

**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): June 9, 2022**

**MSCI Inc.**  
(Exact name of Registrant as Specified in Its Charter)

**Delaware**  
(State or other jurisdiction of incorporation)

**001-33812**  
(Commission File Number)

**13-4038723**  
(IRS Employer Identification No.)

**7 World Trade Center, 250 Greenwich Street, 49th Floor, New York, New York 10007**  
(Address of principal executive offices) (Zip Code)

**(212) 804-3900**  
(Registrant's telephone number, including area code)

**NOT APPLICABLE**  
(Former name or former address, if changed since last report)

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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(s)	Name of each exchange on which registered
Common Stock, par value \$0.01 per share	MSCI	New York Stock Exchange

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.

**Item 1.01 Entry into a Material Definitive Agreement.****Amended and Restated Credit Agreement**

On June 9, 2022, MSCI Inc. (the “Company”), the guarantors party thereto, the lenders party thereto and JPMorgan Chase Bank, N.A., in its capacity as administrative agent, entered into an Amended and Restated Credit Agreement (the “Credit Agreement”), amending and restating in its entirety the Revolving Credit Agreement, dated as of November 20, 2014 (as amended through Amendment No. 5 thereto, the “Existing Credit Agreement”), among the Borrower, JPMorgan Chase Bank, N.A., as Administrative Agent and L/C Issuer, and the other parties thereto. The Credit Agreement makes available to the Company (x) an aggregate of \$500.0 million of revolving loan commitments, which may be drawn until February 2027, and (y) an aggregate of \$350.0 million of term loan commitments. The term loan commitments were drawn in full on June 9, 2022 and the resulting term loans mature in February 2027. The revolving loan commitments were undrawn at closing. The obligations under the Credit Agreement are general unsecured obligations of the Company and the guarantors.

Interest on the term loans under the Credit Agreement accrues, at a variable rate, based on the secured overnight funding rate (“SOFR”) or the alternate base rate (“Base Rate”), plus, in each case, an applicable margin and will be due on each Interest Payment Date (as defined in the Credit Agreement). Until the delivery of financial statements to the Administrative Agent for the fiscal quarter ending June 30, 2022, the applicable margin is 1.00% for Base Rate loans, and 2.00% for SOFR loans. Thereafter, the applicable percentage per annum is calculated by reference to the Company’s Consolidated Leverage Ratio and ranges between 1.50% to 2.00% for SOFR loans, and 0.50% to 1.00% for Base Rate loans. The term loans will amortize in quarterly installments commencing on October 15, 2022 in amounts as set forth in the Credit Agreement, with the unpaid balance of term loans maturing in February 2027. The Company expects incremental interest expense relating to the term loans of approximately \$9 million for fiscal year 2022 based on the 30-day SOFR forward curve as of the reference date determined in the manner set forth in the Credit Agreement.

The Credit Agreement also contains customary events of default, representations and warranties and covenants, including, among other things, covenants that restrict the ability of the subsidiaries of the Company to incur certain additional indebtedness and restrict the ability of the Company and its subsidiaries to create or permit liens on assets, engage in sale/leasebacks transactions or engage in mergers or consolidations. The Credit Agreement also requires the Company to maintain (i) a maximum Consolidated Leverage Ratio (as defined in the Credit Agreement) measured quarterly on a rolling four-quarter basis not to exceed 4.25:1.00 (or 4.50:1.00 for two fiscal quarters following a material acquisition) and (ii) a minimum Consolidated Interest Coverage Ratio (as defined in the Credit Agreement) measured quarterly on a rolling four-quarter basis of at least 4.00:1.00. The Credit Agreement events of default, representations and warranties, and covenants are substantially the same as those under the Existing Credit Agreement.

The proceeds of the term loans will be used for general corporate purposes (including, without limitation, potential purchases of the Company’s common stock, investments and acquisitions).

The lenders, joint lead arrangers and bookrunners and/or agents under the Credit Agreement, and certain of their affiliates, have engaged in, and/or in the future may engage in, banking and other transactions with the Company, including previous credit facilities. These parties have received or may receive in the future customary fees and expense reimbursement in connection with these services.

The foregoing description of the Credit Agreement does not purport to be complete and is qualified in its entirety by reference to the Credit Agreement, attached as Exhibit 10.1 to this Current Report on Form 8-K, and is incorporated herein by reference.

**Item 2.03 Creation of a Direct Financial Obligation or an Obligation under an Off-Balance Sheet Arrangement of a Registrant.**

The information in Item 1.01 of this Form 8-K is hereby incorporated by reference into this Item 2.03.

**Item 9.01 Financial Statements and Exhibits.****(d) Exhibits.**

<b><u>Exhibit No.</u></b>	<b><u>Description</u></b>
<a href="#">Exhibit 10.1</a>	<a href="#">Amended and Restated Credit Agreement, dated as of June 9, 2022, among MSCI Inc., each of the subsidiary guarantors party thereto, JPMorgan Chase Bank, N.A., as Administrative Agent and L/C Issuer and the other lenders party thereto.</a>
Exhibit 104	Cover Page Interactive Data File (embedded in the cover page formatted in Inline XBRL).

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**SIGNATURE**

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

Date: June 14, 2022

**MSCI Inc.**

By: /s/ Henry A. Fernandez

Name: Henry A. Fernandez

Title: Chairman and Chief Executive Officer

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AMENDED AND RESTATED CREDIT AGREEMENT

Dated as of June 9, 2022

among

MSCI INC.,  
as the Borrower,

JPMORGAN CHASE BANK, N.A.,  
as Administrative Agent and L/C Issuer,

and

The Other Lenders Party Hereto

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JPMORGAN CHASE BANK, N.A.

and

BANK OF AMERICA, N.A.  
as Joint Lead Arrangers and Bookrunners

CITIZENS BANK, N.A.

and

TD BANK, N.A.  
as Co-Documentation Agents

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AMENDED AND RESTATED CREDIT AGREEMENT

This AMENDED AND RESTATED CREDIT AGREEMENT is entered into as of June 9, 2022, among MSCI Inc., a Delaware corporation (the "Borrower"), each lender from time to time party hereto (collectively, the "Lenders" and individually, a "Lender") and JPMORGAN CHASE BANK, N.A., as Administrative Agent and L/C Issuer.

PRELIMINARY STATEMENTS:

WHEREAS, pursuant to the Revolving Credit Agreement, dated as of November 20, 2014 (as amended through the Amendment No. 5 Effective Date, the "Existing Credit Agreement"), among the Borrower, JPMorgan Chase Bank, N.A., as Administrative Agent and L/C Issuer, and the other parties thereto, the lenders thereunder extended credit to the Borrower in the form of a revolving credit facility in an aggregate principal amount of \$500,000,000;

WHEREAS, the Borrower has requested that (a) the Lenders extend credit in the form of (i) Tranche A Term Loans in an aggregate principal amount equal to \$350,000,000 and (ii) Revolving Credit Loans at any time and from time to time prior to the Maturity Date for the Revolving Credit Facility, in an aggregate principal amount at any time outstanding not in excess of \$500,000,000 and (b) the L/C Issuer issue Letters of Credit for the account of the Borrower or its Subsidiaries.

NOW, THEREFORE, in consideration of the mutual covenants and agreements contained herein, the parties hereto agree to amend and restate the Existing Credit Agreement, and the Existing Credit Agreement is hereby amended and restated, in its entirety as follows:

ARTICLE I  
DEFINITIONS AND ACCOUNTING TERMS

1.01 Defined Terms. As used in this Agreement, the following terms shall have the meanings set forth below:

"Additional Commitment Lender" means an Additional Revolving Credit Commitment Lender and/or an Additional Term Lender, as the context may require.

"Additional Commitments" means Additional Revolving Credit Commitments and/or Additional Term Commitments, as the context may require.

"Additional Commitments Effective Date" has the meaning specified in Section 2.14(b).

"Additional Credit Extension Amendment" means an amendment to this Agreement (which may, at the option of the Administrative Agent, be in the form of an amendment and restatement of this Agreement) providing for any Additional Commitments pursuant to Section 2.14, Extended Term A Loans and/or Extended Revolving Credit Commitments pursuant to Section 2.18, and/or Refinancing Term Loans pursuant to Section 2.19, which shall be consistent with the applicable provisions of this Agreement and otherwise reasonably satisfactory to the parties thereto. Each Additional Credit Extension Amendment shall be executed by the Administrative Agent, the L/C Issuer, (to the extent Section 10.01 would require the consent of the L/C Issuer for the amendments effected in such Additional Credit

Extension Amendment), the Loan Parties and the other parties specified in the applicable Section of this Agreement (but not any other Lender not specified in the applicable Section of this Agreement), but shall not effect any amendments that would require the consent of each affected Lender or all Lenders pursuant to the proviso in the first paragraph of Section 10.01. Any Additional Credit Extension Amendment may include conditions for delivery of opinions of counsel and other documentation consistent with the conditions in Section 4.01 of the Existing Credit Agreement and certificates confirming satisfaction of conditions consistent with Section 4.02, all to the extent reasonably requested by the Administrative Agent or the other parties to such Additional Credit Extension Amendment.

“Additional Revolving Credit Commitment Lender” has the meaning specified in Section 2.14(a)(vi). For the avoidance of doubt, any Additional Revolving Credit Commitment Lender shall be deemed a Lender under this Agreement.

“Additional Revolving Credit Commitments” has the meaning specified in Section 2.14(a).

“Additional Term Commitments” has the meaning specified in Section 2.14(a).

“Additional Term Lender” has the meaning specified in Section 2.14(a)(v). For the avoidance of doubt, any Additional Term Lender shall be deemed a Lender under this Agreement.

“Additional Term Loans” means loans made pursuant to Additional Term Commitments.

“Adjusted Daily Simple SOFR” means an interest rate per annum equal to (a) the Daily Simple SOFR, *plus* (b) 0.10% (10 basis points); *provided that* if the Adjusted Daily Simple SOFR as so determined would be less than the Floor, such rate shall be deemed to be equal to the Floor for the purposes of this Agreement.

“Adjusted Term SOFR Rate” means, for any Interest Period, an interest rate per annum equal to (a) the Term SOFR Rate for such Interest Period, *plus* (b) 0.10% (10 basis points); *provided that* if the Adjusted Term SOFR Rate as so determined would be less than the Floor, such rate shall be deemed to be equal to the Floor for the purposes of this Agreement.

“Administrative Agent” means JPMCB in its capacity as administrative agent under any of the Loan Documents, or any successor administrative agent.

“Administrative Agent’s Office” means the Administrative Agent’s address and, as appropriate, account as set forth on Schedule 10.02, or such other address or account as the Administrative Agent may from time to time notify to the Borrower and the Lenders.

“Administrative Questionnaire” means an Administrative Questionnaire in a form supplied by the Administrative Agent.

“Affected Financial Institution” means (a) any EEA Financial Institution or (b) any UK Financial Institution.

“Affiliate” of any specified Person means any other Person, directly or indirectly, controlling or controlled by or under direct or indirect common control with such specified Person. For

the purposes of this definition, “control” when used with respect to any Person means the power to direct the management and policies of such Person, directly or indirectly, whether through the ownership of voting securities, by contract or otherwise; and the terms “controlling” and “controlled” have meanings correlative to the foregoing.

“Agency Fee Letter” means the Fee Letter, dated as of June 9, 2022, between the Borrower and JPMCB.

“Aggregate Commitments” means the Commitments of all the Lenders. As of the Amendment and Restatement Effective Date, the amount of the Aggregate Commitments is \$850,000,000.

“Agreement” means this Amended and Restated Credit Agreement as amended from time to time in accordance with the terms hereof.

“Alternate Base Rate” means, for any day, a rate per annum equal to the greatest of (a) the Prime Rate in effect on such day, (b) the NYFRB Rate in effect on such day *plus* ½ of 1% and (c) the Adjusted Term SOFR Rate for a one month Interest Period as published two U.S. Government Securities Business Days prior to such day (or if such day is not a Business Day, the immediately preceding Business Day) *plus* 1%; *provided* that for the purpose of this definition, the Adjusted Term SOFR Rate for any day shall be based on the Term SOFR Reference Rate at approximately 5:00 a.m. Chicago time on such day (or any amended publication time for the Term SOFR Reference Rate, as specified by the CME Term SOFR Administrator in the Term SOFR Reference Rate methodology). Any change in the Alternate Base Rate due to a change in the Prime Rate, the NYFRB Rate or the Adjusted Term SOFR Rate shall be effective from and including the effective date of such change in the Prime Rate, the NYFRB Rate or the Adjusted Term SOFR Rate, respectively. If the Alternate Base Rate is being used as an alternate rate of interest pursuant to Section 3.03 (for the avoidance of doubt, only until the Benchmark Replacement has been determined pursuant to Section 3.03(b)), then the Alternate Base Rate shall be the greater of clauses (a) and (b) above and shall be determined without reference to clause (c) above. For the avoidance of doubt, if the Alternate Base Rate as determined pursuant to the foregoing would be less than 1.00%, such rate shall be deemed to be 1.00% for purposes of this Agreement.

“Amendment and Restatement Effective Date” has the meaning specified in Section 4.01.

“Amendment No. 5 Effective Date” means February 16, 2022.

“Ancillary Document” has the meaning assigned to it in Section 10.10(b).

“Anti-Corruption Laws” means all laws, rules and regulations concerning or relating to bribery or corruption of any jurisdiction in which the Borrower or its Subsidiaries conduct business.

“Anti-Money Laundering Laws” means any and all laws, judgments, orders, executive orders, decrees, ordinances, rules, regulations, statutes, case law or treaties related to terrorism financing or money laundering, including any applicable provision of Title III of the Uniting and Strengthening America by Providing Appropriate Tools Required to Intercept and Obstruct Terrorism Act (USA PATRIOT Act) of 2001 (Title III of Pub. L. 107-56) and The Currency and Foreign Transactions Reporting Act (also known as the “Bank Secrecy Act”, 31 U.S.C. §§ 5311-5330 and 12 U.S.C.

§§ 1818(s), 1820(b) and 1951-1959) of any jurisdiction in which the Loan Parties or their respective subsidiaries conduct business.

“Applicable Additional Credit Extension Transaction” means, as of the date of any Additional Credit Extension Amendment, the entering into such Additional Credit Extension Amendment, the consummation of the transactions contemplated thereby and the payment of fees and expenses incurred in connection with the foregoing.

“Applicable Fee Rate” means 0.20% per annum.

“Applicable Parties” has the meaning specified in Section 9.04(c).

“Applicable Percentage” means, (a) in respect of any Class of Term Loans, with respect to any Term Lender under such Class at any time, the percentage (carried out to the ninth decimal place) of such Class of Term Loans represented by the principal amount of such Term Lender’s Term Loans of such Class at such time and (b) in respect of the Revolving Credit Facility, with respect to any Revolving Credit Lender at any time, the percentage (carried out to the ninth decimal place) of the Revolving Credit Facility represented by such Revolving Credit Lender’s Revolving Credit Commitment at such time, subject to adjustment as provided in Section 2.16. If the commitment of each Revolving Credit Lender to make Revolving Credit Loans and the obligation of the L/C Issuer to make L/C Credit Extensions have been terminated pursuant to Section 8.02, or if the Revolving Credit Commitments have expired, then the Applicable Percentage of each Revolving Credit Lender in respect of the Revolving Credit Facility shall be determined based on the Applicable Percentage of such Revolving Credit Lender in respect of the Revolving Credit Facility most recently in effect, giving effect to any subsequent assignments. The Applicable Percentage of each Lender in respect of each Facility as of the Amendment and Restatement Effective Date is set forth opposite the name of such Lender on Schedule 2.01A.

“Applicable Rate” means, (a) with respect to the Revolving Credit Loans, (i) from the Amendment No. 5 Effective Date to the date on which the Administrative Agent receives a Compliance Certificate pursuant to Section 6.02(a) for the fiscal quarter during which the Amendment No. 5 Effective Date occurs, 0.50% per annum for Base Rate Loans and 1.50% per annum for Term Benchmark Loans and Letter of Credit Fees, and (ii) thereafter, the applicable percentage per annum set forth below determined by reference to the Consolidated Leverage Ratio as set forth in the most recent Compliance Certificate received by the Administrative Agent pursuant to Section 6.02(a):

<b>Applicable Rate</b>			
<b>Pricing Level</b>	<b>Consolidated Leverage Ratio</b>	<b>Term Benchmark Loans (Letters of Credit)</b>	<b>Base Rate Loans</b>
1	≤ 1.50:1.00	1.00%	0.00%
2	> 1.50:1.00 and ≤ 2.50:1.00	1.25%	0.25%
3	> 2.50:1.00	1.50%	0.50%

(b) with respect to the Tranche A Term Loans, (i) from the Amendment and Restatement Effective Date to the date on which the Administrative Agent receives a Compliance Certificate pursuant to Section 6.02(a) for the fiscal quarter during which the Amendment and Restatement Effective Date occurs, 1.00% per annum for Base Rate Loans and 2.00% per annum for Term Benchmark Loans, and (ii) thereafter, the applicable percentage per annum set forth below determined by reference to the Consolidated Leverage Ratio as set forth in the most recent Compliance Certificate received by the Administrative Agent pursuant to Section 6.02(a):

<b>Applicable Rate</b>			
Pricing Level	Consolidated Leverage Ratio	Term Benchmark Loans	Base Rate Loans
1	$\leq 1.50:1.00$	1.50%	0.50%
2	$> 1.50:1.00$ and $\leq 2.50:1.00$	1.75%	0.75%
3	$> 2.50:1.00$	2.00%	1.00%

Any increase or decrease in the Applicable Rate resulting from a change in the Consolidated Leverage Ratio shall become effective as of the first Business Day immediately following the date a Compliance Certificate is delivered pursuant to Section 6.02(a); *provided, however*, that if a Compliance Certificate is not delivered when due in accordance with such Section, then, upon the written request of the Required Revolving Lenders (in the case of clause (a) above) or the Required Tranche Term Lenders (in the case of clause (b) above), Pricing Level 3 of the applicable pricing grid above shall apply as of the first Business Day after the date on which such Compliance Certificate was required to have been delivered until the first Business Day immediately following delivery of such Compliance Certificate, at which time the relevant Applicable Rate shall be determined based on such Compliance Certificate. If at any time an Event of Default shall have occurred and be continuing, then, upon the written request of the Required Revolving Lenders (in the case of clause (a) above) or the Required Tranche Term Lenders (in the case of clause (b) above), Pricing Level 3 shall apply as of the first Business Day after the date on which the Borrower shall have received such request until the first Business Day on which such Event of Default is waived or no longer exists.

Notwithstanding anything to the contrary contained in this definition, the determination of the Applicable Rate for any period shall be subject to the provisions of Section 2.10(b).

“Applicable Revolving Credit Percentage” means with respect to any Revolving Credit Lender at any time, such Revolving Credit Lender’s Applicable Percentage in respect of the Revolving Credit Facility at such time.

“Appropriate Lender” means, at any time, (a) with respect to the Revolving Credit Facility, a Lender that has a Revolving Credit Commitment or holds a Revolving Credit Loan at such time, (b) with respect to the Tranche A Term Facility, a Lender that has a Tranche A Term Loan Commitment or holds a Tranche A Term Loan at such time, (c) with respect to the L/C Sublimit, (i) the L/C Issuer and (ii) if any Letters of Credit have been issued pursuant to Section 2.03(a), the Revolving Credit Lenders and (d) with respect to any other credit facility created pursuant to an Additional Credit

Extension Amendment, a Lender that has a commitment or loan of any Class established pursuant to an Additional Credit Extension Amendment.

“Approved Electronic Platform” has the meaning specified in Section 9.04(a).

“Approved Fund” means any Person (other than a natural person) that is engaged in making, purchasing, holding or investing in bank loans and similar extensions of credit in the ordinary course of its business and that is administered or managed by (a) a Lender, (b) an Affiliate of a Lender or (c) an entity or an Affiliate of an entity that administers or manages a Lender.

“ARCA Transaction” means, collectively, (i) entering into this Agreement, (ii) the transactions described in the second paragraph of the Preliminary Statements, and (iii) the payment of the fees and expenses incurred in connection with the foregoing.

“Assignee Group” means two or more Eligible Assignees that are Affiliates of one another.

“Assignment and Assumption” means an assignment and assumption entered into by a Lender and an Eligible Assignee (with the consent of any party whose consent is required by Section 10.06(b)), and accepted by the Administrative Agent, in substantially the form of Exhibit D or any other form (including electronic records generated by the use of an electronic platform) approved by the Administrative Agent.

“Attributable Indebtedness” means, in respect of a Sale/Leaseback Transaction, as at the time of determination, the present value (discounted at the interest rate implicit in such transaction, determined in accordance with GAAP) of the total obligations of the lessee for rental payments during the remaining term of the lease included in such Sale/Leaseback Transaction (including any period for which such lease has been extended).

“Auction Manager” has the meaning specified in Section 2.17(a).

“Auction Notice” means an auction notice given by the Borrower in accordance with the Auction Procedures with respect to a Discounted Prepayment Offer.

“Auction Procedures” means the auction procedures with respect to Discounted Prepayment Offers set forth in Exhibit G hereto.

“Audited Financial Statements” means the audited consolidated statements of financial condition of the Borrower and its Subsidiaries for the fiscal year ended December 31, 2021, and the related consolidated statements of income, comprehensive income, shareholders’ equity and cash flows for such fiscal year of the Borrower and its Subsidiaries, including the notes thereto.

“Availability Period” means the period from and including the Amendment No. 5 Effective Date to the earliest of (i) the Maturity Date for the Revolving Credit Facility, (ii) the date of termination of the Revolving Credit Commitments pursuant to Section 2.06, and (iii) the date of termination of the Revolving Credit Commitments pursuant to Section 8.02.

“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 component thereof) or payment period for interest calculated with reference to such Benchmark (or component thereof), as applicable, that is or may be used for determining the length of an Interest Period for any term rate or otherwise, for determining any frequency of making payments of interest calculated 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 3.03(e).

“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).

“Base Rate Loan” means a Loan that bears interest based on the Alternate Base Rate.

“Benchmark” means, initially, with respect to any (i) RFR Loan, the Daily Simple SOFR or (ii) Term Benchmark Loan, the Term SOFR Rate; *provided* that if a Benchmark Transition Event, and the related Benchmark Replacement Date, have occurred with respect to the Daily Simple SOFR or Term SOFR Rate, as applicable, 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 clause (b) of Section 3.03.

“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 Adjusted Daily Simple SOFR;

(2) 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) any evolving or then-prevailing market convention for determining a benchmark rate as a replacement for the then-current Benchmark for dollar-denominated syndicated credit facilities at such time in the United States and (b) the related Benchmark Replacement Adjustment.

If the Benchmark Replacement as determined pursuant to clause (1) or (2) above would be less than the Floor, the Benchmark Replacement will be deemed to be the Floor for the purposes of this Agreement and the other Loan Documents.

“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, 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 and/or (ii) any evolving or then-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 at such time.

“Benchmark Replacement Conforming Changes” means, with respect to any Benchmark Replacement and/or any Term Benchmark Loan, any technical, administrative or operational changes (including changes to the definition of “Alternate Base Rate,” the definition of “Business Day,” the definition of “U.S. Government Securities 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 in consultation with the Borrower may be appropriate to reflect the adoption and implementation of such Benchmark Replacement and to permit the administration thereof by the Administrative Agent in a manner substantially consistent with market practice (or, if the Administrative Agent decides that adoption of any portion of such market practice is not administratively feasible or if the Administrative Agent determines that no market practice for the administration of such Benchmark Replacement exists, in such other manner of administration as the Administrative Agent decides in consultation with the Borrower is reasonably necessary in connection with the administration of this Agreement and the other Loan Documents).

“Benchmark Replacement Date” means, with respect to any Benchmark, the earliest to occur of the following events with respect to such then-current Benchmark:

(1) in the case of clause (1) 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 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); or

(2) in the case of clause (3) of the definition of “Benchmark Transition Event,” the first date on which such Benchmark (or the published component used in the calculation thereof) has been determined and announced by the regulatory supervisor for the administrator of such Benchmark (or such component thereof) to be no longer representative; provided, that such non-representativeness will be determined by reference to the most recent statement or publication referenced in such clause (3) and even if any Available Tenor of such Benchmark (or such component thereof) continues to be provided on such date.

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, with respect to any Benchmark, the occurrence of one or more of the following events with respect to such then-current 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);

(2) 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 Federal Reserve Board, the NYFRB, the CME Term SOFR Administrator, 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), in each case, 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, or as of a specified future date will no longer be, 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, with respect to any Benchmark, the period (if any) (x) beginning at the time that a Benchmark Replacement Date pursuant to clauses (1) or (2) of that definition has occurred if, at such time, no Benchmark Replacement has replaced such then-current Benchmark for all purposes hereunder and under any Loan Document in accordance with Section 3.03 and (y) ending at the time that a Benchmark Replacement has replaced such then-current Benchmark for all purposes hereunder and under any Loan Document in accordance with Section 3.03.

“Beneficial Ownership Certification” means a certification regarding beneficial ownership or control as 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”.

“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.

“Big Boy Letter” means a letter from a Lender acknowledging that (i) the Borrower may have information regarding it and its Subsidiaries, their ability to perform the Obligations or any other material information that has not previously been disclosed to the Administrative Agent and the Lenders (“Excluded Information”), (ii) the Excluded Information may not be available to such Lender, (iii) such Lender has independently and without reliance on any other party made its own analysis and determined to assign Term Loans to the applicable assignee pursuant to Section 2.17 notwithstanding its lack of knowledge of the Excluded Information and (iv) such Lender permanently waives and releases any and all claims it may have against the Administrative Agent, the Borrower and its Subsidiaries with respect to the nondisclosure of the Excluded Information; or a letter or acknowledgement otherwise in form and substance reasonably satisfactory to the Borrower, the Administrative Agent and assigning Lender.

“Board of Directors” means, with respect to any Person, (i) in the case of any corporation, the board of directors of such Person, (ii) in the case of any limited liability company, the board of managers or, if there is no such board, the managing member of such Person, (iii) in the case of any partnership, the Board of Directors of the general partner of such Person and (iv) in any other case, the functional equivalent of the foregoing or any committee thereof duly authorized to act on behalf thereof.

“Borrower” has the meaning specified in the introductory paragraph hereto.

“Borrower Materials” has the meaning specified in Section 6.02.

“Borrowing” means a borrowing of Loans pursuant to Section 2.01 or pursuant to any Additional Credit Extension Amendment.

“Business Day” means any day (other than a Saturday or a Sunday) on which banks are open for business in New York City or Chicago; provided that, in relation to RFR Loans and any interest rate settings, fundings, disbursements, settlements or payments of any such RFR Loan, or any other dealings of such RFR Loan, any such day that is only a U.S. Government Securities Business Day.

“Capitalized Leases” means all leases that have been or should be, in accordance with GAAP, recorded as capitalized leases.

“Cash Collateralize” means to pledge and deposit with or deliver to the Administrative Agent, for the benefit of the Administrative Agent or L/C Issuer and the Lenders, as collateral for L/C Obligations or obligations of Lenders to fund participations in respect of L/C Obligations, cash or deposit account balances or, if the L/C Issuer benefiting from such collateral shall agree in its sole discretion, other credit support, in each case pursuant to documentation in form and substance reasonably satisfactory to (a) the Administrative Agent and (b) the L/C Issuer. “Cash Collateral” shall have a meaning correlative to the foregoing and shall include the proceeds of such cash collateral and other credit support.

“Cash Equivalents” means any of the following types of investments, to the extent owned by the Borrower or any of its Subsidiaries free and clear of all Liens (other than Liens permitted under this Agreement):

(a) readily marketable obligations issued or directly and fully guaranteed or insured by the United States of America or any agency or instrumentality thereof having maturities of not more than two (2) years from the date of acquisition thereof; provided that the full faith and credit of the United States of America is pledged in support thereof;

(b) time deposits with, or certificates of deposit or bankers’ acceptances of, any commercial bank that (i) (A) is a Lender or (B) is organized under the laws of the United States of America, any state thereof or the District of Columbia or is the principal banking subsidiary of a bank holding company organized under the laws of the United States of America, any state thereof or the District of Columbia, and is a member of the Federal Reserve System, (ii) issues (or the parent of which issues) commercial paper rated as described in clause (c) of this definition and (iii) has combined capital and surplus of at least \$500,000,000, in each case with maturities of not more than 360 days from the date of acquisition thereof;

(c) commercial paper issued by any Person organized under the laws of any state of the United States and rated, at the time of acquisition thereof, at least “Prime-1” (or the then equivalent grade) by Moody’s or at least “A-1” (or the then equivalent grade) by S&P, in each case with maturities of not more than 360 days from the date of acquisition thereof;

(d) readily marketable direct obligations issued by any state, commonwealth or territory of the United States or any political subdivision or taxing authority thereof having, at the time of acquisition thereof, an Investment Grade Rating with maturities of 360 days or less from the date of acquisition;

(e) readily marketable direct obligations issued by any foreign government or any political subdivision or public instrumentality thereof, in each case having, at the time of acquisition thereof, an Investment Grade Rating with maturities of 360 days or less from the date of acquisition;

(f) fully collateralized repurchase agreements with a term of not more than 30 days for underlying securities described in clauses (a) through (e) above and entered into with a financial institution satisfying the criteria described in clause (b) above;

(g) any money market or similar fund not less than 90% of the assets of which are comprised of cash or any of the items specified in clauses (a) through (f) of this definition and as to which withdrawals are permitted at least every 90 days; and

(h) other short-term investments utilized by Foreign Subsidiaries in accordance with normal investment practices for cash management in investments of a type analogous to the foregoing.

“CFC” means a controlled foreign corporation within the meaning of Section 957 of the Code.

“Change in Law” means the occurrence, after the Amendment and Restatement Effective Date, of any of the following: (a) the adoption or taking effect of any law, rule, regulation or treaty, (b) any change in any law, rule, regulation or treaty or in the administration, interpretation, implementation or application thereof by any Governmental Authority or (c) compliance by any Lender or L/C Issuer (or, for purposes of Section 3.04(b), by any lending office of such Lender or by such Lender’s or L/C Issuer’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 Amendment and Restatement Effective Date; provided that, notwithstanding anything herein to the contrary, (x) the Dodd-Frank Wall Street Reform and Consumer Protection Act and all requests, rules, guidelines or directives thereunder or issued in connection therewith or in the implementation thereof and (y) all requests, rules, guidelines or directives promulgated by the Bank for International Settlements, the Basel Committee on Banking Supervision (or any successor or similar authority) or the United States or foreign regulatory authorities, in each case pursuant to Basel III, shall, in each case, be deemed to be a “Change in Law,” regardless of the date enacted, adopted, issued or implemented.

“Change of Control” means an event or series of events by which:

(a) any “person” or “group” (as such terms are used in Sections 13(d) and 14(d) of the Exchange Act), is or becomes the “beneficial owner” (as defined in Rules 13d-3 and 13d-5 under the Exchange Act), directly or indirectly, of more than 35% of the total voting power of the Voting Stock of the Borrower (or its successor by merger, consolidation or purchase of all or substantially all of its assets), other than by the imposition of a holding company, the beneficial owners of whose Voting Stock would not have caused a Change of Control if such beneficial owners had directly held the Voting Stock of the Borrower held by such holding company;

(b) the adoption of a plan relating to the liquidation or dissolution of the Borrower; or

(c) the merger or consolidation of the Borrower with or into another Person or the merger of another Person with or into the Borrower, or the sale, lease, transfer, conveyance or other disposition (other than by way of merger or consolidation, in one or a series of related transactions) of all or substantially all the assets of the Borrower (determined on a consolidated basis) to another Person other than a transaction, in the case of a merger or consolidation transaction, following which holders of securities that represented 100% of the Voting Stock of the Borrower immediately prior to such transaction (or other securities into which such securities are converted as part of such merger or consolidation transaction) own directly or indirectly at

least 50% of the voting power of the Voting Stock of the surviving Person in such merger or consolidation transaction immediately after giving effect to such transaction.

“Class” means (i) with respect to any Commitment, its character as a Revolving Credit Commitment, a Tranche A Term Loan Commitment or any other group of Commitments (whether established by way of new Commitments or by way of conversion or extension of existing Commitments or Loans) designated as a “Class” in an Additional Credit Extension Amendment and (ii) with respect to any Loans, its character as a Revolving Credit Loan, a Tranche A Term Loan or any other group of Loans (whether made pursuant to new Commitments or by way of conversion or extension of existing Loans) designated as a “Class” in an Additional Credit Extension Amendment; provided that in no event shall there be more than one Class of revolving credit commitments or more than one Class of revolving credit loans outstanding at any time. Commitments or Loans that have different maturity dates, pricing (other than upfront fees) or other terms shall be designated separate Classes.

“CME Term SOFR Administrator” means CME Group Benchmark Administration Limited as administrator of the forward-looking term Secured Overnight Financing Rate (SOFR) (or a successor administrator).

“Code” means the Internal Revenue Code of 1986, as amended.

“Co-Documentation Agents” means Citizens Bank, N.A. and TD Bank, N.A. in their capacity as co-documentation agents for the ARCA Transaction.

“Collateral Account” has the meaning specified in Section 2.03(1).

“Commitment” means a Tranche A Term Loan Commitment, a Revolving Credit Commitment or any other commitment to extend credit established pursuant to an Additional Credit Extension Amendment, as the context may require.

“Committed Loan Notice” means a notice of (a) a Borrowing, (b) a conversion of Loans from one Type to the other, or (c) a continuation of Term Benchmark Loans, pursuant to Section 2.02(a), which shall be substantially in the form of Exhibit A.

“Communications” has the meaning specified in Section 9.04(c).

“Compliance Certificate” means a certificate substantially in the form of Exhibit C or any other form reasonably acceptable to the Borrower and the Administrative Agent.

“Connection Income Taxes” means Other Connection Taxes that are imposed on or measured by net income (however denominated) or that are franchise Taxes or branch profits Taxes.

“Consolidated EBITDA” means, at any date of determination, an amount equal to Consolidated Net Income of the Borrower and its Subsidiaries on a consolidated basis for the most recently completed Measurement Period plus (a) the following to the extent deducted (and not added back) in calculating such Consolidated Net Income (without duplication): (i) Consolidated Interest Charges, (ii) the provision for Federal, state, local and foreign income taxes and for foreign withholding taxes payable, (iii) depreciation and amortization expense, including any amortization of intangibles,

(iv) non-cash charges (including non-cash charges related to employee benefit or other management or stock compensation plans or expense, but excluding write-offs, write-downs or reserves with respect to accounts receivable or inventory (which write-offs, write-downs or reserves shall not be added back under any clause of this definition of Consolidated EBITDA (other than clause (b)(ii) below))) (provided that if any such non-cash charges represent an accrual or reserve for potential cash items in any future period, the cash payment in respect thereof in such future period shall be subtracted from Consolidated EBITDA in such future period to such extent, and excluding amortization of a prepaid cash item that was in a prior period), (v) unusual or non-recurring losses or expenses (including severance and relocation costs, one-time compensation charges, restructuring charges, integration costs and reserves), including such items related to acquisitions and to closure/consolidation of facilities, in an amount not to exceed, in the aggregate under this clause (v) for any Measurement Period, 5.0% of Consolidated EBITDA for such Measurement Period, (vi) transaction costs, fees and expenses (including swap breakage costs) in connection with the ARCA Transactions, any sale of Equity Interests, any acquisition or other investment, any disposition, the incurrence of, or any refinancing of, any Indebtedness or any Applicable Additional Credit Extension Transaction (in each case whether or not successful), (vii) any net after-tax loss from the early extinguishment of Indebtedness or hedging obligations or other derivative instruments, (viii) costs of surety bonds incurred in connection with financing activities, (ix) mark-to-market losses recognized pursuant to FASB ASC Topic 815 or any successor thereof, (x) to the extent reimbursement therefor is actually received by the Borrower or a Subsidiary, expenses incurred to the extent covered by indemnification provisions in any agreement in connection with any acquisition and (xi) cash expenses incurred during such period in connection with casualty events to the extent such expenses are reimbursed in cash by insurance during such period and minus (b) the following to the extent included in calculating such Consolidated Net Income (without duplication): (i) Federal, state, local and foreign income tax credits, (ii) all non-cash items increasing Consolidated Net Income (excluding any such non-cash item to the extent it represents the reversal of an accrual or reserve for potential cash items in any prior period or reversal of a reserve with respect to accounts receivable or inventory which reduced Consolidated EBITDA hereunder in a prior period), (iii) unusual or non-recurring gains or income, (iv) any net after-tax income from the early extinguishment of Indebtedness or hedging obligations or other derivative instruments, and (v) mark-to-market gains recognized pursuant to FASB ASC Topic 815 or any successor thereof (in each case of or by the Borrower and its Subsidiaries for such Measurement Period); provided that (x) there shall be excluded in determining Consolidated EBITDA non-operating currency transaction gains and losses (including the net loss or gain resulting from Swap Contracts for currency exchange risk) and (y) for purposes of determining the Consolidated Leverage Ratio and the Consolidated Interest Coverage Ratio, Consolidated EBITDA shall be determined on a Pro Forma Basis. The calculation of Consolidated EBITDA shall exclude any non-cash impact attributable to the reduction in deferred revenue or reduction in deferred costs to balance sheet accounts as a result of the fair value exercise undertaken as required by purchase method of accounting for any acquisition permitted hereunder, in accordance with GAAP (such exclusion to be reflected in the period in which such revenues or costs would have been recorded had such reduction not been required).

“Consolidated Funded Indebtedness” means, as of any date of determination, for the Borrower and its Subsidiaries on a consolidated basis, Indebtedness of the type described in clauses (a), (b) (to the extent drawn and not reimbursed), (f), (g) and, without duplication, (h) (with respect to any Indebtedness described in clauses (a), (b) (to the extent drawn and not reimbursed), (f) or (g) of the definition of “Indebtedness”) of the definition of “Indebtedness”. Notwithstanding any other provision of this Agreement to the contrary, the amount of Consolidated Funded Indebtedness for which recourse is limited either to a specified amount or to an identified asset of such Person shall be deemed to be equal to

such specified amount or the fair market value of such identified asset as determined by such Person in good faith, as the case may be.

“Consolidated Interest Charges” means, for any Measurement Period, the sum, without duplication, of (a) all interest, premium payments and debt discount in connection with borrowed money (including capitalized interest) or in connection with the deferred purchase price of assets, in each case to the extent treated as interest in accordance with GAAP but, in any event, excluding upfront fees and expenses and the amortization of deferred financing costs (including, for the avoidance of doubt, any upfront fees, expenses or amortized deferred financing costs accelerated upon giving effect to amendments to the Existing Credit Agreement, this Agreement, amendments to this Agreement and the transactions contemplated thereby or hereby), and (b) the portion of rent expense under Capitalized Leases that is treated as interest in accordance with GAAP, in each case, of or by the Borrower and its Subsidiaries on a consolidated basis for such period. For purposes of the foregoing, interest expense shall be determined after giving effect to any net payments made or received by the Borrower or any Subsidiary with respect to interest rate Swap Contracts.

“Consolidated Interest Coverage Ratio” means, as of any date of determination, the ratio of (a) Consolidated EBITDA to (b) Consolidated Interest Charges paid in cash, in each case, of or by the Borrower and its Subsidiaries on a consolidated basis for the most recently completed Measurement Period.

“Consolidated Leverage Ratio” means, as of any date of determination, the ratio of (a) (x) Consolidated Funded Indebtedness as of such date minus (y) up to \$250.0 million of unrestricted cash and cash equivalents of the Borrower and its Subsidiaries as of such date to (b) Consolidated EBITDA of the Borrower and its Subsidiaries on a consolidated basis for the most recently completed Measurement Period.

“Consolidated Net Income” means, at any date of determination, the net income (or loss) of the Borrower and its Subsidiaries on a consolidated basis for the most recently completed Measurement Period; provided that Consolidated Net Income shall exclude, without duplication, (a) any net after-tax extraordinary gains or losses for such Measurement Period and the cumulative effect of a change in accounting principles during such Measurement Period, (b) any net after-tax gains or losses on asset sales outside the ordinary course of business, (c) the net income of any Subsidiary (other than a Guarantor) during such Measurement Period to the extent that the declaration or payment of dividends or similar distributions by such Subsidiary of such income is not permitted by operation of the terms of its Organization Documents or any agreement, instrument or Law applicable to such Subsidiary during such Measurement Period, except that the Borrower’s equity in the net income of any such Person for such Measurement Period shall be included in Consolidated Net Income up to the aggregate amount of cash or Cash Equivalents actually distributed by such Person during such Measurement Period to the Borrower or a Guarantor as a dividend or other distribution, and (d) any income (or loss) for such Measurement Period of any Person (other than the Borrower) if such Person is not a Subsidiary, except that the Borrower’s equity in the net income of any such Person for such Measurement Period shall be included in Consolidated Net Income up to the aggregate amount of cash or Cash Equivalents actually distributed by such Person during such Measurement Period to the Borrower or a Subsidiary as a dividend or other distribution (and in the case of a dividend or other distribution to a Subsidiary (other than a Guarantor), such Subsidiary is not precluded from further distributing such amount to the Borrower (or a Guarantor) as described in clause (c) of this proviso).

“Consolidated Total Assets” means the consolidated total assets of the Borrower and its Subsidiaries, as shown on the most recent balance sheet of the Borrower delivered pursuant to Section 6.01(a) or (b).

“Contractual Obligation” means, as to any Person, any provision of any security issued by such Person or of any agreement, instrument or other undertaking to which such Person is a party or by which it or any of its property is bound.

“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.

“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).

“Covered Party” has the meaning assigned to it in Section 10.19(b).

“Credit Extension” means (a) a Borrowing or (b) an L/C Credit Extension.

“Daily Simple SOFR” means, for any day (a “SOFR Rate Day”), a rate per annum equal to SOFR for the day (such day a “SOFR Determination Date”) that is five (5) U.S. Government Securities Business Days prior to (i) if such SOFR Rate Day is a U.S. Government Securities Business Day, such SOFR Rate Day or (ii) if such SOFR Rate Day is not a U.S. Government Securities Business Day, the U.S. Government Securities Business Day immediately preceding such SOFR Rate Day, in each case, as such SOFR is published by the SOFR Administrator on the SOFR Administrator’s Website. Any change in Daily Simple SOFR due to a change in SOFR shall be effective from and including the effective date of such change in SOFR without notice to the Borrower.

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

“Default” means any event or condition that constitutes an Event of Default or that, with the giving of any notice, the passage of time, or both, would be an Event of Default.

“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.

“Defaulting Lender” means, subject to Section 2.16, any Lender that (a) has failed to (i) fund all or any portion of its Loans within two Business Days of the date such Loans were required to be funded hereunder unless such Lender notifies the Administrative Agent and the Borrower in writing that such failure is the result of such Lender’s determination that one or more conditions precedent to funding (each of which conditions precedent, together with any applicable default, shall be specifically identified in such writing) has not been satisfied, or (ii) pay to the Administrative Agent, any L/C Issuer or any other Lender any other amount required to be paid by it hereunder (including in respect of its participation in Letters of Credit) within two Business Days of the date when due, (b) has notified the Borrower, the Administrative Agent or any L/C Issuer in writing that it does not intend to comply with its funding obligations hereunder or generally under other agreements in which it commits to extend credit, or has made a public statement to that effect (unless such writing or public statement relates to such Lender’s obligation to fund a Loan hereunder and states that such position is based on such Lender’s good faith determination that a condition precedent to funding (which condition precedent, together with any applicable default, shall be specifically identified in such writing or public statement) cannot be satisfied), (c) has failed, within three Business Days after written request by the Administrative Agent or the Borrower, to confirm in writing to the Administrative Agent and the Borrower that it will comply with its prospective funding obligations hereunder (and is financially able to meet such obligations as of the date of certification) (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 and the Borrower), or (d) has, or has a direct or indirect parent company that has, (i) become the subject of a proceeding under any Debtor Relief Law, (ii) had appointed for it a receiver, custodian, conservator, trustee, administrator, assignee for the benefit of creditors or similar Person charged with reorganization or liquidation of its business or assets, including the Federal Deposit Insurance Corporation or any other state or federal regulatory authority acting in such a capacity, or (iii) become the subject of a Bail-In Action; provided that a Lender shall not be a Defaulting Lender solely by virtue of the ownership or acquisition of any equity interest in that Lender or any direct or indirect parent company thereof by a Governmental Authority so long as such ownership interest does not result in or provide such Lender with immunity from the jurisdiction of courts within the United States 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 contracts or agreements made with such Lender. Any determination by the Administrative Agent that a Lender is a Defaulting Lender under any one or more of clauses (a) through (d) above shall be conclusive and binding absent manifest error, and such Lender shall be deemed to be a Defaulting Lender (subject to Section 2.16) upon delivery of written notice of such determination to the Borrower, each L/C Issuer and each Lender.

“Discounted Prepayment Offer” means an offer by the Borrower to prepay Term Loans pursuant to the Auction Procedures and otherwise in accordance with Section 2.17.

“Disposition” means the sale, transfer, license, lease or other disposition (including any sale and leaseback transaction and whether effected pursuant to a division or otherwise) of any property by any Person (or the granting of any option or other right to do any of the foregoing), including any sale, assignment, transfer or other disposal, with or without recourse, of any notes or accounts receivable or any rights and claims associated therewith. The term “Dispose” shall have a correlative meaning to the term “Disposition”.

“Disqualified Equity Interest” means any Equity Interest which, by its terms (or by the terms of any security or other Equity Interests into which it is convertible or for which it is exchangeable),

or upon the happening of any event or condition (a) matures or is mandatorily redeemable (other than solely for Qualified Equity Interests), pursuant to a sinking fund obligation or otherwise, (b) is redeemable at the option of the holder thereof (other than solely for Qualified Equity Interests), in whole or in part, (c) provides for the scheduled payments of dividends in cash, or (d) is or becomes convertible into or exchangeable for Indebtedness or any other Equity Interests that would constitute Disqualified Equity Interests, in each case of clauses (a) through (d) above, prior to the date that is ninety-one (91) days after the Latest Maturity Date in effect at the time of issuance of such Equity Interest; provided that an Equity Interest shall not be deemed to be a Disqualified Equity Interest solely because it is redeemable or is required to be redeemed as a result of a change of control or asset sale so long as any rights of the holders thereof upon the occurrence of a change of control or asset sale event shall be subject to the prior repayment in full of the Loans and all other Obligations that are accrued and payable and the termination of the Commitments and all outstanding Letters of Credit.

“Dollar” and “\$” mean lawful money of the United States.

“Domestic Subsidiary” means any Subsidiary that is organized under the laws of the United States, any state thereof or the District of Columbia.

“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 clause (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 responsibility for the resolution of any EEA Financial Institution.

“Electronic Signature” means an electronic sound, symbol, or process attached to, or associated with, a contract or other record and adopted by a Person with the intent to sign, authenticate or accept such contract or record.

“Eligible Assignee” means any Person that meets the requirements to be an assignee under Section 10.06(b)(iii), (v) and (vi) (subject to such consents, if any, as may be required under Section 10.06(b)(iii)).

“Environmental Laws” means any and all Laws relating to pollution or the protection of the environment or the release of any hazardous or toxic materials into the environment.

“Environmental Liability” means any liability, contingent or otherwise (including any liability for damages, costs of environmental remediation, fines, penalties or indemnities), of the Borrower, any other Loan Party or any of their respective Subsidiaries 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.

“Environmental Permit” means any permit, approval, identification number, license or other authorization required under any Environmental Law.

“Equity Interests” means, with respect to any Person, all of the shares of capital stock of (or other ownership or profit interests in) such Person, all of the warrants, options or other rights for the purchase or acquisition from such Person of shares of capital stock of (or other ownership or profit interests in) such Person, all of the securities of such Person convertible into or exchangeable for shares of capital stock of (or other ownership or profit interests in) such Person or warrants, rights or options for the purchase or acquisition from such Person of such shares (or such other interests), and all of the other ownership or profit interests in such Person (including partnership, member or trust interests therein), whether voting or nonvoting; provided that “Equity Interests” shall exclude any indebtedness convertible into or exchangeable for Equity Interests.

“ERISA” means the Employee Retirement Income Security Act of 1974 and the regulations promulgated and the rulings issued thereunder.

“ERISA Affiliate” means any trade or business (whether or not incorporated) under common control with the Borrower within the meaning of Section 414(b) or (c) of the Code (and Sections 414(m) and (o) of the Code for purposes of provisions relating to Section 412 of the Code).

“ERISA Event” means (a) a Reportable Event with respect to a Pension Plan; (b) the withdrawal of the Borrower or any ERISA Affiliate from a Pension Plan subject to Section 4063 of ERISA during a plan year in which such entity was a “substantial employer” as defined in Section 4001(a) (2) of ERISA or a cessation of operations that is treated as such a withdrawal under Section 4062(e) of ERISA; (c) any failure to meet the minimum funding standard under Section 412 of the Code or Section 302 of ERISA, with respect to any Pension Plan, whether or not waived, or the failure to make any required contribution to a Multiemployer Plan; (d) the filing pursuant to Section 412(c) of the Code or Section 302(c) of ERISA of an application for a waiver of the minimum funding standard with respect to any Pension Plan; (e) a complete or partial withdrawal by the Borrower or any ERISA Affiliate from a Multiemployer Plan; (f) the filing of a notice of intent to terminate a Pension Plan or Multiemployer Plan or the treatment of a Pension Plan or Multiemployer Plan amendment as a termination under Section 4041 or 4041A of ERISA, respectively; (g) the institution by the PBGC of proceedings to terminate a Pension Plan or Multiemployer Plan; (h) any event or condition which constitutes grounds under Section 4042 of ERISA for the termination of, or the appointment of a trustee to administer, any Pension Plan or Multiemployer Plan; (i) the determination that any Pension Plan is considered an at-risk plan or a Multiemployer Plan is in endangered or critical status within the meaning of Sections 430, 431 and 432 of the Code or Sections 303 and 305 of ERISA; or (j) the imposition of any liability under Title IV of ERISA, other than for PBGC premiums due but not delinquent under Section 4007 of ERISA, upon the Borrower or any ERISA Affiliate.

“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 specified in Section 8.01.

“Excluded Subsidiary” means (a) any Domestic Subsidiary of a CFC, (b) any Domestic Subsidiary that owns no material assets (directly or through one or more Persons that are disregarded entities for purposes of the Code) other than Equity Interests (including any debt instrument treated as equity for U.S. federal income tax purposes) of one or more CFCs or other CFC holdcos, (c) any Subsidiary that is not, directly or indirectly, wholly-owned by the Borrower and its Subsidiaries and (d) any Subsidiary that is prohibited by applicable law, rule or regulation or by any contractual obligation existing at the time such Subsidiary is acquired (and not in contemplation of such acquisition) from providing a Guarantee or which would require governmental (including regulatory) consent, approval, license or authorization of any third party (other than the Borrower or any of its Subsidiaries) to provide a Guarantee unless such consent, approval, license or authorization has been received.

“Excluded Taxes” means any of the following Taxes imposed on or with respect to, or required to be withheld or deducted from a payment to, a Recipient, (a) Taxes imposed on or measured by net income (however denominated), franchise Taxes, and branch profits Taxes, in each case, (i) imposed as a result of such Recipient being organized under the laws of, or having its principal office or, in the case of any Lender, its applicable lending office located in, the jurisdiction imposing such Tax (or any political subdivision thereof) or (ii) that are Other Connection Taxes, (b) in the case of a Foreign Lender, U.S. federal withholding Taxes imposed on amounts payable to or for the account of such Foreign Lender with respect to an applicable interest in a Loan or Commitment pursuant to a law in effect on the date on which (i) such Foreign Lender acquires such interest in the applicable Commitment or, if a Tranche A Term Lender did not acquire an applicable Tranche A Term Loan pursuant to a prior Commitment, on the date such Tranche A Term Lender acquires the applicable interest in such Tranche A Term Loan (other than pursuant to an assignment request by the Borrower under Section 10.13) or (ii) such Foreign Lender changes its Lending Office, except in each case to the extent that such Foreign Lender (or its assignor, if any) was entitled, at the time of 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 3.01(a), (c) Taxes attributable to such Recipient's failure to comply with Section 3.01(e) and (d) any withholding Taxes imposed under FATCA.

“Exempted Debt” means, without duplication, (i) all obligations of the Borrower and its Subsidiaries which is secured by a Lien incurred and outstanding under Section 7.01(a)(xxviii), (ii) all Attributable Indebtedness in respect of Sale/Leaseback Transactions Incurred and outstanding under Section 7.04(c) and (iii) all indebtedness of Subsidiaries of the Borrower that are not Guarantors Incurred and outstanding under Section 7.02(b)(xv).

“Existing Credit Agreement” has the meaning set forth in the Preliminary Statements.

“Existing Term A Loans” has the meaning specified in Section 2.18(II)(c).

“Extended Revolving Credit Commitment” has the meaning specified in Section 2.18(I)(a).

“Extended Term A Loans” has the meaning specified in Section 2.18(II)(a).

“Extended Term A Maturity Date” has the meaning specified in Section 2.18(II)(a).

“Extending Revolving Credit Lender” has the meaning specified in Section 2.18(I)(b).

“Extending Term A Lender” has the meaning specified in Section 2.18(II)(b).

“Facility” means the Tranche A Term Facility, the Revolving Credit Facility or any credit facility created pursuant to an Additional Credit Extension Amendment, as the context may require.

“FAS 842” has the meaning specified in Section 1.03(c).

“FASB ASC” means the Accounting Standards Codification of the Financial Accounting Standards Board.

“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 current Section 1471(b)(1) of the Code (or any amended or successor version described above), any intergovernmental agreement, treaty or convention among Governmental Authorities (and any U.S. or non-U.S. fiscal or regulatory law, legislation, rules, or official administrative practices) implementing the foregoing.

“Federal Funds Effective Rate” means, for any day, the rate calculated by the NYFRB based on such day’s federal funds transactions by depository institutions, as determined in such manner as shall be set forth on the NYFRB’s Website from time to time, and published on the next succeeding Business Day by the NYFRB as the effective federal funds rate; *provided* that if the Federal Funds Effective Rate as so determined would be less than zero, such rate shall be deemed to be zero for the purposes of this Agreement.

“Federal Reserve Board” means the Board of Governors of the Federal Reserve System of the United States of America.

“Fee Letter” means the Engagement Letter, dated as of May 21, 2022, between the Borrower and JPMCB.

“Floor” means the benchmark rate floor, 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 the Adjusted Term SOFR Rate or the Adjusted Daily Simple SOFR, as applicable. For the avoidance of doubt the initial Floor for each of the Adjusted Term SOFR Rate and the Adjusted Daily Simple SOFR shall be zero.

“Foreign Lender” means any Lender or L/C Issuer that is not a United States person within the meaning of Section 7701(a)(30) of the Code.

“Foreign Subsidiary” means any direct or indirect Subsidiary of the Borrower which is not a Domestic Subsidiary.

“FRB” means the Board of Governors of the Federal Reserve System of the United States.

“Fronting Exposure” means, at any time there is a Defaulting Lender, such Defaulting Lender’s Applicable Percentage of the outstanding L/C Obligations other than L/C Obligations as to which such Defaulting Lender’s participation obligation has been reallocated to other Lenders or Cash Collateralized in accordance with the terms hereof.

