all then-current Available Tenors of such Benchmark (or the published component used in the calculation thereof).

"Benchmark Transition Event" means the occurrence of one or more of the following events with respect to the thencurrent Benchmark:

(1) a public statement or publication of information by or on behalf of the administrator of such Benchmark (or the published component used in the calculation thereof) announcing that such administrator has ceased or will cease to provide all Available Tenors of such Benchmark (or such component thereof), permanently or indefinitely, provided that, at the time of such statement or publication, there is no successor administrator that will continue to provide any Available Tenor of such Benchmark (or such component thereof);

- a public statement or publication of information by the regulatory supervisor for the administrator of such Benchmark (or the published component used in the calculation thereof), the Board of Governors of the Federal Reserve System, the Federal Reserve Bank of New York, an insolvency official with jurisdiction over the administrator for such Benchmark (or such component), a resolution authority with jurisdiction over the administrator for such Benchmark (or such component) or a court or an entity with similar insolvency or resolution authority over the administrator for such Benchmark (or such component), which states that the administrator of such Benchmark (or such component) has ceased or will cease to provide all Available Tenors of such Benchmark (or such component thereof) permanently or indefinitely, provided that, at the time of such statement or publication, there is no successor administrator that will continue to provide any Available Tenor of such Benchmark (or such component thereof); or
- (3) a public statement or publication of information by the regulatory supervisor for the administrator of such Benchmark (or the published component used in the calculation thereof) announcing that all Available Tenors of such Benchmark (or such component thereof) are no longer representative.

For the avoidance of doubt, a "Benchmark Transition Event" will be deemed to have occurred with respect to any Benchmark if a public statement or publication of information set forth above has occurred with respect to each then-current Available Tenor of such Benchmark (or the published component used in the calculation thereof).

"Benchmark Unavailability Period" means the period (if any) (x) beginning at the time that a Benchmark Replacement Date pursuant to <u>clauses (1)</u> or <u>(2)</u> of that definition has occurred if, at such time, no Benchmark Replacement has replaced the then-current Benchmark for all purposes hereunder and under any Loan Document in accordance with <u>Section 2.14</u> and (y) ending at the time that a Benchmark Replacement has replaced the then-current Benchmark for all purposes hereunder and under any Loan Document in accordance with Section 2.14.

"Beneficial Ownership Certification" means a certification regarding individual beneficial ownership solely to the extent expressly required by the Beneficial Ownership Regulation.

"Beneficial Ownership Regulation" means 31 C.F.R. § 1010.230.

"Benefit Plan" means any of (a) an "employee benefit plan" (as defined in ERISA) that is subject to Title I of ERISA, (b) a "plan" as defined in Section 4975 of the Code or (c) any Person whose assets include (for purposes of ERISA Section 3(42) or otherwise for purposes of Title I of ERISA or Section 4975 of the Code) the assets of any such "employee benefit plan" or "plan".

"Board" means the Board of Governors of the Federal Reserve System of the U.S.

"Borrower" has the meaning assigned to such term in the preamble of this Agreement.

"Borrower Materials" has the meaning assigned to such term in Section 9.01(d).

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"Borrowing" means any Loans of the same Type and Class made, converted or continued on the same date and, in the case of LIBO Rate Loans, as to which a single Interest Period is in effect.

"Borrowing Request" means a request by the Borrower for a Borrowing in accordance with <u>Section 2.03</u> and substantially in the form attached hereto as <u>Exhibit B</u> or such other form that is reasonably acceptable to the Administrative Agent and the Borrower (including any form on an electronic platform or electronic transmission system as shall be approved by the Administrative Agent), appropriately completed and signed by a Responsible Officer of the Borrower.

"Business Day" means any day that is not a Saturday, Sunday or other day on which commercial banks in New York City, New York are authorized or required by law to remain closed; provided that when used in connection with a LIBO Rate Loan, the

term "Business Day" shall also exclude any day on which banks are not open for dealings in Dollar deposits in the London interbank market.

"Calculation Period" means, with respect to Excess Cash Flow, each annual period consisting of a Fiscal Year of the Borrower.

"Canadian Restricted Subsidiary" means any direct or indirect Restricted Subsidiary of the Borrower that is incorporated or organized under the laws of Canada or any province or territory thereof.

"Capital Lease" means, as applied to any Person, any lease of any property (whether real, personal or mixed) by that Person as lessee that, in conformity with GAAP, is or should be accounted for as a capital lease or finance lease on the balance sheet of that Person (but excluding any operating or non-finance lease regardless of whether the obligations thereunder are included as a liability on the balance sheet of such Person).

"Capital Stock" means any and all shares, interests, participations or other equivalents (however designated) of capital stock of a corporation, any and all equivalent ownership interests in a Person (other than a corporation), including partnership interests and membership interests, and any and all warrants, rights or options to purchase or other arrangements or rights to acquire any of the foregoing, but excluding for the avoidance of doubt any Indebtedness convertible into or exchangeable for any of the foregoing.

"Captive Insurance Subsidiary" means any Restricted Subsidiary of the Borrower that is maintained as a self-insurance subsidiary and is subject to regulation as an insurance company (and any Restricted Subsidiary thereof).

"Cash" means money, currency or a credit balance in any Deposit Account.

"Cash Equivalents" means, as at any date of determination, (a) readily marketable securities (i) issued or directly and unconditionally guaranteed or insured as to interest and principal by the U.S. government or (ii) issued by any agency or instrumentality of the U.S., the obligations of which are backed by the full faith and credit of the U.S., in each case maturing within one (1) year after such date and, in each case, repurchase agreements and reverse repurchase agreements relating thereto; (b) readily marketable direct obligations issued by any state of the U.S. or any political subdivision of any such state or any public instrumentality thereof or by any foreign government, in each case maturing within one (1) year after such date and having, at the time of the acquisition thereof, a rating of at least A-2 from S&P or at least P-2 from Moody's (or, if at any time neither S&P nor Moody's shall be rating such obligations, an equivalent rating from another nationally recognized statistical rating agency) and, in each case, repurchase agreements and reverse repurchase agreements relating thereto; (c) commercial paper maturing no more than one (1) year from the date of creation thereof and having, at the time of the acquisition thereof, a rating of at least A-2 from S&P or at least P-2 from Moody's (or, if at any time neither S&P nor Moody's shall be rating such obligations, an equivalent rating from another nationally recognized statistical rating agency); (d) deposits, money market deposits, time deposit accounts, certificates of deposit or bankers' acceptances (or similar instruments) maturing within one (1) year after such date and issued or accepted by any Lender or by any bank organized under, or authorized to operate as a bank under, the laws of the U.S., any state thereof or the District of Columbia or any political subdivision thereof and that has capital and surplus of not less than \$100,000,000 and, in each case, repurchase agreements and reverse repurchase agreements relating thereto; (e) shares of any money market mutual fund that has (i) substantially all of its assets invested in the types of investments referred to in clauses (a) through (d) above, (ii) net assets of not less than \$250,000,000 and (iii) a rating of at least A-2 from S&P or at least P-2 from Moody's and (f) solely with respect to any Captive Insurance Subsidiary, any investment such Captive Insurance Subsidiary is not prohibited to make in accordance with applicable law.

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Cash Equivalents shall also include (x) Investments of the type and maturity described in <u>clauses (a)</u> through (f) above of foreign obligors, which Investments or obligors (or the parent companies thereof) have the ratings described in such clauses or equivalent ratings from comparable foreign rating agencies and (y) other short-term Investments utilized by Foreign Subsidiaries in accordance with normal investment practices for cash management in Investments analogous to the Investments described in <u>clauses (a)</u> through (f) and in this paragraph.

"Change in Law" means (a) the adoption of any law, treaty, rule or regulation after the Closing Date, (b) any change in any law, treaty, rule or regulation or in the interpretation or application thereof by any Governmental Authority after the Closing Date or (c) compliance by any Lender (or, for purposes of Section 2.15(b), by any lending office of such Lender or by such Lender's

holding company, if any) with any request, guideline or directive (whether or not having the force of law) of any Governmental Authority made or issued after the Closing Date (other than any such request, guideline or directive to comply with any law, rule or regulation that was in effect on the Closing Date). For purposes of this definition and Section 2.15, (x) the Dodd-Frank Wall Street Reform and Consumer Protection Act and all requests, rules, guidelines, requirements and directives thereunder or issued in connection therewith or in implementation thereof and (y) all requests, rules, guidelines, requirements or directives promulgated by the Bank for International Settlements, the Basel Committee on Banking Supervision (or any successor or similar authority) or U.S. or foreign regulatory authorities, in each case pursuant to Basel III, shall in each case described in clauses (a), (b) and (c) above, be deemed to be a Change in Law, regardless of the date enacted, adopted, issued or implemented.

# "Change of Control" means the earliest to occur of:

- (a) [reserved];
- (b) the acquisition, directly or indirectly, by any Person or group (within the meaning of Section 13(d)(3) or Section 14(d)(2) of the Exchange Act), including any group acting for the purpose of acquiring, holding or disposing of Securities (within the meaning of Rule 13d-5(b)(1) under the Exchange Act, but excluding (i) any employee benefit plan and/or Person acting as the trustee, agent or other fiduciary or administrator therefor, (ii) one or more Permitted Holders, (iii) any group directly or indirectly controlled by one or more Permitted Holders, and (iv) any underwriter in connection with the initial public offering of the Capital Stock of Landcadia Parent solely for the purposes of facilitating the distribution of such Capital Stock and the "sponsors" of Landcadia Parent), of Capital Stock representing more than the greater of (A) 40% of the total voting power of all of the outstanding voting stock of Holdings and (B) the percentage of the total voting power of all of the outstanding voting stock of Holdings beneficially owned, directly or indirectly, by the Permitted Holders; and

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(c) the Borrower ceasing to be a direct or indirect Wholly-Owned Subsidiary of Holdings (or any permitted successor hereunder);

provided that (x) a "Change of Control" shall not be deemed to have occurred with respect to <u>clause (b)</u> above if the Permitted Holders have, at such time, the right or ability by voting power, contract or otherwise to elect or designate for election a majority of the board of directors or similar governing body of Holdings, and (y) the creation of a Parent Company shall not in and of itself cause a Change of Control so long as at the time such Person became a Parent Company, (1) there is no change in the direct or indirect beneficial ownership of the total voting power of all of the outstanding voting stock of Holdings by the Permitted Holders or (2) no Person and no group (within the meaning of Section 13(d)(3) or Section 14(d)(2) of the Exchange Act), including any such group acting for the purpose of acquiring, holding or disposing of Securities (within the meaning of Rule 13d-5(b)(1) under the Exchange Act) (other than one or more Permitted Holders or any group directly or indirectly controlled by one or more Permitted Holders), shall have beneficial ownership (within the meaning of Rule 13d-3 under the Exchange Act, or any successor provisions), directly or indirectly, of 40% or more, in the case of <u>clause</u> (b) above, of the total voting power of all of the outstanding voting stock of Holdings.

"Charge" means any charge, fee, loss, expense, cost, accrual or reserve of any kind.

"Charged Amounts" has the meaning assigned to such term in Section 9.19.

"Class", when used in reference to (a) any Loan or Borrowing, refers to whether such Loan, or the Loans comprising such Borrowing, are Initial Loans, Initial Term Loans, Initial Delayed Draw Term Loans, Additional Term Loans of any series established as a separate "Class" pursuant to Section 2.22, 2.23 or 9.02(c)(ii), or Additional Revolving Loans of any series established as a separate "class" pursuant to Section 2.22, 2.23 or 9.02(c)(ii), (b) any Commitment, refers to whether such Commitment is an Initial Term Loan Commitment, an Initial Delayed Draw Term Loan Commitment an Additional Term Commitment of any series established as a separate "Class" pursuant to Section 2.22, 2.23 or 9.02(c)(ii), an Additional Revolving Commitment of any series established as a separate "Class" pursuant to Section 2.22, 2.23 or 9.02(c)(ii) or a commitment to make any other Commitments under any other Credit Facilities established as a separate "Class" and (c) any Lender, refers to whether such Lender has a Loan or Commitment of a particular Class. The Initial Term Loans and the Initial Delayed Draw Term Loans are intended to be treated as a single Class for all purposes under this Agreement (except as provided in Section 2.10 or as otherwise expressly provided in this Agreement). For purposes of this definition, any separate series or tranche shall be treated as a separate "Class" regardless of whether such series or tranche is specifically as a separate "Class".

"Closing Date" means the date on which the conditions specified in <u>Section 4.01</u> are satisfied (or waived in accordance with <u>Section 9.02</u>).

"Closing Date Material Adverse Effect" means a Company Material Adverse Effect (as defined in the Merger Agreement (as in effect on the Closing Date)).

"Code" means the Internal Revenue Code of 1986, as amended.

"Co-Investors" means, individually and collectively, (a) any current and former officers, directors and members of the management of the Borrower, any Parent Company and/or any subsidiary of the Borrower, solely to the extent that such Persons own Capital Stock in the Borrower or any direct or indirect parent thereof on the Closing Date, (b) OCHP III HC RO, L.P., Oak Hill Capital Partners III, L.P. and Oak Hill Capital Management Partners III, L.P., together with, in the case of this clause (b), their respective Affiliates (but not portfolio companies) and solely to the extent that such Persons or such Affiliates own Capital Stock in the Borrower or any direct or indirect parent thereof on the Closing Date, and (c) any other Person (other than the Sponsor) making a cash equity investment directly or indirectly in any Parent Company on or prior to the Closing Date, including the PIPE Investors.

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"Collateral" means any and all property of any Loan Party subject (or purported to be subject) to a Lien under any Collateral Document and any and all other property of any Loan Party, now existing or hereafter acquired, that is or becomes subject (or purported to be subject) to a Lien pursuant to any Collateral Document to secure the Secured Obligations.

"Collateral and Guarantee Requirement" means, at any time, subject to (x) the applicable limitations set forth in this Agreement and/or any other Loan Document and (y) the time periods (and extensions thereof) set forth in Section 5.12, the requirement that:

- (a) the Administrative Agent shall have received in the case of any Restricted Subsidiary that is required to become a Loan Party after the Closing Date pursuant to <u>Section 5.12</u> (including by any Domestic Subsidiary ceasing to be an Excluded Subsidiary), and each Discretionary Guarantor:
  - (i) (A) a joinder to the Loan Guaranty in substantially the form attached as an exhibit thereto, (B) a supplement to the Security Agreement in substantially the form attached as an exhibit thereto, (C) if such Restricted Subsidiary owns registrations of or applications for U.S. Patents, Trademarks and/or Copyrights that constitute Collateral, an Intellectual Property Security Agreement, (D) a completed Perfection Certificate, (E) UCC or the equivalent financing statements in appropriate form for filing in such jurisdictions as the Administrative Agent may reasonably request, and (F) an executed joinder to the Intercreditor Agreement (and any other applicable Acceptable Intercreditor Agreement) in substantially the form attached as an exhibit thereto; and
  - (ii) each item of Collateral that such Restricted Subsidiary is required to deliver under <u>Section 4.02</u> of the Security Agreement or under any other Collateral Document required to be entered into pursuant to <u>paragraph (i)</u> above (which, in each case, for the avoidance of doubt, shall be delivered within the time periods (and extensions thereof) set forth in <u>Section 5.12</u> and shall exclude Excluded Assets);
  - (b) the Administrative Agent shall have received with respect to any Material Real Estate Asset owned as of or acquired after the Closing Date, a Mortgage and any necessary UCC, or equivalent fixture filing in respect thereof, in each case together with, to the extent required by Requirements of Law or customary and appropriate (as reasonably determined by the Administrative Agent and the Borrower):
    - (i) evidence that (A) all counterparts of such Mortgage have been duly executed, acknowledged and delivered and such Mortgage and any corresponding UCC or equivalent fixture filing are in form suitable for filing or recording in all filing or recording offices that the Administrative Agent may deem reasonably necessary in order to create and perfect a valid and subsisting mortgage lien on such Material Real Estate Asset in favor of the Administrative Agent for the benefit of the Secured Parties, (B) such Mortgage and any corresponding UCC or equivalent fixture

- (ii) one or more fully paid policies of title insurance (the "Mortgage Policies") in an amount reasonably acceptable to the Administrative Agent (not to exceed the Fair Market Value of the Material Real Estate Asset covered thereby) issued by a nationally recognized title insurance company in the applicable jurisdiction that is reasonably acceptable to the Administrative Agent, insuring the relevant Mortgage as having created a valid subsisting mortgage lien on the real property described therein with the ranking or the priority which it is expressed to have in such Mortgage, subject only to Permitted Liens, together with such endorsements, coinsurance and reinsurance as the Administrative Agent may reasonably request to the extent the same are available in the applicable jurisdiction;
- (iii) customary legal opinions of local counsel for the relevant Loan Party in the jurisdiction in which such Material Real Estate Asset is located, and if applicable, in the jurisdiction of formation of the relevant Loan Party, in each case as the Administrative Agent may reasonably request; and
- (iv) surveys and appraisals (solely if required under the Financial Institutions Reform Recovery and Enforcement Act of 1989, as amended); <u>provided</u> that the Administrative Agent may in its reasonable discretion accept any such existing certificate, appraisal or survey so long as such existing certificate or appraisal satisfies any applicable local law requirements.

Notwithstanding any provision of this Agreement or any other Loan Document to the contrary,

- (A) if a mortgage tax or any similar tax or charge will be owed on the entire amount of the Secured Obligations evidenced hereby, then, to the extent permitted by, and in accordance with, applicable law, the amount of such mortgage tax or any similar tax or charge shall be calculated based on the lesser of (x) the amount of the Secured Obligations allocated to the applicable Material Real Estate Asset and (y) the Fair Market Value of the applicable Material Real Estate Asset at the time the Mortgage is entered into and determined in a manner reasonably acceptable to Administrative Agent and the Borrower, which in the case of clause (y) will result in a limitation of the Secured Obligations secured by the Mortgage to such amount;
- (B) Mortgages on any Real Estate Asset shall not be required or shall be released to the extent such Real Estate Asset constitutes or becomes an Excluded Asset;
- (C) no control agreements, other control arrangements or perfection by "control" shall be required (except as provided in clauses (x) and (y) below) and no Loan Party shall be required to perfect a security interest in any Collateral, in each case (to the extent applicable), other than perfection by (v) filing of a UCC-1 financing statement, (w) with respect to IP Rights, filings with the United States Patent and Trademark Office or the United States Copyright Office, (x) delivery of certificates evidencing Capital Stock, stock transfer forms executed in blank and notes and other evidence of indebtedness, in each case, to the extent required to be pledged as Collateral and required to be delivered pursuant to the Collateral Documents, (y) to the extent control agreements have been delivered under the ABL Facility with respect to the ABL US Priority Collateral, second-priority control agreements with respect to the ABL US Priority Collateral (all such control agreements with respect to the ABL US Priority Collateral shall be released and terminated in connection with the Discharge of ABL Obligations (as defined in the ABL Intercreditor Agreement)) or (z) with respect to Material Real Estate Assets, pursuant to Mortgages as described above;

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(D) (i) no action (including any filings or registrations) outside of the United States in order to create or perfect any security interest in any asset located outside of the United States (including with respect to intellectual property and equity interests) shall be required and (ii) no security or pledge agreements shall be governed by any other law other than the laws of New York (except (x) any required Mortgages may be governed by the laws of the state in which the applicable Material Real

Estate Asset is situated and (y) the laws of any other U.S. state may govern to the extent necessary to create or perfect a security interest in any portion of the Collateral); and

(E) the Loan Parties shall not be required to take any action to collaterally assign to the Administrative Agent their respective rights under (w) the Merger Agreement, (x) any documentation governing a permitted acquisition or investment not prohibited under the terms of this Agreement, (y) any representation and warranty insurance policy or (z) any business interruption policy.

With respect to any Collateral that is ABL US Priority Collateral, prior to the Discharge of ABL Obligations (as defined in the ABL Intercreditor Agreement), to the extent that the ABL Agent in respect of any ABL Facility secured on a Split Collateral Basis determines that any such property or assets shall not become part of, or shall be excluded from, the collateral under such ABL Facility, or that any delivery, perfection or notice requirement in respect of any such Collateral shall be extended or waived, the Administrative Agent shall automatically be deemed to accept such determination and shall execute any documentation, if applicable, requested by the Borrower in connection therewith, including termination and release documents and extensions and waivers.

Notwithstanding the foregoing, in the event the Borrower elects to cause a Foreign Subsidiary to become a Foreign Discretionary Guarantor pursuant to the definition of "Guarantor", such Foreign Discretionary Guarantor, as the case may be, shall (i) provide a Loan Guaranty and (ii) grant a perfected lien in favor of the Administrative Agent on substantially all of its assets (other than Excluded Assets) pursuant to arrangements reasonably agreed between the Administrative Agent and the Borrower, which shall be consistent with the principles of, and be no more onerous and restrictive to such Foreign Discretionary Guarantor, than, the provisions applicable to the Borrower or Subsidiary Guarantors organized in the United States, subject to customary limitations in such jurisdiction as may be reasonably agreed between the Administrative Agent and the Borrower, and nothing in the definition of "Collateral and Guarantee Requirement" or other limitation in this Agreement shall in any way limit or restrict the pledge of assets and property by any such Foreign Discretionary Guarantor or the pledge of the Capital Stock of such Foreign Discretionary Guarantor by any other Loan Party that holds such Capital Stock, in each case, solely by virtue of such Foreign Discretionary Guarantor being a Foreign Subsidiary or otherwise an Excluded Subsidiary.

"Collateral Documents" means, collectively, (a) the Security Agreement, (b) each Mortgage, (c) each Intellectual Property Security Agreement, (d) any supplement to any of the foregoing delivered to the Administrative Agent pursuant to the definition of "Collateral and Guarantee Requirement" and (e) each of the other instruments and documents pursuant to which any Loan Party grants a Lien on any Collateral as security for payment of the Secured Obligations.

"Commercial Tort Claim" has the meaning set forth in Article 9 of the UCC.

"Commitment" means, with respect to each Lender, such Lender's Initial Term Loan Commitment, Initial Delayed Draw Term Loan Commitment, Additional Commitments and any other commitment to provide Loans under a Credit Facility, as applicable, in effect as of such time.

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"Commitment Schedule" means the Schedule attached hereto as <u>Schedule 1.01(a)</u>.

"Commodity Exchange Act" means the Commodity Exchange Act (7 U.S.C. § 1 et seq.).

"Company Competitor" means (a) any Person that is or becomes (i) a competitor of the Borrower and/or any of its subsidiaries (including after giving effect to the Merger and any other permitted acquisition) or (ii) an Affiliate of a Person described in clause (a)(i) and, in each case, identified in writing to the Administrative Agent, (b) any reasonably identifiable Affiliate of any person described in clause (a) above (on the basis of such Affiliate's name) (other than any Competitor Debt Fund Affiliate unless the Borrower has a reasonable basis to include such Competitor Debt Fund Affiliate as a Company Competitor or Disqualified Institution), and/or (c) any other Affiliate of any Person described in clause (a) or clause (b) above identified by name in a written notice to the Administrative Agent.

"Competitor Debt Fund Affiliate" means, with respect to any Company Competitor, any bona fide debt fund, investment vehicle, regulated bank entity or unregulated lending entity that is (i) primarily engaged in making, purchasing, holding or

otherwise investing in commercial loans and similar extensions of credit in the ordinary course of business and (ii) managed, sponsored or advised by any Person that is Controlling, Controlled by or under common Control with such Company Competitor or Affiliate thereof, but only to the extent that no personnel associated or involved with the investment in (or management, control or operation of), such Company Competitor or such Affiliate thereof (A) makes (or has the right to make or participate with others in making) investment decisions on behalf of, or otherwise cause the direction of the investment policies of, such debt fund, investment vehicle, regulated bank entity or unregulated entity or (B) has access, directly or indirectly (including through such Company Competitor or any of its Affiliates), to any information (other than information that is publicly available) relating to any Parent Company, Holdings, the Borrower and/or any of their respective subsidiaries and/or of their respective businesses; it being understood and agreed that the term "Competitor Debt Fund Affiliate" shall not include any Person that is a "Disqualified Institution" pursuant to clauses (a) or (c) of the definition thereof.

"Compliance Certificate" means a Compliance Certificate substantially in the form of Exhibit C.

"Confidential Information" has the meaning assigned to such term in Section 9.13.

"Consolidated Adjusted EBITDA" means, as to any Person for any period, an amount determined in accordance with Section 1.08, for such Person on a consolidated basis equal to the total of (a) Consolidated Net Income for such period plus (b) the sum, without duplication, of (to the extent deducted in calculating Consolidated Net Income in such period, other than in respect of clauses (xi), (xiii), (xv), (xviii), (xviii), (xix) and (xx) below or deducted from revenues in net income (or loss) used in calculating Consolidated Net Income) the amounts of:

consolidated total interest expense determined in accordance with GAAP and, to the extent not reflected in (i) such consolidated total interest expense, annual agency fees paid to the administrative agents and collateral agents under any credit facilities, costs associated with obtaining hedging arrangements and breakage costs in respect of hedging arrangements related to interest rates, any expense resulting from the discounting of any indebtedness in connection with the application of recapitalization accounting or, if applicable, purchase accounting in connection with the Transactions or any acquisition, penalties and interest relating to taxes, any "additional interest" or "liquidated damages" with respect to other securities for failure to timely comply with registration rights obligations, amortization or expensing of deferred financing fees, amendment and consent fees, debt issuance costs, commissions, fees, expenses and discounted liabilities and any other amounts of non-Cash interest, any expensing of bridge, commitment and other financing fees and any other fees related to the Transactions or any acquisitions after the Closing Date, commissions, discounts, yield and other fees and charges (including any interest expense) related to any qualified securitization facility, any accretion of accrued interest on discounted liabilities and any Prepayment premium or penalty, interest expense attributable to a parent company resulting from push-down accounting and any lease, rental or other expense in connection with any lease that is not a capitalized lease, any losses on hedging obligations or other derivative instruments entered into for the purpose of hedging interest rate risk (net of interest income and gains on such hedging obligations), costs of surety bonds in connection with financing activities (whether amortized or immediately expensed), fees and expenses paid to (or for the benefit of) any arranger, any administrative or collateral agent, any lender or any other secured party under the Loan Documents and the ABL Credit Agreement (and any related loan documents) or to (or for the benefit of) any other holder of permitted Indebtedness in connection with its services hereunder (including fees and expenses in connection with any modifications of the Loan Documents), other bank or any other Person in connection with its services as administrative agent or trustee, or similar capacity under any other Indebtedness permitted hereunder and financing fees;

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- (ii) (A) provision for Taxes during such period (including pursuant to any Tax sharing arrangement or any distributions or other Restricted Payments for the payment of any Tax), including, in each case, arising out of tax examinations, repatriation of amounts from a Foreign Subsidiary and (without duplication) any payment to a Parent Company pursuant to Section 6.04(a)(i) and (iv) in respect of Taxes, and (B) the amount of any cash tax benefits related to the tax amortization of intangible assets in such period;
- (iii) depreciation and amortization (including, without limitation, amortization of goodwill, software and other intangible assets);
- (iv) any non-cash Charge (<u>provided</u>, that to the extent any such non-cash Charge represents an accrual or reserve for any actual or potential cash items in any future period (including of the type described in <u>clause (vii)</u> below), (A) such Person may elect (in its sole discretion) not to add back such non-cash Charge in the then-current period, in which case, any

cash payment in respect thereof in any future period shall be not subtracted from Consolidated Adjusted EBITDA, and (B) to the extent such Person elects (in its sole discretion) to add back such non-cash Charge in the then-current period, any cash payment in respect thereof in any subsequent periods shall be subtracted from Consolidated Adjusted EBITDA pursuant to clause (c)(v) below);

- (v) [reserved];
- (vi) Public Company Costs;
- (vii) (A) management, monitoring, consulting, transaction and advisory fees (including termination fees) and indemnities and expenses actually paid or accrued by, or on behalf of, such Person or any of its subsidiaries (1) to the Investors (or their Affiliates or management companies) to the extent permitted under this Agreement or (2) as permitted by Section 6.09(f); (B) the amount of payments made to option holders of any Parent Company in connection with, or as a result of, any distribution being made to shareholders of such Person, which payments are being made to compensate such option holders as though they were shareholders at the time of, and entitled to share in, such distribution, including any cash consideration for any repurchase of equity, in each case to the extent permitted under the Loan Documents and (C) the amount of fees, expenses and indemnities paid to directors, including of Holdings or any Parent Company;

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- (viii) losses or discounts on sales of receivables and related assets in connection with any receivables financing permitted under this Agreement;
- (ix) any Charges (or net income) attributable to any interest, non-controlling interest and/or minority interest of any third party in any Restricted Subsidiary;
- (x) the amount of earnout obligation expense (or similar Charges) incurred in connection with (including adjustments thereto) (A) the Merger, (B) acquisitions and Investments consummated prior to the Closing Date, and (C) any Permitted Acquisition or other Investment permitted by this Agreement, in each case, which is paid or accrued during the applicable period;
- (xi) pro forma "run rate" cost savings (including sourcing and supply chain savings), operating expense reductions, operating, revenue and productivity improvements and synergies (net of actual amounts realized) projected by the Borrower in good faith that are reasonably identifiable and factually supportable (in the good faith determination of such Person) in connection with (A) the Transactions related to actions that have been taken (including prior to the Closing Date) or with respect to which substantial steps have been taken or are expected to be taken (in the good faith determination of the Borrower) within twenty-four (24) months after the Closing Date and (B) any permitted acquisitions, Investments, Dispositions and other Specified Transactions, operating expense reductions, any operating, revenue and productivity improvements and enhancements, synergies, restructurings, cost savings initiatives and other initiatives (including, without limitation, new business, customer and contract wins, the modification and renegotiation of contracts and other arrangements, pricing adjustments and increases, supply chain optimization (including consolidating or changing suppliers, supply base reduction and reduction in materials costs), product and warranty improvements (including lean manufacturing initiatives, design, engineering and automation optimization and discontinuing or replacing products) and other items of the type described in clause (xii) below) projected by the Borrower in good faith to result from actions that have been taken (including prior to completion of any such acquisitions, Investments, Dispositions and other Specified Transactions) or with respect to which substantial steps have been taken or are expected to be taken (in the good faith determination of the Borrower) within eighteen (18) months (or, in respect of any revenue improvements and enhancements, only, within twelve (12) months) after any such acquisitions, Investments, Dispositions and other Specified Transactions, operating expense reductions, any operating, revenue and productivity improvements and enhancements, synergies, restructurings, cost savings initiatives and other initiatives; pro forma "run rate" shall be the full benefit associated with any action taken, committed to be taken or with respect to which substantial steps have been taken or are expected to be taken calculated on a Pro Forma Basis as though such acquisitions, Investments, Dispositions and other Specified Transactions, operating expense reductions, any operating, revenue and productivity improvements and enhancements, synergies, restructurings, cost savings initiatives and other initiatives had been fully realized on the first day of the applicable period for the entirety of such period;

(xii) (A) Charges attributable to the undertaking and/or implementation of operating, revenue and productivity improvements and enhancements, operating expense reductions, cost savings initiatives and other initiatives, transitions, openings and pre-openings, business and operation optimization, restructurings, integration, inventory optimization programs, software development, systems upgrade, closure or consolidation of facilities and properties, curtailments, entry into new markets, strategic initiatives and contracts, consulting fees, signing or retention costs, retention or completion bonuses, expansion and relocation expenses, severance payments, modifications to pension and post-retirement employee benefit plans or other post-employment benefit costs representing amortization of unrecognized prior service costs, actuarial losses, including amortization of such amounts arising in prior periods, and any other items of a similar nature, new systems design and implementation and startup costs, (B) reductions, improvements, enhancements, synergies and initiatives as contemplated in clause (xi) above, and (C) Charges related to legal settlement, fines, judgments or orders, including with respect to warranty claims;

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- (xiii) with respect to key making or copying, knife sharpening and other product or service related centers and kiosks that have been in operation for less than twelve (12) months during the applicable period, an amount equal to (A) the Consolidated Adjusted EBITDA for each such center or kiosk during such period *multiplied by* twelve (12) *divided by* the numbers of months such center or kiosk has been in operation, *minus* (B) the Consolidated Adjusted EBITDA for each such center or kiosk actually included in the calculation of Consolidated Adjusted EBITDA for during such period;
  - (xiv) [reserved];
- (xv) to the extent not otherwise included in Consolidated Net Income, proceeds of business interruption insurance in an amount representing the earnings for the applicable period that such proceeds are intended to replace (whether or not then received so long as such Person in good faith expects to receive such proceeds within the next four Fiscal Quarters (it being understood that to the extent not actually received within such Fiscal Quarters, such proceeds shall be deducted in calculating Consolidated Adjusted EBITDA pursuant to clause (c)(iv) below));
  - (xvi) [reserved];
- (xvii) the amount of (A) any Charge to the extent that a corresponding amount is received in cash by such Person from a Person other than such Person or any Restricted Subsidiary of such Person under any agreement providing for reimbursement of such Charge and (B) any Charge with respect to any liability or casualty event, business interruption or any product recall, (1) so long as such Person has submitted in good faith, and reasonably expects to receive payment in connection with, a claim for reimbursement of such amounts under its relevant insurance policy (with a deduction in the applicable future period for any amount so added back to the extent not so reimbursed within the next four Fiscal Quarters) or (2) without duplication of amounts included in a prior period under clause (B)(1) above, to the extent such Charge is covered by insurance proceeds received in cash during such period (it being understood that if the amount received in cash under any such agreement in any period exceeds the amount of Charge paid during such period such excess amounts received may be carried forward and applied against any Charge in any future period);
- (xviii) the amount of Cash actually received (or the amount of the benefit of any netting arrangement resulting in reduced Cash Charges) during such period, to the extent not included in Consolidated Net Income in any period or related non-Cash gain deducted in the calculation of Consolidated Adjusted EBITDA in any prior period;
- (xix) the excess of rent expense during such period over actual Cash rent paid over due to the use of straight line rent for GAAP purposes; and
  - (xx) Other Agreed Adjustments,
- minus (c) to the extent such amounts increase Consolidated Net Income, without duplication:
  - (i) non-cash gains or income; <u>provided</u>, that to the extent any non-cash gain or income represents an accrual or deferred income in respect of actual potential Cash items in any future period, such Person may elect (in its sole discretion) not to deduct such non-cash gain or income in the then-current period;

- (ii) [reserved];
- (iii) [reserved];
- (iv) the amount added back to Consolidated Adjusted EBITDA pursuant to  $\underline{\text{clause }(b)(xv)}$  above in a prior period to the extent the relevant business interruption insurance proceeds were not received within the time period required by such clause and are required to be deducted from Consolidated Adjusted EBITDA pursuant to  $\underline{\text{clause }(b)(xv)}$  above;
- (v) to the extent that such Person added back the amount of any non-Cash charge to Consolidated Adjusted EBITDA pursuant to <u>clause (b)(iv)</u> above in a prior period, the cash payment in respect thereof in the relevant future period (except as otherwise provided in <u>clause (b)(iv)</u> above); and
- (vi) the excess of actual Cash rent paid over rent expense during such period due to the use of straight line rent for GAAP purposes.

"Consolidated First Lien Debt" means, as to any Person determined on a consolidated basis and in accordance with Section 1.08 (and, if applicable, Section 1.10), at any date of determination, the aggregate principal amount of Consolidated Total Debt outstanding on such date that is secured by a Lien on the Collateral on a pari passu or senior basis with the First Priority Secured Obligations (it being understood that Consolidated Total Debt outstanding on any applicable date of determination (subject to Section 1.10) under any ABL Facility secured on a Split Collateral Basis (including the ABL Facility as of the Closing Date) or a "cash flow" based ABL Facility secured by the Collateral on a senior basis pari passu with the First Priority Secured Obligations subject to an Acceptable Intercreditor Agreement under clause (a) of the definition thereof, in each case, shall constitute Consolidated First Lien Debt).

"Consolidated Interest Expense" means, as to any Person determined on a consolidated basis at any date of determination and in accordance with Section 1.08, the sum, without duplication, of (a) consolidated Cash interest of the Borrower and its Restricted Subsidiaries determined in accordance with GAAP, (i) including (A) the Cash interest component of Capital Lease obligations and (B) net Cash payments made (less net Cash payments received) pursuant to obligations under permitted hedging arrangements related to interest rates (subject to adjustment in accordance with Section 1.08(b)); but (ii) excluding (A) annual agency and trustee fees paid to the administrative and collateral agents and trustees under any credit facilities, indentures or other permitted Indebtedness, (B) costs associated with obtaining hedging arrangements and breakage costs in respect of hedging arrangements related to interest rates, (C) any expense resulting from the discounting of any Indebtedness in connection with the application of recapitalization accounting or, if applicable, purchase accounting in connection with the Transactions or any acquisition, (D) penalties and interest relating to Taxes, (E) any "additional interest" or "liquidated damages" with respect to other securities for failure to timely comply with registration rights obligations, (F) amortization or expensing of deferred financing fees, amendment and consent fees, debt issuance costs, commissions, fees, expenses and discounted liabilities and any other amounts of non-cash interest, (G) any expensing of bridge, commitment and other financing fees and any other fees related to the Transactions or after the Closing Date, any other transactions (including acquisitions and Indebtedness), (H) commissions, discounts, yield and other fees and charges (including any interest expense) related to any qualified securitization facility, (I) any accretion of accrued interest on discounted liabilities and any Prepayment premium or penalty (including amendment, tender and consent solicitation fees), (J) interest expense attributable to a parent company resulting from push-down accounting and (K) any lease, rental or other expense in connection with any lease that is not a Capital Lease, net of (b) Cash interest income of the Borrower and its Restricted Subsidiaries.

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"Consolidated Net Income" means, as to any Person, determined in accordance with <u>Section 1.08</u>, on a consolidated basis (the "Subject Person") for any period, the net income (or loss) of the Subject Person for such period taken as a single accounting period determined in accordance with GAAP; <u>provided</u> that there shall be excluded, without duplication:

- (a) (i) the income of any Person (other than a Restricted Subsidiary of the Subject Person) in which any other Person (other than the Subject Person or any of its Restricted Subsidiaries) has a joint interest, except that the amount of dividends or distributions or other payments (including any ordinary course dividend, distribution or other payment) paid in cash (or to the extent converted into cash) to the Subject Person or any of its Restricted Subsidiaries by such Person during such period (regardless of whether such payment is in respect of the income of such Person in the current period or any prior period) shall be included in Consolidated Net Income or (ii) the loss of any Person (other than a Restricted Subsidiary of the Subject Person) in which any other Person (other than the Subject Person or any of its Restricted Subsidiaries) has a joint interest, other than to the extent that the Subject Person or any of its Restricted Subsidiaries has contributed cash or Cash Equivalents to such Person in respect of such loss during such period for the express purpose of funding such losses (but shall exclude any other Investment in such Person);
- (b) gains or losses (less all fees and expenses chargeable thereto) attributable to any sales or dispositions of Capital Stock or assets (including asset retirement costs) or of returned surplus assets, in each case, outside of the ordinary course of business;
- (c) gains or losses from extraordinary items, any one-time event or item, and nonrecurring or unusual items, in each case, as determined in good faith by the Subject Person (including any costs of and payments of actual or prospective legal settlements, fines, judgments or orders and all related fees and expenses), including in connection with any acquisitions, Investments and Dispositions;
- (d) any unrealized or realized net foreign currency translation or transaction gains or losses impacting net income (including currency re-measurements of any Indebtedness); <u>provided</u> that notwithstanding anything to the contrary herein, realized gains and losses in respect of any Designated Operational FX Hedge shall be included in the calculation of Consolidated Net Income;
- (e) any net gains, Charges or losses with respect to (i) any disposed (other than Dispositions of assets and inventory in the ordinary course of business), abandoned, divested and/or discontinued asset, property or operation (other than, at the option of the Subject Person, any asset, property or operation pending the disposal, abandonment, divestiture and/or termination thereof), (ii) any disposal (other than Dispositions of assets and inventory in the ordinary course of business), abandonment, divestiture and/or discontinuation of any asset, property or operation (other than, at the option of such Subject Person, relating to assets or property held for sale pending the Disposition thereof) and/or (iii) facilities or plants that have been closed during such period or for which Charges and losses were required to be recorded pursuant to GAAP;
- (f) (i) any net income or loss (less all fees and expenses or charges related thereto) attributable to the early extinguishment of Indebtedness (and the termination of any associated Hedge Agreements) and (ii) any other losses and expenses incurred in connection with the early termination, refinancing or prepayment of guarantee obligations, operating leases and other similar contractual obligations;

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- (g) (i) any Charges incurred pursuant to any management equity plan, profits interest or stock option plan or any other management or employee benefit plan or agreement, pension plan, any stock subscription or shareholder agreement or any distributor equity plan or agreement, or any similar equity plan or agreement, including any fair value adjustments that may be required under liquidity puts for such arrangements and (ii) any Charges in connection with the rollover, acceleration or payout of Capital Stock held by management of any Parent Company, the Borrower and/or any Restricted Subsidiary, in each case, to the extent that any such Charge is funded with net cash proceeds contributed to relevant Person as a capital contribution or as a result of the sale or issuance of Qualified Capital Stock;
- (h) accruals and reserves that are established or adjusted within twelve (12) months after the Closing Date (or after the closing of any consummated acquisition or Investment) that are required to be established or adjusted as a result of the Transactions (or such acquisition or Investment) in accordance with GAAP or as a result of the adoption or modification of accounting policies in accordance with GAAP;

- (i) any (A) write-off or amortization made in such period of deferred financing costs and premiums paid or other expenses incurred directly in connection with any early extinguishment of Indebtedness, (B) impairment Charges, write-offs or write-downs of any assets and (C) amortization of intangible assets;
- (j) (A) effects of adjustments (including the effects of such adjustments pushed down to the Subject Person and its subsidiaries) in the Subject Person's consolidated financial statements pursuant to GAAP (including in the inventory, property and equipment, software, goodwill, intangible assets, in-process research and development, deferred revenue, deferred rent, deferred trade incentives and other lease-related items, advanced billings and debt line items thereof) resulting from the application of recapitalization, accounting or purchase acquisition accounting, as the case may be, in relation to the Transactions or any consummated acquisition or Investment or the amortization or write-off of any amounts thereof, net of Taxes and (B) the cumulative effect of changes in accounting principles or policies made in such period in accordance with GAAP which affect Consolidated Net Income (except that, if the Borrower determines in good faith that the cumulative effects thereof are not material to the interests of the Lenders, the effects of any change, adoption or modification of any such principles or policies may be included);
- (k) the income or loss of any Person accrued prior to the date on which such Person becomes a Restricted Subsidiary of such Person or is merged into or consolidated or amalgamated with such Person's assets are acquired by such Person or any Restricted Subsidiary of such Person;
  - (1) Transaction Costs;
- (m) transaction fees and Charges (1) in connection with the consummation of any transaction (or any transaction proposed and not consummated), (2) in connection with any offering of debt or equity securities (or any offering of debt or equity securities proposed and not consummated) and/or (3) that are actually reimbursed or reimbursable by third parties pursuant to indemnification or reimbursement provisions or similar agreements or insurance; <u>provided</u>, that in respect of any fee, cost, expense or reserve that is added back in reliance on <u>clause (3)</u> above, such Person in good faith expects to receive reimbursement for such fee, cost, expense or reserve within the next four Fiscal Quarters;
  - (n) unrealized net losses and gains under Hedge Agreements and/or other derivative instrument;

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- (o) any costs or expenses incurred during such period relating to environmental remediation, litigation, or other disputes in respect of events and exposures that occurred prior to the Closing Date; and
- (p) any deferred tax expense associated with tax deductions or net operating losses arising as a result of the Transactions, or the release of any valuation allowance related to such items.

"Consolidated Secured Debt" means, as to any Person determined on a consolidated basis, at any date of determination, the aggregate principal amount of Consolidated Total Debt outstanding on such date that is secured by a Lien on the Collateral.

"Consolidated Total Assets" means, as to any Person determined on a consolidated basis and in accordance with Section 1.08, at any date of determination, all amounts that would, in conformity with GAAP, be set forth opposite the caption "total assets" (or any like caption) on a consolidated balance sheet of the applicable Person at such date.

"Consolidated Total Debt" means, as to any Person determined on a consolidated basis and in accordance with Section 1.08, at any date of determination, an amount equal to (a) the aggregate principal amount of all Indebtedness for borrowed money (which shall be deemed to include LC Disbursements (as defined in the ABL Credit Agreement or any similar term under any ABL Facility) that have not been reimbursed within the time periods required by the ABL Credit Agreement or such ABL Facility) and the outstanding principal balance of all Indebtedness with respect to Capital Leases and purchase money Indebtedness, in each case, in an amount that would be reflected on a balance sheet prepared as of such date on a consolidated basis in accordance with GAAP (but excluding, for the avoidance of doubt, (i) any letter of credit (including all undrawn letters of credit), bank guarantees or similar obligations and performance, surety or similar bonds, (ii) any intercompany Indebtedness eliminated in accordance with GAAP during consolidation

and (iii) any such Indebtedness for which such Person has irrevocably deposited in trust or escrow the necessary funds (including Cash and Cash Equivalents) for the payment, redemption or satisfaction of Indebtedness), minus, (b) the aggregate amount of (i) unrestricted Cash (including all principal Cash held in dedicated accounts for the deposit of payments by customers and disbursements to be made in connection with services performed for customers) and Cash Equivalents of such Person in an amount that would be reflected on a balance sheet prepared as of such date on a consolidated basis in accordance with GAAP and (ii) Cash and Cash Equivalents restricted in favor of the Credit Facilities and the ABL Facility (which may also include Cash and Cash Equivalents securing other Indebtedness that is secured by a Lien on the Collateral along with the Credit Facilities and the ABL Facility).

"Consolidated Working Capital" means, with respect to the Borrower, as at any date of determination, the excess of Current Assets over Current Liabilities, in each case, as determined in accordance with <u>Section 1.08</u>.

"Consolidated Working Capital Adjustment" means, with respect to the Borrower, for any period on a consolidated basis, the amount (which may be a negative number) by which Consolidated Working Capital as of the beginning of such period exceeds (or is less than) Consolidated Working Capital as of the end of such period; provided that there shall be excluded (a) the effect of reclassification during such period between current assets and long term assets and current liabilities and long term liabilities (with a corresponding restatement of the prior period to give effect to such reclassification), (b) the effect of any Disposition of any Person, facility or line of business or acquisition of any Person, facility or line of business during such period, (c) the effect of any fluctuations in the amount of accrued and contingent obligations under any Hedge Agreement, and (d) the application of purchase or recapitalization accounting.

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"Contract Consideration" has the meaning assigned to such term in the definition of "Excess Cash Flow".

"Contractual Obligation" means, as applied to any Person, any provision of any Security issued by that Person or of any indenture, mortgage, deed of trust, contract, undertaking, agreement or other instrument to which that Person is a party or by which it or any of its properties is bound or to which it or any of its properties is subject.

"Contribution Indebtedness" has the meaning assigned to such term in Section 6.01(r).

"Control" means the possession, directly or indirectly, of the power to direct or cause the direction of the management or policies of a Person, whether through the ability to exercise voting power, by contract or otherwise. "Controlling" and "Controlled" have meanings correlative thereto.

"Copyright" means the following: (a) all copyrights, rights and interests in copyrights, works protectable by copyright whether published or unpublished, copyright registrations and copyright applications; (b) all renewals of any of the foregoing; (c) all income, royalties, damages, and payments now or hereafter due and/or payable under any of the foregoing, including, without limitation, damages or payments for past, present or future infringements for any of the foregoing; (d) the right to sue for past, present, and future infringements of any of the foregoing; and (e) all rights corresponding to any of the foregoing.

"Corresponding Tenor" with respect to any Available Tenor means, as applicable, either a tenor (including overnight) or an interest payment period having approximately the same length (disregarding business day adjustment) as such Available Tenor.

"Credit Facilities" means the Term Facility, together with any Additional Revolving Facility, Additional Term Facility and any other facility created or established under this Agreement.

"Current Assets" means, as to any Person determined on a consolidated basis, at any date of determination, consolidated current assets as would be reflected on a balance sheet prepared as of such date on a consolidated basis in accordance with GAAP, but excluding, without duplication, (a) Cash and Cash Equivalents, (b) the current portion of current and deferred Taxes (including amounts required to be distributed pursuant to any Tax sharing arrangement or any distributions or other Restricted Payments for the payment of such Taxes), (c) permitted loans made to third parties, (d) assets held for sale, (e) pension assets, (f) deferred bank fees and (g) derivative financial instruments.

"Current Liabilities" means, as to any Person determined on a consolidated basis, at any date of determination, the consolidated current liabilities as would be reflected on a balance sheet prepared as of such date on a consolidated basis in accordance

with GAAP, but excluding, without duplication, (a) the current portion of any long-term Indebtedness, (b) outstanding revolving loans and letter of credit exposure (whether under this Agreement or otherwise), (c) the Consolidated Interest Expense, (d) the current portion of any Capital Lease, (e) the current portion of current and deferred Taxes (including amounts required to be distributed pursuant to any Tax sharing arrangement or any distributions or other Restricted Payments for the payment of such Taxes), (f) liabilities in respect of unpaid earn-outs, (g) the current portion of any other long-term liabilities, (h) accruals relating to restructuring reserves, (i) liabilities in respect of funds of third parties on deposit with the Borrower or any of its Restricted Subsidiaries and (j) any liabilities recorded in connection with stock-based awards, partnership interest-based awards, awards of profits interests, deferred compensation awards and similar incentive based compensation awards or arrangements.

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"Daily Simple SOFR" means, for any day, SOFR, with the conventions for this rate (which will include a lookback) being established by the Administrative Agent (which shall be substantially consistent with market practice for Dollar-denominated broadly syndicated credit facilities and administratively feasible for the Administrative Agent) in accordance with the conventions for this rate selected or recommended by the Relevant Governmental Body for determining "Daily Simple SOFR"; provided, that Daily Simple SOFR shall have become the then-prevailing market convention or an evolving market convention that the Administrative Agent and the Borrower reasonably expect to become the prevailing market convention for benchmark rates for Dollar-denominated syndicated credit facilities.

"Debt Fund Affiliate" means any Affiliate of the Sponsor (other than a natural person, Holdings, the Borrower or their respective subsidiaries) that is primarily engaged in, or advises funds or other investment vehicles that are engaged in, making, purchasing, holding or otherwise investing in commercial loans, bonds and similar extensions of credit in the ordinary course of business and whose managers have fiduciary duties to the investors thereof that are independent of (or in addition to) their duties to Holdings, the Borrower, any Restricted Subsidiary or any Sponsor (or any investor thereof).

"Debtor Relief Laws" means the Bankruptcy Code of the U.S. and all other liquidation, conservatorship, bankruptcy, general assignment for the benefit of creditors, moratorium, rearrangement, receivership, insolvency, reorganization or similar debtor relief laws of the U.S. or other applicable jurisdictions from time to time in effect and affecting the rights of creditors generally.

"Declined Proceeds" has the meaning assigned to such term in Section 2.11(b)(v).

"Default" means any event or condition which upon notice, lapse of time or both would become an Event of Default.

"Defaulting Lender" means any Lender that has (a) defaulted in its obligations under this Agreement, including without limitation, to make a Loan within two (2) Business Days of the date required to be made by it hereunder, (b) notified the Administrative Agent or any Loan Party in writing that it does not intend to satisfy any such obligation or has made a public statement to the effect that it does not intend to comply with its funding obligations under this Agreement or under agreements in which it commits to extend credit generally, (c) failed, within two (2) Business Days after the request of Administrative Agent or the Borrower, to confirm in writing that it will comply with the terms of this Agreement relating to its obligations to fund prospective Loans; provided that such Lender shall cease to be a Defaulting Lender pursuant to this clause (c) upon receipt of such written confirmation by the Administrative Agent if received prior to the applicable funding date, (d) become (or any parent company thereof has become) (i) insolvent or been determined by any Governmental Authority having regulatory authority over such Person or its assets, to be insolvent, or the assets or management of which has been taken over by any Governmental Authority or (ii) the subject of a Bail-In Action, (e) become the subject of a bankruptcy or insolvency proceeding, or has had a receiver, conservator, trustee, administrator, assignee for the benefit of creditors or similar Person charged with reorganization or liquidation of its business or custodian, appointed for it, or has taken any action in furtherance of, or indicating its consent to, approval of or acquiescence in, any such proceeding or appointment, unless in the case of any Lender subject to this clause (e), the Borrower and the Administrative Agent shall each have determined that such Lender intends, and has all approvals required to enable it (in form and substance satisfactory to each of the Borrower and the Administrative Agent), to continue to perform its obligations as a Lender hereunder or (f) failed to return any amounts to the Administrative Agent (or its Affiliates) within one (1) Business Day after receipt of a notice from the Administrative Agent pursuant to Section 2.07(d); provided that no Lender shall be deemed to be a Defaulting Lender solely by virtue of the ownership or acquisition of any Capital Stock in such Lender or its parent by any Governmental Authority; provided that, such action does not result in or provide such Lender with immunity from the jurisdiction of courts within the U.S. or from the enforcement of judgments or writs of attachment on its assets or permit such Lender (or such Governmental Authority) to reject, repudiate, disavow or disaffirm any contract or agreement to which such Lender is a party.

"Delayed Draw Ticking Fee" has the meaning assigned to such term in Section 2.11(a).

"Delayed Draw Upfront Fee" has the meaning assigned to such term in Section 2.11(b).

"Deposit Account" means a demand, time, savings, passbook or like account with a bank, savings and loan association, credit union or like organization, other than an account evidenced by a negotiable certificate of deposit.

"Derivative Transaction" means (a) any interest-rate transaction, including any interest-rate swap, basis swap, forward rate agreement, interest rate option (including a cap, collar or floor), and any other instrument linked to interest rates that gives rise to similar credit risks (including when-issued securities and forward deposits accepted), (b) any exchange-rate transaction, including any cross-currency interest-rate swap, any forward foreign-exchange contract, any currency option, and any other instrument linked to exchange rates that gives rise to similar credit risks, (c) any equity derivative transaction, including any equity-linked swap, any equity-linked option, any forward equity-linked contract, and any other instrument linked to equities that gives rise to similar credit risk and (d) any commodity-linked contract, and any other instrument linked to commodity-linked swap, any commodity-linked option, any forward commodity-linked contract, and any other instrument linked to commodities that gives rise to similar credit risks; provided that no phantom stock or similar plan providing for payments only on account of services provided by current or former directors, officers, employees, members of management, managers or consultants of the Borrower or its subsidiaries shall be a Derivative Transaction.

"Designated Non-Cash Consideration" means the Fair Market Value of non-Cash consideration received by the Borrower or any Restricted Subsidiary in connection with any Disposition pursuant to Section 6.07(h) that is designated as Designated Non-Cash Consideration pursuant to a certificate of a Responsible Officer of the Borrower, setting forth the basis of such valuation (which amount will be reduced by the amount of Cash or Cash Equivalents received in connection with a subsequent sale or conversion of such Designated Non-Cash Consideration to Cash or Cash Equivalents).

"Designated Operational FX Hedge" means any Hedge Agreement entered into for the purpose of hedging currency-related risks in respect of the revenues, cash flows or other balance sheet items of Holdings, the Borrower and/or any Restricted Subsidiaries and designated at the time entered into (or on or prior to the Closing Date, with respect to any Hedge Agreement entered into on or prior to the Closing Date) as a Designated Operational FX Hedge by the Borrower in writing to the Administrative Agent.

"Discount Range" has the meaning assigned to such term in the definition of "Dutch Auction".

"Discretionary Guarantor" has the meaning assigned to such term in the definition of "Guarantor".

"Disposition" or "Dispose" means the sale, lease, sublease, or other disposition of any property of any Person.

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"Disqualified Capital Stock" means any Capital Stock which, by its terms (or by the terms of any security into which it is convertible or for which it is exchangeable), or upon the happening of any event, (a) matures (excluding any maturity as the result of an optional redemption by the issuer thereof) or is mandatorily redeemable (other than for Qualified Capital Stock), pursuant to a sinking fund obligation or otherwise, or is redeemable at the option of the holder thereof (other than for Qualified Capital Stock), in whole or in part, on or prior to ninety-one (91) days following the Latest Maturity Date at the time such Capital Stock is issued (it being understood that if any such redemption is in part, only such part coming into effect prior to ninety-one (91) days following the Latest Maturity Date shall constitute Disqualified Capital Stock), (b) is or becomes convertible into or exchangeable (unless at the sole option of the issuer thereof) for (i) debt securities or (ii) any Capital Stock that would constitute Disqualified Capital Stock, in each case at any time on or prior to ninety-one (91) days following the Latest Maturity Date at the time such Capital Stock is issued, (c) contains any mandatory repurchase obligation or any other repurchase obligation at the option of the holder thereof (other than for Qualified Capital Stock), in whole or in part, which may come into effect prior to ninety-one (91) days following the Latest Maturity Date at the time such Capital Stock is issued (it being understood that if any such repurchase obligation is in part, only such part coming into effect prior to ninety-one (91) days following the Latest Maturity Date shall constitute Disqualified Capital Stock) or (d) requires scheduled payments of dividends in Cash on or prior to ninety-one (91) days following the Latest Maturity Date at the time such Capital Stock is issued; provided that any

Capital Stock that would not constitute Disqualified Capital Stock but for provisions thereof giving holders thereof (or the holders of any security into or for which such Capital Stock is convertible, exchangeable or exercisable) the right to require the issuer thereof to redeem such Capital Stock upon the occurrence of any change in control, offering of debt or equity securities or any Disposition occurring prior to ninety-one (91) days following the Latest Maturity Date at the time such Capital Stock is issued shall not constitute Disqualified Capital Stock if (x) such Capital Stock provides that the issuer thereof will not redeem any such Capital Stock pursuant to such provisions prior to the Termination Date or (y) such redemption is subject to events that would cause the Termination Date to occur.

Notwithstanding the preceding sentence, (A) if such Capital Stock is issued pursuant to any plan for the benefit of directors, officers, employees, members of management, managers or consultants or by any such plan to such directors, officers, employees, members of management, managers or consultants, in each case in the ordinary course of business of Holdings, the Borrower or any Restricted Subsidiary, such Capital Stock shall not constitute Disqualified Capital Stock solely because it may be required to be repurchased by the issuer thereof in order to satisfy applicable statutory or regulatory obligations, and (B) no Capital Stock held by any future, present or former employee, director, officer, manager, member of management or consultant (or their respective Affiliates or Immediate Family Members) of the Borrower (or any Parent Company or any subsidiary) shall be considered Disqualified Capital Stock because such stock is redeemable or subject to repurchase pursuant to any management equity subscription agreement, stock option, stock appreciation right or other stock award agreement, stock ownership plan, put agreement, stockholder agreement or similar agreement that may be in effect from time to time.

# "Disqualified Institution" means:

- (a) (i) any Person that is identified in writing to the Administrative Agent prior to the Closing Date (or if identified after the Closing Date, the disqualification of such person is reasonably acceptable to the Administrative Agent), (ii) any reasonably identifiable Affiliate of any Person described in <u>clause (i)</u> above (on the basis of such Affiliate's name) and (iii) any other Affiliate of any Person described in <u>clauses (i)</u> and/or (ii) above that is identified by name in a written notice to the Administrative Agent after the Closing Date;
- (b) any Company Competitor (it being understood and agreed that no Competitor Debt Fund Affiliate of any Company Competitor may be designated as a Disqualified Institution pursuant to this <u>clause</u> (b) unless the Borrower has a reasonable basis for such designation); and/or

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(c) any Affiliate or Representative of any Initial Committed Lender that is engaged as a principal primarily in private equity, mezzanine financing or venture capital;

<u>provided</u>, that no written notice delivered pursuant to <u>clauses (a)(i)</u>, <u>(a)(iii)</u> above or <u>clauses (a)</u> and/or <u>(c)</u> of the definition of "Company Competitor" shall apply retroactively to disqualify any person that has previously acquired a valid assignment or participation interest in the Term Loans.

"Dollars" or "\$" refers to lawful money of the U.S.

"Domestic Subsidiary" means any direct or indirect subsidiary of the Borrower organized under the laws of the United States, any state or the District of Columbia.

"Dutch Auction" means an auction (an "Auction") conducted by Holdings, the Borrower, any subsidiary of the Borrower, any Affiliated Lender or any Debt Fund Affiliate (any such Person, the "Auction Party") in order to purchase Initial Term Loans (or any other Term Loans), in accordance with the following procedures; provided that no Auction Party shall initiate an Auction unless (I) at least five (5) Business Days have passed since the consummation of the most recent purchase of Term Loans pursuant to an Auction conducted hereunder; or (II) at least three (3) Business Days have passed since the date of the last Failed Auction which was withdrawn pursuant to clause (c)(i) below:

(a) <u>Notice Procedures</u>. In connection with any Auction, the Auction Party will provide notification to the Auction Agent (for distribution to the relevant Lenders) of the Term Loans that will be the subject of the Auction (an "Auction Notice"). Each Auction Notice shall be in a form reasonably acceptable to the Auction Agent and shall (i) specify the maximum aggregate principal amount of the Term Loans subject to the Auction, in a minimum amount of \$10,000,000 and whole increments of

\$1,000,000 in excess thereof (or, in any case, such lesser amount of such Term Loans then outstanding or which is otherwise reasonably acceptable to the Auction Agent and the Administrative Agent (if different from the Auction Agent)) (the "Auction Amount"), (ii) specify the discount to par (which may be a range (the "Discount Range") of percentages of the par principal amount of the Term Loans subject to such Auction), that represents the range of purchase prices that the Auction Party would be willing to accept in the Auction, (iii) be extended, at the sole discretion of the Auction Party, to (x) each Lender and/or (y) each Lender with respect to any Term Loan on an individual Class basis, (iv) remain outstanding through the Auction Response Date and (v) at the option of the Auction Party, be subject to one of more conditions or contingencies. The Auction Agent will promptly provide each appropriate Lender with a copy of the Auction Notice and a form of the Return Bid to be submitted by a responding Lender to the Auction Agent (or its delegate) by no later than 5:00 p.m. on the date specified in the Auction Notice (or such later date as the Auction Party may agree with the reasonable consent of the Auction Agent) (the "Auction Response Date").

(b) Reply Procedures. In connection with any Auction, each Lender holding the relevant Term Loans subject to such Auction may, in its sole discretion, participate in such Auction and may provide the Auction Agent with a notice of participation (the "Return Bid") which shall be in a form reasonably acceptable to the Auction Agent, and shall specify (i) a discount to par (that must be expressed as a price at which it is willing to sell all or any portion of such Term Loans) (the "Reply Price"), which (when expressed as a percentage of the par principal amount of such Term Loans) must be within the Discount Range, and (ii) a principal amount of such Term Loans, which must be in whole increments of \$1,000,000 (or, in any case, such lesser amount of such Term Loans of such Lender then outstanding or which is otherwise reasonably acceptable to the Auction Agent) (the "Reply Amount"). Lenders may only submit one Return Bid per Auction, but each Return Bid may contain up to three bids only one of which may result in a Qualifying Bid. In addition to the Return Bid, the participating Lender must execute and deliver, to be held in escrow by the Auction Agent, an Assignment and Assumption with the dollar amount of the Term Loans to be assigned to be left in blank, which amount shall be completed by the Auction Agent in accordance with the final determination of such Lender's Qualifying Bid pursuant to clause (c) below. Any Lender whose Return Bid is not received by the Auction Agent by the Auction Response Date shall be deemed to have declined to participate in the relevant Auction with respect to all of its Term Loans.

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Acceptance Procedures. Based on the Reply Prices and Reply Amounts received by the Auction Agent prior to the applicable Auction Response Date, the Auction Agent, in consultation with the Auction Party, will determine the applicable price (the "Applicable Price") for the Auction, which will be the lowest Reply Price for which the Auction Party can complete the Auction at the Auction Amount; provided that, in the event that the Reply Amounts are insufficient to allow the Auction Party to complete a purchase of the entire Auction Amount (any such Auction, a "Failed Auction"), the Auction Party shall either, at its election, (i) withdraw the Auction or (ii) complete the Auction at an Applicable Price equal to the highest Reply Price. The Auction Party shall purchase the relevant Term Loans (or the respective portions thereof) from each Lender with a Reply Price that is equal to or lower than the Applicable Price ("Qualifying Bids") at the Applicable Price; provided that if the aggregate proceeds required to purchase all Term Loans subject to Qualifying Bids would exceed the Auction Amount for such Auction, the Auction Party shall purchase such Term Loans at the Applicable Price ratably based on the principal amounts of such Qualifying Bids (subject to rounding requirements specified by the Auction Agent in its discretion). If a Lender has submitted a Return Bid containing multiple bids at different Reply Prices, only the bid with the lowest Reply Price that is equal to or less than the Applicable Price will be deemed to be the Qualifying Bid of such Lender (e.g., a Reply Price of \$100 with a discount to par of 1%, when compared to an Applicable Price of \$100 with a 2% discount to par, will not be deemed to be a Qualifying Bid, while, however, a Reply Price of \$100 with a discount to par of 2.50% would be deemed to be a Qualifying Bid). The Auction Agent shall promptly, and in any case within five (5) Business Days following the Auction Response Date with respect to an Auction, notify (I) the Borrower of the respective Lenders' responses to such solicitation, the effective date of the purchase of Term Loans pursuant to such Auction, the Applicable Price, and the aggregate principal amount of the Term Loans and the Classes thereof to be purchased pursuant to such Auction, (II) each participating Lender of the effective date of the purchase of Term Loans pursuant to such Auction, the Applicable Price, and the aggregate principal amount and the Classes of Term Loans to be purchased at the Applicable Price on such date, (III) each participating Lender of the aggregate principal amount and the Classes of the Term Loans of such Lender to be purchased at the Applicable Price on such date and (IV) if applicable, each participating Lender of any rounding and/or proration pursuant to the second preceding sentence. Each determination by the Auction Agent of the amounts stated in the foregoing notices to the Borrower and Lenders shall be conclusive and binding for all purposes absent manifest error.

#### (d) Additional Procedures.

(i) Once initiated by an Auction Notice, the Auction Party may not withdraw an Auction other than a Failed Auction or one or more conditions or contingencies have not been satisfied (or waived by the Auction Party). Furthermore, in connection with any Auction, upon submission by a Lender of a Qualifying Bid, such Lender (each, a "Qualifying Lender") will be obligated to sell the entirety or its allocable portion of the Reply Amount, as the case may be, at the Applicable Price.

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- (ii) To the extent not expressly provided for herein, each purchase of Term Loans pursuant to an Auction shall be consummated pursuant to procedures consistent with the provisions in this definition, established by the Auction Agent acting in its reasonable discretion and as reasonably agreed by the Borrower.
- (iii) In connection with any Auction, the Borrower and the Lenders acknowledge and agree that the Auction Agent may require one or more conditions or contingencies to any Auction, including the payment of customary fees and expenses by the Auction Party in connection therewith as agreed between the Auction Party and the Auction Agent.
- (iv) Notwithstanding anything in any Loan Document to the contrary, for purposes of this definition, each notice or other communication required to be delivered or otherwise provided to the Auction Agent (or its delegate) shall be deemed to have been given upon the Auction Agent's (or its delegate's) actual receipt during normal business hours of such notice or communication; <u>provided</u> that any notice or communication actually received outside of normal business hours shall be deemed to have been given as of the opening of business on the next Business Day.
- (v) The Borrower and the Lenders acknowledge and agree that the Auction Agent may perform any and all of its duties under this definition by itself or through any Affiliate of the Auction Agent and expressly consent to any such delegation of duties by the Auction Agent to such Affiliate and the performance of such delegated duties by such Affiliate. The exculpatory provisions pursuant to this Agreement shall apply to each Affiliate of the Auction Agent and its respective activities in connection with any purchase of Term Loans provided for in this definition as well as activities of the Auction Agent.

"Early Opt-in Election" means, if the then-current Benchmark is USD LIBOR, the occurrence of a joint election by the Administrative Agent and the Borrower to trigger a fallback from USD LIBOR and the provision by the Administrative Agent of written notice of such election to the Lenders.

"ECF Prepayment Amount" has the meaning assigned to such term in Section 2.11(b)(i).

"EEA Financial Institution" means, (a) any credit institution or investment firm established in any EEA Member Country which is subject to the supervision of an EEA Resolution Authority, (b) any entity established in an EEA Member Country which is a parent of an institution described in clause (a) of this definition, or (c) any financial institution established in an EEA Member Country which is a subsidiary of an institution described in clauses (a) or (b) of this definition and is subject to consolidated supervision with its parent.

"EEA Member Country" means any of the member states of the European Union, Iceland, Liechtenstein, and Norway.

"EEA Resolution Authority" means, any public administrative authority or any person entrusted with public administrative authority of any EEA Member Country (including any delegee) having authority to exercise any Write-Down and Conversion Powers.

"Eligible Assignee" means (a) any Lender, (b) any commercial bank, insurance company, or finance company, financial institution, any fund that invests in loans or any other "accredited investor" (as defined in Regulation D of the Securities Act), (c) any Affiliate of any Lender, (d) any Approved Fund of any Lender or (e) to the extent permitted under Section 9.05(g) and/or 9.05(h), any Affiliated Lender or any Debt Fund Affiliate; provided that in any event, "Eligible Assignee" shall not include (i) any natural person, (ii) any Disqualified Institution or (iii) except as permitted under Section 9.05(g) and/or 9.05(h), the Borrower or any of its Affiliates.

**"Environment"** means ambient air, indoor air, surface water, groundwater, drinking water, land surface and subsurface strata and natural resources such as wetlands, flora and fauna.

"Environmental Claim" means any investigation, notice, notice of violation, claim, action, suit, proceeding, demand, abatement order or other order or directive (conditional or otherwise), by any Governmental Authority or any other Person, arising (a) pursuant to or in connection with any actual or alleged violation of any Environmental Law; (b) in connection with any Hazardous Material or any actual or alleged Hazardous Materials Activity; or (c) in connection with any actual or alleged damage, injury, threat or harm to the Environment.

"Environmental Laws" means any and all current or future applicable foreign or domestic, federal or state (or any subdivision of either of them), statutes, ordinances, orders, rules, regulations, judgments, Governmental Authorizations, or any other applicable requirements of Governmental Authorities and the common law relating to (a) environmental matters, including those relating to any Hazardous Materials Activity; or (b) the generation, use, storage, transportation or disposal of or exposure to Hazardous Materials, in any manner applicable to the Borrower or any of its Restricted Subsidiaries or any Facility.

"Environmental Liability" means any liability, contingent or otherwise (including any liability for damages, costs of environmental investigation or remediation, fines, penalties or indemnities), directly or indirectly resulting from or based upon (a) violation of any Environmental Law, (b) the generation, use, handling, transportation, storage, treatment or disposal of any Hazardous Materials, (c) exposure to any Hazardous Materials, (d) the Release or threatened Release of any Hazardous Materials into the Environment or (e) any contract, agreement or other consensual arrangement pursuant to which liability is assumed or imposed with respect to any of the foregoing.

"ERISA" means the Employee Retirement Income Security Act of 1974, as amended from time to time, and the regulations promulgated and rulings issued thereunder.

"ERISA Affiliate" means, as applied to any Person, (a) any corporation which is a member of a controlled group of corporations within the meaning of Section 414(b) of the Code of which that Person is a member; and (b) any trade or business (whether or not incorporated) which is a member of a group of trades or businesses under common control within the meaning of Section 414(c) of the Code of which that Person is a member.

"ERISA Event" means (a) a "reportable event" within the meaning of Section 4043 of ERISA and the regulations issued thereunder with respect to any Pension Plan (excluding those for which the 30-day notice period has been waived); (b) the failure to meet the minimum funding standard of Section 412 of the Code with respect to any Pension Plan, or the filing of any request for or receipt of a minimum funding waiver under Section 412 of the Code with respect to any Pension Plan or a failure to make a required contribution to a Multiemployer Plan; (c) the provision by the administrator of any Pension Plan pursuant to Section 4041(a)(2) of ERISA of a notice of intent to terminate such plan in a distress termination described in Section 4041(c) of ERISA; (d) the withdrawal by the Borrower, any of its Restricted Subsidiaries or any of their respective ERISA Affiliates from any Pension Plan with two or more contributing sponsors or the termination of any such Pension Plan resulting in liability to the Borrower, any of its Restricted Subsidiaries or any of their respective ERISA Affiliates pursuant to Section 4063 or 4064 of ERISA; (e) the institution by the PBGC of proceedings to terminate any Pension Plan; (f) the imposition of liability on the Borrower, any of its Restricted Subsidiaries or any of their respective ERISA Affiliates pursuant to Section 4062(e) or 4069 of ERISA or by reason of the application of Section 4212(c) of ERISA; (g) a complete or partial withdrawal (within the meaning of Sections 4203 and 4205 of ERISA) of the Borrower, any of its Restricted Subsidiaries or any of their respective ERISA Affiliates from any Multiemployer Plan, or the receipt by the Borrower, any of its Restricted Subsidiaries or any of their respective ERISA Affiliates of notice from any Multiemployer Plan that it is in insolvency pursuant to Section 4245 of ERISA, or that it intends to terminate or has terminated under Section 4041A or 4042 of ERISA or is in "endangered" or "critical" status, within the meaning of Section 432 of the Code or Section 305 of ERISA; (h) a failure by the Borrower, any of its Restricted Subsidiaries or any of their respective ERISA Affiliates to pay when due (after expiration of any applicable grace period) any installment payment with respect to withdrawal liability under Section 4201 of ERISA; (i) a determination that any Pension Plan is, or is reasonably expected to be, in "atrisk" status, within the meaning of Section 430(i)(4) of the Code or Section 303(i)(4) of ERISA; or (j) the incurrence of liability or the imposition of a Lien pursuant to Section 436 or 430(k) of the Code or pursuant to ERISA with respect to any Pension Plan.

"EU Bail-In Legislation Schedule" means the EU Bail-In Legislation Schedule published by the Loan Market Association (or any successor Person), as in effect from time to time.

"Event of Default" has the meaning assigned to such term in Article VII.

"Excess Cash Flow" means, for any Calculation Period, determined in accordance with Section 1.08, an amount (if positive) equal to:

- (a) the sum, without duplication, of the amounts for such Calculation Period of the following:
- (i) Consolidated Adjusted EBITDA for such Calculation Period without giving effect to <u>clauses (b)(xi)</u>,  $\underline{(b)(xiii)}$  and  $\underline{(b)(xx)}$  of the definition thereof, *plus* 
  - (ii) the Consolidated Working Capital Adjustment for such Calculation Period, plus
- (iii) cash gains of the type described in <u>clauses (b)</u>, (c), (d) (to the extent actually realized) and (e) of the definition of "Consolidated Net Income" during such Calculation Period, to the extent not otherwise included in Consolidated Adjusted EBITDA (except to the extent such gains consist of proceeds applied (or required to be applied) pursuant to <u>Section 2.11(b)(ii)</u>), plus
- (iv) to the extent not otherwise included in the calculation of Consolidated Adjusted EBITDA for such Calculation Period, cash payments received by the Borrower or any of its Restricted Subsidiaries with respect to amounts deducted from Excess Cash Flow in a prior Calculation Period pursuant to clause (b)(vii) below, *minus*
- (b) the sum, without duplication, of the amounts for such Calculation Period of the following:
- (i) permanent repayments (including Prepayments) of long-term Indebtedness, including for purposes of clarity, the current portion of any such Indebtedness (including (x) payments under Sections 2.10(a) or (b) and (y) prepayments of Initial Term Loans and Additional Term Loans to the extent (and only to the extent) made with the Net Proceeds of a Prepayment Asset Sale or Net Insurance/Condemnation Proceeds resulted in an increase to Consolidated Net Income and not in excess of the amount of such increase, but excluding (A) the amount of all deductions and reductions to the amount of mandatory prepayments pursuant to clause (C) of Section 2.11(b)(i), (B) all other repayments of Initial Term Loans or Additional Term Loans and (C) repayments of any loans under the ABL Facility, any Additional Revolving Loans or loans under any other revolving credit facility or arrangement, except to the extent a corresponding amount of the commitments under the ABL Facility or such revolving credit facility or arrangement are permanently reduced in connection with such repayments), in each case, to the extent not financed with Long-Term Funded Indebtedness; plus

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- (ii) [reserved];
- (iii) (A) amounts added back pursuant to <u>clauses (b)(i)</u>, (b)(ii), (b)(vii), (b)(viii), (b)(viii), (b)(ix), (b)(x) (to the extent actually paid in such period), and (b)(xii) of the definition of "Consolidated Adjusted EBITDA", to the extent paid in Cash, and (B) amounts added back in calculating Consolidated Adjusted EBITDA or included in Consolidated Net Income, to the extent consisting of non-Cash or unrealized items; *plus* 
  - (iv) [reserved];
  - (v) [reserved];

- (vi) (A) the aggregate amount of all Restricted Payments made under Sections 6.04(a)(i), (ii), (iv), (v), (viii)(B), (xii), (xiii) and (xv) or otherwise consented to by the Required Lenders, in each case to the extent actually paid in Cash during such Calculation Period, or, at the option of the Borrower, made after such Calculation Period and prior to the date of the applicable Excess Cash Flow payment, except, in each case, to the extent financed with Long-Term Funded Indebtedness, and (B) to the extent paid in Cash, amounts paid with respect to the Transactions (including under Section 6.04(a)(vii)) after the Closing Date, to satisfy any payment obligations owing under the Merger Agreement (and related agreements) and amounts required to be paid in connection with, or as a result, of any working capital and purchase price adjustments; plus
- (vii) amounts added back under <u>clause (b)(xv)</u> or <u>(b)(xvii)</u> of the definition of "Consolidated Adjusted EBITDA" to the extent such amounts have not yet been received by the Borrower or its Restricted Subsidiaries, *plus*
- (viii) an amount equal to all expenses, charges, losses and other Charges either (A) excluded in calculating Consolidated Net Income or (B) added back in calculating Consolidated Adjusted EBITDA, in the case of clauses (A) and (B), to the extent paid in Cash, *plus*
- (ix) without duplication of amounts deducted from Excess Cash Flow in respect of any prior Calculation Period or amounts of all deductions and reductions to the amount of mandatory prepayments pursuant to clauses (D) or (E) of Section 2.11(b)(i), at the option of the Borrower, the aggregate consideration required to be paid in Cash by the Borrower or its Restricted Subsidiaries pursuant to binding contracts (the "Contract Consideration") entered into prior to or during such Calculation Period relating to capital expenditures, acquisitions or Investments permitted by Section 6.06 (other than Investments in (x) Cash and Cash Equivalents and (y) the Borrower or any of its Restricted Subsidiaries) and Restricted Payments permitted by Section 6.04(a) (other than pursuant to Section 6.04(a)(iii)) to be consummated or made during the period of four (4) consecutive Fiscal Quarters of the Borrower following the end of such Calculation Period (except, in each case, to the extent financed with Long-Term Funded Indebtedness); provided that to the extent the aggregate amount actually utilized to finance such capital expenditures, acquisitions or Investments during such subsequent period of four (4) consecutive Fiscal Quarters is less than the Contract Consideration, the amount of the resulting shortfall shall be added to the calculation of Excess Cash Flow at the end of such subsequent period of four (4) consecutive Fiscal Quarters, plus

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- (x) to the extent not expensed (or exceeding the amount expensed) during such Calculation Period or not deducted (or exceeding the amount deducted) in calculating Consolidated Net Income (or exceeding the amount added back in calculating Consolidated Adjusted EBITDA), the aggregate amount of expenditures, fees, costs and expenses paid in Cash by the Borrower and its Restricted Subsidiaries during such Calculation Period, other than to the extent financed with Long-Term Funded Indebtedness, *plus*
- (xi) Cash payments (without duplication of Taxes subject to <u>clauses (iii)</u> and <u>(vi)</u> above) made during such Calculation Period with respect to non-cash Charges that were added back to Consolidated Adjusted EBITDA or excluded under Consolidated Net Income in a prior Calculation Period (<u>provided</u> there was no other deduction to Consolidated Adjusted EBITDA or exclusion under Consolidated Net Income related to such payment), except to the extent financed with Long-Term Funded Indebtedness, *plus*
- (xii) Cash expenditures made in respect of any Hedge Agreement during such Calculation Period to the extent (A) not otherwise deducted in the calculation of Consolidated Net Income or Consolidated Adjusted EBITDA and (B) not financed with Long-Term Funded Indebtedness, *plus*
- (xiii) amounts paid in Cash (except to the extent financed with Long-Term Funded Indebtedness) during such Calculation Period on account of (A) items that were accounted for as non-Cash reductions of Consolidated Net Income or Consolidated Adjusted EBITDA in a prior Calculation Period and (B) reserves or amounts established in purchase accounting to the extent such reserves or amounts are added back to, or not deducted from, Consolidated Net Income, *plus*

- (xiv) cash payments made by the Borrower or its Restricted Subsidiaries during such Calculation Period in respect of long-term liabilities (other than in respect of Long-Term Funded Indebtedness, which is governed by clause (b)(i) above), including for purposes of clarity, the current portion of any such liabilities of the Borrower or its Restricted Subsidiaries, except to the extent such cash payments were (A) deducted in the calculation of Consolidated Net Income or Consolidated Adjusted EBITDA for such Calculation Period or (B) financed with Long-Term Funded Indebtedness, plus
- (xv) an amount equal to any non-cash credit or income included in Consolidated Net Income and any non-cash Charges added back to Consolidated Net Income in calculating Consolidated Adjusted EBITDA.