“GAAP” means generally accepted accounting principles in the United States as in effect from time to time, including those set forth in the opinions and pronouncements of the Accounting Principles Board of the American Institute of Certified Public Accountants (or any successor thereto), the statements and pronouncements of the Financial Accounting Standards Board (or any successor thereto) or the statements and pronouncements of the Securities Exchange Commission, in each case applicable to companies subject to reporting under Section 13 or 15(d) of the Exchange Act. Unless otherwise specified, subject to Section 1.03, all computations contained in this Agreement will be computed in conformity with GAAP. At any time after the Amendment and Restatement Effective Date, subject to Section 1.03(b), the Borrower may elect to apply International Financial Reporting Standards (“IFRS”) as issued by the International Accounting Standards Board or any successor thereto applicable to companies subject to reporting under Section 13 or 15(d) of the Exchange Act *in lieu* of GAAP and, upon any such election, references herein to GAAP shall thereafter be construed to mean IFRS on the date of such election; provided that any calculation or determination in this Agreement that requires the application of GAAP for periods that include fiscal quarters ended prior to the Borrower’s election to apply IFRS shall remain as previously calculated or determined in accordance with GAAP.

“Governmental Authority” means the government of the United States or any other nation, or of any political subdivision thereof, whether state or local, and any agency, authority, instrumentality, regulatory body, court, central bank or other entity exercising executive, legislative, judicial, taxing, regulatory or administrative powers or functions of or pertaining to government (including any supra-national bodies such as the European Union or the European Central Bank).

“Guarantee” means, as to any Person, (a) any obligation, contingent or otherwise, of such Person guaranteeing or having the economic effect of guaranteeing any Indebtedness or other obligation payable or performable by another Person (the “primary obligor”) in any manner, whether directly or indirectly, and including any obligation of such Person, direct or indirect, (i) to purchase or pay (or advance or supply funds for the purchase or payment of) such Indebtedness or other obligation, (ii) to purchase or lease property, securities or services for the purpose of assuring the obligee in respect of such Indebtedness or other obligation of the payment or performance of such Indebtedness or other obligation, (iii) to maintain working capital, equity capital or any other financial statement condition or liquidity or level of income or cash flow of the primary obligor so as to enable the primary obligor to pay such Indebtedness or other obligation, or (iv) entered into for the purpose of assuring in any other manner the obligee in respect of such Indebtedness or other obligation of the payment or performance thereof or to protect such obligee against loss in respect thereof (in whole or in part), or (b) any Lien on any assets of such Person securing any Indebtedness or other obligation of any other Person, whether or not such Indebtedness or other obligation is assumed by such Person (or any right, contingent or otherwise, of any holder of such Indebtedness to obtain any such Lien). 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 such Guarantee is limited by its terms to a lesser amount, such lesser amount) or, if not stated or determinable, the maximum reasonably anticipated liability in respect thereof as determined by the guaranteeing Person in good faith; provided that, in the case of any Guarantee of the type set forth in clause (b) above, if recourse to such Person for such

Indebtedness is limited to the assets subject to such Lien, then such Guarantee shall be a Guarantee hereunder solely to the extent of the lesser of (x) the amount of the Indebtedness secured by such Lien and (y) the value of the assets subject to such Lien. The term “Guarantee” as a verb has a corresponding meaning.

“Guarantors” means, collectively, the Subsidiaries of the Borrower identified on Schedule 5.12 and each other Subsidiary of the Borrower that executes and delivers the Guaranty pursuant to Section 6.12, in each case, until such Subsidiary is released from the Guaranty in accordance herewith and therewith.

“Guaranty” means, collectively, the Guaranty dated as the date hereof made by the Guarantors in favor of the Administrative Agent and the Lenders, substantially in the form of Exhibit E, together with each other guaranty and guaranty supplement delivered pursuant to Section 6.12, in each case as amended, supplemented or otherwise modified from time to time.

“Guaranty Reaffirmation” mean that Guaranty Reaffirmation dated as of the Amendment and Restatement Effective Date by and among Barra, LLC, RiskMetrics Group, LLC, RiskMetrics Group Holdings, LLC, RiskMetrics Solutions, LLC, and Real Capital Analytics, Inc.

“Hazardous Materials” means all explosive or radioactive substances or wastes and all hazardous or toxic substances, wastes or other pollutants, including petroleum or petroleum distillates, asbestos or asbestos-containing materials, polychlorinated biphenyls, radon gas, infectious or medical wastes and all other substances or wastes of any nature regulated as hazardous or toxic (or words of similar import) pursuant to any Environmental Law.

“IFRS” has the meaning specified in the definition of “GAAP”.

“Immaterial Subsidiary” means, at any date of determination, a Subsidiary of the Borrower that, together with all other Immaterial Subsidiaries, did not have total assets on the last day of the most recent Measurement Period that equaled or exceeded 5% of the Consolidated Total Assets of the Borrower and its Subsidiaries at such date.

“Incur” means issue, assume, guarantee, incur or otherwise become liable for; provided, however, that any Indebtedness of a Person existing at the time such Person becomes a Subsidiary (whether by merger, consolidation, acquisition or otherwise) shall be deemed to be Incurred by such Person at the time it becomes a Subsidiary. The term “Incurrence” when used as a noun shall have a correlative meaning.

“Indebtedness” means, as to any Person at a particular time, without duplication, all of the following, whether or not included as indebtedness or liabilities in accordance with GAAP:

- (a) all obligations of such Person for borrowed money and all obligations of such Person evidenced by bonds, debentures, notes, loan agreements or other similar instruments;
- (b) the maximum amount of all direct or contingent obligations of such Person arising under letters of credit (including standby and commercial), bankers’ acceptances, bank guaranties, surety bonds and similar instruments;

(c) net obligations of such Person under any Swap Contract;

(d) all obligations of such Person to pay the deferred purchase price of property or services (other than trade accounts payable, deferred expenses or accrued expenses in the ordinary course of business and earn-out obligations until such obligations become a liability on the balance sheet of such Person in accordance with GAAP and if not paid after becoming due and payable);

(e) indebtedness (excluding prepaid interest thereon) secured by a Lien on property owned or being purchased by such Person (including indebtedness arising under conditional sales or other title retention agreements), whether or not such indebtedness shall have been assumed by such Person or is limited in recourse;

(f) all Attributable Indebtedness of such Person;

(g) all obligations of such Person under Capitalized Leases; and

(h) all Guarantees of such Person in respect of any of the foregoing.

For all purposes hereof, the Indebtedness of any Person shall include the Indebtedness of any partnership or joint venture (other than a joint venture that is itself a corporation or limited liability company) in which such Person is a general partner or a joint venturer (but only to the extent such Person is liable therefor as a result of such Person's ownership interest in such joint venture), unless such Indebtedness is expressly made non-recourse to such Person. The amount of any net obligation under any Swap Contract on any date shall be deemed to be the Swap Termination Value thereof as of such date.

"Indemnified Taxes" means all Taxes other than Excluded 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 specified in Section 10.04(c).

"Information" has the meaning specified in Section 10.07.

"Interest Payment Date" means, (a) as to any Term Benchmark Loan, the last day of each Interest Period applicable to such Loan and the Maturity Date of the Facility under which such Loan was made; provided, however, that if any Interest Period for a Term Benchmark Loan exceeds three months, the respective dates that fall every three months after the beginning of such Interest Period shall also be Interest Payment Dates; (b) as to any RFR Loan, (1) each date that is on the numerically corresponding day in each calendar month that is one month after the Borrowing of such Loan (or, if there is no such numerically corresponding day in such month, then the last day of such month) and (2) the Maturity Date of the Facility under which such Loan was made and (c) as to any Base Rate Loan, the last Business Day of each fiscal quarter of the Borrower, commencing with the first such day to occur after the Amendment No. 5 Effective Date, and the Maturity Date of the Facility under which such Loan was made.

"Interest Period" means, as to each Term Benchmark Loan, the period commencing on the date such Term Benchmark

Loan is disbursed or converted to or continued as a Term Benchmark Loan and ending on the numerically corresponding day in the calendar month that is one, three or six months thereafter (in each case, subject to the availability for the Benchmark applicable to the relevant Loan or Commitment), as selected by the Borrower in its Committed Loan Notice; provided that:

(a) any Interest Period that would otherwise end on a day that is not a Business Day shall be extended to the next succeeding Business Day unless such Business Day falls in another calendar month, in which case such Interest Period shall end on the next preceding Business Day;

(b) any Interest Period that begins on the last Business Day of a calendar month (or on a day for which there is no numerically corresponding day in the calendar month at the end of such Interest Period) shall end on the last Business Day of the calendar month at the end of such Interest Period;

(c) no Interest Period shall extend beyond the latest Maturity Date of the Facility under which such Loan was made; and

(d) no tenor that has been removed from this definition pursuant to Section 3.03(e) shall be available for specification in such Committed Loan Notice.

“Investment Grade Rating” means a rating equal to or higher than Baa3 (or the equivalent) (with a stable or better outlook) by Moody’s or BBB- (or the equivalent) (with a stable or better outlook) by S&P, or an equivalent rating by any other nationally recognized statistical rating agency selected by the Borrower.

“IP Rights” has the meaning specified in Section 5.16.

“IRS” means the United States 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.

“Issuer Documents” means with respect to any Letter of Credit, the Letter of Credit Agreement, the Letter of Credit Application, and any other document, agreement and instrument entered into by the L/C Issuer and the Borrower (or any Subsidiary) regarding the L/C Issuer’s L/C Sublimit or the respective rights and obligations between the Borrower (or any Subsidiary) and the L/C Issuer in connection with the issuance of Letters of Credit.

“J.P. Morgan” means J.P. Morgan Securities LLC.

“JPMCB” means JPMorgan Chase Bank, N.A. and its successors.

“Latest Maturity Date” means, at any time of determination, the latest Maturity Date for any Class of Loans or Commitments outstanding at such time (or, if the reference is to the Latest Maturity Date for Term Loans or Revolving Credit Commitments, the latest Maturity Date for any Class of Term Loans or Revolving Credit Commitments, as applicable, outstanding at such time).

“Laws” means, collectively, all international, foreign, Federal, state and local statutes, treaties, rules, guidelines, regulations, ordinances, codes and administrative or judicial precedents or authorities, including the interpretation or administration thereof by any Governmental Authority charged with the enforcement, interpretation or administration thereof, and all applicable administrative orders, directed duties, licenses, authorizations and permits of, and agreements with, any Governmental Authority, in each case whether or not having the force of law.

“L/C Borrowing” means an extension of credit resulting from a drawing under any Letter of Credit which has not been reimbursed on the date when made or refinanced as a Borrowing.

“L/C Credit Extension” means, with respect to any Letter of Credit, the issuance thereof or extension of the expiry date thereof, or the increase of the amount thereof.

“L/C Disbursement” means a payment made by the L/C Issuer pursuant to a Letter of Credit.

“L/C Issuer” means JPMCB in its capacity as issuer of Letters of Credit hereunder, any successor issuer of Letters of Credit hereunder or any other Lender that agrees to be an L/C Issuer and is approved by the Borrower and the Administrative Agent to issue Letters of Credit. Any L/C Issuer may, in its sole discretion, arrange for one or more Letters of Credit to be issued by Affiliates of such L/C Issuer, in which case the term “L/C Issuer” shall include any such Affiliate with respect to Letters of Credit issued by such Affiliate. The term “L/C Issuer” shall mean the applicable issuer of the relevant Letters of Credit as the context may require.

“L/C Obligations” means, at any time, the sum of (a) the aggregate undrawn amount of all outstanding Letters of Credit at such time, plus (b) the aggregate amount of all L/C Disbursements that have not yet been reimbursed by or on behalf of the Borrower at such time. For purposes of computing the amount available to be drawn under any Letter of Credit, the amount of such Letter of Credit shall be determined in accordance with Section 1.06. For all purposes of this Agreement, if on any date of determination a Letter of Credit has expired by its terms but any amount may still be drawn thereunder by reason of the operation of Article 29(a) of the Uniform Customs and Practice for Documentary Credits, International Chamber of Commerce Publication No. 600 (or such later version thereof as may be in effect at the applicable time) or Rule 3.13 or Rule 3.14 of the International Standby Practices, International Chamber of Commerce Publication No. 590 (or such later version thereof as may be in effect at the applicable time) or similar terms of the Letter of Credit itself, or if compliant documents have been presented but not yet honored, such Letter of Credit shall be deemed to be “outstanding” and “undrawn” in the amount so remaining available to be paid, and the obligations of the Borrower and each Lender shall remain in full force and effect until the L/C Issuer and the Lenders shall have no further obligations to make any payments or disbursements under any circumstances with respect to any Letter of Credit.

“L/C Sublimit” means \$10,000,000. The Borrower may, at any time and from time to time, reduce the L/C Sublimit with the consent of the L/C Issuer; provided that the Borrower shall not reduce the L/C Sublimit if, after giving effect of such reduction, the conditions set forth in clauses (i) through (iii) of Section 2.03(b) shall not be satisfied.

“LCT Election” has the meaning set forth in Section 1.08(b).

“LCT Test Date” has the meaning set forth in Section 1.08(b).

Transaction. “Lead Arrangers” means JPMCB and Bank of America, N.A., in their capacity as joint lead arrangers and bookrunners for the ARCA

“Lender” has the meaning specified in the introductory paragraph hereto.

“Lender Party” shall mean the Administrative Agent, the L/C Issuer or any Lender.

“Lender-Related Person” means any Lender Party or any Related Party of any Lender Party.

Questionnaire, or such other office or offices as a Lender may from time to time notify the Borrower and the Administrative Agent. “Lending Office” means, as to any Lender, the office or offices of such Lender described as such in such Lender’s Administrative

“Letter of Credit” means any standby letter of credit issued hereunder.

“Letter of Credit Agreement” has the meaning specified in Section 2.03(b).

“Letter of Credit Application” means an application and agreement for the issuance, amendment or extension of a Letter of Credit in the form from time to time in use by the L/C Issuer.

“Letter of Credit Expiration Date” means the day that is five Business Days prior to the Latest Maturity Date then in effect for the then existing Revolving Credit Commitments (or, if such day is not a Business Day, the next preceding Business Day).

“Letter of Credit Fee” has the meaning specified in Section 2.03(i).

“Leverage Increase Election” has the meaning specified in Section 7.07(b).

“Leverage Increase Period” has the meaning specified in Section 7.07(b).

“Liabilities” means any losses, claims (including intraparty claims), demands, damages or liabilities of any kind.

“Lien” means any mortgage, deed of trust, pledge, hypothecation, collateral assignment, deposit arrangement, encumbrance, lien (statutory or other), charge, or preference, priority or other security interest or preferential arrangement in the nature of a security interest 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 financing lease having substantially the same economic effect as any of the foregoing).

“Limited Condition Transaction” shall mean (i) any acquisition or similar investment or related transaction or event (including with respect to any Indebtedness contemplated or incurred in connection therewith (other than Credit Extensions under the Revolving Credit Facility)), (ii) any Restricted Payment (including with respect to any Indebtedness contemplated or incurred in connection therewith (other than Credit Extensions under the Revolving Credit Facility)) and (iii) any redemption,

defeasance, satisfaction and discharge or repayment of Indebtedness or Disqualified Equity Interests, in each case, permitted or not prohibited under this Agreement.

“Loan” means a loan of any Class made by a Lender to the Borrower pursuant to Section 2.01.

“Loan Documents” means, collectively, (a) this Agreement and amendments of and joinders to this Agreement that are deemed pursuant to their terms to be Loan Documents for purposes hereof, (b) the Notes, (c) the Guaranty and the Guaranty Reaffirmation, (d) the Fee Letter, (e) the Agency Fee Letter, (f) any agreement creating or perfecting rights in Cash Collateral pursuant to the provisions of Section 2.15 of this Agreement, (g) each Issuer Document and (h) each Additional Credit Extension Amendment.

“Loan Parties” means, collectively, the Borrower and each Guarantor.

“Master Agreement” has the meaning specified in the definition of “Swap Contract.”

“Material Acquisition” means an acquisition of one or more assets or businesses (including Equity Interests in any Person that becomes a Subsidiary thereby) in a single transaction or series of related transactions where the aggregate consideration payable by the Borrower or any of its Subsidiaries is at least \$100.0 million.

“Material Adverse Effect” means (a) a material adverse effect on the operations, business, properties, liabilities (actual or contingent) or financial condition of the Borrower and its Subsidiaries, taken as a whole; (b) a material adverse effect on the ability of the Loan Parties (taken as a whole) to perform their payment obligations under any Loan Document; or (c) a material adverse effect on the material rights and remedies of the Lenders and the Administrative Agent under any Loan Document.

“Material Domestic Subsidiary” means, at any time, any Domestic Subsidiary (other than an Excluded Subsidiary) that accounts for more than 5.0% of the Consolidated Total Assets of the Borrower and its Subsidiaries as of the end of the fiscal year for which annual financial statements have been (or was required to be) delivered or as of the time such Person became a Domestic Subsidiary calculated on a pro forma basis assuming for such purpose that such Person became a Domestic Subsidiary as of the end of the most recent Measurement Period. As of the Amendment and Restatement Effective Date, Barra, LLC, RiskMetrics Group, LLC, RiskMetrics Group Holdings, LLC, RiskMetrics Solutions, LLC, and Real Capital Analytics, Inc. constitute Material Domestic Subsidiaries.

“Maturity Date” means (a) with respect to the Tranche A Term Facility and the Revolving Credit Facility, February 16, 2027 and (b) with respect to any other Class of Loans or Commitments, the date specified as the “Maturity Date” thereof pursuant to the Additional Credit Extension Amendment establishing such Class of Loans or Commitments; provided, however, that, in each case, if such date is not a Business Day, the Maturity Date shall be the next preceding Business Day.

“Maximum Rate” has the meaning specified in Section 10.09.

“Measurement Period” means, at any date of determination, the most recently completed four fiscal quarters of the Borrower ending prior to such date for which financial statements have been delivered (or were required to be delivered).

“Moody’s” means Moody’s Investors Service, Inc. and any successor thereto.

“Morgan Stanley” means Morgan Stanley Senior Funding, Inc. or any of its Affiliates (other than the Borrower and its Subsidiaries).

“Multiemployer Plan” means any employee benefit plan of the type described in Section 4001(a)(3) of ERISA, to which the Borrower or any ERISA Affiliate makes or is obligated to make contributions, or during the preceding five plan years, has made or been obligated to make contributions.

“Multiple Employer Plan” means a Plan which has two or more contributing sponsors (including the Borrower or any ERISA Affiliate) at least two of whom are not under common control, as such a plan is described in Section 4064 of ERISA.

“New Revolving Credit Lender” has the meaning specified in Section 2.18(I)(e).

“Non-Extending Revolving Credit Lender” has the meaning specified in Section 2.18(I)(b).

“Non-Extending Term A Lender” has the meaning specified in Section 2.18(II)(b).

“Note” means a Term Note or a Revolving Credit Note, as the context may require.

“NYFRB” means the Federal Reserve Bank of New York.

“NYFRB Rate” means, for any day, the greater of (a) the Federal Funds Effective Rate in effect on such day and (b) the Overnight Bank Funding Rate in effect on such day (or for any day that is not a Business Day, for the immediately preceding Business Day); *provided* that if none of such rates are published for any day that is a Business Day, the term “NYFRB Rate” means the rate for a federal funds transaction quoted at 11:00 a.m. on such day received by the Administrative Agent from a Federal funds broker of recognized standing selected by it; *provided, further*, that if any of the aforesaid rates as so determined shall be less than zero, such rate shall be deemed to be zero for purposes of this Agreement.

“NYFRB’s Website” means the website of the NYFRB at <http://www.newyorkfed.org>, or any successor source.

“Obligations” means all advances to, and debts, liabilities, obligations, covenants and duties of, any Loan Party arising under any Loan Document or otherwise with respect to any Loan or Letter of Credit, whether direct or indirect (including those acquired by assumption), absolute or contingent, due or to become due, now existing or hereafter arising and including interest and fees that accrue after the commencement by or against any Loan Party or any Affiliate thereof of any proceeding under any Debtor Relief Laws naming such Person as the debtor in such proceeding, regardless of whether such interest and fees are allowed claims in such proceeding. Without limiting the generality of the foregoing, the Obligations of the Loan Parties under the Loan Documents include (a) the obligation to

pay principal, interest, Letter of Credit commissions, charges, expenses, fees, attorneys' fees and disbursements, indemnities and other amounts payable by any Loan Party under any Loan Document and (b) the obligation of any Loan Party to reimburse any amount in respect of any of the foregoing that any Lender, in its sole discretion, may elect to pay or advance on behalf of such Loan Party.

“Organization Documents” means, (a) with respect to any corporation, the certificate or articles of incorporation and the bylaws (or equivalent or comparable constitutive documents with respect to any non-U.S. jurisdiction); (b) with respect to any limited liability company, the certificate or articles of formation or organization and operating agreement; and (c) with respect to any partnership, joint venture, trust or other form of business entity, the partnership, joint venture or other applicable agreement of formation or organization and any agreement, instrument, filing or notice with respect thereto filed in connection with its formation or organization with the applicable Governmental Authority in the jurisdiction of its formation or organization and, if applicable, any certificate or articles of formation or organization of such entity.

“Other Connection Taxes” means, with respect to any Recipient, Taxes imposed as a result of a present or former connection between such Recipient and the jurisdiction imposing such Tax (other than connections arising from such Recipient having executed, delivered, become a party to, performed its obligations under, received payments under, received or perfected a security interest under, 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 all present or future stamp or documentary taxes or any other excise or property taxes, charges or similar levies arising from any payment made hereunder or under any other Loan Document or from the execution, delivery or enforcement of, or otherwise with respect to, this Agreement or any other Loan Document, except any such Taxes that are Other Connection Taxes imposed with respect to an assignment (other than an assignment made pursuant to [Section 10.13](#)).

“Outstanding Amount” means (a) with respect to Term Loans and Revolving Credit Loans on any date, the aggregate outstanding principal amount thereof after giving effect to any borrowings and prepayments or repayments of Term Loans and Revolving Credit Loans, as the case may be, occurring on such date; and (b) with respect to any L/C Obligations on any date, the amount of such L/C Obligations on such date after giving effect to any L/C Credit Extension occurring on such date and any other changes in the aggregate amount of the L/C Obligations as of such date, including as a result of any reimbursements by the Borrower of Unreimbursed Amounts.

“Overnight Bank Funding Rate” means, for any day, the rate comprised of both overnight federal funds and overnight eurodollar transactions denominated in Dollars by U.S.-managed banking offices of depository institutions, as such composite rate shall be determined by the NYFRB as set forth on the NYFRB's Website from time to time, and published on the next succeeding Business Day by the NYFRB as an overnight bank funding rate.

“Participant” has the meaning specified in [Section 10.06\(d\)](#).

“Participant Register” has the meaning specified in [Section 10.06\(d\)](#).

“Payment” has the meaning assigned to it in [Section 9.07\(c\)\(i\)](#).

“Payment Notice” has the meaning assigned to it in [Section 9.07\(c\)\(ii\)](#).

“PBGC” means the Pension Benefit Guaranty Corporation.

“Pension Plan” means any employee pension benefit plan within the meaning of Section 3(2) of ERISA (including Multiple Employer Plans but excluding Multiemployer Plans) that is maintained or is contributed to by the Borrower and any ERISA Affiliate and is either covered by Title IV of ERISA or is subject to the minimum funding standards under Section 412 of the Code.

“Person” means any individual, corporation, partnership, limited liability company, joint venture, association, joint-stock company, trust, unincorporated organization, government or any agency or political subdivision thereof or any other entity.

“Plan” means any employee pension benefit plan within the meaning of Section 3(2) of ERISA that is maintained or contributed to by the Borrower or its subsidiaries, or, with respect to any Plan that is a Pension Plan, any ERISA Affiliate.

“Plan Asset Regulations” means 29 CFR § 2510.3-101 *et seq.*, as modified by Section 3(42) of ERISA, as amended from time to time.

“Platform” has the meaning specified in Section 6.02.

“primary obligor” has the meaning specified in the definition of “Guarantee.”

“Prime Rate” means the rate of interest last quoted by The Wall Street Journal as the “Prime Rate” in the U.S. or, if The Wall Street Journal ceases to quote such rate, the highest per annum interest rate published by the Federal Reserve Board in Federal Reserve Statistical Release H.15 (519) (Selected Interest Rates) as the “bank prime loan” rate or, if such rate is no longer quoted therein, any similar rate quoted therein (as determined by the Administrative Agent) or any similar release by the Federal Reserve Board (as determined by the Administrative Agent). Each change in the Prime Rate shall be effective from and including the date such change is publicly announced or quoted as being effective.

“Proceeding” means any claim, litigation, investigation, action, suit, arbitration or administrative, judicial or regulatory action or proceeding in any jurisdiction.

“Pro Forma Basis” means:

(a) the ARCA Transactions or any investments, acquisitions, dispositions of any subsidiary, line of business or division that have been made by the Borrower or any of its subsidiaries, and incurrences or repayments of indebtedness in connection with such investment, acquisition or disposition, during the applicable reference period or subsequent to such reference period and on or prior to the date of determination will be given pro forma effect, as if they had occurred on the first day of the applicable reference period;

(b) any Person that is a Subsidiary of the Borrower on the date of determination will be deemed to have been a Subsidiary of the Borrower at all times during such reference period; and

(c) any Person that is not a Subsidiary of the Borrower on the date of determination will be deemed not to have been a Subsidiary of the Borrower at any time during such reference period.

For purposes of this definition, whenever pro forma effect is given to a transaction, the pro forma calculations shall be made in good faith by a Responsible Officer of the Borrower and, except as set forth in the next sentence, in a manner consistent with Article 11 of Regulation S-X of the Securities Act of 1933. In addition to any adjustments consistent with Regulation S-X, such calculations may include additional pro forma adjustments arising out of factually supportable and identifiable cost savings initiatives attributable to, or any other adjustments reasonably attributable to such investment, acquisition or disposition (net of any additional costs associated with such investment, acquisition or disposition) and expected in good faith to be realized within 12 months following such investment, acquisition or disposition, including, but not limited to, (w) reduction in personnel expenses, (x) reduction of costs related to administrative functions, (y) reductions of costs related to leased or owned properties and (z) reductions from the consolidation of operations and streamlining of corporate overhead (taking into account, for purposes of determining such calculation, any historical financial statements of the business or entities acquired or disposed of, assuming such investment, acquisition or disposition, and all other investments, acquisitions or dispositions that have been consummated during the beginning of such period, and any indebtedness or other liabilities repaid or incurred in connection therewith had been consummated and incurred or repaid at the beginning of such period; provided that the aggregate amount of adjustments made pursuant to this sentence shall at no time exceed 15% of Consolidated EBITDA after giving pro forma effect thereto. For purposes of making the computation referred to above, interest on any Indebtedness under a revolving credit facility computed on a pro forma basis shall be computed based upon the average daily balance of such Indebtedness during the applicable period. Interest on Indebtedness that may optionally be determined at an interest rate based upon a factor of a prime or similar rate, a eurocurrency interbank offered rate, or other rate, shall be deemed to have been based upon the rate actually chosen, or, if none, then based upon such optional rate chosen as the Borrower may designate.

“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.

“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).

“QFC Credit Support” has the meaning specified in Section 10.19.

“Qualified Equity Interests” of any Person means any Equity Interests of such Person that are not Disqualified Equity Interests of such Person.

“Recipient” means (a) the Administrative Agent, (b) any Lender, (c) any L/C Issuer or (d) any other recipient of a payment to be made by or on account of an obligation of any Loan Party hereunder or any other Loan Document, as applicable.

“Reference Time” with respect to any setting of the then-current Benchmark means (1) if such Benchmark is the Term SOFR Rate, 5:00 a.m. (Chicago time) on the day that is two Business Days

preceding the date of such setting, or (2) if such Benchmark is none of the Term SOFR Rate or Daily Simple SOFR, the time determined by the Administrative Agent in its reasonable discretion.

“Refinancing Indebtedness” means, with respect to any Indebtedness, Indebtedness that refinances, refunds, renews, extends or replaces such Indebtedness in an aggregate principal amount that does not exceed the principal amount of the Indebtedness being refinanced, refunded, renewed, extended or replaced plus accrued and unpaid interest thereon and any reasonable fees, premiums (including tender premiums) and expenses relating to such refinancing, refunding, renewal, extension or replacement.

“Refinancing Term Lender” has the meaning specified in Section 2.19(b).

“Refinancing Term Loan Effective Date” has the meaning specified in Section 2.19(b).

“Refinancing Term Loans” has the meaning specified in Section 2.19(a).

“Register” has the meaning specified in Section 10.06(c).

“Related Parties” means, with respect to any Person, such Person’s Affiliates and the partners, directors, officers, employees, agents, advisors and other representatives of such Person and of such Person’s Affiliates.

“Relevant Governmental Body” means the Federal Reserve Board, the NYFRB, and/or the CME Term SOFR Administrator, as applicable, or a committee officially endorsed or convened by the Federal Reserve Board and/or the NYFRB or, in each case, any successor thereto.

“Relevant Rate” means (i) with respect to any Term Benchmark Borrowing, the Adjusted Term SOFR Rate or (ii) with respect to any RFR Borrowing, the Adjusted Daily Simple SOFR, as applicable.

“Reportable Event” means any of the events set forth in Section 4043(c) of ERISA, other than events for which the 30-day notice period has been waived.

“Request for Credit Extension” means (a) with respect to a Borrowing, conversion or continuation of Term Loans or Revolving Credit Loans, a Committed Loan Notice and (b) with respect to an L/C Credit Extension, a Letter of Credit Application.

“Required Lenders” means, as of any date of determination, Lenders having or holding more than 50% of the sum of the (a) Total Outstandings (with the aggregate amount of each Revolving Credit Lender’s risk participation and funded participation in L/C Obligations, if applicable, under the Revolving Credit Facility being deemed “held” by such Lender for purposes of this definition), and (b) aggregate Unfunded Commitments of all Revolving Credit Lenders, *provided* that the Unfunded Commitments of, and the portion of the Total Outstandings held or deemed held by, any Defaulting Lender shall be excluded for purposes of making a determination of Required Lenders.

“Required Revolving Lenders” means, (a) at any time prior to the earlier of the Revolving Credit Loans becoming due and payable pursuant to Section 8.01 or the Revolving Credit Commitments terminating or expiring, Revolving Credit Lenders having Revolving Credit Exposures and Unfunded Commitments representing more than 50% of the sum of the Revolving Credit Exposures and

Unfunded Commitments of all Revolving Credit Lenders at such time, provided that, solely for purposes of declaring the Revolving Credit Loans to be due and payable pursuant to Section 8.01, the Unfunded Commitment of each Revolving Credit Lender shall be deemed to be zero; and (b) for all purposes after the Revolving Credit Loans become due and payable pursuant to Section 8.01 or the Revolving Credit Commitments expire or terminate, Revolving Credit Lenders having Revolving Credit Exposures representing more than 50% of the sum of the Revolving Credit Exposures of all Revolving Credit Lenders; provided that Revolving Credit Exposures and Unfunded Commitments held or deemed held by any Defaulting Lender shall be excluded for purposes of making a determination of Required Revolving Lenders.

“Required Tranche Term Lenders” means, as of any date of determination, with respect to any Class of Term Loans, Lenders holding more than 50% of the Term Loans of such Class on such date; provided that Term Loans held or deemed held by any Defaulting Lender shall be excluded for purposes of making a determination of Required Tranche Term Lenders.

“Resolution Authority” means an EEA Resolution Authority or, with respect to any UK Financial Institution, a UK Resolution Authority.

“Responsible Officer” means the chief executive officer, president, chief financial officer, chief strategy officer, principal accounting officer, general counsel, global controller and head of finance operations, treasurer, assistant treasurer, controller, assistant controller, corporate secretary, assistant corporate secretary, investor relations vice president, treasury vice president, head of internal audit of a Loan Party or any other officer in a similar capacity and, solely for purposes of the delivery of incumbency certificates pursuant to Section 4.01(a)(iii), the secretary or any assistant secretary of a Loan Party. Any document delivered hereunder that is signed by a Responsible Officer of a 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.

“Restricted Payment” means any dividend or other distribution (whether in cash, securities or other property) with respect to any capital stock or other Equity Interest of the Borrower or any of its Subsidiaries, or any payment (whether in cash, securities or other property), including any sinking fund or similar deposit, on account of the purchase, redemption, retirement, defeasance, acquisition, cancellation or termination of any such capital stock or other Equity Interest, or on account of any return of capital to the Borrower’s stockholders, partners or members (or the equivalent of any thereof), or any option, warrant or other right to acquire any such dividend or other distribution or payment; provided that any payment on any indebtedness convertible into or exchangeable for any Equity Interests shall not constitute a Restricted Payment.

“Reuters” has the meaning specified in Section 1.07.

“Revolving Credit Borrowing” means a Borrowing of Revolving Credit Loans.

“Revolving Credit Commitment” means, as to each Revolving Credit Lender, its obligation to (a) make Revolving Credit Loans to the Borrower pursuant to Section 2.01(b) or pursuant to an Additional Credit Extension Amendment and (b) purchase participations in L/C Obligations, in an aggregate principal amount at any one time outstanding not to exceed the amount set forth opposite such

Revolving Credit Lender's name on Schedule 2.01A under the caption "Revolving Credit Commitment" opposite such caption in the Additional Credit Extension Amendment or Assignment and Assumption pursuant to which such Lender becomes a party hereto, as applicable, as such amount may be adjusted from time to time in accordance with this Agreement; provided, that at no time shall the Revolving Credit Exposure of any Lender exceed its Revolving Credit Commitment. As of the Amendment and Restatement Effective Date, the aggregate Revolving Credit Commitments of all Revolving Credit Lenders is \$500,000,000.

"Revolving Credit Exposure" means, with respect to any Revolving Credit Lender at any time, the sum of (i) the outstanding principal amount of such Revolving Credit Lender's Revolving Credit Loans and (ii) such Revolving Credit Lender's Applicable Revolving Credit Percentage of the L/C Obligations.

"Revolving Credit Extension Date" has the meaning specified in Section 2.18(I)(a).

"Revolving Credit Extension Request" has the meaning specified in Section 2.18(I)(a).

"Revolving Credit Facility" means, at any time, the aggregate amount of the Revolving Credit Lenders' Revolving Credit Commitments at such time.

"Revolving Credit Lender" means, at any time, any Lender that has a Revolving Credit Commitment or a Revolving Credit Loan at such time.

"Revolving Credit Loan" means a revolving loan made pursuant to Section 2.01(b) or an Additional Credit Extension Amendment.

"Revolving Credit Maturity Extension" has the meaning specified in Section 2.18(I)(c).

"Revolving Credit Note" means a promissory note made by the Borrower in favor of a Revolving Credit Lender evidencing Revolving Credit Loans made by such Revolving Credit Lender, substantially in the form of Exhibit B-1.

"RFR Borrowing" means, as to any Borrowing, the RFR Loans comprising such Borrowing.

"RFR Loan" means a Loan that bears interest at a rate based on the Adjusted Daily Simple SOFR.

"Sale/Leaseback Transaction" has the meaning assigned to it under Section 7.04.

"Sanctioned Country" means, at any time, a country, region or territory which is itself the subject or target of any Sanctions (at the time of this Agreement, the so-called Donetsk People's Republic, so-called Luhansk People's Republic and Crimea regions of Ukraine, Cuba, Iran, North Korea, Syria).

"Sanctioned Person" means, at any time, (a) any Person listed in any Sanctions-related list of designated Persons maintained by the Office of Foreign Assets Control of the U.S. Department of the Treasury, the U.S. Department of State, or by the United Nations Security Council, the European

Union or Her Majesty's Treasury, (b) any Person located, organized or resident in a Sanctioned Country or (c) any Person owned fifty (50) percent or more by one or more Persons referenced in clause (a).

"Sanctions" means economic or financial sanctions or trade embargoes imposed, administered or enforced from time to time by (a) the Office of Foreign Assets Control of the U.S. Department of the Treasury or the U.S. Department of State, or (b) the United Nations Security Council, the European Union or Her Majesty's Treasury of the United Kingdom.

"SEC" means the Securities and Exchange Commission, or any Governmental Authority succeeding to any of its principal functions.

"SOFR" means a rate equal to the secured overnight financing rate as administered by the SOFR Administrator.

"SOFR Administrator" means the NYFRB (or a successor administrator of the secured overnight financing rate).

"SOFR Administrator's Website" means the NYFRB's Website, 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.

"SOFR Determination Date" has the meaning specified in the definition of "Daily Simple SOFR".

"SOFR Rate Day" has the meaning specified in the definition of "Daily Simple SOFR".

"S&P" means Standard & Poor's Ratings Services, a division of The McGraw-Hill Companies, Inc., and any successor thereto.

"Subsequent Transaction" has the meaning specified in Section 1.08.

"Subsidiary" of a Person means a corporation, partnership, joint venture, limited liability company or other business entity of which a majority of the shares of securities or other interests having ordinary voting power for the election of directors or other governing body (other than securities or interests having such power only by reason of the happening of a contingency) are at the time beneficially owned, or the management of which is otherwise controlled, directly, or indirectly through one or more intermediaries, or both, by such Person. Unless otherwise specified, all references herein to a "Subsidiary" or to "Subsidiaries" shall refer to a Subsidiary or Subsidiaries of the Borrower.

"Supported QFC" has the meaning specified in Section 10.19(a).

"Swap Agreement" means any agreement with respect to any swap, forward, future or derivative transaction or option or similar agreement involving, or settled by reference to, one or more rates, currencies, commodities, equity or debt instruments or securities, or economic, financial or pricing indices or measures of economic, financial or pricing risk or value or any similar transaction or any combination of these transactions; provided that no phantom stock or similar plan providing for payments only on account of services provided by current or former directors, officers, employees or consultants of the Borrower or the Subsidiaries shall be a Swap Agreement.

“Swap Contract” means (a) any and all rate swap transactions, basis swaps, credit derivative transactions, forward rate transactions, commodity swaps, commodity options, forward commodity contracts, equity or equity index swaps or options, bond or bond price or bond index swaps or options or forward bond or forward bond price or forward bond index transactions, interest rate options, forward foreign exchange transactions, cap transactions, floor transactions, collar transactions, currency swap transactions, cross-currency rate swap transactions, currency options, spot contracts, or any other similar transactions or any combination of any of the foregoing (including any options to enter into any of the foregoing), whether or not any such transaction is governed by or subject to any master agreement, and (b) any and all transactions of any kind, and the related confirmations, which are subject to the terms and conditions of, or governed by, any form of master agreement published by the International Swaps and Derivatives Association, Inc., any International Foreign Exchange Master Agreement, or any other master agreement (any such master agreement, together with any related schedules, a “Master Agreement”), including any such obligations or liabilities under any Master Agreement.

“Swap Termination Value” means, in respect of any one or more Swap Contracts, after taking into account the effect of any legally enforceable netting agreement relating to such Swap Contracts, (a) for any date on or after the date such Swap Contracts have been closed out and termination value(s) determined in accordance therewith, such termination value(s), and (b) for any date prior to the date referenced in clause (a), the amount(s) determined as the mark-to-market value(s) for such Swap Contracts, as determined based upon one or more mid-market or other readily available quotations provided by any recognized dealer in such Swap Contracts (which may include a Lender or any Affiliate of a Lender).

“Synthetic Lease Obligation” means the monetary obligation of a Person under (a) a so-called synthetic, off-balance sheet or tax retention lease, or (b) an agreement for the use or possession of property (including sale and leaseback transactions), in each case, creating obligations that do not appear on the balance sheet of such Person but which, upon the application of any Debtor Relief Laws to such Person, would be characterized as the indebtedness of such Person (without regard to accounting treatment).

“Taxes” means all present or future taxes, levies, imposts, duties, deductions, withholdings, assessments, fees or other charges imposed by any Governmental Authority, including any interest, additions to tax or penalties applicable thereto.

“Term A Loan Extension Date” has the meaning specified in Section 2.18(II)(a).

“Term A Loan Extension Request” has the meaning specified in Section 2.18(II)(a).

“Term A Loan Maturity Extension” has the meaning specified in Section 2.18(II)(c).

“Term Benchmark” when used in reference to any Loan or Borrowing, refers to whether such Loan, or the Loans comprising such Borrowing, are bearing interest at a rate determined by reference to the Adjusted Term SOFR Rate.

“Term Commitment” means a Tranche A Term Loan Commitment or any term loan commitment of any other Class established pursuant to an Additional Credit Extension Amendment.

“Term Lender” means, at any time, any Lender that holds Term Loans at such time.

“Term Loan” means a Tranche A Term Loan or any term loan of any other Class established pursuant to an Additional Credit Extension Amendment.

“Term Note” means a promissory note made by the Borrower in favor of a Term Lender, evidencing Term Loans made by such Term Lender, substantially in the form of Exhibit B-2.

“Term SOFR Determination Day” has the meaning assigned to it under the definition of “Term SOFR Reference Rate”.

“Term SOFR Rate” means, with respect to any Term Benchmark Borrowing and for any tenor comparable to the applicable Interest Period, the Term SOFR Reference Rate at approximately 5:00 a.m., Chicago time, two U.S. Government Securities Business Days prior to the commencement of such tenor comparable to the applicable Interest Period, as such rate is published by the CME Term SOFR Administrator.

“Term SOFR Reference Rate” means, for any day and time (such day, the “Term SOFR Determination Day”), with respect to any Term Benchmark Borrowing denominated in Dollars and for any tenor comparable to the applicable Interest Period, the rate per annum determined by the Administrative Agent as the forward-looking term rate based on SOFR. If by 5:00 pm (New York City time) on such Term SOFR Determination Day the “Term SOFR Reference Rate” for the applicable tenor has not been published by the CME Term SOFR Administrator and a Benchmark Replacement Date with respect to the Term SOFR Rate has not occurred, then the Term SOFR Reference Rate for such Term SOFR Determination Day will be the Term SOFR Reference Rate as published in respect of the first preceding U.S. Government Securities Business Day for which such Term SOFR Reference Rate was published by the CME Term SOFR Administrator, so long as such first preceding Business Day is not more than five (5) Business Days prior to such Term SOFR Determination Day.

“Threshold Amount” means \$100,000,000.

“Total Outstandings” means the aggregate Outstanding Amount of all Loans and all L/C Obligations.

“Total Revolving Credit Outstandings” means the aggregate Outstanding Amount of all Revolving Credit Loans and all L/C Obligations.

“Tranche A Term Facility” means the credit facility consisting of Tranche A Term Loans.

“Tranche A Term Lender” means, at any time, any Lender that holds a Tranche A Term Loan Commitment or Tranche A Term Loans at such time.

“Tranche A Term Loan” means a term loan made pursuant to Section 2.01(a).

“Tranche A Term Loan Commitment” means, with respect to each Tranche A Term Lender, the commitment of such Lender to make a Tranche A Term Loan in the amount set forth opposite its name on Schedule 2.01A under the caption “Tranche A Term Loan Commitment” on the Amendment

and Restatement Effective Date. As of the Amendment and Restatement Effective Date, the aggregate principal amount of the Tranche A Term Loan Commitments is \$350,000,000.

“Type” means, with respect to a Loan, its character as a Base Rate Loan or a Term Benchmark Loan.

“UK Financial Institutions” 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.

Adjustment. “Unadjusted Benchmark Replacement” means the applicable Benchmark Replacement excluding the related Benchmark Replacement

Exposure. “Unfunded Commitment” means, with respect to each Lender, the Commitment of such Lender less such Lender’s Revolving Credit

“United States” and “U.S.” mean the United States of America.

“United States Tax Compliance Certificate” has the meaning specified in Section 3.01(e)(iii).

“Unmatured Surviving Obligations” means Obligations under this Agreement and the other Loan Documents that by their terms survive the termination of this Agreement or the other Loan Documents but are not, as of the date of determination, due and payable and for which no outstanding claim has been made.

“Unreimbursed Amount” has the meaning specified in Section 2.03(e).

“USA Patriot Act” has the meaning specified in Section 10.17.

“U.S. Government Securities Business Day” means any day except for (i) a Saturday, (ii) a Sunday or (iii) a day on which the Securities Industry and Financial Markets Association recommends that the fixed income departments of its members be closed for the entire day for purposes of trading in United States government securities.

“U.S. Lender” has the meaning specified in Section 3.01(e).

“U.S. Special Resolution Regimes” has the meaning specified in Section 10.19.

“Voting Stock” of a Person means all classes of Equity Interests of such Person then outstanding and normally entitled (without regard to the occurrence of any contingency) to vote in the election of the Board of Directors of such Person.

“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 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 for purposes of determining the Weighted Average Life to Maturity of any Indebtedness that is being modified, refinanced, refunded, renewed, replaced or extended (the “Applicable Indebtedness”), the effects of any amortization of or prepayments made on such Applicable Indebtedness prior to the date of the applicable modification, refinancing, refunding, renewal, replacement or extension shall be disregarded.

“wholly-owned” means, with respect to a Subsidiary of a Person, a Subsidiary of such Person all of the outstanding Equity Interests of which (other than (x) director’s qualifying shares and (y) shares issued to foreign nationals to the extent required by applicable Law) are owned by such Person and/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.

1.02 Other Interpretive Provisions. With reference to this Agreement and each other Loan Document, unless otherwise specified herein or in such other Loan Document:

(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. 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.” Unless the context requires otherwise, (i) any definition of or reference to any agreement, instrument or other document (including any Organization Document) shall be construed as referring to such agreement, instrument or other document as from time to time amended, supplemented or otherwise modified (subject to any restrictions on such amendments, supplements or modifications set forth herein or in any other Loan Document), (ii) any reference herein to any Person shall be construed to include such Person’s successors and assigns, (iii) the words “hereto,” “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 thereof, (iv) all references in a Loan Document to Articles, Sections, Preliminary Statements, Exhibits and Schedules shall be construed to refer to Articles and Sections of, and Preliminary Statements, Exhibits and Schedules to, the Loan Document in which such references appear, (v) any reference to any law shall include all statutory and regulatory

provisions consolidating, amending, replacing or interpreting such law and any reference to any law or regulation shall, unless otherwise specified, refer to such law or regulation as amended, modified or supplemented from time to time, and (vi) the words “asset” and “property” 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.

(b) In the computation of periods of time from a specified date to a later specified date, the word “from” means “from and including”; the words “to” and “until” each mean “to but excluding”; and the word “through” means “to and including.”

(c) Section headings herein and in the other Loan Documents are included for convenience of reference only and shall not affect the interpretation of this Agreement or any other Loan Document.

(d) Any references to the “date of this Agreement” or the “date hereof” shall refer to the Amendment and Restatement Effective Date.

### 1.03 Accounting Terms.

(a) Generally. All accounting terms not specifically or completely defined herein shall be construed in conformity with, and all financial data (including financial ratios and other financial calculations) required to be submitted pursuant to this Agreement shall be prepared in conformity with, GAAP applied on a consistent basis, as in effect from time to time, applied in a manner consistent with that used in preparing the Audited Financial Statements of the Borrower and its Subsidiaries, except as otherwise specifically prescribed herein. Notwithstanding any other provision contained herein, (i) 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 any election under FASB ASC Topic 825 (or any other Financial Accounting Standard having a similar result or effect) to value any Indebtedness or other liabilities of the Borrower or any of its Subsidiaries at “fair value,” as defined therein, (ii) the effects of FASB ASC 470-20 on financial liabilities shall be disregarded and (iii) as set forth in Section 1.03(c) below, the effects of FAS 842 on liabilities for operating leases shall be disregarded.

(b) Changes in GAAP. If at any time any change in GAAP would affect the computation of any financial ratio or requirement set forth in any Loan Document, and either the Borrower or the Required Lenders shall so request, the Administrative Agent, the Lenders and the Borrower shall negotiate in good faith to amend such ratio or requirement to preserve the original intent thereof in light of such change in GAAP (subject to the approval of the Required Lenders); provided that, until so amended, (i) such ratio or requirement shall continue to be computed in accordance with GAAP prior to such change therein and (ii) the Borrower shall provide to the Administrative Agent and the Lenders financial statements and other documents required under this Agreement or as reasonably requested hereunder setting forth a reconciliation between calculations of such ratio or requirement made before and after giving effect to such change in GAAP.

(c) Leases. Notwithstanding anything to the contrary contained in Section 1.03(b) or in the definition of “Capitalized Leases,” any change in accounting for leases pursuant to GAAP resulting from the adoption of Financial Accounting Standards Board Accounting Standards Update No. 2016-02,

Leases (Topic 842) (“FAS 842”), to the extent such adoption would require treating any lease (or similar arrangement conveying the right to use) as a capital lease where such lease (or similar arrangement) would not have been required to be so treated under GAAP as in effect on December 31, 2015, such lease shall not be considered a capital lease, and all calculations and deliverables under this Agreement or any other Loan Document shall be made or delivered, as applicable, in accordance therewith (and, for the avoidance of doubt, operating leases (as determined after giving effect to this Section 1.03(c)), shall not be considered “Indebtedness” for any purpose under this Agreement).

1.04 Rounding. Any financial ratios required to be maintained by the Borrower pursuant to 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 if there is no nearest number).

1.05 Times of Day. Unless otherwise specified, all references herein to times of day shall be references to Eastern Time (daylight or standard, as applicable).

1.06 Letter of Credit Amounts. Unless otherwise specified herein, the amount of a Letter of Credit at any time shall be deemed to be the stated amount of such Letter of Credit in effect at such time; provided, however, that with respect to any Letter of Credit that, by its terms or the terms of any Issuer Document related thereto, provides for one or more automatic increases in the stated amount thereof, the amount of such Letter of Credit shall be deemed to be the maximum stated amount of such Letter of Credit after giving effect to all such increases, whether or not such maximum stated amount is in effect at such time.

1.07 Currency Equivalents Generally. Any amount specified in this Agreement (other than in Articles II and IX) or any of the other Loan Documents to be in Dollars shall also include the equivalent of such amount in any currency other than Dollars, such equivalent amount thereof in the applicable currency to be determined by using the rate of exchange for the purchase of dollars with the applicable currency last provided (either by publication or otherwise provided to the Administrative Agent) by the applicable Thomson Reuters Corp., Refinitiv, or any successor thereto (“Reuters”) source on the Business Day (New York City time) immediately preceding the date of determination or if such service ceases to be available or ceases to provide a rate of exchange for the purchase of dollars with the applicable currency, as provided by such other publicly available information service which provides that rate of exchange at such time in place of Reuters chosen by the Administrative Agent in its reasonable discretion (or if such service ceases to be available or ceases to provide such rate of exchange, the equivalent of such amount in dollars as determined by the Administrative Agent using any method of determination it deems appropriate in its reasonable discretion).

1.08 Pro Forma Calculation. (a) Notwithstanding anything to the contrary herein, the calculation of the Consolidated Leverage Ratio and the Consolidated Interest Coverage Ratio on any date for any purpose under this Agreement shall be made on a Pro Forma Basis.

(b) Notwithstanding anything to the contrary contained herein, in connection with any action being taken solely in connection with a Limited Condition Transaction, for purposes of:

(i) determining compliance with any provision of this Agreement (other than actual compliance with Section 7.07) which requires the calculation of any financial ratio or test, including the Consolidated Leverage Ratio and Consolidated Interest Coverage Ratio;

(ii) testing availability under baskets set forth in this Agreement (including baskets measured as a percentage of Consolidated EBITDA); or

(iii) determining the accuracy of any representation or warranty or the absence of a Default or Event of Default as a condition to the Limited Condition Transaction (other than in the case of Borrowings under the Revolving Credit Facility, in which case the accuracy or compliance of any representation or warranty or the existence of any Default or Event of Default shall be determined on the date of such Borrowing);

in each case, at the option of the Borrower (the Borrower's election to exercise such option in connection with any Limited Condition Transaction, an "LCT Election") the date of determination of whether any such action is permitted hereunder shall be deemed to be, (1) in the case of any acquisition (including by way of merger) or similar investment or related transaction or event (including the assumption or incurrence of Indebtedness permitted hereunder) (other than any Credit Extension under the Revolving Credit Facility), either (x) at the time the execution of the definitive agreement with respect to such acquisition or other investment or related transaction or event, or (y) the date of consummation of such acquisition or similar investment or related transaction or event, (2) in the case of any Restricted Payment (including the incurrence of Indebtedness permitted hereunder) (other than any Credit Extension under the Revolving Credit Facility), either (x) at the time of the declaration of such Restricted Payment or (y) the date such Restricted Payment is made, and (3) in the case of any redemption, defeasance, satisfaction and discharge or repayment of Indebtedness or Disqualified Equity Interests (including the incurrence of Indebtedness permitted hereunder) (other than any Credit Extension under the Revolving Credit Facility), either (x) at the time irrevocable notice is given for the redemption, defeasance, satisfaction and discharge or repayment of such Indebtedness or Disqualified Equity Interests or (y) the date of redemption, defeasance, satisfaction and discharge or repayment of such Indebtedness or Disqualified Equity Interests (the applicable date pursuant to clause (1), (2) or (3), as applicable, the "LCT Test Date"), in each case, after giving effect to the relevant Limited Condition Transaction on a Pro Forma Basis. For the avoidance of doubt, if the Borrower has made an LCT Election and any of the ratios, tests or baskets for which compliance was determined or tested as of the LCT Test Date would have failed to have been satisfied as a result of fluctuations in any such ratio, test or basket, including due to fluctuations in Consolidated EBITDA or the occurrence of any other event, at or prior to the consummation of the relevant transaction or action, such baskets, tests or ratios will be deemed not to have failed to have been satisfied as a result of such fluctuations or the occurrence of any other event. If the Borrower has made an LCT Election for any Limited Condition Transaction, then in connection with any event or transaction occurring after the relevant LCT Test Date and prior to the earlier of the date on which such Limited Condition Transaction is consummated or the date that the definitive agreement or date specified in an irrevocable notice for such Limited Condition Transaction is terminated, expires or passes, as applicable, without consummation of such Limited Condition Transaction (a "Subsequent Transaction") in connection with which a ratio, test or basket availability calculation must be made on a Pro Forma Basis or giving pro forma effect to such Subsequent Transaction, for purposes of determining whether such ratio, test or basket availability has been complied with under this Agreement, any such ratio, test or basket shall be required to be satisfied on a Pro Forma Basis assuming such Limited Condition Transaction and other transactions in connection therewith have been consummated on the LCT Test Date.

1.09 Interest Rates; Benchmark Notification. The interest rate on a Loan denominated in dollars may be derived from an interest rate benchmark that may be discontinued or is, or may in the future become, the subject of regulatory reform. Upon the occurrence of a Benchmark Transition Event, Section 3.03(b) provides a mechanism for determining an alternative rate of interest. The Administrative Agent does not warrant or accept any responsibility for, and shall not have any liability with respect to, the administration, submission, performance or any other matter related to any interest rate used in this Agreement, or with respect to any alternative or successor rate thereto, or replacement rate thereof, including without limitation, whether the composition or characteristics of any such alternative, successor or replacement reference rate will be similar to, or produce the same value or economic equivalence of, the existing interest rate being replaced or have the same volume or liquidity as did any existing interest rate prior to its discontinuance or unavailability. The Administrative Agent and its affiliates and/or other related entities may engage in transactions that affect the calculation of any interest rate used in this Agreement or any alternative or successor rate (including any Benchmark Replacement) and/or any relevant adjustments thereto, in each case, in a manner adverse to the Borrower. The Administrative Agent may select information sources or services in its reasonable discretion to ascertain any interest rate used in this Agreement, any component thereof, or rates referenced in the definition thereof, in each case pursuant to the terms of this Agreement, and shall have no liability to the Borrower, any Lender or any other person or entity for damages of any kind, including direct or indirect, special, punitive, incidental or consequential damages, costs, losses or expenses (whether in tort, contract or otherwise and whether at law or in equity), for any error or calculation of any such rate (or component thereof) provided by any such information source or service.