"Exchange Act" means the Securities Exchange Act of 1934 and the rules and regulations of the SEC promulgated

thereunder.

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### "Excluded Assets" means each of the following:

- (a) any assets (including any lease, licenses or agreement) subject to a purchase money security interest, capital lease or similar arrangement permitted by this Agreement as to which the grant of a security interest therein would (i) constitute a violation of a restriction in favor of a third party (other than Holdings, the Borrower or any of its subsidiaries) or result in the abandonment, invalidation or unenforceability of any right of the relevant Loan Party, or (ii) result in a breach, termination (or a right of termination) or default under such contract, instrument, lease, license, agreement or other document (including pursuant to any "change of control" or similar provision); provided, however, that any such asset will only constitute an Excluded Asset under clause (i) or clause (ii) above to the extent such violation or breach, termination (or right of termination) or default would not be rendered ineffective pursuant to Sections 9-406, 9-407, 9-408 or 9-409 of the UCC (or any successor provision or provisions) of any relevant jurisdiction or any other applicable law; provided further that any such asset shall cease to constitute an Excluded Asset at such time as the condition causing such violation, breach, termination (or right of termination) or default or right to amend or require other actions no longer exists and to the extent severable, the security interest granted under the applicable Collateral Document shall attach immediately to any portion of such contract, instrument, lease, license, agreement or document that does not result in any of the consequences specified in clauses (i) and (ii) above;
- the Capital Stock of any (i) Immaterial Subsidiary, (ii) Captive Insurance Subsidiary, (iii) Unrestricted Subsidiary (except to the extent the security interest in such Capital Stock may be perfected by the filing of a Form UCC-1 (or similar) financing statement), (iv) not-for-profit subsidiary, (v) special purpose entity used for any permitted securitization facility, (vi) any Restricted Subsidiary that is not a Wholly-Owned Subsidiary and is not permitted to be pledged pursuant to such entity's organizational documents without (A) the consent of one or more unaffiliated third parties other than Holdings, the Borrower or any of its subsidiaries (after giving effect to Sections 9-406, 9-407, 9-408 or 9-409 of the UCC (or any successor provision or provisions) of any relevant jurisdiction or any other applicable law) or (B) giving rise to a "right of first refusal", a "right of first offer" or a similar right that may be exercised by any third party other than Holdings, the Borrower or any of its subsidiaries, (vii) any subsidiary that is prohibited from having its stock pledged by (A) any law or regulation or would require governmental (including regulatory) consent, approval or authorization, or (B) any Contractual Obligation that exists on the Closing Date or at the same time such subsidiary becomes a subsidiary of the Borrower and not entered into in contemplation of such subsidiary becoming a subsidiary of the Borrower, (viii) any Restricted Subsidiary acquired by the Borrower or any of its Restricted Subsidiaries after the Closing Date that, at the time of the relevant acquisition (and not entered into in contemplation of such acquisition), is an obligor in respect of any Indebtedness permitted to be assumed by the Borrower or such Restricted Subsidiary to the extent (and for so long as) the documentation governing the applicable assumed Indebtedness prohibits the Capital Stock of such Restricted Subsidiary from being pledged, and (ix) any person that is not (A) the Borrower or (B) a Restricted Subsidiary that is a direct, first tier subsidiary of the Borrower or a Subsidiary Guarantor;
- (c) any IP Rights in any non-U.S. jurisdictions and any intent-to-use Trademark application prior to the filing of a "Statement of Use" or an "Amendment to Allege Use" with respect thereto, only to the extent, if any, that, and solely during the period, if any, in which, the grant of a security interest therein would impair the validity or enforceability of such intent-to-use Trademark application or any registration issuing therefrom under applicable law;

- (d) any asset (including governmental licenses or state or local franchises, charters, authorizations and agreements), the grant or perfection of a security interest in which would (i) be prohibited or restricted by applicable law (after giving effect to Sections 9-406, 9-407, 9-408 or 9-409 of the UCC) or (ii) require any governmental consent, approval, license or authorization that has not been obtained (after giving effect to Sections 9-406, 9-407, 9-408 or 9-409 of the UCC and other applicable laws), (iii) be prohibited by enforceable anti-assignment provisions of applicable Requirements of Law, except, in the case of this clause (iii), to the extent such prohibition would be rendered ineffective under the UCC or other applicable law notwithstanding such prohibition, or (iv) be prohibited by enforceable anti-assignment provisions of contracts governing such asset in existence on the Closing Date or on the date of acquisition of the relevant asset (and in each case not entered into in anticipation of the Closing Date or such acquisition and except, in each case, to the extent that term in such contract providing for such prohibition purports to prohibit the granting of a security interest over all assets of such Loan Party or any other Loan Party) other than to the extent such prohibition would be rendered ineffective under the UCC or other applicable law;
- (e) (i) any leasehold Real Estate Asset, (ii) any owned Real Estate Asset that is not a Material Real Estate Asset and (iii) any owned Real Estate Asset (including any owned Real Estate Asset that is, or is required or is intended to become, subject to a Mortgage) that is a Flood Hazard Property or such property might be a Flood Hazard Property or a mortgage thereon would be subject to any flood insurance due diligence, flood insurance requirements or compliance with any Flood Insurance Laws or the requirements of any arranger, the Administrative Agent, any other agent or any Lender or potential Lender (it being agreed that if it is subsequently determined that any property subject to, or otherwise required or intended to be subject to, a Mortgage is or might be a Flood Hazard Property, (1) such property shall be deemed to constitute an Excluded Asset until a conclusive determination is made that such property is not a Flood Hazard Property and does not require flood insurance, and (2) if there is an existing mortgage on such property, such mortgage shall be released if conclusively determined that such property is a Flood Hazard Property or would require flood insurance) or if it cannot be determined whether such fee owned real property is a Flood Hazard Property or would require flood insurance if the time or information necessary to make such determination would (as determined by the Borrower in good faith) delay or impair the intended date of funding any Loan or the effectiveness of any amendment, modification, waiver or supplement under the Loan Documents;
- (f) any leasehold interests in any other asset or property (except to the extent the security interest in such leasehold interest may be perfected by the filing of a Form UCC-1 financing statement);
  - (g) any motor vehicles and other assets subject to certificates of title;
  - (h) any Margin Stock;
- (i) the Capital Stock of any Foreign Subsidiary or any Foreign Subsidiary Holdco, other than 65% of the issued and outstanding Capital Stock of any Restricted Subsidiary that is a direct, first-tier Restricted Subsidiary of the Borrower or a Subsidiary Guarantor and owned by the Borrower or such Subsidiary Guarantor;
- (j) (i) Commercial Tort Claims with a value (as reasonably estimated by the Borrower) of less than \$20.0 million (except as to which perfection of the security interest in such Commercial Tort Claims is accomplished by the filing of a Form UCC-1 financing statement covering "all assets" (or similar language)) and (ii) Letter-of-Credit Rights (except to the extent constituting a supporting obligation for other Collateral as to which perfection of the security interest in such Letter-of-Credit Rights may be perfected by the filing of a Form UCC-1 financing statement covering "all assets" (or similar language));

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(k) except to the extent constituting ABL US Priority Collateral and subject to <u>clause (C)(y)</u> of the definition of "Collateral and Guarantee Requirement", any (i) Cash or Cash Equivalents (other than Cash and Cash Equivalents to the extent constituting identifiable proceeds of other Collateral), and (ii) deposit and similar accounts (including securities entitlements) (except to the extent constituting identifiable proceeds of other Collateral which can be perfected automatically without further action or by the filing of a Form UCC-1 financing statement), payroll and other employee wage and benefit accounts, tax

accounts (including, without limitation, sales tax accounts) and any tax benefits, escrow accounts, fiduciary or trust accounts for the benefit of third parties and any funds and other property held in or maintained in any such accounts;

- (l) any accounts receivable and related assets that are sold or disposed of in connection with any factoring or similar arrangement permitted by this Agreement;
- (m) any asset or property (including the Capital Stock of any Restricted Subsidiary), the grant or perfection of a security interest in which would result in material adverse tax liabilities or consequences to any Parent Company, Holdings, the Borrower or any Restricted Subsidiary (including with respect to any tax distribution paid or payable to any Parent Company), as reasonably determined by the Borrower in consultation with the Administrative Agent;
- (n) any asset with respect to which the Administrative Agent and the Borrower have reasonably determined that the cost, burden, difficulty or consequence (including any effect on the ability of the relevant Loan Party to conduct its operations and business in the ordinary course of business) of obtaining or perfecting a security interest therein outweighs the benefit of a security interest to the relevant Secured Parties afforded thereby as reasonably determined by the Borrower and the Administrative Agent;
  - (o) the ABL Canadian Collateral; and
- (p) any property or assets that would otherwise constitute ABL Priority Collateral, to the extent that the ABL Agent in respect of any ABL Facility secured on a Split Collateral Basis determines that any such property or assets shall not become part of, or shall be excluded from, the Collateral under the ABL Facility (other than in connection with the Discharge of ABL Obligations (as defined in the ABL Intercreditor Agreement));

<u>provided</u> that, Excluded Assets shall not include (i) any proceeds, substitutions or replacements of any Excluded Assets referred to in <u>clauses (a)</u> through (<u>p)</u> (unless such proceeds, substitutions or replacements would constitute "Excluded Assets" referred to in <u>clauses (a)</u> through (<u>p)</u>) or (ii) any intercompany loan (including intercompany notes evidencing such intercompany loans) made by any Loan Party to any Restricted Subsidiary that is not a Subsidiary Guarantor.

# "Excluded Subsidiary" means:

- (a) any Restricted Subsidiary that is not a Wholly-Owned Subsidiary;
- (b) any Immaterial Subsidiary;
- (c) any Restricted Subsidiary that is prohibited from providing a Guarantee by (i) law or regulation or whose provision of a Guarantee would require a governmental (including regulatory) consent, approval, license or authorization in order to provide a Guarantee or (ii) any contractual obligation existing on the Closing Date or at the time such Restricted Subsidiary becomes a subsidiary (which Contractual Obligation was not entered into in contemplation of such Restricted Subsidiary becoming a subsidiary) from providing a Loan Guaranty;

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- (d) any direct or indirect subsidiary of the Borrower that is (i) a not-for-profit subsidiary, (ii) a Captive Insurance Subsidiary, (iii) a special purpose entity used for any permitted securitization or receivables facility or financing, (iv) a Foreign Subsidiary or a direct or indirect subsidiary of a Foreign Subsidiary, (v) a Foreign Subsidiary Holdco or a direct or indirect subsidiary of a Foreign Subsidiary Holdco, or (vi) an Unrestricted Subsidiary;
- (e) any Restricted Subsidiary with respect to which, in the reasonable judgment of the Borrower (in consultation with the Administrative Agent), the burden or cost of providing a Loan Guaranty outweighs the benefits afforded thereby;
- (f) solely in the case of any obligation under any Secured Hedging Obligations that constitutes a "swap" within the meaning of section 1(a)(47) of the Commodity Exchange Act, any subsidiary of Holdings that is not an "Eligible Contract

Participant" as defined under the Commodity Exchange Act (after giving effect to any applicable customary "keepwell" provision under the Loan Guaranty);

- (g) any Restricted Subsidiary acquired by the Borrower or any of its Restricted Subsidiaries after the Closing Date that, at the time of the relevant acquisition (and not entered into in contemplation of such acquisition), is an obligor in respect of assumed Indebtedness that is permitted hereunder to the extent (and for so long as) the documentation governing the applicable assumed Indebtedness prohibits such Restricted Subsidiary from providing a Loan Guaranty;
- (h) any subsidiary of the Borrower where the provision of a Loan Guaranty would result in material adverse tax consequences to any Parent Company, Holdings, the Borrower or any Restricted Subsidiary, as reasonably determined by the Borrower in consultation with the Administrative Agent; and
  - (i) any subsidiary as reasonably agreed between the Borrower and the Administrative Agent;

<u>provided</u>, <u>however</u>, that none of Holdings, the Borrower or any Discretionary Guarantor (subject to the final sentence of the definition of "Guarantor") shall constitute an Excluded Subsidiary.

"Excluded Swap Obligation" means, with respect to any Guarantor, any Swap Obligation if, and to the extent that, all or a portion of the Loan Guaranty of such Guarantor of, or the grant by such Guarantor of a security interest to secure, such Swap Obligation (or any Loan Guaranty thereof) is or becomes illegal under the Commodity Exchange Act or any rule, regulation or order of the Commodity Futures Trading Commission (or the application or official interpretation of any thereof) by virtue of such Guarantor's failure for any reason to constitute an "eligible contract participant" as defined in the Commodity Exchange Act and the regulations thereunder (determined after giving effect to Section 3.20 of the Loan Guaranty and any other "keepwell," support or other agreement for the benefit of such Guarantor) at the time the Loan Guaranty of such Guarantor or the grant of such security interest becomes effective with respect to such Swap Obligation. If a Swap Obligation arises under a master agreement governing more than one swap, such exclusion shall apply only to the portion of such Swap Obligation that is attributable to swaps for which such Loan Guaranty or security interest is or becomes illegal.

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"Excluded Taxes" means, with respect to the Administrative Agent, any Lender or any other recipient of any payment to be made by or on account of any obligation of any Loan Party hereunder or under any other Loan Document, (a) Taxes imposed on (or measured by) its net income (however denominated) and franchise Taxes, in each case, (i) imposed by the jurisdiction (or any political subdivision thereof) under the laws of which such recipient is organized or in which its principal office is located or, in the case of any Lender, in which its applicable lending office is located or (ii) that are Other Connection Taxes, (b) any branch profits Taxes imposed under Section 884(a) of the Code or any similar Tax, imposed by any jurisdiction described in clause (a), (c) in the case of any Lender, any U.S. federal withholding Tax that is imposed on amounts payable to or for the account of such Lender with respect to an applicable interest in a Loan or Commitment that are (or would be) required to be withheld pursuant to a Requirement of Law in effect at the time such Lender becomes a party to this Agreement (or designates a new lending office), except (i) pursuant to an assignment or designation of a new lending office under Section 2.19 and (ii) to the extent that such Lender (or its assignor, if any) was entitled, immediately prior to the designation of a new lending office (or assignment), to receive additional amounts from any Loan Party with respect to such withholding Tax pursuant to Section 2.17, (d) any Tax imposed as a result of a failure by the Administrative Agent or any Lender to comply with Section 2.17(f), (e) any withholding Tax imposed under FATCA and (f) U.S. backup withholding taxes.

"Existing ABL Facility" has the meaning assigned to such term in Section 4.01(o).

"Existing Term Facility" has the meaning assigned to such term in Section 4.01(o).

"Extended Revolving Credit Commitment" has the meaning assigned to such term in Section 2.23(a)(ii).

"Extended Revolving Facility" has the meaning assigned to such term in Section 2.23(a)(ii).

"Extended Revolving Loans" has the meaning assigned to such term in Section 2.23(a)(ii).

"Extended Term Facility" has the meaning assigned to such term in Section 2.23(a)(iii).

- "Extended Term Loans" has the meaning assigned to such term in Section 2.23(a)(iii).
- "Extension" has the meaning assigned to such term in Section 2.23(a).
- "Extension Offer" has the meaning assigned to such term in Section 2.23(a).
- "Facility" means any real property (including all buildings, fixtures or other improvements located thereon) now, hereafter or, except with respect to <u>Articles V</u> and <u>VI</u>, hereof owned, leased, operated or used by the Borrower or any of its Restricted Subsidiaries.
  - "Failed Auction" has the meaning assigned to such term in the definition of "Dutch Auction".
- "Fair Market Value" means, with respect to any property, assets (including Capital Stock and Indebtedness) or obligations, the fair market value thereof as such fair market value is determined in good faith by the Borrower (after taking into account, with respect to property and assets, any liabilities with respect thereto that impact such fair market value).

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"FATCA" means Sections 1471 through 1474 of the Code, as of the date of this Agreement (or any amended or successor version that is substantively comparable and not materially more onerous to comply with), any current or future regulations or official interpretations thereof, any agreements entered into pursuant to Section 1471(b)(1) of the Code and any fiscal or regulatory legislation, rules or practices adopted pursuant to any intergovernmental agreement, treaty or convention among Governmental Authorities and implementing such Sections of the Code.

"FCPA" has the meaning assigned to such term in Section 3.17(b).

- "Federal Funds Effective Rate" means, for any day, the weighted average of the rates on overnight Federal funds transactions with members of the Federal Reserve System, as published on the next succeeding Business Day by the Federal Reserve Bank of New York, or, if such rate is not so published for any day that is a Business Day, the average of the quotations for such day for such transactions received by Administrative Agent from three Federal funds brokers of recognized standing selected by it.
- "Fee Letter" means that certain Amended and Restated Fee Letter, dated as of February 12, 2021, by and among Jefferies, Barclays and the other financial institutions party thereto as Commitment Parties (as defined therein) and the Borrower, and any other fee letter with respect to the Credit Facilities in effect on or after the Closing Date.
- "First Lien Leverage Ratio" means the ratio, as of any date of determination, of (a) Consolidated First Lien Debt as of the last day of the Test Period then most recently ended to (b) Consolidated Adjusted EBITDA, in each case for the Borrower and its Restricted Subsidiaries on a consolidated basis.
- "First Priority Secured Obligations" means the Secured Obligations in respect of the Initial Term Loans and any other Credit Facilities secured by the Collateral on a *pari passu* basis with the Initial Term Loans (as incurred and secured on the Closing Date).
  - "Fiscal Quarter" means a fiscal quarter of the Borrower of any Fiscal Year.
- "Fiscal Year" means the fiscal year of the Borrower based on a 52-53 week fiscal year ending the last Saturday of December unless otherwise permitted under Section 6.13.
- "Fixed Basket" means any category or subcategory of exceptions, thresholds, baskets, or other provisions in this Agreement based on a fixed Dollar amount and/or percentage of Consolidated Adjusted EBITDA or Consolidated Total Assets as of any date of determination (including in <a href="Article">Article</a> VI and the Fixed Incremental Amount and <a href="Clause (b)">Clause (b)</a> or any sub-clause therein of the definition of Incremental Cap) or that is not otherwise an Incurrence-Based Basket.

"Fixed Incremental Amount" means an amount equal to (a) the greater of \$255.0 million and an amount equal to 100% of Consolidated Adjusted EBITDA for the most recently ended four (4) consecutive Fiscal Quarters for which financial statements are internally available, *minus* (b) to the extent issued and/or incurred under this Fixed Incremental Amount, the aggregate principal amount of all Incremental Facilities and Incremental Equivalent Debt, *plus* (c) the aggregate amount of voluntary Prepayments of indebtedness referred to in clause (b) above and any Replacement Term Loans, Replacement Revolving Facility and Replacement Notes in respect thereof (with, in the case of any revolving facility, a corresponding reduction in commitments) to the extent such Prepayments were not funded with Long-Term Funded Indebtedness, *plus* (d) any amounts reallocated to the Fixed Incremental Amount from Section 6.01(u).

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"Flood Hazard Property" means any parcel of any Real Estate Asset located in the U.S. in an area designated by the Federal Emergency Management Agency as having special flood or mud slide hazards and for which flood insurance is required pursuant to the Flood Insurance Laws.

"Flood Insurance Laws" means, collectively, (i) the National Flood Insurance Act of 1968 as now or hereafter in effect or any successor statute thereto, (ii) the Flood Disaster Protection Act of 1973 as now or hereafter in effect or any successor statute thereto, (iii) the National Flood Insurance Reform Act of 1994 as now or hereafter in effect or any successor statute thereto, (iv) the Flood Insurance Reform Act of 2004 as now or hereafter in effect or any successor statute thereto and (v) Biggert-Waters Flood Insurance Reform Act of 2012 as now or hereafter in effect or any successor statute thereto.

"floor" means the benchmark rate floor applicable to each Facility, if any, provided in this Agreement initially (as of the execution of this Agreement, the modification, amendment or renewal of this Agreement or otherwise) with respect to USD LIBOR.

"Foreign Discretionary Guarantor" means a Discretionary Guarantor that is organized in a jurisdiction outside of the United States.

"Foreign Lender" means any Lender that is not a "United States person" within the meaning of Section 7701(a)(30) of the Code.

"Foreign Subsidiary" means any Restricted Subsidiary of the Borrower that is not a Domestic Subsidiary.

"Foreign Subsidiary Holdco" means a direct or indirect Restricted Subsidiary of the Borrower that has no material assets other than the capital stock and, if applicable, indebtedness of one or more subsidiaries that are Foreign Subsidiaries or other Foreign Subsidiary Holdcos.

"Fronted Delayed Draw Term Loans" has the meaning assigned to such term in Section 2.07(c).

"Funding Account" has the meaning assigned to such term in Section 2.03(h).

"GAAP" means generally accepted accounting principles in the U.S. in effect and applicable to the accounting period in respect of which reference to GAAP is made, subject to <u>Section 1.04</u>.

"Governmental Authority" means any federal, state, municipal, national or other government, governmental department, commission, board, bureau, court, agency or instrumentality or political subdivision thereof or any entity or officer exercising executive, legislative, judicial, regulatory or administrative functions of or pertaining to any government or any court, in each case whether associated with a state or locality of the U.S., the U.S. or a foreign government or any other political subdivision thereof, including central banks and supra national bodies.

"Governmental Authorization" means any permit, license, authorization, plan, directive, consent order or consent decree of or from any Governmental Authority.

"Granting Lender" has the meaning assigned to such term in Section 9.05(e).

"Guarantee" of or by any Person (as used in this definition, the "Guarantor") means any obligation, contingent or otherwise, of the Guarantor guaranteeing or having the economic effect of guaranteeing any Indebtedness or other monetary obligation of any other Person (the "Primary Obligor") in any manner and including any obligation of the Guarantor (a) to purchase or pay (or advance or supply funds for the purchase or payment of) such Indebtedness or other monetary obligation or to purchase (or to advance or supply funds for the purchase of) any security for the payment thereof, (b) to purchase or lease property, securities or services for the purpose of assuring the owner of such Indebtedness or other monetary obligation of the payment thereof, (c) to maintain working capital, equity capital or any other financial statement condition or liquidity of the Primary Obligor so as to enable the Primary Obligor to pay such Indebtedness or other monetary obligation, (d) as an account party in respect of any letter of credit or letter of guaranty issued to support such Indebtedness or monetary obligation, (e) entered into for the purpose of assuring in any other manner the obligee in respect of such Indebtedness or other monetary obligation of the payment or performance thereof or to protect such obligee against loss in respect thereof (in whole or in part) or (f) secured by any Lien on any assets of such Guarantor securing any Indebtedness or other monetary obligation of any other Person, whether or not such Indebtedness or monetary other obligation is assumed by such Guarantor (or any right, contingent or otherwise, of any holder of such Indebtedness or other monetary obligation to obtain any such Lien); provided that the term "Guarantee" shall not include endorsements for collection or deposit in the ordinary course of business, or customary and reasonable indemnity obligations in effect on the Closing Date or entered into in connection with any acquisition, Disposition or other transaction permitted under this Agreement (other than such obligations with respect to Indebtedness). The amount of any Guarantee shall be deemed to be an amount equal to the stated or determinable amount of the related primary obligation, or portion thereof, in respect of which such Guarantee is made or, if not stated or determinable, the maximum reasonably anticipated liability in respect thereof as determined by the guaranteeing Person in good faith.

"Guarantor" means Holdings, the Borrower, any Subsidiary Guarantor and any Discretionary Guarantor. Notwithstanding the foregoing, the Borrower may elect, in its sole discretion (but subject to the consent of the Administrative Agent, such consent not to be unreasonably withheld or delayed), to cause one or more Restricted Subsidiaries that are Excluded Subsidiaries or, without limiting the obligation of Holdings and the Borrower to at all times be a Guarantor, one or more specified Parent Companies to become a Guarantor (any such person, a "Discretionary Guarantor") by causing such Person to execute a joinder to the Loan Guaranty (in substantially the form attached as an exhibit thereto) and to satisfy the requirements of Section 5.12, the Collateral and Guarantee Requirement and the Perfection Requirements (as if such Person was a newly formed Restricted Subsidiary that is not an Excluded Subsidiary but without regard to the time periods specified therein, provided that such entity shall not be deemed a Guarantor or Discretionary Guarantor until such entity has complied with such requirements); provided, that (i) in the case of any Foreign Discretionary Guarantor, the jurisdiction of such person is reasonably satisfactory to the Administrative Agent (it being understood that Canada shall be deemed to be a jurisdiction that is reasonably satisfactory to the Administrative Agent) and (ii) Administrative Agent shall have received at least two (2) Business Days prior to such Person becoming a Guarantor all documentation and other information in respect of such person required under applicable "know your customer" and anti-money laundering rules and regulations (including the USA Patriot Act); provided, further, that notwithstanding anything to the contrary, no Parent Company that becomes a Discretionary Guarantor shall be required to grant (but may grant at the Borrower's election) any Liens or provide any Collateral or other security for its obligations. Any such Discretionary Guarantor shall be treated as and shall be subject to all provisions applicable to Loan Parties and Guarantors and shall not otherwise be treated as or subject to the provisions applicable to Excluded Subsidiaries on the basis for which such Person constituted an Excluded Subsidiary at the time of such designation; provided that no Parent Company that is a Discretionary Guarantor shall be treated as a Loan Party or Guarantor for purposes of Article VI or any exceptions, thresholds or baskets applicable to or available to any Person on the basis that such Parent Company is a Loan Party or Guarantor for so long as such Parent Company has not granted any Liens or provided any Collateral or other security for its obligations and otherwise complied with the Collateral and Guarantee Requirement and Perfection Requirements (as if such Person was a newly formed Restricted Subsidiary that is not an Excluded Subsidiary but without regard to the time periods specified therein).

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"Hazardous Materials" means any chemical, material, substance or waste, or any constituent thereof, which is prohibited, defined, listed or regulated as "toxic", "hazardous" or as a "pollutant" or "contaminant" or words of similar meaning or effect by any Environmental Law.

"Hazardous Materials Activity" means any past, current, proposed or threatened activity, event or occurrence involving any Hazardous Material, including the use, manufacture, possession, storage, holding, presence, existence, location, Release, threatened Release, discharge, placement, generation, transportation, processing, construction, treatment, abatement, removal, remediation, disposal, disposition or handling of any Hazardous Material, and any corrective action or response action with respect to any of the foregoing.

"Hedge Agreement" means any agreement with respect to any Derivative Transaction between any Loan Party or any Restricted Subsidiary and any other Person.

"Hedging Obligations" means, with respect to any Person, the obligations of such Person under any Hedge Agreement.

"Hillman Trust" means Hillman Group Capital Trust, a Delaware business statutory trust.

"HMAN" means HMAN Group Holdings, Inc., a Delaware corporation.

"Holding Company" means either Holdings or any Parent Company that becomes a Discretionary Guarantor or both Holdings and any Parent Company that becomes a Discretionary Guarantor.

"Holdings" has the meaning assigned to such term in the preamble to this Agreement, together with any successors and assignees permitted hereunder.

"IFRS" means international accounting standards within the meaning of the IAS Regulation 1606/2002, as in effect from time to time (subject to the provisions of Section 1.04), to the extent applicable to the relevant financial statements.

"Immaterial Subsidiary" means, as of any date of determination, any Restricted Subsidiary of the Borrower that has been designated by the Borrower as an "Immaterial Subsidiary" for purposes of this Agreement, <u>provided</u> that the Consolidated Total Assets and Consolidated Adjusted EBITDA (as so determined) of all such designated Immaterial Subsidiaries that would otherwise be required to be Subsidiary Guarantors shall not exceed 5.0% of Consolidated Total Assets and 5.0% of Consolidated Adjusted EBITDA, in each case, of the Borrower and its Restricted Subsidiaries for the relevant Test Period; <u>provided</u>, <u>further</u>, that, at all times prior to the first delivery of financial statements pursuant to <u>Section 5.01(a)</u> or <u>(b)</u>, this definition shall be applied based on the pro forma consolidated financial statements delivered pursuant to <u>Section 4.01</u>.

"Immediate Family Member" means, with respect to any individual, such individual's child, stepchild, grandchild or more remote descendant, parent, stepparent, grandparent, spouse, former spouse, domestic partner, former domestic partner, sibling, mother-in-law, father-in-law, son-in-law and daughter-in-law (including adoptive relationships), any trust, partnership or other bona fide estate-planning vehicle the only beneficiaries of which are any of the foregoing individuals, such individual's estate (or an executor or administrator acting on its behalf), heirs or legatees or any private foundation or fund that is controlled by any of the foregoing individuals or any donor-advised fund of which any such individual is the donor.

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### "Incremental Cap" means:

- (a) the Fixed Incremental Amount; plus
- (b) the aggregate amount of voluntary Prepayments of (i) the Term Loans and any other Indebtedness incurred under this Agreement (to the extent consisting of revolving credit Indebtedness, to the extent accompanied by a corresponding permanent reduction of the commitments in respect thereof), (ii) any Incremental Term Facilities, Incremental Equivalent Debt, and other Indebtedness that is secured by a Lien on the Collateral on a *pari passu* or senior basis with the First Priority Secured Obligations and any permanent reduction of the ABL Facility and any other revolving credit facility that is secured by a Lien on the Collateral on a *pari passu* or senior basis with the First Priority Secured Obligations, in each case, to the extent not increasing the Fixed Incremental Amount pursuant to <u>clause (c)</u> of the definition thereof, and (iii) any Replacement Term Loans, Replacement Revolving Facility and Replacement Notes in respect of the preceding <u>sub-clause (i)</u> and (ii) of this <u>clause (b)</u> (the indebtedness described in <u>sub-clauses (i)</u>, (ii) and (iii), collectively, "Specified Debt"); <u>provided</u>, that, in each case, (A) the relevant Prepayment is not funded with Long-Term Funded Indebtedness, and (B) any such increase in the Incremental

Cap resulting from such Prepayments of (x) Indebtedness secured on a junior priority basis with respect to the Collateral to the extent initially incurred in reliance on <u>clause (c)</u> below may only be used to incur Incremental Facilities or Incremental Equivalent Debt under this <u>clause (b)</u> that is secured on a junior priority basis with respect to the Collateral or unsecured and (y) unsecured Indebtedness to the extent initially incurred in reliance on <u>clause (c)</u> below may only be used to incur Incremental Facilities or Incremental Equivalent Debt under this <u>clause (b)</u> that is unsecured unless such Indebtedness could have, at the time of incurrence thereof, been incurred as Indebtedness secured on a junior priority basis with respect to the Collateral, in which case any repayment thereof may only be used to incur Incremental Facilities or Incremental Equivalent Debt that is secured on a junior priority basis with respect to the Collateral or unsecured; *plus* 

- (c) an unlimited amount so long as, in the case of this <u>clause (c)</u>, after giving effect to the relevant Incremental Facility and the incurrence of Indebtedness thereunder (in the case of any delayed draw Incremental Term Facility, at the election of the Borrower, either at the time of the establishment thereof or at the time of each applicable incurrence with respect thereto),
  - (i) if such Incremental Facility is secured by a Lien on the Collateral that is *pari passu* with the Lien securing the First Priority Secured Obligations, (A) the First Lien Leverage Ratio would not exceed 3.50:1.00 or (B) if being utilized to finance Permitted Acquisitions (other than the Merger) and similar Investments and related transactions (including refinancing of existing Indebtedness), the First Lien Leverage Ratio would not exceed the greater of 3.50:1.00 and the First Lien Leverage Ratio as of the then-most recently completed fiscal quarter,
  - (ii) if such Incremental Facility is secured by a Lien on the Collateral that is junior in priority to the Lien securing the Initial Term Loans, (A) the Secured Leverage Ratio would not exceed 5.00:1.00 or (B) if being utilized to finance Permitted Acquisitions (other than the Merger) and similar Investments and related transactions (including refinancing of existing Indebtedness), the Secured Leverage Ratio would not exceed the greater of 5.00:1.00 and the Secured Leverage Ratio as of the then-most recently completed fiscal quarter, and

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(iii) if such Incremental Facility is unsecured, (A) either (x) the Total Leverage Ratio would not exceed 5.25:1.00 or (y) the Net Interest Coverage Ratio is not less than 2.00:1.00 or (B) if being utilized to finance Permitted Acquisitions (other than the Merger) and similar Investments and related transactions (including refinancing of existing Indebtedness), either (x) the Total Leverage Ratio would not exceed the greater of 5.25:1.00 and the Total Leverage Ratio as of the then-most recently completed fiscal quarter or (y) the Net Interest Coverage Ratio is not less than the lesser of 2.00:1.00 and the Net Interest Coverage Ratio as of the then-most recently completed fiscal quarter,

in the case of each of the foregoing clauses (i), (ii) and (iii), calculated on a Pro Forma Basis as of the last day of the most recent period of four (4) consecutive Fiscal Quarters then ended for which financial statements are internally available, including the application of the proceeds thereof (without "netting" the Cash proceeds of the applicable Incremental Facility) and related transactions (and giving effect to other permitted pro forma adjustments), and, in the case of (I) any Incremental Revolving Facility being established at such time, assuming a full drawing under such Incremental Revolving Facility then being established and (II) any Incremental Term Facility that is a delayed draw term facility being established at such time, either assuming a full drawing of such delayed draw term facility then being established or having each drawing thereunder be subject to satisfaction of the applicable financial ratio set forth above.

"Incremental Commitment" means any commitment made by a lender to provide all or any portion of any Incremental Facility or Incremental Loans.

"Incremental Equivalent Debt" has the meaning assigned to such term in Section 6.01(z).

"Incremental Facilities" has the meaning assigned to such term in Section 2.22(a).

"Incremental Facility Amendment" means an amendment to this Agreement executed by (a) Holdings the Borrower and the Guarantors, (b) solely to the extent adversely affecting the rights and interests of the Administrative Agent, the Administrative Agent and (c) each Lender that agrees to provide all or any portion of such Incremental Term Facility or Incremental Revolving Facility, as applicable, being incurred pursuant thereto and in accordance with Section 9.02(c).

"Incremental Loans" has the meaning assigned to such term in Section 2.22(a).

"Incremental Revolving Commitment" means any commitment made by a lender to provide all or any portion of any Incremental Revolving Facility.

"Incremental Revolving Facility" has the meaning assigned to such term in Section 2.22(a).

"Incremental Revolving Loans" has the meaning assigned to such term in Section 2.22(a).

"Incremental Term Facility" has the meaning assigned to such term in Section 2.22(a).

"Incremental Term Loans" has the meaning assigned to such term in Section 2.22(a).

"Incurrence-Based Basket" means any category (or subcategory) of exceptions, thresholds, baskets, or other provisions in this Agreement based on complying or subject to compliance (including on a Pro Forma Basis) with any financial ratio (including, without limitation, any First Lien Leverage Ratio, any Secured Leverage Ratio, any Total Leverage Ratio, any Net Interest Coverage Ratio, availability and funding of any Initial Delayed Draw Term Loans and/or <a href="clause(c)">clause(c)</a> (or sub-clause) of the definition of Incremental Cap).

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"Indebtedness" as applied to any Person means, without duplication, (a) all indebtedness for borrowed money; (b) that portion of obligations with respect to Capital Leases to the extent recorded as a liability on a balance sheet (excluding the footnotes thereto) of such Person prepared in accordance with GAAP; (c) all obligations of such Person evidenced by bonds, debentures, notes or similar instruments to the extent the same would appear as indebtedness on a balance sheet (including the footnotes thereto) of such Person prepared in accordance with GAAP; (d) any obligation owed for all or any part of the deferred purchase price of property or services (other than any earn out obligation, purchase price and working capital adjustment obligations and any similar obligation except to the extent reflected as a liability on the balance sheet (excluding the footnotes thereto) in accordance with GAAP and not paid within thirty (30) days after becoming due and payable), which purchase price is due more than three hundred sixty four (364) days from the date of incurrence of the obligation in respect thereof; (e) all Indebtedness of other Persons secured by any Lien on any property or asset owned or held by such Person regardless of whether the Indebtedness secured thereby shall have been assumed by such Person in an amount equal to the lesser of (i) the aggregate unpaid amount of such Indebtedness and (ii) the Fair Market Value of the property or asset subject to such Lien; (f) the face amount of any letter of credit issued for the account of such Person or as to which such Person is otherwise liable for reimbursement of drawings; (g) the Guarantee by such Person of the Indebtedness of another; (h) all obligations of such Person in respect of any Disqualified Capital Stock and (i) all net obligations of such Person in respect of any Derivative Transaction, including any Hedge Agreement, whether or not entered into for hedging or speculative purposes. For all purposes hereof, the Indebtedness of any Person shall include the Indebtedness of any partnership or any joint venture (other than any joint venture that is itself a corporation or limited liability company) in which such Person is a general partner or a joint venturer, except to the extent such Person's liability for such Indebtedness is otherwise limited and only to the extent such Indebtedness would otherwise be included in the calculation of Consolidated Total Debt; provided that, notwithstanding anything herein to the contrary, the term "Indebtedness" shall exclude, and shall be calculated without giving effect to, (A) the effects of Accounting Standards Codification Topic 815 and related interpretations to the extent such effects would otherwise increase or decrease an amount of Indebtedness for any purpose hereunder as a result of accounting for any embedded derivatives created by the terms of such Indebtedness and any such amounts that would have constituted Indebtedness hereunder but for the application of this proviso shall not be deemed an incurrence of Indebtedness hereunder, (B) the effects of Statement of Financial Accounting Standards No. 133 and related interpretations to the extent such effects would otherwise increase or decrease an amount of Indebtedness for any purpose under this Agreement as a result of accounting for any embedded derivative created by the terms of such Indebtedness (it being understood that any such amounts that would have constituted Indebtedness under this Agreement but for the application of this sentence shall not be deemed to be an incurrence of Indebtedness under this Agreement), (C) liabilities under vendor agreements to the extent such liabilities may be satisfied exclusively through non-cash means such as purchase volume earning credits, (D) reserves for deferred taxes (or obligation to make any distributions or Restricted Payments in respect thereof), (E) any obligations incurred under ERISA, (F) any obligations incurred under applicable minimum standards pension legislation or statutory benefit plan administered by a Governmental authority, (G) accrued expenses and trade accounts payable in the ordinary course of business (including on an inter-company basis), (H) liabilities associated with customer prepayments and deposits, (I) Indebtedness that is non-recourse to the credit of such Person and (J) for all purposes under this Agreement other than for purposes of Section 6.01, intercompany Indebtedness

among Holdings and its Restricted Subsidiaries;	provided, further,	that the principal	amount of any	Indebtedness shall	be determined in
accordance with Section 1.08.					

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"Indemnified Taxes" means Taxes, other than Excluded Taxes and Other Taxes, imposed on or with respect to any payment made by or on account of any obligation of any Loan Party under any Loan Document.

"Indemnitee" has the meaning assigned to such term in Section 9.03(b).

"Information" has the meaning assigned to such term in Section 3.11(a).

"Initial Committed Lenders" means Jefferies and Barclays in their capacities as Lenders on the Closing Date.

"Initial Delayed Draw Term Facility" means the Initial Delayed Draw Term Loan Commitments and the Initial Delayed Draw Term Loans.

"Initial Delayed Draw Term Lender" means any Lender with an Initial Delayed Draw Term Loan Commitment or an outstanding Initial Delayed Draw Term Loan. From and after the date of any borrowing of any Initial Delayed Draw Term Loans, each Initial Delayed Draw Term Lender shall be deemed an Initial Term Lender for all purposes hereunder.

"Initial Delayed Draw Term Loan Commitment" means, with respect to each Term Lender, the commitment of such Term Lender to make Initial Delayed Draw Term Loans hereunder in an aggregate amount not to exceed the amount set forth opposite such Initial Delayed Draw Term Lender's name on the Commitment Schedule, as the same may be (a) reduced from time to time pursuant to Section 2.09, or (b) reduced or increased from time to time pursuant to assignments by or to such Term Lender pursuant to Section 9.05. The aggregate amount of the Term Lenders' Initial Delayed Draw Term Loan Commitments as of the Closing Date is \$200.0 million.

"Initial Delayed Draw Term Loan Commitment Expiration Date" has the meaning assigned to such term in Section 2.02(c).

"Initial Delayed Draw Term Loan Commitment Fee Rate" means, (i) for the period from (and including) the Closing Date to (but excluding) the date that is sixty (60) days after the Closing Date, 0.00% per annum, (ii) for the period from (and including) the date that is sixty-one (61) days after the Closing Date to (but excluding) the date that is one hundred twenty (120) days after the Closing Date, a rate per annum equal to 50% of the Applicable Rate for Initial Term Loans that are LIBO Rate Loans, and (iii) for the period from (and including) the date that is one hundred twenty-one (121) days after the Closing Date to (but excluding) the Initial Delayed Draw Term Loan Commitment Expiration Date, a rate per annum equal to 100% of the Applicable Rate for Initial Term Loans that are LIBO Rate Loans, in each case, on the average daily unused portion of the Initial Delayed Draw Term Loan Commitments of non-defaulting Lenders with Initial Delayed Draw Term Loan Commitments, payable quarterly in arrears, and calculated on the basis of a 360-day year and shall be payable for the actual days elapsed (including the first day but excluding the last day).

"Initial Delayed Draw Term Loan Extension" means the making of an Initial Delayed Draw Term Loan.

"Initial Delayed Draw Term Loans" means the delayed draw term loans made by the Term Lenders to the Borrower pursuant to Section 2.01(a)(ii). From and after the date of any borrowing of any Initial Delayed Draw Term Loans, each Initial Delayed Draw Term Loan shall be deemed an Initial Term Loan hereunder and part of the same Class as the Initial Term Loans for all purposes hereunder.

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"Initial Loans" means the Initial Term Loans and the funded Initial Delayed Draw Term Loans.

"Initial Term Facility" means the Initial Term Loan Commitment and the Initial Term Loans and other extensions of credit thereunder.

"Initial Term Lender" means any Lender with an Initial Term Loan Commitment or holding Initial Term Loans.

"Initial Term Loan Commitment" means, with respect to each Initial Term Lender, the commitment of such Initial Term Lender to make Initial Term Loans hereunder in an aggregate amount not to exceed the amount set forth opposite such Initial Term Lender's name on the Commitment Schedule, as the same may be (a) reduced from time to time pursuant to Section 2.09 and (b) reduced or increased from time to time pursuant to (i) assignments by or to such Initial Term Lender pursuant to Section 9.05 or (ii) an Additional Term Commitment of the same Class. The aggregate amount of the Initial Term Loan Commitments on the Closing Date is \$835.0 million.

"Initial Term Loan Maturity Date" means the date that is seven (7) years after the Closing Date.

"Initial Term Loans" means the term loans made by the Initial Term Lenders to the Borrower pursuant to <u>Section</u> 2.01(a).

"Intellectual Property Security Agreement" means any agreement, including any supplement thereto, executed on or after the Closing Date confirming or effecting the grant of any Lien on IP Rights owned by any Loan Party to the Administrative Agent, for the benefit of the Securidy Parties, in accordance with this Agreement and the Security Agreement, including any of the following: (a) a Trademark Security Agreement substantially in the form attached as an exhibit to the Security Agreement, (b) a Patent Security Agreement substantially in the form attached as an exhibit to the Security Agreement, together with any and all supplements or amendments thereto.

"Intercreditor Agreement" means the ABL Intercreditor Agreement, the Pari Passu Intercreditor Agreement (if any) and/or the Junior Lien Intercreditor Agreement (if any), as the context may require.

"Interest Election Request" means a request by the Borrower in the form of Exhibit D or another form reasonably acceptable to the Administrative Agent to convert or continue a Borrowing in accordance with Section 2.08.

"Interest Payment Date" means (a) with respect to any ABR Loan, the last Business Day of each March, June, September and December (commencing on September 30, 2021) or the maturity date applicable to such Loan, (b) with respect to any LIBO Rate Loan, the last day of the Interest Period applicable to the Borrowing of which such Loan is a part and, in the case of a LIBO Rate Borrowing with an Interest Period of more than three (3) months' duration, each day that would have been an Interest Payment Date had successive Interest Periods of three (3) months' duration been applicable to such Borrowing and (c) to the extent necessary to create a fungible Class of Loans in connection with the incurrence of any Additional Loans, as reasonably determined by the Administrative Agent and the Borrower, the date of the incurrence of such Additional Loans.

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"Interest Period" means with respect to any LIBO Rate Borrowing, the period commencing on the date of such Borrowing and ending on the numerically corresponding day in the calendar month that is one (1), two (2), three (3) or six (6) months (or, to the extent available to all relevant affected Lenders, twelve (12) months or a shorter period) thereafter, as the Borrower may elect; provided that (i) if any Interest Period would end on a day other than a Business Day, such Interest Period shall be extended to the next succeeding Business Day unless such next succeeding Business Day would fall in the next calendar month, in which case such Interest Period shall end on the next preceding Business Day and (ii) any Interest Period that commences on the last Business Day of a calendar month (or on a day for which there is no numerically corresponding day in the last calendar month of such Interest Period) shall end on the last Business Day of the last calendar month of such Interest Period. For purposes hereof, the date of a Borrowing initially shall be the date on which such Borrowing is made and thereafter shall be the effective date of the most recent conversion or continuation of such Borrowing.

"Investment" means (a) any purchase or other acquisition by the Borrower or any of its Restricted Subsidiaries of any of the Securities of any other Person (other than any Loan Party), (b) the acquisition by purchase or otherwise (other than any purchase or other acquisition of inventory, materials, supplies and/or equipment in the ordinary course of business) of all or substantially all of the business, property or fixed assets of any other Person or any division or line of business or other business unit of any other Person and

(c) any loan, advance (other than any advance to any current or former employee, officer, director, member of management, manager, consultant or independent contractor of the Borrower, any Restricted Subsidiary or any Parent Company for moving, entertainment and travel expenses, drawing accounts and similar expenditures in the ordinary course of business) or capital contribution by the Borrower or any of its Restricted Subsidiaries to any other Person. Subject to Section 5.10, the amount of any Investment shall be the original cost of such Investment, *plus* the cost of all additions thereto, without any adjustments for increases or decreases in value, or write-ups, write-downs or write-offs with respect thereto, but giving effect to any repayments of principal in the case of any Investment in the form of a loan and any return of capital or return on Investment in the case of any equity Investment (whether as a distribution, dividend, redemption or sale but not in excess of the amount of the relevant initial Investment) and in each case, the amount of any Investment shall be determined in accordance with Section 1.08.

"Investors" means (a) the Sponsor, (b) the Co-Investors and (c) any other Person making a cash equity investment directly or indirectly in any Parent Company after the Closing Date, so long as in the case of this clause (c), (i) no such Person's direct or indirect beneficial ownership of Holdings is greater than the Sponsor's direct or indirect beneficial ownership of Holdings, and (ii) the aggregate direct or indirect beneficial ownership of Holdings by such Persons does not exceed 40% of the aggregate direct or indirect beneficial ownership of Holdings of all Investors collectively, in each case, other than any Person who is a Lender on the Closing Date (and such Person shall not be deemed to be an Affiliate of an Investor under this Agreement).

"IP Rights" has the meaning assigned to such term in Section 3.05(c).

"IRS" means the U.S. Internal Revenue Service.

"ISDA Definitions" means the 2006 ISDA Definitions published by the International Swaps and Derivatives Association, Inc. or any successor thereto, as amended or supplemented from time to time, or any successor definitional booklet for interest rate derivatives published from time to time by the International Swaps and Derivatives Association, Inc. or such successor thereto.

"Jefferies" has the meaning assigned to such term in the preamble to this Agreement.

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"Junior Debentures" means the junior subordinated debentures issued by The Hillman Companies, Inc. to the Hillman Trust pursuant to the Junior Debentures Indenture.

"Junior Debentures Indenture" means the indenture dated September 5, 1997 between The Hillman Companies, Inc. (as successor to the original issuer thereunder) and The Bank of New York as the trustee.

"Junior Debentures Redemption" has the meaning assigned to such term in Section 4.01(p).

"Junior Lien Indebtedness" means any Indebtedness that is secured by a Lien on the Collateral (other than Indebtedness among Holdings and/or its subsidiaries) that is contractually junior or subordinated to the Lien on the Collateral securing the Initial Term Loans.

"Junior Lien Intercreditor Agreement" means the Intercreditor Agreement substantially in the form of Exhibit N hereto.

"Landcadia Parent" means Landcadia Holdings III, Inc., a Delaware corporation, to be renamed Hillman Solutions Corp. after consummation of the Merger.

"Landcadia Stock Redemption" has the meaning assigned to such term in the Recitals to this Agreement.

"Landcadia Stock Redemption Amount" means an amount equal to the aggregate cash amount of the Landcadia Stock Redemption.

"Latest Maturity Date" means, as of any date of determination, the latest maturity or expiration date applicable to any Loan or commitment hereunder at such time, including the latest maturity or expiration date of any Initial Term Loan, Additional Term Loan, Additional Revolving Loan or Additional Commitment.

"Latest Revolving Loan Maturity Date" means, as of any date of determination, the latest maturity or expiration date applicable to any Additional Revolving Loan or any Additional Revolving Commitment.

"Latest Term Loan Maturity Date" means, as of any date of determination, the latest maturity or expiration date applicable to any term loan or term commitment hereunder at such time, including the latest maturity or expiration date of any Term Loan or any Additional Term Commitment.

"LCT Election" has the meaning assigned to such term in Section 1.10(a).

"LCT Test Date" has the meaning assigned to such term in Section 1.10(a).

"Legal Reservations" means the application of relevant Debtor Relief Laws, general principles of equity and/or principles of good faith and fair dealing.

"Lenders" means the Initial Term Lenders, any Additional Lender, any lender with a Commitment or an outstanding Loan and any other Person that becomes a party hereto pursuant to an Assignment and Assumption, other than any such Person that ceases to be a party hereto pursuant to an Assignment and Assumption.

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"Letter-of-Credit Right" has the meaning set forth in Article 9 of the UCC.

"LIBO Rate" means, the Published LIBO Rate, as adjusted to reflect applicable reserves prescribed by governmental authorities; provided that, in no event shall the LIBO Rate be less than 0.50% per annum.

"LIBO Rate Loan" means a Loan bearing interest at a rate determined by reference to the LIBO Rate.

"Lien" means any mortgage, pledge, hypothecation, deed of trust, assignment, deposit arrangement, encumbrance, lien (statutory or other), charge, or preference, priority or other security interest or preferential arrangement of any kind or nature whatsoever (including any conditional sale or other title retention agreement, any easement, right of way or other encumbrance on title to real property, and any Capital Lease having substantially the same economic effect as any of the foregoing), in each case, in the nature of security; provided that in no event shall an operating lease in and of itself be deemed to constitute a Lien on any asset.

"Limited Condition Transaction" has the meaning assigned to such term in Section 1.10(a).

"Loan Documents" means this Agreement, any Promissory Note, each Loan Guaranty, the Collateral Documents, the ABL Intercreditor Agreement, any other applicable Acceptable Intercreditor Agreement and any other document or instrument designated by the Borrower and the Administrative Agent as a "Loan Document." Any reference in this Agreement or any other Loan Document to a Loan Document shall include all appendices, exhibits or schedules thereto.

"Loan Guaranty" means (a) the Loan Guaranty, dated as of the Closing Date, substantially in the form of Exhibit H, among Holdings, the Borrower and each other Loan Party and by the Administrative Agent for the benefit of the Secured Parties, (b)(i) each other guaranty agreement in substantially the form attached as Exhibit H, (ii) another form of guaranty that is otherwise reasonably satisfactory to the Administrative Agent and the Borrower or (iii) any supplement or joinder to any of the foregoing, in each case, executed by any Person pursuant to Section 5.12 or as provided in the definition of "Guarantor".

"Loan Installment Date" has the meaning assigned to such term in Section 2.10(a).

"Loan Parties" means Holdings, the Borrower, each other Guarantor, and in each case their respective successors and permitted assigns.

"Loans" means any Initial Term Loan, any Initial Delayed Draw Term Loan, and, if applicable, any Additional Term Loan, any Additional Revolving Loan and any loan under any other Credit Facility.

"Long-Term Funded Indebtedness" means any funded Indebtedness of the Borrower or its Restricted Subsidiaries having a maturity of greater than one (1) year; <u>provided</u>, that Long-Term Funded Indebtedness shall exclude all Indebtedness under any revolving credit facility or line of credit.

"Margin Stock" has the meaning assigned to such term in Regulation U.

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"Market Capitalization" means an amount equal to (i) the total number of issued and outstanding shares of common Capital Stock of any applicable Parent Company on the date of the declaration of a Restricted Payment permitted pursuant to Section 6.04(a)(viii) multiplied by (ii) the arithmetic mean of the closing prices per share of such common Capital Stock on the principal securities exchange on which such common Capital Stock are traded for the thirty (30) consecutive trading days immediately preceding the date of declaration of such Restricted Payment.

"Material Adverse Effect" means (a) for any purpose on or prior to the Closing Date, a Closing Date Material Adverse Effect and (b) for any purpose after the Closing Date, a material adverse effect on (i) the business, assets, financial condition or results of operations, in each case, of Holdings, the Borrower and its Restricted Subsidiaries, taken as a whole, (ii) the rights and remedies (taken as a whole) of the Administrative Agent (on behalf of the Lenders) under the applicable Loan Documents or (iii) the ability of the Loan Parties (taken as a whole) to perform their payment obligations under the applicable Loan Documents.

"Material Debt Instrument" means any promissory note payable to, or in favor, of a Loan Party with an aggregate principal amount outstanding, in each case, of not less than \$20.0 million.

"Material Real Estate Asset" means (a) on the Closing Date, each "fee-owned" Real Estate Asset located in the United States having a Fair Market Value in excess of \$20.0 million, which such properties are listed on Schedule 1.01(b) and (b) any "fee-owned" Real Estate Asset located in the United States and acquired by any Loan Party after the Closing Date having a Fair Market Value in excess of \$20.0 million as of the date of acquisition thereof.

"Maturity Date" means (a) with respect to the Initial Term Loans, the Initial Term Loan Maturity Date, (b) as to any Replacement Term Loans incurred pursuant to Section 9.02(c), the final maturity date for such Replacement Term Loan as set forth in the applicable Refinancing Amendment, (c) as to any Replacement Revolving Facility established pursuant to Section 9.02(c), the final maturity date for such Replacement Revolving Facility as set forth in the applicable Refinancing Amendment, (d) with respect to any Incremental Term Loans, the final maturity date set forth in the applicable documentation with respect thereto, (e) with respect to any Incremental Revolving Facility, the final maturity date set forth in the applicable documentation with respect thereto, (f) with respect to any Extended Revolving Credit Commitment or Extended Term Loans, the final maturity date set forth in the applicable Extension Offer accepted by the respective Lender or Lenders, and (g) with respect to any other Loans, the final maturity date for such Loans as set forth in the applicable Credit Facility.

"Maximum Rate" has the meaning assigned to such term in <u>Section 9.19</u>.

"Merger" has the meaning assigned to such term in the Recitals to this Agreement.

"Merger Agreement" means that certain Agreement and Plan of Merger, made and entered into as of January 24, 2021, and as amended by the First Amendment to Agreement and Plan of Merger, dated as of March 12, 2021, by and among, *inter alios*, Landcadia Parent, Merger Sub, HMAN, and the other parties thereto, together with the schedules and exhibits thereto (including the Company Disclosure Letter (as defined in the Merger Agreement)).

"Merger Sub" means Helios Sun Merger Sub, Inc., a Delaware corporation.

"Minimum Extension Condition" has the meaning assigned to such term in Section 2.23(b).

"Moody's" means Moody's Investors Service, Inc. and any successor thereto.

"Mortgage" means any mortgage, deed of trust or other agreement which conveys or evidences a mortgage lien in favor of the Administrative Agent, for the benefit of the Administrative Agent and the relevant Secured Parties, on any Material Real Estate Asset constituting Collateral.

"Mortgage Policies" has the meaning assigned to such term in the definition of "Collateral and Guarantee Requirement".

"Multiemployer Plan" means any employee benefit plan which is a "multiemployer plan" as defined in Section 3(37) of ERISA, that is subject to the provisions of Title IV of ERISA, and in respect of which the Borrower or any of its Restricted Subsidiaries, or any of their respective ERISA Affiliates, makes or is obligated to make contributions or with respect to which any of them has any ongoing obligation or liability, contingent or otherwise.

"Narrative Report" means, with respect to the financial statements with respect to which it is delivered, a management discussion and narrative report describing the operations of Holdings, the Borrower and its Restricted Subsidiaries for the applicable Fiscal Quarter or Fiscal Year and for the period from the beginning of the then-current Fiscal Year to the end of the period to which the relevant financial statements relate.

"Net Insurance/Condemnation Proceeds" means an amount equal to: (a) any Cash payments or proceeds (including Cash Equivalents) received by the Borrower or any of its Restricted Subsidiaries (i) under any casualty insurance policy in respect of a covered loss thereunder of any assets of the Borrower or any of its Restricted Subsidiaries or (ii) as a result of the taking of any assets of the Borrower or any of its Restricted Subsidiaries by any Person pursuant to the power of eminent domain, condemnation or otherwise, or pursuant to a sale of any such assets to a purchaser with such power under threat of such a taking, minus (b) (i) any actual out-of-pocket costs and expenses incurred by the Borrower or any of its Restricted Subsidiaries in connection with the adjustment, settlement or collection of any claims of the Borrower or the relevant Restricted Subsidiary in respect thereof, (ii) payment of the outstanding principal amount of, premium or penalty, if any, and interest and other amounts on any Indebtedness (other than the Loans and any Indebtedness secured by a Lien that is pari passu with or expressly subordinated to the Lien on the Collateral securing the Secured Obligations) that is secured by a Lien on the assets in question and that is required to be repaid or otherwise comes due or would be in default under the terms thereof as a result of such loss, taking or sale, (iii) in the case of a taking, the reasonable out-ofpocket costs of putting any affected property in a safe and secure position, (iv) any selling costs and out-of-pocket expenses (including reasonable broker's fees or commissions, legal fees, accountants' fees, investment banking fees, survey costs, title insurance premiums, and related search and recording charges, transfer taxes, deed or mortgage recording taxes, other customary expenses and brokerage, consultant and other customary fees actually incurred and paid to unaffiliated third parties in connection therewith, transfer and similar Taxes and the Borrower's good faith estimate of income Taxes paid or payable) in connection with any sale or taking of such assets as described in clause (a) of this definition, (v) any amounts provided as a reserve in accordance with GAAP against any liabilities under any indemnification obligation or purchase price adjustments associated with any sale or taking of such assets as referred to in clause (a) of this definition (provided that to the extent and at the time any such amounts are released from such reserve, such amounts shall constitute Net Insurance/Condemnation Proceeds) and (vi) in the case of any covered loss or taking from a non-Wholly-Owned Subsidiary, the prorata portion thereof (calculated without regard to this clause (vi)) attributable to minority interests and not available for distribution to or for the account of the Borrower or a Wholly-Owned Subsidiary as a result thereof.

"Net Interest Coverage Ratio" means, as of any date of determination, the ratio of (a) Consolidated Adjusted EBITDA to (b) Consolidated Interest Expense, in each case for the Borrower and its Restricted Subsidiaries on a consolidated basis.

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"Net Proceeds" means (a) with respect to any Disposition (including any Prepayment Asset Sale), the Cash proceeds (including Cash Equivalents and Cash proceeds subsequently received (as and when received) in respect of non-Cash consideration initially received), net of (i) selling costs and out-of-pocket expenses (including reasonable broker's fees or commissions, legal fees,

accountants' fees, investment banking fees, survey costs, title insurance premiums, and related search and recording charges, transfer taxes, deed or mortgage recording taxes, other customary expenses and brokerage, consultant and other customary fees actually incurred and paid to unaffiliated third parties in connection therewith and transfer and similar Taxes and the Borrower's good faith estimate of income Taxes paid or payable (including pursuant to Tax sharing arrangements or any Tax distributions) in connection with such Disposition, including, in the case of a Disposition by a Foreign Subsidiary, any additional Taxes that are or would be payable or reserved against as a result of repatriation), (ii) amounts provided as a reserve in accordance with GAAP against any liabilities under any indemnification obligation or purchase price adjustment associated with such Disposition (provided that to the extent and at the time any such amounts are released from such reserve, such amounts shall constitute Net Proceeds), (iii) the principal amount, premium or penalty, if any, interest and other amounts on any Indebtedness (other than the Loans and any other Indebtedness secured by a Lien that is pari passu with or expressly subordinated to the Lien on the Collateral securing the Secured Obligations) which is secured by the asset sold in such Disposition and which is required to be repaid or otherwise comes due or would be in default and is repaid (other than any such Indebtedness that is assumed by the purchaser of such asset) (iv) Cash escrows (until released from escrow to the Borrower or any of its Restricted Subsidiaries) from the sale price for such Disposition and (v) in the case of any Disposition by a non-Wholly-Owned Subsidiary, the pro rata portion of the Net Proceeds thereof (calculated without regard to this clause (v)) attributable to minority interests and not available for distribution to or for the account of the Borrower or a Wholly-Owned Subsidiary as a result thereof; and (b) with respect to any issuance or incurrence of Indebtedness or Capital Stock, the Cash proceeds thereof, net of all Taxes and customary fees, commissions, costs, underwriting discounts and other fees and expenses incurred in connection therewith.

"Non-Consenting Lender" has the meaning assigned to such term in Section 2.19(b).

"Non-Debt Fund Affiliate" means the Investors and any Affiliates of the Investors (other than Holdings, the Borrower and their respective subsidiaries, a natural person or any Affiliate thereof that is a Debt Fund Affiliate), and any direct or indirect parent of Holdings.

"Non-Guarantor Subsidiary" means any subsidiary of the Borrower that is not a Subsidiary Guarantor.

"Obligations" means all unpaid principal of and accrued and unpaid interest (including interest, fees and expenses accruing during the pendency of any bankruptcy, insolvency, receivership or other similar proceeding, regardless of whether allowed or allowable in such proceeding) on the Loans, Commitments, all accrued and unpaid fees, premiums and all expenses, reimbursements, indemnities and all other liabilities and obligations of the Loan Parties to the Lenders or to any Lender, the Administrative Agent or any indemnified party arising under the Loan Documents in respect of any Loans, whether direct or indirect (including those acquired by assumption), absolute, contingent, due or to become due, now existing or hereafter arising.

"OFAC" has the meaning assigned to such term in Section 3.17(a).

"Organizational Documents" means (a) with respect to any corporation, its certificate or articles of incorporation or organization and its by-laws, (b) with respect to any limited partnership, its certificate of limited partnership and its partnership agreement, (c) with respect to any general partnership, its partnership agreement, (d) with respect to any limited liability company, its articles of organization or association or certificate of formation or incorporation, and its operating agreement, and (e) with respect to any other form of entity, such other organizational documents required by local law or customary under such jurisdiction to document the formation and governance principles of such type of entity. In the event that any term or condition of this Agreement or any other Loan Document requires any Organizational Document to be certified by a secretary of state or similar governmental official, the reference to any such "Organizational Document" shall only be to a document of a type customarily certified by such governmental official.

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"Other Agreed Adjustments" means any add-backs and adjustments (including pro forma adjustments of the type in clause (b)(xi) of the definition of "Consolidated Adjusted EBITDA"), to the extent not otherwise included in Consolidated Net Income, of the type reflected in (a) the Sponsor Model, (b) the draft of the financial accounting due diligence report delivered to the Arrangers on or about September, 2020, and (c) any confidential information memorandum, lender presentations and other marketing materials in respect of the Initial Term Facility and the Initial Delayed Draw Term Facility, in each case, which add-backs and adjustments shall not, for the avoidance of doubt, be limited to the time periods or amounts in respect of which such add backs and adjustments were identified therein.

"Other Applicable Indebtedness" has the meaning assigned to such term in Section 2.11(b)(ii).

"Other Connection Taxes" means, with respect to any Lender or the Administrative Agent, Taxes imposed as a result of a present or former connection between such recipient and the jurisdiction imposing such Tax (other than connections arising solely from such recipient having executed, delivered, become a party to, performed its obligations under, received payments under, received or perfected a security interest under, or engaged in any other transaction pursuant to or enforced any Loan Document, or sold or assigned an interest in any Loan or Loan Document).

"Other Taxes" means any and all present or future stamp, court or documentary Taxes or any intangible, recording, filing or other similar Taxes, charges or similar levies arising from any payment made under, from the execution, delivery, performance, enforcement or registration of, from the receipt or perfection of a security interest under, or otherwise with respect to, this Agreement or any other Loan Document, but not including, for the avoidance of doubt, any such Taxes that are Other Connection Taxes imposed with respect to an assignment, grant of a participation, designation of a different lending office or other transfer (other than an assignment or designation of a different lending office made pursuant to Section 2.19) or Excluded Taxes.

"Parent Company" means Holdings and any other Person of which the Borrower is an indirect Wholly-Owned Subsidiary, including HMAN and Landcadia Parent.

"Pari Passu Intercreditor Agreement" means the Intercreditor Agreement substantially in the form of Exhibit M hereto.

"Participant" has the meaning assigned to such term in Section 9.05(c).

"Participant Register" has the meaning assigned to such term in Section 9.05(c).

"Patent" means the following: (a) any and all patents and patent applications; (b) all inventions described and claimed therein; (c) all reissues, divisions, continuations, renewals, extensions and continuations in part thereof; (d) all income, royalties, damages, claims, and payments now or hereafter due or payable under and with respect thereto, including, without limitation, damages and payments for past, present and future infringements thereof; (e) all rights to sue for past, present, and future infringements thereof; and (f) all rights corresponding to any of the foregoing.

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"PBGC" means the Pension Benefit Guaranty Corporation.

"Pension Plan" means any "employee pension benefit plan", as defined in Section 3(2) of ERISA (other than a Multiemployer Plan), that is subject to the provisions of Title IV of ERISA or Section 412 of the Code or Section 302 of ERISA, which the Borrower or any of its Restricted Subsidiaries, or any of their respective ERISA Affiliates, maintains or contributes to or has an obligation to contribute to, or otherwise has any liability, contingent or otherwise.

"Perfection Certificate" means a certificate substantially in the form of Exhibit E.

"Perfection Certificate Supplement" means a supplement to the Perfection Certificate substantially in the form of Exhibit F.

"Perfection Requirements" means the filing of appropriate financing statements with the office of the Secretary of State or other appropriate office of the state of organization (or, in the case of a Foreign Discretionary Guarantor or other Loan Party that is not a registered organization, other appropriate office of the state of such Loan Party's "location" under Section 9-307 of the UCC) of each Loan Party granting a security interest under any Collateral Document governed by U.S. law, the filing of appropriate assignments or notices with the U.S. Patent and Trademark Office and the U.S. Copyright Office, the proper recording or filing, as applicable, of Mortgages and fixture filings with respect to any "fee-owned" Material Real Estate Asset constituting Collateral to the extent required hereunder, in each case in favor of the Administrative Agent for the benefit of the Secured Parties, the delivery to the Administrative Agent of any stock certificate or Material Debt Instrument required to be delivered pursuant to the applicable Loan Documents, together with instruments of transfer executed in blank, and the execution and delivery of control agreements contemplated by clause (C)(y) of the definition of "Collateral and Guarantee Requirement", in each case, subject in all respects to the definitions of "Collateral and Guarantee Requirement" and "Excluded Assets" and the last paragraph of Section 4.01.

"Permitted Acquisition" means any acquisition by the Borrower or any of its Restricted Subsidiaries, whether by purchase, merger, amalgamation or otherwise, of all or substantially all of the assets of, or any business line, unit or division or product line of, any Person or of a majority of the outstanding Capital Stock of any Person (but in any event including any Investment in (x) any Person that results in such Person becoming a Restricted Subsidiary of the Borrower, (y) any Restricted Subsidiary which serves to increase the Borrower's or any Restricted Subsidiary's respective equity ownership in such Restricted Subsidiary or (z) any joint venture for the purpose of increasing the Borrower's or its relevant Restricted Subsidiary's ownership interest in such joint venture).

"Permitted Earlier Maturity Indebtedness Exception" means, with respect to any Incremental Term Loans, Replacement Term Loans, Extended Term Loans and any Indebtedness incurred under Section 6.01 that is subject to minimum maturity requirements (including Section 6.01(q) or Section 6.01(w) or Section 6.01(z)) in an aggregate principal amount not to exceed the greater of \$255.0 million and 100% of Consolidated Adjusted EBITDA may have (i), with respect to Incremental Term Loans and any Indebtedness incurred under Section 6.01(q) or Section 6.01(w) or Section 6.01(z), (A) a final maturity date that is earlier than the Latest Term Loan Maturity Date at the time of the incurrence thereof and (B) a Weighted Average Life to Maturity that is shorter than the remaining Weighted Average Life to Maturity of any then-existing Class of Term Loans, (ii) with respect to Replacement Term Loans, (A) a final maturity date that is earlier than the earlier of (x) the final maturity date of the Replaced Term Loans and (y) ninety-one (91) days after the then latest maturity date of any Term Loans that are not being refinanced or so replaced and (B) a Weighted Average Life to Maturity shorter than the Weighted Average Life to Maturity of the Replaced Term Loans at the time of the relevant refinancing and (iii) with respect to Extended Term Loans, (A) a final maturity date that is earlier than the then applicable Latest Term Loan Maturity Date at the time of extension and (B) a Weighted Average Life to Maturity shorter than the remaining Weighted Average Life to Maturity of the Term Loans or any other Extended Term Loans extended thereby.

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"Permitted Holders" means (a) the Investors and (b) any Person with which one or more Investors form a "group" (within the meaning of Section 14(d) of the Exchange Act) so long as, in the case of this <u>clause (b)</u>, the relevant Investors beneficially own more than 50% of the relevant voting stock beneficially owned by the group.

"Permitted Liens" means Liens permitted pursuant to Section 6.02.

"Permitted Senior Secured Debt" means any Indebtedness permitted under Section 6.01 that is secured by the Collateral on a pari passu basis with the First Priority Secured Obligations (which shall be deemed to include any ABL Facility secured on a Split Collateral Basis (including the ABL Facility as of the Closing Date) subject to an ABL Intercreditor Agreement), including, in each case, any refinancing of such Indebtedness permitted under Section 6.01.

"Person" means any natural person, corporation, limited liability company, trust, joint venture, association, company, partnership, limited liability partnership, unlimited liability corporation, Governmental Authority or any other entity.

"PIPE Investment" has the meaning assigned to such term in the Recitals to this Agreement.

"PIPE Investors" means Alyeska Master Fund, L.P., Arena Capital Fund, LP, Arena Capital Fund, LP, Citadel Multi-Strategy Equities Master Fund Ltd., Clal Insurance Company Ltd., Clal Pension Provident Funds Ltd., Columbia Small Cap Growth Fund I, Columbia Variable Portfolio – Small Company Growth Fund, D.E. Shaw Oculus Portfolios, L.L.C., D.E. Shaw Valence Portfolios, L.L.C., Glazer Enhanced Fund, LP, Glazer Enhanced Offshore Fund, Ltd., Highmark Limited in respect of its Segregated Account Highmark Multi-Strategy 2, Hawk Ridge Master Fund LP, Jane Street Global Trading, LLC, Jeffries Financial Group Inc., The K2 Principal Fund L.P., Kepos Alpha Master Fund L.P., Ghisallo Master Fund LP, Marshall Wace Investment Strategies – Eureka Fund, Marshall Wace Investment Strategies – Bureka Fund, Marshall Wace Investment Strategies – Systematic Alpha Plus Fund, Marshall Wace Investment Strategies – TOPS Fund, Maven Investment Partners US Ltd., BEMAP Master Fund Ltd., Bespoke Alpha MAC MIM LP, DS Liquid Div RVA MON LLC, Monashee Pure Alpha SPV I LP, Monashee Solitario Fund LP, SFL SPV I LLC, MMFT LT, LLC, More Provident Funds LTD, Park West Investors Master Fund, Limited, Park West Partners International, K2 PSAM Event Master Fund Ltd., Lumyna PSAM Global Event UCITS Fund, Lymyna Specialist Funds – Event Alternative Fund, PSAM WorldArb Master Fund Ltd., Samlyn Long Alpha Master Fund, Ltd., Samlyn Net Neutral Master Fund, Ltd., Samlyn Offshore Master Fund, Ltd., Samlyn Onshore Fund, LP, Schonfeld Strategic 460 Fund LLC, Suvretta Capital Management, LLC, Nineteen 77 Global Merger Arbitrage Master Limited, Nineteen 77 Global Multi-Strategy Alpha Master Limited, VB Capital Management AG, Brookdale Global Opportunity Fund, Brookdale International Partners, L.P., Met Investors

Series Trust – MetLife Small Cap Value Portfolio, Minnesota Life Insurance Company – Special Small Cap Value Equity, Quad/Graphics
Diversified Plan, Truck Insurance Exchange, Wells Fargo Special Small Cap Value CIT, Wells Fargo Special Small Cap Value Fund, 21st
Century Insurance Company, VALIC Company I – Small Cap Special Values Fund and any Affiliates of the foregoing.

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"Plan" means any "employee pension benefit plan" (within the meaning of Section 3(2) of ERISA) maintained by the Borrower or any of its Restricted Subsidiaries or, with respect to any such plan that is subject to Section 412 of the Code or Title IV of ERISA, any of its ERISA Affiliates, other than any Multiemployer Plan.

"Platform" has the meaning assigned to such term in Section 9.01(d).

"PPSA" means the Personal Property Security Act (Ontario) (or any successor statute) and the regulations thereunder; provided, however, if validity, perfection and effect of perfection and non-perfection and opposability of the Administrative Agent's Lien in any Collateral are governed by the personal property security laws of any Canadian jurisdiction other than the Province of Ontario, PPSA shall mean those personal property security laws (including the Civil Code of Quebec) of such other jurisdiction for the purposes of the provisions hereof relating to such validity, perfection, and effect of perfection and non-perfection and for the definitions related to such provisions, as from time to time in effect.

"Prepayment" means any prepayment, redemption, purchase, repurchase (including pursuant to any tender offer, offer to purchase or repurchase, Dutch Auction or similar process or arrangement), retirement or other reduction (including upon cancellation after contribution, assignment or other transfer thereof to the Borrower or any of its Restricted Subsidiaries) of any Indebtedness (in the case of revolving credit Indebtedness, to the extent accompanied by a corresponding permanent reduction of commitments); "Prepay" and "Prepaid" shall have correlative meanings.

"Prepayment Asset Sale" means any Disposition by the Borrower or its Restricted Subsidiaries made pursuant to, Section 6.07(h), Section 6.07(n), Section 6.07(q), clause (ii) to the proviso to Section 6.07(r) (to the extent provided therein) Section 6.07(aa) and Section 6.07(bb) (in the case of any Sale and Lease-Back Transaction, solely to the extent relating to the Disposition of assets, but excluding any portion that is in excess of the Fair Market Value of such assets on a stand-alone basis).

"Primary Obligor" has the meaning assigned to such term in the definition of "Guarantee".

"Prime Rate" means the "U.S. Prime Rate" as quoted by the print edition of The Wall Street Journal.

"Pro Forma Basis" or "pro forma effect" means, as to any calculation of any financial ratio or test (including the Total Leverage Ratio, the First Lien Leverage Ratio, the Secured Leverage Ratio, the Net Interest Coverage Ratio, Consolidated Adjusted EBITDA, Consolidated Total Assets or any component definitions of any of the foregoing), such financial ratio or test shall be calculated on a pro forma basis in accordance with Section 1.10 and shall give pro forma effect to any Specified Transactions (and if applicable, any Limited Condition Transaction) and other pro forma adjustments pursuant to Section 1.10.

"**Projections**" means the projections of the Borrower and its subsidiaries included in the Sponsor Model, including any financial estimates, forecasts and other forward looking financial information set forth therein.

"**Promissory Note**" means a promissory note of the Borrower payable to any Lender or its registered assigns, in substantially the form of Exhibit G, evidencing the aggregate outstanding principal amount of Loans of the Borrower to such Lender resulting from the Loans made by such Lender.

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"PTE" means a prohibited transaction class exemption issued by the U.S. Department of Labor, as any such exemption may be amended from time to time.

"Public Company Costs" means any Charge associated with, or in anticipation of, or preparation for, compliance with the requirements of the Sarbanes-Oxley Act of 2002 and the rules and regulations promulgated in connection therewith and Charges relating to compliance with the provisions of the Securities Act and the Exchange Act (and, in each case, similar Requirements of Law under other jurisdictions), as applicable to companies with equity or debt securities held by the public, the rules of national securities exchange companies with listed equity or debt securities, directors' or managers' compensation, fees and expense reimbursement, any Charge relating to investor relations, shareholder meetings and reports to shareholders or debtholders, directors' and officers' insurance and other executive costs, legal and other professional fees and listing fees.

"Public Lender" has the meaning assigned to such term in Section 9.01(d).

"Published LIBO Rate" means, with respect to any Interest Period when used in reference to any Loan or Borrowing, the rate of interest appearing on page LIBOR01 of the Thomson Reuters screen (or on any successor or substitute page of such service, or any successor to such service as determined by Administrative Agent) as the London interbank offered rate for deposits in Dollars as administrated by ICA Benchmark Administration Limited (or any other Person which takes over the administration of that rate) for a term comparable to such Interest Period, at approximately 11:00 a.m. (London time) on the date which is two (2) Business Days prior to the commencement of such Interest Period (but if more than one rate is specified on such page, the rate will be an arithmetic average of all such rates).

"Qualified Capital Stock" of any Person means any Capital Stock of such Person that is not Disqualified Capital Stock.

"Qualifying Bid" has the meaning assigned to such term in the definition of "Dutch Auction".

"Qualifying Lender" has the meaning assigned to such term in the definition of "Dutch Auction".

"Real Estate Asset" means, at any time of determination, all right, title and interest (fee, leasehold or otherwise) of any Loan Party in and to real property (including, but not limited to, land, improvements and fixtures thereon).

"Redemption Date" has the meaning assigned to such term in Section 4.01(p).

"Redemption Deposit" has the meaning assigned to such term in Section 4.01(p).

"Reference Time" with respect to any setting of the then-current Benchmark means (1) if such Benchmark is USD LIBOR, 11:00 a.m. (London time) on the day that is two (2) London banking days preceding the date of such setting, and (2) if such Benchmark is not USD LIBOR, the time that is the then-prevailing market convention for such Benchmark as reasonably determined by the Administrative Agent in its reasonable discretion in consultation with the Borrower or an evolving market convention that the Administrative Agent and the Borrower reasonably expect to become the prevailing market convention for such Benchmark.

"**Refinancing**" has the meaning assigned to such term in Section 4.01(o).

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"Refinancing Amendment" means an amendment to this Agreement in form and substance reasonably satisfactory to the Administrative Agent and the Borrower executed by (a) Holdings and the Borrower, (b) the Administrative Agent and (c) each Lender that agrees to provide all or any portion of the Replacement Term Loans or the Replacement Revolving Facility, as applicable, being incurred pursuant thereto and in accordance with Section 9.02(c).

"Refinancing Indebtedness" has the meaning assigned to such term in <u>Section 6.01(p)</u>.

"Refunding Capital Stock" has the meaning assigned to such term in Section 6.04(a)(ix).

"Register" has the meaning assigned to such term in Section 9.05(b)(iv).

"Regulation D" means Regulation D of the Board as from time to time in effect and all official rulings and interpretations thereunder or thereof.

- "Regulation T" means Regulation T of the Board as from time to time in effect and all official rulings and interpretations thereunder or thereof.
- "Regulation U" means Regulation U of the Board as from time to time in effect and all official rulings and interpretations thereunder or thereof.
- "Regulation X" means Regulation X of the Board as from time to time in effect and all official rulings and interpretations thereunder or thereof.
- "Related Funds" means, with respect to any Lender that is an Approved Fund, any other Approved Fund that is managed by the same investment advisor as such Lender or by an Affiliate of such investment advisor.
- "Related Parties" means, with respect to any specified Person, such Person's Affiliates and the respective directors, managers, officers, trustees, employees, partners, agents, advisors and other representatives of such Person and such Person's Affiliates.
- "Release" means any release, spill, emission, leaking, pumping, pouring, injection, escaping, deposit, disposal, discharge, dispersal, dumping, leaching or migration of any Hazardous Material into the Environment, including the movement of any Hazardous Material through the air, soil, surface water or groundwater.
- "Relevant Governmental Body" means the Board of Governors of the Federal Reserve System or the Federal Reserve Bank of New York, or a committee officially endorsed or convened by the Board of Governors of the Federal Reserve System or the Federal Reserve Bank of New York, or any successor thereto.
  - "Replaced Revolving Facility" has the meaning assigned to such term in Section 9.02(c).
  - "Replaced Term Loans" has the meaning assigned to such term in Section 9.02(c).
- "Replacement Notes" means any Refinancing Indebtedness (whether issued in a public offering, Rule 144A under the Securities Act or other private placement or bridge financing in lieu of the foregoing or otherwise) incurred in respect of Indebtedness permitted under Section 6.01(a).

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- "Replacement Revolving Facility" has the meaning assigned to such term in Section 9.02(c).
- "Replacement Term Facility" has the meaning assigned to such term in Section 9.02(c)(i).
- "Replacement Term Loans" has the meaning assigned to such term in Section 9.02(c)(i).
- "Reply Amount" has the meaning assigned to such term in the definition of "Dutch Auction".
- "Reply Price" has the meaning assigned to such term in the definition of "Dutch Auction".
- "Representative" has the meaning assigned to such term in Section 9.13.
- "Repricing Transaction" means any of the following, but solely to the extent effected and consummated for the primary purpose of reducing the All-In Yield of the Initial Loans: (a) the Prepayment, repayment, refinancing, substitution or replacement of all or a portion of the Initial Loans substantially concurrently with the incurrence by any Loan Party of any term loans (including any Replacement Term Loans) pari passu in right of payment with the existing Initial Loans being so Prepaid, repaid, refinanced, substituted or replaced in right of payment and secured by a Lien on the Collateral on a pari passu basis with the Liens securing such Initial Loans, having an All-In Yield that is less than the effective All-In Yield applicable to the Initial Loans so Prepaid, repaid, refinanced, substituted or replaced, and (b) any amendment, waiver or other modification to this Agreement that would have the effect of reducing the All-In Yield of the Initial Loans in lieu of a transaction described in clause (a); provided, that the determinations of All-In Yield for any Repricing Transaction shall be made in a manner consistent with generally accepted financial practices and reasonably determined by the

Administrative Agent, and in any event consistent with the second proviso to Section 2.22(a)(v), and shall disregard any fluctuation in any "base" or reference rate; provided, further, that in none of the events in the preceding clauses (a) and (b) shall constitute a Repricing Transaction if effected or consummated in connection with a dividend recapitalization, Change of Control or any Transformational Event. Any determination by the Administrative Agent and the Borrower contemplated by preceding clauses (a) and (b) shall be conclusive and binding on all Lenders, and the Administrative Agent shall have no liability to any Person with respect to such determination absent bad faith, gross negligence or willful misconduct.

"Required Delayed Draw Lenders" means, at any time, Lenders having unused Initial Delayed Draw Term Loan Commitments representing more than 50% of the aggregate unused Initial Delayed Draw Term Loan Commitments.

"Required Excess Cash Flow Percentage" means, as of any date of determination, (a) if the First Lien Leverage Ratio is greater than 3.00:1.00, 50%, (b) if the First Lien Leverage Ratio is less than or equal to 3.00:1.00 and greater than 2.50:1.00, 25% and (c) if the First Lien Leverage Ratio is less than or equal to 2.50:1.00, 0%; it being understood and agreed that, for purposes of this definition as it applies to the determination of the amount of Excess Cash Flow that is required to be applied to prepay the Term Loans under Section 2.11(b)(i) for any Calculation Period, the First Lien Leverage Ratio shall be determined on a Pro Forma Basis as of the last day of the relevant Calculation Period (but without giving effect to the mandatory payment itself from Excess Cash Flow required by Section 2.11(b)(i)).

"Required Facility Lenders" means, with respect to any Credit Facility of any Class, at any time, Lenders having Loans or unused Commitments representing more than 50% of the sum of the total Loans and such unused commitments under such Credit Facility at such time.

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"Required Lenders" means, at any time, Lenders having Loans or unused Commitments representing more than 50% of the sum of the total Loans and such unused Commitments at such time.

"Requirements of Law" means, with respect to any Person, collectively, the common law and all U.S. federal, state, local, foreign, multinational or international laws, statutes, codes, treaties, standards, rules and regulations, guidelines, ordinances, orders, judgments, writs, injunctions, decrees (including administrative or judicial precedents or authorities) and the interpretation or administration thereof by, and other determinations, directives, requirements or requests of any Governmental Authority, in each case whether or not having the force of law and that are applicable to or binding upon such Person or any of its property or to which such Person or any of its property is subject.

"Resolution Authority" means an EEA Resolution Authority or, with respect to any UK Financial Institution, a UK Resolution Authority.

"Responsible Officer" of any Person means the chief executive officer, the president, the chief financial officer, the treasurer, any assistant treasurer, any executive vice president, any senior vice president, any vice president or the chief operating officer of such Person and any other individual or similar official thereof responsible for the administration of the obligations of such Person in respect of this Agreement, and, as to any document delivered on the Closing Date, shall include any secretary or assistant secretary or any other individual or similar official thereof with substantially equivalent responsibilities of a Loan Party and, solely for purposes of notices given pursuant to Article II, any other officer or responsible employee of the applicable Loan Party so designated by any of the foregoing officers in a notice to the Administrative Agent. Any document delivered hereunder that is signed by a Responsible Officer of any Loan Party shall be conclusively presumed to have been authorized by all necessary corporate, partnership and/or other action on the part of such Loan Party, and such Responsible Officer shall be conclusively presumed to have acted on behalf of such Loan Party.

"Responsible Officer Certification" means, with respect to the financial statements for which such certification is required, the certification of a Responsible Officer of the Borrower that such financial statements fairly present, in all material respects, in accordance with GAAP, the consolidated financial condition of the Borrower as at the dates indicated and its consolidated income and cash flows for the periods indicated, subject to changes resulting from audit and normal year-end adjustments.

"Restricted Amount" has the meaning assigned to such term in in Section 2.11(b)(iv)(B).

"Restricted Debt" has the meaning assigned to such term in Section 6.04(b).

"Restricted Debt Payment" has the meaning assigned to such term in Section 6.04(b).

"Restricted Payment" means (a) any dividend or other distribution on account of any shares of any class of the Capital Stock of the Borrower, except a dividend payable solely in shares of Qualified Capital Stock to the holders of such class; (b) any redemption, retirement, sinking fund or similar payment, purchase or other acquisition for value of any shares of any class of the Capital Stock of the Borrower and (c) any payment made to retire, or to obtain the surrender of, any outstanding warrants, options or other rights to acquire shares of any class of the Capital Stock of the Borrower now or hereafter outstanding.

"Restricted Subsidiary" means, as to any Person, any subsidiary of such Person that is not an Unrestricted Subsidiary. Unless otherwise specified, "Restricted Subsidiary" shall mean any Restricted Subsidiary of the Borrower.

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"Retained Excess Cash Flow Amount" means, at any date of determination, an amount, not less than zero and determined on a cumulative basis, that is equal to the aggregate cumulative sum of the Excess Cash Flow that is not required to be applied as a mandatory prepayment under Section 2.11(b)(i) for each Fiscal Year ending after the Closing Date and prior to such date.

"Return Bid" has the meaning assigned to such term in the definition of "Dutch Auction".

"Revolving Lender" means a Lender with any Additional Revolving Commitment or an outstanding Additional Revolving Loan.

"Revolving Loans" means any Additional Revolving Loans and any revolving loans under any other Credit Facility.

"S&P" means Standard & Poor's Financial Services LLC, a subsidiary of S&P Global, Inc. and any successor thereto.

"Sale and Lease-Back Transaction" means the lease of any property (whether real, personal or mixed), whether now owned or hereafter acquired, which the Borrower or the relevant Restricted Subsidiary (a) has sold or transferred or is to sell or to transfer to any other Person (other than the Borrower or any of its Restricted Subsidiaries) and (b) intends to use for substantially the same purpose as the property which has been or is to be sold or transferred by the Borrower or such Restricted Subsidiary to any Person (other than the Borrower or any of its Restricted Subsidiaries) in connection with such lease.

"Sanctions" has the meaning assigned to such term in Section 3.17(a).

"SEC" means the Securities and Exchange Commission, or any Governmental Authority succeeding to any or all of its functions.

"Secured Hedging Obligations" means all Hedging Obligations (other than any Excluded Swap Obligations) under each Hedge Agreement (whether such Hedge Agreement was entered into prior to, on or after the Closing Date) between Holdings, the Borrower or any Restricted Subsidiary and a counterparty that is or becomes an Administrative Agent, a Lender, an Arranger or any Affiliate of the Administrative Agent, a Lender or an Arranger (or any other Person that is designated by the Borrower in writing to the Administrative Agent as a Secured Hedging Obligations counterparty and who is reasonably acceptable to the Administrative Agent), in each case that has been designated to the Administrative Agent in writing by the Borrower as being a Secured Hedging Obligation for purposes of the Loan Documents, it being understood that each counterparty thereto shall be deemed (A) to appoint the Administrative Agent as its non-fiduciary agent under the applicable Loan Documents and (B) to agree to be bound by the provisions of Article VIII, Section 9.03, Section 9.10, Section 9.11 and the Intercreditor Agreement (and any other applicable Acceptable Intercreditor Agreement) as if it were a Lender.

"Secured Leverage Ratio" means the ratio, as of any date of determination, of (a) Consolidated Secured Debt to (b) Consolidated Adjusted EBITDA, in each case for the Borrower and its Restricted Subsidiaries on a consolidated basis.

"Secured Obligations" means all Obligations, together with (a) all Banking Services Obligations and (b) all Secured Hedging Obligations.

"Secured Parties" means (a) the Lenders, (b) the Administrative Agent, (c) each counterparty to a Hedge Agreement
with a Loan Party the obligations under which constitute Secured Hedging Obligations, (d) each provider of Banking Services to any
Loan Party the obligations under which constitute Banking Services Obligations, (e) the Arrangers and (f) the beneficiaries of each
indemnification obligation undertaken by any Loan Party under any Loan Document.

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"Securities" means any stock, shares, units, partnership interests, voting trust certificates, certificates of interest or participation in any profit-sharing agreement or arrangement, options, warrants, bonds, debentures, notes, or other evidences of indebtedness, secured or unsecured, convertible, subordinated or otherwise, or in general any instruments commonly known as "securities" or any certificates of interest, shares or participations in temporary or interim certificates for the purchase or acquisition of, or any right to subscribe to, purchase or acquire, any of the foregoing; provided that "Securities" shall not include any earn-out agreement or obligation or any employee bonus or other incentive compensation plan or agreement.

"Securities Act" means the Securities Act of 1933 and the rules and regulations of the SEC promulgated thereunder.

"Securitization Regulation" means the Regulation (EU) 2017/2402, including (i) any relevant regulatory and/or implementing technical standards or delegated regulation in relation thereto (including any applicable transitional provisions) and (ii) any relevant guidance and policy statements in relation thereto published by the European Banking Authority, the European Securities and Markets Authority, the European Insurance and Occupational Pensions Authority and/or the European Commission; in each case, as amended, supplemented, superseded or modified from time to time.

"Security Agreement" means the Pledge and Security Agreement, substantially in the form of Exhibit I, among the Loan Parties and the Administrative Agent for the benefit of the Secured Parties.

"Senior Note Indenture" means the Indenture for the Senior Notes, dated as of June 30, 2014, among Holdings, the Borrower, the subsidiaries party thereto and Wells Fargo Bank, National Association, as trustee.

"Senior Notes" means the 6.375% senior unsecured notes due 2022 in the aggregate principal amount of \$330,000,000 and the Guarantees thereof.

"SOFR" means, with respect to any Business Day, a rate per annum equal to the secured overnight financing rate for such Business Day published by the SOFR Administrator on the SOFR Administrator's Website on the immediately succeeding Business Day.

"SOFR Administrator" means the Federal Reserve Bank of New York (or a successor administrator of the secured overnight financing rate).

"SOFR Administrator's Website" means the website of the Federal Reserve Bank of New York, currently at http://www.newyorkfed.org, or any successor source for the secured overnight financing rate identified as such by the SOFR Administrator from time to time. "SPC" has the meaning assigned to such term in Section 9.05(e).

"Specified Debt" has the meaning assigned to such term in the definition of "Incremental Cap".

"Specified Merger Agreement Representations" means the representations and warranties made by or on behalf of (or related to) HMAN, its subsidiaries or their respective businesses in the Merger Agreement which are material to the interests of the Lenders, but which are required to be true and correct only to the extent that HMAN (or its applicable Affiliate party to the Merger Agreement) has the right to terminate, taking into account any cure provisions, its obligations under the Merger Agreement or to decline to consummate the Merger as a result of a breach of such representations and warranties.

"Specified Representations" means the representations and warranties set forth in Section 3.01(a)(i), Section 3.01(b) (as it relates to the due authorization, execution, delivery and performance of the Loan Documents and the enforceability thereof), Section 3.02 (as it relates to the due authorization, execution, delivery and performance of the Loan Documents and the enforceability thereof), Section 3.03(b)(i), Section 3.08, Section 3.12, Section 3.14 (as it relates to the creation, validity and perfection of the security interests in the Collateral, subject to the last paragraph of Section 4.01), Section 3.16 and Sections 3.17(a)(ii), (b)(ii) and (c).

"Specified Transaction" means (a) (i) any incurrence or issuance of any Indebtedness (excluding any borrowings under any ABL Facility, Additional Revolving Facility incurred substantially concurrently with such Specified Transaction), and (ii) any Prepayment, redemptions, repurchases and other retirements of any Indebtedness (in the case of any Additional Revolving Facility, to the extent accompanied by a permanent reduction in the commitments thereunder), (b) to the extent applicable in determining the First Lien Leverage Ratio or the Secured Leverage Ratio, the incurrence of any Lien on Collateral, (c) any Permitted Acquisition and any Investment that results in a Person becoming a Restricted Subsidiary, (d) any Restricted Payment, (e) any Restricted Debt Payment, (f) any Disposition, whether by purchase, merger or otherwise, of (i) all or substantially all of the assets of, or any business line, unit or division or product line of, the Borrower or any Restricted Subsidiary, (ii) the Capital Stock of any Restricted Subsidiary that results in such Restricted Subsidiary no longer being a Restricted Subsidiary of the Borrower, or (iii) any asset pursuant to Section 6.07(h) having a Fair Market Value greater than \$50.0 million, (g) to the extent elected by the Borrower to be excluded in calculating Consolidated Adjusted EBITDA, any designation of operations or assets of the Borrower or a Restricted Subsidiary as discontinued operations in accordance with GAAP, (h) solely for the purposes of determining the applicable amount of Cash and Cash Equivalents, any contribution of capital to (and the Net Proceeds from the issuance of any Qualified Capital Stock by) the Borrower or a Restricted Subsidiary, (i) any designation of a Restricted Subsidiary as an Unrestricted Subsidiary or an Unrestricted Subsidiary as a Restricted Subsidiary in compliance with this Agreement, and (j) any other transaction that by the terms of this Agreement requires a financial ratio to be calculated on a Pro Forma Basis or after giving pro forma effect thereto.

"Split Collateral Basis" means, with respect to any ABL Facility, the obligations thereunder are secured by ABL US Priority Collateral (or similar current assets) on a senior priority basis relative to the First Priority Secured Obligations and also secured by all other Collateral on a junior priority basis relative to the First Priority Secured Obligations, in each case, as provided in an ABL Intercreditor Agreement.

"Sponsor" means CCMP Capital Advisors, LLC and any of its controlled Affiliates and funds managed or advised by any of them or any of their respective controlled Affiliates.

"Sponsor Model" means the financial model delivered by the Sponsor to the Arrangers on or about September 15, 2020.

"Subject Default" has the meaning assigned to such term in <u>Section 1.03(e)</u>.

"Subject Loans" means, as of any date of determination, any outstanding Term Loans subject to ratable prepayment requirements in accordance with Section 2.11(b)(vi) on such date of determination.

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"Subject Person" has the meaning assigned to such term in the definition of "Consolidated Net Income".

"Subject Proceeds" has the meaning assigned to such term in Section 2.11(b)(ii).

"Subordinated Indebtedness" means any Indebtedness (other than Indebtedness among Holdings and/or its subsidiaries) of the Borrower or any of its Restricted Subsidiaries that is contractually subordinated in right of payment to the Obligations.

"subsidiary" means, with respect to any Person, any corporation, partnership, limited liability company, association, joint venture or other business entity of which more than 50% of the total voting power of stock or other ownership interests entitled (without regard to the occurrence of any contingency) to vote in the election of the Person or Persons (whether directors, trustees or other Persons performing similar functions) having the power to direct or cause the direction of the management and policies thereof is at the time owned or controlled, directly or indirectly, by such Person or one or more of the other subsidiaries of such Person or a combination thereof, in each case to the extent such entity's financial results are required to be included in such Person's consolidated financial statements under GAAP; provided that in determining the percentage of ownership interests of any Person controlled by another

Person, no ownership interests in the nature of a "qualifying share" of the former Person shall be deemed to be outstanding. Unless otherwise specified, "subsidiary" shall mean any subsidiary of the Borrower.

"Subsidiary Guarantor" means (x) on the Closing Date, each Restricted Subsidiary of the Borrower (other than any subsidiary that is an Excluded Subsidiary or any subsidiary that is not a Domestic Subsidiary) and (y) thereafter, each subsidiary of the Borrower that guarantees the Secured Obligations pursuant to the terms of this Agreement (including each Restricted Subsidiary that is a Discretionary Guarantor), in each case, until such time as the relevant subsidiary is released from its obligations under the Loan Guaranty in accordance with the terms and provisions hereof.

"Successor Borrower" has the meaning assigned to such term in Section 6.07(a).

"Swap Obligations" means, with respect to any Loan Party, any obligation to pay or perform under any agreement, contract or transaction that constitutes a "swap" within the meaning of Section 1a(47) of the Commodity Exchange Act.

"Taxes" means any and all present and future taxes, levies, imposts, duties, deductions, withholdings (including backup withholding), assessments, fees or other charges in the nature of a tax imposed by any Governmental Authority, including any interest, additions to tax or penalties applicable thereto.

"Term Facility" means any facility of any Class of Term Loans provided to or for the benefit of the Borrower pursuant to the terms of this Agreement.

"**Term Lender**" means a Lender with a Commitment to make Term Loans or outstanding Term Loan under any Term Facility.

"Term Loan" means the Initial Term Loans, the Initial Delayed Draw Term Loans, any Additional Term Loans and any term loan under any other Credit Facility.

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"Term SOFR" means, for the applicable Corresponding Tenor as of the applicable Reference Time, the forward-looking term rate based on SOFR that has been selected or recommended by the Relevant Governmental Body.

"Term SOFR Notice" means a notification by the Administrative Agent to the Lenders and the Borrower of the occurrence of a Term SOFR Transition Event.

"Term SOFR Transition Event" means the determination by the Administrative Agent, in consultation with the Borrower, that (a) Term SOFR has been recommended for use by the Relevant Governmental Body and has become the then-prevailing market convention or any evolving market convention that the Administrative Agent and the Borrower reasonably expect to become the prevailing market convention for U.S. dollar-denominated broadly syndicated credit facilities, (b) the administration of Term SOFR is administratively feasible for the Administrative Agent and (c) a Benchmark Transition Event has previously occurred resulting in a Benchmark Replacement in accordance with Section 2.14 that is not Term SOFR.

"Termination Date" means the date that all (if any) Additional Commitments have expired or terminated and the principal of and interest on each Loan and all fees, expenses and other amounts and Obligations payable under any Loan Document (other than (a) contingent indemnification obligations and (b) Banking Services Obligations or Hedging Obligations that are not being terminated as to which arrangements reasonably satisfactory to the applicable counterparty have been made) have been paid in full.

"Test Period" means, as of any date, subject to Section 1.10, the period of four (4) consecutive Fiscal Quarters then most recently ended for which financial statements under Section 5.01(a) or Section 5.01(b), as applicable, have been delivered (or are required to have been delivered); it being understood and agreed that prior to the first delivery of financial statements of Section 5.01(a), "Test Period" means the period of four (4) consecutive Fiscal Quarters in respect of which financial statements were delivered pursuant to Section 4.01(c).

"Threshold Amount" means \$50.0 million.

"Total Leverage Ratio" means the ratio, as of any date of determination, of (a) Consolidated Total Debt to (b) Consolidated Adjusted EBITDA, in each case for the Borrower and its Restricted Subsidiaries on a consolidated basis.

"Trademark" means the following: (a) all trademarks (including service marks), common law marks, trade names, trade dress, domain names and logos, slogans and other indicia of origin under the laws of any jurisdiction in the world, and the registrations and applications for registration thereof and the goodwill of the business connected to the use of and symbolized by the foregoing; (b) all renewals of the foregoing; (c) all income, royalties, damages, and payments now or hereafter due or payable with respect thereto, including, without limitation, damages, claims and payments for past, present and future infringements or dilutions thereof; (d) all rights to sue for past, present, and future infringements or dilutions of any of the foregoing, including the right to settle suits involving claims and demands for royalties owing; and (e) all rights corresponding to any of the foregoing.

"Transaction Costs" means (a) fees, premiums, penalties, breakage costs, interest expense to satisfy and discharge any securities with a redemption date after the Closing Date, expenses and other transaction costs (including original issue discount or upfront fees) payable or otherwise borne by Holdings, the Borrower and its subsidiaries or any Parent Company of the Borrower in connection with the Transactions and the transactions contemplated thereby and (b) any payments to be made after the Closing Date from the proceeds of the Loans, Indebtedness under the ABL Credit Agreement, cash on hand of Holdings, the Borrower and its subsidiaries or any Parent Company of the Borrower.

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"Transactions" means, collectively, (a) the execution, delivery and performance by the Loan Parties of the Loan Documents to which they are a party and the Borrowing of Loans hereunder, (b) the execution, delivery and performance by the Loan Parties of the Loan Documents (as defined in the ABL Credit Agreement) to which they are a party and the incurrence of Indebtedness under the ABL Credit Agreement on the Closing Date, (c) the Merger and the other transactions contemplated by the Merger Agreement, (d) the Refinancing, (e) the Junior Debentures Redemption, (f) the Trust Preferred Redemption, (g) the Landcadia Stock Redemption, (h) the PIPE Investment and (i) the payment of the Transaction Costs.

"Transformational Event" means any acquisition or investment by the Borrower or any Restricted Subsidiary that is (a) not permitted by the terms of this Agreement immediately prior to the consummation of such acquisition or investment, (b) if permitted by the terms of this Agreement immediately prior to the consummation of such acquisition or investment, would not provide the Borrower and its subsidiaries with adequate flexibility under this Agreement for the continuation and/or expansion of their combined operations following such consummation, as determined by the Borrower acting in good faith, or (c) any acquisition or investment involving aggregate consideration in excess of the greater of \$255.0 million and 100% of Consolidated Adjusted EBITDA.

"Treasury Capital Stock" has the meaning assigned to such term in Section 6.04(a)(ix).

"Treasury Regulations" means the U.S. federal income tax regulations promulgated under the Code.

"Trust Preferred Redemption" has the meaning assigned to such term in Section 4.01(p).

"Trust Preferred Securities" means the 11.6% trust preferred securities issued by Hillman Trust pursuant to an amended and restated declaration of trust, dated September 5, 1997, as amended, revised or modified.

"Type", when used in reference to any Loan or Borrowing, refers to whether the rate of interest on such Loan, or on the Loans comprising such Borrowing, is determined by reference to the LIBO Rate or the Alternate Base Rate.

"UCC" means the Uniform Commercial Code as in effect from time to time in the State of New York or any other state the laws of which are required to be applied in connection with the creation or perfection of security interests.

"UK Financial Institution" means any BRRD Undertaking (as such term is defined under the PRA Rulebook (as amended from time to time) promulgated by the United Kingdom Prudential Regulation Authority) or any person falling within IFPRU 11.6 of the FCA Handbook (as amended from time to time) promulgated by the United Kingdom Financial Conduct Authority, which includes certain credit institutions and investment firms, and certain affiliates of such credit institutions or investment firms.

"UK Resolution Authority" means the Bank of England or any other public administrative authority having responsibility for the resolution of any UK Financial Institution.

"Unadjusted Benchmark Replacement" means the applicable Benchmark Replacement excluding the related Benchmark Replacement Adjustment.

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"Unfunded DDTL Commitment Lender" has the meaning assigned to such term in Section 2.07(c).

"Unrestricted Subsidiary" means any subsidiary of the Borrower designated by the Borrower as an Unrestricted Subsidiary on the Closing Date and listed on <u>Schedule 5.10</u> or after the Closing Date pursuant to <u>Section 5.10</u>.

"U.S." means the United States of America.

"U.S. Tax Compliance Certificate" has the meaning assigned to such term in Section 2.17(f).

"USA PATRIOT Act" means the Uniting and Strengthening America by Providing Appropriate Tools Required to Intercept and Obstruct Terrorism Act of 2001 (Title III of Pub. L. No. 107-56 (signed into law October 26, 2001)).

"USD LIBOR" means the London interbank offered rate for Dollars.

"Weighted Average Life to Maturity" means, when applied to any Indebtedness at any date, the number of years obtained by dividing: (a) the sum of the products obtained by multiplying (i) the amount of each then remaining installment, sinking fund, serial maturity or other required scheduled payments of principal, including payment at final maturity, in respect thereof, by (ii) the number of years (calculated to the nearest one-twelfth) that will elapse between such date and the making of such payment; by (b) the then outstanding principal amount of such Indebtedness; provided that the effects of any prepayments made on such Indebtedness shall be disregarded in making such calculation.

"Wholly-Owned Subsidiary" of any Person means a subsidiary of such Person, 100% of the Capital Stock of which (other than directors' qualifying shares or shares required by law to be owned by a resident of the relevant jurisdiction) shall be owned by such Person or by one or more Wholly-Owned Subsidiaries of such Person.

"Write-Down and Conversion Powers" means, (a) with respect to any EEA Resolution Authority, the write-down and conversion powers of such EEA Resolution Authority from time to time under the Bail-In Legislation for the applicable EEA Member Country, which write-down and conversion powers are described in the EU Bail-In Legislation Schedule, and (b) with respect to the United Kingdom, any powers of the applicable Resolution Authority under the Bail-In Legislation to cancel, reduce, modify or change the form of a liability of any UK Financial Institution or any contract or instrument under which that liability arises, to convert all or part of that liability into shares, securities or obligations of that person or any other person, to provide that any such contract or instrument is to have effect as if a right had been exercised under it or to suspend any obligation in respect of that liability or any of the powers under that Bail-In Legislation that are related to or ancillary to any of those powers.

Section 1.02. <u>Classification of Loans and Borrowings</u>. For purposes of this Agreement, Loans may be classified and referred to by Class (*e.g.*, a "Term Loan") or by Type (*e.g.*, a "LIBO Rate Loan") or by Class and Type (*e.g.*, a "LIBO Rate Borrowing") or by Class and Type (*e.g.*, a "LIBO Rate Borrowing") or by Class and Type (*e.g.*, a "LIBO Rate Term Borrowing").

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Section 1.03. <u>Terms Generally.</u>

- (a) The definitions of terms herein shall apply equally to the singular and plural forms of the terms defined. Whenever the context may require, any pronoun shall include the corresponding masculine, feminine and neuter forms.
- (b) The words "include", "includes" and "including" shall be deemed to be followed by the phrase "without limitation". The word "will" shall be construed to have the same meaning and effect as the word "shall".
- (c) Unless the context requires otherwise (i) any definition of or reference to any agreement, instrument or other document herein or in any Loan Document (or any Loan Document (as defined in the ABL Credit Agreement)) shall be construed as referring to such agreement, instrument or other document as from time to time amended, restated, amended and restated, supplemented or otherwise modified or extended, replaced or refinanced (subject to any restrictions or qualifications on such amendments, restatements, amendment and restatements, supplements or modifications or extensions, replacements or refinancings set forth herein), (ii) any reference to any law in any Loan Document shall include all statutory and regulatory provisions consolidating, amending, replacing, supplementing or interpreting such law, (iii) any reference herein or in any Loan Document to any Person shall be construed to include such Person's successors and permitted assigns, (iv) the words "herein", "hereof" and "hereunder", and words of similar import, when used in any Loan Document, shall be construed to refer to such Loan Document in its entirety and not to any particular provision hereof, (v) all references herein or in any Loan Document to Articles, Sections, clauses, paragraphs, Exhibits and Schedules shall be construed to refer to Articles, Sections, clauses and paragraphs of, and Exhibits and Schedules to, such Loan Document, (vi) in the computation of periods of time in any Loan Document from a specified date to a later specified date, the word "from" means "from and including", the words "to" and "until" mean "to but excluding" and the word "through" means "to and including" and (vii) the words "asset" and "property", when used in any Loan Document, shall be construed to have the same meaning and effect and to refer to any and all tangible and intangible assets and properties, including Cash, securities, accounts and contract rights.
- (d) Notwithstanding anything else provided herein or in any other Loan Document, any interest, fee or principal payments on any Indebtedness due and payable (or paid) as of the last Business Day of a calendar month, calendar quarter or calendar year, as applicable, shall be deemed to have been due and payable (or paid) as of the end of the respective fiscal month, Fiscal Quarter or Fiscal Year, as applicable, ended closest to such calendar period for purposes of all calculations of Consolidated Secured Debt, Consolidated First Lien Debt, Consolidated Total Debt, Consolidated Adjusted EBITDA and Excess Cash Flow hereunder.
- Notwithstanding anything to the contrary herein or in any other Loan Document, any Default or Event of Default, other than any Event of Default which cannot be waived without the written consent of each Lender directly and adversely affected thereby, shall be deemed not to be "continuing" or to "exist" if the events, actions, inactions or conditions that gave rise to such Default or Event of Default have been or are deemed to have been remedied or cured (including by payment, delivering notice or taking any action (including if paid, delivered or taken after the specified time for such action or after the expiration of any grace or cure periods therefor), omitting to take any action or unwinding or modifying any prior action or event to the extent necessary for such action or event to be or have been permitted) or have ceased to exist and the Borrower would otherwise have been in compliance with this Agreement but for such Default or Event of Default and the consequences thereof (any such Default or Event of Default, a "Subject Default") and upon any Subject Default having been cured, remedied or waived or deemed to no longer to exist or be continuing or to have been remedied or cured, each other Default or Event of Default that may have resulted from the making or deemed making of any representation or warranty, the taking of any action or the consummation of any transaction due to the continuation or existence of the Subject Default shall automatically be deemed to have been cured and no longer continuing; provided, that the foregoing shall not be applicable with respect to any Default or Event of Default if a "responsible officer" of the Borrower had actual knowledge that such events, actions, inactions or conditions constituted a Default or Event of Default and knowingly failed to give timely notice to the Administrative Agent of such Default or Event of Default required herein.

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## Section 1.04. <u>Accounting Terms; GAAP</u>.

(a) All financial statements to be delivered pursuant to this Agreement shall be prepared in accordance with GAAP as in effect from time to time and, except as otherwise expressly provided herein, all terms of an accounting nature that are used in calculating the Total Leverage Ratio, the First Lien Leverage Ratio, the Secured Leverage Ratio, Consolidated

Adjusted EBITDA or Consolidated Total Assets shall be construed and interpreted in accordance with GAAP, as in effect from time to time (except as otherwise provided in the definition of "GAAP"); provided, that (i) if the Borrower notifies the Administrative Agent that the Borrower requests an amendment to any provision hereof to eliminate the effect of any change occurring after the date of delivery of the financial statements described in Section 3.04(a) in GAAP or in the application thereof (including the conversion to IFRS as described below) on the operation of such provision (or if the Administrative Agent notifies the Borrower that the Required Lenders request an amendment to any provision hereof for such purpose), regardless of whether any such notice is given before or after such change in GAAP or in the application thereof, then such provision shall be interpreted on the basis of GAAP as in effect and applied immediately before such change becomes or became effective until such notice shall have been withdrawn or such provision amended in accordance herewith, and (ii) if such an amendment is requested by the Borrower or the Required Lenders, then the Borrower and the Administrative Agent shall negotiate in good faith to enter into an amendment of the relevant affected provisions (without the payment of any amendment or similar fee to the Lenders) to preserve the original intent thereof in light of such change in GAAP or the application thereof. All terms of an accounting or financial nature used herein shall be construed, and all computations of amounts and ratios referred to herein shall be made without giving effect to (i) any election under Accounting Standards Codification 825-10-25 (previously referred to as Statement of Financial Accounting Standards 159) (or any other Accounting Standards Codification or Financial Accounting Standard having a similar result or effect) to value any Indebtedness or other liabilities of the Borrower or any subsidiary at "fair value", as defined therein and (ii) any treatment of Indebtedness in respect of convertible debt instruments under Accounting Standards Codification 470-20 (or any other Accounting Standards Codification or Financial Accounting Standard having a similar result or effect) to value any such Indebtedness in a reduced or bifurcated manner as described therein, and such Indebtedness shall at all times be valued at the full stated principal amount thereof. If the Borrower notifies the Administrative Agent that the Borrower (or its applicable Parent Company) is required to report under IFRS or has elected to do so through an early adoption policy, thereafter "GAAP" shall mean international financial reporting standards pursuant to IFRS (provided that after such conversion, the Borrower cannot elect to report under GAAP).

(b) Notwithstanding paragraph (a) above, solely for purposes of determining the amount any Capital Lease, Consolidated Interest Expense, Consolidated Total Debt and Indebtedness, GAAP shall exclude the accounting treatment requiring all leases to be reflected as liabilities on the balance sheet and capitalized, and only those leases that would constitute Capital Leases in conformity with GAAP prior to the implementation of such accounting treatment shall be considered Capital Leases, and all calculations and determinations under this Agreement or any other Loan Document shall be made in a manner consistent therewith.

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Section 1.05. <u>Effectuation of Transactions</u>. Each of the representations and warranties contained in this Agreement (and all corresponding definitions) is made after giving effect to the Transactions, unless the context otherwise requires.

Section 1.06. <u>Timing of Payment of Performance</u>. Subject to the definitions of Interest Payment Date and Interest Period, when payment of any obligation or the performance of any covenant, duty or obligation is stated to be due or required on a day which is not a Business Day, the date of such payment (other than as described in the definition of "Interest Period") or performance shall extend to the immediately succeeding Business Day, and, in the case of any payment accruing interest, interest thereon shall be payable for the period of such extension.

Section 1.07. <u>Times of Day</u>. Unless otherwise specified, all references herein to times of day shall be references to New York City time (daylight or standard, as applicable).

Section 1.08. <u>Currency Generally.</u>

(a) Subject to <u>clause (b)</u> of this <u>Section 1.08</u>, for purposes of any determination hereunder (other than the calculation of compliance with any financial ratio) with respect to any Specified Transaction, any other transaction or utilization or other measurement or calculation of any transaction or action in a currency other than Dollars, (i) the Dollar equivalent amount of such Specified Transaction, any other transaction or utilization or other measurement or calculation of any transaction or action shall be calculated based on a currency exchange rate determined by the Borrower in good faith in effect on the date of such applicable transaction, utilization, measurement or calculation (or such other date as the

Borrower determines in good faith is the appropriate calculation date, including, at the election of the Borrower, the applicable LCT Test Date for a Limited Condition Transaction); provided, that in the case of the incurrence of Indebtedness under any revolving credit or delayed draw facility, the Borrower may instead elect to use the currency exchange rate in effect on the date such indebtedness was first committed or first incurred (whichever yields the lower Dollar equivalent); provided that if any Indebtedness is incurred (and, if applicable, associated Lien granted) to refinance or replace other Indebtedness denominated in a currency other than Dollars, and the relevant refinancing or replacement would cause the applicable Dollar-denominated restriction to be exceeded if calculated at the relevant currency exchange rate in effect on the date of such refinancing or replacement, such Dollar-denominated restriction shall be deemed not to have been exceeded so long as the principal amount of such refinancing or replacement Indebtedness (and, if applicable, associated Lien granted) does not exceed an amount sufficient to repay the principal amount of such Indebtedness being refinanced or replaced, except by an amount equal to (x) unpaid accrued interest and premiums (including tender premiums) thereon plus other reasonable and customary fees and expenses (including upfront fees and original issue discount) incurred in connection with such refinancing or replacement, (y) any existing commitments unutilized thereunder and (z) additional amounts permitted to be incurred under Section 6.01 and (ii) for the avoidance of doubt, no Default or Event of Default shall be deemed to have occurred solely as a result of a change in the rate of currency exchange occurring after the time of any Specified Transaction, any other transaction or utilization or other measurement or calculation of any transaction or action.

(b) Each provision of this Agreement shall be subject to such reasonable changes of construction as the Administrative Agent may from time to time specify with the Borrower's consent to appropriately reflect a change in currency of any country and any relevant market convention or practice relating to such change in currency.

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Section 1.09. <u>Cashless Rollovers</u>. Notwithstanding anything to the contrary contained in this Agreement or in any other Loan Document, to the extent that any Lender extends the maturity date of, or replaces, renews or refinances, any of its then-existing Loans with Incremental Loans, Replacement Term Loans, Loans in connection with any Replacement Revolving Facility, Extended Term Loans, Extended Revolving Loans or loans incurred under a new credit facility, in each case, to the extent such extension, replacement, renewal or refinancing is effected by means of a "cashless roll" by such Lender, such extension, replacement, renewal or refinancing shall be deemed to comply with any requirement hereunder or any other Loan Document that such payment be made "in Dollars", "in immediately available funds", "in Cash" or any other similar requirement.

# Section 1.10. <u>Certain Conditions, Calculations and Tests.</u>

Notwithstanding anything to the contrary herein, with respect to any intended acquisition, Investment (other than Investments in the Borrower or any Restricted Subsidiary), Restricted Payment and/or Restricted Debt Payment (each, taken together with any related actions and transactions (including, in the case of any Indebtedness (including any Incremental Facilities), the incurrence, repayment and other intended uses of proceeds), a "Limited Condition Transaction"), to the extent that the terms of this Agreement require satisfaction of, or compliance with, any condition, test or requirement, in order to effect, incur or consummate such Limited Condition Transaction (including (w) compliance with any financial ratio or test (including, without limitation, Sections 2.22, Section 4.02 and Article VI, any First Lien Leverage Ratio, any Secured Leverage Ratio, any Total Leverage Ratio, any Net Interest Coverage Ratio and/or the amount of Consolidated Adjusted EBITDA or Consolidated Total Assets (including any component definitions of the foregoing)), (x) the making or accuracy of any representations and warranties, (y) the absence of a Default or Event of Default (or any type of Default or Event of Default) and/or (z) any other condition, test or requirement), at the election of the Borrower (a "LCT Election"), the date of determination of whether any relevant conditions, tests and requirements are satisfied or complied with shall be made on, and shall be deemed to be, the date (the "LCT Test Date") that the definitive agreements for such Limited Condition Transaction are entered into (or, if applicable, delivery of notice of redemption, Prepayment, declaration of dividend or similar event), giving pro forma effect to such Limited Condition Transaction (including any related actions and transactions) pursuant to this Section 1.10. If the Borrower has made an LCT Election for any Limited Condition Transaction and such Limited Condition Transaction (including any related actions and transactions) would be permitted on the LCT Test Date, (i) each such condition, test and requirement shall be deemed satisfied and complied with for all purposes of such Limited Condition Transaction and (ii) any change in status of any such condition, test and requirement between the LCT Test Date and the taking of the relevant actions or consummation of the relevant transactions such that any applicable financial ratios or tests, baskets, conditions, requirements or provisions would be exceeded, breached or otherwise no longer complied with or satisfied for any reason (including due to fluctuations in Consolidated Adjusted EBITDA or Consolidated Total Assets or the Person subject to such

Limited Condition Transaction) shall be disregarded such that all financial ratios or tests, baskets, conditions, requirements or provisions shall continue to be deemed complied with and satisfied for all purposes of such Limited Condition Transaction, all applicable transactions and actions will permitted and no Default or Event of Default shall be deemed to exist or to have occurred or resulted from such change in status or Limited Condition Transaction; provided, that (A) if financial statements for one or more subsequent fiscal quarters shall have become available subsequent to the LCT Test Date, the Borrower may elect, in its sole discretion, to re-determine all financial ratios or tests, baskets, conditions, requirements or provisions on the basis of such financial statements, in which case, such date of redetermination shall thereafter be deemed to be the applicable LCT Test Date for purposes of such ratios, tests or baskets, and (B) except as contemplated in the foregoing clause (A), compliance with such financial ratios or tests, baskets, conditions, requirements or provisions shall not be determined or tested at any time for purposes of such Limited Condition Transaction after the applicable LCT Test Date. If the Borrower has made an LCT Election, then in connection with any subsequent calculation of any financial ratios or tests (including any Incurrence-Based Baskets), thresholds and availability (including under any Fixed Basket) under this Agreement with respect to any unrelated transactions or actions on or following the applicable LCT Test Date and prior to the earlier of the date on which such Limited Condition Transaction is consummated or the definitive agreement (or, if applicable, notice, declaration or similar event) for such Limited Condition Transaction is terminated or expires without consummation of such Limited Condition Transaction, any financial ratios or tests, thresholds and availability shall be determined assuming such Limited Condition Transaction (including any related actions and transactions) had been consummated.

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(b) For purposes of determining the permissibility of any action, change, transaction or event or compliance with any term that requires a calculation of any financial ratio or test (including, without limitation, Sections 2.22, 2.23, 4.02 and Article VI, any First Lien Leverage Ratio, any Secured Leverage Ratio, any Total Leverage Ratio, any Net Interest Coverage Ratio and/or the amount or percentage of Consolidated Adjusted EBITDA or Consolidated Total Assets (including any component definitions of the foregoing and for the avoidance of doubt, notwithstanding clause (k) of the definition of "Consolidated Net Income", which shall be disregarded)), (i) Specified Transactions that have been made during the applicable Test Period (or, except as provided in Section 1.10(c), subsequent to such Test Period and prior to or simultaneously with the event for which the calculation of any such ratio is made) and any Limited Condition Transaction (including any related actions and transactions) shall be calculated on a Pro Forma Basis and be given pro forma effect assuming that all such Specified Transactions (including any related actions and transactions) and Limited Condition Transactions had occurred on the first day of the applicable Test Period (or, in the case of Consolidated Total Assets and Consolidated Total Debt, on the last date of the applicable Test Period) in good faith by a Responsible Officer of the Borrower and include, for the avoidance of doubt, the amount of "run-rate" cost savings (including sourcing and supply chain savings), operating expense reductions, operating, revenue and productivity improvements and synergies projected by the Borrower in good faith in a manner consistent with, and without duplication of, clause (b)(xi) of the definition of "Consolidated Adjusted EBITDA" (calculated on a Pro Forma Basis and given pro forma effect as though such "run-rate" cost savings (including sourcing and supply chain savings), operating expense reductions, operating, revenue and productivity improvements and synergies had been realized on the first day of such period for the entirety of such period), and any such adjustments shall be included in the initial pro forma calculations of such financial ratios or tests and during any subsequent Test Period in a manner consistent with, and without duplication of, clause (b)(xi) of the definition of "Consolidated Adjusted EBITDA", whether through a pro forma adjustment or otherwise, and (ii) any borrowings under any revolving facility made subsequent to the end of the applicable Test Period incurred substantially concurrently with the applicable Specified Transaction or used for working capital needs and capital expenditures shall be disregarded and excluded from such pro forma calculation.

(c) The calculation of any financial ratio or test (including, without limitation, Sections 2.22, 2.23, 4.02 and Article VI, any First Lien Leverage Ratio, any Secured Leverage Ratio, any Total Leverage Ratio, any Net Interest Coverage Ratio and/or the amount or percentage of Consolidated Adjusted EBITDA or Consolidated Total Assets (including any component definitions of the foregoing and for the avoidance of doubt, notwithstanding clause (k) of the definition of "Consolidated Net Income", which shall be disregarded)) shall be based on the most recently ended Test Period for which internal financial statements are available (as determined in good faith by the Borrower); provided, that, for purposes of the definition of "Applicable Rate", (i) to the extent any Specified Transactions were made subsequent to the end of the applicable Test Period, such Specified Transactions shall not be given pro forma effect or be calculated on a Pro Forma Basis, and (ii) such financial ratio or test shall be based on the most recently ended Test Period for which financial statements have been delivered pursuant to Section 5.01(a) or (b) or referred to in Section 4.01(c), as applicable.

- (d) The principal amount of any non-interest bearing Indebtedness or other discount security constituting Indebtedness at any date shall be the principal amount thereof that would be shown on a balance sheet of the Borrower dated such date prepared in accordance with GAAP. If any Indebtedness bears a floating rate of interest and is being calculated on a Pro Forma Basis or being given *pro forma effect*, the interest on such Indebtedness attributable to any period subsequent to such Test Period and prior to or simultaneously with the event for which the calculation of any such ratio is made shall be calculated for as if the rate in effect on the date of the event for which the calculation is made had been the applicable rate for the entire period (taking into account any hedging obligations applicable to such Indebtedness). Interest on a Capital Lease obligation shall be deemed to accrue at an interest rate reasonably determined by a Responsible Officer of the Borrower to be the rate of interest implicit in such Capital Lease obligation in accordance with GAAP. Any calculation of the Net Interest Coverage Ratio on a Pro Forma Basis will be calculated using an assumed interest rate in determining Consolidated Interest Expense based on the indicative interest margin contained in any financing commitment documentation with respect to such Indebtedness or, if no such indicative interest margin exists, as reasonably determined by the Borrower in good faith.
- (e) The increase in amounts secured by Liens by virtue of accrual of interest, the accretion of accreted value, the payment of interest or dividends in the form of additional Indebtedness, amortization of original issue discount and increases in the amount of Indebtedness outstanding solely as a result of fluctuations in the exchange rate of currencies will not be deemed to be an incurrence of Liens for purposes of Section 6.02.
- For purposes of determining compliance at any time with the provisions of this Agreement, in the (f) event that any Indebtedness (including any Incremental Facility and Incremental Equivalent Debt), Lien, Restricted Payment, Restricted Debt Payment, Investment, Disposition or Affiliate transaction or other transaction, as applicable, meets the criteria of more than one category (or subcategory within any category) of exceptions, thresholds, baskets, or other provisions of transactions or items permitted pursuant to any clause of Article VI (other than Sections 6.01(a) and (x)), any component (or subcomponent) in the definition of "Incremental Cap" or any other provision of this Agreement, the Borrower, in its sole discretion, may, at any time, classify or reclassify (on one or more occasions) and/or divide or re-divide (on one or more occasions) such transaction or item (or portion thereof) among one or more such categories of exceptions, thresholds, baskets or provisions, as elected by the Borrower in its sole discretion other than the Initial Term Loans and the "Revolving Loans" (as defined in the ABL Credit Agreement) outstanding on the Closing Date and any refinancing indebtedness in respect thereof which may not be reclassified. It is understood and agreed that any Indebtedness (including any Incremental Facility and Incremental Equivalent Debt), Lien, Restricted Payment, Restricted Debt Payment, Investment, Disposition or Affiliate transaction or other transaction need not be permitted solely by reference to one category (or subcategory) of exceptions, thresholds, baskets or provisions permitting such Indebtedness, Lien, Restricted Payment, Restricted Debt Payment, Investment, Disposition and/or Affiliate transaction under Article VI (other than Sections 6.01(a) and (x)), any component (or subcomponent) in the definition of "Incremental Cap" or any other provision of this Agreement, but may instead be permitted in part under any combination thereof. Upon delivery of financial statements following any initial classification and division (or any subsequent reclassification and re-division), if any applicable financial ratios for any Incurrence-Based Baskets would then be satisfied for the incurrence of such Indebtedness (including any Incremental Facility and Incremental Equivalent Debt), Lien, Restricted Debt Payment, Investment, Disposition or Affiliate transaction, any amount thereof under any Fixed Basket shall automatically be deemed reclassified and re-divided as incurred under any available Incurrence-Based Baskets to the extent not previously elected by the Borrower and will be deemed to have been incurred, issued, made or taken first, to the extent available, pursuant to any available Incurrence-Based Baskets as set forth above without utilization of any Fixed Basket.

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(g) With respect to any amounts incurred or transactions entered into or consummated (including any Indebtedness (including any Incremental Facility and Incremental Equivalent Debt), Lien, Restricted Payment, Restricted Debt Payment, Investment, Disposition or Affiliate transaction or other transaction), in reliance on a combination of Fixed Baskets and Incurrence-Based Baskets, it is understood and agreed that (i) the Incurrence-Based Baskets shall first be calculated without giving effect to any Fixed Baskets being relied upon for any portion of such incurrence or transactions (*i.e.*, the portion of such incurrence or transaction in reliance on all Fixed Baskets shall be disregarded in the calculation of the financial ratio applicable

to the Incurrence-Based Baskets, but full *pro forma* effect shall otherwise be given thereto and to all other applicable and related transactions (including, in the case of Indebtedness, the intended use of the aggregate proceeds of Indebtedness being incurred in reliance on a combination of Fixed Baskets and Incurrence-Based Baskets, but without "netting" the Cash proceeds of such Indebtedness) and all other permitted *pro forma adjustments* (except that the incurrence of any borrowings under any revolving credit facility shall be disregarded as set forth in Section 1.10(b)) and (ii) thereafter, the incurrence of the portion of such amounts or other applicable transaction to be entered into in reliance on any Fixed Baskets shall be calculated (and may subsequently be reclassified into Incurrence-Based Baskets in accordance with Section 1.10(f)). For example, in calculating the maximum amount of Indebtedness permitted to be incurred under Fixed Baskets and Incurrence-Based Baskets in Section 6.01 in connection with an acquisition, only the portion of such Indebtedness intended to be incurred under Incurrence-Based Baskets shall be included in the calculation of financial ratios (and the portion of such Indebtedness intended to be incurred under Fixed Baskets shall be deemed to not have been incurred in calculating such financial ratios), but *pro forma* effect shall be given to the use of proceeds from the entire amount of Indebtedness intended to be incurred under both the Fixed Baskets and Incurrence-Based Baskets, the consummation of the acquisitions and any related repayments of Indebtedness.

Section 1.11. Rounding. Any financial ratios required to be maintained by the Borrower pursuant to this Agreement (or required to be satisfied in order for a specific action to be permitted under this Agreement) shall be calculated by dividing the appropriate component by the other component, carrying the result to one place more than the number of places by which such ratio is expressed herein and rounding the result up or down to the nearest number (with a rounding-up for five).

Section 1.12. <u>Divisions.</u> For all purposes under the Loan Documents, in connection with any division or plan of division under Delaware law (or any comparable event under a different jurisdiction's laws): (a) if any asset, right, obligation or liability of any Person becomes the asset, right, obligation or liability of a different Person, then it shall be deemed to have been transferred from the original Person to the subsequent Person, and (b) if any new Person comes into existence, such new Person shall be deemed to have been organized on the first date of its existence by the holders of its Capital Stock at such time.

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## ARTICLE II

#### THE CREDITS

Section 2.01. Commitments.

- (a) Subject to the terms and conditions set forth herein:
- (i) Each Initial Term Lender severally, and not jointly, agrees to make Initial Term Loans to the Borrower on the Closing Date in Dollars in a principal amount not to exceed its Initial Term Loan Commitment. Amounts repaid or prepaid in respect of such Initial Term Loans may not be re-borrowed.
- (ii) Each Initial Delayed Draw Term Lender severally, and not jointly, agrees to make Initial Delayed Draw Term Loans to the Borrower in Dollars in a principal amount not to exceed its Initial Delayed Draw Term Loan Commitment at any time and from time to time on and after the Closing Date, and until the Initial Delayed Draw Term Loan Commitment Expiration Date. The funded Initial Delayed Draw Term Loans and Initial Term Loans are the same Class of Term Loans for purposes under this Agreement. Amounts repaid or prepaid in respect of such Initial Delayed Draw Term Loans may not be re-borrowed.
  - (b) Subject to the terms and conditions of this Agreement, each Lender and each Additional Lender with an Additional Term Commitment for a given Class of Incremental Term Loans severally, and not jointly, agrees to make Additional Term Loans of such Class to the Borrower, which Additional Term Loans shall not exceed for any such Lender or Additional Lender at the time of any incurrence thereof, the Additional Term Commitment of such Lender or Additional Lender for such Class on the respective date of borrowing of such Additional Term Loans. Amounts repaid or prepaid in respect of such Additional Term Loans may not be re-borrowed.

Section 2.02. <u>Loans and Borrowings</u>.

- (a) Each Loan shall be made as part of a Borrowing consisting of Loans of the same Class and Type made by the Lenders ratably in accordance with their respective Commitments of the applicable Class.
- (b) Subject to Section 2.01 and Section 2.14, each Borrowing shall be comprised entirely of ABR Loans or LIBO Rate Loans as the Borrower may request in accordance herewith. Each Lender at its option may make any LIBO Rate Loan by causing any domestic or foreign branch or Affiliate of such Lender to make such Loan; provided that (i) any exercise of such option shall not affect the obligation of the Borrower to repay such Loan in accordance with the terms of this Agreement, (ii) such LIBO Rate Loan shall be deemed to have been made and held by such Lender, and the obligation of the Borrower to repay such LIBO Rate Loan shall nevertheless be to such Lender for the account of such domestic or foreign branch or Affiliate of such Lender and (iii) in exercising such option, such Lender shall use reasonable efforts to minimize increased costs to the Borrower resulting therefrom (which obligation of such Lender shall not require it to take, or refrain from taking, actions that it determines would result in increased costs for which it will not be compensated hereunder or that it otherwise determines would be disadvantageous to it and in the event of such request for costs for which compensation is provided under this Agreement, the provisions of Section 2.15 shall apply); provided further that any such domestic or foreign branch or Affiliate of such Lender shall not be entitled to any greater indemnification under Section 2.17 with respect to such LIBO Rate Loan than that to which the applicable Lender was entitled on the date on which such Loan was made (except in connection with any indemnification entitlement arising as a result of a Change in Law after the date on which such Loan was made).

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- (c) The Initial Delayed Draw Term Loans may be borrowed in one or more drawings commencing on the Closing Date until the date that is the earlier of (x) twenty-four (24) months after the Closing Date and (y) the date on which the Initial Delayed Draw Term Loan Commitments are reduced to zero (the "Initial Delayed Draw Term Loan Commitment Expiration Date") and each Borrowing in respect thereof shall comprise an aggregate principal amount that is not less than \$5,000,000.
- (d) The availability and funding of Initial Delayed Draw Term Loans shall, to the extent used as contemplated by <u>clause (ii)</u> under <u>Section 5.11(b)</u>, (i) be subject to customary "SunGard" conditionality provisions and limitations, including in a manner consistent with <u>Section 4.01</u>, and (ii) if elected by the Borrower, shall be subject to <u>Section 1.10(a)</u>. If the Borrower has made an LCT Election prior to the Initial Delayed Draw Term Loan Commitment Expiration Date with respect to any Permitted Acquisition or similar Investment (and related transactions) that the Borrower in good faith believes may be consummated after the Initial Delayed Draw Term Loan Commitment Expiration Date, the associated Initial Delayed Draw Term Loans may be funded into escrow on the Initial Delayed Draw Term Loan Commitment Expiration Date pending the consummation of such Permitted Acquisition or similar Investment (and related transactions), subject to terms and conditions reasonably acceptable to the Administrative Agent and the Borrower.

Section 2.03. Requests for Borrowings. Each Borrowing in respect of any Term Facility, each Borrowing in respect of any Additional Revolving Facility, each conversion of Term Loans or Revolving Loans from one Type to the other, and each continuation of LIBO Rate Loans shall be made upon irrevocable notice by the Borrower to the Administrative Agent (provided that notices in respect of Term Loan Borrowings and/or Additional Revolving Loan Borrowing (x) to be made on the Closing Date may be conditioned on the closing of the Merger and (y) to be made in connection with any permitted acquisition, investment or irrevocable repayment or redemption of Indebtedness may be conditioned on the closing of such acquisition, investment or repayment or redemption of Indebtedness). Each such notice must be in writing or by telephone (and promptly confirmed in writing) and must be received by the Administrative Agent (by hand delivery, fax or other electronic transmission (including ".pdf" or ".tiff")) not later than (i) 2:00 p.m. three (3) Business Days prior to the requested day of any Borrowing, conversion or continuation of LIBO Rate Loans (or one (1) Business Day in the case of any Borrowing of LIBO Rate Loans to be made on the Closing Date) or (ii) 11:00 a.m. on the requested date of any Borrowing of ABR Loans (or, in each case, such later time as shall be acceptable to the Administrative Agent); provided, however, that (x) if the Borrower wishes to request Initial Delayed Draw Term Loans, the applicable notice from the Borrower must be received by the Administrative Agent not later than (i) 2:00 p.m. three (3) Business Days prior to the requested date of such Borrowing of LIBO Rate Loans or (ii) 2:00 p.m. one (1) Business Day to prior the requested date of such Borrowing of ABR Loans (or, in each case, such later time as shall be acceptable to the Administrative Agent), whereupon the Administrative Agent shall give prompt notice to the appropriate Lenders of such request and (y) if the Borrower wishes to request LIBO Rate Loans having an Interest Period of other than one (1), two (2), three (3) or six (6) months in duration as provided in the definition of "Interest Period", (A) the applicable notice from the Borrower must be received by the Administrative Agent not later than 2:00 p.m. four (4) Business Days prior to the requested date of such Borrowing, conversion or continuation (or such later time as shall be reasonably acceptable to the Administrative Agent), whereupon the Administrative Agent shall give prompt notice to the appropriate Lenders of such request and determine whether the requested Interest Period is acceptable to them and (B) not later than 12:00 p.m. three (3) Business Days before the requested date of such Borrowing, conversion or continuation, the Administrative Agent shall notify the Borrower whether or not the requested Interest Period is available to the appropriate Lenders. Each written notice (or confirmation of telephonic notice) with respect to a Borrowing by the Borrower pursuant to this Section 2.03 shall be delivered to the Administrative Agent in the form of a written Borrowing Request or such other form as may be approved by the Administrative Agent (including any form on an electronic platform or electronic transmission system as shall be approved by the Administrative Agent), appropriately completed and signed by a Responsible Officer of the Borrower. Each such telephonic and written Borrowing Request shall specify the following information in compliance with Section 2.02:

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- (a) the Class of such Borrowing;
- (b) the aggregate amount of the requested Borrowing;
- (c) the date of such Borrowing, which shall be a Business Day;
- (d) whether such Borrowing is to be an ABR Borrowing or a LIBO Rate Borrowing;
- (e) in the case of a LIBO Rate Borrowing, the initial Interest Period to be applicable thereto, which shall be a period contemplated by the definition of the term "Interest Period"; and
- (f) the location and number of the Borrower's account or any other designated account(s) to which funds are to be disbursed (the "Funding Account").

If no election as to the Type of Borrowing is specified, then the requested Borrowing shall be an ABR Borrowing. If no Interest Period is specified with respect to any requested LIBO Rate Borrowing, then the Borrower shall be deemed to have selected an Interest Period of one (1) month's duration. The Administrative Agent shall advise each Lender of the details thereof and of the amount of the Loan to be made as part of the requested Borrowing (x) in the case of any ABR Borrowing, on the same Business Day of receipt of a Borrowing Request in accordance with this Section 2.03 or (y) in the case of any LIBO Rate Borrowing, no later than one (1) Business Day following receipt of a Borrowing Request in accordance with this Section 2.03.

Section 2.04. [Reserved].

Section 2.05. [Reserved].

Section 2.06. [Reserved].

Section 2.07. Funding of Borrowings.

(a) Each Lender shall make each Loan of any Class to be made by it hereunder on the proposed date thereof by wire transfer of immediately available funds by 2:00 p.m. to the account of the Administrative Agent most recently designated by it for such purpose by notice to the Lenders of such Class in an amount equal to such Lender's respective Applicable Percentage for such Class. The Administrative Agent will make such Loans available to the Borrower by promptly crediting the amounts so received, in like funds, to the Funding Account or as otherwise directed by the Borrower.

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(b) Unless the Administrative Agent has received notice from any Lender prior to the proposed date of any Borrowing that such Lender will not make available to the Administrative Agent such Lender's share of such Borrowing,

the Administrative Agent may assume that such Lender has made such share available on such date in accordance with paragraph (a) of this Section 2.07 and may, in reliance upon such assumption, make available to the Borrower a corresponding amount. In such event, if any Lender has not in fact made its share of the applicable Borrowing available to the Administrative Agent, then the applicable Lender and the Borrower severally agree to pay to the Administrative Agent forthwith on demand (without duplication) such corresponding amount with interest thereon, for each day from and including the date such amount is made available to the Borrower to but excluding the date of payment to the Administrative Agent, at (i) in the case of such Lender, the greater of the Federal Funds Effective Rate and a rate determined by the Administrative Agent in accordance with banking industry rules on interbank compensation or (ii) in the case of the Borrower, the interest rate applicable to Loans comprising such Borrowing at such time. If such Lender pays such amount to the Administrative Agent, then such amount shall constitute such Lender's Loan included in such Borrowing and the Borrower's obligation to repay the Administrative Agent such corresponding amount pursuant to this Section 2.07(b) shall cease. If the Borrower pays such amount to the Administrative Agent, the amount so paid shall constitute a repayment of such Borrowing by such amount. Nothing herein shall be deemed to relieve any Lender from its obligation to fulfill its Commitment or to prejudice any rights which the Administrative Agent or the Borrower or any other Loan Party may have against any Lender as a result of any default by such Lender hereunder.

Unless the Administrative Agent shall have received notice from a Lender holding Initial Delayed (c) Draw Term Loan Commitments prior to the date of any Borrowing of Initial Delayed Draw Term Loans that such Lender will not make available to the Administrative Agent such Lender's pro rata share of such Borrowing, the Administrative Agent may assume that such Lender has made such pro rata share available to the Administrative Agent on the date of such Borrowing, and the Administrative Agent may in its sole discretion, in reliance upon such assumption, make available to the Borrower on such date a corresponding amount. In the event that the Administrative Agent has elected to make available to the Borrower any portion of the Initial Delayed Draw Term Loans and any Lender with an Initial Delayed Draw Term Loan Commitment has failed to fund its portion thereof on the date and time required by this Agreement (any such Lender, the "Unfunded DDTL Commitment Lender" and, any such Delayed Draw Term Loans provided by the Administrative Agent, the "Fronted Delayed Draw Term Loans"), until the time that such Unfunded DDTL Commitment Lender has funded its portion of any Fronted Delayed Draw Term Loans and reimbursed the Administrative Agent, the Administrative Agent shall be entitled to receive any interest accruing applicable to such unfunded Fronted Delayed Draw Term Loans and shall be entitled to retain the Delayed Draw Upfront Fee applicable to such Initial Delayed Draw Term Loan Commitments. Upon funding by the relevant Unfunded DDTL Commitment Lender of any Fronted Delayed Draw Term Loans, (x) the proceeds of such funded Fronted Delayed Draw Term Loans shall be retained by the Administrative Agent, (y) the Administrative Agent shall remit the Delayed Draw Upfront Fee to such Unfunded DDTL Commitment Lender and (z) interest applicable to such funded Fronted Delayed Draw Term Loans commencing with the date of such funding shall thereafter accrue to such Unfunded DDTL Commitment Lender. Additionally, if any Unfunded DDTL Commitment Lender becomes a Defaulting Lender, then such Unfunded DDTL Commitment Lender's Fronted Delayed Draw Term Loans may be assigned (or if the Unfunded DDTL Commitment Lender becomes a Defaulting Lender pursuant to clause (d) of the definition thereof, shall be assigned) to the Administrative Agent without any further action by any party and the Administrative Agent shall be the "Lender" with respect to such Fronted Delayed Draw Term Loans for all purposes hereof and the Administrative Agent shall be entitled to retain the Delayed Draw Upfront Fee. Each Lender hereby irrevocably appoints the Administrative Agent (such appointment being coupled with an interest) as such Lender's attorney-in-fact, with full authority in the place and stead of such Lender and in the name of such Lender, from time to time in the Administrative Agent's discretion, with prior written notice to such Lender, to take any action and to execute any such Assignment and Assumption or other instrument that the Administrative Agent may deem reasonably necessary to carry out the provisions of this Section 2.07(c). To the extent that the Administrative Agent has funded Fronted Delayed Draw Term Loans on behalf of any Unfunded DDTL Commitment Lender, such Unfunded DDTL Commitment Lender shall not constitute a Defaulting Lender pursuant to clause (a) of the definition thereof.

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(d) If a payment is made by the Administrative Agent (or its Affiliates) in error (as determined by the Administrative Agent and whether known to the recipient or not) in excess of the amount of any payment actually made by, or on behalf of, the Borrower if in respect of the Obligations or if a Lender is not otherwise entitled to receive such funds at such time of such payment, which payment was not intended for such Lender under the Loan Documents, then such Lender shall forthwith on demand repay to the Administrative Agent the portion of such payment that was made in error (or otherwise not intended (as determined by the Administrative Agent) to be received) in same day funds, together with interest thereon in respect of each day from and including the date such amount was made available by the Administrative Agent (or

its Affiliate) to such Lender to the date such amount is repaid to the Administrative Agent (or its Affiliate) in same day funds at the Federal Funds Effective Rate from time to time in effect; provided that the Administrative Agent shall have notified such Lender of such payment within two (2) Business Days after the making thereof. Each Lender that fails to return such amounts to the Administrative Agent within one (1) Business Day after receipt of such notice shall be a Defaulting Lender for all purposes under this Agreement, and each Lender hereby agrees that the Administrative Agent (or its Affiliate) is authorized at any time and from time to time thereafter, to the fullest extent permitted by law, to set off and apply any and all deposits of such Lender (general or special, time or demand, provisional or final) at any time held by the Administrative Agent (or its Affiliate, including by branches and agencies of the Administrative Agent, wherever located) for the account of such Lender against any such amounts. Each Lender irrevocably waives the discharge for value defense in respect of any such payment. Notwithstanding anything to the contrary herein or in any other Loan Document, the Borrower and the Loan Parties shall have no obligations, liabilities or responsibilities for any actions, consequences or remediation (including the repayment or recovery of any amounts) contemplated by this Section 2.07(d).

## Section 2.08. <u>Type; Interest Elections.</u>

(a) Each Borrowing initially shall be of the Type specified in the applicable Borrowing Request and, in the case of a LIBO Rate Borrowing, shall have an initial Interest Period as specified in such Borrowing Request. Thereafter, the Borrower may elect to convert any Borrowing to a Borrowing of a different Type or to continue such Borrowing and, in the case of a LIBO Rate Borrowing, may elect Interest Periods therefor, all as provided in this Section 2.08. The Borrower may elect different options with respect to different portions of the affected Borrowing, in which case each such portion shall be allocated ratably among the Lenders for the relevant Class based upon their Applicable Percentages for such Class and the Loans of such Class comprising each such portion shall be considered a separate Borrowing.

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- (b) To make an election pursuant to this <u>Section 2.08</u>, the Borrower shall notify the Administrative Agent of such election either in writing (by hand delivery, fax or other electronic transmission (including ".pdf" or ".tiff")) or by telephone by the time that a Borrowing Request would be required under <u>Section 2.03</u> if the Borrower were requesting a Borrowing of the Type resulting from such election to be made on the effective date of such election. Each such telephonic Interest Election Request shall be irrevocable and shall be confirmed promptly by hand delivery, fax or other electronic transmission (including ".pdf" or ".tiff") to the Administrative Agent of a written Interest Election Request signed by a Responsible Officer of the Borrower.
- (c) Each telephonic and written Interest Election Request shall specify the following information in compliance with Section 2.02:
  - (i) the Borrowing to which such Interest Election Request applies and, if different options are being elected with respect to different portions thereof, the portions thereof to be allocated to each resulting Borrowing (in which case the information to be specified pursuant to <u>clauses (iii)</u> and <u>(iv)</u> below shall be specified for each resulting Borrowing);
  - (ii) the effective date of the election made pursuant to such Interest Election Request, which shall be a Business Day;
  - (iii) whether the resulting Borrowing is to be an ABR Borrowing or a LIBO Rate Borrowing; and
  - (iv) if the resulting Borrowing is a LIBO Rate Borrowing, the Interest Period to be applicable thereto after giving effect to such election, which shall be a period contemplated by the definition of the term "Interest Period".

If any such Interest Election Request requests a LIBO Rate Borrowing but does not specify an Interest Period, then the Borrower shall be deemed to have selected an Interest Period of one (1) month's duration.

- (d) Promptly following receipt of an Interest Election Request, the Administrative Agent shall advise each applicable Lender of the details thereof and of such Lender's portion of each resulting Borrowing.
- (e) If the Borrower fails to deliver a timely Interest Election Request with respect to a LIBO Rate Borrowing prior to the end of the Interest Period applicable thereto, then, unless such Borrowing is repaid as provided herein, such Borrowing shall be converted at the end of such Interest Period to a LIBO Rate Borrowing with an Interest Period of one (1) month. Notwithstanding any contrary provision hereof, if an Event of Default exists and the Administrative Agent, at the request of the Required Lenders, so notifies the Borrower, then, so long as such Event of Default exists (i) no outstanding Borrowing may be converted to or continued as a LIBO Rate Borrowing and (ii) unless repaid, each LIBO Rate Borrowing shall be converted to an ABR Borrowing at the end of the then-current Interest Period applicable thereto.

#### Section 2.09. Termination and Reduction of Commitments.

(a) Unless previously terminated, (i) the Initial Term Loan Commitments shall automatically terminate upon the making of the Initial Term Loans on the Closing Date and (ii) the Initial Delayed Draw Term Loan Commitments shall automatically terminate (A) in the event an Initial Delayed Draw Term Loan is funded, upon the making of such Initial Delayed Draw Term Loan in a corresponding amount and (B) in any event, on the Initial Delayed Draw Term Loan Commitment Expiration Date.

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- (b) Upon delivering the notice required by Section 2.09(c), the Borrower may at any time terminate or from time to time reduce the Initial Delayed Draw Term Loan Commitments of any Class; provided that each reduction of the Initial Delayed Draw Term Loan Commitments of any Class shall be in an amount that is an integral multiple of \$1,000,000 or if less, the remaining amount thereof.
- (c) The Borrower shall notify the Administrative Agent of any election to terminate or reduce the Initial Delayed Draw Term Loan Commitment, as applicable, under Section 2.09(b) in writing at least three (3) Business Days prior to the effective date of such termination or reduction (or such later date to which the Administrative Agent may agree), specifying such election and the effective date thereof. Promptly following receipt of any notice, the Administrative Agent shall advise each applicable Initial Delayed Draw Term Lender of the contents thereof. Each notice delivered by the Borrower pursuant to this Section 2.09 shall be irrevocable; provided that any such notice may state that it is conditioned upon the effectiveness of other transactions or contingencies, in which case such notice may be revoked by the Borrower (by notice to the Administrative Agent on or prior to the specified effective date) if such condition is not satisfied. Any effective termination or reduction of any Initial Delayed Draw Term Loan Commitment pursuant to this Section 2.09(c) shall be permanent. Upon any reduction of any Initial Delayed Draw Term Loan Commitment, the Initial Delayed Draw Term Loan Commitment of each Initial Delayed Draw Term Lender of the relevant Class shall be reduced by such Initial Delayed Draw Term Lender's Applicable Initial Delayed Draw Term Loan Percentage of such reduction amount.

#### Section 2.10. Repayment of Loans; Evidence of Debt.

(a) The Borrower hereby unconditionally promises to repay Initial Term Loans to the Administrative Agent for the account of each Term Lender (i) commencing December 31, 2021, on the last Business Day of each March, June, September and December prior to the Initial Term Loan Maturity Date (each such date being referred to as a "Loan Installment Date"), in each case in an amount equal to 0.25% of the original principal amount of the Initial Term Loans, (as such payments may be (x) reduced from time to time as a result of the application of prepayments in accordance with Section 2.11 and repurchases in accordance with Section 9.05(h) or (y) increased by 0.25% of the original principal amount of each borrowing of Initial Delayed Draw Term Loans actually funded prior to the applicable Loan Installment Date or such other amount as determined by the Administrative Agent and the Borrower to make the Initial Delayed Draw Term Loans fungible with the Initial Term Loans), and (ii) on the Initial Term Loan Maturity Date, in an amount equal to the remainder of the principal amount of the Initial Term Loans outstanding on such date, together in each case with accrued and unpaid interest on the principal amount to be paid to but excluding the date of such payment.

- (b) The Borrower hereby unconditionally promises to pay to the Administrative Agent for the account of each Additional Lender, the then-unpaid principal amount of each Additional Revolving Loan of such Additional Lender on the Maturity Date applicable thereto.
- (c) Each Lender shall maintain in accordance with its usual practice an account or accounts evidencing the indebtedness of the Borrower to such Lender resulting from each Loan made by such Lender, including the amounts of principal and interest payable and paid to such Lender from time to time hereunder.

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- (d) The Administrative Agent shall maintain accounts (which shall be part of the Register) in which it shall record (i) the amount of each Loan made hereunder, the Class and Type thereof and the Interest Period (if any) applicable thereto, (ii) the amount of any principal or interest due and payable or to become due and payable from the Borrower to each Lender hereunder and (iii) the amount of any sum received by the Administrative Agent hereunder for the account of the Lenders and each Lender's share thereof.
- (e) The entries made in the accounts maintained in the Register shall be prima facie evidence of the existence and amounts of the obligations recorded therein (absent manifest error); provided that the failure of any Lender or the Administrative Agent to maintain accounts pursuant to Sections 2.10(c) and 2.10(d) or any manifest error therein shall not in any manner affect the obligation of the Borrower to repay the Loans in accordance with the terms of this Agreement; provided, further, that in the event of any inconsistency between the Register and any Lender's records, the Register shall govern.
- (f) Any Lender may request that Loans made by it be evidenced by a Promissory Note. In such event, the Borrower shall prepare, execute and deliver to such Lender a Promissory Note payable to such Lender and its registered assigns; it being understood and agreed that such Lender (and/or its applicable assign) shall be required to return such Promissory Note to the Borrower in accordance with Section 9.05(b)(iii) and upon the occurrence of the Termination Date (or as promptly thereafter as practicable).