1.10 Divisions. 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 and acquired on the first date of its existence by the holders of its Equity Interests at such time.

## ARTICLE II THE COMMITMENTS AND CREDIT EXTENSIONS

### 2.01 The Loans.

(a) Tranche A Term Loans. Subject to the terms and conditions set forth herein, each Tranche A Term Lender severally agrees to make a Tranche A Term Loan to the Borrower on the Amendment and Restatement Effective Date in the principal amount equal to its Tranche A Term Loan Commitment. Amounts borrowed under this Section 2.01(a) and repaid or prepaid may not be reborrowed. Tranche A Term Loans may be Base Rate Loans or Term Benchmark Loans as further provided herein.

(b) Revolving Credit Loans. Subject to the terms and conditions set forth herein, each Revolving Credit Lender severally agrees to make revolving loans to the Borrower from time to time in Dollars, on any Business Day during the Availability Period, in an aggregate amount not to exceed at any time outstanding the amount of such Lender's Revolving Credit Commitment at such time; provided, however, that after giving effect to any Revolving Credit Borrowing, (i) the Total Revolving Credit

Outstandings shall not exceed the aggregate Revolving Credit Commitments, and (ii) the aggregate Outstanding Amount of the Revolving Credit Loans of any Lender, plus such Revolving Credit Lender's Applicable Revolving Credit Percentage of the Outstanding Amount of all L/C Obligations shall not exceed such Revolving Credit Lender's Revolving Credit Commitment. Within the limits of each Revolving Credit Lender's Revolving Credit Commitment, and subject to the other terms and conditions hereof, the Borrower may borrow under this [Section 2.01\(b\)](#), prepay under [Section 2.05](#), and reborrow under this [Section 2.01\(b\)](#). Revolving Credit Loans may be Base Rate Loans or Term Benchmark Loans, as further provided herein.

## 2.02 Borrowings, Conversions and Continuations of Loans.

(a) Each Borrowing, each conversion of Loans from one Type to the other, and each continuation of Term Benchmark Loans shall be made upon the Borrower's irrevocable notice to the Administrative Agent, which may be given by submitting a Request for Credit Extension. Each such notice must be received by the Administrative Agent not later than 11:00 a.m. (i) three Business Days prior to the requested date of any Borrowing of, conversion to or continuation of Term Benchmark Loans or of any conversion of Term Benchmark Loans to Base Rate Loans, and (ii) on the requested date of any Borrowing of Base Rate Loans. Each such Committed Loan Notice must be appropriately completed and signed by a Responsible Officer of the Borrower. Each Borrowing of, conversion to or continuation of Term Benchmark Loans shall be in a principal amount of \$1,000,000 or a whole multiple of \$100,000 in excess thereof. Except as provided in [Section 2.03\(e\)](#), each Borrowing of or conversion to Base Rate Loans shall be in a principal amount of \$100,000 or a whole multiple of \$100,000 in excess thereof. Each Committed Loan Notice shall specify (i) whether the Borrower is requesting a Borrowing (and, if so, the Class of Loans to be borrowed), a conversion of Loans from one Type to the other, or a continuation of Term Benchmark Loans, (ii) the requested date of the Borrowing, conversion or continuation, as the case may be (which shall be a Business Day), (iii) the principal amount of Loans to be borrowed, converted or continued, (iv) the Type of Loans to be borrowed or to which existing Loans are to be converted, and (v) if applicable, the duration of the Interest Period with respect thereto. If the Borrower fails to specify a Type of Loan in a Committed Loan Notice or if the Borrower fails to give a timely notice requesting a conversion or continuation, then the applicable Loans shall be made as, or converted to, Base Rate Loans. Any such automatic conversion to Base Rate Loans shall be effective as of the last day of the Interest Period then in effect with respect to the applicable Term Benchmark Loans. If the Borrower requests a Borrowing of, conversion to, or continuation of Term Benchmark Loans in any such Committed Loan Notice, but fails to specify an Interest Period, it will be deemed to have specified an Interest Period of one month.

(b) Following receipt of a Committed Loan Notice, the Administrative Agent shall promptly notify each Appropriate Lender of the amount of its Applicable Percentage under the applicable Facility of the applicable Class of Loans, and if no timely notice of a conversion or continuation is provided by the Borrower, the Administrative Agent shall notify each Lender of the details of any automatic conversion to Base Rate Loans. For the avoidance of doubt, the parties agree that each Revolving Credit Borrowing shall be funded by the Revolving Credit Lenders on a ratable basis among all series of Revolving Credit Commitments then in effect based on the Applicable Revolving Credit Percentages of the Revolving Credit Lenders. Each Appropriate Lender shall make the amount of its Loan available to the Administrative Agent in immediately available funds at the Administrative Agent's Office not later than 1:00 p.m. on the Business Day specified in the applicable Committed Loan Notice. Upon satisfaction of the applicable conditions set forth in [Section 4.02](#) (and, if such Borrowing is the

Credit Extension on the Amendment and Restatement Effective Date, Section 4.01), the Administrative Agent shall make all funds so received available to the Borrower in like funds as received by the Administrative Agent either by (i) crediting the account of the Borrower on the books of the Administrative Agent with the amount of such funds or (ii) wire transfer of such funds, in each case in accordance with instructions provided to the Administrative Agent by the Borrower; provided, however, that if, on the date a Committed Loan Notice with respect to a Revolving Credit Borrowing is given by the Borrower, there are L/C Borrowings outstanding, then the proceeds of such Revolving Credit Borrowing shall be, first, applied to the payment in full of any such L/C Borrowings, and second, made available to the Borrower as provided above.

(c) Except as otherwise provided herein, a Term Benchmark Loan may be continued or converted only on the last day of an Interest Period for such Term Benchmark Loan. Upon notice to the Borrower from the Administrative Agent or the Required Lenders during the existence of an Event of Default, (i) no Loans may be requested as, converted to or continued as Term Benchmark Loans and (ii) unless repaid, each Term Benchmark Borrowing shall be converted to a Base Rate Borrowing at the end of the Interest Period applicable thereto.

(d) The Administrative Agent shall promptly notify the Borrower and the Lenders of the interest rate applicable to any Interest Period for Term Benchmark Loans upon determination of such interest rate.

(e) After giving effect to all Borrowings, all conversions of Loans from one Type to the other, and all continuations of Loans as the same Type, there shall not be more than (i) five (5) Interest Periods in effect in respect of any Class of Term Loans or (ii) ten (10) Interest Periods in effect in respect of the Revolving Credit Facility.

### 2.03 Letters of Credit.

(a) Letters of Credit Generally. Subject to the terms and conditions set forth herein, the Borrower may request the L/C Issuer to, and the L/C Issuer may, in its sole discretion, issue Letters of Credit as the applicant thereof for the support of its or its Subsidiaries' obligations, in a form reasonably acceptable to the L/C Issuer, at any time and from time to time prior to the Letter of Credit Expiration Date.

(b) Notice of Issuance, Amendment, Extension. To request the issuance of a Letter of Credit (or the amendment or extension of an outstanding Letter of Credit), the Borrower shall hand deliver or telecopy (or transmit by electronic communication, if arrangements for doing so have been approved by the L/C Issuer) to the L/C Issuer selected by it and to the Administrative Agent (reasonably in advance of the requested date of issuance, amendment or extension, but in any event no less than three (3) Business Days) a notice requesting the issuance of a Letter of Credit, or identifying the Letter of Credit to be amended or extended, and specifying the date of issuance, amendment or extension (which shall be a Business Day), the date on which such Letter of Credit is to expire (which shall comply with paragraph (c) of this Section), the amount of such Letter of Credit, the name and address of the beneficiary thereof and such other information as shall be necessary to prepare, amend or extend such Letter of Credit. In addition, as a condition to any such Letter of Credit issuance, the Borrower shall have entered into a continuing agreement (or other letter of credit agreement) for the issuance of letters of credit and/or shall submit a letter of credit application, in each case, as required by the L/C Issuer and

using the L/C Issuer's standard form (each, a "Letter of Credit Agreement"). In the event of any inconsistency between the terms and conditions of this Agreement and the terms and conditions of any Letter of Credit Agreement, the terms and conditions of this Agreement shall control. A Letter of Credit shall be issued, amended or extended only if (and upon issuance, amendment or extension of each Letter of Credit the Borrower shall be deemed to represent and warrant that), after giving effect to such issuance, amendment or extension (i) the L/C Obligations shall not exceed the L/C Sublimit, (ii) no Revolving Credit Lender's Revolving Credit Exposure shall exceed its Revolving Credit Commitment and (iii) the Revolving Credit Exposures of all Revolving Credit Lenders that would be outstanding at any time prior to the expiry date of all Letters of Credit shall not exceed the aggregate Revolving Credit Commitments at any time prior to such expiry (after giving effect to the Maturity Date of any Revolving Credit Commitments scheduled to occur prior to such expiry).

(c) Expiration Date. Each Letter of Credit shall expire (or be subject to termination by notice from the L/C Issuer to the beneficiary thereof) at or prior to the close of business on the earlier of (i) the date one year after the date of the issuance of such Letter of Credit (or, in the case of any extension of the expiration date thereof, one year after such extension) and (ii) the date that is five (5) Business Days prior to the Maturity Date.

(d) Participations. By the issuance of a Letter of Credit (or an amendment to a Letter of Credit increasing the amount thereof) and without any further action on the part of the L/C Issuer or the Lenders, the L/C Issuer hereby grants to each Revolving Credit Lender, and each Revolving Credit Lender hereby acquires from the L/C Issuer, a participation in such Letter of Credit equal to such Revolving Credit Lender's Applicable Revolving Credit Percentage of the aggregate amount available to be drawn under such Letter of Credit. In consideration and in furtherance of the foregoing, each Revolving Credit Lender hereby absolutely and unconditionally agrees to pay to the Administrative Agent, for the account of the L/C Issuer, such Revolving Credit Lender's Applicable Revolving Credit Percentage of each L/C Disbursement made by the L/C Issuer and not reimbursed by the Borrower on the date due as provided in paragraph (e) of this Section, or of any reimbursement payment required to be refunded to the Borrower for any reason, including after the Maturity Date. Each such payment shall be made without any offset, abatement, withholding or reduction whatsoever. Each Revolving Credit Lender acknowledges and agrees that its obligation to acquire participations pursuant to this paragraph in respect of Letters of Credit is absolute and unconditional and shall not be affected by any circumstance whatsoever, including any amendment or extension of any Letter of Credit or the occurrence and continuance of a Default or reduction or termination of the Revolving Credit Commitments.

(e) Reimbursement. If the L/C Issuer shall make any L/C Disbursement in respect of a Letter of Credit, the Borrower shall reimburse such L/C Disbursement by paying to the Administrative Agent an amount equal to such L/C Disbursement not later than 1:00 p.m., New York City time, on the date that such L/C Disbursement is made, if the Borrower shall have received notice of such L/C Disbursement prior to 10:00 a.m., New York City time, on such date, or, if such notice has not been received by the Borrower prior to such time on such date, then not later than 1:00 p.m., New York City time, on the Business Day immediately following the day that the Borrower receives such notice, if such notice is not received prior to such time on the day of receipt; provided the Borrower may, subject to the conditions to borrowing set forth herein, request in accordance with Section 2.02 that such payment be financed with an Alternate Base Rate Borrowing in an equivalent amount and, to the extent so financed, the Borrower's obligation to make such payment shall be discharged and replaced by the resulting Alternate Base Rate Borrowing. If the Borrower fails to make such payment when due, the

Administrative Agent shall notify each Revolving Credit Lender of the applicable L/C Disbursement, the payment then due from the Borrower in respect thereof (the "Unreimbursed Amount") and such Revolving Credit Lender's Applicable Revolving Credit Percentage thereof. Promptly following receipt of such notice, each Revolving Credit Lender shall pay to the Administrative Agent its Applicable Revolving Credit Percentage of the payment then due from the Borrower, in the same manner as provided in Section 2.02(b), with respect to Revolving Credit Loans made by such Revolving Credit Lender (and Section 2.02(b) shall apply, *mutatis mutandis*, to the payment obligations of the Revolving Credit Lenders), and the Administrative Agent shall promptly pay to the L/C Issuer the amounts so received by it from the Revolving Credit Lenders. Promptly following receipt by the Administrative Agent of any payment from the Borrower pursuant to this paragraph, the Administrative Agent shall distribute such payment to the L/C Issuer or, to the extent that Revolving Credit Lenders have made payments pursuant to this paragraph to reimburse the L/C Issuer, then to such Revolving Credit Lenders and the L/C Issuer as their interests may appear. Any payment made by a Revolving Credit Lender pursuant to this paragraph to reimburse the L/C Issuer for any L/C Disbursement (other than the funding of Base Rate Loans as contemplated above) shall not constitute a Loan and shall not relieve the Borrower of its obligation to reimburse such L/C Disbursement.

(f) Obligations Absolute. The Borrower's obligation to reimburse L/C Disbursements as provided in paragraph (e) of this Section shall be absolute, unconditional and irrevocable, and shall be performed strictly in accordance with the terms of this Agreement under any and all circumstances whatsoever and irrespective of (i) any lack of validity or enforceability of any Letter of Credit, any Letter of Credit Agreement or this Agreement, or any term or provision therein, (ii) any draft, demand certificate or other document presented under a Letter of Credit proving to be forged, fraudulent, invalid or insufficient in any respect or any statement therein being untrue or inaccurate in any respect, (iii) payment by the L/C Issuer under a Letter of Credit against presentation of a draft or other document that does not comply with the terms of such Letter of Credit, or (iv) any other event or circumstance whatsoever, whether or not similar to any of the foregoing, that might, but for the provisions of this Section, constitute a legal or equitable discharge of, or provide a right of setoff against, the Borrower's obligations hereunder. Neither the Administrative Agent, the Lenders nor the L/C Issuer, nor any of their respective Related Parties, shall have any liability or responsibility by reason of or in connection with the issuance or transfer of any Letter of Credit or any payment or failure to make any payment thereunder (irrespective of any of the circumstances referred to in the preceding sentence), or any error, omission, interruption, loss or delay in transmission or delivery of any draft, notice or other communication under or relating to any Letter of Credit (including any document required to make a drawing thereunder), any error in interpretation of technical terms, any error in translation or any consequence arising from causes beyond the control of the L/C Issuer; provided that the foregoing shall not be construed to excuse the L/C Issuer from liability to the Borrower to the extent of any direct damages (as opposed to special, indirect, consequential or punitive damages, claims in respect of which are hereby waived by the Borrower to the extent permitted by applicable law) suffered by the Borrower that are caused by the L/C Issuer's failure to exercise care when determining whether drafts and other documents presented under a Letter of Credit comply with the terms thereof. The parties hereto expressly agree that, in the absence of gross negligence or willful misconduct on the part of the L/C Issuer (as finally determined by a court of competent jurisdiction), the L/C Issuer shall be deemed to have exercised care in each such determination. In furtherance of the foregoing and without limiting the generality thereof, the parties agree that, with respect to documents presented which appear on their face to be in substantial compliance with the terms of a Letter of Credit, the L/C Issuer may, in its sole discretion, either accept and make payment upon such documents without responsibility for further investigation, regardless of any notice or information to the

contrary, or refuse to accept and make payment upon such documents if such documents are not in strict compliance with the terms of such Letter of Credit.

(g) Disbursement Procedures. The L/C Issuer for any Letter of Credit shall, within the time allowed by applicable law or the specific terms of the Letter of Credit following its receipt thereof, examine all documents purporting to represent a demand for payment under such Letter of Credit. Such L/C Issuer shall promptly after such examination notify the Administrative Agent and the Borrower by telephone (confirmed by telecopy or electronic mail) of such demand for payment if the L/C Issuer has made or will make an L/C Disbursement thereunder; provided that any failure to give or delay in giving such notice shall not relieve the Borrower of its obligation to reimburse the L/C Issuer and the Revolving Credit Lenders with respect to any such L/C Disbursement.

(h) Interim Interest. If the L/C Issuer for any Letter of Credit shall make any L/C Disbursement, then, unless the Borrower shall reimburse such L/C Disbursement in full on the date such L/C Disbursement is made, the unpaid amount thereof shall bear interest, for each day from and including the date such L/C Disbursement is made to but excluding the date that the reimbursement is due and payable at the rate per annum then applicable to Base Rate Loans and such interest shall be due and payable on the date when such reimbursement is payable; provided that, if the Borrower fails to reimburse such L/C Disbursement when due pursuant to paragraph (e) of this Section, then Section 2.08(b) shall apply. Interest accrued pursuant to this paragraph shall be for the account of the L/C Issuer, except that interest accrued on and after the date of payment by any Revolving Credit Lender pursuant to paragraph (e) of this Section to reimburse the L/C Issuer for such L/C Disbursement shall be for the account of such Revolving Credit Lender to the extent of such payment.

(i) Letter of Credit Fees. The Borrower shall pay to the Administrative Agent for the account of each Revolving Credit Lender in accordance with its Applicable Revolving Credit Percentage a Letter of Credit fee (the "Letter of Credit Fee") for each Letter of Credit at a rate per annum equal to the Applicable Rate times the daily amount available to be drawn under such Letter of Credit; provided, however, any Letter of Credit Fees otherwise payable for the account of a Defaulting Lender with respect to any Letter of Credit as to which such Defaulting Lender has not provided Cash Collateral satisfactory to the L/C Issuer pursuant to Section 2.15 shall be payable, to the maximum extent permitted by applicable Law, to the other Revolving Credit Lenders in accordance with the upward adjustments in their respective Applicable Percentages allocable to such Letter of Credit pursuant to Section 2.16(a)(iv), with the balance of such fee, if any, payable to the L/C Issuer for its own account. For purposes of computing the daily amount available to be drawn under any Letter of Credit, the amount of such Letter of Credit shall be determined in accordance with Section 1.06. Letter of Credit Fees shall be (i) due and payable on (w) the fifteenth day following the last day of each March, June, September and December of each year, for the period accrued through such last day, commencing with the first such date to occur after the issuance of such Letter of Credit, (x) each Maturity Date in respect of the Revolving Credit Facility prior to the Letter of Credit Expiration Date, (y) on the Letter of Credit Expiration Date and (z) thereafter on demand and (ii) computed on a quarterly basis in arrears. If there is any change in such Applicable Rate during any quarter, the daily amount available to be drawn under each Letter of Credit shall be computed and multiplied by such Applicable Rate separately for each period during such quarter that such Applicable Rate was in effect. Notwithstanding anything to the contrary contained herein, upon the request of the Required Revolving Lenders, while any Event of Default exists, all Letter of Credit Fees shall accrue at the rate of 2.0% above the rate otherwise applicable thereto.

(j) Fronting Fee and Documentary and Processing Charges Payable to L/C Issuer. The Borrower shall pay directly to each L/C Issuer for its own account a fronting fee with respect to each Letter of Credit, at the rate per annum equal to 0.125%, computed on the daily amount available to be drawn under such Letter of Credit on a quarterly basis in arrears. Such fronting fee shall be due and payable on (w) the fifteenth day following the last day of each March, June, September and December of each year, for the period accrued through such last day, commencing with the first such date to occur after the issuance of such Letter of Credit, (x) each Maturity Date prior to the Letter of Credit Expiration Date, (y) on the Letter of Credit Expiration Date and (z) thereafter on demand. For purposes of computing the daily amount available to be drawn under any Letter of Credit, the amount of such Letter of Credit shall be determined in accordance with Section 1.06. In addition, the Borrower shall pay directly to each L/C Issuer for its own account the customary issuance, presentation, amendment and other processing fees, and other standard costs and charges, of the L/C Issuer relating to letters of credit as from time to time in effect. Such customary fees and standard costs and charges are due and payable on demand and are nonrefundable.

(k) Replacement and Resignation of the L/C Issuer.

(i) The L/C Issuer may be replaced at any time by written agreement among the Borrower, the Administrative Agent, the replaced L/C Issuer and the successor L/C Issuer. The Administrative Agent shall notify the Lenders of any such replacement of the L/C Issuer. At the time any such replacement shall become effective, the Borrower shall pay all unpaid fees accrued for the account of the replaced L/C Issuer pursuant to Section 2.09(a). From and after the effective date of any such replacement, (x) the successor L/C Issuer shall have all the rights and obligations of the L/C Issuer under this Agreement with respect to Letters of Credit to be issued by it thereafter and (y) references herein to the term "L/C Issuer" shall be deemed to refer to such successor L/C Issuer. After the replacement of the L/C Issuer hereunder, the replaced L/C Issuer shall remain a party hereto and shall continue to have all the rights and obligations of an L/C Issuer under this Agreement with respect to Letters of Credit issued by it prior to such replacement, but shall not be required to issue additional Letters of Credit or extend or otherwise amend any existing Letter of Credit.

(ii) Subject to the appointment and acceptance of a successor L/C Issuer, any L/C Issuer may resign as an L/C Issuer at any time upon thirty days' prior written notice to the Administrative Agent, the Borrower and the Lenders, in which case, such resigning L/C Issuer shall be replaced in accordance with Section 2.03(k)(i) above.

(l) Cash Collateralization. If any Event of Default shall occur and be continuing, within one Business Day after the Borrower receives notice from the Administrative Agent or the Required Revolving Lenders (or, if the maturity of the Loans has been accelerated, Revolving Credit Lenders with L/C Obligation representing greater than 50% of the total L/C Obligation) demanding the deposit of cash collateral pursuant to this paragraph, the Borrower shall deposit in an account with the Administrative Agent, in the name of the Administrative Agent and for the benefit of the Lenders (the "Collateral Account"), an amount in cash equal to 100% of the L/C Obligation as of such date plus any accrued and unpaid interest thereon; provided that the obligation to deposit such cash collateral shall become effective immediately, and such deposit shall become immediately due and payable, without demand or other notice of any kind, upon the occurrence of any Event of Default with respect to the Borrower described in Section 8.01(f). Such deposit shall be held by the Administrative Agent as collateral for the payment and performance of the obligations of the Borrower under this Agreement. In

addition, and without limiting the foregoing or paragraph (c) of this Section, if any L/C Obligation remain outstanding after the expiration date specified in said paragraph (c), the Borrower shall immediately deposit into the Collateral Account an amount in cash equal to 100% of such L/C Obligation as of such date plus any accrued and unpaid interest thereon.

The Administrative Agent shall have exclusive dominion and control, including the exclusive right of withdrawal, over such account. Other than any interest earned on the investment of such deposits, which investments shall be made at the option and sole discretion of the Administrative Agent and at the Borrower's risk and expense, such deposits shall not bear interest. Interest or profits, if any, on such investments shall accumulate in such account. Moneys in such account shall be applied by the Administrative Agent to reimburse the L/C Issuer for L/C Disbursements for which it has not been reimbursed, together with related fees, costs and customary processing charges, and, to the extent not so applied, shall be held for the satisfaction of the reimbursement obligations of the Borrower for the L/C Obligation at such time or, if the maturity of the Loans has been accelerated (but subject to the consent of Revolving Credit Lenders with L/C Obligations representing greater than 50% of the total L/C Obligations), be applied to satisfy other Obligations. If the Borrower is required to provide an amount of cash collateral hereunder as a result of the occurrence of an Event of Default, such amount (to the extent not applied as aforesaid) shall be returned to the Borrower within three (3) Business Days after all Events of Default have been cured or waived.

(m) Letters of Credit Issued for Account of Subsidiaries. Notwithstanding that a Letter of Credit issued or outstanding hereunder supports any obligations of, or is for the account of, a Subsidiary, or states that a Subsidiary is the "account party," "applicant," "customer," "instructing party," or the like of or for such Letter of Credit, and without derogating from any rights of the L/C Issuer (whether arising by contract, at law, in equity or otherwise) against such Subsidiary in respect of such Letter of Credit, the Borrower (i) shall reimburse, indemnify and compensate the L/C Issuer hereunder for such Letter of Credit (including to reimburse any and all drawings thereunder) as if such Letter of Credit had been issued solely for the account of the Borrower and (ii) irrevocably waives any and all defenses that might otherwise be available to it as a guarantor or surety of any or all of the obligations of such Subsidiary in respect of such Letter of Credit. The Borrower hereby acknowledges that the issuance of such Letters of Credit for its Subsidiaries inures to the benefit of the Borrower, and that the Borrower's business derives substantial benefits from the businesses of such Subsidiaries.

2.04 [Reserved].

2.05 Prepayments.

(a) Optional. The Borrower may, upon notice to the Administrative Agent, at any time or from time to time voluntarily prepay any Loans in whole or in part without premium or penalty; provided that (A) such notice must be received by the Administrative Agent not later than 11:00 a.m. (1) three Business Days prior to any date of prepayment of Term Benchmark Loans and (2) on the date of prepayment of Base Rate Loans; (B) any prepayment of Term Benchmark Loans shall be in a principal amount of \$1,000,000 or a whole multiple of \$500,000 in excess thereof; and (C) any prepayment of Base Rate Loans shall be in a principal amount of \$500,000 or a whole multiple of \$100,000 in excess thereof or, in each case, if less, the entire principal amount thereof then outstanding. Each such notice shall specify the date and amount of such prepayment for each Class of Loans to be prepaid and the Type(s) of Loans to be prepaid and, if Term Benchmark Loans are to be prepaid, the Interest Period(s) of such

Loans. The Administrative Agent will promptly notify each Appropriate Lender of its receipt of each such notice, and of the amount of such Lender's ratable portion of such prepayment (based on such Lender's Applicable Percentage in respect of the relevant Facility). If such notice is given by the Borrower, the Borrower shall make such prepayment and the payment amount specified in such notice shall be due and payable on the date specified therein; *provided* that any such notice of a prepayment to be made in connection with any refinancing of all of the Commitments and/or Loans of any Facility with the proceeds of such refinancing or of any incurrence of Indebtedness, may be, if expressly so stated to be, contingent upon the consummation of such refinancing or incurrence (*provided, further*, that the failure of such contingency shall not relieve the Borrower from its obligations in respect thereof under Section 3.05). Any prepayment of a Term Benchmark Loan shall be accompanied by all accrued interest on the amount prepaid, together with any additional amounts required pursuant to Section 3.05.

Each prepayment of Tranche A Term Loans pursuant to this Section 2.05(a) shall be applied at the direction of the Borrower or, if not so directed, to the remaining principal repayment installments thereof in direct order of maturity. Each prepayment of any other Class of Term Loans pursuant to this Section 2.05(a) shall be applied as set forth in the applicable Additional Credit Extension Amendment. Each prepayment shall be paid to the Appropriate Lenders in accordance with their respective Applicable Percentages (except as permitted under Section 2.16) in respect of the Class of Loans designated to be prepaid by the Borrower.

(b) Mandatory. If at any time the Total Revolving Credit Outstandings exceed the Revolving Credit Facility at such time, the Borrower shall prepay Revolving Credit Loans and/or Cash Collateralize L/C Obligations to eliminate such excess. If at any time (1) the Total Revolving Credit Outstandings of any Revolving Credit Lender exceeds its Revolving Credit Commitment at such time, the Borrower shall prepay Revolving Credit Loans and/or Cash Collateralize L/C Obligations to eliminate such excess; or (2) the L/C Obligations exceeds the L/C Sublimit at such time, the Borrower shall Cash Collateralize L/C Obligations to eliminate such excess.

#### 2.06 Termination or Reduction of Revolving Credit Commitments and Termination of Tranche A Term Loan Commitments.

(a) Optional. The Borrower may, upon notice to the Administrative Agent, terminate the Revolving Credit Commitments, or from time to time permanently reduce the Revolving Credit Commitments; provided that (i) any such notice shall be received by the Administrative Agent not later than 11:00 a.m. three Business Days prior to the date of termination or reduction, (ii) any such partial reduction shall be in an aggregate amount of \$1,000,000 or any whole multiple of \$1,000,000 in excess thereof, (iii) the Borrower shall not terminate or reduce the Revolving Credit Facility if, after giving effect thereto and to any concurrent prepayments hereunder, the Total Revolving Credit Outstandings would exceed the Revolving Credit Facility, and (iv) any such notice of termination to be made in connection with any refinancing of all of the Facilities with the proceeds of such refinancing or of any incurrence of Indebtedness, may be, if expressly so stated to be, contingent upon the consummation of such refinancing or incurrence (provided that the failure to terminate or reduce as a result of the failure of such contingency shall not relieve the Borrower from its obligations in respect thereof under Section 3.05).

(b) Mandatory. (i) The aggregate Tranche A Term Loan Commitments shall be automatically and permanently reduced to zero upon the funding of the Tranche A Term Loans on the Amendment and Restatement Effective Date.

(ii) A Revolving Credit Commitment shall terminate on the Maturity Date applicable to such Revolving Credit Commitment.

(c) Application of Commitment Reductions; Payment of Fees. The Administrative Agent will promptly notify the Lenders of any termination or reduction of the Revolving Credit Commitments under this Section 2.06. Upon any reduction of the Revolving Credit Commitments, the Revolving Credit Commitment of each Revolving Credit Lender shall be reduced by such Lender's Applicable Revolving Credit Percentage of such reduction amount. All fees in respect of the Revolving Credit Facility accrued until the effective date of any termination of the Revolving Credit Facility shall be paid on the effective date of such termination.

2.07 Repayment of Loans.

(a) Tranche A Term Loans. The Borrower shall repay to the Administrative Agent for the ratable account of the Tranche A Term Lenders, on each date set forth below, the aggregate principal amount of Tranche A Term Loans set forth opposite such date (which payments shall be reduced as a result of the application of prepayments in accordance with Sections 2.05 and 2.17):

Date	Tranche A Term Loan Principal Amortization Payment
October 15, 2022	\$ 2,187,500.00
January 15, 2023	\$ 2,187,500.00
April 15, 2023	\$ 2,187,500.00
July 15, 2023	\$ 2,187,500.00
October 15, 2023	\$ 2,187,500.00
January 15, 2024	\$ 2,187,500.00
April 15, 2024	\$ 2,187,500.00
July 15, 2024	\$ 2,187,500.00
October 15, 2024	\$ 4,375,000.00
January 15, 2025	\$ 4,375,000.00
April 15, 2025	\$ 4,375,000.00
July 15, 2025	\$ 4,375,000.00
October 15, 2025	\$ 6,562,500.00
January 15, 2026	\$ 6,562,500.00
April 15, 2026	\$ 6,562,500.00
July 15, 2026	\$ 6,562,500.00
October 15, 2026	\$ 6,562,500.00
January 15, 2027	\$ 6,562,500.00

; provided, however, that the final principal repayment installment of the Tranche A Term Loans shall be repaid on the Maturity Date for the Tranche A Term Facility and in any event shall be in an

amount equal to the aggregate principal amount of all Tranche A Term Loans outstanding on such date; *provided, further* that, (x) this clause (a) may be amended in connection with the Borrowing of any Additional Term Loans, including by increasing the amortization thereof, if and to the extent necessary so that such Additional Term Loans and the applicable existing Tranche A Term Loans form the same Class of Tranche A Term Loans and to the extent possible, are a “fungible” tranche, without the consent of any party hereto, and (y) such amendments shall not decrease any amortization payment to any Lender that would have otherwise been payable to such Lender prior thereto.

(b) Revolving Credit Loans. On the Maturity Date for each Revolving Credit Commitment, the Borrower shall repay to the Administrative Agent the aggregate principal amount of all Revolving Credit Loans outstanding under such Revolving Credit Commitment on such date, together with accrued and unpaid interest thereon, for the ratable account of the Revolving Credit Lenders holding such Revolving Credit Commitment on such date.

#### 2.08 Interest.

(a) Subject to the provisions of Section 2.08(b), (i) each Term Benchmark Loan under a Facility shall bear interest on the outstanding principal amount thereof for each Interest Period at a rate per annum equal to the Adjusted Term SOFR Rate for such Interest Period plus the Applicable Rate for such Facility, and (ii) each Base Rate Loan under a Facility shall bear interest on the outstanding principal amount thereof from the applicable borrowing date at a rate per annum equal to the Alternate Base Rate plus the Applicable Rate for such Facility.

(b) (i) If any principal of or interest on any Loan or any fee or other amount payable by the Borrower hereunder is not paid when due (without regard to any applicable grace periods), whether at stated maturity, upon acceleration or otherwise, such overdue amount shall bear interest, after as well as before judgment, at a rate per annum equal to (i) in the case of overdue principal of any Loan, 2.0% plus the rate otherwise applicable to such Loan as provided in paragraph (a) of this Section or (ii) in the case of any other amount, 2.0% plus the rate applicable to Base Rate Loans under the applicable Facility as provided in paragraph (a) of this Section.

(ii) Accrued and unpaid interest on past due amounts (including interest on past due interest) shall be due and payable upon demand.

(c) Interest on each Loan shall be due and payable in arrears on each Interest Payment Date applicable thereto and at such other times as may be specified herein. Interest hereunder shall be due and payable in accordance with the terms hereof before and after judgment, and before and after the commencement of any proceeding under any Debtor Relief Law.

#### 2.09 Fees. In addition to certain fees described in Sections 2.03(i) and (j):

(a) Commitment Fee. The Borrower shall pay to the Administrative Agent, for the account of each Revolving Credit Lender in accordance with its Applicable Revolving Credit Percentage, a commitment fee equal to the Applicable Fee Rate times the actual daily amount by which the Revolving Credit Commitment of such Revolving Credit Lender exceeds such Lender's Applicable Revolving Credit Percentage of the sum of (i) the Outstanding Amount of Revolving Credit Loans and (ii) the Outstanding Amount of L/C Obligations; provided, however,

that no commitment fee shall accrue on any Revolving Credit Commitment of a Defaulting Lender so long as such Lender shall be a Defaulting Lender. The commitment fee shall accrue at all times during the Availability Period, including at any time during which one or more of the conditions in Article IV is not met, and shall be due and payable on (x) the fifteenth day following the last day of March, June, September and December of each year for the period accrued through such last day, commencing on the first such day to occur after the Amendment No. 5 Effective Date, and (y) each Maturity Date in respect of the Revolving Credit Facility. The commitment fee shall be calculated quarterly in arrears.

(b) Other Fees. The Borrower shall pay to (i) the Lead Arranger and the Administrative Agent for their own respective accounts fees in the amounts and at the times specified in the Fee Letter and (ii) the Administrative Agent for its own account the fee in the amount and at the times specified in the Agency Fee Letter. The fees in clauses (i) and (ii) above shall be fully earned when paid and shall not be refundable for any reason whatsoever.

(i) The Borrower shall pay to the Lenders such fees as shall have been separately agreed upon in writing in the amounts and at the times so specified. Such fees shall be fully earned when paid and shall not be refundable for any reason whatsoever.

#### 2.10 Computation of Interest and Fees; Retroactive Adjustments of Applicable Rate.

(a) All computations of interest for Base Rate Loans (including the Base Rate Loans determined by reference to the Adjusted Term SOFR Rate) shall be made on the basis of a year of 365 or 366 days, as the case may be, and actual days elapsed. All other computations of fees and interest (including interest computed by reference to the Term SOFR Rate or Daily Simple SOFR) shall be made on the basis of a 360-day year and actual days elapsed (which results in more fees or interest, as applicable, being paid than if computed on the basis of a 365-day year). Interest shall accrue on each Loan for the day on which the Loan is made, and shall not accrue on a Loan, or any portion thereof, for the day on which the Loan or such portion is paid, provided that any Loan that is repaid on the same day on which it is made shall, subject to Section 2.12(a), bear interest for one day. The applicable Alternate Base Rate, Adjusted Term SOFR Rate, Term SOFR Rate, Adjusted Daily Simple SOFR or Daily Simple SOFR shall be determined by the Administrative Agent, and such determination shall be conclusive and binding for all purposes, absent manifest error.

(b) If, as a result of any restatement of or other adjustment to the financial statements of the Borrower or for any other reason, the Borrower or the Lenders determine that (i) the Consolidated Leverage Ratio as calculated by the Borrower as of any applicable date was inaccurate and (ii) a proper calculation of the Consolidated Leverage Ratio would have resulted in higher pricing for such period, the Borrower shall immediately and retroactively be obligated to pay to the Administrative Agent for the account of the applicable Lenders, promptly on demand by the Administrative Agent (or, after the occurrence of an actual or deemed entry of an order for relief with respect to the Borrower under the Bankruptcy Code of the United States, automatically and without further action by the Administrative Agent, any Lender or the L/C Issuer), an amount equal to the excess of the amount of interest and fees that should have been paid for such period over the amount of interest and fees actually paid for such period. This paragraph shall not limit the rights of the Administrative Agent, any Lender or the L/C Issuer, as the case may be, under Section 2.03(e), 2.03(i) or 2.08(b) or under Article VIII. The

Borrower's obligations under this paragraph shall survive the termination of the Aggregate Commitments and the repayment of all other Obligations hereunder.

#### 2.11 Evidence of Debt.

(a) The Commitments of and Credit Extensions made by each Lender shall be evidenced by one or more accounts or records maintained by such Lender and by one or more entries in the Register maintained by the Administrative Agent acting as non-fiduciary agent solely for the purpose of Treasury Regulation 5f.103-1(c), as agent for the Borrower, in each case, in the ordinary course of business. The accounts or records maintained by the Administrative Agent and each Lender shall be conclusive absent manifest error of the amount of the Credit Extensions made by the Lenders to the Borrower and the interest and payments thereon. Any failure to so record or any error in doing so shall not, however, limit or otherwise affect the obligation of the Borrower hereunder to pay any amount owing with respect to the Obligations. In the event of any conflict between the accounts and records maintained by any Lender and the accounts and records of the Administrative Agent in respect of such matters, the accounts and records of the Administrative Agent shall control in the absence of manifest error. Upon the request of any Lender made through the Administrative Agent, the Borrower shall execute and deliver to such Lender (through the Administrative Agent) a Note, which shall evidence such Lender's Loans in addition to such accounts or records. Each Lender may attach schedules to its Note and endorse thereon the date, Type (if applicable), amount and maturity of its Loans and payments with respect thereto.

(b) In addition to the accounts and records referred to in Section 2.11(a), each Lender and the Administrative Agent shall maintain in accordance with its usual practice accounts or records evidencing the purchases and sales by such Lender of participations in Letters of Credit. In the event of any conflict between the accounts and records maintained by the Administrative Agent and the accounts and records of any Lender in respect of such matters, the accounts and records of the Administrative Agent shall control in the absence of manifest error.

#### 2.12 Payments Generally; Administrative Agent's Clawback.

(a) General. All payments to be made by the Borrower shall be made without condition or deduction for any counterclaim, defense, recoupment or setoff. Except as otherwise expressly provided herein, all payments by the Borrower hereunder shall be made to the Administrative Agent, for the account of the respective Lenders to which such payment is owed, at the Administrative Agent's Office in Dollars and in immediately available funds not later than 2:00 p.m. on the date specified herein. The Administrative Agent will promptly distribute to each Lender its Applicable Percentage in respect of the relevant Facility (or other applicable share as provided herein) of such payment in like funds as received by wire transfer to such Lender's Lending Office. All payments received by the Administrative Agent after 2:00 p.m. shall be deemed received on the next succeeding Business Day and any applicable interest or fee shall continue to accrue. If any payment to be made by the Borrower shall come due on a day other than a Business Day, payment shall be made on the next following Business Day, and such extension of time shall be reflected on computing interest or fees, as the case may be.

(b) (i) Funding by Lenders; Presumption by Administrative Agent. Unless the Administrative Agent shall have received notice from a Lender prior to the proposed date of any Borrowing of Term Benchmark Loans (or, in the case of any Borrowing of Base Rate Loans, prior to

12:00 noon on the date of such 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 Section 2.02 (or, in the case of a Borrowing of Base Rate Loans, that such Lender has made such share available in accordance with and at the time required by Section 2.02) and may, in reliance upon such assumption, make available to the Borrower a corresponding amount. In such event, if a 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 such corresponding amount in immediately available funds 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 (A) in the case of a payment to be made by 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, plus any administrative, processing or similar fees customarily charged by the Administrative Agent in connection with the foregoing, and (B) in the case of a payment to be made by the Borrower, the interest rate applicable to Base Rate Loans. If the Borrower and such Lender shall pay such interest to the Administrative Agent for the same or an overlapping period, the Administrative Agent shall promptly remit to the Borrower the amount of such interest paid by the Borrower for such period. If such Lender pays its share of the applicable Borrowing to the Administrative Agent, then the amount so paid shall constitute such Lender's Loan included in such Borrowing. Any payment by the Borrower shall be without prejudice to any claim the Borrower may have against a Lender that shall have failed to make such payment to the Administrative Agent.

(ii) Payments by Borrower; Presumptions by Administrative Agent. Unless the Administrative Agent shall have received, prior to any date on which any payment is due to the Administrative Agent for the account of the Lenders or the L/C Issuer pursuant to the terms hereof or any other Loan Document (including any date that is fixed for prepayment by notice from the Borrower to the Administrative Agent pursuant to Section 2.05), notice from the Borrower that the Borrower will not make such payment, the Administrative Agent may assume that the Borrower has made such payment or prepayment on such date in accordance herewith and may, in reliance upon such assumption, distribute to the Appropriate Lenders or the L/C Issuer, as the case may be, the amount due. In such event, if the Borrower has not in fact made such payment, then each of the Appropriate Lenders or the L/C Issuer, as the case may be, severally agrees to repay to the Administrative Agent forthwith on demand the amount so distributed to such Lender or the L/C Issuer, in immediately available funds 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.

A notice of the Administrative Agent to any Lender or the Borrower with respect to any amount owing under this subsection (b) shall be conclusive, absent manifest error.

(c) Failure to Satisfy Conditions Precedent. If any Lender makes available to the Administrative Agent funds for any Loan to be made by such Lender as provided in the foregoing provisions of this Article II, and such funds are not made available to the Borrower by the Administrative Agent because the conditions to the applicable Credit Extension set forth in Article IV are not satisfied or waived in accordance with the terms hereof, the Administrative Agent shall promptly return such funds (in like funds as received from such Lender) to such Lender, without interest.

(d) Obligations of Lenders Several. The obligations of the Lenders hereunder to make Term Loans and Revolving Credit Loans, to fund participations in Letters of Credit and to make payments pursuant to Section 10.04(c) are several and not joint. The failure of any Lender to make any Loan, to fund any such participation or to make any payment under Section 10.04(c) on any date required hereunder shall not relieve any other Lender of its corresponding obligation to do so on such date, and no Lender shall be responsible for the failure of any other Lender to so make its Loan, to purchase its participation or to make its payment under Section 10.04(c).

(e) Funding Source. Nothing herein shall be deemed to obligate any Lender to obtain the funds for any Loan in any particular place or manner or to constitute a representation by any Lender that it has obtained or will obtain the funds for any Loan in any particular place or manner.

(f) Insufficient Funds. If at any time insufficient funds are received by and available to the Administrative Agent to pay fully all amounts of principal, L/C Borrowings, interest and fees then due hereunder, such funds shall be applied (i) first, toward payment of interest and fees then due hereunder, ratably among the parties entitled thereto in accordance with the amounts of interest and fees then due to such parties, and (ii) second, toward payment of principal and L/C Borrowings then due hereunder, ratably among the parties entitled thereto in accordance with the amounts of principal and L/C Borrowings then due to such parties.

2.13 Sharing of Payments by Lenders. If any Lender shall, by exercising any right of setoff or counterclaim or otherwise, obtain payment in respect of (a) Obligations in respect of any Facility due and payable to such Lender hereunder and under the other Loan Documents at such time in excess of its ratable share (according to the proportion of (i) the amount of such Obligations due and payable to such Lender at such time to (ii) the aggregate amount of the Obligations in respect of such Facility due and payable to all Lenders hereunder and under the other Loan Documents at such time) of payments on account of the Obligations in respect of such Facility due and payable to all Lenders hereunder and under the other Loan Documents at such time obtained by all the Lenders at such time or (b) Obligations in respect of any Facility owing (but not due and payable) to such Lender hereunder and under the other Loan Documents at such time in excess of its ratable share (according to the proportion of (i) the amount of such Obligations owing (but not due and payable) to such Lender at such time to (ii) the aggregate amount of the Obligations in respect of such Facility owing (but not due and payable) to all Lenders hereunder and under the other Loan Parties at such time) of payment on account of the Obligations in respect of such Facility owing (but not due and payable) to all Lenders hereunder and under the other Loan Documents at such time obtained by all of the Lenders at such time then the Lender receiving such greater proportion shall (a) notify the Administrative Agent of such fact, and (b) purchase (for cash at face value) participations in the Loans and subparticipations in L/C Obligations of the other Lenders, or make such other adjustments as shall be equitable, so that the benefit of all such payments shall be shared by the Lenders ratably in accordance with the aggregate amount of Obligations in respect of the applicable Facility then due and payable to the Lenders or owing (but not due and payable) to the Lenders, as the case may be, provided that:

(i) if any such participations or subparticipations are purchased and all or any portion of the payment giving rise thereto is recovered, such participations or subparticipations shall be rescinded and the purchase price restored to the extent of such recovery, without interest;

(ii) the provisions of this Section shall not be construed to apply to (A) any payment made by or on behalf of the Borrower pursuant to and in accordance with the express terms of this Agreement (including the application of funds arising from the existence of a Defaulting Lender); (B) the application of Cash Collateral provided for in Section 2.03 or 2.15; (C) any prepayments made pursuant to Section 2.17; or (D) any payment obtained by a Lender as consideration for the assignment of or sale of a participation in any of its Loans or subparticipations in L/C Obligations to any assignee or Participant (other than the Borrower or any of its Subsidiaries); and

(iii) the provisions of this Section shall be subject to the provisions of Sections 2.14 2.18 and 2.19.

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 setoff 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. For purposes of clause (b) of the definition of "Excluded Taxes," a Lender that acquires a participation pursuant to this Section 2.13 shall be treated as having acquired such participation on the earlier date(s) on which it acquired the Commitment(s) or Loan(s) with respect to which the recovery giving rise to the acquisition of such participation was received.

#### 2.14 Increase in Commitments.

(a) The Borrower may by written notice to the Administrative Agent elect to seek (x) commitments ("Additional Revolving Credit Commitments") to increase the Revolving Credit Commitments and/or (y) commitments ("Additional Term Commitments") to increase the aggregate principal amount of any existing Class of Term Loans or to establish one or more new Classes of Term Loans; provided that:

(i) the aggregate amount of all Additional Commitments shall not exceed \$300,000,000;

(ii) any such increase or any new Class of Term Loans shall be in an aggregate amount of \$10,000,000 or any whole multiple of \$500,000 in excess thereof; provided that such amount may be less than \$10,000,000 if such amount represents all remaining availability under the limit set forth in the preceding clause (i);

(iii) the final maturity date of any Additional Term Loans shall be no earlier than the Latest Maturity Date;

(iv) the Additional Term Loans shall have a Weighted Average Life to Maturity equal to or greater than the then remaining Weighted Average Life to Maturity of each Class of Term Loans outstanding prior to such proposed incurrence of Additional Term Loans;

(v) the Applicable Rate with respect to any Additional Term Loans shall be determined by the Borrower and the lenders providing the Additional Term Loans (in such capacity, an "Additional Term Lender");

(vi) the Additional Revolving Credit Commitments shall be on the same terms as the Revolving Credit Commitments then outstanding with the Latest Maturity Date immediately prior to the Additional Commitments Effective Date; provided that (x) the Additional Revolving Credit Commitments may have a higher Applicable Rate than the outstanding Revolving Credit Commitments with the Latest Maturity Date immediately prior to the Additional Commitments Effective Date if the Applicable Rate for the outstanding Revolving Credit Commitments with the Latest Maturity Date are automatically increased such that it is equal to the Applicable Rate for the Additional Revolving Credit Commitments and (y) the Borrower may pay upfront fees on the Additional Commitments Effective Date to any Lender providing Additional Revolving Credit Commitments (in such capacity, an “Additional Revolving Credit Commitment Lender”);

(vii) no existing Lender shall be required to provide any Additional Commitments;

(viii) subject to clause (iv), the amortization schedule applicable to the Additional Term Loans shall be determined by the Borrower and the Additional Term Lenders; and

(ix) the Additional Term Loans may have optional prepayment terms (including call protection and prepayment premiums) as may be agreed between the Borrower and the Additional Term Lenders, but shall not have any mandatory prepayment terms unless this Agreement is amended or otherwise modified to have such mandatory prepayment terms apply equally for the benefit of the Tranche A Term Lenders and so long as such Additional Term Loans do not participate on a greater than pro rata basis in any such mandatory prepayments as compared to Tranche A Term Lenders (it being understood that such amendments or modifications to this Agreement as are necessary or appropriate, in the reasonable opinion of the Administrative Agent and the Borrower, to add the mandatory prepayment terms for the benefit of the Tranche A Term Lenders may be effected with the consent of the Borrower, the Administrative Agent and the Additional Term Lenders, without the consent of any other Person).

(b) Each such notice shall specify (x) the date (each, an “Additional Commitments Effective Date”) on which the Borrower proposes that the Additional Commitments shall be effective, which shall be a date reasonably acceptable to the Administrative Agent and (y) the identity of the Persons (each of which shall be an Eligible Assignee (for this purpose treating a Lender of Additional Commitments as if it were an assignee)) whom the Borrower proposes would provide the Additional Commitments and the portion of the Additional Commitment to be provided by each such Person. As a condition precedent to the effectiveness of any Additional Commitments, the Borrower shall deliver to the Administrative Agent a certificate dated as of the Additional Commitments Effective Date signed by a Responsible Officer of the Borrower certifying that, before and after giving effect to the Additional Commitments (and assuming full utilization thereof), (x) subject to Section 1.08(b), the conditions in Section 4.02(a) and (b) are satisfied and (y) subject to Section 1.08(b), the Borrower shall be in compliance, on a Pro Forma Basis, with the financial covenants set forth in Section 7.07. On each Additional Commitments Effective Date with respect to any Additional Term Commitment, each Person with an Additional Term Commitment shall make an Additional Term Loan to the Borrower in a principal amount equal to such Person’s Additional Term Commitment. The Borrower shall prepay any Revolving Credit Loans outstanding on the Additional Commitments Effective Date with respect to any Additional Revolving Credit Commitment (and pay any additional amounts required pursuant to Section 3.05) to the extent necessary to keep the outstanding Revolving Credit Loans ratable with any revised Applicable Revolving Credit Percentages arising from any nonratable increase in the Revolving Credit

Commitments. If there is a new Borrowing of Revolving Credit Commitments on such Additional Commitments Effective Date, the Revolving Credit Lenders after giving effect to such Additional Revolving Credit Commitments shall make such Revolving Credit Loans in accordance with Section 2.01(b).

(c) Any other terms of and documentation entered into in respect of any Additional Term Commitments shall be on terms and pursuant to documentation agreed between the Borrower and the Additional Term Lenders, other than as contemplated by Section 2.14(a)(iii), (iv), (viii) or (ix) above; provided that to the extent such other terms and documentation in respect of any Additional Term Loans are not consistent with those of the Tranche A Term Loans (except to the extent permitted by Section 2.14(a)(iii), (iv), (viii) or (ix) above) they shall be reasonably satisfactory to the Administrative Agent.

(d) The Additional Commitments shall be documented by an Additional Credit Extension Amendment executed by each Additional Revolving Credit Commitment Lender and/or Additional Term Lender providing the Additional Commitments (and the other Persons specified in the definition of Additional Credit Extension Amendment but no other existing Lender), and the Additional Credit Extension Amendment may provide for such amendments to this Agreement and the other Loan Documents as may be necessary or appropriate, in the reasonable opinion of the Administrative Agent and the Borrower, to effect the provisions of this Section 2.14.

(e) This Section 2.14 shall supersede any provisions in Section 2.13 or Section 10.01 to the contrary.

#### 2.15 Cash Collateral.

(a) Certain Credit Support Events. At any time that there shall exist a Defaulting Lender, upon the request of the Administrative Agent or the L/C Issuer, the Borrower shall promptly deliver to the Administrative Agent Cash Collateral in an amount sufficient to cover all Fronting Exposure (after giving effect to Section 2.16(a)(iv)) and any Cash Collateral provided by the Defaulting Lender).

(b) Grant of Security Interest. All Cash Collateral (other than credit support not constituting funds subject to deposit) shall be maintained in blocked, non-interest bearing deposit accounts at the Administrative Agent pursuant to arrangement reasonably satisfactory to the Administrative Agent. The Borrower, and to the extent provided by any Lender, such Lender, hereby grants to (and subjects to the control of) the Administrative Agent, for the benefit of the Administrative Agent, the L/C Issuer and the Lenders, and agrees to maintain, a first priority security interest in all such cash, deposit accounts and all balances therein, and all other property so provided as collateral pursuant hereto, and in all proceeds of the foregoing, all as security for the obligations to which such Cash Collateral may be applied pursuant to Section 2.15(c). If at any time the Administrative Agent determines that Cash Collateral is subject to any right or claim of any Person other than the Administrative Agent as herein provided, or that the total amount of such Cash Collateral is less than the applicable Fronting Exposure and other obligations secured thereby, the Borrower or the relevant Defaulting Lender will, promptly upon demand by the Administrative Agent, pay or provide to the Administrative Agent additional Cash Collateral in an amount sufficient to eliminate such deficiency.

(c) Application. Notwithstanding anything to the contrary contained in this Agreement, Cash Collateral provided under any of this Section 2.15 or Section 2.03, 2.05, 2.06, 2.16 or 8.02 in respect of Letters of Credit shall be held and applied to the satisfaction of the specific L/C Obligations, obligations to fund participations therein (including, as to Cash Collateral provided by a Defaulting Lender, any interest accrued on such obligation), related fees, costs, and customary processing charges and other obligations for which the Cash Collateral was so provided, prior to any other application of such property as may be provided for herein.

(d) Release. Cash Collateral (or the appropriate portion thereof) provided to reduce Fronting Exposure or other obligations shall be released promptly (i) following the elimination of the applicable Fronting Exposure or other obligations giving rise thereto (including by the termination of Defaulting Lender status of the applicable Lender (or, as appropriate, its assignee following compliance with Section 10.13)) or (ii) to the extent the aggregate amount of Cash Collateral exceeds the Fronting Exposure; provided, however, (x) that Cash Collateral furnished by or on behalf of a Loan Party shall not be released during the continuance of a Default or Event of Default (and following application as provided in this Section 2.15 may be otherwise applied in accordance with Section 8.03), and (y) the Person providing Cash Collateral and the L/C Issuer may agree that Cash Collateral shall not be released but instead held to support future anticipated Fronting Exposure or other obligations.

#### 2.16 Defaulting Lenders.

(a) Adjustments. Notwithstanding anything to the contrary contained in this Agreement, if any Lender becomes a Defaulting Lender, then, until such time as that Lender is no longer a Defaulting Lender, to the extent permitted by applicable Law:

(i) Waivers and Amendments. That Defaulting Lender's right to approve or disapprove any amendment, waiver or consent with respect to this Agreement or any other Loan Document shall be restricted as set forth in Section 10.01.