#### Section 2.11. Prepayment of Loans.

## (a) Optional Prepayments.

- (i) Upon prior notice in accordance with <u>paragraph (a)(iii)</u> of this <u>Section 2.11</u>, the Borrower shall have the right at any time and from time to time to prepay any Borrowing of Term Loans of one or more Classes (such Class or Classes to be selected by the Borrower in its sole discretion) in whole or in part without premium or penalty except as provided in <u>Sections 2.12(f)</u> and <u>2.16</u>. Each such prepayment shall be paid to the Lenders in accordance with their respective Applicable Percentages of the relevant Class.
- (ii) Upon prior notice in accordance with <u>paragraph (a)(iii)</u> of this <u>Section 2.11</u>, the Borrower shall have the right at any time and from time to time to prepay (in accordance with <u>Section 2.18(a)</u>) any Borrowing of Additional Revolving Loans of any Class, in whole or in part without premium or penalty (but subject to <u>Section 2.16</u>); <u>provided</u> that after the establishment of any Additional Revolving Facility, any such prepayment of any Borrowing of Additional Revolving Loans of any Class shall be subject to the provisions set forth in <u>Section 2.22</u>, <u>2.23</u> and/or <u>9.02</u>, as applicable. Each such prepayment shall be paid to the Revolving Lenders in accordance with their respective Applicable Percentages of the relevant Class.
- (iii) The Borrower shall notify the Administrative Agent by telephone (promptly confirmed in writing) of any prepayment under this Section 2.11(a) (A) in the case of a prepayment of a LIBO Rate Borrowing not later than 1:00 p.m. three (3) Business Days before the date of prepayment or (B) in the case of a prepayment of an ABR Borrowing, not later than 12:00 p.m. on the day of prepayment. Each such notice shall be irrevocable (except as set forth in the proviso to this sentence) and shall specify the prepayment date and the principal amount of each Borrowing or portion or each relevant Class to be prepaid; provided that a notice of prepayment delivered by the Borrower may state that such notice is conditioned upon the effectiveness of other transactions, in which case such notice may be revoked by the Borrower (by notice to the Administrative Agent on or prior to the specified effective date) if such condition is not satisfied. Promptly following receipt of any such notice relating to any Borrowing, the Administrative Agent shall advise the relevant Lenders of the contents thereof. Each partial prepayment of any Borrowing shall be in an amount at least equal to the amount that would be permitted in the case of an advance of a Borrowing of the same Type and Class as provided in Section 2.02(c), or such lesser amount that is then outstanding with respect to such Borrowing being repaid. Each prepayment of

Term Loans made pursuant to this <u>Section 2.11(a)</u> shall be applied against the remaining scheduled installments of principal due in respect of the Term Loans of such Class (or one or more of such other facility, class or tranche of Term Loans, as determined by the Borrower in its sole discretion) in the manner specified by the Borrower or, if not so specified on or prior to the date of such optional prepayment, in direct order of maturity.

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## (b) <u>Mandatory Prepayments</u>.

No later than the fifth (5th) Business Day after the date on which the financial statements with respect (i) to each Fiscal Year of the Borrower are required to be delivered pursuant to Section 5.01(b), commencing with the Fiscal Year ending on or around December 31, 2022, the Borrower shall prepay the outstanding principal amount of Subject Loans in accordance with clause (vi) of this Section 2.11(b) below in an aggregate principal amount (the "ECF Prepayment Amount") equal to (A) the Required Excess Cash Flow Percentage of Excess Cash Flow of the Borrower and its Restricted Subsidiaries for the Calculation Period then ended, minus (B) \$10.0 million minus (C) unless otherwise elected by the Borrower (in which case any such amount shall be deducted from the calculation of Excess Cash Flow instead), the aggregate principal amount optionally or voluntarily Prepaid (to the extent permitted under this Agreement and without duplication of the amount thereof applied to reduce the ECF Prepayment Amount in the prior Fiscal Year) prior to such date of (1) any Initial Loans, any other Term Loans, Incremental Equivalent Debt or any Additional Revolving Loans prepaid pursuant to Section 2.11(a), any ABL Loans and any Permitted Senior Secured Debt, and (2) any Replacement Notes, based upon the actual amount of cash paid in connection with the relevant assignment or purchase, except, in each case, to the extent financed with Long-Term Funded Indebtedness; provided that, in each case, with respect to the ABL Facility, the Initial Delayed Draw Term Facility, any Incremental Revolving Facility and any Replacement Revolving Facility, to the extent accompanied by a permanent reduction in the relevant commitment, minus (D) all Cash payments in respect of capital expenditures as would be reported in the Borrower's consolidated statement of cash flows made during such Calculation Period and, at the option of the Borrower, in the case of any Calculation Period, any Cash payments in respect of any such capital expenditures made prior to the date of the Excess Cash Flow payment in respect of such Calculation Period, except, in each case, to the extent financed with Long-Term Funded Indebtedness, minus (E) Cash payments made during such Calculation Period (or, at the option of the Borrower (in its sole discretion), made after such Calculation Period and prior to the date of the applicable Excess Cash Flow payment) in respect of Permitted Acquisitions and other Investments permitted by Section 6.06 (including Investments in joint ventures, but excluding Investments in (x) Cash and Cash Equivalents and (y) the Borrower or any of its Restricted Subsidiaries), except, in each case, to the extent financed with Long-Term Funded Indebtedness. Notwithstanding the foregoing, (I) if at the time that any such prepayment would be required, the Borrower (or any other Restricted Subsidiary of the Borrower) is also required to Prepay any Indebtedness that is secured on a pari passu basis with the First Priority Secured Obligations pursuant to the terms of the documentation governing such Indebtedness (such Indebtedness required to be so Prepaid, "Other Applicable Indebtedness") with any portion of the ECF Prepayment Amount, then the Borrower may apply such portion of the ECF Prepayment Amount on a pro rata basis (determined on the basis of the aggregate outstanding principal amount of the Loans and Other Applicable Indebtedness at such time) to the Prepayment of such Other Applicable Indebtedness, and the amount of prepayment of the Term Loans that would have otherwise been required pursuant to this Section 2.11(b)(i) shall be reduced accordingly; provided, that the portion of such ECF Prepayment Amount allocated to the Other Applicable Indebtedness shall not exceed the amount of such ECF Prepayment Amount required to be allocated to the Other Applicable Indebtedness pursuant to the terms thereof, and the remaining amount, if any, of such ECF Prepayment Amount shall be allocated to the Term Loans in accordance with the terms hereof and (II) to the extent the holders of Other Applicable Indebtedness decline to have such Other Applicable Indebtedness Prepaid, the declined amount shall promptly (and in any event within ten (10) Business Days after the date of such rejection) be applied to prepay the Term Loans in accordance with the terms hereof (unless such other application is otherwise permitted hereunder).

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(ii) No later than the fifth (5th) Business Day following the receipt of Net Proceeds in respect of any Prepayment Asset Sale or Net Insurance/Condemnation Proceeds (in each case, excluding Net Proceeds attributable to ABL Priority Collateral), in each case, in excess of \$25.0 million in the aggregate in any Fiscal Year (in each case, the amount of such excess, the "Subject Proceeds"; provided that, any Prepayment Asset Sale or Net Insurance/Condemnation Proceeds the Net Proceeds of which are less than \$15.0 million with respect to any single event or transaction (or series of related events or transactions) shall not be subject to this

Section 2.11(b)(ii)), the Borrower shall apply an amount equal to 100% of such Subject Proceeds to prepay the outstanding principal amount of Subject Loans in accordance with clause (vi) below; provided, that if, prior to the date any such prepayment is required to be made, the Borrower notifies the Administrative Agent of its intention to reinvest the Subject Proceeds in assets used or useful in the business (other than Cash or Cash Equivalents) of the Borrower or any of its Restricted Subsidiaries, then so long as no Event of Default then exists, the Borrower shall not be required to make a mandatory prepayment under this clause (ii) in respect of the Subject Proceeds to the extent (A) the Subject Proceeds are so reinvested within fifteen (15) months following receipt thereof or (B) the Borrower or any of its Restricted Subsidiaries has committed to so reinvest the Subject Proceeds during such 15-month period and the Subject Proceeds are so reinvested within six (6) months after the expiration of such 15-month period; provided, however, that if the Subject Proceeds have not been so reinvested prior to the expiration of the applicable period, the Borrower shall promptly prepay the outstanding principal amount of Subject Loans with the Subject Proceeds not so reinvested as set forth above (without regard to the immediately preceding proviso); provided, further, that (x) if, at the time that any such prepayment would be required hereunder, the Borrower or any of its Restricted Subsidiaries is required to Prepay (or offer to repay or repurchase) any Other Applicable Indebtedness, then the relevant Person may apply the Subject Proceeds on a pro rata basis to the prepayment of the Subject Loans and to the Prepay of the Other Applicable Indebtedness (determined on the basis of the aggregate outstanding principal amount of the Subject Loans and Other Applicable Indebtedness (or accreted amount if such Other Applicable Indebtedness is issued with original issue discount)), provided, further, that the portion of the Subject Proceeds allocated to the Other Applicable Indebtedness shall not exceed the amount of the Subject Proceeds required to be allocated to the Other Applicable Indebtedness pursuant to the terms thereof, and the remaining amount, if any, of the Subject Proceeds shall be allocated to the Term Loans in accordance with the terms hereof, and (y) to the extent the holders of the Other Applicable Indebtedness decline to have such Other Applicable Indebtedness Prepaid, the declined amount shall promptly (and in any event within ten (10) Business Days after the date of such rejection) be applied to prepay the Subject Loans in accordance with the terms hereof; provided, further, that the foregoing percentage of Subject Proceeds shall be reduced (x) to if the First Lien Leverage Ratio is greater than 2.75:1.00, 50%, and (y) if the First Lien Leverage Ratio is less than or equal to 2.25:1.00, 0%. Notwithstanding anything to the contrary herein or in any other Loan Document, the Net Proceeds of any Disposition of any ABL US Priority Collateral shall not be required to be applied to the prepayment of the Initial Term Loans hereunder.

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(iii) In the event that the Borrower or any of its Restricted Subsidiaries receives Net Proceeds from the issuance or incurrence of Indebtedness by the Borrower or any of its Restricted Subsidiaries (other than with respect to Indebtedness permitted under Section 6.01, except to the extent the relevant Indebtedness constitutes (A) Replacement Term Loans, Replacement Revolving Facility or Replacement Notes incurred to refinance all or a portion of any Class or Classes of Term Loans (as determined by the Borrower) in accordance with the requirements of Section 9.02(c), or (B) Incremental Loans or Incremental Equivalent Debt incurred to refinance all or a portion of any Class or Classes of Term Loans to the extent required by the terms thereof to prepay or offer to prepay such Term Loans and such Incremental Loans or Incremental Equivalent Debt do not constitute utilization of the Incremental Cap pursuant to Section 2.22), the Borrower shall, promptly upon (and in any event not later than the next succeeding Business Day after) the receipt of such Net Proceeds by the Borrower or its applicable Restricted Subsidiary, apply an amount equal to 100% of such Net Proceeds to prepay the outstanding principal amount of the relevant Class or Classes of Term Loans in accordance with clause (vi) below.

#### (iv) Notwithstanding anything in this <u>Section 2.11(b)</u> to the contrary,

(A) the Borrower shall not be required to prepay any amount that would otherwise be required to be paid pursuant to Section 2.11(b)(i) or (ii) above to the extent that the relevant Excess Cash Flow is generated by any Foreign Subsidiary, the relevant Prepayment Asset Sale is consummated by any Foreign Subsidiary, the relevant Net Insurance/Condemnation Proceeds are received by any Foreign Subsidiary, as the case may be, for so long as the repatriation to the Borrower of any such amount would be prohibited under any Requirement of Law or conflict with the fiduciary duties of such Foreign Subsidiary's directors, or result in, or could reasonably be expected to result in, a material risk of personal or criminal liability for any officer, director, employee, manager, member of management or consultant of such Foreign Subsidiary (it being agreed that, solely during the period within one (1) year following the date such prepayments are required to be made, the Borrower shall, and shall cause the applicable Foreign Subsidiary to, promptly use commercially reasonable efforts to take all actions required by applicable Requirements of Law to permit such repatriation) and if after taking such actions, the affected Subject Proceeds or Excess Cash Flow, as the case may be, is permitted under the applicable Requirement of Law and, to the extent applicable, would no longer conflict with the fiduciary duties of such director, or result in, or could reasonably be expected to result in, a material risk of personal or

criminal liability for the Persons described above within one (1) year following the date such prepayments are required to be made, the relevant Foreign Subsidiary will promptly repatriate the relevant Subject Proceeds or Excess Cash Flow, as the case may be, and the repatriated Subject Proceeds or Excess Cash Flow, as the case may be, will be promptly (and in any event not later than two (2) Business Days after such repatriation) applied (net of additional Taxes payable or reserved against as a result thereof) to the repayment of the Initial Term Loans and other Term Loans required pursuant to this Section 2.11(b) to the extent required herein (without regard to this clause (iv)(A)) or the Borrower or another subsidiary may, at its option, apply to such repayment an equivalent amount with the Foreign Subsidiary not repatriating the actual Subject Proceeds or Excess Cash Flow; and

(B) if the Borrower determines in good faith that the repatriation (or other intercompany distribution) to the Borrower of any amounts required to mandatorily prepay the Initial Term Loans and other Term Loans pursuant to Section 2.11(b)(i) or (ii) above would result in any Parent Company, Holdings, the Borrower or any Restricted Subsidiary incurring material Tax liabilities (including any material withholding Tax) or material adverse Tax consequences (such amount, a "Restricted Amount"), as reasonably determined by the Borrower, the amount the Borrower shall be required to mandatorily prepay pursuant to Section 2.11(b)(i) or (ii) above, as applicable, shall be reduced by the Restricted Amount until such time as the Restricted Amount may be repatriated (or otherwise distributed) to the Borrower without the incurrence of such material Tax liability or material adverse Tax consequences (each, as determined in good faith by the Borrower); provided, that to the extent that the repatriation (or other intercompany distribution) of any Subject Proceeds or Excess Cash Flow from the relevant Foreign Subsidiary would no longer have a material Tax liability or material adverse Tax consequences within one (1) year following the date such prepayments are required to be made, an amount equal to the Subject Proceeds or Excess Cash Flow, as applicable, not previously applied pursuant to preceding clause (B), shall be promptly applied to the repayment of the Initial Term Loans and Additional Term Loans pursuant to Section 2.11(b) as otherwise required above (without regard to this clause (iv)(B));

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(v) Each Lender may elect, by notice to the Administrative Agent at or prior to the time and in the manner specified by the Administrative Agent, prior to any prepayment of Initial Term Loans and Additional Term Loans required to be made by the Borrower pursuant to this Section 2.11(b), to decline all (but not a portion) of its Applicable Percentage of such prepayment (such declined amounts, the "Declined Proceeds"); provided that (A) to the extent that any such prepayment is declined, the remaining amount thereof may be retained by the Borrower and (B) for the avoidance of doubt, no Lender may reject any prepayment made under Section 2.11(b)(iii) above to the extent that such prepayment is made with Indebtedness described in clauses (A) or (B) of Section 2.11(b)(iii) above. If any Lender fails to deliver a notice to the Administrative Agent of its election to decline receipt of its Applicable Percentage of any mandatory prepayment within the time frame specified by the Administrative Agent, such failure will be deemed to constitute an acceptance of such Lender's Applicable Percentage of the total amount of such mandatory prepayment of Initial Term Loans and Additional Term Loans.

Except as may otherwise be set forth in any amendment to this Agreement in connection with any Additional Term Loan, (A) each prepayment of Initial Term Loans and other Term Loans required pursuant to this Section 2.11(b) shall be applied ratably to each Class of Term Loans (based upon the then outstanding principal amounts of the respective Classes of Term Loans) (provided that any prepayment of Initial Term Loans or Additional Term Loans constituting Refinancing Indebtedness incurred to refinance all or a portion of the Initial Term Loans or Additional Term Loans pursuant to Section 6.01(p) or Replacement Term Loans incurred to refinance Initial Term Loans or Additional Term Loans in accordance with the requirements of Section 9.02(c) shall be applied solely to each applicable Class of refinanced or replaced Term Loans), (B) with respect to each Class of Initial Term Loans and Additional Term Loans, all accepted prepayments under Section 2.11(b)(i), (ii) or (iii) shall be applied against the remaining scheduled installments of principal due in respect of the Initial Term Loans and Additional Term Loans as directed by the Borrower (or, in the absence of direction from the Borrower, to the remaining scheduled amortization payments in respect of the Initial Term Loans and Additional Term Loans in direct order of maturity), and (C) each such prepayment shall be paid to the Term Lenders in accordance with their respective Applicable Percentages of the applicable Class. The amount of such mandatory prepayments shall be applied on a pro rata basis to the then outstanding Initial Term Loans and other Term Loans being prepaid irrespective of whether such outstanding Loans are ABR Loans or LIBO Rate Loans; provided that the amount thereof shall be applied first to ABR Loans to the full extent thereof before application to the LIBO Rate Loans in a manner that minimizes the amount of any payments required to be made by the Borrower pursuant to Section 2.16. Any prepayment of Initial Loans made on or prior to the date that is six (6) months after the Closing Date pursuant to Section 2.11(b)(iii) as part of a Repricing Transaction shall be accompanied by the fee set forth in Section 2.12(f).

## (vii) [Reserved].

(viii) At the time of each prepayment required under Section 2.11(b)(i), (ii) or (iii), the Borrower shall deliver to the Administrative Agent a certificate signed by a Responsible Officer of the Borrower setting forth in reasonable detail the calculation of the amount of such prepayment. Each such certificate shall specify the Borrowings being prepaid and the principal amount of each Borrowing (or portion thereof) to be prepaid. Prepayments shall be accompanied by accrued interest as required by Section 2.13. All prepayments of Borrowings under this Section 2.11(b) shall be subject to Section 2.16 and, in the case of prepayments under clause (iii) above as part of a Repricing Transaction, Section 2.12(f), but shall otherwise be without premium or penalty.

#### Section 2.12. Fees.

- (a) The Borrower agrees to pay to the Administrative Agent for the account of each Initial Delayed Draw Term Lender of any Class (other than any Defaulting Lender) a commitment fee (the "Delayed Draw Ticking Fee"), which shall accrue at a rate per annum equal to the Initial Delayed Draw Term Loan Commitment Fee Rate applicable to the Initial Delayed Draw Term Loan Commitments of such Class on the actual amount of the unused Initial Delayed Draw Term Loan Commitments of such Class of such Initial Delayed Draw Term Lender calculated based upon the actual number of days elapsed over a 360-day year for the period from and including the Closing Date to the date on which such Lender's Initial Delayed Draw Term Loan Commitment of such Class terminates. Accrued commitment fees shall be payable in arrears on the last Business Day of each March, June, September and December for the quarterly period then ended (commencing on September 30, 2021) and on the Initial Delayed Draw Term Loan Commitment Expiration Date. The Delayed Draw Ticking Fee shall be distributed to the Initial Delayed Draw Term Lenders pro rata in accordance with the amount of each such Initial Delayed Draw Term Lender's Initial Delayed Draw Term Loan Commitment.
- (b) The Borrower agrees to pay to each Initial Delayed Draw Term Lender (other than any Defaulting Lender) an upfront fee (the "**Delayed Draw Upfront Fee**") in an amount equal to 0.25% of the stated principal amount of such Initial Delayed Draw Term Lender's Initial Delayed Draw Term Loan actually funded. Such Delayed Draw Upfront Fee will be in all respects fully earned, due and payable on the date of funding of such Initial Delayed Draw Term Loan and non-refundable and non-creditable thereafter and, in the case of the Initial Delayed Draw Term Loans, such Delayed Draw Upfront Fee shall be netted against Initial Delayed Draw Term Loans made by such Initial Delayed Draw Term Lender.
  - (c) [Reserved].
- (d) The Borrower agrees to pay to the Administrative Agent, for its own account, the fees in the amounts and at the times separately agreed upon by the Borrower and the Administrative Agent in writing.
- (e) All fees payable hereunder shall be paid on the dates due, in Dollars and in immediately available funds, to the Administrative Agent for distribution, in the case of commitment fees and participation fees, to the Revolving Lenders. Fees paid shall not be refundable under any circumstances except as otherwise provided in the Fee Letter.

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(f) In the event that, on or prior to the date that is six (6) months after the Closing Date, the Borrower (x) prepays, repays, refinances, substitutes or replaces any Initial Loans in connection with a Repricing Transaction (including, for the avoidance of doubt, any prepayment made pursuant to Section 2.11(b)(iii) that constitutes a Repricing Transaction), or (y) effects any amendment, modification or waiver of, or consent under, this Agreement resulting in a Repricing Transaction (it being understood and agreed for the avoidance of doubt that (i) prepayments as a result of assignments made to Affiliated Lenders pursuant to Section 9.05(g) and (ii) terminations or reductions of any unfunded Initial Delayed Draw Term Loan Commitments pursuant to Section 2.09(b)(ii), in each case, shall not be subject to this Section 2.12(f)), the Borrower shall pay to the Administrative Agent, for the ratable account of each of the applicable Lenders, (I) in the case of clause (x), a premium

of 1.00% of the aggregate principal amount of the Initial Loans so prepaid, repaid, refinanced, substituted or replaced and (II) in the case of clause (y), a fee equal to 1.00% of the aggregate principal amount of the Initial Loans that are the subject of such Repricing Transaction outstanding immediately prior to such amendment. If, on or prior to the date that is six (6) months after the Closing Date, all or any portion of the Initial Loans held by any Lender are prepaid, repaid, refinanced, substituted or replaced pursuant to Section 2.19(b)(iv) as a result of, or in connection with, such Lender not agreeing or otherwise consenting to any waiver, consent, modification or amendment referred to in clause (y) above (or otherwise in connection with a Repricing Transaction), such prepayment, repayment, refinancing, substitution or replacement will be made at 101% of the principal amount so prepaid, repaid, refinanced, substituted or replaced. All such amounts shall be due and payable on the date of effectiveness of such Repricing Transaction.

(g) Unless otherwise indicated herein, all computations of fees shall be made on the basis of a 360-day year and shall be payable for the actual days elapsed (including the first day but excluding the last day). Each determination by the Administrative Agent of a fee hereunder shall be conclusive and binding for all purposes, absent manifest error.

## Section 2.13. <u>Interest.</u>

- (a) The Term Loans comprising each ABR Borrowing shall bear interest at the Alternate Base Rate *plus* the Applicable Rate.
- (b) The Term Loans comprising each LIBO Rate Borrowing shall bear interest at the LIBO Rate for the Interest Period in effect for such Borrowing *plus* the Applicable Rate.
  - (c) [Reserved].
- (d) Notwithstanding the foregoing and subject to Section 2.21, if any principal of or interest on any Initial Term Loan or Additional Loan or any fee payable by the Borrower hereunder is not, in each case, paid or reimbursed when due, whether at stated maturity, upon acceleration or otherwise, the relevant overdue amount shall bear interest, to the fullest extent permitted by law, after as well as before judgment, at a rate per annum equal to (i) in the case of overdue principal or interest of any Initial Term Loan or Additional Loan, 2.00% plus the rate otherwise applicable to such Initial Term Loan or Additional Loan as provided in the preceding paragraphs of this Section 2.13 or in the amendment to this Agreement relating thereto or (ii) in the case of any other amount, 2.00% plus the rate applicable to Initial Term Loans that are ABR Loans as provided in paragraph (a) of this Section 2.13; provided that no amount shall accrue pursuant to this Section 2.13(d) on any overdue amount or other amount payable to a Defaulting Lender so long as such Lender is a Defaulting Lender.

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- (e) Accrued interest on each Initial Term Loan or Additional Loan shall be payable in arrears on each Interest Payment Date for such Initial Term Loan, Additional Loan or any other Loan and on the Maturity Date applicable to such Loan or upon the termination of any Additional Commitments; provided that (i) interest accrued pursuant to paragraph (d) of this Section 2.13 shall be payable on demand, (ii) in the event of any repayment or prepayment of any Initial Term Loan, Additional Loan or any other Loan, accrued interest on the principal amount repaid or prepaid shall be payable on the date of such repayment or prepayment and (iii) in the event of any conversion of any LIBO Rate Borrowing prior to the end of the current Interest Period therefor, accrued interest on such Initial Term Loan or Additional Loan shall be payable on the effective date of such conversion.
- (f) All interest hereunder shall be computed on the basis of a year of 360 days, except that interest computed for ABR Loans shall be computed on the basis of a year of 365 days (or 366 days in a leap year), and in each case shall be payable for the actual number of days elapsed (including the first day but excluding the last day). The applicable Alternate Base Rate or LIBO Rate shall be determined by the Administrative Agent, and such determination shall be conclusive absent manifest error. Interest shall accrue on each Loan from and including the date on which such Loan is made to but excluding the date on which the Loan or such interest is paid; provided that any Loan that is repaid on the same day on which it is made shall bear interest for one (1) day.

Section 2.14. <u>Benchmark Replacement Setting.</u>

# (a) Benchmark Replacement.

- (i) (a) Notwithstanding anything to the contrary herein or in any other Loan Document, if a Benchmark Transition Event or an Early Opt-in Election, as applicable, and its related Benchmark Replacement Date have occurred prior to the Reference Time in respect of any setting of the then-current Benchmark, then (A) if a Benchmark Replacement is determined in accordance with clause (1) or (2) of the definition of "Benchmark Replacement" for such Benchmark Replacement Date, such Benchmark Replacement will replace such Benchmark for all purposes hereunder and under any Loan Document in respect of such Benchmark setting and subsequent Benchmark settings without any amendment to, or further action or consent of any other party to, this Agreement or any other Loan Document (other than any Benchmark Replacement Conforming Changes made pursuant to clause (ii) below) and (B) if a Benchmark Replacement is determined in accordance with clause (3) of the definition of "Benchmark Replacement" for such Benchmark Replacement Date, such Benchmark Replacement will replace such Benchmark for all purposes hereunder and under any Loan Document in respect of any Benchmark setting at or after 5:00 p.m. (New York City time) on the fifth (5th) Business Day after the date notice of such Benchmark Replacement is provided to the Lenders without any amendment to, or further action or consent of any other party to, this Agreement or any other Loan Document (other than any Benchmark Re-placement Conforming Changes made pursuant to clause (ii) below) so long as the Administrative Agent has not received, by such time, written notice of objection to such Benchmark Replacement from Lenders comprising the Required Lenders of each Class.
- (ii) Notwithstanding anything to the contrary herein or in any other Loan Document and subject to the proviso below in this paragraph, if a Term SOFR Transition Event and its related Benchmark Replacement Date have occurred prior to the Reference Time in respect of any setting of the then-current Benchmark, then the applicable Benchmark Replacement will replace the then-current Benchmark for all purposes hereunder or under any Loan Document in respect of such Benchmark setting and subsequent Benchmark settings, without any amendment to, or further action or consent of any other party to, this Agreement or any other Loan Document; provided that, this clause (ii) shall not be effective unless the Administrative Agent has delivered to the Lenders and the Borrower a Term SOFR Notice.

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- (b) <u>Benchmark Replacement Conforming Changes</u>. In connection with the implementation of a Benchmark Replacement, the Administrative Agent and the Borrower will have the right to make Benchmark Replacement Conforming Changes from time to time and, notwithstanding anything to the contrary herein or in any other Loan Document, any amendments implementing such Benchmark Replacement Conforming Changes will become effective without any further action or consent of any other party to this Agreement or any other Loan Document.
- (c) Notices; Standards for Decisions and Determinations. The Administrative Agent will promptly notify the Borrower and the Lenders of (1) any occurrence of a Benchmark Transition Event, a Term SOFR Transition Event or an Early Opt-in Election, as applicable, and its related Benchmark Replacement Date, (2) the implementation of any Benchmark Replacement, (3) the effectiveness of any Benchmark Replacement Conforming Changes, (4) the removal or reinstatement of any tenor of a Benchmark pursuant to clause (d) below and (5) the commencement or conclusion of any Benchmark Unavailability Period. Any determination, decision or election that may be made by the Administrative Agent, the Borrower or, if applicable, any Lender (or group of Lenders) pursuant to this Section 2.14, including any determination with respect to a tenor, rate or adjustment or of the occurrence or non-occurrence of an event, circumstance or date and any decision to take or refrain from taking any action or any selection, will be conclusive and binding absent manifest error and may be made in its or their sole discretion and without consent from any other party to this Agreement or any other Loan Document, except, in each case, as expressly required pursuant to this Section 2.14.
- (d) <u>Unavailability of Tenor of Benchmark</u>. Notwithstanding anything to the contrary herein or in any other Loan Document, at any time (including in connection with the implementation of a Benchmark Replacement), (1) if the then-current Benchmark is a term rate (including Term SOFR or USD LIBOR) and either (A) any tenor for such Benchmark is not displayed on a screen or other information service that publishes such rate from time to time as selected by the Administrative Agent in its reasonable discretion and in consultation with the Borrower or (B) the regulatory supervisor for the administrator of such Benchmark has provided a public statement or publication of in-formation announcing that any tenor for such Benchmark is or will be no longer representative, then the Administrative Agent may modify the definition of "Interest Period" for any Benchmark settings at or after such time to remove such unavailable or non-representative tenor, and (2) if a tenor that was removed pursuant to <u>clause (1)</u> above either (A) is subsequently displayed on a screen or information service for a Benchmark (including a Benchmark Replacement) or (B) is not, or is no longer, subject to an announcement that

it is or will no longer be representative for a Benchmark (including a Benchmark Replacement), then the Administrative Agent may modify the definition of "Interest Period" for all Benchmark settings at or after such time to reinstate such previously removed tenor.

(e) <u>Benchmark Unavailability Period</u>. Upon the Borrower's receipt of notice of the commencement of a Benchmark Unavailability Period, the Borrower may revoke any request for a Eurocurrency Borrowing of, conversion to or continuation of Eurocurrency Rate Loans to be made, converted or continued during any Benchmark Unavailability Period and, failing that, the Borrower will be deemed to have converted any such request into a request for a Borrowing of or conversion to ABR Loans. During any Benchmark Unavailability Period or at any time that a tenor for the then-current Benchmark is not an Available Tenor, the component of Alternate Base Rate based upon the then-current Benchmark or such tenor for such Benchmark, as applicable, will not be used in any determination of the Alternate Base Rate.

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#### Section 2.15. Increased Costs.

# (a) <u>If any Change in Law</u>:

- (i) imposes, modifies or deems applicable any reserve, special deposit or similar requirement against assets of, deposits with or for the account of, or credit extended by, any Lender (except any such reserve requirement reflected in the LIBO Rate), or
- (ii) subjects any Lender or the Administrative Agent to any Taxes (other than Indemnified Taxes, Other Taxes and Excluded Taxes) on its loans, loan principal, letters of credit, commitments, or other obligations, or its deposits, reserves, other liabilities or capital attributable thereto, or
- (iii) imposes on any Lender or the London interbank market any other condition (other than Taxes) affecting this Agreement or the LIBO Rate Loans made by any Lender,

and the result of any of the foregoing is to increase the cost to the relevant Lender of making or maintaining any LIBO Rate Loan (or of maintaining its obligation to make any such Loan) or to reduce the amount of any sum received or receivable by such Lender (whether of principal, interest or otherwise) in respect of any LIBO Rate Loan in an amount deemed by such Lender to be material, then, within thirty (30) days after the Borrower's receipt of the certificate contemplated by <u>paragraph</u> (c) of this <u>Section 2.15</u>, the Borrower will pay to such Lender such additional amount or amounts as will compensate such Lender for such additional costs incurred or reduction suffered; <u>provided</u> that the Borrower shall not be liable for such compensation if (x) the relevant Change in Law occurs on a date prior to the date such Lender becomes a party hereto, (y) such Lender invokes <u>Section 2.20</u> or (z) in the case of requests for reimbursement under <u>clause</u> (<u>iii)</u> of <u>Section 2.15(a)</u> resulting from a market disruption, (A) the relevant circumstances are not generally affecting the banking market or (B) the applicable request has not been made by Lenders constituting Required Lenders.

- (b) If any Lender determines that any Change in Law regarding liquidity or capital requirements has or would have the effect of reducing the rate of return on such Lender's capital or on the capital of such Lender's holding company, if any, as a consequence of this Agreement or the Loans made by such Lender to a level below that which such Lender or such Lender's holding company could have achieved but for such Change in Law (other than due to Taxes) (taking into consideration such Lender's policies and the policies of such Lender's holding company with respect to capital adequacy), then within thirty (30) days of receipt by the Borrower of the certificate contemplated by <u>paragraph (c)</u> of this <u>Section 2.15</u> the Borrower will pay to such Lender such additional amount or amounts as will compensate such Lender or such Lender's holding company for any such reduction suffered.
- (c) A certificate of a Lender setting forth the amount or amounts necessary to compensate such Lender or its holding company, as applicable, as specified in <u>paragraph (a)</u> or (b) of this <u>Section 2.15</u> and setting forth in reasonable detail the manner in which such amount or amounts were determined and certifying that such Lender is generally charging such amounts to similarly situated borrowers shall be delivered to the Borrower and shall be conclusive absent manifest error.

(d) Failure or delay on the part of any Lender to demand compensation pursuant to this Section 2.15 shall not constitute a waiver of such Lender's right to demand such compensation; provided that the Borrower shall not be required to compensate a Lender pursuant to this Section 2.15 for any increased costs or reductions incurred more than one hundred eighty (180) days prior to the date that such Lender notifies the Borrower of the Change in Law giving rise to such increased costs or reductions and of such Lender's intention to claim compensation therefor; provided further that if the Change in Law giving rise to such increased costs or reductions is retroactive, then the 180-day period referred to above shall be extended to include the period of retroactive effect thereof.

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Section 2.16. Break Funding Payments. In the event of (a) the conversion or prepayment of any principal of any LIBO Rate Loan other than on the last day of an Interest Period applicable thereto (whether voluntary, mandatory, automatic, by reason of acceleration or otherwise), (b) the failure to borrow, convert, continue or prepay any LIBO Rate Loan on the date or in the amount specified in any notice delivered pursuant hereto or (c) the assignment of any LIBO Rate Loan of any Lender other than on the last day of the Interest Period applicable thereto as a result of a request by the Borrower pursuant to Section 2.19, then, in any such event, the Borrower shall compensate each Lender for the loss, cost and expense incurred by such Lender that is attributable to such event (other than loss of profit). In the case of a LIBO Rate Loan, the loss, cost or expense of any Lender shall be the amount reasonably determined by such Lender to be the excess, if any, of (i) the amount of interest which would have accrued on the principal amount of such Loan had such event not occurred, at the LIBO Rate that would have been applicable to such Loan, for the period from the date of such event to the last day of the then current Interest Period therefor (or, in the case of a failure to borrow, convert or continue, for the period that would have been the Interest Period for such Loan), over (ii) the amount of interest which would accrue on such principal amount for such period at the interest rate which such Lender would bid were it to bid, at the commencement of such period, for deposits in the applicable currency of a comparable amount and period from other banks in the Eurodollar market; it being understood that such loss, cost or expense shall in any case exclude any interest rate floor and all administrative, processing or similar fees. A certificate of any Lender (i) setting forth any amount or amounts that such Lender is entitled to receive pursuant to this Section 2.16, the basis therefor and, in reasonable detail, the manner in which such amount or amounts were determined and (ii) certifying that such Lender is generally charging the relevant amounts to similarly situated borrowers shall be delivered to the Borrower and shall be conclusive absent manifest error. The Borrower shall pay such Lender the amount shown as due on any such certificate within thirty (30) days after receipt thereof.

#### Section 2.17. Taxes.

- (a) Any and all payments made by or on account of any obligation of any Loan Party under any Loan Document shall be made free and clear of and without deduction or withholding for any Taxes, except as required by applicable Requirements of Law. If any applicable Requirements of Law require the deduction or withholding of any Tax from any such payment, then (i) the applicable withholding agent shall be entitled to make such deduction or withholding, (ii) such withholding agent shall timely pay the full amount deducted or withheld to the relevant Governmental Authority in accordance with applicable Requirements of Law, and (iii) if such Tax is an Indemnified Tax or Other Tax, the amount payable by such Loan Party shall be increased as necessary so that after all required deductions and withholdings have been made (including deductions and withholdings applicable to additional sums payable under this Section 2.17), each Lender or, in the case of any payment made to the Administrative Agent for its own account, the Administrative Agent, receives an amount equal to the sum it would have received had no such deductions or withholdings been made.
- (b) In addition, and without duplication of other amounts payable by a Loan Party under this <u>Section 2.17</u>, the Loan Parties shall timely pay any Other Taxes to the relevant Governmental Authority in accordance with applicable Requirements of Law, or at the option of the Administrative Agent, timely reimburse it for the payment of any Other Taxes.

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(c) Each Loan Party shall jointly and severally indemnify the Administrative Agent and each Lender within thirty (30) days after receipt of the certificate described in the succeeding sentence, for the full amount of any Indemnified Taxes or Other Taxes payable or paid by the Administrative Agent or such Lender, as applicable (including

Indemnified Taxes or Other Taxes imposed or asserted on or attributable to amounts payable under this Section 2.17) (other than any penalties attributable to the gross negligence, bad faith or willful misconduct of the Administrative Agent or such Lender), and, in each case, any reasonable expenses arising therefrom or with respect thereto, whether or not such Indemnified Taxes or Other Taxes were correctly or legally imposed or asserted by the relevant Governmental Authority; provided that if such Loan Party reasonably believes that such Taxes were not correctly or legally asserted, the Administrative Agent or such Lender, as applicable, will use reasonable efforts to cooperate with such Loan Party to obtain a refund of such Taxes (which shall be repaid to such Loan Party in accordance with Section 2.17(h)) so long as such efforts would not, in the sole determination of the Administrative Agent or such Lender, result in any additional out-of-pocket costs or expenses not reimbursed by such Loan Party or be otherwise materially disadvantageous to the Administrative Agent or such Lender, as applicable. In connection with any request for reimbursement under this Section 2.17(c), the relevant Lender or the Administrative Agent (on its own behalf or on behalf of a Lender), as applicable, shall deliver a certificate to the Borrower setting forth, in reasonable detail, the basis and calculation of the amount of the relevant payment or liability, which certificate shall be conclusive absent manifest error. Notwithstanding anything to the contrary contained in this Section 2.17(c), the Loan Parties shall not be required to indemnify the Administrative Agent or any Lender pursuant to this Section 2.17 for any Indemnified Taxes or Other Taxes, to the extent the Administrative Agent or such Lender fails to notify the Borrower of the indemnification claim within one hundred eighty (180) days after the Administrative Agent or such Lender receives written notice from the applicable Governmental Authority of the specific tax assessment giving rise to such indemnification claim.

(d) To the extent required by any applicable Requirements of Law, the Administrative Agent may withhold from any payment to any Lender an amount equivalent to any applicable withholding Tax. Each Lender shall severally indemnify the Administrative Agent, within thirty (30) days after demand therefor, for any and all Taxes and any and all related losses, claims, liabilities and expenses (including fees, charges and disbursements of any counsel for the Administrative Agent) incurred by or asserted against the Administrative Agent by the IRS or any other Governmental Authority as a result of the failure of the Administrative Agent to properly withhold Tax from amounts paid to or for the account of such Lender for any reason, and in any event including: (i) any Indemnified Taxes or Other Taxes imposed on or with respect to any payment under any Loan Document that is attributable to such Lender (but only to the extent that no Loan Party has already indemnified the Administrative Agent for such Indemnified Taxes or Other Taxes and without limiting or expanding the obligation of the Loan Parties to do so), (ii) any Taxes attributable to such Lender's failure to comply with the provisions of Section 9.05(c) relating to the maintenance of a Participant Register and (iii) any Excluded Taxes attributable to such Lender, in each case, that are payable or paid by the Administrative Agent in connection with any Loan Document and any reasonable expenses arising therefrom or with respect thereto, whether or not such Taxes were correctly or legally imposed or asserted by the relevant Governmental Authority. A certificate as to the amount of such payment or liability delivered to any Lender by the Administrative Agent shall be conclusive absent manifest error. Each Lender hereby authorizes the Administrative Agent to set off and apply any and all amounts at any time owing to such Lender under any Loan Document or otherwise payable by the Administrative Agent to any Lender under any Loan Document or otherwise payable by the Administrative Agent to any Lender from any other source against any amount due to the Administrative Agent under this clause (d).

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(e) As soon as practicable after any payment of Taxes by any Loan Party to a Governmental Authority pursuant to this Section 2.17, such Loan Party shall deliver to the Administrative Agent the original or a certified copy of a receipt issued by such Governmental Authority evidencing such payment, a copy of the return reporting such payment or other evidence of such payment that is reasonably satisfactory to the Administrative Agent.

## (f) Status of Lenders.

payments made under any Loan Document shall deliver to the Borrower and the Administrative Agent, at the time or times reasonably requested by the Borrower or the Administrative Agent, such properly completed and executed documentation as the Borrower or the Administrative Agent may reasonably request to permit such payments to be made without withholding or at a reduced rate of withholding. In addition, any Lender, if reasonably requested by the Borrower or the Administrative Agent, shall deliver such other documentation prescribed by applicable Requirements of Law or reasonably requested by the Borrower or the Administrative Agent as will enable the Borrower or the Administrative Agent to determine whether or not such Lender is subject to backup withholding or information reporting requirements. Notwithstanding anything to the contrary in the preceding two sentences, the completion, execution and submission of such documentation (other than such documentation set forth in Section 2.17(f)(ii)(A), (ii)(B) and (ii)(D)

below) shall not be required if in the Lender's reasonable judgment such completion, execution or submission would subject such Lender to any material unreimbursed cost or expense or would materially prejudice the legal or commercial position of such Lender. Each Lender hereby authorizes the Administrative Agent to deliver to the Borrower and to any successor Administrative Agent any documentation provided to the Administrative Agent pursuant to this Section 2.17(f).

- (ii) Without limiting the generality of the foregoing:
  - (A) each Lender that is not a Foreign Lender shall deliver to the Borrower and the Administrative Agent on or prior to the date on which such Lender becomes a Lender under this Agreement (and from time to time thereafter upon the reasonable request of the Borrower or the Administrative Agent), two executed copies of IRS Form W-9 certifying that such Lender is exempt from U.S. federal backup withholding tax;
  - (B) each Foreign Lender, to the extent it is legally entitled to do so, shall deliver to the Borrower and the Administrative Agent on or prior to the date on which such Foreign Lender becomes a Lender under this Agreement (and from time to time thereafter upon the reasonable request of the Borrower or the Administrative Agent), whichever of the following is applicable:
    - (1) in the case of any Foreign Lender claiming the benefits of an income tax treaty to which the U.S. is a party, two (2) executed copies of IRS Form W-8BEN or IRS Form W-8BEN-E establishing an exemption from, or reduction of, U.S. federal withholding Tax pursuant to such tax treaty;
      - (2) two (2) executed copies of IRS Form W-8ECI or W-8EXP;
    - in the case of any Foreign Lender claiming the benefits of the exemption for portfolio interest under Section 871(h) or 881(c) of the Code, (x) a certificate substantially in the form of Exhibit J-1 to the effect that such Foreign Lender is not a "bank" within the meaning of Section 881(c)(3)(A) of the Code, a "10 percent shareholder" of the Borrower within the meaning of Section 871(h)(3)(B) of the Code, or a "controlled foreign corporation" described in Section 881(c)(3)(C) of the Code (a "U.S. Tax Compliance Certificate") and (y) executed copies of IRS Form W-8BEN or IRS Form W-8BEN-E; or

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- (4) to the extent any Foreign Lender is not the beneficial owner, two executed copies of IRS Form W-8IMY, accompanied by IRS Form W-8ECI, IRS Form W-8BEN, IRS Form W-8EXP, IRS Form W-8BEN-E, a U.S. Tax Compliance Certificate substantially in the form of Exhibit J-2 or Exhibit J-3, IRS Form W-9, and/or other certification documents from each beneficial owner, as applicable; provided that if such Foreign Lender is a partnership and one or more direct or indirect partners of such Foreign Lender are claiming the portfolio interest exemption, such Foreign Lender may provide a U.S. Tax Compliance Certificate substantially in the form of Exhibit J-4 on behalf of each such direct or indirect partner;
- (C) each Foreign Lender shall, to the extent it is legally entitled to do so, deliver to the Borrower and the Administrative Agent on or prior to the date on which such Foreign Lender becomes a Lender under this Agreement (and from time to time thereafter upon the reasonable request of the Borrower or the Administrative Agent), two (2) executed copies of any other form prescribed by applicable Requirements of Law as a basis for claiming exemption from or a reduction in U.S. federal withholding Tax, duly completed, together with such supplementary documentation as may be prescribed by applicable Requirements of Law to permit the Borrower or the Administrative Agent to determine the withholding or deduction required to be made; and
- (D) if a payment made to any Lender under any Loan Document would be subject to Tax imposed by FATCA if such Lender were to fail to comply with the applicable reporting requirements of

FATCA (including those contained in Section 1471(b) or 1472(b) of the Code, as applicable), such Lender shall deliver to the Borrower and the Administrative Agent at the time or times prescribed by applicable Requirements of Law and at such time or times reasonably requested by the Borrower or the Administrative Agent such documentation as is prescribed by applicable Requirements of Law (including as prescribed by Section 1471(b)(3)(C)(i) of the Code) and may be necessary for the Borrower and the Administrative Agent to comply with their obligations under FATCA, to determine whether such Lender has complied with such Lender's obligations under FATCA, or to determine the amount, if any, to deduct and withhold from such payment. Solely for purposes of this clause (D), "FATCA" shall include any amendments made to FATCA after the date of this Agreement.

Each Lender agrees that if any form or certification it previously delivered expires or becomes obsolete or inaccurate in any respect, it shall update such form or certification, provide such successor form, or promptly notify the Borrower and the Administrative Agent in writing of its legal inability to do so. Notwithstanding anything to the contrary in this Section 2.17(f), no Lender shall be required to provide any documentation that such Lender is not legally eligible to deliver.

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- On or prior to the date on which the Administrative Agent becomes the Administrative Agent under this Agreement (and from time to time thereafter upon the reasonable request of the Borrower or if any form or certification it previously delivered expires or becomes obsolete), the Administrative Agent will deliver to the Borrower either (i) an executed copy of IRS Form W-9, or (ii) (x) with respect to any amounts received on its own account, an executed copy of an applicable IRS Form W-8, and (y) with respect to any amounts received for or on account of any Lender, an executed copy of IRS Form W-8 IMY certifying on Part I, Part II and Part VI thereof that it is a U.S. branch that has agreed to be treated as a U.S. person for U.S. federal tax purposes with respect to payments received by it from the Borrower in its capacity as Administrative Agent, as applicable. The Administrative Agent shall promptly notify the Borrower at any time it determines that it is no longer in a position to provide the certification described in the prior sentence.
- If the Administrative Agent or any Lender determines, in its sole discretion exercised in good faith, (h) that it has received a refund of any Indemnified Taxes or Other Taxes as to which it has been indemnified by any Loan Party or with respect to which such Loan Party has paid additional amounts pursuant to this Section 2.17, it shall pay over such refund to such Loan Party (but only to the extent of indemnity payments made, or additional amounts paid, by such Loan Party under this Section 2.17 with respect to the Indemnified Taxes or Other Taxes giving rise to such refund), net of all out-of-pocket expenses of the Administrative Agent or such Lender (including any Taxes imposed with respect to such refund), and without interest (other than any interest paid by the relevant Governmental Authority with respect to such refund); provided that such Loan Party, upon the request of the Administrative Agent or such Lender agrees to repay the amount paid over to such Loan Party (plus any penalties, interest or other charges imposed by the relevant Governmental Authority) to the Administrative Agent or such Lender in the event the Administrative Agent or such Lender is required to repay such refund to such Governmental Authority. Notwithstanding anything to the contrary in this paragraph (h), in no event shall the Administrative Agent or any Lender be required to pay any amount to a Loan Party pursuant to this paragraph (h) to the extent that the payment thereof would place the Administrative Agent or such Lender in a less favorable net after-Tax position than the position that the Administrative Agent or such Lender would have been in if the Tax subject to indemnification had not been deducted, withheld or otherwise imposed and the indemnification payments or additional amounts with respect to such Tax had never been paid. This Section 2.17 shall not be construed to require the Administrative Agent or any Lender to make available its Tax returns (or any other information relating to its Taxes which it deems confidential) to the relevant Loan Party or any other Person.
- (i) <u>Survival</u>. Each party's obligations under this <u>Section 2.17</u> shall survive the resignation or replacement of the Administrative Agent or any assignment of rights by, or the replacement of, any Lender, the termination of the Commitments and the repayment, satisfaction or discharge of all obligations under any Loan Document.
- (j) <u>Defined Terms</u>. For purposes of this <u>Section 2.17</u>, the term "Requirements of Law" includes FATCA.

## Section 2.18. Payments Generally; Allocation of Proceeds; Sharing of Payments.

- Unless otherwise specified, the Borrower shall make each payment required to be made by it (a) hereunder (whether of principal, interest or fees or of amounts payable under Section 2.15, 2.16 or 2.17, or otherwise) prior to the time expressed hereunder or under such Loan Document (or, if no time is expressly required, by 3:00 p.m.) on the date when due, in immediately available funds, without set-off (except as otherwise provided in <u>Section 2.17</u>) or counterclaim. Any amounts received after such time on any date may, in the discretion of the Administrative Agent, be deemed to have been received on the next succeeding Business Day for purposes of calculating interest thereon. All such payments shall be made to the Administrative Agent to the applicable account designated to the Borrower by the Administrative Agent, except that payments pursuant to Sections 2.15, 2.16 or 2.17 and 9.03 shall be made directly to the Persons entitled thereto. The Administrative Agent shall distribute any such payments received by it for the account of any other Person to the appropriate recipient promptly following receipt thereof. Each Lender agrees that in computing such Lender's portion of any Borrowing to be made hereunder, the Administrative Agent may, in its discretion, round such Lender's percentage of such Borrowing to the next higher or lower whole dollar amount. All payments (including any principal, accrued interest, fees or other obligations otherwise accruing or becoming due) hereunder shall be made in Dollars. Any payment required to be made by the Administrative Agent hereunder shall be deemed to have been made by the time required if the Administrative Agent shall, at or before such time, have taken the necessary steps to make such payment in accordance with the regulations or operating procedures of the clearing or settlement system used by the Administrative Agent to make such payment.
- Subject in all respects to the provisions of the ABL Intercreditor Agreement (and any other applicable Acceptable Intercreditor Agreement), all proceeds of Collateral received by the Administrative Agent at any time when an Event of Default exists and all or any portion of the Loans have been accelerated hereunder pursuant to Section 7.01 or otherwise received in connection with any foreclosure on or other exercise of remedies with respect to the Collateral pursuant to the Collateral Documents shall, upon election by the Administrative Agent or at the direction of the Required Lenders, be applied first, to the payment of all costs and expenses then due incurred by the Administrative Agent in connection with any collection, sale or realization on Collateral or otherwise in connection with this Agreement, any other Loan Document or any of the Secured Obligations, including all court costs and the fees and expenses of agents and legal counsel, the repayment of all advances made by the Administrative Agent hereunder or under any other Loan Document on behalf of any Loan Party and any other costs or expenses incurred in connection with the exercise of any right or remedy hereunder or under any other Loan Document, second, on a pro rata basis, to pay any fees, indemnities or expense reimbursements then due to the Administrative Agent (other than those covered in clause first above) from the Borrower constituting Secured Obligations, third, on a pro rata basis in accordance with the amounts of the Secured Obligations (other than any Secured Obligations incurred after the date hereof that are either junior in right of payment or are secured by a Lien that is junior to the Liens securing the First Priority Secured Obligations) (other than contingent indemnification obligations for which no claim has yet been made) owed to the Secured Parties on the date of any such distribution, to the payment in full of such Secured Obligations, fourth, on a pro rata basis in accordance with the amounts of all other Secured Obligations (other than contingent indemnification obligations for which no claim has yet been made) owed to the applicable Secured Parties on the date of any such distribution, to the payment in full of such Secured Obligations and fifth, to, or at the direction of, the Borrower or as a court of competent jurisdiction may otherwise direct.

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(c) If any Lender obtains payment (whether voluntary, involuntary, through the exercise of any right of set-off or otherwise) in respect of any principal of or interest on any of its Loans of any Class resulting in such Lender receiving payment of a greater proportion of the aggregate amount of its Loans of such Class and accrued interest thereon than the proportion received by any other Lender with Loans of such Class, then the Lender receiving such greater proportion shall purchase (for Cash at face value) participations in the Loans of such Class at such time outstanding to the extent necessary so that the benefit of all such payments shall be shared by the Lenders of such Class ratably in accordance with the aggregate amount of principal of and accrued interest on their respective Loans of such Class; provided that (i) if any such participations are purchased and all or any portion of the payment giving rise thereto is recovered, such participations shall be rescinded and the purchase price restored to the extent of such recovery, without interest, and (ii) the provisions of this paragraph shall not apply to (x) any payment made by the Borrower pursuant to and in accordance with the express terms of this Agreement or

- (y) any payment obtained by any Lender as consideration for the assignment of or sale of a participation in any of its Loans to any permitted assignee or participant, including any payment made or deemed made in connection with Sections 2.22, 2.23 and 9.02(c). If any Lender obtains payment (whether voluntary, involuntary, through exercise of any right of set-off or otherwise) in respect of any principal of or interest on any of its Loans of any Class that is junior in right of payment to any other Class of Loans that has not been repaid in full, such Lender shall promptly remit such payment to the Administrative Agent for application is accordance with clause (b). The Borrower consents to the foregoing and agrees, to the extent it may effectively do so under applicable law, that any Lender acquiring a participation pursuant to the foregoing arrangements may exercise against the Borrower rights of set-off and counterclaim with respect to such participation as fully as if such Lender were a direct creditor of the Borrower in the amount of such participation. The Administrative Agent will keep records (which shall be conclusive and binding in the absence of manifest error) of participations purchased under this Section 2.18(c) and will, in each case, notify the Lenders following any such purchases or repayments. Each Lender that purchases a participation pursuant to this Section 2.18(c) shall from and after such purchase have the right to give all notices, requests, demands, directions and other communications under this Agreement with respect to the portion of the Obligations purchased to the same extent as though the purchasing Lender were the original owner of the Obligations purchased.
- (d) Unless the Administrative Agent has received notice from the Borrower prior to the date on which any payment is due to the Administrative Agent for the account of any Lender hereunder that the Borrower will not make such payment, the Administrative Agent may assume that the Borrower has made such payment on such date in accordance herewith and may, in reliance upon such assumption, distribute to the applicable Lender the amount due. In such event, if the Borrower has not in fact made such payment, then each Lender severally agrees to repay to the Administrative Agent forthwith on demand the amount so distributed to such Lender with interest thereon, for each day from and including the date such amount is distributed to it to but excluding the date of payment to the Administrative Agent, at the greater of the Federal Funds Effective Rate and a rate determined by the Administrative Agent in accordance with banking industry rules on interbank compensation.
- (e) If any Lender fails to make any payment required to be made by it pursuant to Section 2.07(b) or Section 2.18(d), then the Administrative Agent may, in its discretion (notwithstanding any contrary provision hereof), apply any amounts thereafter received by the Administrative Agent for the account of such Lender to satisfy such Lender's obligations under such Sections until all such unsatisfied obligations are fully paid.

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## Section 2.19. <u>Mitigation Obligations; Replacement of Lenders.</u>

- (a) If any Lender requests compensation under Section 2.15 or such Lender determines it can no longer make or maintain LIBO Rate Loans pursuant to Section 2.20, or the Borrower is required to pay any Indemnified Tax, Other Tax or additional amount to any Lender or any Governmental Authority for the account of any Lender pursuant to Section 2.17, then such Lender shall use reasonable efforts to designate a different lending office for funding or booking its Loans hereunder, or to assign its rights and obligations hereunder to another of its offices, branches or affiliates, if, in the reasonable judgment of such Lender, such designation or assignment (i) would eliminate or reduce amounts payable pursuant to Section 2.15 or 2.17, as applicable, in the future or mitigate the impact of Section 2.20, as the case may be, and (ii) would not subject such Lender to any material unreimbursed out-of-pocket cost or expense and would not otherwise be disadvantageous to such Lender in any material respect. The Borrower hereby agrees to pay all reasonable out-of-pocket costs and expenses incurred by any Lender in connection with any such designation or assignment.
- (b) If (i) any Lender requests compensation under Section 2.15 or such Lender determines it can no longer make or maintain LIBO Rate Loans pursuant to Section 2.20, (ii) the Borrower is required to pay any Indemnified Tax, Other Tax or additional amount to any Lender or any Governmental Authority for the account of any Lender pursuant to Section 2.17, (iii) any Lender is a Defaulting Lender or (iv) in connection with any proposed amendment, waiver or consent requiring the consent of "each Lender", "each Initial Delayed Draw Term Lender", "each Initial Term Lender" or "each Lender directly affected thereby" (or any other Class or group of Lenders other than the Required Lenders) with respect to which Required Lender or Required Delayed Draw Lender consent (or the consent of Lenders holding loans or commitments of such Class or lesser group representing more than 50% of the sum of the total loans and unused commitments of such Class or lesser group at such time) has been obtained, as applicable, any Lender is a non-consenting Lender (each such Lender described in this clause (iv), a "Non-Consenting Lender"), then the Borrower may, at its sole expense and effort, upon notice

to such Lender and the Administrative Agent, (x) terminate the applicable Commitments and/or Additional Commitments of such Lender, and repay (or cause to be repaid) all Obligations of the Borrower owing to such Lender relating to the applicable Loans and participations held by such Lender as of such termination date in an amount necessary to eliminate such excess, or (y) replace such Lender by requiring such Lender to assign and delegate (and such Lender shall be obligated to assign and delegate), without recourse (in accordance with and subject to the restrictions contained in Section 9.05), all of its interests, rights (other than its existing rights to payments pursuant to Section 2.15 or Section 2.17) and obligations under this Agreement to an Eligible Assignee that shall assume such obligations (which Eligible Assignee may be another Lender, if any Lender accepts such assignment); provided that (A) such Lender shall have received payment of an amount equal to the outstanding principal amount of its Loans, in each case of such Class of Loans, Commitments and/or Additional Commitments, accrued interest thereon, accrued fees and all other amounts payable to it under any Loan Document with respect to such Class of Loans, Commitments and/or Additional Commitments, (B) in the case of any assignment resulting from a claim for compensation under Section 2.15 or payments required to be made pursuant to Section 2.17, such assignment will result in a reduction in such compensation or payments and (C) such assignment does not conflict with applicable law. No Lender (other than a Defaulting Lender) shall be required to make any such assignment and delegation, and the Borrower may not repay the Obligations of such Lender or terminate its Commitments or Additional Commitments, if, prior thereto, as a result of a waiver by such Lender or otherwise, the circumstances entitling the Borrower to require such assignment and delegation cease to apply. Each Lender agrees that if it is replaced pursuant to this Section 2.19, it shall execute and deliver to the Administrative Agent an Assignment and Assumption to evidence such sale and purchase and shall deliver to the Administrative Agent any Promissory Note (if the assigning Lender's Loans are evidenced by one or more Promissory Notes) subject to such Assignment and Assumption (provided that the failure of any Lender replaced pursuant to this Section 2.19 to execute an Assignment and Assumption or deliver any such Promissory Note shall not render such sale and purchase (and the corresponding assignment) invalid), such assignment shall be recorded in the Register, any such Promissory Note shall be deemed cancelled. Each Lender hereby irrevocably appoints the Administrative Agent (such appointment being coupled with an interest) as such Lender's attorney-in-fact, with full authority in the place and stead of such Lender and in the name of such Lender, from time to time in the Administrative Agent's discretion, with prior written notice to such Lender, to take any action and to execute any such Assignment and Assumption or other instrument that the Administrative Agent may deem reasonably necessary to carry out the provisions of this clause (b). To the extent that any Lender is replaced pursuant to Section 2.19(b)(iv) in connection with a Repricing Transaction requiring payment of a fee pursuant to Section 2.12(d), the Borrower shall pay to each Lender being replaced as a result of such Repricing Transaction the fee set forth in Section 2.12(d).

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Section 2.20. Illegality. If any Lender reasonably determines that any Change in Law has made it unlawful, or that any Governmental Authority has asserted after the Closing Date that it is unlawful, for such Lender or its applicable lending office to make, maintain or fund Loans whose interest is determined by reference to the Published LIBO Rate or to determine or charge interest rates based upon the Published LIBO Rate or any Governmental Authority has imposed material restrictions on the authority of such Lender to purchase or sell, or to take deposits of Dollars in the applicable interbank market, then, on notice thereof by such Lender to the Borrower through the Administrative Agent, (i) any obligation of such Lender to make or continue LIBO Rate Loans or to convert ABR Loans to LIBO Rate Loans shall be suspended and (ii) if such notice asserts the illegality of such Lender making or maintaining ABR Loans the interest rate on which is determined by reference to the Published LIBO Rate component of the Alternate Base Rate the interest rate on such ABR Loans of such Lender, shall, if necessary to avoid such illegality, be determined by the Administrative Agent without reference to the Published LIBO Rate component of the Alternate Base Rate in each case until such Lender notifies the Administrative Agent and the Borrower that the circumstances giving rise to such determination no longer exist (which notice such Lender agrees to give promptly). Upon receipt of such notice, (x) the Borrower shall, upon demand from such Lender (with a copy to the Administrative Agent), prepay or convert all of such Lender's LIBO Rate Loans to ABR Loans (the interest rate on which ABR Loans of such Lender shall, if necessary to avoid such illegality, be determined by the Administrative Agent without reference to the Published LIBO Rate component of the Alternate Base Rate) either on the last day of the Interest Period therefor, if such Lender may lawfully continue to maintain such LIBO Rate Loans to such day, or immediately, if such Lender may not lawfully continue to maintain such LIBO Rate Loans (in which case the Borrower shall not be required to make payments pursuant to Section 2.16 in connection with such payment) and (y) if such notice asserts the illegality of such Lender determining or charging interest rates based upon the Published LIBO Rate, the Administrative Agent shall during the period of such suspension compute the Alternate Base Rate applicable to such Lender without reference to the Published LIBO Rate component thereof until the Administrative Agent is advised in writing by such Lender that it is no longer illegal for such Lender to determine or charge interest rates based upon the Published LIBO Rate. Upon any such prepayment or conversion, the Borrower shall also pay accrued interest on the amount so prepaid or converted. Each Lender agrees to designate a different lending office if such designation will

avoid the need for such notice and will not, in the determination of such Lender, otherwise be materially disadvantageous to such Lender.

Section 2.21. <u>Defaulting Lenders</u>. Notwithstanding any provision of this Agreement to the contrary, if any Lender becomes a Defaulting Lender, then the following provisions shall apply for so long as such Lender is a Defaulting Lender:

(a) Fees shall cease to accrue on the unfunded portion of any Commitment of such Defaulting Lender pursuant to Section 2.12(a) and pursuant to any other provisions of this Agreement or other Loan Document.

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- (b) The Commitments of such Defaulting Lender shall not be included in determining whether all Lenders, each affected Lender, the Required Lenders, the Required Delayed Draw Lenders or such other number of Lenders as may be required hereby or under any other Loan Document have taken or may take any action hereunder (including any consent to any waiver, amendment or modification pursuant to Section 9.02); provided that any waiver, amendment or modification requiring the consent of all Lenders or each affected Lender which affects such Defaulting Lender disproportionately and adversely relative to other affected Lenders shall require the consent of such Defaulting Lender.
- (c) Any payment of principal, interest, fees or other amounts received by the Administrative Agent for the account of any Defaulting Lender (whether voluntary or mandatory, at maturity, pursuant to Section 2.11, Section 2.15, Section 2.16, Section 2.17, Section 2.18, Article VII, Section 9.05 or otherwise, and including any amounts made available to the Administrative Agent by such Defaulting Lender pursuant to Section 9.09), shall be applied at such time or times as may be determined by the Administrative Agent and, where relevant, the Borrower as follows: first, to the payment of any amounts owing by such Defaulting Lender to the Administrative Agent hereunder; second, so long as no Default or Event of Default exists as the Borrower may request, to the funding of any Loan in respect of which such Defaulting Lender has failed to fund its portion thereof as required by this Agreement; third, as the Administrative Agent or the Borrower may elect, to be held in a deposit account and released in order to satisfy obligations of such Defaulting Lender to fund Loans that such Defaulting Lender has committed to fund (if any) under this Agreement; fourth, to the payment of any amounts owing to the non-Defaulting Lenders as a result of any judgment of a court of competent jurisdiction obtained by any non-Defaulting Lender against such Defaulting Lender as a result of such Defaulting Lender's breach of its obligations under this Agreement; fifth, to the payment of any amounts owing to the Borrower as a result of any judgment of a court of competent jurisdiction obtained by the Borrower against such Defaulting Lender as a result of such Defaulting Lender's breach of its obligations under this Agreement; and sixth, to such Defaulting Lender or as otherwise directed by a court of competent jurisdiction. Any payments, prepayments or other amounts paid or payable to any Defaulting Lender that are applied (or held) to pay amounts owed by any Defaulting Lender or to post Cash collateral pursuant to this Section 2.21(c) shall be deemed paid to and redirected by such Defaulting Lender, and each Lender irrevocably consents hereto.

## Section 2.22. <u>Incremental Credit Extensions</u>.

(a) The Borrower may, at any time, on one or more occasions deliver a written request to the Administrative Agent (whereupon the Administrative Agent shall promptly deliver a copy of such request to each of the Lenders) to (i) add one or more new Classes of Term Facilities (including on a delayed draw basis) and/or increase the principal amount of the Term Loans under any Term Facility by requesting new term loan commitments to be added to such Term Loans (any such new Class or increase, an "Incremental Term Facility" and any loans made pursuant to an Incremental Term Facility, "Incremental Term Loans") and/or (ii) add one or more new Classes of incremental revolving "cash-flow" facilities and/or increase the aggregate amount of Commitments of any existing Class of Incremental Revolving Commitments (any such new Class or increase, an "Incremental Revolving Facility" and, together with any Incremental Term Facility, "Incremental Facilities"; and the loans thereunder, "Incremental Revolving Loans" and, together with any Incremental Term Loans, "Incremental Loans") in an aggregate principal amount not to exceed the Incremental Cap; provided that:

- (i) no Incremental Commitment may be less than \$5,000,000;
- (ii) except as separately agreed from time to time between the Borrower and any Lender, no Lender shall be obligated to provide any Incremental Commitment, and the determination to provide such commitments shall be within the sole and absolute discretion of such Lender;
- (iii) no Incremental Facility or Incremental Loan (or the creation, provision or implementation thereof) shall require the approval of any existing Lender (other than in its capacity, if any, as a Lender providing all or part of any Incremental Commitment or Incremental Loan), the Administrative Agent (unless its rights and interests are adversely affected in any material respect) or any other agent or arranger;
- (iv) (A) no Incremental Revolving Facility will mature earlier than the then-existing maturity date of the ABL Facility or require any scheduled amortization or differing mandatory commitment reduction prior to such maturity date and (B) may have the benefit of a financial maintenance covenant (which shall not be for the benefit of any Term Facility under this Agreement);
- (v) the interest rate and any fees applicable to any Incremental Facility or Incremental Loans will be determined by the Borrower and the lenders providing such Incremental Facility or Incremental Loans; provided, that, solely with respect to any Dollar-denominated syndicated Incremental Term Facility or Incremental Term Loans incurred on or prior to the date that is twelve (12) months after the Closing Date with a floating rate of interest that are pari passu with the Initial Loans in right of payment and with respect to security, the All-In Yield will not be more than 0.75% higher than the corresponding All-In Yield applicable to the Initial Loans unless the All-In Yield with respect to the Initial Loans is adjusted to be equal to the All-In Yield with respect to the relevant Incremental Term Facility or Incremental Term Loans minus 0.75%; provided, that this clause (v) shall not apply to any Incremental Term Facility or Incremental Term Loans that (1) mature at least twelve (12) months after the Initial Term Loan Maturity Date, (2) are incurred in reliance on clauses (a) or (b) of the definition of Incremental Cap, (3) are being utilized to finance Permitted Acquisitions (other than the Merger) and similar Investments and related transactions (including refinancing of existing Indebtedness), or (4) are in an aggregate outstanding principal amount, together with all other Incremental Facilities incurred in reliance on clause (c) of the definition of Incremental Cap then outstanding, equal to or less than the greater of \$255.0 million and an amount equal to 100% of Consolidated Adjusted EBITDA (it being understood that the Borrower shall select whether this clause (4) shall apply to any Incremental Term Facility or Incremental Term Loans in its sole discretion);
- (vi) subject to the Permitted Earlier Maturity Indebtedness Exception, the final maturity date with respect to any Incremental Term Loans shall be no earlier than the Latest Term Loan Maturity Date at the time of the incurrence thereof;
- (vii) subject to the Permitted Earlier Maturity Indebtedness Exception, the Weighted Average Life to Maturity of any Incremental Term Facility shall be no shorter than the remaining Weighted Average Life to Maturity of any then-existing Class of Term Loans (without giving effect to any prepayments thereof) except as may be required to achieve fungibility with any existing Term Facility to the extent intended to be fungible;
- (viii) subject to <u>clauses (vi)</u> and <u>(vii)</u> above, any Incremental Term Facility may otherwise have an amortization schedule as determined by the Borrower and the lenders providing such Incremental Term Facility; provided, that if such Incremental Term Loans are to be "fungible" with the Initial Term Loans, notwithstanding any other conditions specified in this <u>Section 2.22(a)</u>, the amortization schedule for such "fungible" Incremental Term Facility may provide for amortization in such other percentage(s) to be agreed by the Borrower and the Administrative Agent to ensure that such "fungible" Incremental Term Loans will be "fungible" with the Initial Term Loans;

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(ix) (A) any Incremental Term Facility may rank *pari passu* with or junior to any then-existing Class of Term Loans in right of payment and may be secured by the Collateral *pari passu* with or junior to any then-existing Class of Term Loans with respect to the Collateral or be unsecured (and to the extent the relevant Incremental Facility is intended to rank *pari passu* with or junior to the Term Loans in right of security with respect to the Collateral, shall be subject to the Intercreditor Agreement (and/or any other applicable Acceptable Intercreditor Agreement), it being understood that any terms of subordination in right of payment of any Incremental Facility to any Indebtedness may be determined solely by the Borrower in its sole discretion) and (B) no Incremental Facility may be (x) guaranteed by any Person which is not a Loan Party or (y) secured by any assets other than the Collateral;

- (x) (A) any prepayment (other than any scheduled amortization payment) of Incremental Term Loans that are pari passu with any then-existing Term Loans in right of payment and security (1) shall with respect to mandatory prepayments, be made on a pro rata basis or less than pro rata basis (but not greater than a pro rata basis except as otherwise provided in this Agreement) with such existing Term Loans as elected by the Borrower and (2) may, with respect to voluntary prepayments, share on a pro rata basis, greater than pro rata basis or less than pro rata basis with the Initial Term Loans, as determined by the Borrower, and (B) any Incremental Term Loans that are subordinated to any then-existing Term Loans in right of payment or security shall not receive any mandatory prepayments other than Declined Proceeds prior to the repayment in full of the existing Term Loans (and all other then-existing Loans that are First Priority Secured Obligations requiring ratable prepayment), except, in each case that the Borrower and the lenders providing the relevant Incremental Term Loans shall be permitted, in their sole discretion, to elect to prepay or receive, as applicable, any prepayments on a less than pro rata basis (but not on a greater than pro rata basis);
- (xi) except as otherwise agreed by the Lenders providing the relevant Incremental Facility in connection with a Limited Condition Transaction, no Event of Default shall exist immediately prior to or after giving effect to such Incremental Facility;
- (xii) except as otherwise required or permitted in this <u>Section 2.22</u>, all other terms of any Incremental Term Facility, if not substantially consistent with the terms of the Initial Term Loans, shall be reasonably satisfactory to the Borrower and the Administrative Agent; provided, that the following will be deemed to be reasonably satisfactory to the Administrative Agent, (w) terms which are not substantially consistent with the terms of the Initial Term Loans and are applicable only after the then-existing Latest Term Loan Maturity Date, (x) terms contained in any Incremental Term Facility that are, taken as a whole, more favorable to the Borrower than those contained in the then-existing Loan Documents, (y) terms contained in any Incremental Term Facility that are, taken as a whole, more favorable to the lenders of such Incremental Term Facility than those contained in the then-existing Loan Documents and are then conformed (or added) to the Loan Documents for the benefit of the Lenders under the Term Facility, and (z) terms contained in any Incremental Term Facility that reflect then current market terms and conditions (taken as a whole) at the time of incurrence or issuance (as determined by the Borrower in good faith);
- (xiii) the proceeds of any Incremental Facility may be used for working capital, general corporate purposes and any transaction or other purpose not prohibited by this Agreement;
- (xiv) on the date of the making of any Incremental Term Loans that will be added to any existing Class of Term Loans, and notwithstanding anything to the contrary set forth in <u>Sections 2.08</u> or <u>2.13</u>, such Incremental Term Loans shall be added to (and constitute a part of) each borrowing of outstanding Term Loans of such Class, as applicable, of the same type with the same Interest Period of the respective Class on a *pro rata* basis (based on the relative sizes of the various outstanding Borrowings), so that each Term Lender providing such Incremental Term Loans will participate proportionately in each then outstanding borrowing of the applicable Term Loans of the same type with the same Interest Period of the respective Class;

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- (xv) each Incremental Facility will be denominated in Dollars and/or to the extent agreed and reasonably acceptable to the Administrative Agent, any other currency;
- (xvi) at no time shall there be more than three (3) separate Maturity Dates in effect with respect to the Incremental Revolving Facilities and any other Additional Revolving Facilities at any time;
- (xvii) Incremental Facilities shall be permitted regardless of the amount available under the Incremental Cap and shall not constitute a utilization of any component of the Incremental Cap if any such Incremental Facility effectively extends the maturity of or is incurred to effect the "repricing" of or otherwise replaces any loans or commitments under any Specified Debt (including as may have been terminated under Section 2.19), in each case, without increasing the principal amount thereof except with respect to any related premium, penalties, fees and expenses; provided, the amount of any Specified Debt so extended or replaced shall not increase the Incremental Cap; and
- (xviii) the Borrower may select, in its sole discretion, that any Incremental Facility be issued, incurred and/or established under one or more of any available components (or subcomponents) of the Incremental Cap (as provided in Section 1.10) and if no selection shall have been made, such Incremental Facility shall be deemed to have been incurred in reliance on *first*,

<u>clause (c)</u> of the definition of Incremental Cap up to the maximum amount permitted thereunder, *second*, to the extent applicable, <u>clause (b)</u> of the definition of Incremental Cap, and thereafter, to the Fixed Incremental Amount.

- (b) Incremental Commitments may be provided by any existing Lender, or by any other lender (other than any Disqualified Institution) who would be permitted to become a Lender (including any required consents) under Section 9.05 (any such other lender being called an "Additional Lender"); provided that in the case of any Incremental Revolving Facility, the Administrative Agent and the Borrower shall have consented (such consent not to be unreasonably withheld or delayed) to the relevant Additional Lender's provision of Incremental Commitments; provided, further, that any Additional Lender that is an Affiliated Lender shall be subject to the provisions of Section 9.05(h), mutatis mutandis, to the same extent as if Incremental Commitments and related Obligations had been obtained by such Lender by way of assignment.
- (c) Each Lender or Additional Lender providing a portion of any Incremental Commitment shall execute and deliver to the Administrative Agent and the Borrower all such documentation (including an amendment to this Agreement or any other Loan Document) as may be reasonably required by the Administrative Agent to evidence and effectuate such Incremental Commitment. On the effective date of such Incremental Commitment, each Additional Lender shall become a Lender for all purposes in connection with this Agreement.
- (d) As a condition precedent to the effectiveness of any Incremental Facility or the making of any Incremental Loans, (i) upon its reasonable request, the Administrative Agent shall have received customary written opinions of counsel, as well as such reaffirmation agreements, supplements and/or amendments as it shall reasonably require, (ii) the Administrative Agent shall have received, from each Additional Lender, an administrative questionnaire, in the form provided to such Additional Lender by the Administrative Agent (the "Administrative Questionnaire") and such other documents as it shall reasonably and customarily require from such Additional Lender, (iii) the Lenders shall have received all fees required to be paid in respect of such Incremental Facility or Incremental Loans and (iv) the Administrative Agent shall have received a certificate of the Borrower signed by a Responsible Officer thereof:

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- (A) certifying and attaching a copy of the resolutions adopted by the governing body of the Borrower approving or consenting to such Incremental Facility or Incremental Loans, and
- (B) to the extent applicable, certifying that the condition set forth in  $\underline{\text{clause (a)}(x)}$  above has been satisfied.
- (e) [Reserved].
- (f) [Reserved].
- Loan Documents as may be necessary in order to establish any Incremental Loans or Incremental Facilities pursuant to this Section 2.22 and authorize the Administrative Agent and the Borrower to enter into such amendments (and, in the case of any Incremental Revolving Facility, such amendments to implement and provide for revolving credit facilities under this Agreement, including incorporating customary terms, conditions and requirements for revolving credit facilities (including letter of credit and swingline loan mechanics) reasonably satisfactory to the Administrative Agent and the Borrower (including amendments and restatements)) as may be necessary or appropriate in the reasonable opinion of the Administrative Agent and the Borrower in connection with the establishment of such Incremental Loans or Incremental Facilities, in each case on terms consistent with this Section 2.22, and may extend or apply any provisions applicable to such Incremental Loans or Incremental Facilities (including any "soft call" premium) to any then existing Credit Facility in the applicable Incremental Facility Amendment to the extent the Borrower and the Administrative Agent reasonably determine such provisions are beneficial on the whole to the Lenders under such existing Credit Facility.
- (h) To the extent the provisions of <u>clause (a)(xiii)</u> above require that Term Lenders making new Incremental Term Loans add such Incremental Term Loans to the then outstanding borrowings of LIBO Rate Loans of the respective Class of Initial Term Loans or Additional Term Loans, as applicable, it is acknowledged that the effect thereof may result in such new Incremental Term Loans having short Interest Periods (i.e., an Interest Period that began during an Interest

Period then applicable to outstanding LIBO Rate Loans of the respective Class and which will end on the last day of such Interest Period).

- (i) Notwithstanding anything to the contrary in this <u>Section 2.22</u> or in any other provision of any Loan Document, if the proceeds of any Incremental Facility are intended to be applied to finance an acquisition or similar Investment and the Lenders or Additional Lenders providing such Incremental Facility so agree, the availability thereof shall be subject to customary "SunGard" or "certain funds" conditionality, including in a manner consistent with Section 4.01.
- (j) This <u>Section 2.22</u> shall supersede any provision in <u>Section 2.18</u> or <u>9.02</u> to the contrary and shall, to extent applicable, be subject in all respects to <u>Section 1.10</u>.

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#### Section 2.23. Extensions of Loans and Additional Revolving Commitments.

- (a) Notwithstanding anything to the contrary in this Agreement, pursuant to one or more offers (each, an "Extension Offer") made from time to time by the Borrower to all Lenders holding Loans or Commitments of any Class or Classes (as determined by the Borrower), in each case on a *pro rata* basis (based on the aggregate outstanding principal amount of the respective Loans or Commitments with respect to each such Class) and on the same terms to each such Lender, the Borrower is hereby permitted from time to time to consummate transactions with any individual Lender who accepts the terms contained in any such Extension Offer to extend the Maturity Date of such Lender's Loans and/or commitments and otherwise modify the terms of such Loans and/or commitments pursuant to the terms of the relevant Extension Offer (including by increasing the interest rate or fees payable in respect of such Loans and/or commitments (and related outstandings) and/or modifying the amortization schedule in respect of such Loans) (each, an "Extension"; any Extended Term Loans shall constitute a separate Class of Term Loans from which they were converted and any Extended Revolving Credit Commitments shall constitute a separate Class of Revolving Credit Commitments from the Class of Revolving Credit Commitments from which they were converted), so long as the following terms are satisfied:
- (i) no Default under <u>Sections 7.01(a)</u>, (<u>f</u>) or (<u>g</u>) or Event of Default shall exist at the time the notice in respect of an Extension Offer is delivered to the applicable Lenders, and no Default under <u>Sections 7.01(a)</u>, (<u>f</u>) or (<u>g</u>) or Event of Default shall exist immediately prior to or after giving effect to the effectiveness of any Extension;
- except as to (x) interest rates, fees and final maturity (which shall, subject to clause (iv) below, be determined by the Borrower and any Lender who agrees to an Extension and set forth in the relevant Extension Offer) and (y) any covenants or other provisions applicable only to periods after the Latest Revolving Loan Maturity Date (in each case, as of the date of such Extension), the commitment of any Revolving Lender that agrees to an Extension (an "Extended Revolving Credit Commitment"; and the related Credit Facility, an "Extended Revolving Facility" and the Loans thereunder, "Extended Revolving Loans"), and the related outstandings, shall be a revolving commitment (or related outstandings, as the case may be) with the same terms (or terms not less favorable to existing Revolving Lenders) as the original revolving commitments (and related outstandings) provided hereunder; provided that (x) to the extent any non-extended portion of any Additional Revolving Facility then exists, (1) the borrowing and repayment (except for (A) payments of interest and fees at different rates on such revolving facilities (and related outstandings), (B) repayments required upon the Maturity Date of such revolving facilities and (C) repayments made in connection with any permanent repayment and termination of commitments (subject to clause (3) below)) of Extended Revolving Loans after the effective date of such Extended Revolving Credit Commitments shall be made on a pro rata basis with such portion of such relevant Additional Revolving Facility, (2) all swingline loans and letters of credit made or issued, as applicable, under any Extended Revolving Credit Commitment shall be participated on a pro rata basis by all Revolving Lenders and (3) the permanent repayment of Loans with respect to, and termination of commitments under, any such Extended Revolving Credit Commitment after the effective date of such Extended Revolving Credit Commitments shall be made on a pro rata basis with such portion of any Additional Revolving Facility, except that the Borrower shall be permitted to permanently repay and terminate commitments of any such revolving facility on a greater than pro rata basis as compared with any other revolving facility with a later Maturity Date than such revolving facility and (y) at no time shall there be more than three (3) separate Classes of revolving commitments hereunder (including Incremental Revolving Commitments, Extended Revolving Credit Commitments and Replacement Revolving Facilities);

- (iii) except as to (x) interest rates, fees, amortization, final maturity date, premiums, required prepayment dates and participation in prepayments (which shall, subject to immediately succeeding clauses (iv)(x), (v) and (vi), be determined by the Borrower and any Lender who agrees to an Extension and set forth in the relevant Extension Offer) and (y) any covenants or other provisions applicable only to periods after the Latest Term Loan Maturity Date (in each case, as of the date of such Extension), the Term Loans of any Lender extended pursuant to any Extension (any such extended Term Loans, the "Extended Term Loans", and the related Credit Facility, an "Extended Term Facility") shall have the same terms as the Class of Term Loans subject to the relevant Extension Offer; provided, however, that with respect to representations and warranties, affirmative and negative covenants (including financial covenants) and events of default that are applicable to any such Class of Extended Term Loans, such provisions may be more favorable to the lenders of the applicable Class of Extended Term Loans than those originally applicable to the Class of Term Loans subject to the relevant Extension Offer, so long as (and only so long as) such provisions also expressly apply to (and for the benefit of) the Class of Term Loans subject to the relevant Extension Offer and each other Class of Term Loans hereunder;
- (iv) (x) subject to the Permitted Earlier Maturity Indebtedness Exception, the final maturity date of any Extended Term Loans shall be no earlier than the then applicable Latest Term Loan Maturity Date at the time of extension and (y) no Extended Revolving Credit Commitments or Extended Revolving Loans shall have a final maturity date earlier than (or require commitment reductions prior to) the then applicable Latest Revolving Loan Maturity Date;
- (v) subject to the Permitted Earlier Maturity Indebtedness Exception, the Weighted Average Life to Maturity of any Extended Term Loans shall be no shorter than the remaining Weighted Average Life to Maturity of the Term Loans or any other Extended Term Loans extended thereby;
- (vi) any Extended Term Loans may participate, with respect to mandatory prepayments or repayments (but, for purposes of clarity, not scheduled amortization payments) on a *pro rata* basis or a less than *pro rata* basis (but not greater than a *pro rata* basis) and with respect to voluntary prepayments or repayments on a *pro rata* basis, a less than *pro rata* basis or a greater than a *pro rata* basis in respect of the Initial Term Loans (and any Additional Term Loans then subject to ratable repayment requirements), in each case as specified in the respective Extension Offer;
- (vii) if the aggregate principal amount of Loans or commitments, as the case may be, in respect of which Lenders shall have accepted the relevant Extension Offer exceeds the maximum aggregate principal amount of Loans or commitments, as the case may be, offered to be extended by the Borrower pursuant to such Extension Offer, then the Loans or commitments, as the case may be, of such Lenders shall be extended ratably up to such maximum amount based on the respective principal amounts (but not to exceed actual holdings of record) with respect to which such Lenders have accepted such Extension Offer;
  - (viii) each Extension shall be in a minimum amount of \$5,000,000;
  - (ix) any applicable Minimum Extension Condition shall be satisfied or waived by the Borrower;
  - (x) all documentation in respect of such Extension shall be consistent with the foregoing; and
- (xi) no Extension of any Additional Revolving Facility shall be effective as to the obligations of any swingline lender to make any swingline loans or any letter of credit issuer with respect to letters of credit without the consent of such swingline lender or such letter of credit issuer (such consents not to be unreasonably withheld or delayed).

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(b) With respect to any Extension consummated pursuant to this Section 2.23, (i) no such Extension shall constitute a voluntary or mandatory prepayment for purposes of Section 2.11, (ii) the scheduled amortization payments (in so far as such schedule affects payments due to Lenders participating in the relevant Class) set forth in Section 2.10 shall be adjusted to give effect to such Extension of the relevant Class and (iii) except as set forth in clause (a)(viii) above, no Extension Offer is required to be in any minimum amount or any minimum increment; provided that the Borrower may, at its election, specify as a condition (a "Minimum Extension Condition") to consummating such Extension that a minimum amount (to be determined and specified in the relevant Extension Offer in the Borrower's sole discretion and which may be waived by the

Borrower) of Loans or commitments (as applicable) of any or all applicable Classes be tendered. The Administrative Agent and the Lenders hereby consent to the transactions contemplated by this Section 2.23 (including, for the avoidance of doubt, any payment of any interest, fees or premium in respect of any Class of Extended Term Loans and/or Extended Revolving Credit Commitments on such terms as may be set forth in the relevant Extension Offer) and hereby waive the requirements of any provision of this Agreement (including Section 2.10, 2.11 or 2.18) or any other Loan Document that may otherwise prohibit any Extension or any other transaction contemplated by this Section 2.23.

- Extension, other than (A) the consent of each Lender agreeing to such Extension with respect to one or more of its Loans and/ or commitments under any Class (or a portion thereof), and (B) with respect to any Extension of any Additional Revolving Facility, the consent of each applicable letter of credit issuer to the extent the commitment to provide letters of credit is to be extended. All Extended Term Loans and Extended Revolving Credit Commitments and all obligations in respect thereof shall constitute Secured Obligations under this Agreement and the other Loan Documents that are secured by the Collateral and guaranteed on a *pari passu* basis with all other applicable Secured Obligations under this Agreement and the other Loan Documents. The Lenders hereby irrevocably authorize the Administrative Agent to enter into such amendments to this Agreement and the other Loan Documents with the Borrower as may be necessary in order to establish new Classes or sub-Classes in respect of Loans or commitments so extended and such technical amendments as may be necessary or appropriate in the reasonable opinion of the Administrative Agent and the Borrower in connection with the establishment of such new Classes or sub-Classes, in each case on terms consistent with this Section 2.23.
- (d) In connection with any Extension, the Borrower shall provide the Administrative Agent at least ten (10) Business Days' (or such shorter period as may be agreed by the Administrative Agent) prior written notice thereof, and shall agree to such procedures (including regarding timing, rounding and other adjustments and to ensure reasonable administrative management of the credit facilities hereunder after such Extension), if any, as may be established by, or acceptable to, the Administrative Agent, in each case acting reasonably to accomplish the purposes of this Section 2.23.

## ARTICLE III

### REPRESENTATIONS AND WARRANTIES

On the dates and to the extent required pursuant to <u>Section 4.01</u> or <u>Section 4.02</u>, as applicable, each of (i) in the case of Holdings, solely with respect to <u>Sections 3.01</u>, <u>3.02</u>, <u>3.03</u>, <u>3.07</u>, <u>3.08</u>, <u>3.09</u>, <u>3.13</u>, <u>3.14</u>, <u>3.16</u> and <u>3.17</u>, and (ii) the Borrower (as to itself and its Restricted Subsidiaries) hereby represent and warrant to the Lenders that:

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Section 3.01. Organization; Powers. Each of the Loan Parties and each of its Restricted Subsidiaries (a) is (i) duly organized and validly existing and (ii) in good standing (to the extent such concept exists in the relevant jurisdiction) under the laws of its jurisdiction of organization, (b) has all requisite organizational power and authority to own its property and assets and to carry on its business as now conducted and (c) is qualified to do business in, and is in good standing (to the extent such concept exists in the relevant jurisdiction) in, every jurisdiction where its ownership, lease or operation of properties or conduct of its business requires such qualification; except, in each case referred to in this Section 3.01 (other than clause (a)(i) with respect to the Borrower and clause (b) with respect to the Loan Parties) where the failure to do so, individually or in the aggregate, would not reasonably be expected to result in a Material Adverse Effect.

Section 3.02. <u>Authorization; Enforceability.</u> The execution, delivery and performance of each of the Loan Documents are within each applicable Loan Party's corporate or other organizational power and have been duly authorized by all necessary corporate or other organizational action of such Loan Party. Each Loan Document to which any Loan Party is a party has been duly executed and delivered by such Loan Party and is a legal, valid and binding obligation of such Loan Party, enforceable in accordance with its terms, subject to the Legal Reservations.

Section 3.03. <u>Governmental Approvals; No Conflicts.</u> The execution and delivery of the Loan Documents by each Loan Party party thereto and the performance by such Loan Party thereof (a) do not require any consent or approval of, registration or filing with, or any other action by, any Governmental Authority, except (i) such as have been obtained or made and are in full force and effect, (ii) in connection with the Perfection Requirements and (iii) such consents, approvals,

registrations, filings, or other actions the failure to obtain or make which would not be reasonably expected to have a Material Adverse Effect, (b) will not violate any (i) of such Loan Party's Organizational Documents or (ii) Requirements of Law applicable to such Loan Party which violation, in the case of this <u>clause (b)(ii)</u>, would reasonably be expected to have a Material Adverse Effect and (c) will not violate or result in a default under (i) the ABL Credit Agreement or (ii) any other material Contractual Obligation to which such Loan Party is a party which violation, in the case of this <u>clause (c)</u>, would reasonably be expected to result in a Material Adverse Effect.

## Section 3.04. Financial Condition; No Material Adverse Effect.

- (a) The financial statements most recently provided pursuant to <u>Section 5.01(a)</u> or <u>(b)</u>, as applicable, present fairly, in all material respects, the financial position and results of operations and cash flows of the Borrower on a consolidated basis as of such dates and for such periods in accordance with GAAP, (x) except as otherwise expressly noted therein, (y) subject, in the case of financial statements provided pursuant to <u>Section 5.01(a)</u>, to the absence of footnotes and normal year-end adjustments and (z) except as may be necessary to reflect any differing entities and organizational structure prior to giving effect to the Transactions.
- (b) Since the Closing Date, there have been no events, developments or circumstances that have had, or could reasonably be expected to have, individually or in the aggregate, a Material Adverse Effect.

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# Section 3.05. <u>Properties</u>.

- (a) As of the Closing Date, <u>Schedule 3.05</u> sets forth the address of each Real Estate Asset (or each set of such assets that collectively comprise one operating property) that is owned in fee simple by any Loan Party.
- (b) The Borrower and each of its Restricted Subsidiaries have good and valid fee simple title to or rights to purchase, or valid leasehold interests in, or easements or other limited property interests in, all of their respective Real Estate Assets and have good title to their personal property and assets, in each case, except (i) for defects in title that do not materially interfere with their ability to conduct their business as currently conducted or to utilize such properties and assets for their intended purposes or (ii) where the failure to have such title would not reasonably be expected to have a Material Adverse Effect. All such properties and assets are free and clear of Liens, other than Permitted Liens.
- (c) The Borrower and its Restricted Subsidiaries own or otherwise have a license or right to use all rights in Patents, Trademarks, Copyrights and other rights in works of authorship (including all copyrights embodied in software) and all other intellectual property rights ("IP Rights") used to conduct the businesses of the Borrower and its Restricted Subsidiaries as presently conducted without, to the knowledge of the Borrower, any infringement, dilution, or misappropriation or other violation of the IP Rights of third parties, except to the extent such failure to own or license or have rights to use would not, or where such infringement, misappropriation or violation would not reasonably be expected to have, individually or in the aggregate, a Material Adverse Effect.

# Section 3.06. <u>Litigation and Environmental Matters.</u>

- (a) There are no actions, suits or proceedings by or before any arbitrator or Governmental Authority pending against or, to the knowledge of the Borrower, threatened in writing against or affecting the Loan Parties or any of their Restricted Subsidiaries which would reasonably be expected, individually or in the aggregate, to result in a Material Adverse Effect.
  - (b) [Reserved].
- (c) Except for any matters that, individually or in the aggregate, would not reasonably be expected to result in a Material Adverse Effect, (i) no Loan Party nor any of its Restricted Subsidiaries is subject to or has received notice of any Environmental Claim or any Environmental Liability and (ii) no Loan Party nor any of its Restricted Subsidiaries has failed to comply with any Environmental Law or to obtain, maintain or comply with any permit, license or other approval required under any Environmental Law.

(d) Neither any Loan Party nor any of its Restricted Subsidiaries has treated, stored, transported or Released any Hazardous Materials on, at or from any currently or formerly operated real estate or facility and no Hazardous Materials are otherwise present at any currently owned or operated real estate or facility, in either case, in a manner that would reasonably be expected to have a Material Adverse Effect.

Section 3.07. <u>Compliance with Laws</u>. Each of Holdings, the Borrower and each of its Restricted Subsidiaries is in compliance with all Requirements of Law applicable to it or its property, except, in each case where the failure to do so, individually or in the aggregate, would not reasonably be expected to result in a Material Adverse Effect, it being understood and agreed that this <u>Section 3.07</u> shall not apply to the Requirements of Law covered by <u>Section 3.17</u>.

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Section 3.08. <u>Investment Company Status</u>. No Loan Party is an "investment company" as defined in, or is required to be registered under, the Investment Company Act of 1940.

Section 3.09. Taxes. Each of Holdings, the Borrower and each of its Restricted Subsidiaries has timely filed or caused to be filed all Tax returns and reports required to have been filed and has paid or caused to be paid all Taxes required to have been paid by it that are due and payable, including in its capacity as a withholding agent, except (a) Taxes (or any requirement to file Tax returns with respect thereto) that are being contested in good faith by appropriate proceedings and for which Holdings, the Borrower or such Restricted Subsidiary, as applicable, has set aside on its books adequate reserves in accordance with GAAP or (b) to the extent that the failure to file or pay, individually or in the aggregate, would not reasonably be expected to result in a Material Adverse Effect.

## Section 3.10. ERISA.

- (a) Each Plan is in compliance in form and operation with its terms and with ERISA and the Code and all other applicable laws and regulations, except where any failure to comply would not reasonably be expected to result in a Material Adverse Effect.
- (b) No ERISA Event has occurred and is continuing or is reasonably expected to occur that, when taken together with all other such ERISA Events for which liability is reasonably expected to occur, would reasonably be expected to result in a Material Adverse Effect.

# Section 3.11. Disclosure.

- (a) As of the Closing Date all written information (other than the Projections, other forward-looking information and information of a general economic or industry-specific nature) concerning Holdings, the Borrower and its Restricted Subsidiaries and the Transactions and that was prepared by or on behalf of Holdings or its subsidiaries or their respective representatives and made available to any Lender or the Administrative Agent in connection with the Transactions on or before the Closing Date (the "Information"), when taken as a whole, did not, when furnished, contain any untrue statement of a material fact or omit to state a material fact necessary in order to make the statements contained therein not materially misleading in light of the circumstances under which such statements are made (after giving effect to all supplements and updates thereto from time to time).
- (b) The Projections have been prepared in good faith based upon assumptions believed by the Borrower to be reasonable at the time furnished (it being recognized that such Projections are not to be viewed as facts and are subject to significant uncertainties and contingencies many of which are beyond the Borrower's control, that no assurance can be given that any particular financial projections (including the Projections) will be realized, that actual results may differ from projected results and that such differences may be material).
- Section 3.12. <u>Solvency</u>. As of the Closing Date, immediately after the consummation of the Transactions to occur on the Closing Date and the incurrence of Indebtedness and obligations on the Closing Date in connection with this Agreement and the ABL Credit Agreement, (i) the sum of the debt (including contingent liabilities) of the Borrower and its

Restricted Subsidiaries, taken as a whole, does not exceed the fair value of the assets of the Borrower and its Restricted Subsidiaries, taken as a whole; (ii) the present fair saleable value of the assets of the Borrower and its Restricted Subsidiaries, taken as a whole, is not less than the amount that will be required to pay the probable liabilities of the Borrower and its Restricted Subsidiaries, taken as a whole, on their debts as they become absolute and matured; (iii) the capital of the Borrower and its Restricted Subsidiaries, taken as a whole, is not unreasonably small in relation to the business of the Borrower and its Restricted Subsidiaries, taken as a whole, contemplated as of the Closing Date; and (iv) the Borrower and its Restricted Subsidiaries, taken as a whole, do not intend to incur, or believe that they will incur, debts (including current obligations and contingent liabilities) beyond their ability to pay such debts as they mature in the ordinary course of business. For the purposes hereof, the amount of any contingent liability at any time shall be computed as the amount that, in light of all of the facts and circumstances existing at such time, represents the amount that can reasonably be expected to become an actual or matured liability (irrespective of whether such contingent liability meets the criteria for accrual under Statement of Financial Accounting Standards No. 5).

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Section 3.13. <u>Capitalization and Subsidiaries.</u> <u>Schedule 3.13</u> sets forth, in each case as of the Closing Date, (a) a correct and complete list of the name of each subsidiary of Holdings and the ownership interest therein held by Holdings or its applicable subsidiary, and (b) the type of entity of each Loan Party and each subsidiary of Holdings with respect to which a portion of such subsidiary's equity is pledged by a Loan Party as Collateral.

Section 3.14. Security Interest in Collateral. Subject to the terms of the last paragraph of Section 4.01 and any limitations and exceptions set forth in any Loan Document, the Legal Reservations, the Perfection Requirements, the provisions of this Agreement and the other relevant Loan Documents (including the Intercreditor Agreement (and any other applicable Acceptable Intercreditor Agreement)) and/or any other applicable intercreditor arrangement, the Collateral Documents create legal, valid and enforceable Liens on all of the Collateral in favor of the Administrative Agent, for the benefit of itself and the other Secured Parties, and upon the satisfaction of the Perfection Requirements, such Liens constitute perfected Liens (with the priority that such Liens are expressed to have under the relevant Collateral Documents, unless otherwise permitted hereunder or under any Collateral Document) on the Collateral (to the extent such Liens are required to be perfected under the terms of the Loan Documents) securing the Secured Obligations, in each case as and to the extent set forth therein.

Section 3.15. <u>Labor Disputes</u>. Except as individually or in the aggregate would not reasonably be expected to have a Material Adverse Effect or to the extent otherwise disclosed on <u>Schedule 3.15</u> hereto: (a) there are no strikes, lockouts or slowdowns against the Borrower or any of its Restricted Subsidiaries pending or, to the knowledge of the Borrower or any of its Restricted Subsidiaries, threatened by any union or labor organization purporting to act as exclusive bargaining representative and (b) the hours worked by and payments made to employees of the Borrower and its Restricted Subsidiaries have not been in violation of the Fair Labor Standards Act or any other applicable federal, state, local or foreign law dealing with such matters.

Section 3.16. <u>Federal Reserve Regulations</u>. No part of the proceeds of any Loan will be used, whether directly or indirectly, and whether immediately, incidentally or ultimately, for any purpose that results in a violation of the provisions of Regulation T, U or X.

## Section 3.17. Sanctions and Anti-Corruption Laws.

(a) (i) None of Holdings, the Borrower, nor any of its Restricted Subsidiaries, nor, to the knowledge of the Borrower, any director, officer, agent, employee or Affiliate of any of the foregoing is (A) a person on the list of "Specially Designated Nationals and Blocked Persons" or (B) currently the subject of any U.S. sanctions administered by the Office of Foreign Assets Control of the U.S. Treasury Department ("OFAC") or the U.S. State Department (collectively, "Sanctions"), and (ii) the Borrower will not directly or, to its knowledge, indirectly, use the proceeds of the Loans or otherwise make available such proceeds to any Person, for the purpose of financing activities of or with any Person or in any country or territory that, at the time of such financing, is the subject of any Sanctions, except to the extent permissible for a Person required to comply with Sanctions.

- (b) To the extent applicable, each Loan Party is in compliance in all material respects with (i) each of the foreign assets control regulations of the U.S. Treasury Department (31 CFR, Subtitle B, Chapter V), and any other enabling legislation or executive order relating thereto, (ii) the USA PATRIOT Act and, to its knowledge, other anti-terrorism, sanctions, anti-corruption and anti-money laundering laws of the U.S. and (iii) the U.S. Foreign Corrupt Practices Act of 1977 (the "FCPA").
- (c) No part of the proceeds of any Loan will be used, directly or, to the knowledge of the Borrower, indirectly, for any payments to any governmental official or employee, political party, official of a political party, candidate for political office, or anyone else acting in an official capacity, in order to improperly obtain, retain or direct business or obtain any improper advantage, in violation of the FCPA.

#### ARTICLE IV

## **CONDITIONS**

Section 4.01. <u>Closing Date</u>. The obligations of any Lender to make Loans shall not become effective until the date on which each of the following conditions is satisfied (or waived in accordance with <u>Section 9.02</u>), subject in all respects to the last paragraph of this <u>Section 4.01</u>:

- (a) <u>Credit Agreement and Loan Documents</u>. The Administrative Agent (or its counsel) shall have received from the Borrower, Holdings, and each other Loan Party party thereto on the Closing Date: (i) a counterpart signed by each such Loan Party (or written evidence reasonably satisfactory to the Administrative Agent (which may include a copy transmitted by e-mail or other electronic method) that such party has signed a counterpart and may be delivered in escrow pending the consummation of the Merger) of (A) this Agreement, (B) the Security Agreement, (C) any Intellectual Property Security Agreement, (D) the Loan Guaranty, (E) the ABL Intercreditor Agreement, and (F) any Promissory Note requested by a Lender at least three (3) Business Days prior to the Closing Date and (ii) a Borrowing Request pursuant to <u>Section 2.03</u>.
- (b) <u>Legal Opinions</u>. The Administrative Agent (or its counsel) shall have received a favorable customary written opinion of (i) Ropes & Gray LLP, in its capacity as special counsel for the Loan Parties and (ii) Thompson Hine LLP, in its capacity as special counsel for the Loan Parties organized under the laws of Georgia, in each case, dated the Closing Date, addressed to the Administrative Agent and the Lenders.
- (c) Financial Statements. The Administrative Agent shall have received (a) copies of the audited consolidated balance sheets as of December 28, 2018, December 29, 2019 and December 26, 2021 and consolidated statements of income, shareholders' equity and cash flows of the Borrower and its subsidiaries (or, to the extent permitted by the Existing Term Facility, a Parent Company of the Borrower) for such fiscals years and consolidated statements of income, shareholders' equity and cash flows of the Borrower and its subsidiaries (or, to the extent permitted by the Existing Term Facility, a Parent Company of the Borrower) for such fiscal year, (b) copies of the unaudited consolidated balance sheet as of September 30, 2020 and as of March 31, 2021 and related consolidated statements of income, shareholders' equity and cash flows of the Borrower and its subsidiaries (or, to the extent permitted by the Existing Term Facility, a Parent Company of the Borrower) for the nine-month period then ended and related consolidated statements of income, shareholders' equity and cash flows of the Borrower and its subsidiaries (or, to the extent permitted by the Existing Term Facility, a Parent Company of the Borrower) for the three-month period then ended and (c) the unaudited pro forma consolidated balance sheet as of and for the most recently ended period pursuant to clause (a) or clause (b) above, prepared after giving effect to the Transactions, which need not be prepared in compliance with Regulation S-X of the Securities Act of 1933, as amended, or include adjustments for purchase accounting.

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(d) <u>Closing Certificates; Certified Charters; Good Standing Certificates</u>. The Administrative Agent (or its counsel) shall have received (i) a certificate of each Loan Party, dated the Closing Date and executed by a secretary, assistant secretary or other Responsible Officer (as the case may be) thereof, which shall (A) certify that attached thereto is a true and complete copy of the resolutions or written consents of its shareholders, board of directors, board of managers, members or other governing body authorizing the execution, delivery and performance of the Loan Documents to which it is a party and,

in the case of the Borrower, the borrowings hereunder, and that such resolutions or written consents have not been modified, rescinded or amended (other than as attached thereto) and are in full force and effect, (B) identify by name and title and bear the signatures of the officers, managers, directors or authorized signatories of such Loan Party authorized to sign the Loan Documents to which it is a party on the Closing Date and (C) certify (x) that attached thereto is a true and complete copy of the certificate or articles of incorporation or organization (or memorandum of association or other equivalent thereof) of such Loan Party certified by the relevant authority of the jurisdiction of organization of such Loan Party and a true and correct copy of its by-laws or operating, management, partnership or similar agreement and (y) that such documents or agreements have not been amended (except as otherwise attached to such certificate and certified therein as being the only amendments thereto as of such date) and (ii) a good standing (or equivalent) certificate as of a recent date for such Loan Party from its jurisdiction of organization, to the extent available.

- (e) <u>Representations and Warranties</u>. The (i) Specified Merger Agreement Representations shall be true and correct solely to the extent required by the terms of the definition thereof and (ii) Specified Representations shall be true and correct in all material respects on and as of the Closing Date; <u>provided</u> that (A) in the case of any Specified Representation which expressly relates to a specific date or period, such representation and warranty shall be true and correct in all material respects as of the respective date or for the respective period, as the case may be and (B) if any Specified Representation is qualified by or subject to a "material adverse effect", "material adverse change" or similar term or qualification, the definition thereof shall be the definition of "Closing Date Material Adverse Effect" for purposes of the making or deemed making of such Specified Representation on, or as of, the Closing Date (or any date prior thereto).
- (f) <u>Fees.</u> Prior to or substantially concurrently with the funding of the Initial Term Loans hereunder, the Administrative Agent shall have received (i) all fees required to be paid by the Borrower on the Closing Date pursuant to the Fee Letter and (ii) all expenses required to be paid by the Borrower for which invoices have been presented at least three (3) Business Days prior to the Closing Date (including the reasonable fees and expenses of legal counsel), in each case on or before the Closing Date, which amounts may be offset against the proceeds of the Loans.
- (g) <u>Solvency</u>. The Administrative Agent (or its counsel) shall have received a certificate dated as of the Closing Date in substantially the form of <u>Exhibit K</u> from the chief financial officer (or other officer or director with reasonably equivalent responsibilities) of the Borrower certifying as to the matters set forth therein.

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- (h) <u>Perfection Certificate</u>. The Administrative Agent (or its counsel) shall have received a completed Perfection Certificate dated the Closing Date and signed by a Responsible Officer of the Borrower, together with all attachments contemplated thereby.
- (i) <u>Pledged Stock; Stock Powers; Pledged Notes.</u> Subject to the terms of the ABL Intercreditor Agreement, the Administrative Agent (or its counsel) shall have received (i) the certificates representing the Capital Stock required to be pledged pursuant to the Security Agreement, together with an undated stock or similar power for each such certificate executed in blank by a duly authorized officer of the pledgor thereof, and (ii) each Material Debt Instrument (if any) endorsed (without recourse) in blank (or accompanied by an executed transfer form in blank) by the pledgor thereof.
- (j) <u>Filings Registrations and Recordings</u>. Each document (including any UCC or similar financing statement) required by any Collateral Document to be delivered on the Closing Date or under law to be filed, registered or recorded in order to create in favor of the Administrative Agent, for the benefit of the Secured Parties, a perfected Lien on the Collateral required to be delivered pursuant to such Collateral Document, prior and superior in right of security to any other Person (subject to the terms of the ABL Intercreditor Agreement and other than with respect to Permitted Liens), shall have been received by the Administrative Agent and be in proper form for filing, registration or recordation.
- (k) <u>Beneficial Ownership Certification</u>. If the Borrower qualifies as a "legal entity customer" under the Beneficial Ownership Regulation, then the Borrower shall have delivered to the Administrative Agent a Beneficial Ownership Certification in relation to the Borrower, to the extent reasonably requested by any Initial Committed Lender in writing at least ten (10) Business Days in advance of the Closing Date.

- (l) <u>Closing Date Material Adverse Effect</u>. No Closing Date Material Adverse Effect shall have occurred since January 24, 2021.
- (m) <u>USA PATRIOT Act</u>. No later than three (3) Business Days in advance of the Closing Date, the Administrative Agent shall have received all documentation and other information required pursuant to applicable "know your customer" and anti-money laundering rules and regulations, including the USA PATRIOT Act with respect to any Loan Party to the extent reasonably requested by any Initial Committed Lender in writing at least ten (10) Business Days in advance of the Closing Date.
- (n) Officer's Certificate. The Administrative Agent shall have received a certificate signed by a Responsible Officer of the Borrower certifying as of the Closing Date to the matters set forth in Section 4.01(e) and Section 4.01(l).
- Indebtedness for borrowed money of the Borrower and its subsidiaries under (A) that certain ABL Credit Agreement dated as of May 31, 2018 (as amended as of November 15, 2019, and as further amended, restated, amended and restated, supplemented or otherwise modified from time to time prior to the date hereof, the "Existing ABL Facility") among the Borrower, The Hillman Companies, Inc., the other borrowers and guarantors party thereto, the lenders party thereto and Barclays, as administrative agent, (B) that certain Credit Agreement, dated as of May 31, 2018 (as amended, restated, amended and restated, supplemented or otherwise modified from time to time prior to the date hereof, the "Existing Term Facility") among the Borrower, The Hillman Companies, Inc., the lenders parties thereto and Barclays, as administrative agent, and (C) the Senior Notes under the Senior Notes Indenture, in each case, will be repaid, redeemed, defeased, discharged, refinanced or terminated, and all related commitments, guaranties and security interests will be terminated and released or arrangements therefor to the reasonable satisfaction of the Administrative Agent shall have been made or, in the case of the Existing ABL Facility, the Existing ABL Facility may be amended and restated to, among other things, extend the maturity thereof to five (5) years after the Closing Date (the actions described in this Section 4.01(o), the "Refinancing").

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- (p) <u>Junior Debentures Discharge and Redemption</u>. Substantially concurrently with the initial funding of the Loans hereunder, (i) a notice of redemption for all outstanding Junior Debentures under the Junior Debentures Indenture shall have been delivered and an amount necessary to the pay the redemption price and all unpaid interest through the stated redemption date in such notice (such redemption date, the "**Redemption Date**") and all other amounts payable by Holdings under the Junior Debentures Indenture (such amount, the "**Redemption Deposit**") shall have been deposited with the trustee under the Junior Debentures Indenture to satisfy and discharge the Junior Debentures Indenture (the actions in this <u>clause (i)</u>, the "**Junior Debentures Redemption**"), and (ii) a notice of redemption for all outstanding Trust Preferred Securities on the Redemption Date shall have been delivered and the Redemption Deposit upon payment thereof to Hillman Trust shall be in an amount sufficient for Hillman Trust to redeem the Trust Preferred Securities on the Redemption Date (the actions in <u>clause (i)</u> and this <u>clause (ii)</u>, collectively, the "**Trust Preferred Redemption**").
- (q) <u>PIPE Investment</u>. Prior to or substantially concurrently with the initial funding of the Loans hereunder, the PIPE Investment shall have been consummated.
- (r) Transactions. The Merger shall have been consummated, or substantially simultaneously with the initial borrowings of the Loans hereunder, shall be consummated in all material respects in accordance with the terms of the Merger Agreement, without giving effect to any amendments, waivers or consents to the Merger Agreement by HMAN that are materially adverse to the interests of the Initial Term Lenders in their capacities as such without the consent of the Arrangers, such consent not to be unreasonably withheld, delayed or conditioned; provided, that (a) any decrease in the aggregate merger consideration (x) of up to 10% shall not be materially adverse to the interests of the Initial Term Lenders in their capacities as such, (y) greater than 10% shall not be materially adverse to the interests of the Initial Term Lenders in their capacities as such so long as such decrease is allocated, to the extent reducing any merger consideration payable in cash, to reduce the Initial Term Loans ratably (or on a greater than pro rata basis) with the PIPE Investment, and (z) reducing only consideration payable in stock shall not be materially adverse to the Initial Term Lenders in their capacities as such, (b) any increase in the purchase price shall not be materially adverse to the Initial Term Lenders in their capacities as such so long as such increase is funded by amounts permitted to be drawn hereunder, any increase in the PIPE Investment and/or the proceeds of Qualified

Capital Stock, (c) any amendment, waiver or consent to the definition of "Company Material Adverse Effect" in the Merger Agreement shall be deemed to be materially adverse to the Initial Term Lenders in their capacities as such, (d) other than with respect to the foregoing clause (c), the granting of any consent or waiver under the Merger Agreement that is not materially adverse to the interests of the Initial Term Lenders in their capacities as such shall not otherwise constitute an amendment or waiver, and (e) the granting of any consent or waiver under the Merger Agreement with respect to any condition to closing based on (i) Closing Available Proceeds (as defined in the Merger Agreement) in Section 7.1(e) of the Merger Agreement, (ii) Cash and Cash Equivalents (as defined in the Merger Agreement) in Section 7.1(f) of the Merger Agreement, and/or (iii) Post-Closing Indebtedness (as defined in the Merger Agreement) in Section 7.1(g) of the Merger Agreement, in each case, shall not be materially adverse to the interests of the Initial Term Lenders in their capacities as such.

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For purposes of determining whether the conditions specified in this <u>Section 4.01</u> have been satisfied on the Closing Date, by funding the Loans hereunder, the Administrative Agent and each Lender that has executed this Agreement (or an Assignment and Assumption on the Closing Date) shall be deemed to have consented to, approved or accepted, or to be satisfied with, each document or other matter required hereunder to be consented to or approved by or acceptable or satisfactory to the Administrative Agent or such Lender, as the case may be.

Notwithstanding the foregoing, to the extent the Lien on any Collateral (including the granting or perfection of any security interest) or Guarantee is not or cannot be provided on the Closing Date (other than (i) the granting of liens in the Collateral owned by Holdings, the Borrower and each Subsidiary Guarantor to the extent perfection of a Lien on such Collateral may be perfected solely by the filing of a financing statement under the UCC, (ii) a pledge of the Capital Stock of the Borrower to the extent such pledge may be perfected on the Closing Date by the delivery of a stock or equivalent certificate representing such Capital Stock (together with a stock power or similar instrument endorsed in blank for the relevant certificate), (iii) a pledge of the Capital Stock of each subsidiary required to be a Subsidiary Guarantor to the extent such pledge may be perfected on the Closing Date by the delivery of a stock or equivalent certificate representing such Capital Stock (together with a stock power or similar instrument endorsed in blank for the relevant certificate), but solely to the extent such Subsidiary Guarantor is a currently a "subsidiary guarantor" under the Existing Term Facility whose stock or equivalent certificates have been pledged and delivered to the administrative agent under the Existing Term Facility (unless due to the COVID-19 pandemic, obtaining any such stock certificates from the administrative agent under the Existing Term Facility is impractical, in which case, such stock certificates shall be delivered to the Administrative Agent within five (5) Business Days after the Closing Date (or such later date as the Administrative Agent may reasonably agree) and (iv) the Guarantee by Holdings and each material Subsidiary Guarantor)), then the provision (and/or perfection) of such Collateral and/or Guarantee shall not constitute a condition precedent to the availability or initial funding of the Credit Facilities on the Closing Date but may instead be provided (and/or perfected) within ninety (90) days (or five (5) Business Days in the case of any Guarantee) after the Closing Date or such later date as the Administrative Agent may reasonably agree. For the avoidance of doubt, delivery of insurance certificates and lien searches are not conditions to the availability or funding of the Credit Facilities on the Closing Date but the Borrower shall use commercially reasonable efforts to deliver such insurance certificates and lien searches on the Closing Date or soon as thereafter as reasonably practicable.

Section 4.02. <u>Each Initial Delayed Draw Term Loan Extension</u>. The obligation of each Initial Delayed Draw Term Lender to make any Initial Delayed Draw Term Loan Extension is subject to the satisfaction of the following conditions (which shall be subject to limitation or modification pursuant to <u>Sections 2.02(c)</u> and <u>(d)</u>):

- (a) The Administrative Agent shall have received a Borrowing Request as required by <u>Section 2.03</u>.
- (b) The representations and warranties of the Loan Parties set forth in this Agreement shall be true and correct in all material respects on and as of the date of such Borrowing; <u>provided</u>, that (A) to the extent that any representation and warranty specifically refers to a given date or period, it is true and correct in all material respects as of such date or for such period and (B) if any such representation and warranty is qualified by or subject to a Material Adverse Effect or other "materiality" qualification, such representation is true and correct in all respects; <u>provided</u>, <u>further</u>, that if such Initial Delayed Draw Term Loans are to be used as contemplated by <u>Section 5.11(b)(i)</u>, the foregoing representations and warranties shall be limited to the Specified Representations.

- (c) No Event of Default or Default under <u>Sections 7.01(a)</u>, <u>7.01(f)</u> or <u>7.01(g)</u> has occurred and is continuing or would result therefrom.
- (d) The First Lien Leverage Ratio, would not exceed the greater of 3.50:1.00 and the First Lien Leverage Ratio as of the then-most recently completed fiscal quarter (but no greater than 4.00:1.00) calculated on a Pro Forma Basis, including the application of the proceeds thereof (without "netting" the cash proceeds of the applicable Initial Delayed Draw Term Loans to the Borrower) and related transactions (and giving effect to other permitted pro forma adjustments).
- (e) Concurrently with the funding of any Initial Delayed Draw Term Loans hereunder, the Delayed Draw Upfront Fee shall have been netted against the proceeds of such Initial Delayed Draw Term Loans in accordance with Section 2.12(b).

Each Initial Delayed Draw Term Loan Extension shall be deemed to constitute a representation and warranty by the Borrower on the date thereof as to the matters specified in <u>Sections 4.02(b)</u> and <u>4.02(c)</u>; <u>provided</u>, <u>however</u>, notwithstanding anything to the contrary in this <u>Section 4.02</u> or in any other provision of any Loan Document, the satisfaction of, and compliance with, the conditions in this <u>Section 4.02</u> shall be determined, if elected by the Borrower, in accordance with Section 1.10(a).

#### ARTICLE V

## AFFIRMATIVE COVENANTS

From the Closing Date until the Termination Date, (i) in the case of Holdings, solely with respect to <u>Sections 5.02</u>, <u>5.03</u> and <u>(ii)</u> the Borrower hereby covenant and agree with the Lenders that:

Section 5.01. <u>Financial Statements and Other Reports.</u> The Borrower will deliver to the Administrative Agent for delivery to each Lender:

(a) Quarterly Financial Statements. Within forty-five (45) days (or within sixty (60) days in the case of the Fiscal Quarters ending on or around June 30, 2021, September 30, 2021 and March 31, 2022) after the end of each of the first three (3) Fiscal Quarters of each Fiscal Year, commencing with the Fiscal Quarter ending on or around June 30, 2021, the consolidated balance sheet of the Borrower as at the end of such Fiscal Quarter and the related consolidated statements of income and cash flows of the Borrower for such Fiscal Quarter and for the period from the beginning of the then current Fiscal Year to the end of such Fiscal Quarter, and setting forth (commencing with the Fiscal Quarter ending on or around September 30, 2021), in reasonable detail, in comparative form the corresponding figures for the corresponding periods of the previous Fiscal Year, all in reasonable detail, together with a Responsible Officer Certification (which may be included in the applicable Compliance Certificate) with respect thereto and, commencing with the first full Fiscal Quarter ended after the Closing Date, at the option of the Borrower, either (x) a Narrative Report with respect thereto (which may be satisfied by any Parent Company's Form 10-Q report), or (y) a conference call with the Lenders and the Administrative Agent, which call shall be held after delivery of the applicable financial statements, during normal business hours and otherwise at a time mutually agreed between the Borrower and the Administrative Agent for the applicable Fiscal Quarter (which may be satisfied by any investors earnings release call by any Parent Company);

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(b) Annual Financial Statements. Within one hundred twenty (120) days after the end of the first Fiscal Year following the Closing Date, and within ninety (90) days after the end of each Fiscal Year thereafter, (i) the consolidated balance sheet of the Borrower as at the end of such Fiscal Year and the related consolidated statements of income, shareholders' equity and cash flows of the Borrower for such Fiscal Year and setting forth (commencing with the Fiscal Year ending on or around December 31, 2021), in reasonable detail, in comparative form the corresponding figures for the previous Fiscal Year and (ii) with respect to such consolidated financial statements, (A) a report thereon from the Borrower's certified public accountant or any nationally recognized independent certified public accountant of recognized national standing (which report shall be unqualified as to "going concern" (other than resulting from the impending maturity of any Indebtedness or any actual or prospective breach of any financial covenant) and scope of audit, and shall state that such consolidated financial statements fairly present, in all material respects, the consolidated financial position of the Borrower as at the dates indicated

and its income and cash flows for the periods indicated in conformity with GAAP) and (B) at the option of the Borrower, either (i) a Narrative Report with respect to such Fiscal Year (which may be satisfied by any Parent Company's Form 10-K report), or (ii) a conference call with the Lenders and the Administrative Agent, which call shall be held after delivery of the applicable financial statements, during normal business hours and otherwise at a time mutually agreed between the Borrower and the Administrative Agent for the applicable Fiscal Year (which may be satisfied by any investors earnings release call by any Parent Company);

(c) Compliance Certificate. Together with each delivery of financial statements of the Borrower pursuant to Sections 5.01(a) and 5.01(b), (i) a duly executed and completed Compliance Certificate (A) certifying that no Default or Event of Default exists (or if a Default or Event of Default exists, describing in reasonable detail such Default or Event of Default and the steps being taken to cure, remedy or waive the same) and (B) in the case of financial statements delivered pursuant to Section 5.01(b), setting forth reasonably detailed calculations of Excess Cash Flow of the Borrower and its Restricted Subsidiaries for each Fiscal Year beginning with the financial statements for the Fiscal Year ending on or about December 31, 2022, (ii) (A) a summary of pro forma or consolidating adjustments necessary to eliminate the accounts of Unrestricted Subsidiaries (if any) from such financial statements and (B) a list identifying any change or addition of any subsidiary of the Borrower as a Restricted Subsidiary or an Unrestricted Subsidiary as of the date of delivery of such Compliance Certificate or confirming that there is no change in such information since the later of the Closing Date and the date of the last such list, and (iii) solely in the event that an update to the Perfection Certificate is necessary to reflect a material change, a Perfection Certificate Supplement;

# (d) [Reserved];

(e) <u>Notice of Default</u>. Promptly upon, and in any event within five (5) Business Days after, any Responsible Officer of the Borrower obtaining knowledge of (i) the occurrence of any Default or Event of Default or (ii) the occurrence of any event or change that has caused or evidences or would reasonably be expected to cause or evidence, either individually or in the aggregate, a Material Adverse Effect, a reasonably-detailed notice specifying the nature and period of existence of such condition, event or change and what action the Borrower has taken, is taking and proposes to take with respect thereto;

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- (f) <u>Notice of Litigation</u>. Promptly upon, and in any event within five (5) Business Days after, any Responsible Officer of the Borrower obtaining knowledge of (i) the institution of, or threat of, any Adverse Proceeding not previously disclosed in writing by the Borrower to the Administrative Agent, or (ii) any material development in any Adverse Proceeding that, in the case of either of <u>clause (i)</u> or <u>(ii)</u>, would reasonably be expected to have a Material Adverse Effect, written notice thereof from the Borrower together with such other non-privileged information as may be reasonably available to the Loan Parties to enable the Lenders to evaluate such matters;
- (g) <u>ERISA</u>. Promptly upon, and in any event within five (5) Business Days after, any Responsible Officer of the Borrower becoming aware of the occurrence of any ERISA Event that could reasonably be expected to have a Material Adverse Effect, a written notice specifying the nature thereof;
- (h) <u>Financial Plan</u>. As soon as available and in any event no later than one hundred twenty (120) days (or one hundred fifty (150) days with respect to Fiscal Year ending on or about December 31, 2022) after the beginning of each Fiscal Year, commencing in respect of the Fiscal Year ending on or about December 31, 2022, a consolidated plan and financial forecast for each Fiscal Quarter of such Fiscal Year, including a forecasted consolidated statement of the Borrower's financial position and forecasted consolidated statements of income and cash flows of the Borrower for such Fiscal Year, prepared in reasonable detail setting forth, with appropriate discussion, the principal assumptions on which the financial plan is based;
- (i) <u>Information Regarding Collateral</u>. Within sixty (60) days of the relevant change, written notice of any change (i) in any Loan Party's legal name, (ii) in any Loan Party's type of organization, (iii) in any Loan Party's jurisdiction of organization (or, in the case of a Foreign Discretionary Guarantor or other Loan Party that is a party to a Collateral Document governed by U.S. law and that is not a registered organization, such Loan Party's "location" under Section 9-307 of the UCC) or (iv) in any Loan Party's organizational identification number (if any), in the case of this <u>clause (iv)</u>, to the extent such information is necessary to enable the Administrative Agent to perfect or maintain the perfection and priority of its security

interest in the Collateral of the relevant Loan Party, together with a certified copy of the applicable Organizational Document reflecting the relevant change;

- (j) <u>Environmental Matters</u>. Prompt (and in any event within five (5) Business Days after any Responsible Officer of the Borrower obtaining knowledge thereof) written notice of any Release or other Hazardous Material Activity that would reasonably be expected to have a Material Adverse Effect;
- (k) <u>Certain Reports.</u> Promptly upon their becoming available and without duplication of any obligations with respect to any such information that is otherwise required to be delivered under the provisions of any Loan Document, copies of (i) following an initial public offering, all financial statements, reports, notices and proxy statements sent or made available generally by any applicable Parent Company to its security holders acting in such capacity and (ii) all regular and periodic reports and all registration statements (other than on Form S-8 or a similar form) and prospectuses, if any, filed by a Parent Company with any securities exchange or with the SEC or any analogous governmental or private regulatory authority with jurisdiction over matters relating to securities;

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# (l) [Reserved]; and

(m) Other Information. Such other certificates, reports and information (financial or otherwise) as the Administrative Agent may reasonably request from time to time in connection with the financial condition or business of Holdings and its Restricted Subsidiaries; provided, however, that none of Holdings, the Borrower nor any Restricted Subsidiary shall be required to disclose or provide any information (i) that constitutes non-financial trade secrets or non-financial proprietary information of Holdings, the Borrower and/or any of their respective subsidiaries, customers and/or suppliers, (ii) in respect of which disclosure to the Administrative Agent or any Lender (or any of their respective representatives or contractors) is prohibited by applicable Requirements of Law, (iii) that is subject to attorney-client or similar privilege or constitutes attorney work product or (iv) in respect of which Holdings, the Borrower or any Restricted Subsidiary owes confidentiality obligations to any third party; provided that, with respect to this clause (iv), the Borrower shall (A) make the Administrative Agent aware of such confidentiality obligations (to the extent permitted under the applicable confidentiality obligation) and (B) use commercially reasonable efforts to communicate the relevant information in a way that does not violate such confidentiality obligations.

Documents required to be delivered pursuant to this Section 5.01 may be delivered electronically and if so delivered, shall be deemed to have been delivered on the date (i) on which the Borrower (or a representative thereof) (x) posts such documents or (y) provides a link thereto on the website of the Borrower on the Internet at the website address listed on Schedule 9.01; provided that, other than with respect to items required to be delivered pursuant to Section 5.01(k), the Borrower shall promptly notify (which may be by e-mail) the Administrative Agent of the posting of any such documents on the website of the Borrower (or its applicable subsidiary) and provide to the Administrative Agent by electronic mail electronic versions (i.e., soft copies) of such documents; (ii) on which such documents are delivered by the Borrower to the Administrative Agent for posting on behalf of the Borrower on SyndTrak or another relevant website, if any, to which each Lender and the Administrative Agent have access (whether a commercial, third-party website or whether sponsored by the Administrative Agent); (iii) on which executed certificates or other documents are faxed to the Administrative Agent (or electronically mailed to an address provided by the Administrative Agent); or (iv) in respect of the items required to be delivered pursuant to Section 5.01(k) in respect of information filed by any applicable Parent Company with any securities exchange or with the SEC or any analogous governmental or private regulatory authority with jurisdiction over matters relating to securities (other than Form 10-Q reports and Form 10-K reports described in Sections 5.01(a) and (b), respectively), on which such items have been made available on the SEC website or the website of the relevant analogous governmental or private regulatory authority or securities exchange.

Notwithstanding the foregoing, the obligations in <u>paragraphs</u> (a), (b) and (h) of this <u>Section 5.01</u> may be satisfied with respect to any financial statements of the Borrower by furnishing (A) the applicable financial statements of any Parent Company or (B) any Parent Company's Form 10-K or 10-Q, as applicable, filed with the SEC or any securities exchange, in each case, within the time periods specified in such paragraphs; <u>provided</u> that, with respect to each of <u>clauses</u> (A) and (B), (i) to the extent such financial statements relate to any Parent Company, such financial statements shall be accompanied by consolidating information that summarizes in reasonable detail the differences between the information relating to such Parent Company, on the one hand, and the information relating to the Borrower and its consolidated subsidiaries on a standalone basis, on the other hand, which consolidating information shall be certified by a Responsible Officer of the Borrower as having been fairly presented in all material respects and (ii) to the extent such

Any financial statement required to be delivered pursuant to <u>Section 5.01(a)</u> or <u>(b)</u> shall not be required to include acquisition accounting adjustments relating to the Transactions or any Permitted Acquisition to the extent it is not practicable to include any such adjustments in such financial statement.

Section 5.02. Existence. Except as otherwise permitted under Section 6.07, Holdings and the Borrower will, and the Borrower will cause each of its Restricted Subsidiaries to, at all times preserve and keep in full force and effect its existence and all rights, franchises, licenses and permits material to its business except, other than with respect to the preservation of the existence of the Borrower, to the extent that the failure to do so could not reasonably be expected to result in a Material Adverse Effect; provided that neither Holdings nor the Borrower nor any of the Borrower's Restricted Subsidiaries shall be required to preserve any such existence (other than with respect to the preservation of existence of the Borrower), right, franchise, license or permit if a Responsible Officer of such Person or such Person's board of directors (or similar governing body) determines that the preservation thereof is no longer desirable in the conduct of the business of such Person, and that the loss thereof is not disadvantageous in any material respect to such Person or to the Lenders.

Section 5.03. Payment of Taxes. Holdings and the Borrower will, and the Borrower will cause each of its Restricted Subsidiaries to, pay all Taxes imposed upon it or any of its properties or assets or in respect of any of its income or businesses or franchises before any penalty or fine accrues thereon; provided that no such Tax need be paid if (a) it is being contested in good faith by appropriate proceedings promptly instituted and diligently conducted, so long as (i) adequate reserves or other appropriate provisions, as are required in conformity with GAAP, have been made therefor and (ii) in the case of a Tax which has or may become a Lien against any of the Collateral, such contest proceedings conclusively operate to stay the sale of any portion of the Collateral to satisfy such Tax or (b) the failure to pay or discharge the same could not reasonably be expected to result in a Material Adverse Effect.

Section 5.04. <u>Maintenance of Properties</u>. The Borrower will, and will cause each of its Restricted Subsidiaries to, maintain or cause to be maintained in good repair, working order and condition, ordinary wear and tear and casualty and condemnation excepted, all property reasonably necessary to the normal conduct of business of the Borrower and its Restricted Subsidiaries and from time to time will make or cause to be made all needed and appropriate repairs, renewals and replacements thereof except as expressly permitted by this Agreement or where the failure to maintain such properties or make such repairs, renewals or replacements could not reasonably be expected to have a Material Adverse Effect.

Section 5.05. <u>Insurance</u>. Except where the failure to do so would not reasonably be expected to have a Material Adverse Effect, the Borrower will maintain or cause to be maintained, with financially sound and reputable insurers, such insurance coverage with respect to liabilities, losses or damage in respect of the assets, properties and businesses of the Borrower and its Restricted Subsidiaries as may customarily be carried or maintained under similar circumstances by Persons of established reputation engaged in similar businesses, in each case in such amounts (giving effect to self-insurance), with such deductibles, covering such risks and otherwise on such terms and conditions as shall be customary for such Persons. Each such policy of insurance shall (i) name the Administrative Agent on behalf of the Lenders as an additional insured thereunder as its interests may appear and (ii) to the extent available from the relevant insurance carrier, in the case of each casualty insurance policy (excluding any business interruption insurance policy), contain a loss payable clause or endorsement that names the Administrative Agent, on behalf of the Lenders as the lender loss payee thereunder and, to the extent available, provide for at least thirty (30) days' prior written notice to the Administrative Agent of any modification or cancellation of such policy (or ten (10) days' prior written notice in the case of the failure to pay any premiums thereunder).

Section 5.06. Inspections. The Borrower will, and will cause each of its Restricted Subsidiaries to, permit any authorized representative designated by the Administrative Agent to visit and inspect any of the properties of the Borrower and any of its Restricted Subsidiaries at which the principal financial records and executive officers of the applicable Person are located, to inspect, copy and take extracts from its and their respective financial and accounting records, and to discuss its and their respective affairs, finances and accounts with its and their Responsible Officers and independent public accountants (provided that the Borrower (or any of its subsidiaries) may, if it so chooses, be present at or participate in any such discussion), all upon reasonable notice and at reasonable times during normal business hours; provided that, (x) only the Administrative Agent (or a representative designated by the Administrative Agent) on behalf of the Lenders may exercise the rights of the Administrative Agent and the Lenders under this Section 5.06, (y) subject to the immediately succeeding proviso, the Administrative Agent shall not exercise such rights more often than one time during any calendar year and (z) subject to the immediately succeeding proviso, only one such time per calendar year shall be at the expense of the Borrower; provided further that when an Event of Default exists, the Administrative Agent (or any of its representatives or independent contractors) may do any of the foregoing at the expense of the Borrower at any time during normal business hours and upon reasonable advance notice; provided further that, notwithstanding anything to the contrary herein, neither the Borrower nor any Restricted Subsidiary shall be required to disclose, permit the inspection, examination or making of copies of or taking abstracts from, or discuss any document, information, or other matter (i) that constitutes non-financial trade secrets or non-financial proprietary information of the Borrower and its subsidiaries and/or any of its customers and/or suppliers, (ii) in respect of which disclosure to the Administrative Agent or any Lender (or any of their respective representatives or contractors) is prohibited by applicable law, (iii) that is subject to attorney-client or similar privilege or constitutes attorney work product or (iv) in respect of which Holdings, the Borrower or any Restricted Subsidiary owes confidentiality obligations to any third party; provided that, with respect to this clause (iv), the Borrower shall (A) make the Administrative Agent aware of such confidentiality obligations (to the extent permitted under the applicable confidentiality obligation) and (B) use commercially reasonable efforts to communicate the relevant information in a way that does not violate such confidentiality obligations.

Section 5.07. <u>Maintenance of Books and Records</u>. The Borrower will, and will cause its Restricted Subsidiaries to, maintain proper books of record and account containing entries of all material financial transactions and matters involving the assets and business of the Borrower and its Restricted Subsidiaries that are full, true and correct in all material respects and permit the preparation of consolidated financial statements in accordance with GAAP.

## Section 5.08. <u>Compliance with Laws</u>.

- (a) Holdings and the Borrower will, and will cause each of their Restricted Subsidiaries to (i) materially comply with the applicable requirements of Sanctions and the FCPA (subject to any applicable licenses, authorizations or exemptions) and (ii) comply with the requirements of all other applicable laws, rules, regulations and orders of any Governmental Authority (including ERISA, the USA PATRIOT Act and, to its knowledge, anti-terrorism, sanctions, anti-corruption and anti-money laundering laws), except to the extent the failure to so comply would not reasonably be expected to have a Material Adverse Effect.
- (b) The Borrower will not directly or, to its knowledge, indirectly, use the proceeds of the Loans or otherwise make available such proceeds to any Person, (i) for the purpose of financing the activities of any Person or in any country or territory that, at the time of such financing, is the subject of any Sanctions, except to the extent permissible for a Person required to comply with Sanctions, or (ii) in a manner that violates any applicable requirements under the FCPA.

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Section 5.09. <u>Compliance with Environmental Laws</u>. Except, in each case, to the extent that the failure to do so would not reasonably be expected to have, individually or in the aggregate, a Material Adverse Effect, (a) comply, and take all commercially reasonable actions to cause any lessees and other Persons operating or occupying its properties to comply, with all applicable Environmental Laws and environmental permits (including any investigation, notification, cleanup, removal or remedial obligations with respect to or arising out of any Hazardous Materials Activity), (b) obtain and renew all environmental permits required to conduct its operations or in connection with its properties and (c) respond timely to any Environmental Claim against the Borrower or any of its Restricted Subsidiaries and discharge or duly contest any obligations it may have to any Person thereunder.

Section 5.10. Designation of Subsidiaries. The board of directors (or equivalent governing body) of the Borrower may at any time after the Closing Date designate (or redesignate) any subsidiary as an Unrestricted Subsidiary or any Unrestricted Subsidiary as a Restricted Subsidiary; provided that (i) immediately before and after such designation or redesignation, no Default or Event of Default exists (including after giving effect to the reclassification of Investments in, Indebtedness of and Liens on the assets of, the applicable Restricted Subsidiary or Unrestricted Subsidiary), (ii) in the case of designating a Restricted Subsidiary to be an Unrestricted Subsidiary or redesignating an Unrestricted Subsidiary to be a Restricted Subsidiary, the applicable Investment is permitted under one or more clauses in Section 6.06 (as selected by the Borrower in its sole discretion), (iii) on a Pro Forma Basis, the Total Leverage Ratio does not exceed the greater of the Total Leverage Ratio as of the last day of the most recently ended Test Period and 5.25:1.00, (iv) no subsidiary may be designated as an Unrestricted Subsidiary if it is a "Restricted Subsidiary" for purposes of the ABL Credit Agreement unless also being designated as an Unrestricted Subsidiary thereunder, and (v) as of the date of the designation or redesignation thereof, no Unrestricted Subsidiary shall own any Capital Stock in any Restricted Subsidiary of the Borrower (unless such Restricted Subsidiary is also designated as an Unrestricted Subsidiary) or hold any Indebtedness of or any Lien on any property of the Borrower or its Restricted Subsidiaries (unless the Borrower or such Restricted Subsidiary is permitted to incur such Indebtedness or Liens in favor of such Unrestricted Subsidiary pursuant to Sections 6.01 and 6.02). The designation of any subsidiary as an Unrestricted Subsidiary shall constitute an Investment by the Borrower (or its applicable Restricted Subsidiary) therein at the date of designation in an amount equal to the portion of the Fair Market Value of the net assets of such Restricted Subsidiary attributable to the Borrower's (or its applicable Restricted Subsidiary's) equity interest therein as reasonably estimated by the Borrower (and such designation shall only be permitted to the extent such Investment is permitted under Section 6.06). The designation of any Unrestricted Subsidiary as a Restricted Subsidiary shall constitute the incurrence or making, as applicable, at the time of designation of any then-existing Investment, Indebtedness or Lien of such Restricted Subsidiary, as applicable; provided that upon a redesignation of any Unrestricted Subsidiary as a Restricted Subsidiary, the Borrower shall be deemed to continue to have an Investment in the resulting Restricted Subsidiary in an amount (if positive) equal to (a) the Borrower's "Investment" in such Restricted Subsidiary at the time of such redesignation, less (b) the portion of the Fair Market Value of the net assets of such Restricted Subsidiary attributable to the Borrower's equity therein at the time of such redesignation. As of the Closing Date, the subsidiaries listed on <u>Schedule 5.10</u> have been designated as Unrestricted Subsidiaries.

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## Section 5.11. Use of Proceeds.

- (a) The Borrower shall use the proceeds of the Initial Term Loans solely to directly or indirectly finance a portion of the Transactions (including the payment of Transaction Costs). No part of the proceeds of any Loan will be used, whether directly or indirectly, for any purpose that would violate Regulation T, U or X.
- (b) The Borrower shall use the proceeds of the Initial Delayed Draw Term Loans to (i) directly or indirectly finance Permitted Acquisitions (other than the Merger) and similar Investments (including working capital adjustments, earn-out payments, purchase price adjustments and any other payments required under the acquisition or investment agreement), any related transactions (including refinancing any Indebtedness of the Persons or assets subject to such acquisition or Investment), the development and opening of key making or copying, knife sharpening and other product or service related centers and kiosks, and to pay related fees and other transaction costs and/or (ii) repay revolving credit loans and replenish cash previously utilized for any uses described in clause (i), including for any such utilization prior to the Closing Date.

# Section 5.12. <u>Covenant to Guarantee Obligations and Give Security.</u>

(a) Upon (i) the formation or acquisition after the Closing Date of any Restricted Subsidiary that is a Domestic Subsidiary (other than an Excluded Subsidiary), (ii) the designation of any Unrestricted Subsidiary that is a Domestic Subsidiary as a Restricted Subsidiary (other than an Excluded Subsidiary), (iii) any Restricted Subsidiary that is a Domestic Subsidiary ceasing to be an Immaterial Subsidiary (other than an Excluded Subsidiary), (iv) any Restricted Subsidiary that was an Excluded Subsidiary ceasing to be an Excluded Subsidiary or (v) the designation of a Discretionary Guarantor, on or before the date that is sixty (60) days after the end of such Fiscal Quarter in which such transaction or designation occurred (or such longer period as the Administrative Agent may reasonably agree), the Borrower shall (A) cause such Restricted Subsidiary, Discretionary Guarantor to comply with the requirements set forth in the definition of "Collateral and Guarantee Requirement" and the Perfection Requirements and (B) upon the reasonable request of the Administrative Agent, cause the relevant Restricted Subsidiary or Discretionary Guarantor to deliver to the Administrative Agent a signed copy of a customary

opinion of counsel for such Restricted Subsidiary or Discretionary Guarantor, addressed to the Administrative Agent and the other relevant Secured Parties.

(b) Within ninety (90) days after the acquisition by any Loan Party of any Material Real Estate Asset (or after the Closing Date in respect of any existing Material Real Estate Asset) other than any Excluded Asset (or such longer period as the Administrative Agent may reasonably agree), the Borrower shall cause such Loan Party to comply with the requirements set forth in clause (b) of the definition of "Collateral and Guarantee Requirement", it being understood and agreed that, with respect to any Material Real Estate Asset owned by any Restricted Subsidiary at the time such Restricted Subsidiary is required to become a Loan Party under Section 5.12(a), such Material Real Estate Asset shall be deemed to have been acquired by such Restricted Subsidiary on the first day of the time period within which such Restricted Subsidiary is required to become a Loan Party under Section 5.12(a).

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Notwithstanding anything to the contrary herein or in any other Loan Document, (i) the Administrative Agent may grant extensions of time or any period in this Agreement or in any other Loan Document (at any time, including, in each case, after the expiration of any relevant time or period, which will be retroactive) for the creation and perfection of security interests in, or obtaining of title insurance, legal opinions, surveys or other deliverables with respect to, particular assets or the provision of any Loan Guaranty by any Restricted Subsidiary (in connection with assets acquired, or Restricted Subsidiaries formed or acquired, after the Closing Date) where it reasonably determines, in consultation with the Borrower, that such action cannot be accomplished without undue effort or expense by the time or times at which it would otherwise be required to be accomplished by this Agreement or the Collateral Documents, and each Lender hereby consents to any such extension of time, (ii) any Lien required to be granted from time to time pursuant to the Collateral and Guarantee Requirement shall be subject to the exceptions and limitations set forth therein and in the Collateral Documents, (iii) no Loan Party shall be required to seek any landlord lien waiver, bailee letter, estoppel, warehouseman waiver or other collateral access or similar letter or agreement, (iv) no Loan Party will be required to take any action to the extent limited, restricted or not required by the Collateral and Guarantee Requirement and any other Loan Document, (v) in no event will the Collateral include any Excluded Assets, (vi) no action shall be required to perfect a Lien in any asset in respect of which the perfection of a security interest therein would (1) violate the terms of any contract relating to such asset that is permitted or otherwise not prohibited by the terms of this Agreement and is binding on such asset on the Closing Date or at the time of its acquisition and not incurred in contemplation thereof (other than in the case of permitted capital leases, purchase money and similar financings), in each case, after giving effect to the applicable anti-assignment provisions of the UCC or other applicable law or (2) trigger termination of any contract relating to such asset that is permitted or otherwise not prohibited by the terms of this Agreement and is binding on such asset on the Closing Date or at the time of its acquisition and not incurred in contemplation thereof (other than in the case of permitted capital leases, purchase money and similar financings) pursuant to any "change of control" or similar provision; it being understood that the Collateral shall include any proceeds and/or receivables arising out of any contract described in this clause to the extent the assignment of such proceeds or receivables is expressly deemed effective under the UCC or other applicable law notwithstanding the relevant prohibition, violation or termination right, (vii) any joinder or supplement to any Loan Guaranty, any Collateral Document and/or any other Loan Document executed by any Restricted Subsidiary that is required to become a Loan Party pursuant to Section 5.12(a) above may, with the consent of the Administrative Agent, include such schedules (or updates to schedules) as may be necessary to qualify any representation or warranty set forth in any Loan Document to the extent necessary to ensure that such representation or warranty is true and correct to the extent required thereby or by the terms of any other Loan Document and (viii) any time periods to comply with the foregoing Section 5.12(a) shall not apply to Discretionary Guarantors (provided that such entity shall not be deemed a Guarantor or Discretionary Guarantor until such entity has complied with such requirements).

Section 5.13. [Reserved].

Section 5.14. <u>Further Assurances</u>. Promptly upon request of the Administrative Agent and subject to the limitations described in <u>Section 5.12</u>:

(a) Holdings and the Borrower will, and will cause each other Loan Party to, execute any and all further documents, financing statements, agreements, instruments, certificates, notices and acknowledgments and take all such further actions (including the filing and recordation of financing statements, fixture filings, Mortgages and/or amendments thereto and other documents), that may be required under any applicable law and which the Administrative Agent may

reasonably request to ensure the creation, perfection and priority of the Liens created or intended to be created under the Collateral Documents, all at the expense of the relevant Loan Parties.

(b) Holdings and the Borrower will, and will cause each other Loan Party to, (i) correct any material defect or error that may be discovered in the execution, acknowledgment, filing or recordation of any Collateral Document or other document or instrument relating to any Collateral and (ii) do, execute, acknowledge, deliver, record, re-record, file, refile, register and re-register any and all such further acts (including notices to third parties), deeds, certificates, assurances and other instruments as the Administrative Agent may reasonably request from time to time in order to carry out more effectively the purposes of the Collateral Documents.

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Section 5.15. <u>Ratings</u>. The Borrower will use commercially reasonable efforts to maintain public corporate credit or public corporate family ratings (but no specific rating), as applicable, of the Borrower and public ratings (but no specific rating) for the Credit Facilities.

Section 5.16. <u>Post-Closing Matters</u>. The Loan Parties shall comply with their obligations described in <u>Schedule 5.16</u>, in each case, within the applicable periods of time specified in such <u>Schedule 5.16</u> with respect to such item (or such longer periods as the Administrative Agent may agree in its reasonable discretion).