(ii) Reallocation of Payments. Any payment of principal, interest, fees or other amounts received by the Administrative Agent for the account of that Defaulting Lender (whether voluntary or mandatory, at maturity, pursuant to Article VIII or otherwise, and including any amounts made available to the Administrative Agent by that Defaulting Lender pursuant to Section 10.08), shall be applied at such time or times as may be determined by the Administrative Agent as follows: *first*, to the payment of any amounts owing by that Defaulting Lender to the Administrative Agent hereunder; *second*, to the payment of any amounts owing by that Defaulting Lender to the L/C Issuer hereunder; *third*, to Cash Collateralize the L/C Issuer's Fronting Exposure with respect to such Defaulting Lender in accordance with Section 2.15; *fourth*, as the Borrower may request (so long as no Default or Event of Default exists), to the funding of any Loan in respect of which that Defaulting Lender has failed to fund its portion thereof as required by this Agreement, as determined by the Administrative Agent; *fifth*, if so determined by the Administrative Agent and the Borrower, to be held in a non-interest bearing deposit account and released pro rata in order to (x) satisfy obligations of that Defaulting Lender to fund Loans under this Agreement and (y) Cash Collateralize the L/C Issuers' future Fronting Exposure with respect to such Defaulting Lender with respect to future Letters of Credit issued under this Agreement, in accordance with Section 2.15; *sixth*, to the payment of any amounts owing to the Lenders or the L/C Issuer as a result of any judgment of a court of competent

jurisdiction obtained by any Lender or the L/C Issuer against that Defaulting Lender as a result of that Defaulting Lender's breach of its obligations under this Agreement; *seventh*, so long as no Default or Event of Default exists, 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 that Defaulting Lender as a result of that Defaulting Lender's breach of its obligations under this Agreement; and *eighth*, to that Defaulting Lender or as otherwise directed by a court of competent jurisdiction; provided that if (x) such payment is a payment of the principal amount of any Loans or L/C Borrowings in respect of which that Defaulting Lender has not fully funded its appropriate share and (y) such Loans or L/C Borrowings were made at a time when the conditions set forth in Section 4.02 were satisfied or waived, such payment shall be applied solely to pay the Loans of, and L/C Borrowings owed to, all non-Defaulting Lenders on a pro rata basis prior to being applied to the payment of any Loans of, or L/C Borrowings owed to, that Defaulting Lender. Any payments, prepayments or other amounts paid or payable to a Defaulting Lender that are applied (or held) to pay amounts owed by a Defaulting Lender or to post Cash Collateral pursuant to this Section 2.16(a)(ii), shall be deemed paid to and redirected by that Defaulting Lender, and each Lender irrevocably consents hereto.

(iii) Certain Fees. That Defaulting Lender (x) shall be limited in its right to receive commitment fees as provided in Section 2.09(a), and (y) shall be limited in its right to receive Letter of Credit Fees as provided in Section 2.03(i).

(iv) Reallocation of Applicable Percentages to Reduce Fronting Exposure. During any period in which there is a Defaulting Lender, for purposes of computing the amount of the obligation of each non-Defaulting Lender to acquire, refinance or fund participations in Letters of Credit pursuant to Section 2.03, the "Applicable Percentage" of each non-Defaulting Lender shall be computed without giving effect to the Commitment of that Defaulting Lender; provided, that, (i) each such reallocation shall be given effect only if, at the date the applicable Lender becomes a Defaulting Lender, no Default or Event of Default exists; and (ii) the aggregate obligation of each non-Defaulting Lender to acquire, refinance or fund participations in Letters of Credit shall not exceed the positive difference, if any, of (1) the Revolving Credit Commitment of that non-Defaulting Lender minus (2) the aggregate Outstanding Amount of the Revolving Credit Loans of that Lender. No reallocation hereunder shall constitute a waiver or release of any claim of any party hereunder against a Defaulting Lender arising from that Lender having become a Defaulting Lender, including any claim of a non-Defaulting Lender as a result of such non-Defaulting Lender's increased exposure following such reallocation.

(v) Cash Collateral. If the reallocation described in clause (iv) above cannot, or can only partially, be effected, the Borrower shall, without prejudice to any right or remedy available to it hereunder or under law, Cash Collateralize the L/C Issuer's Fronting Exposure in accordance with the procedures set forth in Section 2.15.

(b) Defaulting Lender Cure. If the Borrower, the Administrative Agent and the L/C Issuer agree in writing in their sole discretion that a Defaulting Lender should no longer be deemed to be a Defaulting Lender, the Administrative Agent will so notify the parties hereto, whereupon as of the effective date specified in such notice and subject to any conditions set forth therein (which may include arrangements with respect to any Cash Collateral), such Lender will, to the extent applicable, purchase that portion of outstanding Loans of the other Lenders or take such other actions as the Administrative

Agent may determine to be necessary to cause the Loans and funded and unfunded participations in Letters of Credit to be held on a pro rata basis by the Lenders in accordance with their Applicable Percentages (without giving effect to Section 2.16(a)(iv)), whereupon that Lender will cease to be a Defaulting Lender; provided that no adjustments will be made retroactively with respect to fees accrued or payments made by or on behalf of the Borrower while that Lender was a Defaulting Lender; and provided, further, that except to the extent otherwise expressly agreed by the affected parties, no change hereunder from Defaulting Lender to Lender will constitute a waiver or release of any claim of any party hereunder arising from that Lender's having been a Defaulting Lender.

(c) New Letters of Credit. So long as any Lender is a Defaulting Lender, no L/C Issuer shall be required to issue, extend, renew or increase any Letter of Credit unless it is satisfied that it will have no Fronting Exposure after giving effect thereto.

#### 2.17 Discounted Voluntary Prepayments.

(a) Notwithstanding anything to the contrary contained in Section 2.05 or any other provision of this Agreement, subject to the terms and conditions set forth or referred to below, the Borrower may from time to time, at its discretion, prepay Term Loans (each, a "Discounted Prepayment Offer"), each such Discounted Prepayment Offer to be managed exclusively by the Lead Arrangers or another investment bank of recognized standing selected by the Borrower (in such capacity, the "Auction Manager"), so long as the following conditions are satisfied:

(i) each Discounted Prepayment Offer shall be conducted in accordance with the procedures, terms and conditions set forth in this Section 2.17 and the Auction Procedures;

(ii) no Default or Event of Default shall have occurred and be continuing on the date of the delivery of any Auction Notice and at the time of prepayment of any Term Loans in connection with any Discounted Prepayment Offer;

(iii) the maximum principal amount (calculated on the face amount thereof) of all Term Loans of any Class that the Borrower shall offer to prepay in any such Discounted Prepayment Offer shall be no less than \$10,000,000 (unless another amount is agreed to by the Administrative Agent);

(iv) the aggregate principal amount (calculated on the face amount thereof) of each and all Classes of Term Loans so prepaid by the Borrower shall automatically be cancelled and retired by the Borrower on the applicable settlement date (and, for the avoidance of doubt, may not be reborrowed or resold), and in no event shall the Borrower be entitled to vote hereunder in connection with such Term Loans;

(v) no more than one Discounted Prepayment Offer may be ongoing at any one time and no more than four Discounted Prepayment Offers may be made in any one fiscal year;

(vi) [reserved];

(vii) the Borrower shall be in compliance with Section 7.07 on a Pro Forma Basis after giving effect to the Discounted Prepayment Offer;

(viii) at the time of the consummation of each purchase of Term Loans through a Discounted Prepayment Offer, the Borrower shall have delivered to the Auction Manager and the Administrative Agent an officer's certificate of a Responsible Officer certifying as to compliance with preceding clauses (ii) and (vii);

(ix) no purchase of any Term Loans shall be made from the proceeds of any Revolving Credit Loan; and

(x) any Discounted Prepayment Offer with respect to any Class of Term Loans shall be offered to all Term Lenders holding Term Loans of such Class on a pro rata basis (and, for the avoidance of doubt, no Term Lender shall be required to participate in any such Discounted Prepayment Offer).

Each Lender that accepts any Discounted Prepayment Offer shall deliver to the Administrative Agent, the Auction Manager and the Borrower a customary Big Boy Letter.

(b) The Borrower must terminate any Discounted Prepayment Offer if it fails to satisfy one or more of the conditions set forth above which are required to be met at the time at which the Term Loans would have been prepaid pursuant to such Discounted Prepayment Offer. If the Borrower commences any Discounted Prepayment Offer (and all relevant requirements set forth above which are required to be satisfied at the time of the commencement of such Discounted Prepayment Offer have in fact been satisfied), and if at such time of commencement the Borrower reasonably believes that all required conditions set forth above which are required to be satisfied at the time of the consummation of such Discounted Prepayment Offer shall be satisfied, then the Borrower shall have no liability to any Term Lender or any other Person for any termination of such Discounted Prepayment Offer as a result of its failure to satisfy one or more of the conditions set forth above which are required to be met at the time which otherwise would have been the time of consummation of such Discounted Prepayment Offer, and any such failure shall not result in any Default or Event of Default hereunder. With respect to all prepayments of Term Loans made by the Borrower pursuant to this Section 2.17, the Borrower shall pay on the settlement date of each such prepayment all accrued and unpaid interest (except to the extent otherwise set forth in the relevant Auction Procedures), if any, on the prepaid Term Loans up to the settlement date of such prepayment.

(c) Any loan prepayments conducted pursuant to Discounted Prepayment Offers shall not constitute voluntary or mandatory prepayments for purposes of Section 2.05 hereof, but Term Loans of any Class prepaid pursuant to this Section 2.17 shall reduce scheduled principal repayments installments on a pro rata basis.

(d) The Auction Manager acting in its capacity as such hereunder shall be entitled to the benefits of the provisions of Article IX and Section 10.04 to the same extent as if each reference therein to the "Administrative Agent" were a reference to the Auction Manager, and the Administrative Agent shall cooperate with the Auction Manager as reasonably requested by the Auction Manager in order to enable it to perform its responsibilities and duties in connection with each Discounted Prepayment Offer.

2.18 Extended Revolving Credit Commitments and Extended Term Loans.

(I) Extended Revolving Credit Commitments.

(a) At least 30 days but not more than 60 days prior to each anniversary of the Amendment No. 5 Effective Date (any such applicable anniversary of the Amendment No. 5 Effective Date, the "Revolving Credit Extension Date"), but not more than once after the Amendment No. 5 Effective Date, the Borrower, by written notice to the Administrative Agent, may request that each Revolving Credit Lender extend the Maturity Date of the Revolving Credit Commitments for an additional one-year period as set forth in such notice from the Borrower (a "Revolving Credit Extension Request"), and any Revolving Credit Commitments so modified, the "Extended Revolving Credit Commitment").

(b) The Administrative Agent shall promptly notify each Revolving Credit Lender of such Revolving Credit Extension Request, and each such Revolving Credit Lender shall then, in its sole discretion, notify the Borrower and the Administrative Agent in writing no later than 20 days prior to the Revolving Credit Extension Date whether such Revolving Credit Lender will consent to the extension (each such Revolving Credit Lender consenting to the extension, an "Extending Revolving Credit Lender"). The failure of any Revolving Credit Lender to notify the Administrative Agent of its intent to consent to any Revolving Credit Extension Request shall be deemed a rejection by such Lender of such Revolving Credit Extension Request. A Lender that does not agree to a Revolving Credit Extension Request is referred to as a "Non-Extending Revolving Credit Lender."

(c) Subject to satisfaction of the conditions in Section 4.02(a) and (b) as of the Revolving Credit Extension Date, on the Revolving Credit Extension Date, (i) the Maturity Date of Revolving Credit Commitments in effect at such time shall be extended for an additional one-year period as requested (a "Revolving Credit Maturity Extension"), (ii) the Maturity Date with respect to Revolving Credit Commitments following any such extension shall not be a date that is more than five (5) years after the applicable Revolving Credit Extension Date and (iii) the Revolving Credit Commitment of each Non-Extending Revolving Credit Lender that is not replaced pursuant to Section 2.18(e) shall terminate and the Revolving Credit Loans made by such Revolving Credit Lender shall be prepaid, and any other amounts owing to such Revolving Credit Lender hereunder shall be paid.

(d) To the extent that there are Non-Extending Revolving Credit Lenders, the Administrative Agent shall promptly so notify the Extending Revolving Credit Lenders, and each Extending Revolving Credit Lender may, in its sole discretion, give written notice to the Borrower and the Administrative Agent no later than 15 days prior to the Revolving Credit Extension Date of the amount of the Revolving Credit Commitments of the Non-Extending Revolving Credit Lenders that it is willing to assume.

(e) The Borrower shall be permitted to require that any Non-Extending Revolving Credit Lender assign its Revolving Credit Commitment to an Extending Revolving Credit Lender or to replace any Revolving Credit Lender that is a Non-Extending Revolving Credit Lender with a replacement financial institution or other entity (each, a "New Revolving Credit Lender"); provided that (A) the New Revolving Credit Lender shall assume the Revolving Credit Commitment of the Non-Extending Revolving Credit Lender and purchase all Revolving Credit Loans of the Non-Extending Revolving Credit Lender at 100% of the principal amount thereof, together with all accrued interest and

all fees on such Revolving Credit Loans and Revolving Credit Commitment and all other amounts owing to such replaced Revolving Credit Lender on or prior to the date of replacement, (B) the Borrower shall be liable to such replaced Revolving Credit Lender under Section 3.05 if any Revolving Credit Loan owing to such replaced Revolving Credit Lender shall be purchased other than on the last day of the Interest Period relating thereto, (C) the replaced Revolving Credit Lender shall be obligated to assign its Revolving Credit Commitment, Revolving Credit Loans and L/C Obligations to the applicable replacement Revolving Credit Lender or Revolving Credit Lenders in accordance with the provisions of Section 10.06 (it being understood that the Borrower or the New Revolving Credit Lender shall be obligated to pay the processing and recordation fee referred to therein) and (D) until such time as such replacement shall be consummated, the Borrower shall pay all additional amounts (if any) required pursuant to Section 3.01 or 3.04, as the case may be.

(f) If the Extending Revolving Credit Lenders and the New Revolving Credit Lenders are willing to commit amounts that, in an aggregate, exceed the amount of the Revolving Credit Commitments of the Non-Extending Revolving Credit Lenders, the Borrower and the Administrative Agent shall allocate the Revolving Credit Commitments of the Non-Extending Revolving Credit Lenders among them.

(g) If any financial institution or other entity becomes a New Revolving Credit Lender or any Extending Revolving Credit Lender's Revolving Credit Commitment is increased pursuant to this Section 2.18, (i) Loans made on or after the applicable Revolving Credit Extension Date shall be made in accordance with the pro rata provisions of Section 2.01 based on the respective Revolving Credit Commitments in effect on and after the applicable Revolving Credit Extension Date and (ii) if, on the date of such joinder or increase, there are any Revolving Credit Loans outstanding, such Revolving Credit Loan shall on or prior to such date be prepaid from the proceeds of new Revolving Credit Loans made hereunder (reflecting such additional Lender or increase), which prepayment shall be accompanied by accrued interest on the Revolving Credit Loans being prepaid and any costs incurred by any Revolving Credit Lender in accordance with Section 3.05.

(II) Extended Tem A Loans.

(a) At least 30 days but not more than 60 days prior to each anniversary of the Amendment No. 5 Effective Date (any such applicable anniversary of the Amendment No. 5 Effective Date, the "Term A Loan Extension Date"), but not more than twice after the Amendment and Restatement Effective Date, the Borrower, by written notice to the Administrative Agent, may request that each Term Lender extend the Maturity Date of the Tranche A Term Loans to a date (the "Extended Term A Maturity Date") that is at least one year after the Maturity Date for the Tranche A Term Loans as set forth in such notice from the Borrower (a "Term A Loan Extension Request" and, any Tranche A Term Loans so modified, the "Extended Term A Loans").

(b) The Administrative Agent shall promptly notify each Term Lender of such Term A Loan Extension Request, and each such Term Lender shall then, in its sole discretion, notify the Borrower and the Administrative Agent in writing no later than 20 days prior to the Term A Loan Extension Date whether such Term Lender will consent to the extension (each such Term Lender consenting to the extension, an "Extending Term A Lender"). The failure of any Term Lender to notify the Administrative Agent of its intent to consent to any Term A Loan Extension Request shall be deemed

a rejection by such Term Lender of such Term A Loan Extension Request. A Lender that does not agree to a Term A Loan Extension Request is referred to as a “Non-Extending Term A Lender.”

(c) Subject to satisfaction of the conditions in Section 4.02(a) and (b) as of the Term A Loan Extension Date, on the Term A Loan Extension Date, the Maturity Date of the Tranche A Term Loans in effect at such time shall be extended to the Extended Term A Maturity Date as to the Extending Term A Lenders (a “Term A Loan Maturity Extension”); provided that the proposed terms of the Extended Term A Loans shall be identical to those applicable to the existing Tranche A Term Loans (the “Existing Term A Loans”) except:

- (i) the scheduled final maturity shall be the Extended Term A Maturity Date, which shall be later than the Latest Maturity Date of the Existing Term A Loans;
- (ii) all or any of the scheduled amortization payments of principal of the Extended Term A Loans may be delayed to later dates than the scheduled amortization payments of principal of the Existing Term A Loans;
- (iii) (A) the interest rates (including through fixed interest rates), interest margins, rate floors, upfront fees, funding discounts, original issue discounts and premiums with respect to the Extended Term A Loans may be different than those for the Existing Term A Loans and (B) additional fees and/or premiums may be payable to the Extending Term A Lenders providing such Extended Term A Loans in addition to any of the items contemplated by the preceding clause (A);
- (iv) the Extended Term A Loans may have optional prepayment terms (including call protection and prepayment premiums) as may be agreed between the Borrower and the Extending Term A Lenders, in an amount greater than, equal to or less than its pro rata share of voluntary prepayments made to all Classes of Tranche A Term Loans; and
- (v) the Loan Parties may be subject to covenants and other terms for the benefit of the Extending Term A Lenders that apply only after the Latest Maturity Date.

(d) The Borrower shall have the right, but shall not be obliged, to arrange for one or more Extending Term A Lenders or other Eligible Assignees to assume, pursuant to Assignments and Assumptions, effective as of the Maturity Date for the Existing Term A Loans in effect immediately prior to the Term A Loan Extension Date, any Non-Extending Term A Lender’s Tranche A Term Loan and all of the obligations of such Non-Extending Term A Lender under this Agreement thereafter arising, without recourse to or warranty by, or expense to, such Non-Extending Term A Lender.

(III) Omnibus Maturity Extension Provisions.

(e) In connection herewith, the Administrative Agent shall enter in the Register, (i) in the case of a Revolving Credit Maturity Extension, (x) the names of any New Revolving Credit Lenders (if any) and (y) the respective allocations of any Extending Revolving Credit Lenders and New Revolving Credit Lenders effective as of each Revolving Credit Extension Date and (ii) in the case of a Term A Loan Maturity Extension, the respective allocations of any Extending Term A Lenders and any Non-Extending Term A Lenders.

(f) An Extended Revolving Credit Commitment and/or an Extended Term A Loan shall be established pursuant to an Additional Credit Extension Amendment executed by (x) in the case of a Revolving Credit Maturity Extension, the Extending Revolving Credit Lenders, including any New Revolving Credit Lender (and the other Persons specified in the definition of Additional Credit Extension Amendment but not any Non-Extending Revolving Credit Lender) and (y) in the case of a Term A Loan Maturity Extension, the Extending Term A Lenders (and the other Persons specified in the definition of Additional Credit Extension Amendment but not any Non-Extending Term A Lender). No Additional Credit Extension Amendment shall provide for any Extended Term A Loans in an aggregate principal amount that is less than \$10,000,000. An Additional Credit Extension Amendment consented to by the Required Lenders and the Administrative Agent may establish Extended Revolving Credit Commitments and/or Extended Term A Loans in a manner that varies from this Section 2.18; provided that no Lender shall be required to extend the Maturity Date of its Revolving Credit Commitment and/or its Tranche A Term Loans without its written consent. In addition to any terms and changes required or permitted by Section 2.18(II), (c), an Additional Credit Extension Amendment for a Term A Loan Maturity Extension shall amend the scheduled amortization payments pursuant to Section 2.07 with respect to the Existing Term A Loans from which the Extended Term A Loans were converted to reduce each scheduled principal repayment amount for the Existing Term A Loans in the same proportion as the amount of Existing Term A Loans to be converted into Extended Term A Loans. Following the effective date of any Additional Credit Extension Amendment to extend the Maturity Date of any Revolving Credit Commitment and/or a Tranche A Term Loan, the Borrower, any Non-Extending Revolving Credit Lender (in the case of Revolving Credit Maturity Extension), any Non-Extending Term A Lender (in the case of a Term A Loan Maturity Extension) and the Administrative Agent (without the consent of any other Person) may enter into a supplement to such Additional Credit Extension Amendment to extend the Maturity Date of such Non-Extending Revolving Credit Lender and/or Non-Extending Term A Lender to be the same as the extended Maturity Date effected by such Additional Credit Extension Amendment; provided that such Lender shall not be paid any fee to extend the Maturity Date of its Revolving Credit Commitment and/or Tranche A Term Loans other than the fee (if any) paid to the Revolving Credit Lenders and/or Term Lenders pursuant to such Additional Credit Extension Amendment in consideration for such extension.

(g) This Section 2.18 shall supersede any provisions in Section 2.13 or Section 10.01 to the contrary.

#### 2.19 Refinancing Term Loans.

(a) The Borrower may at any time and from time to time, by written notice to the Administrative Agent, request the establishment of one or more additional Classes of term loans under this Agreement or an increase to an existing Class of term loans under this Agreement (“Refinancing Term Loans”); provided that:

(i) the proceeds of such Refinancing Term Loans shall be used, concurrently or substantially concurrently with the incurrence thereof, solely to refinance all or any portion of any outstanding Term Loans;

(ii) each Class of Refinancing Term Loans shall be in an aggregate amount of \$10,000,000 or any whole multiple of \$500,000 in excess thereof (or such other amount necessary to repay any Class of outstanding Term Loans in full);

(iii) such Refinancing Term Loans shall be in an aggregate principal amount not greater than the aggregate principal amount of Term Loans to be refinanced plus any accrued interest, fees, costs and expenses related thereto (including any original issue discount or upfront fees);

(iv) the final maturity date of such Refinancing Term Loans shall be later than the Latest Maturity Date, and the Weighted Average Life to Maturity of such Refinancing Term Loans shall be longer than the then remaining Weighted Average Life to Maturity of each Class of Term Loans being refinanced;

(v) (A) the pricing, rate floors, discounts, fees and optional prepayment or redemption provisions applicable to such Refinancing Term Loans shall be as agreed between the Borrower and the Refinancing Term Lenders, (B) such Refinancing Term Loans shall not have any mandatory prepayment or redemption provisions unless this Agreement is amended or otherwise modified to have such mandatory prepayment terms apply equally for the benefit of the Tranche A Term Lenders and so long as such Refinancing Term Loans do not participate on a greater than pro rata basis in any such mandatory prepayments as compared to Tranche A Term Lenders (it being understood that such amendments or modifications to this Agreement as are necessary or appropriate, in the reasonable opinion of the Administrative Agent and the Borrower, to add mandatory prepayment terms for the benefit of the Tranche A Term Lenders may be effected with the consent of the Borrower, the Administrative Agent and the Refinancing Term Lenders, without the consent of any other Person), and (C) the covenants and other terms applicable to such Refinancing Term Loans (excluding those terms described in the immediately preceding clause (A) and (B)), which shall be as agreed between the Borrower and the Refinancing Term Lenders, shall not be materially more favorable (when taken as a whole) to the Refinancing Term Lenders than those applicable to any Class of Term Loans then outstanding under this Agreement (as determined by the Borrower in good faith), except to the extent such covenants and other terms apply solely to any period after the Latest Maturity Date then-applicable to any term loan facility hereunder or such covenants or other terms apply equally for the benefit of the other Lenders; and

(vi) no existing Lender shall be required to provide any Refinancing Term Loans.

(b) Each such notice shall specify (x) the date (each, a "Refinancing Term Loan Effective Date") on which the Borrower proposes that the Refinancing Term Loans be made, which shall be a date reasonably acceptable to the Administrative Agent and (y) the identity of the Persons (each of which shall be an Eligible Assignee (for this purpose treating a Lender of Refinancing Term Loans as if it were an assignee)) whom the Borrower proposes would provide the Refinancing Term Loans and the portion of the Refinancing Term Loans to be provided by each such Person. On each Refinancing Term Loan Effective Date, each Person with a commitment for a Refinancing Term Loan (each such Person, a "Refinancing Term Lender") shall make a Refinancing Term Loan to the Borrower in a principal amount equal to such Person's Commitment therefor.

(c) This Section 2.19 shall supersede any provisions in Section 2.13 or Section 10.01 to the contrary. The Refinancing Term Loans shall be documented by an Additional Credit Extension Amendment executed by the Persons providing the Refinancing Term Loans (and the other Persons specified in the definition of Additional Credit Extension Amendment but no other existing Lender), and

the Additional Credit Extension Amendment may provide for such amendments to this Agreement and the other Loan Documents as may be necessary or appropriate, in the reasonable opinion of the Administrative Agent and the Borrower, to effect the provisions of this Section 2.19.

ARTICLE III  
TAXES, YIELD PROTECTION AND ILLEGALITY

3.01 Taxes.

(a) Payments Free of Taxes. Any and all payments by or on account of any obligation of any Loan Party hereunder or under any other Loan Document shall be made free and clear of and without reduction or withholding for any Taxes, provided that if a Loan Party or other applicable withholding agent shall be required by applicable law to deduct any Taxes from such payments, then (i) the Loan Party or other applicable withholding agent shall make such deductions, (ii) the Loan Party or other applicable withholding agent shall timely pay the full amount deducted to the relevant Governmental Authority in accordance with applicable law, and (iii) in the case of Indemnified Taxes or Other Taxes, the sum payable shall be increased by the applicable Loan Party as necessary so that after making all required deductions (including deductions applicable to additional sums payable under this Section) the applicable Lender (or, in the case of payments 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 been made.

(b) Payment of Other Taxes by the Borrower. Without limiting the provisions of subsection (a) above, the Borrower shall timely pay any Other Taxes to the relevant Governmental Authority in accordance with applicable law.

(c) Indemnification by the Borrower. The Borrower shall indemnify the Administrative Agent, each Lender and the L/C Issuer, within 10 Business Days after written demand therefor, for the full amount of any Indemnified Taxes or Other Taxes (including Indemnified Taxes or Other Taxes imposed or asserted on or attributable to amounts payable under this Section 3.01) paid by the Administrative Agent, such Lender or the L/C Issuer, as the case may be, and, without duplication, any penalties, interest and 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. A certificate as to the amount of such payment or liability delivered to the Borrower by a Lender or the L/C Issuer (with a copy to the Administrative Agent), or by the Administrative Agent on its own behalf or on behalf of a Lender or the L/C Issuer, shall be conclusive absent manifest error. After the Administrative Agent, any Lender or the L/C Issuer (as the case may be) learns of the imposition of any Indemnified Taxes or Other Taxes, the Administrative Agent, any Lender or the L/C Issuer (as the case may be) will act in good faith to promptly notify the Borrower of its obligations hereunder; provided, however, that the failure to provide Borrower with such notice shall not release the Borrower of its indemnification obligation under this Section 3.01(c).

(d) Evidence of Payments. As soon as practicable after any payment of Indemnified Taxes or Other Taxes by a Loan Party or other applicable withholding agent to a Governmental Authority, the 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 reasonably satisfactory to the Administrative Agent.

(e) Status of Lenders. Any Lender entitled to an exemption from or reduction of withholding tax with respect to payments under this Agreement shall deliver to the Borrower (and the Administrative Agent) at any time or times reasonably requested by the Borrower or the Administrative Agent, such properly completed and executed documentation prescribed by applicable law or otherwise reasonably requested by the Borrower or the Administrative Agent to permit such payments to be made without such withholding Tax 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 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.

Without limiting the foregoing, each Foreign Lender shall, to the extent it is legally eligible to do so, (i) on or prior to the date it becomes a Foreign Lender, (ii) on or prior to the date on which any applicable form or certification expires or becomes obsolete or incorrect, (iii) after the occurrence of any event involving such Foreign Lender that requires a change in the most recent form or certification previously delivered by it to Borrower and the Administrative Agent, and (iv) from time to time if reasonably requested by the Borrower or the Administrative Agent, provide the Administrative Agent and the Borrower whichever of the following is applicable:

(i) duly completed copies of IRS Form W-8BEN or W-8BEN-E (or any successor form) claiming eligibility for benefits of an income tax treaty to which the United States is a party and which provides for an exemption from or reduction in United States Federal withholding tax,

(ii) duly completed copies of IRS Form W-8ECI (or any successor form),

(iii) in the case of a Foreign Lender claiming the benefits of the exemption for portfolio interest under section 881(c) of the Code, (A) a certificate substantially in the form of Exhibit F (any such certificate a “United States Tax Compliance Certificate”) to the effect that such Foreign Lender is not (1) a “bank” within the meaning of section 881(c)(3)(A) of the Code, (2) a “10 percent shareholder” of the Borrower within the meaning of section 881(c)(3)(B) of the Code, (3) a “controlled foreign corporation” described in section 881(c)(3)(C) of the Code and (4) or was not engaged in the conduct of a trade or business within the United States to which the interest payment is effectively connected and (B) duly completed copies of IRS Form W-8BEN or W-8BEN-E (or any successor form),

(iv) to the extent a Foreign Lender is not the beneficial owner (for example, where the Foreign Lender is a partnership or participating Lender granting a typical participation), a complete and executed IRS Form W-8IMY, accompanied by a Form W-8ECI, W-8BEN or W-8BEN-E, a United States Tax Compliance Certificate, IRS Form W-9, and/or other certification documents or successor forms from each beneficial owner, as applicable; provided that, if the Foreign Lender is a partnership (and not a participating Lender) and one or more partners of such Foreign Lender are claiming the portfolio interest exemption, such Foreign Lender shall provide a United States Tax Compliance Certificate, on behalf of such beneficial owner(s) in lieu of requiring each beneficial owner to provide its own certificate, or

(v) any other form prescribed by applicable law as a basis for claiming exemption from or a reduction in United States Federal withholding tax duly completed together with such

supplementary documentation as may be prescribed by applicable law to permit the Borrower or the Administrative Agent to determine the withholding or deduction required to be made.

Without limiting the foregoing, each Lender and L/C Issuer that is a “United States person” within the meaning of Section 7701(a)(30) of the Code that lends to the Borrower (each, a “U.S. Lender”) shall deliver to the Administrative Agent and the Borrower two duly signed, properly completed copies of IRS Form W-9 on or prior to the Amendment and Restatement Effective Date (or on or prior to the date it becomes a party to this Agreement), certifying that such U.S. Lender is entitled to an exemption from United States backup withholding, or any successor form.

If a payment made to a Lender under any Loan Document would be subject to withholding Tax imposed by FATCA if such Lender were to fail to comply with the applicable reporting requirements of FATCA (including those contained in Sections 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 law and at such time or times reasonably requested by the Borrower or the Administrative Agent such documentation prescribed by applicable law (including as prescribed by Section 1471(b)(3)(C)(i) of the Code) and such additional documentation reasonably requested by the Borrower or the Administrative Agent as may be necessary for the Borrower and the Administrative Agent to comply with their FATCA obligations, to determine whether such Lender has or has not complied with such Lender’s FATCA obligations and, if necessary, to determine the amount to deduct and withhold from such payment. Solely for purposes of this paragraph, “FATCA” shall include any amendments made to FATCA after the date of this Agreement.

Each Lender authorizes the Administrative Agent to deliver to the Borrower and to any successor Administrative Agent any documentation provided by the Lender to the Administrative Agent pursuant to this Section 3.01(e).

Notwithstanding anything to the contrary in this Section 3.01(e), no Lender shall be required to deliver any documentation pursuant to this Section 3.01(e) that such Lender is not legally eligible to deliver.

(f) Treatment of Certain Refunds. If the Administrative Agent, any Lender or the L/C Issuer determines, in its sole discretion, which shall be applied in good faith, that it has received a refund of any Indemnified Taxes or Other Taxes as to which it has been indemnified by a Loan Party or with respect to which a Loan Party has paid additional amounts pursuant to this Section, it shall pay to the Loan Party an amount equal to such refund (but only to the extent of indemnity payments made, or additional amounts paid, by a Loan Party under this Section with respect to the Indemnified Taxes or Other Taxes giving rise to such refund), net of all reasonable out-of-pocket expenses (including Taxes) of the Administrative Agent, such Lender or the L/C Issuer, as the case may be, and without interest (other than any interest paid by the relevant Governmental Authority with respect to such refund), provided that a Loan Party, upon the request of the Administrative Agent, such Lender or the L/C Issuer, agrees to repay the amount paid over to a Loan Party (plus any penalties, interest or other charges imposed by the relevant Governmental Authority) to the Administrative Agent, such Lender or the L/C Issuer if the Administrative Agent, such Lender or the L/C Issuer is required to repay such refund to such Governmental Authority. This subsection shall not be construed to require the Administrative Agent, any Lender or the L/C Issuer to make available its tax returns (or any other information relating to its taxes that it deems confidential) to a Loan Party or any other Person.

3.02 Illegality. If any Lender determines that any Law has made it unlawful, or that any Governmental Authority has asserted that it is unlawful, for any Lender or its applicable Lending Office to make, maintain or fund Loans whose interest is determined by reference to the Term SOFR Rate, or to determine or charge interest rates based upon the Term SOFR 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 offshore 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 Term Benchmark Loans or to convert Base Rate Loans to Term Benchmark Loans shall be suspended and (ii) if such notice asserts the illegality of such Lender making or maintaining Base Rate Loans the interest rate on which is determined by reference to the Adjusted Term SOFR Rate component of the Alternate Base Rate, the interest rate on such Base Rate Loans of such Lender shall, if necessary to avoid such illegality, be determined by the Administrative Agent without reference to the Adjusted Term SOFR 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. Upon receipt of such notice, (x) the Borrower shall, upon demand from such Lender (with a copy to the Administrative Agent), prepay or, if applicable, convert all Term Benchmark Loans of such Lender to Base Rate Loans (the interest rate on which Base Rate Loans of such Lender shall, if necessary to avoid such illegality, be determined by the Administrative Agent without reference to the Adjusted Term SOFR 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 Term Benchmark Loans to such day, or immediately, if such Lender may not lawfully continue to maintain such Term Benchmark Loans, and (y) if such notice asserts the illegality of such Lender determining or charging interest rates based upon the Term SOFR Rate, the Administrative Agent shall during the period of such suspension compute the Alternate Base Rate applicable to such Lender without reference to the Adjusted Term SOFR 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 Term SOFR Rate. Upon any such prepayment or conversion, the Borrower shall also pay accrued interest on the amount so prepaid or converted.

3.03 Alternate Rate of Interest.

(a) Subject to clauses (b), (c), (d), (e) and (f) of this Section 3.03, if:

(i) the Administrative Agent determines (which determination shall be conclusive absent manifest error) (A) prior to the commencement of any Interest Period for a Term Benchmark Borrowing, that adequate and reasonable means do not exist for ascertaining the Adjusted Term SOFR Rate or the Term SOFR Rate (including because the Term SOFR Reference Rate is not available or published on a current basis), for such Interest Period or (B) at any time, that adequate and reasonable means do not exist for ascertaining the applicable Adjusted Daily Simple SOFR or Daily Simple SOFR; or

(ii) the Administrative Agent is advised by the Required Lenders that (A) prior to the commencement of any Interest Period for a Term Benchmark Borrowing, the Adjusted Term SOFR Rate for such Interest Period will not adequately and fairly reflect the cost to such Required Lenders (or Required Lender) of making or maintaining their Loans (or their Loan) included in such Borrowing for such Interest Period or (B) at any time, Adjusted Daily Simple SOFR will not adequately and fairly reflect the cost to such Required Lenders (or Required Lender) of making or maintaining their Loans (or their Loan) included in such Borrowing;

then the Administrative Agent shall give notice thereof to the Borrower and the Lenders by telephone, telecopy or electronic mail as promptly as practicable thereafter and, until (x) the Administrative Agent notifies the Borrower and the Lenders that the circumstances giving rise to such notice no longer exist with respect to the relevant Benchmark and (y) the Borrower delivers a Committed Loan Notice requesting the conversion or continuation of interest in accordance with the terms of Section 2.02 or a Committed Loan Notice for a new Borrowing in accordance with the terms of Section 2.02, any Committed Loan Notice that requests the conversion of any Borrowing to, or continuation of any Borrowing as, a Term Benchmark Borrowing and any Committed Loan Notice that requests a Term Benchmark Borrowing shall instead be deemed to be an interest election request or a Borrowing request, as applicable, for (x) an RFR Borrowing so long as the Adjusted Daily Simple SOFR is not also the subject of Section 3.03(a)(i) or (ii) above or (y) a Base Rate Borrowing if the Adjusted Daily Simple SOFR also is the subject of Section 3.03(a)(i) or (ii) above; provided that if the circumstances giving rise to such notice affect only one Type of Borrowings, then all other Types of Borrowings shall be permitted. Furthermore, if any Term Benchmark Loan or RFR Loan is outstanding on the date of the Borrower's receipt of the notice from the Administrative Agent referred to in this Section 3.03(a) with respect to a Relevant Rate applicable to such Term Benchmark Loan or RFR Loan, then until (x) the Administrative Agent notifies the Borrower and the Lenders that the circumstances giving rise to such notice no longer exist with respect to the relevant Benchmark and (y) the Borrower delivers a Committed Loan Notice for an interest election request in accordance with the terms of Section 2.02 or a Committed Loan Notice for a new Borrowing request in accordance with the terms of Section 2.02, any Term Benchmark Loan shall on the last day of the Interest Period applicable to such Loan (or the next succeeding Business Day if such day is not a Business Day), be converted by the Administrative Agent to, and shall constitute, (x) an RFR Borrowing so long as the Adjusted Daily Simple SOFR is not also the subject of Section 3.03(a)(i) or (ii) above or (y) a Base Rate Loan if the Adjusted Daily Simple SOFR also is the subject of Section 3.03(a)(i) or (ii) above, on such day.

(b) Notwithstanding anything to the contrary herein or in any other Loan Document (and any Swap Agreement shall be deemed not to be a "Loan Document" for purposes of this Section 3.03), if a Benchmark 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 (x) if a Benchmark Replacement is determined in accordance with clause (1) 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 and (y) if a Benchmark Replacement is determined in accordance with clause (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 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 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.

(c) Notwithstanding anything to the contrary herein or in any other Loan Document, the Administrative Agent 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.

(d) The Administrative Agent will promptly notify the Borrower and the Lenders of (i) any occurrence of a Benchmark Transition Event, (ii) the implementation of any Benchmark Replacement, (iii) the effectiveness of any Benchmark Replacement Conforming Changes, (iv) the removal or reinstatement of any tenor of a Benchmark pursuant to clause (f) below and (v) the commencement or conclusion of any Benchmark Unavailability Period. Any determination, decision or election that may be made by the Administrative Agent or, if applicable, any Lender (or group of Lenders) pursuant to this Section 3.03, 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 3.03.

(e) 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), (i) if the then-current Benchmark is a term rate (including the Term SOFR Rate) 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 or (B) the regulatory supervisor for the administrator of such Benchmark has provided a public statement or publication of information 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 (ii) if a tenor that was removed pursuant to clause (i) 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.

(f) Upon the Borrower's receipt of notice of the commencement of a Benchmark Unavailability Period, the Borrower may revoke any request for a Term Benchmark Borrowing or RFR Borrowing or of conversion to or continuation of Term Benchmark Loans to be made, converted or continued during any Benchmark Unavailability Period and, failing that, the Borrower will be deemed to have converted any request for a Term Benchmark Borrowing into a request for a Borrowing of or conversion to (A) an RFR Borrowing so long as the Adjusted Daily Simple SOFR is not the subject of a Benchmark Transition Event or (B) a Base Rate Borrowing if the Adjusted Daily Simple SOFR is the subject of a Benchmark Transition Event. 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 Alternate Base Rate. Furthermore, if any Term Benchmark Loan or RFR Loan is outstanding on the date of the Borrower's receipt of notice of the commencement of a Benchmark Unavailability Period with respect to a Relevant Rate applicable to such Term Benchmark Loan or RFR Loan, then until such time as a Benchmark Replacement is implemented pursuant to this Section 3.03, any Term Benchmark Loan shall on the last day of the Interest Period applicable to such Loan (or the next succeeding Business Day if such day is not a Business Day), be converted by the Administrative Agent to, and shall constitute, (x) an RFR Borrowing so long as the Adjusted Daily Simple SOFR is not the

subject of a Benchmark Transition Event or (y) a Base Rate Loan if the Adjusted Daily Simple SOFR is the subject of a Benchmark Transition Event, on such day.

3.04 Increased Costs; Capital and Liquidity Requirements.

(a) Increased Costs Generally. If any Change in Law shall:

(i) impose, modify or deem applicable any reserve, special deposit, compulsory loan, insurance charge or similar requirement against assets of, deposits with or for the account of, or credit extended or participated in by, any Lender (except any reserve requirement taken into account in determining the Adjusted Term SOFR Rate) or the L/C Issuer; or

(ii) impose on any Lender or the L/C Issuer or the applicable offshore interbank market any other condition, cost or expense affecting this Agreement or Loans made by such Lender or any Letter of Credit or participation therein (other than with respect to (x) any Indemnified Taxes and Other Taxes indemnified under Section 3.01, (y) any Taxes described in clauses (b) through (d) of the definition of “Excluded Taxes” or (z) any Connection Income Taxes);

and the result of any of the foregoing shall be to increase the cost to such Lender of making, continuing, converting or maintaining any Loan (or of maintaining its obligation to make any such Loan), or to increase the cost to such Lender or the L/C Issuer of participating in, issuing or maintaining any Letter of Credit (or of maintaining its obligation to participate in or to issue any Letter of Credit), or to reduce the amount of any sum received or receivable by such Lender or the L/C Issuer hereunder (whether of principal, interest or any other amount), then, upon request of such Lender or the L/C Issuer, the Borrower will pay to such Lender or the L/C Issuer, as the case may be, such additional amount or amounts as will compensate such Lender or the L/C Issuer, as the case may be, for such additional costs incurred or reduction suffered.

(b) Capital and Liquidity Requirements. If any Lender or the L/C Issuer determines that any Change in Law affecting such Lender or the L/C Issuer or any Lending Office of such Lender or such Lender’s or the L/C Issuer’s holding company, if any, regarding capital and liquidity requirements has or would have the effect of reducing the rate of return on such Lender’s or the L/C Issuer’s capital or on the capital of such Lender’s or the L/C Issuer’s holding company, if any, as a consequence of this Agreement, the Commitments of such Lender or the Loans made by, or participations in Letters of Credit held by, such Lender, or the Letters of Credit issued by the L/C Issuer, to a level below that which such Lender or the L/C Issuer or such Lender’s or the L/C Issuer’s holding company could have achieved but for such Change in Law (taking into consideration such Lender’s or the L/C Issuer’s policies and the policies of such Lender’s or the L/C Issuer’s holding company with respect to capital adequacy or liquidity), then from time to time the Borrower will pay to such Lender or the L/C Issuer, as the case may be, such additional amount or amounts as will compensate such Lender or the L/C Issuer or such Lender’s or the L/C Issuer’s holding company for any such reduction suffered.

(c) Certificates for Reimbursement. A certificate of a Lender or the L/C Issuer setting forth the amount or amounts necessary to compensate such Lender or the L/C Issuer or its holding

company, as the case may be, as specified in subsection (a) or (b) of this Section 3.04 or in Section 3.05 and specifying in reasonable detail the basis for such compensation and delivered to the Borrower shall be conclusive absent manifest error. The Borrower shall pay such Lender or the L/C Issuer, as the case may be, the amount shown as due on any such certificate within 10 days after receipt thereof.

(d) Delay in Requests. Failure or delay on the part of any Lender or the L/C Issuer to demand compensation pursuant to the foregoing provisions of this Section shall not constitute a waiver of such Lender's or the L/C Issuer's right to demand such compensation, provided that the Borrower shall not be required to compensate a Lender or the L/C Issuer pursuant to the foregoing provisions of this Section 3.04 for any increased costs incurred or reductions suffered more than six months prior to the date that such Lender or the L/C Issuer, as the case may be, notifies the Borrower of the Change in Law giving rise to such increased costs or reductions and of such Lender's or the L/C Issuer's intention to claim compensation therefor (except that, if the Change in Law giving rise to such increased costs or reductions is retroactive, then the six-month period referred to above shall be extended to include the period of retroactive effect thereof).

(e) [Reserved].

### 3.05 Compensation for Losses.

(a) With respect to Loans that are not RFR Loans, upon demand of any Lender (with a copy to the Administrative Agent) from time to time, the Borrower shall promptly compensate such Lender for and hold such Lender harmless from any loss, cost or expense incurred by it as a result of:

i. any continuation, conversion, payment or prepayment of any Term Benchmark Loan on a day other than the last day of the Interest Period for such Loan (whether voluntary, mandatory, automatic, by reason of acceleration, or otherwise); or any payment of any Term Benchmark Loan on the Maturity Date of the Commitment under which such Loan was made if the Interest Period for such Loan does not end on such Maturity Date;

ii. any failure by the Borrower (for a reason other than the failure of such Lender to make a Loan) to prepay, borrow, continue or convert any Term Benchmark Loan on the date or in the amount notified by the Borrower; or

iii. any assignment of a Term Benchmark Loan on a day other than the last day of the Interest Period therefor as a result of a request by the Borrower pursuant to Section 10.13;

including any loss of anticipated profits (excluding the Applicable Rate) and any loss or expense arising from the liquidation or reemployment of funds obtained by it to maintain such Loan or from fees payable to terminate the deposits from which such funds were obtained.

### 3.06 Mitigation Obligations; Replacement of Lenders.

(a) Designation of a Different Lending Office. If any Lender requests compensation under Section 3.04, or the Borrower is required to pay any additional amount to any Lender or any Governmental Authority for the account of any Lender pursuant to Section 3.01, or if any Lender gives a notice pursuant to Section 3.02, 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 judgment of such Lender, such designation or assignment (i) would eliminate or reduce amounts payable pursuant to Section 3.01 or 3.04, as the case may be, in the future, or eliminate the need for the notice pursuant to Section 3.02, as applicable, and (ii) in each case, would not subject such Lender to any unreimbursed cost or expense and would not otherwise be materially disadvantageous to such Lender. The Borrower hereby agrees to pay all reasonable costs and expenses incurred by any Lender in connection with any such designation or assignment.

(b) Replacement of Lenders. If any Lender requests compensation under Section 3.04 or delivers a notice described in Section 3.02, or if the Borrower is required to pay any additional amount to any Lender or any Governmental Authority for the account of any Lender pursuant to Section 3.01, the Borrower may replace such Lender in accordance with Section 10.13.

3.07 Survival. All of the Borrower's obligations under this Article III, as well as the Lenders' obligations under Section 3.01(e), shall survive termination of the Aggregate Commitments and repayment of all other Obligations hereunder.

#### ARTICLE IV CONDITIONS PRECEDENT TO CREDIT EXTENSIONS

4.01 Conditions to Effectiveness of the Amendment and Restatement. The effectiveness of this Agreement is subject to the prior or concurrent satisfaction of the following conditions (the date on which such conditions are satisfied, the "Amendment and Restatement Effective Date"):

(a) Loan Documents and Corporate Documents. The Administrative Agent's receipt of the following, each of which shall be originals or telecopies (followed promptly by originals) unless otherwise specified, each properly executed by a Responsible Officer of the signing Loan Party (if applicable), each dated the Amendment and Restatement Effective Date (or, in the case of certificates of governmental officials, a recent date before the Amendment and Restatement Effective Date) and each in form and substance reasonably satisfactory to the Administrative Agent:

- (i) executed counterparts of this Agreement and the Guaranty Reaffirmation in such number as the Administrative Agent may reasonably request;
- (ii) a Tranche A Note and/or Revolving Credit Note executed by the Borrower in favor of each Lender that has requested a Tranche A Note and/or Revolving Credit Note at least two Business Days in advance of the Amendment and Restatement Effective Date;
- (iii) such certificates of resolutions or other action, incumbency certificates and/or other certificates of Responsible Officers of each Loan Party as the Administrative Agent may reasonably require evidencing the identity, authority and capacity of each Responsible Officer thereof authorized to act as a Responsible Officer in connection with

this Agreement and the other Loan Documents to which such Loan Party is a party or is to be a party;

(iv) such documents and certifications as the Administrative Agent may reasonably require to evidence that each Loan Party is duly organized or formed, and that each Loan Party is validly existing and in good standing in its jurisdiction of organization;

(v) a favorable opinion of Davis Polk & Wardwell LLP, special New York counsel to the Loan Parties (A) dated as of the Amendment and Restatement Effective Date, (B) addressed to each L/C Issuer on the Amendment and Restatement Effective Date, the Administrative Agent and the Lenders and (C) in form and substance reasonably satisfactory to the Administrative Agent; and

(vi) a certificate signed by a Responsible Officer of the Borrower certifying that the conditions specified in clauses (a) and (b) of Section 4.02 are satisfied.

(b) Fees and Expenses. All fees due to the Administrative Agent, the Lead Arranger and the Lenders shall have been paid, and all expenses to be paid or reimbursed to the Administrative Agent and the Lead Arranger that have been invoiced a reasonable period of time prior to the Amendment and Restatement Effective Date shall have been paid, in each case, from the proceeds of the initial funding under the Tranche A Term Facility plus such additional amounts of such fees, charges and disbursements of counsel as shall constitute its reasonable estimate of such fees, charges and disbursements incurred or to be incurred by it through the Amendment and Restatement Effective Date (provided that such estimate shall not thereafter preclude a final settling of accounts between the Borrower and the Administrative Agent of additional amounts actually incurred and invoiced by the Administrative Agent or its counsel to the Borrower promptly after the Amendment and Restatement Effective Date).

(c) USA Patriot Act. The Borrower and each of the Guarantors shall have provided, (i) at least three (3) Business Days prior to the Amendment and Restatement Effective Date, the documentation and other information to the Administrative Agent and Lenders that are required by regulatory authorities under applicable “know-your-customer” rules and regulations, including the USA Patriot Act, to the extent the Borrower shall have received written requests therefor at least seven (7) Business Days prior to the Amendment and Restatement Effective Date and (ii) to the extent the Borrower qualifies as a “legal entity customer” under the Beneficial Ownership Regulation, at least five days prior to the Amendment and Restatement Effective Date, a Beneficial Ownership Certification in relation to the Borrower.

Without limiting the generality of the provisions of Section 9.03, for purposes of determining compliance with the conditions specified in this Section 4.01, each Lender that has signed this Agreement shall be deemed to have consented to, approved or accepted or to be satisfied with, each document or other matter required thereunder to be consented to or approved by or acceptable or

satisfactory to a Lender unless the Administrative Agent shall have received notice from such Lender prior to the proposed Amendment and Restatement Effective Date specifying its objection thereto.

4.02 Conditions to All Credit Extensions. The obligation of each Lender to honor any Request for Credit Extension (other than a Committed Loan Notice requesting only a conversion of Loans to the other Type, or a continuation of Term Benchmark Loans) (including on the Amendment and Restatement Effective Date) is subject to the satisfaction (or waiver) of the following conditions precedent:

(a) The representations and warranties of the Borrower and each other Loan Party contained in Article V or any other Loan Document, or which are contained in any document furnished at any time under or in connection herewith or therewith, shall be true and correct in all material respects (or in all respects, if such representation and warranty is qualified by materiality or “Material Adverse Effect”) on and as of the date of such Credit Extension, except to the extent that such representations and warranties specifically refer to an earlier date, in which case they shall be true and correct in all material respects (or in all respects, if such representation and warranty is qualified by materiality or “Material Adverse Effect”) as of such earlier date, and except that for purposes of this Section 4.02, the representations and warranties contained in Sections 5.05(a) and (b) shall be deemed to refer to the most recent statements furnished pursuant to Sections 6.01(a) and (b), respectively (it being understood that if any Additional Commitment is being provided in connection with a Limited Condition Transaction, then the provisions of Section 1.08(b) shall apply and this clause (a) shall be limited to customary SunGard “specified representations” and, if applicable, those representations of the seller or the target company (as applicable) included in the acquisition agreement related to such Limited Condition Transaction that are material to the interests of the Lenders and only to the extent that the Borrower or its applicable Subsidiary has the right to terminate its obligations under such acquisition agreement as a result of a failure of such representations to be accurate).

(b) No Default shall exist, or would result from such proposed Credit Extension or from the application of the proceeds thereof (it being understood that if any Additional Commitment is being provided in connection with a Limited Condition Transaction, then the provisions of Section 1.08(b) shall apply and no Event of Default under Section 8.01(a), Section 8.01(f) and Section 8.01(g)(i) shall exist, or would result from such proposed Additional Commitment or from the application of the proceeds thereof).

(c) The Administrative Agent and, if applicable, the L/C Issuer shall have received a Request for Credit Extension in accordance with the requirements hereof.

Each Request for Credit Extension (other than a Committed Loan Notice requesting only a conversion of Loans to the other Type or a continuation of Term Benchmark Loans) submitted by the Borrower shall be deemed to be a representation and warranty that the conditions specified in Sections 4.02(a) and (b) have been satisfied on and as of the date of the applicable Credit Extension.

#### ARTICLE V REPRESENTATIONS AND WARRANTIES

The Borrower represents and warrants to the Administrative Agent and the Lenders that:

5.01 Existence, Qualification and Power. Each Loan Party and each of its Subsidiaries (a) is duly organized or formed, validly existing and, as applicable, in good standing under the Laws of the jurisdiction of its incorporation or organization, (b) has all requisite power and authority and all requisite governmental licenses, authorizations, consents and approvals to (i) own or lease its assets and carry on its business and (ii) execute, deliver and perform its obligations under the Loan Documents to which it is a party and consummate the ARCA Transaction, and (c) is duly qualified and is licensed and, as applicable, in good standing under the Laws of each jurisdiction where its ownership, lease or operation of properties or the conduct of its business requires such qualification or license; except in each case referred to in clause (a) (other than with respect to a Loan Party), (b)(i) or (c), to the extent that failure to do so could not reasonably be expected to have a Material Adverse Effect.

5.02 Authorization; No Contravention. The execution, delivery and performance by each Loan Party of each Loan Document to which such Person is a party (a) have been duly authorized by all necessary corporate or other organizational action, and (b) do not (i) contravene the terms of any of such Person's Organization Documents; (ii) conflict with or result in any breach or contravention of, or the creation of any Lien under, or require any payment to be made under (A) any Contractual Obligation to which such Person is a party or affecting such Person or the properties of such Person or any of its Subsidiaries or (B) any order, injunction, writ or decree of any Governmental Authority or any arbitral award to which such Person or its property is subject; or (iii) violate any Law; except with respect to any conflict, breach, contravention, payment or violation (but not creation of Liens) referred to in clause (b)(ii) or (iii), to the extent that such conflict, breach, contravention, payment or violation could not reasonably be expected to have a Material Adverse Effect.

5.03 Governmental Authorization; Other Consents. No approval, consent, exemption, authorization, or other action by, or notice to, or filing with, any Governmental Authority or any other Person is necessary or required in connection with the execution, delivery or performance by, or enforcement against, any Loan Party of this Agreement or any other Loan Document, or for the consummation of the ARCA Transaction, except for such items which the failure to make or obtain could not reasonably be expected to have a Material Adverse Effect.

5.04 Binding Effect. This Agreement has been, and each other Loan Document, when delivered hereunder, will have been, duly executed and delivered by each Loan Party that is party thereto. This Agreement constitutes, and each other Loan Document when so delivered will constitute, a legal, valid and binding obligation of such Loan Party, enforceable against each Loan Party that is party thereto in accordance with its terms, except as enforceability may be limited by applicable Debtor Relief Laws or similar laws affecting creditors' rights generally or by general principles of equity.

5.05 Financial Statements; No Material Adverse Effect.

(a) The Audited Financial Statements (i) were prepared in accordance with GAAP consistently applied throughout the period covered thereby, except as otherwise expressly noted therein; and (ii) fairly present in all material respects the financial condition of the Borrower and its Subsidiaries as of the date thereof and their results of operations for the period covered thereby in accordance with GAAP consistently applied throughout the period covered thereby, except as otherwise expressly noted therein.

(b) The unaudited financial statements of the Borrower for the three months ended March 31, 2021 and 2022 (i) were prepared in accordance with GAAP consistently applied throughout the period covered thereby, except as otherwise expressly noted therein, and (ii) fairly present in all material respects the financial condition and results of operations of the entities to which they relate as of the dates and for the periods covered thereby, subject to the absence of footnotes and to normal year-end audit adjustments.

(c) Since the date of the balance sheet included in the Audited Financial Statements, there has been no event or circumstance, either individually or in the aggregate, that has had or could reasonably be expected to have a Material Adverse Effect.

5.06 Litigation. Except as disclosed on Schedule 5.06, there are no Proceedings pending or, to the knowledge of the Borrower, threatened or contemplated, at law, in equity, in arbitration or before any Governmental Authority, by or against the Borrower or any of its Subsidiaries or against any of their properties or revenues that (a) purport to restrain or contest entry into or performance under this Agreement or any other Loan Document or the consummation of the ARCA Transaction or (b) either individually or in the aggregate could reasonably be expected to have a Material Adverse Effect.

5.07 Ownership of Property. Each Loan Party and each of its Subsidiaries owns, or has valid leasehold interests in, or other rights to use, all property necessary in the ordinary conduct of its business, except for such property the failure to own or have valid interest in, or such defects in title or interests, or rights, as could not, individually or in the aggregate, reasonably be expected to have a Material Adverse Effect.

5.08 Environmental Compliance. Except with respect to any matters that could not, individually or in the aggregate, reasonably be expected to result in a Material Adverse Effect or as set forth on Schedule 5.08, none of the Loan Parties nor any of their respective Subsidiaries (a) has failed to comply with any Environmental Law or to obtain, maintain or comply with any Environmental Permit or to provide any notification required under any Environmental Law or has become subject to any Environmental Liability or is conducting or financing any investigation, response or corrective action pursuant to any Environmental Law at any location; or (b) knows of any basis for Environmental Liability.

5.09 Insurance. The properties of the Borrower and its Subsidiaries are insured with financially sound and reputable insurance companies not Affiliates of the Borrower, in such amounts, with such deductibles and covering such risks as are customarily carried by companies engaged in similar businesses and owning similar properties in localities where the Borrower or the applicable Subsidiary operates (as determined in the good faith judgment of the Borrower).

5.10 Taxes. The Borrower and its Subsidiaries have filed, or have caused to be filed, all Federal, state and other tax returns and reports required to be filed, and have paid, or have caused to be paid, all Federal, state and other taxes, assessments, fees and other governmental charges levied or imposed upon them or their properties, income or assets otherwise due and payable, except (i) those which are being contested in good faith by appropriate proceedings diligently conducted and for which adequate reserves have been provided in accordance with GAAP or (ii) to the extent the failure to do any of the foregoing could not reasonably be expected to have a Material Adverse Effect. There is no proposed tax assessment against the Borrower or any of its Subsidiaries that would, if made, have a

Material Adverse Effect. Neither any Loan Party nor any Subsidiary thereof is party to any tax sharing agreement other than one or more tax sharing agreements between or among Loan Parties and other Domestic Subsidiaries and the tax sharing agreement between the Borrower and Morgan Stanley.

#### 5.11 ERISA Compliance.

(a) Except with respect to any matter that could not, individually or in the aggregate, reasonably be expected to result in a Material Adverse Effect, (i) each Plan is in compliance in all respects with the applicable provisions of ERISA, the Code and other Federal or state laws and (ii) each Pension Plan that is intended to be a qualified plan under Section 401(a) of the Code has received a favorable determination letter from the IRS to the effect that the form of such Plan is qualified under Section 401(a) of the Code and the trust related thereto has been determined by the IRS to be exempt from federal income tax under Section 501(a) of the Code, or an application for such a letter is currently being processed by the IRS with respect thereto and, to the best knowledge of the Borrower, nothing has occurred which would prevent, or cause the loss of, such tax qualified status.

(b) There are no pending or, to the best knowledge of the Borrower, threatened Proceedings by any Governmental Authority, with respect to any Plan that could reasonably be expected to have a Material Adverse Effect. There has been no prohibited transaction or violation of the fiduciary responsibility rules with respect to any Plan that has resulted or could reasonably be expected to result in a Material Adverse Effect.

(c) Except as would not reasonably be expected to have a Material Adverse Effect: (i) No ERISA Event has occurred, and neither the Borrower nor any ERISA Affiliate is aware of any fact, event or circumstance that could reasonably be expected to constitute or result in an ERISA Event with respect to any Pension Plan and (ii) neither the Borrower nor any ERISA Affiliate has engaged in a transaction that could be subject to Section 4069 or Section 4212(c) of ERISA.

(d) Neither the Borrower nor any ERISA Affiliate maintains or contributes to, or has any unsatisfied obligation to contribute to, or liability under, any active or terminated Pension Plan other than (A) on the Amendment and Restatement Effective Date, those listed on Schedule 5.11(d) hereto and (B) thereafter, Pension Plans not otherwise prohibited by this Agreement.

5.12 Subsidiaries. Schedule 5.12 sets forth a complete list of each Subsidiary of the Borrower as of the Amendment and Restatement Effective Date, the jurisdiction of organization of such Subsidiary, the percentage of the Equity Interests of such Subsidiary owned by the Borrower or a Subsidiary of the Borrower and whether such Subsidiary is a Loan Party.

#### 5.13 Margin Regulations; Investment Company Act.

(a) The Borrower is not engaged and will not engage, principally or as one of its important activities, in the business of purchasing or carrying margin stock (within the meaning of Regulation U issued by the FRB), or extending credit for the purpose of purchasing or carrying margin stock, in each case in violation of such Regulation U.

(b) None of the Loan Parties is required to register as an “investment company” as such term is defined under the Investment Company Act of 1940.

5.14 Disclosure. No report, financial statement, certificate or other information furnished in writing by or on behalf of any Loan Party to the Administrative Agent or any Lender in connection with the transactions contemplated hereby and the negotiation of this Agreement or delivered hereunder or under any other Loan Document, taken as a whole with all such reports, financial statements, certificates or other information previously furnished, contains, when furnished, any material misstatement of fact or omits to state any material fact necessary to make the statements therein, in the light of the circumstances under which they were made, not materially misleading; provided that (i) with respect to projected, pro forma or budgeted financial information, the Borrower represents only that such information was prepared in good faith based upon assumptions believed to be reasonable at the time such information was prepared (it being recognized by the Administrative Agent and the Lenders that such information is subject to significant uncertainties and contingencies and that no assurance can be given that any particular projection will be realized and that actual results during the period or periods covered thereby may vary and such variances may be material) and (ii) the Borrower makes no representation or warranty with respect to information of a general economic or general industry nature.

5.15 Compliance with Laws. Each Loan Party and each Subsidiary thereof is in compliance in all respects with the requirements of all Laws and all orders, writs, injunctions and decrees applicable to it or to its properties, except in such instances in which (a) such requirement of Law or order, writ, injunction or decree is being contested in good faith by appropriate proceedings diligently conducted or (b) the failure to comply therewith, either individually or in the aggregate, could not reasonably be expected to have a Material Adverse Effect.

5.16 Intellectual Property; Licenses, Etc. Except as set forth on Schedule 5.16 or would not, individually or in the aggregate, reasonably be expected to result in a Material Adverse Effect, (i) each Loan Party and each of its Subsidiaries own, or possess the right to use, all of the trademarks, service marks, trade names, copyrights, patents, patent rights and other intellectual property rights (collectively "IP Rights") that are reasonably necessary for the operation of their respective businesses, without conflict with the rights of any other Person, (ii) to the knowledge of the Borrower, no slogan or other advertising device, product, process, method, substance, part or other material now employed, or now contemplated to be employed, by any Loan Party or any of its Subsidiaries infringes upon any rights held by any other Person and (iii) no claim or litigation regarding any of the material IP Rights owned by any Loan Party or any of its Subsidiaries is pending or, to the knowledge of the Borrower, threatened.

5.17 Anti-Money-Laundering Laws; Anti-Corruption Laws; Sanctions. The Borrower has implemented and maintains in effect policies and procedures reasonably designed to promote compliance by the Borrower, its Subsidiaries and their respective directors, officers, employees and agents with Anti-Corruption Laws, Anti-Money Laundering Laws and applicable Sanctions, and the Borrower, its Subsidiaries and, to the knowledge of the Borrower, their respective officers, employees, directors and agents, are in compliance with Anti-Corruption Laws, Anti-Money Laundering Laws and applicable Sanctions in all material respects. None of (a) the Borrower, any Subsidiary or to the knowledge of the Borrower or such Subsidiary any of their respective directors, officers or employees, or (b) to the knowledge of the Borrower, any agent of the Borrower or any Subsidiary that will act in any capacity in connection with or benefit from the credit facility established hereby, is a Sanctioned Person.

ARTICLE VI  
AFFIRMATIVE COVENANTS

So long as any Lender shall have any Commitment hereunder, any Loan or other Obligation (other than any Unmatured Surviving Obligations) hereunder shall remain unpaid or unsatisfied, or any Letter of Credit shall remain outstanding (unless cash collateralized in a manner reasonably satisfactory to the L/C Issuer), the Borrower shall, and shall (except in the case of the covenants set forth in Sections 6.01, 6.02, 6.03 and 6.11) cause each Subsidiary to:

6.01 Financial Statements. Deliver to the Administrative Agent (which shall deliver to each Lender), in form and detail reasonably satisfactory to the Administrative Agent:

(a) as soon as available, but in any event within 90 days after the end of each fiscal year of the Borrower, a consolidated statement of financial condition of the Borrower and its Subsidiaries as at the end of such fiscal year, and the related consolidated statements of income, shareholders' equity and cash flows for such fiscal year, setting forth in each case in comparative form the figures for the previous fiscal year, all in reasonable detail and prepared in accordance with GAAP, audited and accompanied by a report and opinion of PricewaterhouseCoopers LLP or any other independent certified public accountant of nationally recognized standing, which report and opinion shall be prepared in accordance with generally accepted auditing standards and shall not be subject to any "going concern" or like qualification or exception or any qualification or exception as to the scope of such audit; and

(b) as soon as available, but in any event within 45 days after the end of each of the first three fiscal quarters of each fiscal year of the Borrower (commencing with the fiscal quarter ending June 30, 2022), a consolidated statement of financial condition of the Borrower and its Subsidiaries as at the end of such fiscal quarter, and the related consolidated statements of income and cash flows for such fiscal quarter and for the portion of the Borrower's fiscal year then ended, setting forth in each case in comparative form the figures for the corresponding fiscal quarter of the previous fiscal year and the corresponding portion of the previous fiscal year, all in reasonable detail, certified by a Responsible Officer of the Borrower as fairly presenting in all material respects the financial condition, results of operations and cash flows of the Borrower and its Subsidiaries in accordance with GAAP, subject only to normal year-end audit adjustments and the absence of footnotes.

Notwithstanding anything to the contrary herein, it is understood and agreed that delivery of the Borrower's (i) annual report and Form 10-K for any fiscal year and (ii) quarterly report on Form 10-Q for any fiscal quarter, in each case containing the information and report and opinion required by Section 6.01(a) and 6.01(b), respectively, and filed with the SEC pursuant to the Securities Exchange Act of 1934, as amended, and are publicly available for review within the time period specified in Section 6.01(a) and 6.01(b) will satisfy the delivery requirements of Section 6.01(a) and 6.01(b), respectively, without any further requirement to deliver paper or other electronic copies thereof.

6.02 Certificates; Other Information. Deliver to the Administrative Agent (which shall deliver to each Lender), in form and detail reasonably satisfactory to the Administrative Agent:

(a) starting with the fiscal quarter ending June 30, 2022 and concurrently with the delivery of the financial statements referred to in Sections 6.01(a) and (b), a duly completed Compliance Certificate signed by a Responsible Officer of the Borrower (which delivery may, unless the Administrative Agent or a Lender requests executed originals, be by electronic communication including fax or email and shall be deemed to be an original authentic counterpart thereof for all purposes);

(b) promptly after any request by the Administrative Agent or any Lender, copies of any detailed audit reports, management letters or recommendations submitted to the board of directors (or the audit committee of the board of directors) of any Loan Party, in each case, prepared by independent accountants in connection with the accounts or books of any Loan Party or any of its Subsidiaries, or any audit of any of them;

(c) promptly after the same are available, copies of each annual report, proxy or financial statement or other material report or communication sent to the stockholders of the Borrower, and copies of all material annual, regular, periodic and special reports and registration statements which the Borrower may file or be required to file with the SEC under Section 13 or 15(d) of the Securities Exchange Act of 1934 (other than registration statements on Form S-8 or exhibits to any of the foregoing), or with any national securities exchange, and in any case not otherwise required to be delivered to the Administrative Agent pursuant hereto;

(d) promptly after the furnishing thereof, copies of any material statement or report furnished to any holder of debt securities of any Loan Party or of any of its Subsidiaries pursuant to the terms of any indenture, loan or credit or similar agreement involving Indebtedness then outstanding in an aggregate principal amount in excess of the Threshold Amount and not otherwise required to be furnished to the Lenders pursuant to Section 6.01 or any other clause of this Section 6.02;

(e) promptly, and in any event within five Business Days after receipt thereof by any Loan Party or any Subsidiary thereof, copies of each material notice or other material correspondence received from the SEC (or comparable agency in any applicable non-U.S. jurisdiction) concerning any investigation or possible investigation or other inquiry by such agency regarding financial or other operational results of any Loan Party or any of its Subsidiaries; provided that the Borrower shall not be required to provide a copy of any such communication if the Borrower is prohibited or restricted by any applicable law or by the terms of such communication from providing such copy; and

(f) (x) subject to the proviso to clause (e), promptly, such additional information regarding the business, financial, legal or corporate affairs of any Loan Party or any of its Subsidiaries, or compliance with the terms of the Loan Documents, as the Administrative Agent or any Lender may from time to time reasonably request and (y) information and documentation reasonably requested by the Administrative Agent or any Lender for purposes of compliance with applicable “know your customer” and anti-money laundering rules and regulations, including the Patriot Act.

Notwithstanding anything to the contrary herein, it is understood and agreed that the Borrower’s filing of any of the reports, proxies, financial statements, other material reports or

communications, and registration statements described in Section 6.02(c) with the SEC pursuant to the Securities Exchange Act of 1934, as amended, and are publicly available for review will satisfy the delivery requirements of Section 6.02(c) without any further requirement to deliver paper or other electronic copies thereof.

Documents or notices required to be delivered pursuant to Section 6.01, Section 6.02 or Section 6.03 may be delivered electronically (including by email) and, if so delivered, shall be deemed to have been delivered on the date (i) on which the Borrower posts such documents, or provides a link thereto, on the Borrower's website on the Internet at the website address listed on Schedule 10.02, (ii) on which such documents are posted on the Borrower's behalf on an Internet or intranet 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 any such email is delivered to the Administrative Agent or (iv) such documents are filed with the SEC and are publicly available for review; provided that: unless such documents are filed with the SEC and are publicly available for review, (x) the Borrower shall deliver paper copies of such documents to the Administrative Agent or any Lender that requests the Borrower to deliver such paper copies until a written request to cease delivering paper copies is given by the Administrative Agent or such Lender and (y) the Borrower shall notify the Administrative Agent, which shall notify each Lender, (by telecopier or electronic mail) of the posting of any such documents and provide to the Administrative Agent by electronic mail electronic versions (i.e., soft copies) of such documents. The Administrative Agent shall have no obligation to request the delivery or to maintain copies of the documents referred to above, and in any event shall have no responsibility to monitor compliance by the Borrower with any such request for delivery, and each Lender shall be solely responsible for requesting delivery to it or maintaining its copies of such documents.

The Borrower hereby acknowledges that the Administrative Agent and/or the Lead Arrangers will make available to the Lenders and the L/C Issuer 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").

6.03 Notices. Promptly notify the Administrative Agent (which shall deliver such notices to each Lender):

(a) of the occurrence of any Default;

(b) of any matter that has resulted or could reasonably be expected to result in a Material Adverse Effect, including (but in each case only to the extent the same has resulted or could reasonably be expected to result in a Material Adverse Effect) (i) breach or non-performance of, or any default under, a Contractual Obligation of the Borrower or any of its Subsidiaries; (ii) any dispute, litigation, investigation, proceeding or suspension between the Borrower or any of its Subsidiaries and any Governmental Authority; or (iii) the commencement of, or any material development in, any Proceeding affecting the Borrower or any of its Subsidiaries, including pursuant to any applicable Environmental Laws; and

(c) of the occurrence of any ERISA Event that could reasonably be expected to result in a Material Adverse Effect.

Each notice pursuant to this Section 6.03 (i) shall be in writing, (ii) shall contain a heading or a reference line that reads “Notice under Section 6.03 of the MSCI A&R Credit Agreement, dated as of June 9, 2022 (as amended, restated, amended and restated, supplemented or otherwise modified from time to time)” and (iii) shall be accompanied by a statement of a Responsible Officer of the Borrower setting forth details of the occurrence referred to therein and stating what action the Borrower has taken and proposes to take with respect thereto. Each notice pursuant to Section 6.03(a) shall describe with particularity any and all provisions of this Agreement and any other Loan Document that have been breached.

6.04 Payment of Taxes. Pay and discharge as the same shall become due and payable, all its obligations and liabilities in respect of all tax liabilities, assessments and governmental charges or levies upon it or its properties or assets, except (i) to the extent the same are being contested in good faith by appropriate proceedings diligently conducted and adequate reserves in accordance with GAAP are being maintained by the Borrower or such Subsidiary or (ii) to the extent the failure to pay or discharge the same could not reasonably be expected to have a Material Adverse Effect.

6.05 Preservation of Existence, Etc. (a) Preserve, renew and maintain in full force and effect its legal existence and good standing under the Laws of the jurisdiction of its organization except (i) in a transaction permitted by Section 7.03, (ii) in respect of an Immaterial Subsidiary or (iii) other than in the case of the legal existence and good standing (in the jurisdiction of organization) of the Borrower, to the extent that failure to do so could not reasonably be expected to have a Material Adverse Effect; (b) take all commercially reasonable action to maintain all rights, privileges, permits, licenses and franchises necessary in the normal conduct of its business, except to the extent that failure to do so could not reasonably be expected to have a Material Adverse Effect; and (c) take all action in its good faith business judgment to preserve or renew all of its material registered patents, trademarks, trade names and service marks, in each case to the extent that the failure to do so could reasonably be expected to have a Material Adverse Effect.

6.06 Maintenance of Properties. (a) Maintain, preserve and protect all of its material properties and equipment necessary in the operation of its business in good working order and condition, ordinary wear and tear excepted; and (b) make all necessary repairs thereto and renewals and replacements thereof except, in each case with respect to clauses (a) and (b), where the failure to do so could not reasonably be expected to have a Material Adverse Effect.

6.07 Maintenance of Insurance. Maintain or cause to be maintained with financially sound and reputable insurance companies not Affiliates of the Borrower, insurance with respect to its properties and business against loss or damage of the kinds customarily insured against by Persons engaged in the same or similar business, of such types and in such amounts as are customarily carried under similar circumstances by such other Persons.

6.08 Compliance with Laws.

(a) Comply in all respects with the requirements of all Laws and all orders, writs, injunctions and decrees applicable to it or to its business or property, except in such instances in which (a) such requirement of Law or order, writ, injunction or decree is being contested in good faith by appropriate proceedings diligently conducted; or (b) the failure to comply therewith could not reasonably be expected to have a Material Adverse Effect.

(b) Maintain in effect policies and procedures reasonably designed to promote compliance by the Borrower, its Subsidiaries and their respective directors, officers, employees and agents with applicable Anti-Corruption Laws, Anti-Money Laundering Laws and applicable Sanctions.

6.09 Books and Records. Maintain proper books of record and account (in which full, true and correct, in all material respects, entries shall be made of all material financial transactions and matters involving the assets and business of the Borrower and its Subsidiaries) in a manner that permits the preparation of financial statements in accordance with GAAP.

6.10 Inspection Rights. Permit representatives and independent contractors of the Administrative Agent to visit and inspect any of its properties, to examine its corporate, financial and operating records, and make copies thereof or abstracts therefrom, and to discuss its affairs, finances and accounts with its directors, officers responsible for financial matters, and independent public accountants (at which authorized representatives of the Borrower shall be entitled to be present), all at the reasonable expense of the Borrower and at such reasonable times during normal business hours and, subject to the first proviso below, as often as may be reasonably desired, upon at least three (3) Business Days' notice to the Borrower; provided that excluding any such visits and inspections during the continuation of an Event of Default, only the Administrative Agent on behalf of the Lenders may exercise rights under this Section 6.10 and the Administrative Agent shall not exercise such rights more often than one (1) time during any calendar year absent the existence and continuation of an Event of Default; provided, further, that when an Event of Default exists the Administrative Agent or any Lender (or any of their respective representatives or independent contractors) may do any of the foregoing at the reasonable expense of the Borrower at any time during normal business hours.

6.11 Use of Proceeds.

(a) Use the proceeds of the Credit Extensions (i) in the case of the Tranche A Term Loans made on the Amendment and Restatement Effective Date, for general corporate purposes of the Borrower and its Subsidiaries (including to pay fees and expenses incurred in connection with the ARCA Transaction) not in contravention of any Law or of any Loan Document, (ii) in the case of Revolving Credit Loans, for general corporate purposes of the Borrower and its Subsidiaries (including working capital and acquisitions) not in contravention of any Law or of any Loan Document, (iii) in the case of any Additional Term Loans, as specified in the Additional Credit Extension Amendment related thereto and (iv) in the case of any Refinancing Term Loan, to repay the Term Loans relating to such Refinancing Term Loan, and pay fees and expenses in connection therewith.

(b) Not to use the proceeds of any Credit Extension, whether directly or indirectly, and whether immediately, incidentally or ultimately, to purchase or carry margin stock (within the meaning of Regulation U of the FRB) or to extend credit to others for the purpose of purchasing or carrying margin stock or to refund indebtedness originally incurred for such purpose, in each case, in violation of such Regulation U of the FRB.

(c) Not request any Borrowing or Letter of Credit, and the Borrower shall not use the proceeds of any Borrowing or Letter of Credit (i) in furtherance of an offer, payment, promise to pay, or authorization of the payment or giving of money, or anything else of value, to any Person in violation of any Anti-Corruption Laws, (ii) for the purpose of funding, financing or facilitating any activities, business or transaction of or with any Sanctioned Person, or in any Sanctioned Country, except to the extent

permitted for a Person required to comply with Sanctions, or (iii) in any manner that would result in the violation of any Sanctions applicable to any party hereto.

6.12 Additional Guarantors. Unless the next succeeding sentence applies, within 45 days following the date on which annual financial statements were, or were required to be, delivered pursuant to Section 6.01(a) (which date may be extended by the Administrative Agent in its reasonable discretion), the Borrower shall cause any Material Domestic Subsidiary that is not already a Guarantor to execute the Guaranty and deliver it to the Administrative Agent. In addition, by no later than the earlier of 75 days following (x) the formation or acquisition of any Person that is a Material Domestic Subsidiary and (y) the first date on which annual or quarterly financial statements that included such Material Domestic Subsidiaries were, or were required to be, delivered pursuant to Section 6.01(a) or (b) (which date may be extended by the Administrative Agent in its reasonable discretion), the Borrower shall cause such Person to execute the Guaranty and deliver it to the Administrative Agent. Any such Guaranty shall be accompanied by an opinion of counsel covering the due authorization, execution, delivery and enforceability of such Guaranty.

6.13 Compliance with Environmental Laws. Except to the extent that the failure to do any of the following could not, individually or in the aggregate, be reasonably likely to result in a Material Adverse Effect, (i) comply and use commercially reasonable efforts to cause all lessees and other Persons operating or occupying its properties to comply in all material respects with all applicable Environmental Laws and Environmental Permits; (ii) obtain and renew all Environmental Permits necessary for its operations and properties; and (iii) conduct any investigation, study, sampling and testing, and undertake any cleanup, removal, remedial or other action necessary to remove and clean up all Hazardous Materials from any of its properties, as required by applicable Environmental Laws; provided, however, that neither the Borrower nor any of its Subsidiaries shall be required to undertake any such cleanup, removal, remedial or other action to the extent that its obligation to do so is being contested in good faith and appropriate reserves are being maintained with respect to such circumstances in accordance with GAAP.

## ARTICLE VII NEGATIVE COVENANTS

So long as any Lender shall have any Commitment hereunder, any Loan or other Obligation (other than any Unmatured Surviving Obligations) hereunder shall remain unpaid or unsatisfied, or any Letter of Credit shall remain outstanding (unless cash collateralized in a manner reasonably satisfactory to the L/C Issuer), the Borrower agrees to, and agrees to cause its Subsidiaries to, comply with the following covenants:

### 7.01 Liens.

(a) Except as provided in clauses (i) through (xxviii) below, neither the Borrower nor any Guarantor may create, incur, assume or otherwise have outstanding or suffer to exist any Lien upon any asset or property belonging to the Borrower or any Guarantor, whether such asset or property is owned by the Borrower or any Guarantor on the Amendment and Restatement Effective Date or acquired in the future, other than the following:

(i) Liens in favor of (x) the Administrative Agent to secure the Obligations or (y) any L/C Issuer to Cash Collateralize any Defaulting Lender's participation in Obligations hereunder;

(ii) Liens in favor of the Borrower or any Guarantor;

(iii) Liens on property to secure all or part of the cost of acquiring, substantially repairing or altering, constructing, developing or substantially improving such property, or to secure Indebtedness incurred to provide funds for any such purpose or for reimbursement of funds previously expended for any such purpose; provided (A) the commitment of the creditor to extend the credit secured by any such Lien shall have been obtained not later than twelve months after the later of (x) the completion of the acquisition, substantial repair or alteration, construction, development or substantial improvement of such property or (y) the placing in operation of such property or of such property as so substantially repaired or altered, constructed, developed or substantially improved and (B) such Liens shall not apply to any other property or assets of the Borrower or any Subsidiary (other than improvements, accessions, proceeds or dividends or distributions in respect thereof);

(iv) Liens existing on property at the time of its acquisition or existing on property of a Person at the time such Person is merged into or consolidated with the Borrower or any Subsidiary or becomes a Subsidiary of the Borrower; provided that such Liens were not created in contemplation of such acquisition, merger, consolidation or investment and do not extend to any assets other than such acquired property or those of the Person merged into or consolidated with the Borrower or such Subsidiary or acquired by the Borrower or such Subsidiary (plus improvements, accessions, proceeds or dividends or distributions in respect thereof);

(v) any Lien required to be given or granted by any Subsidiary pursuant to the terms of any agreement entered into by such Subsidiary prior to the date on which it became a Subsidiary; provided that any such Lien does not extend to any other property or asset, other than improvements to the property or asset subject to such Lien;

(vi) Liens existing as of the Amendment and Restatement Effective Date and listed on Schedule 7.01;

(vii) extensions, renewals, alterations, refinancings or replacements of any Lien referred to in the preceding clauses (iii) through (vi) above; provided, however, that (A) the amount of obligations secured thereby shall not exceed the amount of obligations so secured at the time of such extension, renewal, alteration or replacement, plus accrued and unpaid interest thereon together with any reasonable fees, premiums (including tender premiums) and expenses relating to such extension, renewal, alteration or replacement and (B) such extension, renewal, alteration, refinancing or replacement shall be limited to all or a part of the property or assets which secured the Lien so extended, renewed, altered or replaced (plus improvements on such property or assets);

(viii) landlords', carriers', warehousemen's, mechanics', materialmen's, repairmen's or other like Liens arising in the ordinary course of business securing obligations which are not overdue for a period of more than 60 days or which are being contested in good faith and by

appropriate proceedings diligently conducted, if adequate reserves with respect thereto are maintained on the books of the applicable Person to the extent required under GAAP;

(ix) Liens attaching to cash earnest money deposits in connection with any letter of intent or purchase agreement permitted hereunder and Liens on cash deposits held in escrow accounts pursuant to the terms of any purchase agreement permitted hereunder;

(x) Liens on cash and Cash Equivalents (A) securing Swap Contracts not entered into for speculative purposes and (B) securing letters of credit entered into in the ordinary course of business; provided, that the aggregate amount of such cash and Cash Equivalents shall at no time exceed \$100.0 million;

(xi) banker's liens, rights of setoff and other similar Liens that are customary in the banking industry and existing solely with respect to cash and other amounts on deposit in one or more accounts (including securities accounts) maintained by the Borrower or its Subsidiaries;

(xii) pledges or deposits in the ordinary course of business in connection with workers' compensation, unemployment insurance and other social security legislation;

(xiii) deposits to secure the performance of tenders, bids, trade contracts and leases, statutory or regulatory obligations, surety bonds, insurance obligations, performance bonds and other obligations of a like nature incurred in the ordinary course of business;

(xiv) minor defects or minor imperfections in title, and zoning, land use and similar restrictions and easements, rights-of-way, restrictions and other similar encumbrances affecting real property which, in the aggregate, do not materially detract from the value of the property subject thereto or materially interfere with the ordinary conduct of the business of the applicable Person;

(xv) Liens securing judgments not constituting an Event of Default under Section 8.01(h), or securing appeal or other surety bonds related to such judgments;

(xvi) Liens for taxes, assessments or other governmental charges or levies not yet due or which are being contested in good faith and by appropriate proceedings diligently conducted, if adequate reserves with respect thereto are maintained on the books of the applicable Person in accordance with GAAP;

(xvii) leases, licenses, subleases or sublicenses (including with respect to IP Rights) granted to other Persons in the ordinary course of business which do not (A) interfere in any material respect with the business of the Borrower and its Subsidiaries or (B) secure any Indebtedness for borrowed money;

(xviii) any interest or title of (A) a lessor or sublessor under any lease or sublease or (B) a licensor or sublicensor under any license or sublicense, in each case entered into in the ordinary course of business, so long as such interest or title relate solely to the assets subject thereto;

(xix) Liens of a collecting bank arising under Section 4-208 (or its equivalent) of the Uniform Commercial Code of any applicable jurisdiction on items in the course of collection and documents and proceeds related thereto;

(xx) Liens arising from precautionary filings of financing statements under the Uniform Commercial Code of any applicable jurisdiction in respect of operating leases or consignments entered into by the Borrower or its Subsidiaries in the ordinary course of business;

(xxi) Liens in the nature of trustee's Liens granted pursuant to any indenture governing any permitted Indebtedness for borrowed money, in each case in favor of the trustee under such indenture and securing only obligations to pay compensation to such trustee, to reimburse its expenses and to indemnify it under the terms thereof;

(xxii) Liens on insurance policies and the proceeds thereof securing the financing of the premiums with respect thereto;

(xxiii) assignments of accounts or other rights to receive income to the extent constituting a Sale/Leaseback Transaction permitted under Section 7.04;

(xxiv) escrow deposits of source code in the ordinary course of business in connection with the licensing of IP Rights by the Borrower or any of its Subsidiaries to their customers;

(xxv) Liens arising out of conditional sale, title retention, consignment or similar arrangements for sales of goods entered into by the Borrower or its Subsidiaries in the ordinary course of business;

(xxvi) 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;

(xxvii) Liens encumbering reasonable customary initial deposits and margin deposits and similar Liens attaching to commodity trading accounts or other brokerage accounts incurred in the ordinary course of business and not for speculative purposes; and

(xxviii) a Lien (including successive extensions, renewals, alterations or replacements thereof) not excepted by clauses (i) through (xxvii) above; provided that after giving effect thereto, Exempted Debt does not exceed the greater of (A) \$100.0 million and (B) 12.5% of Consolidated EBITDA for the Measurement Period, determined on a Pro Forma Basis, in each case, measured at the date of any Incurrence of Exempted Debt.

(b) In the event that a Lien meets the criteria of more than one of clauses of (i) through (xxviii) above, the Borrower, in its sole discretion, will be permitted to classify such Lien (or portion thereof) at the time of its Incurrence in any manner that complies with this Section 7.01. In addition, any Lien (or portion thereof) originally classified as Incurred pursuant to any of clauses (i) through (xxviii) above may later be reclassified by the Borrower, in its sole discretion, such that it (or any portion thereof) will be deemed to be Incurred pursuant to any other of such clauses to the extent that such reclassified Lien (or portion thereof) could be Incurred pursuant to such clause at the time of such reclassification.

(c) For purposes of this covenant:

(i) accrual of interest, accrual of dividends, the accretion of accreted value or original issue discount, the amortization of debt discount and the payment of interest in the form of additional Indebtedness will not be deemed to be an Incurrence of the indebtedness secured by the relevant Lien;

(ii) in determining compliance with any U.S. dollar-denominated restriction on the securing of Indebtedness, the U.S. dollar-equivalent principal amount of Indebtedness denominated in a foreign currency shall be calculated based upon the relevant currency exchange rate in effect on the date such indebtedness was Incurred; and

(iii) the maximum amount of Indebtedness that the Borrower and its Subsidiaries may secure shall not be deemed to be exceeded solely as a result of fluctuations in the exchange rate of currencies.

7.02 Subsidiary Indebtedness.

(a) The Borrower will not cause or permit any Subsidiary that is not a Guarantor to Incur any Indebtedness.

(b) Section 7.02(a) shall not apply to the following items of Indebtedness:

(i) (A) Indebtedness of a Person existing at the time such Person is merged with or into, amalgamated with, or is consolidated into, a Subsidiary, or which is assumed by a Subsidiary in connection with an acquisition of substantially all the assets of such Person, so long as such indebtedness was not created in anticipation of such merger, amalgamation, consolidation or acquisition, and (B) Refinancing Indebtedness thereof, so long as such Refinancing Indebtedness is Incurred by the same Person(s) as the indebtedness being refinanced or replaced;

(ii) (A) Indebtedness of a Person existing at the time such Person becomes a Subsidiary, so long as such indebtedness was not Incurred in anticipation of such Person becoming a Subsidiary, and (B) Refinancing Indebtedness thereof, so long as such Refinancing Indebtedness is Incurred by the same Person(s) as the indebtedness being refinanced or replaced;

(iii) (A) Indebtedness of any Subsidiary incurred to finance the acquisition, construction or improvement of any fixed or capital assets, including Capitalized Leases, purchase money obligations and any Indebtedness assumed in connection with the acquisition of any such assets or secured by a Lien on any such assets prior to the acquisition thereof; provided that the amount of such Indebtedness does not exceed the cost of acquiring, constructing or improving such fixed or capital assets; and (B) Refinancing Indebtedness thereof, so long as such Refinancing Indebtedness is Incurred by the same Person(s) as the indebtedness being refinanced or replaced;

(iv) Indebtedness of the Borrower owing to and held by any Subsidiary or indebtedness of a Subsidiary owing to and held by the Borrower or any other Subsidiary;

(v) Indebtedness of Foreign Subsidiaries in an aggregate principal amount at any one time outstanding not to exceed \$250.0 million;

(vi) Indebtedness owed in respect of any overdrafts, netting protections and related liabilities arising from treasury, depository and cash management services or in connection with any automated clearing-house transfers of funds; provided that such indebtedness shall be repaid in full within five Business Days of the Incurrence thereof;

(vii) Indebtedness in respect of letters of credit, bank guarantees and similar instruments issued for the account of any Subsidiary in the ordinary course of business supporting obligations under (A) workers' compensation, unemployment insurance and other social security legislation and (B) tenders, bids, trade contracts, leases (other than capitalized lease obligations or Synthetic Lease Obligations), statutory or regulatory obligations, surety bonds, insurance obligations, performance bonds, appeal bonds and other obligations of a like nature;

(viii) Swap Contracts entered into other than for speculative purposes;

(ix) Indebtedness consisting of the financing of insurance premiums;

(x) Indebtedness outstanding on the Amendment and Restatement Effective Date and listed on Schedule 7.02 and any Refinancing Indebtedness thereof;

(xi) Indebtedness representing deferred compensation to employees incurred in the ordinary course of business;

(xii) Indebtedness incurred in any acquisition or other transaction permitted hereunder, in each case to the extent constituting indemnification obligations, incentive, non-compete or other similar arrangements, or obligations in respect of purchase price (including earn-outs) or other similar adjustments;

(xiii) obligations in respect of any agreement to provide cash management services, including credit or debit card, electronic funds transfer, credit card or purchase card services and other cash management arrangements;

(xiv) Indebtedness on account of or in respect of letters of credit obtained in the ordinary course of business in connection with foreign operations or branches in an aggregate principal amount not exceeding \$10,000,000 at any time outstanding; and

(xv) Indebtedness not excepted by clauses (i) through (xiv) above; provided that after giving effect thereto, Exempted Debt does not exceed \$250.0 million in the aggregate at any time outstanding.

(c) In the event that Indebtedness meets the criteria of more than one of clauses of (i) through (xv) above, the Borrower, in its sole discretion, will be permitted to classify such indebtedness (or portion thereof) at the time of its Incurrence in any manner that complies with this covenant. In addition, any indebtedness (or portion thereof) originally classified as Incurred pursuant to any of clauses (i) through (xv) above may later be reclassified by the Borrower, in its sole discretion, such that it (or any

portion thereof) will be deemed to be Incurred pursuant to any other of such clauses to the extent that such reclassified indebtedness (or portion thereof) could be Incurred pursuant to such clause at the time of such reclassification.

(d) Indebtedness Incurred under any of clauses (i) through (xv) above by a Subsidiary that subsequently becomes a Guarantor will cease to be outstanding under such clause at such time as such Subsidiary becomes a Guarantor until such time, if any, that the Borrower, in its sole discretion, elects to classify or re-classify such indebtedness as Incurred under any of such clauses to permit the release of such Subsidiary from the Guaranty as permitted under Section 9.10.

(e) For purposes of this covenant:

(i) accrual of interest, accrual of dividends, the accretion of accreted value or original issue discount, the amortization of debt discount and the payment of interest in the form of additional Indebtedness will not be deemed to be an Incurrence of Indebtedness;

(ii) in determining compliance with any U.S. dollar-denominated restriction on the Incurrence of Indebtedness, the U.S. dollar-equivalent principal amount of Indebtedness denominated in a foreign currency shall be calculated based upon the relevant currency exchange rate in effect on the date such Indebtedness was Incurred; provided, however, that if such indebtedness is Incurred to refinance or replace other Indebtedness denominated in a foreign currency, and such refinancing or replacement would cause the applicable U.S. 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 U.S. dollar-denominated restriction shall be deemed not to have been exceeded so long as the principal amount of such refinancing or replacement indebtedness does not exceed the principal amount of such Indebtedness being refinanced or replaced; and

(iii) the maximum amount of Indebtedness that the Borrower and its Subsidiaries may Incur shall not be deemed to be exceeded solely as a result of fluctuations in the exchange rate of currencies.

### 7.03 Fundamental Changes.

(a) The Borrower will not consolidate with or merge with or into any other Person or convey, transfer, lease or otherwise Dispose of its properties and assets substantially as an entirety, in one transaction or a series of related transactions, directly or indirectly, to any Person, and will not permit any Person to consolidate with or merge with or into the Borrower, unless:

(i) the Borrower will be the surviving company in any merger or consolidation, or, if the Borrower consolidates with or merges into another Person or conveys or transfers or leases its properties and assets substantially as an entirety, in one transaction or a series of related transactions, directly or indirectly, to any Person, such successor Person is an entity organized and validly existing under the laws of the United States of America or any state thereof or the District of Columbia;

(ii) the successor Person, if other than the Borrower, expressly assumes all of the Borrower's Obligations under the Loan Documents;

(iii) each Guarantor (unless it is the other party to the transactions above) shall have confirmed that its Guarantee shall apply to such successor Person's obligations in respect of this Agreement;

(iv) immediately after giving effect to the consolidation, merger, conveyance, transfer or lease, there exists no Default or Event of Default; and

(v) the Borrower has delivered to the Administrative Agent a certificate signed by a Responsible Officer of the Borrower and an opinion of counsel, each in form and substance reasonably satisfactory to the Administrative Agent.

For purposes of this covenant, the Disposition of all or substantially all of the properties and assets of one or more of the Subsidiaries, which properties and assets, if held by the Borrower instead of such Subsidiaries, would constitute all or substantially all of the properties and assets of the Borrower on a consolidated basis, shall be deemed to be the transfer of all or substantially all of the properties and assets of the Borrower.

(b) No Guarantor will consolidate with or merge with or into any other Subsidiary or convey, transfer, lease or otherwise Dispose of its properties and assets substantially as an entirety, in one transaction or a series of related transactions, directly or indirectly, to any other Subsidiary, or permit any Subsidiary to consolidate with or merge with or into such Guarantor, unless

(i) a Guarantor will be the surviving Person in such merger or consolidation, or, if such Guarantor consolidates with or merges into another Subsidiary or conveys or transfers or leases its properties and assets substantially as an entirety, in one transaction or a series of related transactions, directly or indirectly, to any other Subsidiary, such successor Person is an entity organized and validly existing under the laws of the United States of America or any state thereof or the District of Columbia;

(ii) the successor Person, if not already a Guarantor, expressly assumes such Guarantor's Guarantee under the Guaranty;

(iii) immediately after giving effect to the consolidation, merger, conveyance, transfer or lease, there exists no Default or Event of Default; and

(iv) the Borrower has delivered to the Administrative Agent a certificate signed by a Responsible Officer of the Borrower and an opinion of counsel, each in form and substance reasonably satisfactory to the Administrative Agent.

(c) Notwithstanding the foregoing clause (b), any Guarantor (other than a Material Domestic Subsidiary) may liquidate or dissolve if the Borrower reasonably determines in good faith that such liquidation or dissolution is in the best interests of the Borrower and is not materially disadvantageous to the Lenders.

(d) This covenant shall not apply to the direct or indirect conveyance, transfer, lease or disposition of all or any portion of the stock, assets or liabilities of any Loan Party to any other Loan Party.

#### 7.04 Sale/Leaseback Transactions.

(a) Neither the Borrower nor any Guarantor may engage in a transaction with any Person (other than the Borrower or a Guarantor) providing for the leasing by the Borrower or any Guarantor of any property of the Borrower or a Guarantor, except for transactions (i) involving a lease which will not exceed three years, including renewals (or which may be terminated by the Borrower or the applicable Guarantor within a period of not more than three years), (ii) involving a lease of property executed by the time of, or within 12 months after, the latest of the acquisition, completion of construction, or commencement of operations of such property, (iii) that were for the sale and leasing back to the Borrower or a Subsidiary of any property, and (iv) that were entered into prior to, or within 12 months of, the Amendment and Restatement Effective Date (a “Sale/Leaseback Transaction”), unless the net proceeds of the sale or transfer of the property to be leased are at least equal to the fair market value of such property and unless:

(b) (i) this Agreement would have allowed the Borrower or any of the Subsidiaries to create a Lien on such property to secure debt in an amount at least equal to the Attributable Indebtedness in respect of such Sale/Leaseback Transaction without securing the Obligations pursuant to Section 7.01; or

(ii) within 360 days, the Borrower or any Guarantor applies an amount equal to the net proceeds of such sale or transfer to:

(A) the voluntary retirement of any indebtedness of the Borrower or its Subsidiaries maturing by its terms more than one year from the date of issuance, assumption or guarantee thereof, or which is extendible or renewable at the sole option of the obligor in such manner that it may become payable more than one year from the date of issuance, assumption or guarantee, which ranks equally with the Loans in right of payment and owing to a Person other than the Borrower or any Affiliate of the Borrower; or

(B) the purchase of additional property that will constitute or form a part of property or other assets used or useful in a business permitted by Section 7.06, and which has a fair market value at least equal to the net proceeds of such sale or transfer.

(c) Notwithstanding the provisions of the immediately preceding paragraph, the Borrower or any Guarantor may enter into a Sale/Leaseback Transaction which would otherwise be subject to Section 7.04(a), so as to create an aggregate amount of Attributable Indebtedness after giving effect thereto that does not, together with all Exempted Debt, exceed the greater of (A) \$100.0 million and (B) 12.5% of Consolidated EBITDA for the Measurement Period, determined on a Pro Forma Basis, in each case measured at the date of any Incurrence of Exempted Debt.

(d) For purposes of this covenant:

(i) in determining compliance with any U.S. dollar-denominated restriction on the entering into of any Sale/Leaseback Transaction, the U.S. dollar-equivalent principal amount of Attributable Indebtedness denominated in a foreign currency shall be calculated based upon the relevant currency exchange rate in effect on the date such Attributable Indebtedness in respect of such Sale/Leaseback Transaction was Incurred; and

(ii) the maximum amount of Attributable Indebtedness the Borrower or any Guarantor may Incur in respect of any Sale/Leaseback Transaction shall not be deemed to be exceeded solely as a result of fluctuations in the exchange rate of currencies.

7.05 Restricted Payments. The Borrower shall not, nor shall it permit any Subsidiary to, declare or make, directly or indirectly, any Restricted Payment, or incur any obligation (contingent or otherwise) to do so, except that:

(a) each Subsidiary may make Restricted Payments to any Loan Party, and any other Person that owns a direct Equity Interest in such Subsidiary, ratably according to their respective holdings of the type of Equity Interest in respect of which such Restricted Payment is being made;

(b) any Loan Party may make Restricted Payments to, or issue or sell any Equity Interests to, or accept any capital contribution from, any other Loan Party;

(c) the Borrower and each Subsidiary may declare and make dividend payments or other distributions payable solely in the common stock or other common Equity Interests of such Person;

(d) the Borrower and each Subsidiary may purchase, redeem or otherwise acquire its Qualified Equity Interests with the proceeds received from the substantially concurrent issue of new Qualified Equity Interests;

(e) the Borrower may repurchase its Equity Interests from current or former directors, officers or employees of the Borrower or any of its Subsidiaries, their estates, spouses or former spouses or make payments to such persons upon termination of employment or directorship, in connection with stock options, stock appreciation rights or other equity or equity-based incentives pursuant to incentive plans or in connection with the death or disability of such persons in an aggregate amount not to exceed \$5,000,000 in any fiscal year;

(f) the Borrower may repurchase, cancel or withhold Equity Interests to the extent (i) such repurchase is deemed to occur upon or in connection with the exercise or vesting of any options, warrants or other equity awards and (ii) such Equity Interests (A) represent a portion of the purchase price of such options, warrants or other equity awards or (B) are repurchased, cancelled or withheld to facilitate the satisfaction of any tax liabilities incurred upon or in connection with the exercise or vesting of any options, warrants or other equity awards;

(g) the Borrower may make cash payments *in lieu* of issuing fractional or “odd lot” Equity Interests in connection with acquisitions;

(h) the payment of any dividend within 60 days after the date of declaration thereof, so long as (A) at the time of payment, no Event of Default exists and (B) at the time of declaration of such dividend, such dividend could have been made pursuant to clause (i) below; and

(i) in addition to the foregoing Restricted Payments, the Borrower and each Subsidiary may make additional Restricted Payments so long as no Default or Event of Default shall have occurred and be continuing or would result therefrom and the Borrower shall be in compliance, on a Pro Forma Basis, with the financial covenants set forth in Section 7.07.

7.06 Change in Nature of Business. Engage in any material line of business substantially different from those lines of business conducted by the Borrower and its Subsidiaries on the Amendment and Restatement Effective Date or any business substantially related, incidental or complementary thereto (as determined in good faith by the Borrower).

7.07 Financial Covenants.

(a) Consolidated Interest Coverage Ratio. Permit the Consolidated Interest Coverage Ratio as of the end of any fiscal quarter of the Borrower to be less than 4.00:1.00.

(b) Consolidated Leverage Ratio. Permit the Consolidated Leverage Ratio as of the end of any fiscal quarter of the Borrower to be greater than 4.25:1.00; provided that, if the Borrower or one or more of its Subsidiaries consummates a Material Acquisition, the Borrower may elect, by written notice delivered to the Administrative Agent within thirty (30) days following the consummation of such Material Acquisition (a "Leverage Increase Election"), to increase the maximum permitted Consolidated Leverage Ratio to 4.50 to 1.00 in respect of the two (2) fiscal quarters ended immediately following the consummation of such Material Acquisition (including the fiscal quarter in which such Material Acquisition occurs) (the period during which any such increase in the maximum permitted Consolidated Leverage Ratio shall be in effect being called a "Leverage Increase Period"). For the avoidance of doubt, a Leverage Increase Election made after the end of a fiscal quarter, but within thirty (30) days following the consummation during such fiscal quarter of a Material Acquisition, will have retroactive effect as of the end of such fiscal quarter and, so long as the maximum permitted Consolidated Leverage Ratio in effect following such Leverage Increase Election is not exceeded, will not result in the occurrence of a Default or Event of Default under this Section as of the end of such fiscal quarter. There may be no more than two Leverage Increase Periods during the term of the Facilities hereunder.

ARTICLE VIII  
EVENTS OF DEFAULT AND REMEDIES

8.01 Events of Default. Any of the following shall constitute an Event of Default:

(a) Non-Payment. The Borrower or any other Loan Party fails to (i) pay when and as required to be paid herein, any amount of principal of any Loan or any L/C Obligation, or (ii) pay within three Business Days after the same becomes due, any interest on any Loan or on any L/C Obligation or any fee due hereunder, or (iii) pay any other amount payable hereunder or under any other Loan Document within five Business Days after (x) written request therefor or

(y) in the case of reimbursement of expenses, receipt of invoice therefor, or (iv) deposit any funds as Cash Collateral in respect of L/C Obligations when required; or

(b) Specific Covenants. The Borrower fails to perform or observe any term, covenant or agreement contained in any of Section 6.03(a), 6.05(a) (with respect to the legal existence of the Borrower only), 6.11, 6.12, or Article VII; or

(c) Other Defaults. Any Loan Party fails to perform or observe any other covenant or agreement (not specified in Section 8.01(a) or (b) above) contained in any Loan Document on its part to be performed or observed and such failure continues for 30 days after notice thereof shall have been given to the Borrower by the Administrative Agent or the Required Lenders; or

(d) Representations and Warranties. Any representation, warranty, certification or statement of fact made or deemed made by or on behalf of the Borrower or any other Loan Party herein, in any other Loan Document, or in any document delivered in connection herewith or therewith shall be incorrect or misleading in any material respect when made or deemed made; or

(e) Cross-Default. (i) Any Loan Party or any Subsidiary thereof (A) fails to make any payment when due (whether by scheduled maturity, required prepayment, acceleration, demand, or otherwise) and such payment is not made within any applicable grace period in respect of any Indebtedness (other than Indebtedness hereunder and Indebtedness under Swap Contracts) having an aggregate principal amount of more than the Threshold Amount, or (B) fails to observe or perform any other agreement or condition relating to any such Indebtedness or contained in any instrument or agreement evidencing, securing or relating thereto, or any other event occurs, the effect of which default or other event 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 after giving effect to any applicable grace period, with the giving of notice if required, such Indebtedness to be demanded or to become due or to be repurchased, prepaid, defeased or redeemed (automatically or otherwise), or an offer to repurchase, prepay, defease or redeem such Indebtedness to be made, prior to its stated maturity, provided that this clause (i)(B) shall not apply to secured Indebtedness of a Loan Party or a Subsidiary that becomes due upon the sale or transfer by such Loan Party or Subsidiary of the property or assets securing such Indebtedness, if such sale or transfer is permitted hereunder and under the documents providing for such Indebtedness, or unsecured Indebtedness of a Loan Party or a Subsidiary that does not become due but contains an obligation to offer to purchase such Indebtedness following an asset sale in the event the proceeds of such sale are not reinvested in the business or used to repay a category of Indebtedness that includes the Loans (it being understood that this clause (i)(B) shall apply if such offer to purchase is actually made or required to be made); or (ii) there occurs under any Swap Contract an Early Termination Date (as defined in such Swap Contract) resulting from (A) any event of default under such Swap Contract as to which a Loan Party or any Subsidiary thereof is the Defaulting Party (as defined in such Swap Contract) or (B) any Termination Event (as so defined) under such Swap Contract as to which a Loan Party or any Subsidiary thereof is an Affected Party (as so defined) and, in either event, the Swap Termination Value owed by such Loan Party or such Subsidiary as a result thereof is greater than the Threshold Amount; or

(f) Insolvency Proceedings, Etc. Any Loan Party or any Subsidiary (other than an Immaterial Subsidiary) thereof institutes or consents to the institution of any proceeding under

any Debtor Relief Law, or makes an assignment for the benefit of creditors; or applies for or consents to the appointment of any receiver, trustee, custodian, conservator, liquidator, rehabilitator or similar officer for it or for all or any material part of its property; or any receiver, trustee, custodian, conservator, liquidator, rehabilitator or similar officer is appointed without the application or consent of such Person and the appointment continues undischarged or unstayed for 60 calendar days; or any proceeding under any Debtor Relief Law relating to any such Person or to all or any material part of its property is instituted without the consent of such Person and continues undismissed or unstayed for 60 calendar days, or an order for relief is entered in any such proceeding; or

(g) Inability to Pay Debts; Attachment. (i) Any Loan Party or any Subsidiary thereof becomes unable or admits in writing its inability or fails generally to pay its debts as they become due, or (ii) any writ or warrant of attachment or execution or similar process is issued or levied against all or any material part of the property of any such Person and is not released, vacated or fully bonded within 30 days after its issue or levy; or

(h) Judgments. There is entered against any Loan Party or any Subsidiary thereof (i) one or more final judgments or orders for the payment of money in an aggregate amount (as to all such judgments and orders) exceeding the Threshold Amount (to the extent not covered by independent third-party insurance as to which the insurer is rated at least "A" by A.M. Best Company, has been notified of the potential claim and does not dispute coverage), or (ii) any one or more non-monetary final judgments that have, or could reasonably be expected to have, individually or in the aggregate, a Material Adverse Effect and, in either case, (A) enforcement proceedings are commenced by any creditor upon such judgment or order, or (B) there is a period of 30 consecutive days during which a stay of enforcement of such judgment, by reason of a pending appeal or otherwise, is not in effect; or

(i) ERISA. (i) An ERISA Event occurs with respect to a Pension Plan or Multiemployer Plan which has resulted or could reasonably be expected to result in a Material Adverse Effect, or (ii) the Borrower or any ERISA Affiliate fails to pay when due, after the expiration of any applicable grace period, any installment payment with respect to its withdrawal liability under Section 4201 of ERISA under a Multiemployer Plan in an aggregate amount which could reasonably be expected to result in a Material Adverse Effect; or

(j) Invalidity of Loan Documents. Any material provision of any Loan Document, at any time after its execution and delivery and for any reason other than as expressly permitted hereunder or thereunder or satisfaction in full of all the Obligations (other than any Unmatured Surviving Obligations), ceases to be in full force and effect; or any Loan Party or any Subsidiary of any Loan Party contests in writing the validity or enforceability of any material provision of any Loan Document; or any Loan Party denies in writing that it has any or further liability or obligation under any material provision of any Loan Document, or purports to revoke, terminate or rescind any material provision of any Loan Document; or

(k) Change of Control. There occurs any Change of Control.