## ARTICLE VI

## **NEGATIVE COVENANTS**

From the Closing Date until the Termination Date, (i) Holdings, solely with respect to <u>Section 6.14</u>, and (ii) the Borrower covenant and agree with the Lenders that:

Section 6.01. <u>Indebtedness</u>. The Borrower shall not, nor shall it permit any of its Restricted Subsidiaries to, directly or indirectly, create, incur, assume or otherwise become or remain liable with respect to any Indebtedness, except:

- (a) the Secured Obligations (including any Loans and/or Commitments);
- (b) Indebtedness of the Borrower to any Restricted Subsidiary and/or of any Restricted Subsidiary to the Borrower or any other Restricted Subsidiary; <u>provided</u> that any Indebtedness of any Loan Party to any Restricted Subsidiary that is not a Loan Party must be expressly subordinated to the Obligations of such Loan Party;
  - (c) [reserved];
- (d) (i) Indebtedness arising from any agreement providing for indemnification, adjustment of purchase price or similar obligations (including contingent earn-out obligations) incurred in connection with any Disposition permitted hereunder, any acquisition permitted hereunder or consummated prior to the Closing Date or any other purchase of assets or Capital Stock; and (ii) Indebtedness arising from guaranties, letters of credit, bank guaranties, surety bonds, performance bonds or similar instruments securing the performance of the Borrower or any such Restricted Subsidiary pursuant to any such agreement;
- (e) Indebtedness of the Borrower and/or any Restricted Subsidiary (i) pursuant to tenders, statutory obligations, bids, leases, governmental contracts, trade contracts, surety, stay, customs, appeal, performance and/or return of money bonds or other similar obligations incurred in the ordinary course of business, (ii) in respect of letters of credit, bank guaranties, surety bonds, performance bonds or similar instruments to support any of, or in lieu of, any of the foregoing items and (iii) in respect of commercial and trade letters of credit;
- (f) Indebtedness of the Borrower and/or any Restricted Subsidiary in respect of commercial credit cards, stored value cards, purchasing cards, treasury management services, netting services, overdraft protections, check drawing services, automated payment services (including depository, overdraft, controlled disbursement, ACH transactions,

- return items and interstate depository network services), employee credit card programs, cash pooling services and any arrangements or services similar to any of the foregoing and/or otherwise in connection with Cash management and Deposit Accounts, including Banking Services Obligations and dealer incentive, supplier finance or similar programs;
- (g) (i) guaranties by the Borrower and/or any Restricted Subsidiary of the obligations of suppliers, customers and licensees in the ordinary course of business, (ii) Indebtedness incurred in the ordinary course of business in respect of obligations of the Borrower and/or any Restricted Subsidiary to pay the deferred purchase price of goods or services or progress payments in connection with such goods and services and (iii) Indebtedness in respect of letters of credit, bankers' acceptances, bank guaranties or similar instruments supporting trade payables, warehouse receipts or similar facilities entered into in the ordinary course of business;
- (h) Guarantees by the Borrower and/or any Restricted Subsidiary of Indebtedness or other obligations of the Borrower and/or any Restricted Subsidiary with respect to Indebtedness otherwise permitted to be incurred pursuant to this <u>Section 6.01</u> or other obligations not prohibited by this Agreement;
- (i) (i) Indebtedness of the Borrower and/or any Restricted Subsidiary existing, or pursuant to commitments existing, on the Closing Date; <u>provided</u> that any such item of Indebtedness with an aggregate outstanding principal amount on the Closing Date in excess of \$5,000,000 shall be described on <u>Schedule 6.01</u>; and (ii) ordinary course capital leases, purchase money indebtedness, equipment financings, performance bonds, bank guarantees, letters of credit, guarantees and surety bonds existing as of the Closing Date;
- (j) Indebtedness of Restricted Subsidiaries that are not Loan Parties in an aggregate outstanding principal amount of such Indebtedness not to exceed the greater of \$115.0 million and 45.0% of Consolidated Adjusted EBITDA *minus* amounts under this <u>Section 6.01(j)</u> reallocated to <u>Section 6.01(u)</u>;
- (k) Indebtedness of the Borrower and/or any Restricted Subsidiary consisting of obligations owing under incentive, supply, license or similar agreements entered into in the ordinary course of business;
- (l) Indebtedness of the Borrower and/or any Restricted Subsidiary consisting of (i) the financing of insurance premiums, (ii) take-or-pay obligations contained in supply arrangements, in each case, in the ordinary course of business and/or (iii) obligations to reacquire assets or inventory in connection with customer financing arrangements in the ordinary course of business;
- (m) (i) Indebtedness of the Borrower and/or any Restricted Subsidiary with respect to purchase money Indebtedness incurred prior to or within two hundred seventy (270) days of the acquisition, lease, completion of construction, repair of, replacement, improvement to or installation of assets in an aggregate outstanding principal amount not to exceed the greater of \$100.0 million and 40.0% of Consolidated Adjusted EBITDA and (ii) Indebtedness of the Borrower and/or any Restricted Subsidiary with respect to Capital Leases;
- (n) Indebtedness of any Person that becomes a Restricted Subsidiary or Indebtedness assumed, in each case, in connection with an acquisition or similar Investment permitted hereunder after the Closing Date; <u>provided</u> that (i) such Indebtedness (A) existed at the time such Person became a Restricted Subsidiary or the assets subject to such Indebtedness were acquired and (B) was not created or incurred in anticipation thereof, (ii) no Event of Default exists or would result after giving pro forma effect to such acquisition or similar Investment and (iii) the Total Leverage Ratio does not exceed the greater of 5.25:1.00 and the Total Leverage Ratio as of the then most recently completed fiscal quarter, calculated on a Pro Forma Basis;

- (o) Indebtedness consisting of promissory notes issued by the Borrower or any Restricted Subsidiary to any stockholder of any Parent Company or any current or former director, officer, employee, member of management, manager or consultant of any Parent Company, the Borrower or any subsidiary (or their respective Immediate Family Members) to finance the purchase or redemption of Capital Stock of any Parent Company permitted by Section 6.04(a);
- (p) the Borrower and its Restricted Subsidiaries may become and remain liable for any Indebtedness refinancing, refunding or replacing any Indebtedness permitted under clauses (a), (i), (j), (m), (n), (q), (r), (u), (w), (x), (y), (z) and (ii) and this clause (p) of this Section 6.01 (in any case, including any refinancing Indebtedness incurred in respect thereof, "Refinancing Indebtedness") and any subsequent Refinancing Indebtedness in respect of existing Refinancing Indebtedness under this clause (p); provided, that:
- (i) the principal amount of such Indebtedness does not exceed the principal amount of the Indebtedness being refinanced, refunded or replaced, except by (A) an amount equal to unpaid accrued interest, penalties and premiums (including tender premiums) thereon *plus* commitment, underwriting, arrangement and similar fees, other reasonable and customary fees, commissions and expenses (including upfront fees, original issue discount or initial yield payments) incurred in connection with the relevant refinancing, refunding or replacement, (B) an amount equal to any existing commitments unutilized thereunder and (C) additional amounts permitted to be incurred pursuant to this <u>Section 6.01</u> (provided that (1) any additional Indebtedness referenced in this <u>clause (C)</u> satisfies the other applicable requirements of this <u>Section 6.01</u> (with additional amounts incurred in reliance on this <u>clause (C)</u> constituting a utilization of the relevant basket or exception pursuant to which such additional amount is permitted) and (2) if such additional Indebtedness is secured, the Lien securing such Indebtedness satisfies the applicable requirements of <u>Section 6.02</u>);
- (ii) (x) other than in the case of Refinancing Indebtedness with respect to clauses (a), (j), (j), (m), (n), (r), (u), (x) and (y) of this Section 6.01 (and other than customary bridge loans with a maturity date of not longer than one (1) year which are converted into, exchanged for, extended to or otherwise refinanced with Indebtedness subject to the requirements of this clause (ii)), and subject to the Permitted Earlier Maturity Indebtedness Exception, (A) such Indebtedness has a final maturity on or later than (and, in the case of revolving Indebtedness, does not require mandatory commitment reductions, if any, prior to) the earlier of (1) ninety-one (91) days after the Latest Maturity Date and (2) the final maturity of the Indebtedness being refinanced, refunded or replaced and (B) other than with respect to revolving Indebtedness, and subject to the Permitted Earlier Maturity Indebtedness Exception, a Weighted Average Life to Maturity equal to or greater than the Weighted Average Life to Maturity of the Indebtedness being refinanced, refunded or replaced (other than to the extent resulting from a change in the final maturity date permitted under clause (A)(1) above) and (y) in the case of Refinancing Indebtedness incurred with respect to Indebtedness permitted under clause (a) of this Section 6.01, such Indebtedness shall satisfy the requirements of Section 9.02(c)(ii)(B) or Section 9.02(c)(ii)(B), as applicable;

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- (iii) in the case of Refinancing Indebtedness with respect to Indebtedness permitted under <u>clauses (j)</u>, <u>(m)</u> and <u>(u)</u> of this <u>Section 6.01</u>, the incurrence thereof shall be without duplication of any amounts outstanding in reliance on the relevant clause and after the incurrence thereof, shall constitute amounts outstanding under such clause;
- (iv) except in the case of Refinancing Indebtedness incurred in respect of Indebtedness permitted under clause (a) of this Section 6.01 (it being understood that Holdings may not be the primary obligor of the applicable Refinancing Indebtedness if Holdings was not the primary obligor on the relevant refinanced Indebtedness), (A) such Indebtedness, if secured, is secured only by Permitted Liens at the time of such refinancing, refunding or replacement (it being understood that secured Indebtedness may be refinanced with unsecured Indebtedness), (B) such Indebtedness is incurred by the obligor or obligors in respect of the Indebtedness being refinanced, refunded or replaced, except to the extent otherwise permitted pursuant to Section 6.01, and (C) if the Indebtedness being refinanced, refunded or replaced was originally contractually subordinated to the Obligations in right of payment (or the Liens securing such Indebtedness were originally contractually subordinated to the Liens on the Collateral securing the Secured Obligations), such Refinancing Indebtedness are subordinated to the Liens on the Collateral securing the Secured Obligations and subject to an Acceptable Intercreditor Agreement), except to the extent the refinancing, refunding or replacement thereof constitutes a Restricted Debt Payment permitted under Section 6.04(b) (other than Section 6.04(b)(i)) or does not constitute a Restricted Debt Payment;

- (v) no Event of Default exists or would result therefrom;
- (vi) in the case of Refinancing Indebtedness incurred in respect of Indebtedness permitted under clause (a) of this Section 6.01, (A) such Indebtedness is pari passu or junior in right of payment and secured by the Collateral on a pari passu or junior basis with respect to the remaining Obligations hereunder and shall be subject to an Acceptable Intercreditor Agreement, or is unsecured, (B) if the Indebtedness being refinanced, refunded or replaced is secured, it is not secured by any assets other than the Collateral, (C) if the Indebtedness being refinanced, refunded or replaced is Guaranteed, it shall not be Guaranteed by any Person other than a Loan Party, and (D) such Indebtedness shall satisfy the requirements of Section 9.02(c)(i)(I) or Section 9.02(c)(ii)(I), as applicable; and
- (vii) any such Refinancing Indebtedness that is *pari passu* with the First Priority Secured Obligations hereunder in right of payment and secured by the Collateral on a *pari passu* basis with respect to the First Priority Secured Obligations may participate, with respect to voluntary prepayments on a *pro rata* basis, a less than *pro rata* basis or greater than *pro rata* basis, and with respect to mandatory Prepayments, on a *pro rata* basis or a less than *pro rata* basis (but not greater than a *pro rata* basis), in each case, in respect of the Initial Term Loans (and any other Term Loans then subject to ratable repayment requirements), in each case as the Borrower and the relevant lender may agree;

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- (q) Indebtedness incurred to finance, or assumed in connection with, any acquisition or similar Investment permitted hereunder after the Closing Date; provided, that (i) before and after giving effect to such acquisition or similar Investment on a Pro Forma Basis, no Event of Default exists or would result therefrom, (ii) after giving effect to such acquisition or similar Investment on a Pro Forma Basis (without "netting" the Cash proceeds of such Indebtedness), (A) if such Indebtedness is secured by a Lien on the Collateral that is pari passu with the Lien securing the First Priority Secured Obligations and pari passu in right of payment with the Obligations, (1) such Indebtedness shall be subject to an Acceptable Intercreditor Agreement, (2) the First Lien Leverage Ratio does not exceed the greater of (x) 3.50:1.00 and (y) the First Lien Leverage Ratio as of the last day of the most recently ended Test Period, and (3) any such Indebtedness consisting of syndicated first lien term loans with a floating rate of interest (other than "bridge loans") shall be subject to clause (v) of the proviso to Section 2.22(a) (including with respect to exceptions, limitations and thresholds thereunder), (B) if such Indebtedness is secured by a Lien on the Collateral that is junior to the Lien securing the First Priority Secured Obligations, (1) such Indebtedness shall be subject to an Acceptable Intercreditor Agreement, and (2) the Secured Leverage Ratio would not exceed the greater of (x) 5.00:1.00 and (y) the Secured Leverage Ratio as of the last day of the most recently ended Test Period, and (C) if such Indebtedness is not secured by a Lien on the Collateral (including all Indebtedness of any Non-Guarantor Subsidiary), either (1) the Total Leverage Ratio does not exceed the greater of (x) 5.25:1.00 and (y) the Total Leverage Ratio as of the last day of the most recently ended Test Period, or (2) the pro forma Net Interest Coverage Ratio is not less than the lesser of (A) 2.00:1.00 and (B) the Net Interest Coverage Ratio as of the then most-recently ended Test Period, (iii) subject to the Permitted Earlier Maturity Indebtedness Exception, such Indebtedness does not mature prior to the Latest Maturity Date as of the date of incurrence thereof, (iv) the aggregate outstanding principal amount of such Indebtedness of Restricted Subsidiaries that are not Loan Parties shall not exceed the sum of (x) the greater of \$127.5 million and 50.0% of Consolidated Adjusted EBITDA as of the last day of the most recently ended Test Period and (y) any other Indebtedness permitted to be incurred by such Restricted Subsidiaries that are not Loan Parties under this Section 6.01, (v) no such Indebtedness that is secured by a Lien on all of the Collateral shall be guaranteed by any Person that is not a Loan Party or secured by any assets other than the Collateral, (vi) subject to the Permitted Earlier Maturity Indebtedness Exception, the Weighted Average Life to Maturity of any such Indebtedness shall be no shorter than the remaining Weighted Average Life to Maturity of any then-existing Class of Term Loans (without giving effect to any prepayment thereof) and (vii) such Indebtedness of Loan Parties shall be subject to clause (x) of the proviso to Section 2.22(a);
- (r) Indebtedness of the Borrower and/or any Restricted Subsidiary in an aggregate outstanding principal amount not to exceed 200% of the amount of Net Proceeds received by the Borrower ("Contribution Indebtedness") from (i) the issuance or sale of Qualified Capital Stock or (ii) any cash contribution to its Capital Stock, in each case, (A) other than any Net Proceeds received from the sale of Capital Stock to, or contributions from, the Borrower or any of its Restricted Subsidiaries, (B) to the extent the relevant Net Proceeds have not otherwise been applied to increase the Available Amount or to make any Restricted Payments or Investments in Unrestricted Subsidiaries hereunder and (C) other than "Cure Amounts" under (and as defined in) the ABL Credit Agreement;

- (s) Indebtedness of the Borrower and/or any Restricted Subsidiary under any Derivative Transaction not entered into for speculative purposes;
  - (t) [reserved];
- (u) Indebtedness of the Borrower and/or any Restricted Subsidiary in an aggregate outstanding principal amount not to exceed (i) the sum of (A) the greater of \$127.5 million and 50.0% of Consolidated Adjusted EBITDA and (B) any amounts reallocated to this Section 6.01(u) from Section 6.01(j) and Section 6.04(a)(xi) minus (ii) any amounts under this Section 6.01(u) (after giving effect to clause (B)) reallocated to clause (d) of the Fixed Incremental Amount and Section 6.01(x);

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- (v) [reserved];
- Indebtedness of the Borrower and/or any Restricted Subsidiary so long as, no Event of Default exists or would result therefrom and on a Pro Forma Basis (without "netting" the Cash proceeds of such Indebtedness), (i) if such Indebtedness is secured by a Lien on the Collateral that is pari passu with the Lien securing the First Priority Secured Obligations and pari passu in right of payment with the Obligations, (A) such Indebtedness shall be subject to an Acceptable Intercreditor Agreement, (B) the First Lien Leverage Ratio would not exceed 3.50:1.00 and (C) any such Indebtedness consisting of syndicated first lien term loans with a floating rate of interest (other than "bridge loans") shall be subject to clause (v) of the proviso to Section 2.22(a) (including with respect to exceptions, limitations and thresholds thereunder), (ii) if such Indebtedness is secured by a Lien on the Collateral that is junior to the Lien securing the First Priority Secured Obligations, (A) such Indebtedness shall be subject to an Acceptable Intercreditor Agreement, and (B) the Secured Leverage Ratio would not exceed 5.00:1.00, and (iii) if such Indebtedness is not secured by the Collateral (including all Indebtedness of any Non-Guarantor Subsidiary), either (A) the Total Leverage Ratio would not exceed 5.25:1.00 or (B) the pro forma Net Interest Coverage Ratio would not be less than 2.00:1.00; provided that (1) the aggregate outstanding principal amount of such Indebtedness of Restricted Subsidiaries that are not Loan Parties shall not exceed the sum of (x) the greater of \$115.0 million and 45.0% of Consolidated Adjusted EBITDA and (y) any other Indebtedness permitted to be incurred by such Restricted Subsidiaries that are not Loan Parties under this Section 6.01, (2) no such Indebtedness that is secured by a Lien on the Collateral shall be guaranteed by any Person that is not a Loan Party or secured by any assets other than the Collateral, (3) subject to the Permitted Earlier Maturity Indebtedness Exception, such Indebtedness does not mature prior to the Latest Maturity Date as of the date of incurrence thereof, (4) subject to the Permitted Earlier Maturity Indebtedness Exception, the Weighted Average Life to Maturity of any such Indebtedness shall be no shorter than the remaining Weighted Average Life to Maturity of any then-existing Class of Term Loans (without giving effect to any prepayment thereof) and (5) such Indebtedness of Loan Parties shall be subject to clause (x) of the proviso to Section 2.22(a);
- (x) Indebtedness of the Borrower under the ABL Facility (including any "Incremental Loans" and "Refinancing Indebtedness" (each as defined in the ABL Credit Agreement or any equivalent term under the documentation governing the ABL Facility)) and any "Incremental Equivalent Debt" (as defined in the ABL Credit Agreement or any equivalent term under the documentation governing the ABL Facility) in an aggregate principal amount that does not exceed at any time the sum of (A) \$300.0 million, plus (B) an amount equal to the "Incremental Cap" (as defined in the ABL Credit Agreement as in effect on the Closing Date) plus (C) any amounts reallocated to this Section 6.01(x) from Section 6.01(u);
- (y) Indebtedness of the Borrower and/or any Restricted Subsidiary comprised of Capital Lease obligations or rental payments in respect of any property Disposed of pursuant to any Sale and Lease-Back Transactions permitted pursuant to Section 6.07;
- (z) Indebtedness (and/or commitments in respect thereof) issued or incurred by any Loan Party in lieu of any Incremental Facility (such Indebtedness, "Incremental Equivalent Debt"); provided that (i) the aggregate outstanding principal amount (or committed amount, if applicable) of all Incremental Equivalent Debt, together with the aggregate outstanding principal amount (or committed amount, if applicable) of all Incremental Facilities shall not exceed the Incremental Cap to the extent constituting a utilization thereof as provided pursuant to Section 2.22, (ii) any Incremental Equivalent Debt incurred in the form of syndicated term loans with a floating rate of interest secured by a Lien on the Collateral on a senior basis pari passu with the First Priority Secured Obligations and pari passu in right of payment with the Obligations

shall be subject to <u>clause (v)</u> of the proviso to <u>Section 2.22(a)</u> (including with respect to exceptions, limitations and thresholds thereunder), and (iii) Incremental Equivalent Debt shall be subject to <u>clauses (vi)</u>, <u>(vii)</u>, <u>(viii)</u>, <u>(ix)</u>, <u>(x)</u> and <u>(xi)</u> (except, in the case of <u>clause (xi)</u>, as otherwise agreed by the Persons providing such Incremental Equivalent Debt) of the proviso to <u>Section 2.22(a)</u>;

- (aa) Indebtedness (including obligations in respect of letters of credit, bank guaranties, surety bonds, performance bonds or similar instruments with respect to such Indebtedness) incurred by the Borrower and/or any Restricted Subsidiary in respect of workers compensation claims, unemployment insurance (including premiums related thereto), other types of social security, pension obligations, vacation pay, health, disability or other employee benefits;
- (bb) Indebtedness of the Borrower and/or any Restricted Subsidiary representing (i) deferred compensation to directors, officers, employees, members of management, managers, and consultants of any Parent Company, the Borrower and/or any Restricted Subsidiary in the ordinary course of business and (ii) deferred compensation or other similar arrangements in connection with the Transactions, any Permitted Acquisition or any other Investment permitted hereby;
- (cc) Indebtedness of the Borrower and/or any Restricted Subsidiary in respect of any letter of credit or bank guarantee issued in favor of any issuing lender under the ABL Facility to support any Defaulting Lender's participation in letters of credit issued or swingline loans made under the ABL Facility;
- (dd) Indebtedness of the Borrower and/or any Restricted Subsidiary supported by any letter of credit otherwise permitted to be incurred hereunder;
- (ee) unfunded pension fund and other employee benefit plan obligations and liabilities incurred by the Borrower and/or any Restricted Subsidiary in the ordinary course of business to the extent that the unfunded amounts would not otherwise cause an Event of Default to exist under Section 7.01(i);
- (ff) without duplication of any other Indebtedness, all premiums (if any), interest (including post-petition interest and payment in kind interest), accretion or amortization of original issue discount, fees, expenses and charges with respect to Indebtedness of the Borrower and/or any Restricted Subsidiary hereunder;
- (gg) to the extent constituting Indebtedness, obligations under the Merger Agreement or the documentation governing any Permitted Acquisition or similar Investment;
- (hh) customer deposits and advance payments received in the ordinary course of business from customers for goods and services purchased in the ordinary course of business; and
- (ii) Indebtedness of the Borrower and/or any Restricted Subsidiary relating to any factoring or similar arrangements entered into in the ordinary course of business.
- Section 6.02. <u>Liens</u>. The Borrower shall not, nor shall it permit any of its Restricted Subsidiaries to, create, incur, assume or permit or suffer to exist any Lien on or with respect to any property of any kind owned by it, whether now owned or hereafter acquired, or any income or profits therefrom, except:

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- (a) Liens securing the Secured Obligations created pursuant to the Loan Documents;
- (b) Liens for Taxes which are (i) for amounts not yet overdue by more than thirty (30) days or (ii) which are not required to be paid pursuant to <u>Section 5.03</u>;

- (c) statutory Liens (and rights of set-off) of landlords, banks, carriers, warehousemen, mechanics, repairmen, workmen and materialmen, and other Liens imposed by law, in each case incurred in the ordinary course of business (i) for amounts not yet overdue by more than thirty (30) days or (ii) for amounts that are overdue by more than thirty (30) days and that are being contested in good faith by appropriate proceedings, so long as adequate reserves or other appropriate provisions required by GAAP shall have been made for any such contested amounts;
- (d) Liens incurred (i) in the ordinary course of business in connection with workers' compensation, unemployment insurance and other types of social security laws and regulations, (ii) in the ordinary course of business to secure the performance of tenders, statutory obligations, surety, stay, customs and appeal bonds, bids, leases, government contracts, trade contracts, performance and return-of-money bonds and other similar obligations (exclusive of obligations for the payment of borrowed money), (iii) pursuant to pledges and deposits of Cash or Cash Equivalents in the ordinary course of business securing (x) any liability for reimbursement or indemnification obligations of insurance carriers providing property, casualty, liability or other insurance to Holdings and its subsidiaries or (y) leases or licenses of property otherwise permitted by this Agreement and (iv) to secure obligations in respect of letters of credit, bank guaranties, surety bonds, performance bonds or similar instruments posted with respect to the items described in clauses (i) through (iii) above;
- (e) Liens consisting of easements, rights-of-way, restrictions, encroachments, protrusions and other similar encumbrances and other minor defects or irregularities affecting any Real Estate Assets, in each case which do not, in the aggregate, materially interfere with the ordinary conduct of the business of the Borrower and/or its Restricted Subsidiaries, taken as a whole, or the use of the affected property for its intended purpose;
- (f) Liens consisting of any (i) interest or title of a lessor or sub-lessor under any lease of real estate not prohibited hereunder, (ii) landlord lien permitted by the terms of any lease, (iii) restriction or encumbrance to which the interest or title of such lessor or sub-lessor may be subject or (iv) subordination of the interest of the lessee or sub-lessee under such lease to any restriction or encumbrance referred to in the preceding <u>clause (iii)</u>;
- (g) Liens (i) solely on any Cash earnest money deposits made by the Borrower and/or any of its Restricted Subsidiaries in connection with any letter of intent or purchase agreement with respect to any Investment permitted hereunder or (ii) consisting of an agreement to Dispose or any property in a Disposition permitted under Section 6.07;
- (h) purported Liens evidenced by the filing of precautionary UCC financing statements relating solely to operating leases or consignment or bailee arrangements entered into in the ordinary course of business;

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- (i) Liens in favor of customs and revenue authorities arising as a matter of law to secure payment of customs duties in connection with the importation of goods;
- (j) Liens in connection with any zoning, building or similar law or right reserved to or vested in any Governmental Authority to control or regulate the use of any or dimensions of real property or the structure thereon, including Liens in connection with any condemnation or eminent domain proceeding or compulsory purchase order;
- (k) Liens securing Refinancing Indebtedness permitted pursuant to Section 6.01(p), subject, to the extent required thereby, to an Acceptable Intercreditor Agreement; provided that no such Lien extends to any asset not covered by the Lien securing the Indebtedness that is being refinanced unless (except in the case of Sections 6.01(a), (x) and (z), which shall be limited to the Collateral and in the case of Section 6.01(x), the ABL Canadian Collateral and other current assets of Canadian Restricted Subsidiaries), such Lien is a Permitted Lien, except as otherwise provided in Section 6.01(p);
- (l) (i) Liens existing, or pursuant to commitments existing, on the Closing Date; <u>provided</u>, that any such Lien securing obligations on the Closing Date in excess of \$5.0 million shall be described on <u>Schedule 6.02</u>; and (ii) Liens securing ordinary course capital leases, purchase money indebtedness, equipment financings, performance bonds, bank guarantees, letters of credit, guarantees and surety bonds existing as of the Closing Date; <u>provided</u>, <u>further</u>, that no such Lien extends to any additional property other than (A) after-acquired property that is affixed or incorporated into the property covered by such Lien or financed by Indebtedness permitted under <u>Section 6.01</u>, (B) proceeds and products thereof, accessions, replacements or additions thereto and improvements thereon (it being understood that individual financings of the

type permitted under <u>Section 6.01(m)</u> provided by any lender may be cross-collateralized to other financings of such type provided by such lender or its affiliates), and (C) Permitted Liens;

- (m) Liens arising out of Sale and Lease-Back Transactions permitted under <u>Section 6.07</u> and securing Indebtedness permitted pursuant to <u>Section 6.01(y)</u>;
- (n) Liens securing Indebtedness permitted pursuant to <u>Section 6.01(m)</u>; <u>provided</u> that any such Lien shall encumber only the asset acquired with the proceeds of such Indebtedness and proceeds and products thereof, accessions, replacements or additions thereto and improvements thereon (it being understood that individual financings of the type permitted under <u>Section 6.01(m)</u> provided by any lender may be cross-collateralized to other financings of such type provided by such lender or its affiliates);
- (o) (i) Liens securing Indebtedness permitted pursuant to Section 6.01(n) on the relevant acquired assets or on the Capital Stock and assets of the relevant newly acquired Restricted Subsidiary; provided that no such Lien (x) extends to or covers any other assets (other than the proceeds or products thereof, accessions, replacements or additions thereto and improvements thereon) or (y) was created in contemplation of the applicable acquisition of assets or Capital Stock, and (ii) Liens securing Indebtedness incurred pursuant to clause (ii)(A) or (ii)(B) of the proviso in Section 6.01(q) subject, to the extent required thereby, to an Acceptable Intercreditor Agreement;

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- (i) Liens that are contractual rights of set-off or netting relating to (A) the establishment of (p) depositary relations with banks not granted in connection with the issuance of Indebtedness, (B) pooled deposit or sweep accounts of the Borrower and/or any Restricted Subsidiary to permit satisfaction of overdraft or similar obligations incurred in the ordinary course of business of the Borrower and/or any Restricted Subsidiary, (C) purchase orders and other agreements entered into with customers of the Borrower and/or any Restricted Subsidiary in the ordinary course of business and (D) commodity trading or other brokerage accounts incurred in the ordinary course of business, (ii) Liens encumbering reasonable customary initial deposits and margin deposits, (iii) bankers Liens and rights and remedies as to Deposit Accounts, (iv) Liens of a collection bank arising under Section 4-208 of the UCC on items in the ordinary course of business, (v) Liens in favor of banking or other financial institutions arising as a matter of law or under customary general terms and conditions encumbering deposits or other funds maintained with a financial institution and that are within the general parameters customary in the banking industry or arising pursuant to such banking institution's general terms and conditions, (vi) Liens on the proceeds of any Indebtedness incurred in connection with any transaction permitted hereunder, which proceeds have been deposited into an escrow account on customary terms to secure such Indebtedness pending the application of such proceeds to finance such transaction and (vii) Liens of the type described in the foregoing clauses (i), (ii), (iii), (iv) and (v) securing obligations under Sections 6.01(f) and/or 6.01(s);
- (q) Liens on assets and Capital Stock of Restricted Subsidiaries that are not Loan Parties (including Capital Stock owned by such Persons but excluding any Capital Stock that is required to be pledged as Collateral) securing Indebtedness of Restricted Subsidiaries that are not Loan Parties permitted pursuant to Section 6.01;
- (r) Liens securing obligations (other than obligations representing Indebtedness for borrowed money) under operating, reciprocal easement or similar agreements entered into in the ordinary course of business of the Borrower and/or its Restricted Subsidiaries:
- (s) Liens disclosed in any Mortgage Policy delivered pursuant to <u>Section 5.12</u> with respect to any Material Real Estate Asset and any replacement, extension or renewal of any such Lien; <u>provided</u> that (i) no such replacement, extension or renewal Lien shall cover any property other than the property that was subject to such Lien prior to such replacement, extension or renewal (and additions thereto, improvements thereof and the proceeds thereof), other than Permitted Liens and (ii) such Liens would not, individually or in the aggregate, reasonably be expected to have a Material Adverse Effect;
- (t) Liens securing (i) Indebtedness (and related obligations) incurred pursuant to Section 6.01(x); provided that such Liens are subject to the ABL Intercreditor Agreement if secured on a Split Collateral Basis or an Acceptable Intercreditor Agreement of the type described in clause (a) of the definition thereof if secured on a senior pari passu basis

with the First Priority Secured Obligations, and (ii) Indebtedness (and related obligations) incurred pursuant to <u>Section 6.01(z)</u>, subject, if applicable, to an Acceptable Intercreditor Agreement;

- (u) Liens on assets securing Indebtedness or other obligations in an aggregate principal amount at any time outstanding not to exceed (i) the sum of (A) the greater of \$127.5 million and 50.0% of Consolidated Adjusted EBITDA and (B) to the extent any amounts are reallocated from Section 6.04(a)(xi) to Section 6.01(u), an amount equal to such reallocated amount, minus (ii) to the extent any amounts are reallocated from Section 6.01(u) to clause (d) of the Fixed Incremental Amount or Section 6.01(x), an amount equal to such reallocated amount, subject, to the extent applicable, to an Acceptable Intercreditor Agreement.
- (v) Liens on assets securing judgments, awards, attachments and/or decrees and notices of *lis pendens* and associated rights relating to litigation being contested in good faith not constituting an Event of Default under Section 7.01(h);

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- (w) leases, licenses, subleases or sublicenses granted to others in the ordinary course of business which do not (i) interfere in any material respect with the business of the Borrower and its Restricted Subsidiaries (other than any Immaterial Subsidiary) or (ii) secure any Indebtedness;
- (x) Liens on Securities that are the subject of repurchase agreements constituting Investments permitted under Section 6.06 arising out of such repurchase transaction;
- (y) Liens securing obligations in respect of letters of credit, bank guaranties, surety bonds, performance bonds or similar instruments permitted under <u>Sections 6.01(d)</u>, (e), (g), (aa), (cc), (hh) and (ii);
- (z) Liens arising (i) out of conditional sale, title retention, consignment or similar arrangements for the sale of any assets or property in the ordinary course of business and permitted by this Agreement or (ii) by operation of law under Article 2 of the UCC (or similar law of any jurisdiction);
- (aa) Liens (i) in favor of any Loan Party and/or (ii) granted by any non-Loan Party in favor of any Restricted Subsidiary that is not a Loan Party, in the case of each of <u>clauses (i)</u> and <u>(ii)</u>, securing intercompany Indebtedness permitted under <u>Section 6.01</u>;
- (bb) Liens on insurance policies and the proceeds thereof securing the financing of the premiums with respect thereto;
- (cc) Liens on specific items of inventory or other goods and the proceeds thereof securing the relevant Person's obligations in respect of documentary letters of credit or banker's acceptances issued or created for the account of such Person to facilitate the purchase, shipment or storage of such inventory or goods;
- (dd) Liens securing (i) obligations under Hedge Agreements in connection with any Derivative Transaction of the type described in <u>Section 6.01(s)</u> and/or (ii) obligations of the type described in <u>Section 6.01(f)</u>;
- (ee) (i) Liens on Capital Stock of joint ventures or Unrestricted Subsidiaries securing capital contributions to, or obligations of, such Persons and (ii) customary rights of first refusal and tag, drag and similar rights in joint venture agreements and agreements with respect to non-Wholly-Owned Subsidiaries;
- (ff) Liens on cash or Cash Equivalents arising in connection with the defeasance, discharge or redemption of Indebtedness;
- (gg) Liens evidenced by the filing of PPSA or UCC financing statements relating to any factoring or similar arrangements entered into in the ordinary course of business;

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described in clause (i)	or clause (ii), as applica	able, of Section 6	.01(w) has been	satisfied and sul	bject, to the e	xtent required
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Section 6.03. <u>No Further Negative Pledges.</u> The Borrower shall not, nor shall it permit any of its Restricted Subsidiaries to, enter into any agreement prohibiting the creation or assumption of any Lien upon any Collateral, whether now owned or hereafter acquired, for the benefit of the Secured Parties with respect to the Obligations, except with respect to:

- (a) specific property to be sold pursuant to any Disposition permitted by <u>Section 6.07</u>;
- (b) restrictions contained in any agreement with respect to Indebtedness permitted by <u>Section 6.01</u> that is secured by a Permitted Lien, but only if such restrictions apply only to the Person or Persons obligated under such Indebtedness and its or their Restricted Subsidiaries or the property or assets securing such Indebtedness;
- (c) restrictions contained in any ABL Facility and the documentation governing Indebtedness permitted by clauses (j), (m), (p), (q), (u), (w), (x), (y) and/or (z) of Section 6.01, in each case, to the extent such restriction does not restrict the Secured Obligations from being secured by assets that constitute Collateral;
- (d) restrictions by reason of customary provisions restricting assignments, subletting or other transfers (including the granting of any Lien) contained in leases, subleases, licenses, sublicenses and other agreements entered into in the ordinary course of business (provided that such restrictions are limited to the relevant leases, subleases, licenses, sublicenses or other agreements and/or the property or assets secured by such Liens or the property or assets subject to such leases, subleases, licenses, sublicenses or other agreements, as the case may be);
- (e) Permitted Liens and restrictions in the agreements relating thereto that limit the right of the Borrower or any of its Restricted Subsidiaries to Dispose of, or encumber the assets subject to such Liens;
- (f) provisions limiting the Disposition or distribution of assets or property in joint venture agreements, sale-leaseback agreements, stock sale agreements and other similar agreements, which limitation is applicable only to the assets that are the subject of such agreements (or the Persons the Capital Stock of which is the subject of such agreement);
- (g) any encumbrance or restriction assumed in connection with an acquisition of the property or Capital Stock of any Person, so long as such encumbrance or restriction relates solely to the property so acquired (or to the Person or Persons (and its or their subsidiaries) bound thereby) and was not created in connection with or in anticipation of such acquisition;
- (h) restrictions imposed by customary provisions in partnership agreements, limited liability company organizational governance documents, joint venture agreements and other similar agreements that restrict the transfer of the assets of, or ownership interests in, the relevant partnership, limited liability company, joint venture or any similar Person;
- (i) restrictions on Cash or other deposits imposed by Persons under contracts entered into in the ordinary course of business or for whose benefit such Cash or other deposits exist;
  - (j) restrictions set forth in documents which exist on the Closing Date;

- (k) restrictions set forth in any Loan Document, any Hedge Agreement and/or any agreement relating to any Banking Services Obligation;
- (l) restrictions contained in documents governing Indebtedness permitted hereunder of any Restricted Subsidiary that is not a Loan Party;
- (m) restrictions on any asset (or all of the assets) of and/or the Capital Stock of the Borrower and/or any Restricted Subsidiary which is imposed pursuant to an agreement entered into in connection with any Disposition of such asset (or assets) and/or all or a portion of the Capital Stock of the relevant Person that is permitted or not restricted by this Agreement;
- (n) restrictions set forth in any agreement relating to any Permitted Lien that limits the right of the Borrower or any Restricted Subsidiary to Dispose of or encumber the assets subject thereto; and
- (o) restrictions or encumbrances imposed by any amendment, modification, restatement, renewal, increase, supplement, refunding, replacement or refinancing of the contracts, instruments or obligations referred to in <u>clauses</u> (a) through (n) above; <u>provided</u> that no such amendment, modification, restatement, renewal, increase, supplement, refunding, replacement or refinancing is, in the good faith judgment of the Borrower, more restrictive with respect to such encumbrances and other restrictions, taken as a whole, than those in effect prior to the relevant amendment, modification, restatement, renewal, increase, supplement, refunding, replacement or refinancing.

Section 6.04. Restricted Payments; Certain Payments of Indebtedness.

- (a) The Borrower shall not pay or make, directly or indirectly, any Restricted Payment, except that:
- (i) the Borrower may make Restricted Payments to the extent necessary to permit any Parent Company:
  - (A) to pay general administrative costs and expenses (including corporate overhead, legal or similar expenses, expenses to prepare any Tax returns or defend any Tax claims, and customary salary, bonus and other benefits payable to directors, officers, employees, members of management, managers and/or consultants of any Parent Company) and franchise fees and Taxes and similar fees, Taxes and expenses required to enable such Parent Company to maintain its organizational existence or qualification to do business, in each case, which are reasonable and customary and incurred in the ordinary course of business, *plus* any reasonable and customary indemnification claims made by directors, officers, members of management, managers, employees or consultants of any Parent Company, in each case, to the extent attributable to the ownership or operations of any Parent Company and its subsidiaries (but excluding the portion of such amount that is attributable to the ownership or operations of any subsidiary of any Parent Company other than the Borrower and its subsidiaries);
  - (B) to pay scheduled and overdue interest and payments as part of an AHYDO catch-up payment, in each case, in respect of any Indebtedness of any Parent Company to the extent the Net Proceeds thereof were contributed to the Borrower;

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- (C) to pay audit and other accounting and reporting expenses of such Parent Company to the extent attributable to any Parent Company (but excluding, for the avoidance of doubt, the portion of any such expenses, if any, attributable to the ownership or operations of any subsidiary of any Parent Company other than the Borrower and/or its subsidiaries), the Borrower and its subsidiaries;
- (D) for the payment of insurance premiums to the extent attributable to any Parent Company (but excluding, for the avoidance of doubt, the portion of any such premiums, if any, attributable to the ownership or operations of any subsidiary of any Parent Company other than the Borrower and/or its subsidiaries), the Borrower and its subsidiaries;

- (E) pay (x) fees and expenses related to debt or equity offerings by any Parent Company, investments or acquisitions permitted or not restricted by this Agreement (whether or not consummated) and (y) Public Company Costs;
- (F) to finance any Investment permitted under Section 6.06 (provided that (x) any Restricted Payment under this clause (a)(i)(F) shall be made substantially concurrently with the closing of such Investment and (y) the relevant Parent Company shall, promptly following the closing thereof, cause (I) all property acquired to be contributed to the Borrower or one or more of its Restricted Subsidiaries, or (II) the merger, consolidation or amalgamation of the Person formed or acquired into the Borrower or one or more of its Restricted Subsidiaries, in order to consummate such Investment in compliance with the applicable requirements of Section 6.06 as if undertaken as a direct Investment by the Borrower or the relevant Restricted Subsidiary); and
- (G) to pay customary salary, bonus, severance and other benefits payable to current or former directors, officers, members of management, managers, employees or consultants of any Parent Company (or any Immediate Family Member of any of the foregoing) to the extent such salary, bonuses and other benefits are attributable and reasonably allocated to the operations of the Borrower and/or its subsidiaries, in each case, so long as such Parent Company applies the amount of any such Restricted Payment for such purpose;
- (ii) the Borrower may pay (or make Restricted Payments to allow any Parent Company to pay) for the repurchase, redemption, retirement or other acquisition or retirement for value of Capital Stock of any Parent Company or any subsidiary held by any future, present or former employee, director, member of management, officer, manager or consultant (or any Affiliate or Immediate Family Member thereof) of any Parent Company, the Borrower or any subsidiary:
  - (A) in accordance with the terms of promissory notes issued pursuant to <u>Section 6.01(o)</u>, so long as the aggregate amount of all Cash payments made in respect of such promissory notes, together with the aggregate amount of Restricted Payments made pursuant to <u>sub-clause (D)</u> of this <u>clause (ii)</u> below, does not exceed in any Fiscal Year the greater of \$30.0 million and 12.0% of Consolidated Adjusted EBITDA, which, if not used in any Fiscal Year, may be carried forward to subsequent Fiscal Years;

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- (B) with the proceeds of any sale or issuance of the Capital Stock of the Borrower or any Parent Company (to the extent such proceeds are contributed in respect of Qualified Capital Stock to the Borrower or any Restricted Subsidiary);
  - (C) with the net proceeds of any key-man life insurance policies; or
- (D) with Cash and Cash Equivalents in an amount not to exceed in any Fiscal Year, together with the aggregate amount of all cash payments made pursuant to <u>sub-clause (A)</u> of this <u>clause (ii)</u> in respect of promissory notes issued pursuant to <u>Section 6.01(o)</u>, the greater of \$30.0 million and 12.0% of Consolidated Adjusted EBITDA, which, if not used in any Fiscal Year, may be carried forward to subsequent Fiscal Years;
- (iii) the Borrower may make Restricted Payments in an amount not to exceed the portion, if any, of the Available Amount on such date that the Borrower elects to apply to this <u>clause (iii)</u> so long as, solely with respect to the utilization of amounts set forth in <u>clause (a)(i)</u> of the definition of Available Amount, no Event of Default under <u>Section 7.01(a)</u> or under <u>Sections 7.01(f)</u> or (g) (with respect to the Borrower) exists or would result therefrom;
- (iv) the Borrower may make Restricted Payments (i) to any Parent Company to enable such Parent Company to make Cash payments in lieu of the issuance of fractional shares in connection with the exercise of warrants, options or other securities convertible into or exchangeable for Capital Stock of such Parent Company and (ii) consisting of (A) payments made or expected to be made in respect of withholding or similar Taxes payable by any future, present or former officers, directors, employees, members of management, managers or consultants of the Borrower, any Restricted Subsidiary or any Parent Company or any of their respective

Immediate Family Members and/or (B) repurchases of Capital Stock in consideration of the payments described in <u>sub-clause (A)</u> above, including demand repurchases in connection with the exercise of stock options;

- (v) the Borrower may repurchase (or make Restricted Payments to any Parent Company to enable it to repurchase) Capital Stock upon the exercise of warrants, options or other securities convertible into or exchangeable for Capital Stock if such Capital Stock represents all or a portion of the exercise price of, or Tax withholdings with respect to, such warrants, options or other securities convertible into or exchangeable for Capital Stock as part of a "cashless" exercise;
- (vi) for any taxable period (or portion thereof) that a Parent Company is treated as a corporation for U.S. federal income tax purposes and for which Borrower and/or any of its subsidiaries are members (or are pass-through entities of such members) of a consolidated, combined, unitary or similar income Tax group for U.S. federal, state, local or foreign income Tax purposes for which such Parent Company is the common parent, the Borrower may make Restricted Payments to such Parent Company to pay the portion of any U.S. federal, state, local or foreign income Taxes (as applicable) of such Parent Company for such taxable period that are attributable to the income of the Borrower and/or its applicable subsidiaries; provided that the aggregate amount of such distributions shall not exceed the aggregate Taxes the Borrower and/or its subsidiaries, as applicable, would be required to pay in respect of such U.S. federal, state, local and foreign Taxes on a stand-alone basis for such taxable period; provided further that the amount of such distributions with respect to any Unrestricted Subsidiary for any taxable period shall be limited to the amount actually paid by such Unrestricted Subsidiary for such purpose;
- (vii) the Borrower may make Restricted Payments (A) to consummate to the extent constituting Restricted Payments, the Transactions, including to pay working capital and purchase price adjustments and other payment obligations under the Merger Agreement and (B) to pay Transaction Costs;

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- (viii) so long as no Event of Default exists at the time of declaration of such Restricted Payment, the Borrower may (or may make Restricted Payments to any Parent Company to enable it to) make Restricted Payments with respect to any Capital Stock not to exceed an aggregate amount per annum equal to the greater of (A) \$30,000,000 and (B) an amount equal to 7% of Market Capitalization *minus* the Landcadia Stock Redemption Amount;
- (ix) the Borrower may make Restricted Payments to (i) redeem, repurchase, retire or otherwise acquire any (A) Capital Stock ("Treasury Capital Stock") of the Borrower and/or any Restricted Subsidiary or (B) Capital Stock of any Parent Company, in the case of each of <a href="sub-clauses">sub-clauses</a> (A) and (B), in exchange for, or out of the proceeds of the substantially concurrent sale (other than to the Borrower and/or any Restricted Subsidiary) of, Qualified Capital Stock of the Borrower or any Parent Company to the extent any such proceeds are contributed to the capital of the Borrower and/or any Restricted Subsidiary in respect of Qualified Capital Stock ("Refunding Capital Stock") and (ii) declare and pay dividends on any Treasury Capital Stock out of the proceeds of the substantially concurrent sale (other than to the Borrower or a Restricted Subsidiary) of any Refunding Capital Stock;
- (x) to the extent constituting a Restricted Payment, the Borrower may consummate any transaction permitted by Section 6.06 (other than Section 6.06(j) and (t)), Section 6.07 (other than Section 6.07(g)) and Section 6.09 (other than Section 6.09(d));
- (xi) the Borrower may make Restricted Payments in an aggregate amount not to exceed the greater of \$90.0 million and 35.0% of Consolidated Adjusted EBITDA *minus* the sum of (A) any amounts under this Section 6.04(a)(xi) reallocated to make Restricted Debt Payments pursuant to Section 6.04(b)(iv), (B) any amounts under this Section 6.04(a)(xi) reallocated to make Investments pursuant to Section 6.06(q), and (C) any amounts under this Section 6.04(a)(xi) reallocated to incur Indebtedness pursuant to Section 6.01(u) (which may be further reallocated as provided therein);
- (xii) the Borrower may pay any dividend or consummate any redemption within sixty (60) days after the date of the declaration thereof or the provision of a redemption notice with respect thereto, as the case may be, if at the date of such declaration or notice, the dividend or redemption notice would have complied with the provisions hereof;
- (xiii) the Borrower may make Restricted Payments so long as (A) no Event of Default exists or would result therefrom and (B) the Total Leverage Ratio, calculated on a Pro Forma Basis at the time of declaration thereof, would not exceed 3.50:1.00;

- (xiv) the Borrower may make Restricted Payments to enable any Parent Company to make Restricted Payments solely in the Qualified Capital Stock of such Parent Company;
- (xv) the Borrower may make Restricted Payments (A) to pay amounts permitted under <u>Section 6.09(f)</u>, (g), (h), (i), (k) and (m) and (B) in an amount not to exceed \$500,000 per calendar year; and
- (xvi) the Borrower may make Restricted Payments in the form of Capital Stock of, or Indebtedness owed to Holdings, the Borrower or a Restricted Subsidiary by, Unrestricted Subsidiaries (other than Unrestricted Subsidiaries, the primary assets of which are Cash and Cash Equivalents (except to the extent constituting proceeds from the Disposition of all or substantially all of the assets of such Unrestricted Subsidiary) and/or intellectual property material (as determined by the Borrower in good faith) to the business of the Borrower and its Restricted Subsidiaries, taken as a whole).

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- (b) The Borrower shall not, nor shall it permit any Restricted Subsidiary to, make any payment (whether in Cash, securities or other property) on or in respect of principal of (x) any Junior Lien Indebtedness or (y) any Subordinated Indebtedness, in each cases of clauses (x) and (y), with an individual outstanding principal amount in excess of the Threshold Amount (such Indebtedness under clauses (x) and (y), in each case, with an individual outstanding principal amount in excess of the Threshold Amount, the "Restricted Debt"), including any sinking fund or similar deposit, on account of the purchase, redemption, retirement, acquisition, cancellation or termination of any Restricted Debt prior to its scheduled maturity (collectively, "Restricted Debt Payments"), except:
- (i) any purchase, defeasance, redemption, repurchase, repayment or other acquisition or retirement of any Restricted Debt made by exchange for, or out of the proceeds of, Refinancing Indebtedness permitted by Section 6.01 (except to the extent subject to clause (iv)(C) of the proviso to Section 6.01(p));
  - (ii) payments as part of an AHYDO catch-up payment;
- (iii) payments of regularly scheduled interest as and when due in respect of any Restricted Debt, except for any payments with respect to any such Subordinated Indebtedness that are prohibited by the subordination provisions thereof;
- (iv) so long as, at the time of delivery of irrevocable notice with respect thereto, no Event of Default exists or would result therefrom, Restricted Debt Payments in an aggregate amount not to exceed (A) the sum of (1) the greater of \$100.0 million and 40.0% of Consolidated Adjusted EBITDA and (2) any amounts reallocated to this Section 6.04(b)(iv) from Section 6.04(a)(xi) and Section 6.06(q), minus (B) any amounts reallocated from this Section 6.04(b)(iv) to make Investments pursuant to Section 6.06(q);
- (v) (A) Restricted Debt Payments in exchange for, or with proceeds of any issuance of, Qualified Capital Stock of the Borrower and/or any Restricted Subsidiary and/or any capital contribution in respect of Qualified Capital Stock of the Borrower or any Restricted Subsidiary, (B) Restricted Debt Payments as a result of the conversion of all or any portion of any Restricted Debt into Qualified Capital Stock of the Borrower and/or any Restricted Subsidiary and (C) to the extent constituting a Restricted Debt Payment, payment-in-kind interest with respect to any Restricted Debt that is permitted under Section 6.01;
- (vi) Restricted Debt Payments in an amount not to exceed the portion, if any, of the Available Amount on such date that the Borrower elects to apply to this clause (vi);
- (vii) Restricted Debt Payments; <u>provided</u> that the Total Leverage Ratio, calculated on a Pro Forma Basis, would not exceed 3.50:1.00; and
- (viii) mandatory prepayments of Restricted Debt (and related payments of interest) made with Declined Proceeds (it being understood that any Declined Proceeds applied to make Restricted Debt Payments in reliance on this <u>Section 6.04(b)(viii)</u> shall not increase the amount available under clause (a)(viii) of the definition of "Available Amount" to the extent so applied).

Section 6.05. Restrictions on Subsidiary Distributions. Except as provided herein or in any other Loan Document, any document with respect to any "Incremental Equivalent Debt" (as defined herein) and/or in agreements with respect to refinancings, renewals or replacements of such Indebtedness that are permitted by Section 6.01, the Borrower shall not, nor shall it permit any of its Restricted Subsidiaries to, enter into or cause to exist any agreement restricting the ability of (i) any subsidiary of the Borrower to pay dividends or other distributions to the Borrower or any Subsidiary Guarantor or (ii) any Restricted Subsidiary to make cash loans or advances to the Borrower or any Subsidiary Guarantor, except:

- (a) in any agreement evidencing (i) Indebtedness of a Restricted Subsidiary that is not a Loan Party permitted by Section 6.01, (ii) Indebtedness permitted by Section 6.01 that is secured by a Permitted Lien if the relevant restriction applies only to the Person obligated under such Indebtedness and its Restricted Subsidiaries or the property or assets intended to secure such Indebtedness and (iii) Indebtedness permitted pursuant to clauses (j), (m), (p), (q), (u), (w), (x) and/or (z) of Section 6.01;
- (b) by reason of customary provisions restricting assignments, subletting or other transfers (including the granting of any Lien) contained in leases, subleases, licenses, sublicenses, joint venture agreements and similar agreements entered into in the ordinary course of business;
- (c) that are or were created by virtue of any Lien granted upon, transfer of, agreement to transfer or grant of, any option or right with respect to any property, assets or Capital Stock not otherwise prohibited under this Agreement;
- (d) assumed in connection with any acquisition of property or the Capital Stock of any Person, so long as the relevant encumbrance or restriction relates solely to the Person and its subsidiaries (including the Capital Stock of the relevant Person or Persons) and/or property so acquired (or to the Person or Persons (and its or their subsidiaries) bound thereby) and was not created in connection with or in anticipation of such acquisition;
- (e) in any agreement for any Disposition of any Restricted Subsidiary (or all or substantially all of the property and/or assets thereof) that restricts the payment of dividends or other distributions or the making of cash loans or advances by such Restricted Subsidiary pending such Disposition;
- (f) in provisions in agreements or instruments which prohibit the payment of dividends or the making of other distributions with respect to any class of Capital Stock of a Person other than on a *pro rata* basis;
- (g) imposed by customary provisions in partnership agreements, limited liability company organizational governance documents, joint venture agreements, sale-leaseback agreements, stock sale agreements and other similar agreements;
- (h) on Cash, other deposits or net worth or similar restrictions imposed by any Person under any contract entered into in the ordinary course of business or for whose benefit such Cash, other deposits or net worth or similar restrictions exist;
  - (i) set forth in documents which exist on the Closing Date and not created in contemplation thereof;

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- (j) those arising pursuant to an agreement or instrument relating to any Indebtedness permitted to be incurred after the Closing Date if the relevant restrictions, taken as a whole, are not materially less favorable to the Lenders than the restrictions contained in this Agreement, taken as a whole (as determined in good faith by the Borrower);
- (k) those arising under or as a result of applicable law, rule, regulation or order or the terms of any license, authorization, concession or permit;

- (l) those arising in any Loan Document and/or any Loan Document (as defined in the ABL Credit Agreement), any Hedge Agreement and/or any agreement relating to any Banking Services Obligation;
- (m) any Indebtedness permitted under <u>Section 6.01</u>; <u>provided</u> that no such restrictions are, in the good faith judgment of the Borrower, more restrictive with respect to such restrictions, taken as a whole, than those in any Indebtedness existing on the Closing Date (including under this Agreement and the ABL Credit Agreement); and/or
- (n) those imposed by any amendment, modification, restatement, renewal, increase, supplement, refunding, replacement or refinancing of any contract, instrument or obligation referred to in clauses (a) through (m) above; provided that no such amendment, modification, restatement, renewal, increase, supplement, refunding, replacement or refinancing is, in the good faith judgment of the Borrower, more restrictive with respect to such restrictions, taken as a whole, than those in existence prior to such amendment, modification, restatement, renewal, increase, supplement, refunding, replacement or refinancing.

Section 6.06. <u>Investments</u>. The Borrower shall not, nor shall it permit any of its Restricted Subsidiaries to, make or own any Investment in any other Person except:

- (a) Cash or Investments that were Cash Equivalents at the time made;
- (b) (i) Investments existing on the Closing Date in any subsidiary and (ii) Investments among the Borrower and/or one or more Restricted Subsidiaries in any Loan Party (other than Holdings) or any other Restricted Subsidiary of the Borrower;
- (c) Investments (i) constituting deposits, prepayments and/or other credits to suppliers, (ii) made in connection with obtaining, maintaining or renewing client and customer contracts and/or (iii) in the form of advances made to distributors, suppliers, licensors and licensees, in each case, in the ordinary course of business or, in the case of clause (iii), to the extent necessary to maintain the ordinary course of supplies to the Borrower or any Restricted Subsidiary;
- (d) Investments in Unrestricted Subsidiaries or in joint ventures (including in connection with the creation, formation and/or acquisition of any joint venture, or in any Restricted Subsidiary to enable such Restricted Subsidiary to make an Investment in joint ventures, including to create, form and/or acquire any joint venture) in an aggregate outstanding amount not to exceed the greater of \$80.0 million and 30.0% of Consolidated Adjusted EBITDA;
  - (e) Permitted Acquisitions;
- (f) Investments (i) existing on, or contractually committed to or contemplated as of, the Closing Date, which, to the extent individually greater than \$5,000,000, are described on Schedule 6.06 and (ii) any modification, replacement, renewal or extension of any Investment described in clause (i) above so long as no such modification, renewal or extension thereof increases the amount of such Investment except by the terms thereof or as otherwise permitted by this Section 6.06);

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- (g) Investments received in lieu of Cash in connection with any Disposition permitted by <u>Section 6.07</u> or any other disposition of assets not constituting a Disposition;
- (h) loans or advances to present or former employees, directors, members of management, officers, managers or consultants or independent contractors (or their respective Immediate Family Members) of any Parent Company, the Borrower and its subsidiaries and/or any joint venture to the extent permitted by Requirements of Law, in connection with such Person's purchase of Capital Stock of any Parent Company, either (i) in an aggregate principal amount not to exceed the greater of \$15.0 million and 5.0% of Consolidated Adjusted EBITDA at any one time outstanding or (ii) so long as the proceeds of such loan or advance are substantially contemporaneously contributed to the Borrower for the purchase of such Capital Stock;

- (i) Investments consisting of extensions of credit in the nature of accounts receivable or notes receivable arising from the grant of trade credit in the ordinary course of business;
- (j) Investments consisting of Indebtedness permitted under Section 6.01 (other than Indebtedness permitted under Sections 6.01(b) and (h)), Permitted Liens, Restricted Payments permitted under Section 6.04 (other than Section 6.04(a)(x)), Restricted Debt Payments permitted by Section 6.04 and mergers, consolidations, amalgamations, liquidations, windings up, dissolutions or Dispositions permitted by Section 6.07 (other than Section 6.07(a) (if made in reliance on sub-clause (ii)(y) of the proviso thereto), Section 6.07(c)(ii) (if made in reliance on clause (B) therein) and Section 6.07(g)) and affiliate transactions permitted by Section 6.09 (other than Section 6.09(d));
- (k) Investments in the ordinary course of business consisting of endorsements for collection or deposit and customary trade arrangements with customers;
- (l) Investments (including debt obligations and Capital Stock) received (i) in connection with the bankruptcy or reorganization of any Person, (ii) in settlement of delinquent obligations of, or other disputes with, customers, suppliers and other account debtors arising in the ordinary course of business, (iii) upon foreclosure with respect to any secured Investment or other transfer of title with respect to any secured Investment and/or (iv) as a result of the settlement, compromise, resolution of litigation, arbitration or other disputes;
- (m) loans and advances of payroll payments or other compensation to present or former employees, directors, members of management, officers, managers or consultants of any Parent Company (to the extent such payments or other compensation relate to services provided to such Parent Company (but excluding, for the avoidance of doubt, the portion of any such amount, if any, attributable to the ownership or operations of any subsidiary of any Parent Company other than the Borrower and/or its subsidiaries)), the Borrower and/or any subsidiary in the ordinary course of business;
- (n) Investments to the extent that payment therefor is made solely with Capital Stock of any Parent Company or Capital Stock (other than Disqualified Capital Stock) of the Borrower or any Restricted Subsidiary, in each case, to the extent not resulting in a Change of Control;

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- (o) (i) Investments of any Restricted Subsidiary acquired after the Closing Date, or of any Person acquired by, or merged into or consolidated or amalgamated with, the Borrower or any Restricted Subsidiary after the Closing Date, in each case as part of an Investment otherwise permitted by this Section 6.06 to the extent that such Investments were not made in contemplation of or in connection with such acquisition, merger, amalgamation or consolidation and were in existence on the date of the relevant acquisition, merger, amalgamation or consolidation and (ii) any modification, replacement, renewal or extension of any Investment permitted under clause (i) of this Section 6.06(o) so long as no such modification, replacement, renewal or extension thereof increases the amount of such Investment except as otherwise permitted by this Section 6.06;
  - (p) Investments made in connection with the Transactions;
- (q) Investments made after the Closing Date by the Borrower and/or any of its Restricted Subsidiaries in an aggregate amount not to exceed at any time outstanding an amount equal to (i) the sum of (A) the greater of \$127.5 million and 50.0% of Consolidated Adjusted EBITDA, (B) any amounts reallocated to this Section 6.06(q) from Section 6.04(a)(xi) and Section 6.04(b)(iv), and (C) with respect to any Person that becomes a Restricted Subsidiary of the Borrower if the Borrower or any of its Restricted Subsidiaries made an Investment in such Person after the Closing Date prior to such Person becoming a Restricted Subsidiary, the Fair Market Value of such Investments as of the date on which such Person becomes a Restricted Subsidiary, minus (ii) any amounts reallocated from this Section 6.06(q) to make Restricted Debt Payments pursuant to Section 6.04(b)(iv);
- (r) Investments made after the Closing Date by the Borrower and/or any of its Restricted Subsidiaries in an amount not to exceed the portion, if any, of the Available Amount on such date that the Borrower elects to apply to this clause (r);

- (s) (i) Guarantees of leases (other than Capital Leases) or of other obligations not constituting Indebtedness and (ii) Guarantees of the lease obligations of suppliers, customers, franchisees and licensees of the Borrower and/or its Restricted Subsidiaries, in each case, in the ordinary course of business;
- (t) Investments in any Parent Company in amounts and for purposes for which Restricted Payments to such Parent Company are permitted under <u>Section 6.04(a)</u>; <u>provided</u> that any Investment made as provided above in lieu of any such Restricted Payment shall reduce availability under the applicable Restricted Payment basket under Section 6.04(a);
  - (u) [reserved];
- (v) Investments in subsidiaries and joint ventures in connection with reorganizations and related activities related to tax planning; <u>provided</u> that, after giving effect to any such reorganization and/or related activity, the security interest of the Administrative Agent in the Collateral, taken as a whole, is not materially impaired;
  - (w) Investments under any Derivative Transaction of the type permitted under <u>Section 6.01(s)</u>;

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- (x) [reserved];
- (y) Investments made in joint ventures as required by, or made pursuant to, buy/sell arrangements between the joint venture parties set forth in joint venture agreements and similar binding arrangements in effect on the Closing Date (other than any modification, replacement, renewal or extension of such Investments so long as no such modification, renewal or extension thereof increased the amount of any such Investment except by the terms thereof or as otherwise permitted by this Section 6.06);
- (z) unfunded pension fund and other employee benefit plan obligations and liabilities (whether or not such amounts are then being amortized and paid) to the extent that they are permitted to remain unfunded under applicable law;
- (aa) Investments in the Borrower, any subsidiary and/or any joint venture in connection with intercompany cash management arrangements and related activities in the ordinary course of business;
- (bb) Investments so long as, after giving effect thereto on a Pro Forma Basis, the Total Leverage Ratio does not exceed 3.75:1.00;
- (cc) Investments consisting of the licensing or contribution of IP Rights pursuant to joint marketing arrangements with other Persons; and
- (dd) Investments in similar businesses in an aggregate outstanding principal amount not to exceed the greater of \$127.5 million and 50.0% of Consolidated Adjusted EBITDA.
- Section 6.07. <u>Fundamental Changes; Disposition of Assets</u>. The Borrower shall not, nor shall it permit any of its Restricted Subsidiaries to, enter into any transaction of merger, consolidation or amalgamation, or liquidate, wind up or dissolve themselves (or suffer any liquidation or dissolution), or make any Disposition of any assets in a single transaction or in a series of related transactions, except:
  - any Restricted Subsidiary may be merged, consolidated or amalgamated with or into the Borrower or any other Restricted Subsidiary; provided that (i) in the case of any such merger, consolidation or amalgamation with or into the Borrower, (A) the Borrower shall be the continuing or surviving Person or (B) if the Person formed by or surviving any such merger, consolidation or amalgamation is not the Borrower (any such Person, the "Successor Borrower"), (w) the Successor Borrower shall be an entity organized or existing under the law of the U.S., any state thereof or the District of Columbia, (x) the Successor Borrower shall expressly assume the Obligations of the Borrower in a manner reasonably satisfactory to the Administrative Agent and concurrently with the consummation of such merger, consolidation or amalgamation, 100% of the Capital Stock of the Successor Borrower shall be pledged to the Administrative Agent for the benefit of the Secured Parties, (y) such Successor Borrower shall have complied with the Collateral and Guarantee Requirement and Perfection Requirements

(as if such Person were a newly formed Restricted Subsidiary that is not an Excluded Subsidiary), and (z)(1) except as the Administrative Agent may otherwise agree, each Loan Party, unless it is the other party to such merger, consolidation or amalgamation, shall have executed and delivered a reaffirmation agreement with respect to its obligations under the Loan Guaranty and the other Loan Documents, (2) upon its reasonable request, the Administrative Agent shall have received customary legal opinions, (3) the Administrative Agent shall have received at least three (3) Business Days prior to such Person becoming the Successor Borrower all documentation and other information in respect of such Successor Borrower required under applicable "know your customer" and anti-money laundering rules and regulations (including the USA Patriot Act) and (4) if such Successor Borrower qualifies as a "legal entity customer" under the Beneficial Ownership Regulation, then such Person shall have delivered to the Administrative Agent a Beneficial Ownership Certification in relation to such Person; it being understood and agreed that if the foregoing conditions under clauses (w) through (z) are satisfied, the Successor Borrower will succeed to, and be substituted for, the Borrower under this Agreement and the other Loan Documents, and (ii) in the case of any such merger, consolidation or amalgamation with or into any Subsidiary Guarantor, either (x) such Subsidiary Guarantor shall be the continuing or surviving Person or the continuing or surviving Person shall expressly assume the guarantee obligations of the Subsidiary Guarantor in a manner reasonably satisfactory to the Administrative Agent or (y) the relevant transaction shall be treated as an Investment and shall comply with Section 6.06;

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- (b) Dispositions (including of Capital Stock) among the Borrower and/or any Restricted Subsidiary (upon voluntary liquidation or otherwise); <u>provided</u> that any such Disposition by any Loan Party to any Person that is not a Loan Party shall be (i) for Fair Market Value with at least 75% of the consideration for such Disposition consisting of Cash or Cash Equivalents at the time of such Disposition or (ii) treated as an Investment and otherwise made in compliance with Section 6.06 (other than in reliance on clause (j) thereof);
- (c) (i) the liquidation or dissolution of any Restricted Subsidiary if the Borrower determines in good faith that such liquidation or dissolution is in the best interests of the Borrower, is not materially disadvantageous to the Lenders and the Borrower or any Restricted Subsidiary receives any assets of the relevant dissolved or liquidated Restricted Subsidiary; provided that in the case of any liquidation or dissolution of any Loan Party that results in a distribution of assets to any Restricted Subsidiary that is not a Loan Party, such distribution shall be treated as an Investment and shall comply with Section 6.06 (other than in reliance on clause (j) thereof); (ii) any merger, amalgamation, dissolution, liquidation or consolidation, the purpose of which is to effect (A) any Disposition otherwise permitted under this Section 6.07 (other than clause (a), clause (b) or this clause (c)) or (B) any Investment permitted under Section 6.06; and (iii) the Borrower or any Restricted Subsidiary may be converted into another form of entity, in each case, so long as such conversion does not adversely affect the value of the Loan Guaranty or Collateral, if any;
- (d) (x) Dispositions of inventory or equipment in the ordinary course of business (including on an intercompany basis) and (y) the leasing or subleasing of real property in the ordinary course of business;
- (e) Dispositions of surplus, obsolete, used or worn out property or other property that, in the reasonable judgment of the Borrower, is (A) no longer useful in its business (or in the business of any Restricted Subsidiary of the Borrower) or (B) otherwise economically impracticable to maintain;
- (f) Dispositions of Cash Equivalents or other assets that were Cash Equivalents when the relevant original Investment was made;
- (g) Dispositions, mergers, amalgamations, consolidations or conveyances that constitute Investments permitted pursuant to Section 6.06 (other than Section 6.06(j)), Permitted Liens and Restricted Payments permitted by Section 6.04(a) (other than Section 6.04(a)(ix));

- Dispositions for Fair Market Value; provided that with respect to any such Disposition with a (h) purchase price in excess of the greater of \$100.0 million and 40.0% of Consolidated Adjusted EBITDA, at least 75% of the consideration for such Disposition shall consist of Cash or Cash Equivalents; provided, that for purposes of the 75% Cash consideration requirement, (w) the amount of any Indebtedness or other liabilities (other than Indebtedness or other liabilities that are subordinated to the Obligations or that are owed to the Borrower or any Restricted Subsidiary) of the Borrower or any Restricted Subsidiary (as shown on such Person's most recent balance sheet or statement of financial position (or in the notes thereto)) that are assumed by the transferee of any such assets and for which the Borrower and/or its applicable Restricted Subsidiary have been validly released by all relevant creditors in writing, (x) the amount of any trade-in value applied to the purchase price of any replacement assets acquired in connection with such Disposition, (y) any Securities received by the Borrower or any Restricted Subsidiary from such transferee that are converted by such Person into Cash or Cash Equivalents (to the extent of the Cash or Cash Equivalents received) within one hundred eighty (180) days following the closing of the applicable Disposition and (z) any Designated Non-Cash Consideration received in respect of such Disposition having an aggregate fair market value, taken together with all other Designated Non-Cash Consideration received pursuant to this clause (z) that is at that time outstanding, not in excess of the greater of \$100.0 million and 40.0% of Consolidated Adjusted EBITDA, in each case, shall be deemed to be Cash; provided, further, that (x) on the date on which the agreement governing such Disposition is executed, no Event of Default shall exist and (y) the Net Proceeds of such Disposition shall be applied and/or reinvested as (and to the extent) required by Section 2.11(b)(ii);
- (i) to the extent that (i) the relevant property is exchanged for credit against the purchase price of similar replacement property or (ii) the proceeds of the relevant Disposition are promptly applied to the purchase price of such replacement property;
- (j) Dispositions of Investments in joint ventures to the extent required by, or made pursuant to, buy/ sell arrangements between joint venture or similar parties set forth in the relevant joint venture arrangements and/or similar binding arrangements;
- (k) Dispositions of accounts receivable in the ordinary course of business (including any discount and/ or forgiveness thereof) and any factoring or similar arrangement or in connection with the collection or compromise of any of the foregoing;
- (l) Dispositions and/or terminations of leases, subleases, licenses or sublicenses (including the provision of software under any open source license), which (i) do not materially interfere with the business of the Borrower and its Restricted Subsidiaries or (ii) relate to closed facilities or the discontinuation of any product line;
- (m) (i) any termination of any lease in the ordinary course of business, (ii) any expiration of any option agreement in respect of real or personal property and (iii) any surrender or waiver of contractual rights or the settlement, release or surrender of contractual rights or litigation claims (including in tort) in the ordinary course of business;
- (n) Dispositions of property subject to foreclosure, casualty, eminent domain or condemnation proceedings (including in lieu thereof or any similar proceeding);
- (o) Dispositions or consignments of equipment, inventory or other assets (including leasehold interests in real property) with respect to facilities that are temporarily not in use, held for sale or closed;

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- (p) [reserved];
- (q) Dispositions of non-core assets acquired in connection with any acquisition permitted hereunder and sales of Real Estate Assets acquired in any acquisition permitted hereunder; <u>provided</u> that (i) the Net Proceeds received in connection with any such Disposition shall be applied and/or reinvested as (and to the extent required) by <u>Section 2.11(b)(ii)</u> and (ii) no Event of Default exists on the date on which the definitive agreement governing the relevant Disposition is executed;
- (r) exchanges or swaps, including transactions covered by Section 1031 of the Code (or any comparable provision of any foreign jurisdiction), of property or assets so long as any such exchange or swap is made for

fair value (as reasonably determined by the Borrower) for like property or assets; <u>provided</u> that (i) upon the consummation of any such exchange or swap by any Loan Party, to the extent the property received does not constitute an Excluded Asset, the Administrative Agent has a perfected Lien with the same priority as the Lien held on the Real Estate Assets so exchanged or swapped and (ii) any Net Proceeds received as "cash boot" in connection with any such transaction shall be applied and/or reinvested as (and to the extent required) by Section 2.11(b)(ii);

- (s) [reserved];
- (t) (i) licensing and cross-licensing arrangements involving any technology, intellectual property or IP Rights of the Borrower or any Restricted Subsidiary in the ordinary course of business and (ii) Dispositions, abandonments, cancellations or lapses of IP Rights, or issuances or registrations, or applications for issuances or registrations, of IP Rights, which, in the reasonable good faith determination of the Borrower, are not material to the conduct of the business of the Borrower or its Restricted Subsidiaries, or are no longer economical to maintain in light of its use;
  - (u) terminations or unwinds of Derivative Transactions;
- (v) Dispositions of Capital Stock of, or sales of Indebtedness or other Securities of, Unrestricted Subsidiaries (other than to the extent the primary assets thereof consist of Cash and Cash equivalents (except to the extent constituting proceeds from the Disposition of all or substantially all of the assets (other than Dispositions constituting solely of Cash or Cash equivalents) of such Unrestricted Subsidiary));
- (w) Dispositions of Real Estate Assets and related assets in the ordinary course of business in connection with relocation activities for directors, officers, employees, members of management, managers or consultants of any Parent Company, the Borrower and/or any Restricted Subsidiary;
- (x) Dispositions made to comply with any order of any agency of the U.S. Federal government, any state, authority or other regulatory body or any applicable Requirement of Law;
- (y) any merger, amalgamation, consolidation, Disposition or conveyance the sole purpose of which is to reincorporate or reorganize (i) any Domestic Subsidiary in another jurisdiction in the U.S. and/or (ii) any Foreign Subsidiary in the U.S. or any other jurisdiction;

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- (z) any sale of motor vehicles and information technology equipment purchased at the end of an operating lease and resold thereafter;
- (aa) Dispositions involving assets having a Fair Market Value in the aggregate in any Fiscal Year of not more than the greater of \$80.0 million and 30.0% of Consolidated Adjusted EBITDA, which, if not used in any Fiscal Year, may be carried forward to subsequent Fiscal Years; and
- (bb) Sale and Lease-Back Transactions of assets having a Fair Market Value in the aggregate of not more than the greater of \$127.5 million and 50.0% of Consolidated Adjusted EBITDA.

To the extent that any Collateral is Disposed of as expressly permitted by this <u>Section 6.07</u> to any Person other than a Loan Party, such Collateral shall be sold free and clear of the Liens created by the Loan Documents, which Liens shall be automatically released upon the consummation of such Disposition; it being understood and agreed that the Administrative Agent shall be authorized to take, and shall take, any actions deemed appropriate in order to effect the foregoing in accordance with <u>Article VIII</u>.

Section 6.08. [Reserved].

Section 6.09. <u>Transactions with Affiliates</u>. The Borrower shall not, nor shall it permit any of its Restricted Subsidiaries to, enter into any transaction (including the purchase, sale, lease or exchange of any property or the rendering of any service) involving payment in excess of \$20.0 million with any of their respective Affiliates on terms that are less favorable to the Borrower or such Restricted Subsidiary, as the case may be (as reasonably determined by the Borrower), than those that might

be obtained at the time in a comparable arm's-length transaction from a Person who is not an Affiliate; <u>provided</u> that the foregoing restriction shall not apply to:

- (a) any transaction between or among Holdings, the Borrower and/or one or more Restricted Subsidiaries (or any entity that becomes a Restricted Subsidiary as a result of such transaction) to the extent not prohibited by this Agreement;
- (b) any issuance, sale or grant of securities or other payments, awards or grants in cash, securities or otherwise pursuant to, or the funding of employment arrangements, stock options and stock ownership plans approved by the board of directors (or equivalent governing body) of any Parent Company or of the Borrower or any Restricted Subsidiary;
- (c) (i) any collective bargaining, employment or severance agreement or compensatory (including profit sharing) arrangement entered into by the Borrower or any of its Restricted Subsidiaries with their respective current or former officers, directors, members of management, managers, employees, consultants or independent contractors or those of any Parent Company, (ii) any subscription agreement or similar agreement pertaining to the repurchase of Capital Stock pursuant to put/call rights or similar rights with current or former officers, directors, members of management, managers, employees, consultants or independent contractors and (iii) transactions pursuant to any employee compensation, benefit plan, stock option plan or arrangement, any health, disability or similar insurance plan which covers current or former officers, directors, members of management, managers, employees, consultants or independent contractors or any employment contract or arrangement;
  - (d) transactions permitted by <u>Sections 6.01</u>, <u>6.02</u>, <u>6.04</u>, <u>6.06</u> and <u>6.07</u>;

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- (e) transactions in existence on the Closing Date or pursuant to any agreements or arrangements in effect on the Closing Date and any amendment, modification or extension thereof to the extent such amendment, modification or extension, taken as a whole, is not (i) materially adverse to the Lenders or (ii) more disadvantageous to the Lenders than the relevant transaction in existence on the Closing Date;
- (f) (i) the payment of management, monitoring, consulting, advisory, transaction, termination and similar fees to any Investor pursuant to any management agreement entered into by the Borrower (and/or any Parent Company) on the Closing Date (without giving effect to any amendment materially increasing such fees) and (ii) the payment or reimbursement of all indemnification obligations and expenses owed to any Investor and any of their respective directors, officers, members of management, managers, employees and consultants pursuant to such management agreement or similar agreement, in each case of clauses (i) and (ii) whether currently due or paid in respect of accruals from prior periods; provided that, so long as an Event of Default exists under Section 7.01(a) (solely with respect to principal, interest and fees), (f) or (g) (with respect to the Borrower), the payment of such management, monitoring, consulting, advisory, transaction, termination and similar fees in clause (i) may be restricted, in which case, such fees shall continue to accrue and be payable upon the waiver, termination or cure of the relevant Event of Default;
- (g) the Transactions, including the payment of Transaction Costs and payments required under the Merger Agreement;
- (h) customary compensation to Affiliates in connection with financial advisory, financing, underwriting or placement services or in respect of other investment banking activities and other transaction fees, which payments are approved by the majority of the members of the board of directors (or similar governing body) or a majority of the disinterested members of the board of directors (or similar governing body) of the Borrower in good faith;
- (i) transactions and payments required under the definitive agreement for any acquisition or Investment permitted under this Agreement (to the extent any seller, employee, officer or director of the acquired entities becomes an Affiliate in connection with such transaction);
  - (j) transactions among the Loan Parties to the extent permitted under this <u>Article VI</u>;

- (k) the payment of customary fees and reasonable out-of-pocket costs to, and indemnities provided on behalf of, members of the board of directors (or similar governing body), officers, employees, members of management, managers, consultants and independent contractors of the Borrower and/or any of its Restricted Subsidiaries in the ordinary course of business and, in the case of payments to such Person in such capacity on behalf of any Parent Company, to the extent attributable to the operations of the Borrower or its Restricted Subsidiaries;
- (l) transactions with customers, clients, suppliers, joint ventures, purchasers or sellers of goods or services or providers of employees or other labor entered into in the ordinary course of business, which are (i) fair to the Borrower and/or its applicable Restricted Subsidiary in the good faith determination of the board of directors (or similar governing body) of the Borrower or the senior management thereof or (ii) on terms at least as favorable as might reasonably be obtained from a Person other than an Affiliate;

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- (m) the payment of reasonable out-of-pocket costs and expenses related to registration rights and customary indemnities provided to shareholders under any shareholder agreement;
- (n) (i) any purchase by Holdings of the Capital Stock of (or contribution to the equity capital of) the Borrower and (ii) any intercompany loans made by Holdings to the Borrower or any Restricted Subsidiary; and
- (o) any transaction in respect of which the Borrower delivers to the Administrative Agent a letter addressed to the board of directors (or equivalent governing body) of the Borrower from an accounting, appraisal or investment banking firm of nationally recognized standing stating that such transaction is on terms that are no less favorable to the Borrower or the applicable Restricted Subsidiary than might be obtained at the time in a comparable arm's length transaction from a Person who is not an Affiliate.
- Section 6.10. <u>Conduct of Business</u>. From and after the Closing Date, the Borrower shall not, nor shall it permit any of its Restricted Subsidiaries to, engage in any material line of business other than (a) the businesses engaged in by the Borrower or any Restricted Subsidiary on the Closing Date and similar, complementary, ancillary or related businesses and (b) such other lines of business to which the Administrative Agent may consent.

# Section 6.11. [Reserved].

Section 6.12. Amendments of or Waivers with Respect to Restricted Debt. The Borrower shall not, nor shall it permit any of its Restricted Subsidiaries to, amend or otherwise modify the terms of any Junior Lien Indebtedness constituting Restricted Debt (or the documentation governing any Junior Lien Indebtedness constituting Restricted Debt) if the effect of such amendment or modification, together with all other amendments or modifications made, is in the reasonable judgment of the Borrower materially adverse to the interests of the Lenders (in their capacities as such); provided that, (a) for purposes of clarity, it is understood and agreed that the foregoing limitation shall not otherwise prohibit any Refinancing Indebtedness or any other replacement, refinancing, amendment, supplement, modification, extension, renewal, restatement or refunding of any Restricted Debt, in each case, that is permitted under this Agreement in respect thereof, and (b) at the request of the Borrower, the form of any documentation governing any Junior Lien Indebtedness constituting Restricted Debt shall be deemed acceptable to the Lenders if posted to the Lenders and not objected to by the Required Lenders within five (5) Business Days thereafter.

Section 6.13. Fiscal Year. The Borrower shall not change its Fiscal Year-end; provided that, the Borrower may, upon written notice to the Administrative Agent, change the Fiscal Year-end of the Borrower to end on a specific date (e.g., December 31) or adopt another fiscal calendar, in which case the Borrower and the Administrative Agent will, and are hereby authorized to, make any adjustments to this Agreement that are necessary to reflect such change in Fiscal Year.

# Section 6.14. <u>Permitted Activities of Holdings</u>. Holdings shall not:

(a) incur any Indebtedness for borrowed money other than (i) Indebtedness in connection with the Transactions, (ii) Indebtedness of the type permitted under <u>Sections 6.01(a)</u>, (o) and (z) and any Refinancing Indebtedness in respect thereof (including any Guarantees thereof) and (iii) Indebtedness that is not guaranteed by the Borrower or any Restricted Subsidiary that are otherwise permitted hereunder;

- (b) create or suffer to exist any Lien on any property or asset now owned or hereafter acquired other than the Liens securing Indebtedness of the type permitted under <u>Sections 6.01(a)</u>, (o), (x) and (z) and any Refinancing Indebtedness in respect thereof (including any Guarantees thereof), subject, if applicable, to the Intercreditor Agreement (and any other Acceptable Intercreditor Agreement);
- engage in any business activity or own any material assets other than (i) directly or indirectly holding the Capital Stock of the Borrower and any subsidiary of the Borrower, (ii) performing its obligations under the Loan Documents and other Indebtedness, Liens (including the granting of Liens) and Guarantees permitted to be incurred, granted or made, as applicable, by it hereunder; (iii) issuing its own Capital Stock (including, for the avoidance of doubt, the making of any dividend or distribution on account of, or any redemption, retirement, sinking fund or similar payment, purchase or other acquisition for value of, any shares of any class of Capital Stock); (iv) filing Tax reports and paying Taxes and other customary obligations in the ordinary course (and contesting any Taxes); (v) preparing reports to Governmental Authorities and to its shareholders; (vi) holding director and shareholder meetings, preparing organizational records and other organizational activities required to maintain its separate organizational structure or to comply with applicable Requirements of Law; (vii) effecting the Transactions; (viii) holding (A) Cash, Cash Equivalents and other assets received in connection with permitted distributions or dividends received from, or permitted Investments or permitted Dispositions made by, any of its subsidiaries or permitted contributions to the capital of, or proceeds from the issuance of Capital Stock or debt securities of, Holdings or any Parent Company pending the application thereof and (B) the proceeds of Indebtedness permitted to be incurred by it hereunder; (ix) providing indemnification for its officers, directors, members of management, employees and advisors or consultants; (x) participating in tax, accounting and other administrative matters; (xi) making payments of the type permitted under Section 6.09(f) and the performance of its obligations under any document, agreement and/or Investment contemplated by the Transactions or otherwise not prohibited under this Agreement; (xii) complying with applicable Requirements of Law (including with respect to the maintenance of its existence); (xiii) making and holding intercompany loans to Holdings, the Borrower and/or the Restricted Subsidiaries of the Borrower, as applicable; (xiv) making and holding Investments of the type permitted under Section 6.06(h); (xv) making Investments directly or indirectly in the Borrower (and other Investment contemplated by Section 6.04(a)) and making any Restricted Payment (assuming for such purpose that the definition thereof applies to the Capital Stock of Holdings), (xvi) consummating any transaction permitted by Section 6.14(d), including creating, and directly or indirectly holding the Capital Stock of, any other Person for purposes of effectuating any transaction permitted by Section 6.14(d), and (xvii) activities incidental to any of the foregoing; or
- consolidate or amalgamate with, or merge with or into, or convey, sell or otherwise transfer all or substantially all of its assets to, any Person; provided that, so long as no Default or Event of Default exists or would result therefrom (A) Holdings may consolidate or amalgamate with, or merge with or into, any Holding Company or any other Person (other than the Borrower and any of its subsidiaries) so long as (i) such Holding Company is the continuing or surviving Person or (ii) if the Person formed by or surviving any such consolidation, amalgamation or merger is not a Holding Company, (x) the successor Person expressly assumes all obligations of Holdings under this Agreement and the other Loan Documents to which Holdings is a party in a manner reasonably satisfactory to the Administrative Agent and (y) delivers a certificate of a Responsible Officer with respect to the satisfaction of the conditions set forth in clause (x) of this clause (A) and (z) upon its reasonable request, the Administrative Agent shall have received a customary legal opinion and (B) Holdings may convey, sell or otherwise transfer all or substantially all of its assets (including the Capital Stock of the Borrower) to any other Person so long as (x) no Change of Control results therefrom, (y) (1) if not a Holding Company, the Person acquiring such assets expressly assumes all of the obligations of such Holding Company under this Agreement and the other Loan Documents to which such Holding Company is a party pursuant to a supplement hereto and/or thereto in a form reasonably satisfactory to the Administrative Agent, (2) concurrently with the consummation of such transfer, causes 100% of the Capital Stock of the Borrower, to the extent applicable, to be pledged to the Administrative Agent for the benefit of the Secured Parties, (3) the Person acquiring such assets shall have complied with the Collateral and Guarantee Requirement and Perfection Requirements applicable to Holdings and (4) the Borrower delivers a certificate of a Responsible Officer with respect to the satisfaction of the foregoing conditions under this clause (B)(y) and (z) (1) except as the Administrative Agent may otherwise agree, each Loan Party shall have executed and delivered a reaffirmation agreement with respect to its obligations under the Loan Guaranty and the other Loan Documents and (2) upon its reasonable request, the Administrative Agent shall have received a customary legal opinion; provided, further, that if the conditions set forth in the preceding proviso are satisfied, the successor to Holdings will succeed to, and be substituted for, Holdings under this Agreement and Holdings shall be released from all obligations under

#### ARTICLE VII

#### EVENTS OF DEFAULT

Section 7.01. <u>Events of Default</u>. If any of the following events (each, an "Event of Default") shall

- occur:
  - (a) <u>Failure To Make Payments When Due.</u> Failure by the Borrower to pay (i) any installment of principal of any Loan when due, whether at stated maturity, by acceleration, by notice of voluntary prepayment, by mandatory prepayment or otherwise; or (ii) any interest on any Loan or any fee or any other amount due hereunder within five (5) Business Days after the date due; or
  - Default in Other Agreements. (i) Failure by any Loan Party or any of its Restricted Subsidiaries to (b) pay when due any principal of or interest on or any other amount payable in respect of one or more items of Indebtedness (other than Indebtedness referred to in clause (a) above) with an aggregate outstanding principal amount exceeding the Threshold Amount, in each case beyond the grace period, if any, provided therefor; or (ii) breach or event of default by any Loan Party or any of its Restricted Subsidiaries with respect to any other term of (A) one or more items of Indebtedness with an aggregate outstanding principal amount exceeding the Threshold Amount or (B) any loan agreement, mortgage, indenture or other agreement relating to such item(s) of Indebtedness (other than, for the avoidance of doubt, with respect to Indebtedness consisting of Hedging Obligations, termination events or equivalent events pursuant to the terms of the relevant Hedge Agreement which are not the result of any default thereunder by any Loan Party or any Restricted Subsidiary), in each case, beyond the grace or cure period, if any, provided therefor, but solely to the extent the effect of such breach or event of default is to cause, or to permit the holder or holders of such Indebtedness (or a trustee or agent on behalf of such holder or holders) to cause, such Indebtedness to become or be declared due and payable (or mandatorily redeemable) prior to its stated maturity or the stated maturity of any underlying obligation, as the case may be; provided that clause (ii) of this paragraph (b) shall not apply to secured Indebtedness that becomes due as a result of the voluntary sale or transfer of the property securing such Indebtedness if such sale or transfer is permitted hereunder; provided, further, that any failure described under clause (i) or (ii) above is unremedied and is not waived by the holders of such Indebtedness prior to any termination of the Commitments or acceleration of the Loans pursuant to Article VII; provided, still further, that notwithstanding the foregoing provisions of this Section 7.01(b), any financial maintenance covenants in any ABL Facility or any other revolving credit facility shall be solely for the benefit of the lenders under such ABL Facility or other revolving credit facility, and any breach or violation of any such financial maintenance covenants (x) may be subject to cure rights and (y) shall not be or constitute a Default or Event of Default with respect to any Term Facility unless and until the lenders under such ABL Facility or other revolving credit facility have declared all amounts outstanding thereunder to be immediately due and payable and terminated all outstanding commitments to provide revolving credit extensions thereunder in accordance with the terms of the documentation governing such ABL Facility or other revolving credit facility and such declaration has not been rescinded; or

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(c) <u>Breach of Certain Covenants</u>. Failure of any Loan Party, as required by the relevant provision, to perform or comply with any term or condition contained in <u>Section 5.01(e)(i)</u>, <u>Section 5.02</u> (solely as it applies to the preservation of the existence of the Borrower), or <u>Article VI</u>; <u>provided</u>, that notwithstanding the foregoing provisions of this <u>Section 7.01(e)</u>, any financial maintenance covenants included in any Incremental Amendments in connection with any Additional Revolving Facilities shall be solely for the benefit of the Lenders under such Additional Revolving Facilities, and any breach or violation of any such financial maintenance covenants (x) may be subject to cure rights and (y) shall not be or constitute a Default or Event of Default with respect to any Term Facility unless and until the Lenders under such Additional

Revolving Facilities have declared all amounts outstanding thereunder to be immediately due and payable and terminated all outstanding commitments to provide revolving credit extensions thereunder in accordance with the terms of this Agreement and such declaration has not been rescinded; or

- (d) <u>Breach of Representations, Etc.</u> Any representation, warranty or certification made or deemed made by any Loan Party in any Loan Document or in any certificate required to be delivered in connection herewith or therewith (including, for the avoidance of doubt, any Perfection Certificate and any Perfection Certificate Supplement) being untrue in any material respect as of the date made or deemed made, it being understood and agreed that any breach of representation, warranty or certification resulting from the failure of the Administrative Agent to file any Uniform Commercial Code continuation statement shall not result in an Event of Default under this <u>Section 7.01(d)</u> or any other provision of any Loan Document; or
- (e) Other Defaults Under Loan Documents. Default by any Loan Party in the performance of or compliance with any term contained herein or any of the other Loan Documents, other than any such term referred to in any other Section of this Article VII, which default has not been remedied or waived within thirty (30) days (as may be extended to sixty (60) days by the Administrative Agent in its sole discretion) after receipt by the Borrower of written notice thereof from the Administrative Agent; or
- Involuntary Bankruptcy; Appointment of Receiver, Etc. (i) The entry by a court of competent jurisdiction of a decree or order for relief in respect of any Loan Party or any of their Restricted Subsidiaries (other than any Immaterial Subsidiary) in an involuntary case under any Debtor Relief Law now or hereafter in effect, which decree or order is not stayed; or any other similar relief shall be granted under any applicable federal, state or local law; or (ii) the commencement of an involuntary case against any Loan Party or any of their Restricted Subsidiaries (other than any Immaterial Subsidiary) under any Debtor Relief Law; the entry by a court having jurisdiction in the premises of a decree or order for the appointment of a receiver, receiver and manager, (preliminary) insolvency receiver, liquidator, sequestrator, trustee, custodian or other officer having similar powers over any Loan Party any of their Restricted Subsidiaries (other than any Immaterial Subsidiary), or over all or a substantial part of its property; or (iii) the involuntary appointment of an interim receiver, trustee or other custodian of any Loan Party or any of their Restricted Subsidiaries (other than any Immaterial Subsidiary) for all or a substantial part of its property, which remains undismissed, unvacated, unbounded or unstayed pending appeal for sixty (60) consecutive days; or

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- (g) <u>Voluntary Bankruptcy; Appointment of Receiver, Etc.</u> (i) The entry against any Loan Party or any of their Restricted Subsidiaries (other than any Immaterial Subsidiary) of an order for relief, the commencement by any Loan Party or any of their Restricted Subsidiaries (other than any Immaterial Subsidiary) of a voluntary case under any Debtor Relief Law, or the consent by any Loan Party or any of their Restricted Subsidiaries (other than any Immaterial Subsidiary) to the entry of an order for relief in an involuntary case or to the conversion of an involuntary case to a voluntary case, under any Debtor Relief Law, or the consent by any Loan Party or any of their Restricted Subsidiaries (other than any Immaterial Subsidiary) to the appointment of or taking possession by a receiver, receiver and manager, trustee or other custodian for all or a substantial part of its property; (ii) the making by any Loan Party or any of their Restricted Subsidiaries (other than any Immaterial Subsidiary) of a general assignment for the benefit of creditors; or (iii) the admission by any Loan Party or any of their Restricted Subsidiaries (other than any Immaterial Subsidiary) in writing of their inability to pay their respective debts as such debts become due; or
- (h) <u>Judgments and Attachments</u>. The entry or filing of one or more final money judgments, writs or warrants of attachment or similar process against any Loan Party or any of their Restricted Subsidiaries or any of their respective assets involving in the aggregate at any time an amount in excess of the Threshold Amount (in either case to the extent not adequately covered by indemnity from a third party as to which the relevant indemnitor has been notified and not denied coverage, by self-insurance (if applicable) or by insurance as to which the relevant third party insurance company has been notified and not denied coverage), which judgment, writ, warrant or similar process remains unpaid, undischarged, unvacated, unbonded or unstayed pending appeal for a period of sixty (60) days; or
- (i) <u>Employee Benefit Plans</u>. The occurrence of one or more ERISA Events, which individually or in the aggregate result in liability of any Loan Party or any of their Restricted Subsidiaries in an aggregate amount which would reasonably be expected to result in a Material Adverse Effect; or

- (j) <u>Change of Control</u>. The occurrence of a Change of Control; or
- (k) Guaranties, Collateral Documents and Other Loan Documents. At any time after the execution and delivery thereof (i) any material Loan Guaranty for any reason ceasing to be in full force and effect (other than in accordance with its terms or as a result of the occurrence of the Termination Date) or being declared, by a court of competent jurisdiction, to be null and void or the repudiation in writing by any Loan Party of its obligations thereunder (other than as a result of the discharge of such Loan Party in accordance with the terms thereof and other than solely as a result of acts or omissions by the Administrative Agent or any Lender), (ii) this Agreement or any material Collateral Document ceasing to be in full force and effect (other than solely by reason of (x) the failure of the Administrative Agent to maintain possession of any Collateral actually delivered to it or the failure of the Administrative Agent to file UCC (or equivalent) continuation statements, (y) a release of Collateral in accordance with the terms hereof or thereof or (z) the occurrence of the Termination Date or any other termination of such Collateral Document in accordance with the terms thereof) or being declared null and void or (iii) the contesting by any Loan Party of the validity or enforceability of any material provision of any Loan Document (or any Lien purported to be created by the Collateral Documents or Loan Guaranty) in writing or denial by any Loan Party in writing that it has any further liability (other than by reason of the occurrence of the Termination Date), including with respect to future advances by the Lenders, under any Loan Document to which it is a party; it being understood and agreed that the failure of the Administrative Agent to maintain possession of any Collateral actually delivered to it or file any UCC (or equivalent) continuation statement shall not result in an Event of Default under this clause (k) or any other provision of any Loan Document; or

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(l) <u>Lien Subordination</u>. (i) The Liens on the Collateral securing the First Priority Secured Obligations ceasing to have senior "first priority" status with respect to Liens on the Collateral securing any Junior Lien Indebtedness with an aggregate principal amount outstanding in excess of the Threshold Amount pursuant to any applicable Acceptable Intercreditor Agreement, and (ii) with respect to the provisions in any Acceptable Intercreditor Agreement subordinating the Liens on the Collateral securing any Junior Lien Indebtedness with an aggregate principal amount outstanding in excess of the Threshold Amount to the Liens on the Collateral securing the First Priority Secured Obligations, (A) any Loan Party contests in writing the validity or enforceability thereof, (B) any court of competent jurisdiction in a final non-appealable order, determines such subordination provisions to be invalid or unenforceable, or (C) such subordination provisions otherwise cease to be valid, binding and enforceable obligations of the parties to such Acceptable Intercreditor Agreement,

then, and in every such event (other than an event with respect to Holdings or the Borrower described in clause (f) or (g) of this Article) and at any time thereafter during the continuance of such event, the Administrative Agent may, and at the request of the Required Lenders shall, by notice to the Borrower, take any of the following actions, at the same or different times: (i) terminate any Additional Commitments and thereupon such Additional Commitments shall terminate immediately and (ii) declare the Loans then outstanding to be due and payable in whole (or in part, in which case any principal not so declared to be due and payable may thereafter be declared to be due and payable), and thereupon the principal of the Loans so declared to be due and payable, together with accrued interest thereon and all fees and other obligations of the Borrower accrued hereunder, shall become due and payable immediately, without presentment, demand, protest or other notice of any kind, all of which are hereby waived by the Borrower; provided that upon the occurrence of an event with respect to Holdings or the Borrower described in clauses (f) or (g) of this Article, any such Commitments and/ or Additional Commitments shall automatically terminate and the principal of the Loans then outstanding, together with accrued interest thereon and all fees and other obligations of the Borrower accrued hereunder, shall automatically become due and payable, without presentment, demand, protest or other notice of any kind, all of which are hereby waived by the Borrower. Notwithstanding anything to the contrary herein or in any Loan Document, all rights and remedies hereunder and under any other Loan Document or at law or equity, including all remedies provided under the UCC, shall be exercised exclusively by the Administrative Agent for the benefit of the Secured Parties. Upon the occurrence and during the continuance of an Event of Default, the Administrative Agent may, and at the request of the Required Lenders shall, exercise any rights and remedies provided to the Administrative Agent under the Loan Documents or at law or equity, including all remedies provided under the UCC.

#### ARTICLE VIII

#### THE ADMINISTRATIVE AGENT

Each of the Lenders hereby irrevocably appoints Jefferies (or any successor appointed pursuant hereto) as Administrative Agent hereunder and under the other Loan Documents and authorizes the Administrative Agent to take such actions on its behalf, including execution of the other Loan Documents, and to exercise such powers as are delegated to the Administrative Agent by the terms of the Loan Documents, together with such actions and powers as are reasonably incidental thereto.

Any Person serving as Administrative Agent hereunder shall have the same rights and powers in its capacity as a Lender as any other Lender and may exercise the same as though it were not the Administrative Agent, and the term "Lender" or "Lenders" shall, unless otherwise expressly indicated, unless the context otherwise requires or unless such Person is in fact not a Lender, include each Person serving as Administrative Agent hereunder in its individual capacity. Such Person and its Affiliates may accept deposits from, lend money to, own securities of, act as the financial advisor or in any other advisory capacity for and generally engage in any kind of business with any Loan Party or any subsidiary of any Loan Party or other Affiliate thereof as if it were not the Administrative Agent hereunder. The Lenders acknowledge that, pursuant to such activities, the Administrative Agent or its Affiliates may receive information regarding any Loan Party or any of its Affiliates (including information that may be subject to confidentiality obligations in favor of such Loan Party or such Affiliate) and acknowledge that the Administrative Agent shall not be under any obligation to provide such information to them.

The Administrative Agent shall not have any duties or obligations except those expressly set forth in the Loan Documents and its duties hereunder shall be administrative in nature. Without limiting the generality of the foregoing, (a) the Administrative Agent shall not be subject to any fiduciary or other implied duties, regardless of whether a Default or Event of Default exists, and the use of the term "agent" herein and in the other Loan Documents with reference to the Administrative Agent is not intended to connote any fiduciary or other implied (or express) obligations arising under agency doctrine of any applicable law; it being understood that such term is used merely as a matter of market custom, and is intended to create or reflect only an administrative relationship between independent contracting parties, (b) the Administrative Agent shall not have any duty to take any discretionary action or exercise any discretionary power, except discretionary rights and powers that are expressly contemplated by the Loan Documents and which the Administrative Agent is required to exercise in writing as directed by the Required Lenders (or such other number or percentage of the Lenders as shall be necessary under the relevant circumstances as provided in Section 9.02); provided that the Administrative Agent shall not be required to take any action that, in its opinion or the opinion of its counsel, may expose the Administrative Agent to liability or that is contrary to any Loan Document or applicable laws, including for the avoidance of doubt any action that may be in violation of the automatic stay under any Debtor Relief Law or that may effect a forfeiture, modification or termination of property of a Defaulting Lender in violation of any Debtor Relief Law, and (c) except as expressly set forth in the Loan Documents, the Administrative Agent shall not have any duty to disclose, and shall not be liable for the failure to disclose, any information relating to the Borrower or any of its Restricted Subsidiaries that is communicated to or obtained by the Person serving as Administrative Agent or any of its Affiliates in any capacity. The Administrative Agent shall not be liable to the Lenders or any other Secured Party for any action taken or not taken by it with the consent or at the request of the Required Lenders (or such other number or percentage of the Lenders as shall be necessary, or as the Administrative Agent shall believe in good faith shall be necessary, under the relevant circumstances as provided in Section 9.02) or in the absence of its own gross negligence or willful misconduct, as determined by the final and non-appealable judgment of a court of competent jurisdiction, in connection with its duties expressly set forth herein. The Administrative Agent shall not be deemed to have knowledge of the existence of any Default or Event of Default unless and until written notice thereof is given to the Administrative Agent by the Borrower or any Lender, and the Administrative Agent shall not be responsible for or have any duty to ascertain or inquire into (i) any statement, warranty or representation made in or in connection with any Loan Document, (ii) the contents of any certificate, report or other document delivered hereunder or in connection with any Loan Document, (iii) the performance or observance of any covenant, agreement or other term or condition set forth in any Loan Document or the occurrence of any Default or Event of Default, (iv) the validity, enforceability, effectiveness or genuineness of any Loan Document or any other agreement, instrument or document, (v) the creation, perfection or priority of any Lien on the Collateral or the existence, value or sufficiency of the Collateral, (vi) the satisfaction of any condition set forth in Article IV or elsewhere in any Loan Document, other than to confirm receipt of items expressly required to be delivered to the Administrative Agent or (vii) any property, book or record of any Loan Party or any Affiliate thereof.

If any Lender acquires knowledge of the existence of a Default or Event of Default, it shall promptly notify the Administrative Agent and the other Lenders thereof in writing. Each Lender agrees that, except with the written consent of the Administrative Agent, it will not take any enforcement action hereunder or under any other Loan Document, accelerate the Obligations under any Loan Document, or exercise any right that it might otherwise have under applicable law or otherwise to credit bid at any foreclosure sale, UCC sale, any sale under Section 363 of the Bankruptcy Code or other similar Dispositions of Collateral. Notwithstanding the foregoing, however, a Lender may take action to preserve or enforce its rights against a Loan Party where a deadline or limitation period is applicable that would, absent such action, bar enforcement of the Obligations held by such Lender, including the filing of a proof of claim in a case under the Bankruptcy Code.

Notwithstanding anything to the contrary contained herein or in any of the other Loan Documents, Holdings, the Borrower, the Administrative Agent and each Secured Party agree that (i) no Secured Party shall have any right individually to realize upon any of the Collateral or to enforce the Loan Documents; it being understood and agreed that all powers, rights and remedies hereunder shall be exercised solely and exclusively by, the Administrative Agent, on behalf of the Secured Parties in accordance with the terms hereof and all powers, rights and remedies under the other Loan Documents shall be exercised solely and exclusively by, the Administrative Agent, and (ii) in the event of a foreclosure by the Administrative Agent on any of the Collateral pursuant to a public or private sale or in the event of any other Disposition (including pursuant to Section 363 of the Bankruptcy Code), (A) the Administrative Agent, as agent for and representative of the Secured Parties, shall be entitled, for the purpose of bidding and making settlement or payment of the purchase price for all or any portion of the Collateral sold at any such sale, to use and apply any of the Obligations as a credit on account of the purchase price for any Collateral payable by the Administrative Agent at such Disposition and (B) the Administrative Agent or any Lender may be the purchaser or licensor of any or all of such Collateral at any such Disposition.

No holder of any Secured Hedging Obligation or Banking Services Obligation in its respective capacity as such shall have any rights in connection with (i) the management or release of any Collateral or of the obligations of any Loan Party under this Agreement or (ii) any waiver, consent, modification or any amendment with respect to this Agreement or any other Loan Document.

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Each of the Lenders hereby irrevocably authorizes (and by entering into a Hedge Agreement with respect to any Secured Hedging Obligation and/or by entering into documentation in connection with any Banking Services Obligation, each of the other Secured Parties hereby authorizes and shall be deemed to authorize) the Administrative Agent, on behalf of all Secured Parties to take any of the following actions upon the instruction of the Required Lenders:

- (a) consent to the Disposition of all or any portion of the Collateral free and clear of the Liens securing the Secured Obligations in connection with any Disposition pursuant to the applicable provisions of the Bankruptcy Code, including Section 363 thereof;
- (b) credit bid all or any portion of the Secured Obligations, or purchase all or any portion of the Collateral (in each case, either directly or through one or more acquisition vehicles), in connection with any Disposition of all or any portion of the Collateral pursuant to the applicable provisions of the Bankruptcy Code, including under Section 363 thereof;
- (c) credit bid all or any portion of the Secured Obligations, or purchase all or any portion of the Collateral (in each case, either directly or through one or more acquisition vehicles), in connection with any Disposition of all or any portion of the Collateral pursuant to the applicable provisions of the UCC, including pursuant to Sections 9-610 or 9-620 of the UCC;
- (d) credit bid all or any portion of the Secured Obligations, or purchase all or any portion of the Collateral (in each case, either directly or through one or more acquisition vehicles), in connection with any foreclosure or other Disposition conducted in accordance with applicable law following the occurrence and continuation of an Event of Default, including by power of sale, judicial action or otherwise; and/or
- (e) estimate the amount of any contingent or unliquidated Secured Obligations of such Lender or other Secured Party;

it being understood that no Lender shall be required to fund any amount in connection with any purchase of all or any portion of the Collateral by the Administrative Agent pursuant to the foregoing clause (b), (c) or (d) without its prior written consent.

Each Secured Party agrees that the Administrative Agent is under no obligation to credit bid any part of the Secured Obligations or to purchase or retain or acquire any portion of the Collateral; <u>provided</u> that, in connection with any credit bid or purchase described under <u>clause (b)</u>, (c) or (d) of the preceding paragraph, the Secured Obligations owed to all of the Secured Parties (other than with respect to contingent or unliquidated liabilities as set forth in the next succeeding paragraph) may be, and shall be, credit bid by the Administrative Agent on a ratable basis.

With respect to each contingent or unliquidated claim that is a Secured Obligation, the Administrative Agent is hereby authorized, but is not required, to estimate the amount thereof for purposes of any credit bid or purchase described in the second preceding paragraph so long as the estimation of the amount or liquidation of such claim would not unduly delay the ability of the Administrative Agent to credit bid the Secured Obligations or purchase the Collateral in the relevant Disposition. In the event that the Administrative Agent, in its sole and absolute discretion, elects not to estimate any such contingent or unliquidated claim or any such claim cannot be estimated without unduly delaying the ability of the Administrative Agent to consummate any credit bid or purchase in accordance with the second preceding paragraph, then any contingent or unliquidated claims not so estimated shall be disregarded, shall not be credit bid, and shall not be entitled to any interest in the portion or the entirety of the Collateral purchased by means of such credit bid.

Each Secured Party whose Secured Obligations are credit bid under <u>clause (b)</u>, (c) or (d) of the third preceding paragraph shall be entitled to receive interests in the Collateral or any other asset acquired in connection with such credit bid (or in the Capital Stock of the acquisition vehicle or vehicles that are used to consummate such acquisition) on a ratable basis in accordance with the percentage obtained by dividing (x) the amount of the Secured Obligations of such Secured Party that were credit bid in such credit bid or other Disposition, by (y) the aggregate amount of all Secured Obligations that were credit bid in such credit bid or other Disposition.

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In addition, in case of the pendency of any proceeding under any Debtor Relief Law or any other judicial proceeding relative to any Loan Party, each Secured Party agrees that the Administrative Agent (irrespective of whether the principal of any Loan is then due and payable as herein expressed or by declaration or otherwise and irrespective of whether the Administrative Agent shall have made any demand on the Borrower) shall be entitled and empowered, by intervention in such proceeding or otherwise:

- (i) to file and prove a claim for the whole amount of the principal and interest owing and unpaid in respect of the Loans and all other Obligations that are owing and unpaid and to file such other documents as may be necessary or advisable in order to have the claims of the Lenders and the Administrative Agent (including any claim for the reasonable compensation, expenses, disbursements and advances of the Lenders and the Administrative Agent and their respective agents and counsel and all other amounts to the extent due to the Lenders and the Administrative Agent under Sections 2.12 and 9.03) allowed in such judicial proceeding; and
- (ii) to collect and receive any monies or other property payable or deliverable on any such claims and to distribute the same.

Any custodian, receiver, assignee, trustee, liquidator, sequestrator or other similar official in any such judicial proceeding is hereby authorized by each Lender to make such payments to the Administrative Agent and, in the event that the Administrative Agent consents to the making of such payments directly to the Lenders, to pay to the Administrative Agent any amount due for the reasonable compensation, expenses, disbursements and advances of the Administrative Agent and its agents and counsel, and any other amount due to the Administrative Agent under Sections 2.12 and 9.03.

Nothing contained herein shall be deemed to authorize the Administrative Agent to authorize or consent to or accept or adopt on behalf of any Lender any plan of reorganization, arrangement, adjustment or composition affecting the Obligations or the rights of any Lender or to authorize the Administrative Agent to vote in respect of the claim of any Lender in any such proceeding.

The Administrative Agent shall be entitled to rely upon, and shall not incur any liability for relying upon, any notice, request, certificate, consent, statement, instrument, document or other writing (including any electronic message, Internet or intranet website posting or other distribution) believed by it to be genuine and to have been signed, sent or otherwise authenticated by the proper Person. The Administrative Agent also may rely upon any statement made to it orally or by telephone and believed by it to have been

made by the proper Person, and shall not incur any liability for relying thereon. In determining compliance with any condition hereunder to the making of a Loan that by its terms must be fulfilled to the satisfaction of a Lender, the Administrative Agent may presume that such condition is satisfactory to such Lender unless the Administrative Agent has received notice to the contrary from such Lender prior to the making of such Loan. The Administrative Agent may consult with legal counsel (who may be counsel for the Borrower), independent accountants and other experts selected by it, and shall not be liable for any action taken or not taken by it in accordance with the advice of any such counsel, accountants or experts.

The Administrative Agent may perform any and all of its duties and exercise its rights and powers by or through any one or more sub-agents appointed by it; provided, however, that any such sub-agent receiving payments from the Loan Parties shall be a "U.S. person" and a "financial institution" within the meaning of Treasury Regulations Section 1.1441-1 (or has validly agreed to be treated as a "U.S. person" pursuant to Treasury Regulations Section 1.1441-1(b)(2)(iv)(A)). The Administrative Agent and any such sub-agent may perform any and all of their respective duties and exercise their respective rights and powers through their respective Related Parties. The exculpatory provisions of this Article shall apply to any such sub-agent and to the Related Parties of the Administrative Agent and any such sub-agent and shall apply to their respective activities in connection with the syndication of the credit facilities provided for herein as well as activities as the Administrative Agent.

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The Administrative Agent may resign at any time by giving thirty (30) days' prior written notice to the Lenders and the Borrower. If the Administrative Agent becomes subject to an insolvency proceeding, either the Required Lenders or the Borrower may, upon thirty (30) days' notice, remove the Administrative Agent. Upon receipt of any such notice of resignation or delivery of any such notice of removal, the Required Lenders shall have the right, with the consent of the Borrower (not to be unreasonably withheld or delayed), to appoint a successor Administrative Agent which shall be a commercial bank or trust company with offices in the U.S. having combined capital and surplus in excess of \$1,000,000,000 and who shall be a "U.S. person" and a "financial institution" within the meaning of Treasury Regulations Section 1.1441-1 (or has validly agreed to be treated as a "U.S. person" pursuant to Treasury Regulations Section 1.1441-1(b)(2)(iv)(A)); provided that during the existence and continuation of an Event of Default under Section 7.01(a) or, with respect to Holdings or the Borrower, Section 7.01(f) or (g), no consent of the Borrower shall be required. If no successor shall have been appointed as provided above and accepted such appointment within thirty (30) days after the retiring Administrative Agent gives notice of its resignation or the Administrative Agent receives notice of removal, then (a) in the case of a retirement, the retiring Administrative Agent may (but shall not be obligated to), on behalf of the Lenders, appoint a successor Administrative Agent meeting the qualifications set forth above (including, for the avoidance of doubt, consent of the Borrower) or (b) in the case of a removal, the Borrower may, after consulting with the Required Lenders, appoint a successor Administrative Agent meeting the qualifications set forth above; provided that (x) in the case of a retirement, if the Administrative Agent notifies the Borrower, the Lenders that no qualifying Person has accepted such appointment or (y) in the case of a removal, the Borrower notifies the Required Lenders that no qualifying Person has accepted such appointment, then, in each case, such resignation or removal shall nonetheless become effective in accordance with and on the thirtieth (30<sup>th</sup>) day following delivery of such notice and (i) the retiring or removed Administrative Agent shall be discharged from its duties and obligations hereunder and under the other Loan Documents (except that in the case of any collateral security held by the Administrative Agent in its capacity as collateral agent for the Secured Parties for perfection purposes, the retiring Administrative Agent shall continue to hold such collateral security until such time as a successor Administrative Agent is appointed) and (ii) all payments, communications and determinations required to be made by, to or through the Administrative Agent shall instead be made by or to each Lender directly (and each Lender will cooperate with the Borrower to enable the Borrower to take such actions), until such time as the Required Lenders or the Borrower, as applicable, appoint a successor Administrative Agent who shall be a "U.S. person" and a "financial institution" within the meaning of Treasury Regulations Section 1.1441-1 (or has validly agreed to be treated as a "U.S. person" pursuant to Treasury Regulations Section 1.1441-1(b)(2)(iv)(A)), as provided for above in this Article VIII. Upon the acceptance of its appointment as Administrative Agent hereunder as a successor Administrative Agent, such successor Administrative Agent shall succeed to and become vested with all the rights, powers, privileges and duties of the retiring or removed Administrative Agent (other than any rights to indemnity payments owed to the retiring Administrative Agent), and the retiring or removed Administrative Agent shall be discharged from its duties and obligations hereunder (other than its obligations under Section 9.13). The fees payable by the Borrower to a successor Administrative Agent shall be the same as those payable to its predecessor unless otherwise agreed between the Borrower and such successor Administrative Agent. After the Administrative Agent's resignation or removal hereunder, the provisions of this Article and Section 9.03 shall continue in effect for the benefit of such retiring or removed Administrative Agent, its sub-agents and their respective Related Parties in respect of any action taken or omitted to be taken by any of them while the relevant Person was acting as Administrative Agent (including for this purpose holding any collateral security following the retirement or removal of the Administrative Agent). Notwithstanding anything to the contrary herein, no Disqualified Institution (nor any Affiliate thereof) may be appointed as a successor Administrative Agent.

Each Lender acknowledges that it has, independently and without reliance upon the Administrative Agent or any other Lender or any of their Related Parties and based on such documents and information as it has deemed appropriate, made its own credit analysis and decision to enter into this Agreement. Each Lender also acknowledges that it will, independently and without reliance upon the Administrative Agent or any other Lender or any of their respective Related Parties and based on such documents and information as it shall from time to time deem appropriate, continue to make its own decisions in taking or not taking action under or based upon this Agreement, any other Loan Document or related agreement or any document furnished hereunder or thereunder. Except for notices, reports and other documents expressly required to be furnished to the Lenders by the Administrative Agent herein, the Administrative Agent shall not have any duty or responsibility to provide any Lender with any credit or other information concerning the business, prospects, operations, property, financial and other condition or creditworthiness of any of the Loan Parties or any of their respective Affiliates which may come into the possession of the Administrative Agent or any of its Related Parties.

Notwithstanding anything to the contrary herein, the Arrangers shall not have any right, power, obligation, liability, responsibility or duty under this Agreement, except in their respective capacities as the Administrative Agent or a Lender hereunder, as applicable.

Each Secured Party irrevocably authorizes and instructs the Administrative Agent to, and the Administrative Agent,

- (a) shall release any Lien on any property granted to or held by Administrative Agent under any Loan Document (i) upon the occurrence of the Termination Date, (ii) that is sold or to be sold or transferred as part of or in connection with any Disposition permitted under the Loan Documents to a Person that is not a Loan Party, (iii) that does not constitute (or ceases to constitute) Collateral (including as a result of being or becoming an Excluded Asset), (iv) if the property subject to such Lien is owned by a Subsidiary Guarantor, upon the release of such Subsidiary Guarantor from its Loan Guaranty otherwise in accordance with the Loan Documents, (v) as required under clause (d) below or (vi) if approved, authorized or ratified in writing by the Required Lenders in accordance with Section 9.02;
- (b) shall subject to <u>Section 9.22</u>, release any Subsidiary Guarantor from its obligations under the Loan Guaranty if such Person ceases to be a Restricted Subsidiary (or becomes an Excluded Subsidiary as a result of a single transaction or series of related transactions permitted hereunder), as certified by a Responsible Officer of the Borrower;
- (c) may subordinate any Lien on any property granted to or held by the Administrative Agent under any Loan Document to the holder of any Lien on such property that is permitted by Sections 6.02(d), 6.02(e), 6.02(g), 6.02(m), 6.02(n), 6.02(o)(i) (other than any Lien on the Capital Stock of any Subsidiary Guarantor), 6.02(q), 6.02(r), 6.02(x), 6.02(y), 6.02(y), 6.02(y), 6.02(g), 6

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(d) shall enter into subordination, intercreditor and/or similar agreements with respect to Indebtedness (including any Acceptable Intercreditor Agreement) that is (i) required or permitted to be subordinated hereunder and/or (ii) secured by Liens, and with respect to which Indebtedness, this Agreement contemplates an intercreditor, subordination or collateral trust agreement; <u>provided</u> that, for the avoidance of doubt, the Administrative Agent shall not be required to subordinate any Lien pursuant to this <u>clause</u> (d)(ii) other than to the extent contemplated by <u>clause</u> (c) of this paragraph.

Upon the request of the Administrative Agent at any time, the Required Lenders will confirm in writing the Administrative Agent's authority to release or subordinate its interest in particular types or items of property, or to release any Loan

Party from its obligations under the Guarantee or its Lien on any Collateral pursuant to this Article VIII. In each case as specified in this Article VIII, the Administrative Agent will (and each Lender hereby authorizes the Administrative Agent to), at the Borrower's expense, execute and deliver to the applicable Loan Party such documents as such Loan Party may reasonably request to evidence the release of such item of Collateral from the assignment and security interest granted under the Collateral Documents or to subordinate its interest therein, or to release such Loan Party from its obligations under the Loan Guaranty, in each case in accordance with the terms of the Loan Documents and this Article VIII; provided that upon the request of the Administrative Agent, the Borrower shall deliver a certificate of a Responsible Officer certifying that the relevant transaction has been consummated in compliance with the terms of this Agreement and that such release of liens, release of guaranties, subordination or entering into subordination intercreditor and/or similar agreements is permitted hereunder.

The Administrative Agent is authorized to enter into any Acceptable Intercreditor Agreement and any other intercreditor, subordination, collateral trust or similar agreement reasonably acceptable to the Administrative Agent and which is contemplated hereby with respect to Indebtedness that is (i) required or permitted to be subordinated hereunder and/or (ii) secured by Liens and which Indebtedness contemplates an intercreditor, subordination or collateral trust agreement (any such other intercreditor agreement, an "Additional Agreement"), and the parties hereto acknowledge that each Acceptable Intercreditor Agreement (including any Additional Agreement) is binding upon them. Each Lender (a) hereby consents to the subordination of the Liens on the Collateral securing the Secured Obligations on the terms set forth in the ABL Intercreditor Agreement, (b) hereby agrees that it will be bound by, and will not take any action contrary to the provisions of any Acceptable Intercreditor Agreement (including any Additional Agreement) and (c) hereby authorizes and instructs the Administrative Agent to enter into any Acceptable Intercreditor Agreement (including any Additional Agreement), as applicable, and to subject the Liens on the Collateral securing the Secured Obligations to the provisions thereof. The foregoing provisions are intended as an inducement to the Secured Parties to extend credit to the Borrower, and the Secured Parties are intended third-party beneficiaries of such provisions and the provisions of any applicable Acceptable Intercreditor Agreement (including any Additional Agreement).

To the extent that the Administrative Agent (or any Affiliate thereof) is not reimbursed and indemnified by the Borrower, the Lenders will reimburse and indemnify the Administrative Agent (and any Affiliate thereof) in proportion to their respective Applicable Percentages (determined as if there were no Defaulting Lenders) for and against any and all liabilities, obligations, losses, damages, penalties, claims, actions, judgments, costs, expenses or disbursements of whatsoever kind or nature which may be imposed on, asserted against or incurred by the Administrative Agent (or any Affiliate thereof) in performing its duties hereunder or under any other Loan Document or in any way relating to or arising out of this Agreement or any other Loan Document; provided that, no Lender shall be liable for any portion of such liabilities, obligations, losses, damages, penalties, claims, actions, judgments, suits, costs, expenses or disbursements resulting from the Administrative Agent's (or such affiliate's) gross negligence or willful misconduct (as determined by a court of competent jurisdiction in a final and non-appealable decision).

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#### ARTICLE IX

#### **MISCELLANEOUS**

Section 9.01. <u>Notices</u>.

- (a) Except in the case of notices and other communications expressly permitted to be given by telephone (and subject to <u>paragraph (b)</u> below), all notices and other communications provided for herein shall be in writing and shall be delivered by hand or overnight courier service, mailed by certified or registered mail or sent by email (including PDF and similar attachements), as follows:
  - (i) if to any Loan Party, to such Loan Party in the care of the Borrower at:

The Hillman Group, Inc. 10590 Hamilton Avenue Cincinnati, Ohio 45231 Attention: Robert Kraft

Email: Robert.Kraft@hillmangroup.com

with copy to (which shall not constitute notice to any Loan Party):

CCMP Capital Advisors, LLC 277 Park Avenue, 37th Floor New York, NY 10172 Attention: Telephone: Email:

and

Ropes & Gray LLP 1211 Avenue of the Americas New York, NY 10036 Attention: Jay J. Kim

Telephone: (212) 497-3626

Email: Jay.Kim@ropesgray.com

(ii) if to the Administrative Agent, at:

Jefferies Finance LLC 520 Madison Avenue New York, NY 10022

Attention: Account Manager – Hillman Email: JFIN.Admin@jefferies.com

With a copy to (which shall not constitute notice to the Administrative Agent):

Latham & Watkins LLP 1271 Avenue of the Americas New York, NY 10020 Attention: Paul L. Bonewitz

Telephone: (212) 906-4610 Email: paul.bonewitz@lw.com

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(iii) if to any Lender, pursuant to its contact information set forth in its Administrative Questionnaire.

All such notices and other communications (A) sent by hand or overnight courier service, or mailed by certified or registered mail, shall be deemed to have been given when delivered in person or by courier service and signed for against receipt thereof or three (3) Business Days after dispatch if sent by certified or registered mail, in each case, delivered, sent or mailed (properly addressed) to the relevant party as provided in this Section 9.01 or in accordance with the latest unrevoked direction from such party given in accordance with this Section 9.01 or (B) sent by email shall be deemed to have been given when sent; provided that received notices and other communications sent by email shall be deemed to have been given when sent (except that, if not given during normal business hours for the recipient, such notices or other communications shall be deemed to have been given at the opening of business on the next Business Day for the recipient). Notices and other communications delivered through electronic communications to the extent provided in clause (b) below shall be effective as provided in such clause (b).

(b) Notices and other communications to the Lenders hereunder may be delivered or furnished by electronic communications (including email, FpML messaging and Internet or Intranet websites) pursuant to procedures set forth herein or otherwise approved by the Administrative Agent. The Administrative Agent or the Borrower (on behalf of any Loan Party) may, in its discretion, agree to accept notices and other communications to it hereunder by electronic communications pursuant to procedures set forth herein or otherwise approved by it; provided that approval of such procedures may be limited to particular notices or communications. All such notices and other communications (i) sent to an e-mail address

shall be deemed received upon the sender's receipt of an acknowledgement from the intended recipient (such as by the "return receipt requested" function, as available, return email or other written acknowledgement); <u>provided</u> that if not given during the normal business hours of the recipient, such notice or communication shall be deemed to have been given at the opening of business on the next Business Day for the recipient, and (ii) posted to an Internet or Intranet website shall be deemed received upon the deemed receipt by the intended recipient at its email address as described in the foregoing <u>clause (b)(i)</u> of notification that such notice or communication is available and identifying the website address therefor.

(c) Any party hereto may change its address or e-mail address or other notice information hereunder by notice to the other parties hereto.

(d)

(i) The Borrower hereby acknowledges that (A) the Administrative Agent will make available to the Lenders materials and/or information provided by or on behalf of the Borrower hereunder (collectively, "Borrower Materials") by posting the Borrower Materials on IntraLinks or another similar electronic system (the "Platform") and (B) certain of the Lenders (each, a "Public Lender") may have personnel who do not wish to receive material non-public information and who may be engaged in investment and other market-related activities with respect to such Persons' securities. The Borrower hereby agrees that (x) by marking Borrower Materials "PUBLIC," the Borrower shall be deemed to have authorized the Administrative Agent and the Lenders to treat such Borrower Materials as not containing any material non-public information (although it may be sensitive and proprietary) subject to the confidentiality provisions of this Agreement (provided, however, that to the extent such Borrower Materials constitute Confidential Information, they shall be treated as set forth in Section 9.13); (y) all Borrower Materials marked "PUBLIC" are permitted to be made available through a portion of the Platform designated "Public Side Information"; and (z) the Administrative Agent shall treat any Borrower Materials that are not marked "PUBLIC" as being suitable only for posting on a portion of the Platform not designated "Public Side Information"; provided that, for purposes of the foregoing, all information and materials provided pursuant to Section 5.01(a) or (b) shall be deemed to be suitable for posting to Public Lenders.

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- (ii) Each Public Lender agrees to cause at least one individual at or on behalf of such Public Lender to at all times have selected the "Private Side Information" or similar designation on the content declaration screen of the Platform in order to enable such Public Lender or its delegate, in accordance with such Public Lender's compliance procedures and applicable law, including United States Federal and state securities laws, to make reference to communications that are not made available through the "Public Side Information" portion of the Platform and that may contain material nonpublic information with respect to the Borrower or its securities for purposes of United States Federal or state securities laws.
- (iii) THE PLATFORM IS PROVIDED "AS IS" AND "AS AVAILABLE." NEITHER THE ADMINISTRATIVE AGENT NOR ANY OF ITS RELATED PARTIES WARRANTS THE ACCURACY OR COMPLETENESS OF THE COMMUNICATIONS OR THE ADEQUACY OF THE PLATFORM AND EACH EXPRESSLY DISCLAIMS LIABILITY FOR ERRORS OR OMISSIONS IN THE COMMUNICATIONS. NO WARRANTY OF ANY KIND, EXPRESS, IMPLIED OR STATUTORY, INCLUDING ANY WARRANTY OF MERCHANTABILITY, FITNESS FOR A PARTICULAR PURPOSE, NON-INFRINGEMENT OF THIRD-PARTY RIGHTS OR FREEDOM FROM VIRUSES OR OTHER CODE DEFECTS IS MADE BY THE ADMINISTRATIVE AGENT OR ANY OF ITS RELATED PARTIES IN CONNECTION WITH THE COMMUNICATIONS OR THE PLATFORM. IN NO EVENT SHALL THE ADMINISTRATIVE AGENT OR ANY OF ITS RELATED PARTIES HAVE ANY LIABILITY TO ANY LOAN PARTY, ANY LENDER OR ANY OTHER PERSON FOR DAMAGES OF ANY KIND, WHETHER OR NOT BASED ON STRICT LIABILITY AND INCLUDING DIRECT OR INDIRECT, SPECIAL, INCIDENTAL OR CONSEQUENTIAL DAMAGES, LOSSES OR EXPENSES (WHETHER IN TORT, CONTRACT OR OTHERWISE) ARISING OUT OF ANY LOAN PARTY'S OR THE ADMINISTRATIVE AGENT'S TRANSMISSION OF COMMUNICATIONS THROUGH THE INTERNET, EXCEPT TO THE EXTENT THE LIABILITY OF ANY SUCH PERSON IS FOUND IN A FINAL RULING BY A COURT OF COMPETENT JURISDICTION TO HAVE RESULTED FROM SUCH PERSON'S GROSS NEGLIGENCE, WILLFUL MISCONDUCT OR MATERIAL BREACH OF ANY LOAN DOCUMENT.
- (e) The Administrative Agent and the Lenders shall be entitled to rely and act upon any notices (including telephonic notices and Borrowing Requests) purportedly given by or on behalf of the Borrower even if (i) such

notices were not made in a manner specified herein, were incomplete or were not preceded or followed by any other form of notice specified herein, or (ii) the terms thereof, as understood by the recipient, varied from any confirmation thereof. The Borrower shall indemnify the Administrative Agent, its Related Parties and each Lender from all losses, costs, expenses and liabilities resulting from the reliance by such Person on each notice purportedly given by or on behalf of the Borrower in the absence of gross negligence or willful misconduct as determined by a final and non-appealable judgment by a court of competent jurisdiction. All telephonic notices to and other telephonic communications with the Administrative Agent may be recorded by the Administrative Agent, and each of the parties hereto hereby consents to such recording.

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# Section 9.02. <u>Waivers; Amendments.</u>

- (a) No failure or delay by the Administrative Agent or any Lender in exercising any right or power hereunder or under any other Loan Document shall operate as a waiver thereof, nor shall any single or partial exercise of any such right or power, or any abandonment or discontinuance of steps to enforce such a right or power, preclude any other or further exercise thereof or the exercise of any other right or power. The rights and remedies of the Administrative Agent and the Lenders hereunder and under any other Loan Document are cumulative and are not exclusive of any rights or remedies that they would otherwise have. No waiver of any provision of any Loan Document or consent to any departure by any Loan Party therefrom shall in any event be effective unless the same is permitted by <u>paragraph (b)</u> of this <u>Section 9.02</u>, and then such waiver or consent shall be effective only in the specific instance and for the purpose for which given. Without limiting the generality of the foregoing, to the extent permitted by law, the making of a Loan shall not be construed as a waiver of any existing Default or Event of Default, regardless of whether the Administrative Agent or any Lender may have had notice or knowledge of the existence of such Default or Event of Default at the time.
- (b) Subject to <u>clauses (A), (B), (C)</u> and <u>(D)</u> of this <u>Section 9.02(b)</u> and <u>Sections 9.02(c)</u> and <u>(d)</u> below, neither this Agreement nor any other Loan Document nor any provision hereof or thereof may be waived, amended or modified, except (i) in the case of this Agreement, pursuant to an agreement or agreements in writing entered into by the Borrower and the Required Lenders (or the Administrative Agent with the consent of the Required Lenders) or (ii) in the case of any other Loan Document (other than any waiver, amendment or modification to effectuate any modification thereto expressly contemplated by the terms of such other Loan Documents), pursuant to an agreement or agreements in writing entered into by the Administrative Agent and each Loan Party that is party thereto, with the consent of the Required Lenders; <u>provided</u> that, notwithstanding the foregoing:
  - (A) except with the consent of each Lender directly and adversely affected thereby (but without the consent of the Required Lenders or any other Lender, the Administrative Agent or agent (except to the extent that the rights and obligations of the Administrative Agent would be adversely affected thereby)), no such waiver, amendment or modification shall:
    - (1) (x) increase the Commitment or Additional Commitment of such Lender (other than with respect to any Incremental Facility pursuant to Section 2.22 in respect of which such Lender has agreed to be an Additional Lender); it being understood that no amendment, modification or waiver of, or consent to departure from, any condition precedent, representation, warranty, covenant, Default, Event of Default, mandatory prepayment or mandatory reduction of the Commitments or Additional Commitments shall constitute an increase of any Commitment or Additional Commitment of such Lender and (y) only the consent of the relevant Initial Delayed Draw Term Lender (but not the consent of the Required Lenders or the Administrative Agent) shall be required to increase such Initial Delayed Draw Term Lender's Initial Delayed Draw Term Loan Commitment as provided in the definition thereof;

- (2) reduce or forgive the principal amount of any Loan or any amount due on any Loan Installment Date;
- (3) (x) extend the scheduled final maturity of any Loan or (y) postpone any Loan Installment Date, any Interest Payment Date or the date of any scheduled payment of any fee payable hereunder (in each case, other than any extension for administrative reasons agreed by the Administrative Agent);
- (4) reduce the rate of interest (other than to waive any existing Default or Event of Default or obligation of the Borrower to pay interest at the default rate of interest under Section 2.13(d), which shall only require the consent of the Required Lenders) or the amount of any fee owed to such Lender; it being understood that no change in the definition of "First Lien Leverage Ratio" or any other ratio used in the calculation of the Applicable Rate, or in the calculation of any other interest or fee due hereunder (except as otherwise contemplated in this Agreement) shall constitute a reduction in any rate of interest or fee hereunder;
- (5) extend the expiry date of such Lender's Commitment or Additional Commitment; it being understood that no amendment, modification or waiver of, or consent to departure from, any condition precedent, representation, warranty, covenant, Default, Event of Default, mandatory prepayment or mandatory reduction of the Commitments or Additional Commitments shall constitute an extension of any Commitment or Additional Commitment of any Lender; and
- (6) waive, amend or modify the provisions of Sections 2.11(b)(vi), 2.18(b) or 2.18(c) of this Agreement in a manner that would by its terms alter the *pro rata* sharing of payments required thereby (except in connection with any transaction permitted under Sections 2.22, 2.23, 9.02(c), 9.05(g) and/or 9.05(h) or as otherwise provided in this Section 9.02);
- (B) no such waiver, amendment or modification shall:
- (1) change (x) any of the provisions of Section 9.02(a) or Section 9.02(b) or the definition of "Required Lenders" to reduce any voting percentage required to waive, amend or modify any right thereunder or make any determination or grant any consent thereunder, without the prior written consent of each Lender or (y) the definition of "Required Delayed Draw Lenders" without the prior written consent of each Initial Delayed Draw Term Lender (it being understood that neither the consent of the Required Lenders nor any other Lender shall be required in connection with any change to the definition of "Required Delayed Draw Lenders");
- (2) release all or substantially all of the Collateral from the Lien granted pursuant to the Loan Documents (except as otherwise permitted herein or in the other Loan Documents, including as contemplated by or pursuant to <a href="Article VIII">Article VIII</a> or <a href="Section 9.22">Section 9.22</a>), without the prior written consent of each Lender directly and adversely affected thereby, and it being understood that only the consent of the Lenders whose Loans are secured by the Collateral shall be required; or

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- (3) release all or substantially all of the value of the Guarantees under the Loan Guaranty (except as otherwise permitted herein or in the other Loan Documents, including pursuant to Section 9.22 hereof), without the prior written consent of each Lender directly and adversely affected thereby;
- (C) solely the consent of the Required Delayed Draw Lenders (but not the consent of the Required Lenders or any other Lender) shall be required for any waiver, amendment or modification of the provisions of Section 2.02(c) and (d) or any conditions precedent in Section 4.02 to the obligations of Lenders to make any Initial Delayed Draw Term Loan; and

(D) solely the consent of the applicable Required Facility Lenders (but not the consent of the Required Lenders or any other Lenders) shall be required for any waiver amendment or modifications of this Agreement or any other Loan Document that solely affects the Credit Facilities of any Class (as determined in the reasonable judgment of the Administrative Agent and the Borrower);

provided, further, that no agreement shall amend, modify or otherwise affect the rights or duties of the Administrative Agent hereunder without the prior written consent of the Administrative Agent. The Administrative Agent may also amend the Commitment Schedule to reflect assignments entered into pursuant to Section 9.05, Commitment reductions or terminations pursuant to Section 2.09, incurrences of Additional Commitments or Additional Loans pursuant to Section 2.22, 2.23 or 9.02(c) and reductions or terminations of any such Additional Commitments or Additional Loans. Notwithstanding anything to the contrary herein, no Defaulting Lender shall have any right to approve or disapprove any amendment, waiver or consent hereunder, except that the Commitment and any Additional Commitment of any Defaulting Lender may not be increased without the consent of such Defaulting Lender (it being understood that any Commitment, Additional Commitment or Loan held or deemed held by any Defaulting Lender shall be excluded from any vote hereunder that requires the consent of any Lender, except as expressly provided in Section 2.21(b)). Notwithstanding the foregoing, this Agreement may be amended (or amended and restated) with the written consent of the Required Lenders, the Administrative Agent and the Borrower (i) to add one or more additional credit facilities permitted hereunder to this Agreement and to permit any extension of credit from time to time outstanding thereunder and the accrued interest and fees in respect thereof to share ratably in the relevant benefits of this Agreement and the other Loan Documents and (ii) to include appropriately the Lenders holding such credit facilities in any determination of the Required Lenders and/or Required Delayed Draw Lenders on substantially the same basis as the Lenders prior to such inclusion.

(c) Notwithstanding the foregoing, this Agreement may be amended:

(i) with the written consent of the Borrower and the Lenders providing the relevant Replacement Term Loans to permit the refinancing or replacement of all or any portion of any outstanding Term Loans under one or more Classes, series or tranches, as selected by the Borrower in its sole discretion (any such Loans being refinanced or replaced, the "Replaced Term Loans"), with one or more replacement term loans ("Replacement Term Loans") pursuant to any existing or newly established term loan facility hereunder (a "Replacement Term Facility") pursuant to a Refinancing Amendment; provided that:

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- (A) the aggregate principal amount of any Replacement Term Loans shall not exceed the aggregate principal amount of the Replaced Term Loans (*plus* (1) any additional amounts permitted to be incurred under Section 2.22 or Section 6.01(q), (u), (w) and/or (z) and, to the extent any such additional amounts are secured, the related Liens are permitted under Section 6.02(k) (with respect to Liens securing Indebtedness permitted by Section 6.01(a), or (u)), (o)(ii), (t)(ii), (u) and/or (hh) and *plus* (2) the amount of accrued interest, penalties and premium (including tender premium) thereon, any committed but undrawn amounts, and underwriting discounts, fees (including upfront fees, original issue discount, commitment fees, underwriting fees, arrangement fees and similar fees), commissions and expenses associated therewith),
- (B) any Replacement Term Loans must have (1) a final maturity date that is equal to or later than the earlier of (x) the final maturity date of the Replaced Term Loans and (y) ninety-one (91) days after the then latest maturity date of any Term Loans that are not being refinanced or so replaced, and (2) have a Weighted Average Life to Maturity equal to or greater than the Weighted Average Life to Maturity of the Replaced Term Loans at the time of the relevant refinancing,
- (C) any such Replacement Term Loans must be *pari passu* with or junior to any such Replaced Term Loans in right of payment and with respect to the Collateral (<u>provided</u> that such Replacement Term Loans shall be subject to an Acceptable Intercreditor Agreement and may be, at the option of the Administrative Agent and the Borrower, documented in a separate agreement or agreements), or be unsecured,
- (D) if any Replacement Term Loans are secured, such Replacement Term Loans may not be secured by any assets other than the Collateral,

- (E) if any Replacement Term Loans are guaranteed, such Replacement Term Loans may not be guaranteed by any Person other than one or more Loan Parties,
- (F) any Replacement Term Loans that are *pari passu* in right of payment and *pari passu* in right of security may participate (x) on a *pro rata* basis or a less than *pro rata* basis (but not greater than a *pro rata* basis) in any mandatory repayment in respect of the Initial Term Loans (and any Additional Term Loans then subject to ratable repayment requirements) and (y) on a *pro rata* basis, greater than *pro rata* basis or a less than *pro rata* basis in any voluntary prepayment in respect of the Initial Term Loans and any Additional Term Loans, in each case as agreed by the Borrower and the Lenders providing the relevant Replacement Term Loans,
- (G) any Replacement Term Loans shall have pricing (including interest, fees and premiums) and, subject to preceding <u>clause (F)</u>, optional prepayment and redemption terms as the Borrower and the lenders providing such Replacement Term Loans may agree,
- (H) no Default under <u>Section 7.01(a)</u>, <u>7.01(f)</u> or <u>7.01(g)</u> or Event of Default shall exist immediately prior to or after giving effect to the effectiveness of the relevant Replacement Term Loans, and

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- (I) either (i) the other terms and conditions of any Replacement Term Loans, as applicable (excluding pricing, interest, fees, rate floors, premiums, optional prepayment or redemption terms, security and maturity, subject to preceding <u>clauses (B)</u> through <u>(G)</u>) shall be substantially identical to, or (taken as a whole) no more favorable (as reasonably determined by the Borrower) to the lenders providing such Replacement Term Loans than those applicable to the Replaced Term Loans (other than covenants or other provisions applicable only to periods after the Latest Term Loan Maturity Date (in each case, as of the date of incurrence of such Replacement Term Loans)) or (ii) such Replacement Term Loans shall reflect market terms and conditions (taken as a whole) at such time (as determined by the Borrower in good faith); <u>provided</u>, that, if any more restrictive financial maintenance covenant is added for the benefit of any Replacement Term Loans, such provisions shall also be applicable to the Credit Facilities (other than covenants or other provisions applicable only to periods after the Latest Term Loan Maturity Date (in each case, as of the date of incurrence of such Replacement Term Loans)), and
- (ii) in the case of any Additional Revolving Facility, with the written consent of the Borrower and the Lenders providing the relevant Replacement Revolving Facility to permit the refinancing or replacement of all or any portion of any Additional Revolving Commitments under one or more Classes, series or tranche, as selected by the Borrower in its sole discretion (any such Additional Revolving Commitments being refinanced or replaced, a "Replaced Revolving Facility"), with a replacement revolving facility hereunder (a "Replacement Revolving Facility") pursuant to a Refinancing Amendment; provided that:
  - (A) the aggregate principal amount of any Replacement Revolving Facility shall not exceed the aggregate principal amount of the unutilized commitments under the Replaced Revolving Facility (plus (x) any additional amounts permitted to be incurred under Section 6.01(a), (q), (u), (w) and/or (z) and, to the extent any such additional amounts are secured, the related Liens are permitted under Section 6.02(k) (with respect to Liens securing Indebtedness permitted by Section 6.01(a), (q), (u), (w) or (z), (o)(ii), (u) and/or (hh) and plus (y) the amount of accrued interest, penalties and premium thereon, any committed but undrawn amounts and underwriting discounts, fees (including upfront fees, original issue discount or initial yield payments), commissions and expenses associated therewith),
  - (B) no such Replacement Revolving Facility may have a final maturity date (or require commitment reductions) prior to the earlier of (x) the final maturity date of the relevant Replaced Revolving Facility at the time of such refinancing and (y) ninety-one (91) days after the then latest maturity date of any Additional Revolving Facility not being refinanced or so replaced,
  - (C) any such Replacement Revolving Facility must be *pari passu* with any such Replaced Revolving Facility in right of payment and with respect to the Collateral (<u>provided</u> that any such Replacement

- (D) if any Replacement Revolving Facility are secured, such Replacement Revolving Facility may not be secured by any assets other than the Collateral,
- (E) if any Replacement Revolving Facility are guaranteed, such Replacement Revolving Facility may not be guaranteed by any Person other than one or more Loan Parties,
- (F) any Replacement Revolving Facility shall be subject to the "ratability" provisions applicable to Extended Revolving Credit Commitments and Extended Revolving Loans set forth in the proviso to <u>clause</u> (ii) of <u>Section 2.23(a)</u>, *mutatis mutandis*, to the same extent as if fully set forth in this <u>Section 9.02(c)(ii)</u>,
- (G) any Replacement Revolving Facility shall have pricing (including interest, fees and premiums) and, subject to preceding <u>clause (F)</u>, optional prepayment and redemption terms as the Borrower and the lenders providing such Replacement Revolving Facility, may agree,
- (H) no Default under <u>Sections 7.01(a)</u>, <u>7.01(f)</u> or <u>7.01(g)</u> or Event of Default shall exist immediately prior to or after giving effect to the effectiveness of the relevant Replacement Revolving Facility,
- (I) either (i) the other terms and conditions of any Replacement Revolving Facility (excluding pricing, interest, fees, rate floors, premiums, optional prepayment or redemption terms, security and maturity, subject to preceding <u>clauses (B)</u> through (G)) shall be substantially identical to, or (taken as a whole) no more favorable (as reasonably determined by the Borrower) to the lenders providing such Replacement Revolving Facility, than those applicable to the Replaced Revolving Facility (other than covenants or other provisions applicable only to periods after the Latest Revolving Loan Maturity Date (in each case, as of the date of incurrence of the relevant Replacement Revolving Facility)) or (ii) such Replacement Revolving Facility shall reflect market terms and conditions (taken as a whole) at such time (as determined by the Borrower in good faith), and
- (J) the commitments in respect of any Replaced Revolving Facility shall be terminated (to the extent being replaced), and all loans outstanding thereunder and all fees in connection therewith shall be paid in full, in each case on the date such Replacement Revolving Facility are implemented;

<u>provided</u>, <u>further</u>, that, in respect of each of <u>clauses (i)</u> and <u>(ii)</u> of this <u>clause (c)</u>, any Non-Debt Fund Affiliate and Debt Fund Affiliate providing any Replacement Term Loans shall be subject to the restrictions applicable to such Persons under <u>Section 9.05</u> as if such Replacement Term Loans were Term Loans and any Debt Fund Affiliate (but not any Non-Debt Fund Affiliate) may provide any Replacement Revolving Facility.

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Each party hereto hereby agrees that, upon the effectiveness of any Refinancing Amendment, this Agreement shall be amended by the Borrower, the Administrative Agent and the lenders providing the relevant Replacement Term Loans or the Replacement Revolving Facility, as applicable, to the extent (but only to the extent) necessary to reflect the existence and terms of such Replacement Term Loans or Replacement Revolving Facility, as applicable, incurred or implemented pursuant thereto (including any amendment necessary to treat the loans, notes and commitments subject thereto as a separate "Class" of Loans and/or commitments hereunder), including any technical amendments required in connection therewith. It is understood that any Lender approached to provide all or a portion of any Replacement Term Loans or any Replacement Revolving Facility may elect or decline, in its sole discretion, to provide such Replacement Term Loans or Replacement Revolving Facility.

Notwithstanding anything to the contrary contained in this Section 9.02 or any other provision of (d) this Agreement or any provision of any other Loan Document, (i) the Borrower and the Administrative Agent may, without the input or consent of any Lender, amend, supplement and/or waive any guaranty, collateral security agreement, pledge agreement and/or related document (if any) executed in connection with this Agreement to (x) comply with Requirements of Law or the advice of counsel or (y) cause any such guaranty, collateral security agreement, pledge agreement or other document to be consistent with this Agreement and/or the relevant other Loan Documents, (ii) the Borrower and the Administrative Agent may, without the input or consent of any other Lender (other than the relevant Lenders (including Additional Lenders) providing Loans under such Sections), (1) effect amendments to this Agreement and the other Loan Documents as may be necessary in the reasonable opinion of the Borrower and the Administrative Agent to effect the provisions of Sections 2.22, 2.23, 5.12, 6.13, 9.02(c) or 9.23, or any other provision specifying that any waiver, amendment or modification may be made with the consent or approval of the Administrative Agent and/or (2) to add terms (including representations and warranties, conditions, prepayments, covenants or events of default), in connection with the addition of any Loan or Commitment hereunder, that are favorable to the then-existing Lenders, as reasonably determined by the Administrative Agent, (iii) if the Administrative Agent and the Borrower have jointly identified any ambiguity, mistake, defect, inconsistency, obvious error or any error or omission of a technical nature or any necessary or desirable technical change, in each case, in any provision of any Loan Document, then the Administrative Agent and the Borrower shall be permitted to amend such provision solely to address such matter as reasonably determined by them acting jointly, (iv) the Administrative Agent and the Borrower may amend, restate, amend and restate or otherwise modify any applicable Acceptable Intercreditor Agreement as provided therein, (v) the Administrative Agent may amend the Commitment Schedule to reflect assignments entered into pursuant to Section 9.05, Commitment reductions or terminations pursuant to Section 2.09, implementations of Additional Commitments or incurrences of Additional Loans pursuant to Sections 2.22, 2.23 or 9.02(c) and reductions or terminations of any such Additional Commitments or Additional Loans, (vi) in the case of any Additional Revolving Facility, solely the consent of the Required Facility Lenders with respect to such Additional Revolving Facility (but not the consent of the Required Lenders or any other Lender) shall be required for any waiver, amendment or modification of (A) any conditions precedent to the obligations of the applicable Lenders to make any Additional Revolving Loan (including any "swingline loans" or the issuance of any letters of credit) and (B) any financial maintenance covenant solely for the benefit of such Additional Revolving Facility, and (vii) any amendment, waiver or modification of any term or provision that directly affects Lenders under one or more Classes and does not directly affect Lenders under one or more other Classes (unless such amendment, waiver or modification benefits the Lenders under such other Classes) may be effected with solely the consent of the Required Facility Lenders of such directly affected Class (but not the consent of the Required Lenders or any other Lender).

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### Section 9.03. <u>Expenses; Indemnity</u>.

The Borrower shall pay (i) all reasonable and documented out-of-pocket expenses incurred by the Arrangers, the Administrative Agent and their respective Affiliates (including applicable syndication expenses and travel expenses but limited, in the case of legal fees and expenses, to the actual reasonable and documented out-of-pocket fees, disbursements and other charges of one firm of outside counsel to all such Persons taken as a whole and, if reasonably necessary, of one local counsel in any relevant jurisdiction to all such Persons, taken as a whole) in connection with the syndication and distribution (including via the Internet or through a service such as SyndTrak) of the Credit Facilities, the preparation, execution, delivery and administration of the Loan Documents and any related documentation, including in connection with any amendment, modification or waiver of any provision of any Loan Document (whether or not the transactions contemplated thereby are consummated, but only to the extent the preparation of any such amendment, modification or waiver was requested by the Borrower and except as otherwise provided separately in writing between the Borrower, the relevant Arranger and/or the Administrative Agent) and (ii) all reasonable and documented out-of-pocket expenses incurred by the Administrative Agent, the Arrangers or the Lenders or any of their respective Affiliates (but limited, in the case of legal fees and expenses, to the actual reasonable and documented out-of-pocket fees, disbursements and other charges of one firm of outside counsel to all such Persons taken as a whole and, if reasonably necessary, of one local counsel in any relevant jurisdiction to all such Persons, taken as a whole) in connection with the enforcement, collection or protection of their respective rights in connection with the Loan Documents, including their respective rights under this Section 9.03, or in connection with the Loans made hereunder. Except to the extent required to be paid on the Closing Date (and invoiced three (3) Business Days prior thereto), all amounts due under this paragraph (a) shall be payable by the Borrower within thirty (30) days of receipt by the Borrower of an invoice setting forth such expenses in reasonable detail, together with backup documentation supporting the relevant reimbursement request.

Indemnitee harmless from, any and all losses, claims, damages and liabilities (but limited, in the case of legal fees and expenses, to the actual reasonable and documented out-of-pocket fees, disbursements and other charges of one legal counsel in each relevant jurisdiction to all Indemnitees taken as a whole and, if reasonably necessary, one local counsel in any relevant jurisdiction to all Indemnitees, taken as a whole and solely in the case of an actual or potential conflict of interest, (x) one additional counsel to all affected Indemnitees, taken as a whole, and (y) one additional local counsel to all affected Indemnitees, taken as a whole), incurred by or asserted against any Indemnitee arising out of, in connection with, or as a result of (i) the execution or delivery of the Loan Documents or any agreement or instrument contemplated thereby and/or the enforcement of the Loan Documents, the performance by the parties hereto of their respective obligations thereunder or the consummation of the Transactions or any other transactions contemplated hereby or thereby, (ii) the use of the proceeds of the Loans, (iii) any actual or alleged Release or presence of Hazardous Materials on, at, under or from any property currently or formerly owned or operated by the Borrower, any of its Restricted Subsidiaries or any other Loan Party or any Environmental Liability related to the Borrower, any of its Restricted Subsidiaries or any other Loan Party and/or (iv) any actual or prospective claim, litigation, investigation or proceeding relating to any of the foregoing, whether based on contract, tort or any other theory and regardless of whether any Indemnitee is a party thereto (and regardless of whether such matter is initiated by a third party or by the Borrower, any other Loan Party or any of their respective Affiliates); provided that such indemnity shall not, as to any Indemnitee, be available to the extent that any such loss, claim, damage, or liability (i) results from the gross negligence, bad faith or willful misconduct or material breach of the Loan Documents by such Indemnitee, in each case, as determined by a final non-appealable judgment of a court of competent jurisdiction or (ii) arises out of any claim, litigation, investigation or proceeding brought by such Indemnitee against another Indemnitee (other than any claim, litigation, investigation or proceeding (x) that is brought by or against the Administrative Agent or any Arranger, acting in its capacity or fulfilling its role as the Administrative Agent or as an Arranger or similar role or (y) that involves any act or omission of the Sponsor, Holdings, the Borrower or any of its subsidiaries). Each Indemnitee shall be obligated to refund or return any and all amounts paid by the Borrower pursuant to this Section 9.03(b) to such Indemnitee for any fees, expenses, or damages to the extent such Indemnitee is not entitled to payment thereof in accordance with the terms hereof. All amounts due under this paragraph (b) shall be payable by the Borrower within thirty (30) days (x) after receipt by the Borrower of a written demand therefor, in the case of any indemnification obligations and (y) in the case of reimbursement of costs and expenses, after receipt by the Borrower of an invoice, setting forth such costs and expenses in reasonable detail, together with backup documentation supporting the relevant reimbursement request. This Section 9.03(b) shall not apply to Taxes other than any Taxes that represent losses, claims, damages or liabilities in respect of a non-Tax claim.

Related Party of any of the foregoing Persons (each such Person being called an "Indemnitee") against, and hold each

The Borrower shall indemnify each Arranger, the Administrative Agent and each Lender, and each

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(c) The Borrower shall not be liable for any settlement of any proceeding effected without its written consent (which consent shall not be unreasonably withheld, delayed or conditioned), but if any proceeding is settled with the Borrower's written consent, or if there is a final judgment against any Indemnitee in any such proceeding, the Borrower agrees to indemnify and hold harmless each Indemnitee to the extent and in the manner set forth above. The Borrower shall not, without the prior written consent of the affected Indemnitee (which consent shall not be unreasonably withheld, conditioned or delayed), effect any settlement of any pending or threatened claim, litigation, investigation or proceeding against any Indemnitee in respect of which indemnity could have been sought hereunder by such Indemnitee unless (i) such settlement includes an unconditional release of such Indemnitee from all liability or claims that are the subject matter of such proceeding and (ii) such settlement does not include any statement as to any admission of fault or culpability.

Section 9.04. <u>Waiver of Claim</u>. To the extent permitted by applicable law, no party to this Agreement shall assert, and each hereby waives, any claim against any other party hereto or any Related Party thereof, on any theory of liability, for special, indirect, consequential or punitive damages (as opposed to direct or actual damages) arising out of, in connection with, or as a result of, this Agreement or any agreement or instrument contemplated hereby, the Transactions, any Loan or the use of the proceeds thereof, except, in the case of any claim by any Indemnitee against the Borrower, to the extent such damages would otherwise be subject to indemnification pursuant to the terms of <u>Section 9.03</u>.

Section 9.05. Successors and Assigns.

(a) The provisions of this Agreement shall be binding upon and inure to the benefit of the parties hereto and their respective successors and permitted assigns; <u>provided</u> that (i) except as provided under <u>Section 6.07</u>, the Borrower may not assign or otherwise transfer any of its rights or obligations hereunder without the prior written consent of each Lender (and any attempted assignment or transfer by the Borrower without such consent shall be null and void) and (ii) no Lender may assign or otherwise transfer its rights or obligations hereunder except in accordance with the terms of this <u>Section 9.05</u> (any attempted assignment or transfer not complying with the terms of this <u>Section 9.05</u> shall be subject to <u>Sections 9.05(f)</u> and (g), as applicable). Nothing in this Agreement, expressed or implied, shall be construed to confer upon any Person (other than the parties hereto, their respective successors and permitted assigns, Participants (to the extent provided in <u>paragraph (c)</u> of this <u>Section 9.05</u>) and, to the extent expressly contemplated hereby, the Related Parties of each of the Arrangers, the Administrative Agent and the Lenders) any legal or equitable right, remedy or claim under or by reason of this Agreement.

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- (b) (i) Subject to the conditions set forth in <u>paragraph (b)(ii)</u> below, any Lender may assign to one or more Eligible Assignees all or a portion of its rights and obligations under this Agreement (including all or a portion of any Loan or Additional Commitment added pursuant to <u>Section 2.22</u>, <u>2.23</u> or <u>9.02(c)</u> at the time owing to it) with the prior written consent (not to be unreasonably withheld or delayed) of:
  - the Borrower; provided that (1) the Borrower shall be deemed to have consented to any (A) such assignment of any Term Loans (including funded Initial Delayed Draw Term Loans but not unutilized Initial Delayed Draw Term Loan Commitments) unless it has objected thereto by written notice to the Administrative Agent within fifteen (15) Business Days after receiving written notice thereof; (2) the consent of the Borrower shall be required for any assignment of Additional Revolving Loans or Additional Revolving Commitments and unutilized Initial Delayed Draw Term Loan Commitments and the Lenders shall not be permitted to assign the Loans and Commitments to any Company Competitor regardless of whether any Event of Default (or a type thereof) is continuing, (3) no consent of the Borrower shall be required for the assignment of Term Loans to another Lender, an Affiliate of any Lender or an Approved Fund or the assignment of unutilized Initial Delayed Draw Term Loan Commitments to another Initial Delayed Draw Term Lender, an Affiliate of an Initial Delayed Draw Term Lender or an Approved Fund of an Initial Delayed Draw Term Lender, (4) subject to the preceding clause (2) and clause (5) below, no consent of the Borrower shall be required during the continuation of an Event of Default under Section 7.01(a) or Section 7.01(f) or (g) (solely with respect to the Borrower); (5) the Borrower may withhold its consent to any assignment to any Person that is not a Disqualified Institution but is known by the Borrower to be an Affiliate of a Disqualified Institution regardless of whether such Person is identifiable as an Affiliate of a Disqualified Institution on the basis of such Affiliate's name (other than in respect of a Company Competitor, a Competitor Debt Fund Affiliate that is not itself a Disqualified Institution, unless the Borrower has a reasonable basis for withholding consent) and, for the avoidance of doubt, the deemed consent provisions of clause (1) above shall not apply with respect to any attempted assignment to a Disqualified Institution or any Affiliate of a Disqualified Institution regardless of whether such Person is identifiable as an Affiliate of a Disqualified Institution on the basis of such Affiliate's name, and (6) the investment objective or history of any prospective Lender or its Affiliates shall be a reasonable basis to withhold the Borrower's consent; and
  - (B) the Administrative Agent; <u>provided</u> that no consent of the Administrative Agent shall be required for any such assignment to another Lender, an Affiliate of any Lender or an Approved Fund.
  - (ii) Assignments shall be subject to the following additional conditions:
    - (A) except in the case of any assignment to another Lender, any Affiliate of any Lender or any Approved Fund or any assignment of the entire remaining amount of the relevant assigning Lender's Loans or commitments of any Class, the principal amount of Loans or commitments of the assigning Lender subject to the relevant assignment (determined as of the date on which the Assignment and Assumption with respect to such assignment is delivered to the Administrative Agent and determined on an aggregate basis in the event of concurrent assignments to Related Funds or by Related Funds) shall not be less than (x) \$1,000,000, in the case of Initial Term Loans, funded Initial Delayed Draw Term Loans, Additional Term Loans and Initial Term

- (B) any partial assignment shall be made as an assignment of a proportionate part of all the relevant assigning Lender's rights and obligations in respect of any Facility under this Agreement;
- (C) the parties to each assignment shall execute and deliver to the Administrative Agent an Assignment and Assumption via an electronic settlement system acceptable to the Administrative Agent (or, if previously agreed with the Administrative Agent, manually), and, except in the case of an assignment by an Initial Term Lender or its Affiliate in connection with the syndication of the Credit Facilities, shall pay to the Administrative Agent a processing and recordation fee of \$3,500 (which fee may be waived or reduced in the sole discretion of the Administrative Agent); and
- (D) the relevant Eligible Assignee, if it is not a Lender, shall deliver on or prior to the effective date of such assignment, to the Administrative Agent (1) an Administrative Questionnaire and (2) any form required under Section 2.17.
- (iii) Subject to the acceptance and recording thereof pursuant to <u>paragraph (b)(iv)</u> of this <u>Section 9.05</u>, from and after the effective date specified in any Assignment and Assumption, the Eligible Assignee thereunder shall be a party hereto and, to the extent of the interest assigned pursuant to such Assignment and Assumption, have the rights and obligations of a Lender under this Agreement, and the assigning Lender thereunder shall, to the extent of the interest assigned by such Assignment and Assumption, be released from its obligations under this Agreement (and, in the case of an Assignment and Assumption covering all of the assigning Lender's rights and obligations under this Agreement, such Lender shall cease to be a party hereto but shall continue to be (A) entitled to the benefits of <u>Sections 2.15</u>, <u>2.16</u>, <u>2.17</u> and <u>9.03</u> with respect to facts and circumstances occurring on or prior to the effective date of such assignment and (B) subject to its obligations thereunder and under <u>Section 9.13</u>). If any assignment by any Lender holding any Promissory Note is made after the issuance of such Promissory Note, the assigning Lender shall, upon the effectiveness of such assignment or as promptly thereafter as practicable, surrender such Promissory Note to the Administrative Agent for cancellation, and, following such cancellation, if requested by either the assignee or the assigning Lender, the Borrower shall issue and deliver a new Promissory Note to such assignee and/or to such assigning Lender, with appropriate insertions, to reflect the new commitments and/or outstanding Loans of the assignee and/or the assigning Lender.
- (iv) The Administrative Agent, acting for this purpose as a non-fiduciary agent of the Borrower, shall maintain at one of its offices a copy of each Assignment and Assumption delivered to it and a register for the recordation of the names and addresses of the Lenders and their respective successors and assigns, and the commitment of, and principal amount of and stated interest on the Loans owing to, each Lender pursuant to the terms hereof from time to time (the "Register"). Failure to make any such recordation, or any error in such recordation, shall not affect the Borrower's obligations in respect of such Loans. The entries in the Register shall be conclusive, absent manifest error, and the Borrower, the Administrative Agent and the Lenders shall treat each Person whose name is recorded in the Register pursuant to the terms hereof as a Lender and the owner of the amounts owing to it under the Loan Documents as reflected in the Register for all purposes of the Loan Documents, notwithstanding notice to the contrary. The Register shall be available for inspection by the Borrower and each Lender (but only as to its own holdings), at any reasonable time and from time to time upon reasonable prior notice; provided that each Lender shall be able to inspect the Register only with respect to its own Commitment.

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(v) Upon its receipt of a duly completed Assignment and Assumption executed by an assigning Lender and an Eligible Assignee, the Eligible Assignee's completed Administrative Questionnaire and any tax certification required by Section 9.05(b)(ii)(D)(2) (unless the assignee is already a Lender hereunder), the processing and recordation fee referred to in paragraph (b) of this Section 9.05, if applicable, and any written consent to the relevant assignment required by paragraph (b) of this Section 9.05, the Administrative Agent shall promptly accept such Assignment and Assumption and record the information contained

therein in the Register. No assignment shall be effective for purposes of this Agreement unless it has been recorded in the Register as provided in this paragraph.

(vi) By executing and delivering an Assignment and Assumption, the assigning Lender and the Eligible Assignee thereunder shall be deemed to confirm and agree with each other and the other parties hereto as follows: (A) such assigning Lender warrants that it is the legal and beneficial owner of the interest being assigned thereby free and clear of any adverse claim and that the amount of its commitments, and the outstanding balances of its Loans, in each case without giving effect to any assignment thereof which has not become effective, are as set forth in such Assignment and Assumption, (B) except as set forth in clause (A) above, such assigning Lender makes no representation or warranty and assumes no responsibility with respect to any statement, warranty or representation made in or in connection with this Agreement, or the execution, legality, validity, enforceability, genuineness, sufficiency or value of this Agreement, any other Loan Document or any other instrument or document furnished pursuant hereto, or the financial condition of the Borrower or any Restricted Subsidiary or the performance or observance by the Borrower or any Restricted Subsidiary of any of its obligations under this Agreement, any other Loan Document or any other instrument or document furnished pursuant hereto; (C) such assignee represents and warrants that it is an Eligible Assignee, legally authorized to enter into such Assignment and Assumption; (D) such assignee confirms that it has received a copy of this Agreement and the Intercreditor Agreement (and any other applicable Acceptable Intercreditor Agreement), together with copies of the financial statements referred to in Section 4.01(c) or the most recent financial statements delivered pursuant to Section 5.01 and such other documents and information as it has deemed appropriate to make its own credit analysis and decision to enter into such Assignment and Assumption; (E) such assignee will independently and without reliance upon the Administrative Agent, the assigning Lender or any other Lender and based on such documents and information as it deems appropriate at the time, continue to make its own credit decisions in taking or not taking action under this Agreement; (F) such assignee appoints and authorizes the Administrative Agent to take such action as agent on its behalf and to exercise such powers under this Agreement as are delegated to the Administrative Agent, by the terms hereof, together with such powers as are reasonably incidental thereto; and (G) such assignee agrees that it will perform in accordance with their terms all the obligations which by the terms of this Agreement are required to be performed by it as a Lender.