8.02 Remedies upon Event of Default. If any Event of Default occurs and is continuing, the Administrative Agent shall, at the request of, or may, with the consent of, the Required Lenders, take any or all of the following actions:

- (a) declare the commitment of each Lender to make Loans and any obligation of the L/C Issuer to make L/C Credit Extensions to be terminated, whereupon such commitments and obligation shall be terminated;
- (b) declare the unpaid principal amount of all outstanding Loans, all interest accrued and unpaid thereon, and all other amounts owing or payable hereunder or under any other Loan Document to be immediately due and payable, without presentment, demand, protest or other notice of any kind, all of which are hereby expressly waived by the Borrower;
- (c) require that the Borrower Cash Collateralize the L/C Obligations (in an amount equal to the then Outstanding Amount thereof); and
- (d) exercise on behalf of itself, the Lenders and the L/C Issuer all rights and remedies available to it, the Lenders and the L/C Issuer under the Loan Documents;

provided, however, that if an Event of Default described in Section 8.01(f) occurs with respect to the Borrower, the obligation of each Lender to make Loans and any obligation of the L/C Issuer to make L/C Credit Extensions shall automatically terminate, the unpaid principal amount of all outstanding Loans and all interest and other amounts as aforesaid shall automatically become due and payable, and the obligation of the Borrower to Cash Collateralize the L/C Obligations as aforesaid shall automatically become effective, in each case without further act of the Administrative Agent or any Lender.

8.03 Application of Funds. After the exercise of remedies provided for in Section 8.02 (or after the Loans have automatically become immediately due and payable and the L/C Obligations have automatically been required to be Cash Collateralized as set forth in the proviso to Section 8.02), any amounts received on account of the Obligations shall, subject to the provisions of Sections 2.15 and 2.16, be applied by the Administrative Agent in the following order:

First, to payment of that portion of the Obligations constituting fees, indemnities, expenses and other amounts (other than principal and interest but including fees, charges and disbursements of counsel to the Administrative Agent and amounts payable under Article III) payable to the Administrative Agent in its capacity as such;

Second, to payment of that portion of the Obligations constituting fees, indemnities and other amounts (other than principal, interest and Letter of Credit Fees) payable to the Lenders and the L/C Issuer (including fees, charges and disbursements of counsel to the respective Lenders and the L/C Issuer and amounts payable under Article III), ratably among them in proportion to the respective amounts described in this clause Second payable to them;

Third, to payment of that portion of the Obligations constituting accrued and unpaid Letter of Credit Fees and interest on the Loans, L/C Borrowings and other Obligations, ratably among the Lenders and the L/C Issuer in proportion to the respective amounts described in this clause Third payable to them;

Fourth, to payment of that portion of the Obligations constituting unpaid principal of the Loans and L/C Borrowings ratably among the Lenders and the L/C Issuer in proportion to the respective amounts described in this clause Fourth held by them;

Fifth, to the Administrative Agent for the account of the L/C Issuer, to Cash Collateralize that portion of L/C Obligations comprised of the aggregate undrawn amount of Letters of Credit to the extent not otherwise Cash Collateralized by the Borrower pursuant to Sections 2.03 and 2.15; and

Last, the balance, if any, after all of the Obligations (other than any Unmatured Surviving Obligations) have been indefeasibly paid in full, to the Borrower or as otherwise required by Law.

Subject to Section 2.03(e) and Section 2.15, amounts used to Cash Collateralize the aggregate undrawn amount of Letters of Credit pursuant to clause Fifth above shall be applied to satisfy drawings under such Letters of Credit as they occur. If any amount remains on deposit as Cash Collateral after all Letters of Credit have either been fully drawn or expired, such remaining amount shall be applied to the other Obligations, if any, in the order set forth above, and thereafter applied as provided in clause "Last" above.

## ARTICLE IX ADMINISTRATIVE AGENT

### 9.01 Appointment and Authority.

(a) Each of the Lenders and the L/C Issuer hereby irrevocably appoints JPMCB to act on its behalf as the Administrative Agent hereunder and under the other Loan Documents and authorizes the Administrative Agent to take such actions on its behalf and to exercise such powers as are delegated to the Administrative Agent by the terms hereof or thereof, together with such actions and powers as are reasonably incidental thereto. Without limiting the foregoing, each Lender and the L/C Issuer hereby authorizes the Administrative Agent to execute and deliver, and to perform its obligations under, each of the Loan Documents to which the Administrative Agent is a party, and to exercise all rights, powers and remedies that the Administrative Agent may have under such Loan Documents. The provisions of this Article are solely for the benefit of the Administrative Agent, the Lenders and the L/C Issuer, and solely in the case of Sections 9.06 and 9.10, the Borrower and the other Loan Parties, and the Borrower shall not have rights as a third party beneficiary of any of such provisions other than Sections 9.06 and 9.10.

(b) As to any matters not expressly provided for herein and in the other Loan Documents (including enforcement or collection), the Administrative Agent shall not be required to exercise any discretion or take any action, but shall be required to act or to refrain from acting (and shall be fully protected in so acting or refraining from acting) upon the written instructions of the Required Lenders (or such other number or percentage of the Lenders as shall be necessary, pursuant to the terms in the Loan Documents), and, unless and until revoked in writing, such instructions shall be binding upon each Lender and the L/C Issuer; provided, however, that the Administrative Agent shall not be required to take any action that (i) the Administrative Agent in good faith believes exposes it to liability unless the Administrative Agent receives an indemnification and is exculpated in a manner satisfactory to it from the Lenders and the L/C Issuer with respect to such action or (ii) is contrary to this Agreement or any other

Loan Document or applicable law, including any action that may be in violation of the automatic stay under any requirement of law relating to bankruptcy, insolvency or reorganization or relief of debtors or that may effect a forfeiture, modification or termination of property of a Defaulting Lender in violation of any requirement of law relating to bankruptcy, insolvency or reorganization or relief of debtors; provided, further, that the Administrative Agent may seek clarification or direction from the Required Lenders prior to the exercise of any such instructed action and may refrain from acting until such clarification or direction has been provided. 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, any Subsidiary or any Affiliate of any of the foregoing that is communicated to or obtained by the Person serving as Administrative Agent or any of its Affiliates in any capacity. Nothing in this Agreement shall require the Administrative Agent to expend or risk its own funds or otherwise incur any financial liability in the performance of any of its duties hereunder or in the exercise of any of its rights or powers if it shall have reasonable grounds for believing that repayment of such funds or adequate indemnity against such risk or liability is not reasonably assured to it.

(c) In performing its functions and duties hereunder and under the other Loan Documents, the Administrative Agent is acting solely on behalf of the Lenders and the L/C Issuer (except in limited circumstances expressly provided for herein relating to the maintenance of the Register), and its duties are entirely mechanical and administrative in nature. Without limiting the generality of the foregoing:

(i) the Administrative Agent does not assume and shall not be deemed to have assumed any obligation or duty or any other relationship as the agent, fiduciary or trustee of or for any Lender, the L/C Issuer or holder of any other obligation other than as expressly set forth herein and in the other Loan Documents, regardless of whether a Default or an Event of Default has occurred and is continuing (and it is understood and agreed that the use of the term “agent” (or any similar term) herein or in any other Loan Document with reference to the Administrative Agent is not intended to connote any fiduciary duty or other implied (or express) obligations arising under agency doctrine of any applicable law, and that such term is used as a matter of market custom and is intended to create or reflect only an administrative relationship between contracting parties); additionally, each Lender agrees that it will not assert any claim against the Administrative Agent based on an alleged breach of fiduciary duty by the Administrative Agent in connection with this Agreement and/or the transactions contemplated hereby; and

(ii) nothing in this Agreement or any Loan Document shall require the Administrative Agent to account to any Lender for any sum or the profit element of any sum received by the Administrative Agent for its own account.

9.02 Rights as a Lender. The Person serving as the 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 or unless the context otherwise requires, include the Person serving as the Administrative Agent hereunder in its individual capacity. Such Person and its Affiliates may accept deposits from, lend money to, act as the financial advisor or in any other advisory capacity for and generally engage in any kind of business with the Borrower or any Subsidiary or other Affiliate thereof as if such Person were not the Administrative Agent hereunder and without any duty to account therefor to the Lenders.

9.03 Administrative Agent's Reliance, Limitation of Liability, Etc.

(a) Neither the Administrative Agent nor any of its Related Parties shall be (i) liable to any Lender for any action taken or omitted to be taken by such party, the Administrative Agent or any of its Related Parties under or in connection with this Agreement or the other Loan Documents (x) with the consent of 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 to be necessary, under the circumstances as provided in the Loan Documents) or (y) in the absence of its own gross negligence or willful misconduct (such absence to be presumed unless otherwise determined by a court of competent jurisdiction by a final and non-appealable judgment) or (ii) responsible in any manner to any of the Lenders for any recitals, statements, representations or warranties made by any Loan Party or any officer thereof contained in this Agreement or any other Loan Document or in any certificate, report, statement or other document referred to or provided for in, or received by the Administrative Agent under or in connection with, this Agreement or any other Loan Document or for the value, validity, effectiveness, genuineness, enforceability or sufficiency of this Agreement or any other Loan Document (including, for the avoidance of doubt, in connection with the Administrative Agent's reliance on any Electronic Signature transmitted by telecopy, emailed pdf. or any other electronic means that reproduces an image of an actual executed signature page) or for any failure of any Loan Party to perform its obligations hereunder or thereunder.

(b) The Administrative Agent shall be deemed not to have knowledge of any (i) notice of any of the events or circumstances set forth or described in Section 6.03 unless and until written notice thereof stating that it is a "notice under Section 6.03" in respect of this Agreement and identifying the specific clause under said Section is given to the Administrative Agent by the Borrower, or (ii) notice of any Default or Event of Default unless and until written notice thereof (stating that it is a "notice of Default" or a "notice of an Event of Default") is given to the Administrative Agent by the Borrower, a Lender or L/C Issuer. Further, 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 thereunder or in connection therewith, (iii) the performance or observance of any of the covenants, agreements or other terms or conditions set forth in any Loan Document or the occurrence of any Default or Event of Default, (iv) the sufficiency, validity, enforceability, effectiveness or genuineness of any Loan Document or any other agreement, instrument or document, or (v) the satisfaction of any condition set forth in Article IV or elsewhere in any Loan Document, other than to confirm receipt of items (which on their face purport to be such items) expressly required to be delivered to the Administrative Agent or satisfaction of any condition that expressly refers to the matters described therein being acceptable or satisfactory to the Administrative Agent.

(c) Without limiting the foregoing, the Administrative Agent (i) may treat the payee of any promissory note as its holder until such promissory note has been assigned in accordance with Section 10.06, (ii) may rely on the Register to the extent set forth in Section 10.06(c), (iii) may consult with legal counsel (including counsel to the Borrower), independent public accountants and other experts selected by it, and shall not be liable for any action taken or omitted to be taken in good faith by it in accordance with the advice of such counsel, accountants or experts, (iv) makes no warranty or representation to any Lender or L/C Issuer and shall not be responsible to any Lender or L/C Issuer for any statements, warranties or representations made by or on behalf of any Loan Party in connection with this Agreement or any other Loan Document, (v) in determining compliance with any condition

hereunder to the making of a Loan, or the issuance of a Letter of Credit, that by its terms must be fulfilled to the satisfaction of a Lender or the L/C Issuer, may presume that such condition is satisfactory to such Lender or L/C Issuer unless the Administrative Agent shall have received notice to the contrary from such Lender or L/C Issuer sufficiently in advance of the making of such Loan or the issuance of such Letter of Credit and (vi) shall be entitled to rely on, and shall incur no liability under or in respect of this Agreement or any other Loan Document by acting upon, any notice, consent, certificate or other instrument or writing (which writing may be a fax, any electronic message, Internet or intranet website posting or other distribution) or any statement made to it orally or by telephone and believed by it to be genuine and signed or sent or otherwise authenticated by the proper party or parties (whether or not such Person in fact meets the requirements set forth in the Loan Documents for being the maker thereof).

#### 9.04 Posting of Communications.

(a) The Borrower agrees that the Administrative Agent may, but shall not be obligated to, make any Communications available to the Lenders and the L/C Issuer by posting the Communications on IntraLinks™, DebtDomain, SyndTrak, ClearPar or any other electronic platform chosen by the Administrative Agent to be its electronic transmission system (the “Approved Electronic Platform”).

(b) Although the Approved Electronic Platform and its primary web portal are secured with generally-applicable security procedures and policies implemented or modified by the Administrative Agent from time to time (including, as of the Amendment and Restatement Effective Date, a user ID/password authorization system) and the Approved Electronic Platform is secured through a per-deal authorization method whereby each user may access the Approved Electronic Platform only on a deal-by-deal basis, each of the Lenders, the L/C Issuer and the Borrower acknowledges and agrees that the distribution of material through an electronic medium is not necessarily secure, that the Administrative Agent is not responsible for approving or vetting the representatives or contacts of any Lender that are added to the Approved Electronic Platform, and that there may be confidentiality and other risks associated with such distribution. Each of the Lenders, the L/C Issuer and the Borrower hereby approves distribution of the Communications through the Approved Electronic Platform and understands and assumes the risks of such distribution.

(c) THE APPROVED ELECTRONIC PLATFORM AND THE COMMUNICATIONS ARE PROVIDED “AS IS” AND “AS AVAILABLE.” THE APPLICABLE PARTIES (AS DEFINED BELOW) DO NOT WARRANT THE ACCURACY OR COMPLETENESS OF THE COMMUNICATIONS, OR THE ADEQUACY OF THE APPROVED ELECTRONIC PLATFORM AND EXPRESSLY DISCLAIM LIABILITY FOR ERRORS OR OMISSIONS IN THE APPROVED ELECTRONIC PLATFORM AND 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 APPLICABLE PARTIES IN CONNECTION WITH THE COMMUNICATIONS OR THE APPROVED ELECTRONIC PLATFORM. IN NO EVENT SHALL THE ADMINISTRATIVE AGENT, ANY LEAD ARRANGER, ANY CO-DOCUMENTATION AGENT, OR ANY OF THEIR RESPECTIVE RELATED PARTIES (COLLECTIVELY, “APPLICABLE PARTIES”) HAVE ANY LIABILITY TO ANY LOAN PARTY, ANY LENDER, THE L/C ISSUER OR ANY OTHER PERSON OR ENTITY FOR DAMAGES OF ANY KIND, 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 OR THE APPROVED ELECTRONIC PLATFORM, EXCEPT TO THE EXTENT THAT SUCH LOSSES, CLAIMS, DAMAGES, LIABILITIES OR EXPENSES ARE DETERMINED BY A COURT OF COMPETENT JURISDICTION BY A FINAL AND NONAPPEALABLE JUDGMENT TO HAVE RESULTED FROM THE GROSS NEGLIGENCE OR WILLFUL MISCONDUCT OF SUCH APPLICABLE PARTY.

"Communications" means, collectively, any notice, demand, communication, information, document or other material provided by or on behalf of any Loan Party pursuant to any Loan Document or the transactions contemplated therein which is distributed by the Administrative Agent, any Lender or the L/C Issuer by means of electronic communications pursuant to this Section, including through an Approved Electronic Platform.

(d) Each Lender and the L/C Issuer agrees that notice to it (as provided in the next sentence) specifying that Communications have been posted to the Approved Electronic Platform shall constitute effective delivery of the Communications to such Lender for purposes of the Loan Documents. Each Lender and the L/C Issuer agrees (i) to notify the Administrative Agent in writing (which could be in the form of electronic communication) from time to time of such Lender's or L/C Issuer's (as applicable) email address to which the foregoing notice may be sent by electronic transmission and (ii) that the foregoing notice may be sent to such email address.

(e) Each of the Lenders, the L/C Issuer and the Borrower agrees that the Administrative Agent may, but (except as may be required by applicable law) shall not be obligated to, store the Communications on the Approved Electronic Platform in accordance with the Administrative Agent's generally applicable document retention procedures and policies.

(f) Nothing herein shall prejudice the right of the Administrative Agent, any Lender or the L/C Issuer to give any notice or other communication pursuant to any Loan Document in any other manner specified in such Loan Document.

9.05 Delegation of Duties. The Administrative Agent may perform any and all of its duties and exercise its rights and powers hereunder or under any other Loan Document by or through any one or more sub-agents appointed by the Administrative Agent. The Administrative Agent and any such sub-agent may perform any and all of its duties and exercise its rights and powers by or 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 Administrative Agent. The Administrative Agent shall not be responsible for the negligence or misconduct of any sub-agents except to the extent that a court of competent jurisdiction determines in a final and nonappealable judgment that the Administrative Agent acted with gross negligence or willful misconduct in the selection of such sub-agents.

9.06 Resignation of Administrative Agent. The Administrative Agent may at any time give notice of its resignation to the Lenders, the L/C Issuer and the Borrower. Upon receipt of any such notice of resignation, the Required Lenders shall have the right to appoint a successor, which shall be a

bank with an office in the United States or an Affiliate of any such bank with an office in the United States and which shall, unless an Event of Default under Section 8.01(a) or 8.01(f) has occurred and is continuing at such time, be reasonably acceptable to the Borrower (which acceptance shall not be unreasonably delayed). If no such successor shall have been so appointed by the Required Lenders and shall have accepted such appointment within 30 days after the retiring Administrative Agent gives notice of its resignation, then the retiring Administrative Agent may on behalf of the Lenders and the L/C Issuer, appoint a successor Administrative Agent meeting the qualifications (including such acceptance by the Borrower) set forth above; provided that if the Administrative Agent shall notify the Borrower and the Lenders that no qualifying Person has accepted such appointment, then such resignation shall nonetheless become effective in accordance with such notice and (a) the retiring Administrative Agent shall be discharged from its duties and obligations hereunder and under the other Loan Documents and (b) all payments, communications and determinations provided to be made by, to or through the Administrative Agent shall instead be made by or to each Lender and the L/C Issuer directly, until such time as the Required Lenders appoint a successor Administrative Agent as provided for above in this Section. Upon the acceptance of a successor's appointment as Administrative Agent hereunder, such successor shall succeed to and become vested with all of the rights, powers, privileges and duties of the retiring (or retired) Administrative Agent, and the retiring Administrative Agent shall be discharged from all of its duties and obligations hereunder or under the other Loan Documents (if not already discharged therefrom as provided above in this Section). 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. After the retiring Administrative Agent's resignation hereunder and under the other Loan Documents, the provisions of this Article and Section 10.04 shall continue in effect for the benefit of such retiring Administrative Agent, its sub-agents and their respective Related Parties in respect of any actions taken or omitted to be taken by any of them while the retiring Administrative Agent was acting as Administrative Agent.

Any resignation by an Administrative Agent pursuant to this Section shall also constitute the resignation by such Person as L/C Issuer. Upon the acceptance of a successor's appointment as Administrative Agent, (i) such successor shall succeed to and become vested with all of the rights, powers, privileges and duties of the retiring L/C Issuer, (ii) the retiring L/C Issuer shall be discharged from all of their respective duties and obligations hereunder or under the other Loan Documents, and (iii) the successor L/C Issuer shall issue letters of credit in substitution for the Letters of Credit, if any, outstanding at the time of such succession or make other arrangements satisfactory to the retiring L/C Issuer to effectively assume the obligations of the retiring L/C Issuer with respect to such Letters of Credit.

#### 9.07 Non-Reliance on Administrative Agent and Other Lenders.

(a) Each Lender and the L/C Issuer represents and warrants that (i) the Loan Documents set forth the terms of a commercial lending facility, (ii) it is engaged in making, acquiring or holding commercial loans and in providing other facilities set forth herein as may be applicable to such Lender or to the L/C Issuer, in each case in the ordinary course of business, and not for the purpose of purchasing, acquiring or holding any other type of financial instrument (and each Lender and the L/C Issuer agrees not to assert a claim in contravention of the foregoing), (iii) it has, independently and without reliance upon the Administrative Agent, any Lead Arranger, any Co-Documentation Agent or any other Lender or the L/C Issuer, or any of their respective Related Parties of any of the foregoing, and based on such documents and information as it has deemed appropriate, made its own credit analysis and

decision to enter into this Agreement as a Lender or the L/C Issuer, and to make, acquire or hold Loans hereunder and (iv) it is sophisticated with respect to decisions to make, acquire and/or hold commercial loans and to provide other facilities set forth herein, as may be applicable to such Lender or the L/C Issuer, and either it, or the Person exercising discretion in making its decision to make, acquire and/or hold such commercial loans or to provide such other facilities, is experienced in making, acquiring or holding such commercial loans or providing such other facilities. Each Lender and the L/C Issuer also acknowledges that it will, independently and without reliance upon the Administrative Agent, any Lead Arranger, any Co-Documentation Agent, or any other Lender or the L/C Issuer, or any of their respective Related Parties of any of the foregoing, and based on such documents and information (which may contain material, non-public information within the meaning of the United States securities laws concerning the Borrower and its Affiliates) 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 any related agreement or any document furnished hereunder or thereunder.

(b) Each Lender, by delivering its signature page to this Agreement on the Amendment and Restatement Effective Date, or delivering its signature page to an Assignment and Assumption or any other Loan Document pursuant to which it shall become a Lender hereunder, shall be deemed to have acknowledged receipt of, and consented to and approved, each Loan Document and each other document required to be delivered to, or be approved by or satisfactory to, the Administrative Agent or the Lenders on the Amendment and Restatement Effective Date.

(c) Certain Payments.

(i) Each Lender and the L/C Issuer hereby agrees that (x) if the Administrative Agent notifies such Lender or L/C Issuer that the Administrative Agent has determined in its sole discretion that any funds received by such Lender or L/C Issuer from the Administrative Agent or any of its Affiliates (whether as a payment, prepayment or repayment of principal, interest, fees or otherwise; individually and collectively, a “Payment”) were erroneously transmitted to such Lender or L/C Issuer (whether or not known to such Lender or L/C Issuer), and demands the return of such Payment (or a portion thereof), such Lender or L/C Issuer shall promptly, but in no event later than one Business Day thereafter, return to the Administrative Agent the amount of any such Payment (or portion thereof) as to which such a demand was made in same day funds, together with interest thereon in respect of each day from and including the date such Payment (or portion thereof) was received by such Lender or L/C Issuer to the date such amount is repaid to the Administrative Agent at the greater of the NYFRB Rate and a rate determined by the Administrative Agent in accordance with banking industry rules on interbank compensation from time to time in effect, and (y) to the extent permitted by applicable law, such Lender or L/C Issuer shall not assert, and hereby waives, as to the Administrative Agent, any claim, counterclaim, defense or right of set-off or recoupment with respect to any demand, claim or counterclaim by the Administrative Agent for the return of any Payments received, including without limitation any defense based on “discharge for value” or any similar doctrine. A notice of the Administrative Agent to any Lender or the L/C Issuer under this Section 9.07(c) shall be conclusive, absent manifest error.

(ii) Each Lender and the L/C Issuer hereby further agrees that if it receives a Payment from the Administrative Agent or any of its Affiliates (x) that is in a different amount than, or on a different date from, that specified in a notice of payment sent by the Administrative

Agent (or any of its Affiliates) with respect to such Payment (a “Payment Notice”) or (y) that was not preceded or accompanied by a Payment Notice, it shall be on notice, in each such case, that an error has been made with respect to such Payment. Each Lender and the L/C Issuer agrees that, in each such case, or if it otherwise becomes aware a Payment (or portion thereof) may have been sent in error, such Lender or L/C Issuer shall promptly notify the Administrative Agent of such occurrence and, upon demand from the Administrative Agent, it shall promptly, but in no event later than one Business Day thereafter, return to the Administrative Agent the amount of any such Payment (or portion thereof) as to which such a demand was made in same day funds, together with interest thereon in respect of each day from and including the date such Payment (or portion thereof) was received by such Lender or L/C Issuer to the date such amount is repaid to the Administrative Agent at the greater of the NYFRB Rate and a rate determined by the Administrative Agent in accordance with banking industry rules on interbank compensation from time to time in effect.

(iii) The Borrower and each other Loan Party hereby agrees that (x) in the event an erroneous Payment (or portion thereof) are not recovered from any Lender or L/C Issuer that has received such Payment (or portion thereof) for any reason, the Administrative Agent shall be subrogated to all the rights of such Lender or L/C Issuer with respect to such amount to the maximum extent permitted by law and (y) an erroneous Payment shall not pay, prepay, repay, discharge or otherwise satisfy any Obligations owed by the Borrower or any other Loan Party; provided that this clause (iii) shall not be interpreted to increase (or accelerate the due date for), or have the effect of increasing (or accelerating the due date for), the Obligations of the Loan Parties relative to the amount (and/or timing for payment) of the Obligations that would have been payable had such erroneous Payment not been made by the Administrative Agent; provided, further, that for the avoidance of doubt, the foregoing clauses (x) and (y) shall not apply to the extent any such Payment is, and solely with respect to the amount of such Payment that is, comprised of funds received by the Administrative Agent from the Borrower or any other Loan Party for the purpose of making such Payment.

(iv) Each party’s obligations under this Section 9.07(c) shall survive the resignation or replacement of the Administrative Agent or any transfer of rights or obligations by, or the replacement of, a Lender or the L/C Issuer, the termination of the Commitments or the repayment, satisfaction or discharge of all Obligations under any Loan Document.

9.08 No Other Duties, Etc. Anything herein to the contrary notwithstanding, none of the Lead Arrangers or Co-Documentation Agents listed on the cover page hereof shall have no powers, duties or responsibilities under this Agreement or any of the other Loan Documents, except in its capacity, as applicable, as the Administrative Agent, a Lender or the L/C Issuer hereunder.

9.09 Administrative Agent May File Proofs of Claim. In case of the pendency of any proceeding under any Debtor Relief Law or any other judicial proceeding relative to any Loan Party, the Administrative Agent (irrespective of whether the principal of any Loan or L/C Obligation shall then be 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:

(a) to file and prove a claim for the whole amount of the principal and interest owing and unpaid in respect of the Loans, L/C Obligations 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, the L/C Issuer and the Administrative Agent (including any claim for the reasonable compensation, expenses, disbursements and advances of the Lenders, the L/C Issuer and the Administrative Agent and their respective agents and counsel and all other amounts due the Lenders, the L/C Issuer and the Administrative Agent under Sections 2.03(i) and (j), 2.09 and 10.04) allowed in such judicial proceeding; and

(b) to collect and receive any monies or other property payable or deliverable on any such claims and to distribute the same;

and any custodian, receiver, assignee, trustee, liquidator, sequestrator or other similar official in any such judicial proceeding is hereby authorized by each Lender and the L/C Issuer to make such payments to the Administrative Agent and, if the Administrative Agent shall consent to the making of such payments directly to the Lenders and the L/C Issuer, 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 amounts due the Administrative Agent under Sections 2.09 and 10.04.

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 or the L/C Issuer any plan of reorganization, arrangement, adjustment or composition affecting the Obligations or the rights of any Lender or the L/C Issuer to authorize the Administrative Agent to vote in respect of the claim of any Lender or the L/C Issuer or in any such proceeding.

#### 9.10 Guaranty Matters.

(a) If any Guarantor ceases to be a Subsidiary as a result of a transaction permitted hereunder, such Guarantor shall be automatically released from its obligations under the Guaranty pursuant to this Section 9.10. Upon such automatic release and at the Administrative Agent's reasonable written request, the Borrower shall deliver to the Administrative Agent an officer's certificate certifying that such Guarantor has ceased to be a Subsidiary.

(b) If any Guarantor ceases to be a Material Domestic Subsidiary, the Borrower may give written notice thereof to the Administrative Agent requesting the release of such Guarantor from the Guaranty. Such request shall be accompanied by (i) an officer's certificate certifying that such Guarantor has ceased to be a Material Domestic Subsidiary and (ii) information reasonably satisfactory to the Administrative Agent to evidence that such Guarantor is not a Material Domestic Subsidiary. The Lenders and the L/C Issuers irrevocably authorize the Administrative Agent to release any such Guarantor from its obligations under the Guaranty and the other Loan Documents.

Upon request by the Administrative Agent at any time, the Required Lenders will confirm in writing the Administrative Agent's authority to release any Guarantor from its obligations under the Guaranty pursuant to this Section 9.10. In each case specified in this Section 9.10, the Administrative Agent will, 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 Guarantor

from its obligations under the Guaranty and the other Loan Documents, in each case in accordance with the terms of the Loan Documents and this Section 9.10.

9.11 Withholding Taxes. To the extent required by any applicable law, the Administrative Agent may withhold from any payment to any Lender (which shall, for purposes of this Section 9.11, include any L/C Issuer) an amount equivalent to any applicable withholding tax. Without limiting or expanding the provisions of Section 3.01, each Lender shall, and does hereby, indemnify the Administrative Agent against, and shall make payable in respect thereof within 30 days after demand therefor, 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 (including, without limitation, because the appropriate form was not delivered or not properly executed, or because such Lender failed to notify the Administrative Agent of a change in circumstance that rendered the exemption from, or reduction of withholding tax ineffective). 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 setoff and apply any and all amounts at any time owing to such Lender under this Agreement or any other Loan Document against any amount due the Administrative Agent under this Section 9.11. The agreements in this Section 9.11 shall survive the resignation and/or replacement of the Administrative Agent, any assignment of rights by, or the replacement of, a Lender, the termination of the Commitments and the repayment, satisfaction or discharge of all other Obligations.

9.12 Certain ERISA Matters(a).

(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, the Lead Arrangers 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 the Plan Asset Regulations) of one or more Benefit Plans in connection with the Loans, the Letters of Credit or the Commitments,

(ii) the 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 with respect to such Lender’s entrance into, participation in, administration of and performance of the Loans, the Letters of Credit, 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 Letters of Credit, the Commitments and this Agreement, (C) the entrance into, participation in, administration of and performance of the Loans, the Letters of Credit, 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 Letters of Credit, 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 sub-clause (i) in the immediately preceding clause (a) is true with respect to a Lender or such Lender has provided another representation, warranty and covenant as provided in sub-clause (iv) in the immediately preceding clause (a), such Lender further (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, the Lead Arrangers 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, the Lead Arrangers, the Co-Documentation Agents or any of their respective Affiliates is a fiduciary with respect to the assets of such Lender (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).

(c) Each of the Administrative Agent, the Lead Arrangers and the Co-Documentation Agents hereby informs the Lenders that each such Person is not undertaking to provide impartial investment advice, or to give advice in a fiduciary capacity, in connection with the transactions contemplated hereby, and that such Person has a financial interest in the transactions contemplated hereby in that such Person or an Affiliate thereof (i) may receive interest or other payments with respect to the Loans, the Letters of Credit, the Commitments, this Agreement and any other Loan Documents, (ii) may recognize a gain if it extended the Loans, the Letters of Credit or the Commitments for an amount less than the amount being paid for an interest in the Loans, the Letters of Credit or the Commitments by such Lender or (iii) may receive fees or other payments in connection with the transactions contemplated hereby, the Loan Documents or otherwise, including structuring fees, commitment fees, arrangement fees, facility fees, upfront fees, underwriting fees, ticking fees, agency fees, administrative agent or collateral agent fees, utilization fees, minimum usage fees, letter of credit fees, fronting fees, deal-away or alternate transaction fees, amendment fees, processing fees, term out premiums, banker's acceptance fees, breakage or other early termination fees or fees similar to the foregoing.

#### ARTICLE X MISCELLANEOUS

10.01 Amendments, Etc. Subject to Section 3.03(b), (c) and (e), no amendment or waiver of any provision of this Agreement or any other Loan Document, and no consent to any departure by the Borrower or any other Loan Party therefrom, shall be effective unless in writing signed by the Required Lenders (or by the Administrative Agent with the consent of the Required Lenders) and the

Borrower or the applicable Loan Party, as the case may be, and acknowledged by the Administrative Agent, and each such waiver or consent shall be effective only in the specific instance and for the specific purpose for which given; provided, however, that no such amendment, waiver or consent shall:

(a) (i) extend or increase the Commitment of any Lender (or reinstate any Commitment terminated pursuant to Section 8.02) without the written consent of such Lender (it being understood that a waiver of any condition precedent in Section 4.01 or 4.02, or the waiver of any Default or Event of Default or any mandatory prepayment, shall not constitute an extension or increase of any Commitment) or (ii) extend the final expiration of any Letter of Credit beyond the Maturity Date without the written consent of each Lender directly affected thereby;

(b) postpone any date fixed by this Agreement or any other Loan Document for any payment (excluding mandatory prepayments) of principal, interest, fees or other amounts due to the Lenders (or any of them) hereunder or under such other Loan Document without the written consent of each Lender entitled to such payment;

(c) reduce the principal of, or the rate of interest specified herein on, any Loan or L/C Borrowing, or (subject to clause (iii) of the second proviso to this Section 10.01) any fees or other amounts payable hereunder or under any other Loan Document without the written consent of each Lender entitled to such amount; provided, however, that only the consent of the Required Lenders shall be necessary (i) to waive the application of Section 2.08(b) or the last sentence of Section 2.03(i), (ii) to amend any financial covenant hereunder (or any defined term used therein) even if the effect of such amendment would be to reduce the rate of interest on any Loan or L/C Borrowing or to reduce any fee payable hereunder, or (iii) to waive any obligation of the Borrower to pay interest, commitment fees or Letter of Credit Fees at the highest grid rate upon the occurrence and continuance of any Event of Default;

(d) change (i) Section 8.03 without the written consent of each Lender directly affected thereby or (ii) Section 2.12(a) or Section 2.13 in a manner that would alter the pro rata sharing of payments required thereby, or any change to the definition of “Applicable Percentage” or “Applicable Revolving Credit Percentage” that would alter such pro rata sharing of payments, without the written consent of each Lender directly affected thereby;

(e) change (i) any provision of this Section 10.01 or the definition of “Required Lenders” or any other provision hereof specifying the number or percentage of Lenders required to amend, waive or otherwise modify any rights hereunder or make any determination or grant any consent hereunder (other than the definitions specified in clause (ii) of this Section 10.01(e)), without the written consent of each Lender or (ii) the definition of “Required Revolving Lenders” or “Required Tranche Term Lenders” without the written consent of each Lender under the applicable Facility;

(f) waive any condition set forth in Section 4.01 without the written consent of each Lender;

(g) release all or substantially all of the value of the Guarantors (measured by value of the Guarantors, not by number) from the Guaranty, without the written consent of each Lender,

except to the extent the release of any Subsidiary from the Guaranty is permitted pursuant to Section 9.10 (in which case such release may be made by the Administrative Agent acting alone); or

(h) impose any greater restriction on the ability of any Lender under a Facility to assign any of its rights or obligations hereunder without the written consent of (i) if such Facility is a Class of Term Loans, the Required Tranche Term Lenders with respect to such Class and (ii) if such Facility is the Revolving Credit Facility, the Required Revolving Lenders;

and *provided, further*; that without limiting any requirement that the same be signed or executed by the Borrower or any other applicable Loan Party, as the case may be, (i) no amendment, waiver or consent shall, unless in writing and signed by the L/C Issuer in addition to the Lenders required above, affect the rights or duties of the L/C Issuer under this Agreement or any Issuer Document relating to any Letter of Credit issued or to be issued by it; (ii) no amendment, waiver or consent shall, unless in writing and signed by the Administrative Agent in addition to the Lenders required above, affect the rights or duties of the Administrative Agent under this Agreement or any other Loan Document, (iii) the Fee Letter and the Agency Fee Letter may be amended, or rights or privileges thereunder waived, in a writing executed only by the respective parties thereto and (iv) any waiver, amendment or modification of any Loan Document that by its terms affects the rights or duties under such Loan Document of the Lenders under a Facility (but not the Lenders under any other Facility) may be effected by an agreement or agreements in writing entered into solely by the Borrower and if such affected Facility is (x) a Class of Term Loans, the Required Tranche Term Lenders with respect to such Class and (y) the Revolving Credit Facility, the Required Revolving Lenders. Notwithstanding anything to the contrary herein, no Defaulting Lender shall have any right to approve or disapprove any amendment, waiver or consent hereunder (and any amendment, waiver or consent which by its terms requires the consent of all Lenders or each affected Lender may be effected with the consent of the applicable Lenders other than Defaulting Lenders), except that (x) the Commitment of any Defaulting Lender may not be increased or extended without the consent of such Lender and (y) any waiver, amendment or modification requiring the consent of all Lenders or each affected Lender that by its terms affects any Defaulting Lender more adversely than other affected Lenders shall require the consent of such Defaulting Lender.

Notwithstanding the foregoing, any amendment or waiver of any representation or warranty set forth in Article V or any existing Default or Event of Default, in each case, in connection with the satisfaction of the conditions set forth in Section 4.02 for any Credit Extension with respect to a Facility after the Amendment and Restatement Effective Date shall be ineffective with respect to the satisfaction of such conditions without the written consent of the Required Revolving Lenders or the Required Tranche Term Lenders, as the context may require (it being understood that an amendment or waiver of any representation or warranty for which the condition set forth in Section 4.02(a) is met at the time of such amendment or waiver (without giving effect to such amendment or waiver), or any amendment or waiver of any covenant under which no Default or Event of Default exists at the time of such amendment or waiver (without giving effect to such amendment or waiver), shall not require the separate written consent of the Required Revolving Lenders or the Required Tranche Term Lenders, as the context may require as a condition to the satisfaction of the conditions set forth in Section 4.02; provided that any waiver for the purpose of waiving a condition to borrowing shall require the consent of the Required Revolving Lenders or the Required Tranche Term Lenders, as the context may require).

Notwithstanding anything herein to the contrary, the Borrower and the Administrative Agent may, without the input or consent of any other Lender, effect such amendments to this Agreement and the other Loan Documents as may be necessary or appropriate in the opinion of the Administrative Agent to effect the provisions of Section 2.14, 2.18 and 2.19.

If any Lender does not consent to a proposed amendment, waiver, consent or release with respect to any Loan Document that requires the consent of each Lender (or all of the Lenders under any Facility) and that has been approved by the Required Lenders (or the Required Revolving Lenders or the Required Tranche Term Lenders, as the case may be), the Borrower may replace such non-consenting Lender in accordance with Section 10.13; provided that such amendment, waiver, consent or release can be effected as a result of the assignment contemplated by such Section (together with all other such assignments required by the Borrower to be made pursuant to this paragraph).

Notwithstanding the foregoing, if the Administrative Agent and the Borrower acting together identify any ambiguity, omission, mistake, typographical error or other defect in any provision of this Agreement or any other Loan Document, then the Administrative Agent and the Borrower shall be permitted to amend, modify or supplement such provision to cure such ambiguity, omission, mistake, typographical error or other defect, and such amendment shall become effective without any further action or consent of any other party to this Agreement, so long as such amendment, modification, or supplement is not adverse to the interests of any Lender or L/C Issuer.

#### 10.02 Notices; Effectiveness; Electronic Communications.

(a) Notices Generally. Except in the case of notices and other communications expressly permitted to be given by telephone (and except as provided in subsection (b) 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 telecopier as follows, and all notices and other communications expressly permitted hereunder to be given by telephone shall be made to the applicable telephone number, as follows:

(i) if to the Borrower, the Administrative Agent or the L/C Issuer, to the address, telecopier number, electronic mail address or telephone number specified for such Person on Schedule 10.02; and

(ii) if to any other Lender, to the address, telecopier number, electronic mail address or telephone number specified in its Administrative Questionnaire (including, as appropriate, notices delivered solely to the Person designated by a Lender on its Administrative Questionnaire then in effect for the delivery of notices that may contain material non-public information relating to the Borrower).

Notices sent by hand or overnight courier service, or mailed by certified or registered mail, shall be deemed to have been given when received. Notices sent by telecopier shall be deemed to have been given when sent (except that, if not given during normal business hours for the recipient, shall be deemed to have been given at the opening of business on the next business day for the recipient). Notices delivered through Approved Electronic Platforms to the extent provided in subsection (b) below shall be effective as provided in such subsection (b).

(b) Electronic Communications. Notices and other communications to the Borrower, any Loan Party, the Lenders and the L/C Issuer hereunder may be delivered or furnished by Approved Electronic Platforms pursuant to procedures approved by the Administrative Agent, provided that the foregoing shall not apply to notices to any Lender or the L/C Issuer pursuant to Article II if such Lender or the L/C Issuer, as applicable, has notified the Administrative Agent that it is incapable of receiving notices under such Article by electronic communication. The Administrative Agent or the Borrower may, in its discretion, agree to accept notices and other communications to it hereunder by electronic communications pursuant to procedures approved by it, provided that approval of such procedures may be limited to particular notices or communications.

Unless the Administrative Agent otherwise prescribes, (i) notices and other communications 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 e-mail or other written acknowledgement), provided that if such notice or other communication is not sent during the normal business hours of the recipient, such notice or communication shall be deemed to have been sent at the opening of business on the next business day for the recipient, and (ii) notices or communications posted to an Internet or intranet website shall be deemed received upon the deemed receipt by the intended recipient at its e-mail address as described in the foregoing clause (i) of notification that such notice or communication is available and identifying the website address therefor.

(c) [Reserved].

(d) Change of Address, Etc. Each of the Borrower, the Administrative Agent and the L/C Issuer may change its address, telecopier or telephone number for notices and other communications hereunder by notice to the other parties hereto. Each other Lender may change its address, telecopier or telephone number for notices and other communications hereunder by notice to the Borrower, the Administrative Agent and the L/C Issuer. In addition, each Lender agrees to notify the Administrative Agent from time to time to ensure that the Administrative Agent has on record (i) an effective address, contact name, telephone number, telecopier number and electronic mail address to which notices and other communications may be sent and (ii) accurate wire instructions for such Lender.

(e) Reliance by Administrative Agent, L/C Issuer and Lenders. The Administrative Agent, the L/C Issuer and the Lenders shall be entitled to rely and act upon any notices 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, the L/C Issuer, each Lender and the Related Parties of each of them 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. 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.

10.03 No Waiver; Cumulative Remedies. No failure by any Lender, the L/C Issuer or the Administrative Agent to exercise, and no delay by any such Person in exercising, any right, remedy, power or privilege hereunder or under any other Loan Document shall operate as a waiver thereof; nor shall any single or partial exercise of any right, remedy, power or privilege hereunder preclude any other

or further exercise thereof or the exercise of any other right, remedy, power or privilege. The rights, remedies, powers and privileges herein provided, and provided under each other Loan Document, are cumulative and not exclusive of any rights, remedies, powers and privileges provided by law.

10.04 Expenses; Indemnity; Limitation of Liability, Etc.

(a) Costs and Expenses. The Borrower shall pay or reimburse (i) all reasonable and documented out-of-pocket expenses incurred by the Administrative Agent and the Lead Arrangers and their respective Affiliates (including the reasonable and documented fees, charges and disbursements of one counsel (together with one local counsel, if necessary, in each relevant jurisdiction for the Lead Arrangers and the Administrative Agent)), in connection with the syndication of the Facilities provided for herein, the preparation, negotiation, execution, delivery and administration of this Agreement and the other Loan Documents or any amendments, modifications or waivers (including proposed amendments, modifications or waivers) of the provisions hereof or thereof (whether or not the transactions contemplated hereby or thereby shall be consummated), (ii) all reasonable and documented out-of-pocket expenses incurred by the L/C Issuer in connection with the issuance, amendment, renewal or extension of any Letter of Credit or any demand for payment thereunder and (iii) all reasonable and documented out-of-pocket expenses incurred by the Administrative Agent, any Lender or the L/C Issuer and their respective Affiliates (including, without limitation, the reasonable fees and disbursements of one counsel (together with one local counsel, if necessary, in each relevant jurisdiction and another counsel if an actual conflict of interest exists among the Administrative Agent, the L/C Issuer, the Lenders and their respective Affiliates) for the Administrative Agent, the Lenders, the L/C Issuer and their respective Affiliates taken together), in connection with the enforcement or protection of its rights (A) in connection with this Agreement and the other Loan Documents, including its rights under this Section, or (B) in connection with Loans made or Letters of Credit issued hereunder, including all such out-of-pocket expenses incurred during any workout, restructuring or negotiations in respect of such Loans or Letters of Credit.

(b) Indemnification by the Borrower. The Borrower shall indemnify the Administrative Agent (and any sub-agent thereof), the Lead Arrangers, each Lender and the L/C Issuer, and each Related Party of any of the foregoing Persons (each such Person being called an "Indemnitee") against, and hold each Indemnitee harmless from, any and all Liabilities and related reasonable and documented out-of-pocket costs and expenses (including, without limitation, the reasonable and documented fees and disbursements of one counsel (together with one local counsel, if necessary, in each relevant jurisdiction) for all Indemnitees taken as a whole; provided that if there is a conflict of interest, the Borrower shall so indemnify for expenses of one additional counsel to the affected Indemnitees taken as a whole), incurred by any Indemnitee or asserted against any Indemnitee by any third party or by the Borrower or any other Loan Party arising out of, in connection with, or as a result of (i) the execution or delivery of this Agreement, any other Loan Document or any agreement or instrument contemplated hereby or thereby, the performance by the parties hereto of their respective obligations hereunder or thereunder or the consummation of the transactions contemplated hereby or thereby, or, in the case of the Administrative Agent (and any sub-agent thereof) and its Related Parties only, the administration of this Agreement and the other Loan Documents, (ii) any Loan or Letter of Credit or the use or proposed use of the proceeds therefrom (including any refusal by the L/C Issuer to honor a demand for payment under a Letter of Credit if the documents presented in connection with such demand do not strictly comply with the terms of such Letter of Credit) or (iii) any actual or prospective Proceeding relating to any of the foregoing, whether based on contract, tort or any other theory, whether brought by a third party or by the

Borrower or any other Loan Party or any of the Borrower's or such Loan Party's directors, shareholders or creditors, and regardless of whether any Indemnitee is a party thereto; provided that such indemnity shall not, as to any Indemnitee, be available to the extent that such Liabilities or related expenses (x) are determined by a court of competent jurisdiction by final and nonappealable judgment to have resulted from the gross negligence or willful misconduct of such Indemnitee (and, upon any such determination pursuant to this clause (x), any indemnification payments with respect to such Liabilities or related expenses previously received by such Indemnitee shall be subject to reimbursement by such Indemnitee), (y) result from a claim brought by the Borrower or any other Loan Party against an Indemnitee for material breach of such Indemnitee's obligations hereunder or under any other Loan Document, if the Borrower or such Loan Party has obtained a final and nonappealable judgment in its favor on such claim as determined by a court of competent jurisdiction or (z) result from claims of any of the Indemnitees against any other Indemnitee (and not by one or more Indemnitees against the Administrative Agent, the Lead Arrangers or the L/C Issuer in such capacity) that have not resulted from the action, inaction, participation or contribution of the Borrower or its Subsidiaries or any of their respective officers, directors, stockholders, partners, members, employees, agents, representatives or advisors.

(c) Reimbursement by Lenders. To the extent that the Borrower for any reason fails to indefeasibly pay any amount required under subsection (a) or (b) of this Section to be paid by it to the Administrative Agent (or any sub-agent thereof), the L/C Issuer or any Related Party of any of the foregoing, each Lender severally agrees to pay to the Administrative Agent (or any such sub-agent), the L/C Issuer or such Related Party, as the case may be, such Lender's Applicable Percentage (determined as of the time that the applicable unreimbursed expense or indemnity payment is sought) of such unpaid amount, provided that the unreimbursed expense or indemnified Liabilities or related expense, as the case may be, was incurred by or asserted against the Administrative Agent (or any such sub-agent) or the L/C Issuer in its capacity as such, or against any Related Party of any of the foregoing acting for the Administrative Agent (or any such sub-agent) or the L/C Issuer in connection with such capacity. The obligations of the Lenders under this subsection (c) are subject to the provisions of Section 2.12(d).

(d) Limitation of Liability, Etc. To the fullest extent permitted by applicable law, no party hereto shall assert, and each party hereto hereby waives, any claim against any other party hereto or against any Lender-Related Person, 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, any other Loan Document or any agreement or instrument contemplated hereby, the transactions contemplated hereby or thereby, any Loan or Letter of Credit or the use of the proceeds thereof; provided that nothing in this sentence shall affect the Borrower's indemnity and reimbursement obligations pursuant to Section 10.04(c). No Lender-Related Person shall be liable for any damages arising from the use by unintended recipients of any information or other materials distributed by it through telecommunications, electronic or other information transmission systems in connection with this Agreement or the other Loan Documents or the transactions contemplated hereby or thereby other than for direct or actual damages resulting from the gross negligence or willful misconduct of such Lender-Related Person as determined by a final and nonappealable judgment of a court of competent jurisdiction.

(e) Payments. All amounts due under this Section shall be payable not later than ten Business Days after demand therefor.

(f) Survival. The agreements in this Section shall survive the resignation of the Administrative Agent and any of the L/C Issuers, the replacement of any Lender, the termination of the Aggregate Commitments and the repayment, satisfaction or discharge of all the other Obligations.

10.05 Payments Set Aside. To the extent that any payment by or on behalf of the Borrower is made to the Administrative Agent, the L/C Issuer or any Lender, or the Administrative Agent, the L/C Issuer or any Lender exercises its right of setoff, and such payment or the proceeds of such setoff or any part thereof is subsequently invalidated, declared to be fraudulent or preferential, set aside or required (including pursuant to any settlement entered into by the Administrative Agent, the L/C Issuer or such Lender in its discretion) to be repaid to a trustee, receiver or any other party, in connection with any proceeding under any Debtor Relief Law or otherwise, then (a) to the extent of such recovery, the obligation or part thereof originally intended to be satisfied shall be revived and continued in full force and effect as if such payment had not been made or such setoff had not occurred, and (b) each Lender and the L/C Issuer severally agrees to pay to the Administrative Agent upon demand its applicable share (without duplication) of any amount so recovered from or repaid by the Administrative Agent, plus interest thereon from the date of such demand to the date such payment is made at a rate per annum equal to the Federal Funds Effective Rate from time to time in effect. The obligations of the Lenders and the L/C Issuer under clause (b) of the preceding sentence shall survive the payment in full of the Obligations and the termination of this Agreement.

10.06 Successors and Assigns.

(a) Successors and Assigns Generally. The provisions of this Agreement shall be binding upon and inure to the benefit of the parties hereto and their respective successors and assigns permitted hereby, except that the Borrower may not assign or otherwise transfer any of its rights or obligations hereunder (other than pursuant to Section 7.03) without the prior written consent of the Administrative Agent and each Lender and no Lender may assign or otherwise transfer any of its rights or obligations hereunder except (i) to an assignee in accordance with the provisions of Section 10.06(b), (ii) by way of participation in accordance with the provisions of Section 10.06(d) or (iii) by way of pledge or assignment of a security interest subject to the restrictions of Section 10.06(f) (and any other attempted assignment or transfer by any party hereto shall be null and void). Nothing in this Agreement, expressed or implied, shall be construed to confer upon any Person (other than the parties hereto, their respective successors and assigns permitted hereby, Participants to the extent provided in subsection (d) of this Section and, to the extent expressly contemplated hereby, the Related Parties of each of the Administrative Agent, the L/C Issuer and the Lenders) any legal or equitable right, remedy or claim under or by reason of this Agreement.

(b) Assignments by Lenders. Any Lender may at any time assign to one or more assignees all or a portion of its rights and obligations under this Agreement (including all or a portion of its Commitment(s) and the Loans (including for purposes of this Section 10.06(b), participations in L/C Obligations) at the time owing to it); provided that except in the case of an assignment to a Lender, an Affiliate of the assigning Lender or the Borrower in connection with acquisitions or repurchases of Term Loans by the Borrower pursuant to Discounted Prepayment Offers under Section 2.17, any such assignment shall be subject to the following conditions:

(i) Minimum Amounts. (A) in the case of an assignment of the entire remaining amount of the assigning Lender's Commitment under any Facility and the Loans at the time

owing to it under any Facility or in the case of an assignment to a Lender or an Affiliate of a Lender, no minimum amount need be assigned; and

(B) in any case not described in subsection (b)(i)(A) of this Section, the aggregate amount of the Commitment (which for this purpose includes Loans outstanding thereunder) or, if the Commitment is not then in effect, the principal outstanding balance of the Loans of the assigning Lender subject to each such assignment, determined as of the date the Assignment and Assumption with respect to such assignment is delivered to the Administrative Agent or, if “Trade Date” is specified in the Assignment and Assumption, as of the Trade Date, shall not be less than \$5,000,000, unless (x) such assignment is in connection with the primary syndication of the Facilities hereunder or (y) each of the Administrative Agent and, so long as no Event of Default under Section 8.01(a), Section 8.01(f) (with respect to the Borrower) or Section 8.01(g)(i) (with respect to the Borrower) has occurred and is continuing, the Borrower otherwise consents (each such consent not to be unreasonably withheld or delayed); provided, however, that concurrent assignments to members of an Assignee Group and concurrent assignments from members of an Assignee Group to a single Eligible Assignee (or to an Eligible Assignee and members of its Assignee Group) will be treated as a single assignment for purposes of determining whether such minimum amount has been met;

(ii) Proportionate Amounts. Each partial assignment shall be made as an assignment of a proportionate part of all the assigning Lender’s rights and obligations under this Agreement with respect to the Loans or the Commitment assigned, except that this clause (ii) shall not prohibit any Lender from assigning all or a portion of its rights and obligations among separate Facilities on a non-pro rata basis;

(iii) Required Consents. No consent shall be required for any assignment except to the extent required by subsection (b)(i)(B) of this Section and, in addition:

(A) the consent of the Borrower (such consent not to be unreasonably withheld or delayed) shall be required unless (1) an Event of Default under Section 8.01(a), Section 8.01(f) (with respect to the Borrower) or Section 8.01(g)(i) (with respect to the Borrower) has occurred and is continuing at the time of such assignment, (2) such assignment is to a Lender, an Affiliate of a Lender, an Approved Fund, JPMCB or an Affiliate of JPMCB or (3) such assignment is in connection with the primary syndication of the Facilities hereunder; provided that the Borrower shall be deemed to have consented to any such assignment unless it shall object thereto by written notice to the Administrative Agent within fifteen (15) Business Days after having received notice thereof;

(B) the consent of the Administrative Agent (such consent not to be unreasonably withheld or delayed) shall be required for assignments in respect of (1) any Term Commitment or Revolving Credit Commitment if such assignment is to a Person that is not a Lender with a Commitment in respect of the applicable Facility, an Affiliate of such Lender, an Approved Fund with respect to such Lender, JPMCB or an Affiliate of JPMCB or (2) any Term Loan to a Person that is not a Lender, an Affiliate of a Lender, an Approved Fund, JPMCB or an Affiliate of JPMCB; and

(C) the consent of the L/C Issuer (such consent not to be unreasonably withheld or delayed) shall be required for any assignment that increases the obligation of the assignee to participate in exposure under one or more Letters of Credit (whether or not then outstanding);

(iv) Assignment and Assumption.

(A) The parties to each assignment shall execute and deliver to the Administrative Agent (x) an Assignment and Assumption or (y) to the extent applicable, an agreement incorporating an Assignment and Assumption by reference pursuant to an Approved Electronic Platform as to which the Administrative Agent and the parties to the Assignment and Assumption are participants, in either case, together with a processing and recordation fee of \$3,500;

(B) The assignee, if it is not a Lender, shall deliver to the Administrative Agent an Administrative Questionnaire;

(v) No Assignment to Borrower. No such assignment shall be made to (A) the Borrower or any of its Subsidiaries, or any of the Borrower's Affiliates other than Morgan Stanley and its Affiliates, excluding the Borrower and its Subsidiaries, or (B) to any Defaulting Lender; and

(vi) No Assignment to Natural Persons. No such assignment shall be made to a natural person.

In connection with any assignment of rights and obligations of any Defaulting Lender hereunder, no such assignment shall be effective unless and until, in addition to the other conditions thereto set forth herein, the parties to the assignment shall make such additional payments to the Administrative Agent in an aggregate amount sufficient, upon distribution thereof as appropriate (which may be outright payment, purchases by the assignee of participations or subparticipations, or other compensating actions, including funding, with the consent of the Borrower and the Administrative Agent, the applicable pro rata share of Loans previously requested but not funded by the Defaulting Lender, to each of which the applicable assignee and assignor hereby irrevocably consent), to (x) pay and satisfy in full all payment liabilities then owed by such Defaulting Lender to the Administrative Agent, each L/C Issuer and each other Lender hereunder (and interest accrued thereon), and (y) acquire (and fund as appropriate) its full pro rata share of all Loans and participations in Letters of Credit in accordance with its Applicable Percentage. Notwithstanding the foregoing, in the event that any assignment of rights and obligations of any Defaulting Lender hereunder shall become effective under applicable law without compliance with the provisions of this paragraph, then the assignee of such interest shall be deemed to be a Defaulting Lender for all purposes of this Agreement until such compliance occurs.

Subject to acceptance and recording thereof by the Administrative Agent pursuant to subsection (c) of this Section, from and after the effective date specified in each Assignment and Assumption, the assignee thereunder shall be a party to this Agreement and, to the extent of the interest assigned by 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 entitled to the benefits of Sections 3.01, 3.04, 3.05 and 10.04 with respect to facts and circumstances occurring prior to the effective date of such assignment. Upon request, the Borrower (at its expense) shall execute and deliver a Note to the assignee Lender. Any assignment or transfer by a Lender of rights or obligations under this Agreement that does not comply with this Section 10.06(b) shall be treated for purposes of this Agreement as a sale by such Lender of a participation in such rights and obligations in accordance with Section 10.06(d).

(c) Register. The Administrative Agent, acting solely for this purpose as an agent of the Borrower, shall maintain at the Administrative Agent's Office 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 the Commitments of, and principal amounts (and interest amounts) of the Loans and L/C Obligations owing to, each Lender pursuant to the terms hereof from time to time (the "Register"). 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 hereunder for all purposes of this Agreement, notwithstanding notice to the contrary. In addition, the Administrative Agent shall maintain on the Register information regarding the designation, and revocation of designation, of any Lender as a Defaulting Lender. The Register shall be available for inspection by the Borrower and any Lender, at any reasonable time and from time to time upon reasonable prior notice.

Upon its receipt of a duly completed Assignment and Assumption executed by the assigning Lender and an assignee or to the extent applicable, an agreement incorporating an Assignment and Assumption by reference pursuant to an Approved Electronic Platform as to which the Administrative Agent and the parties to the Assignment and Assumption are participants, together with any Note or Notes subject to such assignment, the assignee's completed Administrative Questionnaire (unless the assignee shall already be a Lender hereunder), any applicable tax forms and any written consent to such assignment required by paragraph (b) of this Section 10.06, the Administrative Agent shall accept such Assignment and Assumption and record the information contained therein in the Register.

(d) Participations. Any Lender may at any time, without the consent of, or notice to, the Borrower, the Administrative Agent or the L/C Issuer, sell participations to any Person (other than a natural person, a Defaulting Lender, or the Borrower or any of its Subsidiaries) (each, a "Participant") in all or a portion of such Lender's rights and/or obligations under this Agreement (including all or a portion of its Commitment and/or the Loans (including such Lender's participations in L/C Obligations) owing to it); provided that (i) such Lender's obligations under this Agreement shall remain unchanged, (ii) such Lender shall remain solely responsible to the other parties hereto for the performance of such obligations and (iii) the Borrower, the Administrative Agent, the Lenders and the L/C Issuer shall continue to deal solely and directly with such Lender in connection with such Lender's rights and obligations under this Agreement. Any agreement or instrument pursuant to which a 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 Participant, agree to any amendment, waiver or other modification described in the first proviso to Section 10.01 that affects such Participant. Subject to subsection (e) of this Section, the Borrower agrees that each Participant shall be entitled to the benefits of Sections 3.01, 3.04 and 3.05 (subject to the requirements and limitations therein,

including the requirement to provide any applicable forms under Section 3.01) to the same extent as if it were a Lender and had acquired its interest by assignment pursuant to Section 10.06(b) (provided that any documentation required to be delivered pursuant to Section 3.01(e) shall be delivered solely to the participating Lender). To the extent permitted by law, each Participant also shall be entitled to the benefits of Section 10.08 as though it were a Lender, provided such Participant agrees to be subject to Section 2.13 as though it were a Lender. Each Lender that sells a participation with respect to a Commitment or Loan to the Borrower shall, acting solely for this purpose as a non-fiduciary agent of the Borrower, maintain a register on which it enters the name and address of each Participant and the principal amounts (and related interest amounts) of each Participant's interest in the Commitment and/or Loan (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) of the United States Treasury Regulations. The entries in the Participant Register shall be conclusive, absent manifest error, and such 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.

(e) Limitations upon Participant Rights. A Participant shall not be entitled to receive any greater payment under Section 3.01, 3.04 or 3.05 than the applicable Lender would have been entitled to receive with respect to the participation sold to such Participant, except to the extent such entitlement to a greater payment results from a Change in Law after the Participant acquired such participation.

(f) Certain Pledges. Any Lender may at any time pledge or assign a security interest in all or any portion of its rights under this Agreement (including under its Note, if any) to secure obligations of such Lender, including any pledge or assignment to secure obligations to a Federal Reserve Bank or any central bank having jurisdiction; provided that no such pledge or assignment shall release such Lender from any of its obligations hereunder or substitute any such pledgee or assignee for such Lender as a party hereto.

(g) Resignation as L/C Issuer after Assignment. Notwithstanding anything to the contrary contained herein, if at any time JPMCB assigns all of its Revolving Credit Commitment and Revolving Credit Loans pursuant to Section 10.06(b), JPMCB may, upon 30 days' notice to the Borrower and the Lenders, resign as L/C Issuer. In the event of any such resignation as L/C Issuer, the Borrower shall be entitled to appoint from among the Lenders a successor L/C Issuer hereunder; provided, however, that no failure by the Borrower to appoint any such successor shall affect the resignation of JPMCB as L/C Issuer. If JPMCB resigns as L/C Issuer, it shall retain all the rights, powers, privileges and duties of the L/C Issuer hereunder with respect to all Letters of Credit outstanding as of the effective date of its resignation as L/C Issuer and all L/C Obligations with respect thereto (including the right to require the Lenders to make Base Rate Loans or fund risk participations in Unreimbursed Amounts pursuant to Section 2.03(e)). Upon the appointment of a successor L/C Issuer, (a) such successor L/C Issuer shall succeed to and become vested with all of the rights, powers, privileges and duties of the retiring L/C Issuer and (b) the successor L/C Issuer shall issue letters of credit in substitution for the Letters of Credit, if any, outstanding at the time of such succession or make other arrangements satisfactory to the retiring L/C Issuer to effectively assume the obligations of the retiring L/C Issuer with respect to such Letters of Credit.

10.07 Treatment of Certain Information; Confidentiality. Each of the Administrative Agent, the Lenders and the L/C Issuer agrees to maintain the confidentiality of the Information (as defined below), except that Information may be disclosed (a) on a confidential and need-to-know basis to its Affiliates and to its and its Affiliates' respective partners, directors, officers, employees, agents, advisors and representatives who need to know such information in connection with the transactions contemplated hereby (it being understood that the Persons to whom such disclosure is made will be informed of the confidential nature of such Information and will be subject to customary confidentiality obligations of professional practice or will agree (which agreement may be oral or pursuant to company policy) to be bound by the terms of this Section 10.07 (or language substantially similar to this Section 10.07), (b) to the extent requested by any regulatory authority purporting to have jurisdiction over it (including any self-regulatory authority, such as the National Association of Insurance Commissioners) (in which case such Person, to the extent permitted by law and except where such disclosure is made in the course of routine audits or reviews by regulatory or self-regulatory authorities, shall inform the Borrower promptly) or to any Federal Reserve Bank or central bank in connection with a pledge or assignment pursuant to Section 10.06(f), (c) to the extent required pursuant to the order of any court or administrative agency or in any pending legal or administrative proceeding, or by applicable laws (including for purposes of establishing a "due diligence" defense) or regulations or by any subpoena or similar legal process (in which case such Person, to the extent permitted by law, shall inform the Borrower promptly), (d) to any other party hereto, (e) in connection with the exercise of any remedies hereunder or under any other Loan Document or any action or proceeding relating to this Agreement or any other Loan Document or the enforcement of rights hereunder or thereunder, (f) subject to an agreement containing provisions substantially the same as those of this Section 10.07, to (i) any permitted assignee of or Participant in, or any prospective permitted assignee of or Participant in, any of its rights or obligations under this Agreement, any Additional Commitment Lender or any potential Additional Commitment Lender, any New Revolving Credit Lender or any potential New Revolving Credit Lender, any Refinancing Term Lender or any potential Refinancing Term Lender or (ii) any actual or prospective counterparty (or its advisors) to any swap or derivative transaction relating to the Borrower and its obligations, (g) with the consent of the Borrower or (h) to the extent such Information (i) becomes publicly available other than as a result of a breach of this Section, (ii) becomes available to the Administrative Agent, any Lender, the L/C Issuer or any of their respective Affiliates on a basis that to its knowledge is nonconfidential from a source other than the Borrower or (iii) is independently developed by such Person. In addition, the Administrative Agent and the Lenders may disclose the existence of this Agreement and information about this Agreement to market data collectors, similar service providers to the lending industry and service providers to the agents and the Lenders in connection with the administration of this Agreement, the other Loan Documents and the Commitments; provided that such disclosure shall in no event include information beyond the scope of information publicly filed with the SEC without the consent of the Borrower.

For purposes of this Section, "Information" means all information received from any Loan Party or any Subsidiary thereof relating to any Loan Party or any Subsidiary thereof or their respective businesses, other than any such information that is available to the Administrative Agent, any Lender or the L/C Issuer on a basis that to its knowledge is nonconfidential prior to disclosure by any Loan Party or any Subsidiary thereof, provided that, in the case of information received from a Loan Party or any such Subsidiary after the Amendment and Restatement Effective Date, such information is clearly identified at the time of delivery as confidential or is delivered pursuant to Section 6.01, 6.02 or 6.03 hereof. Any Person required to maintain the confidentiality of Information as provided in this Section shall be considered to have complied with its obligation to do so if such Person has exercised the

same degree of care to maintain the confidentiality of such Information as such Person would accord to its own confidential information.

Each of the Administrative Agent, the Lenders and the L/C Issuer acknowledges that (a) the Information may include material non-public information concerning the Borrower and its Related Parties or their respective Subsidiaries, as the case may be, (b) it has developed compliance procedures regarding the use of material non-public information and (c) it will handle such material non-public information in accordance with those procedures and applicable Law, including United States Federal and state securities Laws.

All Information, including requests for waivers and amendments, furnished by the Borrower or the Administrative Agent pursuant to, or in the course of administering, this Agreement will be syndicate-level information, which may contain material non-public information about the Borrower, the Loan Parties and their Related Parties or their respective securities. Accordingly, each Lender represents to the Borrower and the Administrative Agent that it has identified in its Administrative Questionnaire a credit contact who may receive Information that may contain material non-public information in accordance with its compliance procedures and applicable Law.

10.08 Right of Setoff. If an Event of Default shall have occurred and be continuing, each Lender, each L/C Issuer and each of their respective Affiliates is hereby authorized at any time and from time to time, to the fullest extent permitted by applicable law, to setoff and apply any and all deposits (general or special, time or demand, provisional or final, in whatever currency) at any time held and other obligations (in whatever currency) at any time owing by such Lender, each L/C Issuer or any such Affiliate to or for the credit or the account of the Borrower against any and all of the obligations of the Borrower owing under this Agreement or any other Loan Document to such Lender, such L/C Issuer or their respective Affiliates, irrespective of whether or not such Lender, L/C Issuer or Affiliate shall have made any demand under this Agreement or any other Loan Document and although such obligations of the Borrower may be contingent or unmatured or are owed to a branch or office or Affiliate of such Lender or the L/C Issuer different from the branch or office or Affiliate holding such deposit or obligated on such indebtedness; provided, that in the event that any Defaulting Lender shall exercise any such right of setoff, (x) all amounts so setoff shall be paid over immediately to the Administrative Agent for further application in accordance with the provisions of Section 2.16 and, pending such payment, shall be segregated by such Defaulting Lender from its other funds and deemed held in trust for the benefit of the Administrative Agent, the L/C Issuer and the Lenders, and (y) the Defaulting Lender shall provide promptly to the Administrative Agent a statement describing in reasonable detail the Obligations owing to such Defaulting Lender as to which it exercised such right of setoff. The rights of each Lender, each L/C Issuer and their respective Affiliates under this Section are in addition to other rights and remedies (including other rights of setoff) that such Lender, each L/C Issuer or their respective Affiliates may have. Each Lender and each L/C Issuer agrees to notify the Borrower and the Administrative Agent promptly after any such setoff and application, provided that the failure to give such notice shall not affect the validity of such setoff and application.

10.09 Interest Rate Limitation. Notwithstanding anything to the contrary contained in any Loan Document, the interest paid or agreed to be paid under the Loan Documents shall not exceed the maximum rate of non-usurious interest permitted by applicable Law (the "Maximum Rate"). If the Administrative Agent or any Lender shall receive interest in an amount that exceeds the Maximum Rate, the excess interest shall be applied to the principal of the Loans or, if it exceeds such unpaid principal,

refunded to the Borrower. In determining whether the interest contracted for, charged, or received by the Administrative Agent or a Lender exceeds the Maximum Rate, such Person may, to the extent permitted by applicable Law, (a) characterize any payment that is not principal as an expense, fee, or premium rather than interest, (b) exclude voluntary prepayments and the effects thereof, and (c) amortize, prorate, allocate, and spread in equal or unequal parts the total amount of interest throughout the contemplated term of the Obligations hereunder.

#### 10.10 Counterparts; Integration; Effectiveness.

(a) This Agreement 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 contract. This Agreement and the other Loan Documents constitute the entire contract 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. Except as provided in Section 4.01, this Agreement shall become effective when it shall have been executed by the Administrative Agent and when the Administrative Agent shall have received counterparts hereof that, when taken together, bear the signatures of each of the other parties hereto.

(b) Electronic Execution. Delivery of an executed counterpart of a signature page of (x) this Agreement, (y) any other Loan Document and/or (z) any document, amendment, approval, consent, information, notice (including, for the avoidance of doubt, any notice delivered pursuant to Section 10.02), certificate, request, statement, disclosure or authorization related to this Agreement, any other Loan Document and/or the transactions contemplated hereby and/or thereby (each, an "Ancillary Document") that is an Electronic Signature transmitted by telecopy, emailed pdf. or any other electronic means that reproduces an image of an actual executed signature page shall be effective as delivery of a manually executed counterpart of this Agreement, such other Loan Document or such Ancillary Document, as applicable. The words "execution," "signed," "signature," "delivery," and words of like import in or relating to this Agreement, any other Loan Document and/or any Ancillary Document shall be deemed to include Electronic Signatures, deliveries or the keeping of records in any electronic form (including deliveries by telecopy, emailed pdf. or any other electronic means that reproduces an image of an actual executed signature page), each of which shall be of the same legal effect, validity or enforceability as a manually executed signature, physical delivery thereof or the use of a paper-based recordkeeping system, as the case may be; provided that nothing herein shall require the Administrative Agent to accept Electronic Signatures in any form or format without its prior written consent and pursuant to procedures approved by it; provided, further, without limiting the foregoing, (i) to the extent the Administrative Agent has agreed to accept any Electronic Signature, the Administrative Agent and each of the Lenders shall be entitled to rely on such Electronic Signature purportedly given by or on behalf of the Borrower or any other Loan Party without further verification thereof and without any obligation to review the appearance or form of any such Electronic signature and (ii) upon the request of the Administrative Agent or any Lender, any Electronic Signature shall be promptly followed by a manually executed counterpart. Without limiting the generality of the foregoing and to the maximum extent permitted by applicable law, the Borrower and each Loan Party hereby (i) agrees that, for all purposes, including without limitation, in connection with any workout, restructuring, enforcement of remedies, bankruptcy proceedings or litigation among the Administrative Agent, the Lenders, the Borrower and the Loan Parties, Electronic Signatures transmitted by telecopy, emailed pdf. or any other electronic means that reproduces an image of an actual executed signature page and/or any electronic images of this Agreement, any other Loan Document and/or any Ancillary Document shall have the same legal effect,

validity and enforceability as any paper original, (ii) the Administrative Agent and each of the Lenders may, at its option, create one or more copies of this Agreement, any other Loan Document and/or any Ancillary Document in the form of an imaged electronic record in any format, which shall be deemed created in the ordinary course of such Person's business, and destroy the original paper document (and all such electronic records shall be considered an original for all purposes and shall have the same legal effect, validity and enforceability as a paper record), (iii) waives any argument, defense or right to contest the legal effect, validity or enforceability of this Agreement, any other Loan Document and/or any Ancillary Document based solely on the lack of paper original copies of this Agreement, such other Loan Document and/or such Ancillary Document, respectively, including with respect to any signature pages thereto and (iv) waives any claim against any Lender-Related Person for any Liabilities arising solely from the Administrative Agent's and/or any Lender's reliance on or use of Electronic Signatures and/or transmissions by telecopy, emailed pdf. or any other electronic means that reproduces an image of an actual executed signature page, including any Liabilities arising as a result of the failure of the Borrower and/or any Loan Party to use any available security measures in connection with the execution, delivery or transmission of any Electronic Signature.

10.11 Survival of Representations and Warranties. All representations and warranties made hereunder and in any other Loan Document or other document delivered pursuant hereto or thereto or in connection herewith or therewith shall survive the execution and delivery hereof and thereof. Such representations and warranties have been or will be relied upon by the Administrative Agent and each Lender, regardless of any investigation made by the Administrative Agent or any Lender or on their behalf and notwithstanding that the Administrative Agent or any Lender may have had notice or knowledge of any Default at the time of any Credit Extension, and shall continue in full force and effect as long as any Loan or any other Obligation hereunder shall remain unpaid or unsatisfied or any Letter of Credit shall remain outstanding.

10.12 Severability. If any provision of this Agreement or the other Loan Documents is held to be illegal, invalid or unenforceable, (a) the legality, validity and enforceability of the remaining provisions of this Agreement and the other Loan Documents shall not be affected or impaired thereby and (b) the parties shall endeavor in good faith negotiations to replace the illegal, invalid or unenforceable provisions with valid provisions the economic effect of which comes as close as possible to that of the illegal, invalid or unenforceable provisions. The invalidity of a provision in a particular jurisdiction shall not invalidate or render unenforceable such provision in any other jurisdiction. Without limiting the foregoing provisions of this Section 10.12, if and to the extent that the enforceability of any provisions in this Agreement relating to Defaulting Lenders shall be limited by Debtor Relief Laws, as determined in good faith by the Administrative Agent or the L/C Issuers, as applicable, then such provisions shall be deemed to be in effect only to the extent not so limited.

10.13 Replacement of Lenders. If any Lender requests compensation under Section 3.04 or delivers a notice described in Section 3.02, or if the Borrower is required to pay any additional amount to any Lender or any Governmental Authority for the account of any Lender pursuant to Section 3.01, or if any Lender is a Defaulting Lender or if any other circumstance exists hereunder that gives the Borrower the right to replace a Lender as a party hereto, then the Borrower may, at its sole expense and effort, upon notice to such Lender and the Administrative Agent, require such Lender to assign and delegate, without recourse (in accordance with and subject to the restrictions contained in, and consents required by, Section 10.06), all of its interests, rights and obligations under this Agreement and the related Loan Documents (or, in the case of a consent which requires the consent of all Lenders under a particular

Facility, all of its interests, rights and obligations under such Facility) to an assignee that shall assume such obligations (which assignee may be another Lender, if a Lender accepts such assignment), provided that:

(a) the Borrower shall have paid to the Administrative Agent the assignment fee (if any) specified in Section 10.06;

(b) such Lender shall have received payment of an amount equal to the outstanding principal of its Loans and funded participations in L/C Disbursements, accrued interest thereon, accrued fees and all other amounts payable to it hereunder and under the other Loan Documents (including any amounts under Section 3.05) from the assignee (to the extent of such outstanding principal and accrued interest and fees) or the Borrower (in the case of all other amounts) (or, in the case of a consent which requires the consent of all Lenders under a particular Facility, such amounts solely with respect to such Facility);

(c) in the case of any such assignment resulting from a claim for compensation under Section 3.04 or payments required to be made pursuant to Section 3.01, such assignment will result in a reduction in such compensation or payments thereafter; and

(d) such assignment does not conflict with applicable Laws.

A Lender shall not be required to make any such assignment or delegation 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.

Any Lender being replaced pursuant to this Section 10.13 shall promptly (i) execute and deliver an Assignment and Assumption with respect to such Lender's Commitment and outstanding Loans and participations in L/C Obligations, and (ii) deliver any Notes evidencing such Loans to the Borrower or Administrative Agent.

#### 10.14 Governing Law; Jurisdiction; Etc.

(a) GOVERNING LAW. THIS AGREEMENT SHALL BE GOVERNED BY, AND CONSTRUED IN ACCORDANCE WITH, THE LAW OF THE STATE OF NEW YORK.

(b) SUBMISSION TO JURISDICTION. EACH PARTY HERETO IRREVOCABLY AND UNCONDITIONALLY SUBMITS, FOR ITSELF AND ITS PROPERTY, TO THE NONEXCLUSIVE JURISDICTION OF THE COURTS OF THE STATE OF NEW YORK SITTING IN NEW YORK COUNTY AND OF THE UNITED STATES DISTRICT COURT SITTING IN NEW YORK COUNTY, AND ANY APPELLATE COURT FROM ANY THEREOF, IN ANY ACTION OR PROCEEDING ARISING OUT OF OR RELATING TO THIS AGREEMENT OR ANY OTHER LOAN DOCUMENT TO WHICH IT IS A PARTY, OR FOR RECOGNITION OR ENFORCEMENT OF ANY JUDGMENT, AND EACH OF THE PARTIES HERETO IRREVOCABLY AND UNCONDITIONALLY AGREES THAT ALL CLAIMS IN RESPECT OF ANY SUCH ACTION OR PROCEEDING MAY BE HEARD AND DETERMINED IN SUCH NEW YORK STATE COURT OR, TO THE FULLEST EXTENT PERMITTED BY APPLICABLE LAW, IN SUCH FEDERAL COURT. EACH OF THE PARTIES HERETO AGREES THAT, TO THE FULLEST EXTENT

PERMITTED BY APPLICABLE LAW, A FINAL JUDGMENT IN ANY SUCH ACTION OR PROCEEDING SHALL BE CONCLUSIVE AND MAY BE ENFORCED IN OTHER JURISDICTIONS BY SUIT ON THE JUDGMENT OR IN ANY OTHER MANNER PROVIDED BY LAW. NOTHING IN THIS AGREEMENT OR IN ANY OTHER LOAN DOCUMENT SHALL AFFECT ANY RIGHT THAT ANY PARTY MAY OTHERWISE HAVE TO BRING ANY ACTION OR PROCEEDING RELATING TO THIS AGREEMENT OR ANY OTHER LOAN DOCUMENT AGAINST ANY OTHER PARTY OR ITS PROPERTIES IN THE COURTS OF ANY JURISDICTION.

(c) WAIVER OF VENUE. EACH PARTY HERETO IRREVOCABLY AND UNCONDITIONALLY WAIVES, TO THE FULLEST EXTENT PERMITTED BY APPLICABLE LAW, ANY OBJECTION THAT IT MAY NOW OR HEREAFTER HAVE TO THE LAYING OF VENUE OF ANY 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 SECTION. EACH OF THE PARTIES HERETO HEREBY IRREVOCABLY WAIVES, TO THE FULLEST EXTENT PERMITTED BY APPLICABLE LAW, THE DEFENSE OF AN INCONVENIENT FORUM TO THE MAINTENANCE OF SUCH ACTION OR PROCEEDING IN ANY SUCH COURT.

(d) SERVICE OF PROCESS. EACH PARTY HERETO IRREVOCABLY CONSENTS TO SERVICE OF PROCESS IN THE MANNER PROVIDED FOR NOTICES IN SECTION 10.02. NOTHING IN THIS AGREEMENT WILL AFFECT THE RIGHT OF ANY PARTY HERETO TO SERVE PROCESS IN ANY OTHER MANNER PERMITTED BY APPLICABLE LAW.

10.15 WAIVER OF JURY TRIAL. EACH PARTY HERETO HEREBY IRREVOCABLY WAIVES, TO THE FULLEST EXTENT PERMITTED BY APPLICABLE LAW, ANY RIGHT IT MAY HAVE TO A TRIAL BY JURY IN ANY LEGAL PROCEEDING DIRECTLY OR INDIRECTLY ARISING OUT OF OR RELATING TO THIS AGREEMENT OR ANY OTHER LOAN DOCUMENT OR THE TRANSACTIONS CONTEMPLATED HEREBY OR THEREBY (WHETHER BASED ON CONTRACT, TORT OR ANY OTHER THEORY). EACH PARTY HERETO (A) CERTIFIES THAT NO REPRESENTATIVE, AGENT OR ATTORNEY OF ANY OTHER PERSON HAS REPRESENTED, EXPRESSLY OR OTHERWISE, THAT SUCH OTHER PERSON 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 AND THE OTHER LOAN DOCUMENTS BY, AMONG OTHER THINGS, THE MUTUAL WAIVERS AND CERTIFICATIONS IN THIS SECTION.

10.16 No Advisory or Fiduciary Responsibility.

(a) In connection with all aspects of each transaction contemplated hereby (including in connection with any amendment, waiver or other modification hereof or of any other Loan Document), the Borrower acknowledges and agrees, and acknowledges its Subsidiaries' understanding, that: (i) (A) the arranging and other services regarding this Agreement provided by the Administrative Agent and the Lead Arrangers are arm's-length commercial transactions between the Borrower and its Subsidiaries, on the one hand, and the Administrative Agent and the Lead Arrangers, on the other hand, (B) the Borrower has consulted its own legal, accounting, regulatory and tax advisors to the extent it has deemed appropriate, and (C) the Borrower is capable of evaluating, and understands and accepts, the terms, risks

and conditions of the transactions contemplated hereby and by the other Loan Documents; and (ii) (A) each of the Administrative Agent and each Lead Arranger is and has been acting solely as a principal and, except as expressly agreed in writing by the relevant parties, has not been, is not, and will not be acting as an advisor, agent or fiduciary for the Borrower or any of its Subsidiaries, or any other Person and (B) neither the Administrative Agent nor any Lead Arranger has any obligation to the Borrower or any of its Subsidiaries with respect to the transactions contemplated hereby except those obligations expressly set forth herein and in the other Loan Documents. The Borrower agrees that it will not assert any claim against the Administrative Agent, any Lead Arranger, any Lender or the L/C Issuer based on an alleged breach of fiduciary duty by Administrative Agent, any Lead Arranger, any Lender or the L/C Issuer in connection with this Agreement and the transactions contemplated hereby.

(b) The Borrower further acknowledges and agrees, and acknowledges its Subsidiaries' understanding, that each Lender Party, together with its Affiliates, is a full service securities or banking firm engaged in securities trading and brokerage activities as well as providing investment banking and other financial services. In the ordinary course of business, any Lender Party may provide investment banking and other financial services to, and/or acquire, hold or sell, for its own accounts and the accounts of customers, equity, debt and other securities and financial instruments (including bank loans and other obligations) of, the Borrower and other companies with which the Borrower may have commercial or other relationships. With respect to any securities and/or financial instruments so held by any Lender Party or any of its customers, all rights in respect of such securities and financial instruments, including any voting rights, will be exercised by the holder of the rights, in its sole discretion.

(c) In addition, the Borrower acknowledges and agrees, and acknowledges its Subsidiaries' understanding, that each Lender Party and its affiliates may be providing debt financing, equity capital or other services (including financial advisory services) to other companies in respect of which the Borrower may have conflicting interests regarding the transactions described herein and otherwise. No Lender Party will use confidential information obtained from the Borrower by virtue of the transactions contemplated by the Loan Documents or its other relationships with the Borrower in connection with the performance by such Lender Party of services for other companies, and no Lender Party will furnish any such information to other companies. The Borrower also acknowledges that no Lender Party has any obligation to use in connection with the transactions contemplated by the Loan Documents, or to furnish to the Borrower, confidential information obtained from other companies.

10.17 USA PATRIOT Act Notice. Each Lender that is subject to the Act (as hereinafter defined) and the Administrative Agent (for itself and not on behalf of any Lender) hereby notifies the Borrower that pursuant to the requirements of the USA Patriot Act (Title III of Pub. L. 107-56 (signed into law October 26, 2001)) (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 each Loan Party and other information that will allow such Lender or the Administrative Agent, as applicable, to identify each Loan Party in accordance with the USA Patriot Act. The Borrower shall, promptly following a request by the Administrative Agent or any Lender, provide all documentation and other information that the Administrative Agent or such Lender reasonably requests in order to comply with its ongoing obligations under applicable "know your customer" and anti-money laundering rules and regulations, including the Act.

10.18 Acknowledgement and Consent to Bail-In of Affected Financial Institutions.

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 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.

10.19 Acknowledgement Regarding Any Supported QFCs.

(a) To the extent that the Loan Documents provide support, through a guarantee or otherwise, for Swap 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).

(b) 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 shall in no event affect the rights of any Covered Party with respect to a Supported QFC or any QFC Credit Support.

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IN WITNESS WHEREOF, the parties hereto have caused this Agreement to be duly executed as of the date first above written.

**MSCI INC.**, as Borrower

By: /s/ Andrew C. Wiechmann  
Name: Andrew C. Wiechmann  
Title: Chief Financial Officer

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**JPMORGAN CHASE BANK, N.A.,**  
as Administrative Agent and L/C Issuer

By: /s/ Jennifer M. Dunneback  
Name: Jennifer M. Dunneback  
Title: Executive Director

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**JPMORGAN CHASE BANK, N.A.,**  
as Revolving Credit Lender

By: /s/ Jennifer M. Dunneback  
Name: Jennifer M. Dunneback  
Title: Executive Director

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Bank of America, N.A.

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as a Revolving Credit Lender (print name of institution)

By: /s/ Maryanne Fitzmaurice  
Name: Maryanne Fitzmaurice  
Title: Director

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Goldman Sachs Bank USA, as a Revolving Credit Lender

By: /s/ Dan Martis  
Name: Dan Martis  
Title: Authorized Signatory

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Citibank, N.A.,  
as a Revolving Credit Lender

By: /s/ Ciaran Small  
Name: Ciaran Small  
Title: Vice President

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Citizens Bank, N.A., as a Revolving Credit Lender

By: /s/ Angela Reilly  
Name: Angela Reilly  
Title: Vice President

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TD Bank, N.A.,  
as a Revolving Credit Lender

By: /s/ Steve Levi  
Name: Steve Levi  
Title: Senior Vice President

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MORGAN STANLEY BANK, N.A., as a Revolving  
Credit Lender

By: /s/ Michael King  
Name: Michael King  
Title: Authorized Signatory

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MUFG Bank, Ltd.,  
as a Revolving Credit Lender

By: /s/ Rajiv Ranjan  
Name: Rajiv Ranjan  
Title: Director

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**JPMORGAN CHASE BANK, N.A.,**  
as Tranche A Term Lender

By: /s/ Jennifer M. Dunneback  
Name: Jennifer M. Dunneback  
Title: Executive Director

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Bank of America, N.A.

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as Tranche A Term Lender

By: /s/ Maryanne Fitzmaurice  
Name: Maryanne Fitzmaurice  
Title: Director

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Citizens Bank, N.A., as Tranche A Term Lender

By: /s/ Angela Reilly  
Name: Angela Reilly  
Title: Vice President

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TD Bank, N.A.,  
as Tranche A Term Lender

By: /s/ Steve Levi  
Name: Steve Levi  
Title: Senior Vice President

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Fifth Third Bank, National Association  
as a Revolving Credit Lender

By: /s/ Sam Schuessler  
Name: Sam Schuessler  
Title: Associate

Fifth Third Bank, National Association  
as Tranche A Term Lender

By: /s/ Sam Schuessler  
Name: Sam Schuessler  
Title: Associate

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## COMMITMENTS AND APPLICABLE PERCENTAGES

## Revolving Credit Commitments

Lender	Revolving Credit Commitment	Applicable Percentage
JPMorgan Chase Bank, N.A.	\$90,000,000.00	18.00%
Bank of America, N.A.	\$70,000,000.00	14.00%
Goldman Sachs Bank USA	\$70,000,000.00	14.00%
Citibank, N.A.	\$49,000,000.00	9.80%
Citizens Bank, N.A.	\$47,000,000.00	9.40%
Fifth Third Bank, National Association	\$47,000,000.00	9.40%
TD Bank, N.A.	\$47,000,000.00	9.40%
Morgan Stanley Bank, N.A.	\$40,000,000.00	8.00%
MUFG Bank, Ltd.	\$40,000,000.00	8.00%
<b>Total:</b>	<b>\$500,000,000</b>	<b>100.00%</b>

## Tranche A Term Loan Commitments

Lender	Tranche A Term Loan Commitment	Applicable Percentage
JPMorgan Chase Bank, N.A.	\$95,000,000.00	27.14%
Bank of America, N.A.	\$90,000,000.00	25.71%
Citizens Bank, N.A.	\$65,000,000.00	18.57%
TD Bank, N.A.	\$65,000,000.00	18.57%
Fifth Third Bank, National Association	\$35,000,000.00	10.00%
<b>Total:</b>	<b>\$350,000,000</b>	<b>100.00%</b>

## FORM OF COMMITTED LOAN NOTICE

Date: \_\_\_\_\_, 20[ ]

To: JPMorgan Chase Bank, N.A., as Administrative Agent

Ladies and Gentlemen:

Reference is made to that certain Amended and Restated Credit Agreement, dated as of June 9, 2022 (as amended, restated, extended, supplemented or otherwise modified in writing from time to time, the "Agreement;" the terms defined therein being used herein as therein defined), among MSCI Inc., a Delaware corporation (the "Borrower"), the Lenders from time to time party thereto and JPMorgan Chase Bank, N.A., as Administrative Agent and L/C Issuer.

The undersigned hereby requests (select one):

- A Borrowing of [Revolving Credit][Tranche A Term] Loans
- A conversion or continuation of [Revolving Credit][Tranche A Term] Loans

1. On \_\_\_\_\_ (a Business Day)
2. In the amount of \$ \_\_\_\_\_
3. Comprised of \_\_\_\_\_  
[Type of Loan requested]
4. For Term Benchmark Loans: with an Interest Period of \_\_\_ months.

[The Revolving Credit Borrowing requested herein complies with the proviso to the first sentence of Section 2.01(b) of the Agreement.]<sup>1</sup>

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<sup>1</sup> Include this sentence in the case of a Revolving Credit Borrowing.

[The Borrower hereby represents and warrants that the conditions specified in Sections 4.02(a), (b), and (c) of the Agreement shall be satisfied on and as of the date of the applicable Credit Extension.]<sup>1</sup>

MSCI INC.

By: \_\_\_\_\_  
Name: \_\_\_\_\_  
Title: \_\_\_\_\_

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<sup>1</sup> This provision only applies to notices relating to a Borrowing of Loans and should be deleted in notices relating to a conversion of Loans to other Type or a continuation of Term Benchmark Loans.

## FORM OF REVOLVING CREDIT NOTE

\_\_\_\_\_, 20[ ]

FOR VALUE RECEIVED, the undersigned (the "Borrower") hereby promises to pay to \_\_\_\_\_ or registered assigns (the "Lender"), in accordance with the provisions of the Agreement (as hereinafter defined), the principal amount of [ ] Dollars (\$[ ]) or such lesser aggregate principal amount of Revolving Credit Loans from time to time made by the Lender to the Borrower under that certain Amended and Restated Credit Agreement, dated as of June 9, 2022 (as amended, restated, extended, supplemented or otherwise modified in writing from time to time, the "Agreement," the terms defined therein being used herein as therein defined), among the Borrower, the Lenders from time to time party thereto and JPMorgan Chase Bank, N.A., as Administrative Agent and L/C Issuer.

The Borrower promises to pay interest on the unpaid principal amount of each Revolving Credit Loan from the date of such Revolving Credit Loan until such principal amount is paid in full, at such interest rates and at such times as provided in the Agreement. All payments of principal and interest shall be made to the Administrative Agent for the account of the Lender in Dollars in immediately available funds, pursuant to the terms of the Agreement. If any amount is not paid in full when due hereunder, such unpaid amount shall bear interest, to be paid upon demand, from the due date thereof until the date of actual payment (and before as well as after judgment) computed at the per annum rate set forth in the Agreement.

This Revolving Credit Note is one of the Revolving Credit Notes referred to in the Agreement, is entitled to the benefits thereof and may be prepaid in whole or in part subject to the terms and conditions provided therein. This Revolving Credit Note is also entitled to the benefits of the Guaranty. Upon the occurrence and continuation of one or more of the Events of Default specified in the Agreement, all amounts then remaining unpaid on this Revolving Credit Note shall in certain circumstances become, or may be declared to be, immediately due and payable all as provided in the Agreement. Revolving Credit Loans made by the Lender shall be evidenced by one or more loan accounts or records maintained by the Lender in the ordinary course of business. The Lender may also attach schedules to this Revolving Credit Note and endorse thereon the date, amount and maturity of its Revolving Credit Loans and payments with respect thereto.

The Borrower, for itself, its successors and assigns, hereby waives diligence, presentment, protest and demand and notice of protest, demand, dishonor and non-payment of this Revolving Credit Note.

THIS REVOLVING CREDIT NOTE SHALL BE GOVERNED BY AND CONSTRUED IN ACCORDANCE WITH THE LAWS OF THE STATE OF NEW YORK.

MSCI INC.

By: \_\_\_\_\_  
Name: \_\_\_\_\_  
Title: \_\_\_\_\_



## FORM OF TERM NOTE

\_\_\_\_\_, 20[ ]

FOR VALUE RECEIVED, the undersigned (the "Borrower") hereby promises to pay to \_\_\_\_\_ or registered assigns (the "Lender"), in accordance with the provisions of the Agreement (as hereinafter defined), the principal amount of its Tranche A Term Loan made by the Lender to the Borrower under that certain Amended and Restated Credit Agreement, dated as of June 9, 2022 (as amended, restated, extended, supplemented or otherwise modified in writing from time to time, the "Agreement"; the terms defined therein being used herein as therein defined), among the Borrower, the Lenders from time to time party thereto and JPMorgan Chase Bank, N.A., as Administrative Agent and L/C Issuer.

The Borrower promises to pay interest on the unpaid principal amount of the Tranche A Term Loan made by the Lender from the date of such Tranche A Term Loan until such principal amount is paid in full, at such interest rates and at such times as provided in the Agreement. All payments of principal and interest shall be made to the Administrative Agent for the account of the Lender in Dollars in immediately available funds, pursuant to the terms of the Agreement. If any amount is not paid in full when due hereunder, such unpaid amount shall bear interest, to be paid upon demand, from the due date thereof until the date of actual payment (and before as well as after judgment) computed at the per annum rate set forth in the Agreement.

This Term Note is one of the Term Notes referred to in the Agreement, is entitled to the benefits thereof and may be prepaid in whole or in part subject to the terms and conditions provided therein. This Term Note is also entitled to the benefits of the Guaranty. Upon the occurrence and continuation of one or more of the Events of Default specified in the Agreement, all amounts then remaining unpaid on this Term Note shall in certain circumstances become, or may be declared to be, immediately due and payable all as provided in the Agreement. The Tranche A Term Loan made by the Lender shall be evidenced by one or more loan accounts or records maintained by the Lender in the ordinary course of business. The Lender may also attach schedules to this Term Note and endorse thereon the date, amount and maturity of its Loan and payments with respect thereto.

The Borrower, for itself, its successors and assigns, hereby waives diligence, presentment, protest and demand and notice of protest, demand, dishonor and non-payment of this Term Note.

THIS TERM NOTE SHALL BE GOVERNED BY AND CONSTRUED IN ACCORDANCE WITH THE LAWS OF THE STATE OF NEW YORK.

MSCI INC.

By: \_\_\_\_\_  
Name: \_\_\_\_\_  
Title: \_\_\_\_\_

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## FORM OF COMPLIANCE CERTIFICATE

Financial Statement Date: \_\_\_\_\_, \_\_\_\_

To: JPMorgan Chase Bank, N.A., as Administrative Agent

Ladies and Gentlemen:

Reference is made to that certain Amended and Restated Credit Agreement, dated as of June 9, 2022 (as amended, restated, extended, supplemented or otherwise modified in writing from time to time, the “Agreement”; the terms defined therein being used herein as therein defined), among MSCI Inc., a Delaware corporation (the “Borrower”), the Lenders from time to time party thereto and JPMorgan Chase Bank, N.A., as Administrative Agent and L/C Issuer.

The undersigned Responsible Officer<sup>3</sup> hereby certifies as of the date hereof in his/her capacity as \_\_\_\_\_ of the Borrower and not in his/her personal capacity, that he/she is authorized to execute and deliver this Certificate to the Administrative Agent on the behalf of the Borrower, and that:

*[Use following paragraph 1 for fiscal year-end financial statements]*

1. The Borrower has delivered the year-end audited financial statements required by Section 6.01(a) of the Agreement for the fiscal year of the Borrower ended as of the above date, together with the report and opinion of an independent certified public accountant required by such section.

*[Use following paragraph 1 for fiscal quarter-end financial statements]*

1. The Borrower has delivered the unaudited consolidated financial statements required by Section 6.01(b) of the Agreement for the fiscal quarter of the Borrower ended as of the above date. Such consolidated financial statements fairly present in all material respects the financial condition, results of operations and cash flows of the Borrower and its Subsidiaries in accordance with GAAP as at such date and for such period, subject only to normal year-end audit adjustments and the absence of footnotes.

2. The undersigned has reviewed and is familiar with the terms of the Agreement and has made, or has caused to be made under his/her supervision, a detailed review of the transactions and condition (financial or otherwise) of the Borrower during the accounting period covered by such financial statements.

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<sup>1</sup> This certificate should be from the chief executive officer, chief financial officer, principal accounting officer, treasurer or controller of the Borrower.

3. A review of the activities of the Borrower during such fiscal period has been made under the supervision of the undersigned with a view to determining whether during such fiscal period the Borrower performed and observed all its Obligations under the Loan Documents, and

*[select one:]*

[to the best knowledge of the undersigned, no Default has occurred and is continuing.]

--or--

[to the best knowledge of the undersigned, the following is a list of each such Default that has occurred and is continuing:]

4. The financial covenant analyses and information set forth on Schedules 1 and 2 attached hereto are true and accurate on and as of the date of this Certificate.

*IN WITNESS WHEREOF*, the undersigned has executed this Certificate as of \_\_\_\_\_, \_\_\_\_\_.

MSCI INC.

By: \_\_\_\_\_  
Name: \_\_\_\_\_  
Title: \_\_\_\_\_

For the Quarter/Year ended \_\_\_\_\_, \_\_\_\_ (“Statement Date”)

SCHEDULE 1 to the Compliance Certificate<sup>1</sup> (\$ in 000’s)

I. Section 7.07(a) – Consolidated Interest Coverage Ratio.

A. Consolidated EBITDA for the Measurement Period ending on above date (“Subject Period”):

1. Consolidated Net Income for Subject Period: \$ \_\_\_\_\_

*Plus* the following items 2 through 12 to the extent deducted (and not added back) in calculating such Consolidated Net Income (without duplication)

2. Consolidated Interest Charges<sup>2</sup> for Subject Period: \$ \_\_\_\_\_

3. Provision for Federal, state, local and foreign income taxes and for foreign withholding taxes payable for Subject Period: \$ \_\_\_\_\_

4. Depreciation and amortization expense, including any amortization of intangibles, for Subject Period: \$ \_\_\_\_\_

5. Non-cash charges (including non-cash charges related to employee benefit or other management or stock compensation plans or expense, but excluding write-offs, write-downs or reserves with respect to accounts receivable or inventory (which write-offs, write-downs or reserves shall not be added back under any clause of the definition of Consolidated EBITDA (other than Line I.A.14 below))) (provided that if any such non-cash charges represent an accrual or reserve for potential cash items in any future period, the cash payment in respect thereof in such future period shall be subtracted from Consolidated EBITDA in such future period to such extent, and excluding amortization of a prepaid cash item that was in a prior period) for Subject Period: \$ \_\_\_\_\_

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<sup>1</sup> In the event of any inconsistency between this Exhibit and the Amended and Restated Credit Agreement itself, the terms of the Amended and Restated Credit Agreement shall govern and control.

<sup>2</sup> For purposes of the determining the amount of Consolidated Interest Charges, interest expense shall be determined after giving effect to any net payments made or received by the Borrower or any Subsidiary with respect to interest rate Swap Contracts.

6. Unusual or non-recurring losses or expenses (including severance and relocation costs, one-time compensation charges, restructuring charges, integration costs and reserves), including such items related to acquisitions and to closure/consolidation of facilities, in an amount not to exceed, in the aggregate under this Line I.A.6, for the Subject Period, 5.0% of Consolidated EBITDA for the Subject Period: \$ \_\_\_\_\_
7. Transaction costs, fees and expenses (including swap breakage costs) in connection with the ARCA Transactions, any sale of Equity Interests, any acquisition or other investment, any disposition, the incurrence of, or any refinancing of, any Indebtedness or any Applicable Additional Credit Extension Transaction (in each case whether or not successful) for Subject Period: \$ \_\_\_\_\_
8. Any net after-tax loss from the early extinguishment of Indebtedness or hedging obligations or other derivative instruments for Subject Period: \$ \_\_\_\_\_
9. Costs of surety bonds incurred in connection with financing activities for Subject Period: \$ \_\_\_\_\_
10. Mark-to-market losses recognized pursuant to FASB ASC Topic 815 or any successor thereof for Subject Period: \$ \_\_\_\_\_
11. To the extent reimbursement therefor is actually received by the Borrower or a Subsidiary, expenses incurred to the extent covered by indemnification provisions in any agreement in connection with any acquisition for Subject Period: \$ \_\_\_\_\_
12. Cash expenses incurred during such period in connection with casualty events to the extent such expenses are reimbursed in cash by insurance during such period for Subject Period: \$ \_\_\_\_\_

*Minus*, the following items 13 through 17 to the extent included in calculating such Consolidated Net Income (without duplication):

13. Federal, state, local and foreign income tax credits for Subject Period: \$ \_\_\_\_\_
14. All non-cash items increasing Consolidated Net Income (excluding any such non-cash item to the extent it represents the reversal of an accrual or reserve for potential cash items in any prior period or reversal of a reserve with respect to accounts receivable or inventory which reduced Consolidated EBITDA under the Agreement in a prior period) for Subject Period: \$ \_\_\_\_\_
15. Unusual or non-recurring gains or income for Subject Period:

16. Any net after-tax income from the early extinguishment of Indebtedness or hedging obligations or other derivative instruments for Subject Period: \$ \_\_\_\_\_
17. Mark-to-market gains recognized pursuant to FASB ASC Topic 815 or any successor thereof (in each case of or by the Borrower and its Subsidiaries) for Subject Period: \$ \_\_\_\_\_
18. Consolidated EBITDA<sup>6</sup> (Lines I.A.1 + 2 + 3 + 4 + 5 + 6 + 7 + 8 + 9 + 10 + 11 + 12 – 13 – 14 – 15 – 16 – 17): \$ \_\_\_\_\_
19. Adjustment to exclude non-operating currency transaction (gains)/losses (including the net loss or gain resulting from Swap Contracts for currency exchange risk):
- B. Consolidated Interest Charges for Subject Period paid in cash: \$ \_\_\_\_\_
- C. Consolidated Interest Coverage Ratio (Line I.A.18 , Line I.B): \_\_\_\_\_ to 1
- Minimum required:* 4.00:1.00

II. Section 7.07(b) – Consolidated Leverage Ratio.

- A. Consolidated Funded Indebtedness at Statement Date \$ \_\_\_\_\_
- B. Unrestricted cash and cash equivalents of the Borrower and its Subsidiaries as of the Statement Date<sup>7</sup>
- C. Consolidated EBITDA for Subject Period (Line I.A.18 above): \$ \_\_\_\_\_
- D. Consolidated Leverage Ratio ((Line II.A-Line II.B) , Line II.C): \_\_\_\_\_ to 1

<sup>1</sup> For purposes of determining the Consolidated Leverage Ratio and the Consolidated Interest Coverage Ratio, Consolidated EBITDA shall be determined on a Pro Forma Basis. The calculation of Consolidated EBITDA shall exclude any non-cash impact attributable to the reduction in deferred revenue or reduction in deferred costs to balance sheet accounts as a result of the fair value exercise undertaken as required by purchase method of accounting for any acquisition permitted under the Agreement, in accordance with GAAP (such exclusion to be reflected in the period in which such revenues or costs would have been recorded had such reduction not been required).

<sup>2</sup> Such amount shall not exceed \$250.0 million.

*Maximum permitted:*

4.25:1.00<sup>1</sup>

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<sup>1</sup> Or, solely during a Leverage Increase Period, 4.50 to 1.00 if a Leverage Increase Election is made in accordance with the proviso under Section 7.07(b) of the Amended and Restated Credit Agreement.

**SCHEDULE 2** to the Compliance Certificate (\$ in 000's)

**Consolidated EBITDA** (in accordance with the definition of Consolidated EBITDA as set forth in the Agreement)

<b>Consolidated EBITDA</b>	Quarter Ended _____	Quarter Ended _____	Quarter Ended _____	Quarter Ended _____	Twelve Months Ended _____
Consolidated Net Income					
+ Consolidated Interest Charges					
+ Provision for Federal, state, local and foreign income taxes and for foreign withholding taxes payable					
+ Depreciation and amortization expense, including any amortization of intangibles					

<p>+ Non-cash charges (including non-cash charges related to employee benefit or other management or stock compensation plans or expense but excluding write-offs, write-downs or reserves with respect to accounts receivable or inventory (which write-offs, write-downs or reserves shall not be added back under any clause of the definition of Consolidated EBITDA (other than all non-cash items increasing Consolidated Net Income (excluding any such non-cash item to the extent it represents the reversal of an accrual or reserve for potential cash items in any prior period or reversal of a reserve with respect to accounts receivable or inventory which reduced Consolidated EBITDA under the Agreement in a prior period)))) (provided that if any such non-cash charges represent an accrual or reserve for potential cash items in any future period, the cash payment in respect thereof in such future period shall be subtracted from Consolidated EBITDA in such future period to such extent, and excluding amortization of a prepaid cash item that was in a prior period)</p>					
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+ Unusual or non-recurring losses or expenses (including severance and relocation costs, one-time compensation charges, restructuring charges, integration costs and reserves), including such items related to acquisitions and to closure/consolidation of facilities, in an amount not to exceed, in the aggregate under this item for the Subject Period, 5.0% of Consolidated EBITDA					
+ Transaction costs, fees and expenses (including swap breakage costs) in connection with the ARCA Transactions, any sale of Equity Interests, any acquisition or other investment, any disposition, the incurrence of, or any refinancing of, any Indebtedness or any Applicable Additional Credit Extension Transaction (in each case whether or not successful)					
+ Any net after-tax loss from the early extinguishment of Indebtedness or hedging obligations or other derivative instruments					
+ Costs of surety bonds incurred in connection with financing activities					
+ Mark-to-market losses recognized pursuant to FASB ASC Topic 815 or any successor thereof					

+ To the extent reimbursement therefor is actually received by the Borrower or a Subsidiary, expenses incurred to the extent covered by indemnification provisions in any agreement in connection with any acquisition					
+ Cash expenses incurred during such period in connection with casualty events to the extent such expenses are reimbursed in cash by insurance during such period					
- Federal, state, local and foreign income tax credits					
- All non-cash items increasing Consolidated Net Income (excluding any such non-cash item to the extent it represents the reversal of an accrual or reserve for potential cash items in any prior period or reversal of a reserve with respect to accounts receivable or inventory which reduced Consolidated EBITDA under the Agreement in a prior period)					
- Unusual or non-recurring gains or income					
- Any net after-tax income from the early extinguishment of Indebtedness or hedging obligations or other derivative instruments					

- Mark-to-market gains recognized pursuant to FASB ASC Topic 815 or any successor thereof (in each case of or by the Borrower and its subsidiaries)					
+ Adjustment to exclude non-operating currency transaction (gains)/losses (including the net loss or gain resulting from Swap Contracts for currency exchange risk):					
= Consolidated EBITDA <sup>1</sup>					

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<sup>1</sup> For purposes of determining the Consolidated Leverage Ratio and the Consolidated Interest Coverage Ratio, Consolidated EBITDA shall be determined on a Pro Forma Basis. The calculation of Consolidated EBITDA shall exclude any non-cash impact attributable to the reduction in deferred revenue or reduction in deferred costs to balance sheet accounts as a result of the fair value exercise undertaken as required by purchase method of accounting for any acquisition permitted under the Agreement, in accordance with GAAP (such exclusion to be reflected in the period in which such revenues or costs would have been recorded had such reduction not been required).

## ASSIGNMENT AND ASSUMPTION

This Assignment and Assumption (this “Assignment and Assumption”) is dated as of the Effective Date set forth below and is entered into by and between [the][each]<sup>1</sup> Assignor identified in item 1 below ([the][each, an] “Assignor”) and [the][each] Assignee identified in item 2 below ([the][each, an] “Assignee”). [It is understood and agreed that the rights and obligations of [the Assignors][the Assignees]<sup>2</sup> hereunder are several and not joint.]<sup>3</sup> Capitalized terms used but not defined herein shall have the meanings given to them in the Amended and Restated Credit Agreement identified below (the “Amended and Restated Credit Agreement”), receipt of a copy of which is hereby acknowledged by the Assignee. The Standard Terms and Conditions set forth in Annex 1 attached hereto are hereby agreed to and incorporated herein by reference and made a part of this Assignment and Assumption as if set forth herein in full.

For an agreed consideration, [the][each] Assignor hereby irrevocably sells and assigns to [the Assignee][the respective Assignees], and [the][each] Assignee hereby irrevocably purchases and assumes from [the Assignor][the respective Assignors], subject to and in accordance with the Standard Terms and Conditions and the Amended and Restated Credit Agreement, as of the Effective Date inserted by the Administrative Agent as contemplated below (i) all of [the Assignor’s][the respective Assignors’] rights and obligations in [its capacity as a Lender][their respective capacities as Lenders] under the Amended and Restated Credit Agreement and any other documents or instruments delivered pursuant thereto to the extent related to the amount and percentage interest identified below of all of such outstanding rights and obligations of [the Assignor][the respective Assignors] under the respective facilities identified below (including, without limitation, the Letters of Credit included in such facilities<sup>4</sup>) and (ii) to the extent permitted to be assigned under applicable law, all claims, suits, causes of action and any other right of [the Assignor (in its capacity as a Lender)][the respective Assignors (in their respective capacities as Lenders)] against any Person, whether known or unknown, arising under or in connection with the Amended and Restated 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

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- 1 For bracketed language here and elsewhere in this form relating to the Assignor(s), if the assignment is from a single Assignor, choose the first bracketed language. If the assignment is from multiple Assignors, choose the second bracketed language.
- 2 Select as appropriate.
- 3 Include bracketed language if there are either multiple Assignors or multiple Assignees.
- 4 Include all applicable subfacilities.

assigned pursuant to clause (i) above (the rights and obligations sold and assigned by [the][any] Assignor to [the][any] Assignee pursuant to clauses (i) and (ii) above being referred to herein collectively as [the][an] "Assigned Interest"). Each such sale and assignment is without recourse to [the][any] Assignor and, except as expressly provided in this Assignment and Assumption, without representation or warranty by [the][any] Assignor.