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- (c) (i) Any Lender may, without the consent of the Borrower, the Administrative Agent or any other Lender, sell participations to any bank or other entity (other than to any Disqualified Institution, any natural Person or, other than with respect to any participation to any Debt Fund Affiliate (any such participations to a Debt Fund Affiliate being subject to the limitation set forth in the first proviso of the penultimate paragraph set forth in Section 9.05(h), as if the limitation applied to such participations), the Borrower or any of its Affiliates) (a "Participant") in all or a portion of such Lender's rights and obligations under this Agreement (including all or a portion of its commitments and the Loans owing to it); provided that (A) such Lender's obligations under this Agreement shall remain unchanged, (B) such Lender shall remain solely responsible to the other parties hereto for the performance of such obligations, (C) the Borrower, the Administrative Agent and the other Lenders shall continue to deal solely and directly with such Lender in connection with such Lender's rights and obligations under this Agreement and (D) the Lenders shall not be permitted to sell participations to any Company Competitor regardless of whether any Event of Default (or a type thereof) is continuing. Any agreement or instrument pursuant to which any Lender sells such a participation shall provide that such Lender shall retain the sole right to enforce this Agreement and to approve any amendment, modification or waiver of any provision of this Agreement; provided that such agreement or instrument may provide that such Lender will not, without the consent of the relevant Participant, agree to any amendment, modification or waiver described in (x) clause (A) of the first proviso to Section 9.02(b) that directly and adversely affects the Loans or commitments in which such Participant has an interest and (y) clause (B)(1), (2) or (3) of the first proviso to Section 9.02(b). Subject to paragraph (c)(ii) of this <u>Section 9.05</u>, the Borrower agrees that each Participant shall be entitled to the benefits of <u>Sections 2.15</u>, <u>2.16</u> and <u>2.17</u> (subject to the limitations and requirements of such Sections and Section 2.19) to the same extent as if it were a Lender and had acquired its interest by assignment pursuant to paragraph (b) of this Section 9.05 (it being understood that the documentation required under Section 2.17(f) shall be delivered to the participating Lender). To the extent permitted by law, each Participant also shall be entitled to the benefits of Section 9.09 as though it were a Lender; provided that such Participant agrees to be subject to Section 2.18(c) as though it were a Lender.
- (ii) No Participant shall be entitled to receive any greater payment under Section 2.15, 2.16 or 2.17 than the participating Lender would have been entitled to receive with respect to the participation sold to such Participant, unless the sale of the participation to such Participant is made with the Borrower's prior written consent expressly acknowledging that such Participant's entitlement to benefits under Sections 2.15, 2.16 and 2.17 is not limited to what the participating Lender would have been entitled to receive absent the participation.

Each Lender that sells a participation shall, acting solely for this purpose as a non-fiduciary agent of the Borrower, maintain a register complying with the requirements of Sections 163(f), 871(h) and 881(c)(2) of the Code and the Treasury Regulations issued thereunder on which it enters the name and address of each Participant and their respective successors and assigns, and the principal amounts and stated interest of each Participant's interest in the Loans or other obligations under the Loan Documents (the "Participant Register"); provided that no Lender shall have any obligation to disclose all or any portion of the Participant Register (including the identity of any Participant or any information relating to a Participant's interest in any commitments, loans, letters of credit or its other obligations under any Loan Document) to any Person except to the extent that such disclosure is necessary to establish that such commitment, loan, letter of credit or other obligation is in registered form under Section 5f.103-1(c) or Proposed Section 1.163-5(b) (or, in each case, any amended or successor section) of the Treasury Regulations or is otherwise required hereunder. The entries in the Participant Register shall be conclusive absent manifest error, and each Lender shall treat each Person whose name is recorded in the Participant Register as the owner of such participation for all purposes of this Agreement notwithstanding any notice to the contrary. For the avoidance of doubt, the Administrative Agent (in its capacity as Administrative Agent) shall have no responsibility for maintaining a Participant Register.

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- (d) Any Lender may at any time pledge or assign a security interest in all or any portion of its rights under this Agreement (other than to any Disqualified Institution or any natural person) to secure obligations of such Lender, including without limitation any pledge or assignment to secure obligations to any Federal Reserve Bank or other central bank having jurisdiction over such Lender, and this <u>Section 9.05</u> shall not apply to any such pledge or assignment of a security interest; <u>provided</u> that no such pledge or assignment of a security interest shall release any Lender from any of its obligations hereunder or substitute any such pledgee or assignee for such Lender as a party hereto.
- Notwithstanding anything to the contrary contained herein, any Lender (a "Granting Lender") may grant to a special purpose funding vehicle (an "SPC"), identified as such in writing from time to time by the Granting Lender to the Administrative Agent and the Borrower, the option to provide to the Borrower all or any part of any Loan that such Granting Lender would otherwise be obligated to make to the Borrower pursuant to this Agreement; provided that (i) nothing herein shall constitute a commitment by any SPC to make any Loan and (ii) if an SPC elects not to exercise such option or otherwise fails to provide all or any part of such Loan, the Granting Lender shall be obligated to make such Loan pursuant to the terms hereof. The making of any Loan by an SPC hereunder shall utilize the Commitment or Additional Commitment of the Granting Lender to the same extent, and as if, such Loan were made by such Granting Lender. Each party hereto hereby agrees that (i) neither the grant to any SPC nor the exercise by any SPC of such option shall increase the costs or expenses or otherwise increase or change the obligations of the Borrower under this Agreement (including its obligations under Section 2.15, 2.16 or 2.17) and no SPC shall be entitled to any greater amount under Section 2.13, 2.14 or 2.15 or any other provision of this Agreement or any other Loan Document that the Granting Lender would have been entitled to receive, (ii) no SPC shall be liable for any indemnity or similar payment obligation under this Agreement (all liability for which shall remain with the Granting Lender) and (iii) the Granting Lender shall for all purposes including approval of any amendment, waiver or other modification of any provision of the Loan Documents, remain the Lender of record hereunder. In furtherance of the foregoing, each party hereto hereby agrees (which agreement shall survive the termination of this Agreement) that, prior to the date that is one (1) year and one day after the payment in full of all outstanding commercial paper or other senior indebtedness of any SPC, it will not institute against, or join any other Person in instituting against, such SPC any bankruptcy, reorganization, arrangement, insolvency or liquidation proceedings under the laws of the U.S. or any State thereof; provided that (i) such SPC's Granting Lender is in compliance in all material respects with its obligations to the Borrower hereunder and (ii) each Lender designating any SPC hereby agrees to indemnify, save and hold harmless each other party hereto for any loss, cost, damage or expense arising out of its inability to institute such a proceeding against such SPC during such period of forbearance. In addition, notwithstanding anything to the contrary contained in this Section 9.05, any SPC may (i) with notice to, but without the prior written consent of, the Borrower or the Administrative Agent and without paying any processing fee therefor, assign all or a portion of its interests in any Loan to the Granting Lender and (ii) disclose on a confidential basis any non-public information relating to its Loans to any rating agency, commercial paper dealer or provider of any surety, guaranty or credit or liquidity enhancement to such SPC. If a Granting Lender grants an option to an SPC as described herein and such grant is not reflected in the Register, the Granting Lender shall maintain a separate register on which it records the name and address of each SPC and the principal amounts (and related interest) of each SPC's interest with respect to the Loans, Commitments or other interests hereunder, which entries shall be conclusive absent manifest error and each Lender shall treat such SPC that is recorded in the register as the owner of such interests for all purposes of the Loan Documents notwithstanding any notice

to the contrary; provided, further, that no Lender shall have any obligation to disclose any portion of such register to any Person except to the extent disclosure is necessary to establish that the Loans, Commitments or other interests hereunder are in registered form for U.S. federal income tax purposes (or as is otherwise required thereunder).

- (f) (i) Any assignment or participation by a Lender without the Borrower's consent, to the extent the Borrower's consent is required under this Section 9.05, to any other Person shall, at the Borrower's election, be treated in accordance with Section 9.05(g) below or the Borrower shall be entitled to seek specific performance to unwind any such assignment or participation in addition to injunctive relief or any other remedies available to the Borrower at law or in equity. Upon the request of any Lender who agrees in writing for the benefit of the Borrower to maintain confidentiality, the Borrower shall make available to such Lender the names of Disqualified Institutions at the relevant time (other than any Affiliate thereof that is reasonably identifiable on the basis of such Affiliate's name) on a confidential basis and such Lender may provide such names to any potential assignee or participant on a confidential basis in accordance with Section 9.13 for the purpose of verifying whether such Person is a Disqualified Institution.
- (ii) Without limiting the foregoing, the Administrative Agent, in its capacity as such, shall not be responsible or have any liability for, or have any duty to ascertain, inquire into, monitor or enforce, compliance with the provisions hereof relating to Disqualified Institutions (other than with respect to updating the list with names of Disqualified Institutions provided in writing to the Administrative Agent in accordance with the definition of "Disqualified Institution" or providing the list (with such updates) upon request in accordance with this Section 9.05). Without limiting the generality of the foregoing, the Administrative Agent, in its capacity as such, shall not (i) be obligated to ascertain, monitor or inquire as to whether any Lender or Participant or prospective Lender or Participant is a Disqualified Institution or (ii) have any liability with respect to or arising out of any assignment or participation of Loans, or disclosure of confidential information, to any Disqualified Institution.
  - If any assignment or participation under this <u>Section 9.05</u> is made to any Person that is a Disqualified Institution, to any Person that cannot be reasonably identified as a Disqualified Institution pursuant to clause (a)(ii) or (c)(ii) of the definition thereof as of the date of such assignment or participation and subsequently becomes reasonably identifiable as a Disqualified Institution or to any Affiliate of a Disqualified Institution as to which the Borrower did not expressly consent in writing, then, notwithstanding any other provision of this Agreement (i) the Borrower may, at the Borrower's sole expense and effort, upon notice to such Person and the Administrative Agent, (A) terminate any Commitment of such Person and repay all obligations of the Borrower owing to such Person, (B) in the case of any outstanding Term Loans, held by such Person, purchase such Term Loans by paying the lesser of (I) par and (II) the amount that such Person paid to acquire such Term Loans, without premium, penalty, prepayment fee or breakage, and/or (C) require such Person to assign, without recourse (in accordance with and subject to the restrictions contained in this Section 9.05), all of its interests, rights and obligations under this Agreement to one or more Eligible Assignees at the price indicated in clause (i) above; provided that in the case of clause (C) above, the relevant assignment shall otherwise comply with this Section 9.05 (except that no registration and processing fee required under this Section 9.05 shall be required with respect to any assignment pursuant to this paragraph); (ii) for purposes of voting, any Loans and Commitments held by such Person shall be deemed not to be outstanding, and such Person shall have no voting or consent rights with respect to "Required Lender" or class or facility votes or consents, (iii) for purposes of any matter requiring the vote or consent of each Lender (or each Lender affected by any amendment or waiver), such Person shall be deemed to have voted or consented to approve such amendment or waiver if a majority of the affected Class or Facility (after giving effect to clause (ii) so approves, (iv) such Person shall not be permitted to attend meetings of the Lenders or receive information prepared by the Administrative Agent, any Lender, Holdings, the Borrower or any of its subsidiaries in connection with this Agreement and will not be permitted to attend or participate in conference calls or meetings attended solely by the Lenders and the Administrative Agent, (v) such Person shall not be entitled to any expense reimbursement or indemnification rights hereunder (including Section 9.03) or under any other Loan Document, (vi) such Person shall be otherwise deemed to be a Defaulting Lender, and (vii) in no event shall such Person be entitled to receive amounts set forth in Section 2.13(h). Nothing in this Section 9.05(g) shall be deemed to prejudice any right or remedy that Holdings or the Borrower may otherwise have at law or equity. Each Lender acknowledges and agrees that Holdings and its subsidiaries will suffer irreparable harm if such Lender breaches any obligation under this Section 9.05 insofar as such obligation relates to any assignment, participation or pledge to any Disqualified Institution without the Borrower's prior written consent and, therefore, each Lender agrees that Holdings and/or the Borrower may seek to obtain specific performance or other equitable or injunctive relief to enforce this Section 9.05(g) against such Lender with respect to such breach without posting a bond or presenting evidence of irreparable harm.

- (h) Notwithstanding anything to the contrary contained herein, any Lender may, at any time, assign all or a portion of its rights and obligations under this Agreement in respect of its Initial Term Loans or Additional Term Loans to an Affiliated Lender on a non-pro rata basis (A) through Dutch Auctions open to all Lenders holding the relevant Initial Term Loans or such Additional Term Loans, as applicable, on a pro rata basis or (B) through open market purchases, in each case with respect to clauses (A) and (B), without the consent of the Administrative Agent; provided that:
- (i) any Initial Term Loans or Additional Term Loans acquired by any Holding Company, the Borrower or any of its subsidiaries shall be retired and cancelled to the extent permitted by applicable law; <u>provided</u> that upon any such retirement and cancellation, the aggregate outstanding principal amount of the Initial Term Loans or Additional Term Loans, as applicable, shall be deemed reduced by the full par value of the aggregate principal amount of the Initial Term Loans or Additional Term Loans so retired and cancelled, and each principal repayment installment with respect to the Term Loans pursuant to <u>Section 2.10(a)</u> shall be reduced on a *pro rata* basis by the full par value of the aggregate principal amount of Term Loans so cancelled;
- (ii) any Initial Term Loans or Additional Term Loans acquired by any Non-Debt Fund Affiliate may (but shall not be required to) be contributed to the Borrower or any of its subsidiaries for purposes of cancelling such Indebtedness (it being understood that any such Initial Term Loans or Additional Term Loans shall be retired and cancelled immediately upon such contribution to the extent permitted by applicable law); provided that upon any such cancellation, the aggregate outstanding principal amount of the Initial Term Loans or Additional Term Loans, as applicable, shall be deemed reduced, as of the date of such contribution, by the full par value of the aggregate principal amount of the Initial Term Loans or Additional Term Loans so contributed and cancelled, and each principal repayment installment with respect to the Initial Term Loans pursuant to Section 2.10(a) shall be reduced pro rata by the full par value of the aggregate principal amount of Initial Term Loans so contributed and cancelled;
- (iii) the relevant Affiliated Lender and assigning Lender shall have executed an Affiliated Lender Assignment and Assumption and the Assignment shall have been recorded in the Register;
- (iv) after giving effect to such assignment and to all other assignments to all Affiliated Lenders, the aggregate principal amount of all Initial Term Loans and Additional Term Loans then held by all Affiliated Lenders shall not exceed 25% of the aggregate principal amount of the Initial Term Loans and Additional Term Loans then outstanding (after giving effect to any substantially simultaneous cancellations thereof) (the "Affiliated Lender Cap"); provided that (x) each party hereto acknowledges and agrees that the Administrative Agent shall not be liable for any losses, damages, penalties, claims, demands, actions, judgments, suits, costs, expenses and disbursements of any kind or nature whatsoever incurred or suffered by any Person in connection with any compliance or non-compliance with this clause (g)(iv) or any purported assignment exceeding the Affiliated Lender Cap (it being understood and agreed that the Affiliated Lender Cap is intended to apply to any Loans made available to Affiliated Lenders by means other than formal assignment (e.g., as a result of an acquisition of another Lender (other than any Debt Fund Affiliate)) by any Affiliated Lender or the provision of Additional Term Loans by any Affiliated Lender); and (y) that to the extent that any assignment to any Affiliated Lender would result in the aggregate principal amount of all Initial Term Loans and Additional Term Loans held by Affiliated Lenders exceeding the Affiliated Lender Cap (after giving effect to any substantially simultaneous cancellations thereof), the assignment of the relevant excess amount shall be deemed to have been contributed directly or indirectly to the Borrower and cancelled;

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(v) in connection with any assignment effected pursuant to a Dutch Auction and/or open market purchase conducted by any Holding Company, the Borrower or any of its subsidiaries, (A) the relevant Person may not use the proceeds of the ABL Facility or any Additional Revolving Loans to fund such assignment and (B) no Event of Default exists at the time of acceptance of bids for the Dutch Auction or the confirmation of such open market purchase, as applicable; and

(vi) by its acquisition of Term Loans, each relevant Affiliated Lender shall be deemed to have acknowledged and

agreed that:

- (A) subject to <u>clause (iv)</u> above, the Term Loans held by such Affiliated Lender shall be disregarded in both the numerator and denominator in the calculation of any Required Lender or other Lender vote (and the Term Loans held by such Affiliated Lender shall be deemed to be voted *pro rata* along with the other Lenders that are not Affiliated Lenders); <u>provided</u> that (x) such Affiliated Lender shall have the right to vote (and the Term Loans held by such Affiliated Lender shall not be so disregarded) with respect to any amendment, modification, waiver, consent or other action that requires the vote of all Lenders or all Lenders directly and adversely affected thereby, as the case may be, and (y) no amendment, modification, waiver, consent or other action shall (1) disproportionately affect such Affiliated Lender in its capacity as a Lender as compared to other Lenders of the same Class that are not Affiliated Lenders or (2) deprive any Affiliated Lender of its share of any payments which the Lenders are entitled to share on a *pro rata* basis hereunder, in each case without the consent of such Affiliated Lender; and
- (B) such Affiliated Lender, solely in its capacity as an Affiliated Lender, will not be entitled to (i) attend (including by telephone) or participate in any meeting or discussion (or portion thereof) among the Administrative Agent or any Lender or among Lenders to which the Loan Parties or their representatives are not invited or (ii) receive any information or material prepared by the Administrative Agent or any Lender or any communication by or among the Administrative Agent and one or more Lenders, except to the extent such information or materials have been made available by the Administrative Agent or any Lender to any Loan Party or its representatives (and in any case, other than the right to receive notices of Borrowings, prepayments and other administrative notices in respect of its Initial Term Loans or Additional Term Loans required to be delivered to Lenders pursuant to Article II); and

(vii) no Affiliated Lender shall be required to represent or warrant that it is not in possession of material non-public information with respect to Holdings, the Borrower and/or any subsidiary thereof and/or their respective securities in connection with any assignment permitted by this Section 9.05(h).

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Notwithstanding anything to the contrary contained herein, any Lender may, at any time, assign all or a portion of its rights and obligations under this Agreement in respect of its Initial Term Loans or Additional Term Loans to any Debt Fund Affiliate, and any Debt Fund Affiliate may, from time to time, purchase Initial Term Loans or Additional Term Loans (x) on a non-pro rata basis through Dutch Auctions open to all applicable Lenders or (y) on a non-pro rata basis through open market purchases without the consent of the Administrative Agent, in each case, notwithstanding the requirements set forth in sub-clauses (i) through (vii) of this clause (g); provided that the Initial Term Loans, Additional Term Loans of all Debt Fund Affiliates shall not account for more than 49.9% of the amounts included in determining whether the Required Lenders have (A) consented to any amendment, modification, waiver, consent or other action with respect to any of the terms of any Loan Document or any departure by any Loan Party therefrom, or subject to the immediately succeeding paragraph, any plan of reorganization pursuant to the Bankruptcy Code, (B) otherwise acted on any matter related to any Loan Document or (C) directed or required the Administrative Agent or any Lender to undertake any action (or refrain from taking any action) with respect to or under any Loan Document. Any Initial Term Loans or Additional Term Loans acquired by any Debt Fund Affiliate may (but shall not be required to) be contributed to the Borrower or any of its subsidiaries for purposes of cancelling such Indebtedness (it being understood that any Initial Term Loans or Additional Term Loans so contributed shall be retired and cancelled immediately to the extent permitted by applicable law); provided that upon any such cancellation, the aggregate outstanding principal amount of the Initial Term Loans or other Term Loans shall be deemed reduced, as of the date of such contribution, by the full par value of the aggregate principal amount of the Initial Term Loans or Additional Term Loans so contributed and cancelled, and each principal repayment installment with respect to the Initial Term Loans pursuant to Section 2.10(a) shall be reduced pro rata by the full par value of the aggregate principal amount of Loans so contributed and cancelled.

Notwithstanding anything in this Agreement or any other Loan Document to the contrary, each Affiliated Lender hereby agrees that, if a proceeding under any Debtor Relief Law is commenced by or against the Borrower or any other Loan Party at a time when such Lender is an Affiliated Lender, such Affiliated Lender irrevocably authorizes and empowers the Administrative Agent to vote on behalf of such Affiliated Lender with respect to the Initial Term Loans or Additional Term Loans held by such Affiliated Lender in the same proportion as the vote of Lenders that are not Affiliated Lenders on the relevant matter; provided that in connection with any

matter that proposes to treat any Obligations held by such Affiliated Lender in a manner that is different than the proposed treatment of similar Obligations held by Lenders that are not Affiliates, (a) such Affiliated Lender shall be entitled to vote in accordance with its sole discretion and (b) the Administrative Agent shall not be entitled to vote on behalf of such Affiliated Lender. Each Affiliated Lender hereby irrevocably appoints the Administrative Agent (such appointment being coupled with an interest) as such Affiliated Lender's attorney-in-fact, with full authority in the place and stead of such Affiliated Lender and in the name of such Affiliated Lender (solely in respect of Initial Term Loans or Additional Term Loans and participations therein and not in respect of any other claim or status that such Affiliated Lender may otherwise have), from time to time in the Administrative Agent's discretion to take any action and to execute any instrument that the Administrative Agent may deem reasonably necessary to carry out the provisions of (but subject to the limitations set forth in) this paragraph.

Section 9.06. Survival. All covenants, agreements, representations and warranties made by the Loan Parties in the Loan Documents and in the certificates or other instruments delivered in connection with or pursuant to this Agreement or any other Loan Document shall be considered to have been relied upon by the other parties hereto and shall survive the execution and delivery of the Loan Documents and the making of any Loans regardless of any investigation made by any such other party or on its behalf and notwithstanding that the Administrative Agent may have had notice or knowledge of any existing Default or Event of Default or incorrect representation or warranty at the time any credit is extended hereunder, and shall continue in full force and effect until the Termination Date. The provisions of Sections 2.15, 2.16, 2.17, 9.03 and 9.13 and Article VIII shall survive and remain in full force and effect regardless of the consummation of the transactions contemplated hereby, the repayment of the Loans, the expiration or termination of any Additional Commitment, the occurrence of the Termination Date or the termination of this Agreement or any provision hereof but in each case, subject to the limitations set forth in this Agreement.

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# Section 9.07. <u>Counterparts; Integration; Effectiveness; Electronic Execution.</u>

- (a) This Agreement may be executed in counterparts (and by different parties hereto on different counterparts), each of which shall constitute an original, but all of which when taken together shall constitute a single contract. This Agreement, the other Loan Documents, the Intercreditor Agreement (and any other Acceptable Intercreditor Agreement) and the Fee Letter and any separate letter agreements with respect to fees payable to the Administrative Agent constitute the entire agreement among the parties relating to the subject matter hereof and supersede any and all previous agreements and understandings, oral or written, relating to the subject matter hereof. This Agreement shall become effective when it has been executed by Holdings, the Borrower and the Administrative Agent and when the Administrative Agent has received counterparts hereof which, when taken together, bear the signatures of each of the other parties hereto, and thereafter shall be binding upon and inure to the benefit of the parties hereto and their respective successors and permitted assigns. Delivery of an executed counterpart of a signature page to this Agreement by email as a ".pdf" or ".tiff" attachment shall be effective as delivery of a manually executed counterpart of this Agreement.
- (b) The words "execute," "execution," "signed," "signature," and words of like import in or related to any document to be signed in connection with this Agreement and the transactions contemplated hereby (including without limitation Assignment and Assumptions, amendments or other modifications, Borrowing Requests, waivers and consents) shall be deemed to include electronic signatures, the electronic matching of assignment terms and contract formations on electronic platforms approved by the Administrative Agent, or the keeping of records in electronic form, each of which shall be of the same legal effect, validity or enforceability as a manually executed signature or the use of a paper-based recordkeeping system, as the case may be, to the extent and as provided for in any applicable law, including the Federal Electronic Signatures in Global and National Commerce Act, the New York State Electronic Signatures and Records Act, or any other similar state laws based on the Uniform Electronic Transactions Act; provided that notwithstanding anything contained herein to the contrary the Administrative Agent is under no obligation to agree to accept electronic signatures in any form or in any format unless expressly agreed to by the Administrative Agent pursuant to procedures approved by it.

Section 9.08. Severability. To the extent permitted by law, any provision of any Loan Document held to be invalid, illegal or unenforceable in any jurisdiction shall, as to such jurisdiction, be ineffective to the extent of such invalidity, illegality or unenforceability without affecting the validity, legality and enforceability of the remaining provisions thereof; and the invalidity of a particular provision in a particular jurisdiction shall not invalidate such provision in any other jurisdiction.

Section 9.09. Right of Setoff. At any time when an Event of Default exists, upon the written consent of the Administrative Agent, each Lender and each of their respective Affiliates is hereby authorized at any time and from time to time, to the fullest extent permitted by law, to set off and apply any and all deposits (general or special, time or demand, provisional or final) at any time held and other obligations (in any currency) at any time owing by the Administrative Agent or such Lender or Affiliate (including by branches and agencies of the Administrative Agent or such Lender, wherever located) to or for the credit or the account of the Borrower or any Loan Party against any of and all the Secured Obligations held by the Administrative Agent or such Lender or Affiliate, in each case, except to the extent such amounts, deposits, obligations, credit or account constitute Excluded Assets, irrespective of whether or not the Administrative Agent or such Lender or Affiliate shall have made any demand under the Loan Documents and although such obligations may be contingent or unmatured or are owed to a branch or office of such Lender different than the branch or office holding such deposit or obligation on such Indebtedness. Any applicable Lender or Affiliate shall promptly notify the Borrower and the Administrative Agent of such set-off or application; provided that any failure to give or any delay in giving such notice shall not affect the validity of any such set-off or application under this Section 9.09 except to the extent such amounts, deposits, obligations, credit or account constitute Excluded Assets. The rights of each Lender, the Administrative Agent and each Affiliate under this Section 9.09 are in addition to other rights and remedies (including other rights of setoff) which such Lender, the Administrative Agent or such Affiliate may have.

#### Section 9.10. Governing Law; Jurisdiction; Consent to Service of Process.

- (a) THIS AGREEMENT AND THE OTHER LOAN DOCUMENTS (OTHER THAN AS EXPRESSLY SET FORTH IN OTHER LOAN DOCUMENTS) AND ANY CLAIM, CONTROVERSY OR DISPUTE ARISING UNDER OR RELATED TO THIS AGREEMENT AND THE OTHER LOAN DOCUMENTS (OTHER THAN AS EXPRESSLY SET FORTH IN THE OTHER LOAN DOCUMENTS), WHETHER IN TORT, CONTRACT (AT LAW OR IN EQUITY) OR OTHERWISE, SHALL BE GOVERNED BY, AND CONSTRUED AND INTERPRETED IN ACCORDANCE WITH, THE LAWS OF THE STATE OF NEW YORK.
- (b) Each party hereto hereby irrevocably and unconditionally submits, for itself and its property, to the exclusive jurisdiction (subject to the last sentence of this clause (b)) of any U.S. Federal or New York State court sitting in the Borough of Manhattan, in the City of New York (or any appellate court therefrom) over any suit, action or proceeding arising out of or relating to any Loan Documents and agrees that all claims in respect of any such action or proceeding shall (except as permitted below) be heard and determined in such New York State or, to the extent permitted by law, federal court; provided that with respect to any suit, action or proceeding arising out of or relating to the Merger Agreement or the transactions contemplated thereby which does not involve any claims against the Arrangers, the Lenders or any indemnified person, this sentence shall not override any jurisdiction provision in the Merger Agreement. Each party hereto agrees that service of any process, summons, notice or document by registered mail addressed to such Person shall be effective service of process against such Person for any suit, action or proceeding brought in any such court. Each party hereto agrees that a final judgment in any such action or proceeding may be enforced in other jurisdictions by suit on the judgment or in any other manner provided by law. Each party hereto agrees that the Administrative Agent retains the right to bring proceedings (on behalf of itself and/or the Secured Parties) against any Loan Party in the courts of any other jurisdiction solely in connection with the exercise of any rights under any Collateral Document.
- (c) Each party hereto hereby irrevocably and unconditionally waives, to the fullest extent it may legally and effectively do so, any objection which it may now or hereafter have to the laying of venue of any suit, action or proceeding arising out of or relating to this Agreement or any other Loan Document in any court referred to in paragraph (b) of this
- <u>Section 9.10</u>. Each party hereto hereby irrevocably waives, to the fullest extent permitted by law, any claim or defense of an inconvenient forum to the maintenance of such action, suit or proceeding in any such court.
- (d) To the extent permitted by law, each party hereto hereby irrevocably waives personal service of any and all process upon it and agrees that all such service of process may be made by registered mail (or any substantially similar form of mail) directed to it at its address for notices as provided for in <u>Section 9.01</u>.
- (e) Each party hereto hereby waives any objection to such service of process and further irrevocably waives and agrees not to plead or claim in any action or proceeding commenced hereunder or under any loan document that

Section 9.11. Waiver of Jury Trial. EACH PARTY HERETO HEREBY IRREVOCABLY AND UNCONDITIONALLY WAIVES, TO THE FULLEST EXTENT PERMITTED BY APPLICABLE LAW, ANY RIGHT IT MAY HAVE TO A TRIAL BY JURY IN ANY SUIT, ACTION, PROCEEDING OR COUNTERCLAIM (WHETHER BASED ON CONTRACT, TORT OR ANY OTHER THEORY) DIRECTLY OR INDIRECTLY ARISING OUT OF OR RELATING TO THIS AGREEMENT, ANY OTHER LOAN DOCUMENT OR THE TRANSACTIONS CONTEMPLATED HEREBY OR THEREBY. EACH PARTY HERETO (a) CERTIFIES THAT NO REPRESENTATIVE, AGENT OR ATTORNEY OF ANY OTHER PARTY HERETO HAS REPRESENTED, EXPRESSLY OR OTHERWISE, THAT SUCH OTHER PARTY WOULD NOT, IN THE EVENT OF LITIGATION, SEEK TO ENFORCE THE FOREGOING WAIVER AND (b) ACKNOWLEDGES THAT IT AND THE OTHER PARTIES HERETO HAVE BEEN INDUCED TO ENTER INTO THIS AGREEMENT BY, AMONG OTHER THINGS, THE MUTUAL WAIVERS AND CERTIFICATIONS IN THIS SECTION 9.11.

Section 9.12. <u>Headings</u>. Article and Section headings and the Table of Contents used herein are for convenience of reference only, are not part of this Agreement and shall not affect the construction of, or be taken into consideration in interpreting, this Agreement.

Section 9.13. Confidentiality. Each of the Administrative Agent, each Lender and each Arranger agrees (and each Lender agrees to cause its SPC, if any) to maintain the confidentiality of the Confidential Information (as defined below), except that Confidential Information may be disclosed (a) to its and its Affiliates' directors, officers, managers, employees, independent auditors, or other experts and advisors, including accountants, legal counsel and other advisors (collectively, the "Representatives") on a "need to know" basis solely in connection with the transactions contemplated hereby and who are informed of the confidential nature of the Confidential Information and are or have been advised of their obligation to keep the Confidential Information of this type confidential; provided that (x) such Person shall be responsible for its Affiliates' and their Representatives' compliance with this paragraph and (y) unless the Borrower otherwise consents, no such disclosure shall be made by the Administrative Agent, each Arranger, any Lender or any Affiliate or Representative thereof to any Affiliate or Representative of the Administrative Agent, each Arranger, or any Lender that is a Disqualified Institution, (b) upon the demand or request of any regulatory or Governmental Authority (including any self-regulatory body or any Federal Reserve Bank or other central bank acting as pledgee pursuant to Section 9.05) purporting to have jurisdiction over such Person or its Affiliates (in which case such Person shall, except with respect to any audit or examination conducted by bank accountants or any Governmental Authority or regulatory or self-regulatory authority exercising examination or regulatory authority, to the extent practicable and permitted by law, (i) inform the Borrower promptly in advance thereof and (ii) use commercially reasonable efforts to ensure that any information so disclosed is accorded confidential treatment), (c) to the extent compelled by legal process in, or reasonably necessary to, the defense of such legal, judicial or administrative proceeding, in any legal, judicial or administrative proceeding or otherwise as required by applicable Requirements of Law (in which case such Person shall (i) except with respect to any disclosures required in the ordinary course by the Securitization Regulation or similar law or regulation applicable to such Lender, to the extent practicable and permitted by law, inform the Borrower promptly in advance thereof and (ii) use commercially reasonable efforts to ensure that any such information so disclosed is accorded confidential treatment), (d) to any other party to this Agreement, (e) to any Lender, Participant, counterparty or prospective Lender, Participant or counterparty, subject to an acknowledgment and agreement by the relevant recipient that the Confidential Information is being disseminated on a confidential basis (on substantially the terms set forth in this paragraph or as otherwise reasonably acceptable to the Borrower and the Administrative Agent) in accordance with the standard syndication process of the Arrangers or market standards for dissemination of the relevant type of information, which shall in any event require "click through" or other affirmative action on the part of the recipient to access the Confidential Information and acknowledge its confidentiality obligations in respect thereof, to (i) any Eligible Assignee of or Participant in, or any prospective Eligible Assignee of or prospective Participant in, any of its rights or obligations under this Agreement, including any SPC (in each case other than a Disqualified Institution), (ii) any pledgee referred to in Section 9.05, and (iii) any actual or prospective, direct or indirect contractual counterparty (or its advisors) to any Derivative Transaction (including any credit default swap) or similar derivative product to which any Loan Party is a party, (f) with the prior written consent of the Borrower and subject to the Borrower's prior approval of the information to be disclosed (not to be unreasonably withheld or delayed) to one or more ratings agencies in connection with obtaining ratings (including "shadow ratings") of the Borrower or the Loans, (g) to the extent the Confidential Information becomes publicly available other than as a result of a breach of this Section 9.13 by such Person, its Affiliates or their respective Representatives, (h) to insurers, any numbering administration or settlement services providers on a "need to know" basis

solely in connection with the transactions contemplated hereby and who are informed of the confidential nature of the Confidential Information and are or have been advised of their obligation to keep the Confidential Information of this type confidential; provided that any disclosure made in reliance on this clause (h) is limited to the general terms of this Agreement and does not include financial or other information relating to Holdings, the Borrower and/or any of their respective subsidiaries and (i) to the extent required to be so disclosed in any public filings by a Lender with the SEC. For purposes of this Section 9.13, "Confidential Information" means all information relating to the Borrower and/or any of its subsidiaries and their respective businesses, the Sponsor or the Transactions (including any information obtained by the Administrative Agent, any Lender or any Arranger, or any of their respective Affiliates or Representatives, based on a review of the books and records relating to the Borrower and/or any of its subsidiaries and their respective Affiliates from time to time, including prior to the date hereof) other than any such information that is publicly available to the Administrative Agent or any Arranger, or Lender on a non-confidential basis prior to disclosure by the Borrower or any of its subsidiaries. For the avoidance of doubt, in no event shall any disclosure of any Confidential Information be made to Person that is a Disqualified Institution at the time of disclosure.

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Section 9.14. No Fiduciary Duty. Each of the Administrative Agent, the Arrangers, each Lender and their respective Affiliates (collectively, solely for purposes of this paragraph, the "Lenders"), may have economic interests that conflict with those of the Loan Parties, their stockholders and/or their respective affiliates. Each Loan Party agrees that nothing in the Loan Documents or otherwise will be deemed to create an advisory, fiduciary or agency relationship or fiduciary or other implied duty between any Lender, on the one hand, and such Loan Party, its respective stockholders or its respective affiliates, on the other. Each Loan Party acknowledges and agrees that: (i) the transactions contemplated by the Loan Documents (including the exercise of rights and remedies hereunder and thereunder) are arm's-length commercial transactions between the Lenders, on the one hand, and the Loan Parties, on the other, and (ii) in connection therewith and with the process leading thereto, (x) no Lender has assumed an advisory or fiduciary responsibility in favor of any Loan Party, its respective stockholders or its respective affiliates with respect to the transactions contemplated hereby (or the exercise of rights or remedies with respect thereto) or the process leading thereto (irrespective of whether any Lender has advised, is currently advising or will advise any Loan Party, its respective stockholders or its respective Affiliates on other matters) or any other obligation to any Loan Party except the obligations expressly set forth in the Loan Documents and (y) each Lender is acting solely as principal and not as the agent or fiduciary of such Loan Party, its respective management, stockholders, creditors or any other Person. Each Loan Party acknowledges and agrees that such Loan Party has consulted its own legal, tax and financial advisors to the extent it deemed appropriate and that it is responsible for making its own independent judgment with respect to such transactions and the process leading thereto.

Section 9.15. <u>Several Obligations</u>. The respective obligations of the Lenders hereunder are several and not joint and the failure of any Lender to make any Loan or perform any of its obligations hereunder shall not relieve any other Lender from any of its obligations hereunder.

Section 9.16. <u>USA PATRIOT Act</u>. Each Lender that is subject to the requirements of the USA PATRIOT Act hereby notifies the Loan Parties that pursuant to the requirements of the USA PATRIOT Act, it is required to obtain, verify and record information that identifies each Loan Party, which information includes the name and address of such Loan Party and other information that will allow such Lender to identify such Loan Party in accordance with the USA PATRIOT Act.

Section 9.17. <u>Disclosure</u>. Each Loan Party and each Lender hereby acknowledges and agrees that the Administrative Agent and/or its Affiliates from time to time may hold investments in, make other loans to or have other relationships with any of the Loan Parties and their respective Affiliates.

Section 9.18. <u>Appointment for Perfection</u>. Each Lender hereby appoints each other Lender as its agent for the purpose of perfecting Liens for the benefit of the Administrative Agent and the Lenders, in Collateral which, in accordance with Article 9 of the UCC or any other applicable law can be perfected only by possession and such possession is required by the Perfection Requirements. If any Lender (other than the Administrative Agent) obtains possession of any Collateral, such Lender shall notify the Administrative Agent thereof; and, promptly upon the Administrative Agent's request therefor shall deliver such Collateral to the Administrative Agent or otherwise deal with such Collateral in accordance with the Administrative Agent's instructions.

Section 9.19. <u>Interest Rate Limitation.</u>

- (a) Notwithstanding anything herein to the contrary, if at any time the interest rate applicable to any Loan, together with all fees, charges and other amounts which are treated as interest on such Loan under applicable law (collectively the "Charged Amounts"), shall exceed the maximum lawful rate (the "Maximum Rate") which may be contracted for, charged, taken, received or reserved by the Lender holding such Loan in accordance with applicable law, the rate of interest payable in respect of such Loan hereunder, together with all Charged Amounts payable in respect thereof, shall be limited to the Maximum Rate and, to the extent lawful, the interest and Charged Amounts that would have been payable in respect of such Loan but were not payable as a result of the operation of this Section 9.19 shall be cumulated and the interest and Charged Amounts payable to such Lender in respect of other Loans or periods shall be increased (but not above the Maximum Rate therefor) until such cumulated amount, together with interest thereon at the Federal Funds Effective Rate to the date of repayment, shall have been received by such Lender.
- (b) Any provision of this Agreement that would oblige a Loan Party to pay any fine, penalty or rate of interest on any arrears of principal or interest secured by a mortgage on real property that has the effect of increasing the charge on arrears beyond the rate of interest payable on principal money not in arrears shall not apply to such Loan Party, which shall be required to pay interest on money in arrears at the same rate of interest payable on principal money not in arrears.

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#### Section 9.20. Intercreditor Agreement.

REFERENCE IS MADE TO THE ABL INTERCREDITOR AGREEMENT AND EACH OTHER APPLICABLE ACCEPTABLE INTERCREDITOR AGREEMENT. EACH LENDER HEREUNDER AGREES THAT IT WILL BE BOUND BY AND WILL TAKE NO ACTIONS CONTRARY TO THE PROVISIONS OF THE ABL INTERCREDITOR AGREEMENT OR SUCH OTHER ACCEPTABLE INTERCREDITOR AGREEMENT AND AUTHORIZES AND INSTRUCTS THE ADMINISTRATIVE AGENT TO ENTER INTO THE ABL INTERCREDITOR AGREEMENT AND ANY OTHER ACCEPTABLE INTERCREDITOR AGREEMENT AS "AGENT" AND ON BEHALF OF SUCH LENDER. THE PROVISIONS OF THIS SECTION 9.20 ARE NOT INTENDED TO SUMMARIZE ALL RELEVANT PROVISIONS OF THE ABL INTERCREDITOR AGREEMENT AND ANY OTHER ACCEPTABLE INTERCREDITOR AGREEMENT. REFERENCE MUST BE MADE TO THE ABL INTERCREDITOR AGREEMENT OR ANY OTHER ACCEPTABLE INTERCREDITOR AGREEMENT ITSELF TO UNDERSTAND ALL TERMS AND CONDITIONS THEREOF. EACH LENDER IS RESPONSIBLE FOR MAKING ITS OWN ANALYSIS AND REVIEW OF THE ABL INTERCREDITOR AGREEMENT (AND ANY OTHER ACCEPTABLE INTERCREDITOR AGREEMENT) AND THE TERMS AND PROVISIONS THEREOF, AND NEITHER THE ADMINISTRATIVE AGENT NOR ANY OF ITS AFFILIATES MAKES ANY REPRESENTATION TO ANY LENDER AS TO THE SUFFICIENCY OR ADVISABILITY OF THE PROVISIONS CONTAINED IN THE ABL INTERCREDITOR AGREEMENT.

Section 9.21. <u>Conflicts.</u> Notwithstanding anything to the contrary contained herein or in any other Loan Document (but excluding any applicable Acceptable Intercreditor Agreement), in the event of any conflict or inconsistency between this Agreement and any other Loan Document (excluding any applicable Acceptable Intercreditor Agreement), the terms of this Agreement shall govern and control; <u>provided</u> that in the case of any conflict or inconsistency between any applicable Acceptable Intercreditor Agreement and any other Loan Document, the terms of such Acceptable Intercreditor Agreement shall govern and control.

Section 9.22. Release of Guarantors. Notwithstanding anything in Section 9.02(b) to the contrary, any Subsidiary Guarantor shall automatically be released from its obligations hereunder (and its Loan Guaranty shall be automatically released) (a) upon the consummation of any permitted transaction or series of related transactions if as a result thereof such Subsidiary Guarantor ceases to be a Restricted Subsidiary (or becomes an Excluded Subsidiary as a result of a single transaction or series of related transactions permitted hereunder) as certified by a Responsible Officer of the Borrower, (b) in the case of any Discretionary Guarantor, the Borrower elects, in its sole discretion, any Discretionary Guarantor to be released from its obligations hereunder, so long as in the case of any such Discretionary Guarantor that is a Restricted Subsidiary of the Borrower, (i) such Discretionary Guarantor is or becomes an Excluded Subsidiary as a result of a single transaction or series of related transactions permitted hereunder; and (ii) after giving effect to such election and release, the Indebtedness of such Discretionary Guarantor outstanding upon such election and release will be deemed to constitute Indebtedness of a Restricted Subsidiary that is not a Loan Party for purposes of this Agreement, in each case as certified by a Responsible Officer of the Borrower, and/or (c) upon the occurrence of the Termination Date. In connection with any such release, the Administrative Agent shall promptly execute and deliver to the relevant Loan Party, at such Loan Party's expense, all documents that such Loan Party shall reasonably request to

Section 9.23. <u>Acknowledgement and Consent to Bail-In of Affected Financial Institutions.</u> Notwithstanding anything to the contrary in any Loan Document or in any other agreement, arrangement or understanding among any such parties, each party hereto acknowledges that any liability of any Affected Financial Institution arising under any Loan Document, to the extent such liability is unsecured, may be subject to the Write-Down and Conversion Powers of the applicable Resolution Authority and agrees and consents to, and acknowledges and agrees to be bound by:

- (a) the application of any Write-Down and Conversion Powers by the applicable Resolution Authority to any such liabilities arising hereunder which may be payable to it by any party hereto that is an Affected Financial Institution; and
  - (b) the effects of any Bail-in Action on any such liability, including, if applicable:
  - (i) a reduction in full or in part or cancellation of any such liability;
- (ii) a conversion of all, or a portion of, such liability into shares or other instruments of ownership in such Affected Financial Institution, its parent entity, or a bridge institution that may be issued to it or otherwise conferred on it, and that such shares or other instruments of ownership will be accepted by it in lieu of any rights with respect to any such liability under this Agreement or any other Loan Document; or
- (iii) the variation of the terms of such liability in connection with the exercise of the Write-Down and Conversion Powers of the applicable Resolution Authority.

#### Section 9.24. Lender Representation.

- (a) Each Lender (x) represents and warrants, as of the date such Person became a Lender party hereto, to, and (y) covenants, from the date such Person became a Lender party hereto to the date such Person ceases being a Lender party hereto, for the benefit of, the Administrative Agent and each other Arranger and their respective Affiliates, and not, for the avoidance of doubt, to or for the benefit of the Borrower or any other Loan Party, that at least one of the following is and will be true:
- (i) such Lender is not using "plan assets" (within the meaning of 29 CFR § 2510.3-101, as modified by Section 3(42) of ERISA or otherwise for purposes of Title I of ERISA or Section 4975 of the Code) of one or more Benefit Plans in connection with the Loans or the Commitments,

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- (ii) the prohibited transaction exemption set forth in one or more PTEs, such as PTE 84-14 (a class exemption for certain transactions determined by independent qualified professional asset managers), PTE 95-60 (a class exemption for certain transactions involving insurance company general accounts), PTE 90-1 (a class exemption for certain transactions involving insurance company pooled separate accounts), PTE 91-38 (a class exemption for certain transactions involving bank collective investment funds) or PTE 96-23 (a class exemption for certain transactions determined by in-house asset managers), is applicable so as to exempt from the prohibitions of Section 406 of ERISA and Section 4975 of the Code such Lender's entrance into, participation in, administration of and performance of the Loans, the Commitments and this Agreement,
- (iii) (A) such Lender is an investment fund managed by a "Qualified Professional Asset Manager" (within the meaning of Part VI of PTE 84-14), (B) such Qualified Professional Asset Manager made the investment decision on behalf of such

Lender to enter into, participate in, administer and perform the Loans, the Commitments and this Agreement, (C) the entrance into, participation in, administration of and performance of the Loans, the Commitments and this Agreement satisfies the requirements of sub-sections (b) through (g) of Part I of PTE 84-14 and (D) to the best knowledge of such Lender, the requirements of subsection (a) of Part I of PTE 84-14 are satisfied with respect to such Lender's entrance into, participation in, administration of and performance of the Loans, the Commitments and this Agreement, or

- (iv) such other representation, warranty and covenant as may be agreed in writing between the Administrative Agent, in its sole discretion, and such Lender.
  - (b) In addition, unless <u>sub-clause (i)</u> in the immediately preceding <u>clause (a)</u> is true with respect to a Lender or such Lender has not provided another representation, warranty and covenant as provided in <u>sub-clause (iv)</u> in the immediately preceding <u>clause (a)</u>, such Lender further (x) represents and warrants, as of the date such Person became a Lender party hereto, and (y) covenants, from the date such Person became a Lender party hereto to the date such Person ceases being a Lender party hereto, for the benefit of, the Administrative Agent and each other Arranger and their respective Affiliates, and not, for the avoidance of doubt, to or for the benefit of the Borrower or any other Loan Party, that none of the Administrative Agent or each other Arranger or their respective Affiliates is a fiduciary with respect to the assets of such Lender involved in the Loans, the Commitments and this Agreement (including in connection with the reservation or exercise of any rights by the Administrative Agent under this Agreement, any Loan Document or any documents related to hereto or thereto).
- Section 9.25. Acknowledgement Regarding Any Supported QFCs. To the extent that the Loan Documents provide support, through a guarantee or otherwise, for Hedge Agreements or any other agreement or instrument that is a QFC (such support, "QFC Credit Support" and each such QFC a "Supported QFC"), the parties acknowledge and agree as follows with respect to the resolution power of the Federal Deposit Insurance Corporation under the Federal Deposit Insurance Act and Title II of the Dodd-Frank Wall Street Reform and Consumer Protection Act (together with the regulations promulgated thereunder, the "U.S. Special Resolution Regimes") in respect of such Supported QFC and QFC Credit Support (with the provisions below applicable notwithstanding that the Loan Documents and any Supported QFC may in fact be stated to be governed by the laws of the State of New York and/or of the United States or any other state of the United States):
  - In the event a Covered Entity that is party to a Supported QFC (each, a "Covered Party") becomes subject to a proceeding under a U.S. Special Resolution Regime, the transfer of such Supported QFC and the benefit of such QFC Credit Support (and any interest and obligation in or under such Supported QFC and such QFC Credit Support, and any rights in property securing such Supported QFC or such QFC Credit Support) from such Covered Party will be effective to the same extent as the transfer would be effective under the U.S. Special Resolution Regime if the Supported QFC and such QFC Credit Support (and any such interest, obligation and rights in property) were governed by the laws of the United States or a state of the United States. In the event a Covered Party or a BHC Act Affiliate of a Covered Party becomes subject to a proceeding under a U.S. Special Resolution Regime, Default Rights under the Loan Documents that might otherwise apply to such Supported QFC or any QFC Credit Support that may be exercised against such Covered Party are permitted to be exercised to no greater extent than such Default Rights could be exercised under the U.S. Special Resolution Regime if the Supported QFC and the Loan Documents were governed by the laws of the United States or a state of the United States. Without limitation of the foregoing, it is understood and agreed that rights and remedies of the parties with respect to a Defaulting Lender hereunder shall in no event affect the rights of any Covered Party under a Supported QFC or any QFC Credit Support.

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(b) As used in this Section 9.25, the following terms have the following meanings:

"BHC Act Affiliate" of a party means an "affiliate" (as such term is defined under, and interpreted in accordance with, 12 U.S.C. 1841(k)) of such party.

"Covered Entity" means any of the following:

(i) a "covered entity" as that term is defined in, and interpreted in accordance with, 12 C.F.R. §

252.82(b);

(ii) a "covered bank" as that term is defined in, and interpreted in accordance with, 12 C.F.R. §

47.3(b); or

(iii) a "covered FSI" as that term is defined in, and interpreted in accordance with, 12 C.F.R. §

382.2(b).

"**Default Right**" has the meaning assigned to that term in, and shall be interpreted in accordance with, 12 C.F.R. §§ 252.81, 47.2 or 382.1, as applicable.

"QFC" has the meaning assigned to the term "qualified financial contract" in, and shall be interpreted in accordance with, 12 U.S.C. 5390(c)(8)(D).

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IN WITNESS WHEREOF, the parties hereto have caused this Agreement to be duly executed by their respective authorized officers as of the day and year first above written.

# HILLMAN INVESTMENT COMPANY,

as Holdings

By: /s/ Douglas D. Roberts

Name: Douglas D. Roberts

Title: Vice President, Secretary, and General Counsel

#### THE HILLMAN GROUP, INC.,

as Borrower

By: /s/ Douglas D. Roberts

Name: Douglas D. Roberts

Title: Vice President, Secretary, and General Counsel

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# JEFFERIES FINANCE LLC,

individually, as Administrative Agent

By: /s/ E. J. Hess

Name: E. J. Hess

Title: Managing Director

# JEFFERIES FINANCE LLC,

as an Initial Term Lender

By: /s/ E. J. Hess

Name: E. J. Hess

Title: Managing Director

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# **Company Subsidiaries**

Subsidiary	Jurisdiction of Organization
HMAN Group Holdings Inc.	Delaware
HMAN Intermediate Holdings Corp.	Delaware
HMAN Intermediate II Holdings Corp.	Delaware
The Hillman Companies, Inc.	Delaware
Hillman Group Capital Trust	Delaware
Hillman Investment Company	Delaware
The Hillman Group, Inc.	Delaware
NB Parent Company LLC	Delaware
NB Products LLC	Delaware
Big Time Products, LLC	Georgia
BTP Latinoamericana S. de R.L. de C.V.	Mexico
SunSub C Inc.	Delaware
The Hillman Group Canada ULC	British Columbia, Canada
SunSource Integrated Services de Mexico SA de CV	Mexico
Hillman Cares, Inc.	Delaware

#### UNAUDITED PRO FORMA CONDENSED CONSOLIDATED COMBINED FINANCIAL INFORMATION

Capitalized terms used but not defined herein shall have the meanings ascribed to them in the Current Report on Form 8-K to which this Unaudited Pro Forma Condensed Combined Financial Information is attached (the "Form 8-K") or, if such terms are not defined in the Form 8-K, then such terms shall have the meanings ascribed to them in the proxy statement/prospectus filed with the Securities and Exchange Commission (the "SEC") by Landcadia on June 11, 2021 (the "Proxy Statement").

#### Introduction

Landcadia and Hillman are providing the following unaudited pro forma condensed combined financial information to aid you in your analysis of the financial aspects of the business combination. The unaudited pro forma condensed combined financial information has been prepared in accordance with Article 11 of Regulation S-X and should be read in conjunction with the accompanying notes, which are included elsewhere in the Proxy Statement and incorporated by reference into the Form 8-K to which this Unaudited Pro Forma Condensed Combined Financial Information is attached.

The unaudited pro forma condensed combined balance sheet as of March 31, 2021 combines the unaudited condensed balance sheet of Landcadia as of March 31, 2021 with the unaudited condensed combined balance sheet of Hillman as of March 27, 2021, giving effect to the Merger.

The unaudited pro forma condensed combined statement of operations for the three months ended March 31, 2021 combines the unaudited condensed statement of operations of Landcadia for the three months ended March 31, 2021 with the unaudited condensed combined statement of operations of Hillman for the thirteen weeks ended March 27, 2021. The unaudited pro forma condensed combined statement of operations for the year ended December 31, 2020 combines the audited condensed statement of operations of Landcadia for the year ended December 31, 2020 with the audited condensed combined statement of operations of Hillman for the year ended December 26, 2020, giving effect to the Merger as if it had been consummated on January 1, 2020, the beginning of the earliest period presented.

The unaudited pro forma condensed combined financial information was derived from, and should be read in conjunction with, the following historical financial statements and the accompanying notes, which are included elsewhere in the Proxy Statement and incorporated by reference into the Form 8-K to which this Unaudited Pro Forma Condensed Combined Financial Information is attached:

- The historical unaudited condensed financial statements of Landcadia as of and for the three months ended March 31, 2021, and the historical audited financial statements of Landcadia as of and for the year ended December 31, 2020, which are included in the Proxy Statement and incorporated by reference into the Form 8-K to which this Unaudited Pro Forma Condensed Combined Financial Information is attached; and
- The historical unaudited condensed consolidated financial statements of Hillman as of and for the thirteen weeks ended March 27, 2021 and the historical audited consolidated financial statements as of and for the year ended December 26, 2020, which are included in the Proxy Statement and incorporated by reference into the Form 8-K to which this Unaudited Pro Forma Condensed Combined Financial Information is attached.

The foregoing historical financial statements have been prepared in accordance with GAAP. The unaudited pro forma condensed combined financial information has been prepared based on the aforementioned historical financial statements and the assumptions and adjustments as described in the notes to the unaudited pro forma condensed combined financial information. The pro forma adjustments reflect transaction accounting adjustments related to the Merger, which is discussed in further detail below. The unaudited pro forma condensed combined financial statements are presented for illustrative purposes only and do not purport to represent Landcadia's consolidated results of operations or consolidated financial position that would actually have occurred had the Merger been consummated on the dates assumed or to project Landcadia's consolidated results of operations or consolidated financial position for any future date or period.

The unaudited pro forma condensed combined financial information should also be read together with "Management's Discussion and Analysis of Financial Condition and Results of Operations of Landcadia" and "Management's Discussion and Analysis of Financial Condition and Results of Operations of Hillman," and other financial information, which are included elsewhere in the Proxy Statement and incorporated by reference into the Form 8-K to which this Unaudited Pro Forma Condensed Combined Financial Information is attached.

# **Description of the Merger**

On January 24, 2021, Landcadia and Hillman entered into the Merger Agreement. Pursuant to the Merger Agreement, and Landcadia has merged with and into Hillman. Upon Closing, Hillman became a wholly-owned subsidiary of Landcadia.

Upon Closing, the ownership distribution of the successor entity was as follows:

	\$	Shares	%
Hillman Holdco stockholders	914	91.4	48.7
Landcadia Public Stockholders <sup>(1)</sup>	500	50.0	26.7
PIPE Investors <sup>(2)</sup>	350	35.0	18.7
SPAC Sponsors– JFG Sponsor <sup>(3)</sup>	72	7.2	3.8
SPAC Sponsors – TJF Sponsor	40	4.0	2.1
Total Shares	1,876	187.6	100.0

- (1) Includes 1,503,200 public shares held by Jefferies LLC, a subsidiary of JFG Sponsor.
- (2) Excludes 2.5 million shares held by JFG Sponsor through additional investment in PIPE.
- (3) Includes 2.5 million shares held by JFG Sponsor through additional investment in PIPE and excludes 1,503,200 public shares held by Jefferies LLC, a subsidiary of JFG Sponsor.

#### Accounting for the Merger

The Merger will be accounted for as a reverse recapitalization in accordance with GAAP. Under this method of accounting, Landcadia has been treated as the "acquired" company for financial reporting purposes. This determination was primarily based on the Hillman equity holders having a relative majority of the voting power of the combined entity, Hillman having the authority to appoint a majority of directors on the Board of Directors, and senior management of Hillman comprising the majority of the senior management of the combined entity. Accordingly, for accounting purposes, the financial statements of the combined entity will represent a continuation of the financial statements of Hillman with the acquisition being treated as the equivalent of Hillman issuing stock for the net assets of Landcadia, accompanied by a recapitalization. The net assets of Landcadia will be stated at historical cost, with no goodwill or other intangible assets recorded.

#### **Basis of Pro Forma Presentation**

The historical financial information has been adjusted to give pro forma effect to the transaction accounting required for the Merger. The adjustments in the unaudited pro forma condensed combined financial information have been identified and presented to provide relevant information necessary for an accurate understanding of the combined entity upon the Closing.

The unaudited pro forma condensed combined financial information is for illustrative purposes only. The financial results may have been different had the companies always been combined. You should not rely on the unaudited pro forma condensed combined financial information as being indicative of the historical results that would have been achieved had the companies always been combined or the future results that the combined entity will experience. Landcadia and Hillman have not had any historical relationship prior to the Merger. Accordingly, no pro forma adjustments were required to eliminate activities between the companies.

# Unaudited Pro Forma Condensed Combined Balance Sheet (in thousands)

	As of March 27, 2021	As of March 31, 2021			
	Hillman Historical		Pro Forma Transaction Adjustments	Pro Forma Combined	
ASSETS					
Current assets					
Cash and cash equivalents	13,912	511	500,026(A)	143,521	
			375,000(B)		
			(1,593,652)(C)		
			944,000(D)		
			(96,276)(E)		
Accounts receivable, net	136,742	-		136,742	
Inventories, net	459,740	-		459,740	

12,093	120		12,213
622,487	631	129,098	752,216
175,321	-		175,321
816,678	-		816,678
811,496	-		811,496
77,479	-		77,479
	-		3,650
12,522	-		12,522
-	500,026	(500,026)(A)	
1,721,825	500,026	(500,026)	1,721,825
2,519,633	500,657	(370,928)	2,649,362
220,323	72		220,395
11,442	-	(10,609)(C)	833
11,528	-		11,528
80,876	-	-	80,876
324,169	72	(10,609)	313,632
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70,419	-		70,419
30,420	-		30,420
1,833,990	62,010	(653,120)	1,242,880
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		433,570(I)	
(4,320)	-		(4,320)
(180,819)	(18,170)	(3,423)(C)	(263,018)
		18,170(F)	
		(78,776)(E)	
(26,915)	<u>-</u>	<u>-</u>	(26,915)
361,474	5,001	726,375	1,092,850
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	622,487  175,321  816,678  811,496  77,479  3,650  12,522  1,721,825  2,519,633  220,323  11,442  11,528  80,876  324,169  1,581,458  -  151,693  70,419  30,420  1,833,990  -  573,523  (4,320)  (180,819)  (26,915)	622,487       631         175,321       -         816,678       -         811,496       -         77,479       -         3,650       -         12,522       -         -       500,026         2,519,633       500,657         220,323       72         11,442       -         11,528       -         80,876       -         324,169       72         1,581,458       -         -       17,500         44,510       -         151,693       -         70,419       -         30,420       -         1,833,990       62,010         -       433,574         5       1         573,523       23,169         (4,320)       -         (180,819)       (18,170)	622,487 631 129,098  175,321 -  816,678 -  811,496 -  77,479 -  3,650 -  12,522 -  500,026 (500,026)(A)  1,721,825 500,026 (500,026)  2,519,633 500,657 (370,928)   220,323 72  11,442 - (10,609)(C)  11,528 -  80,876 -  324,169 72 (10,609)  1,581,458 - (1,579,620)(C)  944,000(D)  - 17,500 (17,500)(E)  44,510  151,693 -  70,419 -  30,420 -  1,833,990 62,010 (653,120)  - 433,574 (433,574)(I)  5 1 4(B)  4(G)  1(H)  4(I)  - 1 (1)(H)  573,523 23,169 374,996(B)  (18,170)(F)  (4)(G)  433,570(I)  (4,320) -  (180,819) (18,170) (3,423)(C)  18,776)(E)  (26,915) -  (26,915) -

Unaudited Pro Forma Condensed Combined Statement of Operations (in thousands, except share and per share amounts)

For the Quarter Ended March 27, 2021 March 31, 2021

Pro Forma

	Hillman Historical	Landcadia III Historical	Transaction Adjustments	Pro Forma Combined
	Adjustment (BB)	11101011011		
Net sales	341,281	-	-	341,281
Cost of sales	201,298	-	-	201,298
Selling, general and administrative expenses	103,179	509	-	103,688
Depreciation	16,341	-	-	16,341
Amortization	14,909	-	-	14,909
Management fees to related party	126	-	-	126
Other (income) expense	(352)	-		(352)
Total operating expense	335,501	509		336,010
Income (loss) from Operations	5,780	(509)	-	5,271
Interest expense, net	19,019	(19)	(18,415)(AA)	8,125
			7,521(BB)	
			19(CC)	
Change in fair value of warrant derivative liability		(11,210)		(11,210)
Interest expense on junior subordinated debentures	3,152	-	-	3,152
Investment income	(95)	-	-	(95)
Loss on mark-to-market adjustment of interest rate swap	(673)	-		(673)
Income (loss) before income taxes	(15,623)	10,720	10,875	5,972
Income tax expense (benefit)	(6,653)	-	7,907(DD)	1,254
Net income (loss)	(8,970)	10,720	2,968	4,718
Foreign currency translation adjustment	2,473	-		2,473
Comprehensive income (loss)	(6,497)	10,720	2,968	7,191
Net earnings:				
Basic earnings per share	(16.22)	0.54		0.03(EE)
Diluted earnings per share	(16.22)	0.54		0.02(FF)
Average shares outstanding	553,183	19,850,545		187,569,511(EE)
Diluted shares outstanding	553,183	19,850,545		190,445,619(FF)

# Unaudited Pro Forma Condensed Combined Statement of Operations (in thousands, except share and per share amounts)

	For the Year Ended December 26, 2020	For the Year Ended December 31, 2020	Pro Forma	
	Hillman Historical	Landcadia III Historical	Transaction Adjustments	Pro Forma Combined
Net sales	1,368,295	-		1,368,295
Cost of sales	781,815	-	-	781,815
Selling, general and administrative expenses	398,472	1,279	-	399,751
Depreciation	67,423	-	-	67,423
Amortization	59,492	-	-	59,492
Management fees to related party	577	-	-	577
Other (income) expense	(5,250)		<u>-</u> _	(5,250)
Total operating expense	1,302,529	1,279	-	1,303,808
Income (loss) from Operations	65,766	(1,279)	-	64,487
Interest expense, net	86,774	(79)	(83,513)(GG)	42,520
			35,836(HH)	
			3,423(II)	
			79(JJ)	
Change in fair value of warrant derivative liability		27,690		27,690
Interest expense on junior subordinated debentures	12,707	-	-	12,707
Investment income	(378)	-	-	(378)

Other (income) expense	-	-	(325)(KK)	(325)
Loss on mark-to-market adjustment of interest rate swap	601	-	-	601
Income (loss) before income taxes	(33,938)	(28,890)	44,500	(18,328)
Income tax expense (benefit)	(9,439)	-	5,590(LL)	(3,849)
Net income (loss)	(24,499)	(28,890)	38,910	(14,479)
Foreign currency translation adjustment	2,652	-	-	2,652
Comprehensive income (loss)	(21,847)	(28,890)	38,910	(11,827)
Net earnings:				
Basic earnings per share	(44.92)	(2.99)		(0.08)(MM)
Average shares outstanding	545,370	9,654,569		187,569,511(MM)

#### NOTES TO UNAUDITED PRO FORMA CONDENSED COMBINED FINANCIAL INFORMATION

#### 1. Basis of Presentation

The pro forma adjustments have been prepared as if the Merger had been consummated on March 31, 2021, in the case of the unaudited pro forma condensed combined balance sheet, and as if the Merger had been consummated on January 1, 2020, the beginning of the earliest period presented in the unaudited pro forma condensed combined statements of operations.

The unaudited pro forma condensed combined financial information has been prepared assuming the following methods of accounting in accordance with GAAP.

The Merger will be accounted for as a reverse recapitalization in accordance with GAAP. Accordingly, for accounting purposes, the financial statements of the combined entity will represent a continuation of the financial statements of Hillman with the acquisition being treated as the equivalent of Hillman issuing stock for the net assets of Landcadia, accompanied by a recapitalization. The net assets of Landcadia will be stated at historical cost, with no goodwill or other intangible assets recorded.

The pro forma adjustments represent management's estimates based on information available as of the date of this proxy statement/prospectus and are subject to change as additional information becomes available and additional analyses are performed. Management considers this basis of presentation to be reasonable under the circumstances.

One-time direct and incremental transaction costs incurred prior to, or concurrent with, the Closing are reflected in the unaudited pro forma condensed combined balance sheet as a direct reduction to the combined entity's additional paid-in capital and are assumed to be cash settled.

### 2. Adjustments and Assumptions to the Unaudited Pro Forma Condensed Combined Balance Sheet as of March 31, 2021

The adjustments included in the unaudited pro forma condensed combined balance sheet as of March 31, 2021 are as follows:

- (A) Reflects the reclassification of cash and marketable securities held in the trust account that became available in conjunction with the business combination.
- (B) Represents the pro forma adjustment to record the net proceeds of \$375.0 million from the private placement and issuance of 37.5 million shares of Class A common stock to the PIPE Investors.
  - Represents the pro forma adjustment to remove Hillman's previously held debt. This debt was paid down and new debt was issued, as represented by the adjustment at (D). The existing debt was and new debt has been issued via syndication with several lending institutions. Management performed a debt modification versus extinguishment analysis on the basis of each lending institution included in the
- (C) Management performed a debt modification versus extinguishment analysis on the basis of each lending institution included in the syndication, and the paydown was determined to be partially a modification and partially an extinguishment, depending on the facts and circumstances related to the particular lending institution. The recognition of expenses related to deferred financing costs of the previously held debt, as represented by the adjustment at (II), were recorded as a reduction in retained earnings.

- (D) Represents the pro forma adjustment to record new debt in line with the paydown of previously held debt and issuance of new debt discussed further at (C).
- (E) Represents transaction costs of \$96.3 million, including \$6.6 million in ticking fees. Of the total amount shown \$17.5 million in deferred underwriter fees were incurred and accrued for on the balance sheet as of March 31, 2021.
- (F) Reflects the elimination of Landcadia's historical accumulated deficit.
- (G) Represents issuance of 91.4 million shares of Class A Common Stock to existing Hillman equity holders as consideration for the reverse recapitalization.
- (H) Represents adjustment to present 8.7 million shares of Class A Common Stock held by the Landcadia Sponsors.
- (I) Reflects the reclassification of approximately \$433.6 million of Class A Common Stock subject to possible redemption to permanent equity.
- (J) Authorized, issued and outstanding shares for each class of common stock and preferred stock as of March 31, 2021 and on a pro forma basis is as follows:

	March 31, 2021			Pro Forma Combined Company			
	Authorized	Issued	Outstanding	Authorized	Issued	Outstanding	
Landcadia Preferred Stock	1,000,000	-	-	1,000,000	-	_	
Landcadia Class A common stock subject to possible redemption	50,000,000	43,355,173	43,335,173	-	-	-	
Landcadia Class A Common Stock	380,000,000	6,644,827	6,644,827	500,000,000	187,569,511	187,569,511	
Landcadia Class B Common Stock	20,000,000	12,500,000	12,500,000	-	-	-	
Hillman Preferred Stock	200,000	-	-	N/A	N/A	N/A	
Hillman Class A Common Stock	1,800,000	548,592	548,592	N/A	N/A	N/A	

As a result of the Business Combination, Landcadia common stock was issued for Hillman's issued and outstanding common and preferred stock. There is no longer any Hillman common or preferred stock issued and outstanding after the Business Combination; thus, subsequent to the merger, all Hillman share totals are noted as not applicable in the table above.

# 3. Adjustments and Assumptions to the Unaudited Pro Forma Condensed Combined Statement of Operations for the Three months ended March 31, 2021

The adjustments included in the unaudited pro forma condensed combined statement of operations for the three months ended March 31, 2021 are as follows:

- (AA) Represents the pro forma adjustment to remove interest expense associated with the paydown of Hillman's existing debt.
- (BB) Represents the pro forma adjustment to record interest expense associated with new debt. The new debt has a variable interest rate, which for the new term loan is 275 basis points over the greater of LIBOR and a floor of 0.5% and for the asset-based loan ("ABL") is 150 basis points over LIBOR. The effective interest rate was determined using the actual 1-month LIBOR for 2021 reset on a monthly basis, resulting in interest expense of \$7.3 million. A change in LIBOR of 1/8 of a percent would not result in an increase or decrease in interest

expense for the quarter. Additional interest expense related to incremental amortization of OID of \$0.1 million and commitment fees of \$0.1 million, resulted in total interest expense of \$7.5 million for the quarter ended March 31, 2021.

- (CC) Reflects the elimination of interest earned on marketable securities held in the trust account.
- (DD) Represents the adjustment to taxes such that the effective pro forma tax rate for the three months ended March 31, 2021 is equal to the relevant statutory income tax rate of 21%.
- (EE) Represents net loss per share computed by dividing net loss by the weighted average number of common shares outstanding for the three months ended March 31, 2021.
- (FF) Represents diluted net income per share computed by dividing net income by the weighted average number of common shares outstanding for the year ended March 31, 2021, inclusive of 2.6 million stock options outstanding under the treasury stock method (13.6 million total stock options at a weighted average strike price of \$8.12) and 0.3 million RSUs. The dilutive impact of 24.7 million outstanding warrants were excluded as these were out of the money as of March 31, 2021.

# 4. Adjustments and Assumptions to the Unaudited Pro Forma Condensed Combined Statement of Operations for the Year ended December 31, 2020

The adjustments included in the unaudited pro forma condensed combined statement of operations for the year ended December 31, 2020 are as follows:

- (GG) Represents the pro forma adjustment to remove interest expense associated with the paydown of Hillman's existing debt.
  - Represents the pro forma adjustment to record interest expense associated with new debt. The new debt has a variable interest rate, which for the new term loan is 275 basis points over the greater of LIBOR and a floor of 0.5% and for the ABL is 150 basis points over LIBOR. The effective interest rate was determined using the actual 1-month LIBOR for 2020 reset on a monthly basis, resulting in
- (HH) interest expense of \$34.9 million. A change in LIBOR of 1/8 of a percent would result in an increase or decrease in interest expense for the quarter of \$0.9 million. Additional interest expense related to amortization of original issue discount of \$0.4 million, commitment fees of \$0.4 million, and agent fees of \$0.2 million, resulted in total interest expense of \$35.8 million for the year ended December 31, 2020.
- Represents the recognition of nonrecurring expenses related to deferred financing costs in the amount of \$3.4 million related to previously (II) held debt. The recognition of these expenses was accelerated as a result of the debt modification versus extinguishment analysis associated with the paydown of debt discussed further at (C).
- (JJ) Reflects the elimination of interest earned on marketable securities held in the trust account.
- Represents the recognition of a nonrecurring net gain on the extinguishment of debt in the amount of \$0.3 million, which was comprised of a loss of \$13.3 million related to the discount on the previously held debt and a gain of \$13.6 million related to the premium on the associated trust preferred debt, inclusive of certain fees written off as a result of the extinguishment. The recognition of this gain and loss, respectively, were determined as a result of the debt modification versus extinguishment analysis associated with the paydown of debt discussed further at (C).
- (LL) Represents the adjustment to taxes such that the effective pro forma tax rate for the year ended December 31, 2020 is equal to the relevant statutory income tax rate of 21%.
- (MM) Represents net income per share computed by dividing net income by the weighted average number of common shares outstanding for the year ended December 31, 2020.

# The Hillman Group and Landcadia III Complete Business Combination, Combined Company Will Begin Trading on Nasdaq as "HLMN"

CINCINNATI and HOUSTON, July 14, 2021—HMAN Group Holdings Inc., the parent company of The Hillman Group, Inc., a leader in the hardware and home improvement industry, and Landcadia Holdings III, Inc. (Nasdaq: LCY) ("Landcadia III") announced today that they have completed their previously announced business combination (the "Business Combination"). The Business Combination was approved at a special meeting of Landcadia III stockholders on July 13, 2021 and the combined company changed its name to Hillman Solutions Corp. ("Hillman" or the "Company") on July 14, 2021.

Beginning on Thursday, July 15, 2021, Hillman's common stock and warrants will trade on Nasdaq under the ticker symbols "HLMN" and "HLMNW," respectively. Hillman's Chairman, Chief Executive Officer and President Doug Cahill will continue to lead the combined company in these roles along with the current management team, and will be a significant equity holder in the Company. The combined company's board of directors will initially consist of 10 members, including Mr. Cahill, Joseph Scharfenberger, Richard Zannino, Aaron Jagdfeld, David Owens, Philip Woodlief, Diana Dowling, John Swygert, Daniel O'Leary and Teresa Gendron.

Commenting on Hillman's public listing, Mr. Cahill said: "Hillman has been building real, sustainable value for our shareholders, customers, suppliers, employees and communities in which we work for more than a half century. Today starts our next chapter and we believe the best is yet to come for all our stakeholders. Our merger with Landcadia, PIPE investment and public listing provide us with a much stronger capital position, which we will use to expand in existing and adjacent product categories and retail channels, organically and through sensible, accretive acquisitions. With this strengthened capital position and home improvement spending expected to remain strong, Hillman's 1,100 field sales and service team remain laser focused on solving complex issues, including labor and logistics challenges for best in class retailers – from big box stores, to your local hardware store. We look forward to expanding our leading market position and turbo-charging Hillman's next phase of growth."

Barclays and Jefferies acted as financial advisors to Hillman and Ropes & Gray LLP acted as legal advisor to Hillman. Jefferies acted as capital markets advisor to Landcadia III and White & Case LLP acted as legal advisor to Landcadia III. Jefferies and Barclays acted as placement agents for the PIPE. Latham & Watkins LLP acted as legal advisor to the placement agents for the PIPE.

#### **About Hillman**

Founded in 1964 and headquartered in Cincinnati, Ohio, Hillman is a leading North American provider of complete hardware solutions, delivered with industry best customer service to over 40,000 locations. Hillman designs innovative product and merchandising solutions for complex categories that deliver an outstanding customer experience to home improvement centers, mass merchants, national and regional hardware stores, pet supply stores, and OEM & Industrial customers. Leveraging a world-class distribution and sales network, Hillman delivers a "small business" experience with "big business" efficiency. For more information on Hillman, visit <a href="https://www.hillmangroup.com/us/en.">https://www.hillmangroup.com/us/en.</a>

# Landcadia Holdings III, Inc.

Landcadia III was a blank check company whose business purpose was to effect a merger, capital stock exchange, asset acquisition, stock purchase, reorganization or similar business combination with one or more businesses. Landcadia III's sponsors were TJF, LLC, which is wholly-owned by Mr. Fertitta, and Jefferies Financial Group Inc. Landcadia III's management team wa led by Mr. Fertitta, its Chief Executive Officer and Co-Chairman of its Board of Directors and the sole shareholder, Chairman and Chief Executive Officer of Fertitta Entertainment, Inc., and Mr. Handler, Landcadia III's President other Co-Chairman of its Board of Directors and the Chief Executive Officer of Jefferies Financial Group Inc. Landcadia III raised \$500,000,000 in its initial public offering in October 2020 and was listed on Nasdaq under the ticker symbol "LCY."

### **Forward-Looking Statements**

This press release includes "forward-looking statements" within the meaning of the "safe harbor" provisions of the Private Securities Litigation Reform Act of 1995. The Company's and Landcadia III's actual results may differ from their expectations, estimates and projections and consequently, you should not rely on these forward looking statements as predictions of future events. Words such as "expect," "estimate," "project," "budget," "forecast," "anticipate," "intend," "plan," "may," "will," "could," "should," "believes," "predicts," "potential," "continue," and similar expressions are intended to identify such forward-looking statements. These forwardlooking statements include, without limitation, the Company's expectations with respect to future performance and anticipated financial impacts of the business combination. These forward-looking statements involve significant risks and uncertainties that could cause the actual results to differ materially from the expected results. Most of these factors are outside the Company's control and are difficult to predict. Factors that may cause such differences include, but are not limited to: (1) the risk that the business combination disrupts the Company's current plans and operations; (2) the ability to recognize the anticipated benefits of the business combination, which may be affected by, among other things, competition, the ability of the Company to grow and manage growth profitably and retain its key employees; (3) changes in applicable laws or regulations; (4) the possibility that the Company may be adversely affected by other economic, business, and/or competitive factors; (5) the outcome of any legal proceedings that may be instituted against the Company relating to the business combination and related transactions; (6) the impact of COVID-19 on the Company's business and/or the ability of the parties to complete the proposed business combination; (7) the inability to maintain the listing of the Company's shares of common stock on Nasdaq; or (8) other risks and uncertainties indicated from time to time in the registration statement containing the proxy statement/prospectus relating to the business combination, including those under "Risk Factors" therein, and in Landcadia III's or the Company's other filings with the SEC. The foregoing list of factors is not exclusive, and readers should also refer to those risks that will be included under the header "Risk Factors" in the definitive proxy statement/prospectus filed by Landcadia III with the SEC. Readers are cautioned not to place undue reliance upon any forward-looking statements in this press release, which speak only as of the date made. The Company does not undertake or accept any obligation or undertaking to release publicly any updates or revisions to any forwardlooking statements in this press release to reflect any change in its expectations or any change in events, conditions or circumstances on which any such statement is based.

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