1. Assignor[s]: \_\_\_\_\_  
 \_\_\_\_\_

2. Assignee[s]: \_\_\_\_\_  
 \_\_\_\_\_

[for each Assignee, indicate [Affiliate][Approved Fund] of [*identify Lender*]]

3. Borrower: MSCI Inc.

4. Administrative Agent: JPMorgan Chase Bank, N.A., as the administrative agent under the Amended and Restated Credit Agreement

5. Amended and Restated Credit Agreement: Amended and Restated Credit Agreement, dated as of June 9, 2022, among MSCI Inc., the Lenders from time to time party thereto and JPMorgan Chase Bank, N.A., as Administrative Agent and L/C Issuer.

6. Assigned Interest:

<u>Assignor[s]</u> <sup>1</sup>	<u>Assignee[s]</u> <sup>2</sup>	<u>Facility Assigned</u> <sup>3</sup>	<u>Aggregat Amount of Commitment/ Loans for All Lenders</u> <sup>4</sup>	<u>Assigned</u>	<u>Percentage Assigned of Commitment/ Loans</u> <sup>5</sup>	<u>CUSIP Number</u>
			\$ _____	\$ _____	_____ %	
			\$ _____	\$ _____	_____ %	
			\$ _____	\$ _____	_____ %	

[7. Trade Date: \_\_\_\_\_] <sup>6</sup>

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1 List each Assignor, as appropriate.

2 List each Assignee, as appropriate.

3 Fill in the appropriate terminology for the types of facilities under the Amended and Restated Credit Agreement that are being assigned under this Assignment (e.g. "Revolving Credit Commitment", "Tranche A Term Loan Commitment", etc.).

4 Amounts in this column and in the column immediately to the right to be adjusted by the counterparties to take into account any payments or prepayments made between the Trade Date and the Effective Date.

5 Set forth, to at least 9 decimals, as a percentage of the Commitment/Loans of all Lenders thereunder.

6 To be completed if the Assignor and the Assignee intend that the minimum assignment amount is to be determined as of the Trade Date.

Effective Date: \_\_\_\_\_, 20\_\_ [TO BE INSERTED BY ADMINISTRATIVE AGENT AND WHICH SHALL BE THE EFFECTIVE DATE OF RECORDATION OF TRANSFER IN THE REGISTER THEREFOR.]

The terms set forth in this Assignment and Assumption are hereby agreed to:

ASSIGNOR  
[NAME OF ASSIGNOR]

By: \_\_\_\_\_  
Title:

ASSIGNEE  
[NAME OF ASSIGNEE]

By: \_\_\_\_\_  
Title:

[Consented to and]<sup>1</sup> Accepted:  
JPMORGAN CHASE BANK, N.A., as  
Administrative Agent

By: \_\_\_\_\_  
Title:

[Consented to:

By: \_\_\_\_\_  
Title:]<sup>2</sup>

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<sup>1</sup> To be added only if the consent of the Administrative Agent is required by the terms of the Amended and Restated Credit Agreement.

<sup>2</sup> To be added only if the consent of the Borrower and/or other parties (e.g. L/C Issuer) is required by the terms of the Amended and Restated Credit Agreement.

## STANDARD TERMS AND CONDITIONS FOR ASSIGNMENT AND ASSUMPTION

1. Representations and Warranties.

1.1. Assignor. [The][Each] Assignor (a) represents and warrants that (i) it is the legal and beneficial owner of [the][the relevant] Assigned Interest, (ii) [the][such] Assigned Interest 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 Assignment and Assumption and to consummate the transactions contemplated hereby; and (b) assumes no responsibility with respect to (i) any statements, warranties or representations made in or in connection with the Amended and Restated 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 the Borrower, any of its Subsidiaries or Affiliates or any other Person obligated in respect of any Loan Document or (iv) the performance or observance by the Borrower, any of its Subsidiaries or Affiliates or any other Person of any of their respective obligations under any Loan Document.

1.2. Assignee. [The][Each] Assignee (a) represents and warrants that (i) it has full power and authority, and has taken all action necessary, to execute and deliver this Assignment and Assumption and to consummate the transactions contemplated hereby and to become a Lender under the Amended and Restated Credit Agreement, (ii) it meets all the requirements to be an assignee under Section 10.06(b)(iii), (v) and (vi) of the Amended and Restated Credit Agreement (subject to such consents, if any, as may be required under Section 10.06(b)(iii) of the Amended and Restated Credit Agreement), (iii) from and after the Effective Date, it shall be bound by the provisions of the Amended and Restated Credit Agreement as a Lender thereunder and, to the extent of [the][the relevant] Assigned Interest, shall have the obligations of a Lender thereunder, (iv) it is sophisticated with respect to decisions to acquire assets of the type represented by [the][such] Assigned Interest and either it, or the Person exercising discretion in making its decision to acquire [the][such] Assigned Interest, is experienced in acquiring assets of such type, (v) it has received a copy of the Amended and Restated Credit Agreement, and has received or has been accorded the opportunity to receive copies of the most recent financial statements delivered pursuant to Section 6.01 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 Assignment and Assumption and to purchase [the][such] Assigned Interest, (vi) it has, independently and without reliance upon the Administrative Agent or any other Lender and based on such documents and information as it has deemed appropriate, made its own credit analysis and decision to enter into this Assignment and Assumption and to purchase [the][such] Assigned Interest, and (vii) if it is a Foreign Lender, attached hereto is any documentation required to be delivered by it pursuant to the terms of the Amended and Restated Credit Agreement, duly completed and executed by [the][such] Assignee; and (b) agrees that (i) it will, independently and without reliance upon the Administrative Agent, [the][any] Assignor or any other Lender, 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, and (ii) 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.

2. Payments. From and after the Effective Date, the Administrative Agent shall make all payments in respect of [the][each] Assigned Interest (including payments of principal, interest, fees and other amounts) to [the][the relevant] Assignor for amounts which have accrued to but excluding the Effective Date and to [the][the relevant] Assignee for amounts which have accrued from and after the Effective Date.

3. General Provisions. This Assignment and Assumption shall be binding upon, and inure to the benefit of, the parties hereto and their respective successors and assigns. This Assignment and Assumption may be executed in any number of counterparts, which together shall constitute one instrument. Delivery of an executed counterpart of a signature page of this Assignment and Assumption by telecopy shall be effective as delivery of a manually executed counterpart of this Assignment and Assumption. This Assignment and Assumption shall be governed by, and construed in accordance with, the law of the State of New York.

**FORM GUARANTY**  
[See Attached]

**GUARANTY**

Dated as of November 20, 2014

From

THE GUARANTORS NAMED HEREIN

and

THE ADDITIONAL GUARANTORS REFERRED TO HEREIN

as Guarantors

in favor of

THE LENDER PARTIES REFERRED TO HEREIN

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## GUARANTY

GUARANTY (this “*Guaranty*”) dated as of November 20, 2014 made by the Persons listed on the signature pages hereof under the caption “Guarantors” and the Additional Guarantors (as defined in Section 8(b)) (such Persons so listed and the Additional Guarantors being, collectively, the “*Guarantors*” and, individually, each a “*Guarantor*”) in favor of the Lenders, the Administrative Agent and the L/C Issuer (collectively, the “*Lender Parties*”) under the Credit Agreement (as defined below).

PRELIMINARY STATEMENT. MSCI Inc., a Delaware corporation (the “*Borrower*”), is party to a Revolving Credit Agreement dated as of even date herewith (as amended, amended and restated, supplemented or otherwise modified from time to time, the “*Credit Agreement*”; the capitalized terms defined therein and not otherwise defined herein being used herein as therein defined) with certain Lenders party thereto and JPMorgan Chase Bank, N.A. as Administrative Agent and L/C Issuer. Each Guarantor will derive substantial direct and indirect benefits from the transactions contemplated by the Credit Agreement. It is a condition precedent to the effectiveness of the Credit Agreement that each Guarantor shall have executed and delivered this Guaranty.

NOW, THEREFORE, in consideration of the premises and in order to induce the Lender Parties to make Loans and to issue Letters of Credit under the Credit Agreement from time to time, each Guarantor, jointly and severally with each other Guarantor, hereby agrees as follows:

Section 1. Guaranty: Limitation of Liability.

(a) Each Guarantor hereby (i) absolutely, unconditionally and irrevocably guarantees the punctual payment when due, whether at scheduled maturity or on any date of a required prepayment or by acceleration, demand or otherwise, of all Obligations of each other Loan Party now or hereafter existing under or in respect of the Loan Documents (including, without limitation, any extensions, modifications, substitutions, amendments or renewals of any or all of the foregoing Obligations), whether direct or indirect, absolute or contingent, and whether for principal, interest, premiums, fees, indemnities, contract causes of action, costs, expenses or otherwise (such Obligations being the “*Guaranteed Obligations*”) and (ii) agrees to pay any and all reasonable and documented expenses (including, without limitation, reasonable and documented fees and expenses of counsel) incurred by the Administrative Agent or any other Lender Party in enforcing any rights against such Guarantor under this Guaranty or any other Loan Document; *provided* that no Guarantor shall be required to reimburse the legal fees and expenses of more than one counsel (and up to one local counsel in each applicable local jurisdiction) for all Lender Parties (which shall be selected by the Administrative Agent) unless, in the reasonable opinion of the Administrative Agent, representation of all such Lender Parties would be inappropriate due to the existence of an actual or potential conflict of interest. Without limiting the generality of the foregoing, each Guarantor’s liability shall extend to all amounts that constitute part of the Guaranteed Obligations and would be owed by any other Loan Party to any Lender Party under or in respect of the Loan Documents, but for the fact that they are unenforceable or not allowable due to the existence of a bankruptcy, reorganization or similar proceeding involving such other Loan Party.

(b) Each Guarantor, and by its acceptance of this Guaranty, the Administrative Agent and each other Lender Party, hereby confirms that it is the intention of all such Persons that this Guaranty and the Obligations of each Guarantor hereunder not constitute a fraudulent transfer or conveyance for purposes of any Debtor Relief Laws, the Uniform Fraudulent Conveyance Act, the Uniform Fraudulent Transfer Act or any similar foreign, federal or state law to the extent applicable to this Guaranty and the Obligations of each Guarantor hereunder. To effectuate the foregoing intention, the Administrative Agent, the other Lender Parties and the Guarantors hereby irrevocably agree that the Obligations of each Guarantor under this Guaranty at any time shall be limited to the maximum amount as will result in the Obligations of such Guarantor under this Guaranty not constituting a fraudulent transfer or conveyance.

(c) Each Guarantor hereby unconditionally and irrevocably agrees that in the event any payment shall be required to be made to any Lender Party under this Guaranty or any other guaranty, such Guarantor will contribute, to the maximum extent permitted by law, such amounts to each other Guarantor and each other guarantor so as to maximize the aggregate amount paid to the Lender Parties under or in respect of the Loan Documents.

Section 2. Guaranty Absolute. Each Guarantor guarantees that the Guaranteed Obligations will be paid strictly in accordance with the terms of the Loan Documents, regardless of any law, regulation or order now in effect in any jurisdiction affecting any of such terms or the rights of any Lender Party with respect thereto. The Obligations of each Guarantor under or in respect of this Guaranty are independent of the Guaranteed Obligations or any other Obligations of any other Loan Party under or in respect of the Loan Documents, and a separate action or actions may be brought and prosecuted against each Guarantor to enforce this Guaranty, irrespective of whether any action is brought against the Borrower or any other Loan Party or whether the Borrower or any other Loan Party is joined in any such action or actions. The liability of each Guarantor under this Guaranty shall be irrevocable, absolute and unconditional irrespective of, and each Guarantor hereby, to the fullest extent permitted under applicable law, irrevocably waives any defenses it may now have or hereafter acquire in any way relating to, any or all of the following:

- (a) any lack of validity or enforceability of any Loan Document or any agreements or instruments relating thereto;
- (b) any change in the time, manner or place of payment of, or in any other term of, all or any of the Guaranteed Obligations or any other Obligations of any other Loan Party under or in respect of the Loan Documents or any other amendment or waiver of or any consent to departure from any other Loan Document, including, without limitation, any increase in the Guaranteed Obligations resulting from the extension of additional credit to any Loan Party or any of its Subsidiaries or otherwise;
- (c) any change, restructuring or termination of the corporate structure or existence of any Loan Party or any of its Subsidiaries;
- (d) any failure of any Lender Party to disclose to any Loan Party any information relating to the business, condition (financial or otherwise), operations, performance, properties or prospects of any other Loan Party now or hereafter known to such Lender Party (each Guarantor waiving any duty on the part of the Lender Parties to disclose such information);

(e) the failure of any other Person to execute or deliver this Guaranty, any Guaranty Supplement (as hereinafter defined) or any other guaranty or agreement or the release or reduction of liability of any Guarantor or other guarantor or surety with respect to the Guaranteed Obligations; or

(f) any other circumstance (including, without limitation, to the fullest extent permitted under applicable law, any statute of limitations) or any existence of or reliance on any representation by any Lender Party that might otherwise constitute a defense available to, or a discharge of, any Loan Party or any other guarantor or surety (other than, subject to the next sentence, payment in full of the Guaranteed Obligations).

This Guaranty shall continue to be effective or be reinstated, as the case may be, if at any time any payment of any of the Guaranteed Obligations is rescinded or must otherwise be returned by any Lender Party or any other Person upon the insolvency, bankruptcy or reorganization of the Borrower or any other Loan Party or otherwise, all as though such payment had not been made.

Section 3. Waivers and Acknowledgments.

(a) Each Guarantor hereby unconditionally and irrevocably waives promptness, diligence, notice of acceptance, presentment, demand for performance, notice of nonperformance, default, acceleration, protest or dishonor and any other notice with respect to any of the Guaranteed Obligations and this Guaranty and any requirement that any Lender Party protect, secure, perfect or insure any Lien or any property subject thereto or exhaust any right or take any action against any Loan Party or any other Person.

(b) Each Guarantor hereby unconditionally and irrevocably waives any right to revoke this Guaranty and acknowledges that this Guaranty is continuing in nature and applies to all Guaranteed Obligations, whether existing now or in the future.

(c) Each Guarantor hereby unconditionally and irrevocably waives (i) any defense arising by reason of any claim or defense based upon an election of remedies by any Lender Party that in any manner impairs, reduces, releases or otherwise adversely affects the subrogation, reimbursement, exoneration, contribution or indemnification rights of such Guarantor or other rights of such Guarantor to proceed against any of the other Loan Parties, any other guarantor or any other Person and (ii) any defense based on any right of set-off or other right against or in respect of the Obligations of such Guarantor hereunder; *provided* that nothing in this Section 3 shall prevent the assertion of any such claim by separate suit or compulsory counterclaim.

(d) Each Guarantor hereby unconditionally and irrevocably waives any duty on the part of any Lender Party to disclose to such Guarantor any matter, fact or thing relating to the business, condition (financial or otherwise), operations, performance, properties or prospects of any other Loan Party or any of its Subsidiaries now or hereafter known by such Lender Party.

(e) Each Guarantor acknowledges that it will receive substantial direct and indirect benefits from the financing arrangements contemplated by the Loan Documents and that the waivers set forth in Section 2 and this Section 3 are knowingly made in contemplation of such benefits.

Section 4. Subrogation. Each Guarantor hereby unconditionally and irrevocably agrees not to exercise any rights that it may now have or hereafter acquire against the Borrower, any other Loan Party or any other insider guarantor that arise from the existence, payment, performance or enforcement of such Guarantor's Obligations under or in respect of this Guaranty or any other Loan Document, including, without limitation, any right of subrogation, reimbursement, exoneration, contribution or indemnification and any right to participate in any claim or remedy of any Lender Party against the Borrower, any other Loan Party or any other insider guarantor, whether or not such claim, remedy or right arises in equity or under contract, statute or common law, including, without limitation, the right to take or receive from the Borrower, any other Loan Party or any other insider guarantor, directly or indirectly, in cash or other property or by set-off or in any other manner, payment or security on account of such claim, remedy or right, unless and until all of the Guaranteed Obligations and all other amounts payable under this Guaranty (other than Unmatured Surviving Obligations) shall have been paid in full in immediately available funds, all Letters of Credit (unless cash collateralized in a manner reasonably satisfactory to the L/C Issuer) shall have expired or been terminated and the Commitments shall have expired or been terminated. If any amount shall be paid to any Guarantor in violation of the immediately preceding sentence at any time prior to the latest of (a) the payment in full in immediately available funds of the Guaranteed Obligations and all other amounts payable under this Guaranty (other than Unmatured Surviving Obligations), (b) the Maturity Date of the Revolving Credit Facility, and (c) the latest date of expiration or termination of all Letters of Credit (unless cash collateralized in a manner reasonably satisfactory to the L/C Issuer), such amount shall be received and held in trust for the benefit of the Lender Parties, shall be segregated from other property and funds of such Guarantor and shall forthwith be paid or delivered to the Administrative Agent in the same form as so received (with any necessary endorsement or assignment) to be credited and applied to the Guaranteed Obligations and all other amounts payable by such Guarantor under this Guaranty, whether matured or unmatured, in accordance with the terms of the Loan Documents. If (i) any Guarantor shall make payment to any Lender Party of all or any part of the Guaranteed Obligations, (ii) all of the Guaranteed Obligations and all other amounts (other than Unmatured Surviving Obligations) payable under this Guaranty shall have been paid in full in immediately available funds, (iii) the Maturity Date of the Revolving Credit Facility shall have occurred, and (iv) all Letters of Credit (unless cash collateralized in a manner reasonably satisfactory to the L/C Issuer) shall have expired or been terminated, the Administrative Agent, on behalf of the Lender Parties will, at such Guarantor's request and expense, execute and deliver to such Guarantor appropriate documents, without recourse and without representation or warranty, necessary to evidence the transfer by subrogation to such Guarantor of an interest in the Guaranteed Obligations resulting from such payment made by such Guarantor pursuant to this Guaranty.

Section 5. [Intentionally Omitted].

Section 6. Representations and Warranties. Each Guarantor hereby makes each representation and warranty made in the Loan Documents by the Borrower with respect to such Guarantor, and each Guarantor hereby further represents and warrants as to itself as follows:

(a) There are no conditions precedent to the effectiveness of this Guaranty as against such Guarantor that have not been satisfied or waived.

(b) Such Guarantor has, independently and without reliance upon any Lender Party and based on such documents and information as it has deemed appropriate, made its own credit analysis and decision to enter into this Guaranty and each other Loan Document to which it is or is to be a party, and such Guarantor has established adequate means of obtaining from each other Loan Party on a continuing basis information pertaining to, and is now and on a continuing basis will be completely familiar with, the business, condition (financial or otherwise), operations, performance, properties and prospects of such other Loan Party.

Section 7. Covenants. Each Guarantor covenants and agrees that, so long as any part of the Guaranteed Obligations shall remain unpaid (other than Unmatured Surviving Obligations), any Letter of Credit shall be outstanding (unless cash collateralized in a manner reasonably satisfactory to the L/C Issuer), or any Lender Party shall have any Commitment, such Guarantor will perform and observe, and cause each of its Subsidiaries to perform and observe, all of the terms, covenants and agreements set forth in the Loan Documents on its or their part to be performed or observed or that the Borrower has agreed to cause such Guarantor or such Subsidiaries to perform or observe.

Section 8. Amendments, Guaranty Supplements, Etc.

(a) No amendment or waiver of any provision of this Guaranty and no consent to any departure by any Guarantor therefrom shall in any event be effective unless the same shall be in writing and approved as provided in Section 10.01 of the Credit Agreement.

(a) Upon a Guarantor ceasing to be (i) a Subsidiary as a result of a transaction not prohibited by the Loan Documents, or (ii) a Material Domestic Subsidiary, such Guarantor shall be released from this Guaranty in accordance with the requirements of Section 9.10 of the Credit Agreement and the Administrative Agent shall, upon request by any Loan Party, execute and deliver to such Loan Party such appropriate documents, without recourse and without representation or warranty, necessary to evidence such release.

(b) Upon the execution and delivery by any Person of a guaranty supplement in substantially the form of Exhibit A hereto (each, a "**Guaranty Supplement**"), (i) such Person shall be referred to as an "**Additional Guarantor**" and shall become and be a Guarantor hereunder, and each reference in this Guaranty to a "**Guarantor**" shall also mean and be a reference to such Additional Guarantor, and each reference in any other Loan Document to a "**Guarantor**" shall also mean and be a reference to such Additional Guarantor, and (ii) each reference herein to "**this Guaranty**", "**hereunder**", "**hereof**" or words of like import referring to this Guaranty, and each reference in any other Loan Document to the "**Guaranty**", "**thereunder**", "**thereof**" or words of like import referring to this Guaranty, shall mean and be a reference to this Guaranty as supplemented by such Guaranty Supplement.

Section 9. Notices, Etc. All communications and notices hereunder shall (except as otherwise expressly permitted herein) be in writing and given as provided in Section 10.02 of the Credit Agreement. All communications and notices hereunder to any Guarantor shall be given to it in care of the Borrower as provided in Section 10.02 of the Credit Agreement.

Section 10. No Waiver; Remedies. No failure on the part of any Lender Party to exercise, and no delay in exercising, any right hereunder shall operate as a waiver thereof; nor shall any single or partial exercise of any right hereunder preclude any other or further exercise thereof or the exercise of any other right. The remedies herein provided are cumulative and not exclusive of any remedies provided by law.

Section 11. Right of Set-off. Upon the occurrence and during the continuance of any Event of Default, each Lender Party 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 indebtedness at any time owing by such Lender Party or any such Affiliate to or for the credit or the account of any Guarantor against any and all of the Obligations of such Guarantor then due under the Loan Documents, irrespective of whether or not such Lender Party shall have made any demand under this Guaranty or any other Loan Document and although such Obligations may be contingent or unmatured. Each Lender Party agrees promptly to notify such Guarantor after any such set-off and application; *provided, however*, that the failure to give such notice shall not affect the validity of such set-off and application. The rights of the Administrative Agent and each Lender and their respective Affiliates under this Section 11 are in addition to other rights and remedies (including, without limitation, other rights of set-off) that the Administrative Agent, such Lender and their respective Affiliates may have.

Section 12. Indemnification.

(a) Without limitation on any other Obligations of any Guarantor or remedies of the Lender Parties under this Guaranty, each Guarantor shall, to the fullest extent permitted by law, indemnify, defend and save and hold harmless each Lender Party and each Related Party (each, an "**Indemnified Party**") from and against, without duplication, any and all claims, damages, losses, liabilities and expenses (including, without limitation, reasonable and documented fees and expenses of one counsel (together with one local counsel, if necessary, in each relevant jurisdiction) for all Indemnified Parties; *provided* that such Guarantor shall so indemnify for expenses of additional counsel if an actual conflict of interest exists between the Indemnified Parties) that may be incurred by or asserted or awarded against any Indemnified Party in connection with or as a result of any failure of any Guaranteed Obligations to be the legal, valid and binding obligations of any Loan Party enforceable against such Loan Party in accordance with their terms.

(b) Each Guarantor hereby also agrees, to the fullest extent permitted by law, that none of the Indemnified Parties shall have any liability (whether direct or indirect, in contract, tort or otherwise) to any of the Guarantors or any Related Parties, and each Guarantor hereby agrees, to the fullest extent permitted by law, not to assert any claim against any Indemnified Party on any theory of liability for special, indirect, consequential or punitive damages (as opposed to direct or actual damages) arising out of or otherwise relating to the Facilities, the actual or proposed use of the proceeds of the Loans or the Letters of Credit, the Loan Documents or any of the transactions contemplated by the Loan Documents. No Guarantor, to the fullest extent permitted by law, shall have any liability (whether direct or indirect, in contract, tort or otherwise) to any of the Indemnified Parties, and no Indemnified Party, to the fullest extent permitted by law, shall assert any claim against any Guarantor on any theory of liability for special, indirect, consequential or punitive damages (as opposed to direct or actual damages) arising out of or otherwise relating to the Facilities, the actual or proposed use of the proceeds of the Loans or the Letters of Credit, the Loan Documents or any of the transactions contemplated by the Loan Documents; *provided* that nothing in this sentence shall affect any Guarantor's indemnity and reimbursement obligations pursuant to Sections 1(a) and 12(a).

(c) Without prejudice to the survival of any of the other agreements of any Guarantor under this Guaranty or any of the other Loan Documents, the agreements and obligations of each Guarantor contained in Section 1(a) (with respect to enforcement expenses), the last sentence of Section 2 and this Section 12 shall survive the payment in full of the Guaranteed Obligations and all of the other amounts payable under this Guaranty.

Section 13. Subordination. Each Guarantor hereby subordinates any and all debts, liabilities and other obligations owed to such Guarantor by each other Loan Party (the "***Subordinated Obligations***") to the Guaranteed Obligations to the extent and in the manner hereinafter set forth in this Section 13:

(a) Prohibited Payments, Etc. Except during the continuance of an Event of Default under Section 8.01(a) or (f) of the Credit Agreement and subject to the next sentence of this Section 13(a), each Guarantor may receive payments from any other Loan Party on account of the Subordinated Obligations held by it. After the occurrence and during the continuance of any Event of Default and following notice by the Administrative Agent to such Guarantor to such effect (provided that such notice shall not be required for an Event of Default under Section 8.01(a) or (f) of the Credit Agreement), unless the Administrative Agent otherwise agrees, no Guarantor shall demand, accept or take any action to collect any payment on account of the Subordinated Obligations held by it.

(b) Prior Payment of Guaranteed Obligations. In any proceeding under any Debtor Relief Laws relating to any other Loan Party, each Guarantor agrees that the Lender Parties shall be entitled to receive payment in full in cash of all Guaranteed Obligations (including all interest and expenses accruing after the commencement of a proceeding under any Debtor Relief Laws, whether or not constituting an allowed claim in such proceeding ("***Post Petition Interest***")) before such Guarantor receives payment of any Subordinated Obligations held by it.

(c) Turn-Over. Upon the occurrence and continuance of any Event of Default, each Guarantor shall, if the Administrative Agent so requests, collect, enforce and receive payments on account of the Subordinated Obligations held by it as trustee for the Lender Parties and deliver such payments to the Administrative Agent on account of the Guaranteed Obligations (including all Post Petition Interest), together with any necessary endorsements or other instruments of transfer, but without reducing or affecting in any manner the liability of such Guarantor under the other provisions of this Guaranty.

(d) Administrative Agent Authorization. Upon the occurrence and continuance of any Event of Default, the Administrative Agent is authorized and empowered (but not obligated), in its discretion, (i) in the name of each Guarantor, to collect and enforce, and to submit claims in respect of, Subordinated Obligations held by such Guarantor and to apply any amounts received thereon to the Guaranteed Obligations (including any and all Post Petition Interest), and (ii) to require each Guarantor (A) to collect and enforce, and to submit claims in respect of, Subordinated Obligations held by it and (B) to pay any amounts received on such obligations to the Administrative Agent for application to the Guaranteed Obligations (including any and all Post Petition Interest).

Section 14. Continuing Guaranty; Assignments under the Credit Agreement. This Guaranty is a continuing guaranty and shall (a) remain in full force and effect until the latest of (i) the payment in full in immediately available funds of the Guaranteed Obligations and all other amounts payable under this Guaranty (other than Unmatured Surviving Obligations), (ii) the termination or expiration of all of the Commitments of the Lenders and (iii) the latest date of expiration or termination of all Letters of Credit (unless cash collateralized in a manner reasonably satisfactory to the L/C Issuer), (b) be binding upon each Guarantor, its successors and permitted assigns and (c) inure to the benefit of and be enforceable by the Lender Parties and their successors, permitted transferees and permitted assigns. Without limiting the generality of clause (c) of the immediately preceding sentence, any Lender Party may assign or otherwise transfer all or any portion of its rights and obligations under the Credit Agreement (including, without limitation, all or any portion of its Commitments, the Loans owing to it and the Note or Notes, if any, held by it) to any other Person, and such other Person shall thereupon become vested with all the benefits and obligations in respect thereof granted or pertaining to such Lender Party herein or otherwise, in each case as and to the extent provided in Section 10.06 of the Credit Agreement. No Guarantor shall have the right to assign its rights hereunder or any interest herein without the prior written consent of the Lender Parties.

Section 15. Execution in Counterparts. This Guaranty and each amendment, waiver and consent with respect hereto may be executed in any number of counterparts and by different parties thereto in separate counterparts, each of which when so executed shall be deemed to be an original and all of which taken together shall constitute one and the same agreement. Delivery by telecopier or in .pdf or similar format by electronic mail of an executed counterpart of a signature page to this Guaranty or to any amendment or waiver of any provision of this Guaranty or to any Guaranty Supplement to be executed and delivered hereunder shall be effective as delivery of an original executed counterpart hereof and thereof.

Section 16. Governing Law; Jurisdiction; Waiver of Jury Trial, Etc.

(a) This Guaranty shall be governed by, and construed in accordance with, the laws of the State of New York.

(b) EACH GUARANTOR IRREVOCABLY AND UNCONDITIONALLY SUBMITS, FOR ITSELF AND ITS PROPERTY, TO THE NONEXCLUSIVE JURISDICTION OF THE COURTS OF THE STATE OF NEW YORK SITTING IN NEW YORK COUNTY AND OF THE UNITED STATES DISTRICT COURT SITTING IN NEW YORK COUNTY, AND ANY APPELLATE COURT FROM ANY THEREOF, IN ANY ACTION OR PROCEEDING ARISING OUT OF OR RELATING TO THIS GUARANTY OR ANY OTHER LOAN DOCUMENT TO WHICH IT IS A PARTY, OR FOR RECOGNITION OR ENFORCEMENT OF ANY JUDGMENT, AND EACH GUARANTOR HERETO IRREVOCABLY AND UNCONDITIONALLY AGREES THAT ALL CLAIMS IN RESPECT OF ANY SUCH ACTION OR PROCEEDING MAY BE HEARD AND DETERMINED IN SUCH NEW YORK STATE COURT OR, TO THE FULLEST EXTENT PERMITTED BY APPLICABLE LAW, IN SUCH FEDERAL COURT. EACH GUARANTOR HERETO AGREES THAT, TO THE FULLEST EXTENT PERMITTED BY APPLICABLE LAW, A FINAL JUDGMENT IN ANY SUCH ACTION OR PROCEEDING SHALL BE CONCLUSIVE AND MAY BE ENFORCED IN OTHER JURISDICTIONS BY SUIT ON THE JUDGMENT OR IN ANY OTHER MANNER PROVIDED BY LAW. NOTHING IN THIS GUARANTY OR IN ANY OTHER LOAN DOCUMENT SHALL AFFECT ANY RIGHT THAT ANY PARTY MAY OTHERWISE HAVE TO BRING ANY ACTION OR PROCEEDING RELATING TO THIS GUARANTY OR ANY OTHER LOAN DOCUMENTS AGAINST ANY OTHER PARTY OR ITS PROPERTIES IN THE COURTS OF ANY JURISDICTION.

(c) EACH GUARANTOR HERETO IRREVOCABLY AND UNCONDITIONALLY WAIVES, TO THE FULLEST EXTENT PERMITTED BY APPLICABLE LAW, ANY OBJECTION THAT IT MAY NOW OR HEREAFTER HAVE TO THE LAYING OF VENUE OF ANY ACTION OR PROCEEDING ARISING OUT OF OR RELATING TO THIS GUARANTY OR ANY OTHER LOAN DOCUMENT IN ANY COURT REFERRED TO IN PARAGRAPH (B) OF THIS SECTION. EACH GUARANTOR HERETO HEREBY IRREVOCABLY WAIVES, TO THE FULLEST EXTENT PERMITTED BY APPLICABLE LAW, THE DEFENSE OF AN INCONVENIENT FORUM TO THE MAINTENANCE OF SUCH ACTION OR PROCEEDING IN ANY SUCH COURT.

(d) EACH GUARANTOR HERETO HEREBY IRREVOCABLY WAIVES, TO THE FULLEST EXTENT PERMITTED BY APPLICABLE LAW, ANY RIGHT IT MAY HAVE TO A TRIAL BY JURY IN ANY LEGAL PROCEEDING DIRECTLY OR INDIRECTLY ARISING OUT OF OR RELATING TO THIS GUARANTY OR ANY OTHER LOAN DOCUMENT OR THE TRANSACTIONS CONTEMPLATED HEREBY OR THEREBY (WHETHER BASED ON CONTRACT, TORT OR ANY OTHER THEORY).

*[Signature Page to Follow]*

IN WITNESS WHEREOF, each Guarantor has caused this Guaranty to be duly executed and delivered by its officer thereunto duly authorized as of the date first above written.

GUARANTORS:  
BARRA, LLC

By: \_\_\_\_\_  
Name: Robert Qutub  
Title: Chief Financial Officer and Treasurer

RISKMETRICS SOLUTIONS, LLC

By: \_\_\_\_\_  
Name: Robert Qutub  
Title: Chief Financial Officer and Treasurer

RISKMETRICS GROUP, LLC

By: \_\_\_\_\_  
Name: Robert Qutub  
Title: Chief Financial Officer and Treasurer

RISKMETRICS GROUP HOLDINGS, LLC

By: \_\_\_\_\_  
Name: Robert Qutub  
Title: Chief Financial Officer and Treasurer

FORM OF GUARANTY SUPPLEMENT

[\_\_\_\_\_] [\_\_\_\_]

JPMorgan Chase Bank, N.A., as Administrative Agent  
April Yebd  
10 S. Dearborn L2  
Chicago, IL 60603

Attention: Agency Services

Revolving Credit Agreement dated as of November 20, 2014 among MSCI Inc., a Delaware corporation (the "**Borrower**"), the Lenders party thereto and JPMorgan Chase Bank, N.A., as Administrative Agent and L/C Issuer (the "**Credit Agreement**").

Ladies and Gentlemen:

We refer to the Credit Agreement and to the Guaranty referred to therein (such Guaranty, as in effect on the date hereof and as it may hereafter be amended, supplemented or otherwise modified from time to time, together with this Guaranty Supplement, being the "**Guaranty**"). The capitalized terms defined in the Guaranty or in the Credit Agreement and not otherwise defined herein are used herein as therein defined.

Section 1. Guaranty; Limitation of Liability.

(a) The undersigned hereby absolutely, unconditionally and irrevocably guarantees the punctual payment when due, whether at scheduled maturity or on any date of a required prepayment or by acceleration, demand or otherwise, of all Obligations of each other Loan Party now or hereafter existing under or in respect of the Loan Documents, whether direct or indirect, absolute or contingent, and whether for principal, interest, premium, fees, indemnities, contract causes of action, costs, expenses or otherwise (such Obligations being the "**Guaranteed Obligations**"), and agrees to pay any and all reasonable and documented expenses (including, without limitation, reasonable and documented fees and expenses of counsel) incurred by the Administrative Agent or any other Lender Party in enforcing any rights against such Guarantor under this Guaranty Supplement, the Guaranty or any other Loan Document; *provided* that no Guarantor shall be required to reimburse the legal fees and expenses of more than one counsel (and up to one local counsel in each applicable local jurisdiction) for all Lender Parties (which shall be selected by the Administrative Agent) unless, in the reasonable opinion of the Administrative Agent, representation of all such Lender Parties would be inappropriate due to the existence of any actual or potential conflict of interest. Without limiting the generality of the foregoing, the undersigned's liability shall extend to all amounts that constitute part of the Guaranteed Obligations and would be owed by any other Loan Party to any Lender Party under or in respect of the Loan Documents but for the fact that they are unenforceable or not allowable due to the existence of a bankruptcy, reorganization or similar proceeding involving such other Loan Party.

(b) The undersigned, and by its acceptance of this Guaranty Supplement, the Administrative Agent and each other Lender Party, hereby confirms that it is the intention of all such Persons that this Guaranty Supplement, the Guaranty and the Obligations of the undersigned hereunder and thereunder not constitute a fraudulent transfer or conveyance for purposes of Debtor Relief Laws, the Uniform Fraudulent Conveyance Act, the Uniform Fraudulent Transfer Act or any similar foreign, federal or state law to the extent applicable to this Guaranty Supplement, the Guaranty and the Obligations of the undersigned hereunder and thereunder. To effectuate the foregoing intention, the Administrative Agent, the other Lender Parties and the undersigned hereby irrevocably agree that the Obligations of the undersigned under this Guaranty Supplement and the Guaranty at any time shall be limited to the maximum amount as will result in the Obligations of the undersigned under this Guaranty Supplement and the Guaranty not constituting a fraudulent transfer or conveyance.

(c) The undersigned hereby unconditionally and irrevocably agrees that in the event any payment shall be required to be made to any Lender Party under this Guaranty Supplement, the Guaranty, or any other guaranty, the undersigned will contribute, to the maximum extent permitted by applicable law, such amounts to each other Guarantor and each other guarantor so as to maximize the aggregate amount paid to the Lender Parties under or in respect of the Loan Documents.

Section 2. Obligations Under the Guaranty. The undersigned hereby agrees, as of the date first above written, to be bound as a Guarantor by all of the terms and conditions of the Guaranty to the same extent as each of the other Guarantors thereunder. The undersigned further agrees, as of the date first above written, that each reference in the Guaranty to an “*Additional Guarantor*” or a “*Guarantor*” shall also mean and be a reference to the undersigned, and each reference in any other Loan Document to a “*Guarantor*” or a “*Loan Party*” shall also mean and be a reference to the undersigned.

Section 3. Representations and Warranties. The undersigned hereby makes each representation and warranty set forth in Section 6 of the Guaranty to the same extent as each other Guarantor.

Section 4. Delivery by Telecopier. Delivery of an executed counterpart of a signature page to this Guaranty Supplement by telecopier or in .pdf electronic copy shall be effective as delivery of an original executed counterpart of this Guaranty Supplement.

Section 5. Governing Law; Jurisdiction; Waiver of Jury Trial, Etc.

(a) This Guaranty Supplement shall be governed by, and construed in accordance with, the laws of the State of New York.

(b) THE UNDERSIGNED IRREVOCABLY AND UNCONDITIONALLY SUBMITS, FOR ITSELF AND ITS PROPERTY, TO THE NONEXCLUSIVE JURISDICTION OF THE COURTS OF THE STATE OF NEW YORK SITTING IN NEW YORK COUNTY AND OF THE UNITED STATES DISTRICT COURT SITTING IN NEW YORK COUNTY, AND ANY APPELLATE COURT FROM ANY THEREOF, IN ANY ACTION OR PROCEEDING ARISING OUT OF OR RELATING TO THIS GUARANTY SUPPLEMENT OR ANY OTHER LOAN DOCUMENT TO WHICH IT IS A PARTY, OR FOR RECOGNITION OR ENFORCEMENT OF ANY JUDGMENT, AND THE UNDERSIGNED HERETO IRREVOCABLY AND UNCONDITIONALLY AGREES THAT ALL CLAIMS IN RESPECT OF ANY SUCH ACTION OR PROCEEDING MAY BE HEARD AND DETERMINED IN SUCH NEW YORK STATE COURT OR, TO THE FULLEST EXTENT PERMITTED BY APPLICABLE LAW, IN SUCH FEDERAL COURT. THE UNDERSIGNED HERETO AGREES THAT, TO THE FULLEST EXTENT PERMITTED BY APPLICABLE LAW, A FINAL JUDGMENT IN ANY SUCH ACTION OR PROCEEDING SHALL BE CONCLUSIVE AND MAY BE ENFORCED IN OTHER JURISDICTIONS BY SUIT ON THE JUDGMENT OR IN ANY OTHER MANNER PROVIDED BY LAW. NOTHING IN THIS GUARANTY SUPPLEMENT OR IN ANY OTHER LOAN DOCUMENT SHALL AFFECT ANY RIGHT THAT ANY PARTY MAY OTHERWISE HAVE TO BRING ANY ACTION OR PROCEEDING RELATING TO THIS GUARANTY SUPPLEMENT OR ANY OTHER LOAN DOCUMENTS AGAINST ANY OTHER PARTY OR ITS PROPERTIES IN THE COURTS OF ANY JURISDICTION.

(c) THE UNDERSIGNED HERETO IRREVOCABLY AND UNCONDITIONALLY WAIVES, TO THE FULLEST EXTENT PERMITTED BY APPLICABLE LAW, ANY OBJECTION THAT IT MAY NOW OR HEREAFTER HAVE TO THE LAYING OF VENUE OF ANY ACTION OR PROCEEDING ARISING OUT OF OR RELATING TO THIS GUARANTY SUPPLEMENT OR ANY OTHER LOAN DOCUMENT IN ANY COURT REFERRED TO IN PARAGRAPH (B) OF THIS SECTION. THE UNDERSIGNED HERETO HEREBY IRREVOCABLY WAIVES, TO THE FULLEST EXTENT PERMITTED BY APPLICABLE LAW, THE DEFENSE OF AN INCONVENIENT FORUM TO THE MAINTENANCE OF SUCH ACTION OR PROCEEDING IN ANY SUCH COURT.

(d) THE UNDERSIGNED HERETO HEREBY IRREVOCABLY WAIVES, TO THE FULLEST EXTENT PERMITTED BY APPLICABLE LAW, ANY RIGHT IT MAY HAVE TO A TRIAL BY JURY IN ANY LEGAL PROCEEDING DIRECTLY OR INDIRECTLY ARISING OUT OF OR RELATING TO THIS GUARANTY SUPPLEMENT OR ANY OTHER LOAN DOCUMENT OR THE TRANSACTIONS CONTEMPLATED HEREBY OR THEREBY (WHETHER BASED ON CONTRACT, TORT OR ANY OTHER THEORY).

Very truly yours,

[NAME OF ADDITIONAL GUARANTOR]

By: \_\_\_\_\_

Title:

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The undersigned has furnished the Administrative Agent and the Borrower with a certificate of its non-U.S. person status on Internal Revenue Service Form W-8BEN or W-8BEN-E, as applicable. By executing this certificate, the undersigned agrees that (1) if the information provided on this certificate changes, or if a lapse in time or change in circumstances renders the information on this certificate obsolete, expired or inaccurate in any respect, the undersigned shall promptly so inform the Borrower and the Administrative Agent in writing and deliver promptly to the Borrower and the Administrative Agent an updated certificate or other appropriate documentation (including any new documentation reasonably requested by the Borrower or the Administrative Agent) or promptly notify the Borrower and the Administrative Agent in writing of its legal ineligibility to do so, and (2) the undersigned shall have at all times furnished the Borrower and the Administrative Agent with a properly completed and currently effective certificate and Form W-8BEN or W-8BEN-E, as applicable, in either the calendar year in which each payment is to be made to the undersigned, or in either of the two calendar years preceding each such payment.

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[Lender or L/C Issuer, as applicable]

By: \_\_\_\_\_

Name:

Title:

[Address]

Dated: \_\_\_\_\_, 20[●]

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The undersigned has furnished the Administrative Agent and the Borrower with Internal Revenue Service Form W-8IMY accompanied by an Internal Revenue Service Form W-8IMY, W-8BEN or W-8BEN-E, as applicable, from each of its direct or indirect partners/members claiming the portfolio interest exemption on behalf of itself or any of its beneficial owners. By executing this certificate, the undersigned agrees that (1) if the information provided on this certificate changes, or if a lapse in time or change in circumstances renders the information on this certificate obsolete, expired or inaccurate in any respect, the undersigned shall promptly so inform the Borrower and the Administrative Agent in writing and deliver promptly to the Borrower and the Administrative Agent an updated certificate or other appropriate documentation (including any new documentation reasonably requested by the Borrower or the Administrative Agent) or promptly notify the Borrower and the Administrative Agent in writing of its legal ineligibility to do so, and (2) the undersigned shall have at all times furnished the Borrower and the Administrative Agent with a properly completed and currently effective certificate and Form W-8IMY and accompanying Forms W-8BEN or W-8BEN-E, as applicable, either the calendar year in which each payment is to be made by the Borrower or the Administrative Agent to the undersigned, or in either of the two calendar years preceding each such payment.

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[Lender or L/C Issuer, as applicable]

By: \_\_\_\_\_  
Name:  
Title:

[Address]

Dated: \_\_\_\_\_, 20[●]

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The undersigned has furnished its participating Foreign Lender with a certificate of its non-U.S. person status on Internal Revenue Service Form W-8BEN or W-8BEN-E, as applicable. By executing this certificate, the undersigned agrees that (1) if the information provided on this certificate changes, or if a lapse in time or change in circumstances renders the information on this certificate obsolete, expired or inaccurate in any respect, the undersigned shall promptly so inform such Foreign Lender in writing and deliver promptly to such Foreign Lender an updated certificate or other appropriate documentation (including any new documentation reasonably requested by such Foreign Lender) or promptly notify such Foreign Lender in writing of its legal ineligibility to do so, and (2) the undersigned shall have at all times furnished such Foreign Lender with a properly completed and currently effective certificate and Form W-8BEN or W-8BEN-E, as applicable, in either the calendar year in which each payment is to be made to the undersigned, or in either of the two calendar years preceding each such payment.

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[Participant]

By: \_\_\_\_\_

Name:

Title:

[Address]

Dated: \_\_\_\_\_, 20[●]

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[Participant]

By: \_\_\_\_\_  
Name:  
Title:

[Address]

Dated: \_\_\_\_\_, 20[●]

## FORM OF LOAN AUCTION PROCEDURES

*This Exhibit G is intended to summarize certain basic terms of the modified Dutch auction procedures pursuant to and in accordance with the terms and conditions of Section 2.17 of the Amended and Restated Credit Agreement, of which this Exhibit G is a part. It is not intended to be a definitive statement of all of the terms and conditions of a modified Dutch auction, the definitive terms and conditions for which shall be set forth in the Auction Notice (as defined below). None of the Administrative Agent, the Auction Manager, or any of its Affiliates makes any recommendation pursuant to any Auction Notice as to whether or not any Lender should participate in a Discounted Prepayment Offer, nor shall the decision by the Administrative Agent or the Auction Manager (or any of their Affiliates) in its capacity as a Lender to participate in a Discounted Prepayment Offer be deemed to constitute such a recommendation. Each Lender should make its own decision as to whether to participate in a Discounted Prepayment Offer and as to the price to be sought for such Term Loans. In addition, each Lender should consult its own attorney, business advisor or tax advisor as to legal, business, tax and related matters concerning each Discounted Prepayment Offer and the Auction Notice. Capitalized terms not otherwise defined in this Exhibit G have the meanings assigned to them in the Amended and Restated Credit Agreement.*

(a) Notice Procedures. In connection with each Discounted Prepayment Offer, the Borrower will provide notification to the Auction Manager for distribution to the Lenders of the Term Loans (each, an “Auction Notice”). Each Auction Notice shall contain (i) the maximum principal amount (calculated on the face amount thereof) of the Term Loans that the Borrower offers to prepay in such Discounted Prepayment Offer (the “Auction Amount”), which (A) shall be no less than \$10,000,000 (unless another amount is agreed to by the Administrative Agent) and (B) may be increased (but not decreased) at the option of the Borrower; (ii) the range of discounts to par (the “Discount Range”), expressed as a range of prices (in increments of \$5) per \$1,000, at which the Borrower would be willing to prepay Term Loans in such Discounted Prepayment Offer; and (iii) the date on which such Discounted Prepayment Offer will conclude, on which date Return Bids (as defined below) will be due by 1:00 p.m., New York time (as such date and time may be extended by the Auction Manager, the “Expiration Time”); and (iv) any other conditions specified by the Borrower that must be satisfied for the Borrower to be obligated to consummate such Discounted Prepayment Offer. Such Expiration Time may be extended for a period not exceeding three Business Days upon notice by the Borrower to the Auction Manager received not less than 24 hours before the original Expiration Time; provided that only two extensions per offer shall be permitted. The terms of the Auction Notice may be amended upon notice by the Borrower to the Auction Manager received not less than 24 hours before the original Expiration Time so long as no Qualifying Bids have been received with respect to such Auction Notice at the time notice of such amendment is delivered to the Auction Manager. A Discounted Prepayment Offer shall be regarded as a “failed discounted prepayment offer” in the event that either (x) the Borrower withdraws such Discounted Prepayment Offer in accordance with the terms hereof or as set forth in Section 2.17(b) of the Amended and Restated Credit Agreement or (y) the Expiration Time occurs with no Qualifying Bids (as defined below) having been received. In the event of a failed discounted prepayment offer, the Borrower shall not be permitted to deliver a new Auction Notice prior to the date occurring three Business Days after such withdrawal or Expiration Time, as the case may be. Notwithstanding anything to the contrary contained herein, the Borrower shall not initiate any Discounted Prepayment Offer by delivering an Auction Notice to the Auction Manager until after the conclusion (whether successful or failed) of the previous Discounted Prepayment Offer (if any), whether such conclusion occurs by withdrawal of such previous Discounted Prepayment Offer or the occurrence of the Expiration Time of such previous Discounted Prepayment Offer.

(b) Reply Procedures. In connection with any Discounted Prepayment Offer, each Lender wishing to participate in such Discounted Prepayment Offer shall, prior to the Expiration Time, provide the Auction Manager with a notice of participation, in the form included in the Auction Notice (each, a “Return Bid”) which shall specify (i) a discount to par that must be expressed as a price (in increments of \$5) per \$1,000 in principal amount of Term Loans (the “Reply Price”) of each Class within the Discount Range and (ii) the principal amount of Term Loans of each Class, in an amount not less than \$1,000,000 or an integral multiple of \$1,000 in excess thereof, that such Lender accepts for prepayment at its Reply Price (the “Reply Amount”). In addition, such Lender shall deliver to the Auction Manager a customary Big Boy Letter. A Lender may submit a Reply Amount for Term Loans of any Class that is less than the minimum amount and incremental amount requirements described above only if the Reply Amount comprises the entire amount of the Term Loans of such Class held by such Lender. Lenders may only submit one Return Bid per Class per Discounted Prepayment Offer, but each Return Bid may contain up to three component bids (or such larger number of component bids as may be specified in the Auction Notice), each of which may result in a separate Qualifying Bid and each of which will not be contingent on any other component bid submitted by such Lender resulting 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 Manager, an assignment and acceptance in the form included in the Auction Notice (each, an “Auction Assignment and Assumption”). The Borrower will not prepay any Term Loans at a price that is outside of the applicable Discount Range, nor will any Return Bids (including any component bids specified therein) submitted at a price that is outside such applicable Discount Range be considered in any calculation of the Applicable Threshold Price (as defined below).

(c) Acceptance Procedures. Based on the Reply Prices and Reply Amounts received by the Auction Manager, the Auction Manager, in consultation with the Borrower, will calculate the lowest purchase price (the “Applicable Threshold Price”) for such Discounted Prepayment Offer within the Discount Range for such Discounted Prepayment Offer that will allow the Borrower to complete the Discounted Prepayment Offer by prepaying the full Auction Amount (or such lesser amount of Term Loans for which the Borrower has received Qualifying Bids). The Borrower shall prepay Term Loans of each Lender whose Return Bid is within the Discount Range and contains a Reply Price that is equal to or less than the Applicable Threshold Price (each, a “Qualifying Bid”). All Term Loans included in Qualifying Bids (including multiple component Qualifying Bids contained in a single Return Bid) received at a Reply Price lower than the Applicable Threshold Price will be prepaid at the Applicable Threshold Price, subject to proration as set forth in paragraph (d) below. Each participating Lender will receive notice of a Qualifying Bid as soon as reasonably practicable but in no case later than five Business Days from the date of the Expiration Time.

(d) Proration Procedures. If the aggregate principal amount of all Term Loans for which Qualifying Bids have been submitted in any given Discounted Prepayment Offer at or below the Applicable Threshold Price would exceed the remaining portion of the Auction Amount, the Borrower shall prepay such Loans ratably based on the relative principal amounts offered by each Lender in an aggregate amount equal to the amount necessary to complete the prepayment of the Auction Amount. No Return Bids or any component thereof will be accepted above the Applicable Threshold Price.

(e) Notification Procedures. The Auction Manager will calculate the Applicable Threshold Price and post the Applicable Threshold Price and proration factor onto an internet or intranet site (including an IntraLinks, SyndTrak or other electronic workspace) in accordance with the Auction Manager’s standard dissemination practices by 4:00 p.m., New York time, on the Business Day after which the Expiration Time occurs; *provided* that the failure to post such Applicable Threshold Price and proration factor by such time shall not affect the validity of such Discounted Prepayment Offer. The Auction Manager will insert the principal amount of Term Loans of the applicable Class to be prepaid and the applicable settlement date.

(f) Prepayment Notice. Each Auction Notice shall contain the following representations and warranties by the Borrower:

“No Default or Event of Default has occurred and is continuing on the date of the delivery of this Auction Notice and at the time of prepayment of any Term Loans pursuant hereto or would result from this Discounted Prepayment Offer or from the application of the proceeds thereof.

The representations and warranties of the Borrower and each other Loan Party contained in Article V of the Amended and Restated Credit Agreement or any other Loan Document, or which are contained in any document furnished at any time under or in connection herewith or therewith, are true and correct in all material respects on and as of the date hereof, except to the extent that such representations and warranties expressly relate to an earlier date, in which case they were true and correct in all material respects as of such earlier date, and except that for purposes hereof, the representations and warranties contained in Sections 5.05(a) and (b) of the Amended and Restated Credit Agreement shall be deemed to refer to the most recent financial statements furnished pursuant to Sections 6.01(a) and (b) of the Amended and Restated Credit Agreement.

The Borrower is in compliance with Section 7.07 on a Pro Forma Basis after giving effect to the Discounted Prepayment Offer”.

(g) Additional Procedures. Once initiated by an Auction Notice, the Borrower (i) may withdraw a Discounted Prepayment Offer only if no Qualifying Bid has been received by the Auction Manager at the time of withdrawal and (ii) must, in accordance with Section 2.17(b) of the Amended and Restated Credit Agreement, terminate any Discounted Prepayment Offer if it reasonably believes that it will fail to satisfy one or more of the conditions set forth in Section 2.17(a) of the Amended and Restated Credit Agreement which are required to be met at the time which otherwise would have been the time of prepayment of Term Loans pursuant to such Discounted Prepayment Offer. Any Return Bid (including any component bid thereof) delivered to the Auction Manager may not be withdrawn, modified, revoked, terminated or cancelled by a Lender. However, a Discounted Prepayment Offer may become void if the conditions to the prepayment set forth in Section 2.17 of the Amended and Restated Credit Agreement are not met. The Borrower shall pay the aggregate purchase price in respect of all Qualifying Bids for which prepayment by the Borrower is required in accordance with the foregoing provisions to the Administrative Agent for the account of the applicable Lenders not later than 2:00 p.m. on a settlement date as determined jointly by the Borrower and the Auction Manager (which shall be not later than ten Business Days after the date Return Bids are due). All questions as to the form of documents and eligibility of Term Loans that are the subject of a Discounted Prepayment Offer will be determined by the Auction Manager, in consultation with the Borrower, and their determination will be final and binding so long as such determination is not inconsistent with the terms of Section 2.17 of the Amended and Restated Credit Agreement or this Exhibit G. The Auction Manager’s interpretation of the terms and conditions of the Auction Notice, in consultation with the Borrower, will be final and binding so long as such interpretation is not inconsistent with the terms of Section 2.17 of the Amended and Restated Credit Agreement or this Exhibit G. None of the Administrative Agent, the Auction Manager or any of its Affiliates assumes any responsibility for the accuracy or completeness of the information concerning the Borrower, the Loan Parties, or any of their Affiliates (whether contained in an Auction Notice or otherwise) or for any failure to disclose events that may have occurred and may affect the significance or accuracy of such information. This Exhibit G shall not require the Borrower to initiate any Discounted Prepayment Offer.

